

Gambling in Nova Scotia

Gaming Stats on March 31, 2024

# of Video Lottery Terminals - excluding Mi'kmaw communities	2013
# of Video Lottery Terminals - Mi'kmaw communities	626
# of Video Lottery Retailer Locations - excluding Mi'kmaw communities	250
# of Video Lottery Retailer Locations - Mi'kmaw communities	31
# of Ticket Lottery Retailers - all communities	969
# of Casinos in Nova Scotia	2
# Slot Machines in Halifax	589
# Slot Machines in Sydney	280
# Tables in Halifax	28
# Tables in Sydney	0

Prize Payouts

Video Lottery	91%-95%
Ticket Lottery	28%-74%
Digital Games	65%-98%
Casino Slots	91%
Casino Tables	78%

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

Financial Results

	2023-24 <u>Actual</u>	2024-25 <u>Budget</u>
<i>Corporate</i>		
Revenue	\$364.5	\$ <u>375.3</u>
Net Income	132.5	178.4
Win Tax	<u>14.5</u>	-
Contribution to Province	\$ <u>147.0</u>	\$ <u>178.4</u>
<i>Ticket Lottery</i>		
Revenue	\$ <u>146.0</u>	\$ <u>152.5</u>
Net Income	\$ <u>78.5</u>	\$ <u>81.0</u>
<i>Video Lottery</i>		
Revenue	\$ <u>125.5</u>	\$ <u>128.3</u>
Net Income	\$ <u>83.1</u>	\$ <u>84.0</u>
<i>Casinos</i>		
Revenue	\$ <u>92.9</u>	\$ <u>94.5</u>
Contribution	\$ <u>31.8</u>	\$ <u>32.3</u>

Gaming Revenues

- In 2023-24 Nova Scotia Gaming managed sources provided \$147.0 million to Government to help fund important programs and services.
- In 2023-24, video lottery and ticket lottery retailers earned \$35.5 million in commissions.

Employment

(Approximate # of jobs as of March 2023)

Casino Nova Scotia	351
Nova Scotia Gaming	16
Atlantic Lottery – NS operations	68

- Direct employment from gaming (as of March 2023) represents approximately \$21.7 million in annual wages and benefits.

Participation in Gambling

- In 2023-24, 69% of adults in Nova Scotia reported gambling at least once over the last year. Of those who gambled, 88.7% gambled with no reported risk of developing problems.
- Based on the Canadian Problem Gambling Severity Index, in 2023-24, 1% of the population (1% in 2022-23) in Nova Scotia are experiencing harms from their gambling.
- An additional 2.2% (1.9% in 2022-23) are considered at moderate risk, 5.0% are low-risk (4.8% in 2022-23), 61.5% are no-risk gamblers (61.6% in 2022-23) and 30.7% are non-gamblers (30.7% in 2022-23).