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PROBLEM GAMBLING SERVICES

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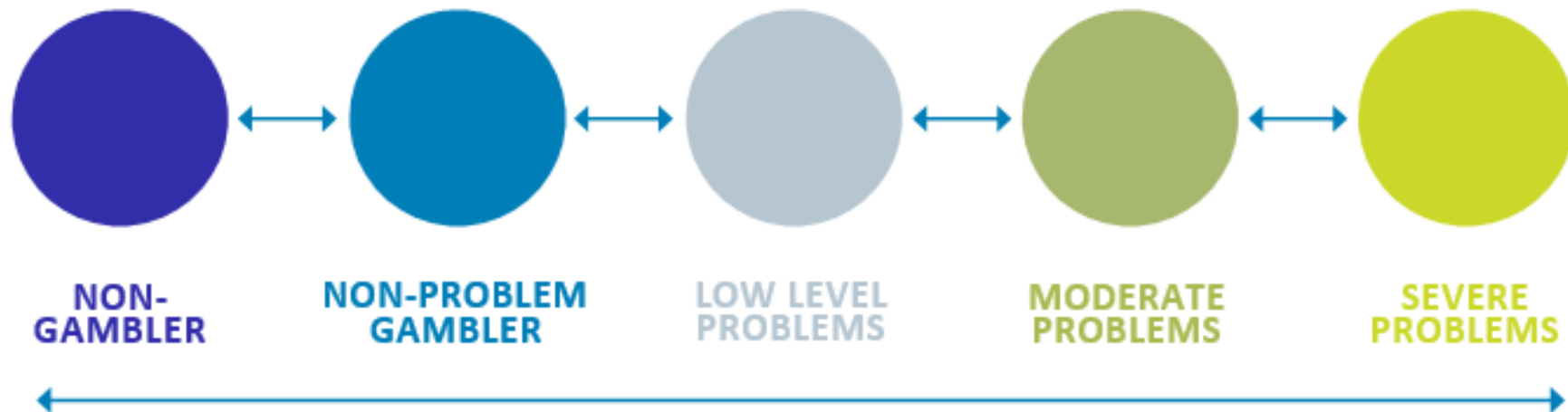
Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency Advisory Board

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Problem Gambling Prevalence

Nationally, approximately 2.2% of the adult population is estimated to manifest moderate to severe gambling problems.

In Nevada, that rate is between 2.7% and 4.3% or an estimated 65,000 to 103,000 adults.



Nevada Problem Gambling Services:

Established in
2005

Funded by:

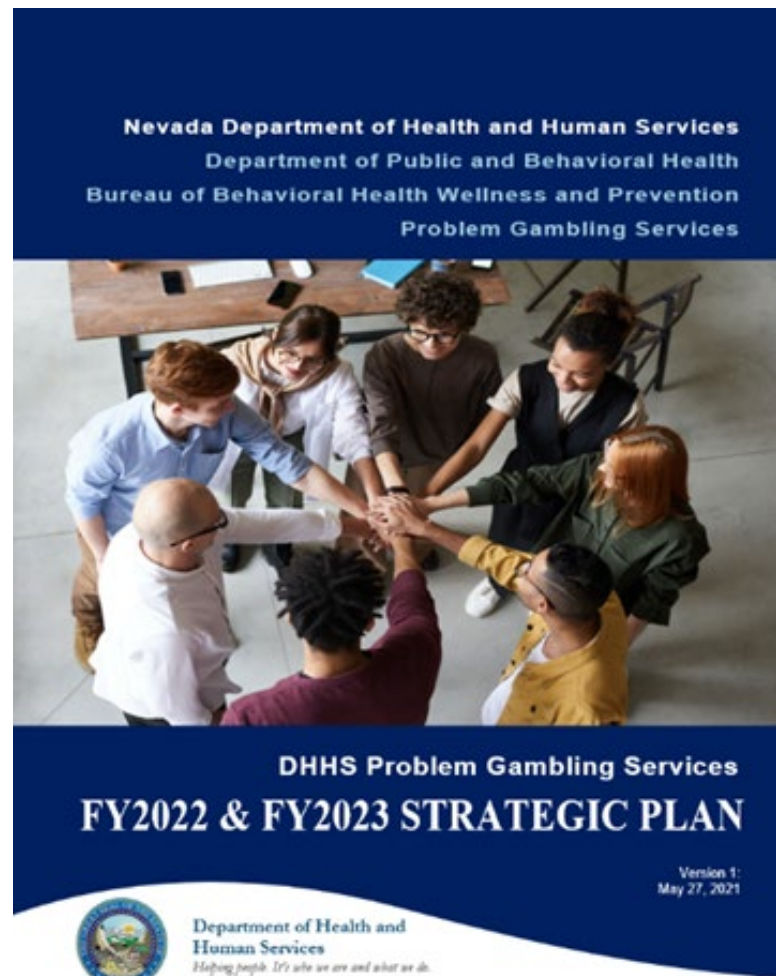
- Revolving Account for the Prevention and Treatment of Problem Gambling
- Approximately \$2.1M SFY 2023
- NRS (458A.2) includes only state in country to statutorily authorize “civil commitment of person with an addictive disorder related to gambling who have been convicted of crime”

