

**Gambling in Nova Scotia**

**Gaming Stats**

# Casinos	2
# VLTs	2,079 (excluding First Nations)
# VLTs – First Nations	622
# VL retailers	278
# TL retailers	1,057
# Slot machines	573 Halifax, 272 Sydney
# Tables	27 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 2017-18, gaming is forecasted to provide \$145.7 million to Government to help fund important programs and services.
- In 2017-18, video lottery and ticket lottery retailers are forecasted to earn \$38.2 million in commissions.

**Financial Results (\$ millions)**

	2017-18 Forecast	2018-19 Budget
<b>Corporate</b>		
Revenue	\$ 444.7	\$ 458.9
Net Income	130.3	130.4
Win Tax	15.4	14.6
Contribution to Province	\$ 145.7	\$ 145.0
<b>Ticket Lottery</b>		
Revenue	\$ 223.6	\$ 237.6
Net Income	\$ 47.7	\$ 48.3
<b>Video Lottery</b>		
Revenue	\$ 135.2	\$ 139.2
Net Income	\$ 90.1	\$ 90.4
<b>Casinos</b>		
Revenue	\$ 85.9	\$ 82.1
Contribution	\$ 29.3	\$ 27.6

**Employment (approximate # of direct jobs created by Gaming – as of March 31, 2018)**

Halifax casino	331
Sydney casino	126
Nova Scotia Gaming Corporation	17
Atlantic Lottery – NS operations	38

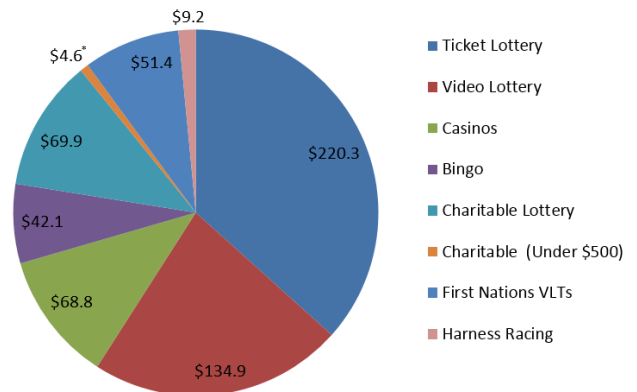
<sup>1</sup> 2013 Nova Scotia Adult Gambling Information Collection Project

<sup>2</sup> Ibid

<sup>3</sup> Ibid

- More than 500 people are directly employed by gaming (as of March 2018) representing approximately \$21.7 million in annual salaries and benefits.

**2016-17 Regulated Gambling Revenue Sources (millions)**



\*The AGFTD provides licenses to charities for prizes under \$500. The revenue for these are not tracked; however have been estimated to be \$4.6 million in 2016-17

**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 2016-17, Nova Scotians wagered approximately \$1.4 billion on gambling. During this time, \$1.0 billion was paid out in prizes.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Nova Scotia Annual Gaming Report 2016-17, Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel and Tobacco Division, Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations