

## Online Gambling in Spain A Regulatory Update

Is Spain ready for a regulated online gambling market?

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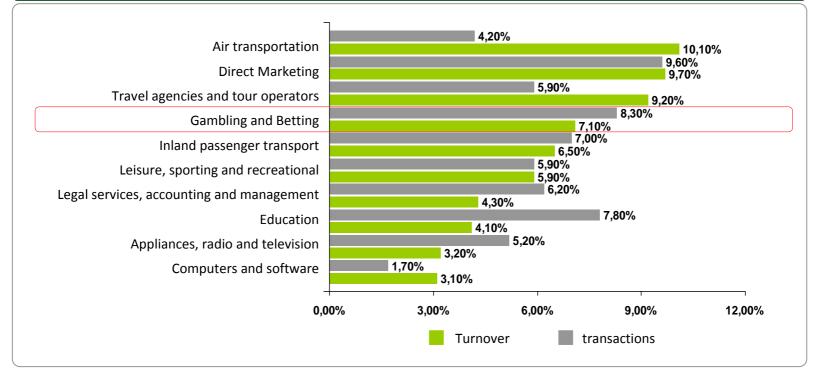
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#### The e-Commerce's in Spain, Q4 2008

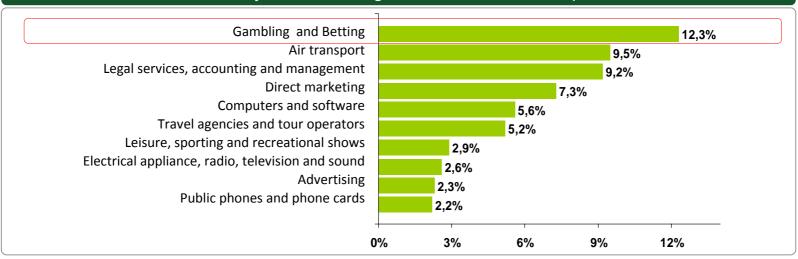
- e-Commerce in Spain turned over 1250 million in Q4 2008, a 22.2% increase vs Q4 2007
- e-Commerce in Spain during 2008 reached a record figure of € 5 million, registering an annual growth of 39%.

#### TOP 10 e-Commerce activity areas with higher % of Turnover & Transactions in Spain, Q4 2008

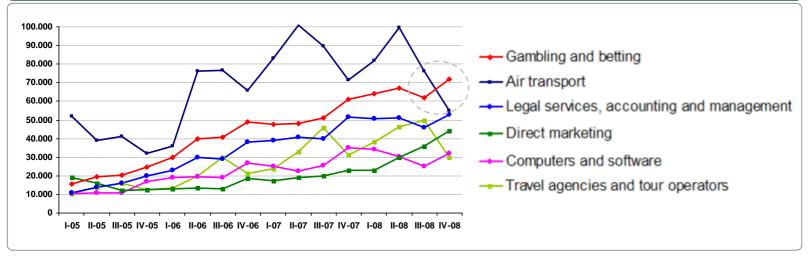


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#### TOP 10 e-Commerce activity areas with higher % Turnover from Spain to abroad, Q4 2008

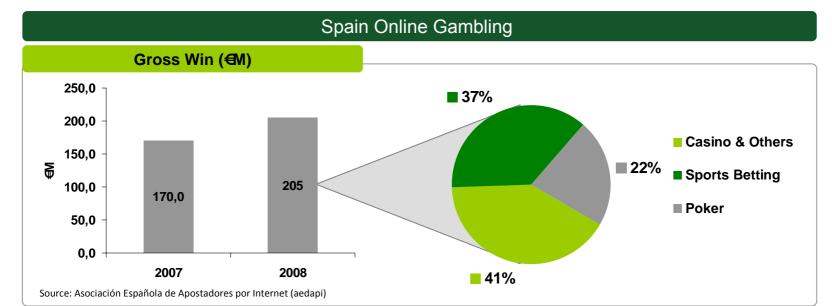


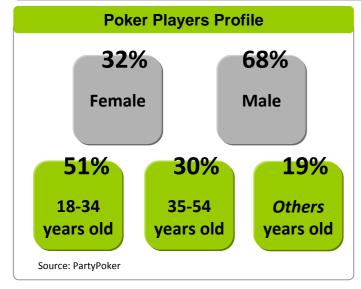
#### TOP 5 e-Commerce activity areas with higher transactions from Spain to abroad, 2005-2008



Source: Comisión del Mercado de las Telecomunicaciones (CMT)

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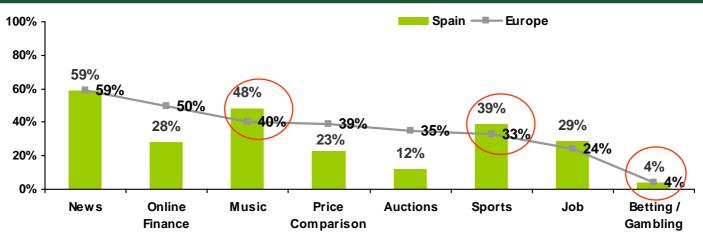