Advised by:

- Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling (ACPG)
- Governor appointed

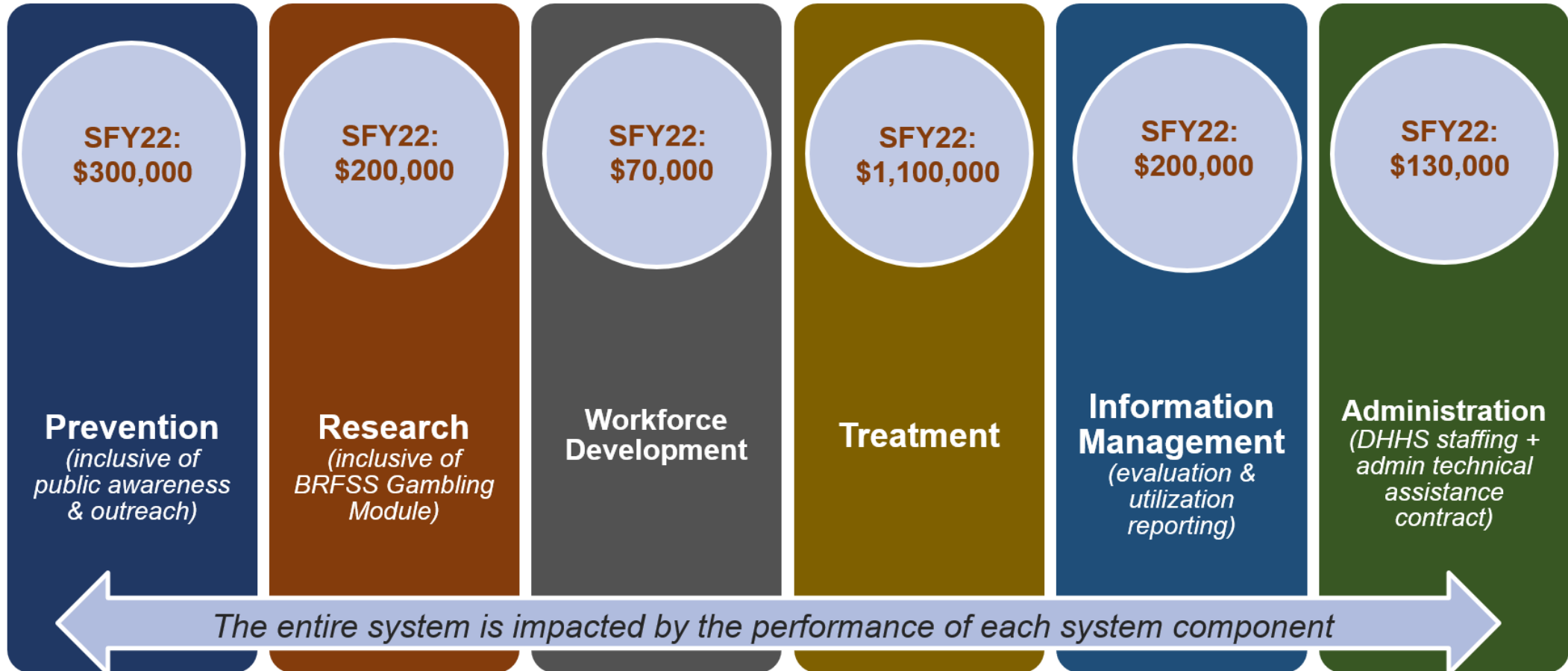
Although arguably underbudgeted, Nevada's problem gambling system is among the best.

