



# LEGAL AND INTEGRITY

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Major projects ranged from assisting the negotiation and drafting of the new Broadcast Rights agreement to dealing with all matters relating to the competition's integrity.

#### **FUTURE LEADER**

The Swans missed the midfield drive generated by Luke Parker, who broke his leg against Collingwood and did not play in the finals.

In 2015, the AFL Legal and Integrity Department continued its provision of legal services, commercial advice and support to all departments across the AFL, as well as working with AFL clubs, AFL Players Association, AFL Umpires Association and the AFL's state-affiliated bodies on various matters and projects.

Key issues dealt with by the Legal and Integrity Department during 2015 were:

#### **BROADCAST AGREEMENT**

During August, a significant portion of the department's resources were allocated towards the negotiation and drafting of the new Broadcast Rights agreements with Seven Network, News Limited and Telstra. As outlined in this Annual Report, the work on this matter laid the groundwork for the future of the AFL. →



## AFL ANTI-DOPING TRIBUNAL HEARINGS REGARDING ESSENDON FOOTBALL CLUB

The AFL Anti-Doping Tribunal hearing into 34 past and present Essendon players and a former support person concluded on February 17, 2015, after opening on December 15, 2014.

The 34 players faced infraction notices alleging they had used a prohibited substance, Thymosin Beta-4, during the 2012 season. The decision of the Tribunal was reserved at this time.

The Tribunal handed down its decision regarding the infraction notices against the 34 players on March 31, 2015, and published reasons for the decision.

The Tribunal was not comfortably satisfied that any player violated clause 11.2 of the AFL Anti-Doping Code.

On April 17, 2015, the AFL received the decision of the AFL Anti-Doping Tribunal in the matter of the former Essendon support person.

The Tribunal found that the former Essendon support person was guilty of 10 breaches of the AFL Anti-Doping Code.

The breaches include trafficking, attempting to traffic and complicity in matters related to a range of prohibited substances.

On July 26, 2015, the AFL was notified by AFL Anti-Doping Tribunal Chairman David Jones that the Tribunal had imposed a lifetime ban on the former Essendon support person for the breaches of the AFL Anti-Doping Code.

## WADA APPEAL TO THE COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT

On Tuesday, August 25, 2015, the World Anti-Doping Agency notified the AFL it was appealing the AFL Anti-Doping Tribunal decision made in relation to the Essendon Football Club players to the Court of Arbitration for Sport.

The Court of Arbitration for Sport hearing was held in Sydney from Monday, November 16, to Friday, November 20. On Tuesday, January 12, 2016, the Court of Arbitration for Sport ruled:

1. The appeal filed by the by the World Anti-Doping Agency on 8 May 2015 is upheld.
2. The decision rendered by the Australian Football League Anti-Doping Tribunal, 31 March 2015, is set aside.
3. Messrs Thomas Bellchambers, Alex Browne, Jake Carlisle, Travis Colyer, Alwyn Davey, Luke Davis, Corey

Dell'Olio, Ricky Dyson, Dustin Fletcher, Scott Gumbleton, Kyle Hardingham, Dyson Heppell, Michael Hibberd, David Hille, Heath Hocking, Cale Hooker, Ben Howlett, Michael Hurley, Leroy Jetta, Brendan Lee, Sam Lonergan, Nathan Lovett-Murray, Mark McVeigh, Jake Melksham, Angus Monfries, David Myers, Tayte Pears, Patrick Ryder, Henry Slattery, Brent Stanton, Ariel Steinberg, Jobe Watson, Stewart Crameri, and Brent Prismall (The "Players") are sanctioned with a period of ineligibility of two years commencing as of 31 March 2015. Any period of ineligibility, whether imposed on or voluntarily accepted by the Players before entry into force of this award, shall be credited against the total period of ineligibility to be served.

4. The costs of arbitration, to be determined and served to the parties by the CAS Court Office, shall be borne 75% by the players and 25% by the Australian Football League.
5. The Players and the AFL shall jointly contribute CHF 30,000 to the World Anti-Doping Agency for its legal fees and other expenses incurred in connection with these arbitration proceedings. The Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority shall bear its own legal costs and expenses incurred in connection with the present proceedings.
6. All other motions or prayers for relief are dismissed.

