



*Office of Attorney General  
600 E. Boulevard Ave Dept 125  
Bismarck ND 58505-0400  
(701) 328-1574*

**LOTTERY.ND.GOV**

---

## **NEWS RELEASE**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

May 20, 2016

### **FOUR MILLION DOLLARS IN PRIZES CLAIMED ON FRIDAY**

Bismarck – Four million dollars in prizes were claimed today at the Lottery office in Bismarck, including the largest lottery prize ever won in North Dakota.

The Williston resident who won the \$3 million Mega Millions with Megaplier prize from the May 17, 2016 draw chose to remain anonymous. He told Lottery officials that he let the lottery terminal pick the lucky numbers. The winner said he plans to put the money in the bank and then just sit back and think about the future.

The \$1 million Powerball prize from the April 20, 2016 Powerball draw was also claimed Friday morning. The Powerball prize is the fourth largest prize won in North Dakota Lottery history. The \$1 million Powerball winners, a group from Jamestown who chose to remain anonymous, said they were “so close to hitting the jackpot.” The correct Power Ball number was on another ticket they purchased. The lucky winners have no immediate plans for the prize winnings.

The Mega Millions jackpot for tonight’s draw is estimated at \$187 million and the Powerball jackpot for the Saturday, May 21 draw is estimated at \$70 million.

###

Media Contact: Ryan Kopyy (701)328-1574