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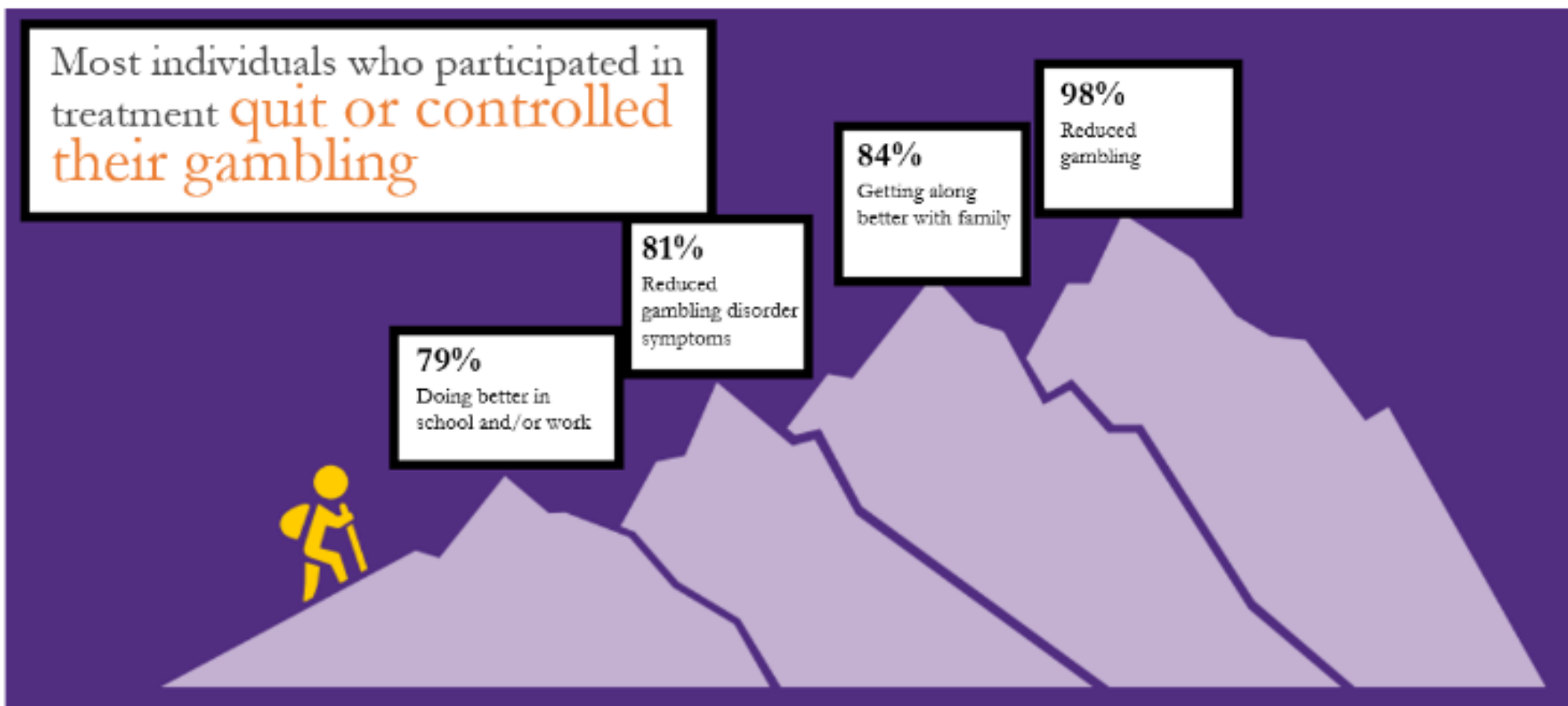


Problem Gambling Service Components

Approximate Appropriations by Category



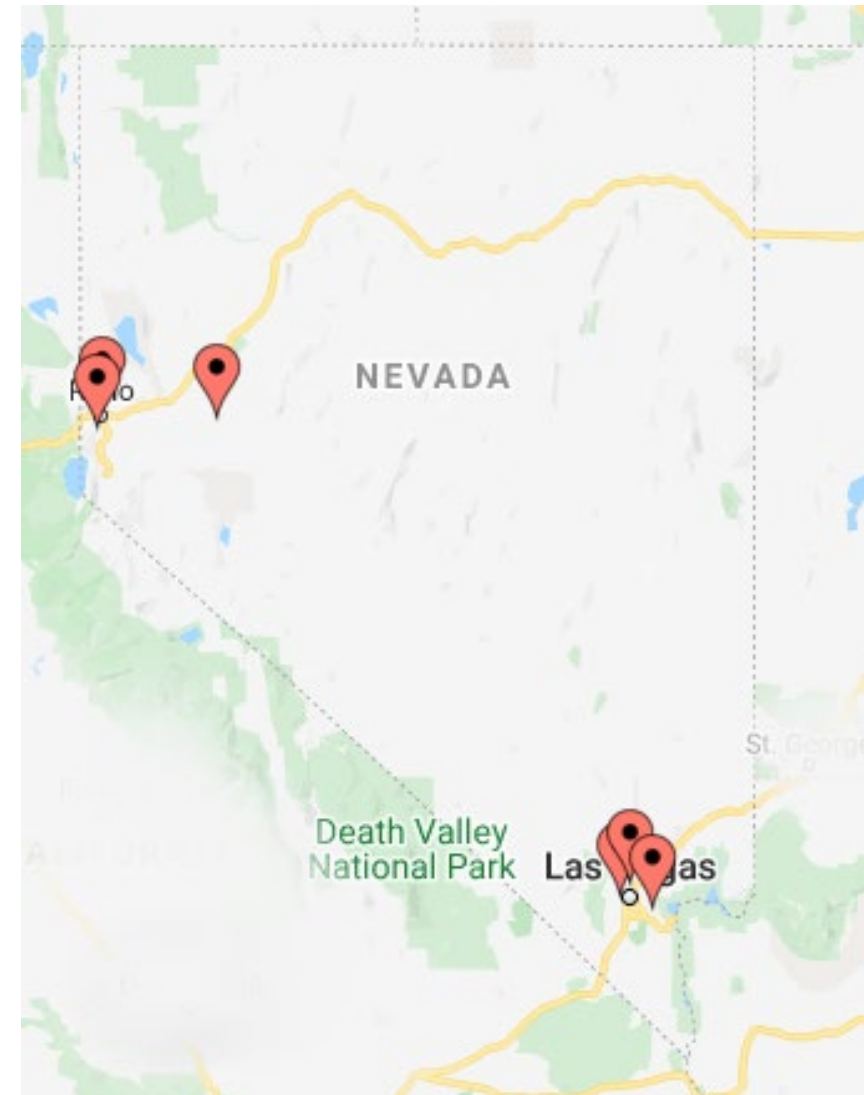
Treatment Works*



81% of individuals with problem gambling reported reduction in symptoms and improved quality of life with treatments and supports (at 12-months post enrollment).

