

## **News Release**

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## Correction Notice: Optimistic Outlook for Colorado Sports Betting Continues Despite Slight Decrease in February Wagers

**LAKEWOOD, Tuesday, March 30, 2021**– The Division of Gaming is issuing a correction to the figures for the top ten sports wagered on in February initially released on March 29, 2021. The original report that was released had the sports categories mislabeled the top ten sports.

The correct information for February's top five sports is: Professional Basketball took the top spot for February, with \$95 million in wagers placed with retail and online operators. NCAA Basketball followed in second with \$39 million, and in third was American Pro Football with \$24 million. Ice Hockey was in the fourth spot with \$13 million in total bets, and Tennis was fifth with \$9 million.

The corrected the February 2021 Sports Betting Monthly Proceeds report on the Division of Gaming's website at

https://sbg.colorado.gov/sites/sbg/files/documents/Corrected%20Colorado%20Sports%20Betting%20Proceeds%20Report%20February%202021.pdf

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On November 6, 2019, Colorado voters passed Proposition DD, establishing Colorado as one of many states across the country to allow people to place legal bets on sporting events since the Supreme Court ruling struck down a law that banned sports betting in most U.S. states. With the passage of Proposition DD and the Colorado General Assembly's legislative bill in May 2019, the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission and the Colorado Division of Gaming became the statutory authority over the legalized sports betting regulation in Colorado. Legalized, regulated sports betting began in Colorado on May 1, 2020.

The Colorado Department of Revenue's Division of Gaming ensures honesty and integrity in the Colorado gaming industry.

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