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## NEW JERSEY'S MEGA MILLIONS ROLLS TO \$660 MILLION JACKPOT CLIMBS INTO THE "RARE AIR"

*Over 1 Million New Jersey Winners of Prizes from \$2 to \$1,000,000 Since Roll Began*

**TRENTON (July 22, 2022)** – With the Mega Millions jackpot rolling to \$660 million annuity for tonight's drawing, New Jersey Lottery Executive Director James Carey has some advice for procrastinators who planned on waiting until the last minute to buy their tickets. "Buy your tickets early," advised Carey. "The Mega Millions jackpot has increased to \$660, the 3rd largest in Mega Millions history. Players are excited about the chance to win such a life-changing amount of money, so we're certain that today will be a busy day for our retailers."

This giant jackpot, which started rolling on April 19, 2022, has already been having a significant impact on the State of New Jersey and its economy. There have been over \$46.4 million in sales in New Jersey alone through the draw of Tuesday, July 19, generating an estimated \$19.1 million to benefit the state.

Likewise, our retailers—everything from small Mom & Pop businesses to large corporate chain stores—have shared in over \$2.3 million in commissions since this roll began, money that can be used to grow their business or be put back in the local economy. This is all part of the ripple effect that the game has had in this state already.

In addition, the significance of this extremely high jackpot includes:

- New Jersey's percentage of sales for this jackpot roll – 4.9%
- New Jersey's Second Prize \$1,000,000 winners for this jackpot roll – 1
- New Jersey's Third Prize \$10,000 winners for this jackpot roll – 20
- Total Amount of Prizes Won by New Jerseyans -- \$5.6 million


"Remember, get your tickets early and avoid what are sure to be some long lines later today," said Executive Director Carey, "Dream big, but remember to play responsibly. You only need one ticket to get in the game and have a chance to win big."

The Lottery promotes responsible play through its cooperation with the Council on Compulsive Gambling of NJ and by promoting the Council's helpline phone number, 1-800-GAMBLER, on all Lottery marketing and advertising materials.

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View all New Jersey Lottery game winning numbers and drawings for the Pick-3, Pick-4, Jersey Cash 5, Pick-6, and CASH4LIFE games on the Lottery website ([www.NJLottery.com](http://www.NJLottery.com)) or on the official Lottery Facebook Page. Powerball and Mega Millions drawings can be seen on WABC-TV or WTXF stations.



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