FY23 Treatment Providers

- Dr. Robert Hunter
International Problem
Gambling Center, Las Vegas
- Mental Health Counseling
and Consulting, Henderson
- Bristlecone Family
Resources, Reno
- UNR Downing Center, Reno
(training program)
- Churchill Council on
Alcohol and Other
Drugs/New Frontier, Fallon





Gambling Treatment Outcome Data

Find the 2022 Nevada Problem Gambling
Treatment Report at:

[https://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/ProblemGambling/
Problem_Gambling_Services_\(PGS\)/](https://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/ProblemGambling/Problem_Gambling_Services_(PGS)/)

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Nevada Problem Gambling Study

Annual Report, Fiscal Year 2022



Prepared for the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services

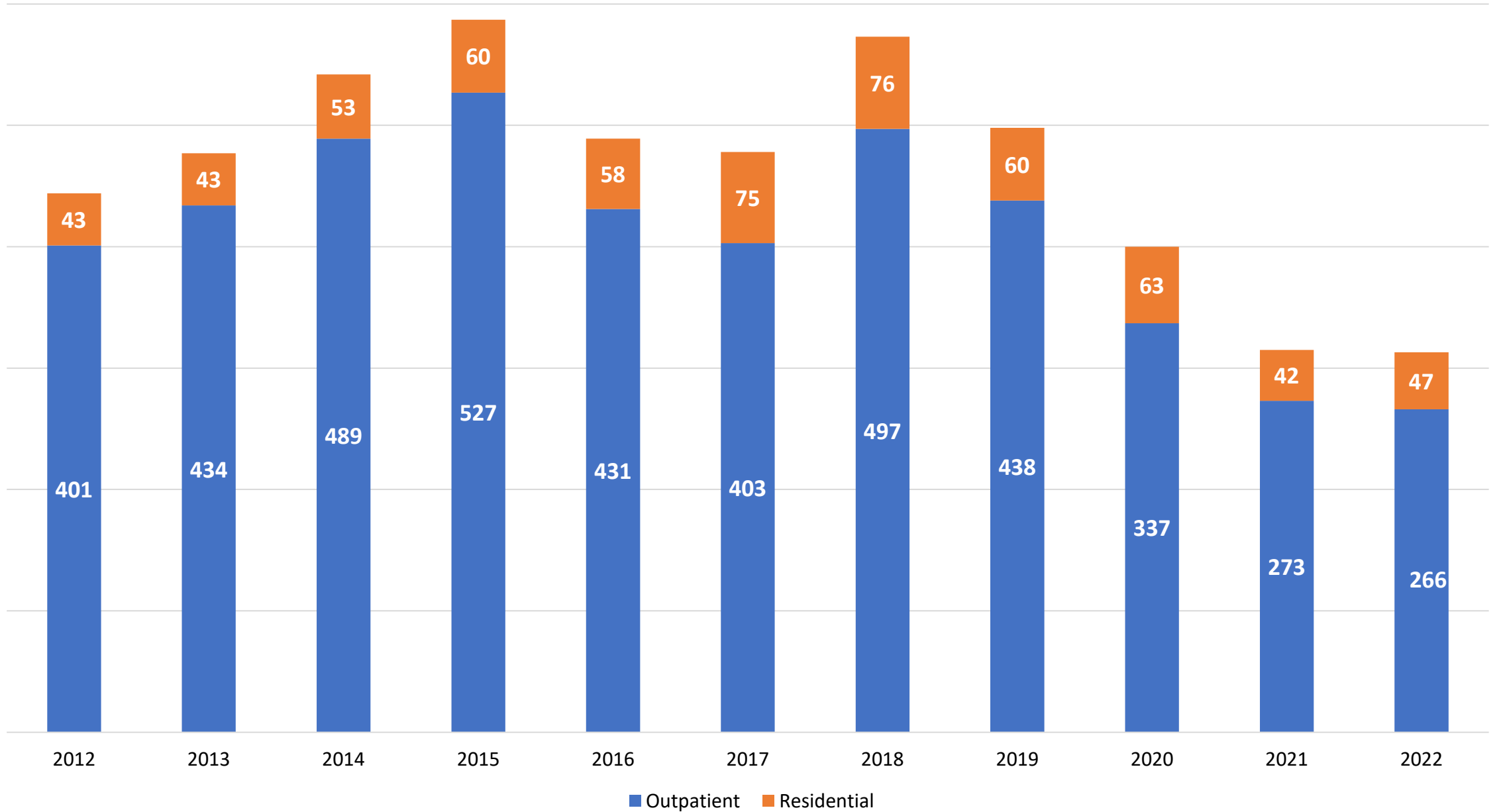
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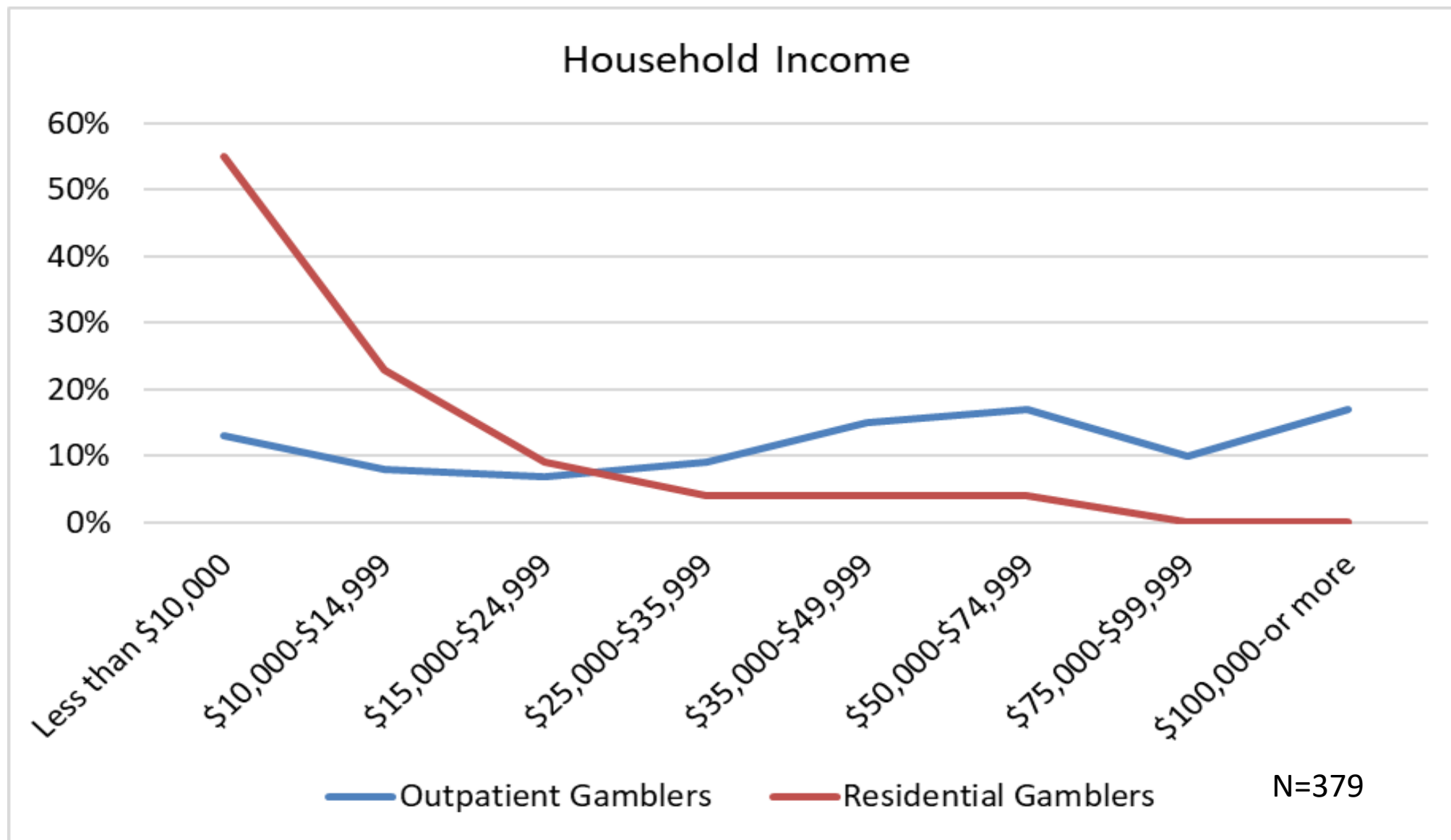
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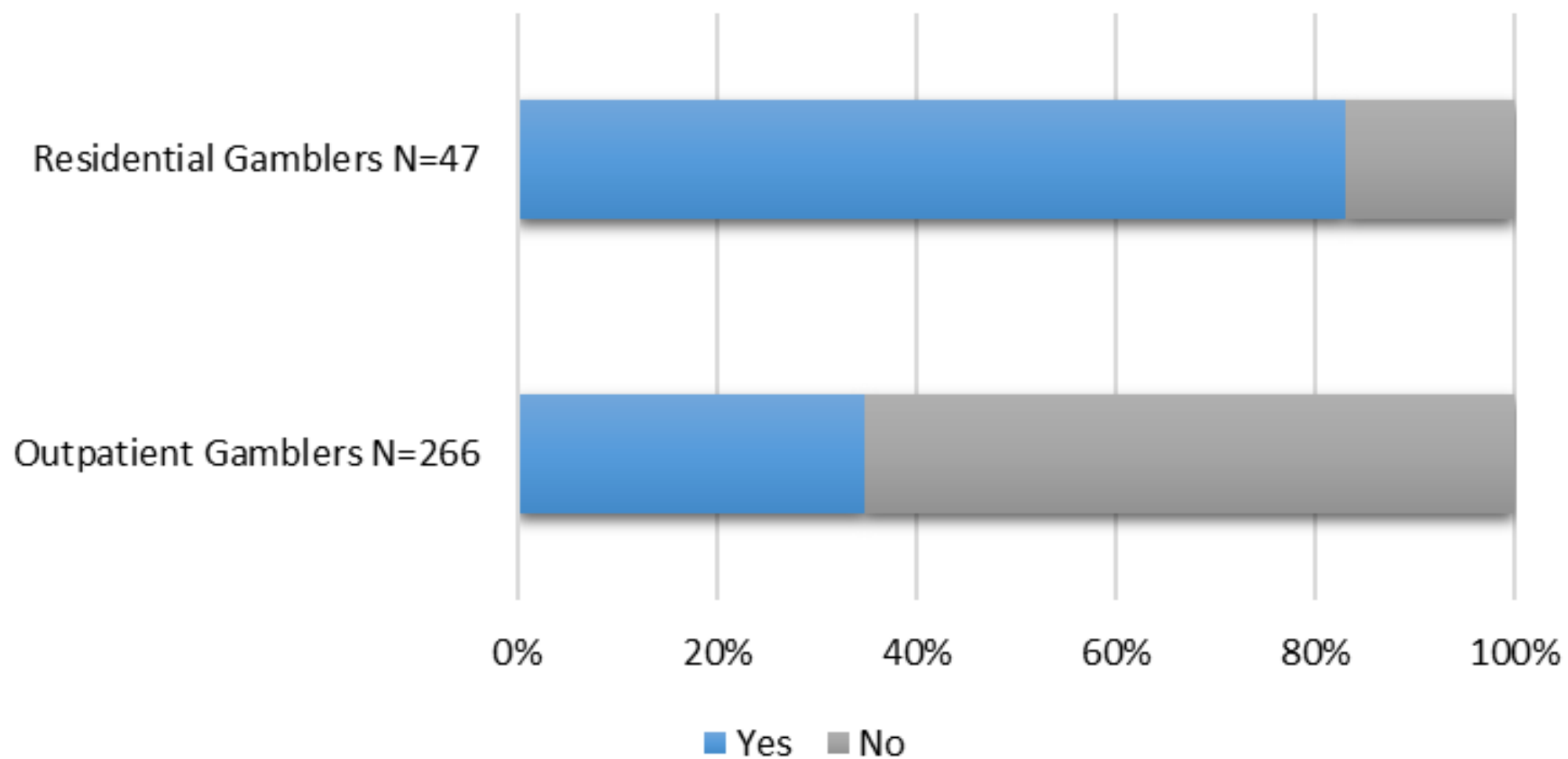
Total Enrollments by Fiscal Year



