

## Tips for Investing in Legal Cannabis

Few expected the legal cannabis industry to grow as fast as it has in recent years. Since the turn of the century, the number of Americans that favor federal legalization has raised from one-third to two-thirds of all citizens. More than half of individual states have legalized medical marijuana, with many adopting recreational legalization bills, as well.

The result of all this interest is a promising new market for investors. Those who are interested in learning more about investing cannabis assets can read on to find out about a few unique concerns that must be taken into account in this nascent industry.

## **Product Diversity**

For those looking to invest in alternative assets cannabis producers provide interesting new opportunities. It's important that investors recognize that it's not all about peak production, though. When evaluating the viability of a particular recreational or medicinal cannabis producer, try to find one that focuses on product diversity rather than peak production and maintains a focus on higher margin alternative products.

## **Existing Partnerships**

When evaluating the future viability of a company prior to private <u>equity investment</u>, readers should consider its existing partnerships. Some companies are being backed by popular brands or business partners in other less volatile industries. These partnerships make the nascent cannabis companies more likely to succeed since they have deeper pockets and far more knowledge regarding how to reach consumers.

## Local History of Cannabis Consumption

Readers looking to invest <u>private equity</u> into a new business in an established industry wouldn't choose one that had only recently opened and had no track record of success. There's no reason for them to do so when they invest in cannabis companies, either. Right now, successful companies in places like Southern California where medicinal marijuana has

been legal for some time are already poised for success when it comes to transitioning to recreational cannabis.

top private equity firms who want a unique cannabis investment opportunity should look into alternative asset funds. While it's true that some cannabis producers, especially those backed by established companies in related industries like tobacco or alcohol producers, have begun to offer public stock options, buying stocks isn't necessarily the best way to invest.

Investing in alternative assets instead offers readers the ability to invest in companies that look extremely promising but haven't yet reached the level of popularity and noteworthiness required to attract the attention of big-name tobacco or alcohol companies. Just make sure to find an equity firm that specializes in this industry.