

Nebraska Problem Gamblers Assistance Program

Cumulative and Monthly New Client Data Report

Gamblers & Family Members

July - December 2023

Gambler

Monthly average clients seen, $n = 287$
(July - December, $n = 116$; December, $n = 15$)

Duration of gambling problem (years)	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Median	4.0	4.0
Average	7.4	11.3

Years gambled before gambling problem	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Median	6.0	10.0
Average	9.3	11.3

Gambling goals	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
To quit gambling	58.3%	53.3%
To change my gambling from harming me	29.1%	46.7%
To keep gambling but learn to gamble responsibly	12.6%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Expected counseling duration	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Less than six months	34.8%	26.7%
Six months	12.5%	0.0%
One year	31.3%	20.0%
Two years	13.4%	40.0%
Longer than two years	8.0%	13.3%
Total	100%	100%

Prior efforts to change gambling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	53.4%	40.0%
No	46.6%	60.0%
Total	100%	100%

Believe they can change their gambling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	90.4%	93.3%
No	9.6%	6.7%
Total	100%	100%

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First time seeking professional help	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	78.4%	12.1%
No	21.6%	0.9%
Total	100%	13%

Main reason for seeking help for gambling problem	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Financial Concerns	30%	33%
Personal Development and Lifestyle Changes	21%	25%
Family and Relationships	24%	17%
Health and Mental Well-being	7%	0%
Stop Gambling	14%	25%
Legal and Compliance Issues	4%	0%
Total	100%	100%

Number of dependents	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
None	50.9%	46.7%
1-2	30.2%	33.3%
3-5	14.7%	13.3%
>5	4.3%	6.7%
Total	100%	100%

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Gender	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Female	29.6%	26.7%
Male	70.4%	73.3%
Total	100%	100%

Occupation	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Clerical/Sales	6.1%	0.0%
Farm/Ag	1.8%	0.0%
Laborer	14.0%	0.0%
Manager/Professional	19.3%	20.0%
Retired	4.4%	0.0%
Service (food, housekeeping)	8.8%	0.0%
Skilled/semi-skilled crafts	4.4%	6.7%
Student	0.9%	0.0%
Technical/Administrative	4.4%	6.7%
Unemployed	36.0%	66.7%
Total	100%	100%

Race	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
AMERICAN INDIAN	0.9%	0.0%
ASIAN	2.6%	0.0%
BLACK	6.9%	6.7%
HISPANIC	7.8%	0.0%
MULTIRACIAL	3.4%	0.0%
WHITE	78.4%	93.3%
Total	100%	100%

Education	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<12 years	14.0%	14.3%
HS diploma or GED	43.9%	50.0%
> 12 years	16.7%	21.4%
Associate	8.8%	7.1%
Bachelor's	13.2%	7.1%
Master's	3.5%	0.0%
Doctorate	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Marital status	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
COHABITATING	4.3%	0.0%
DIVORCED	16.4%	26.7%
MARRIED	27.6%	26.7%
NEVER MARRIED	50.0%	46.7%
WIDOWED	1.7%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Employment	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Employed full time for salary or wages	42.1%	23.1%
Employed part time for salary or wages	8.4%	7.7%
Student	0.9%	0.0%
Unemployed	48.6%	69.2%
Total	100%	100%

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Income Source	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Employment	52.7%	26.7%
No income	38.4%	60.0%
Retirement/Pension	2.7%	0.0%
Illegal activity	3.6%	6.7%
Disability	2.7%	6.7%
Total	100%	100%

Annual gross income	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$9,999	2.7%	0.0%
\$10,000 - \$14,999	4.1%	14.3%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	13.5%	0.0%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	9.5%	0.0%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	24.3%	42.9%
\$50,000 to \$64,999	21.6%	28.6%
\$65,000 to \$74,999	6.8%	0.0%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	5.4%	0.0%
\$100,000 or more	12.2%	14.3%
Total	100%	100%
Median	\$45,000	\$45,000
Average	\$58,480	\$52,314

Annual gross household income	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$9,999	1.3%	0.0%
\$10,000 - \$14,999	1.3%	14.3%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	10.7%	0.0%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	9.3%	0.0%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	17.3%	28.6%
\$50,000 to \$64,999	16.0%	14.3%
\$65,000 to \$74,999	8.0%	0.0%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	9.3%	0.0%
\$100,000 or more	26.7%	42.9%
Total	100%	100%
Median	\$52,000	\$54,000
Average	\$81,227	\$76,029

