

**Gambling in Nova Scotia**

**Gaming Stats**

# Casinos	2
# VLTs	2,103 (excluding First Nations)
# VLTs – First Nations	601
# VL retailers	303
# TL retailers	1,068
# Slot machines	563 Halifax, 272 Sydney
# Tables	32 Halifax, 7 Sydney

**Prize Payouts**

Video Lottery	93%-95%
Ticket Lottery	33%-65%

- It is important to remember that over the long run, a player will most likely lose more than they will win.

**Gaming Revenues**

- In 2015-16, gaming provided \$141.4 million to Government to help fund important programs and services.
- In 2015-16 video lottery and ticket lottery retailers earned \$38.6 million in commissions.

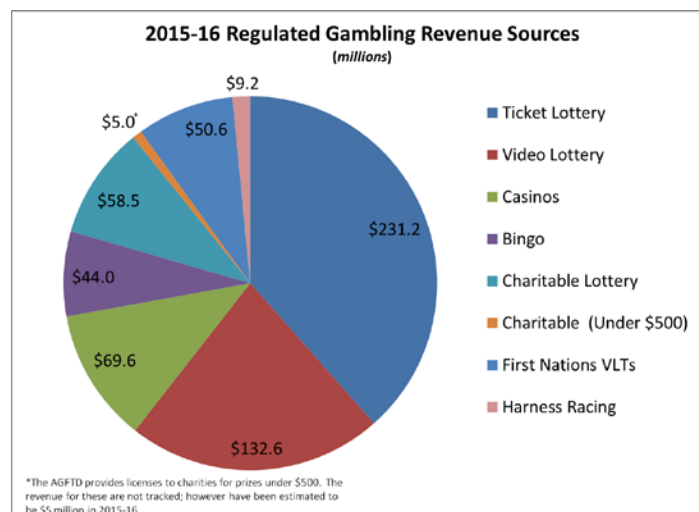
**Financial Results (\$ millions)**

	2015-16 <u>Actual</u>	2016-17 <u>Budget</u>
<i>Corporate</i>		
Revenue	\$ 441.1	\$ 442.6
Net Income	127.5	127.7
Win Tax	<u>13.9</u>	<u>13.9</u>
Contribution to Province	\$ <u>141.4</u>	\$ <u>141.6</u>
<i>Ticket Lottery</i>		
Revenue	\$ 231.2	\$ 221.2
Net Income	\$ <u>53.1</u>	\$ <u>44.1</u>
<i>Video Lottery</i>		
Revenue	\$ 132.6	\$ 144.6
Net Income	\$ <u>79.4</u>	\$ <u>90.6</u>
<i>Casinos</i>		
Revenue	\$ 77.3	\$ 76.8
Contribution	\$ <u>26.8</u>	\$ <u>26.5</u>

**Employment (approximate # of direct jobs created by Gaming – as of April 2016)**

Halifax casino	326
Sydney casino	131
Nova Scotia Provincial Lotteries and Casino Corporation	18
Atlantic Lottery – NS operations	47

- 524 people (as of March 2016) are directly employed by gaming, representing approximately \$20.9 million in annual salaries and benefits.



**Participation in Gambling**

- In 2013, 73% of adults in Nova Scotia reported gambling at least once over the last year. Of these individuals, 93% gambled with no risk of developing problems.<sup>1</sup>
- Based on the Canadian Problem Gambling Severity Index, 0.7% of the adult population (about 5,200) in Nova Scotia have problems with their gambling. An additional 1.3% (about 9,600) are considered at moderate-risk of experiencing a problem with gambling.<sup>2</sup> 4.8% of the adult population is in the low-risk, category<sup>3</sup>.
- In 2015-16, Nova Scotians wagered approximately \$1.4 billion on gambling. During this time, \$1.0 billion was paid out in prizes.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 2013 Nova Scotia Adult Gambling Information Collection Project

<sup>2</sup> Ibid

<sup>3</sup> Ibid

<sup>4</sup> Nova Scotia Annual Gaming Report 2015-16, Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel and Tobacco Division, Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations