



A MESSAGE FROM POLICE CHIEF, BRIAN STURGILL

GAMBLING

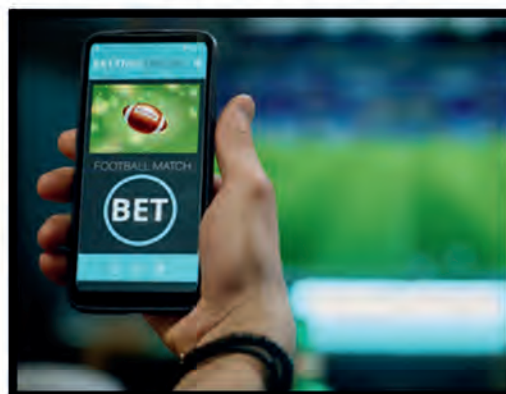
The risks of placing bets online and being responsible.

The early months of each year are an exciting time for sports fans and people who like to gamble, with the NFL playoffs/Superbowl, NCAA Bowl Games, NBA and NHL Finals and, of course, March Madness. Betting on sporting events can bring excitement with the possibility of financial reward and loss and cybersecurity risks.

With any seasonal, popular, or hot topic in the news, sporting events have become a prime target for spammers and bad actors. It might be sharing insider information on injuries, the latest upset, or a new deal, bad actors will leverage any headline that might be considered popular to get users to click on a link or open a document. Untrustworthy sites will even mimic popular sporting and betting sites to get people to click on a link and share their personal and financial information.

So, what can you do to protect yourself?

- Only use trustworthy online gambling sites that have good cybersecurity and privacy practices, such as enforcing strong passwords, multi-factor authentication, and more
- Only go to known and trustworthy news sites
- Use strong and unique passwords
- Review the privacy terms of online gambling sites before using them
- Watch out for phishing emails and spam
- If you're using an app, make sure you have installed the latest software updates
- Keep your devices and firewalls up to date with antivirus and advanced threat protection
- Set up monitoring and alerts on your banking accounts
- Educate yourself, your organization, family, and loved ones on the cyber risks
- Set up internet filters to block traffic to online gambling sites



Sporting events are exciting, and many feel that betting on the events heightens the experience. But don't let the thrill of the game or the win cause you to lose—to a cyber incident.



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TIPS

for RESPONSIBLE GAMBLING

If you do choose to gamble, there are some things you can do to reduce the chances of developing a gambling disorder. Implementing these strategies can help you keep gambling a fun, exciting, and manageable form of entertainment.

- Expect to lose.
- Avoid gambling when angry, lonely, stressed, depressed, or upset.
- Don't "chase" your losses by making bigger bets to win back the money you have lost.
- Don't think of gambling as a way to make money, but rather as an enjoyable form of entertainment performed in moderation.
- Set money and time limits for gambling and stick to them.
- Don't use your credit cards or borrow money to gamble.
- Don't gamble under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Take regular breaks from gambling and engage in other enjoyable forms of entertainment.
- Educate yourself about problem gambling.



DID YOU KNOW?

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PROBLEM GAMBLING STATISTICS



ALARMING PROBLEM GAMBLING STATISTICS

17% HOUSEHOLDS WITH PROBLEM GAMBLING
REPORTED CHILD ABUSE

50%
SPOUSES WHO HAVE BEEN ABUSED

76% PEOPLE HAVE SHOWN SIGNS OF SYMPTOMS OR HAS CHRONIC DEPRESSION
TEND TO ABUSE DRUGS OR ALCOHOL TO FIND AN ESCAPE



90% HAVE TAKEN AN ADVANCE ON THEIR CREDIT CARDS FOR ONLINE CASINOS
ADVANCED TEND TO HAVE HIGHER CHANCES OF BEING TARGETED BY SCAMMERS TO CLEAR THEIR DEBT



A QUARTER OF US COLLEGE STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN ONLINE GAMBLING

THERE IS A RISE IN COLLEGE STUDENTS WHO GAMBLE ONLINE OVER TIME



25-45 YEAR OLD ARE AT RISK OF COMPULSIVE GAMBLING



EFFECTS OF PROBLEM GAMBLING ON CRIME RATES

50% PEOPLE GOING THROUGH PROBLEM GAMBLING ISSUES ARE CRIMINAL OFFENDERS
THESE INCLUDE MINOR AND SEVERE CRIMES



30% GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS MEMBERS CONFESSED THAT THEY STOLE FROM THEIR WORKPLACE

63% WROTE CHECKS THAT BOUNCED



WHITE-COLLAR EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE PROBLEM GAMBLING ISSUES ARE MOST LIKELY TO COMMIT

USUALLY NON-VIOLENT SUCH AS FRAUD, EMBEZZLEMENT, FORGERY, SHOPLIFTING, ROBBERY, AND PUSHING DRUGS



68.8% CRIMINAL OFFENDERS

WHO ARE LOOKING TO REPAY THEIR DEBTS OR FOR MORE MONEY TO USE ON CASINOS

26.3% EXPERIENCING MODERATE PROBLEM GAMBLING SYMPTOMS PURSUIT ANY ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

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