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Skyrocketing Mega Millions, Powerball and NY LOTTO Jackpots Generate \$63.9 Million for NY Schools and Lottery Retailers

The jackpots for three of New York's most popular draw games – Mega Millions, Powerball and NY LOTTO – are skyrocketing and have generated more than \$63.9 million for New York's public schools and small businesses across the state.

"Multiple massive jackpots mean more opportunities to win life-changing money while benefiting New York's public schools," said Gaming Commission Chairman Brian O'Dwyer. "Even if a New York player's numbers don't get called, every ticket purchase is a win for New York State's taxpayers and businesses."

As of February 29, 2024, the sales for the jackpots have generated a combined \$55 million for New York's public schools (Mega Millions: \$23.8 million; Powerball: \$17.8 million; NY LOTTO: \$13.4 million). The jackpot sales for the three games have also generated \$8.9 million in commissions for lottery retailers – many of which are small businesses (Mega Millions: \$4.1 million; Powerball: \$3 million; NY LOTTO: \$1.8 million).

The current Mega Millions jackpot of \$607 million marks the first \$500+ million jackpot in 2024. The current jackpot roll began on December 12, 2023, and has rolled 24 times leading up to the next drawing to be held on Friday evening.

The current Powerball jackpot of \$443 million has rolled 26 times since the last winning ticket was drawn on January 1, 2024.

The current NY LOTTO jackpot stands at \$16.8 million and has rolled 52 times since the last winning ticket was drawn on September 2, 2023.

The New York Lottery continues to be North America's largest and most profitable Lottery, contributing \$3.7 billion in Lottery Aid to Education for FY 2022-2023 to help support education in New York State.

The New York Lottery is committed to providing players with a range of fun, entertaining games in a socially responsible manner. Those seeking help can visit NYProblemGamblingHelp.org or call New York State's confidential HOPEline at 1-877-8-HOPENY (1-877-846-7369) or text HOPENY (467369). Standard text rates may apply.