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MEGA MILLIONS JACKPOT SURPASSES \$1 BILLION

Record-breaking [Mega Millions](#) jackpot will hit \$1.1 billion.

Montpelier, Vt. – For only the fourth time in history, the [Mega Millions](#) jackpot is expected to surpass \$1 billion. Today’s drawing will take place at 11:00pm EST and could leave one lucky winner with a \$602.5 million one-time cash payout. Winning numbers are posted at <https://www.megamillions.com/> after each drawing.

The only other Mega Millions drawings with jackpots over \$1 billion took place on
January 22, 2021 - \$1.05 billion
October 23, 2018 - \$1.537 billion
March 30, 2012 - \$656 million

In Vermont, Mega Millions tickets are available at most gas stations and grocery stores. The Department of Liquor and Lottery offers [this virtual map](#) as a purchase guide. Most importantly, 100% of lottery profits are contributed to education in Vermont. In FY21, the total amount contributed to the State’s Education Fund was \$31.8 million.

“As a father of four, the future of Vermont’s education is extremely important to me. Each lottery purchase will positively impact our state’s education budget, and that really hits home for me.” – Andrew Collier, Deputy Commissioner for the Department of Liquor and Lottery

About the Vermont Department of Liquor and Lottery

The [Department of Liquor and Lottery](#) provides a regulatory framework of licensing, compliance, enforcement, and education for the responsible sale and consumption of alcohol, tobacco, and gaming entertainment, ensuring public safety, and contributing 100% of profits to Vermont communities through the General and Education funds.

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