

PS 113: More on Payout Returns Pt II Live | Wyoming Slots in 2020

Opening

Hello! Today's episode #113 of the Professor Slots podcast discusses payout returns, continued from last week's episode. Plus, in this episode I'll be covering the current state of slot machine casino gambling in the great U.S. state of Wyoming.

Thank you for joining me for the Professor Slots podcast show. I'm Jon Friedl and this is the podcast about slot machine casino gambling. It is where I provide knowledge, insights, and tools for helping you improve your slot machine gambling performance.

On Last Week's Episode...

In case you missed it, on my last episode I went over the first part about payout returns from my weekly live stream Q&A session on YouTube.

Further, I reviewed Wisconsin slot machine casino gambling in 2020.

I hope you enjoyed listening to my last episode as much as I enjoyed making it for you.

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YouTube Q&A Session from Saturday, October 17, 2020

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Introduction

This is the next segment of the show on slot machine casino gambling. Here, I provide a brief overview of the current state of gambling in a U.S. state, territory, or the federal district emphasizing, by far, anything of interest to slot machine casino gamblers.

Up next is Wyoming slot machine casino gambling in 2020. Here goes!

Wyoming slot machine casino gambling consists of four American Indian tribal casinos offering both Class II games-of-skill bingo machines and Class III games-of-chance slot machines.

Racetracks and their Off-Track-Betting (OTB) sites have Historic Horse Racing (HHR) gaming machines. Legal skill-based amusement machines exist at many retailers.

Wyoming have no theoretical payout limits. Annual return statistics for HHR gaming machines at racetracks and their OTB sites are publicly available.

Relevant Legal Statutes on Gambling in Wyoming

The minimum legal gambling age in Wyoming depends upon the gambling activity:

- Land-Based Casinos: 18
- Retailers with amusement machines: 21
- Poker Rooms: 18
- Bingo: 18
- Lottery: 21
- Pari-Mutuel Wagering: 18

In 2013, the state legislature allowed off-track betting facilities to offer Historical Horse Racing (HHR) games, returning pari-mutuel wagering to once again being a year-round activity. HHR machines have boosted gaming revenue for both the state and local economies.

In Wyoming, the maximum bet is \$25. Skill-based amusement machines have a maximum bet of \$3 and a maximum payout of \$3,000 per play. Retailers can have up to four amusement machines.

Slot Machine Private Ownership in Wyoming

Next up is a usually short statement about slot machine private ownership, which I have included in case you live in this U.S. state and are considering owning a slot machine. Here it is:

In Wyoming, it is legal to own a slot machine privately if it is 25 years old or older.

Gaming Control Board in Wyoming

Tribal-state gaming compacts provide gaming regulations for Class III games-of-chance slot machines at Wyoming's tribal casinos. The IGRA federal law allows Wyoming's tribal casinos to also offer Class II, games-of-skill, competition-style gaming machines.

Signed into law by the Governor on March 17, 2020, the Wyoming state legislature created the Wyoming Gaming Commission with House Bill 171 Enrolled Act 95. This commission replaces the Wyoming Pari-Mutuel Commission with additional gaming regulatory responsibilities.

The Gaming Commission regulates pari-mutuel events, HHR machines, bingo, pull tabs, calcutta, and skill-based amusement games. The Commission also enforces Wyoming's gambling statutes.

Previously, Wyoming had over 400 illegal, non-tribal gaming machines at bars, gas stations, truck stops, and other small businesses. This new commission now requires these retailers to have a gaming license and applies income taxes for these amusement machines.

Wyoming also has a state lottery commission, the Wyoming Lottery.

Casinos in Wyoming

In this section, I'll discuss Wyoming gambling establishments.

There are four American Indian tribal casinos in Wyoming. In addition, there are:

- 313 retailers with skill-based amusement gaming machines.
- Numerous bingo halls with Class II bingo-style gaming machines.
- 1025 HHR machines at pari-mutuel racetracks and OTB sites.

The largest casino in Wyoming is Wind River Hotel & Casino with 800 gaming machines.

