

## **Powerball Jackpot Now At Epic \$670 Million For Monday Night**

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**CHICAGO** – The <u>Powerball®</u> jackpot is now at an epic \$670 million - giving Illinois residents plenty of reasons to head to their local store to grab a ticket for tonight's draw.

If won tonight, it will be the sixth largest jackpot in Powerball game history and the eighth largest jackpot in U.S. lottery history.

One <u>Illinois Lottery</u> player is on cloud nine after winning \$50,000 following Saturday night's Powerball draw. The lucky winner, who bought their ticket at Ave Maria Gas at Orland Park, is now the 25th Illinois player who has won \$50,000 with Powerball in the past four months.

As the Powerball jackpot continues to grow, so do players' dreams of winning big. The Illinois Lottery caught up with a few dreamers at the Lucky Mart store in Chicago's Ashburn neighborhood and asked them what they would do if they won the big jackpot.

"If I won, I would first pass out," laughed Sunria McKinney of Chicago. "Then I would throw a big party and celebrate with my dog Fendi, the family and everybody - we're going to have so much fun, I cannot wait."

Cedric Escobar, another Chicago Lottery player exclaimed, "If I won the big jackpot, what couldn't I do!"

For Nicole Douglas of Evergreen Park, it would be a family vacation to the Aloha state. "It is my mom's wish before she leaves this earth to go to Hawaii, so that would be a dream to be able to take her there."

With the Powerball reaching \$670 million for tonight's draw, players across Illinois are flocking to their local lottery stores to snatch up a ticket.

Powerball tickets are \$2 each, and players have the option to add the Powerplay for an additional \$1 for the chance to multiply non-jackpot prizes.

Powerball drawings are held every Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday with the next prize draw taking place on Monday, October 4, at 9:59 p.m. (CT).

It's never been easier for residents 18 and over to play as Illinois Lottery draw-based game tickets can be purchased online, in-store and on the Illinois Lottery app. Visit <u>IllinoisLottery.com</u> for more information.