



Funds raised for good causes

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Income from game sales by NLDF/OLDF quarterly and for the OLDF to date

Reporting Period: Quarter 1, 2011/12

Since its launch in November 1994, the National Lottery has raised over £26 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 £750 million will come from designated games (see section 2).

Funds are raised from the sale of National Lottery games, and are 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 raised from designated games are held in the Olympic Lottery Distribution Fund (OLDF). The Commission makes sure that payments from the Lottery operator into the NLDF and OLDF are accurate and on time.

1) OLDF and NLDF Raised in Quarter 1, 2011/12¹



OLDF returns during Quarter 1 were below the exceptional performance of the previous quarter but similar to those achieved in the quarter to December 2010, when a higher number of OLDF-designated scratchcard games went on sale. The closure of Dream Number in February 2011 meant there was no draw game component in the quarter under review, but an increase of over 40% in average sales of designated scratchcards and growth in Interactive Instant Win Games (IIWGs) played online compensated for this.

Three new scratchcards and thirteen new IIWGs (which are all designated as Olympic Lottery games), were launched during the quarter:

¹ These amounts relate to the value of proceeds from game sales received by the NLDF and OLDF between 1 April and 28 June 2011. See separate chart for total OLDF income raised to date.

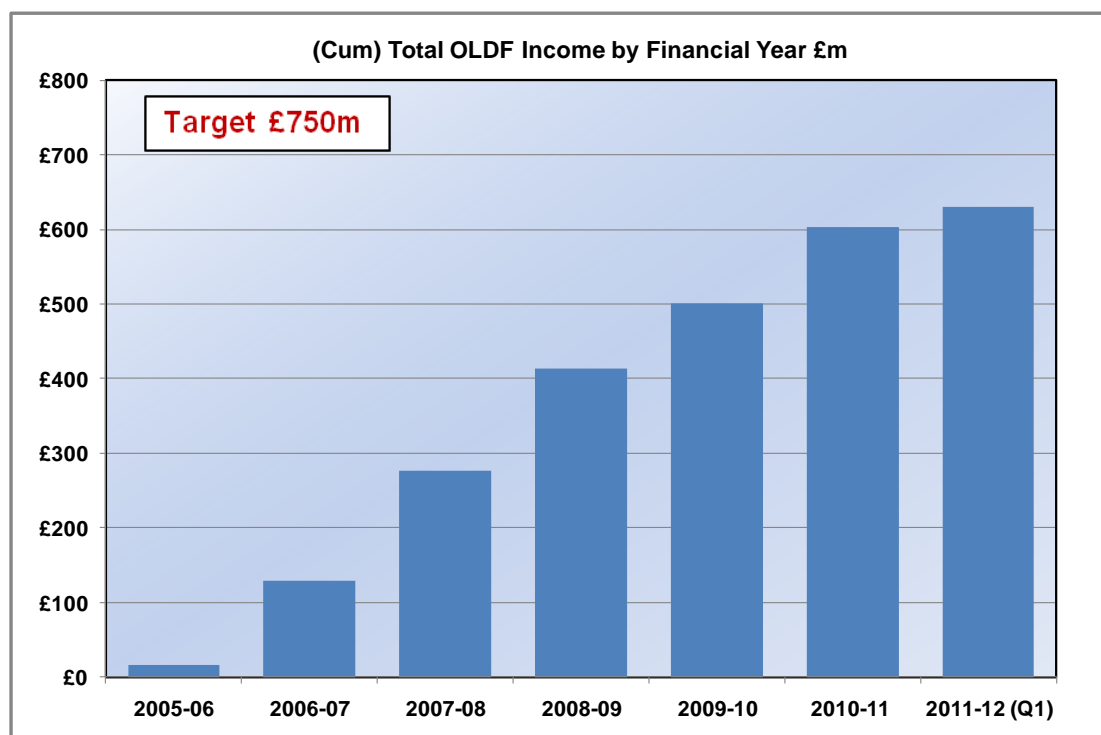
(Scratchcards): *Winner's Luck, Froggy Fortune and Spicy Hot 7s.*

(IIWGs): *Gold 7s Doubler, Pirate Payout, Pot of Gold, Lucky Stars, Find a Fortune, Tiddlywinks, Money Multiplier, Froggy Fortune, Lucky Lines, £100,000 Yellow, Classic Snakes and Ladders, Hangman and 10 Times Lucky.*

2) Total OLDF Funds Raised To Date

The table below shows cumulative total receipts by the OLDF² as they have built up in each financial year since 2005.

Data includes all other sources of income and adjustments from trading, such as unclaimed prizes, but excludes investment income.



As at 28 June 2011, total OLDF receipts stood at £629.5 million. This means that the National Lottery has achieved almost 85% of its target for funding the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

² Including all other income and adjustments from sales, including unclaimed prizes.