# New Frontier® data

### **COMPANY OVERVIEW**



### **OUR STORY**

Like every great business, New Frontier Data started with a problem: In 2014, there was no viable or comprehensive data and analysis about the cannabis industry, anywhere.

#### **OUR FOUNDER**

Our Founder and CEO, Giadha Aguirre de Carcer is an internationalist. Born in Italy, raised in Switzerland, France and Spain, and having lived in six countries across the globe, she speaks 5 languages and has a keen appreciation for international cultural and economic dynamics. Giadha, an analyst and strategist by training, a serial entrepreneur by practice, identified the lack of critical data and analysis through her own attempted cannabis industry research. Despite ridicule from prior peers across banking, technology, energy and defense, she jumped at the opportunity to bring big data, the pillar in any modern burgeoning industry, to cannabis. She built her team of unparalleled experts from fields just as diverse as her own. In 2014, New Frontier Data started collecting data streams in cannabis, normalized them, and centralized them to provide vetted, polished, and actionable reporting to the industry before, and better, than anyone else, worldwide.

### **OUR TEAM**

We are a team of analysts, economists, and data scientists, and researchers. The team operates across 3 continents, with an insider presence in four countries. We deliver cannabis industry data, intelligence, and custom advisory services to investors and organizations, both inside and outside of the cannabis industry, to inform strategic planning, market entry or positioning, investing, socio-economic understanding, and public policy decision making. We are committed to providing trusted, unbiased, and accessible information to all cannabis stakeholders globally.

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### MISSION

New Frontier Data strives to be the cannabis data analysis and industry reporting authority by collecting reliable data, applying rigorous analysis, and producing actionable intelligence. We are committed to the highest level of objectivity and transparency as we endeavor to equip our customers with the knowledge necessary to increase profits, identify opportunities, and navigate this nascent and still underserved market space.

### VISION

To be the World's Big Data Authority for the Cannabis Industry.

#### **CANNABIS EXPERTISE**

- Global leader in cannabis business intelligence and reporting
- Cited in over **81** countries
- Effective media reach of over 5.6 billion in 2018

#### **COMPREHENSIVE DATA**

- Collecting and analyzing millions of data points worldwide
- Sourcing from governments, industry groups, and 100+ cannabis premier industry partners



#### **CUTTING EDGE TECHNOLOGY**

- Applying leading technologies such as deep machine learning, neural-net-framework, and artificial intelligence
- Leveraging proprietary big data infrastructure to produce indepth industry analytics and reveal real-time comprehensive insights

#### PARTNERSHIPS

- Committed to working hand-in-hand with our clients and partners
- Delivering the best possible work while keeping our counterparts' needs front-of-mind at all times

### 5 DIMENSIONAL BUSINESS MODEL

Data across all five dimensions is critical to clearly understand and successfully navigate the complex cannabis market.





New Frontier Data has launched the InterCannAlliance whose mission is to share best practices and lessons learned from recognized leaders across the Foundational Pillars of any new legal cannabis market.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS & STUDIES**

- **Europe**: Import & Exports in the Age of Cannabis Globalization
- Latin America: Regional Socio-economic impact of Cannabis Legalization
- Africa: Socio-economic Impact of Hemp Cultivation in Sub-Saharan Africa
- APAC: Hemp Advanced Industrial Applications

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### **OUR REACH**

In 2018 - Quoted in 81 countries, media reach of 7 billion. In 2017 - Quoted in 65 countries, media reach of 5.3 billion.





### **ACQUIRED COMPANIES:**





### **OUR CLIENTS**



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- Ken Shea, Senior Analyst, Bloomberg



### OUR CLIENTS: INVESTORS

While the Cannabis industry continues to create diverse opportunities to investors, the market continues to be plagued by **fragmented data**, vast **misinformation**, and consequent lack of transparency and **increased risk**.

New Frontier Data is the globally trusted source of vetted, reliable, and comprehensive data crucial to making sound investment decisions, successfully steer investment portfolios, be first to identify risks and opportunities, and stay ahead of the changes in the industry worldwide.

# INVESTORS

"Virtually every interested investor I have spoken to in the past year has received a deck, business plan, forwarded opportunity, or other chance to invest in a cannabis company. The core issues most scrutinized are: How to evaluate any given company, and how to uncover any unobvious risks that investors should look for in their own investments?"

- Mitch Baruchowitz

Managing Partner of Merida Capital Partners



# CASE EXAMPLE: INVESTORS

### CHALLENGE

Inability to assess risk and opportunities across markets Leading cannabis investment group requires comparative risk assessment tools across multi-state and multisegment opportunities.

### New Frontier Data's Equio platform provides visibility

SOLUTION

provides visibility across key risk and opportunity indicators to all members of the investment group.

### IMPACT

- Ability to plan portfolio makeup and target acquisitions over time
- Rank emerging opportunities across states and segments
- Mitigate risks across investment opportunities

Notable Data Streams: Public stock market trends, sales and tax revenue by state, tax risks by state, compliance risks by state, consumer retail sales, medical patient count by state, investment risk calculator, and more.

\* Investment group stays ahead of competition and acquires a cutting edge, highly valued technology company

I come from a six sigma and big data background in the insurance, manufacturing and energy industries. The first thing I did when entering the cannabis industry was look for centralized, real-time data I could analyze to steer my overall cannabis business and marketing plan. I could not find the centralized real-time data I needed until I found New Frontier Data.

-Tiffany Burtt, Chief Technology Officer, Bulb Wellness



### OUR CLIENTS: OPERATORS

In such a fast moving and ever changing industry, staying profitable, informed and competitive can be very challenging.

