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Medical Marijuana

2024 Fiscal Year Report

(July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024)

Arkansas Department of Health



**Arkansas Department of Finance and
Administration**



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FY 2024 Medical Marijuana Data Summary

The Arkansas Medical Marijuana Amendment of 2016 requires the Arkansas Department of Health and the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration to submit specific Fiscal Year (FY) data related to Medical Marijuana activities.

The FY 2024 data updates are presented below.

Applications submitted for Registry ID Card = 101,364 Patients (Please refer to page 4 for caregivers & visitors information.)
Applications filed for renewal = 70,709 Patients (Please refer to page 5 for caregivers & visitors information.)
Patients' qualifying medical conditions = refer to page 6
Number of Registry ID Cards revoked after being approved = 2
Number of physicians providing written certifications = 1,191
Number of licensed dispensaries = 37 Number of dispensaries in operation = 37
Number of licensed cultivation facilities = 8 Number of cultivation facilities in operation = 8
Number of licensed processor facilities = 8 Number of processor facilities in operation = 7
Number of dispensary agents = 1,294 Number of cultivation facility agents = 945 Number of processor facility agents = 109
Number of licenses revoked to operate dispensary = 1 Number of licenses revoked to operate cultivation facility = 0 Number of licenses revoked to operate a processor facility = 0

Sources: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health and Arkansas Alcohol Beverage Control

Medical Marijuana Registry Application Status

Table 1: Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card Application Status, Arkansas, FY 2024

Status	Patient	Caregiver	Visitor
Submitted	101,364	830	12,041
Approved	101,006	421	11,706

Note: A visitor is an individual either from another state visiting Arkansas or recently moved to Arkansas that received a temporary Medical Marijuana Registry ID card

- This information represents the total of both new and renewed applications submitted and approved from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
- A total of 101,364 patients submitted applications for a Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card. Of those, 101,006 applications were approved. There were 358 applications pending due to incomplete information.
- A total of 830 caregivers submitted applications for Medical Marijuana Registry ID Cards. Of those, 421 applications were approved. There were 409 applications pending due to incomplete information.
- A total of 12,041 visitors submitted applications for Medical Marijuana Registry ID Cards. Of those, 11,706 applications were approved. There were 335 applications pending due to incomplete information.
- There were 2 revocations of patient or caregiver Registry ID Cards during the fiscal period after being approved.

Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

Medical Marijuana Registry Renewal Application Status

Table 1: Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card Renewal Application Status, Arkansas, FY 2024

Status	Patient	Caregiver	Visitor
Submitted	70,709	229	9,855
Approved	64,720	142	8,870

