

Philip Baca Appointed as New Commissioner

Gov. Bill Ritter has appointed Philip Baca to serve as the law enforcement member of the Gaming Commission. He replaces Jim Alderden, whose second term ended on June 30, but continued to serve until Baca's appointment.

Baca, a graduate of the FBI National Academy, is the chief of police for Commerce City. He began his law enforcement career in 1974 with the Denver County Sheriff's Department and a year later joined the Denver Police Department, where he reached the rank of lieutenant. In 1990, he left law enforcement to join the legal profession after earning his juris doctorate from the University of Denver. He practiced law until becoming the law enforcement academy director of the Colorado Sheriff's Training Institute in 1998. He then joined the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office in 2000, where he became the division chief of the criminal investigations section before being named Commerce City police chief in 2008.

Commission Action

At its meeting on Jan. 21 in Lakewood, the Gaming Commission:

- Renewed the retail license of Johnny Nolon's Casino
- Approved stipulations and agreements between the Division of Gaming and Aristocrat Technologies Inc., resulting in a \$7,500 fine, and between the Division and Golden Gates Casino, resulting in a \$25,000 fine

December Caps Up-Down Year

Colorado casinos finished an up-and-down year on a high note in December. Casinos statewide reported nearly \$734.6 million in AGP in 2009, up 2.6 percent from \$715.8 million in calendar 2008. The year ended with increasing revenues in December. For the month, casinos posted \$55.4 million in AGP, up 14.0 percent from \$48.6 million in December 2008, but down 9.4 percent from \$61.1 million in November.

During the first six months of the year, casino revenues were down 3.9 percent over the first half of 2008. Over the final six months after the implementation of Amendment 50 on July 2, revenues were up 9.2 percent.

Black Hawk's 20 casinos generated \$529.9 million in AGP in 2009, up 4.2 percent from \$508.6 million in 2008. Cripple Creek's 16 casinos produced \$140.3 million in AGP in 2009, up 0.2 percent from \$140.0 million the previous year. Central City's six casinos totaled \$64.2 million in AGP in 2009, down 4.3 percent from \$67.1 million in 2008.

In December, Black Hawk casinos reported \$41.4 million in AGP (\$35.4 million in December 2008); Cripple Creek casinos, \$9.5 million (\$8.8 million); and Central City casinos, \$4.5 million (\$4.3 million). Casinos statewide paid \$8.6 million in gaming tax proceeds in December.

	Statewide	% Chg	Cripple Creek	% Chg
2000	\$ 631,852,112	14.6%	\$ 134,630,255	9.8%
2001	\$ 676,674,192	7.1%	\$ 138,617,688	3.0%
2002	\$ 719,701,404	6.4%	\$ 142,436,212	2.8%
2003	\$ 698,285,082	-3.0%	\$ 142,525,101	0.1%
2004	\$ 725,903,556	4.0%	\$ 148,689,335	4.3%
2005	\$ 755,499,720	4.1%	\$ 151,011,042	1.6%
2006	\$ 782,098,818	3.5%	\$ 153,075,257	1.4%
2007	\$ 816,129,779	4.4%	\$ 154,962,066	1.2%
2008	\$ 715,879,711	-12.3%	\$ 140,081,962	-9.6%
2009	\$ 734,590,354	2.6%	\$ 140,356,304	0.2%

	Black Hawk	% Chg	Central City	% Chg
2000	\$ 433,768,948	22.2%	\$ 63,452,908	-14.0%
2001	\$ 478,326,427	10.3%	\$ 59,730,077	-5.9%
2002	\$ 524,464,856	9.6%	\$ 52,800,335	-11.6%
2003	\$ 505,851,055	-3.5%	\$ 49,908,926	-5.5%
2004	\$ 524,035,343	3.6%	\$ 53,178,879	6.6%
2005	\$ 531,878,276	1.5%	\$ 72,610,402	36.5%
2006	\$ 554,484,627	4.3%	\$ 74,538,934	2.7%
2007	\$ 581,385,160	4.9%	\$ 79,782,553	7.0%
2008	\$ 508,685,618	-12.5%	\$ 67,112,131	-15.9%
2009	\$ 529,976,828	4.2%	\$ 64,257,223	-4.3%

