



The Results Of Raving's Third Annual Indian Gaming National Marketing Survey: Learning From Industry Trends

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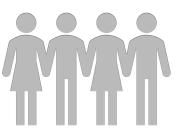


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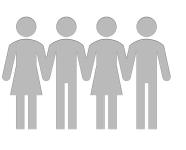






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Determine what casino marketers are doing and how they rate effectiveness of activities.

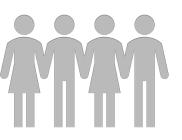












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Understand the challenges facing casino marketers in **Indian Gaming.**

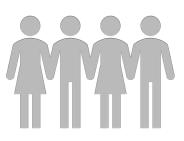












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Identify opportunities that will help casino marketers perform more effectively.













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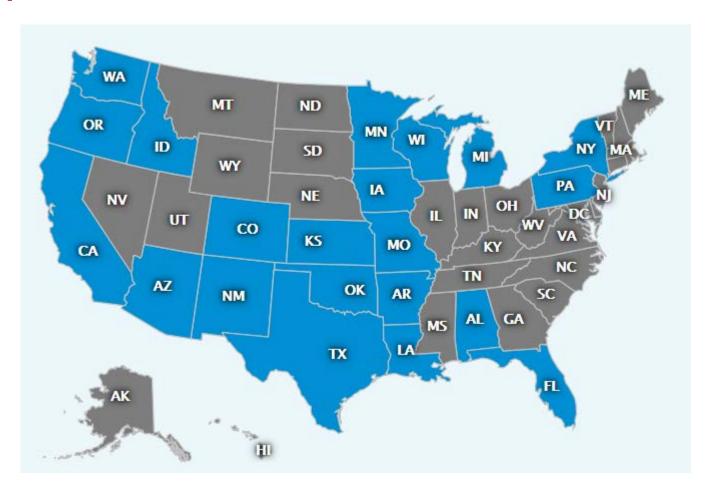
Trends

Gain insight into trends of Indian Gaming marketers.





Response Distribution



- > RESPONDENTS FROM 21 STATES
- > 83 TRIBAL CASINOS
 COMPLETED AT LEAST PART
 OF THE SURVEY
- ➤ 65 TRIBAL CASINOS COMPLETED THE SURVEY
- > COMPRISING 18% OF ALL TRIBAL CASINOS IN THE U.S.





Survey Content

- ✓ Composition of Tribal Casinos
- ✓ Competitive Environment
- ✓ Research & Analysis
- ✓ Players Clubs
- ✓ Host Departments
- ✓ Entertainment Programs
- **✓** Promotions
- ✓ Advertising & Communications
- ✓ Target Markets
- ✓ Respondent Profiles

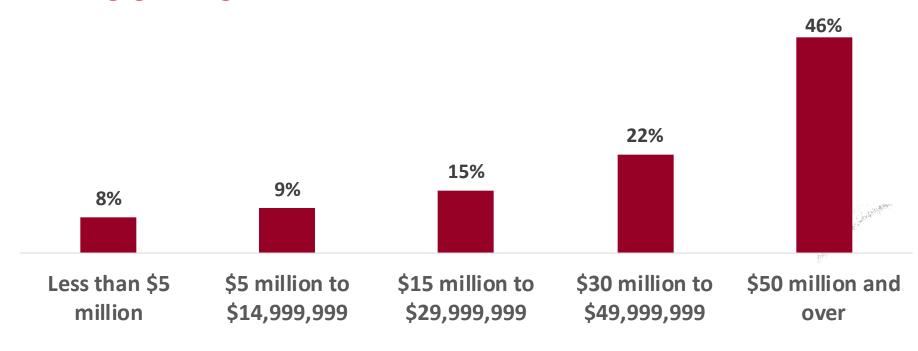
The full report will have all of this content.

Today's presentation features an overview and key findings from the survey.





