### Colorado Division of Gaming GANING+UPDATE

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#### Offices Closed July 3

The Division of Gaming offices in Lakewood, Central City and Cripple Creek will be closed on Friday, July 3, in observance of the Fourth of July. No licensing activity will take place on that day. However, more Division staff than are normally available on holidays will be working that day in all three offices. Additional staff will also be on call on July 3 and throughout the entire weekend. Casinos are asked to contact the investigator on duty if they need to reach on-call staff from the Audit, Field Operations or Technical Systems sections.

Starting July 2, Division investigators will be working and available 24-hours a day, seven days a week to respond to calls and patron complaints.

#### **Commission Action**

At its meeting on June 18 in Lakewood, the Colorado Gaming Commission:

• Renewed the retail licenses of Brass Ass Casino, Colorado Grande Casino, J.P. McGill's Hotel & Casino, and Midnight Rose Hotel & Casino

• Renewed the manufacturer/ distributor and operator licenses of, and approved a change of ownership for, Atlantic City Coin & Slot Service Company, Inc.

• Issued a new manufacturer/ distributor license to Midnight Rose Hotel and Casino, Inc.

• Retained the current license fees and hourly background rate for fiscal year 2010

## **May AGP Goes on Roller Coaster**

Revenues at Colorado casinos rebounded in May from a slow April, but fell short of the previous May. Casinos statewide reported \$63.3 million in AGP in May, up 20.7 percent from \$51.6 million in April, but down 2.6 percent from \$63.9 million in May 2008. During the first five months of the year, casino revenues are down 3.7 percent from the first five months of 2008.

Black Hawk's 20 casinos generated \$44.3 million in AGP in May, down 2.8 percent from \$45.6 million in May 2008, but up 19.4 percent from \$37.1 million in April. Cripple Creek's 16 casinos recorded \$12.2 million in AGP in May, down 0.8 percent from \$12.3 million the previous May, but up 24.5 percent from \$9.8 million in April. Central City's six casinos produced \$5.7 million in AGP in May, down 4.0 percent from \$5.9 million in May 2008, but up 23.4 percent from \$4.6 million the previous month.

Casinos statewide paid \$10.9 million in gaming tax proceeds in May, up from \$8.9 million in April.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

After all the talk, all the preparation, all the work and all the anticipation, July 2 is almost here. That's when the rubber meets the road, whether it be on Highway 67, Highway 119 or the Central City Parkway.



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The Colorado casino industry hopes that July 2 becomes its Independence Day—independence from the bad economy,

independence from the lingering effects of the smoking ban, and independence from the previously tightest restrictions on bet limits and hours in the country. How much this independence will equate to revenues is yet to be seen, but the industry has been rolling the dice since the first petitions were circulated last summer that this change will help turn around the fortunes of the Colorado casino industry.

On the Division's part, for this upcoming Fourth of July weekend, just as local firefighters will be on stand by at fireworks displays, the Division will have additional staff on stand by for the implementation of Amendment 50. From July 3, when Division offices are closed because of the holiday, to July 6, when things "get back to normal" and Division offices reopen, we will have additional staff in the field and on-call. We don't anticipate major problems, but will have the resources available just in case.

When I am asked if the Division is ready, I am reminded of a staff member who recently became a father for the first time—you can think you are prepared for anything, but until the time comes you never know. Thankfully the implementation of Amendment 50 will not involve diaper changing and uncontrollable crying, but there will be growing pains and we will make adjustments as necessary. All that's left is for the baby to arrive.

