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To the Honorable Hugh L. Carey, Governor:

The New York State Racing and Wagering Board is pleased to submit to you its fifth annual report in accordance with Chapter 346 of the Laws of 1973.

As you are no doubt aware, I came to the Racing and Wagering Board at a time when the Board and racing were undergoing severe strains. Since that time, due in large measure to your support, I am happy to report that the state of the industry is by and large healthy and the outlook for the future is bright. 1977 was a year in which racing achieved one of its greatest triumphs, that of a Triple Crown winner, Seattle Slew, and suffered one of its greatest scandals, the so called "ringer" case.

Despite such highs and lows, racing has survived and indeed has been strengthened by the manner in which some very important issues have been resolved. Through your leadership in helping me to reorganize the Board, I am proud to report that the state of both on-track and off-track pari-mutuel wagering is good.

Again, my heartfelt thanks to you for giving me an opportunity to preside over the Board, which I have found to be one of the most rewarding positions in my life.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive ink that reads "William G. Barry".

William G. Barry  
Board Chairman

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# REVIEW

This has been a year of contradictions for New York State racing — a year rich in the quality of its programs, yet disappointing in handle and track attendance; though horse racing maintained its position as the No. 1 spectator sport, it also suffered a drop in attendance both in New York and nationwide from 1976 levels. It was a year that brought universal recognition and acclaim as Athlete-of-the-Year to wholesome young jockey Steve Cauthen, and in the same period witnessed the scandal of the so-called "Sting" case in which the horse "Lebon" raced under false credentials leading to investigation by the Board and subsequent indictments by a Nassau County Grand Jury. Seattle Slew became the only undefeated Triple Crown winner, and on the harness racing scene, a New York-bred trotter, Green Speed, was named Horse-of-the-Year while Herve Filion distinguished himself as 1977's leading driver, winning 441 races and \$2,551,000 in purses mainly in New York. Yet, overall both thoroughbred and harness tracks saw drops in business volume.

Quarter horse racing, too, had its ups and downs: Parr Meadows on Long Island opened optimistically in May for a six-month meeting and was forced, because of financial difficulties, to close after four months.

Competition for the wagering dollar from three sources challenged the New York tracks:

The New Jersey Meadowlands in its first full year, conducted harness racing for the first seven months and thoroughbred racing for 100 nights during the last third of the year.

It was also the first full year of competition from the newly legalized jai-alai frontons and off-track betting in neighboring Connecticut.

And finally, the re-organized state lottery operated for the entire year.

In spite of these challenges, off-track betting gross handle showed substantial gains, setting a new record of \$1,128,052,288, an increase of \$75 million. New York State's share of this record handle was \$25,800,569, up \$2 million over 1976. \$54,360,822 went to participating

municipalities in operating profits, and \$48,457,186 in surcharge revenues to various of the municipalities.

From a total of 1,791 racing days, revenue to the State amounted to \$135,781,392.

## Revenue to the State

Thoroughbred Racing	\$ 57,424,957
Harness Racing	50,012,036
Quarter Horse Racing	1,082,375
OTB (Includes Conn. OTB)	27,262,024
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$135,781,392</b>

Overall, in 1977, State and municipalities received \$238 million from racing and off-track betting.

The Board, in 1977, made admirable inroads on the critical problems facing the industry. Early in the year the Board initiated legislation which, through first instance funding reorganized the entire drug testing and research program, under the sole control of the Board. Subsequently, the Board entered into a contract with the Veterinary College at Cornell University to administer the testing and research stages of the program, consolidating these functions under a single operational unit, and achieving uniformity throughout all horse racing operations in the State.

The funds generated are used for improvements in the testing methods and facilities, and for expanded research and development of even more sophisticated techniques of drug detection. Already a leader in the field, the New York State program is now recognized throughout the country as the premier testing and research facility.

Currently, the program provides for pre-race testing at Batavia, Monticello, Roosevelt, Saratoga, Vernon Downs, and Yonkers harness tracks; post-race testing for Aqueduct, Belmont, Finger Lakes and Saratoga thoroughbred tracks, as well as Parr Meadows and Tioga Park quarter horse tracks.

On the legislative scene, 1977 produced substantial tax relief for the State's harness and quarter horse tracks in a

package which also (1) increased purses at the harness tracks to competitive levels, (2) encouraged the thoroughbred breeding industry by boosting the State's commitment to the New York State Thoroughbred Breeding and Development Fund, and (3) increased contributions to the more established standardbred (harness horse) breeding industry.

In order to prepare the standards and sanctions required by the 1977 law revising the tax rates for harness tracks, the Board began conducting the required financial audits of the tracks. In addition, staff conferences were initiated and are continuing with track managerial personnel to assess the practices and problems of the racing industry.

During 1977, the Board reviewed a total of 29,925 occupational license applications, granting 8,444 thoroughbred, 18,354 harness and 3,000 quarter horse licenses. The Board denied licenses to 48 in thoroughbred, 65 in harness and 14 in quarter horse.

Finally, there were 648 disciplinary suspensions, resulting in fines of \$32,625.

In other areas, the Board's programs in Bingo and Games of Chance continued the gains in popular acceptance noted over the past few years. As of January 1, 1977 rules and regulations for New York State's Games of Chance were adopted by the Racing and Wagering Board. This responsibility in addition to the administration of the Bingo laws, (which was assumed in 1975) has been handled by Board personnel with a staff and budget well below that of the State Bingo Control Commission prior to its transfer to the Board.

Revenue to the State from Bingo increased over 1976 with total revenue to State and municipalities in 1977 totaling \$3,709,298.

### THOROUGHBRED RACING

Even in the face of new competition from racing in New Jersey and the attractions of other sports, New York tracks enjoyed a banner year, and created new heroes. Sixteen year-old Steve Cauthen came on the New York scene to capture the imagination and hearts of racing fans and the public in general throughout the nation.

Horse-of-the-Year *Seattle Slew*, won the last leg of the

Triple Crown at Belmont before a crowd of 71,026 fans; *Affirmed* and *Alydar* fought it out in the two-year-old class, while three time champion *Forego* continued adding to his record purse winnings for a race horse, and only lost out to *Seattle Slew* in the "Horse-of-the-Year" designation by a split decision. Every other national "Eclipse" award horse raced at least once in New York.

While attendance and handle slipped at the N.Y.R.A. tracks, overall the year furnished some bright spots and gave indications that the declines were bottoming out. Saratoga was up in attendance and betting handle.

The expected inroads made by the introduction of thoroughbred racing to the Meadowlands were not as extensive as anticipated. Attendance and handle at Belmont and Aqueduct were off less compared with 1976 than they were during the period when harness racing was held at Meadowlands. During the period when both N.Y.R.A. and Meadowlands had thoroughbred meets, N.Y.R.A.'s handle averaged about \$500,000 more per day than Meadowlands', although attendance was somewhat less. Strikes and unusually bad weather also contributed to the drop in 1977 N.Y.R.A. figures.

At Finger Lakes, 158 programs brought solid gains both in average attendance and average handle for the year, however due to a shortened meet, the total figure fell below 1976. Highlight of the year was the ninety-thousand-dollar-plus New York Breeders Futurity for two-year-olds, Finger Lakes' richest race ever, won by *Tequillo Boogie*.

### HARNESS RACING

Confronted by the first full year of competition from harness racing at Meadowlands and legalized gambling in Connecticut, New York harness tracks suffered serious setbacks. At Yonkers, attendance averaged 9,619 (down 28%) and handle averaged \$1,298,810 (down 25%); Roosevelt handle averaged \$1,502,385 (down 13%) and attendance of 11,563 (down 14%); Monticello average handle of \$294,286 was down 13%, while average attendance of 3,329 was a 29% drop from the 1976 average.

In spite of these disappointments, there are indications that the worst of Meadowlands effects may have ebbed, since during the fall meet at Roosevelt, average handle actually improved over the 1976 figures.

