

Grandpa, what's that you're smoking?

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A recent US government report "predicts that over the coming decade...stoned grandpas and grandmas will be commonplace especially where marijuana can be obtained legally for medicinal purposes." According to the report, "the number of 55 to 59-year-olds in the US using marijuana has more than tripled since 2002 to 5.1%." Concerns have been raised by doctors as cannabis use "can cause dizziness...which may increase the likelihood of falls [and]...heighten confusion in older people, many of whom will already be experiencing some cognitive impairment from early-stage dementia."