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Slot Machine Casino Gambling



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Introduction to *Mississippi Slot Machine Casino Gambling* 2017

Mississippi slot machine casino gambling consists of 28 commercial casinos and an additional three American Indian tribal casinos. The commercial casinos are permanently moored riverboat casinos, and are legally not allowed to cruise. As most of these casinos are actually barges, Mississippi commercial casinos have the appearance of being land-based casinos.

In 1990, the Mississippi state legislature was the third U.S. state to legalize riverboat gambling. The first casino to open was The Isle of Capri in Biloxi in August of 1992.

Gambling in Mississippi has since added to the economy of the state and, interestingly enough, breathed new life into the tourism industry of this, the Magnolia State.

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This post continues the weekly blog series "[Slot Machine Casino Gambling, State-By-State](#)", a year-long online resource project dedicated to guiding slot machine gambling enthusiasts to success.

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Mississippi Slot Machine Casino Gambling: Isle of Capri Riverboat in Natchez.

Relevant Legal Statutes on Gambling in Mississippi*

The legal age for gambling is 21. No one under the age of 21 is allowed in a casino without adult supervision. No one under the age of 21 is allowed on the gaming floor.

Mississippi's commercial casinos are required by Mississippi law to be located on coastal waters, the Mississippi River, and in navigable waters of counties bordering the Mississippi River.

Due to the destruction caused by Hurricane Katrina in 2005, the Mississippi legislature allowed the state's gulf coast casinos to rebuild on land within 800 feet of the shoreline. With this approval, some commercial casinos on the gulf coast were subsequently rebuilt within this restriction.

All casinos are open 24 hours.

Winning a jackpot of \$1,200 or more in Mississippi results in an additional 3% tax of those winnings paid to the Mississippi Gaming Commission. This gambling tax is nonrefundable. This limit also applies to any cash prizes won in casino drawings and tournaments.

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*The purpose of this section is to inform the public of state gambling laws and how the laws apply to various forms of gambling. This information is not intended to provide legal advice.

Slot Machine Private Ownership in Mississippi

It is legal to privately own a slot machine in the state of Mississippi if it is at least 25 years old.

Gaming Control Board in Mississippi

The official state gaming commission is the [Mississippi Gaming Commission](#), which states its mission to be:

“The mission of the Mississippi Gaming Commission (MGC) is to enforce the Gaming Control Act and Charitable Gaming Laws of the State of Mississippi. The MGC will establish and enforce regulations under the authority of those laws in such a manner that will ensure the integrity of the State of Mississippi and maintain the public confidence in both the charitable gaming and casino gaming industries by working in conjunction with the industry. The Mississippi Gaming Commission will work in concert with international, national, state, county, local regulatory and law enforcement agencies to establish a safe and crime free environment. In addition, the MGC will ensure economic development that is in both the best interest and safety of the citizens of the State of Mississippi.”

The [Mississippi Gaming Commission](#) provides monthly slot machine payout percentage returns on their website. However, these payout statistics have combined together the results from all electronic gaming machines, including

- Slot Machines
- Video Poker
- Video Keno

In addition, it also separates its commercial casinos by their physical region within the state. Those three regions are:

- Central Region, including the cities of Vicksburg and Natchez.
- Northern Region, including the cities of Tunica, Greenville, and Lula.
- Coastal Region, including the cities of Biloxi, Gulfport, and Bay St. Louis

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Otherwise, the [Mississippi Gaming Commission](#) provides highly thorough payout statistics. Their [online and available monthly reports](#) separate out payout statistics by the regions mentioned, specific commercial casino by name, and by machine denomination. In additional,

the payout percentage returns for progressive style machines are also separated out.

Relative to other states I've researched for this weekly blog series, the payout statistics provided by Mississippi is the most thorough treatment I've yet seen for payout returns.

Below is a highly limited set of payout statistics for Mississippi Slot Machine Casino Gambling. These are simply the electronic gaming machine payout percentage statistics by both machine denomination and region from mid-2016 through mid-2017 are:

Denomination (\$)	Central Region	Coastal Region	North Region
1-cent (penny)	91.70%	91.95%	91.67%
5-cents (nickel)	95.22%	94.89%	94.36%
25-cents (quarter)	94.04%	94.44%	92.78%
\$1 (dollar)	94.31%	94.05%	96.27%
\$5 (5-dollar)	95.09%	94.47%	97.93%
All	92.12%	92.41%	92.18%

Mississippi Slot Machine Casino Gambling: Simple Payout Statistics from mid-2016 thru mid-2017.

Casinos in Mississippi

There are 28 commercial casinos and an additional three American Indian tribal casinos. Useful maps of Mississippi casinos can be found on the website of the [Mississippi Gaming Commission](#).

Mississippi's largest casino is the Silver Star Casino is located in Philadelphia off of MS-16 nearly 100 miles northeast of the state capital of Jackson. It has 2,500 gaming machines and 75 table games. The Silver Star Casino is one of three tribal casino resorts managed by [Pearl River Casinos and Resorts](#).

Mississippi's second largest casino is the [Island View Casino Resort](#), a commercial casino located about halfway between Biloxi and Bay St. Louis on Mississippi's gulf coast. It has 1,939 gaming machines and 45 table games.

