

## PS 139: Returns from 13 States Live | Montana Slots in 2021

### Opening

Hello! Today's episode #139 of the Professor Slots podcast discusses the monthly return statistics from 13 states. Plus, in this episode, I'll be covering the current state of slot machine casino gambling in the great U.S. state of Montana.

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 my 5 Spin Method Test Update and Bonus from my weekly live stream Q&A session on YouTube.

Further, I reviewed Missouri slot machine casino gambling in 2021.

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

### Advertisement #1 (add sound effect afterward)

Earlier this month, I successfully launched my first online course, *30 Days to Play Slots Smarter and Win*. You can take it at a leisurely pace of one lesson per day or a lot faster. Yes, it can be completed in a day, if a rather long day. But I recommend taking more time than that as you'll want to consider its assignments, tasks and their concepts.

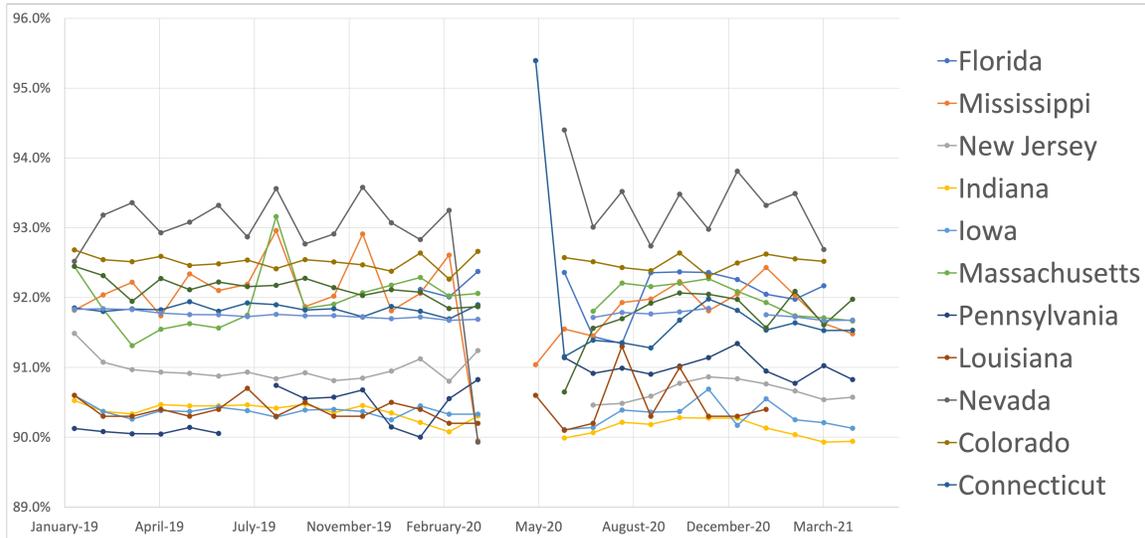
Thanks to those who have already signed up to my *30 Days* course, a beta version discounted by over 50% from its future, regular price for the upcoming non-beta version arriving soon.

Along with the course are valuable bonuses, especially getting lifetime access to the course. Purchasing the beta version now gets you full access to the non-beta, updated versions later at a \$100 savings.

The link for signing up for the course is in the description of this podcast episode or go directly to [courses.professorslots.com](https://courses.professorslots.com).

### YouTube Q&A Session from May 22, 2021

Here's the audio recording of my latest live stream Q&A session.



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Remember to visit [professorslots.com/subscribe](https://professorslots.com/subscribe) to get my Free Report Revealing ... The top 7 online resources for improving your gambling performance, including the one I've used as a top-tier slot machine casino gambler.

## 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 Montana slot machine casino gambling in 2021. Here goes!

Montana slot machine casino gambling consists of eight tribal casinos with Class II and Class III video games along with video gaming machines (VGMs) at bars, taverns, and other retailers with an alcohol license.

## Relevant Legal Statutes on Gambling in Montana

The minimum legal gambling age in Montana does not depend upon the gambling activity:

- Land-Based Casinos: 18
- Poker Rooms: 18
- Bingo: 18

- Lottery: 18
- Pari-Mutuel Wagering: 18

Commercial businesses must have an alcoholic beverages license to have up to 20 video gaming machines (VGM). Most retailers are bars and taverns, but may also be laundry mats, truck stops, and other small businesses.