Roosevelt again staged the unique "Roosevelt International" trot won by the Italian horse *Bellino II*. The famed "Yonkers Trot" was taken by Horse-of-the-Year *Green Speed*, and in one of the most exciting races of the year at Monticello "The OTB Classic" with a purse of over \$300,000, was won by the champion New York three-year-old pacer, *Big Towner*.

Upstate tracks showed mixed results: Batavia Downs was up for the year in both attendance and handle, while Buffalo Raceway was up in handle and slightly down in attendance. Vernon Downs and Saratoga both experienced a drop in handle and attendance.

Recognizing the increased competition for the needed supply of race horses both in New York State and nationwide, the State legislature granted tax relief to harness tracks, increased purses for overnight races, and more than doubled the revenues allotted to the harness horse breeding fund (and also the thoroughbred breeding fund).

With the enactment of the bill (L. 1977, C. 267 & 268, effective June 19, 1977), the Board was directed to audit each harness track for fiscal years ending 1976, and thereafter to report, as of the end of 1978, on the state of the tracks' capital improvements, programs and management, and to develop criteria for improvement as well as sanctions for failure to meet such criteria.

In line with this mandate, the Board has begun the reorganization and staffing demanded, and has already instituted initial conferences with tracks' managements.

## QUARTER HORSE RACING

In June 1977, the State's second quarter horse track opened at Parr Meadows at a cost of over 25 million dollars. The largest and most modern quarter horse track in the United States, (its grandstand is longer than Meadowlands) Parr Meadows opened on May 19 for a meet which ran through September 26, when lack of working capital forced its closing. A petition for reorganization under Chapter XI of the Federal Bankruptcy Laws was subsequently filed and the track is still under the jurisdiction of the court.

During its 1977 meet, Parr Meadows had an average daily attendance of 2,413 and an average daily handle of \$147,199. Total attendance for the 113 day meet was 272,680 and total handle \$16,633,449.

Tioga Park, located between the cities of Binghamton and Elmira, conducted a 59 day meet in its second year of operation. From opening day, May 21 through September 5, average daily attendance was 1,268 with an average daily handle of \$55,618. Total attendance was 74,786, while total handle amounted to \$3,281,458.

## OFF TRACK BETTING

Off track betting regions outside New York City continued to expand, with a net gain of 28 branches as follows:

Suffolk	4
Western Region	6
Nassau	4
Capital	8
Catskill	6

Three hundred four branch operations across the state turned in the largest handle ever, \$1,128,052,298, up \$71,632,835 or 7% over 1976, with the Catskill region ballooning from \$15,561,237 to \$41,625,606, an increase of 168%.

Total off track betting revenue to New York State increased by \$2,350,091 to \$27,262,023, which included revenue from Connecticut of \$725,338.

Revenue to all municipalities went up 32% for a total of \$127,819,929.

The racing industry received \$49,773,037 from OTB — an increase of \$6,850,127.

Total off track betting handle on all thoroughbred racing increased 12%, while the handle on harness racing declined 3%, undoubtedly due in part to intensified competition from the Meadowlands and Connecticut.

As the year reflected a definite leveling out in off track betting, the Board, in reviewing requests to expand the number of outlets from various regions, required detailed feasibility studies to prevent "Cannibalization" — situations in which betting dollars would only be transferred from existing branches to new branches at greater cost.

Proposed legislation before the United States Senate was a further cause for concern. A bill was advanced to prohibit

any interstate off track betting, and the Board testified at a Congressional hearing to oppose this action.

## BINGO

Since April 1, 1975, bingo laws and rules have been administered by the Board. Currently 3,153 organizations are conducting bingo, and 147,823 bingo occasions were conducted in 1977 throughout the 821 municipalities which have enacted laws authorizing bingo on a local option basis.

The Board is empowered to issue identification numbers to authorized organizations, to license qualified suppliers of equipment, and to approve rent schedules chargeable by licensed commercial lessors.

During 1977, the Board issued over 300 identification numbers, approved over 90 rental schedules and licensed 45 bingo suppliers. In addition, the Board supervised the disposition of over \$1,400,000 collected by organizations conducting bingo.

Total revenue to the State from the licensing of organizations, commercial lessors and suppliers, amounted to \$1,258,750.

## GAMES OF CHANCE

After the legalization of Games of Chance by the State legislature, the Racing and Wagering Board devised rules and regulations effective as of January 1, 1977. Sharp restrictions on the conduct of the games provide that games be approved on a local option basis, with each city, town or village required to obtain approval of the electorate before licensing is permitted. 179 municipalities throughout New York State have passed ordinances approving games of chance.

Administration of the games of chance laws on a state-wide basis is under the jurisdiction of the Racing and Wagering Board. The Board's responsibilities include the issuance of identification numbers to authorized organizations, licensing of qualified games of chance suppliers, and the promulgation of rules and regulations for the conduct of such games.

Nine different games have been authorized: Craps, Roulette, Black Jack, Big Six, Money Wheel, Chuck-a-Luck, Hazard, Under and Over Seven and Beat the Dealer.

Applications for identification numbers have been sent to 2,686 organizations, resulting in the issuance of 440 identification numbers.

One hundred sixty applications for supplier's licenses have been requested and thirty six temporary licenses issued.

The law provides for a fee of \$25 for each licensed period to be paid by the organization, \$15 of which goes to the State and \$10 to the municipality involved.

The fee for a licensed lessor organization is \$50, half of which goes to the State and half to the municipality. The law also provides for an additional license fee, established by the Board at 5%, to be used by the municipalities for enforcement of the games of chance rules and regulations. This fee, of course, is retained wholly by the municipality.

Finally, the supplier's fee, payable to the State, has been established at 2% of gross sales or rentals, but not less than \$100.

It is anticipated that the "Games of Chance" licensing law will be liberalized in 1978, which should substantially increase this type of fund raising activity by authorized organizations.

# **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

THOROUGHBRED, HARNESS AND QUARTER HORSE RACING

REVENUE TO NEW YORK STATE

(All Tracks Combined)

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	<u>Per Cent</u>
Number of Days Raced	(A) 1,791	1,804	(13)	(0.72)
Commission	\$ 86,111,321.96	\$115,270,672.54	\$(29,159,350.58)	(25.30)
Breakage	<u>4,433,843.97</u>	<u>5,007,196.93</u>	<u>(573,352.96)</u>	<u>(11.45)</u>
Total Commission and Breakage	\$ 90,545,165.93	\$120,277,869.47	\$(29,732,703.54)	(24.72)
Winning Tickets From Prior Seasons - Uncashed as of April 1, 1977/76	1,179,617.25	1,136,069.15	43,548.10	3.83
State Admission Taxes	742,071.38	854,548.29	(112,476.91)	(13.16)
Track License Fees	148,900.00	150,525.00	(1,625.00)	(1.08)
Franchise Fees N.Y.R.A. (B)	15,100,000.00	29,934,482.00	(14,834,482.00)	(49.56)
Drug Testing Fees (C)	488,309.25	212,590.00	275,719.25	129.70
Occupational License Fees	270,764.00	265,494.00	5,270.00	1.99
Fines Assessed	36,515.00	41,875.00	(5,360.00)	(12.80)
Miscellaneous Income	<u>6.025.25</u>	<u>6,818.50</u>	<u>1,206.75</u>	<u>17.70</u>
TOTAL REVENUE TO STATE	<u>\$108,519,368.06</u>	<u>\$152,880,271.41</u>	<u>\$(44,360,903.35)</u>	<u>(29.02)</u>

(A) Includes 4 days of racing for O.T.B. only. No on-track pools.

(B) Franchise Fees were estimated at \$50,000.00 per day minimum by N.Y. State Tax Department. Amount shown for 1976 was estimated for prior year. Actual amount collected for 1976 was \$27,992,586.00.

(C) Laboratory Fees in 1977 were for operations at the Commission Lab at Jamaica only thru 3/12/77. The balance of the year were fees for drug testing at Cornell University.

