



## Ticket Sales Push Powerball® Jackpot to \$425 Million Game's Third Highest

**BISMARCK, ND** – The nationwide rush to buy tickets for Wednesday's (8/7/13) Powerball® drawing has driven the jackpot from \$400 million to \$425 million, the game's third highest.

“The noise of a Powerball jackpot rocketing to \$425 million will grab people's attention in every city and town across the country and bring them out to play,” said Tom Romero, chairman of the Multi-State Lottery Association's Powerball Group. “More importantly, the revenue from their ticket purchases will empower many worthy causes to accomplish even greater things on behalf of the communities they serve.”

The game's record jackpot is \$590.5 million. It was won by a player in Florida in May.

In addition to the jackpot, there are eight prize levels ranging from \$4 to \$1 million. For an extra \$1, players can add Power Play® to their wager. Power Play is a feature that increases non-jackpot prizes with an automatic prize of \$2 million for matching the five white balls. Players must add the Power Play option to their Powerball play slips or tell the retailer that they wish to purchase a Powerball ticket with Power Play.

Powerball is played in 45 U.S. lotteries. Powerball jackpots start at \$40 million and roll until won. Jackpots are won by matching the five white ball numbers (1-59) and the red Powerball number (1-35). The overall odds of winning a Powerball prize are approximately 1 in 31.8.

### **About Powerball®**

Powerball® drawings are Wednesdays and Saturdays at 9:59 p.m. Central Time. For more information about Powerball® please visit [LOTTERY.ND.GOV](http://LOTTERY.ND.GOV).

The 45 U.S. lotteries where Powerball® is available are: Arizona Lottery, Arkansas Scholarship Lottery, California Lottery, Colorado Lottery, Connecticut Lottery Corporation, D.C. Lottery & CGCB, Delaware State Lottery, Florida Lottery, Georgia Lottery Corporation, Hoosier (Indiana) Lottery, Idaho Lottery, Illinois Lottery, Iowa Lottery, Kansas Lottery, Kentucky Lottery, Louisiana Lottery Corporation, Maine State Lottery, Maryland Lottery, Massachusetts State Lottery, Michigan Lottery, Minnesota State Lottery, Missouri Lottery, Montana Lottery, Nebraska Lottery, New Hampshire Lottery Commission, New Jersey Lottery, New Mexico Lottery, New York Lottery, North Carolina Education Lottery, North Dakota Lottery, Ohio Lottery, Oklahoma Lottery, Oregon Lottery, Pennsylvania Lottery, Rhode Island Lottery, South Carolina Education Lottery, South Dakota Lottery, Tennessee Education Lottery, Texas Lottery, U.S. Virgin Islands Lottery, Vermont Lottery, Virginia Lottery, Washington Lottery, Wisconsin Lottery and the West Virginia Lottery.

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