



# Cannabis Market Study

Overview of final report

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# Legislative Auditor's conclusion

Washington businesses produced two to three times more cannabis than retailers sold in 2023.

Inaccurate and incomplete data limits the Liquor and Cannabis Board's capacity for data-driven regulation.

Read the full report online:

<https://leg.wa.gov/studies-audits-and-reports/performance-audits/published-audits/2025cannabis/>

# LCB's data is incomplete and unreliable

Affects ability to:

- Determine production and sales levels
- Issue product recalls
- Collect correct tax amounts
- Identify and respond to diversion

Planned data system replacement: 2031



# Legislative Auditor's recommendation

LCB should submit a plan to the appropriate committees of the Legislature by December 31, 2025.

The plan should detail the resources and funding needed to collect accurate data from licensees by December 31, 2026.

**Agency response:** Partially concur





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