# Pokies by numbers Hamilton City



# How much is lost to pokies in this District?

Approximately \$27.2 million was lost on pokies in pubs, clubs and TABs in Hamilton City during 2022. That is about \$74,580 each day.

Compared to 2021, the amount lost on pokies **increased** by around **\$4.9 million**.



#### How many pokie machines and venues are there?

There are 376 Class 4 pokie machines across 24 venues in Hamilton City as at 31 December 2022.

That's 16 fewer than the previous year.



# Where are the pokie venues located in the District?

Around 60% of all Class 4 pokie venues in Aotearoa are in medium-high or very -high areas of deprivation.

In Hamilton City, 20 out of 24 venues are in the most deprived communities. **That's 83% of venues.** 



### Gambling harm in Aotearoa

An estimated 30-60% of all Class 4 pokie losses come from the 1.6% of New Zealanders who are moderate to severe risk gamblers.\*

It is clear that a significant portion of pokie losses come from a small number of adults who are experiencing gambling harm.



### Who makes more, you or a pokie machine?

The median income in Hamilton City is \$30,200. In comparison, every machine in Hamilton City made, on average, around \$72,399 last year.

That means a pokie machine makes around \$42,000 more each year than the average person in the district. **Who needs that money more?** 

\*Sources: Abbott, M., Bellringer, M., & Garrett, N. (2018). New Zealand National Gambling Study: Wave 4 (2015). Report number 6. Auckland: Auckland University of Technology, Gambling and Addictions Research Centre. Te Hiringa Hauora/Health Promotion Agency. (2021). Results from the Health and Lifestyles Survey 2020

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