

# Stateline casino revenue surges in March

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State officials say Nevada gambling revenue was down 3 percent in March compared with the same month a year ago because of lower winnings in the Las Vegas area.

The Nevada Gaming Control Board said Thursday that the state's casinos won \$951 million in March.

Revenue fell in the areas with the most gambling activity. Strip gambling revenue was down 4 percent to \$487 million last month, and downtown Las Vegas was down 4 percent to \$51 million.

The picture was rosier in the north. Reno casino revenue was up 1 percent to \$47 million, and Stateline revenue was up 23 percent to \$17 million in March.

The state collected almost \$73 million in tax money based off the winnings, which is down 8 percent from the same time last year.