The second-largest casino is Shoshone Rose Casino & Hotel with 400 gaming machines.

Non-Tribal Casinos in Wyoming

Legal amusement gaming machines are now available at over 300 Operators and Establishments.

American Indian Casinos in Wyoming

The four tribal casinos in Wyoming are:

1. Smoke Shop and Casino 789 in Riverton, 125 miles west of Casper.
2. Little Wind Casino in Arapahoe, 140 miles west of Casper.
3. Shoshone Rose Casino & Hotel in Lander, 140 miles west of Casper.
4. Wind River Hotel & Casino in Riverton, 125 miles west of Casper.

Other Gambling Establishments

As an alternative to enjoying Wyoming slot machine casino gambling, consider exploring casino options in a nearby state. Bordering Wyoming is:

- North: Montana
- East: Nebraska and South Dakota
- South: Colorado and Utah
- West: Idaho and Utah

To visit any of my articles on these U.S. states, simply visit ProfessorSlots.com followed by its two-letter postal designation. For example, my Montana slots article is available at ProfessorSlots.com/MT.

Our Wyoming Slots Community Facebook Group

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There, you'll be able to privately share your slots experiences as well as chat with players about slots gambling in or near Wyoming. Again, use this convenient link I've created to go directly to our Group on Facebook: [professorslots.com/FBWY](https://www.facebook.com/professorslots.com/FBWY). Join us!

Payout Returns in Wyoming

Neither Wyoming nor its tribal-state gaming compacts have set theoretical payout limits for any form of gambling.

Further, there are no return statistics publicly available for gaming machines at tribal casinos or amusement machine retailers.

However, HHR machines at pari-mutuel racetracks and OTB sites have return statistics reported to the state.

For 2019, the player win% for HHR machines in Wyoming were:

- Wyoming Horse Racing racetrack and its eight OTBs: 92.16%
- Wyoming Downs racetrack and its nine OTBs: 92.44%
- State-wide HHRs: 92.31%

Summary of Wyoming Slots in 2020

In summary, Wyoming slot machine casino gambling consists of four tribal casinos with Class III Vegas-style slot machines as well as Class II competition-style electronic games. More Class II bingo-style machines are available at Wyoming's popular bingo halls.

Pari-mutuel facilities offer HHR machines. Further, Wyoming has updated its gaming regulations to include formerly illegal amusement machines at many retailers.

No theoretical payout limits exist in Wyoming. However, HHR machines have annual return statistics.

Annual Progress in Wyoming Slot Machine Casino Gambling

Over the last year, Little Wind Casino has fallen from second largest casino to last place. Now, Shoshone Rose Casino & Hotel is the second largest casino.

Further, the state legislature created the Wyoming Gaming Commission from what was once the Wyoming Pari-Mutuel Commission, now with the added responsibility of regulation and enforcement of gaming laws at formerly illegal skill-based amusement machines at many retailers.

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On the Next Episode of Professor Slots

Part I of the next episode of the Professor Slots podcast will include a live stream Q&A session on YouTube.

Remember, my weekly Q&A session on YouTube is on Saturdays from Noon until 1 p.m. Eastern Time. Bring whatever slots questions you have, and I'll do my best to answer them.

An easy-to-remember link to my YouTube channel is [YouTube.com/ProfessorSlots](https://www.youtube.com/ProfessorSlots). Feel free to stop by anytime during my hour-long live Q&A session.

Part II of the next episode of the Professor Slots podcast is another brief overview of the current state of gambling in a U.S. state, territory, or the federal district. Next time, I'll be starting from the beginning and talking to you about the great U.S. state of Alabama.

Closing (closing music)

That's the end of another great episode of the Professor Slots podcast. Thanks so much for listening!

Show notes for this episode are on my website at [professorslots.com/episode113](https://www.professorslots.com/episode113).

I plan to have the next episode come out very soon for you, where I'll have more amazing content for the show.

Until the next episode: Have fun, be safe, and make good choices! Bye.