

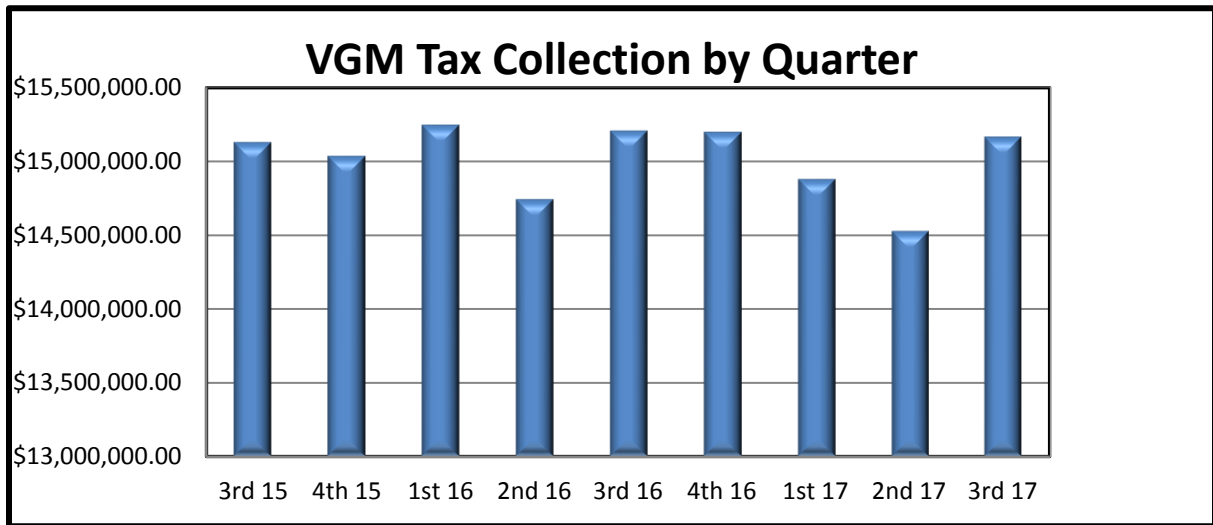
# Gambling Control Division

## Quarterly Information Summary

FY17 3rd Quarter Ending March 31, 2016

### Video Gambling Tax Collections

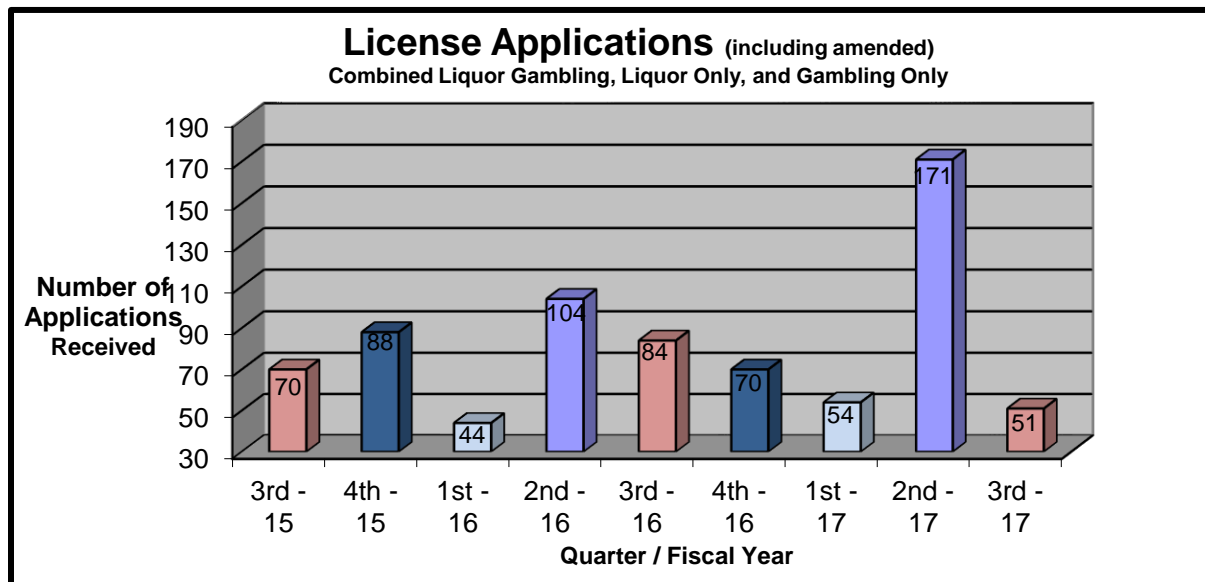
Video Gambling Machine (VGM) tax collections for the third quarter of fiscal year 2017 (January, February, March) were approximately \$15.1 million. That is a 4.1% increase from the previous quarter, and is less than a 1% decrease in collections from third quarter of fiscal year 2016. All VGM tax collections are deposited into the State General Fund.



### Liquor and Gambling License Applications

In the third quarter of fiscal year 2017, the Division received 51 gambling, liquor, and combined liquor/gambling applications (including amended applications). This is 33 (39.3% decrease) less than the number of applications received during third quarter of FY16, and 120 (70.2% decrease) less than the number of applications received last quarter. Currently, there are approximately 1,482 active gambling operators in Montana.

