

\$225,000 Arkansas Natural State Jackpot Winner

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Monday's Jackpot of **\$225,000**, *has a winner!* This amount marked *as one of largest* **Natural State Jackpot's won** in the game! The games popularity and this Jackpot amount is a direct result of Arkansas player interest and excitement in the game. The game had not reached this level of play, number of consecutive draws without a top prize winner (40 draws) or Jackpot range since the \$160,000 *Jackpot Run*, won on May 13th, 2014. There has been 576 drawings since the game's first on August 27th, 2012. *The Natural State Jackpot celebrates the newest Jackpot Winner in the game!* The success of the game captured the imagination and anticipation of its players, the Natural State Jackpot was won by a player who correctly match the five NSJ numbers drawn last night. In last night's NSJ drawing there were 11 players who match four of the five numbers drawn, each of those players were *just one* away from winning the Jackpot amount. The odds of matching four of the five numbers drawn are just 1 in 3,387.

With over 48,000 tickets sold yesterday and the over 575,000 possible NSJ number combinations that could be drawn, one player correctly choose and correctly matched the five unique numbers drawn in the Monday, June 30th Natural State Jackpot drawing. *Who is the latest winner of the latest Arkansas Natural State Jackpot? That is the question of the day.* We are thrilled for them and all the Arkansas players who made this NSJ run exciting!

The winning Natural State Jackpot ticket was purchased at the Discount Tobacco location on Albert Pike in the city of Hot Springs, Arkansas. We would like to **Congratulate The Winner** and all the Arkansan's who participated, had fun and have made this Natural State Jackpot Run so exciting.

A portion of *all game sales* contribute directly to Arkansas education, approximately 50% of the NSJ game sales can be counted as return for the lottery to support scholarships in the state, for current and graduating high school seniors. Additional scholarship information can be found by visiting the Arkansas Department of Higher Education website at <u>www.adhe.edu</u>.

The **Natural State Jackpot** begins the *next Jackpot Run* tonight, with the starting amount of \$25,000.

The Natural State Jackpot is a Five Number Game (5 of 39), one of the most popular games offered by lotteries, they are considered quite winnable by players. They offer growing Jackpot amounts with some of the lowest overall odds of any Jackpot game offered. NSJ has had 22 top prize winners in the last 576 drawings, that averages out to one in twenty-six drawings held. Winning any Jackpot drawing depends on having a ticket for the drawing that matches all the numbers drawn. The odds of winning the NSJ are 1 in 575,757, the overall odds of winning a prize in the game 1 in 9.

NSJ players choose just 5 numbers between 1 and 39 in this game and player's can choose to play up to 20 consecutive draws in NSJ. Each play costs \$1. The game is drawn six nights a week (Monday through Saturday), at 8:00 P.M. (CST)

Players matching two numbers will win \$1; three numbers win \$7; four matching numbers win \$300, and all five numbers will win the jackpot, guaranteed to be worth at least \$25,000. Each night in which there is no big winner, an additional \$5,000 is added to the jackpot. If there is more than one jackpot winner, the prize will be equally divided among all the jackpot prize winners. The overall odds of winning are one in nine. *The Natural State Jackpot prize amount is pre-tax. Tickets sold based on sales data.

Thank you Arkansas!

K. Kevin McCarthy The Future is here in an Instant!



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