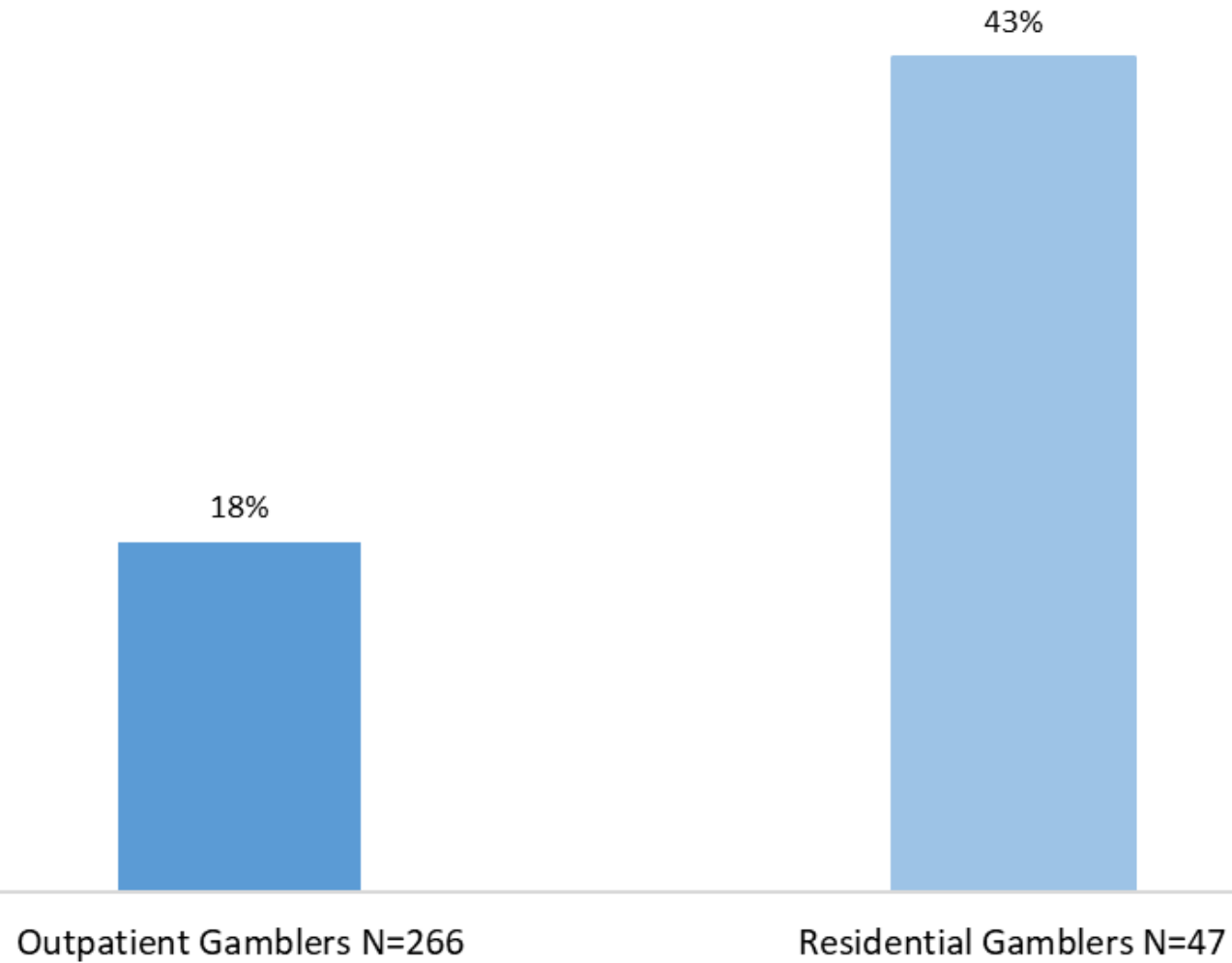
Demographics of Treatment Population: Income