HIGHLIGHTS - THOROUGHBRED, HARNESS AND QUARTER HORSE RACING COMBINED - 1977

THOROUGHBRED

	1977	1976	Increase (Decrease)	Percent Increase (Decrease)
Programs Raced	(A) 460	481	(21)	(4.37)
Attendance	6,021,503	6,786,926	(765,423)	(11.28)
Handle	\$ 763,680,395	\$ 846,690,590	(\$83,010,195)	(9.80)
Revenue to State	57,424,957	76,838,277	(\$19,413,320)	(25.27)
Horsebreeder's Fund	1,052,509	733,703	318,806	43.45
Admission Taxes to Town, Cities and Counties	405,285	429,691	(24,406)	(5.68)
Commission and Breakage to Associations (B)	83,470,914	79,506,428	3,964,486	4.99
Purses Paid to Horsemen	41,855,120	40,070,115	1,785,005	4.45

HARNESS

	1977	1976	Increase (Decrease)	Percent Increase (Decrease)
Programs Raced	1,159	1,237	(78)	(6.31)
Attendance	6,171,358	7,332,635	(\$1,161,277)	(15.84)
Handle	\$ 664,897,600	\$ 791,982,235	(\$127,084,635)	(16.05)
Revenue to State	50,012,036	75,607,586	(\$25,595,550)	(33.85)
Horsebreeder's Fund	2,531,625	1,639,624	892,001	54.40
Admission Taxes to Town, Cities and Counties	1,343,806	1,749,206	(405,400)	(23.18)
Commission and Breakage to Associations (B)	77,798,295	75,540,956	2,257,339	2.99
Purses Paid to Horsemen	46,430,450	(D) 43,587,851	2,842,599	6.52

QUARTER HORSE (C)

	1977	1976	Increase (Decrease)	Percent Increase (Decrease)
Programs Raced	172	86	86	100.00
Attendance	347,466	162,240	185,226	114.17
Handle	\$ 19,914,907	\$ 7,040,656	\$ 12,874,251	182.86
Revenue to State	1,082,375	434,408	647,967	149.16
Horsebreeder's Fund	19,591	8,007	11,584	144.67
Admission Taxes to Town, Cities and Counties	----	----	----	----
Commission and Breakage to Associations (B)	2,646,416	863,743	1,782,673	206.39
Purses Paid to Horsemen	2,598,621	695,910	1,902,711	273.41

THOROUGHBRED, HARNESS AND QUARTER HORSE RACING COMBINED

	1977	1976	Increase (Decrease)	Percent Increase (Decrease)
Programs Raced	(A) 1,791	1,804	(13)	(0.72)
Attendance	12,540,327	14,281,801	(\$1,741,474)	(12.19)
Handle	\$ 1,448,492,902	\$ 1,645,713,481	(\$197,220,579)	(11.98)
Revenue to State	108,519,368	152,880,271	(\$44,360,903)	(29.02)
Horsebreeder's Fund	3,603,725	2,381,334	1,222,391	51.33
Admission Taxes to Town, Cities and Counties	1,749,091	2,178,897	(429,806)	(19.73)
Commission and Breakage to Associations (B)	163,915,625	155,911,127	8,004,498	5.13
Purses Paid to Horsemen	90,884,191	(D) 84,353,876	6,530,315	7.74

(A) Includes 4 days of racing for O.T.B. only.

(B) Minus Pools have been deducted. Franchise Fees at N.Y.R.A. are also deducted.

(C) In 1976, only one Quarter Horse track was opened (Tioga Park); 1977 figures include second track (Parr Meadows).

(D) 1976 Purse figures adjusted to exclude Roosevelt Pension and Welfare Fund shown as Purses.

1977 ON-TRACK QUARTER-HORSE STATISTICS

	Parr Meadows 5/19-9/26/77	Tioga Park 5/21-9/5/77	Total
Number of Licensed Programs	113(A)	59	172
Number of Programs Raced	113	59	172
Number of Programs Cancelled	---	---	---
Number of Races	1,011	530	1,541
Attendance	272,680	74,786	347,466
Daily Races Handle	\$ 8,458,722.00	\$ 1,257,704.00	\$ 9,716,426.00
Daily Double Handle	\$ 1,986,600.00	\$ 590,686.00	\$ 2,577,286.00
Exacta (Perfecta) Handle	\$ 2,301,032.00(E)	\$ 183,752.00(F)	\$ 2,484,784.00(G)
Quinella Handle	\$ 3,887,095.00(B)	\$ 1,249,316.00	\$ 5,136,411.00
Total Handle	\$ 16,633,449.00	\$ 3,281,458.00	\$ 19,914,907.00
Total Commission	\$ 2,896,120.57	\$ 567,526.58	\$ 3,463,647.15
Total Breakage	\$ 159,439.42	\$ 36,475.85	\$ 195,915.27
Total Commission & Breakage (C)	\$ 3,055,559.99	\$ 604,002.43	\$ 3,659,562.42
Commission to State	\$ 715,715.33	\$ 150,211.58	\$ 865,926.91
Breakage to State	\$ 103,635.69	\$ 23,709.44	\$ 127,345.13
Total to State	\$ 819,351.02	\$ 173,921.02	\$ 993,272.04
Commission to Association	\$ 2,180,405.24	\$ 417,315.00	\$ 2,597,720.24
Breakage to Association	\$ 39,860.00	\$ 9,118.92	\$ 48,978.92
Total to Association	\$ 2,220,265.24	\$ 426,433.92	\$ 2,646,699.16
Horse Breeder's Fund Share (Breakage)	\$ 15,943.73	\$ 3,647.49	\$ 19,591.22
Minus Pools	\$ 41.29	\$ 241.53	\$ 282.82
Uncashed Winning Tickets (1976 Season)	\$ --- (D)	\$ 15,047.60	\$ 15,047.60
State Admission Taxes	\$ 19,726.68	\$ 3,065.62	\$ 22,792.30
Average Attendance Per Day	2,413	1,268	2,020
Average Gross Handle Per Day	\$ 147,199.00	\$ 55,618.00	\$ 115,784.00
Average Win-Place-Show Handle Per Race	\$ 8,367.00	\$ 2,373.00	\$ 6,305.00
Average Daily Double Handle Per Day	\$ 17,581.00	\$ 10,012.00	\$ 14,984.00
Average Exacta (Perfecta) Handle Per Day	\$ 23,969.00(E)	\$ 6,563.00(F)	\$ 20,039.00(G)
Average Quinella Handle Per Day	\$ 34,399.00	\$ 21,175.00	\$ 29,863.00
Average Handle Per Person	\$ 61.00	\$ 43.88	\$ 57.31
Ratio of Breakage to Handle	\$ 0.96	\$ 1.11	\$ 0.98

- (A) Originally, 171 programs were scheduled; but on 9/27/77 racing was indefinitely suspended due to the track's financial difficulties.
- (B) On 5/21/77, Quinella was computed to an odd number due to computer error.
- (C) Commission was 17% of handle for all regular pools; for multiple betting (Daily Double, Exacta, Perfecta, Quinella) it was 17% thru 8/4/77 and 19% from 8/5-12/31/77. There was no Exotic wagering. Breakage is computed to nearest 10 cents.
- (D) Parr Meadows opened in 1977.
- (E) Exacta betting began on 6/6/77; above based on 96 programs.
- (F) Perfecta betting was introduced on 7/15/77, therefore above based on 28 programs.
- (G) Above Average based on 124 programs. (See D & E)

