Online gambling in NSW

We surveyed over 10,000 people from across NSW about gambling. This was the first study of its kind in NSW since 2011.

We found that just under one in ten adults had gambled online in the past year.

The survey found that online gamblers:

- are more likely to be classified as problem gamblers* (4% compared with 2%)
- are more likely to be aged under 35
- are more likely to be male
- have higher income and education levels
- gamble more often



Page botting is the

Race betting is the most common form of online gambling.



Online race betting - 4.7%



Online sports betting - 4.2%

(

Online eSports betting - 0.5%

games - 0.5%

Online casino

Online poker games - 0.3%



The survey looked at new and emerging forms of gambling, like eSports betting, fantasy sports, and gambling using something other than money, like 'skins' or virtual currencies. We found that these forms of gambling are relatively uncommon.

- 0.3% of NSW adults had bet on fantasy sports games
- 0.6% had bet on eSports events
- 1.9% participated in gambling style activities for something other than money



*As classified according to the Problem Gambling Severity Index. Please see the full report for more information.

The NSW Government, through the Office of Responsible Gambling (the Office), develops and implements programs and initiatives that support responsible gambling and prevent and minimise the risk of gambling related harm in the community. The NSW Gambling Survey 2019 was funded through the Responsible Gambling Fund, and will inform the work of the Office.