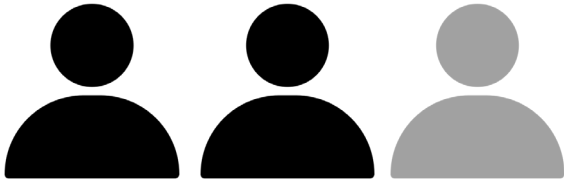
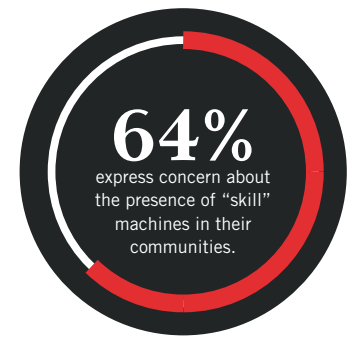
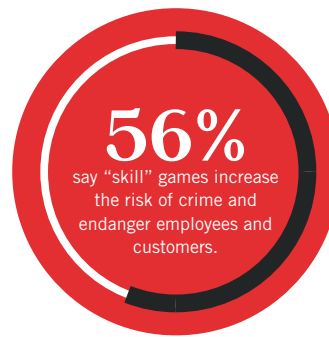
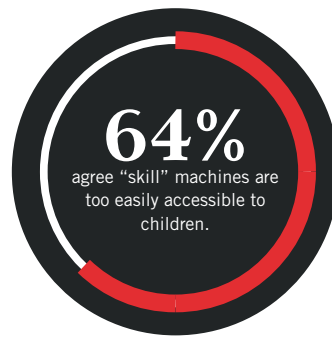
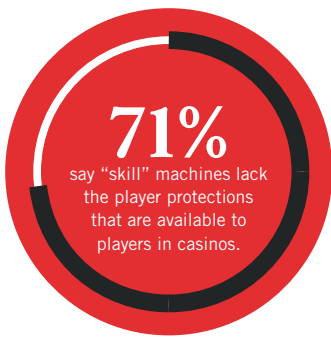


# The Dangers of “Skill” Machines

“Skill” machines are often found in convenience stores, bars, strip malls and other community establishments, operating outside of the regulated gaming marketplace. According to an AGA survey, the majority of American consumers familiar with “skill” machines are concerned about the dangers of these games to their communities.



**Two-Thirds (65%)** of those who are familiar with “skill” games say that they are **no different from slot machines** where wins are based on random chance, and that even a skilled player cannot reliably influence the outcome.



**THERE ARE AN ESTIMATED 580,651 UNREGULATED GAMBLING MACHINES IN THE U.S., CONSTITUTING 40% OF ALL GAMING MACHINES NATIONWIDE.**



Unregulated machine manufacturers have built their businesses by duping consumers and small businesses while avoiding taxes, oversight and consumer protections... Keeping America’s gaming industry strong, safe and responsible can only be done through the robust infrastructure of the **well-established legal market**, not by rewarding bad actors with half-measures that fail to address the dangers of unregulated gambling.

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#### Methodology

Kantar, on behalf of the American Gaming Association (AGA), conducted an online survey from August 11-18, 2023, among a nationally representative sample of 2,002 American voters aged 21 and over. The margin of error is +/- 2 percent and greater among subgroups.

#### About the AGA

As the national trade group representing the U.S. casino industry, the American Gaming Association (AGA) fosters a policy and business environment where legal, regulated gaming thrives. The AGA’s diverse membership of commercial and tribal casino operators, sports betting and iGaming companies, gaming suppliers, and more lead the \$261 billion industry and support 1.8 million jobs across the country.