Total annual gross revenue including gaming and amenities



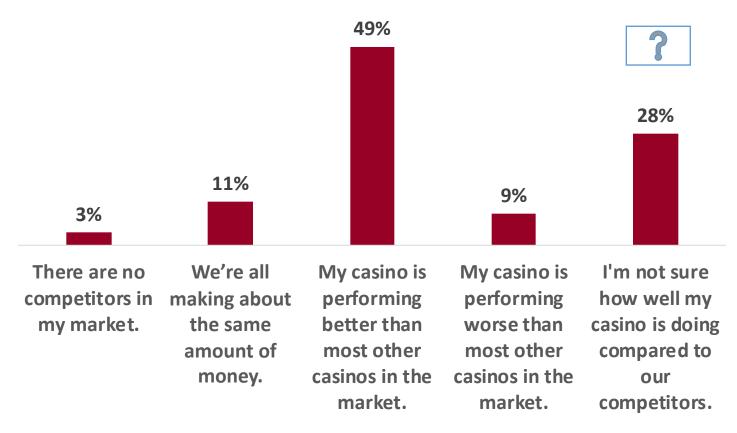
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How your casino is doing financially compared to competitors: three-year trend



Just over a quarter of tribal casinos are not sure how well their property is doing compared to competitors.

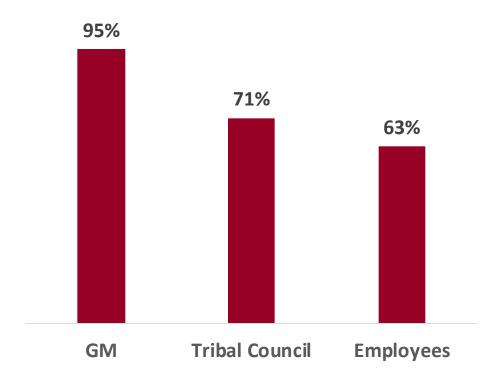
This is the same amount as last year.

In year one, that percentage was 37%.





Level of support for marketing: three-year trend

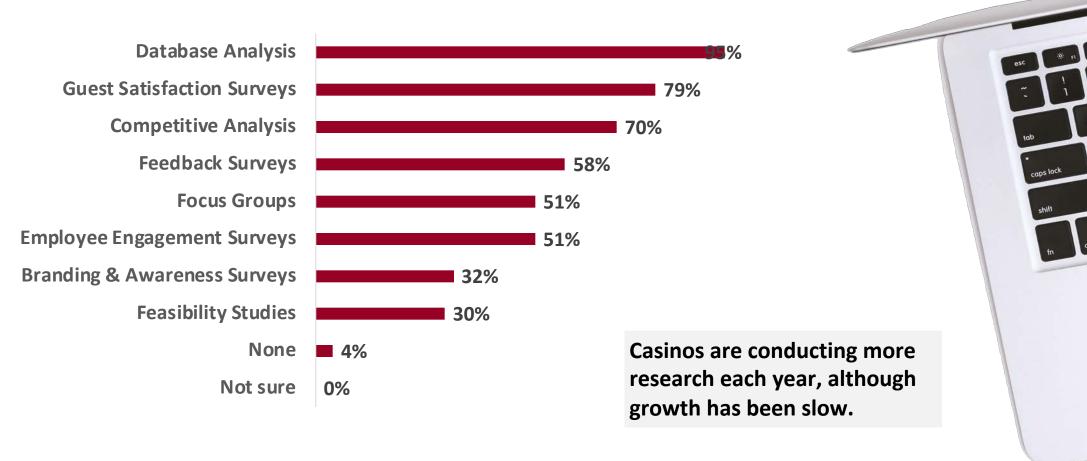


For the third straight year, the highest level of support for marketing is from the GM, and the lowest is from Employees.





