# ***JACKPOT ALERT*** <br> \$1.4 BILLION JACKPOT CARRIES POWERBALL ${ }^{\circledR}$ MANIA INTO SATURDAY $3^{\text {rd }}$ largest jackpot in Powerball history, $5^{\text {th }}$ largest in U.S. lottery history 


#### Abstract

AUSTIN - As crisp fall air finally makes its way into much of Texas this weekend, the Powerball ${ }^{\circledR}$ jackpot is only getting hotter, as the Grand Prize is set at a scorching estimated annuitized $\mathbf{\$ 1 . 4}$ billion for the Saturday, Oct. 7 drawing - the third largest jackpot in game history and the fifth largest in U.S. lottery history. Saturday's drawing offers a cash value worth an estimated $\$ 614$ million. If there is no jackpot winner for Saturday's Powerball drawing, the Grand Prize for the Monday, Oct. 9 drawing will be an estimated annuitized $\$ 1.55$ billion.


"Powerball sales have been coming in at a steady pace for the past few days and we expect that to continue leading up to Saturday's drawing, which will help produce important revenue for public education in Texas," said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "We know our players are eager for a chance to become the Texas Lottery's first billionaire, but we want to remind everyone to play responsibly. Also, if it appears that you have the jackpot-winning ticket, 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."

Saturday's drawing will be the $34^{\text {th }}$ in the current Powerball jackpot run since starting as an estimated annuitized $\$ 20$ million for the July 22 drawing. This is the largest Powerball jackpot of 2023 and the biggest one up for grabs since the estimated $\$ 2.04$ billion jackpot for the Nov. 7, 2022 drawing, which was won in California. The current jackpot marks the first time that two consecutive jackpot runs have produced billion dollar jackpots in the Powerball game.

Since joining the Powerball game in 2010, Texas has had two Powerball Grand Prize winners, including its most recent in February 2015 when TL Management Trust, Andrew Weber, Trustee of Austin, claimed a share of the $\$ 564.1$ million Grand Prize with two other winners.

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So far in 2023, 23 second-tier Powerball prizes of $\$ 1$ million or larger have been sold to Texas Lottery ${ }^{\circledR}$ players, including six during the current jackpot run. Most recently, three second-tier prize winning tickets were sold in Texas for the Oct. 4 drawing. A second-tier prize winning ticket worth $\$ 2$ million was sold in San Antonio, while two winning tickets worth $\$ 1$ million each were sold in Forney and Lake Worth for the same drawing.

| Second-Tier Powerball Prizes Won in Texas <br> (Since current roll started on July 22, 2023) |  |  |  |
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| Draw Date | Prize Amount | Retailer City | Claimant City |
| Aug. 12, 2023 | $\$ 2$ million | San Antonio | San Antonio |
| Aug. 30, 2023 | $\$ 2$ million | Austin | Wharton |
| Sept. 20, 2023 | $\$ 2$ million | Lytle | Lytle |
| Oct. 4, 2023 | $\$ 2$ million | San Antonio | (Unclaimed) |
| Oct. 4, 2023 | $\$ 1$ million | Forney | (Unclaimed) |
| Oct. 4, 2023 | $\$ 1$ million | Lake Worth | Fort Worth |

Powerball Grand Prizes currently start at $\$ 20$ million and roll until the jackpot is won. Players win the Grand Prize by matching five numbers from a field of 69 numbers and one Powerball number from a field of 26 numbers. By choosing Power Play ${ }^{\circledR}$ for $\$ 1$ more per Play, players can multiply their non-Grand Prize winnings by two, three, four, five or 10 times*. A Power Play Match Five ( $5+0$ ) prize is set at $\$ 2,000,000$ regardless of the Power Play number selected. All other non-Grand Prizes will be multiplied by the Power Play number selected. *The 10X Power Play multiplier is available for drawings in which the initially advertised annuitized Grand Prize amount is $\$ 150$ million or less.

Drawings are broadcast each Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 10:12 p.m. CT. Texas Lottery players can purchase Powerball tickets at more than 20,000 Texas Lottery retailers across the state. Ticket sales for the next Powerball drawing will close at 9 p.m. CT on Saturday, Oct. 7. The retailer that sells a jackpotwinning Powerball ticket is eligible to receive up to a $\$ 1$ million retailer bonus.

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|  | Top 10 | Powerball Jackpots |  |
| Rank | State | Prize Amount | Draw Date |
| 1 | CA | \$2.04 billion | Nov. 7, 2022 |
| 2 | CA, FL, TN | \$1.586 billion | Jan. 13, 2016 |
| 3 | $? ?$ | $\$ 1.4$ billion | Oct. 7, 2023 |
| 4 | CA | $\$ 1.08$ billion | July 19, 2023 |
| 5 | WI | $\$ 768.4$ million | March 27, 2019 |
| 6 | MA | $\$ 758.7$ million | Aug. 23, 2017 |
| 7 | WA | $\$ 754.6$ million | Feb. 6, 2023 |
| 8 | MD | $\$ 731.1$ million | Jan. 20, 2021 |
| 9 | CA | $\$ 699.8$ million | Oct. 4, 2021 |
| 10 | IA, NY | $\$ 687.8$ million | Oct. 27, 2018 |


| Top 10 U.S. Lottery Jackpots |  |  |  |  |
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| Rank | Prize Amount | Game | Draw Date | State |
| 1 | $\$ 2.04$ billion | Powerball | Nov. 7, 2022 | CA |
| 2 | $\$ 1.602$ billion | Mega Millions | Aug. 8, 2023 | FL |
| 3 | $\$ 1.586$ billion | Powerball | Jan. 13, 2016 | CA, FL, TN |
| 4 | $\$ 1.537$ billion | Mega Millions | Oct. 23, 2018 | SC |
| 5 | $\$ 1.4$ billion | Powerball | Oct. 7, 2023 | ?? |
| 6 | $\$ 1.348$ billion | Mega Millions | Jan. 13, 2023 | ME |
| 7 | $\$ 1.337$ billion | Mega Millions | July 29, 2022 | IL |
| 8 | $\$ 1.08$ billion | Powerball | July 19, 2023 | CA |
| 9 | $\$ 1.05$ billion | Mega Millions | Jan. 22, 2021 | MI |
| 10 | $\$ 768.4$ million | Powerball | March 27, 2019 | WI |

## Texas Powerball \& Mega Millions Jackpot Winners

$\left.\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Game } & \text { Draw Date } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Advertised } \\ \text { Jackpot }\end{array} & \text { Claimant } & \text { Claimant } & \text { Retailer } & \text { Retailer } \\ \text { City }\end{array}\right]$

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## About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated $\$ 37.8$ billion in revenue for the state and distributed $\$ 83$ billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed $\$ 31.8$ 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 $\$ 221$ million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including Powerball ${ }^{\circledR}$, Mega Millions ${ }^{\circledR}$, Lotto Texas ${ }^{\circledR}$, All or Nothing ${ }^{\text {Tm }}$, Texas Two Step ${ }^{\circledR}$, Pick $3^{\text {Tm }}$, Daily $4^{\text {Tm }}$, Cash Five ${ }^{\circledR}$ and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, X, Instagram, Linkedln, YouTube or at texaslottery.com. PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

Editors/News Directors, note: A high-res image of the Powerball logo can be downloaded here and an image of the Powerball prize chart can be downloaded here. (Right-click on the image for saving options.)


[^0]:    *- indicates jackpot prize was shared with one or more out-of-state winner.

