

Gamblers in other states tried to bet online in NJ

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This Nov. 19, 2013 photo taken from a computer screen in Atlantic City, N.J., shows an online slots game in progress on the global partypoker.com site. The site's parent company, bwin.party, is partnered with Atlantic City's Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa and will begin offering a test of Internet gambling to New Jersey residents on Nov. 21. Company officials say the global site is very similar to what New Jersey residents will experience when they log on. New Jersey is the third state in the nation to legalize online gambling. (AP Photo/Wayne Parry)

Would-be gamblers from at least 23 states tried to log onto casino gambling websites in the first night of New Jersey's test of online betting.

Matt Katz is CEO of CAMS LLC, which provides geolocation technology to the Taj Mahal and Trump Plaza, and age verification technology to the Borgata. He tells The Associated Press those attempts show why New Jersey's fledgling Internet [gambling](#) industry needs strict safeguards to keep out-of-state residents from gambling online here.

New Jersey's Internet gambling law requires that gamblers be present in the state.

But that technology locked out many legitimate would-be [gamblers](#) Thursday night during the first of a five-night trial period for online betting.

Casino executives and their online partners say adjustments are being made and systems are continuing to be tested.

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