Has Broken Laws to Finance Gambling



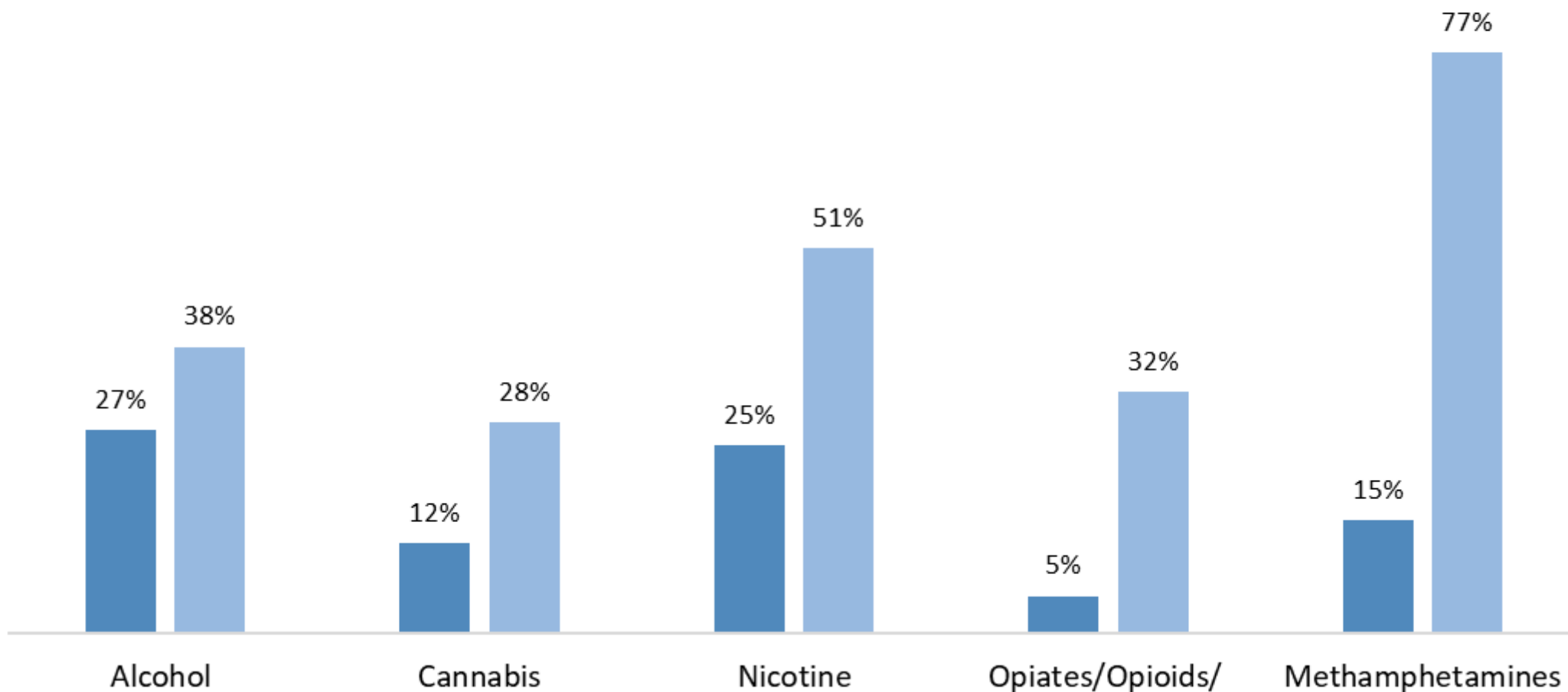
Has Previously Attempted Suicide



Problematic Substance Use

■ Outpatient Gamblers N=266 (any substance 41%)

