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CA Lottery Scratchers® Winner Celebrates Lucky Streak, Including Winning a \$10 Million Top Prize

Plus, a Bunch More Players Join the California Lottery Millionaires Club!

SACRAMENTO – Bradley Bullock woke up a little fatigued, but feeling lucky, the morning after

a night out with friends at a local casino where he won \$2,000 on a slot machine. Little did he know that was just the beginning of what would be three straight days of amazingly good luck.

"I was able to sleep in a little because I didn't have to work, but I needed a little caffeine pick-me-up, so I got an energy drink and a couple of Scratchers," Bullock said.

He got those games at the 7-Eleven on Prospect Avenue in Santee and then went back home to relax. At first, he actually forgot about the two games he'd bought. When he remembered, he got the shock of his life. On one of them – a *Royal Riches* game – he won the top prize of \$10 million!

"I knew I'd won before I even scratched it because I scanned the barcode with the Lottery app," he said. "So, I scratched to see if it was real!"

Bullock, who decided to take the lump-sum cash payout of \$5.8 million, wasn't finished winning.

"The very next night, a buddy of mine was doing a staycation back at the casino, and we ended up combining to win twenty-nine grand!

Three days of wild luck," he exclaimed.





Bullock wasn't the only player to enjoy a lucrative California Lottery win.

Miguel Tellez won \$5,000,000 on a *100X* Scratchers bought at a CVS on North Main Street in Santa Ana. **Calvin Smith** also hit it big with a \$5,000,000 win on a *California State Riches* Scratchers game purchased at Joe's Market in Victorville.

Elsewhere in Southern California, **Ofelia Cifuentes Mata** won \$3,181,602 after matching five numbers for the *Powerball* drawing on May 18. That lucky ticket came from Magnolia Market Liquor in Anaheim.

Plenty of California Lottery players across the Golden State also hit it big with \$1,000,000 prizes.

Farris Purify picked up \$1,000,000 playing a *Power 10's* Scratchers game, which came from Agua Pura in Huntington Park. **Ruben Avalos** also won \$1,000,000 on the same game from 7-Eleven on East Grand Avenue in Escondido.

As the summer weather sticks around into fall, three players won big on *Ice Cool* Scratchers. **Aurelio Chayrez** scored \$1,000,000 playing that game, which was sold by the Chevron on South Tracy Boulevard in Tracy. **Rodolfo Jimenez Aguilar** is also a \$1,000,000 winner after playing an *Ice Cool* Scratchers he bought at Pioneer Liquor in Norwalk. **Gurjinder Kaur** rounds out this trio of winners, earning a cool \$1,000,000 on an *Ice Cool* Scratchers from the Pacific Mini Mart & Smoke Shop in Riverside.

The math of *Multiplier Craze* Scratchers also added up to big wins for four more lucky players. **Ramchand Bejar** is taking home \$1,000,000 after playing that game with a ticket from Raley's in Lodi. **Kayla Manka** is also taking home \$1,000,000 on a *Multiplier Craze* purchased at Circle 7 on Portola Avenue in Stockton. **Tarquino Martin Del Campo** also won \$1,000,000 on a *Multiplier Craze* bought at Food Maxx in Fairfield, and **Cyndie Murdaugh** joined the *Multiplier Craze* fun, winning \$1,000,000 on the game purchased at Safeway in Windsor.

Last but not least, two California Lottery players picked a game that lived up to its name: *\$1 Million Ultimate Cash!* **Moris Garcia Portillo** won \$1,000,000 playing that game, which came from Mike Meat and Beer Market in Los Angeles. **Selvin Ramirez** also won \$1,000,000 on a *\$1 Million Ultimate Cash!* Scratchers from the 7-Eleven in East Palo Alto.

The California Lottery features new Scratchers games every month, all of which can be found on the California Lottery website here.

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