

# **New Natural State Jackpot Offers Biggest Prize Ever: \$200,000 on New Year's Eve**

LITTLE ROCK – December 30, 2012 – The four-month-old Arkansas-only Natural State Jackpot broke its own record Saturday night when the jackpot ballooned to \$200,000. The NSJ game drew fans immediately when it launched on August 27, earlier this year. The easy-to-play, easy-to-win \$1 game has sold about \$3 Million in tickets in just four months and produced more than \$1 Million in Scholarships. During that time, the jackpot has been hit five times, with prizes of \$95,000, \$35,000, \$55,000, \$120,000, and \$100,000. Now, a lucky Arkansas player has a chance to win big on New Year's Eve.

“With this record jackpot, we expect to see heavy sales of Natural State tickets,” Lottery Director Bishop Woosley said. “Odds of winning a prize are 1 in 10, so the game has drawn many loyal players. Natural State Jackpot was the idea of Arkansans who wanted a jackpot game that could only be purchased and won in our state. They said they wanted it, we offered it, and it has been selling like hotcakes.”

The \$1 game is played by picking five numbers between 1 and 39. Five correct numbers hit the jackpot, and every ticket with two or more winning numbers wins a prize. Four correct numbers result in a \$300 prize, three a \$3 prize, and two a \$1 prize.

**This NSJ run began with a \$25,000 prize offering on November 20. From that day through Saturday night, \$940,609 in NSJ tickets were bought. During the same period, players have won \$236,708 in prizes between \$1 and \$300.** These numbers do not take into account future sales and multi draws.

Natural State Jackpot drawings are held Monday through Saturday at 8 p.m. Central time, at the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery headquarters in Little

Rock. The jackpot always restarts at \$25,000 and increases by \$5,000 every draw until the jackpot is won by a lucky player who picks all five drawn numbers. Tickets can be purchased at any of the 1900+ lottery retailers in Arkansas. Draw results are available at [myarkansaslottery.com](http://myarkansaslottery.com) or at any ASL retailer.