Types of research being conducted by tribal casinos: three-year trend

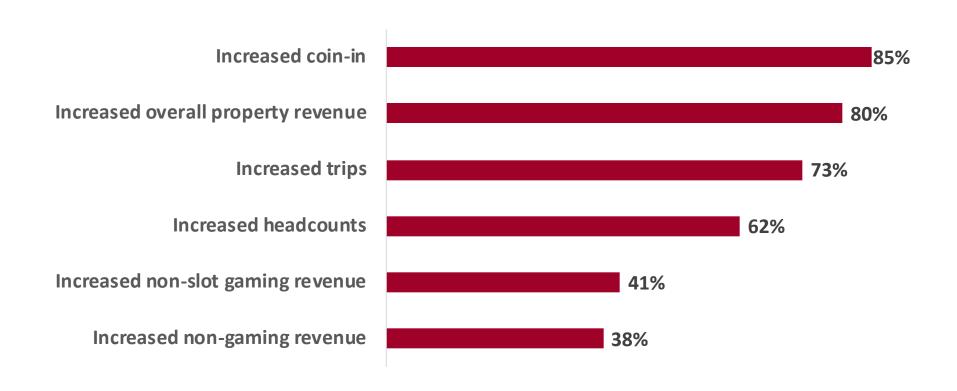




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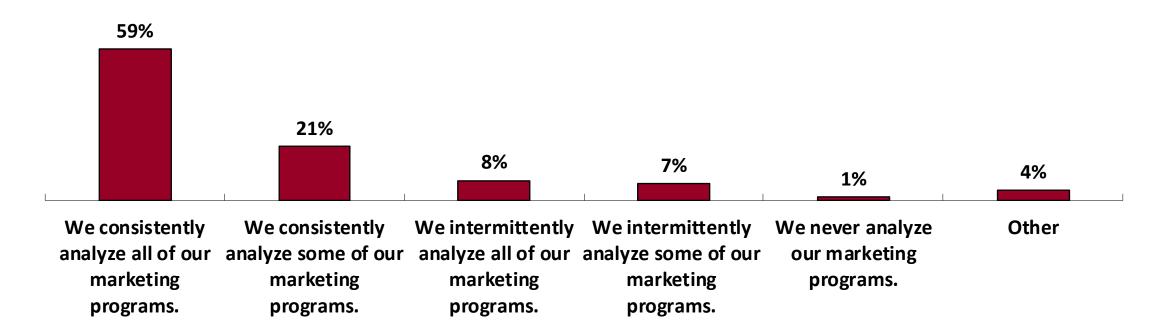
KPIs (key performance indicators) most often used to measure success of marketing programs







