

# COMMERCIAL GREYHOUND RACING NZ MARKET ANALYSIS

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## Setting the scene

Camorra Research were commissioned to undertake an independent, robust and representative analysis of sentiment towards commercial greyhound racing among the New Zealand population.

The objective of the research is therefore to provide unbiased and reliable data regarding:

- Current awareness and familiarity with commercial greyhound racing
- Understand current attitudes and perceptions
- Identify level of current support or opposition
- Provide context in terms of current, relevant behaviours



## Research Sample

Camorra Research are sampling experts in the market research industry

In order to ensure representative of results we surveyed a large robust base of 1,327 respondents.

The my2cents sampling solution was employed which allows validation of results and the preferred sampling source for all major NZ banks.

To ensure representativeness, we employed a multi cell quota design with interlocking quotas for age, gender, and region. Final data was weighted to NZ Census data.

Questionnaire was designed using balanced response scales.

SPCA used an independent market research agency, Camorra Research, who spoke with a nationally representative sample.

1,327

New Zealanders were interviewed about Commercial Greyhound Racing in NZ.

81% are unaware GRNZ is "on notice"

55% think betting on greyhounds is unacceptable

Only 9%Believe racing greyhounds have a good life

59%

Have a negative opinion of brands that sponsor greyhound racing

60% would support a ban of commercial greyhound racing

68% thinking banning in NZ is the 'right thing to do'

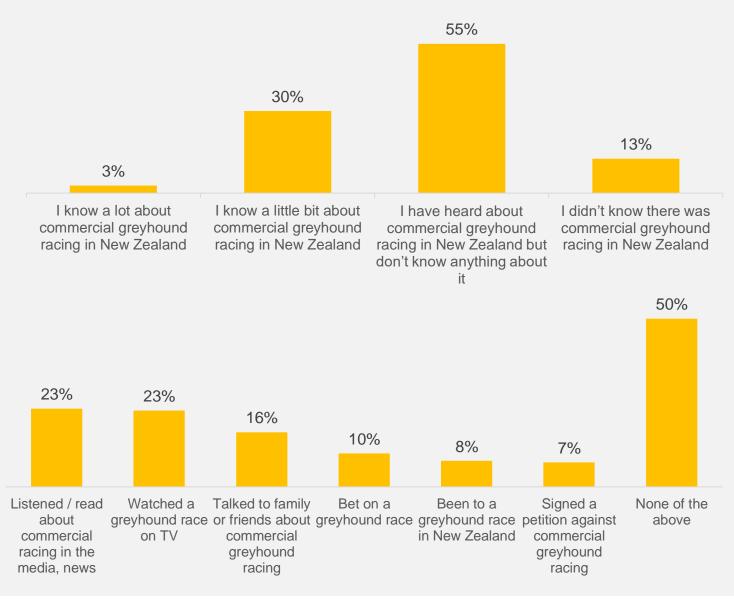
58%Would be disappointed in the government if they did not ban

74% would vote to ban in a referendum

Over two thirds are either unaware (13%) or are aware but don't know anything about commercial greyhound racing in New Zealand

- Half of New Zealanders have not had any participation with commercial greyhound racing.
- 23% have listened to or read something in the media or news.
- 23% have watched a greyhound race on TV.
- 10% have bet on a greyhound race at least once.

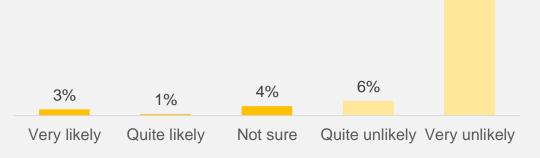
#### FAMILIARITY WITH COMMERCIAL GREYHOUND RACING



The large majority of New Zealanders are unlikely to either attend or bet on a greyhound race in the next 6 months.

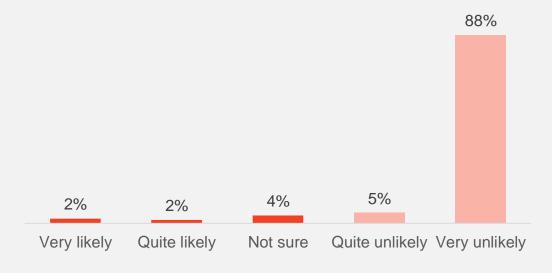
Approximately 4% of the population are likely to attend or gamble on commercial greyhound racing in the next 6 months, indicating the financial benefits of commercial greyhound racing to the local economy are minor.

