



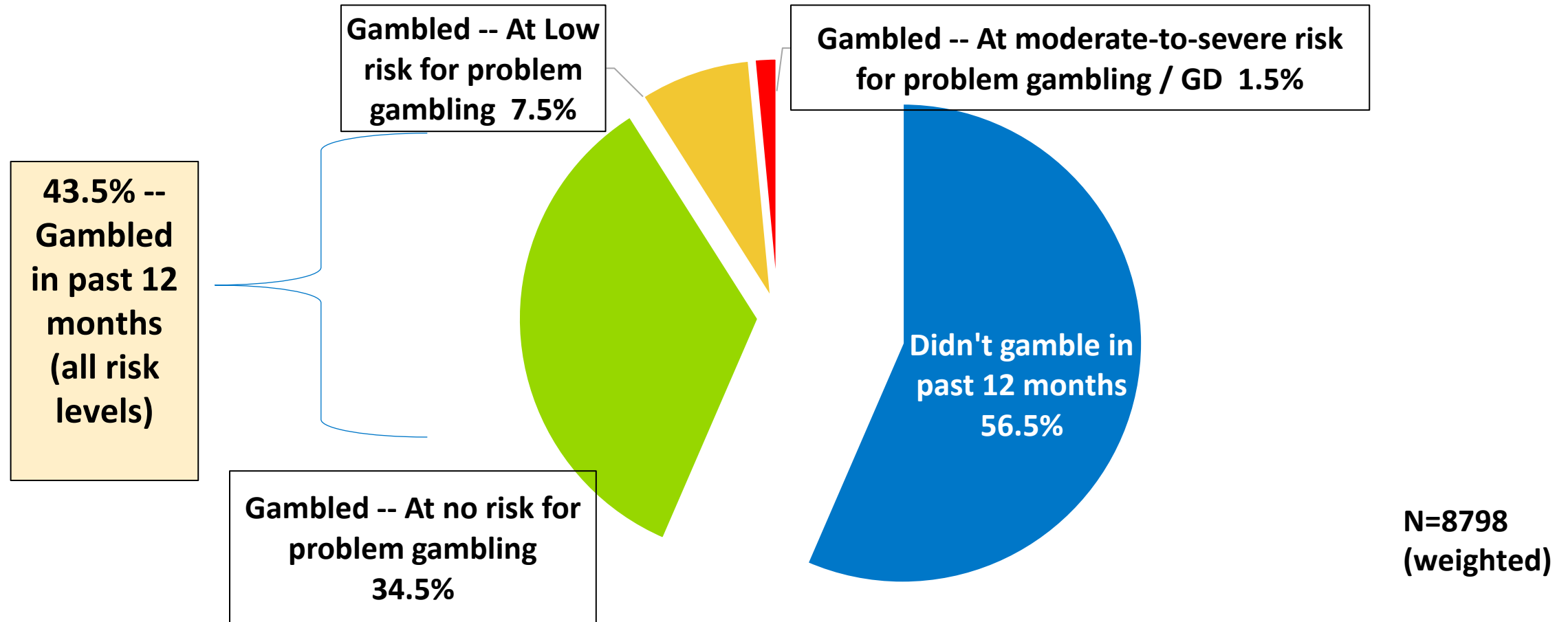
# **State Problem Gambling Program**

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