**Age Restrictions**
Delaware residents must be 21 or older to gamble in casinos, with slot machines, or on the internet.

**Gambling is Common among Young Students**
In 2022, nearly half (48%) of 5th graders surveyed had made a bet on a dare, video game, played a lottery or scratch-off ticket, or engaged in some other form of gambling in the past year.

**Gender Differences**
According to the 2021 Delaware Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), male high school students (45%) gambled more than females (35%).

According to the 2022 Delaware School Surveys, approximately half of 5th and 8th graders had gambled within the past year. Four out of ten 11th graders also reported gambling.

**Substance Use and Gambling among High School Students (%)**

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In 2021, high school students who reported gambling in the past year on the YRBS also reported higher rates of substance use than those who did not report gambling.

*Gambling refers to one or more of the following activities: played the lottery or scratch-off tickets; bet on fantasy sports; bet on individual sports teams; played Bingo for money; bet on dice games such as craps; bet money on a challenge; played online gambling games for money; bet on video games; bet on games of personal skill; played cards for money.

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