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CA Lottery Wins Come in All Sizes as Seven Lucky Players Win Over \$28 Million Combined

SACRAMENTO – It has been a lucky May for eight California Lottery players taking home checks of all sizes, including one Southern California player getting double the diapers with his California Lottery dollars.



What was predicted to be a routine diaper run turned into a nice payday for **Joshua Flores**. He was shopping at a Walmart Supercenter in El Cajon when he says the California Lottery machine was calling his name, and he decided to play a *Mystery Crossword Scratchers*® game.

“I have two babies, so there are two sizes of diapers I had to get. I thought I’d just put this ten bucks in,” Flores recently told the California Lottery. That turned out to be a great decision, as Flores effectively turned his \$10 into a \$1,000 win.

Flores said he confirmed he won by using the California Lottery app on his phone. “I was so stoked that I called my girlfriend and told her. It was pretty cool. I went back in there and grabbed more diapers,” Flores said with a laugh.

Flores went to the California Lottery San Diego office and took advantage of the recently launched [Fast Pay program](#). This gave Flores the opportunity to get his \$1,000 check right on the spot.



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"I was hoping I would get the approval to get the check that day, and they got everything done," Flores said enthusiastically.

But wait, there is more...lots more! Here are some other lucky California Lottery winners taking home big prizes.

Grace Chu won \$10,000,000 playing *California 200X*. That ticket came from the 7-Eleven at 5724 Thorton Avenue in Newark.

Also in the Bay Area, **Daniel Fissaha** took home \$5,000,000 playing a *100X* Scratchers ticket. That ticket was purchased at Tip Top Liquors in San Jose.

A *Lucky 7's* Scratchers ticket lived up to its name after **Deloria Cooper** picked up \$5,000,000. That ticket was bought at 7-Eleven on Via Las Rosas in Oceanside.

Staying in SoCal, this year is a lucky one for **Lucy Sansosti** after a *2024* Scratchers ticket netted \$5,000,000. That ticket was sold at the ARCO in Newport Beach.

Arturo Saludes is \$2,000,000 richer after winning the top prize on an *Instant Prize Crossword* Scratchers ticket, which came from the A-1 Valley Market Deli in Lake Elsinore.

Christopher Powers won \$1,000,000 playing an *Xtreme Multiplier* Scratchers ticket. That ticket was purchased at EZ Foodmart in Bakersfield.

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The mission of the California Lottery is to raise additional funding for public education, helping to supplement school budgets for K-12 as well as colleges and universities. **The California Lottery has raised more than \$43.8 billion for public schools** through the responsible sale of its games since 1985. Lottery funding for schools is largely discretionary, so administrators and educators can use Lottery money for instructional programs and services they may not otherwise afford. The California Lottery features eight draw games and dozens of new instant Scratchers games each year. More than 95% of California Lottery sales revenue goes back to the community in the form of prize payments, retailer commissions and bonuses, and contributions to education. More information about who benefits can be found here. California Lottery is also committed to promoting responsible gaming. Anyone who shows signs of a gambling problem, or knows someone who does, can get free, confidential help by calling the CA Problem Gambling Hotline at 1-800-GAMBLER.



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