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Start the New Year with \$863 Million in Jackpots!

Increased Jackpots! Powerball is \$610 Million; Mega Millions is \$253 Million

TRENTON (Jan. 4, 2022) – Two big jackpots keep climbing in 2022, with tonight's Mega Millions jackpot increased to \$253 million and tomorrow's Powerball jackpot increased to \$610 million!

The \$610 million Powerball jackpot now ranks as the 7th largest in Powerball history and boasts a cash value of \$434.2 million. The Powerball jackpot was last hit in October for \$699.8 million, and the jackpot has been rolling since then looking for its next winner. The addition of a third weekly drawing (Monday evenings) has helped boost the rate at which the jackpot rolls over.

Tonight's Mega Millions jackpot has been increased from \$244 million to \$253 million, with a cash value of \$175.6 million. The Mega Millions jackpot was last hit in October for \$108 million.

These are busy days for New Jersey Lottery retailers and exciting times for New Jersey Lottery players who are purchasing their tickets for the Mega Millions and the Powerball drawings, hoping to become New Jersey's next multi-millionaire!

Remember, "Anything can happen in Jersey," so lottery players should get in these games for their chances at two big jackpots.

Playing the lottery is a form of entertainment and so players are urged to keep in mind the importance of playing responsibly! Please remember to stay safe and socially distant if you choose to purchase lottery tickets and be sure to wear a mask and wash your hands.

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