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*****JACKPOT ALERT*****

LOTTO TEXAS® JACKPOT GROWS TO LARGEST IN NORTH AMERICA

The estimated annuitized jackpot for the Aug. 15 drawing will be \$32.25 million

(AUSTIN) – Everything is bigger in Texas, including the jackpots. With no jackpot-winning tickets sold for the Wednesday, Aug. 12 [Lotto Texas®](#) drawing, the jackpot has rolled to an estimated annuitized \$32.25 million for the Saturday, Aug. 15 drawing, making it the largest jackpot prize up for grabs in North America for at least the next two days. The current jackpot, which also is the [second-largest in the world](#), holds a narrow edge over the advertised \$31 million Mega Millions® jackpot before the Friday, Aug. 14 draw.

“Lotto Texas has been on an exciting run and now the jackpot has emerged as the largest on the continent,” said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery Commission. “This game has always been a favorite among Texas Lottery players, and we know they will be thrilled to play for one of the largest prizes in the world. We want to remind our players to play responsibly. It only takes one ticket to win.”

It’s been nearly two years since the Lotto Texas jackpot has reached the level it currently stands. The last time Texas’ original draw game had a jackpot winner of more than \$30 million was for the May 16, 2018 drawing when an advertised \$30.25 million prize was claimed by a Houston resident, who purchased the winning ticket at MJ’s All Season Food Store in Houston. The largest Lotto Texas jackpot in game history was an advertised \$145 million prize for the June 19, 2004 drawing, which was sold in El Paso and claimed by VOM Enterprises, Ltd.

So far in 2020, there has only been one Lotto Texas jackpot winner, a Laredo resident that claimed a jackpot prize of \$17.5 million for the drawing held on Jan. 15, 2020.

The \$1.586 billion for the Powerball® drawing held on Jan. 13, 2016 stands as the world record.

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Lotto Texas is played by picking six numbers from one to 54 and can offer multimillion-dollar jackpots.

Drawings are held every Wednesday and Saturday at 10:12 p.m. CT. For \$1 more per play, a player can select the Extra! add-on feature for a chance to win up to \$10,000 more on non-jackpot prizes.

About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated more than \$31 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$65 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$25.5 billion to the Foundation School Fund, which supports public education in Texas. As authorized by the Texas Legislature, certain Texas Lottery revenues benefit state programs including the Fund for Veterans' Assistance. Since the first veterans' themed scratch ticket game was launched in 2009, the Texas Lottery has contributed more than \$140 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including Powerball®, Mega Millions®, Lotto Texas®, All or Nothing™, Texas Two Step®, Pick 3™, Daily 4™, Cash Five® and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube or at www.txlottery.org. PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

Editors/News Directors, note: An image of the Lotto Texas® logo is attached in JPEG format.

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