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Division Offices Closed

All three Division of Gaming offices will be closed on Friday, Dec. 25 for Christmas Day and on Friday, Dec. 31 for a mandatory State furlough day. The offices will be closed four additional mandatory furlough days next year —Jan. 15, Feb. 12, April 2 and May 28.

Commission Action

At its meeting on Nov. 19 in Lakewood, the Gaming Commis-

- Renewed the retail license of Ameristar Casino Black Hawk
- Renewed the manufacturer/ distributor and operator licenses of Ameristar Casino Black Hawk, Inc., and Universal Gaming Resources, LLC



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Revenues Continue Hot Streak

Colorado casinos enjoyed their fourth month of increased revenues as the result of Amendment 50. Casinos statewide reported \$61.7 million in AGP in October, up 9.7 percent from \$56.3 million in October 2008, but down 2.6 percent from \$63.4 million in September. For the first four months since the implementation of Amendment 50, casino revenues are up 8.6 percent over the same period in 2008.

Black Hawk's 18 casinos fueled the increase in October, generating \$45.4 million in AGP during the month, up 15.3 percent from \$39.4 million in October 2008 and up 1.3 percent from \$44.9 million in September. Cripple Creek's 16 casinos totaled \$11.1 million in AGP in October, down 4.2 from \$11.6 million the previous October and down 13.1 percent from \$12.8 million in September. Central City's six casinos produced \$5.1 million in AGP in October, down 1.4 percent from \$5.2 million in October 2008 and down 9.7 percent from \$5.7 million the previous month.

Casinos statewide paid \$8.6 million in gaming tax proceeds in October, up from \$7.4 million in September.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

It has been years since I believed in Santa Claus, but that doesn't prevent me from making a holiday wish list for this upcoming holiday season and new year:



- A continued Amendment 50 bounce for all Colorado casinos. I have reviewed the revenue figures for individual casinos, and although revenues are up statewide by 8.6 percent for the first four months of Amendment 50, not every casino is experiencing growth.
- A continued Amendment 50 bounce for the recipients of the new revenues generated by the new games, hours and limits. With the continued budget woes experienced by the State of Colorado, the Department of Higher Education, which includes the community college system, seems to be hit especially hard.
- For the staff at the Division of Gaming to never have to hear the words "mandatory furlough" after this current fiscal year. In late October, the governor's office announced the schedule for four additional furlough days in 2010 to go along with the four that were already planned for the last four months of 2009.
- A capable replacement for Jim Alderden on the Gaming Commission. Jim's second term ended June 30, and he has graciously continued to serve until a replacement is named.
- Another clean financial audit for the Division of Gaming. The streak of financial audits with no audit remarks has continued for so long that I can't even remember how long it has been, or whether we have ever had a comment.
- A joyous holiday season for everyone and their families. May your own wishes for the holidays and the new year come true.

—Ron Kammerzell

COLORADO STATE GAMING STATISTICS					CRIPPLE CREEK GAMING STATISTICS					
	October 2009	<u>September 2009</u>	October 2008	Tax Year to Date		October 2009	September 2009	October 2008	Tax Year to Date	
1¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %		7,709 305,872,663.77 28,164,363.79 121.78 9.21%		30,905 1,291,968,691.40 119,694,541.32 125.98 9.26%	1 ¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %		2,028 67,327,568.83 5,690,335.04 93.53 8.45%	2,095 59,405,323.66 4,920,907.75 75.91 8.28%	8,063 276,749,866.89 23,290,595.69 93.99 8.42%	
25¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	1,932 89,546,988.10 5,127,811.60 85.69 5.73%	1,920 97,874,926.72 5,499,198.08 95.47 5.62%	2,294 113,888,180.44 6,231,293.34 87.69 5.47%	7,797 418,625,176.70 24,024,337.40 100.22 5.74%		742 26,301,347.75 1,266,410.38 55.17 4.82%		800 32,433,500.70 1,665,878.26 67.30 5.14%	2,993 130,560,826.37 6,269,853.67 68.16 4.80%	
	2,014 158,741,488.85 8,479,521.40 135.93 5.34%	2,036 163,445,273.94 8,936,379.56 146.31 5.47%	2,453 190,425,551.52 9,304,621.65 122.46 4.89%	8,209 725,558,303.40 38,150,065.18 151.16 5.26%	\$1 SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	756 37,124,393.33 1,990,055.28 85.09 5.36%	759 45,220,896.79 2,279,194.00 100.10 5.04%	853 47,334,673.99 2,390,900.99 90.59 5.05%	3,029 186,394,049.60 9,191,372.72 98.73 4.93%	
MULTI-DENOM COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	2,177 186,470,538.39 8,602,836.39 127.58 4.61%	2,174 184,248,588.38 8,545,373.00 131.02 4.64%	2,002 119,667,453.51 5,817,281.41 93.81 4.86%	8,628 788,227,713.37 36,522,877.63 137.69 4.63%	MULTI-DENOM COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	515 22,868,143.79 1,134,605.06 71.21 4.96%		676 22,377,789.05 1,140,108.14 54.51 5.09%	2,043 106,694,288.78 5,064,089.67 80.65 4.75%	
OTHER SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	1,731 88,559,448.09 5,615,127.50 104.73 6.34%	1,740 97,239,083.23 6,033,237.93 115.58 6.20%	1,962 101,018,229.45 5,529,089.39 90.98 5.47%	6,997 414,382,208.63 24,761,784.71 115.11 5.98%	OTHER SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	537 16,851,735.09 1,084,781.18 65.30 6.44%		576 21,009,375.60 1,204,641.65 67.59 5.73%	2,173 88,357,492.54 5,183,619.89 77.62 5.87%	
	138 14,206,035.69 2,328,033.44 544.63 16.39%	138 14,718,608.97 2,008,786.47 485.21 13.65%	72 2,859,071.99 578,238.24 259.27 20.22%	534 61,299,198.79 8,786,733.49 535.22 14.33%	AGP AVG DAILY AGP	34 1,884,213.50 309,419.25 294.16 16.42%	33 2,494,785.35 355,748.35 359.34 14.26%	20 484,959.10 86,889.10 140.41 17.92%	131 9,750,931.60 1,336,096.35 331.85 13.70%	
CRAPS TABLES CRAPS DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	29 5,876,290.95 1,327,644.20 1,478.00 22.59%	30 6,210,079.90 1,210,319.15 1,344.80 19.49%	0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00%	113 28,152,658.15 5,361,496.15 1,543.30 19.04%	CRAPS TABLES CRAPS DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	9 734,556.60 195,523.35 702.22 26.62%	10 1,014,230.25 188,563.00 628.54 18.59%	0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00%	37 4,470,191.35 853,042.35 750.15 19.08%	
POKER TABLES POKER DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	139 3,532,734.05 2,349,181.40 545.62 25.05%	148 3,619,622.56 2,401,289.64 540.83 23.38%	160 2,474,596.75 2,188,935.72 441.67 21.42%	596 16,630,088.51 11,112,512.92 606.47 23.91%	POKER TABLES POKER DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	35 524,828.50 285,339.36 263.52 20.85%	39 548,126.55 315,950.59 270.04 22.29%	35 342,196.00 233,630.72 215.74 15.30%	148 2,612,874.66 1,405,485.38 308.99 18.52%	
ROULETTE TABLE ROULETTE DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	\$ 28 2,519,136.25 641,085.75 739.18 25.45%	27 2,655,546.66 645,275.91 796.64 24.30%	0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00%	106 11,465,603.26 2,634,094.26 808.29 22.97%	ROULETTE TABLES ROULETTE DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	288,837.50 80,930.25 290.66 28.02%	9 344,291.00 91,626.00 339.36 26.61%	0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00%	36 1,681,967.75 407,731.75 368.51 24.24%	
TOTAL AGP GAMING TAXES # OF CASINOS	61,780,353.40 8,653,845.31 40	63,444,223.53 7,418,713.30 40	56,305,449.74 7,362,135.37 41	271,048,442.66 24,638,601.48 40	TOTAL AGP GAMING TAXES # OF CASINOS	11,155,595.17 512,235.36 16	12,831,770.73 330,382.45 16	11,642,956.61 576,623.14 17	53,001,887.47 1,025,833.92 16	

