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JACKPOT ALERT

TEXAS LOTTERY® PLAYERS LOOKING FOR LUCK IN \$1.35 BILLION MEGA MILLIONS® JACKPOT ON FRIDAY THE 13TH

13 Mega Millions jackpot prize winners in Texas Lottery history; 13 Texas Lottery players won second-tier Mega Millions prizes of \$1 million or larger in 2022

AUSTIN – Texas Lottery® players will be testing their luck this Friday the 13th, as they play for an **estimated annuitized \$1.35 billion Mega Millions jackpot**, the second-largest jackpot prize in game history and fourth largest in U.S. lottery history. <u>According to Mega Millions</u>, six prior Mega Millions jackpots have been won by out-of-state players on Friday the 13th. The <u>Friday</u>, <u>Jan. 13</u>, <u>2023 drawing</u> offers a cash value worth an estimated \$724.6 million. If there is no jackpot winner for tonight's Mega Millions drawing, the jackpot prize for the Tuesday, Jan. 17 drawing will roll to an estimated annuitized \$1.62 billion.

The number 13 has been a lucky one for the Texas Lottery when it comes to the Mega Millions game. To date, there have been 13 Mega Millions jackpot prize winners in Texas Lottery history and in 2022, 13 Texas Lottery players won second-tier Mega Millions prizes of \$1 million or larger.

"The Texas Lottery is hoping that at least one of our players has a lot of good luck this Friday the 13th and is fortunate enough to win the enormous Mega Millions jackpot prize that is up for grabs in tonight's drawing," said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "As this jackpot has grown over the last several weeks, sales for the game in Texas have been robust and we expect to see a strong sales pace in the hours leading up to tonight's drawing. Playing for jackpot prizes like the one we're currently seeing is exciting for lottery players, so we want to remind our players to play responsibly; it only takes one ticket to win. Also, if it appears that you have the jackpot-winning ticket after tonight's drawing, we encourage you to sign the ticket, put it in a safe place, seek financial and legal advice and call the Texas Lottery to schedule an appointment to claim the prize."

Friday's drawing will be the 26th in the current Mega Millions jackpot run since starting as an estimated annuitized \$20 million for the Oct. 18, 2022 drawing. This is the largest Mega Millions jackpot up for grabs since the Oct. 23, 2018 drawing when it reached an estimated \$1.537 billion – the game's largest jackpot prize, which was won by an out of state player.

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Texas' most recent Mega Millions jackpot winner came in September 2019 when a Leander resident won an estimated annuitized \$227 million, the largest prize ever paid out to a single Texas Lottery player. During the current jackpot run, three Texas Lottery players have won second-tier Mega Millions prizes of \$1 million or larger. A Whitesboro resident claimed a \$3 million second-tier prize for the drawing held on Nov. 1, 2022. More recently, two second-tier prize winning tickets worth \$1 million each were sold at the same retailer – Luck Zone, located at 1250 E. Palm Valley Blvd., in Round Rock – for the Dec. 20, 2022 and Jan. 3, 2023 drawings. Both of those prizes are yet to be claimed.

A second-tier Mega Millions prize worth \$1 million from the July 29, 2022 drawing has yet to be claimed by a Texas Lottery player and will expire on Jan. 25 at 5 p.m. local time if not claimed by the deadline. The winning ticket for the unclaimed prize was sold at Fuel Maxx #47, located at 420 University Drive, in Prairie View. A winning ticket worth \$1 million for the same drawing was sold in Plano and has recently been claimed.

Mega Millions is played by choosing five numbers from a field of 70 and one Mega Ball number from the second field of 25 numbers. To win the Mega Millions jackpot, players must match all six numbers drawn including the Mega Ball. Players matching fewer numbers may not win the jackpot, but could still walk away winners. Mega Millions currently offers a \$20 million starting jackpot and a second-tier (Match 5+0) prize of \$1 million. By choosing the Megaplier® feature for \$1 more per Play, players can multiply their non-jackpot winnings by two, three, four or five times, winning as much as \$5 million.

Drawings are broadcast each Tuesday and Friday at 10:12 p.m. CT. Texas Lottery players can purchase Mega Millions tickets at more than 20,000 Texas Lottery retailers across the state. Ticket sales for the next Mega Millions drawing will close at 9:45 p.m. CT on Friday, Jan. 13. The retailer that sells a jackpot-winning Mega Millions ticket may be eligible to receive up to a \$1 million retailer bonus.

