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**\*\*\*JACKPOT ALERT\*\*\***

## **TONIGHT'S MEGA MILLIONS® JACKPOT INCREASED TO RECORD-BREAKING \$667 MILLION**

**Largest jackpot in the history of the Mega Millions game**

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(AUSTIN) – A surge in Mega Millions® sales has increased tonight's estimated annuitized jackpot to \$667 million, making it the **largest jackpot prize in the history of the Mega Millions game** and the **third largest jackpot of any lottery game in U.S. lottery history**. The jackpot's estimated cash value is now \$380.57 million. Combined with Wednesday night's estimated \$345 million Powerball® jackpot, **Texas Lottery® players are now playing for more than \$1 billion in jackpot prizes this week.**

"We are thrilled to celebrate this milestone in Mega Millions jackpot history and we're keeping our fingers crossed that the lucky winner will be a Texan," said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "Mega Millions and Powerball sales have been strong during the last few days, which means more revenue for the state of Texas. We want to remind our players to play responsibly. It only takes one ticket to win."

Texas has had 12 Mega Millions jackpot prize winners since it joined the game in 2003. Its most recent winner came on Oct. 11, 2016 when It Will Buy Me a Boat Revocable Trust Dated November 16, 2016, Garon R. Horton, Trustee, of Rockwall, claimed a \$49 million prize. So far in 2018, eight Texas players have won second-tier Mega Millions prizes of \$1 million or more.

Tonight's Mega Millions jackpot started as a \$40 million prize on July 27 and is the result of 23 draws without a jackpot winner. There have only been two other Mega Millions jackpots of more than \$600 million in the history of the game. The most recent was the Dec. 17, 2013 drawing with a jackpot prize worth \$648 million. Prior to tonight's drawing, the largest Mega Millions jackpot on record was a \$656 million prize for the March 30, 2012 drawing.

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## TEXAS MEGA MILLIONS & POWERBALL JACKPOT WINNERS

Game	Draw Date	Advertised Jackpot	Claimant	Claimant City	Retailer	Retailer City
MM	Oct. 1, 2004	\$101M	UT VAN NGUYEN	Carrollton	Sack N Save #204	Carrollton
MM	March 1, 2005	\$112M	MAL HOLDINGS, LP	Rowlett	Dalrock Grocery	Rowlett
MM	May 16, 2006	\$94M	MARTHA L. CUELLAR CRUMP, ALLEN & LEWIS GENERAL PARTNERSHIP	El Paso	Good Time Store #12	El Paso
MM	Jan. 9, 2007	\$122M	H & H TRUST	Amarillo	Taylor Petro Co Inc #80	Amarillo
MM	July 6, 2007	\$126M	SB ALCHEMY HOLDINGS, LTD.	Dallas	Kroger #318 SST	Humble
MM	Aug. 31, 2007	\$330M	JOHN A. JONES	Dallas	C-Store Sub Express	Fort Worth
MM	Jan. 1, 2008	\$33M	WILLIAM R KIEFER	Fort Worth	Short Stop Market	Katy
MM	Jan. 29, 2010	\$144M	MAIM REVOCABLE TRUST	Katy	Tommy's #10	Katy
MM	May 27, 2011	\$35M	PAUL MCDOWELL	Arlington	Lone Star Food Store #48	Granbury
PB	May 29, 2013	\$40M	THE LUCKY ONES PARTNERSHIP	Bells	Rosslyn Food Mart	Bells
MM	July 16, 2013	\$20M	THE 6-27-14 REVOCABLE TRUST	Houston	Moulton Grocery & Market	Houston
MM	June 27, 2014	\$33M	TL MANAGEMENT TRUST	Houston	Appletree Food Mart	Moulton
PB	Feb. 11, 2015	\$500M	IT WILL BUY ME A BOAT REVOCABLE TRUST DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2016	Austin	Princeton	Princeton
MM	Oct. 11, 2016	\$49M		Rockwall	QuikTrip #982	Balch Springs

### Top 10 Mega Millions Jackpots

Rank	State	Advertised Jackpot	Draw Date
1	???	\$667 million	Oct. 16, 2018
2	KS, IL, MD	\$656 million	March 30, 2012
3	CA, GA	\$648 million	Dec. 17, 2013
4	CA	\$543 million	July 24, 2018
5	IN	\$536 million	July 8, 2016
6	NJ	\$533 million	March 30, 2018
7	FL	\$451 million	Jan. 5, 2018
8	FL, MD	\$414 million	March 18, 2018
9	IL	\$393 million	Aug. 11, 2017
10	GA, NJ	\$390 million	March 6, 2007

### Top 10 U.S. Lottery Jackpots

Rank	State	Advertised Jackpot	Draw Date	Game
1	CA, FL, TN	\$1.586 billion	Jan. 13, 2016	Powerball
2	MA	\$758.7 million	Aug. 23, 2017	Powerball
3	???	\$667 million	Oct. 16, 2018	Mega Millions
4	KS, IL, MD	\$656.0 million	March 30, 2012	Mega Millions
5	CA, GA	\$648.0 million	Dec. 17, 2013	Mega Millions
6	FL	\$590.5 million	May 18, 2013	Powerball
7	AZ, MO	\$587.5 million	Nov. 28, 2012	Powerball
8	TX, NC, PR	\$564.1 million	Feb. 11, 2015	Powerball
9	NH	\$559.7 million	Jan. 6, 2018	Powerball
10	CA	\$543 million	July 24, 2018	Mega Millions

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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 still walk away winners. Mega Millions offers a \$40 Million starting jackpot and a second-tier (Match 5+0) prize of \$1 million. By choosing the Megaplier® 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.

### About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$28 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$57 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$22 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 \$101 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, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube or at [www.txlottery.org](http://www.txlottery.org).

**Editors/News Directors, note:** An image of the Mega Millions logo is attached in JPEG format. A list of the 2018 top selling Texas Lottery retailers is attached.

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