COLORADO STATE GAMING STATISTICS

	December 2009	November 2009	December 2008	Tax Year to Date
1¢ SLOTS	7,737	7,725	7,936	46,367
COINS IN	262,058,259.73	293,821,673.88	259,881,384.28	1,847,848,625.01
AGP	24,694,012.14	27,315,782.96	23,447,972.14	171,704,336.42
AVG DAILY AGP	103.29	117.87	95.39	120.84
HOLD %	9.42%	9.30%	9.02%	9.29%
25¢ SLOTS	1,942	1,938	2,251	11,677
COINS IN	77,789,774.75	88,845,627.74	97,116,179.90	585,260,579.19
AGP	4,411,597.08	5,037,635.93	4,958,747.59	33,473,570.41
AVG DAILY AGP	73.52	86.65	71.12	93.54
HOLD %	5.67%	5.67%	5.11%	5.72%
\$1 SLOTS	1,973	2,000	2,389	12,182
COINS IN	136,549,403.02	157,964,609.56	161,785,928.00	1,020,072,315.98
AGP	7,446,468.07	8,107,238.76	7,904,166.23	53,703,772.01
AVG DAILY AGP	122.14	135.12	106.81	143.85
HOLD %	5.45%	5.13%	4.89%	5.26%
MULTI-DENOM	2,268	2,233	1,954	13,129
COINS IN	166,644,831.50	186,556,045.15	105,845,401.99	1,141,428,590.02
AGP	7,920,093.48	8,958,859.97	5,145,690.81	53,401,831.08
AVG DAILY AGP	113.01	133.73	85.02	132.72
HOLD %	4.75%	4.80%	4.86%	4.68%
OTHER SLOTS	1,719	1,742	1,912	10,458
COINS IN	81,334,046.47	91,055,231.88	87,206,060.47	586,771,486.98
AGP	4,978,030.65	5,681,631.46	4,505,068.08	35,421,446.82
AVG DAILY AGP	93.72	108.72	76.07	110.52
HOLD %	6.12%	6.24%	5.17%	6.04%
BJ TABLES	140	134	71	808
BJ DROP	13,731,866.80	13,755,813.36	2,582,423.25	88,786,878.95
AGP	2,159,783.30	2,110,885.36	547,397.25	13,057,402.15
AVG DAILY AGP	499.25	525.10	248.90	527.32
HOLD %	15.73%	15.35%	21.20%	14.71%
CRAPS TABLES	29	29	0	171
CRAPS DROP	5,620,404.00	5,636,616.25	0.00	39,409,678.40
AGP	1,159,753.00	1,201,922.00	0.00	7,723,171.15
AVG DAILY AGP	1,294.20	1,381.52	0.00	1,473.76
HOLD %	20.63%	21.32%	0.00%	19.60%
POKER TABLES	137	137	160	870
POKER DROP	3,240,729.01	3,431,184.00	2,251,278.00	23,302,001.52
AGP	2,134,986.83	2,231,503.73	1,663,000.64	15,479,003.48
AVG DAILY AGP	504.32	542.94	335.55	580.57
HOLD %	23.48%	21.95%	20.94%	23.56%
ROULETTE TABLES	28	27	0	161
ROULETTE DROP	1,975,322.36	2,145,375.75	0.00	15,586,301.37
AGP	523,276.36	527,967.25	0.00	3,685,337.87
AVG DAILY AGP	604.79	651.81	0.00	746.93
HOLD %	26.49%	24.61%	0.00%	23.64%
TOTAL AGP	55,428,000.91	61,173,427.42	48,621,333.38	387,649,870.99
GAMING TAXES	8,679,491.88	9,251,135.21	7,427,418.77	42,569,228.57
# OF CASINOS	40	40	40	40

