

Lotteries and Gambling market of Latvia on 2022, 6 month

There are all together 19 gambling operators and State owned Joint Stock Company „Latvijas Loto” (state run lotteries – land-based and on-line).

There have been issued:

8 land-based gambling operation licenses

4 betting point operation licenses

14 on-line gambling operation licenses

Financial results of gambling market in Latvia 2021-2022, 6 months

(mill.euro)

		2021-6m*	2022-6m	%
1.	Total turnover of gambling operators	55,901	122,959	219,9
2.	GGR from gambling, incl,	51,902	116,546	224,5
2.1.	Gaming machines	0,343	52,664	x
2.2.	Gaming tables (roulette, cards)	0,085	3,199	x
2.3.	Bingo halls	0	0,023	x
2.4.	Betting points	0,015	0,554	x
2.5.	On-line gambling	51,460	60,106	116,8
3.	Other income (1.-2.)	3,997	6,413	160,4

* Due to COVID-19 pandemic, by the decision of the Government of the Republic of Latvia gambling companies were prohibited to carry out all land-based gambling activities – casino, gaming halls and betting points **on 2021** from January 1 till June 14, **on 2022** from January 1 till February 28.

Revenue from on-line gambling

(mill.euro)

	2021-6m	2022-6m	%
GGR total on-line gambling, incl.,	51,459	60,105	116,8
- Casino games (cards, slots, roulette)	40,242	50,218	124,8
- Betting	10,289	9,058	88,0
- Poker tournaments	0,928	0,829	89,3

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

	2021- 6m (fact)	2022-6m (est.)	2022-6m (fact)	% to estimate 2022,6m	% 2022/2021 6m
Lottery and Gambling Tax and Duty paid to State budget	9,144	24,759	16,287	65,8	178,1
Other taxes paid to budget	16,852	x	21,800	x	129,3
Duty on Sales Promotion Lotteries	0,145	0,172	0,139	80,8	95,8

Employees all together in gambling and lottery companies = 2702 persons

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

	2021 June	2021 Oct	2022 March	2022 June
Gaming machines	1822	4851	4094	5151
Roulette tables	5	10	8	8
Card tables	14	27	19	19
Gaming Halls	63	208	173	214
Bingo Halls	0	1	1	1
Casinos	1	3	2	2
Betting points	76	76	67	66

Statistics on blocking of illegal online gambling sites

	Total since 01.08.2014	On 2022 (01.08.2022)
Decisions taken	2756	278
Legal entities	537	17
Blocked domains	2778	280

Sales promotional lotteries

On 2022-6m there were issued by the Inspection:

- 223 lottery permissions
- Total prize fund being subject to a state fee shall be 0,560 Mill.euro;
- The state fee collected constitutes 0,139 Mill.euro.