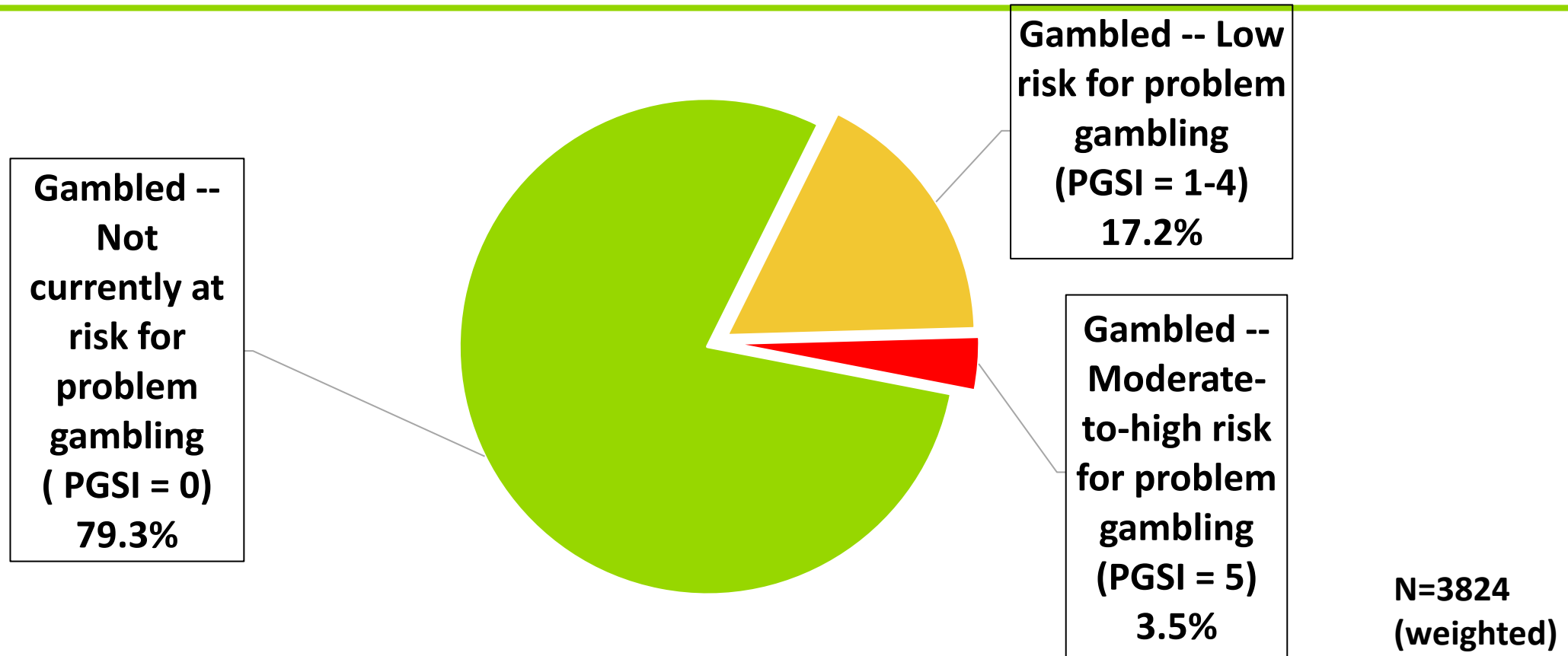
**Brief Overview – PRSC  
12/6/23**

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State Problem Gambling  
Program**