CRIPPLE CREEK GAMING STATISTICS

	December 2009	November 2009	December 2008	Tax Year to Date
1¢ SLOTS	2,035	2,026	1,980	12,124
COINS IN	52,041,333.52	57,360,002.96	49,406,028.30	386,151,203.37
AGP	4,357,439.94	4,762,146.71	3,826,948.55	32,410,182.34
AVG DAILY AGP	69.63	78.35	62.47	87.32
HOLD %	8.37%	8.30%	7.75%	8.39%
25¢ SLOTS	739	736	777	4,468
COINS IN	22,925,524.25	25,373,867.49	26,376,227.39	178,860,218.11
AGP	1,042,743.55	1,142,454.81	1,132,935.94	8,455,052.03
AVG DAILY AGP	45.89	51.74	47.13	61.81
HOLD %	4.55%	4.50%	4.30%	4.73%
\$1 SLOTS	738	753	832	4,520
COINS IN	32,041,280.00	35,969,257.00	36,746,451.00	254,404,586.60
AGP	1,581,227.28	1,653,016.26	1,706,099.18	12,425,616.26
AVG DAILY AGP	69.68	73.17	66.28	89.79
HOLD %	4.93%	4.60%	4.64%	4.88%
MULTI-DENOM	517	521	575	3,081
COINS IN	20,672,029.88	21,830,347.41	17,035,214.21	149,196,666.07
AGP	964,826.40	1,038,945.61	839,947.37	7,067,861.68
AVG DAILY AGP	60.69	66.47	47.22	74.93
HOLD %	4.67%	4.76%	4.93%	4.74%
OTHER SLOTS	536	539	565	3,248
COINS IN	16,178,301.10	18,209,318.49	16,486,398.55	122,745,112.13
AGP	916,775.19	1,002,838.08	988,950.89	7,103,233.16
AVG DAILY AGP	55.62	62.02	56.58	71.43
HOLD %	5.67%	5.51%	6.00%	5.79%
BJ TABLES	35	30	20	196
BJ DROP	1,758,329.80	1,701,660.00	425,889.50	13,210,921.40
AGP	249,478.05	248,941.25	91,161.50	1,834,515.65
AVG DAILY AGP	231.80	276.60	147.33	305.73
HOLD %	14.19%	14.63%	21.40%	13.89%
CRAPS TABLES	9	9	0	55
CRAPS DROP	674,154.00	729,737.00	0.00	5,874,082.35
AGP	108,025.50	151,491.25	0.00	1,112,559.10
AVG DAILY AGP	390.34	561.08	0.00	660.74
HOLD %	16.02%	20.76%	0.00%	18.94%
POKER TABLES	33	33	36	214
POKER DROP	321,388.00	407,571.50	301,293.00	3,341,834.16
AGP	263,108.54	291,478.60	219,950.64	1,960,072.52
AVG DAILY AGP	259.27	294.42	197.49	299.18
HOLD %	30.29%	21.99%	16.31%	20.07%
ROULETTE TABLES	9	8	0	53
ROULETTE DROP	249,150.50	230,351.50	0.00	2,161,469.75
AGP	43,956.00	61,307.00	0.00	512,994.75
AVG DAILY AGP	158.83	255.45	0.00	316.16
HOLD %	17.64%	26.61%	0.00%	23.73%
TOTAL AGP	9,527,580.45	10,352,619.57	8,805,994.07	72,882,087.49
GAMING TAXES	631,777.91	589,869.36	626,264.89	2,247,481.19
# OF CASINOS	16	16	16	16

