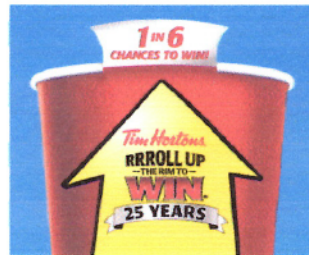


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Roll Up The Rim Problem

Question:

How much revenue was made at this Tim Horton's when the photo was taken?



Answer:

To solve this problem, I need to find out how many coffees were sold at Tim Hortons, and then multiply that by the average price of a coffee.

The cup says there is a 1 in 6 chance of winning. That means, for every 6 coffees purchased, there is 1 winner, and 5 losers. Since there were 10 702 winning coffees, I need to multiply 10 702 by 6 to find the total number of coffees purchased.

$$10\,702 \times 6 = 64\,212$$

∴ a total of 64 212 coffees were purchased.

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Now that I have the total number of purchased coffees, I can calculate the total revenue by multiplying it by the average price of a hot coffee at Tim Hortons.

I will add all of the prices from each coffee and size, and divide by the number of prices.

$$1.34 + 1.59 + 1.74 + 1.96 + 1.71 + 2.00 + 2.29 + 2.52 + 1.38 + 1.62 + 1.86 + 2.05 + 1.95 + 2.24 + 2.52 + 2.76 + 2.00 + 2.59 + 3.29 + 2.25 + 2.84 + 3.54 + 2.60 + 3.19 + 3.89 \div 25 = \$2.31$$

To find this total revenue, I need to multiply the total number of coffees purchased by the average price of a coffee.

$$\text{Coffee sales} = 64\,212 \text{ cups} \times \$2.31/\text{cup} = \$148\,329.72$$

$$\text{Sales Tax (HST 13\%)} = \$148\,329.72 \times 0.13 = \$19\,282.86$$

$$\text{Total coffee revenue} = \$148\,329.72 + \$19\,282.86 = \$167\,612.58$$

Final Answer

∴ the total revenue from coffee sales that was made at this Tim Hortons, including sales tax, was approximately \$168 000.

Assumptions

- The prize winning coffees were all purchased and redeemed at this location.
- Every type and size of hot coffee was equally likely to be purchased. This is why an average selling price of all coffees and sizes was used.