



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE—
Contact Stephen Koch at 501-683-2055 for more information

POWERBALL JACKPOT STILL RISING

July 22, 2016

LITTLE ROCK— The Powerball jackpot for tonight’s drawing is an estimated annuitized \$390 million (with an estimated cash value of \$270.5 million), Arkansas Scholarship Lottery officials have announced – among the largest jackpots in Powerball history. The jackpot has been rolling since early May, following a \$429.6 million win in New Jersey. “Big draw game jackpots help bring new players in to join the fun -- which also means more scholarship revenue,” Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Director Bishop Woosley said. “We’re hoping for a big winner in Arkansas.”

Arkansas started Powerball sales on October 31, 2009. 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.

Previous higher-tier Arkansas Powerball winners include a million-dollar winner in Lonoke, a \$50,000 winner sold in Hot Springs, \$100,000 and \$10,000 winners sold at Mountain Home, a \$50,000 winner in Greenwood, a \$10,000 winner sold in Gillham, a \$20,000 winner sold in Maumelle and a \$150,000 winner in Alma.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of Arkansas Scholarship Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions and other expenses in Arkansas. 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.

Follow the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). Visit [MyArkansasLottery](#) for more information on scholarships, winners, games, odds, promotions -- and to join the free Play It Again™ Rewards Club. To hear winning numbers, call the Winning Numbers Hotline at 501-682-IWON (4966). To get help with problem gambling, contact the National Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-522-4700.

###

