

## Response

Thank you for your recent FOI request regarding the statistics of society lotteries and National Lottery as published in our Industry Statistics.

The National Lottery was regulated by a separate body prior to October 2013 (the National Lottery Commission) which is why it did not appear earlier in the Industry Statistics publication. You may find the National Lottery Commission annual reports useful in this respect:

<http://www.natlotcomm.gov.uk/publications-and-research/annual-reports.html>

In reference to the society lottery information you have requested I am able to provide you with the below data that may be of use:

Year	Hotspot Lotteries	Non-Hotspot Lotteries	Proceeds (ticket sales) £ million	Expenses held £ million
2002/03	38,373	5,992	129.9	34.0 (26.2%)
2003/04	44,059	6,471	126.6	33.3 (26%)
2004/05	54,669	7,419	141.1	36.2 (25.7%)
2005/06	52,555	7,567	138.7	35.3 (25%)
2006/07	13,806	8,422	163.8	40.3 (25%)
2007/08*		9,462	169.9	39.6 (23.3%)

\* The closure of one significant operator of 'Hotspot' lotteries in 2006/07 caused the number of individual lottery returns to fall and these 'Hotspot' lotteries ceased to exist in 2007/08.

I hope you find this information useful. Please contact me if any of this is unclear.

### Review of the decision

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your Freedom of Information request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to FOI Team, Gambling Commission, 4th floor, Victoria Square House, Victoria Square, Birmingham, B2 4BP.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Gambling Commission. The ICO can be contacted at: The Information Commissioners' Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

## Request

I was just wondering if you know if there are industry statistics available accessible anywhere that pre-date the 08/09 figures available on your website?

I'm specifically interested in the society lottery and National Lottery statistics, ideally back to 2007.