**THOROUGHBRED, HARNESS AND QUARTER HORSE RACING**

**SUMMARY OF COMMISSION AND BREAKAGE — 1977**

Track	COMMISSION AND BREAKAGE			NET COMMISSION AND BREAKAGE		
	(A) Commission	Breakage	Total	To State	To Association	To Horse Breeder Fund
Aqueduct	\$ 73,515,029.90	\$ 3,786,334.72	\$ 77,301,364.62	\$ 22,419,207.07	\$ 498,321.64	\$ 29,463.81
Belmont	42,908,714.94	2,225,540.89	45,134,255.83	13,085,583.09	31,627,705.78	309,451.64
Saratoga	8,192,041.66	409,687.79	8,601,729.45	2,496,210.41	6,021,163.30	181,257.76
TOTAL N.Y.R.A.	\$124,615,786.50	\$ 6,421,563.40	\$131,037,349.90	\$38,002,000.57	\$ 92,003,241.18	\$ 24,136.18
Finger Lakes	9,188,884.49	449,021.92	9,637,906.41	2,997,863.88	6,567,673.12	34,675.40
ALL THOROUGHBRED TRACKS COMBINED	<u>\$133,804,670.99</u>	<u>\$ 6,870,585.32</u>	<u>\$140,675,256.31</u>	<u>\$40,999,864.65</u>	<u>\$ 98,570,914.30</u>	<u>\$ 551,969.24</u>
Parr Meadows	\$ 2,896,120.57	\$ 159,439.42	\$ 3,055,559.99	\$ 819,351.02	\$ 2,220,223.95	\$ 15,943.73
Tioga Park	567,526.58	36,475.85	603,002.43	173,921.02	426,192.39	241.53
ALL QUARTER HORSE TRACKS COMBINED	<u>\$ 3,463,647.15</u>	<u>\$ 195,915.27</u>	<u>\$ 3,659,562.42</u>	<u>\$ 993,272.04</u>	<u>\$ 2,646,416.34</u>	<u>\$ 19,591.22</u>
Batavia Downs	\$ 7,072,833.49	\$ 300,206.02	\$ 7,373,039.51	\$ 1,553,932.18	\$ 5,629,251.92	\$ 189,702.11
Buffalo Raceway	7,338,674.60	369,248.98	7,707,923.58	2,120,997.27	5,481,116.05	105,601.71
Buffalo at Syracuse	202,864.98	12,859.77	215,724.75	47,627.02	162,568.91	5,452.72
Goshen Historic Half-Mile Track	87,763.69	9,285.42	97,049.11	20,130.43	74,178.87	2,581.30
Monticello Raceway	11,193,019.69	457,762.84	11,650,812.53	2,667,747.82	8,737,559.44	244,832.66
Orange County at Saratoga Raceway	1,393,190.06	95,992.35	1,489,182.41	295,396.59	1,153,426.83	40,358.99
Roosevelt Raceway	41,899,157.58	1,773,085.47	43,672,243.05	19,829,303.55	22,954,508.58	888,426.57
Saratoga Raceway	5,596,961.17	1,445,708.31	6,042,669.48	4,279,200.77	4,620,217.39	140,916.31
Vernon Downs	7,973,442.02	346,283.57	8,319,725.59	1,872,400.86	6,274,127.10	172,616.19
Yonkers Raceway	40,612,664.28	1,704,983.91	42,317,628.19	18,865,292.95	22,711,239.16	741,086.77
ALL HARNESS TRACKS COMBINED	<u>\$123,370,601.56</u>	<u>\$ 5,515,416.64</u>	<u>\$128,886,018.20</u>	<u>\$163,552,029.44</u>	<u>\$ 77,798,294.25</u>	<u>\$ 32,531,625.33</u>
ALL TRACKS COMBINED	<u>\$260,638,919.70</u>	<u>\$12,581,917.23</u>	<u>\$273,220,836.23</u>	<u>\$20,545,165.23</u>	<u>\$ 779,015,624.89</u>	<u>\$3,603,724.89</u>
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THOROUGHBRED, HARNESS AND QUARTER HORSE RACING

SUMMARY OF HANDLE AND ATTENDANCE

Track	Programs Raced 1977	Amount 1976	Handle 1976	Handle		Attendance 1977	Attendance 1976	Increase (Decrease)	Per Cent	Increase (Decrease)	Per Cent	
				1977	1976 (Decrease)							
Aqueduct	176	\$ 419,682,158	\$ 469,471,949	\$ (49,789,791)	(10.61)	2,890,061	3,525,834	\$ (655,773)	(18.03)			
Belmont Park	98	\$ 245,599,526	\$ 280,878,202	\$ (35,278,676)	(12.56)	2,013,556	2,146,208	\$ (132,632)	(6.18)			
Saratoga	24	\$ 46,636,854	\$ 42,042,792	\$ 4,587,061	10.91	514,909	479,165	\$ 35,744	7.46			
N.Y.R.A. Totals	302(A)	300	\$ 711,918,538	\$ 792,399,944	\$ (80,481,406)	(10.16)	5,418,526	6,151,207	\$ (732,681)	(11.91)		
Finger Lakes	158	\$ 51,761,852	\$ 54,290,646	\$ (2,528,789)	(4.66)	602,977	635,719	\$ (32,742)	(5.15)			
Thoroughbred Tracks Combined	460(A)	481	\$ 763,680,395	\$ 846,690,590	\$ (83,010,195)	(9.80)	6,021,503	6,786,926	\$ (765,423)	(11.28)		
Parr Meadows	113	(B)	\$ 16,633,449	(B)	\$ 16,633,449	(B)	272,680	(B)	272,680	(B)		
Tioga Park	59	86	\$ 3,281,458	\$ 7,040,656	\$ (3,759,198)	(53.39)	74,786	162,240	\$ (87,454)	(53.90)		
Quarter Horse Tracks Combined	172	86	\$ 19,914,907	\$ 7,040,656	\$ 12,874,251	182.86	347,466	162,240	185,226	114.17		
Batavia Downs	132	138	\$ 37,940,357	\$ 37,162,750	\$ 777,607	2.09	466,146	472,928	\$ (6,782)	(1.43)		
Buffalo Raceway	147	154	\$ 40,791,776	\$ 40,669,383	\$ 122,393	0.30	478,785	508,569	\$ (29,784)	(5.86)		
Buffalo at Syracuse	7	7	\$ 1,090,542	\$ 1,057,563	\$ 312	32,979	31,328	\$ 1,651	(223)	(1.27)		
Goshen Historic Half-Mile	5	5	\$ 516,257	\$ 569,081	\$ (52,824)	(9.28)	12,526	12,431	\$ 95	(0.76)		
Monticello Raceway	201	250	\$ 59,151,497	\$ 84,432,755	\$ (25,381,258)	(29.94)	669,137	876,959	\$ (207,822)	(23.70)		
Orange County at Saratoga Raceway	50	62	\$ 8,071,778	\$ 9,402,987	\$ (1,331,209)	(14.16)	92,756	113,556	\$ (20,800)	(18.32)		
Roosevelt Raceway	149	156	\$ 223,855,386	\$ 269,467,413	\$ (45,612,027)	(16.93)	1,722,919	2,107,218	\$ (384,299)	(18.24)		
Saratoga Raceway	135	135	\$ 32,638,529	\$ 39,843,533	\$ (3,205,004)	(8.94)	473,444	503,753	\$ (30,309)	(6.02)		
Vernon Downs	165	177	\$ 42,641,386	\$ 47,557,849	\$ (4,916,463)	(10.34)	622,314	685,109	\$ (62,795)	(9.17)		
Yonkers Raceway	168	153	\$ 218,200,092	\$ 265,818,921	\$ (47,618,829)	(17.91)	1,616,003	2,034,561	\$ (418,558)	(20.57)		
Harness Tracks Combined	1,152	1,237	\$ 664,897,600	\$ 791,982,235	\$ (127,084,635)	(16.05)	6,171,358	7,332,635	\$ (1,161,277)	(15.84)		
All Tracks Combined	1,791(A)	1,804	\$ 1,448,492,902	\$ 1,645,713,481	\$ (197,220,579)	(11.98)	12,540,227	14,281,801	\$ (1,741,574)	(12.19)		

(A) Included in this total are four racing days for which there was no On-Track betting, only Off-Track betting at Belmont.

(B) Parr Meadows opened in 1977, thus there are no prior year comparisons.