BLACK HAWK GAMING STATISTICS					CENTRAL CITY GAMING STATISTICS					
	October 2009	<u>September 2009</u>	October 2008	Tax Year to Date		October 2009	September 2009	October 2008	Tax Year to Date	
1¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	4,628 205,697,218.09 19,888,364.47 138.63 9.67%	4,672 207,808,113.04 19,585,122.69 139.73 9.42%		18,791 887,802,305.36 84,614,197.85 146.44 9.53%	1 C SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	1,009 28,036,650.48 2,612,216.19 83.51 9.32%	1,009 30,736,981.90 2,888,906.06 95.44 9.40%	1,013 29,178,902.26 2,652,361.33 84.46 9.09%	4,051 127,416,519.15 11,789,747.78 94.64 9.25%	
25¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	916 55,397,865.60 3,415,872.18 120.29 6.17%	898 57,983,125.13 3,477,607.74 129.09 6.00%	1,177 70,231,982.74 4,043,078.72 110.81 5.76%	3,700 252,839,414.33 15,688,686.27 137.89 6.21%	25¢ SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	274 7,847,774.75 445,529.04 52.45 5.68%	274 8,322,335.75 502,314.75 61.11 6.04%	317 11,222,697.00 522,336.36 53.15 4.65%	1,104 35,224,936.00 2,065,797.46 60.85 5.86%	
COINS IN	1,017 107,250,514.52 5,930,828.17 188.12 5.53%	1,034 111,420,262.15 5,986,570.27 192.99 5.37%	1,344 126,562,782.53 6,156,134.62 147.76 4.86%	4,213 481,720,863.80 26,189,223.86 202.16 5.44%	COINS IN	241 14,366,581.00 558,637.95 74.77 3.89%	243 6,804,115.00 670,615.29 91.99 9.86%	256 16,528,095.00 757,586.04 95.46 4.58%	967 57,443,390.00 2,769,468.60 93.14 4.82%	
MULTI-DENOM COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	1,375 144,350,022.59 6,634,465.61 155.65 4.60%	1,380 137,798,212.18 6,552,033.89 158.26 4.75%	1,070 82,191,472.12 3,966,329.09 119.58 4.83%	5,423 596,701,989.22 27,796,523.07 166.69 4.66%	AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	19,252,372.01 833,765.72 93.71 4.33%	20,454,440.75 794,390.85 92.26 3.88%	256 15,098,192.34 710,844.18 89.57 4.71%	1,162 84,831,435.37 3,662,264.89 102.49 4.32%	
OTHER SLOTS COINS IN AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	963 66,733,487.90 4,258,035.15 142.63 6.38%	959 70,135,862.75 4,490,217.69 156.07 6.40%	1,118 73,870,903.10 3,923,717.06 113.21 5.31%	3,883 302,724,818.49 18,267,654.94 152.99 6.03%	AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	4,974,225.10 272,311.17 38.03 5.47%	5,887,973.85 350,890.34 49.77 5.96%	268 6,137,950.75 400,730.68 48.23 6.53%	941 23,299,897.60 1,310,509.88 45.29 5.62%	
BJ TABLES BJ DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	85 11,653,479.69 1,932,526.94 733.41 16.58%	86 11,533,637.57 1,575,225.07 610.55 13.66%	43 2,157,367.39 452,052.14 339.12 20.95%	329 48,578,556.13 7,065,856.33 698.43 14.55%	BJ DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	12.88%	19 690,186.05 77,813.05 136.51 11.27%	9 216,745.50 39,297.00 140.85 18.13%	74 2,969,711.06 384,780.81 169.10 12.96%	
CRAPS TABLES CRAPS DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	17 4,576,431.60 1,015,111.60 1,926.21 22.18%	17 4,553,737.60 860,793.10 1,687.83 18.90%	0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00%	64 20,806,495.50 3,956,634.00 2,010.48 19.02%	AGP	3 565,302.75 117,009.25 1,258.16 20.70%	3 642,112.05 160,963.05 1,788.48 25.07%	0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00%	12 2,875,971.30 551,819.80 1,495.45 19.19%	
POKER TABLES POKER DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	90 2,563,263.05 1,864,606.79 668.32 25.61%	93 2,570,901.75 1,909,966.29 684.58 24.35%	104 1,825,012.25 1,805,232.75 559.94 22.46%	376 11,699,540.35 8,866,609.54 766.88 25.56%		14 444,642.50 199,235.25 459.07 26.81%	16 500,594.26 175,372.76 365.36 19.59%	21 307,388.50 150,072.25 230.53 22.08%	72 2,317,673.50 840,418.00 379.59 21.61%	
ROULETTE TABLE ROULETTE DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	\$ 14 2,025,801.75 524,493.75 1,208.51 25.89%	13 2,030,276.36 458,033.36 1,174.44 22.56%	0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00%	50 8,677,305.91 1,966,762.91 1,279.20 22.67%	ROULETTE TABLES ROULETTE DROP AGP AVG DAILY AGP HOLD %	5 204,497.00 35,661.75 230.08 17.44%	5 280,979.30 95,616.55 637.44 34.03%	0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00%	20 1,106,329.60 259,599.60 422.11 23.46%	
TOTAL AGP GAMING TAXES # OF CASINOS	45,464,304.66 7,539,573.50 18	44,895,570.10 6,704,102.21 18	39,429,265.29 6,234,517.77 18	194,412,148.77 22,324,228.94 18	TOTAL AGP GAMING TAXES # OF CASINOS	5,160,453.57 602,036.45 6	5,716,882.70 384,228.64 6	5,233,227.84 550,994.46 6	23,634,406.42 1,288,538.62 6	