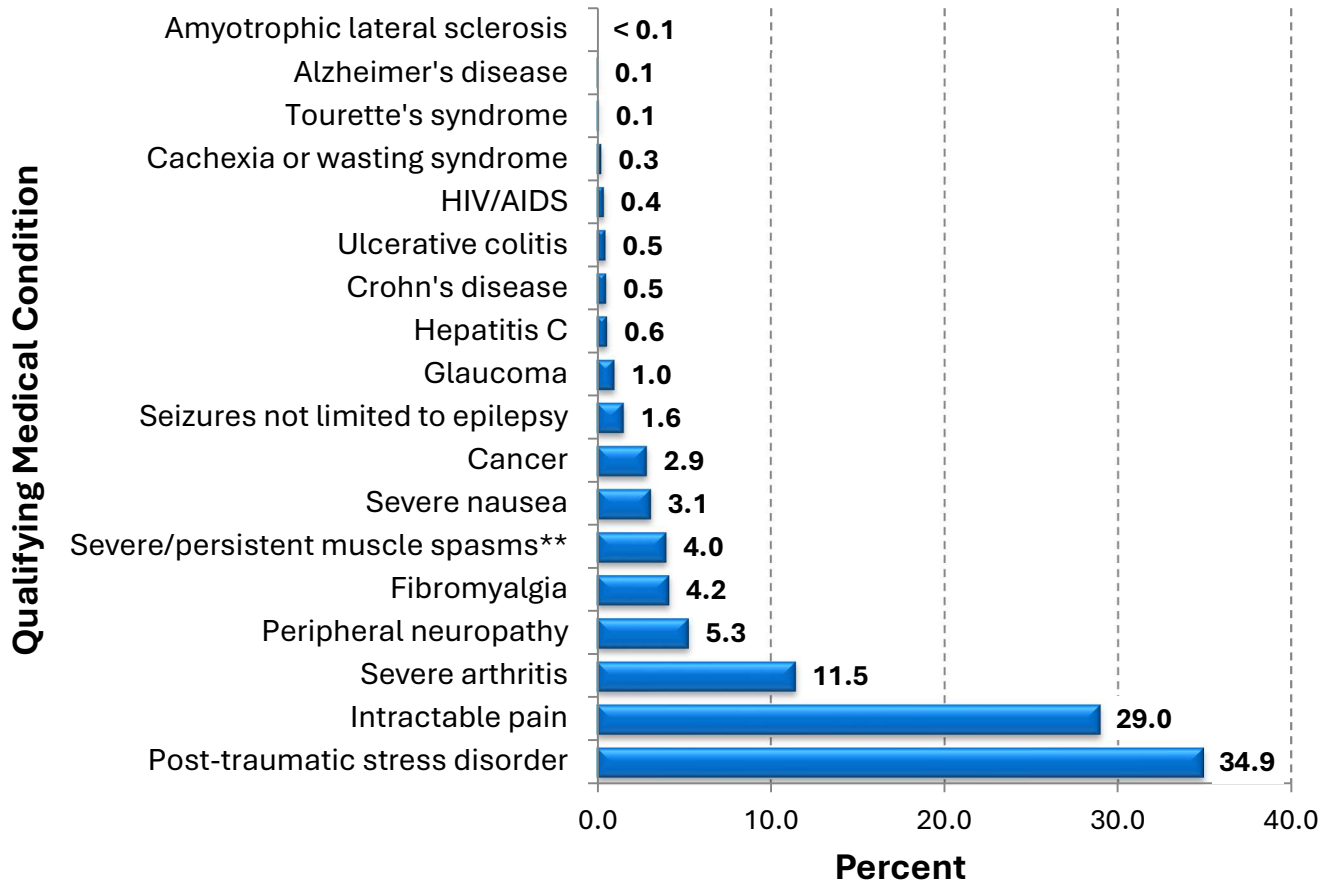
Note: A visitor is an individual either from another state visiting Arkansas or recently moved to Arkansas that received a temporary Medical Marijuana Registry ID card

- A total of 70,709 patient renewal applications were submitted for Medical Marijuana Registry ID Cards. Of those, 64,720 patient renewal applications were approved. There were 5,989 applications pending due to incomplete information.
- A total of 229 caregiver renewal applications were submitted for Medical Marijuana Registry ID Cards. Of those, 142 renewal applications were approved. There were 87 renewal applications pending due to incomplete information.
- A total of 9,855 visitor renewal applications were submitted for Medical Marijuana Registry ID Cards. Of those, 8,870 visitor renewal applications were approved. There were 985 renewal applications pending due to incomplete information.

Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

Patients' Qualifying Medical Conditions*

Figure 1: Patients' Qualifying Medical Conditions, Arkansas, FY 2024



*Many patients had more than one qualifying medical condition.

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- The most prevalent qualifying medical condition among Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card recipients was Post-traumatic stress disorder (34.9%).
- The second and third most prevalent conditions were Intractable pain, which is pain that has not responded to ordinary medications, treatment or surgical measures for more than six (6) months (29.0%) and severe arthritis (11.5%), followed by peripheral neuropathy (5.3%) and fibromyalgia (4.2%).
- The least prevalent medical conditions reported were amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (< 0.1%), Alzheimer's disease (0.1%), and Tourette's syndrome (0.1%).

Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

Patients' Qualifying Medical Conditions*

Table 3: Patients' Qualifying Medical Conditions, Arkansas, FY 2024

Patients' Qualifying Medical Conditions	Count	Percent
Post-traumatic stress disorder	80,075	34.9
Intractable pain, which is pain that has not responded to ordinary medications, treatment or surgical measures for more than six (6) months	66,463	29.0
Severe arthritis	26,303	11.5
Peripheral neuropathy	12,154	5.3
Fibromyalgia	9,574	4.2
Severe and persistent muscle spasms, including without limitation those characteristic of multiple sclerosis	9,184	4.0
Severe nausea	7,153	3.1
Cancer	6,622	2.9
Seizures, including without limitation those characteristic of epilepsy	3,578	1.6
Glaucoma	2,329	1.0
Hepatitis C	1,355	0.6
Crohn's disease	1,240	0.5
Ulcerative colitis	1,171	0.5
Positive status for human immunodeficiency virus/ acquired immune deficiency syndrome	923	0.4
Cachexia or wasting syndrome	594	0.3
Tourette's syndrome	285	0.1
Alzheimer's disease	131	0.1
Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis	41	<0.1

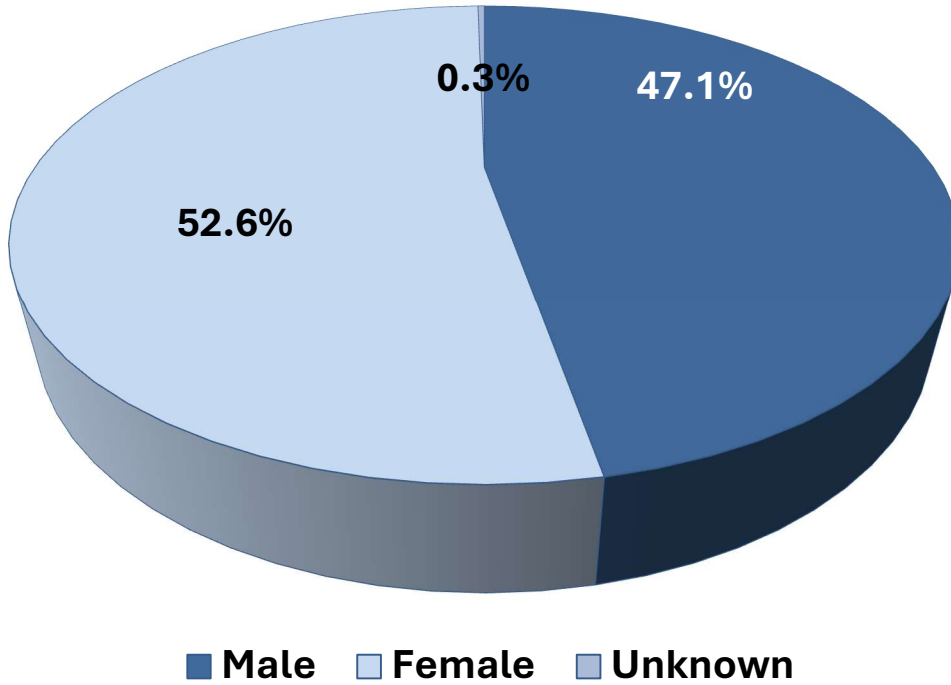
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Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

APPENDICES

Appendix 1

Percent of Approved Patients with Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card by Gender, Arkansas, FY 2024

