

Are we playing online or offline?

Perhaps, among the readers of this section there are fans of slots who have never played on the Internet. For these people, I want to compare online and offline slot machines. To be honest, the actual difference in the game is very small. If you read the article about the device of slot machines, you will find out that all slots are now controlled by a computer random number generator (RNG), music and sounds are also computer ones, and in video slots the image is displayed on the monitor. It turns out that the difference is minimal - in one case, you control the keyboard and mouse, in the other - special buttons, well, outwardly, the box of the slot machine differs from the computer or laptop standing on the table. It turns out that the only difference is in near-game moments, there are no fundamental differences in the game itself. Let's take a look at the different aspects.

1. Place of play and setting. I think that for the majority in the competition "house against the machine room", the home is the winner. Now there are almost no squalid, dirty, cold in winter and stuffy arcade halls in summer (and thank God!). Now, all the same, the play areas have been enlarged, made more convenient, but they are unlikely to be compared in terms of convenience with a native chair, in which you can comfortably sit down, turn on your favorite music, put on comfortable clothes, take something to eat and drink if desired;). If for blackjack or roulette players, communication with other players can be an important part of visiting a casino, then in slots the game is usually played individually, rather, on the contrary, not everyone wants to advertise their love for slot machines, so it's easier to play at home here too.
2. Availability and range of games. To play offline, you need to go somewhere, perhaps even drive, waste time, while at home you can start playing within 30 seconds. Moreover, [here](#) online casinos are available 24 hours a day without breaks and weekends. You can play during a short break or during a night of sleeplessness. As for the set of games, even in large cities and solid establishments, you are unlikely to find more than a few dozen games. At the same time, only one casino on the Internet can offer several hundred slots, let alone all the variety of offers! Moreover, online will not "throw in the trash" old, but still your favorite game, it will always be at your service.
3. Percentage of payments. The success of your game, of course, depends on luck and luck, but the percentage of payments inherent in the game plays a very important role here. When a game has a payout of 98%, it is much easier to win in it than in a game with a payout of 90%, not to mention 50%. Here the comparison between online and offline is clearly in favor of the former. The fact is that the costs of a virtual casino are much less than a real one. In fact, this is the cost of one server and the Internet, as well as a minimal support service, while a real hall needs to buy machines (several thousand dollars each), rent a room, and hire personnel for each hall. Plus, online casinos are often located offshore, where taxes are low, and real casinos pay in full. All this allows online casinos to set a high percentage of payments in their games. If real establishments usually offer slot machines with payments of the order of 90-95%, then online the most common payments are 96-98%. Here it is worth mentioning the fairness of the games. Theoretically, there is a possibility of unauthorized changes in the percentage of payments both on-line and off-line. Earlier in the small halls of slot machines and especially in different "columns" you would almost certainly have fallen for a "charged" machine. In a casino, the likelihood of such an event is less. Likewise, the likelihood of getting to the "adjusted" slot machine in a normal online casino is zero. In addition, competition speaks in favor of online casinos. Only in the capitals we have a rich selection of casinos, in other places it is usually only a few establishments (often of the same owner). All this, of course, does not stimulate the establishment of high percentages of payments, and thousands of casinos are available to anyone online, so the "greedy" simply will not visit. In general, in terms of the percentage of payments, online is better, and security is not worse than offline.