

TRUMP HOTELS & CASINO RESORTS INC
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 11-K
ANNUAL REPORT

Pursuant to Section 15 (d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
for the year ended December 31, 2000

TRUMP SAVINGS PLAN
(Full title of the Plan)

TRUMP HOTELS AND CASINO RESORTS, INC.
(Name of Issuer of the securities held pursuant to the Plan)

1000 Boardwalk
Atlantic City, New Jersey 08401
(Address of principal executive office)

TRUMP SAVINGS PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999
TOGETHER WITH AUDITORS' REPORT

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To the Benefits Committee of the Trump Savings Plan:

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the Trump Savings Plan (the "Plan") as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2000. These financial statements and the schedule referred to below are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2000, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedule of assets held for investment purposes is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. The supplemental schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

Roseland, New Jersey
June 4, 2001

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STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

2000

1999

ASSETS

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Investments	\$ 76,410,029	\$ 77,989,517
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RECEIVABLES:		
Employer contribution	51,930	-
Participant contributions	233,881	141,821
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Total receivables	285,811	141,821
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ACCRUED DIVIDENDS	526,246	-
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OTHER	281,587	598,641
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Net assets available for benefits	\$ 77,503,673	\$ 78,729,979
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The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

ADDITIONS:

Additions to net assets attributed to-

Investment income-		
Interest income		\$ 669,315

Dividend income		3,924,460

		4,593,775
Contributions-		-----
Participant		6,509,403
Employer, net of forfeitures		1,874,621
Rollover		239,773
Transfers from related plans		236,303

		8,860,100

Total additions		13,453,875

Deductions-

Deductions from net assets attributed to-		
Net depreciation in fair value of investments		7,787,752
Benefits paid to participants		6,809,519

Administrative expenses		82,910

Total deductions		14,680,181

Net decrease		(1,226,306)

NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:

Beginning of year		78,729,979

End of year		\$ 77,503,673

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The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT
ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements of the Trump Savings Plan (the "Plan") have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Plan Expenses

Expenses related to the administration of the Plan have been paid by Trump Plaza Associates (the "Plan Sponsor"), Trump Casino Services, L.L.C. and Trump Indiana Inc. (collectively the "Companies"). The Companies pay all administrative expenses of the Plan, except for the administrative costs of mutual funds and loan processing fees. The Companies costs represent trustee fees and professional services and amounted to approximately \$46,000 in 2000.

Investments

The investments included in the statements of net assets available for benefits are stated at market value. Market value is the unit valuation of the security at the plan year-end as determined by The Chicago Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan (the "Trustee"). Accounting records are maintained on the accrual basis, investment transactions are recorded on the trade date basis and gains and losses are calculated based upon an aggregate participant cost that is maintained on an average unit cost basis.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of net assets and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan provides for various investment options in investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in risks

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in the near term could materially affect participant's account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

2. PLAN DESCRIPTION

The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

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DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

General

The Plan is a 401(k) Savings Plan, which was established by the Plan Sponsor and became effective on January 1, 1997. All full or part-time non-union employees become eligible for participation in the Plan on the enrollment date immediately following the completion of 12 months of service and the attainment of age 18. In addition, union employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement that provides for participation in the Plan may enroll upon meeting the same requirements as non-union employees.

The Plan is administered by a committee appointed by the Plan Sponsor (the "Plan Administrator"). The Chicago Trust Company was appointed as the trustee of the Plan by the Plan Administrator.

Contributions

Participants

Non-highly compensated participants, as defined, are eligible to voluntarily contribute to the Plan up to 20% of their annual compensation, as defined. Highly compensated participants, as defined, are eligible to voluntarily contribute to the Plan up to 7% of their annual compensation, as defined. Tax deferred contributions are subject to a limit by the Internal Revenue Code. The 2000 limit was \$10,500 per participant. Contributions to the Plan are invested by the Trustee, as designated by the participant, in increments of 5%.

Plan Sponsor

The Plan Sponsor contributes to the Plan 50% of each participant's contributions, not to exceed 3% of the participant's annual compensation, as defined. Plan Sponsor contributions are allocated between funds as determined by the employee.

Participant Rollovers

The Plan permits eligible participants, as defined, to rollover cash or other property acceptable to the Plan Administrator from another qualified plan in addition to qualified voluntary participant contributions.

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Distributions to Participants

Each participant has a fully vested interest in the amount of his or her contributions together with the allocable Plan earnings. Contributions from the Plan Sponsor vest based on the vesting schedule described below. The full value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account in the Plan will be distributed upon termination of the participant's employment. The normal form of payment is by lump sum; however, if a participant's vested benefit from all contributions exceeds \$5,000, a participant has the right to receive payment in equal periodic monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual installments over a period not to exceed ten years.

A participant may also withdraw all or part of his or her account upon attainment of age 59-1/2 or financial hardship, as defined in the Plan.

Upon termination of employment prior to eligibility for retirement, a participant is eligible to receive the vested balance in his or her account. There were no payments due to participants who have requested to withdraw their funds prior to December 31, 2000 or 1999.

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Vesting

Voluntary contributions are fully vested at all times and are not subject to forfeiture.