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Household debt	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$5,000	16.9%	37.5%
\$5,001 - \$10,000	15.6%	0.0%
\$10,001 - \$25,000	19.5%	12.5%
\$25,001 - \$50,000	15.6%	12.5%
\$50,001 - \$100,000	14.3%	25.0%
\$100,001 +	18.2%	12.5%
Total	100%	100%
Median	\$25,000	\$21,000
Average	\$70,401	\$60,813

Gambling debt	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$5,000	41.5%	37.5%
\$5,001 - \$10,000	18.5%	25.0%
\$10,001 - \$25,000	16.9%	12.5%
\$25,001 - \$50,000	7.7%	12.5%
\$50,001 - \$100,000	6.2%	0.0%
\$100,001 +	9.2%	12.5%
Total	100%	100%
Median	\$10,000	\$6,000
Average	\$58,480	\$52,314

Work days missed due to gambling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
1-2	4.4%	0.0%
2-5	2.7%	0.0%
>5	4.4%	6.7%
0	88.5%	93.3%
Total	100%	100%

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Main gambling activity in the last 12 months	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Convenience Store Slot Machine	35.5%	38.5%
Slot Machines	31.8%	38.5%
Sports Betting	15.0%	7.7%
Keno	5.6%	0.0%
Poker	3.7%	7.7%
Day Trading	2.8%	0.0%
Scratch Off Tickets	2.8%	7.7%
Other Card Games	1.9%	0.0%
Fantasy Sports	0.9%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Age 1st gambled	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<10	9%	13%
10-13	10%	7%
14-18	28%	33%
19-21	21%	27%
22-30	21%	13%
31-35	4%	7%
36-45	5%	0%
46+	2%	0%
Total	100%	100%

Gambling frequency	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Daily	37.4%	57.1%
1-2x Week	21.7%	21.4%
3-6x Week	33.9%	14.3%
1x Month	4.3%	7.1%
2-3x Month	2.6%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Person who introduced to gambling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Friend	48.6%	46.7%
Self	14.4%	0.0%
Other Relative	19.8%	33.3%
Parent	17.1%	20.0%
Total	100%	100%

Gambling money wagered	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$100	62.7%	92.9%
\$101 - \$250	10.0%	0.0%
\$251-\$500	14.5%	7.1%
\$501-\$1,000	5.5%	0.0%
>\$1000	7.3%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

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Gambling money losses	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$100	52.3%	78.6%
\$101 - \$250	11.0%	7.1%
\$251-\$500	18.3%	14.3%
\$501-\$1,000	8.3%	0.0%
>\$1,000	10.1%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Type of casino gambling preference	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
SLOT MACHINES	78.4%	83.3%
BLACK JACK	16.2%	0.0%
POKER	8.1%	0.0%
FISH GAME	2.7%	0.0%
INDIAN PRIVATE	2.7%	0.0%
ROULETTE	5.4%	16.7%
SKILLS ROOM	2.7%	0.0%
SPORTS BETTING	2.7%	0.0%
VIDEO POKER	2.7%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Where do you gamble most often?	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Convenience store	29.1%	23.1%
Casino	28.2%	30.8%
Mobile device	20.9%	23.1%
Home	10.0%	15.4%
Keno venue	6.4%	0.0%
Jail/Prison	2.7%	7.7%
Sport Bar	1.8%	0.0%
Social clubs	0.9%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Gamblers who broke the law to support gambling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	34.5%	66.7%
No	65.5%	33.3%
Total	100%	100%

Casino location for gambling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Warhorse	44.2%	14%
Ameristar	16.3%	29%
Horseshoe	14.0%	0%
Grand Island	9.3%	0%
Prairie Flower Casino	4.7%	0%
Boats In Council Bluffs	2.3%	0%
Columbus AG Park	0.0%	29%
Harrahs	7.0%	29%
Ohiya	2.3%	0%
Total	100%	100%

Gamblers who thought about suicide	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	31.9%	26.7%
No	68.1%	73.3%
Total	100%	100%

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Gamblers who attempted suicide	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	5.2%	0.0%
No	94.8%	100.0%
Total	100%	100%

Prior knowledge that services are free	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	73.3%	73.3%
No	26.7%	26.7%
Total	100%	100%

Important that services are free	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	98.3%	100.0%
No	1.7%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Was this client seen in urgent care?	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	83.6%	93.3%
No	16.4%	6.7%
Total	100%	100%

Reason for admission	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Primary Gambling Disorder	31.2%	15.4%
Primary GD/Secondary MH	17.4%	15.4%
Primary GD/Secondary SA	33.0%	53.8%
Primary MH/Secondary GD	5.5%	7.7%
Primary SA/ Secondary GD	12.8%	7.7%
Total	100%	100%