## LIST CONCESSIONS FOLLOWING SUSPENSION OF PLAYERS

As a result of the finding of the Court of Arbitration for Sport, AFL General Counsel Andrew Dillon (under authority delegated by the AFL Commission) determined the following list concessions for the 2016 season.

### Essendon Football Club – signing of players

Essendon was permitted to sign up to 10 players as Temporary Primary List Players on a short-term contract for the 2016 season.

### Unless otherwise approved by the General Counsel, the players must have been:

→ On an AFL list within the last two seasons.

→ On the Essendon VFL List.

Essendon will not retain list access rights to any of these players who go on to the primary list for the 2016 Toyota Premiership Season beyond October 31, 2016.

Payments made to these temporary players in 2016 will be included in the Essendon Total Player Payments.

If payments to the additional players cause Essendon to go above the TPP Limit, the club will be provided with an allowance for an amount equivalent to the amount it is over the TPP Limit.

Unless otherwise approved by the General Counsel, Essendon may not sign more than one player from the

same club (with the exception of Essendon VFL players).

The deadline for the signing of players was March 15, 2016.

As the additional temporary players will play the entire season with Essendon, they will be signed to similar contracts to the AFL Standard Playing Contract and will play with the Essendon VFL team if not selected by the AFL side.

At any time during 2016, Essendon is permitted to upgrade any rookie-listed player on a similar basis as if a suspended player was on the long-term injury list – noting that as with other clubs, Essendon may have a maximum of only 40 players available for senior selection at any time.

### Other clubs with suspended players

Melbourne, the Western Bulldogs, Port Adelaide and St Kilda are permitted to upgrade any rookie-listed player on a similar basis as if the relevant suspended players were on the long-term injury list.

Consideration was given to requests from the above-mentioned clubs for additional lists concessions, but the AFL determined it would not allow any extra players from outside the current player lists to be signed.

## OTHER ANTI-DOPING VIOLATIONS

### Ryan Crowley

On March 16, 2015, the AFL announced it had issued an infraction notice under the Anti-Doping Code against Fremantle player Ryan Crowley. Crowley had been issued the notice on October 1, 2014, arising from a failed match-day test after the club's round 17 match on July 13, 2014.

On June 11, 2015, the AFL Anti-Doping Tribunal found Crowley breached the AFL Anti-Doping Code and imposed a sanction of 12 months, starting on September 25, 2014, the date Crowley accepted a voluntary provisional suspension.

### Lachlan Keefe and Josh Thomas

On July 29, 2015, the AFL issued infraction notices to Lachlan Keefe and Josh Thomas of the Collingwood Football Club. The infraction notices arose from samples taken from Keefe and Thomas on February 10, 2015, which had both tested positive for the presence of a WADA-prohibited substance. The substance, clenbuterol, is not a specified substance on the AFL Anti-Doping prohibited list and as such the players were immediately provisionally suspended.

On November 4, 2015, Keefe and Thomas were formally advised in writing they would each receive a two-year ban after pleading guilty to a breach of the AFL Anti-Doping Code.

## ANTI-GAMBLING RULE VIOLATIONS

On March 30, 2015, the AFL announced it had concluded a number of matters relating to its Anti-Gambling Regulations, following an annual audit of all players, coaching and club staff across the competition.

Under the AFL's regulations, all registered persons with AFL clubs (players, coaches, board members, staff etc.) are prohibited from betting on AFL matches or events. The following decisions were reached:

### Jack Crisp, Collingwood listed player

Crisp was found to have bet on four contingencies totalling \$129 while a listed player at the Brisbane Lions. A financial sanction of \$5000 was imposed, given the player's full co-operation and contrition in dealing with this matter was taken into account and it was determined he would not face a playing suspension.

### AFL Score Review Official

A total of 62 bets totalling \$362 were placed from his account. He was found to have permitted another person to use his betting account, which was subsequently used to place bets on AFL matches without his knowledge. In consideration of the person's match-day role, his conduct was deemed unacceptable and he was not considered for employment at AFL matches during the 2015 season.

