

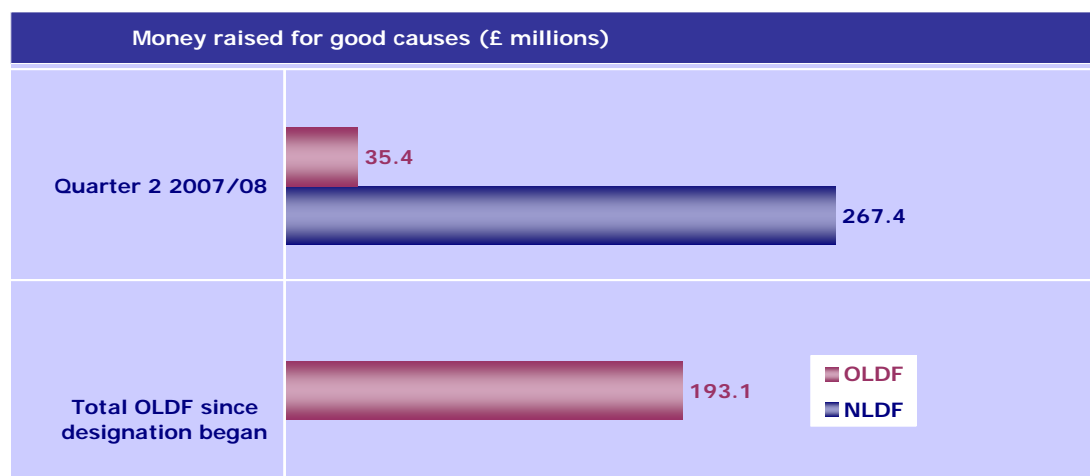
Funds for good causes

Reporting Period: Quarter 2, 2007/08

Since its launch in November 1994, the National Lottery has raised over £20 billion for good causes that include sports, arts and heritage, as well as health and education and the environment. In addition, National Lottery funding is contributing £2.175 billion towards the costs of staging the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, of which £750m will come from designated games¹.

Funds are raised from the sale of National Lottery games, and can be supplemented by unclaimed prizes and interest on balances of funds held. The funds for the original good causes are held in the National Lottery Distribution Fund (NLDF), while funds for the staging of the 2012 Games are held in the Olympic Distribution Fund (OLDF). The NLC makes sure that payments from the Lottery operator into the NLDF and OLDF are accurate and on time.

OLDF and NLDF Raised in Quarter 2, 2007/08²



Comment

OLDF and NLDF generated a solid performance during Quarter 2, showing uplifts as a result of the EuroMillions U.K. win in August, and the Roll-Down event on the 28 September. Scratchcards have experienced a particularly strong quarter, aided by an increased number of OLDF-designated products having been launched during the period.

Several new Interactive Instant Win Games were designated to the OLDF during this quarter:

£100,000 Orange, Inca Adventure, Sync or Swim, Monopoly (£1), Crazy Golf, Noughts and Crosses Scuba, Birthday Bonus, Prize Dive, and Cowboy Cash Capers.

The following Scratchcards were also designated to the OLDF:

£100,000 Dark Green, Hot cards, £250,000 Navy, Solid Gold, Lots of Luck, Birthday Bonus, and £100K Spooky 2007.

¹ Subject to Parliamentary approval

² These amounts relate to the funds received by the NLDF and OLDF between 1 July and 29 September 2007/08. Funds started being raised for the OLDF in July 2005. Values are primary contributions only and do not include unclaimed prizes.