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# Saturday's *Powerball* Jackpot At \$700 Million – Largest Jackpot in U.S. History

*Wednesday night Powerball drawing has \$50,000 and \$150,000 winners from Wisconsin*

Wisconsin has two lucky players from the Wednesday, January 6 *Powerball* drawing. Each player matched four out of five numbers plus the *Powerball* which earns them the \$50,000 prize. The first player from Menomonie won \$50,000, while the second player from Baraboo added Power Play to increase their winnings to \$150,000.

The winning numbers from the Wednesday, January 6, 2015 drawing were 2, 11, 47, 62, and 63. The *Powerball* was 17 and the Power Play number was 3. The winning tickets from Wednesday's drawing were sold at:

- Superamerica at 1708 North Broadway in Menomonie (\$50,000 winning ticket)
- M & R Travelmart at 617 Pine Street in Baraboo (\$150,000 winning ticket)

Since there was not a *Powerball* jackpot winner Wednesday night, the jackpot continues to grow. The *Powerball* jackpot for Saturday night's drawing is now at \$700 million – making it the largest *Powerball* jackpot in the game's history, as well as the largest jackpot of any lottery game in U.S. history. If sales continue to be strong nationwide, the jackpot could be even larger for the Saturday drawing. The \$700 million comes to an estimated \$428.4 million cash payout.

Tickets must be purchased by 9:00 p.m. to be included in the Saturday, January 9 drawing:

- Each ticket costs \$2 per play
- Choose five different numbers 1-69 and one *Powerball* number 1-26
- Sign your ticket and check it as soon as possible to avoid missing out on any prize you may have won

While the jackpot gets the most attention, there are other prizes to be won in *Powerball*. Prizes range from \$4 for matching just the *Powerball* to \$1 million for matching all five numbers (but not the *Powerball*). For an extra \$1 per play, you can choose Power Play to increase your non-jackpot winnings which will be multiplied by the drawing's Power Play number. For example, if your prize is \$50,000 and the Power Play number is 5, you win \$250,000 just by adding Power Play. The \$1 million prize automatically becomes \$2 million with Power Play.

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

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