BLACK HAWK GAMING STATISTICS

	December 2009	November 2009	December 2008	Tax Year to Date
1¢ SLOTS	4,718	4,698	4,933	28,207
COINS IN	184,622,182.19	208,682,530.89	184,614,593.89	1,281,107,018.44
AGP	17,948,298.71	20,051,492.41	17,329,891.47	122,613,988.97
AVG DAILY AGP	122.72	142.27	113.32	141.75
HOLD %	9.72%	9.61%	9.39%	9.57%
25¢ SLOTS	926	928	1,173	5,554
COINS IN	48,879,620.00	56,296,310.00	61,975,720.26	358,015,344.33
AGP	3,001,625.15	3,534,563.92	3,334,767.61	22,224,875.34
AVG DAILY AGP	104.56	126.96	91.71	130.49
HOLD %	6.14%	6.28%	5.38%	6.21%
\$1 SLOTS	994	1,002	1,297	6,209
COINS IN	92,362,824.02	108,293,529.56	110,522,220.00	682,377,217.38
AGP	5,371,256.41	5,876,843.52	5,557,627.69	37,437,323.79
AVG DAILY AGP	174.31	195.50	138.23	196.61
HOLD %	5.82%	5.43%	5.03%	5.49%
MULTI-DENOM	1,475	1,425	1,121	8,323
COINS IN	130,287,200.96	145,461,923.84	75,594,639.64	872,451,114.02
AGP	6,349,317.12	7,093,087.43	3,726,555.74	41,238,927.62
AVG DAILY AGP	138.86	165.92	107.24	161.57
HOLD %	4.87%	4.88%	4.93%	4.73%
OTHER SLOTS	956	972	1,082	5,811
COINS IN	60,519,408.42	67,480,119.34	65,844,585.62	430,724,346.25
AGP	3,797,267.51	4,354,292.12	3,311,825.14	26,419,214.57
AVG DAILY AGP	128.13	149.32	98.74	148.25
HOLD %	6.27%	6.45%	5.03%	6.13%
BJ TABLES	86	85	43	500
BJ DROP	11,515,067.75	11,489,941.61	1,994,238.00	71,583,565.49
AGP	1,823,399.00	1,780,934.36	424,919.00	10,670,189.69
AVG DAILY AGP	683.95	698.41	318.77	695.88
HOLD %	15.83%	15.50%	21.31%	14.91%
CRAPS TABLES	17	17	0	98
CRAPS DROP	4,397,522.50	4,386,224.25	0.00	29,590,242.25
AGP	962,054.50	932,431.75	0.00	5,851,120.25
AVG DAILY AGP	1,825.53	1,828.30	0.00	1,946.91
HOLD %	21.88%	21.26%	0.00%	19.77%
POKER TABLES	90	90	102	556
POKER DROP	2,509,218.26	2,579,518.50	1,686,136.25	16,788,277.11
AGP	1,717,325.80	1,783,644.47	1,316,622.75	12,367,579.81
AVG DAILY AGP	615.53	660.61	416.39	725.34
HOLD %	22.90%	22.66%	21.91%	24.72%
ROULETTE TABLES	14	14	0	78
ROULETTE DROP	1,597,475.36	1,773,434.50	0.00	12,048,215.77
AGP	428,739.86	422,038.00	0.00	2,817,540.77
AVG DAILY AGP	987.88	1,004.85	0.00	1,177.90
HOLD %	26.84%	23.80%	0.00%	23.39%
TOTAL AGP	41,399,284.06	45,829,327.98	35,451,500.04	281,640,760.81
GAMING TAXES	7,422,895.36	7,998,810.42	6,183,749.41	37,745,934.72
# OF CASINOS	18	18	18	18

