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Prevalence by Type of Gambling

Another approach to understanding the relationship between gambling involvement and gambling-related problems is to examine the prevalence of problem gambling among individuals who participate in specific types of gambling. Table 13 shows the current prevalence of problem and probable pathological gambling for respondents who have gambled in the past year as well as for those who gamble weekly. Table 13 also shows the current prevalence of problem and probable pathological gambling for respondents who have participated in specific types of gambling in the past year. Telephone or computer wagering was not included in this table because the number of past year players was too small to yield meaningful results. Analyses of prevalence rates among past year gamblers on charitable events and at unlicensed establishments have been suppressed because the confidence interval equals or exceeds the prevalence estimate among these small groups of respondents. All results where the confidence interval exceeds 50% of the prevalence estimate have been flagged with an asterisk.

Table 13: Prevalence by Type of Gambling

Past Year Activities	Group Size	Current Prevalence (3+) %	Conf.
Past Year Gamblers	1506	7.6	±2.0
Weekly Gamblers	420	17.6	±5.3
Casino	1281	8.7	±2.3
Gaming machines (non-casino)	655	12.0	±3.7
Lottery	445	5.7*	±3.3
Private	197	17.2	±7.8
Bingo in bingo hall	127	11.4*	±8.6
Horse or dog racing	87	18.8*	±12.7
Cardroom	64	33.7*	±18.1

*Confidence interval equals or exceeds 50% of the prevalence estimate.