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***POWERBALL*[®] JACKPOT NOW AT \$320 MILLION**

Fourth Largest *Powerball* Jackpot in History

Largest *Powerball* Cash Value Jackpot

(AUSTIN) – Jackpot fever is again sweeping the state as lottery players in Texas and across the country play to win the fourth largest *Powerball*[®] jackpot in the history of the game. The \$320 million jackpot prize for Wednesday night's drawing has a cash value option of \$213.3 million, the largest cash value offered in the history of *Powerball*.

“That’s a lot of money, no matter how you choose to win—all at once or over the next 30 years,” said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery[®]. “Only 14 other times has a lottery jackpot been valued at over \$300 million in the United States.”

FACTS ABOUT THIS JACKPOT:

- Features the fourth largest jackpot in *Powerball* history.
- The highest cash value option jackpot in *Powerball* history.
- 11th largest U.S. lottery jackpot prize of all time for any game.
- Fifth largest cash value jackpot of all time for any U.S. lottery game.
- Ninth largest jackpot prize in lottery world history.

Tomorrow’s jackpot started as a \$40 million prize on June 27, 2012, and is the result of 14 draws without a winner.

The odds of winning the jackpot are approximately one in 175.2 million. The odds of winning any of the *Powerball* prizes are approximately 1 in 32.

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Top Powerball Jackpots			
Rank	Draw Date	Advertised Jackpot	Cash Value
1	Feb. 18, 2006	\$365 million	\$177.3 million
2	Oct. 19, 2005	\$340 million	\$164.4 million
3	Feb. 11, 2012	\$336.4 million	\$210 million
4	Aug. 15, 2012	\$320 million	\$ 213.3 million
5	Dec. 25, 2002	\$314.9 million	\$170.5 million

Top U.S. Lottery Jackpots				
Rank	State	Prize Amount	Draw Date	Game
1	IL, KS, MD	\$656 million	March 30, 2012	Mega Millions
2	GA, NJ	\$390 million	March 6, 2007	Mega Millions
3	ID, WA	\$380 million	Jan. 4, 2011	Mega Millions
4	NE	\$365 million	Feb. 18, 2006	Powerball
5	IL, MI	\$363 million	May 9, 2000	The Big Game
6	OR	\$340 million	Oct. 19, 2005	Powerball
7	RI	\$336 million	Feb. 11, 2012	Powerball
8	CA, NY	\$336 million	Aug. 28, 2009	Mega Millions
9	GA, IL, NJ	\$331million	April 16, 2002	The Big Game
10	MD, NJ, TX, VI	\$330.0 million	Aug. 31, 2007	Mega Millions
11	?	\$320.0 million	Aug. 15, 2012	Powerball