### Paul Brodie, GWS Giants recruiting assistant

On October 29, 2015, the AFL notified the GWS Giants that the AFL Competition Integrity Department had concluded its investigation on a matter involving a bet being placed in contravention of AFL rules by the club's recruiting assistant Paul Brodie.

The investigation found Brodie had breached AFL rules by placing a \$100 head-to-head multi bet on five round 19 matches, including one the GWS Giants were playing in.

The bet was successful, with a return of \$945, and was detected as part of pro-active monitoring of cash betting activities by the AFL.

The club and Brodie were advised he would be suspended from all duties for

the next 13 months within the AFL competition until December 1, 2016. Brodie will be required to reapply for registration as a club official at the end of that suspension period.

### Other major issues dealt with by AFL Legal and Integrity Department in 2015 included:

1. Assisting AFL Victoria with formulation of a statewide player points system as part of a broader Club Sustainability Program.
2. Assisting the Football Operations Department to review and revise the AFL Tribunal Guidelines and associated rules.
3. Negotiation and drafting of the agreement for the AFL to sell its shareholding in FoxSport Pulse (formerly SportingPulse) and in the drafting of a new licence agreement for the administration and management of community football competitions.
4. Grand Final Ticketing Scheme and related legislative requirements.
5. Active role on the committee for the Coalition of Major Professional & Participation Sports (COMPPS).
6. Accreditation terms and conditions for access for the AFL media industry.
7. Management of final year injury claims.
8. Continued work on the AFL's intellectual property portfolio, including finalising the dot.AFL domain name project.
9. Negotiating and drafting venue and funding agreements for various club training and administration bases – SCG, Gabba and the new Perth Stadium.
10. Updating the Australian Football Anti-Doping Policy to reflect changes in the WADA Code effective from January 1, 2015.

## 2015 NAB AFL DRAFT

The 2015 NAB AFL Draft was significantly different to previous years after the introduction of a new Father-Son and Academy bidding process. Previously, the Father-Son and Academy bidding draft was held before the Exchange Period.

The AFL introduced this new process as part of its equalisation philosophies.

In altering the rules, the AFL sought to offer incentives to clubs in Queensland and NSW to continue to develop players through their club academies and also



**NEW BOMBERS**  
Cats premiership players James Kelly (right) and Mathew Stokes (middle) were added as top-up players to the Bombers' 2016 list, joining Craig Bird (left) who was traded from the Swans.



preserve the historical significance of Father-Son selections, while ensuring the 'market value' is paid for draftees.

A Draft Value Index was introduced which allocates a points value to each draft selection.

In order to match a bid, the nominating club must pay the points value of the selection number of the bid by the other club. If during the draft another club bids for a nominated Father-Son or Academy player, the bid can be matched by the nominating club.

The pure Draft Value Index value is discounted by 20 per cent for selections 1-18 and by 197 points for all subsequent selections.

This may mean the use of several draft selections by the nominating club to acquire a nominated Father-Son or Academy player.

The nominating club does not have to match the bid and, if this occurs, the player is selected by the club which made the original bid.

Having used all selections with points value in any one year, a club may use

selections for the following year's draft to match a player, which will eventuate in a deficit being carried forward.

The deficit is limited by a guaranteed number of points and a club cannot match a bid if it exceeds the guaranteed points.

See table next page for the Father-Son and Academy players selected by matching during the National Draft.

A further two Academy players were not matched by their clubs and were selected by the bidding club:

- Josh Dunkley (Sydney Academy) selected by the Western Bulldogs with selection 25.
- Corey Wagner (Brisbane Academy) selected by North Melbourne with selection 43.

FREE AGENCY

Under the rules agreed to by the AFL and the AFLPA in February 2010, a total of 11 restricted free agents and 56 unrestricted free agents were eligible to consider their future options in 2015.



**PRIZE RECRUIT**  
In the biggest deal of the off-season, Patrick Dangerfield was traded to Geelong to be closer to family and friends after a stellar 2015 season with Adelaide.