The Plan Sponsor's contributions vest based upon the participant's years of continuous service as follows-

Years of Continuous Service	Percentage Vested
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Less than two years	0%
Two years	25%
Three years	50%
Four years	75%
Five years or more	100%

Forfeitures

The portion of a former participant's account which is not distributed because of the vesting provision will reduce the amount of the Plan Sponsor's future contributions. During 2000, \$133,776 was used to reduce Plan Sponsor contributions. As of December 31, 2000 and 1999, \$156,000 and \$121,000 were available to reduce future Plan Sponsor contributions, respectively.

Loans

The Plan permits participants to borrow from their accounts at terms established by the Plan Administrator. Participants may borrow up to the lesser of \$50,000

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or 50% of their vested account balance for specific reasons, as defined by the Plan. Each loan is secured by the borrower's vested interest in the Plan and is subject to other requirements, as defined. Interest on loans is charged at a rate that is comparable to similar loans made by commercial lenders. Loans outstanding as of December 31, 2000 had interest rates ranging from 7.00% to 10.50%. Loan repayment terms range up to five years (fifteen years if the loan was used to purchase a primary residence). A small administrative fee is required to process all loans.

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3. INVESTMENTS

The fair value of individual investments that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets are as follows-

	December 31, 2000	1999
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Chicago Trust Stated Principal Value Investment Fund	\$ 8,696,219	\$ 9,007,412
Massachusetts Investors Trust Fund	9,414,212	10,712,847
Oppenheimer Quest Opportunity Value Fund	3,989,129	5,153,831
Montag and Caldwell Growth Fund	12,899,960	16,682,538
Templeton Foreign Fund	4,416,322	5,057,337
Davis New York Venture Fund	5,181,847	1,907,755
Franklin Small Cap Growth Fund	5,646,479	2,608,361
Franklin California Growth Fund	6,053,405	-
Montag and Caldwell Balanced Fund	5,362,384	111,548
AIM Constellation Fund	-	4,613,252
Oppenheimer Quest Capital Fund	-	6,093,030

During 2000, the Plan's investments (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year) depreciated in value by \$7,787,752 as follows-

Mutual Funds	\$ (7,182,520)
Common Stock	(605,232)

	\$ (7,787,752)
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4. TAX STATUS

The Plan obtained its latest determination letter on February 18, 2000, which covered all amendments through December 31, 1999, in which the Internal Revenue Service stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

5. PLAN TERMINATION

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Effective September 3, 1999, the Plan was formed by the merger of the Trump Plaza Hotel & Casino Savings Plan and Trump Indiana Savings Plan into the Trump Casino Services Savings Plan (the "TCS Plan"). The TCS Plan was renamed the Trump Savings Plan.

While the Plan Sponsor has not expressed any intent to terminate the Plan, the Plan Sponsor may do so at any time subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. In the event of termination, each participant is entitled to the value of his or her separate account.

6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are shares of a money market fund managed by The Chicago Trust Company. The Chicago Trust Company is the Trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest.

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Certain Plan investments include shares of THCR common stock ("Common Stock") and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest. As of December 31, 2000 and 1999, the Plan holds Common Stock, with a market value of \$821,885 and \$1,345,410, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2000, Common Stock was acquired at a cost of \$770,506; and Common Stock was sold with an original cost basis of \$925,197.

The Plan Sponsor has sister companies that also sponsor similar Savings Plans. During 2000, net transfers from related plans amounted to \$236,303.

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SCHEDULE I

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2000
EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION #22-3446804, PLAN NUMBER 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value
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*	The Chicago Trust Company	Stated Principal Value Investment Trust Fund, Money Market Funds 4,386,934 units of participation
	MFS Funds	Massachusetts Investors Trust Fund, Equity Securities, 470,240 units of participation
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Quest Opportunity Value Fund, Equity and Debt Securities, 118,057 units of participation
	Montag	Montag & Caldwell Growth Fund, Equity Securities, 463,527 units of participation
	Templeton Funds, Inc.	Templeton Foreign Fund, Equity Securities, 427,110 units of participation

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Davis Funds, Inc.	Davis New York Venture Fund, Equity Securities, 180,301 units of participation
Franklin Funds, Inc.	Franklin Small Cap Growth Fund, Equity Securities, 143,567 units of participation
Montag	Montag & Caldwell Balanced Fund, Equity and Debt Securities, 292,069 units of participation
Pimco Funds	Pimco Total Return Fund, Equity and Debt Securities, 14,562 units of participation
Vanguard Funds	Vanguard Index 500 Fund, Equity Securities, 25,082 units of participation
Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Global Growth and Income Fund, Equity and Debt Securities, 60,394 units of participation
Franklin Funds, Inc.	Franklin California Growth Fund, Equity Securities, 146,324 units of participation
Pilgrim	Pilgrim International Small Cap Growth Fund, Equity Securities, 12,381 units of participation
* The Chicago Trust Company	Trump Technology Fund, Equity Securities, 222,578 units of participation
Total investment in mutual funds	
** Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts, Inc.	Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts, Inc. Common Stock, 438,339 shares
Participants' Loans	Interest rates ranging from 7.00% to 10.50% and maturities ranging from 2001 through 2015

* Denotes party-in-interest

**Denotes related party

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this schedule.

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

As independent public accountants, we hereby consent to the incorporation of our report included in this Form 11-K into the Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts, Inc. previously filed Form S-8 Registration Statement No. 333-2201.

Roseland, New Jersey
June 26, 2001