

LOTTERY LINKS

NEWS AND IDEAS FOR LOTTERY RETAILERS

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Lottery Links is provided free to licensed retailers, Lottery Advisory Commission members, vendors and other interested parties. Lottery Links is available on the website at LOTTERY.ND.GOV.

2BY2 INSTANT WIN RETURNS

Beginning November 6, players who buy a single play, seven draw 2by2 ticket for \$7 get a chance to instantly win \$500 cash or a FREE seven draw 2by2 ticket.

Will your store make the "Top 5" for this promotion? To sell more tickets, make sure you know the promotion details. If a player is an instant 7 draw ticket winner, their free 7 draw 2by2 ticket will print immediately after their purchased ticket. If a player is a \$500 instant winner, a \$500 coupon will print.

To receive credit for cashing a \$500 instant winner, the coupon <u>must</u> <u>be</u> scanned through the lottery terminal in the same manner as a winning lottery ticket. Encourage players to sign the back of their coupons. With all 7 draw 2by2 purchases, any prize won on Tuesday doubles in value, including the jackpot.

Stores will receive credit for all cashed coupons, as well as the free 7 draw tickets. Preprinting 2by2 transactions is strictly prohibited. Complete details and official rules can be found at LOTTERY.ND.GOV.



DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



The North Dakota Lottery works closely with retailers to provide an entertaining consumer product for people who choose to use disposable income to experience a bit of escapism and fun. The Lottery and licensed retailers do this with the utmost integrity and a commitment to sound business practices while keeping responsible gaming a key part of our marketing and funding focus.

Fiscal Year 2022 was another successful year with unaudited ticket sales of \$29.2 million, compared to \$30.4 million the year prior. Retailer sales reached \$26.2 million and Pick & Click online play sales were just under \$3 million. This demonstrates that Lottery retailers play a critical role in the Lottery's mission to generate revenue for the state.

Total Retailer Sales Compared to Previous Fiscal Year (By Region)					
(NW - Williston/Minot Area; NE - Grand Forks Area; SW - Bismarck/Dickinson Area; SE - Fargo/Wahpeton/Jamestown Area)					
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Region 1 (NW)	\$8,605,823	\$9,802,156	\$6,519,651	\$7,530,002	\$6,903,924
Region 2 (NE)	\$4,543,042	\$4,926,157	\$3,353,916	\$4,190,664	\$3,985,178
Region 3 (SW)	\$8,648,978	\$9,691,784	\$6,672,058	\$8,266,746	\$7,757,947
Region 4 (SE)	\$8,408,240	\$9,357,496	\$6,234,018	\$7,894,781	\$7,592,164
Total State	\$30,206,083	\$33,777,593	\$22,779,643	\$27,882,193	\$26,239,213
NOTE: These totals DO NOT include Pick & Click/Subscription sales					
% Change Compared to Previous Fiscal Year (By Region)					
	% Change				
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2020	FY 2021
Region 1 (NW)	17%	14%	-33%	15%	-8%
Region 2 (NE)	13%	8%	-32%	25%	-5%
Region 3 (SW)	8%	12%	-31%	24%	-6%
Region 4 (SE)	15%	11%	-33%	27%	-4%
Total State	13%	12%	-33%	22%	-6%

The Lottery tracks terminals and sales on a regional basis. There are 116 terminals in the Northwest, 82 in the Northeast, 115 in the Southwest and, not surprisingly, the largest concentration of retailer terminals is in the Southeast part of North Dakota with 133 locations. Since July 2014, the number of lottery terminals in all regions, except the Northeast, have increased.

The Lottery also has 50 PlayCentral (PCT) selfservice terminals across the state:

- 27 located in grocery stores; and
- 23 located in convenience stores.

PCT sales accounted for \$2 million, or 7.1%, of all lottery sales and accounted for 33.6% of the lottery sales in the locations they served. Hosting retailers support the PCT at their location, but the acceptance and success of a PCT is ultimately up to the customer. While PCTs are convenient, many players prefer their lottery experience be more personal and prefer interaction with store personnel instead of a self-service machine.

Approximately 23 cents of every dollar sold benefits the state. For Fiscal Year 2022, the Lottery contributed \$6.7 million to the State of North Dakota:

- \$5.6 million to the State General Fund;
- \$800,000 to the Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Force Fund; and
- \$320,000 to the Compulsive Gambling Prevention and Treatment Fund.

The North Dakota Lottery has a capable team of Customer Service Specialists and terminal technicians who strive to make sure retailers have properly functioning terminals and the products and point-of-sale material needed to optimize sales. Utilize the advice and service of these lottery professionals to support your lottery sales. Ask cashiers to actively promote the sale of lottery tickets, not only during special promotions or high jackpots, but throughout the year. The games are fun, they generate business for your stores, and the proceeds support those who live in, work in and visit our great state.