	Texas Powerball & Mega Millions Jackpot Winners							
Game	Draw Date	Advertised Jackpot	Claimant	Claimant City	Retailer	Retailer City		
РВ	2/11/2015	\$500M*	TL MANAGEMENT TRUST	Austin	Appletree Food Mart	Princeton		
MM	8/31/2007	\$330M*	SB ALCHEMY HOLDINGS, LTD.	Dallas	Kroger #318 SST	Humble		
MM	9/24/2019	\$227M	(Anonymous)	Leander	Lakeline Express Mart	Cedar Park		
MM	1/29/2010	\$144M	WILLIAM R KIEFER	Katy	Short Stop Market	Katy		
MM	7/6/2007	\$126M	H & H TRUST	Dallas	Central Gas & More	Dallas		
ММ	1/9/2007	\$122M	CRUMP, ALLEN & LEWIS GENERAL PARTNERSHIP	Amarillo	Taylor Petro Co Inc #80	Amarillo		
MM	3/1/2005	\$112M	MAL HOLDINGS, LP	Rowlett	Dalrock Grocery	Rowlett		
MM	10/1/2004	\$101M	UT VAN NGUYEN	Carrollton	Sack N Save #204	Carrollton		
MM	5/16/2006	\$94M	MARTHA L. CUELLAR	El Paso	Good Time Store #12	El Paso		
ММ	10/11/2016	\$49M	IT WILL BUY ME A BOAT REVOCABLE TRUST DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2016	Rockwall	QuikTrip #982	Balch Springs		
РВ	5/29/2013	\$40M	PAUL MCDOWELL	Bells	Lone Star Food Store #48	Bells		
MM	5/27/2011	\$35M	MAIM REVOCABLE TRUST	Arlington	Tommy's #10	Granbury		
MM	1/1/2008	\$33M	JOHN A. JONES	Fort Worth	C-Store Sub Express	Fort Worth		
MM	6/27/2014	\$33M	THE 6-27-14 REVOCABLE TRUST	Houston	Moulton Grocery & Market	Moulton		
ММ	7/16/2013	\$20M	THE LUCKY ONES PARTNERSHIP	Houston	Rosslyn Food Mart	Houston		

^{*-} indicates jackpot prize was shared with one or more out-of-state winner.

Top 10 Mega Millions Jackpots								
Rank	State	Prize Amount	Draw Date					
1	SC	\$1.537 billion	Oct. 23, 2018					
2		\$1.35 billion	Jan. 13, 2023					
3	IL	\$1.337 billion	July 29, 2022					
4	MI	\$1.05 billion	Jan. 22, 2021					
5	KS, IL, MD	\$656 million	March 30, 2012					
6	CA, GA	\$648 million	Dec. 17, 2013					
7	CA	\$543 million	July 24, 2018					
8	IN	\$536 million	July 8, 2016					
9	NJ	\$533 million	March 30, 2018					
10	CA	\$522 million	June 7, 2019					

Top 10 U.S. Lottery Jackpots								
Rank	Prize Amount	Game	Draw Date	State				
1	\$2.04 billion	Powerball	Nov. 7, 2022	CA				
2	\$1.586 billion	Powerball	Jan. 13, 2016	CA, FL, TN				
3	\$1.537 billion	Mega Millions	Oct. 23, 2018	SC				
4	\$1.35 billion	Mega Millions	Jan. 13, 2023					
5	\$1.337 billion	Mega Millions	July 29, 2022	IL				
6	\$1.05 billion	Mega Millions	Jan. 22, 2021	MI				
7	\$768.4 million	Powerball	March 27, 2019	WI				
8	\$758.7 million	Powerball	Aug. 23, 2017	MA				
9	\$731.1 million	Powerball	Jan. 20, 2021	MD				
10	\$699.8 million	Powerball	Oct. 4, 2021	CA				

About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$36.1 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$78.5 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$30.1 billion to the Foundation School Fund, which supports public education in Texas. As authorized by the Texas Legislature, certain Texas Lottery revenues benefit state programs including the Fund for Veterans' Assistance. Since the first veterans' themed scratch ticket game was launched in 2009, the Texas Lottery has contributed more than \$199 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including Powerball[®], Mega Millions[®], Lotto Texas[®], All or Nothing[™], Texas Two Step[®], Pick 3[™], Daily 4[™], Cash Five[®] and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube or at <u>texaslottery.com</u>. PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

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