

# Powerball

**P**owerball began in April 1992, and the Louisiana Lottery began participating in the multistate game on March 2, 1995. The game offers a minimum jackpot of \$20 million which keeps growing until it is won. The game can offer such high jackpots because the prize pool is based on sales from the following **44** lotteries, including Louisiana: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Vermont, the Virgin Islands, Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin. The largest-ever Powerball jackpot was won on Feb. 18, 2006, on a single ticket worth \$365 million sold in Nebraska.

## The Game

For \$1 per play, players pick five numbers, 1 through 59, and one Powerball number, 1 through 39. Drawings are conducted at Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida, and are broadcast live on participating local television stations at 9:59 p.m. Central Standard Time. Tickets must be purchased by 9 p.m. on the day of the drawing. The odds of winning *any* prize, ranging from \$3 to the jackpot, are 1 in 35. The odds of winning the jackpot are 1 in 195 million for matching all six numbers. The advertised jackpot is expressed as a graduated annuity payable in 30 installments that increase each year, although winners have the option of taking a lump-sum cash payment equivalent to the jackpot prize pool. For an additional \$1 per play, players can choose the Power Play option which allows them to multiply any nonjackpot-related Powerball prize up to five times, depending upon the Power Play number selected during the drawing. Each Power Play multiplier (2X, 3X, 4X and 5X) has an equal chance of being selected. Power Play purchasers will have their nonjackpot winnings multiplied by that number. The 5X multiplier will always apply to match-5 prizes when the Power Play option is purchased. In accordance with game rules, all set prizes and Power Play prizes, including the match-5 prize, may become pari-mutuel if claims exceed available prize funds.

## Louisiana Powerball Stats

- Louisiana has had 14 jackpots won since joining Powerball.
- Louisiana is responsible for about 3 percent of total Powerball sales and prize pool funding.
- Retailers get a bonus for selling a winning Powerball jackpot ticket equal to 1 percent of Louisiana's contribution to the jackpot's cash value or \$25,000, whichever is greater.
- Players are demanding bigger jackpots. When the jackpot reaches about \$100 million sales begin increasing and continue to do so for every jackpot roll.
- As with all Louisiana Lottery ticket sales, 35 cents of every ticket sold is transferred to the state and 50 cents goes to fund prizes.
- Powerball is the Louisiana Lottery's most popular draw-style game, accounting for 28 percent of all sales in fiscal year 2010.
- Louisiana ranks 5th out of 44 lotteries in the number of jackpot-winning tickets sold since March 1995.

## LOUISIANA LOTTERY POWERBALL JACKPOT WINNERS

Date Won	Advertised Jackpot*	Name of Winner	City
02/14/96	\$35 million	Mascaro, Et Al, A Louisiana Partnership	New Orleans, LA
02/28/96	\$21 million	JPHL, L.L.C.	Metairie, LA
07/17/96	\$24 million	Glawson Family Partnership	Lafayette, LA
08/30/97	\$25 million	Lemuel R. Boyer, Jr.	Ridgeland, MS
08/18/99	\$32 million	James M. Hambrick	Lufkin, TX
12/27/00	\$16.5 million	Tommy Lee Adams	Jacksonville, NC
03/27/02	\$48 million	Jerry Berggren & Cathy DeMuyneck	Kenner, LA
02/22/03	\$21 million	Cello Investments, LLC	Belle Chase, LA
02/12/05	\$41 million	The Duchess Trust	Baton Rouge, LA
09/30/06	\$15 million	Jane Compeaux Jabert	Cut Off, LA
09/29/07	\$15 million	William Heid Jr.	Chauvin, LA
01/16/08	\$97 million	Carl Hunter	Metairie, LA
05/31/08	\$34.1 million	Emilia Delgado	Kenner, LA
07/31/10	\$85.7 million	H & N Family Partnership	Baton Rouge, LA

\*Louisiana Portion of Estimated Advertised Annuity for drawing in which jackpot was won.



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