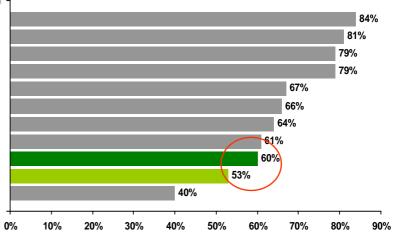
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#### Internet Penetration and Daily Use

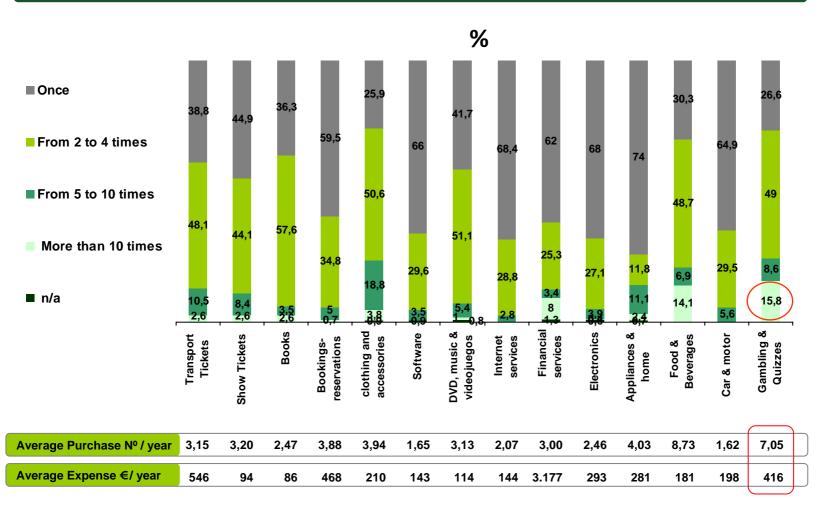
	Δ from 2006	Δ from 2007	2008 MII Pop
Denmark	15%	29%	3.7
Netherlands	5%	0%	11.1
Norway	1%	0%	3.0
Sweden	4%	7%	6.0
Belgium	10%	2%	6.8
France	18%	14%	34.4
UK	2%	2%	32.4
Germany	15%	0%	43.3
Europe	11%	5%	178
Spain	10%	4%	18.4
Italy	21%	8%	20.0



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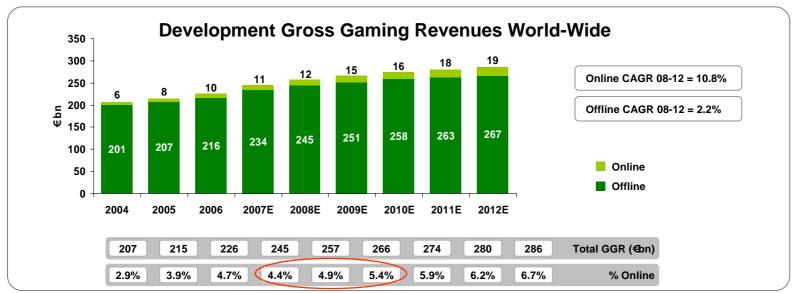
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#### Frequency, Purchases and Expenses on Internet (Spain, 2008)



#### Consumer trends (6/7)





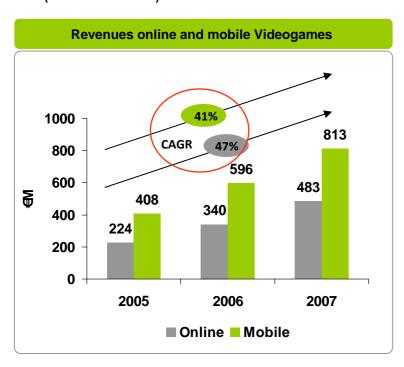
Online Gambling represents today 4.9% of the Total GGR, estimated 6.7% in 2012

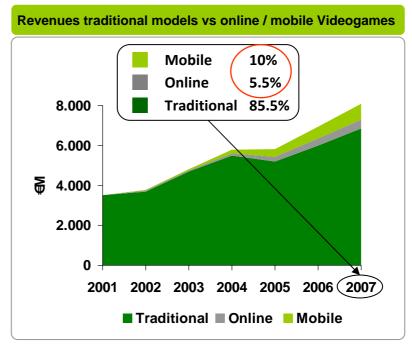
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#### **European Videogames Market**

- The videogames industry has risen from € 5,000 million in 2005 to more than € 8,000 million in 2007 (60% growth)
- Much of this increase is due to online and mobile gaming, with revenues of € 1,250 million in 2007 (15.5% of total)