CENTRAL CITY GAMING STATISTICS

	December 2009	November 2009	December 2008	Tax Year to Date
1¢ SLOTS	984	1,001	1,023	6,036
COINS IN	25,394,744.02	27,779,140.03	25,860,762.09	180,590,403.20
AGP	2,388,273.49	2,502,143.84	2,291,132.12	16,680,165.11
AVG DAILY AGP	78.29	83.32	72.25	90.11
HOLD %	9.40%	9.01%	8.86%	9.24%
25¢ SLOTS	277	274	301	1,655
COINS IN	5,984,630.50	7,175,450.25	8,764,232.25	48,385,016.75
AGP	367,228.38	360,617.20	491,044.04	2,793,643.04
AVG DAILY AGP	42.77	43.87	52.63	55.04
HOLD %	6.14%	5.03%	5.60%	5.77%
\$1 SLOTS	241	245	260	1,453
COINS IN	12,145,299.00	13,701,823.00	14,517,257.00	83,290,512.00
AGP	493,984.38	577,378.98	640,439.36	3,840,831.96
AVG DAILY AGP	66.12	78.55	79.46	86.20
HOLD %	4.07%	4.21%	4.41%	4.61%
MULTI-DENOM	276	287	258	1,725
COINS IN	15,685,600.66	19,263,773.90	13,215,548.14	119,780,809.93
AGP	605,949.96	826,826.93	579,187.70	5,095,041.78
AVG DAILY AGP	70.82	96.03	72.42	96.31
HOLD %	3.86%	4.29%	4.38%	4.25%
OTHER SLOTS	227	231	265	1,399
COINS IN	4,636,336.95	5,365,794.05	4,875,076.30	33,302,028.60
AGP	263,987.95	324,501.26	204,292.05	1,898,999.09
AVG DAILY AGP	37.51	46.83	24.87	44.26
HOLD %	5.69%	6.05%	4.19%	5.70%
BJ TABLES	19	19	8	112
BJ DROP	458,469.25	564,211.75	162,295.75	3,992,392.06
AGP	86,906.25	81,009.75	31,316.75	552,696.81
AVG DAILY AGP	147.55	142.12	126.28	160.92
HOLD %	18.96%	14.36%	19.30%	13.84%
CRAPS TABLES	3	3	0	18
CRAPS DROP	548,727.50	520,655.00	0.00	3,945,353.80
AGP	89,673.00	117,999.00	0.00	759,491.80
AVG DAILY AGP	964.23	1,311.10	0.00	1,375.89
HOLD %	16.34%	22.66%	0.00%	19.25%
POKER TABLES	14	14	22	100
POKER DROP	410,122.75	444,094.00	263,848.75	3,171,890.25
AGP	154,552.49	156,380.66	126,427.25	1,151,351.15
AVG DAILY AGP	356.11	372.33	185.38	375.44
HOLD %	21.65%	17.80%	20.08%	21.08%
ROULETTE TABLES	5	5	0	30
ROULETTE DROP	128,696.50	141,589.75	0.00	1,376,615.85
AGP	50,580.50	44,622.25	0.00	354,802.35
AVG DAILY AGP	326.33	297.48	0.00	385.65
HOLD %	39.30%	31.52%	0.00%	25.77%
TOTAL AGP	4,501,136.40	4,991,479.87	4,363,839.27	33,127,022.69
GAMING TAXES	624,818.61	662,455.43	617,404.47	2,575,812.66
# OF CASINOS	6	6	6	6

DECEMBER AGP BY DEVICE

Statewide

<u>Device</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>AGP</u>	<u>Avg. Daily AGP/Device</u>	<u>Hold %</u>
Slots	15,639	\$49,450,201	\$102.33	6.83%
Tables	334	\$5,977,799	\$579.20	18.74%
TOTAL	15,973	\$55,428,001	\$112.30	7.22%

Cripple Creek

<u>Device</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>AGP</u>	<u>Avg. Daily AGP/Device</u>	<u>Hold %</u>
Slots	4,565	\$8,863,012	\$63.14	6.16%
Tables	86	\$664,568	\$251.30	16.61%
TOTAL	4,651	\$9,527,580	\$66.61	6.37%

Black Hawk

<u>Device</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>AGP</u>	<u>Avg. Daily AGP/Device</u>	<u>Hold %</u>
Slots	9,069	\$36,467,765	\$129.71	7.06%
Tables	207	\$4,931,519	\$768.51	18.93%
TOTAL	9,276	\$41,399,284	\$143.97	7.50%

Central City

<u>Device</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>AGP</u>	<u>Avg. Daily AGP/Device</u>	<u>Hold %</u>
Slots	2,005	\$4,119,424	\$66.28	6.45%
Tables	41	\$381,712	\$300.32	20.44%
TOTAL	2,046	\$4,501,136	\$70.97	6.78%

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

GAMING ♦ UPDATE

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✓ February 12 • State furlough day, Division offices closed
- ✓ February 15 • Presidents' Day, Division offices closed
- ✓ February 16 • January gaming tax returns due
- ✓ February 18 • Gaming Commission meeting, Lakewood, 9:15 a.m.

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