RESTRICTED FREE AGENTS

- **Adelaide** – Patrick Dangerfield
- **Brisbane Lions** – Matthew Leuenberger
- **Carlton** – Matthew Kreuzer, Chris Judd
- **Essendon** – Tom Bellchambers
- **Geelong** – Tom Hawkins
- **Melbourne** – Colin Garland
- **St Kilda** – Jack Steven, Sam Gilbert, Sean Dempster
- **West Coast** – Scott Selwood

UNRESTRICTED FREE AGENTS

- **Adelaide** – Richard Douglas, Brodie Martin, Andy Otten, Brent Reilly, Scott Thompson
- **Brisbane Lions** – Jed Adcock
- **Carlton** – Dennis Armfield, Andrew Carrazzo, David Ellard
- **Collingwood** – Brent Macaffer
- **Essendon** – Courtenay Dempsey, Dustin Fletcher, Tayte Pears, Brent Stanton, Jason Winderlich
- **Fremantle** – Ryan Crowley, Paul Duffield, Michael Johnson, Luke McPharlin, Matthew Pavlich, Aaron Sandilands
- **Geelong** – Jimmy Bartel, Corey Enright, Steve Johnson, James Kelly, Andrew Mackie, Mathew Stokes, Dawson Simpson
- **Hawthorn** – Luke Hodge, Matthew Suckling, Brendan Whitecross
- **Melbourne** – Mark Jamar
- **North Melbourne** – Michael Firrito, Brent Harvey, Nathan Grima, Scott McMahon, Drew Petrie, Robbie Tarrant
- **Port Adelaide** – Kane Cornes, Tom Logan (rookie)
- **Richmond** – Nathan Foley, Chris Newman, Alex Rance
- **St Kilda** – Sam Fisher, Adam Schneider (rookie)
- **Sydney Swans** – Adam Goodes, Heath Grundy, Ted Richards
- **West Coast** – Sam Butler, Patrick McGinnity, Beau Waters
- **Western Bulldogs** – Matthew Boyd, Jarrad Grant, Dale Morris, Robert Murphy, Easton Wood

FREE AGENCY MOVEMENT

	2015/ 2016	2014/ 2015	2013/ 2014	2012/ 2013
RESTRICTED	2	1	4	4
UNRESTRICTED	2	4	3	6
DELISTED	4	7	8	4
TOTAL	8	12	15	14



ADAM TRELOAR



JACK SILVAGNI

PLAYER MOVEMENT

	2015/2016	2014/2015	2013/2014	2012/2013	2011/2012
DELISTED/RETIRED	75	85	99	75	85
Trades	42	19	27	28	29
Players	40	24	28	29	28
EXCHANGED/TRADED	103	40	38	41	44
– Including Future Selections	14	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
– Including On-Trades	32	12	7	16	15
PROMOTED ROOKIES	14	22	23	24	13
NATIONAL DRAFT	70/89	76/87	62/74	70/83	75/83
First Drafted	68	76	62	68	71
PRE-SEASON DRAFT	0/12	1/12	1/12	8/15	5/11
ROOKIE DRAFT	64/72	64/76	54/69	44/65	79/96
First Drafted	43	45	39	32	
RETAINED ROOKIES	42	36	37	50	41

FATHER-SON AND ACADEMY PLAYERS

Name	Player Category	Bid Team	Match Team	Bid	Points Value	Selections Matched	Selections Received
Callum Mills	Academy	Melbourne	Sydney Swans	3	2234	33, 36, 37, 43	3, 58, 65, 66
Jacob Hopper	Academy	Gold Coast	GWS Giants	7	1644	11	7
Matthew Kennedy	Academy	Richmond	GWS Giants	13	2323	34, 40	13, 61
Eric Hipwood	Academy	Richmond	Brisbane Lions	14	1161	36, 37	14, 39
Harrison Himmelberg	Academy	Adelaide	GWS Giants	16	1067	48, 50, 53, 59	16, 61, 64, 71
Ben Keays	Academy	Western Bulldogs	Brisbane Lions	24	785	38, 39	24, 46
Matthew Flynn	Academy	Melbourne	GWS Giants	41	412	57, 58	41, 60
Bailey Rice	Father-Son	Richmond	St Kilda	49	287	61	49
Jack Silvagni	Father-Son	Essendon	Carlton	53	233	54, 85	53, 57

