



## Wisconsin Lottery

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## **Powerball Jackpot Increases to \$460 Million for Tonight** *Cash Option \$291 Million*

The Powerball jackpot has increased to an estimated \$460 million for tonight's drawing – making it the 7<sup>th</sup> largest Powerball jackpot and the 10<sup>th</sup> largest U.S Lottery jackpot. Lottery Director Cindy Polzin noted, "large jackpots create excitement, and that's fun for everyone." She further stated, "Wisconsin homeowners are big winners as well because lottery proceeds go toward property tax relief."

### How to Play

Tickets must be purchased by 9 p.m. on Wednesday and Saturday to be included in the drawing:

- Each ticket costs \$2 per play
- Choose five different numbers 1 to 69 and one *Powerball* number 1 to 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.

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 \$4.1 billion in property tax relief for Wisconsin homeowners
- More than \$7.8 billion in prizes for players
- \$877 million in commissions for Wisconsin businesses



*The odds of winning the jackpot are 1:292,201,338.*

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