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

SATURDAY’S POWERBALL® JACKPOT JUMPS TO \$700 MILLION!

(AUSTIN) – The already record-breaking [Powerball®](#) jackpot has now increased to an estimated \$700 million for Saturday’s drawing. The jackpot’s estimated cash value is \$428.4 million.

“Saturday’s jackpot will be the largest jackpot of any U.S. lottery game on record. This is truly exciting and uncharted territory,” said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery and chair of the Powerball game group. “We want to remind players to play responsibly and that it only takes one ticket to win.”

While there were no jackpot winners for last night’s drawing, a second-tier prizewinning ticket worth \$1 million was sold at the HEB Food Store #551 located at 11815 Westheimer Road in Houston. The ticket matched all five white ball numbers drawn (2-11-47-62-63), but not the red Powerball number (17).

Saturday’s jackpot started at \$40 million on Nov. 7, 2015, and is the result of 18 drawings with no jackpot winner. Powerball jackpots start at \$40 million and roll until the jackpot is won. Players win the jackpot by matching five numbers from a field of 69 numbers and one Powerball number from a field of 26 numbers. Drawings are broadcast each Wednesday and Saturday at 10:12 p.m. CT.

Top 10 Powerball Jackpots				
Rank	State	Prize Amount	Draw Date	Game
1	???	\$700 million	Jan. 9, 2016	Powerball
2	FL	\$590.5 million	May 18, 2013	Powerball
3	AZ, MO	\$587.5 million	Nov. 28, 2012	Powerball
4	TX, NC, PR	\$564.1 million	Feb. 11, 2015	Powerball
5	MN, NJ, NJ	\$448.4 million	Aug. 7, 2013	Powerball
6	CA	\$425.3 million	Feb. 19, 2014	Powerball
7	SC	\$399.4 million	Sept. 18, 2013	Powerball
8	NE	\$365.0 million	Feb. 18, 2006	Powerball
9	CA, OR	\$340.0 million	Oct. 19, 2005	Powerball
10	NJ	\$338.3 million	March 23, 2013	Powerball

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Top 10 U.S. Lottery Jackpots				
Rank	State	Prize Amount	Draw Date	Game
1	???	\$700 million	Jan. 9, 2016	Powerball
2	KS, IL, MD	\$656.0 million	March 30, 2012	Mega Millions
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About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$24 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$47 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$18 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 \$52 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®, Texas Triple Chance™ and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube or at www.txlottery.org.

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