New Frontier Data empowers operators by predicting products and consumer trends, identifying market and product expansion opportunities, highlighting competitive risks, and delivering needed benchmarks to avoid operational pitfall.

# **OPERATORS**

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 Managing Director Adakai Holdings



### **CASE EXAMPLE: INDUSTRY OPERATORS**

### CHALLENGE

#### State Market

#### **Expansion**

Vertically integrated operator (Company X) looks to expand capacity in their cultivation, processing, and dispensary facilities. Specifically, they want to learn:

Expected growth of medical and recreational market size with scenario analyses on potential regulatory impacts.
Assessment of cannabis product segments in State with key opportunities identified in each.

### SOLUTION

- Market Sizing & Opportunity Analysis: New Frontier Data combines current data library with Company X's data to create initial projections on the cannabis market size with associated gap analyses.
- Predictive Modeling & Scenario Analysis: A flexible model of State's growth trajectory based on the data received from the state agencies and econometric forecasting on the impact of regulatory changes.

 Price Benchmarking: Pricing recommendations and prioritization of customer/market segments based on NFD scenario models.

### IMPACT

**Realized Revenue:** From these insights, Company X expands its production facility to meet volume targets and creates a brand portfolio with optimized product and pricing mix based on market demand.

\* Insights led to revenue growth
in excess of plan – approximately
\$3 million over three years.

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### OUR CLIENTS: RESEARCHERS

The Cannabis Industry does not have the **centralized data repository** other more established industries leverage for timely and accurate research and analysis.

New Frontier Data's big data engine ingests, normalizes, and provides real time access to billions of data points across hundreds of data sets worldwide supporting responsible, reliable, and statistically meaningful research and analysis.

## RESEARCHERS

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# **CASE EXAMPLE: RESEARCHERS**

### CHALLENGE

Identifying Cannabis Consumer Behavior Leading global management consulting firm (Company Z) seeks data support for a client. The client, an alcoholic beverage company, is interested in understanding the impact of the cannabis industry on their consumers.

### SOLUTION

- New Frontier Data fields

   a survey to a nationally
   representative sample of
   adults in both the U.S.
   and Canada.
- Company Z receives access to full report library and dedicated advisory service hours to provide additional contextualization.

### IMPACT

- Company Z delivers in-depth analysis to client.
- Ability to service future clients with similar interests.
- Continued access to data for developing internal analyses.

\* Company Z proposes market entry plan to client and provides recommendations for developing a new cannabis infused product.





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### NAVIGATE

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Equio provides comprehensive, actionable, and digestible insight to make sound business decisions in the cannabis industry daily!



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**Essential Subscription:** Easy and centralized access to the essential, curated, and visualized *References* **Tools** to successfully understand and navigate the ever changing cannabis industry:

- ✓ Vetted, visualized, easily searchable
- ✓ Real-time, interactive data streams

Premium Subscription: Intelligent access to the complete cannabis Analytics Report Library, including studies, charts, and findings invaluable for research, business plans, white papers, and assessing investment opportunities

- ✓ Easily searchable, printable and downloadable
- ✓ License to repurpose data and graphs

**Enterprise Subscription:** Exclusive access to unique indices, benchmarks, and risk assessment tools for sophisticated enterprise level research providers, operators, and financial institutions looking for actionable and forecasting *Intelligence*.

- Adjacent market impact trackers and indices
- Exclusive investment risk indicators





### ADVISORY SERVICES

Services created to further contextualize, purpose, and activate industry data, analytics and intelligence.

In a global marketplace, every question is unique, and every answer needs customized attention.

STRATEGIC PLANNING	MARKET PRIORITIZATION	MAKING THE CASE FOR RESOURCES	DEMAND PLANNING	RISK MANAGEMENT
Optimize business tactics across your product portfolio	Prioritize and assess country- level and state-level markets	Prepare your business case with objective and authoritative data and analysis	Model future demand, event scenarios, and market volatility	Anticipate market shifts, respond to market volatility and mitigate risk
Review of Strategic Plan with Feedback Quarterly Onsite Briefings to Executive Management team	Geographic Market Prioritization Customer Segment Prioritization	analysis ✓ Operating Environment Analysis ✓ Market Sizing ✓ Making The Case	Price Benchmarking Analysis Predictive Modeling Product Inventory Analysis	Scenario Analysis Contingency Planning Regulatory Assessments

### **RECENT MARKET PREDICTIONS**

New Frontier Data accurately predicted California's cannabis Q1-Q3 revenues for 2018 within 0.3%.

On Nov 14, 2018, California released their sales tax numbers, suggesting that adult-use retail ales totaled \$1,028,343,375 for Jan '18-Sept'18.

New Frontier's model used in our 2018 post-election release calculated the CA adult-use sales for 2018 Q1-Q3 to be \$1,025,027,854, a difference of .32%.

#### New Frontier Data accurately predicted the use of ETFs in cannabis.

"The world's first pot-focused exchange-traded fund." The Economist – April 10, 2017

"As the market stabilizes and more liquidity is injected into the market, there will be new opportunities to bu sophisticated financial instruments that allow for price hedging and risk management." – State of Legal Marijua Markets Report, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition

April 2015, New Frontier Data accurately predicted the coming Price War in Colorado. Is the number of growers rises, we expect more intense price competition as cultivators work to capture



### Strength in Knowledge

THE GLOBAL AUTHORITY IN CANNABIS REPORTING & INTELLIGENCE

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