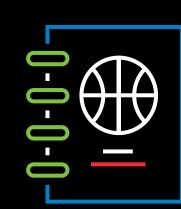
March Madness and Taxes?



Know the rules of the game

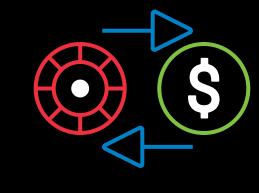
March Madness, betting, and taxes go hand-in-hand. While brackets or an office pool can seem simple, it's a taxable event with more complexity at play

Betting activities are all taxable income and can be classified as:



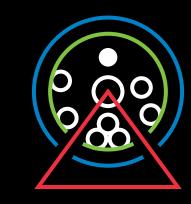
Business

Full-time and with regularity, to create a livelihood



Hobby

Limited-time without a clear plan for making profits



Gambling

Chance-based activity, not based on skill

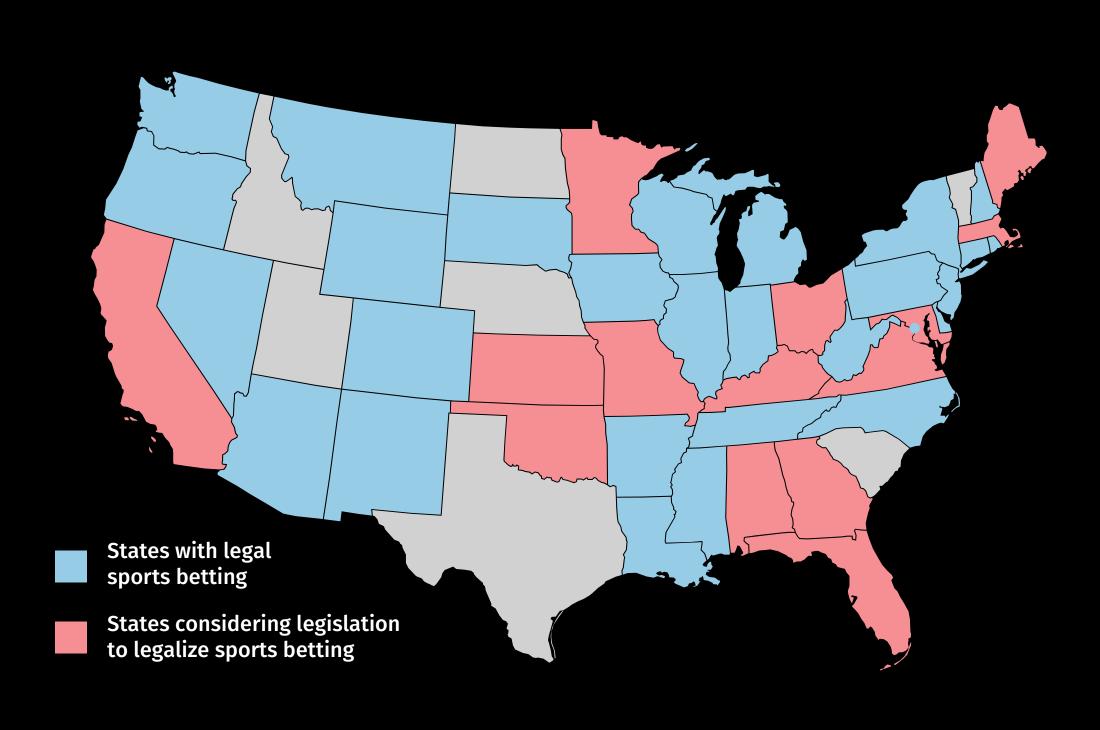
Where does legal sports betting take place?

Twenty-eight states plus the District of Columbia now have legal sports betting

AR, AZ, CO, CT, DE, IA, IL, IN, LA, MI, MS, MT, NC, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, WA, WV, WI and WY

Thirteen additional states are considering legislation to legalize sports betting

AL, CA, FL, GA, OH, OK, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MN and MO



What about fantasy Sports?

Under the 2006 Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act, fantasy sports were determined to be a game of skill rather than gambling. As a game of skill, it is either a hobby or a business depending on the facts involved.

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