



National Mega Millions Fast Facts for the Tuesday, March 26 drawing

- The estimated annuity jackpot for the Tuesday, March 26 drawing is **\$1.13 billion**, with an estimated cash value of **\$537.5 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 22 produced 2,564,114 winning tickets, including:
 - **6** second-tier winners: 5 of \$1 million (California*, Florida, Illinois, Nebraska and Texas); 1 of \$3 million (Virginia) with 3x Megaplier
 - **80** third-tier winners of at least \$10,000
 - (12 of the 80 winners included the 3x Megaplier for \$30,000.)
- In the 30 drawings since the last jackpot hit (*Dec. 12 draw through March 22*), there have been:
 - **43** second-tier winning tickets of at least \$1 million*

With a total of more than 26.2 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

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| 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. | \$1.130 billion | 03/26/2024 | ????? |
| 6. | \$1.050 billion | 01/22/2021 | Michigan |
| 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 | 07/08/2016 | Indiana |

Top 10 U.S. Lottery Jackpots

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| 1. | \$2.040 billion | 11/07/2022 | California | (Powerball) |
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| 3. | \$1.602 billion | 08/08/2023 | Florida | (Mega Millions) |
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| 9. | \$1.080 billion | 07/19/2023 | California | (Powerball) |
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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.