## Demographic Study: Who plays the lottery?

## Demographic Survey Study

## Goal:

We conducted the survey to ensure we have a good understanding of who plays our games. With that knowledge, we can do a better job of making sure we sell and market lottery games in a responsible way.

## Overall Objective:

Find out demographic profile of North Carolina lottery players and compare that market to the general population of North Carolina adults over 18.

## Methodology:

The N.C. Education Lottery partnered with Ipsos, a research and polling firm, to conduct a demographic profile of lottery players.
The statewide telephone survey interviewed 2,001 North Carolinians, aged 18 or older, between May 23 and June 19. The results have a margin of error of plus or minus 2.2 percent.

2,001 Surveys Completed


1200

## Data Was Balanced to General Population Statistics

|  | GENDER |  | ETHNICITY |  |  |  |  |  | DMA |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Male | Female | Caucasian | Afr | in |  |  | Other | Cha | lotte |  | ensboro | Raleigh | Rest of NC |
| Gen Pop Statistics Weighting Used | 49\% | 51\% | 67\% |  |  |  |  | 6\% |  | 9\% |  | 7.6\% | 30.9\% | 23.6\% |
|  | EDUCATION |  |  | AGE |  |  |  | TELEPHONE USE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | High School or Less | Some College | University or More | $\begin{gathered} 18 \text { to } \\ 34 \end{gathered}$ | 35 to |  | $\begin{aligned} & 55 \text { an } \\ & \text { over } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Wire Mos |  | Dual Use | Landline Mostly | Landline Only |
| Gen Pop Statistics/ Weighting | 39\% | 32\% | 29\% | 28\% | 35 |  | 37\% |  |  | 15 |  | 18\% | 9\% | 6\% |

* Ethnicity, education and Age numbers are based on the American Community Survey Census (2016)
** Gender numbers are from the Census Bureau (2017)
*** DMA data provided by the North Carolina Education Lottery
**** Telephone usage data is provided by the National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) (2016).


## How do we define a Lottery Player?

A lottery player is defined as a person who has played any game in the past year.

Games


Past Year


## LOTTERY PLAYER

Played any game in past year.

## Key Takeaway:

## Lottery players look similar to the overall population of our state.

Lottery Players in The General Population


## Gender

- A slightly higher percentage of lottery players are male -




## Ethnicity

- Lottery players matched the general population, with the exception of a slightly higher percentage of lottery players are African-Americans -


NC General Population (18+)


Hispanic or
Latino $\quad 7 \%$
Asian 2\%
Hawaiian or
Pacific Islander < $1 \%$


NC Lottery Players


White or
Caucasian
Black or African-
American

Hispanic or
Latino 7\%

Asian
2\%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander < 1\%

Other 4\%

## Education

- Fifty-nine percent of lottery players have attended some college or are university graduates -

NC General Population (18+)

## 39\%

High school or less
32\%
Some college
29\%
University graduate

## NC Lottery Players <br> $\square$



41\%
High school or less
34\%
Some college
25\%
University graduate

## Household Income

- Lottery players matched the general population in terms of household income -


<\$25K
$35 \%$

\$25K<\$75K

37\%


22\%
\$75K <\$150K

7\%
<\$150K+


