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Powerball® Jackpot Now Worth \$580 Million for Tomorrow's Draw

SACRAMENTO – California Lottery players have another chance to win a staggering amount of prize money tomorrow night! Since nobody in the country matched all six numbers from Wednesday's draw, the Powerball jackpot has now ballooned to an estimated \$580 million.

California's public schools have already won big. That's because sales from the current Powerball draw sequence, which began back in early August, have generated more than an estimated \$36 million for education!

Here are some Powerball fast facts for tomorrow's draw:

- The lump sum amount for anyone who wins tomorrow night is an estimated \$278.2 million.
- This Powerball sequence began with the starting jackpot of \$20 million on August 6th and has rolled 33 times. Prior to that, a player in Pennsylvania won the \$206.9 million jackpot on August 3rd.
- Sales in California for this entire Powerball sequence total approximately \$88.5 million already!
- More than 44.2 million tickets have been sold in California during this sequence, and nearly 1.8 million of those tickets have been winners, producing \$13.3 million in prizes.
- The largest prize won so far in California during this draw sequence is \$2.595 million from a ticket sold in Daly City. It matched five of the six winning numbers from the August 31st draw.
- The Lottery's network of <u>more than 23,000 retail partners</u> has earned an estimated \$5.2 million in commissions and bonuses during this jackpot sequence.
- The last time the Powerball jackpot was this high was back on January 5th when another
 California Lottery player split the massive \$632.6 million jackpot with a winner in Green Bay,
 WI.
- The largest jackpot in Powerball history is \$1.586 billion.

The deadline to buy Powerball tickets on draw nights is 7 p.m. PT. Tomorrow night's draw is scheduled for 7:59 p.m. PT in Tallahassee, FL.

California Lottery ticket sales help benefit public education in our state. The Lottery's website features this map to see how much money local schools have received from Lottery funds.

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The California Lottery's mission is to provide supplemental funding to California public schools, including kindergarten and grades 1-12, community colleges, the California State University, the University of California, and other California public educational entities. The funds the Lottery transferred to public education totaled more than \$1.88 billion for fiscal year 2020-21, which amounted to a modest percentage of education's overall budget. However, this funding is largely discretionary, meaning schools can use this for important, yet unfunded instructional programs they would otherwise not afford. During the same period, the Lottery generated almost \$8.4 billion in sales, more than 95% of which went back to the community in the form of prize payments, retailer commissions and bonuses, and contributions to education. As the jackpots continue to grow, the California Lottery would also like to remind players to play responsibly and within their budgets. If you feel you have a gambling problem or know someone who does, you can get free confidential help by calling the California Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-GAMBLER.

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