Lotteries in the United States

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In the [United States](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States), [lotteries](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lottery) are run by 48 jurisdictions: 45 [states](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/U.S._state) plus the [District of Columbia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/District_of_Columbia), [Puerto Rico](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Puerto_Rico), and the [U.S. Virgin Islands](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/U.S._Virgin_Islands).

Lotteries are subject to the laws of and operated independently by each jurisdiction, and there is no national lottery organization. However, consortiums of state lotteries jointly organize games spanning larger geographical footprints, which in turn, carry larger jackpots. Two major lottery games, [Mega Millions](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mega_Millions) and [Powerball](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Powerball), are both offered in nearly all jurisdictions that operate lotteries, and serve as *de facto* national lotteries.

In fiscal 2018, Americans spent $77.7 billion on various lotteries, up about $5 billion from 2017.[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lotteries_in_the_United_States#cite_note-1)

USA.GOV have a link to each State’s lottery website. But I can’t find any verbiage.

<https://www.usa.gov/state-lotteries>

SEE WHERE THE MONEY GOES

<https://www.calottery.com/giving-back/education/mission>

Many people ask us “Where does the money go?” Well, first of all, we should clarify that the California Lottery does not receive General Fund or taxpayer dollars. Everything we have, we raise from Lottery ticket sales. Most importantly, we’re proud to say that 95% of all funds actually go right back into the community in the form of prize payments, retailer commissions and bonuses and, of course, our contributions to education.

Besides offering you entertaining games, the California Lottery’s sole mandate is to raise supplemental funds for all California public schools. Since FY 2000-01, we’ve been lucky. We’ve sent more than $1 billion a year to public education. That means K-12, Community Colleges, CSU and UC campuses and several specialized schools. Don’t misunderstand us, the Lottery’s supplemental funding to schools will not solve education’s budgetary problems. In fact, our contributions amount to less than 1.5% of public education’s overall needs. It’s really modest when you come down to it, but parents, teachers and administrators tell us that every little bit helps.

Google search on: Can machine learning predict lottery?

**Machine learning** depends on the collection of data, utilizing it to generate algorithms and make **predictions** based on patterns, but you simply **can**'t accumulate enough data from **lottery machines** or their algorithms to **do** so. ...**Machine learning** relies on gathering data, and you don't have all that data [for the**lottery**]."Jan 14, 2016

[Roopa Kashyap](https://www.quora.com/profile/Roopa-Kashyap), former Writer

[Answered Feb 25, 2019](https://www.quora.com/Can-artificial-intelligence-predict-lottery-results/answer/Roopa-Kashyap) · Author has **126** answers and **61.6k** answer views

No, artificial intelligence cannot predict lottery results. In fact, no form of predictions such as astrology can help predict the lottery results. This is because lottery is a game of chance which is entirely based on the concept of randomness. Artificial intelligence can be developed around a concept only if there is an input of certain definite parameters. But if you see in lotteries, there is not even one certain parameter other than the fact there the winner will be one among the players. Artificial intelligence displays results after building up an algorithm based on the parameters. No strategy or algorithm can be built without the input of solid, definite parameters.

[Darryn Reid](https://www.quora.com/profile/Darryn-Reid), PhD Computer Science & Pure Mathematics (1995)

[Answered Oct 1, 2017](https://www.quora.com/Can-artificial-intelligence-predict-lottery-results/answer/Darryn-Reid) · Author has **910** answers and **238.2k** answer views

Nope. Artificial intelligence isn't magic. Some things are simply not predictable at all whether you’re a machine or a human. While we’re about it: artificial intelligence is not intelligent. I think “usefully complete stupidity” would be a better description of its capabilities, and a better statement of the reasonable goals of its development.

Inspiration:

* Google search says “No, it cannot be done,” but what’s the harm in trying anyway.
* Probability of predicting 3 numbers is likely higher than predicting 6 numbers.
* Learn with incentive
* For fun

Gambling Reminders:

Play Responsibly. A message from the California lottery