FREE AGENTS EXERCISING THEIR RIGHTS

A total of four players elected to exercise their free agent rights and change clubs for the 2016 season:

- Matthew Leuenberger (*Brisbane Lions to Essendon*)
- Scott Selwood (*West Coast to Geelong*)
- Matthew Suckling (*Hawthorn to Western Bulldogs*)
- Dawson Simpson (*Geelong to GWS Giants*)

A further four *delisted* players took advantage of the Free Agency Rules allowing them to move to the club of their choice:

- Jarrad Grant (*Western Bulldogs to Gold Coast*)
- Daniel Gorringe (*Gold Coast to Carlton*)
- Andrew Moore (*Port Adelaide to Richmond*)
- Matthew Wright (*Adelaide to Carlton*)

EXCHANGE PERIOD

The trading of future years' draft selections was introduced in the 2015 Exchange Period under the following conditions:

- During the Exchange Period, clubs are now permitted to exchange National Draft selections in both the coming National Draft and the following year's National Draft (one year in advance).
- Clubs may only trade away future first-round selections with the approval of the club's board.
- Where in the preceding four National Drafts a club has taken less than two first-round selections, a club may not, without the permission of the AFL, trade away a first-round draft selection (provided that this limitation is based on the net of first-round selections coming in and out during the relevant Exchange Period).

- A club may not trade a future first-round selection in addition to a future selection from the same National Draft (provided this limitation is based on the net result of selections traded in and out in each round during the relevant Exchange Period).
  - > For example, a club cannot trade a future first round and future third round selection from the same year, but can trade a future second and third round selection.
  - > If a club has traded in a future third round selection, it can then trade a future first and third round selection out as the third round selections will net off.
  - > For the avoidance of doubt, the definition of first-round selection in this determination does not include an end of first-round compensation selection.



A total of 40 players and 103 draft selections (of which 14 were future selections and 32 were on-traded) were traded during the AFL Exchange Period.

- The following players were traded:**
- Dean Gore (*Geelong*), Curtly Hampton (*GWS Giants*), Troy Menzel (*Carlton*), Paul Seedsman (*Collingwood*) to Adelaide.
  - Ryan Bastinac (*North Melbourne*), Tom Bell (*Carlton*), Jarrad Jansen (*Geelong*), Josh Walker (*Geelong*) to the Brisbane Lions.
  - Sam Kerridge (*Adelaide*), Jed Lamb, Andrew Phillips, Lachie Plowman, Liam Sumner (*all GWS Giants*) to Carlton.
  - James Aish (*Brisbane Lions*), Jeremy Howe (*Melbourne*), Adam Treloar (*GWS Giants*) to Collingwood.
  - Craig Bird (*Sydney*) to Essendon.
  - Harley Bennell (*Gold Coast*) to Fremantle.
  - Patrick Dangerfield (*Adelaide*), Lachie Henderson (*Carlton*), Zac Smith (*Gold Coast*) to Geelong.
  - Daniel Currie (*North Melbourne*), Matt Rosa (*West Coast*) to Gold Coast.
  - Steve Johnson (*Geelong*) to GWS Giants.
  - Jack Fitzpatrick (*Melbourne*) to Hawthorn.
  - Tomas Bugg (*GWS Giants*), Ben Kennedy (*Collingwood*), Jake Melksham (*Essendon*) to Melbourne.
  - Jed Anderson (*Hawthorn*) to North Melbourne.
  - Charlie Dixon (*Gold Coast*), Jimmy Toumpas (*Melbourne*) to Port Adelaide.
  - Chris Yarran (*Carlton*), Jacob Townsend (*GWS Giants*) to Richmond.
  - Jake Carlisle (*Essendon*), Nathan Freeman (*Collingwood*) to St Kilda.
  - Michael Talia (*Western Bulldogs*), Callum Sinclair (*West Coast*) to Sydney.
  - Jonathan Giles (*Essendon*), Lewis Jetta (*Sydney*), Jack Redden (*Brisbane Lions*) to West Coast.

