

What is gambling?

Gambling is betting, gaming or participating in a lottery, where gaming means playing a game of chance for a prize and a prize is defined as money or 'money's worth'. (The Gambling Act 2005)

A person is gambling whenever he or she takes the risk of losing money or belongings, and when winning or losing is decided mostly by chance. (Institute of Ontario: Problem Gambling 2019)

Why do people gamble?

- Recreation, relaxation, socialising
- Money, debt, hope of winning, lives might change
- Yearned behaviour, peer pressure, habit
- Challenge, new skill, fun, thrills, hobby
- Escapism, passing time, loneliness, boredom



Gambling in the UK



600,000

problem gamblers

Only 5% seek help for their treatment

Only 1% get treatment





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Most addictive types of gambling











Internet

Casinos

Slot machines & fixed odds betting terminals

Unregulated gambling

Sports

Support from other Organisation:

- National Gambling Helpline: 0808 8020 133
- Be Gamble Aware Support
- Support groups for Families
- GamCare Support
- Citizens Advice
- Adfam Support for Families
- GamFam
- Gamblers Anonymous

Debt advice

- National Debtline
- Debt Advice Foundation
- Step Change Debt Charity
- Money Advice Service



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