

Gambling in Nova Scotia

Gaming Stats*

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| # Casinos | 2 |
| # VLTs | 1790 (all other communities) |
| # VLTs - Mi'kmaw Communities | 651 |
| # VL retailers | 259 |
| # TL retailers | 1,006 |
| # Slot machines | 381 Halifax, 185 Sydney |
| # Tables | 16 Halifax, 0 Sydney |

* All gambling sites and operators require a COVID-19 Operating Plan that adheres to public health directives. Therefore, these numbers may vary as operations return to normal levels.

Prize Payouts

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| Video Lottery | 91%-95% |
| Ticket Lottery | 28%-72% |

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

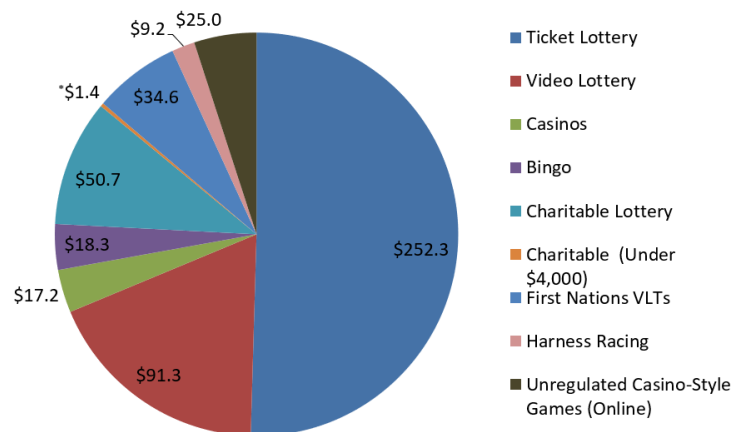
Financial Results (\$ millions)

| | 2020-21 <u>Actual</u> As of March 31, 2021 | 2021-22 <u>Budget</u> |
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| <i>Corporate</i> | | |
| Revenue | \$ <u>362.5</u> | \$ <u>446.4</u> |
| Net Income | 102.9 | 138.7 |
| Win Tax | <u>3.5</u> | <u>10.3</u> |
| Contribution to Province | \$ <u>106.4</u> | \$ <u>149.0</u> |
| <i>Ticket Lottery</i> | | |
| Revenue | \$ <u>252.3</u> | \$ <u>269.9</u> |
| Net Income | \$ <u>60.2</u> | \$ <u>71.7</u> |
| <i>Video Lottery</i> | | |
| Revenue | \$ <u>91.3</u> | \$ <u>121.7</u> |
| Net Income | \$ <u>58.7</u> | \$ <u>80.0</u> |
| <i>Casinos</i> | | |
| Revenue | \$ <u>18.9</u> | \$ <u>54.8</u> |
| Contribution | \$ <u>6.5</u> | \$ <u>18.6</u> |

Gaming Revenues

- In 2020-21, gaming provided \$106.4 million to Government to help fund important programs and services.
- In 2020-21, video lottery and ticket lottery retailers earned \$29.5 million in commissions.

2020-21 Gambling Revenue Sources
(millions)



The AGFTD provides licenses to charities for prizes under \$4,000. The revenue for these are not tracked; however have been estimated to be \$1.4 million in 2020-21

Employment (approximate # of direct jobs created by gaming – as of June 2021)

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| Halifax casino | 179 |
| Sydney casino | 67 |
| Nova Scotia Gaming | 17 |
| Atlantic Lottery – NS operations | 15 |

- Direct employment from gaming (as of March 2021) represents approximately \$8.8 million in annual salaries and benefits.

Participation in Gambling

- In 2020-21, 61.6% of adults in Nova Scotia reported gambling at least once over the last year and 38% did not gamble. Of those who gambled, 90% gambled with no reported risk of developing problems.
- Based on the Canadian Problem Gambling Severity Index, 0.8% of the adult population (about 6,277) in Nova Scotia have problems with their gambling. An additional 1.9% (about 14,840) are considered at moderate-risk of experiencing a problem with gambling. 3.7% of the adult population is in the low-risk, category, 55.1% are non-problem gamblers and 38.5% are non-gamblers.
- In 2020-21, Nova Scotians wagered approximately \$855 million on gambling. During this time, \$599 million was paid out in prizes.¹

¹ Nova Scotia Annual Gaming Report 2020-21, Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel and Tobacco Division, Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations