

## Governor Phil Murphy

# Governor Murphy Announces the Release of the Responsible Gaming Task Force's Report

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**TRENTON** – Governor Phil Murphy today announced the release of the Responsible Gaming Task Force's report outlining a comprehensive strategy to address problem gambling and promote responsible gaming across New Jersey.

Last June, Governor Murphy signed [Executive Order No. 360](https://d31hzhk6di2h5.cloudfront.net/20240614/23/62/5a/a5/7eaa29b16662fd90f73173b4/EO-360.pdf) (<https://d31hzhk6di2h5.cloudfront.net/20240614/23/62/5a/a5/7eaa29b16662fd90f73173b4/EO-360.pdf>), establishing a Responsible Gaming Task Force charged with providing advice and recommendations to the Governor's Office and the Attorney General regarding reforms to enhance responsible gaming initiatives and mitigate the risks associated with gambling. The Task Force was established in response to recent data, including a troubling [2023 report](https://socialwork.rutgers.edu/sites/default/files/2023-10/Prevalence_Report_2023_Final.pdf) ([https://socialwork.rutgers.edu/sites/default/files/2023-10/Prevalence\\_Report\\_2023\\_Final.pdf](https://socialwork.rutgers.edu/sites/default/files/2023-10/Prevalence_Report_2023_Final.pdf)) from the Rutgers University Center for Gambling Studies which indicated a higher risk for problem gambling in New Jersey compared to the national average, particularly for Black and Hispanic residents.

"New Jersey has long been a leader in the gaming industry, and with that leadership comes the responsibility to ensure the well-being of our residents," **said Governor Murphy**. "I appreciate the Task Force's efforts to create a safer and more supportive gaming environment, particularly for our most vulnerable communities."

"I'm proud that New Jersey is leading the charge in tackling problem gaming," **said Attorney General Matthew J. Platkin, Chair of the Responsible Gaming Task Force**. "We're already recognized nationally for our data-driven responsible gaming tools, and I'm encouraged by our multiagency task force's thoughtful recommendations to take our efforts even further and strengthen support for those who need it most."

The report studied several areas of the problem gaming landscape, including an overview of existing gaming regulations in New Jersey; an overview of responsible gaming in other jurisdictions; the impact of gaming on underage and vulnerable populations; education, prevention, and treatment for problem gaming; and funding to prevent and treat problem gaming.

The Task Force's recommendations address multiple critical areas of concern, including standardization & streamlining; prevention & education; tools & treatment; and funding.

To view the full Responsible Gaming Task Force Report, please click [here](https://d31hzhk6di2h5.cloudfront.net/20250421/03/7d/88/c4/e6e26c772bdba87687d31323/RGTF_Final_Report_to_GO_3.31.25.pdf) ([https://d31hzhk6di2h5.cloudfront.net/20250421/03/7d/88/c4/e6e26c772bdba87687d31323/RGTF\\_Final\\_Report\\_to\\_GO\\_3.31.25.pdf](https://d31hzhk6di2h5.cloudfront.net/20250421/03/7d/88/c4/e6e26c772bdba87687d31323/RGTF_Final_Report_to_GO_3.31.25.pdf)).

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