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Mega Millions Jackpot Surges to \$1.1 Billion

New LOTTO Jackpot Increases to \$1.168 Million

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – The Mega Millions® jackpot for tomorrow night's drawing has reached an astronomical \$1.1 billion, making it the third largest Mega Millions jackpot and the fifth highest lottery jackpot in the United States ever.

Arkansans won a total of \$172,382 in prizes in the Mega Millions drawing Friday night, with one lucky player in Arkadelphia winning \$30,000. Two players in Fort Smith each won \$1,600; two players in El Dorado and Berryville each won \$1,500, and eight players in Stuttgart, Hazen, Little Rock, Cabot, Elkins, Hot Springs and Glenwood each won \$600.

A total of 10,342 winners (out of 19,998 winning tickets sold in Arkansas) multiplied their prizes by three because they purchased the \$1 Megaplier®

LOTTO - the state's newest game which is only played and won in Arkansas - has increased to \$1.168 million for Wednesday night's drawing. On Saturday 4,020 players won LOTTO prizes totaling \$26,641, including five who each won \$1,500 and nine who each won \$500.

The Powerball® jackpot for tonight's drawing has grown to \$340 million. The lottery's Lucky for Life® game also offers players a chance at winning \$365,000 a year for life or a one-time payout of approximately \$5.7 million. And the Natural State Jackpot, which is exclusive to Arkansas, has climbed to \$380,000 for tonight's drawing.

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery launched its popular 5-Buck Bundle promotion on Jan. 1. For only \$5 a player gets three chances of winning a big jackpot. They receive a \$3 Powerball ticket with Power Play®, a \$2 LOTTO ticket and a free Natural State Jackpot ticket. The promotion will run through February.

In addition, two \$20 scratch-off tickets each have \$1 million prizes available. The \$1,000,000 Cash ticket has three top prizes in market, and the \$1,000,000 Riches ticket still has one \$1 million prize left on it.

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery reminds players to play responsibly. For game odds and winning numbers visit MyArkansasLottery.com.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of ASL revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions and other expenses in Arkansas. Since 2009, the lottery has raised more than \$1.2 billion in proceeds for scholarships. More than 675,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has paid more than \$4 billion in prizes to players, about \$366 million in retailer commissions and provided more than \$159 million in state and federal tax revenue.

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