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NEW YORK LOTTERY & VIDEO LOTTERY GAMING BECOME FIRST IN THE NATION TO BREAK \$10 BILLION IN COMBINED SALES & NET WIN IN A SINGLE FISCAL YEAR

Record profits generate \$3.47 Billion in Lottery Aid to Education in FY2018-2019, a \$102 million increase over FY2017-2018

Commission earns the gaming industry's highest responsible gaming recognition during record-setting year

The New York State Gaming Commission's Lottery and Video Lottery operations today reinforced their collective standing as North America's largest and most profitable Lottery businesses by becoming the first to break \$10 billion in combined sales and net win for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019. Combined, the record-breaking earnings generated \$3.47 billion in Lottery Aid to Education which accounts for 13 percent of all New York State School Aid disbursed in FY2018-2019.

Fiscal year sales of traditional Lottery games, comprised of in-state draw games, multi-state games, and instant scratch-off tickets, totaled more than \$8.2 billion. The total makes New York's state-administered lottery the 7th most profitable in the world, surpassed only by the two National Lotteries of China, and those of Italy, France, Spain and the United Kingdom. Video lottery gaming net win (proceeds after all prizes have been paid) amounted to more than \$2.08 billion during the same period, besting all other American video lottery gaming operations and is third behind two Italian independent operators.

"New York's long history of increasing earnings for New York's public K-12 schools is a direct result of sound business planning, mature and responsible stewardship of our lottery and video lottery products, and a fundamental continuous improvement effort," said Commission Acting Executive Director Robert Williams.

The New York Lottery Aid to Education disbursements can be found [here](#).

In addition to fulfilling their primary mission of raising revenue to support education, the Commission's Lottery and Video Lottery Gaming operations also generated significant revenue for New York businesses – large and small – during FY 2018-2019. Licensed Lottery retailers earned \$492 million in commissions and video lottery gaming operators netted \$964 million during the same 12-month period.

New York's Gaming Commission is one of eight gaming jurisdictions in North America to earn the global gaming industry's highest level of achievement – Level 4 Certification – from the World

Lottery Association. The accreditation recognizes the Commission for incorporating responsible gaming principles into its everyday business practices and its commitment to continuous improvement.

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