



National Mega Millions Fast Facts for the Tuesday, March 19 drawing

- The estimated annuity jackpot for the Tuesday, March 19 drawing is **\$875 million**, with an estimated cash value of **\$413.5 million**.
- **Last Mega Millions jackpot hit:** \$394 million (\$188.6 million cash) Dec. 8 shared by two tickets in California.
- The last Mega Millions drawing on March 15 produced 1,587,100 winning tickets, including:
 - **1** second-tier winners of \$1 million (New York)
 - **39** third-tier winners of at least \$10,000
 - (9 of the 39 winners included the 5x Megaplier for \$50,000.)
- In the 28 drawings since the last jackpot hit (*Dec. 12 draw through March 15*), there have been:
 - **33** second-tier winning tickets of at least \$1 million*

With a total of almost 21.5 million 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 date. 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

1.	\$1.602 billion	08/08/2023	Florida
2.	\$1.537 billion	10/23/2018	South Carolina
3.	\$1.348 billion	01/13/2023	Maine
4.	\$1.337 billion	07/29/2022	Illinois
5.	\$1.050 billion	01/22/2021	Michigan
6.	\$875 million	03/19/2024	?????
7.	\$656 million	03/30/2012	Kansas, Illinois, Maryland
8.	\$648 million	12/17/2013	California, Georgia
9.	\$543 million	07/24/2018	California
10.	\$536 million	07/0x8/2016	Indiana

Top 10 U.S. Lottery Jackpots

1.	\$2.040 billion	11/07/2022	California	(Powerball)
2.	\$1.765 Billion	10/11/2023	California	(Powerball)
3.	\$1.602 billion	08/08/2023	Florida	(Mega Millions)
4.	\$1.586 billion	01/13/2016	California, Florida, Tennessee	(Powerball)
5.	\$1.537 billion	10/23/2018	South Carolina	(Mega Millions)
6.	\$1.348 billion	01/13/2023	Maine	(Mega Millions)
7.	\$1.337 billion	07/29/2022	Illinois	(Mega Millions)
8.	\$1.080 billion	07/19/2023	California	(Powerball)
9.	\$1.050 billion	01/22/2021	Michigan	(Mega Millions)
10.	\$875 Million	03/19/2024	?????	(Mega Millions)

The Mega Millions jackpot was hit 10 times in 2023 and 0 times so far in 2024:

2023

○ Jan. 13, 2023	\$1.348 billion	Maine
○ Jan. 17, 2023	\$20 million	New York
○ Jan. 24, 2023	\$33 million	Massachusetts
○ Jan. 31, 2023	\$31 million	Massachusetts
○ April 14, 2023	\$483 million	New York
○ April 18, 2023	\$20 million	New York
○ August 8, 2023	\$1.602 billion	Florida
○ August 15, 2023	\$39 million	Florida (unclaimed; expired February 11, 2024)
○ October 6, 2023	\$361 million	Texas
○ December 8, 2023	\$394 million	California, California

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- The largest Mega Millions jackpot was \$1.602 billion on Aug. 8, 2023, with one winning ticket sold in Florida. It is now the third-largest jackpot in U.S. lottery history, trailing the \$2.040 billion Powerball jackpot on Nov. 7, 2022, and the \$1.765 billion Powerball jackpot on Oct. 11, 2023.
- [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.
- 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 Sept. 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.