**1977 ON-TRACK HARNESS RACING STATISTICS — First Section**

	Batavia (June 27- Dec. 3)	Buffalo (Jan. 1-June 25) (Dec. 5-Dec. 23)	Buffalo at Syracuse (Aug. 13-Aug. 21)	Goshen (July 4- July 8)	Monticello (Jan. 1-Jan. 2) (Apr. 18-Oct. 2) (Nov. 18-Dec. 31)	Orange at Saratoga (Sep. 19-Nov. 19)
Number of Licensed Programs	132	163	7	5	1	54
Number of Programs Cancelled	0	16	0	0	201	4
Number of Programs Raced	132	147	7	5	2,010	50
Number of Races	1,320	1,494	61	48	69,137	494
Attendance	466,146	478,785	17,328	12,526	26,314,295	92,756
Daily Races Handle	\$17,779,211	\$23,039,812	\$628,164	\$516,257	\$5,281,906	\$7,022,388
Daily Double Handle	\$3,739,400	\$4,144,222	\$116,122	-----	\$12,969,262	\$1,049,390
Exacta Handle	\$12,759,248	\$8,967,888	209,168	-----	-----	-----
Quinella Handle	-----	-----	-----	-----	4,459,936	-----
Trifecta Handle	\$3,662,498	\$4,639,854	\$1,371,088	-----	\$1,26,198	-----
Total Handle	\$37,940,357	\$40,791,776	\$1,090,542	\$516,257	\$59,151,497	\$8,071,778
Total Commission (A)	\$ 7,072,833.49	\$ 7,338,674.60	\$ 202,864.98	\$ 87,763.69	\$ 11,193,049.69	\$ 1,393,190.06
Total Breakage (B)	\$ 300,206.02	\$ 369,248.98	\$ 12,359.77	\$ 9,285.42	\$ 457,762.84	\$ 95,992.35
Total Commission & Breakage	\$ 7,373,039.51	\$ 7,707,923.58	\$ 215,724.75	\$ 97,049.11	\$ 11,650,872.53	\$ 1,489,182.41
Commission To State	\$ 1,403,828.85	\$ 1,936,372.38	\$ 41,197.11	\$ 15,487.71	\$ 2,438,865.92	\$ 247,400.29
Breakage To State	\$ 150,103.33	\$ 184,624.89	\$ 6,429.91	\$ 4,642.72	\$ 228,881.90	\$ 47,996.30
Total To State	\$ 1,553,932.18	\$ 2,120,997.27	\$ 47,627.02	\$ 20,130.43	\$ 2,667,747.82	\$ 295,396.59
Commission To Association	\$ 5,479,302.53	\$ 5,378,448.14	\$ 156,215.15	\$ 69,694.68	\$ 8,542,776.01	\$ 1,105,430.78
Breakage To Association	\$ 150,102.69	\$ 102,876.46	\$ 6,429.86	\$ 4,642.70	\$ 195,426.04	\$ 47,996.05
Total To Association	\$ 5,629,405.22	\$ 5,481,324.60	\$ 162,645.01	\$ 74,337.38	\$ 7,38,212.05	\$ 1,153,426.83
Horsebreeders' Fund Share (Commission) (C)	\$ 189,702.11	\$ 23,854.08	\$ 5,452.72	\$ 2,581.30	\$ 211,407.76	\$ 40,358.99
Horsebreeders' Fund Share (Breakage) (C)	-----	\$ 81,747.63	-----	-----	\$ 33,444.90	-----
Minus Pools	\$ 53.30	\$ 208.55	\$ 76.10	\$ 158.51	\$ 632.61	-----
Uncashed Winning Tickets (1976 Season)	\$ 23,305.60	\$ 28,398.40	\$ 2,616.00	\$ 858.80	\$ 89,542.35	\$ 5,197.30
State Admission Taxes	\$ 20,488.56	\$ 19,616.88	\$ 658.52	\$ 1,469.51	\$ 33,276.82	\$ 3,924.79
Average Attendance Per Day	3,531	3,257	2,475	2,505	3,329	1,855
Average Gross Handle Per Day	287,427	277,495	155,792	\$103,251	294,286	161,436
Average Win-Place-Show Handle Per Race	13,469	15,442	10,298	10,755	13,092	14,215
Average Daily Double Handle Per Day	28,329	28,192	16,589	-----	26,278	20,988
Average Exacta Handle Per Day	96,661	61,006	29,881	-----	64,524	-----
Average Quinella Handle Per Day	-----	-----	-----	-----	22,412	-----
Average Trifecta Handle Per Day	27,958	31,780	19,584	\$ 41.20	50,379	\$ 87.02
Average Handle Per Person	81.39	85.20	62.94	% 1.18	88.40	1.19
Ratio of Breakage To Handle	0.79	0.91	1.30	0.77	0.77	0.77

(A) Commission was 17% of Handle for all regular race pools and 25% for all exotic pools (Betting on three or more horses). For multiple pools (Daily Double, Exacta and Quinella) it was 17% from 1/1-6/18/77 and 19% from 6/19-12/31/77.

(B) Breakage is computed to nearest 10 cents for regular and multiple wagering and to the nearest 50 cents for exotic wagering.

(C) The Horsebreeders' Fund received a share of breakage until 6/18/77. From then on they received a share of commission (2% of Total Handle).

ON-TRACK HARNESSES RACING STATISTICS --- Second Section

Roosevelt (Feb. 28-Apr. 30) (Jun. 20-Aug. 13) (Nov. 7-Dec. 31)	Saratoga (Apr. 14 - Sep. 17)	Vernon (Apr. 21 - Oct. 29)	Yonkers (Jan. 1-Feb. 27) (May 2-Jun. 18) (Aug. 15-Nov. 5)
Number of Licensed Programs			<u>165</u>
Number of Programs Cancelled	0	0	<u>182</u>
Number of Programs Raced	149	135	23
Number of Races	1,436	1,349	1,159
Attendance	1,722,919	473,444	1,138
Daily Races Handle	\$123,027,764	\$28,788,111	\$355,160,355
Daily Double Handle	\$15,013,040	\$3,850,418	\$52,867,118
Exacta Handle	\$48,218,858	---	\$154,920,464
Quinella Handle	---	---	\$58,850,654
Trifecta Handle	\$37,595,724	---	\$4,459,936
Total Handle	\$223,825,386	\$32,638,529	\$97,489,727
Total Commission (A)	41,899,157.58	\$5,596,961.17	\$664,897,600
Total Breakage (B)	\$1,773,085.47	\$7,973,442.02	\$123,370,601.56
Total Commission & Breakage	43,672,243.05	\$44,283.57	\$5,515,416.64
Commission To State	6,042,669.48	\$8,319,725.59	\$128,886,018.20
Breakage To State	18,942,760.44	\$1,056,346.28	\$45,794,318.54
Total To State	19,829,303.55	\$1,222,854.49	\$2,757,711.24
Commission To Association	22,236,519.23	\$4,438,835.56	\$48,552,029.44
Breakage To Association	22,933,70	\$183,716.84	\$75,629,062.24
Total To Association	22,924,512.93	\$4,622,552.40	\$2,173,301.19
Horsebreeders' Fund Share (Commission) (C)	719,877.91	\$101,779.33	\$77,802,363.43
Horsebreeders' Fund Share (Breakage) (C)	168,548.66	\$39,136.98	\$1,947,221.12
Mutus Pools	4.35	2,335.01	\$84,404.21
Unashed Winning Tickets (1976 Season)	173,449.50	\$31,620.15	4,069.18
State Admission Taxes	127,406.19	\$22,451.76	\$80,562.85
Average Attendance Per Day	11,563	3,507	\$48,719.94
Average Gross Handle Per Day	1,502,385	241,767	5,325
Average Win-Place-Show Handle Per Race	85,674	21,340	\$73,682
Average Daily Double Handle Per Day	100,759	28,522	31,270
Average Exacta Handle Per Day	323,616	---	(D) 45,812
Average Quinella Handle Per Day	252,300	---	(D) 159,877
Average Trifecta Handle Per Day	129.93	68.94	22,412
Average Handle Per Person	0.79	1.37	(E) 100,817
Ratio of Breakage To Handle			107.74
			0.83

(D) Total Daily Double Handle divided by 1,154 racing days; Total Exacta Handle divided by 969 days.

