



Mega Millions Fast Facts for the Tuesday, July 28 Drawing

Estimated Annuity Jackpot
\$800 Million

Estimated Cash Value
\$344.2 Million

Stats from the last Mega Millions drawing on
July 24, 2026:

Total Prizes
500,257 winning tickets
Second-Tier Prizes
No second-tier winners
Third-Tier Prizes
13 third-tier winners of at least \$20,000
6 with the 2x multiplier (<i>California, Florida-2, Georgia, Ohio & South Carolina</i>)
5 with the 3x multiplier (<i>California-2, Idaho, Missouri & Ohio</i>);
2 with the 4x multiplier (<i>California-2</i>)

37 drawings since the last jackpot was hit
March 20 - July 24, 2026

Total Prizes
More than 10.2 million winning tickets across all nine prize tiers
Second-Tier Prizes
16 multi-million second-tier winning tickets
7 won at \$2 million
4 won at \$3 million
5 won at \$4 million
Third-Tier Prizes
248 third-tier winning tickets, ranging from \$20,000 to \$100,000

The last Mega Millions jackpot was won at \$60 million (\$27.1 million cash value) on March 17, 2026. The sole winning ticket was sold in Ohio.

Did You Know?

- It's only the second time since Mega Millions began in 2002 that there have been just two jackpots awarded through July 24 in a given year – the first was in 2024, a year that concluded with just four jackpots awarded, the fewest of any year in the game's history.

Jackpot Rankings

Mega Millions Top 10 Jackpots

RANKING	Jackpot Amount	Date Won	State
#1	\$1.602 billion	8/8/2023	Florida
#2	\$1.537 billion	10/23/2018	South Carolina
#3	\$1.348 billion	1/13/2023	Maine
#4	\$1.337 billion	7/29/2022	Illinois
#5	\$1.269 billion	12/27/2024	California
#6	\$1.128 billion	3/26/2024	New Jersey
#7	\$1.050 billion	1/22/2021	Michigan
#8	\$983 million	11/14/2025	Georgia
#9	\$810 million	9/10/2024	Texas
#10	\$800 million	7/28/2026	???

- Mega Millions is the only lottery game that has awarded seven jackpots exceeding \$1 billion to individual ticket-holders in seven different jurisdictions across the country: Florida, South Carolina, New Jersey, Maine, Illinois, Michigan and California.
- The largest iLottery jackpot win in U.S. history was the \$552 million Mega Millions jackpot on June 4, 2024, with one winning ticket sold in Illinois via the lottery's mobile app. Another big Illinois iLottery win was a \$536 million jackpot won on March 10, 2026.

Top 10 U.S. Lottery Jackpots

RANKING	Jackpot Amount	Date Won	State	Game
#1	\$2.040 billion	11/7/2022	California	Powerball
#2	\$1.817 billion	12/24/2025	Arkansas	Powerball
#3	\$1.787 billion	9/6/2025	Missouri, Texas	Powerball
#4	\$1.765 billion	10/11/2023	California	Powerball
#5	\$1.602 billion	8/8/2023	Florida	Mega Millions
#6	\$1.586 billion	1/13/2016	California, Florida, Tennessee	Powerball
#7	\$1.537 billion	10/23/2018	South Carolina	Mega Millions
#8	\$1.348 billion	1/13/2023	Maine	Mega Millions
#9	\$1.337 billion	7/29/2022	Illinois	Mega Millions
#10	\$1.326 billion	4/6/2024	Oregon	Powerball

General Information

Game Facts

- **Where to Buy:** Mega Millions tickets are sold in 47 jurisdictions: 45 states; Washington, D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- **Ticket Price:** Tickets are \$5 and include a randomly assigned multiplier, multiplying the non-jackpot base prizes levels by 2X, 3X, 4X, 5X, or 10X.
- **Drawing Time:** Drawings are conducted at 10 p.m. Central Time on Tuesdays and Fridays in Atlanta, GA.
- **Starting Jackpot:** The starting jackpot for the next drawing after a jackpot-winning Mega Millions ticket is sold is currently \$50 million. Each subsequent drawing offers a \$10 million minimum increase in the jackpot, but can vary depending on game sales and interest rates.
- **Game Odds:** Overall chances of winning any prize: 1 in 23. Odds of winning the jackpot: 1 in 290 million.
- **How to Play:** Players select five numbers from 1 to 70 and one Mega Ball number from 1 to 24. There are [nine prize tiers](#), ranging from \$10 to the jackpot.
- **Annuity:** A jackpot winner who opts for the annuity receives one immediate payment and annual payments that increase by 5% per year for 29 years.
- **Estimated Values:** Estimated annuity and cash values are announced prior to drawing dates and are based on projected sales. Differences between the estimates and final amounts may occur if a substantial percentage of sales happen on the drawing date. The cash value is the amount of cash in the jackpot pool. If a winner chooses the annuity, the cash value is used to buy bonds that fund the annual payments.