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JACKPOT ALERT

JACKPOT MADNESS ROLLS ON WITH OVER \$1.7 BILLION UP FOR GRABS

Friday's Mega Millions® jackpot stands at an estimated \$977 million; 10th largest in U.S. history
Saturday's Powerball® jackpot is set at an estimated \$750 million; 9th largest in game history

AUSTIN – The frenzy of big jackpots continues and Texas Lottery® players are looking to feel the rush of a buzzer-beater in the form of a thrilling jackpot win, as Mega Millions and Powerball are offering more than \$1.7 billion in combined jackpot prizes this weekend. The current Mega Millions jackpot for the [Friday, March 22 drawing](#) stands at **estimated annuitized \$977 million**, the sixth largest jackpot in game history and 10th largest in U.S. lottery history, while the [Saturday, March 23 Powerball drawing](#) is offering the ninth largest Grand Prize in game history, now worth an **estimated annuitized \$750 million**. If there are no jackpot winners for this weekend's drawings, the Grand Prize for the Monday, March 25 Powerball drawing will roll to an estimated annuitized \$800 million and the jackpot for the Tuesday, March 26 Mega Millions drawing will rise to \$1.1 billion.

"Texas Lottery players have their sights set on winning at least one of these massive jackpot prizes this weekend," said Ryan Mindell, deputy executive director of the Texas Lottery. "With the Mega Millions and Powerball jackpots now among the top 10 largest prizes in each game's history, the Texas Lottery continues to see a spike in sales for both games, boosting revenue for public education in our state. As these jackpots grow and reach exciting levels, we want to remind everyone to play responsibly; it only takes one ticket to win. If you are fortunate to be holding a jackpot-winning ticket after either of the drawings, it is recommended that you sign it, put it in a safe place, seek financial and legal advice, and then call the Texas Lottery to set up an appointment to claim the prize."

Friday's drawing will be the 30th in the current Mega Millions jackpot run since starting as an estimated annuitized \$20 million for the Dec. 12, 2023 drawing. This is the largest Mega Millions jackpot up for grabs since the Aug. 8, 2023 drawing when a \$1.602 billion jackpot – the largest in game history – was won by an out of state player. Tonight's Mega Millions jackpot offers an estimated cash value of \$461 million.

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Texas has had 14 Mega Millions jackpot prize winners since it joined the game in 2003. Its most recent winner came in October 2023 when The Blue Yucca Trust won an estimated annuitized \$360 million prize. The claimant chose the cash value option and received \$157,367,045 before taxes; the largest prize ever paid out to a single Texas Lottery player.

Saturday’s Powerball drawing will be the 35th in the current jackpot run since starting as an estimated annuitized \$20 million for the Jan. 3 drawing and offers an estimated cash value of \$357.3 million. This is the game’s largest prize since the Jan. 1 drawing when an out of state player won an \$842.4 million jackpot prize.

Since joining the game in 2010, Texas has had two Powerball jackpot 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 jackpot prize with two other winners.

Since the start of 2024, nine Texas Lottery players have won second-tier Powerball (6) and Mega Millions (3) prizes of \$1 million or larger, including three over the last week.

Powerball: Second-Tier Prizes Won in Texas in 2024			
Draw Date	Prize Amount	Retailer City	Claimant City
Jan. 1, 2024	\$2 million	Laredo	Laredo
Jan. 29, 2024	\$1 million	Katy	Katy
Jan. 31, 2024	\$1 million	San Antonio	San Antonio
March 13, 2024	\$1 million	Houston	Houston
March 18, 2024	\$1 million	Donna	(not yet claimed)
March 18, 2024	\$1 million	Houston	(not yet claimed)
Mega Millions: Second-Tier Prizes Won in Texas in 2024			
Draw Date	Prize Amount	Retailer City	Claimant City
Jan. 2, 2024	\$2 million	Longview	Longview
March 8, 2024	\$1 million	Richwood	Richwood
March 19, 2024	\$1 million	Houston	(not yet 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. Ticket sales for the next Mega Millions drawing will close at 9:45 p.m. CT on Friday, March 22.

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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® 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 million 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.) Ticket sales for the next Powerball drawing will close at 9 p.m. CT on Saturday, March 23.

Texas Lottery players can purchase Mega Millions and Powerball tickets at more than 20,000 Texas Lottery retailers across the state. The retailer that sells a jackpot-winning Mega Millions or Powerball ticket is eligible to receive up to a \$1 million retailer bonus.

Powerball & Mega Millions Jackpot Wins By Texas Lottery Players

Game	Draw Date	Advertised Jackpot	Claimant	Claimant City	Retailer	Retailer City
PB	2/11/2015	\$500M^	TL MANAGEMENT TRUST	Austin	Appletree Food Mart	Princeton
MM	10/6/2023	\$360M	The Blue Yucca Trust	Rapid City, SD	Stripes #5031	San Angelo
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
MM	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
MM	10/11/2016	\$49M	IT WILL BUY ME A BOAT REVOCABLE TRUST DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2016	Rockwall	QuikTrip #982	Balch Springs
PB	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
MM	7/16/2013	\$20M	THE LUCKY ONES PARTNERSHIP	Houston	Rossllyn Food Mart	Houston

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

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Top 10 Mega Millions Jackpots			
Rank	State	Prize Amount	Draw Date
1	FL	\$1.602 billion	Aug. 8, 2023
2	SC	\$1.537 billion	Oct. 23, 2018
3	ME	\$1.348 billion	Jan. 13, 2023
4	IL	\$1.337 billion	July 29, 2022
5	MI	\$1.05 billion	Jan. 22, 2021
6	??	\$977 million (est.)	March 22, 2024
7	KS, IL, MD	\$656 million	March 30, 2012
8	CA, GA	\$648 million	Dec. 17, 2013
9	CA	\$543 million	July 24, 2018
10	IN	\$536 million	July 8, 2016

Top 10 Powerball Jackpots			
Rank	State	Prize Amount	Draw Date
1	CA	\$2.04 billion	Nov. 7, 2022
2	CA	\$1.765 billion	Oct. 11, 2023
3	CA, FL, TN	\$1.586 billion	Jan. 13, 2016
4	CA	\$1.08 billion	July 19, 2023
5	MI	\$842.4 million	Jan. 1, 2024
6	WI	\$768.4 million	March 27, 2019
7	MA	\$758.7 million	Aug. 23, 2017
8	WA	\$754.6 million	Feb. 6, 2023
9	??	\$750 million (est.)	March 23, 2024
10	MD	\$731.1 million	Jan. 20, 2021

Top 10 U.S. Lottery Jackpots				
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3	\$1.602 billion	Mega Millions	Aug. 8, 2023	FL
4	\$1.586 billion	Powerball	Jan. 13, 2016	CA, FL, TN
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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
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About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated more than \$38 billion in revenue for the state and distributed more than \$85 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$32.6 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 \$235 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

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