

Mississippi Medical Marijuana Program

Growing

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INDOOR GROW VS. OUTDOOR GROW

- ▶ **Factors to consider**
 - ▶ Price/Cost
 - ▶ Quality
 - ▶ Climate

INDOOR GROW

▶ Pros

- ▶ Control over growing environment (e.g. light, water, temperature)
- ▶ Consistent quality of the product due to the control of growing environment
- ▶ Typically yields a higher THC concentration
- ▶ Extended growing “season”

▶ Cons

- ▶ Cost: more expensive
- ▶ Pesticides are more often used
- ▶ Less energy efficient

OUTDOOR GROW

▶ Pros

- ▶ Cost: less cost to grow outdoors
- ▶ Typically yields a lower THC concentration
- ▶ Pesticides are less likely to be used
- ▶ More energy efficient

▶ Cons

- ▶ Growing environment is subject to environmental factors (e.g. sunlight, rain, temperature)
- ▶ Limited growing seasons
- ▶ Inconsistency due to lack of control of growing environment
- ▶ Security: prevent access to crop and potential for diversion

BENEFITS OF SEED-TO-SALE

- ▶ **Regulatory Bodies**
 - ▶ Compliance management system
 - ▶ Auditing, enforcing, analyzing, and collecting
 - ▶ Traceability
 - ▶ Who purchases? How much? From whom?
- ▶ **Marijuana Businesses**
 - ▶ Tool to manage and report supply chain activities
 - ▶ Tracks a plant from seed to point of sale