-Ron Kammerzell

#### **COLORADO STATE GAMING STATISTICS**

#### **CRIPPLE CREEK GAMING STATISTICS**

<b>1¢ Slots</b> Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	<u>May 2009</u> 7,816 335,210,053.03 30,744,715.55 126.89 9.17%	April 2009 7,844 282,649,494.11 25,753,378.56 109.53 9.11%	7,420	Tax Year to Date 87,166 3,320,728,483.20 304,621,801.87 114.88 9.17%	<b>1¢ Slots</b> Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	<u>May 2009</u> 1,987 69,868,900.70 5,795,892.27 94.09 8.30%	April 2009 1,964 55,827,286.89 4,557,182.12 77.35 8.16%	1,786	<u>Tax Year to Date</u> 22,390 673,706,596.64 54,968,479.20 80.65 8.16%
	1,200 46,500,721.83 3,205,688.72 86.17 6.89%	1,223 40,025,515.80 2,709,329.65 73.91 6.77%	1,307 55,271,072.63 3,838,794.61 96.98 6.95%	14,359 524,514,416.73 35,120,504.63 80.40 6.70%		403 12,300,521.45 810,339.98 64.86 6.59%	405 9,978,999.54 665,477.03 54.77 6.67%	379 13,612,211.50 876,377.15 79.09 6.44%	4,595 129,701,486.22 8,619,557.81 61.62 6.65%
	2,132 118,449,587.00 6,414,676.16 97.06 5.42%	2,148 96,832,667.22 5,071,188.42 78.76 5.24%	2,425 139,755,350.88 7,451,211.24 101.46 5.33%	24,756 1,273,447,502.75 68,706,152.09 91.23 5.40%	<b>25¢ SLOTS</b> Coins In Agp AVG Daily Agp Hold %	772 34,048,609.50 1,669,305.13 69.75 4.90%	782 27,818,564.49 1,279,137.08 54.52 4.60%	748 36,457,837.33 1,655,555.90 75.71 4.54%	8,650 363,244,089.73 17,549,477.34 66.65 4.83%
AGP	2,223 199,313,994.71 10,016,434.61 145.35 5.03%		2,336 211,670,408.76 11,104,379.73 156.96 5.25%	26,348 2,126,286,029.64 106,049,757.94 132.31 4.99%	AVG DAILY AGP	2,289,221.14	802 40,914,325.00 1,781,807.79 74.06 4.35%	806 52,926,955.00 2,797,963.60 118.74 5.29%	9,201 524,870,069.87 25,337,607.18 90.47 4.83%
<b>\$5 Slots</b> Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	216 27,543,535.00 1,112,305.49 166.11 4.04%	222 24,538,715.00 763,710.72 114.77 3.11%	229 32,300,626.00 1,303,691.06 187.98 4.04%	2,597 296,985,674.87 13,922,687.94 176.23 4.69%	<b>\$5 Slots</b> Coins in Agp AVG Daily Agp Hold %	47 5,304,345.00 200,236.56 137.43 3.77%	48 4,246,915.00 298,264.94 207.13 7.02%	38 4,150,405.00 213,954.37 192.59 5.16%	520 50,021,480.00 2,484,285.64 156.95 4.97%
COINS IN AGP	2,341 170,020,433.88 8,154,832.96 112.37 4.80%	2,353 143,495,865.25 7,020,349.94 99.54 4.89%	2,463 156,906,397.17 8,496,814.46 113.91 5.42%	25,897 1,669,037,024.71 86,891,497.45 110.30 5.21%	Other Slots* Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	26,201,069.05 1,083,396.43	624 21,028,307.98 991,841.51 52.98 4.72%	735 28,439,948.07 1,482,301.32 68.98 5.21%	7,654 287,872,659.79 14,930,221.55 64.08 5.19%
<b>BJ TABLES</b> BJ DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	84 3,398,689.16 653,634.16 251.01 19.23%	79 2,652,024.55 546,907.30 230.96 20.62%	64 3,212,642.66 634,742.16 327.48 19.76%	806 33,453,236.10 6,788,079.35 276.86 20.29%	AGP AVG DAILY AGP	23 631,772.75 106,180.25 148.92 16.81%	21 427,972.25 79,361.75 125.97 18.54%	12 397,014.50 65,884.50 187.80 16.59%	223 5,728,068.60 1,030,521.60 151.81 17.99%
Poker Tables Poker Drop Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	157 2,807,153.55 2,024,276.80 415.92 22.14%	151 2,242,101.00 1,756,773.25 415.92 22.14%	153 2,822,468.05 2,018,052.80 435.52 23.48%	1,738 28,836,442.28 22,119,162.41 418.37 22.31%		37 436,675.50 313,831.00 273.61 19.66%	37 294,197.00 201,771.00 181.78 14.30%	30 339,575.00 280,916.00 320.29 21.79%	398 4,055,468.25 2,843,140.86 234.68 18.17%
Total Agp Gaming Taxes # Of Casinos Avg. Days Open		51,631,630.74 8,929,637.40 40 29.98	63,963,063.11 11,290,273.30 42 30.29	644,219,643.68 84,790,218.80 42 30.42	Total Agp Gaming Taxes # Of Casinos Avg. Days Open		9,854,843.22 1,252,102.68 16 30.00	12,369,124.59 1,671,653.89 17 29.24	127,763,291.18 8,503,127.25 17 30.44
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#### **BLACK HAWK GAMING STATISTICS**