(E) Total Trifecta Handle divided by 967 days (cancelled one day each at Batavia and Buffalo).

1977 ON-TRACK THOROUGHBRED STATISTICS — First Section

	Aqueduct 1/3-5/21 117 (A)	Belmont 5/23-7/30 56 (A)	Belmont 8/29-10/15 42	Aqueduct 10/7-12/23 59	Totals 274
Programs Raced					
Attendance	\$1,957,059	\$1,210,620	\$802,936	\$933,002	\$4,903,617
Mutuel Pools	\$284,208,357.00	\$140,598,624.00	\$105,000,902.00	\$135,472,301.00	\$665,281,684.00
Purses Paid Including Contributions	13,548,125.00	7,990,100.00	6,469,200.00	7,289,450.00	35,216,875.00
Number of Flat Races	1,053	495	376	531	2,455
Number of Steeplechase and Hurdle Races					
Percentage of Take-Out, Less Minus Pools	% 18.42	% 18.40	% 18.32	% 18.40	% 18.40
Percentage of Mutual Pools Payable to Public	% 81.58	% 81.60	% 81.68	% 81.60	% 81.60
Average Daily Attendance	\$ 2,429,136.00	\$ 2,510,690.00	\$ 2,500,021.00	\$ 2,296,158.00	\$ 2,428,035.00
Average Daily Mutual Pool	\$ 269,904.00	\$ 284,038.00	\$ 277,780.00	\$ 255,129.00	\$ 270,770.00
Average Mutual Pool Per Race	145.22	116.14	130.77	125.20	135.67
Average Bet Per Person Per Day					
Amount in \$100 Wagers	\$ 30,369,500.00	\$ 8,973,200.00	\$ 6,708,500.00	\$ 10,422,000.00	\$ 56,473,300.00
Amount in \$50 Wagers	13,885,020.00	7,526,100.00	5,739,440.00	7,362,300.00	117,197,000.00
Amount in \$20 Wagers	47,551,900.00	7,143,640.00	5,739,440.00	7,362,300.00	34,130,400.00
Amount in \$18 Wagers					
Amount in \$12 Wagers	\$ 8,090,912.00	4,178,316.00	3,162,888.00	4,388,588.00	20,818,704.00
Amount in \$10 Wagers	70,713,060.00	35,001,410.00	26,215,880.00	33,732,260.00	165,664,610.00
Amount in \$5 Wagers	26,148,865.00	13,194,230.00	10,224,310.00	13,186,955.00	62,754,360.00
Amount in \$2 Wagers					
Revenue to State from On-Track Wagering:					
Parimutuel Commission	\$ 14,668,616.85	\$ 7,235,240.55	\$ 5,406,134.35	\$ 6,992,322.25	\$ 34,303,415.00
Breakage	517,889.54	265,227.37	179,880.82	239,377.43	1,202,375.16
Admission Taxes	129,881.39	71,642.62	49,599.98	51,287.62	302,411.61
Track Franchise Fees (B)	5,850,000.00	3,000,000.00	2,100,000.00	2,950,000.00	13,900,000.00
Track License Fees					
Occupational License Fees					
Unclaimed Ticket Values - Actual					
Drug Testing Fees					
Fines Assessed By Stewards					
Miscellaneous					
Total Revenue To State	\$ 21,475,839.42	\$ 10,753,468.30	\$ 7,735,615.15	\$ 10,233,988.30	\$ 50,193,911.17

- (A) 3 programs cancelled at Aqueduct because of weather and strike; 4 programs raced at Belmont for OTB only, (Not included above); and 6 programs cancelled at Finger Lakes because of weather.
- (B) Estimated NY.R.A. Franchise Fee, pending final audit by pari-mutuel tax revenue unit; includes fee for 4 days raced for OTB only.
- (C) Totals by track for entire year.

**1977 ON-TRACK THOROUGHBRED STATISTICS — Second Section**

Programs Raced	Saratoga 8/1-8/27	Total N.Y.A.	Finger Lakes 3/5-12/11	Season Totals
	24	298	128 (A)	456
Attendance	\$514,909	5,418,526	602,977	6,021,503
Mutuel Pools	\$46,636,854.00	\$711,918,538.00	\$51,761,857.00	\$763,680,395.00
Purses Paid Including Contributions	3,288,975.00	38,505,850.00	3,349,270.00	41,355,120.00
Number of Flat Races	200	2,655	1,425	4,080
Number of Steeplechase and Hurdle Races		18		18
Percentage of Take-Out, Less Mins Pools	16	18.40	18.62	18.41
Percentage of Mutuel Pools Payable to Public	81.56	81.60	81.38	81.59
Average Daily Attendance	21,455	18,183	3,816	13,205
Average Daily Mutuel Pool	\$ 1,943,202.00	\$ 2,389,983.00	\$ 327,607.00	\$ 1,674,738.00
Average Mutuel Pool Per Race	215,911.00	266,337.00	36,324.00	186,354.00
Average Bet Per Person Per Day	90.57	131.39	85.84	126.83
Average Bet Per Person Per Race	10.06	14.65	9.52	14.11
Amount in \$100 Wagers	\$ 1,911,600.00	\$ 58,384,900.00	\$ 5,618,150.00	\$ 58,384,900.00
Amount in \$50 Wagers	7,178,550.00	124,375,550.00	129,993,700.00	129,993,700.00
Amount in \$20 Wagers	1,066,260.00	25,196,660.00	35,196,660.00	35,196,660.00
Amount in \$18 Wagers	—	—	1,796,616.00	1,796,616.00
Amount in \$12 Wagers	1,978,800.00	22,797,504.00	—	22,797,504.00
Amount in \$10 Wagers	12,186,640.00	177,851,250.00	14,826,680.00	192,677,930.00
Amount in \$5 Wagers	4,823,800.00	67,578,160.00	4,394,835.00	71,972,995.00
Amount in \$3 Wagers	—	—	3,070,494.00	3,070,494.00
Amount in \$2 Wagers	17,491,204.00	225,734,514.00	22,055,082.00	247,789,596.00
Revenue to State from On-Track Wagering:				
Part-Mutuel Commission	\$ 2,414,272.85	\$ 36,717,687.85	\$ 2,733,389.00	\$ 39,451,076.85
Breakage	81,937.56	1,284,312.72	264,474.88	1,548,787.60
Admission Taxes	42,088.95	344,500.56	26,058.58	370,559.14
Track Franchise Fees (B)	1,200,000.00	15,100,000.00	—	15,100,000.00
Track License Fees	—	—	15,800.00	15,800.00
Occupational License Fees	—	(D) 64,302.50	15,487.50	79,790.00
Uncashed Ticket Values - Actual	34,675.40	(D) 522,384.80	58,622.00	584,006.80
Drug Testing Fees	—	(D) 246,101.77	16,533.60	262,635.37
Fines Assessed by Stewards	—	(D) 2,930.00	1,395.00	4,325.00
Miscellaneous	—	(D) 7,976.00	—	7,976.00
Total Revenue To State	\$ 3,772,974.76	\$ 54,293,196.20	\$ 3,131,760.56	\$ 57,424,956.76

(D) Totals for N.Y.R.A. for entire year.