ROOKIES

In addition to 68 first-time drafted players being selected at the NAB AFL Draft, 14 rookies were promoted by clubs to their Primary List.

As well as 64 players being selected at the Rookie Draft (of which 43 were first-time drafted), 42 rookies were retained on the Rookie List by clubs.



**GUIDING HAND**  
The Giants added Norm Smith medallist Steve Johnson to provide class and experience to their developing list.

2015 TPP SUMMARY

The Total Player Payment limit per club increased 4.6 per cent in 2015, from \$173.4 million in 2014 to \$188.9 million, while gross player payments increased by six per cent from \$188.0 million in 2014 to \$200.2 million.

The Additional Services limit per club for the provision of marketing services by players increased by three per cent from \$963,000 to \$992,000 and the amount spent on these services by clubs increased by 14.7 per cent, from \$16.25 million in 2014 to \$18.64 million.

In addition to these amounts, players earned \$1.7 million from employment and marketing arrangements with associates of clubs.

Taking into account the \$200.2 million in gross player payments, \$18.64 million in

additional services agreements and \$1.7 million from employment and marketing arrangements with associates of the clubs, the total earned by players in 2015 was \$220.54 million, an increase of 6.6 per cent on the 2014 total of \$206.85 million.

The average payment by clubs for a listed player in 2015 was \$302,104, an increase of 6.7 per cent over 2014.

**One club was sanctioned during 2015 for breaching the AFL Player List rules:**

- Collingwood was sanctioned \$5000 for breaching the List Lodgement Rules by failing to lodge forms relating to list changes. Collingwood fully co-operated in the matter and this and other mitigating factors, including that the breach was an administrative error, not intentional and the club's good record were taken into account regarding the sanction.

2005-2015 SUMMARY OF AFL PLAYER EARNINGS

Earnings	2005 Played	2006 Played	2007 Played	2008 Played	2009 Played	2010 Played	2011 Played	2011 Listed	2012 Played	2012 Listed	2013 Played	2013 Listed	2014 Played	2014 Listed	2015 Played	2015 Listed
\$0 – \$60,000	47	34	24	10	9	9	9	31	1	21	0	9	0	2	0	1
\$60,001 – \$100,000	119	99	92	90	80	67	75	114	71	120	48	109	33	90	17	65
\$100,001 – \$200,000	183	198	177	168	156	153	180	186	187	199	203	213	177	198	163	188
\$200,001 – \$300,000	101	109	134	142	151	158	162	166	166	170	148	156	136	147	143	153
\$300,001 – \$400,000	47	57	60	77	85	91	92	94	103	104	114	115	125	128	124	131
\$400,001 – \$500,000	21	30	35	39	37	45	53	53	58	60	64	64	75	76	84	85
\$500,001 – \$600,000	18	10	13	18	16	9	17	20	25	25	22	22	31	32	44	44
\$600,001 – \$700,000	7	7	5	3	6	8	10	10	11	12	19	19	26	26	18	21
\$700,001 – \$800,000	1	0	3	5	3	2	3	3	4	4	10	10	10	10	21	21
\$800,001 – \$900,000	3	4	2	-	2	2	4	4	1	1	7	7	6	6	3	3
\$900,001 – \$1,000,000	-	1	-	-	2	4	1	1	1	1	-	-	2	2	2	2
\$1,000,001 – \$1,100,000	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	4	4	-	-	2	2	2	2
\$1,100,001 – \$1,200,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-
\$1,200,001 +	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	4	4	3	3	-	-	2	2
TOTAL	547	549	546	554	547	548	608	684	636	725	640	729	623	719	623	718

NB: Details listed under heading "Played" relates only to Primary listed Players who participated in at least one senior match during the season. Details listed under heading "Listed" includes all Primary Listed Players. Earnings are Total Player Earnings including ASA's.

