

## **One-in-Five Workers Plan to Bet on Super Bowl Pools at the Office Workers Reveal Most Unusual Pools They Participated in at Work**

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Twenty-two percent of U.S. workers say they plan to join in Super Bowl office pools this year, according to a new survey by CareerBuilder.com, the nation's largest online job network. While 39 percent of workers expect the payout for the Super Bowl winner at their office will be \$100 or less, 61 percent expect to potentially win more than \$100 and 15 percent anticipate the prize will exceed \$500. The survey was conducted from November 22, 2004 to December 2, 2004 and included more than 2,500 workers.

More than one-third of workers report they have entered a Super Bowl office pool in the past. Men were more likely to take part with 45 percent placing bets, compared to 31 percent of women.

"While placing a friendly wager at the office may seem harmless, workers should be mindful of company policies to avoid possible reprimands," said Rosemary Haefner, Vice President of Human Resources for CareerBuilder.com. "Seventeen percent of workers report that Super Bowl office pools are prohibited at their companies while 36 percent are unsure. The safe bet is to check with your manager first."

In addition to Super Bowl pools, workers shared the most unusual pools they participated in at the office:

- Who will be fired first
- How many cigarettes the boss will smoke in a meeting
- Who can knock over a cup of coffee with a golf putt from 45 feet away
- How often a co-worker will show up late
- How many times a co-worker will cry in a given period of time
- Annual bet on which senior executives will still be with the company at year-end
- Who will be awarded a promotion
- A patient's blood alcohol level
- Cockroach race
- Who will become pregnant first
- Who will lose the most weight

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### Survey Methodology

The new CareerBuilder.com survey, "Super Bowl Pools," was conducted from November 22, 2004 to December 2, 2004 of more than 2,500 workers. To collect data for the survey, CareerBuilder.com commissioned SurveySite to use an e-mail methodology whereby individuals who are members of SurveySite Web Panel were randomly selected and approached by e-mail invitation to participate in the online survey. The results of this survey are accurate within +/-1.96 percentage points (19 times out of 20).

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