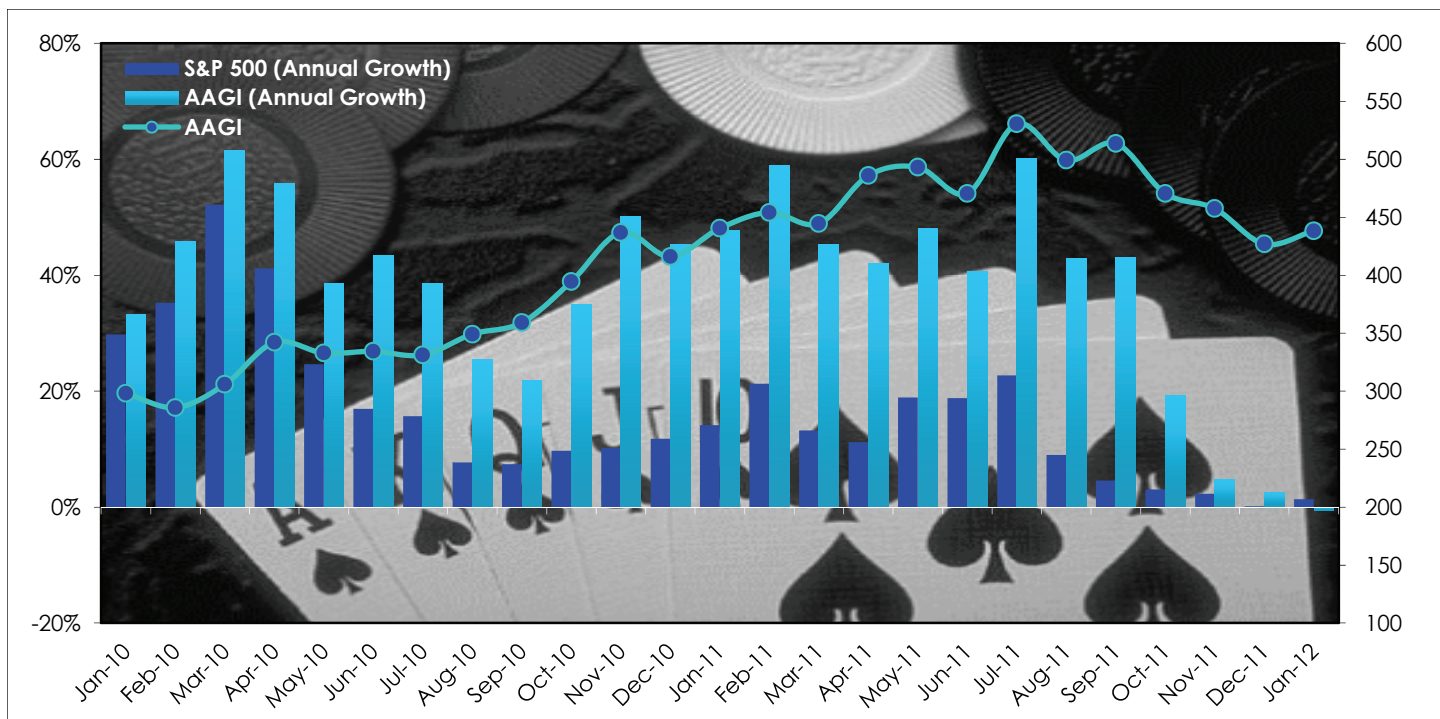


AAGI	Stock Price - Daily Average			Prior Period % Change	Prior Year % Change	Contribution to Index
	Jan-12	Dec-11	Jan-11			
MGM Resorts International (MGM)	\$12.29	\$9.86	\$15.60	24.65 ▲	(21.19) ▼	2.09
Las Vegas Sands (LVS)	\$46.23	\$43.28	\$47.14	6.83 ▲	(1.93) ▼	8.90
Wynn Resorts, Ltd. (WYNN)	\$113.70	\$109.96	\$116.23	3.41 ▲	(2.17) ▼	(0.64)
Boyd Gaming (BYD)	\$8.22	\$6.62	\$11.50	24.15 ▲	(28.53) ▼	0.16
Penn National Gaming, Inc. (PENN)	\$40.18	\$36.78	\$35.28	9.23 ▲	13.86 ▲	1.06
Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. (PNK)	\$10.56	\$9.79	\$14.47	7.81 ▲	(27.01) ▼	0.05
Ameristar Casinos, Inc. (ASCA)	\$19.02	\$17.76	\$15.49	7.09 ▲	22.82 ▲	0.07
International Game Technology (IGT)	\$16.75	\$16.53	\$18.25	1.31 ▲	(8.21) ▼	(0.38)
WMS Industries (WMS)	\$21.21	\$19.82	\$45.29	6.98 ▲	(53.18) ▼	0.14
Bally Technologies, Inc. (BYI)	\$40.94	\$37.76	\$42.19	8.41 ▲	(2.97) ▼	0.43
Increase (Decrease) to Index						11.87
AAGI - December 2011						426.90
AAGI - January 2012						438.77

