

Powerball jackpot reaches \$257 million

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CHICAGO —Players have the chance to win up to \$257 million in Saturday's *Powerball* drawing.

The winning numbers from Wednesday's *Powerball* drawing were – 11 - 16 - 38 - 50 - 69 – and the *Powerball* number was 19. While there was no jackpot winner in Wednesday night's drawing, Illinois players won more than 25,000 prizes, ranging from \$1 to \$1,000,000.

Illinois residents, 18 and older, can purchase *Powerball* and all of the Illinois Lottery's draw-based game tickets by using the Illinois Lottery's mobile app. The free app (the first of its kind in the United States) is available for download on iOS and Android devices and offers any Illinois adult the chance to purchase lottery tickets on their smartphone. Players can also purchase their tickets online at <u>illinoislottery.com</u> and at nearly 8,000 retailers statewide.

QUICK POWERBALL FACTS

- Current jackpot at \$257 million; cash option of \$153.4 million
- Jackpots start at \$40 million
- Overall odds of winning the jackpot 1:292,201,338
- Drawings are at 9:59 p.m. (CT) every Wednesday and Saturday

About the Illinois Lottery:

Founded in 1974, the Illinois Lottery has contributed over \$20 billion (since 1985) to the state's Common School Fund to assist K-12 public schools, as well as hundreds of millions of dollars to the Capital Projects Fund and to special causes like Illinois Veterans services, the fight against breast cancer, MS research, Special Olympics and assistance for people living with HIV/AIDS. In addition to playing in-store, the Illinois Lottery offers online and mobile play for all draw-based Illinois Lottery games at illinoislottery.com. Players must be at least 18 years old.