

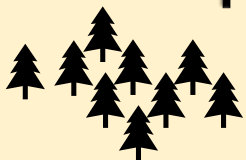
Depending on game and wager, *any* prize might be 1 in 7 but the odds to win the top prize might be 1 in 2.8 million.



When a VGM has a return of 90%, this does not mean each of YOUR wagered dollars returns 90 cents.



Not all video gambling machines are the same. Some payout often with small prizes, while others payout less frequently with larger prizes.



## **GAMBLING**

**IS NOT AN INCOME,  
IT IS A SOURCE OF  
ENTERTAINMENT.**



**Hope to win without  
expecting to get money  
back.**

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You must be at least 18 years of age to gamble. If you or someone you know has a problem gambling responsibly, please call Montana Council for Problem Gambling at (888) 900-9979 for help with a gambling problem.



<http://www.mtproblemgambling.org/>

## **Inside Video Gambling Machines**



**WHAT  
YOU  
SHOULD  
KNOW  
ABOUT  
GAMBLING**

**Do you know your real chances of winning on a Video Gambling Machine? Although players might like to feel a sense of control, knowing who is truly in the driver's seat can help you sit back and enjoy the ride.**

### **SKILL DOESN'T CREATE OUTCOME**

Because all games have a random outcome, no matter how "good" you are at them, they are designed to be unpredictable.



### **NO SUCH THING AS A HOT STREAK**

All payouts are completely random, machines will never be "hot" or "cold" no matter how often they are played.



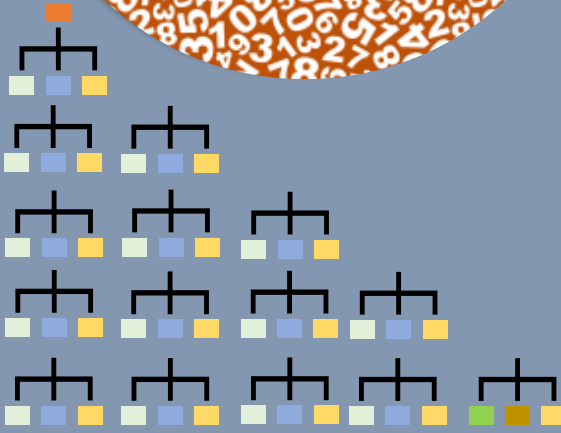
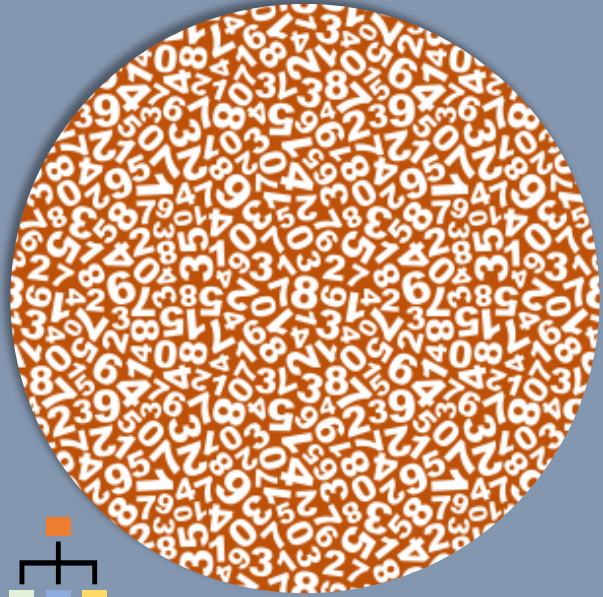
### **EVENTUALLY THE HOUSE WINS**



The point of playing is to have fun, especially if you win. However, the only "overall" winner is always the machine. The scales are tipped against the player by design. For example: say a VGM has a 92% payout over the lifetime of the machine -- it doesn't mean you leave with 92% of the money you started with.

### **MONEY IS NEVER "WON BACK"**

"Chasing losses," or continuing to play after losing, will always eventually result in further losses. Prior losses do not increase chances of future gains.



**Inside every Video Gambling Machine is a computer program called a Random Number Generator (RNG). It ensures a random outcome on each play, avoiding patterns and predictability.**



### **BUT I THOUGHT...**

**IF I PLAY WITH A "PLAYER'S CARD" I'D GET A HIGHER RETURN.**

Wrong. Using the card only tracks your play for promotional purposes – it does not interface with the machines.

**CASINO MANAGERS RAISED OR LOWERED THEIR RETURNS BY TURNING A DIAL.**

No, VGM payouts are not adjustable by the turn of a dial. Payout structures are embedded into the software and are not easily changed.

**SOMEONE HIT A JACKPOT ON THE MACHINE I JUST LEFT, AND IT WOULD HAVE BEEN MINE!**

Not unless you were to hit the button in the same exact nanosecond. A computer creates a new scenario each time it is activated so without a pattern nobody can "steal" a win.

**IT'S ALWAYS BETTER TO PLAY THE "MAX BET" IF YOU WANT TO WIN.**

Not necessarily. Though a high wager could return higher winnings, the chances of winning are still just as unpredictable as with low wagers.