



Combined \$658 million in jackpots up for grabs in Illinois Lottery this weekend

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CHICAGO — Players have the chance to win a combined \$658 million in estimated jackpots this weekend! The jackpot in tonight's [*Mega Millions*](#) drawing has rolled to an estimated \$405 million, making it the 8th largest in the game's history. The jackpot for Saturday's [*Powerball*](#) drawing has reached an estimated \$253 million.

The winning numbers from Tuesday's *Mega Millions* drawing were 2, 22, 29, 31 and 34, and the Mega Ball number was 1. While there was no jackpot winner in Tuesday night's drawing, Illinois players won more than 40,100 prizes, ranging from \$2 to \$1,500.

The winning numbers from Wednesday's *Powerball* drawing were 41, 53, 59, 63 and 66, and the *Powerball* number was 3. While there was no jackpot winner in Wednesday night's drawing, Illinois players won more than 24,800 prizes, ranging from \$1 to \$50,000.

Illinois residents, 18 and older, can purchase *Mega Millions* 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 illinoislottery.com and at nearly 8,000 retailers statewide.

QUICK [**MEGA MILLIONS**](#) FACTS

- Current jackpot is \$405 million; cash option of \$235 million
- Jackpots start at \$40 million
- Overall odds of winning the jackpot 1:302,575,350
- Drawings are at 10 p.m. (CT) every Tuesday and Friday

QUICK POWERBALL FACTS

- Current jackpot at \$253 million; cash option of \$148.4 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.