How much marketing program analysis casinos are doing







Biggest challenges casinos will face in 2019

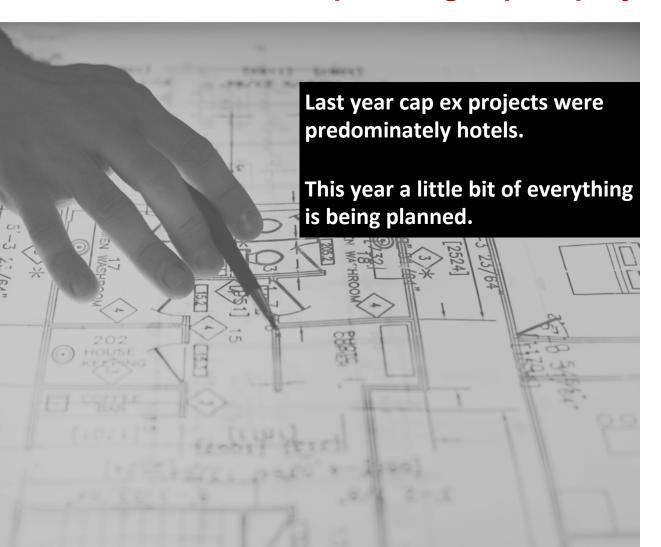


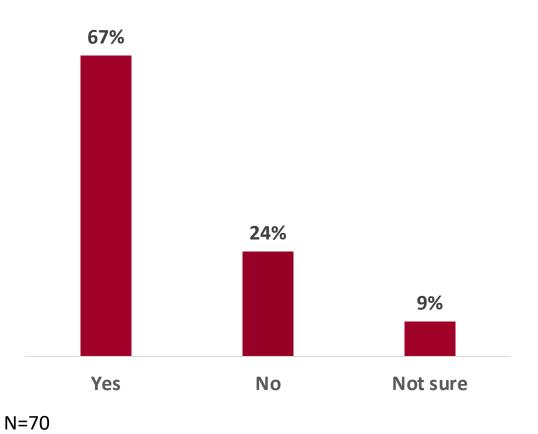






Percent of casinos planning capital projects in 2019

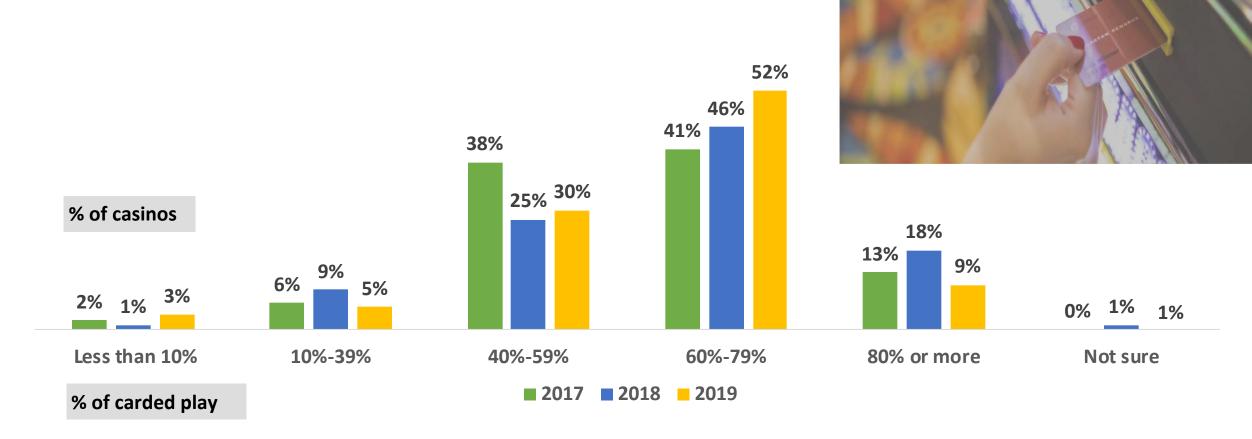








Percent of carded play: three-year trend

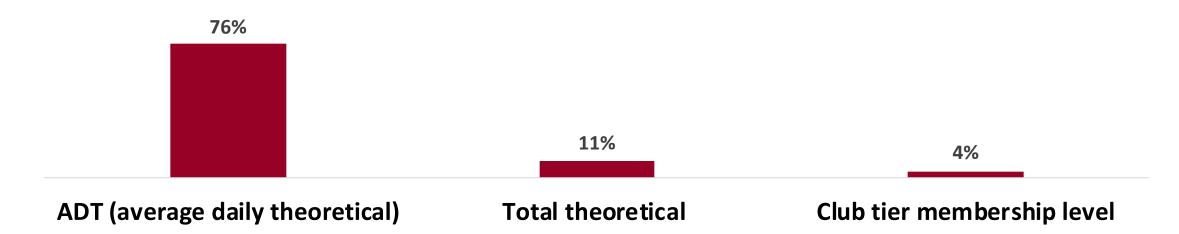


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MOST important factor used to determine value of offers to club members



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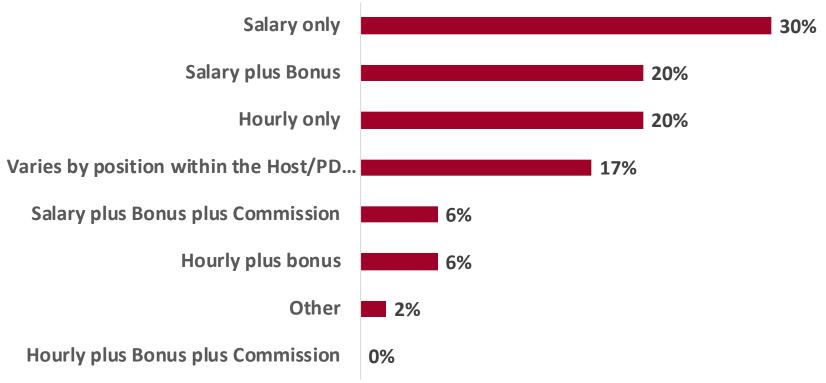
















