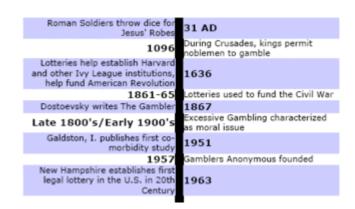
## The WAGER Vol. 7(32) - Living Timeline of Gambling

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During the Harrah's General Council meeting of 2001, Judy Patterson, Senior Vice-President and Executive Director of the American Gaming Association presented the framework for a timeline of the history of gambling. Together, Patterson and the staff of The WAGER would like to invite all readers of The WAGER to contribute information about dates and events to add to this timeline. It is our hope that we will be able to create an ongoing and interactive document that will provide valuable information to individuals seeking to know more about historical events associated with gambling and problem gambling. The framework laid out by Patterson can be accessed below. We invite any and all feedback, comments, and additions. We request that all suggested additions be accompanied by an original source of reference.



irst treatment program for pathological gambling established b Robert Custer, M.D.

National Council on Problem 1972 Gambling (NCPG) founded

> Maryland establishes first statefunded treatment program

First nationwide prevalence study conducted

1980

1989

1995

American Psychiatric Association recognizes pathological gambling as "official" disorder (DSM III)

Journal of Gambling Behavior (now Journal of Gambling Studies) first published

First state-funded outpatient treatment program established in New Jersey

1985

Harrah's Entertainment becomes first commercial casino company to officially address problem gambling

APA revises DSM-III criteria on pathological gambling (DSM-IV)

The Government of Antigua Barbuda passes The Free Trade and Processing Zone Act, 1994. Many online casinos and sports books today operate under licenses granted pursuant to this legislation. Antigua Barbuda continues to be one of the online gambling industries most popular licensing jurisdictions.

1994

National Center for Responsible Gaming founded

Missouri Gaming Commission implements nation's first self-

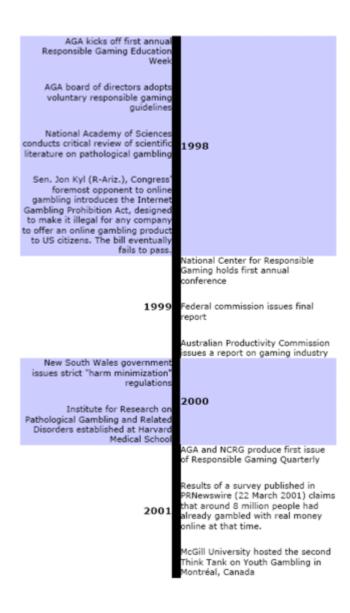
exclusion program 1996

The first issue of The WAGER was published (fax broadcast). It was created by the late Thomas N. Cummings and Howard J. Shaffer

First North American Think Tank on Youth Gambling held at Harvard

Harvard Meta-Analysis released

Second federally-funded 1997 commission begins study of social and economic impacts of gaming in America



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