#### **CENTRAL CITY GAMING STATISTICS**

<b>1¢ Slots</b> Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	May 2009 4,836 231,700,742.66 21,887,596.98 146.00 9.45%	April 2009 4,900 199,176,766.86 18,737,191.42 127.46 9.41%	4,663	Tax Year to Date 53,689 2,305,413,269.53 219,091,711.41 134.24 9.50%	<b>I ¢ Slots</b> Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	<u>May 2009</u> 993 33,640,409.67 3,061,226.30 99.45 9.10%	April 2009 980 27,645,440.36 2,459,005.02 84.11 8.89%	May 2008 971 32,862,285.50 3,034,996.69 100.83 9.24%	Tax Year to Date 11,087 341,608,617.03 30,561,611.26 90.53 8.95%
Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	591 29,216,861.93 2,085,076.72 113.81 7.14%	612 26,132,135.01 1,788,705.48 97.42 6.84%	725 36,291,672.38 2,629,986.02 117.02 7.25%	7,383 344,296,063.55 23,368,944.35 104.12 6.79%	COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP	206 4,983,338.45 310,272.02 48.59 6.23%	3,914,381.25 255,147.14 41.52	203 5,367,188.75 332,431.44 52.83 6.19%	2,381 50,516,866.96 3,132,002.47 43.20 6.20%
COINS IN	1,073 73,341,130.00 4,179,775.55 125.66 5.70%	1,077 60,340,321.43 3,346,701.05 103.58 5.55%	1,314 88,463,591.30 5,066,152.42 124.37 5.73%	12,744 791,910,698.17 44,935,752.91 115.99 5.67%	<b>25¢ SLOTS</b> Coins in Agp AVG Daily Agp Hold %	11,059,847.50 565,595.48	289 8,673,781.30 445,350.29 51.65 5.13%	363 14,833,922.25 729,502.92 64.83 4.92%	3,362 118,292,714.85 6,220,921.84 60.77 5.26%
COINS IN AGP	1,185 129,855,102.72 6,879,000.71 187.26 5.30%	1,206 111,543,020.10 5,508,966.28 152.27 4.94%	1,252 137,005,138.76 7,407,992.53 190.87 5.41%	14,334 1,402,162,836.24 72,027,915.28 165.30 5.14%	COINS IN	259 20,534,398.00 848,212.76 105.64 4.13%	254 17,390,308.46 719,218.83 94.91 4.14%	278 21,738,315.00 898,423.60 104.25 4.13%	2,813 199,253,123.53 8,684,235.48 101.39 4.36%
COINS IN	144 20,936,275.00 814,661.54 182.50 3.89%	144 19,232,080.00 409,246.09 94.73 2.13%	161 26,380,376.00 1,004,587.44 201.28 3.81%	1,752 232,242,376.87 10,625,014.50 199.49 4.57%	Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp	25 1,302,915.00 97,407.39 125.69 7.48%	30 1,059,720.00 56,199.69 62.79 5.30%	30 1,769,845.00 85,149.25 91.56 4.81%	325 14,721,818.00 813,387.80 82.19 5.53%
COINS IN	1,469 126,947,368.48 6,409,282.74 140.74 5.05%	1,486 108,787,873.90 5,498,054.18 123.33 5.05%	1,475 114,903,520.68 6,345,225.24 138.77 5.52%	15,419 1,222,811,997.49 64,991,629.06 138.65 5.31%	Other Slots Coins in Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	16,871,996.35 662,153.79	243 13,679,683.37 530,454.25 73.17 3.88%	253 13,562,928.42 669,287.90 85.34 4.93%	2,824 158,352,367.43 6,969,646.84 81.05 4.40%
<b>BJ TABLES</b> BJ DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	50 2,539,237.36 514,519.61 331.95 20.26%	46 2,056,847.80 432,897.30 313.69 21.05%	43 2,547,237.40 525,140.15 393.95 20.62%	483 25,382,430.85 5,367,554.60 365.56 21.15%	avg daily agp	11 227,679.05 32,934.30 96.58 14.47%	12 167,204.50 34,648.25 96.78 20.72%	9 268,390.76 43,717.51 156.69 16.29%	100 2,342,736.65 390,003.15 128.08 16.65%
Poker Tables Poker Drop Agp Avg Daily Agp Hold %	102 2,053,367.30 1,549,316.80 489.98 22.88%	96 1,676,433.75 1,405,869.75 488.15 24.36%	102 2,149,218.30 1,552,929.80 491.12 23.78%	1,115 21,337,448.15 17,524,525.90 517.01 23.09%		18 317,110.75 161,129.00 288.76 20.75%	18 271,470.25 149,132.50 277.71 23.74%	21 333,674.75 184,207.00 282.96 23.26%	225 3,443,525.88 1,751,495.65 255.65 22.39%
TOTAL AGP GAMING TAXES # OF CASINOS AVG. DAYS OPEN *10¢, 50¢, \$2 an	44,319,230.65 8,330,203.96 18 N 31.00 nd Multi-Denomin	37,127,631.55 6,914,629.10 18 30.00 ation Slots	45,616,222.21 8,593,495.52 19 31.00	457,933,048.01 69,803,753.89 19 30.40	TOTAL AGP GAMING TAXES # OF CASINOS AVG. DAYS OPEN *10¢, 50¢, \$2 an		4,649,155.97 762,905.62 6 29.83 ation Slots	5,977,716.31 1,025,123.89 6 31.00	58,523,304.49 6,483,337.66 6 30.45

