## Lotteries and Gambling market <br> of Latvia on 2020

There are all together 16 gambling operators and State owned Joint Stock Company „Latvijas Loto" (state run lotteries - land-based and on-line).
There have been issued:
10 land-based gambling operation licenses
5 betting point operation licenses
13 on-line gambling operation licenses
Due to COVID-19 pandemic, by the decision of the Government of the Republic of Latvia gambling companies are prohibited to carry out all land-based gambling activities - casino, gaming halls and betting points are closed:

- From March 22 until June 9 and
- from November 9 until December 31 (February 7, 2021);

Remote gambling activities were closed from April 8 until June 9.

Financial results of gambling market in Latvia 2019-2020

|  |  |  | (mill.euro) |  |  |
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|  |  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ |  |  |
| 1. | Total turnower of gambling operators | 324,347 | 166,894 | 51,4 |  |
| 2. | GGR from gambling, incl, | 307,051 | 159,647 | 51,9 |  |
| 2.1. | Gaming machines | 231,596 | 95,788 | 41,3 |  |
| 2.2. | Gaming tables (roulette, cards) | 17,315 | 5,323 | 30,7 |  |
| 2.3. | Bingo halls | 0,232 | 0,121 | 52,2 |  |
| 2.4. | Betting points | 3,223 | 1,561 | 48,4 |  |
| 2.5. | On-line gambling | 54,684 | 56,853 | 103,9 |  |
| 3. | Other activities (bars, billiard, etc.) 1.-2. | 17,296 | 7,247 | 41,9 |  |

## Revenue from on-line gambling

|  |  | (mill.euro) |  |  |
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|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $\boldsymbol{\%}$ |  |
| GGR total on-line gambling, <br> incl., | $\mathbf{5 4 , 6 8 4}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 , 8 5 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 3 , 9}$ |  |
| -Casino games (cards, <br> slots, roullete) | 39,340 | 42,795 | 108,7 |  |
| - Betting | 14,921 | 13,173 | 88,3 |  |
| - Poker tournaments | 0,423 | 0,880 | 207,8 |  |

Payments in State budget from special gaming taxes and duties (mill.euro)

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 9}$ <br> months <br> (fact) | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ <br> months <br> (est.) | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ <br> months <br> (fact) | \% to <br> estimate <br> $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | $+/-$ <br> to est. |
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| Lottery and Gambling Tax and <br> Duty paid to State budget | 40,969 | 57,714 | 35,263 | 61,1 | $-22,451$ |
| Other taxes paid to budget | 30,923 |  | x | 26,074 | x |


| Duty on Sales Promotion <br> Lotteries | 0,407 | 0,380 | 0,278 | 73,1 | $-0,102$ |
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Estimated calculated gambling taxes to municipalities budget $=2,199$ mill.euro
Employees all together in gambling and Lottery companies $=2938$ persons.

## Number of gaming equipment and gaming venues (at the end of mentioned month)

|  | 2019.g. <br> Dec. | 2020.g. <br> March | 2020.g. <br> June | 2020.g. <br> July | 2020.g. <br> Sept. | 2020.g. <br> Dec. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gaming machines | 8720 | 8141 | 6161 | 7083 | 6604 | 6604 |
| Roulette tables | 16 | 15 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 5 |
| Card tables | 51 | 43 | 24 | 24 | 22 | 14 |
| Gaming Halls | 310 | 303 | 242 | 287 | 275 | 276 |
| Bingo Halls | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Casinos | 5 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Betting points | 75 | 75 | 75 | 75 | 77 |  |

Statistics on blocking of illegal online gambling sites

|  | Total <br> since <br> $\mathbf{0 1 . 0 8 . 2 0 1 4}$ | On 2020 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Decisions taken | 1741 | 549 |
| Legal entities | 450 | 135 |
| Blocked domains | 1763 | 557 |

## Sales promotional lotteries

On 2020 there were issued by the Inspection:

- 514 lottery permissions
- Total prize fund being subject to a state fee shall be 1,064 Mill.euro;
- The state fee collected constitutes 0,277 Mill.euro.

