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The Justice Impacted Population

Rates of problem gambling in populations experiencing incarceration range anywhere from 5.2% to 38%, a rate 19 times higher than the general population.

All facts sourced from: Kryszajtys, J.T. & Matheson, F.I. (2017) Problem Gambling and Crime and its Costs. Gambling Research Exchange Ontario. https://www.greo.ca/Modules/EvidenceCentre/files/Kryszajtys%20and%20Matheson%20(2017)%20Problem%20gambling%20and%20crime%20and%20its%20costs.pdf

50%

of those affected by problem gambling commit a crime, such as embezzlement, forgery, theft, and selling drugs.

> of individuals incarcerated are affected by problem gambling and 40% of the prison population engages in gambling behavior.

Costs





Research studies indicate recidivism rates for gambling-related crimes are reduced with treatment.



the cost per individual in the justice system for arrests and corrections due to problem gambling.

The Northeast PGRC can connect individuals with treatment, recovery, and support services for problem gambling.

Contact us for local, confidential help: (518) 801-1491 NortheastPGRC@nyproblemgambling.org