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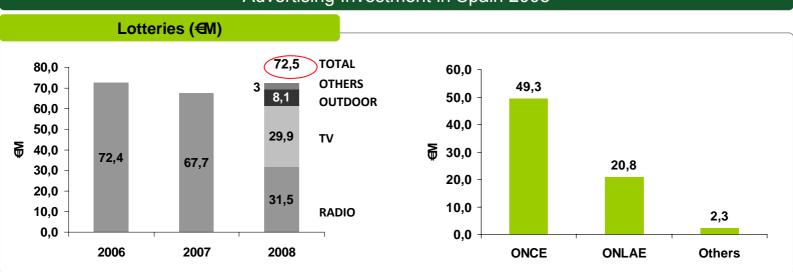
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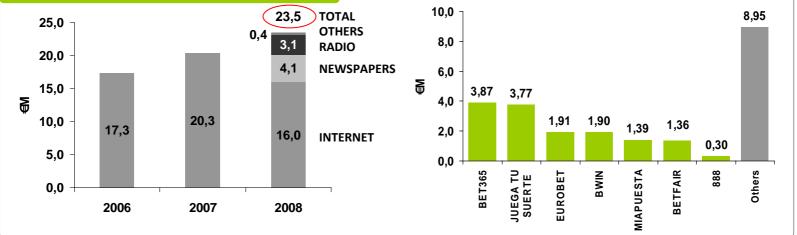
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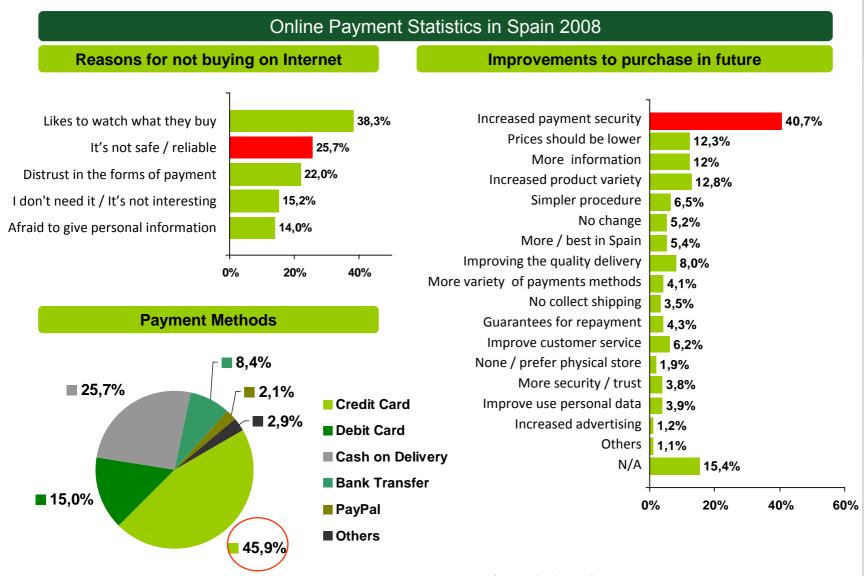


Source: Infoadex

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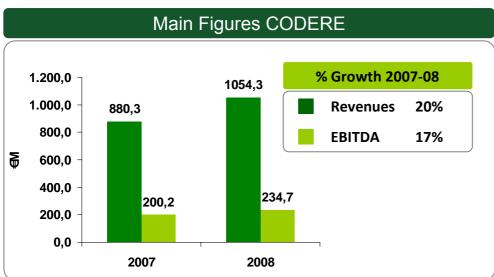


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## VICTORIA Sports Betting Performance











Source: VICTORIA

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## Online Gambling Regulation (1/3)

#### **Principal European Online Gambling Regulations**

	Actively allow	Passively allow	Actively prohibit	Passively prohibit	State or regional monopoly	Licensed private monopoly	Liberalised regulated market
France	x				х		
Germany			x				
Italy	Х						х
Malta	Х						х
United Kingdom	Х						X

Source: European Parliament

	Restriction on foreign operators?	ISP blocking?	Financial transactions blocking?
France	YES: 2006 law includes ISP and payments blocking measures against blacklisted operators, although measures not brought into effect pending online gambling reform.	Possible	Possible
Germany	YES: Blanked prohibitions on online gambling, enforcement varies state by state.	YES	YES
Italy	YES: Local licensing requirement, plus ISP blocking against government blacklist.	YES	NO
Malta	NO	NO	NO
United Kingdom	NO: All operators established in EU/EEA allowed to advertise in UK	NO	NO

Source: Gambling Compliance

#### Online Gambling Regulation (2/3)

**Online Gambling Regulation Trends** 



**USA** 

US Lawmaker to push to repeal Internet gambling ban

Source: Reuters



Italy

Italy allows 200 online gambling sites and punishes not empowered ones

Source: EFE



UK

Ladbrokes proposing offshore operators to pay a 2 % tax on GW in return for the right to advertise

Source: Gambling Compliance



Spain

Online Gambling duty levied at 10% of GW in Madrid

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#### Online Gambling Regulation (3/3)



#### Regulation vs Prohibition

- National Licensing
- Principal Control Measure:
  - ISP Blocking of non-authorized online operators
- Avoid:
  - Geolocation, multiple servers, B&M operating rules



#### **Taxation**

- 7% on GW (wagers less prizes)
- 3% on Advertising expenses

It would mean Hundreds of M€ to split between the State and Regions just in the first 3 years

#### Advertising

Autocontrol restrictions

#### **Protection Measures**

- eCOGRA and EBGA recommendations
- Operators solvency guarantees
- Data protection, self-exclusion



"Man is the plaything of the gods...
so we should play the noblest games "

**Plato** 



## THANK YOU



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