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Wednesday's Powerball Jackpot Reaches \$381 Million

March 6 total is high mark of 2019 and largest figure since October

MADISON, Wis. - Wednesday's *Powerball* drawing will feature an estimated jackpot of \$381 million, the highest of 2019. The March 6 drawing also marks the largest jackpot since \$750 million last October.

The most recent Powerball jackpot win came Dec. 26 when the \$294 million prize was won on a ticket purchased in New York state. Wisconsin has twice won *Powerball's* largest prize, in 2006 and 2017. The last win came in March 2017 when a Milwaukee resident hit the \$156.2 jackpot on a ticket purchased in Pewaukee.

In addition to its jackpot, Powerball features prizing ranging from four dollars to \$1 million. Each ticket costs two dollars and must be purchased by 9 p.m. CT on Wednesday and Saturday to be included in that night's drawing. Players can choose five different numbers 1 to 69 and one *Powerball* number 1 to 26. Those purchasing tickets are advised to sign them and check numbers as soon as possible to avoid missing out on any potential prize.

For an extra dollar per play, the selection of a Power Play can increase non-jackpot winnings by having them multiplied by the drawing's Power Play number. For example, a \$50,000 prize and a Power Play number of 5 results in a \$250,000 win by adding Power Play. The \$1 million prize automatically becomes \$2 million with Power Play.

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

ABOUT THE WISCONSIN LOTTERY

The Wisconsin Lottery enriches communities statewide by giving back 93 percent of its revenue to winners, retailers, and Wisconsin homeowners. Of each dollar spent on the Wisconsin Lottery, 57 cents goes back to prizes, 30 cents to property tax credits, seven cents to operations and six cents to retailers. Since 1988, the Wisconsin Lottery generated:

- More than \$14.5 billion in total revenue
- Over \$8.2 billion in prizes paid
- More than \$4.3 billion in funding for property tax credits to eligible Wisconsin homeowners

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