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***Lotto Texas*[™] Jackpot Ranks #5 In Lottery Jackpots Around The United States**

(Austin, June 15) - For the first time since the inception of the Texas Lottery®, players in the Lone Star State are vying for a jackpot that ranks in the top 5 for all-time highest among single-state *Lotto*-style games.

"Wednesday's *Lotto Texas* jackpot, an estimated \$120 million, can go down in lottery history," said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Reagan E. Greer. "Only California's Super *Lotto* Plus and New York's Millennium Millions have had higher jackpots."

The following list, from highest to lowest, is the top 10 highest-level jackpots offered for a single-state *Lotto* game:

State	Game Name	Jackpot Amount	Date
California	Super Lotto Plus	\$193 million	February 2002
California	Super Lotto Plus	\$141 million	June 2001
New York	Millennium Millions	\$130 million	November 2000
California	Super Lotto Plus	\$122 million	August 2002
Texas	Lotto Texas	\$120 million	June 2004
California	Super Lotto	\$118 million	April 1991
Pennsylvania	WildCard Lotto	\$116 million	April 1989
Florida	Florida Lotto	\$106.5 million	September 1990
Florida	Florida Lotto	\$104.85 million	December 2002
California	Super Lotto	\$104 million	April 1998

"It has certainly been an exciting time leading up to this Texas Lottery milestone," said Greer. "We had more than 370,000 winners in Saturday's drawing worth \$100 million. Those players won more than \$2.5 million, including 27 tickets that were worth \$7,017."

Sales for last week (June 6 to June 12) for all games totaled nearly \$92 million, and of that amount, more than \$32 million worth of *Lotto Texas* tickets were bought. In that same time period, players won more than \$9.7 million in cash prizes from the Texas Lottery *Lotto Texas*, *Texas Two Step*®, *Mega Millions*[™], *Cash Five*[™], and *Pick 3*[™] games. Players collected more than \$29.7 million with the Texas Lottery Scratch Off games.

Tonight's *Mega Millions* jackpot is worth an estimated \$100 million. The *Texas Two Step* jackpot is worth \$250,000. Wednesday's *Lotto Texas* jackpot is worth an estimated \$120 million.

For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official Texas Lottery Commission Web site at <http://www.txlottery.org>