

## Gambling in Nova Scotia

### **Gaming Stats on March 31, 2025**

# of Video Lottery Terminals - excluding Mi'kmaw communities	2002
# of Video Lottery Terminals - Mi'kmaw communities	625
# of Video Lottery Retailer Locations - excluding Mi'kmaw communities	241
# of Video Lottery Retailer Locations - Mi'kmaw communities	31
# of Ticket Lottery Retailers - all communities	964
# of Casinos in Nova Scotia	2
# Slot Machines in Halifax	587
# Slot Machines in Sydney	280
# Tables in Halifax	28
# Tables in Sydney	0

### **Prize Payouts**

Video Lottery	91%-95%
Ticket Lottery	37%-80%
Digital Games	65%-98%
Casino Slots	91%
Casino Tables	80%

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

### **Financial Results**

	2024-25 <u>Actual</u>	2025-26 <u>Budget</u>
<i>Corporate</i>		
Revenue	\$371.3	\$381.3
Contribution to Province	\$196.1	\$177.9
<i>Ticket Lottery</i>		
Revenue	\$155.1	\$163.2
Net Income	\$ 84.8	\$ 85.4
<i>Video Lottery</i>		
Revenue	\$ 121.7	\$ 124.0
Net Income	\$ 83.1	\$ 79.7
<i>Casinos</i>		
Revenue	\$ 94.5	\$ 94.1
Net Income	\$ 41.6	\$ 34.1

### **Gaming Revenues**

- In 2024-25 Nova Scotia Gaming managed sources provided \$196.1 million to Government to help fund important programs and services.
- In 2024-25, video lottery and ticket lottery retailers earned \$34.5 million in commissions.

### **Employment**

(Approximate # of jobs as of March 2025)

Casino Nova Scotia	353
Nova Scotia Gaming	14
Atlantic Lottery – NS operations	75

- Direct employment from gaming (as of March 2024) represents approximately \$22.8 million in annual wages and benefits.

### **Participation in Gambling**

- In 2024-25, 71% of adults in Nova Scotia reported gambling at least once over the last year. Of those who gambled, 87.8% gambled with no reported risk of developing problems.
- Based on the Canadian Problem Gambling Severity Index, in 2024-25, 1% of the population (0.7% in 2023-24) in Nova Scotia are experiencing harms from their gambling.
- An additional 2.7% (2.2% in 2023-24) are considered at moderate risk, 4.9% are low-risk (5.0% in 2023-24), 62.4% are no-risk gamblers (61.5% in 2023-24) and 29.0% are non-gamblers (30.7% in 2023-24).