OCTOBER AGP BY DEVICE											
State	wide				Cripp	Cripple Creek					
<u>Device</u>	Number	<u>AGP</u>	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %	<u>Device</u>	Number	<u>AGP</u>	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %		
Slots	15,518	\$55,134,409	\$114.70	6.77%	Slots	4,577	\$10,284,383	\$72.63	6.41%		
Tables	334	\$6,645,945	\$642.39	19.83%	Tables	87	\$871,212	\$323.68	20.26%		
TOTAL	15,852	\$61,780,353	\$125.82	7.18%	TOTAL	4,664	\$11,155,595	\$77.31	6.70%		
Black Hawk					Centr	al City					
Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %	Device	Number	AGP	Avg. Daily AGP/Device	Hold %		
Slots	8 . 899	\$40,127,566	\$145.46	6.93%	Slots	2,042	\$4,722,460	\$74.60	6.34%		
Tables	206	\$5,336,739	\$835.69	19.83%	Tables	41	\$437,994	\$328.58	19.01%		
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TOTAL	9,105	\$45,464,305	\$161.08	7.37%	TOTAL	2,083	\$5,160,454	\$79.84	6.65%		

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 October. Hold percentage does not include player-banked poker tables.

GAMING*UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✓ December 15 November gaming tax returns due
- ✓ December 17 Gaming Commission meeting, Lakewood, 9:15 a.m.
- ✓ December 25 Christmas Day, Division offices closed
- ✓ December 31 State furlough day, Division offices closed

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