1977 OFF TRACK BETTING HANDLE BY TRACK AND REGION

New York City	Nassau	Suffolk	Catskill	Capital	Western Region	Total OTB
Aqueduct	\$298,913,295	\$27,463,146	\$23,946,515	\$12,233,970	\$19,145,130	\$20,205,195
Belmont	176,122,926	16,701,039	14,517,119	7,579,837	12,618,942	8,788,958
Saratoga	44,112,492	4,221,802	3,527,531	1,214,927	4,527,284	1,981,022
<u>Total N.Y.R.A.</u>	<u>\$519,148,718</u>	<u>\$48,486,982</u>	<u>\$41,991,165</u>	<u>\$21,728,734</u>	<u>\$36,291,656</u>	<u>\$21,075,175</u>
Finger Lakes	977,594	56,434	49,171	434,525	1,474,267	13,833,005
<u>Total Thoroughbred</u>	<u>\$520,126,312</u>	<u>\$48,543,421</u>	<u>\$42,040,336</u>	<u>\$22,163,259</u>	<u>\$37,765,923</u>	<u>\$44,208,180</u>
Roosevelt Raceway	\$111,314,572	\$18,425,928	\$15,793,971	\$7,905,847	\$3,486,427	\$ 808,913
Yonkers Raceway	113,286,480	20,103,873	16,399,328	7,732,943	1,967,362	857,017
Monticello Raceway	18,292,537	2,070,1249	1,619,332	3,250,292	411,391	160,347,003
Buffalo Raceway	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	25,387,512
Batavia Downs	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	19,336,556
Saratoga Raceway	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	18,306,243
Saratoga (Orange)	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	7,684,858
Syracuse Fair	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	2,852,624
<u>Total Harness</u>	<u>\$242,893,589</u>	<u>\$40,600,050</u>	<u>\$23,812,631</u>	<u>\$18,889,082</u>	<u>\$16,404,783</u>	<u>\$39,357,815</u>
<u>Quarter Horse</u>						
Parr Meadows	\$ 1,118,676	\$ 307,068	\$ 587,592	\$ 65,304	-----	\$ 2,078,640
Calder	\$ 9,829,188	\$ 853,669	\$ 719,157	\$ 387,191	\$ 677,435	\$ 13,527,747
Hialeah	622,024	66,032	40,906	35,874	31,825	62,511
Kentucky Derby	2,582,738	291,297	205,474	170,826	151,892	3,722,730
Colonial Cup	265,155	31,325	20,259	17,580	9,409	14,900
<u>Total Out-of-State</u>	<u>\$ 13,299,105</u>	<u>\$ 1,242,323</u>	<u>\$ 985,796</u>	<u>\$ 611,471</u>	<u>\$ 870,561</u>	<u>\$ 1,459,021</u>
<u>Total All Tracks</u>	<u>\$777,437,682</u>	<u>\$90,692,862</u>	<u>\$77,426,355</u>	<u>\$41,729,116</u>	<u>\$55,041,267</u>	<u>\$85,725,016</u>

Off-Track Betting  
Schedule A  
1977

STATEMENT

N.Y.C OTB	NASSAU OTB	SUFFOLK OTB	CATSKILL OTB	WESTERN REGION		TOTALS
				CAPITAL OTB	OTB	
\$777,437,682	\$90,692,862	\$77,426,355	\$41,729,116	\$55,041,267	\$85,725,016	\$1,128,052,298
\$ 360,194	\$ 3,947,174	\$ 3,367,092	\$ 1,835,221	\$ 2,297,005	\$ 3,966,351	\$ 49,773,037
\$11,809,681.32	\$1,447,911.18	\$1,233,145.88	\$672,928.46	\$ 753,915.54	\$1,274,876.44	\$17,197,458.82
2,014,827.65	246,275.34	213,289.52	110,130.10	141,049.59	192,202.96	2,915,775.46
4,045,200.50	428,541.70	398,606.00	150,001.50	242,775.15	422,210.30	5,687,335.15
\$17,869,709.47	\$2,120,728.22	\$1,845,041.70	\$933,060.06	\$1,142,740.28	\$1,889,289.70	\$25,800,569.43

Payments to New York State:  
Commissions  
Breakage  
Unclaimed Tickets

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(excluding surtax)	\$ 38,471,358				
(2) 5% Surtax Revenue to Cities and Counties in which OTB Corporation is located	\$ 5,366,837				
(3) 5% Surtax Revenue to other Cities and Counties	\$ 2,662,243				
Totals	\$ 6,031,085				
Summations of (1), (2) and (3) on next page.)					
Revenue to New York State from New York State OTB Corporations					\$25,300,569.43
Revenue to New York State from Connecticut OTB					1,461,454.39
+ \$ 2,570,570					<u>\$27,262,023.82</u>

(5/18/78)

Balance on Account -	103,094,000	$\times$	4.25%	$\times$	1/4 =	2,175,750
Ch	60,305,000	$\times$	4.25%	$\times$	1/4 =	319,840
						2,516,590
Dr. Credit -	219,628,000	$\times$	4.25%	$\times$	1/4 =	3,500,300
Interest -	139,310,000	$\times$	4.25%	$\times$	1/2 =	3,260,300
						6,460,600

160,347,003 x 4.25% x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 3,407,400

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GROSS REVENUE TO OTB CITIES AND COUNTIES (Combination of (1) and (2))

Off-Track Betting  
Schedule B  
1977

Region:	New York City. . . . .	\$ 63,056,049
Nassau. . . . .	7,989,100	
Suffolk. . . . .	6,185,729	
Catskill. . . . .	3,026,926	
Capital. . . . .	3,122,734	
Western. . . . .	<u>3,839,280</u>	
		<u>\$ 87,219,818</u>

Total Revenue From OTB to All Cities & Counties  
(1), (2) and (3) . . . . . \$102,818,008

Total Government Revenue From OTB Corporations  
(New York State, Cities, & Counties). . . . . \$128,618,572

Total Revenue Including Connecticut Revenue . . . . . \$130,080,031

SIX-YEAR RECORD OF OTB REVENUE

	Off-Track Betting Handle	Off-Track Betting Revenue to State	Uncashed Tickets
1972	\$ 4,52,633,234	\$ 4,391,979	\$ 4,093,265.85
1973	702,694,406	12,907,695	3,990,598.75
1974	815,250,705	18,236,026	4,258,536.70
1975	906,858,411	20,951,184	4,958,162.35
1976	1,052,902,983	24,175,816	5,687,335.15
1977	1,128,052,298	<u>25,800,569</u>	<u>*5,000,000.00</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 5,058,392,037</u>	<u>\$ 106,463,262</u>	<u>\$ 27,987,898.80</u>

\*Estimated only.

(6/18/78)

Off-Track Betting  
Schedule C  
1977

HANDLE

	Regular	Multiple	Exotic	Total
<u>CATSKILL OTB</u>				
Thoroughbred . . . . .	\$18,788,411	\$ 3,794,796	\$ 3,374,848	\$ 22,163,259
Harness . . . . .	8,798,568	-----	4,935,020	17,528,384
Quarterhorse . . . . .	65,304	-----	-----	65,304
	<u>\$27,652,283</u>	<u>\$ 3,794,796</u>	<u>\$ 8,309,868</u>	<u>\$ 39,756,947</u>
Out-of-State (Thoroughbred) . . . . .	331,134	-----	56,057	387,191
Pic 4 & Double Exacta (Harness) . . . . .	-----	-----	1,360,698	1,360,698
Kentucky Derby (Thoroughbred) . . . . .	141,653	-----	29,173	170,826
Colonial Cup (Steeplechase) . . . . .	13,502	-----	4,078	17,580
Flamingo (Hialeah) . . . . .	23,052	-----	12,817	35,874
	<u>\$ 509,346</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>\$ 1,462,823</u>	<u>\$ 1,972,169</u>
Total . . . . .	<u>\$ 28,161,629</u>	<u>\$ 3,794,796</u>	<u>\$ 9,772,691</u>	<u>\$ 41,729,116</u>
<u>WESTERN REGION OTB</u>				
Thoroughbred . . . . .	\$36,250,991	\$ 11,558,806	\$ 8,657,189	\$ 44,908,180
Harness . . . . .	17,626,691	-----	10,153,586	29,339,083
Quarterhorse . . . . .	-----	-----	-----	-----
	<u>\$53,872,682</u>	<u>\$ 11,558,806</u>	<u>\$18,810,775</u>	<u>\$ 84,247,263</u>
Out-of-State (Thoroughbred) . . . . .	882,527	-----	178,580	1,061,107
Pic 4 (Harness) . . . . .	-----	-----	18,732	18,732
Kentucky Derby (Thoroughbred) . . . . .	270,220	-----	50,283	320,503
Colonial Cup (Steeplechase) . . . . .	10,885	-----	4,015	14,900
Flamingo (Hialeah) . . . . .	41,378	-----	21,132	62,511
	<u>\$ 1,205,010</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>\$ 272,743</u>	<u>\$ 1,477,753</u>
Total . . . . .	<u>\$55,082,692</u>	<u>\$ 11,558,806</u>	<u>\$19,083,518</u>	<u>\$ 85,725,016</u>