■ Residential Gamblers N=47 (any substance 92%)



Problem Severity and Help Seeking

	Outpatient (N=266)	Residential (N=47)
Percent of Clients Enrolling in Treatment for the first time	72%	65%
Previously tried community support meetings	43%	36%
DSM-5 Score (0-9)	7.4 (average)	7.0 (average)
Subclinical	3%	4%
Mild (4-5)	12%	21%
Moderate (6-7)	27%	28%
Severe (8-9)	56%	45%

New Efforts



Problem Gambling Awareness Campaign

PROJECT
WORTH

If you have a problem with gambling,
you can overcome it.

You're Worth It.

TV Ads, Print, Social Media, Website, Digital Advertising

<https://www.projectworthnv.org/>

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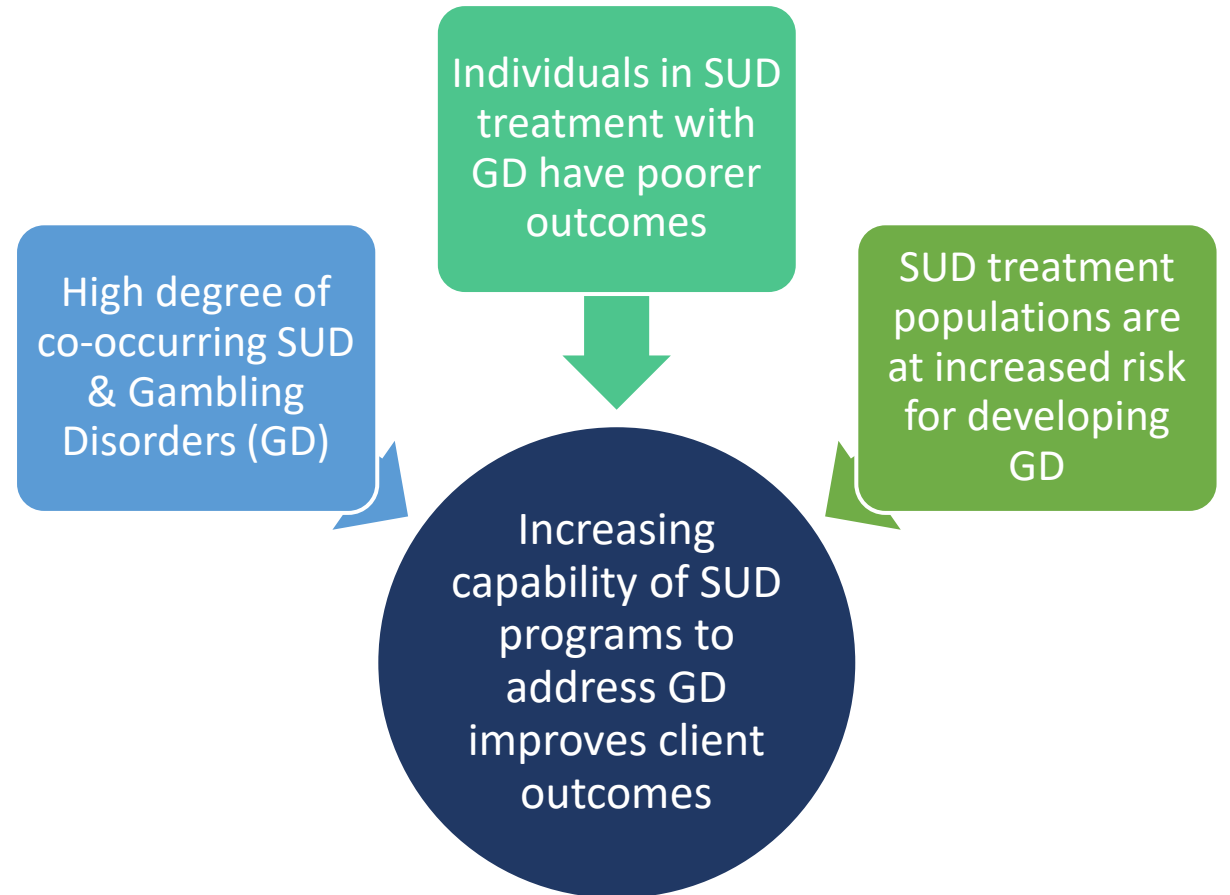
Gambling Integration Pilot Project Implementation Plan

Version 2:
February 9, 2022



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Problem Gambling Integration Project



Learn More about Problem Gambling



Ongoing:
Several
Trainings &
Courses

casatlearning.org



Problem
gambling
resources

www.nevadacouncil.org



Las Vegas
Conference:
May 23-25,
2023



Las Vegas
Conference:
March 23 &
24, 2023



Quick Links

Resources

[State-Supported Treatment & Prevention Programs](#)
[For confidential help, call or text the National Council on Problem Gambling Helpline: 1-800-522-4700](#)
[Nevada Council on Problem Gambling](#)
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Questions?

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