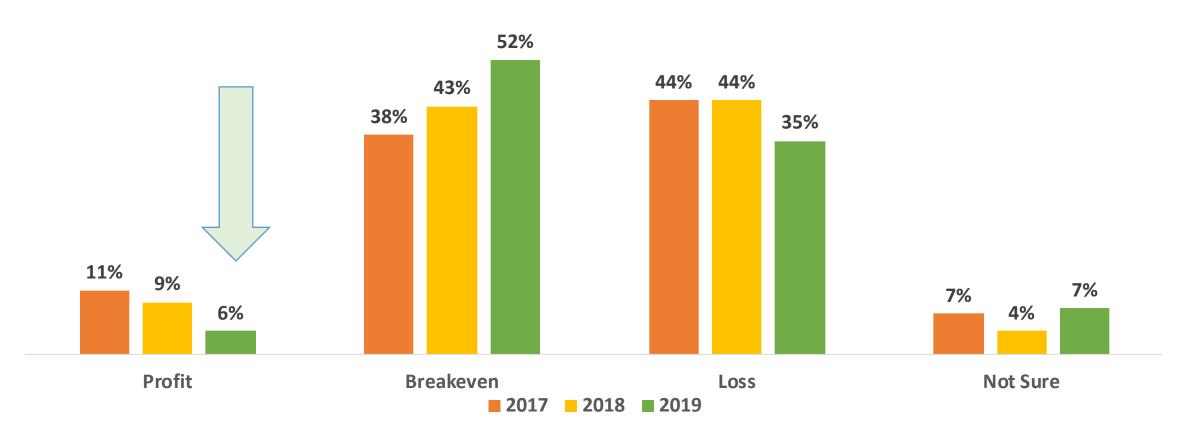
Entertainment programs: three-year trend







Entertainment program performance: three-year trend







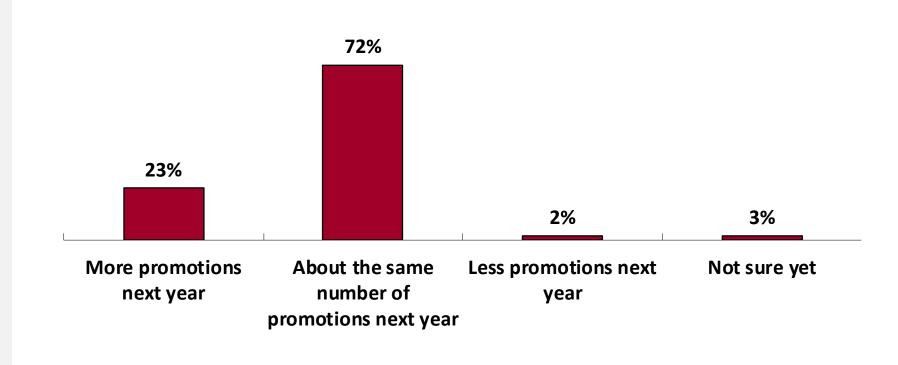
Promotions: three-year trend

Three years ago, 7% of casinos said they would be decreasing promotions.

Last year, 3% were going to decrease promotions.

This year, 2% of casinos say they'll do fewer promotions.

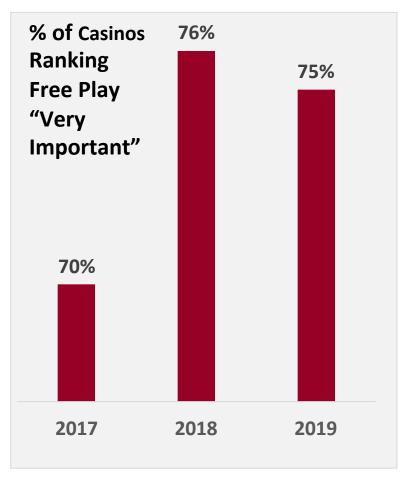
If you cut back on promotions in 2019, your competitors may pick up the slack, according to this data.

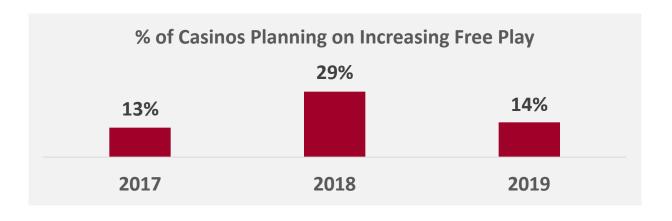




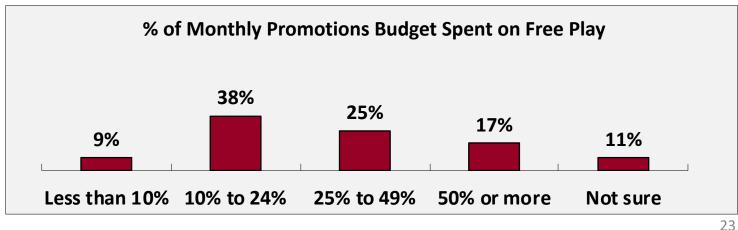


Free Play: three-year trend





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Approximate monthly merchandise cost for continuity/gift-of-the-month programs