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LOTTERY TIDBITS

- Give <u>ALL</u> winning and non-winning lottery tickets back to the player.
- Give <u>ALL</u> customer receipts to the player.
- Keep all retailer receipts for the store's records.
- No credit will be issued to retailers for misprinted tickets.
- Valid misprinted tickets may be sold to players before the draw occurs.
- Lottery tickets cannot be voided, canceled or refunded.
- Players cannot use credit cards to purchase lottery tickets.
- Confirm ticket purchase amount. Collect payment up front for large ticket purchases (example \$50+) prior to ticket printing.
- Does your staff need lottery terminal training? Please contact your North Dakota Lottery Customer Service Representative at 701-328-1574 to setup a training session.

MONEY MEDAL MADNESS

The Lotto America MONEY MEDAL MADNESS promotion was a resounding success! Lotto America sales for the four week promotion saw a 133% increase in sales when compared to the 26-week, weekly average prior to the promotion. Total sales reached \$440,836 and players won \$22,890 in instant prizes. Remember, Lotto America now draws THREE TIMES A WEEK - MONDAY, Wednesday and Saturday!

Check out the Top 5 North Dakota Lottery retailers with the most instant winners:

- 1. M&H Gas #13 Mandan
- 2. Family Fare Supermarket #103 West Fargo
- 3. Dan's SuperMARKET #3 (South) Bismarck
- 4. Patriot Fuels of Carrington Carrington
- 5. Cash Wise Foods #3043 Minot

Not on the list? Check the back of this newsletter and see if you made the Top 60!

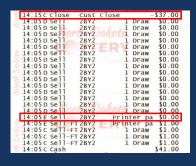
RETAILER REQUEST FOR CREDIT FORM

To receive credit for a defective ticket (due to a hardware or software error), a retailer must fill out a Retailer Request for Credit form available at the North Dakota Lottery website (LOTTERY. ND.GOV), under the FOR RETAILERS tab.

Along with the completed form, retailers must also submit the original ticket (if available), a 'Reprint Last" ticket and a Transaction History report. Both the "Reprint Last" ticket and the Transaction History report should be printed immediately after the error occurs. NEVER give the "Reprint Last" ticket to a player. This is NOT a valid ticket.

To determine if you have been charged for a ticket, refer to the Transaction History report. As shown, an error occurred when cashing a 2by2 ticket that

won 41 free plays.
Four tickets printed before the error occurred. The retailer was given credit, but not charged, for the subsequent tickets that did not print. In



this case, the retailer owes the player \$37 for the non-printed tickets. Questions can be directed to your Lottery Customer Service Representative at 701.328.1574.

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Rank Retailer Rank Retailer Rank Retailer M&H Gas #13 - Mandan Town & Country Coop - Finley New Century Ag - Crosby Family Fare Supermarket #103 - West Fargo 22 Dan's SuperMARKET #14 (Yorktown Dr) - Bismarck Manvel Oil - Manvel Dan's SuperMARKET #3 (South) - Bismarck Simonson Station Store #6 - Williston Red Carpet/Superpumper #80238 - Mandan Patriot Fuels of Carrington - Carrington M&H Gas #15 - Jamestown Hugo's #2 - Grand Forks Cash Wise Foods #3043 - Minot Red Carpet/Superpumper #80242 - Bismarck Cash Wise Foods #3049 - Jamestown Simonson Station Store #8 - Wahpeton Superpumper #39 - Bismarck Casey's General Store #3631 - New Rockford Cash Wise Foods #3020 - Fargo Interstate Cenex - Beach M&H Gas #25 - Minot Broadway Marketplace Foods - Minot M&H Gas #22 - Dickinson Gustafson Oil - Bottineau 28t Pit Stop LLC - Dickinson Hornbacher's Southgate #2687 - Fargo Red Carpet/Superpumper #80245 - Bismarck 28t North Hill Marketplace Foods - Minot 30 Red Carpet/Superpumper #80241 - Bismarck Parshall Cenex - Parshall Marketplace Food and Drug - Minot Cenex C-Store - Jamestown Good Oil Co. - LaMoure 31 Cash Wise Foods #3044 - Dickinson Hugo's #9 - Jamestown Superpumper #4 - Williston Family Fare Supermarket #123 - Dickinson M&H Gas #34 - Williston Cenex General Store - Dickinson Petro Serve USA #077 - Bismarck Neighborhood Grocery and Gas - Jamestown Cenex on Centennial - Bismarck Simonson Station Store #4 - Minot Albertson's #2028 - Williston Hornbacher's Osgood #2689 - Fargo Cash Wise Foods #3012 - Fargo Rosie's Food and Gas - Dickinson Dan's SuperMARKET #12 (Turnpike Ave) - Bismarck Red Carpet/Superpumper #80246 - Bismarck Hornbacher's Express #2692 - Fargo 37 Dan's SuperMARKET #6 - Mandan Hornbacher's Village West #2693 - Fargo Brothers III Sports - Valley City Western Choice Cenex - Killdeer 38 Simonson Station Store #3 - Grafton Arrowhead Marketplace Foods - Minot Superpumper #9 - Minot 39 Dan's SuperMARKET #2 (North) - Bismarck Pony Express Shell - Bismarck Jetstream Car Wash - Jamestown