

***Report on:***  
**•*Spice***  
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**•*Tramadol (Ultram)***

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# SPICE



**Street Names: K2, spice gold, Yucatan Fire, wacky weed, designer marijuana**

**What is it?: blend of herbs and spices sprayed with a synthetic compound chemically similar to THC. Mostly made in China. Smoked in joints or pipes. Banned in most European countries. Legal in most states-but changing.**

- Sold as an herbal incense

**Effects: can't predict because variable products and no quality or composition control**

- **THC-like (JWH-018 analog; others possible)**
- **panic attacks, agitation**
- **hallucinatonns, delusions**
- **vomiting**
- **teenagers showing up in emergency rooms**

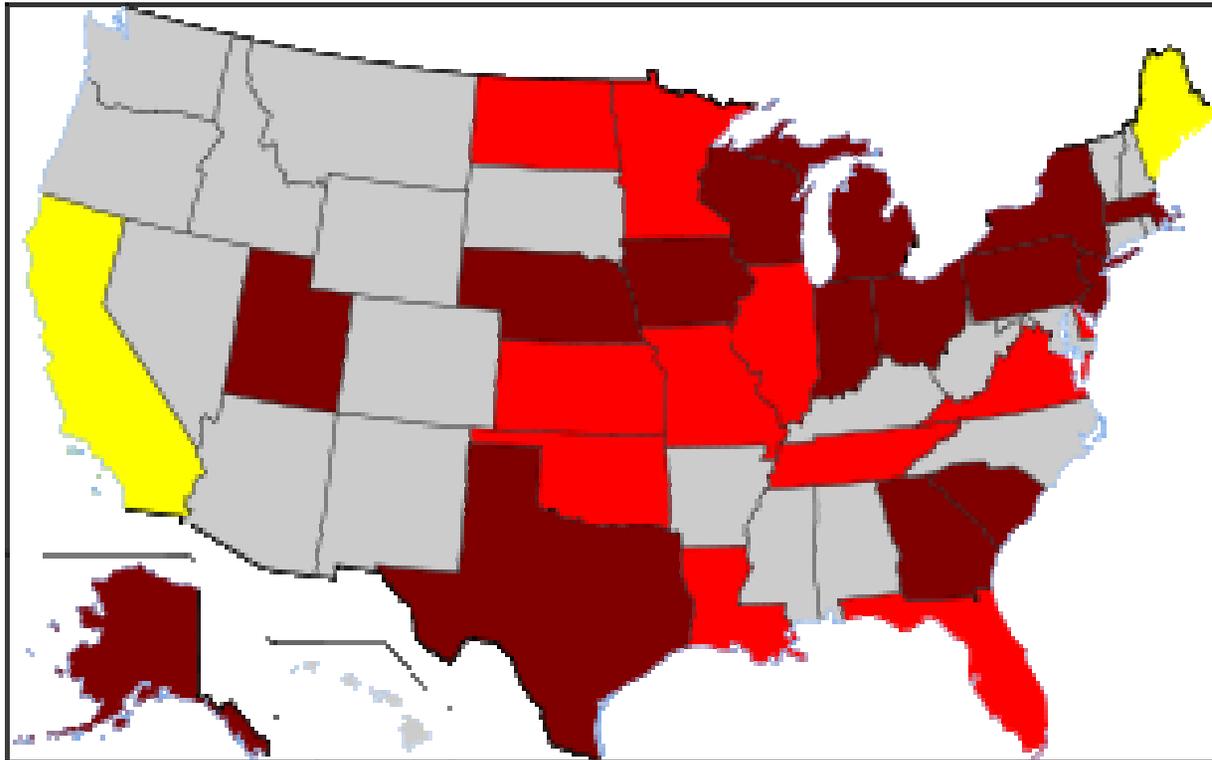
# Salvia divinorum

Street Names: Sage of the Seers, Diviner's Sage, Sally-D, Magic Mint

## What is it?:

- natural herb from Mexico
- Used by Mazatec Indians for hallucinogenic effects (LSD-like)
- active ingredient is **salvinorin A**
- smoking causes effects within 30 seconds and lasts ~30 min
- physical effects include lack of coordination, dizziness and slurred speech
- currently not scheduled by DEA





- Legal status of *Salvia divinorum* in the United States

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| Banned by law             |  |
| Ban being considered      |  |
| Sale to minors prohibited |  |

# Tramadol (Ultram)

What is it?:

- analgesic for mild to moderate pain (like codeine in its efficacy)
- narcotic-like, although somewhat different mechanisms (i.e., some monoamine)
- can cause dependence
- can interact with other CNS depressants

Effects:

- mild opioid/enhances serotonin
- enhance seizure expression
- can be abused
- not DEA scheduled



# **Possible Consequences of Scheduling:**

- decrease abuse and emergency events**
- decrease in valid use & substitution with more dangerous drugs?**