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Don't Sleep on SuperLotto Plus® – California's Own \$81 Million Jackpot Now At a 15-Year High

SACRAMENTO – With the *Mega Millions*® jackpot now projected at \$1.25 billion and the \$1.08 billion *Powerball*® jackpot just hit in California two weeks ago, California Lottery players may not even realize there's a chance at \$81 million dollars in *SuperLotto Plus* tonight. That's a draw game with much better odds – about seven times better – than either of the multi-state games.

The \$81 million top prize up for grabs in tonight's draw represents a 15-year high for *SuperLotto Plus*. The last time a jackpot that big for that game was hit was back in February of 2008. *SuperLotto Plus* is only played in California, so jackpots rarely climb to six-figure levels. In fact, tonight's jackpot has been rolling from its starting point of just \$7 million for nearly nine months.

“All of the attention is going to the giant billion-dollar jackpots right now, which is understandable, of course, given how staggering that ten-digit dollar amount really is; it's hard to fathom, actually,” said Carolyn Becker, California Lottery spokesperson. “But don't count out California's own in-state game. *SuperLotto Plus* can *only* be played here, so not only are you playing with fewer people in the mix, but the odds are also *much better*.”

The highest-ever *SuperLotto Plus* jackpot was \$193 million, which was hit back in 2002. That was prior to California's participation in either of the multi-state games.

California Lottery sales for this rolling *SuperLotto Plus* sequence, whereby the jackpot has been rolling since last November, total more than \$210 million. That's allowed the Lottery to raise an additional \$84 million for California's public schools – just from this game alone.

SuperLotto Plus tickets are only one dollar, and about 40 cents from each ticket sold goes to public schools. [The game draws twice a week](#) on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7:57 pm at California Lottery Headquarters in Sacramento. The odds of winning the *SuperLotto Plus* jackpot are one in 41,416,353.

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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 approximately \$2 billion for fiscal year 2021-22, 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 more than \$8.8 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 jackpots rise, the California Lottery would like to remind players that gambling should be fun. Borrowing money to play, spending above a person's budget, or using money intended for other purposes can ultimately lead to significant problems for players and their families. If a player recognizes that they have a gambling problem or if someone knows of someone who may have a problem, the Lottery recommends calling the California Problem Gambling Help Line at 1-800-GAMBLER.

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