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If you enjoy saying, “Baby needs a new pair of shoes!” then you probably like gambling. You do not need to fly to Las Vegas or Atlantic City to gamble. There are enough casinos in the Greater Cincinnati area and nearby Indiana and Kentucky. Would you rather spend your money on airfare or gambling within driving distance of your home? Find a casino that is easy to get to and roll the dice!

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## OHIO

### Belterra Park Gaming & Entertainment

6301 Kellogg Ave., Anderson Township; [belterrapark.com](http://belterrapark.com) .

This park’s gambling options include simulcast and live thoroughbred racing, over 1,300 slot machines, Ohio Lottery and progressive jackpots. The park offers its Boyd Rewards program for VIPs. They have three restaurants: Burger Brothers, Chef’s Table at Favorites and Stadium Sports Bar & Grill – which offers live entertainment on select Friday nights. There is also Club 38, a private bar for VIP members. Their hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4 a.m. daily.

### Hard Rock Casino Cincinnati

1000 Broadway St., Downtown; [hardrockcasinocincinnati.com](http://hardrockcasinocincinnati.com) .

This casino offers over 1,600 slot machines, 85 table games and a World Series Poker Room. They offer Hard Rock Wild Card Rewards, a four-tier VIP program. The casino is home to several eateries: Brick’d Pizza, Council Oak Steaks & Seafood, Hard Rock Cafe Bar, Starbucks and YouYu. Live entertainment is offered at the Hard Rock Cafe every Friday and Saturday night.

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Each month, concerts are held in the Hard Rock Events Center drawing national recording artists such as Kenny Loggins and Earth, Wind & Fire. On Jan. 1, 2023, the Hard Rock Sportsbook will open inside the casino, adjacent to Hard Rock Cafe. The casino is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

### Miami Valley Gaming

6000 Ohio 63, Lebanon; [miamivalleygaming.com](https://miamivalleygaming.com) .

The casino has 1,900 gaming machines. Miami Valley Gaming also has a harness racing track and offers simulcast and seasonal live horse racing. They offer an MVG Club for VIPs. Miami Valley Gaming has four restaurants: Cin City Sea & Steak, Trifecta Eater, Lucia Italian and Route 63 Comfort Classics. The latter two restaurants are new. They occasionally offer live music and other entertainment. The casino is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

## INDIANA

### Belterra Casino Resort

777 Belterra Drive, Florence; [belterracasino.com](https://belterracasino.com) .

It takes around 45 minutes to drive from Cincinnati to Belterra. The casino is on a riverboat that has over 900 slot machines, 25 table games, 12 electronic table games, FanDuel Sportsbook and progressive jackpots. Belterra offers its Boyd Rewards program for VIPs. They have five restaurants: 19 Steak & Seafood, Bel-Bistro, Nosh, Out of Bounds Bar & Grill and Stadium Sports Bar & Grill. There is also Club 38, a private bar for VIP members.

The resort has a hotel with over 600 guest rooms. It has an outdoor pool and tiki bar with a cabana. The resort has a golf course designed by Tom Fazio. Belterra hosts concerts and other live entertainment. Some events are free and others charge admission. The casino is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

### Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg

777 Hollywood Boulevard, Lawrenceburg; [hollywoodindiana.com](https://hollywoodindiana.com) .

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This casino is about a 30-minute drive from Cincinnati. The casino's options include 1,380 slot machines, 62 table games, the Poker Room, and Barstool Sportsbook. Hollywood offers its mychoice promotions program for VIPs. They have four eateries: Barstool Sportsbook & Restaurant, Final Cut Steakhouse, Hollywood & Grind and the Eatery by Fabio Viviani.

Hollywood Casino offers live entertainment: Boogie Nights Dance Club, Hollywood on the Roof Lineup, Lawrenceburg Event Center, Midget Wrestling Warriors, Roots and Boots, and Saturday Night Live at the LEC. The casino has the Hollywood Casino Hotel, which has 295 guest rooms and offers free Wi-Fi and gym access. The casino is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

### Rising Star Casino

777 Rising Star Drive, Rising Sun; [risingstarcasino.com](http://risingstarcasino.com).

It takes around 50 minutes to drive from Cincinnati to Rising Star. The casino has 622 slot machines, 16 table games and Sportsbook gambling. They have a variety of denominations for video poker, reel machines and video reel machines. Rising Star offers its Rising Star VIP Club. The resort has four eateries: Ben's Bistro, Coffee Bar, Jack's Deli and Wellington's. They offer live entertainment at two on-site locations: Grand Theater, which hosts famous entertainers, and Anchor Lounge, which hosts local and regional entertainers. There are two on-site hotels, the Rising Star Casino Hotel and the Lodge, which together have a total of 294 guest rooms. They offer an indoor pool, hot tub, sauna, fitness center and breakfast, which is included with the resort fee.

Rising Star also has a full-service RV Park that includes private bathrooms, showers, washers, dryers, WiFi and access to their indoor swimming pool. Rising Star has a ferry service that connects Rising Sun to Rabbit Hash, Kentucky, from Thursday through Sunday. Ferry hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday and Sunday, and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. They also have the Links Golf Course, a Scottish links-style golf course, which is open daily – weather permitting. The casino is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

## KENTUCKY

### Newport Racing & Games

1723 Monmouth St., Newport; [newportrg.com](http://newportrg.com).

This case has 500 Historical Racing Machines (HRMs) and simulcasts horse racing. Newport Racing & Games offers its Players Club for VIPs. The casino has an eatery, Smiley's Bar & Grille. They offer free live entertainment, usually concerts, on Friday nights. They open at 10 a.m. every day and close at 2 a.m. from Sunday through Thursday, and at 4 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

## Turfway Park Racing & Gaming

7500 Turfway Road Florence; [turfway.com](https://turfway.com) .

The park is currently closed but is scheduled to reopen this September. Turfway will have approximately 1,000 Historical Racing Machines (HRMs). They will also offer live thoroughbred horse racing, simulcast wagering, several restaurant venues, a VIP Lounge and a multi-purpose event center. Hours of operation for Turfway have yet to be determined.

## ANYWHERE

### Bovada Online Casino

This website allows for gaming online from home or wherever you are. On Bovada, gamblers can bet on sports and horse races. You can also play poker, blackjack, roulette and other games. There are live dealer games, too. Info: [bovada.lv/casino](https://bovada.lv/casino) .

## Casino Party Experts

This company brings Las Vegas-themed casino parties to their customers' places of choice. Their rental service offers professional casino-quality tables, casino dealers, casino decor, photo booths, DJs, chips, cards and dice. Their customers include individuals, groups and organizations. Some customers use the casino parties as fundraising activities. Info: [casinopartycincinnati.com](https://casinopartycincinnati.com)

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