

Lotteries and Gambling market of Latvia on 2020, 3 months

There are all together 16 gambling operators and State owned Joint Stock Company „Latvijas Loto” (state run lotteries).

There have been issued:

- 11 land-based gambling operation licenses
- 4 betting point operation licenses
- 7 on-line gambling operation licenses

Law On COVID-19 crisis is in force since Sunday, March 22th and affects both land-based and online operations. Land-based venues are already closed since March 22, online sites are closed since April 8.

Financial results of gambling market in Latvia 2019-2020, 3months

(mill.euro)

| | | 2019-3m | 2020-3m | % |
|------|---|---------|---------|-------|
| 1. | Total revenue of gambling operators | 77,468 | 61,699 | 79,6 |
| 2. | GGR from gambling, incl, | 73,605 | 58,678 | 79,7 |
| 2.1. | Gaming machines | 56,356 | 39,421 | 69,9 |
| 2.2. | Gaming tables (roulette, cards) | 3,944 | 2,785 | 70,6 |
| 2.3. | Bingo halls | 0,073 | 0,056 | 76,7 |
| 2.4. | Betting points | 0,848 | 0,573 | 67,6 |
| 2.5. | On-line gambling | 12,383 | 15,843 | 127,9 |
| 3. | Other activities (bars, billiard, etc.) 1.-2. | 3,863 | 3,021 | 78,2 |

Revenue from on-line gambling

(mill.euro)

| | 2019-3 m | 2020-3 m | % |
|---|----------|----------|-------|
| GGR total on-line gambling, incl., | 12,383 | 15,843 | 127,9 |
| - Casino games (cards, slots, roulette) | 8,840 | 11,459 | 129,6 |
| - Betting | 3,470 | 4,193 | 120,8 |
| - Poker tournaments | 0,073 | 0,191 | 261,6 |

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

| | 2019-3 months (fact) | 2020-3 months (est.) | 2020-3 months (fact) | % to estimate 2020 -3m | % to fact 2019-3m |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Lottery and Gambling Tax and Duty paid to State budget | 10,970 | 13,564 | 13,828 | 101,9 | 126,0 |
| Other taxes paid to budget | 6,030 | x | 7,962 | x | 132,0 |
| Duty on Sales Promotion Lotteries | 0,134 | 0,075 | 0,050 | 66,6 | 37,3 |

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

| | 2019 March | 2019 June | 2019 Sept | 2019 Dec | 2020 March |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Gaming machines | 8608 | 8643 | 8677 | 8720 | 8141 |
| Roulette tables | 15 | 15 | 15 | 16 | 15 |
| Card tables | 46 | 46 | 46 | 51 | 43 |
| Gaming Halls | 308 | 308 | 309 | 310 | 303 |
| Bingo Halls | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Casinos | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 |
| Betting points | 72 | 74 | 74 | 75 | 75 |

Statistics on blocking of illegal online gambling sites

| | Total since 01.08.2014 | On 25.04.2020 |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Decisions taken | 1297 | 105 |
| Legal entities | 341 | 17 |
| Blocked domains | 1358 | 107 |

Sales promotional lotteries

3 months 2020 there were issued by the Inspection:

- 102 lottery permissions
- Total prize fund being subject to a state fee shall be 197 314euro
- The state fee collected constitutes 50551 euro.