# All adults – gambling & problem gambling (PG)



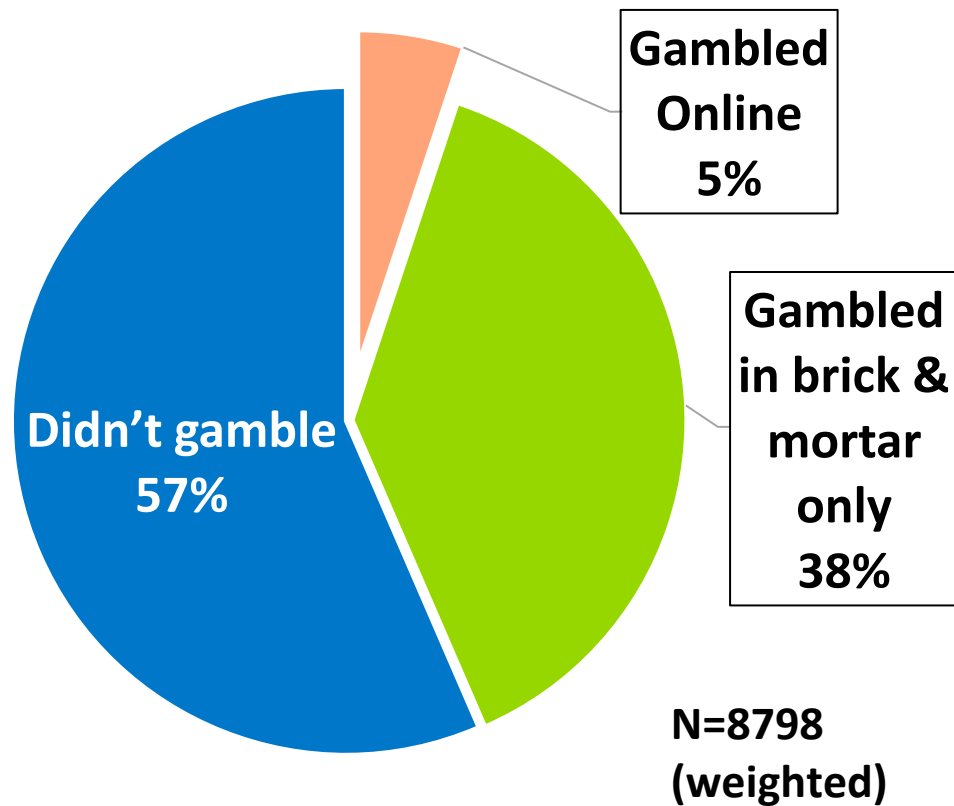
# Adults who gambled – gambling & PG



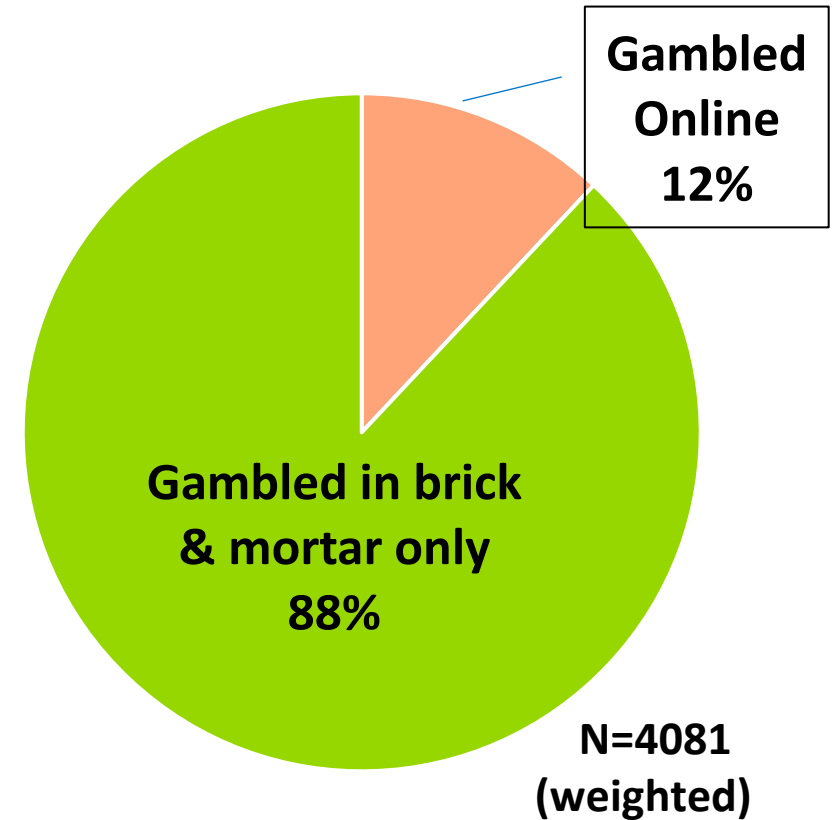
*PGSI = Problem Gambling Severity Index (modified scoring protocol R. Volberg et.al.)*

# Online gambling -- Adults

All Adults



Adults who Gambled



# Healthy Youth Survey 2021 (HYS)

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## ▶ H90\_20:

*Gambling means betting money or possessions, either in person or online, including video poker, phone apps, e-sports, etc.*

