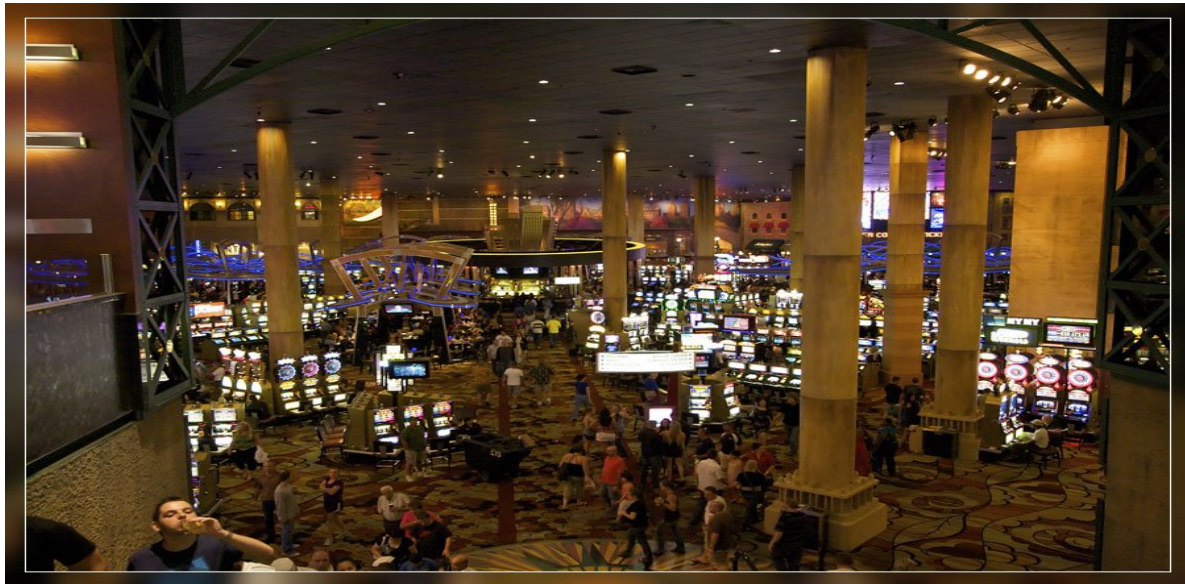


Hello I am Junjie Zou from Science Leadership Academy (SLA) located at Philadelphia, PA. For this unit in our 9th grade English class, we are doing a project called "You and the World." We were asked to write three blogs about something that we think that needs a major change or needs to be shared. As for this, I chose to research about the effect and the impact of the casino for my first blog. "For most people, a visit to a casino is fun. They try their luck, wager responsibly, have a good time and understand that gambling is a form a entertainment." (State of New Jersey Casino Control Commission) Not a lot of people know about how a slot machine works, why the building is built the way it is, or what effect it has on you, the community, and the whole city.

The structure of the building will block out the outside world from everyone inside the building, which will make them not want to leave. The inside of the casino will forever remain windowless. They purposely didn't put any windows on because they don't want you to know what time it is. Think about it; if you look outside and it is dark, you might want to leave. So without windows you can't see the outside, which give you a less chance of determining the time.

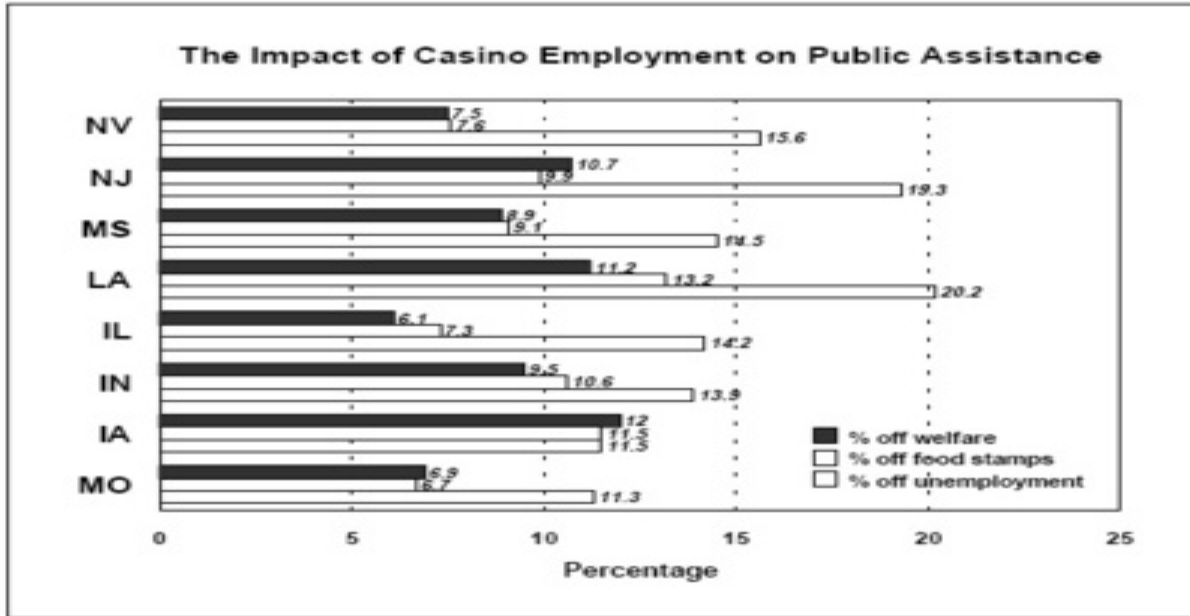


(Inside of a casino that have no windows)

The slot machines that most casinos are using are customised. The slot machine not only act like a machine but it also act like a person. They can read your money and trick you into thinking that you can win the next round, but really, you can't. For the first few times you play, the slot machine will let you win several times to get you to think that you can win again. As time pass, eventually you are going to put a big amount of cash into the machine; the machine will read it and make you win, then lose. For all this time, the slot machine have been tricking you into putting bigger amount of money every time, so by the time you know it; you don't have any cash left in your pocket. [Here](#) is a website that can give you more information about this topic.

Not a lot of people know that just having a casino built around you can also affect you even if you don't go there. A creation of a new casino can make a person go from rich to poor. What if that poor person was the person that you are working for? This gives you a higher chance of losing your job. What if the other business owners was exactly like this person you

worked for? Now, where are you going to get a job? Just these little mistakes that people make can affect a whole community to becoming poor.



(Here's a graph that show the statistics of the people's wealth)

Should the casino be built or not is not the citizen's decision, but the government's. That doesn't mean that the citizens can't make a change. Most of the profit made from the casino goes to the government and it is also their decision for choosing what the money is going to be used on. So if a protest is not held, it is too late to save the community from a horrifying addiction that can change the city forever. [Here](#) is a story of a casino in Miami and also some more information on the casino's effect towards its community.

[Here](#) is a document that give you specific information/statistics about the effect the casino gave to certain people.

[Here](#) is another great resource to prove to you that not only we are being affected by the casino, but some celebrities are too.

[Bibliography](#)

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