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JACKPOT ALERT

LARGEST LOTTO TEXAS® JACKPOT IN MORE THAN 12 YEARS NOW UP FOR GRABS

Saturday's drawing will be for an estimated \$47.25 million; third-largest jackpot prize in North America

AUSTIN – The Lotto Texas[®] jackpot has swelled to an **estimated \$47.25 million** for the <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Feb. 25 drawing</u>, surpassing the estimated \$47 million jackpot that was won in September 2020 to become **the game's largest advertised jackpot prize** in more than 12 years. The current advertised jackpot prize stands as the <u>third largest in North America and fifth largest in the world</u> ahead of this weekend's drawings; in North America, Lotto Texas sits behind the estimated annuitized jackpot worth \$126 million for the Friday, Feb. 24 Mega Millions[®] drawing, as well as the estimated annuitized \$119 million jackpot for the Saturday, Feb. 25 Powerball[®] drawing. Saturday's Lotto Texas drawing offers a cash value worth an estimated \$27.8 million. If there is no jackpot winner for Saturday's Lotto Texas drawing, the jackpot prize for the Monday, Feb. 27 drawing will roll to an estimated annuitized \$48 million.

"It's another weekend with a big Lotto Texas jackpot up for grabs, giving Texas Lottery® players a chance to win the game's largest jackpot prize since May of 2010," said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery. "Sales for the game have been strong during recent weeks, which means more revenue for public education in the state of Texas. Jackpots this large tend to generate a lot of excitement, so we want to remind our players to play responsibly. It only takes one ticket to win.

Saturday's drawing will be the 69th in the current Lotto Texas jackpot run since starting as an estimated annuitized \$5 million for the Sept. 19 drawing. This is the largest Lotto Texas jackpot up for grabs since the May 29, 2010, drawing, when the advertised jackpot reached an estimated \$97 million. The winning ticket for that Lotto Texas drawing was sold at 7-Eleven Convenience Store #21972, located at 8902 Garland Road, in Dallas, and was claimed by The Bilmar Trust. The largest Lotto Texas jackpot in game history was an advertised \$145 million prize for the June 19, 2004, drawing, which was sold in El Paso and claimed by VOM Enterprises, Ltd.

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The last time the game had a jackpot winner of more than \$40 million was for the Sept. 30, 2020, drawing when an estimated \$47 million prize was <u>claimed by a Seguin resident</u> who purchased the winning ticket at Pic N Pac 10 in Seguin.

In 2022, there were six Lotto Texas jackpot winners. The game's most recent jackpot winner was a <u>Katy</u> resident that claimed a jackpot prize of \$19 million for the drawing held on Sept. 17, 2022.

Lotto Texas is played by picking six numbers from one to 54 and offers multimillion-dollar jackpots. Drawings are held every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 10:12 p.m. CT. For \$1 more per Play, a player can select the Extra! add-on feature for a chance to win up to \$10,000 more on non-jackpot prizes. Ticket sales for the next Lotto Texas drawing will close at 10:02 p.m. CT on Saturday.

About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$36.4 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$79.5 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$30.4 billion to the Foundation School Fund, which supports public education in Texas. As authorized by the Texas Legislature, certain Texas Lottery revenues benefit state programs including the Fund for Veterans' Assistance. Since the first veterans' themed scratch ticket game was launched in 2009, the Texas Lottery has contributed more than \$204 million for programs supporting Texas veterans.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including Powerball[®], Mega Millions[®], Lotto Texas[®], All or Nothing[™], Texas Two Step[®], Pick 3[™], Daily 4[™], Cash Five[®] and scratch ticket games. For more information visit us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube or at texaslottery.com. PLAY RESPONSIBLY.

<u>Editors/News Directors, note:</u> A high-res image of the Lotto Texas logo can be downloaded <u>here</u> and an image of the Lotto Texas prize chart can be downloaded <u>here</u>. (Right-click on the image for saving options.)