

Miner to Keep Digging for Gold Despite \$12.5M Casino Win

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Despite winning more than \$12.5 million at a casino, a [Nevada](#) miner plans to keep digging for gold.

Efren Aguirre tells the Elko Daily Free Press (<http://bit.ly/1ZLnsPg>) that he loves his job as rock breaker operator in a gold mine and doesn't intend to quit. The 64-year-old resident of Elko hit the jackpot on a slot machine last week.

Aguirre says he came to the U.S. from [Mexico](#) for "more money," but this wasn't what he expected.

He has worked at [Newmont Mining](#) Corp.'s Leeville mine for 16 years. He says he decided to go to the casino after a shift on March 22.

Aguirre says he and his wife of 44 years bought their dream house in Elko and will put away most of the remaining money for a rainy day.

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