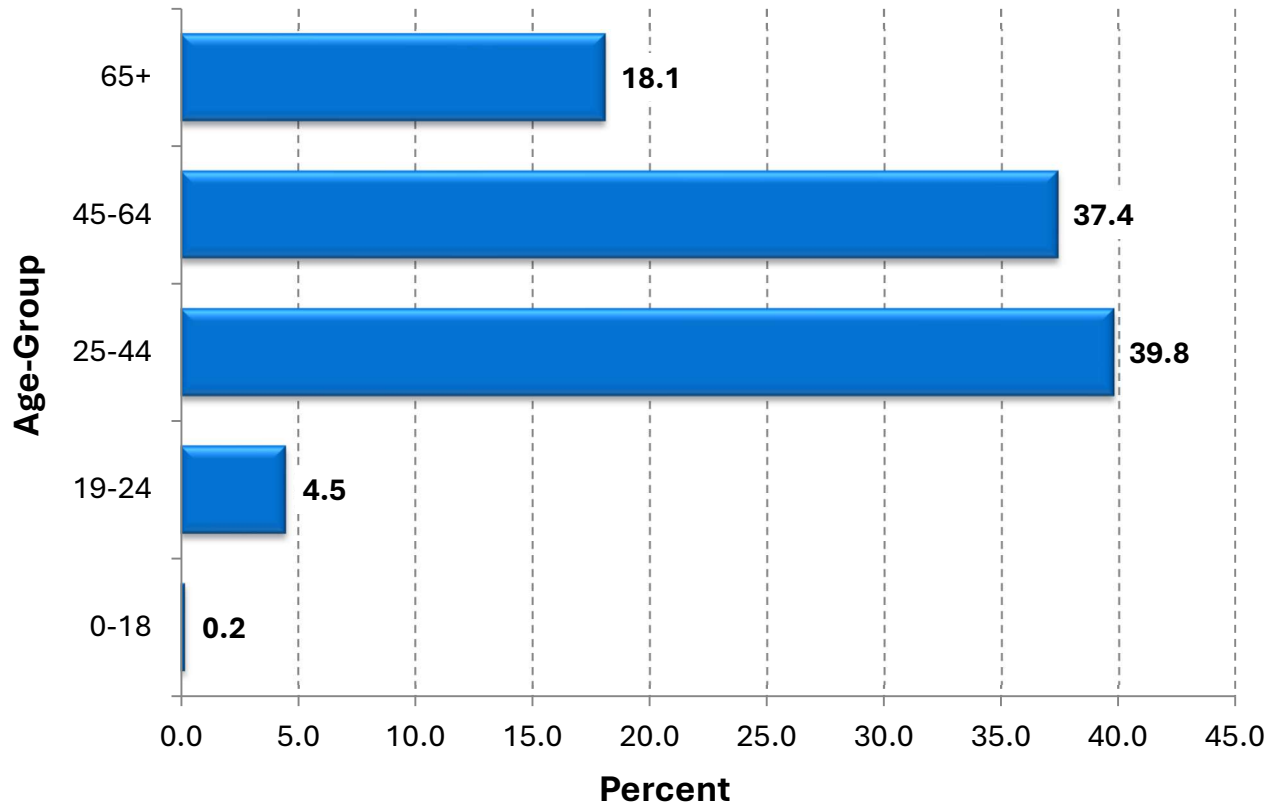


Counts and Percentages by Gender		
Gender	Count	Percent
Male	47,607	47.1
Female	53,136	52.6
Unknown	263	0.3
Total	101,006	100.0

Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

Appendix 2

Percent of Approved Patients with Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card by Age-Group, Arkansas, FY 2024

