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For the Three Months Ended March 2017 & 2016 (Current Operators \$ In Thousands)	March 31, 2017	Change from Prior Year	March 31, 2016
Casino Licensees:			
Casino	\$ 606,297	11.1%	\$ 545,635
Rooms	\$ 83,766	4.2%	\$ 80,401
Food & Beverage	\$ 93,628	-1.0%	\$ 94,606
Entertainment & Other	\$ 33,033	5.4%	\$ 31,343
Casino Licensees Total Revenue	\$ 816,724	8.6%	\$ 751,985
Third Party Business Sales	\$ 40,926	3.1%	\$ 39,709
Combined Sales	\$ 857,650	8.3%	\$ 791,694

**Atlantic City Statistical Transportation Data**

Source: South Jersey Transportation Authority

Travel Mode	JanMay 2017	Change from Prior Year	JanMay 2016
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## Legislative Update

Tropicana purchases The Chelsea Hotel reported by The Press of Atlantic City. Tropicana Entertainment has purchased The Chelsea Hotel. The boutique hotel which has been closed since last winter is expected to reopen in August as The Chelsea Tower at Tropicana Atlantic City. With the addition of the 20-story oceanfront tower, Tropicana will have 2,730 rooms.

## Local Gaming News

Caesar's Entertainment welcomes Kevin Ortzman as Atlantic City Regional President reported by The Press of Atlantic City. Caesar's Entertainment announced the departure of Rick Mazer, regional president of Harrah's since 2013, and the appointment of Kevin Ortzman on July 13.

Hard Rock International names Matt Harkness as president of Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City. In a July 6 press release, Hard Rock international announced the appointment of Matt Harkness as president of Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City. Harkness is a

California As reported by [LegalSportsReport.com](http://LegalSportsReport.com), California legislators have introduced an amendment to the California Constitution which would authorize sports betting in the state. As with legislation released recently in other states, the amendment would only take effect if the current federal law (PASPA) were repealed or revised. Before the amendment goes to California's citizens for a vote, it must first pass the state legislature with a two-thirds majority.

Connecticut As reported by [LegalSportsReport.com](http://LegalSportsReport.com), on July 10 Connecticut Governor, Danell Malloy, signed Connecticut General Assembly Bill #HB6948. The bill, which included the authorization of a new casino and an increase in the number of off-track betting sites allowed for horse racing, also included a provision which would allow for the regulation of sports wagering "to the extent permitted by state and federal law. If federal law changes to permit the legalization of sports betting at the state level (repeal or amendment of PASPA), Connecticut would have to repeal its existing prohibition on sports betting and the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection would need to promulgate the related regulations, before sports betting could become legal in the state.

Delaware As reported by [LegalSportsReport.com](http://LegalSportsReport.com), Delaware became the state to pass Daily Fantasy Sports legislation when Governor John Carney signed house bill #H249 on July 26. The law imposes a \$50,000 fee and a 15.5 percent gross revenue tax, currently the highest in the nation, on DFS operators. H249 also makes provision for regulation, a minimum age limit of 18 and various consumer protections. Additionally, the law bans use of the DraftKings or FanDuel app to wager on horse racing or college/amateur sports.

DraftKings and FanDuel call off merger As reported by [LegalSportsReport.com](http://LegalSportsReport.com), on July 13, representatives of the two DFS companies confirmed that the merger between them was officially off. The merger of the two largest DFS companies (DraftKings and FanDuel) for the first time in the industry (by volume)