HOW LIKELY ARE YOU TO ATTEND A LIVE COMMERCIAL GREYHOUND RACE IN THE NEXT 6 MONTHS?



86%

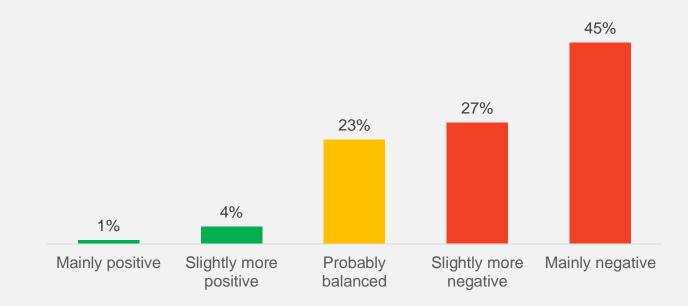
HOW LIKELY ARE YOU TO BET / GAMBLE ON COMMERCIAL GREYHOUND RACING IN THE NEXT 6 MONTHS?



#### GENERAL VIEW ON COMMERCIAL GREYHOUND RACING

On balance, most New Zealanders think there are more negatives than positives to commercial greyhound racing.

About a quarter think the positive and negative aspects are probably balanced, however 72% think there are more negative aspects.



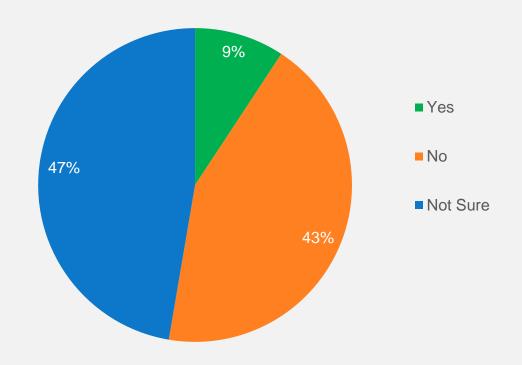
Q. Some people think there are positives to commercial greyhound racing while others think there are negatives. On balance, do you think there are more positive or negative aspects?

Base Total n=1.327

## Only one in ten New Zealanders believe greyhounds bred for racing have a good life.

While almost half of New Zealanders aren't sure and 43% believe greyhounds do not have a good life.

#### PERCEPTION THAT RACING GREYHOUNDS HAVE A GOOD LIFE



Q. Do you think greyhounds bred for racing have a good life? Base Total n=1,327

Half of the population think that gambling in general is acceptable, however this falls to 21% when we talk about betting on greyhound racing.

Over half(55%) do not think it is acceptable to bet on greyhound racing.



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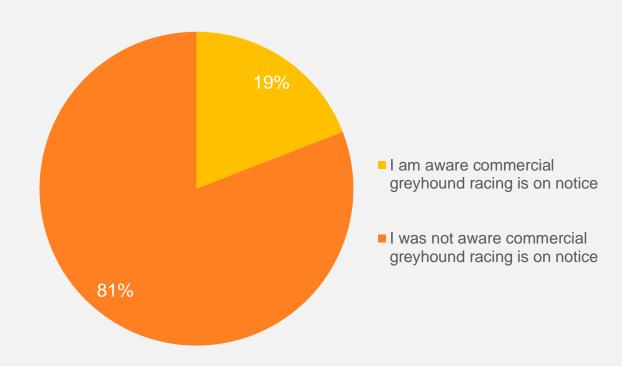
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Q. In general, do you think any type of gambling is acceptable?

## Only one in five are aware commercial greyhound racing is on notice and at risk of being shut down if greyhound welfare, transparency, and data recording are not addressed.

Those who are aware are more likely to have watched or attended a greyhound race. They are also more likely to support racing and less likely to support a ban or sign a petition.

#### AWARENESS THAT GREYHOUND RACING IS "ON NOTICE"



Q. Are you aware that commercial greyhound racing is "on notice" meaning that it could be shut down if greyhound welfare, transparency and data recording is not addressed?

