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Dear Ms Howkins

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## Freedom of Information Act 2000: Tobacco tax revenue and gambling duty and VAT revenues

Thank you for your enquiry of 17 March 2018, which we have considered under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOI Act).

You asked for the following information:

*"In 2006 smoking inside in public places was banned, as a result a lot of people turned to Vaping / stopped going to Public House etc.  
As a result I would like the below question answered  
1 What is the revenue income figure from smoking figures VAT and Duty for the financial year end 05 April 2006 and every year there on.  
2 How many Public Houses have closed since 2006 and how much revenue VAT and Duty been lost in this year on year figures  
3 What are the VAT and Duty returns on gambling since 2006.  
How much revenue in Duty and VAT is received from on line gambling, arcades, betting shops When does the Government intent on reviewing the Gambling Laws and make online gambling harder and reduce the effect on the public as opposed to used it as source to collect the loss revenue from the smoking ban"*

We can confirm that HM Treasury does not hold information within the scope of your request.

However, information on tobacco and gambling duty receipts is published online by HM Revenue and Customs at:

<https://www.uktradeinfo.com/Statistics/Pages/TaxAndDutybulletins.aspx>

In relation to your third question, gambling is exempt from VAT; and we can confirm that the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport is responsible for gambling regulation.

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Yours sincerely

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