The maximum bet on VGMs is \$2 while the maximum payout is \$800. Montana collects a 15% tax on business income from retailers for their video gaming machines.

Each state-tribal gaming compact describes:

- How many machines each tribal casino can offer.
- Whether they will have Class II bingo-style games-of-skill or Class III Vegas-style games-of-chance gaming machines.
- Maximum bet and maximum award limits.

## Slot Machine Private Ownership in Montana

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:

Slot machines can be owned in Montana privately if they are at least 30 years old.

## Gaming Control Board in Montana

Montana's gaming control board is its Gambling Control Division within the Montana Department of Justice. Further, Montana has a Gaming Advisory Council (GAC) which also reports to the Justice Department.

The GAC advises the state legislature on public policy matters related to gaming every two years with its Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Biennial Report.

As a resource, the Montana Department of Justice maintains the interesting History of Gambling in Montana.

## Casinos in Montana

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

There are eight American Indian tribal casinos and more than 1,400 bars, taverns, and other retailers with a liquor license offering more than 16,000 video gaming machines in

Montana. The largest casino in Montana is Gray Wolf Peak Casino. The second-largest casino is Glacier Peaks Hotel & Casino.

## Non-Tribal Casinos in Montana

Each licensed commercial retailer with video gaming machines (VGMs) can have up to a maximum of 20 VGMs, although some may have only a single video gaming machine.

## American Indian Casinos in Montana

Montana has eight tribal casinos. As usual when there are too many casinos to mention here, a complete list, along with a casino map, are on my webpage for this state at [professorslots.com/MT](http://professorslots.com/MT).

## Other Gambling Establishments

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

- North: Canadian Provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, and Saskatchewan
- East: North Dakota Slots and South Dakota Slots
- South: Wyoming Slots
- West: Idaho Slots

To visit any of my articles on these U.S. states, simply visit [ProfessorSlots.com](http://ProfessorSlots.com) followed by its two-letter postal designation. For example, my North Dakota slots article is available at [ProfessorSlots.com/ND](http://ProfessorSlots.com/ND).

## Our Montana Slots Community Facebook Group

Are you interested in sharing and learning with other slots enthusiasts in Montana? If so, join our Montana slots community on Facebook at [professorslots.com/FBMT](http://professorslots.com/FBMT). All you'll need is a Facebook profile to join this private Facebook Group freely.

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

## Payout Returns in Montana

VGMs in Montana's bars and taverns have a minimum theoretical payout limit of 80% for video slot machines, video bingo, video keno, and video poker. Further, video slot machines have a maximum theoretical payout limit of 92%.

No limits on payout returns have been set for Montana tribes, with one slight exception. The Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation have their negotiated tribal-state compact which states that slot machines designed and developed for exclusive use by the tribe do not have legal minimum and maximum payout return limits. However, game themes used in other gaming jurisdictions must have the same maximum theoretical payout return limit of 92% for video slots in Montana's commercial bars and taverns.

Actual return statistics for gaming machines in Montana, whether commercial or tribal, are not publicly available.

## Summary of Montana Slots in 2021

In summary, Montana slot machine casino gambling consists of eight tribal casinos in addition to over 1,400 small business retailers collectively having more than 16,000 video slots, video keno, video bingo, and video poker gaming machines.

## Annual Progress in Montana Slot Machine Casino Gambling

Over the last year, there has been little change in the slots gaming industry in Montana.

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My online course is not designed to be difficult, but some concepts may require time to consider before moving on to the next lesson. Until now, we've all been self-taught at playing slots. We've done the best we could without any help getting started at slots, and this online course is my attempt to fix that unfortunate, long-occurring circumstance.

It's also beta test version discounted over 50% off from the updated and improved non-beta version soon to be released, when I'll raise the price to its regular, long-term price. So, get it now to take advantage of it being \$100 off now. The link for registering for my slots course is [courses.professorslots.com](https://courses.professorslots.com).

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## Slots Power Tip

Here's this episode's slots power tip: Stand in front of your chosen slot machine with your back to it. What do you see? Do you see others looking back at you? If so, good. These are the machines that can give you slightly better odds of winning.

## 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 talking to you about the great U.S. state of Nebraska.

## 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 <https://professorslots.com/episode139>.

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!