Off-Track Betting  
Schedule C  
1977

HANDLE

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Multiple</u>	<u>Exotic</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>NASSAU OTB</u>				
Thoroughbred . . . . .	\$ 41,635,379	\$ 7,483,844	\$ 6,908,042	\$ 48,543,421
Harness . . . . .	19,738,889		10,629,624	37,852,357
Quarter Horse . . . . .	307,066			307,068
	<u>\$ 61,681,326</u>	<u>\$ 7,483,844</u>	<u>\$ 17,537,666</u>	<u>\$ 86,202,846</u>
Out-of-State (Thoroughbred) . . . . .	736,875	-----	116,794	853,669
Pic 4 & Double Exacta (Harness) . . . . .	-----	-----	2,747,694	2,747,694
Kentucky Derby (Thoroughbred) . . . . .	238,455	-----	52,841	291,296
Colonial Cup (Steeplechase) . . . . .	24,421	-----	6,904	31,325
Flamingo (Hialeah) . . . . .	40,502	-----	25,530	66,032
	<u>\$ 1,040,243</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>\$ 2,949,763</u>	<u>\$ 3,990,006</u>
Total . . . . .	<u>\$ 62,721,589</u>	<u>\$ 7,483,844</u>	<u>\$ 20,487,429</u>	<u>\$ 90,692,862</u>
<u>SUFFOLK OTB</u>				
Thoroughbred . . . . .	\$ 36,041,599	\$ 6,056,756	\$ 5,998,738	\$ 42,040,337
Harness . . . . .	16,529,604		8,915,691	31,502,051
Quarter Horse. . . . .	587,592			587,592
	<u>\$ 52,158,295</u>	<u>\$ 6,056,756</u>	<u>\$ 14,914,429</u>	<u>\$ 74,129,280</u>
Out-of-State (Thoroughbred) . . . . .	618,721	-----	100,436	719,157
Pic 4 & Double Exacta (Harness) . . . . .	-----	-----	2,310,579	2,310,579
Kentucky Derby (Thoroughbred) . . . . .	166,928	-----	38,546	205,474
Colonial Cup (Steeplechase) . . . . .	15,541	-----	4,718	20,259
Flamingo (Hialeah) . . . . .	24,923	-----	15,923	40,905
	<u>\$ 826,163</u>	<u>\$ -----</u>	<u>\$ 2,470,212</u>	<u>\$ 3,296,375</u>
Total . . . . .	<u>\$ 53,984,958</u>	<u>\$ 6,056,756</u>	<u>\$ 17,384,641</u>	<u>\$ 72,426,355</u>

1977 REVENUE REPORTED BY OPIB CORPORATIONS (UNAUDITED)

	New York City	Nassau	Suffolk	Catskill	Capital	Western Region	Total
Gross Handle	<u>\$777,437,682</u>	<u>\$90,692,362</u>	<u>\$77,426,355</u>	<u>\$41,729,116</u>	<u>\$55,041,267</u>	<u>\$85,725,016</u>	<u>\$1,128,052,298</u>
Less:							
Winners Share	<u>594,284,657</u>	<u>69,010,180</u>	<u>58,926,585</u>	<u>31,730,954</u>	<u>42,284,285</u>	<u>65,409,651</u>	<u>861,646,312</u>
Surcharge & Surcharge Breakage	<u>18,153,025</u>	<u>3,211,288</u>	<u>3,335,169</u>	<u>1,788,523</u>	<u>2,379,590</u>	<u>3,562,099,011<sup>55</sup></u>	<u>48,457,145</u>
Gross Commissions & Breakage	<u>33,479,776</u>						
	<u>149,673,249</u>	<u>17,770,694</u>	<u>15,164,601</u>	<u>8,209,639</u>	<u>10,277,292</u>	<u>16,753,266</u>	<u>217,948,841</u>
Less:							
New York State Share	<u>13,822,737</u>	<u>1,692,191</u>	<u>1,446,436</u>	<u>783,001</u>	<u>899,965</u>	<u>1,467,078</u>	<u>20,111,408</u>
Racing Industry Share	<u>24,360,194</u>	<u>3,947,174</u>	<u>3,267,092</u>	<u>1,835,221</u>	<u>2,297,005</u>	<u>3,966,251</u>	<u>49,773,037</u>
Gross Retentions	<u>\$101,490,318</u>	<u>\$12,131,329</u>	<u>\$10,351,073</u>	<u>\$5,591,417</u>	<u>\$7,180,422</u>	<u>\$11,319,837</u>	<u>\$148,064,396</u>
Less:							
Operating Expenses	<u>63,018,260</u>	<u>6,838,511</u>	<u>6,012,365</u>	<u>2,514,674</u>	<u>5,469,414</u>	<u>9,469,747</u>	<u>94,323,671</u>
Net From Operations	<u>38,471,358</u>	<u>5,292,818</u>	<u>4,338,708</u>	<u>2,076,743</u>	<u>1,711,008</u>	<u>1,850,090</u>	<u>53,740,725</u>
Other Revenue:							
Surcharge-Own Communities	<u>4,958</u>	<u>2,848</u>	<u>5,608</u>	<u>4,288</u>	<u>3,118</u>	<u>2,168</u>	<u>4,766</u>
Surcharge to Others							
Interest							
Miscellaneous							
Total Benefits	<u>\$71,951,134</u>	<u>\$9,258,885</u>	<u>\$7,819,555</u>	<u>\$3,906,597</u>	<u>\$4,293,144</u>	<u>\$5,588,693</u>	<u>\$102,818,008</u>
Uncashed Tickets (Est.) (5/18/78)	<u>\$ 3,624,603</u>	<u>\$ 475,721</u>	<u>\$ 420,190</u>	<u>\$ 285,769</u>	<u>\$ 310,296</u>	<u>6.52%</u>	<u>9.11%</u>

SUMMARY

<u>TOTAL HANDLE</u>	<u>\$ 1,128,052,288</u>		
	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Multiple</u>	<u>Exotic</u>
Thoroughbred	\$614,927,306	\$ ----	\$100,620,126
Harness	182,294,825	87,570,177	100,035,685
Quarter Horse	2,078,640	----	----
Out-of-State (Thoroughbred)	11,806,074	----	1,721,673
Pic 4 & Double Exacta (Harness)	----	----	22,057,263
Kentucky Derby (Thoroughbred)	3,046,800	----	675,919
Colonial Cup (Steeplechase)	273,217	----	85,411
Flamingo (Hialeah)	548,906	----	310,266
	<u>\$814,975,768</u>	<u>\$87,570,177</u>	<u>\$225,506,343</u>

<u>CONNECTICUT OTB HANDLE</u>	<u>\$102,810,257</u>	
	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Exotic</u>
Thoroughbred	\$ 65,157,758	\$ 7,996,912
Harness	22,608,215	7,047,372
	<u>\$ 87,765,973</u>	<u>\$15,044,284</u>

<u>REVENUE TO STATE</u>	
Commission and Breakage	\$ 20,113,234
Escheat Unclaimed Tickets	<u>5,687,335</u>
New York State OTB Revenue	\$ 25,800,569
<u>Revenue Connecticut OTB</u>	<u>1,461,454</u>
<u>TOTAL REVENUE FROM OTB</u>	<u>\$ 27,262,023</u>

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