Advertising channel changes in 2019



Increases (10% and over, percent of casinos planning increase):

52% Email

52% Social Media

51% Digital/Internet

46% Mobile Marketing

42% Website

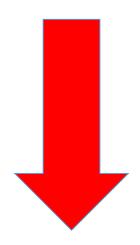
29% Direct Mail

25% Texting

18% TV

18% Billboard

15% Radio



Decreases (10% and over, percent of casinos planning decrease):

48% Print (Newspapers/Magazines)

14% TV

11% Radio

For the past two years, TV was ranked as the most effective way to reach potential new customers.

This year, TV was tied with Digital/Internet at 23%.

Direct Mail is still ranked #1 with 77% of casinos saying it is the best way to reach existing customers.





Percent of advertising budget allocated to each category shown below

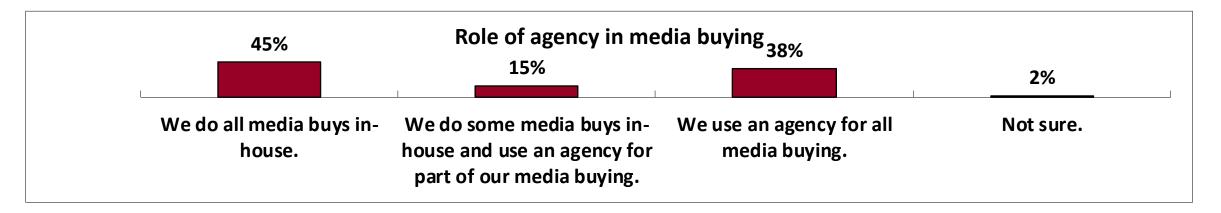
Column figures show percent of casinos that spend in each category

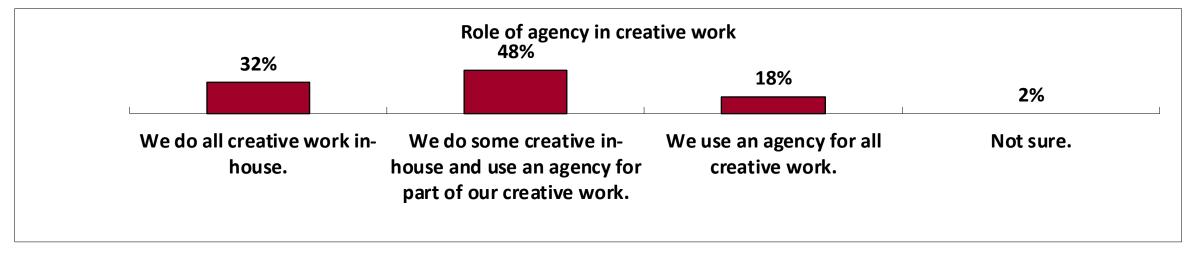
	Less than 10%	10%-19%	20%-29%	30%-39%	40%-49%	50% & over
Print	37%	35%	22%	5%	0%	2%
TV	20%	26%	31%	17%	5%	2%
Radio	6%	35%	42%	11%	3%	3%
Billboard	14%	43%	26%	6%	6%	5%
Internet	15%	37%	31%	8%	8%	2%





Role of advertising agencies

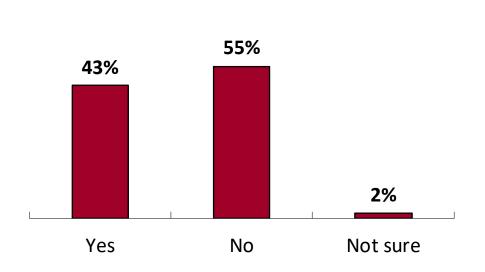


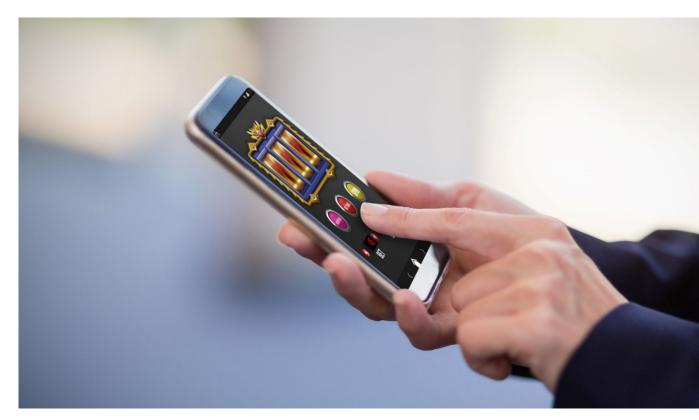






Percent of tribal casinos that have developed and launched a phone app for their property





