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# \*\*\*JACKPOT ALERT\*\*\* LOTTO TEXAS<sup>®</sup> JACKPOT ENTERS \$80 MILLION RANGE; 5<sup>TH</sup> LARGEST IN GAME HISTORY

## Top prize for Wednesday's drawing is set at an estimated \$80.75 million

**AUSTIN** – Lotto Texas<sup>®</sup> continues its run at history, as the jackpot has broken into the \$80 million range for <u>Wednesday night's (Feb. 12) drawing</u>, with the top prize now worth an **estimated annuitized \$80.75 million** – the fifth biggest jackpot in the history of the game and the <u>third largest currently up for grabs in the world</u>. Wednesday's drawing offers a cash value worth an estimated \$44.4 million. If there is no jackpot winner on Wednesday, the jackpot prize for the Saturday, Feb. 15 drawing will roll to an estimated annuitized \$83.25 million.

"While the Texas weather may be blowing hot and cold, the excitement of this Lotto Texas run is only heating up," said Ryan Mindell, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "With the top prize now exceeding \$80 million, the buzz continues to build as players eagerly anticipate Wednesday's drawing. As players daydream about winning such a large prize, we want to remind everyone that Texas Lottery games are for players 18 and older, and it only takes one ticket to win."

Top 10 Lotto Texas Jackpot Wins			
Rank	Jackpot Amount (Est. Annuitized)	Draw Date	Retailer City
1	\$145 million	June 19, 2004	El Paso
2	\$97 million	May 29, 2010	Dallas
3	\$95 million	April 22, 2023	Colleyville
4	\$85 million	March 7, 2001	Austin
5	\$80.75 million	Feb. 12, 2025	(Not Yet Won)
6	\$77 million	March 16, 1994	Dallas, Arlington, Corpus Christi, Humble, Carrollton
7	\$76 million	Oct. 21, 2009	Alvin
8	\$75 million	April 7, 2007	League City
T-9	\$70 million	June 22, 2002	Sherman, Terrell, Longview, Austin, Pearland
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10	\$66 million	May 21, 2005	North Richland Hills

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Wednesday's drawing will be the 100<sup>th</sup> in the current Lotto Texas jackpot run since starting as an estimated annuitized \$5 million for the June 26, 2024 drawing, continuing a new record for the longest jackpot run in game history. This is the largest Lotto Texas jackpot since the April 22, 2023 drawing, when the advertised jackpot reached an estimated \$95 million. The largest Lotto Texas jackpot in game history was an advertised \$145 million prize for the June 19, 2004 drawing which was sold in El Paso and claimed by VOM Enterprises, Ltd.

Lotto Texas has had one other jackpot won in the \$80 million range throughout the game's 32-year history. The March 7, 2001 drawing boasted an advertised \$85 million prize, which was claimed by RBH CNC, LTD. The winning ticket was purchased at Shoppers Mart #24, in Austin.

In 2024, there were two Lotto Texas jackpot winners. The game's most recent jackpot winner was an <u>Austin</u> resident who claimed a jackpot prize of \$29 million for the drawing held on June 24, 2024.

While the jackpot prize in the current run remains up for grabs, many Texas Lottery players have been coming away with lower-tier Lotto Texas prizes. For players that choose the game's popular add-on feature – Extra! – for \$1 more per Play, non-jackpot prizes could be increased by up to \$10,000. In the <u>Feb. 10 drawing</u>, 69,619 Lotto Texas tickets, including those that played Extra!, won lower-tier prizes ranging from \$2 to \$12,684.

Lotto Texas is played by picking six numbers from one to 54 and offers multimillion-dollar jackpots. Drawings are held every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 10:12 p.m. CT. For \$1 more per Play, a player can select the Extra! add-on feature for a chance to win up to \$10,000 more on non-jackpot prizes. Ticket sales for the next Lotto Texas drawing will close at 10:02 p.m. CT on Wednesday. More information about playing Lotto Texas and the Extra! add-on feature can be found <u>here.</u>

### About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated more than \$40 billion in revenue for the state and distributed more than \$90 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$34.32 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 \$259 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including Powerball<sup>®</sup>, Mega Millions<sup>®</sup>, Lotto Texas<sup>®</sup>, All or Nothing<sup>™</sup>, Texas Two Step<sup>®</sup>, Pick 3<sup>™</sup>, Daily 4<sup>™</sup>, Cash Five<sup>®</sup> and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, X, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube or at <u>texaslottery.com</u>. Must be 18 or older to purchase a ticket or enter a promotional second-chance drawing. PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

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