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## Over \$800 Million in Prizes Awaits Lucky Players

TRENTON (Jan. 5, 2021) - The Mega Millions jackpot has been increased to \$447 million for tonight's drawing, while the Powerball jackpot is $\$ 410$ million for Wednesday night's drawing. The increased Mega Millions jackpot is now the $9^{\text {th }}$ largest jackpot in Mega Millions history.

New Jersey Lottery Executive Director James Carey has some advice for lottery players, "Anything can happen in Jersey, so don't miss out on this opportunity for your chances at two big jackpots as we celebrate the new year. It only takes one ticket to get in a game."

The last time the Mega Millions jackpot was over $\$ 400$ million was June 9, 2020, when a single ticket in Arizona hit the $\$ 410$ million prize. This is only the third time that both games have simultaneously had jackpots larger than $\$ 400$ million.

Playing the lottery is a form of entertainment and so players are urged to keep in mind the importance of playing responsibly.

Tuesday's $\$ 447$ million Mega Millions drawing will be held at 11:00 pm. All New Jersey Lottery Mega Millions tickets must be purchased before 10:45 pm to participate in the drawing. The $\$ 410$ million Powerball drawing will be held on Wednesday, January $6^{\text {th }}$ at 10:59 pm .

