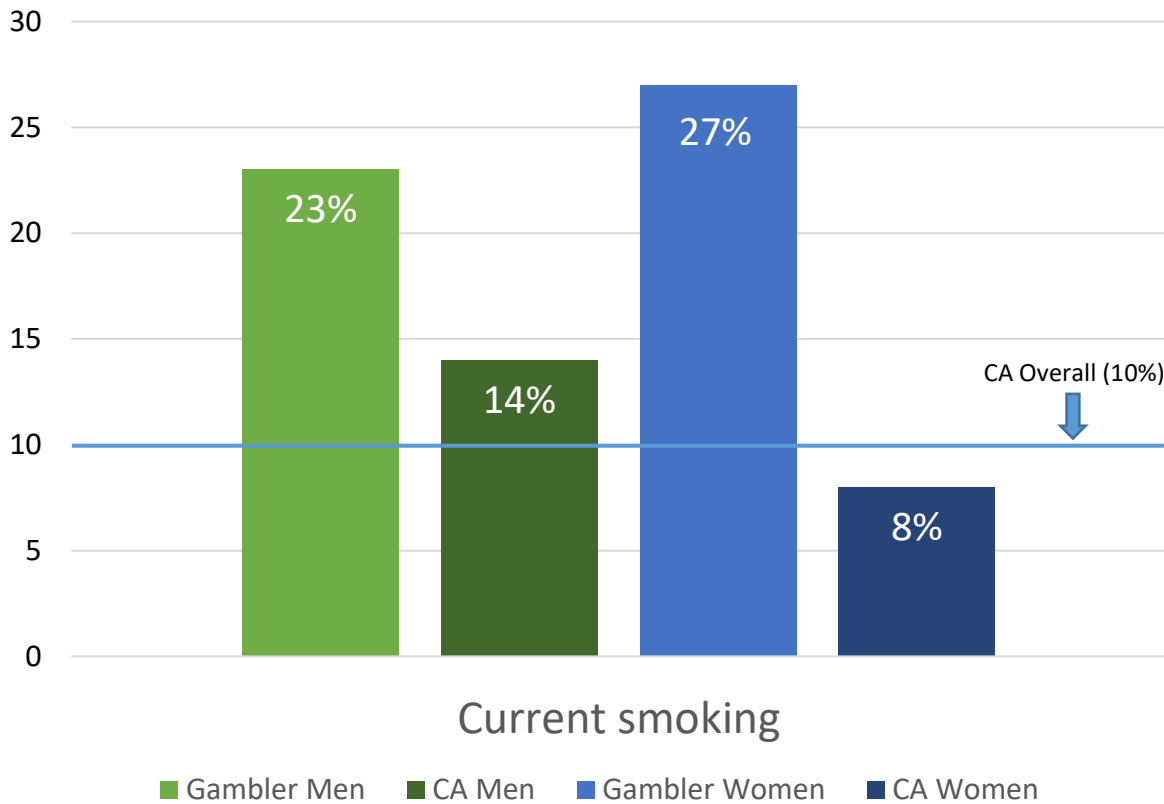


CalGETS Fast Facts

Smoking is more common among problem gamblers

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In California, problem gamblers can receive no-cost treatment through CalGETS. During their intake to outpatient treatment, we asked participants if they were current smokers. 24% of problem gamblers reported current smoking.

At intake, the percentage of smoking among male gamblers was 9% higher than the prevalence of smoking among California men. 65% of gamblers in outpatient treatment are men.

The prevalence of smoking in female gamblers at intake to outpatient treatment is more than three times the prevalence of smoking in California women. 35% of gamblers in outpatient treatment are women.

Source – *Outpatient Gamblers*: CalGETS Annual Treatment Services Report, Fiscal Year 2017-18, prepared for the California Department of Public Health, Office of Problem Gambling by the University of California Los Angeles Gambling Studies Program.

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