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Mississippi's 31 commercial and tribal casinos consist of:

1. [Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis](#)
 - o Location: Bay St. Louis
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
2. [Silver Slipper Casino](#)

- o Location: Bay St. Louis
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
3. [Beau Rivage Resort & Casino](#)
- o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
4. [Boomtown Casino - Biloxi](#)
- o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
5. [Golden Nugget - Biloxi](#)
- o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
6. [Hard Rock Hotel and Casino - Biloxi](#)
- o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
7. [Harrah's Gulf Coast](#)
- o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
8. [IP Casino Resort Spa](#)
- o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal

- o Casino Type: Commercial
9. [Palace Casino Resort](#)
 - o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
 10. [Scarlet Pearl Casino Resort](#)
 - o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
 11. [Treasure Bay Casino and Hotel](#)
 - o Location: Biloxi
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
 12. [Harlow's Casino Resort](#)
 - o Location: Greenville
 - o State Region: Northern
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
 13. [Trop Casino Greenville](#)
 - o Location: Greenville
 - o State Region: Northern
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
 14. [Island View Casino Resort](#)
 - o Location: Gulfport
 - o State Region: Coastal
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
 15. [Isle of Capri Casino & Resort - Lula](#)

- o Location: Lula
 - o State Region: Northern
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
16. [Magnolia Bluffs Casino](#)
- o Location: Natchez
 - o State Region: Central
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
17. [1st Jackpot Casino Tunica](#)
- o Location: Tunica
 - o State Region: Northern
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
18. [Fitz Casino Hotel](#)
- o Location: Tunica
 - o State Region: Northern
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
19. [Gold Strike Casino Resort](#)
- o Location: Tunica
 - o State Region: Northern
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
20. [Hollywood Casino Tunica](#)
- o Location: Tunica
 - o State Region: Northern
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
21. [Horseshoe Casino & Hotel](#)
- o Location: Tunica
 - o State Region: Northern

- Casino Type: Commercial
22. [Resorts Casino Tunica](#)
- Location: Tunica
 - State Region: Northern
 - Casino Type: Commercial
23. [Sam's Town Tunica](#)
- Location: Tunica
 - State Region: Northern
 - Casino Type: Commercial
24. [Tunica Roadhouse Casino and Hotel](#)
- Location: Tunica
 - State Region: Northern
 - Casino Type: Commercial
25. [Ameristar Casino Hotel - Vicksburg](#)
- Location: Vicksburg
 - State Region: Central
 - Casino Type: Commercial
26. [Lady Luck Casino Vicksburg](#)
- Location: Vicksburg
 - State Region: Central
 - Casino Type: Commercial
27. [Riverwalk Casino & Hotel](#)
- Location: Vicksburg
 - State Region: Central
 - Casino Type: Commercial
28. [WaterView Casino and Hotel](#)

- o Location: Vicksburg
 - o State Region: Central
 - o Casino Type: Commercial
29. [Bok Homa Casino](#) property of [Pearl River Casinos and Resorts](#)
- o Locations: Sandersville
 - o State Region: Not applicable due to tribal-state compact
 - o Casino Type: Tribal
30. [Golden Moon Casino](#) property of [Pearl River Casinos and Resorts](#)
- o Locations: Philadelphia
 - o State Region: Not applicable due to tribal-state compact
 - o Casino Type: Tribal
31. [Silver Star Casino](#) property of [Pearl River Casinos and Resorts](#)
- o Locations: Philadelphia
 - o State Region: Not applicable due to tribal-state compact
 - o Casino Type: Tribal



Mississippi Slot Machine Casino Gambling: Natchez Trace Parkway.

Summary of *Mississippi Slot Machine Casino Gambling 2017*

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In 1990, Mississippi, known as the Magnolia State, was the third U.S. state to legalize riverboat gambling. Gambling in Mississippi has since added to the economy of the state and breathed new life into its tourism industry.

The legal age for Mississippi slot machine casino gambling is 21. All casinos are open 24 hours.

The Mississippi Gaming Commission provides extensive payout return statistics for its commercial casinos, where these percentages are parsed by:

- State Region (Northern, Central, and Coastal)
- Commercial Casino Property
- Machine Denomination

- Non-Progressive versus Progressive Jackpot Machines

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Professor Slots Video on *Mississippi Slot Machine Casino Gambling 2017*

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Other State-By-State Articles from Professor Slots

- Series: [Online Resource: State-By-State Slots Gambling Summaries](#) - Now in its second year, this series is an online resource dedicated to slot machine casino gambling enthusiasts. It provides 56 weekly, detailed gambling summaries covering each U.S. state, territory, and the federal district to capture dynamic changes occurring of late in the U.S. gaming/gambling industry specific to slots play.
- Previous: [Minnesota Slot Machine Casino Gambling 2017](#)- Minnesota slot machine casino gambling consists of video slot machines at tribal casinos, having negotiated 22 tribal-state compacts. Slot machine payout returns are legally required to be 80% and 95%. Tribal casinos are not required to provide actual payout values. Two pari-mutuel facilities offer card games only.
- Next: [Missouri Slot Machine Casino Gambling 2017](#) - Missouri slot machine casino gambling consists of 13 riverboat casinos, the fifth U.S. state to approve riverboats. The state of Missouri reports the payout percentage return statistics by casino. However, they are combined for all electronic gaming machines such as slot machines, video poker, and video keno.