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Percent of marketing communications sent using email: three-year trend

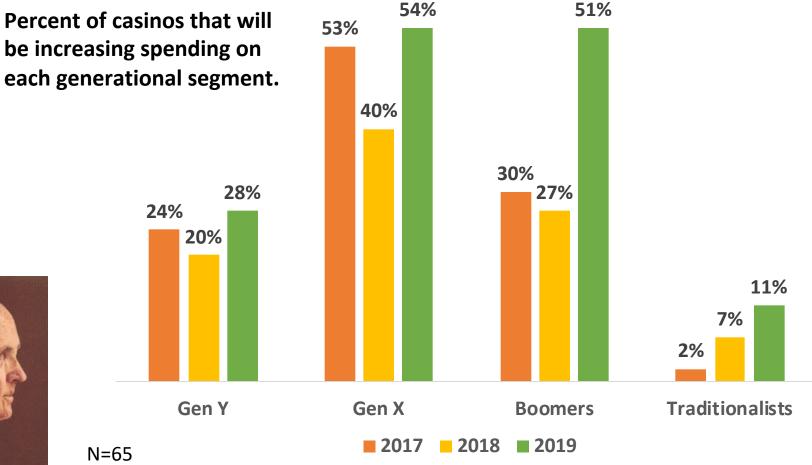
% of Email Messaging	2017	2018	2019	
0%	13%	10%	9%	
1% to 24%	56%	55%	46%	
25% to 49%	19%	23%	28%	
50% to 74%	9%	10%	15%	
75% to 99%	2%	2%	2%	
100%	2%	0%	0%	

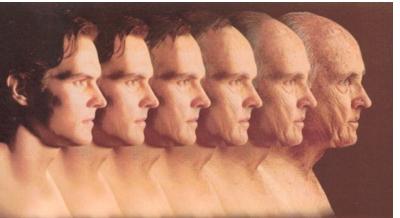
When comparing the percent of marketing communications sent by email vs. paper mail, there is a small but continuing increase of casinos sending between 25% and 74% of emails as a percent of total messaging.





Planned marketing increases by demographic group: three-year trend

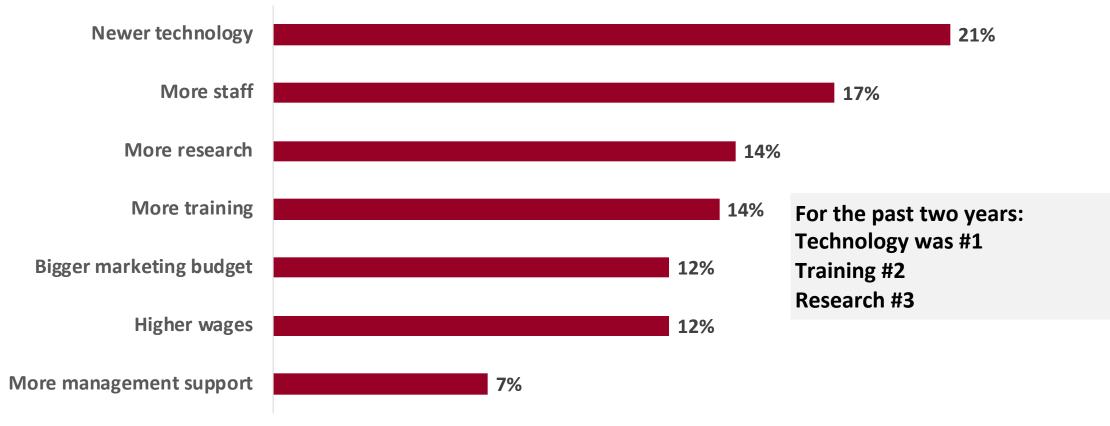








How to best improve job performance: three-year trend







Observations and Analysis



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Thank you!

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