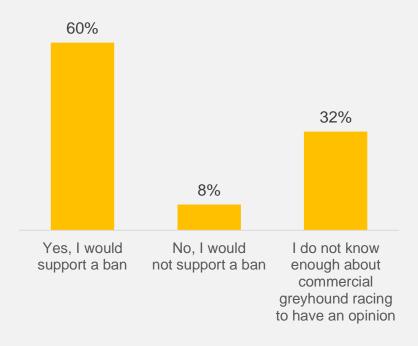
The majority of New Zealanders (60%) would support a ban on commercial greyhound racing, and half of New Zealanders (51%) would be willing to sign a petition.

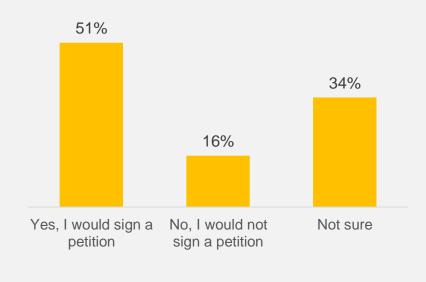
Only 8% would not support a ban.

16% would not be willing to sign a petition.

### SUPPORT FOR A BAN ON COMMERCIAL GREYHOUND RACING

#### WILLING TO SIGN A PETITION





Q. Would you support a ban on commercial greyhound racing in New Zealand?

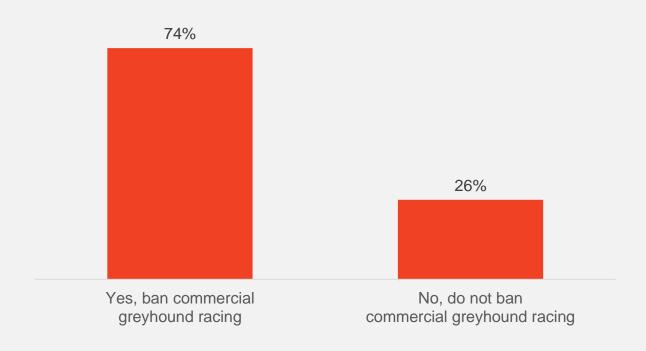
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Q. Hypothetically, would you be willing to sign a petition supporting a ban to commercial greyhound racing?

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Approximately three-quarters of New Zealanders would vote to ban commercial greyhound racing if a referendum was held.

### LIKELY VOTING BEHAVIOUR IN REFERENDUM



Q. If a referendum was held tomorrow to ban commercial greyhound racing how would you vote?

#### LEVEL OF AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS

The majority of New Zealanders (68%) agree banning commercial greyhound racing is the right thing to do.

The majority of New Zealanders (66%) also believe banning commercial greyhound racing would improve New Zealand's reputation for animal welfare.

55% of New Zealanders would be disappointed if the government did not ban commercial greyhound racing if given the opportunity.

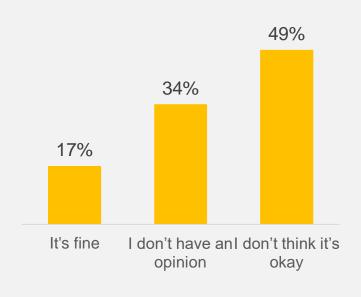


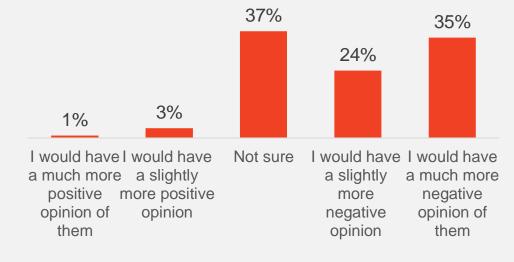
Q. Do you disagree or agree with the following statement?

#### Almost half of New Zealanders do not think it is okay for a brand to sponsor or financially support commercial greyhound racing.

A third say that they would have a much more negative opinion of a brand that sponsors commercial greyhound racing and another quarter so they would have a slightly more negative opinion.

#### IMPACT OF SPONSORSHIP AND SUPPORT ON BRAND EQUITY





Q. Do you think it is okay for brands to sponsor and financially support commercial greyhound racing?

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Q. What do you think of brands that do sponsor and financially support commercial greyhound racing?