#### JUNE AGP BY DEVICE

#### **Statewide**

<u>Device</u>	<u>Number</u>	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	<u>Hold %</u>
Slots	15,928	\$59,648,653	\$120.80	6.65%
Tables	241	\$2,677,911	\$358.44	20.55%
TOTAL	16,169	\$62,326,564	\$124.35	6.89%

#### **Cripple Creek**

**Central Citv** 

<b>Device</b>	<u>Number</u>	AGP	Avg. Daily <u>AGP/Device</u>	Hold %
Slots	4,606	\$11,848,392	\$82.98	6.03%
Tables	60	\$420,011	225.81	17.97%
TOTAL	4,666	\$12,268,403	\$84.82	6.21%

#### **Black Hawk**

Device	<u>Number</u>	AGP	Avg. Daily <u>AGP/Device</u>	Hold %	Device	<u>Number</u>	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %
Slots	9,298	\$42,255,394	\$146.60	6.90%	Slots	2,024	\$5,544,868	\$88.37	6.27%
Tables	152	\$2,063,836	\$438.00	21.43%	Tables	29	\$194,063	\$215.87	18.13%
TOTAL	9,450	\$44,319,231	\$151.29	7.19%	TOTAL	2,053	\$5,738,931	\$90.17	6.45%

Average daily AGP per device is calculated by dividing the total AGP by the number of devices, further divided by the average number of days open for all establishments open in June. Hold percentage does not include player-banked poker tables.

# **GAMING+UPDATE**

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✓ July 3 4th of July, Division offices closed
- ✓ July 15 June gaming tax returns due
- ✓ July 16 Gaming Commission meeting, Lakewood

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