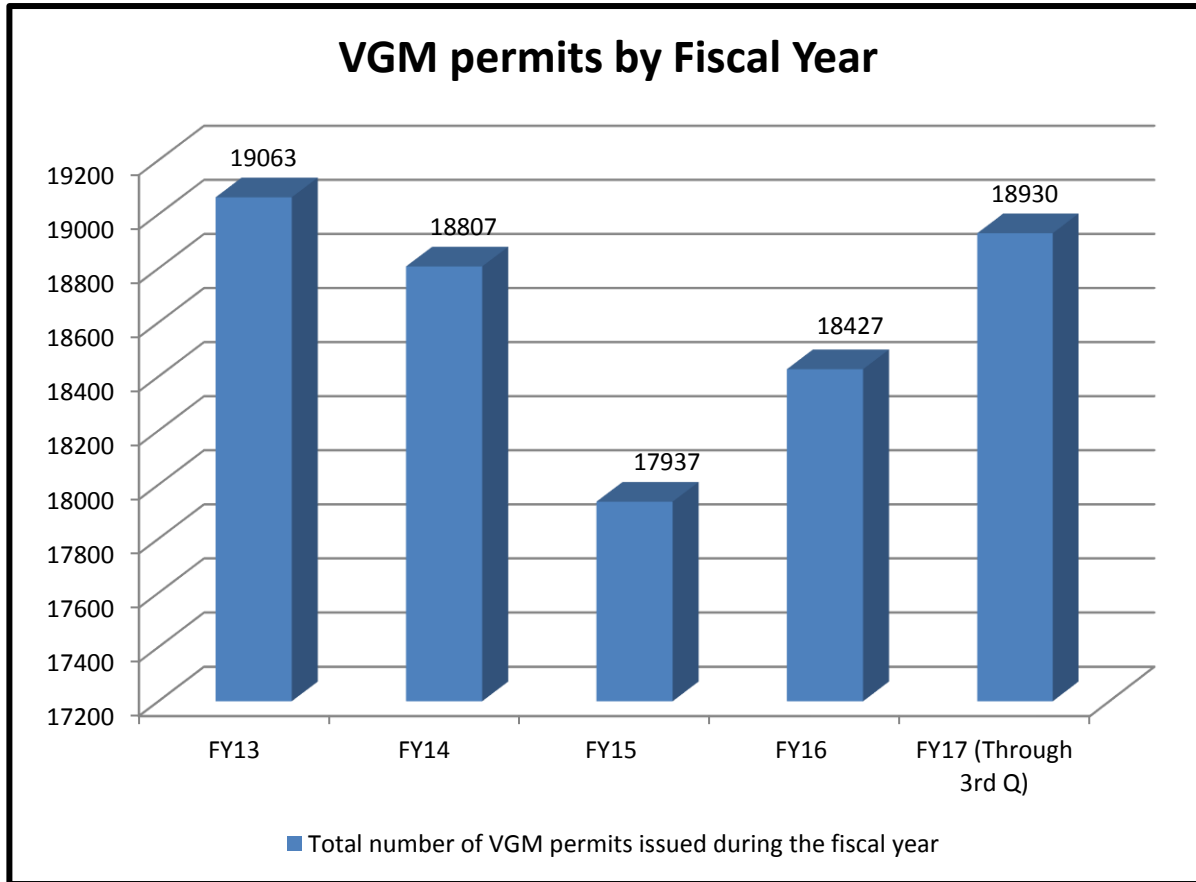
Note: The increase in second quarter fiscal year 2016 and 2017 was attributable to amended applications for a unique situation and not indicative of a change in the trend.



## Video Gambling Machine Permits

Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013, an individual video gambling machine permit fee was increased to \$240 for the full fiscal year and is reduced by a prorated amount each subsequent quarter of the fiscal year. A portion of the fee goes to the local government where the machine is located and the balance goes to the Gambling Special Revenue Fund.

During the third quarter of fiscal year 2017, 2,301 video gambling machines permits were issued. This is less than a 165.4% increase from third quarter of FY16.



## Live Bingo/Keno

The total number of bingo and keno licenses issued through fiscal year 2017 is 99 (69 Commercial, 30 Exempt), which is 1% more than this time last fiscal year.

## Special Event Permits

- The division processed 15 Casino Night permits during the third quarter of fiscal year 2017. This is 11.8% less than the number of permits processed this time last fiscal year.
- The division processed 55 Calcutta permits during the third quarter of fiscal year 2017. This is 22.2% more than the number of permits processed this time last fiscal year.

## Live Card Games

- The number of card tables permitted through fiscal year 2017 is 203. This is 8.1% less than the number processed this time fiscal year 2016.
- The number of card dealers licensed through fiscal year 2017 is 314. This is a 6.5% decrease from this time last fiscal year.
- Through third quarter of fiscal year 2017, 128 large-stakes tournament permits were issued to 19 gambling operators. This is the same number of permits processed through this time last fiscal year.
- Through third quarter of fiscal year 2017, 14 small-stakes tournament permits were issued. This is 16.7% more than the number processed through this time last fiscal year.