Gaming operators and manufacturers all posted positive gains in their stock performances during the first month of the new year. While the majority of contributors to the Applied Analysis Gaming Index (AAGI) reported stock prices below the same month of the prior year, strong gains in the past month pressed the composite index north. The AAGI increased by 11.87 points, or 2.8 percent, during January 2012 as compared to the final month of 2011. The S&P 500 (when computed on a similar basis) posted a 4.6-percent increase from the preceding month. Compared to the same month of the prior year, the broader market gauge was up 1.4 percent, while the AAGI dipped by 0.4 percent year-over-year.

Much of the pricing improvements in the gaming sector were sourced to greater profitability expectations rolling into the upcoming earnings report season, broader equities market performances and a modest bump associated with stronger-than-expected gross domestic product (GDP) results in China.

MGM Resorts International (MGM) and Boyd Gaming (BYD) were standouts during the past month, both reporting double-digit gains in their daily average stock price. The two Las Vegas-based gaming companies have lagged performances reported by operators with a varied and international asset portfolio during the past two years. Investor speculation suggests increased value has been assigned to the two Vegas-centric organizations – one catering primarily to a diverse tourist market and the other focused on local and regional residents within the markets in which they compete. While the operating environment remains somewhat fragile, increased stability in the market provides a strong foundation from which operators will be measured going forward.



The following highlights other relevant industry events during the first month of 2012.

- **Sands China Visitation Up** – According to media reports, Sands China noted visitation to its Macau resorts increased by 5 to 6 percent during the New Year holiday, bringing the count to more than one million during the weeklong celebration. The Venetian Macao property reportedly attracted 750,000 visitors, with Sands Macao and Plaza Macao reporting 160,000 and 150,000 visitors, respectively.
- **Earnings Report Season** – The following highlights timing for upcoming earnings reports and conference calls to discuss results.

Company	Ticker	Release	Conference Call
Ameristar Casinos	ASCA	Wed., February 1, 2012 (AM)	11:00 AM ET
Las Vegas Sands	LVS	Wed., February 1, 2012 (PM)	4:30 PM ET
Bally Technologies	BYI	Wed., February 1, 2012 (PM)	4:30 PM ET
Penn National Gaming	PENN	Thurs., February 2, 2012 (AM)	10:00 AM ET
Wynn Resorts, Ltd.	WYNN	Thurs., February 2, 2012 (PM)	4:30 PM ET
Boyd Gaming	BYD	Tues., February 21, 2012 (AM)	12:00 PM ET
MGM Resorts International	MGM	Wed., February 22, 2012 (AM)	11:00 AM ET

- **Massachusetts Gaming Opportunity** – In addition to Wynn Resorts' (WYNN) proposed Massachusetts investment, a number of other players continue to seek out gaming opportunities in the state. During January 2012, MGM Resorts International (MGM) executed an arrangement to acquire approximately 150 acres of developable property in Brimfield, Massachusetts for a proposed facility. Additionally, Ameristar Casinos (ASCA) closed on a 41-acre site in Springfield, Massachusetts. Mohegan Sun also continues to pursue a development opportunity in Palmer.
- **Debt and Equity Transactions** – MGM Resorts International (MGM) issued \$850 million in 8.525-percent senior notes due in 2019. MGM expects to use the net proceeds to repay a portion of its existing debt. Sands China Ltd. announced its first dividend, with an expected payout on February 28, 2012. The dividend, estimated at 58 Hong Kong cents per share, was deemed appropriate by management as the company "has determined that it has sufficient reserves, after the payment of this interim dividend, to finance its operations and the expansion of its business, including the development of additional integrated resorts."
- **Wynn Resorts Stockholder Dispute** – While not particularly insightful to the upcoming financial report for Wynn Resorts, Ltd. (WYNN), the international casino company appears to be battling with a key stockholder, Kazuo Okada. Accusations regarding the appropriateness of company expenditures and access to financial record are allegedly being reported, while WYNN representatives suggest other reasons for the spat (and subsequent legal wrangling). Wynn Resorts (WYNN) recently requested a dismissal of the claims by Okada. No movement has taken place as of the release of this summary.

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The Applied Analysis team updates over 300 market variables and economic indicators on a monthly basis. One set of those indicators is the stock prices and market capitalization for publicly traded, gaming-related enterprises. To meet the needs of our clients and provide some insight into the gaming sector of our local economy, our team has developed the Applied Analysis Gaming Index (AAGI). The AAGI is a monthly gauge on equity valuations of ten major gaming related companies, comprised of seven operators and three manufacturers of machines and equipment.

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