



National Mega Millions Fast Facts for the Friday, July 29, 2022 Drawing

- The estimated annuity jackpot for the Friday, July 29 drawing **has been raised to \$1.28 billion** with an estimated cash value of **\$747.2 million**.
- If the jackpot is hit at \$1.28 billion it would be the 2nd largest jackpot win in Mega Millions history.
- Last Mega Millions jackpot hit: \$20 million (\$11.9 million cash) April 15 in Tennessee.
- The last Mega Millions drawing on July 26 produced 6,775,330 winning tickets, including:
 - **9** second-tier winner of at least \$1 million
 - Ohio (3x Megaplier), California, Florida, Illinois, New Jersey (2), New York (2), and Ohio
 - **156** third-tier winners of at least \$10,000
 - (36 of the 156 winners with the 3x Megaplier for \$30,000)
- In the 29 drawings since the last jackpot hit (*April 19 draw through July 26 draw*), there have been:
 - **42** second-tier winning tickets of at least \$1 million* (7 of the 42 with the Megaplier)
 - **687** third-tier winning tickets of at least \$10,000* (135 of the 687 with the Megaplier)
 - **28,136,905** total winning tickets across all nine prize tiers

** Prizes in California paid on a pari-mutuel basis and differ from fixed prize amounts*
- Estimated annuity and cash values are announced prior to drawing dates and are based on projected sales. Differences between the estimates and final amounts may occur because a substantial percentage of sales happen on the drawing dates. The cash value is the amount of cash in the jackpot pool. If a winner chooses the annuity, the cash value is used to buy bonds that fund the annual payments.

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Mega Millions Top 10 Jackpots

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2.	\$1.280 billion	07/29/2022	?????
3.	\$1.050 billion	1/22/2021	Michigan
4.	\$656 million	3/30/2012	Kansas, Illinois, Maryland
5.	\$648 million	12/17/2013	California, Georgia
6.	\$543 million	7/24/2018	California
7.	\$536 million	7/8/2016	Indiana
8.	\$533 million	3/30/2018	New Jersey
9.	\$522 million	6/7/2019	California
10.	\$516 million	5/21/2021	Pennsylvania

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5.	\$768.4 million	3/27/2019	Wisconsin	(Powerball)
6.	\$758.7 million	8/23/2017	Massachusetts	(Powerball)
7.	\$731.1 million	1/20/2021	Maryland	(Powerball)
8.	\$699.8 million	10/04/2021	California	(Powerball)
9.	\$687.8 million	10/27/2018	Iowa, New York	(Powerball)
10.	\$656 million	3/30/2012	Kansas, Illinois, Maryland	(Mega Millions)

The Mega Millions jackpot was hit five times in 2020 and six times in 2021:

2020

- Feb. 11, 2020 \$202 million Edison, New Jersey
- June 9, 2020 \$414 million Glendale, Arizona
- July 24, 2020 \$123 million Bayonne, New Jersey
- July 31, 2020 \$22 million Mira Loma, California
- Sept. 15, 2020 \$120 million Racine, Wisconsin

2021

- Jan. 22, 2021 \$1.05 billion Oakland County, Michigan
- Feb. 16, 2021 \$96 million Blossvale, New York
- May 21, 2021 \$516 million Pennsylvania
- June 8, 2021 \$55 million Crestwood, Illinois
- Sept. 21, 2021 \$431 million New York, New York
- Oct. 22, 2021 \$108 million Lake Havasu, Arizona

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- The largest Mega Millions jackpot was \$1.537 billion on October 23, 2018, with one winning ticket sold in South Carolina. The winner claimed anonymously. It was the second-largest jackpot in U.S. lottery history, trailing only the \$1.586 billion Powerball jackpot in January of 2016.
- [Click here](#) for a list of all Mega Millions jackpots won since the game began.
- Mega Millions tickets are sold in 47 jurisdictions: 45 states; Washington, D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- Tickets are \$2; The Megaplier option is an additional \$1. Prizes on all Megaplier tickets are multiplied, except for the jackpot.
- Drawings are conducted at 11 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesdays and Fridays in Atlanta, Georgia.
- The starting jackpot for the next drawing after a jackpot-winning Mega Millions ticket is sold is currently \$20 million, but can vary depending on game sales and interest rates. There is no fixed minimum jackpot roll increase, which also is dependent on game sales and interest rates.
- A jackpot winner who opts for the annuity receives one immediate payment and annual payments that increase by 5% per year for 29 years.
- The “Just the Jackpot” wager type costs \$3 and gives players two Quick Pick entries for a chance to win the jackpot only. Just the Jackpot is not available in all jurisdictions.
- Overall chances of winning any prize: 1 in 24. Odds of winning the jackpot: 1 in 303 million.
- How to Play: Players select five numbers from 1 to 70 and one Mega Ball number from 1 to 25. There are [nine prize tiers](#), ranging from \$2 to the jackpot.
- Mega Millions originally launched as “The Big Game,” with its first drawing on September 6, 1996. Its name was changed to Mega Millions in 2002.
- The first Mega Millions drawing was held on May 17, 2002 and produced a \$28 million jackpot winner from Illinois.
- Beneficiaries: Lottery profits support a wide variety of good causes and are allocated differently in each jurisdiction.