2005-2015 AFL TOTAL PLAYER EARNINGS

	2005 \$	2006 \$	2007 \$	2008 \$	2009 \$	2010 \$	2011 \$	2012 \$	2013 \$	2014 \$	2015 \$	Movement % 2014-2015
GROSS PLAYER PAYMENTS ("GPP")	110,960,485	114,215,259	121,340,818	128,847,606	134,146,837	136,698,418	153,699,344	173,717,042	181,560,623	188,944,174	200,199,169	5.96%
Deductions:												
Finals/Relocation & Living & other Allowances	2,096,184	1,816,889	2,242,291	2,137,838	1,891,522	2,130,159	2,060,463	2,044,477	2,274,355	2,060,850	2,069,108	0.40%
Cost of Living and Expansion Allowances	1,291,500	1,175,574	680,488	728,263	753,988	779,100	804,825	1,722,326	1,791,219	3,047,944	2,357,048	-22.67%
Veterans' allowance	5,326,653	5,014,770	5,137,978	4,843,849	4,814,190	4,614,162	5,361,045	6,239,064	7,886,536	6,560,023	6,959,232	6.09%
Other deductions	338,705	941,007	2,082,388	2,379,364	2,561,369	2,296,275	3,921,152	4,663,352	4,303,195	4,032,375	4,790,648	18.80%
Underspend from Previous Years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,841,576	N/A
Total deductions	9,053,042	8,948,240	10,143,145	10,089,314	10,021,069	9,819,696	12,147,485	14,669,219	16,255,304	15,701,193	18,017,612	14.75%
PLAYER PAYMENTS LESS DEDUCTIONS	101,907,443	105,267,019	111,197,673	118,758,292	124,125,768	126,878,722	141,686,376	159,047,825	165,305,319	173,242,981	182,181,452	5.16%
Injury Allowance	4,332,000	4,836,000	4,936,629	5,684,600	6,403,200	5,572,800	3,107,594	2,551,693	2,060,007	1,597,906	2,609,871	63.33%
GROSS PLAYER PAYMENTS LESS INJURY ALLOWANCE	97,575,443	100,431,019	106,261,044	113,073,692	117,722,568	121,305,922	138,578,782	156,496,132	163,245,312	171,645,075	179,571,581	4.62%
TPP LIMIT	100,800,000	103,564,992	111,100,000	118,900,000	123,100,000	127,200,000	139,612,500	158,172,750	164,499,660	173,382,660	181,284,120	4.56%
Gross Player Payments less Injury Allowance	97,575,443	100,431,019	106,261,044	113,073,692	117,722,568	121,305,922	138,578,782	156,496,132	163,245,312	171,645,075	179,571,581	4.62%
Margin/(Excess)	3,224,557	3,133,973	4,838,956	5,826,308	5,377,432	5,894,078	1,033,718	1,676,618	1,254,348	1,737,585	1,712,539	-1.44%
Additional Services Agreements (ASA's)	6,071,450	6,579,394	6,725,773	7,440,463	7,692,843	8,128,960	9,191,723	10,398,625	13,874,676	16,237,924	18,638,497	14.78%
Average Gross Player Earnings (including ASA's)**	Listed \$187,251	Listed \$192,962	Listed \$203,280	Listed \$213,953	Listed \$221,482	Listed \$226,165	Listed \$237,388	Listed \$251,559	Listed \$265,179	Listed \$283,029	Listed \$302,104	6.74%
	Played \$204,271	Played \$208,104	Played \$218,560	Played \$233,281	Played \$241,436	Played \$249,239	Played \$253,795	Played \$272,074	Played \$288,212	Played \$306,841	Played \$324,643	5.80%

\*\* Average Gross Player Earnings ("AGPE")  
The AGPE is a result of the payments (GPP plus ASA's) made to Primary Listed and Pre-Season Nominated Rookies only (grouped as "Primary Listed").  
Played figure is the AGPE for those Primary Listed players who played games divided by number of Primary Listed players who played.  
Listed figure is the AGPE divided by the number of Primary Listed players.  
Underspend from Previous Years was introduced for Season 2015.