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Mega Millions® Ticket Sold in California Wins \$1.2+ Million

SACRAMENTO – A small shop in California's Central Valley sold someone a very lucky *Mega Millions* ticket now worth more than \$1.2 million. The ticket matched five correct numbers in Tuesday night's draw to win \$1,214,818. The winning numbers were 2, 24, 25, 52, 58, and 9.

The ticket came from Lake Liquor in Woodlake, which is in Tulare County. That market earns a bonus of more than \$6,000.

No one anywhere hit the *Mega Millions* jackpot, which has now increased to an estimated \$334 million for Friday. In California, there were <u>more than 114,000 winning tickets sold</u> among the 8 other prize tiers.

Mega Millions costs \$2 to play, and for every ticket sold in California, approximately 80 cents goes to help fund public education.

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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 \$46 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.