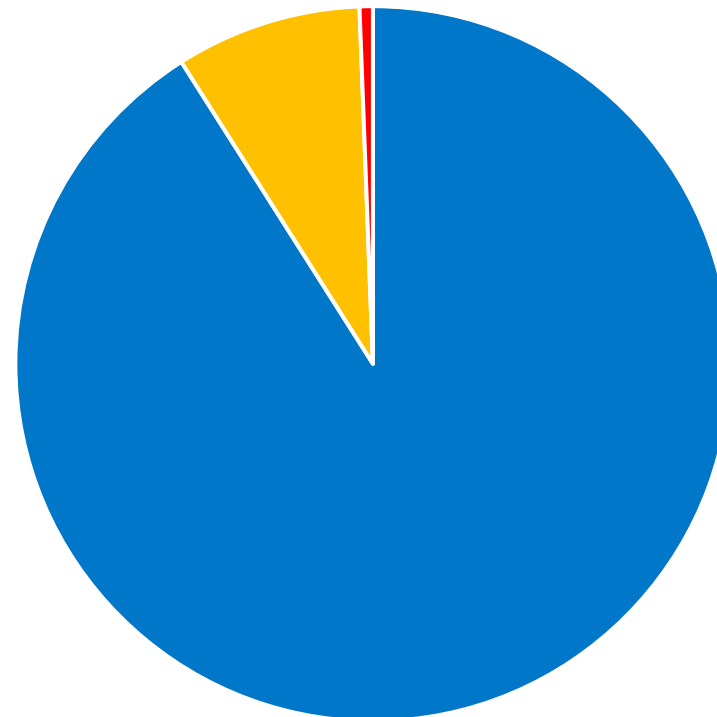
In the past 12 months, has YOUR gambling ever caused problems at home, school or with your friends?

- 1) No, I have not gambled**
- 2) No, I have gambled but it has not caused problems**
- 3) Yes, I have gambled and it has caused problems**

# HYS 2021 Results – All Youth

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N=20,575

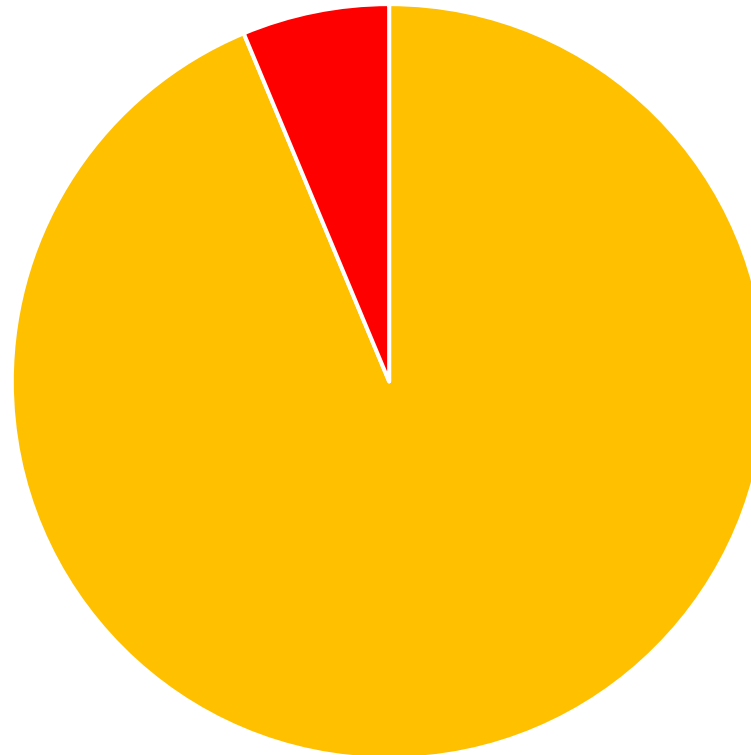


■ Did not gamble (91%) ■ Gambled, no problems (8.4%) ■ Gambled, problems (0.6%)

# HYS Results 2021 – Gambled (self-reported)

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**N=1928**



■ Gambled, no problems (93.7%)    ■ Gambled, problems (6.3%)

# Wrap Up

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- ▶ Impact of findings on Problem Gambling Task Force recommendations
- ▶ New legislation just passed (SB 5634)
- ▶ Plans for 2023-2025 & beyond...
  - ▶ Year-round Prevention
  - ▶ Increase Outreach to higher-risk populations
  - ▶ Workforce development – Certified Gambling Counselors for unserved/underserved areas and communities
  - ▶ Increased funding for problem gambling treatment srvc – starts 1/1/24
  - ▶ Problem gambling treatment coverage under Medicaid – starts 1/1/24
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