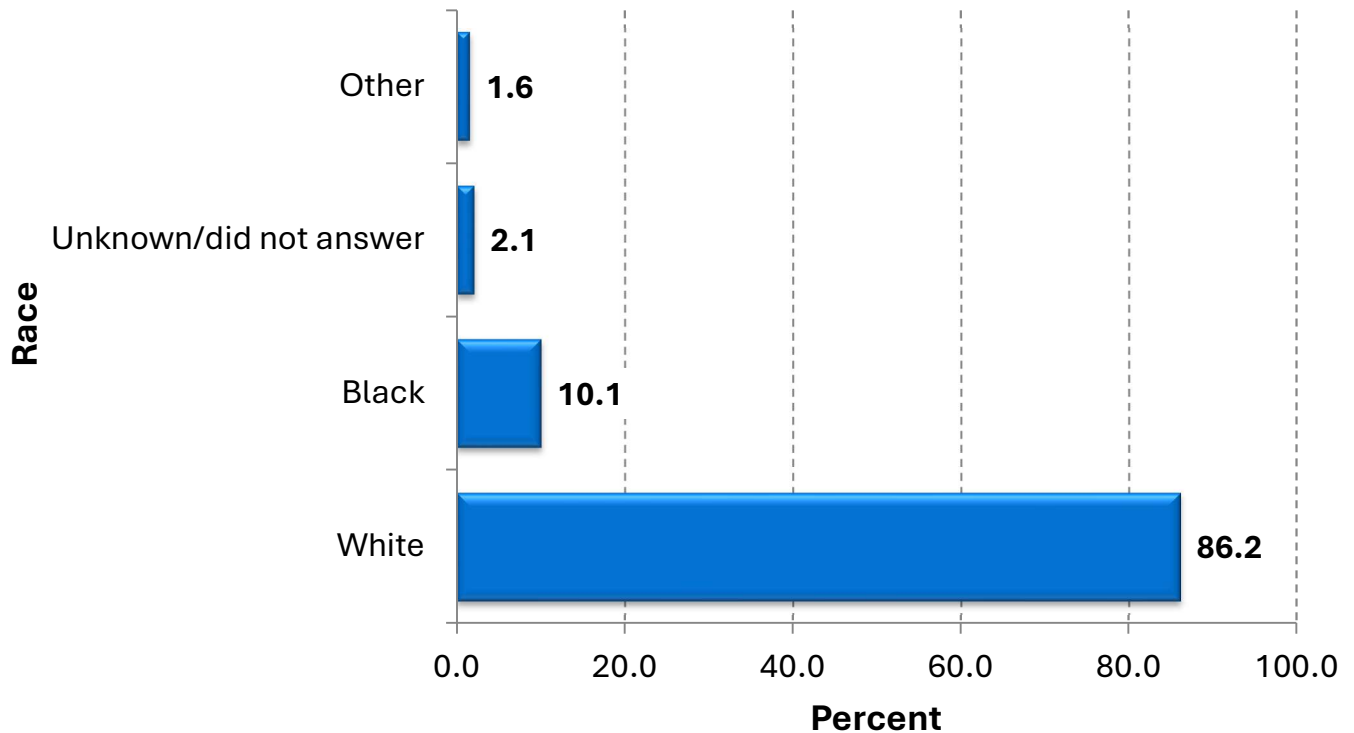


Counts and Percentages by Age-Group		
Age-Group	Count	Percent
0 to 18 years	238	0.2
19 to 24 years	4,592	4.5
25 to 44 years	40,162	39.8
45 to 64 years	37,774	37.4
≥65 years	18,240	18.1
Total	101,006	100.0

Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

Appendix 3

Percent of Approved Patients with Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card by Race, Arkansas, FY 2024