Presenting problem:	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Financial	73.3%	53.3%
Emotional	57.8%	73.3%
Family	50.0%	66.7%
Legal	32.8%	60.0%
Relapse	24.1%	40.0%
Work	18.1%	26.7%
Health	15.5%	20.0%
Total	100%	100%

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COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	Frequency	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	Frequency	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	Frequency	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	Frequency
Adams	0	Dawson	0	Howard	0	Pierce	0
Antelope	0	Deuel	0	Jefferson	0	Platte	11
Arthur	0	Dixon	0	Johnson	2	Polk	0
Banner	0	Dodge	0	Kearney	0	Red Willow	0
Blaine	0	Douglas	18	Keith	0	Richardson	2
Boone	0	Dundy	0	Keya Paha	0	Rock	0
Box Butte	0	Fillmore	0	Kimball	0	Saline	0
Boyd	0	Franklin	0	Knox	0	Sarpy	5
Brown	0	Frontier	0	Lancaster	38	Saunders	0
Buffalo	6	Furnas	0	Lincoln	7	Scotts Bluff	0
Burt	0	Gage	4	Logan	0	Seward	0
Butler	4	Garden	0	Loup	0	Sheridan	0
Cass	3	Garfield	0	Madison	2	Sherman	0
Cedar	0	Gosper	0	McPherson	0	Sioux	0
Chase	0	Grant	0	Merrick	0	Stanton	0
Cherry	0	Greeley	0	Morrill	0	Thayer	0
Cheyenne	0	Hall	5	Nance	0	Thomas	0
Clay	0	Hamilton	0	Nemaha	0	Thurston	0
Colfax	0	Harlan	0	Nuckolls	0	Valley	0
Cuming	0	Hayes	0	Otoe	5	Washington	0
Custer	0	Hitchcock	0	Pawnee	0	Wayne	0
Dakota	0	Holt	0	Perkins	0	Webster	0
Dawes	2	Hooker	0	Phelps	0	Wheeler	0
						York	0

Family Member

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First time seeking professional help	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	78.9%	100.0%
No	21.1%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Gender	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Female	75.0%	100.0%
Male	25.0%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Occupation	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Clerical/Sales	12.5%	0.0%
Farm/Ag	0.0%	0.0%
Laborer	8.3%	0.0%
Manager/Professional	37.5%	66.7%
Retired	8.3%	33.3%
Service (food, housekeeping)	4.2%	0.0%
Skilled/semi-skilled crafts	0.0%	0.0%
Student	4.2%	0.0%
Technical/Administrative	4.2%	0.0%
Unemployed	16.7%	0.0%
Homemaker	4.2%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Education	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<12 years	9.1%	0.0%
HS diploma or GED	18.2%	33.3%
> 12 years	9.1%	0.0%
Associate	22.7%	0.0%
Bachelor's	18.2%	0.0%
Master's	22.7%	66.7%
Doctorate	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Employment	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Employed full time for salary or wages	58.3%	33.3%
Employed part time for salary or wages	0.0%	0.0%
Self-employed	8.3%	33.3%
Student	4.2%	0.0%
Unemployed	20.8%	0.0%
Retired	4.2%	0.0%

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Income Source	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Employment	65.2%	66.7%
No income	13.0%	0.0%
Retirement/Pension	4.3%	0.0%
Illegal activity	0.0%	0.0%
Disability	8.7%	33.3%
Spouse's income	8.7%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Annual Gross Income	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$9,999	0.0%	0.0%
\$10,000 - \$14,999	0.0%	0.0%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	15.8%	33.3%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	5.3%	0.0%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	26.3%	0.0%
\$50,000 to \$64,999	21.1%	0.0%
\$65,000 to \$74,999	5.3%	0.0%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	21.1%	66.7%
\$100,000 or more	5.3%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Annual gross household income	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$9,999	0.0%	0.0%
\$10,000 - \$14,999	0.0%	0.0%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	14.3%	33.3%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	9.5%	0.0%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	0.0%	0.0%
\$50,000 to \$64,999	4.8%	0.0%
\$65,000 to \$74,999	4.8%	0.0%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	19.0%	0.0%
\$100,000 or more	47.6%	66.7%
Total	100%	100%

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Household debt	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$5,000	6.7%	0.0%
\$5,001 - \$10,000	13.3%	0.0%
\$10,001 - \$25,000	6.7%	0.0%
\$25,001 - \$50,000	13.3%	0.0%
\$50,001 - \$100,000	0.0%	0.0%
\$100,001 +	60.0%	100.0%
Total	100%	100%

