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***** JACKPOT ALERT *****

TUESDAY'S MEGA MILLIONS® JACKPOT INCREASED TO \$760 MILLION

8th largest jackpot in Mega Millions history

AUSTIN – Jackpot excitement is mounting across Texas, with the largest Mega Millions® jackpot ever offered in December up for grabs just in time for the holidays. The jackpot for the [Tuesday, Dec. 17 drawing](#) has been raised to an estimated annuitized \$760 million with a cash value worth an estimated \$352.1 million. This is the game's eighth largest jackpot in its history and the biggest since an estimated annuitized \$810 million jackpot was hit by a Texas Lottery® player in Sugar Land on Sept. 10, 2024. If there is no jackpot winner in tonight's Mega Millions drawing, the jackpot for the Friday, Dec. 20 drawing will roll to an estimated annuitized \$825 million.

“With two of the last five Mega Millions jackpot prizes claimed by Texas Lottery players, including the state's record-setting win in September, all eyes are on tonight's drawing. Can Texas make it two Mega Millions jackpot wins in a row?” said Ryan Mindell, executive director of the Texas Lottery. “The increase in sales we're seeing shows Texas players are eager to get in the game, all while supporting public education in our state. While jackpots like these are exciting to play for, we want to remind our players that it only takes one ticket to win and to play responsibly.”

According to Mega Millions, the last time the jackpot was close to this level in the days before Christmas was Dec. 17, 2013, when a \$648 million prize was shared between winners in California and Georgia. Another big Mega Millions jackpot prize was won on Dec. 17, 2019, when an Ohio ticket holder took home a \$375 million jackpot. If the jackpot is hit tonight, it would be the third Dec. 17 jackpot win in Mega Millions history.

Tuesday's drawing will be the 28th in the current Mega Millions jackpot run since starting as an estimated annuitized \$20 million for the Sept. 13, 2024, drawing. Texas has had 15 Mega Millions jackpot prize winners since it joined the game in 2003. Its most recent winner, The Sol Living Trust, from Sugar Land, chose the cash value option for the estimated annuitized \$810 million jackpot prize won in the Sept. 10, 2024 drawing and received \$409,297,624 before taxes; the largest prize ever paid out to a single Texas Lottery player.

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Since the start of 2024, 15 Texas Lottery players have won second-tier Mega Millions prizes of \$1 million or larger, including four during the current jackpot run. Most recently, a winning ticket worth \$1 million was sold in Austin for the Nov. 19 drawing and was claimed by a player from Dripping Springs.

Second-Tier Mega Millions Prizes Won in Texas (Since current roll started on Sept. 13, 2024)			
Draw Date	Prize Amount	Retailer City	Claimant City
Oct. 22, 2024	\$1 million	Austin	Austin
Nov. 8, 2024	\$3 million	Fort Worth	(Not yet claimed)
Nov. 12, 2024	\$3 million	San Antonio	San Antonio
Nov. 19, 2024	\$1 million	Austin	Dripping Springs

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 Tuesday, Dec. 17. The retailer that sells a jackpot-winning Mega Millions ticket may be eligible to receive up to a \$1 million retailer bonus.

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	NJ	\$1.128 billion	March 26, 2024
6	MI	\$1.05 billion	Jan. 22, 2021
7	TX	\$810 million	Sept. 10, 2024
8	?	<i>\$760 million (est.)</i>	<i>Dec. 17, 2024</i>
9	KS, IL, MD	\$656 million	March 30, 2012
10	CA, GA	\$648 million	Dec. 17, 2013

Powerball & Mega Millions Jackpot Wins By Texas Lottery Players

Game	Draw Date	Advertised Jackpot	Claimant	Claimant City	Retailer	Retailer City
MM	9/10/2024	\$800M	The Sol Living Trust	Sugar Land	Murphy USA 8848	Sugar Land
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	Roslyn Food Mart	Houston

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

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 \$89 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$34.03 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 \$253 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, X, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube or at [texaslottery.com](https://www.texaslottery.com). Must be 18 or older to purchase a ticket or enter a promotional second-chance drawing. PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

Editors/News Directors, note: A high-res image of the Mega Millions logo can be downloaded [here](#) and an image of the Mega Millions prize chart can be downloaded [here](#).