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## **INTERNET GAMBLING VIEWED AS NOT BEING A SIGNIFICANT ISSUE IN THE WORKPLACE**

### **Online shopping/auctions identified as the most common Internet-related "addiction"**

**Norwalk, CT. --- (June 3, 2004) ---** Only nine percent of HR professionals responding to a May 2004 survey conducted by ERC Dataplus, a leading HR technology company, and *Human Resource Executive* magazine reported that Internet gambling was "somewhat" or a "major" problem in their organizations. However, over one quarter of the respondents did not have enough knowledge of the extent of the issue to make a determination regarding the impact to their organization.

Approximately fifty percent of the respondents were concerned to some extent about the problem of Internet gambling. Of these, one-half were only "slightly" concerned, and twenty percent were "very" or "extremely" concerned.

The most common effect of Internet gambling on the workplace was co-worker complaints as reported by twenty-three percent of the respondents, followed by fourteen percent reporting decreased productivity, nine percent reporting lower morale, seven percent reporting theft and six percent legal problems.

The results of the entire survey may be seen by going to [www.ercdataplus.com/hrexecutive/results.htm](http://www.ercdataplus.com/hrexecutive/results.htm).

ERC Dataplus and *Human Resource Executive* poll HR and affiliated professionals on a different topic each month. June's survey addresses questions affecting 'Hiring Metrics'. To participate, go to [www.ercdataplus.com/hrexecutive/](http://www.ercdataplus.com/hrexecutive/). The results of May's survey will be posted on the website in June and reported in the magazine in July.

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