

Is the lottery bad?



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One day after the Y, my afterschool, my dad stopped at the convenient store across the street from our house and bought a lottery ticket. I don;t know why but it just hit me. My dad has been playing the lottery for a long time and he has never won. That's when i realized how bad the lottery was. That's why i'm writing about this.



Lottery tickets are littered. That is another bad thing about the lottery. The lottery players almost never win so people get upset and they throw their tickets on the ground which is bad for the environment because it creates pollution. Now you might be wondering why don't people just stop playing?

Subway advertisements



Store advertisement



Advertisements. store advertisements, and sometimes even subway advertisements. This makes people who littered want to try again and they lose so they litter again. I have a challenge for you now, when you get outside look around and you'll see advertisements about the lottery.



Jack Whittaker was a man who 207 million dollars playing the mega millions and lost his mind. Two weeks after he won he got divorced he bought a gun and tried to rob a food store and almost shot someone, so he got sued and also ended up in jail.



Billie Harrel was a man who won 1.2 million dollars a year. After all the people asking him for money he decided to commit suicide. On his suicide note he wrote: “winning the lottery was the worst thing that ever happened to me.”

This is a picture of the stats on the June 10th Mega Millions. The odds of winning is 190,637,584 to 1. That is why nobody won.

Draw Results

9 10 20 51 53 24

| Match ● | + | Match ● | Jackpot Winners | Estimated Jackpot |
|---------|---|---------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 5 | + | 1 | 0 | \$42,000,000 |

| Match ● | + | Match ● | Prize Winners | Prize Amount * |
|---------|---|---------|---------------|----------------|
| 5 | + | 0 | 7 | \$250,000 |
| 4 | + | 1 | 27 | \$10,000 |
| 4 | + | 0 | 1,188 | \$150 |
| 3 | + | 1 | 1,407 | \$150 |
| 2 | + | 1 | 23,572 | \$10 |
| 3 | + | 0 | 62,125 | \$7 |
| 1 | + | 1 | 143,794 | \$3 |
| 0 | + | 1 | 264,129 | \$2 |

Winning Tickets Sold:

Match 5 + 0: Winners in Illinois(1), Maryland (2), Michigan(2), North Carolina(1) and Rhode



Also the lottery can get very addicting you eventually get mad that you haven't won and you buy more than one ticket and you don't realize how much money your wasting. Which brings me to another reason the lottery is bad.

After a while you end up spending more money than you really intended to. That's because they don't give you a bill that tells you how much money you've spent this month. You might not realize it but you could be spending 365 dollars a year on lottery tickets.

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The most important reason the lottery is good because you become rich! You never have to worry about money again. But think about do you really want to not have to worry about money but be dead before you can spend it, or end up in jail and bankrupt? That's right I thought so... no.

Lottery

For a long time people have been playing the lottery since the 1600s actually. although it wasn't called that and they didn't have machines like we do now it was the same concept. someone would think of a number and the other person would guess it and they would bet for things.

The old lottery wasn't a harm but the modern day lottery is. As I showed you in this photo essay the lottery can harm both the environment and it can harm a human being too.

I'm not saying you should stop playing the lottery but I'm just saying you have to be more careful with your emotions and actions while and after you play.

There were plenty other stories of people who won the lottery some who made the right choices and some who made the wrong choices. If you ever do win just remember be the person who makes the right choices.

There money



Your money



Also you only get half of the money they say you will because of taxes. So say you win 54 millions dollars you actually won 27 million dollars.