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\$55 million Powerball jackpot almost here

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Time is ticking away to the fourth largest Powerball jackpot in Australian history with a \$55 million Powerball jackpot up for grabs tonight.

Although no player has managed to take home the Division 1 prize pool as yet, 285,828 WA players have picked up a Powerball prize in the game's other Divisions over the last six week jackpot roll.

If history is anything to go by, WA could be in with a good chance tonight. Last year, WA ended the year with 92 Division 1 and 1st Prize Lotto winners sharing in over \$145 million.

Last to strike Powerball luck was Here's Luck Lottery centre in Cloverdale. The store sold a winning ticket worth \$2 million in September last year which was claimed by a south of the river man.

Owner of the store Sel Selvendra said delivering a Powerball win was always an incredible event.

"It's an extra special feeling when one of your customers is possibly the only winner from across the country to get those winning numbers plus the Powerball. Overcoming this challenge drives enthusiasm and lots of excitement amongst our customers," he said.

More than half a million tickets are expected to be sold across WA in tonight's \$55 million Powerball jackpot.

Lotterywest spokesperson Pina Compagnone said the busiest hour today was likely to be between 4pm and 5pm when 650 tickets were set to be purchased each minute.

When you play with Lotterywest, the WA community wins too. Over the last six week jackpot roll, support from players has helped Lotterywest to raise close to \$10 million for the WA community.

Tickets for the Powerball jackpot are available until 6pm tonight in-store, through [Play Online](#) and the Lotterywest App.

Players are encouraged to play responsibly and spend only what they can afford. The cost of a ticket can be shared by joining with family, friends or work colleagues to form a syndicate.

Another player Set for Life!



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Another player has taken home a Set for Life 1st Prize of \$20,000 each month for the next 20 years.

The couple from regional Victoria said they had been overwhelmed with the news, confessing it was a lot to take in.

“For a start we’ll be able to buy a new car, we’d put it on the backburner for a while but now we won’t have to. We’ll also help out our family but first I’ll celebrate with a cold stubby tonight,” laughed the winning husband.

The regional Victorian couple are the 17th Set for Life 1st Prize winner nationally, and add to the growing 1st Prize winners tally across the country including five in Victoria, six in New South Wales, four in Western Australia and one each in Queensland and South Australia.

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