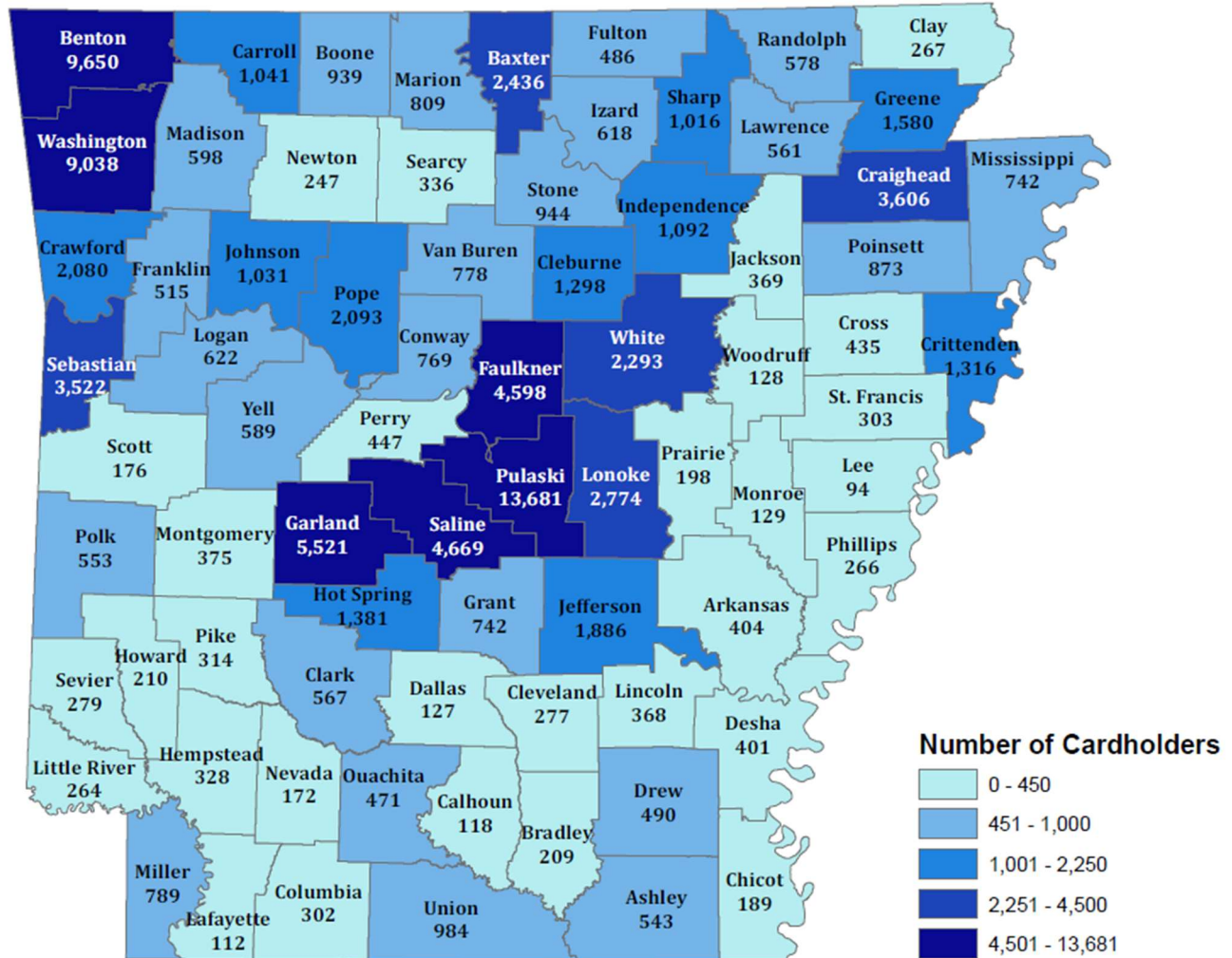
Counts and Percentages by Race		
Race	Count	Percent
White	87,031	86.2
Black	10,239	10.1
Unknown/ Did not answer	2,156	2.1
Other	1,580	1.6
Total	101,006	100.0

Note: The "Other" Race category consists of Alaskan or American Indian, Asian, Pacific Islander, and races listed as Non-Hispanic or Hispanic.

Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

Appendix 4

Number of Approved Patients with Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card by County, Arkansas, FY 2024



Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

Appendix 4

Number of Approved Patients with Medical Marijuana Registry ID Card by County, Arkansas, FY 2024

County	Count
Arkansas	404
Ashley	543
Baxter	2,436
Benton	9,650
Boone	939
Bradley	209
Calhoun	118
Carroll	1,041
Chicot	189
Clark	567
Clay	267
Cleburne	1,298
Cleveland	277
Columbia	302
Conway	769
Craighead	3,606
Crawford	2,080
Crittenden	1,316
Cross	435
Dallas	127
Desha	401
Drew	490
Faulkner	4,598
Franklin	515
Fulton	486
Garland	5,521
Grant	742
Greene	1,580
Hempstead	328
Hot Spring	1,381
Howard	210
Independence	1,092
Izard	618
Jackson	369
Jefferson	1,886
Johnson	1,031
Lafayette	112
Lawrence	561

County	Count
Lee	94
Lincoln	368
Little River	264
Logan	622
Lonoke	2,774
Madison	598
Marion	809
Miller	789
Mississippi	742
Monroe	129
Montgomery	375
Nevada	172
Newton	247
Ouachita	471
Perry	447
Phillips	266
Pike	314
Poinsett	873
Polk	553
Pope	2,093
Prairie	198
Pulaski	13,681
Randolph	578
St. Francis	303
Saline	4,669
Scott	176
Searcy	336
Sebastian	3,522
Sevier	279
Sharp	1,016
Stone	944
Union	984
Van Buren	778
Washington	9,038
White	2,293
Woodruff	128
Yell	589
State	101,006

Source: Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department of Health

Resources

1. Medical Marijuana Program, Arkansas Department:

<https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/medical-marijuana>

2. Medical Marijuana, Arkansas Alcohol Beverage Control and Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commission:

<https://www.dfa.arkansas.gov/office/medical-marijuana-commission/>

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