

Benton County Problem Gambling Treatment 08-09

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| Estimated no. adult problem gamblers: | 1683 |
| Number of gamblers enrolled in treatment: | 14 |
| Average age of gamblers seeking treatment: | 51.0 |
| Gender of gamblers seeking treatment: | Male 71.4% Female 28.6% |
| Ethnicity of gamblers seeking treatment: | White 100% |
| Primary gambling activity:¹ | Video Poker 64.3% Slots 28.6% Horses/dogs/animals 7.1% |
| Source of referral to the treatment program: | Gambling Helpline 35.7% Previous client 14.3% |
| Number of family members* enrolled in treatment: | 2 |
| *family members are eligible for free treatment with or without the problem gambler's involvement in treatment | |

Mental health, addiction and other correlates of problem gambling that should be taken into account in planning for service delivery

Among clients in problem gambling treatment statewide:

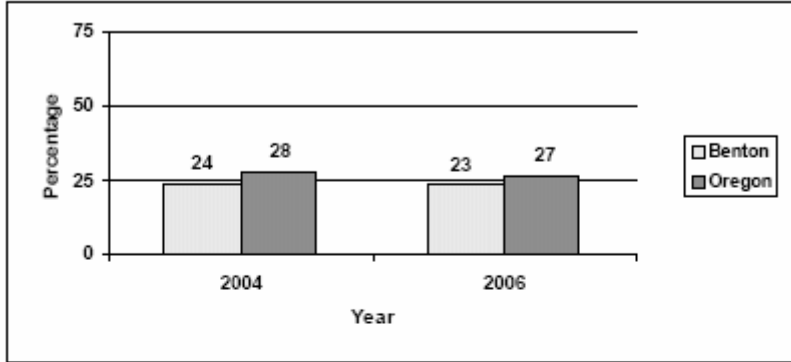
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| Average reported gambling debt | \$32,000 |
| Co-occurring alcohol problems | 34% |
| Report committing illegal acts to obtain gambling money | 38% |
| Had suicidal thoughts | 48% |
| Attempted suicide | 9% |
| Work full time | 39% |
| Average annual income | \$30,776 |
| Treatment programs that are within 50 miles of a casino are significantly more likely to enroll gamblers who report their primary gambling venue as a casino than other treatment programs. | |

¹ Game of choice of gamblers enrolled in treatment during the year.

Benton County Problem Gambling Prevention

Percent of Youth Who Gambled in the Past Year

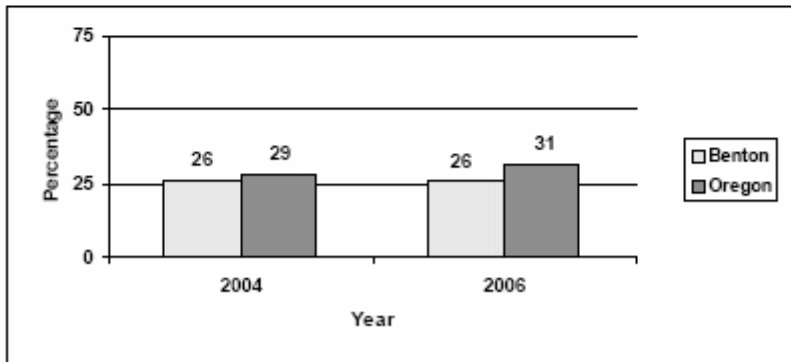
8th grade



Data Source: Oregon Healthy Teens Survey

Percent of Youth Who Gambled in the Past Year

11th grade



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Youth who gamble are much more likely to be involved in other risky behaviors.

Gambling is not a harmless alternative activity for youth.

Gambling should be included in discussions of healthy choices and risky behaviors at school, in the community and at home.

Statewide youth gambling data shows a significant correlation between youth gambling and engaging in other risk behaviors such as drinking:

Percent who binge drank in the last 30 days, grade 11