Gambling debt	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
<=\$5,000	33.3%	50.0%
\$5,001 - \$10,000	16.7%	50.0%
\$10,001 - \$25,000	16.7%	0.0%
\$25,001 - \$50,000	8.3%	0.0%
\$50,001 - \$100,000	16.7%	0.0%
\$100,001 +	8.3%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Family member who gambles	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	25.0%	0.0%
No	75.0%	100.0%
Total	100%	100%

Time family member had a gambling problem	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
< 2 years	0.0%	0.0%
2-5 years	50.0%	11.1%
6-10 years	5.6%	0.0%
> 10 years	44.4%	5.6%
Total	100%	17%

Relationship with problem gambler	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Spouse	45.8%	33.3%
Domestic Partner	0.0%	0.0%
Son/Daughter	25.0%	33.3%
Sibling	8.3%	0.0%
Parent	20.8%	33.3%
Total	100%	100%

Family members who gamble with problem gambler	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	16.7%	33.3%
No	83.3%	66.7%
Total	100%	100%

Current relationship with problem gambler	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Bad	13.0%	0.0%
Fair	69.6%	33%
Good	17.4%	66.7%
Total	100%	100%

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Gambling effect on relationship	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Bad	79.2%	66.7%
Fair	20.8%	33.3%
Good	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Feelings about family member	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Bad	66.7%	66.7%
Fair	33.3%	33.3%
Good	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Family members who thought about suicide	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	8.3%	0.0%
No	92%	100.0%
Total	100%	100%

Family members who attempted suicide	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	0.0%	0.0%
No	100%	100%
Total	100%	100%

Thoughts of ending relationship over gambling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	45.8%	66.7%
No	45.8%	33.3%
Not Applicable	8.3%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Gambling had already caused a breakup	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	20.8%	0.0%
No	79%	100%
Total	100%	100%

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Gambling problems causing financial distress	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	82.6%	100.0%
No	17.4%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Attempted to get family member to counseling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	56.5%	66.7%
No	43.5%	33.3%
Total	100%	100%

Attempted to stop family member from gambling	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	52.2%	33.3%
No	47.8%	66.7%
Total	100%	100%

Participated in counseling with family member	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	8.3%	0.0%
No	91.7%	100.0%
Total	100%	100%

Sought counseling for self	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	16.7%	33.3%
No	83.3%	66.7%
Total	100%	100%

Prior knowledge that services are free	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	66.7%	66.7%
No	33.3%	33.3%
Total	100%	100%

Important that services are free	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	100.0%	100.0%
No	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100%	100%

Family members seen in Urgent Care	Cumulative Jul-Dec '23	Current Month Dec'23
Yes	60.9%	67%
No	39.1%	33.3%
Total	100%	100%

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COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	Frequency	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	Frequency	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	Frequency	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	Frequency
Adams	0	Dawson	0	Howard	0	Pierce	0
Antelope	0	Deuel	0	Jefferson	0	Platte	2
Arthur	0	Dixon	0	Johnson	0	Polk	0
Banner	0	Dodge	0	Kearney	0	Red Willow	0
Blaine	0	Douglas	8	Keith	0	Richardson	0
Boone	0	Dundy	0	Keya Paha	0	Rock	0
Box Butte	0	Fillmore	0	Kimball	0	Saline	0
Boyd	0	Franklin	0	Knox	0	Sarpy	1
Brown	0	Frontier	0	Lancaster	10	Saunders	0
Buffalo	0	Furnas	0	Lincoln	0	Scotts Bluff	0
Burt	0	Gage	1	Logan	0	Seward	1
Butler	0	Garden	0	Loup	0	Sheridan	0
Cass	1	Garfield	0	Madison	0	Sherman	0
Cedar	0	Gosper	0	McPherson	0	Sioux	0
Chase	0	Grant	0	Merrick	0	Stanton	0
Cherry	0	Greeley	0	Morrill	0	Thayer	0
Cheyenne	0	Hall	0	Nance	0	Thomas	0
Clay	0	Hamilton	0	Nemaha	0	Thurston	0
Colfax	0	Harlan	0	Nuckolls	0	Valley	0
Cuming	0	Hayes	0	Otoe	0	Washington	0
Custer	0	Hitchcock	0	Pawnee	0	Wayne	0
Dakota	0	Holt	0	Perkins	0	Webster	0
Dawes	0	Hooker	0	Phelps	0	Wheeler	0
						York	0