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Over Half Billion Dollars is Up for Grabs
Powerball and Mega Millions Continue to Roll

Hundreds of millions of dollars is on the line in two separate lotto games.

The *Mega Millions* jackpot for tonight's drawing is estimated at $336 million with a cash payout of $195.3 million. The *Powerball* jackpot for Saturday night's drawing is estimated at $213 million with a cash payout of $124.6 million.

Mega Millions tickets must be purchased by 9 p.m. to be included in the Friday, September 28 drawing:
• Each ticket costs $2 per play
• Choose five different numbers 1 to 70 and one Mega Ball number 1 to 25

Powerball tickets must be purchased by 9 p.m. Saturday to be included in the September 29 drawing:
• Each ticket costs $2 per play
• Choose five different numbers 1-69 and one Powerball number 1-26

Retailers also benefit from Lottery sales. The Lottery pays retailers a 2% incentive for the sale of winning tickets with prizes $600 or greater. There is a maximum $100,000 payment on any winning ticket per draw. The retailer receives their 2% even if the winning ticket is not redeemed by the player.

The mission of Wisconsin Lottery is to provide property tax relief to Wisconsin homeowners. Since the sale of the first lottery ticket in September 1988, the Lottery has generated:
• More than $4.3 billion in property tax relief for Wisconsin homeowners
• More than $8.2 billion in prizes for players
• $920 million in commissions for Wisconsin businesses

The odds of winning the Powerball jackpot are approximately 1:292.2 million.	*The odds of winning the Mega Millions jackpot are approximately 1:302.6 million.*

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