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FREE

TEXAS LOTTERY

WINNING!

News about Texas Lottery® winners, scratch-off prizes, new games and more!

IT GOT HERE AS FAST AS IT COULD!

The Texas Lottery began sales of *Powerball*® tickets on January 31, and Texas Lottery players participated in their first drawing February 3. *Powerball* sales in Texas totaled more than $1.3 million for the first drawing!

Powerball and *Mega Millions*® are the two multi-jurisdictional lottery games played in the United States and its territories. The 12 *Mega Millions* states, including Texas, have a total population of approximately 161 million. Thirty-one state lotteries, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands make up the Multi-State Lottery Association (MUSL), the organization that manages *Powerball*, with a total population of approximately 130 million.

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OVER 35 MILLION WINNERS

IN DECEMBER 2009 / JANUARY 2010

WINNERS SPOTLIGHT!

After driving more than 150 miles on January 27, **Billy J Patton** of **Porter** arrived at the Texas Lottery headquarters in Austin. He brought with him 11 family members and one *$500,000,000 Blockbuster* ticket worth $2.5 million. His journey started two days earlier.

"I stopped at a store early in the morning and bought a ticket. I won $100 on that one. Then coming home I stopped at a store," said Patton. "I just had a gut feeling. I bought two $5 tickets and the one $20."

He scratched his tickets in the parking lot outside the Right Food Mart located at 22570 Ford Road in Porter. His last purchase revealed the top prize, but it took travelling to Austin for the reality of his win to set in.

"When we got here, I sat out in the parking lot and said, 'It's true! I really won,'" Patton said.

Patton's plans are clear. He hopes to use his winnings to help his family and his church.

Billy Gonzales of **Sinton** will soon embark on a remodel of his mother's kitchen, thanks to a $30,000 top prize he won playing the *Tripler* scratch-off game from the Texas Lottery.

Gonzales bought one *Tripler* ticket on his way home from work with a companion.

"I wasn't planning to stop, but he wanted to, so I figured while I was in there, I might as well buy a ticket and get my *Mega Millions*, too," he said. "The *Tripler* caught my eye."

Gonzalez bought the ticket, put it in the console of his truck and didn't think about it until the next morning. Gonzales called his mother from his truck immediately after scratching the ticket.

"When I called, she told me not to spend it all in one place and to take care of it," he said "But, she got really excited when I told her I was going to redo her kitchen."

Gonzales purchased the ticket at the Oil Patch Express, 10446 Interstate Highway 37, in Corpus Christi.

POWERBALL IS HERE! *(continued from cover)*

Powerball Grand/Jackpot prizes begin at $20 million and increase based on projected sales. There are nine prize levels, starting at $3 for matching only the *Powerball*. Overall odds of winning any prize are one in 35, and odds of winning the Grand/Jackpot Prize are one in 195,249,054. Players can opt to play the *Power Play*® multiplier feature for an extra $1 per play for a chance to increase their non-Grand/Jackpot prizes up to 5 times.

The largest advertised jackpot for *Powerball* was $365 million in February 2006, while the $370 million *Mega Millions* jackpot record was set in March 2007.

"We are excited to add *Powerball* to our mix of games, and we also expect to have additional lotteries participating in *Mega Millions* as a result of this new initiative. As the number of people playing both games increases, there will be an opportunity for jackpots to climb faster and higher than ever before," explained Texas Lottery Commission Deputy Executive Director Gary Grief. "Most importantly, we estimate that *Powerball* could provide an additional $35 million per fiscal year in additional revenue for the Foundation School Fund, which supports public education in our state."

For more information on *Mega Millions*, *Powerball* or the Texas Lottery, please visit **www.megamillions.com**, **www.powerball.com** or **www.txlottery.org**.

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Drawing results are available right after the Day and Night draws at

www.txlottery.org

Webcast link on www.txlottery.org

Watch live streaming video of *Lotto Texas* Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10:12 PM CT, and see past drawings through our "on demand" feature.

DO YOU THINK YOU'VE WON?

If you believe you are holding any of the following:

- a possible *Lotto Texas*®, *Mega Millions*®, or *Powerball*® jackpot ticket
- a possible winning on-line ticket valued at over $1 million
- a possible winning instant ticket paid as an annuity
- a possible winning instant ticket valued at over $1 million

Please call 1-800-37-LOTTO prior to traveling to Austin for processing.

PRIZES PAID

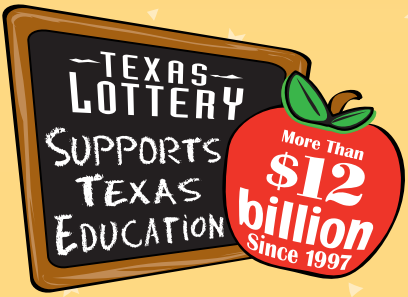
IN DECEMBER 2009 / JANUARY 2010

Scratch-Offs	$331,323,844
Pick 3™	$22,430,047
Daily 4™	$3,978,692
Cash Five®	$5,834,357
Texas Two Step®	$3,720,249
Lotto Texas®	$3,424,534
Mega Millions®	$7,176,773

TOTAL: **$377,888,496**

NOTICE: Game closing procedures may be initiated for documented business reasons. These games may have prizes unclaimed, including top prizes. Game closing procedures will be initiated when all top prizes have been claimed. During closing, games may be sold even after all top prizes have been claimed. For current information on prizes remaining in a scratch-off game, call 1-800-37-LOTTO. Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a Texas Lottery ticket. The number of prizes in a game is approximate based on the number of tickets ordered. The number of actual prizes available in a game may vary based on number of tickets manufactured, testing, distribution, sales and number of prizes claimed.

See your local Texas Lottery retailer for more details or visit the Texas Lottery Commission's Web site at www.txlottery.org.



PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

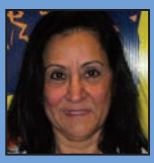
WINNERS!

Region 1

William Perry
Buffalo Gap
Daily 4™
$7,808

Peng Thang
Cactus
$500,000,000 Blockbuster
$1,000

Erica Hill
Austin
Lotería Texas®
$3,000



Lupe Wiebel
El Paso
Texas Two Step®
$1,307

Cecilia Williams
Brownfield
Spicy 7's
$1,000

Michael King
Odessa
Extreme Payout
$1,000

Clarence Miller Jr.
Converse
Treasure
$2,000

Elias Valdez
San Antonio
Stocking Stuffer
$3,000

Region 2

Leticia Luna Cantu
Dallas
$250,000 Bingo
$250,000

Ocie McCoy
Dallas
Daily 4
$2,600

Porfirio Silvas-Liera
Dallas
Bonus Break the Bank
$75,000

Bernetta Stoker
Arlington
Super Wild 8's
$50,000

Michelle Anthony
Burleson
Summer Spectacular
$1,000

Jennifer D. Havey
Godley
Lotto Texas®
$2,138

Josh Davis
Tyler
Casino Royale
$1,000

Christoper L. Ady
Nacogdoches
Sparkling 7's
$2,000

Region 3

Sydney Hennigan
Beaumont
Big Money Bingo
$50,000

Richard DelaGarza
Portland
Daily 4
$2,600

Vivian Clark-Thomas
Houston
Five Star Cash
$50,000

Ervin D. Moore
Pearland
Pick 3™
$2,640

Hsiaowei Ma
Missouri City
Lotto Texas
$1,287

Marcela M. Castro
Laredo
$50,000 Cash Windfall
$1,000

Javier Vento
Brownsville
Lotería® Texas
$33,000

Cynthia DeMoss
Edna
$500,000,000 Blockbuster
$1,000

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