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POWERBALL JACKPOT 5th LARGEST

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LITTLE ROCK— At \$478 million, it's the 5th largest jackpot in Powerball history. The jackpot for Saturday's Powerball drawing is now an estimated annuitized \$478 million, Arkansas Scholarship Lottery officials announced yesterday. The latest jackpot has now been rolling since early May.

"Talk about life-changing jackpot amounts," Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Director Bishop Woosley said, "imagine winning \$478 million. And if you can't imagine that, there are eight other ways to win playing Powerball, too." (He's right – look under "Ways to Win" at the link:

<http://myarkansaslottery.com/games/powerball>)

More than 9,000 Arkansas players have been Powerball winners since the state started Powerball sales on October 31, 2009, including a million-dollar winner in Lonoke. Powerball itself began in April 1992 in 15 states with jackpots that started at a guaranteed \$2 million. Since then, Powerball has grown into one of the world's biggest and most recognizable lottery games, sold today by 47 lotteries across the nation, with players buying more than \$4 billion in Powerball tickets each year. The world record jackpot was set in January by a Powerball jackpot run that reached \$1.586 billion and hit in Tennessee, California and Florida.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of Arkansas Scholarship Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships and retailer commissions in the state. Since Lottery sales started in 2009, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery has provided more than \$600 million for in-state college scholarships to Arkansas students, players have won nearly \$2 billion in prizes and Lottery retailers have earned more than \$170 million in commissions.

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