

## **Gambling in Nova Scotia**

## **Gaming Stats**

# Casinos	2
# VLTs	2,030 (all other communities)
# VLTs - Mi'kmaw Communities	651
# VL retailers	271
# TL retailers	1,012
# Slot machines	608 Halifax, 271 Sydney
# Tables	29 Halifax, 6 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 2018-19, gaming provided \$145.2 million to Government to help fund important programs and services.
- In 2018-19, video lottery and ticket lottery retailers earned \$38.1 million in commissions.

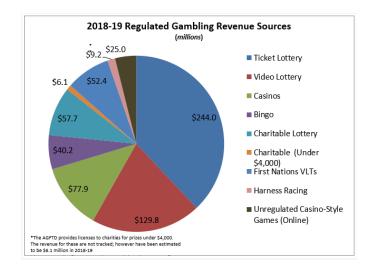
### Financial Results (\$ millions)

	2018-19	2019-20
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Corporate		
Revenue	\$ <u>461.3</u>	\$ <u>466.9</u>
Net Income	129.6	128.0
Win Tax	<u> 15.6</u>	<u>15.1</u>
Contribution to Province	\$ <u>145.2</u>	\$ <u>143.1</u>
Ticket Lottery		
Revenue	\$ <u>243.9</u>	\$ <u>249.2</u>
Net Income	\$ <u>53.7</u>	\$ <u>48.2</u>
Video Lottery		
Revenue	\$ <u>129.8</u>	\$ <u>132.3</u>
Net Income	\$ <u>85.2</u>	\$ <u>87.4</u>
Casinos		
Revenue	\$ <u>87.6</u>	\$ <u>85.4</u>
Contribution	\$ <u>29.9</u>	\$ <u>28.9</u>

# Employment (approximate # of direct jobs created by gaming – as of December 2019)

Halifax casino	338
Sydney casino	126
Nova Scotia Gaming	16
Atlantic Lottery – NS operations	27

 Direct employment from gaming (as of March 2019) represents approximately \$21.3 million in annual salaries and benefits.



## Participation in Gambling

- In 2018-19, 74% of adults in Nova Scotia reported gambling at least once over the last year. Of these individuals, 90% gambled with no risk of developing problems.
- Based on the Canadian Problem Gambling Severity Index, 0.8% of the adult population (about 6,230) in Nova Scotia have problems with their gambling. An additional 1.8% (about 13,664) are considered at moderate-risk of experiencing a problem with gambling. 4.8% of the adult population is in the lowrisk, category.
- In 2018-19, Nova Scotians wagered approximately \$1.4 billion on gambling. During this time, \$1.0 billion was paid out in prizes.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Nova Scotia Annual Gaming Report 2018-19, Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel and Tobacco Division, Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations