# Edgewater Man Wins \$5 Million - and Then Some More 

Instant Games Players Received More Than \$105.16 Million in Prizes in August

TRENTON (Nov. 2, 2018) - Robert Stewart, a retired union pile driver from Edgewater, enjoys playing Lottery games for entertainment in his spare time. On August $2^{\text {nd }}$, Robert purchased a few Scratch-Off tickets from his local retailer, including one $\$ 5,000,000$ Fortune ticket. Immediately after purchasing the tickets, Robert stepped to the side of the counter to scratch his tickets and discover his luck for the day.

Robert shared the method with the NJ Lottery he used to scratch off his lottery tickets, saying he only scratches the winning numbers and then his numbers to see if there is a match. He doesn't check the prize amounts on the ticket unless he is sure he has a winning match, then lets the suspense build as he reveals his fortune. As Robert surveyed his ticket for matching numbers, he noticed the number 12 in the winning numbers, as well as the number 12 in his numbers. He uncovered the prize and was shocked when he saw it - \$5,000,000!

After realizing he had just won $\$ 5,000,000$, he had the clerk call the owner of the store to tell him. The owner excitedly rushed to the store to congratulate Robert and give him a big hug. Robert then called his mom and asked if she was sitting down. When he told her about his win, she said "Oh my God!"

Still feeling lucky, Robert decided to purchase two more tickets later that night and he was happy to find that his fortune increased, winning an additional \$500 and \$100 on those tickets. Robert said he always tries to help others and pay it forward, and when he told his friends and family about this win, they were all very happy for him.

Robert mentioned that prior to this amazing win, his biggest win playing Lottery was $\$ 2,500$. With his new prize, he plans to save and invest while using the money to help his family any way he can. Robert's lucky ticket was purchased at The Rivermart on 880 River Road, Edgewater in Bergen County.

New Jersey Lottery players claimed more than $\$ 105.16$ million in prizes playing Instant Games in August. Below is a listing of the top prizes over $\$ 10,000$ won for the month.

| August 2018 Instant Game Top Tier Winner List |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Name | Address | City | County | $\begin{gathered} \text { Game } \\ \text { Number } \end{gathered}$ | Game Name | Valid Amount |
| THE RIVERMART | 880 RIVER RD | EDGEWATER | BERGEN | 1407 | \$5,000,000 Fortune | \$5,000,000.00 |
| PANTRY 1 FOOD MART | 150 KINGS HIGHWAY | MOUNT ROYAL | GLOUCESTER | 1476 | Dazzling Diamond Spectacular | \$2,000,000.00 |
| BAYONNE TIGER MART | 529-539 KENNEDY BOULEVARD | BAYONNE | HUDSON | 1493 | \$250,000 Crossword | \$250,000.00 |
| BEECHWOOD CIGAR | 7 BEECHWOOD ROAD | SUMMIT | UNION | 1431 | Super Casino | \$150,000.00 |
| PIT STOP | 47 PARK AVENUE | EAST ORANGE | ESSEX | 1488 | Wild Time Multiplier | \$150,000.00 |
| QUICK CHEK \#148 | 442 POMPTON RD | WAYNE | PASSAIC | 1488 | Wild Time Multiplier | \$150,000.00 |
| BUD'S PUB \& GRUB | 364 ROUTE 206 | BRANCHVILLE | SUSSEX | 1477 | Super Crossword | \$50,000.00 |
| QUICK CHEK \#137 | 116 ROUTE 46 EAST | LODI | BERGEN | 1486 | Big Money Spectacular | \$30,000.00 |
| SOMERSET COUNTY CONVENIENCE | 1004 LIVINGSTON AVENUE | NORTH BRUNSWICK | MIDDLESEX | 1486 | Big Money Spectacular | \$30,000.00 |
| SHOPRITE | 1153 VALLEY RD | STIRLING | MORRIS | 1496 | Super Tic Tac Toe | \$30,000.00 |
| LIQUOR BOSS | 683 SUMMIT AVE | JERSEY CITY | HUDSON | 1496 | Super Tic Tac Toe | \$30,000.00 |
| VILLAGE DISCOUNT LIQUORS | 2299 ROUTE 57 | WASHINGTON | WARREN | 1487 | Summer Lucky Times 10 | \$20,000.00 |
| HACKENSACK CONVENIENCE STORE | 77 ANDERSON STREET | HACKENSACK | BERGEN | 1487 | Summer Lucky Times 10 | \$20,000.00 |
| H \& S GROCERY \& DELI | 221 45TH STREET | UNION CITY | HUDSON | 1487 | Summer Lucky Times 10 | \$20,000.00 |
| M \& C GROCERY | 888 18TH AVE. | IRVINGTON | ESSEX | 1495 | Crossword | \$20,000.00 |
| HAPPY KIDS STATIONERY | 757 BERGEN AVE | JERSEY CITY | HUDSON | 1495 | Crossword | \$20,000.00 |
| MARKET STREET SHELL | 10 18TH AVENUE | PATERSON | PASSAIC | 1495 | Crossword | \$20,000.00 |
| MAIN ST. \$. 99 CENT PLUS | 394 MAIN STREET | PATERSON | PASSAIC | 1495 | Crossword | \$20,000.00 |
| PALISADES PARK FOOD STORE INC | 520 BERGEN BLVD | PALISADES PARK | BERGEN | 1500 | Money Roll | \$20,000.00 |
| CHERRY HILL NEWS | 2000 RT. 38 UNIT \#1442 | CHERRY HILL | CAMDEN | 1500 | Money Roll | \$20,000.00 |
| CHAMBERLAIN MINI MART | 456 CHAMBERLAIN AVE | PATERSON | PASSAIC | 1440 | Instant Bingo | \$15,000.00 |
| GREEN STREET CAR CARE CENTER | 501 AMBOY AVE | WOODBRIDGE | MIDDLESEX | 1452 | \$10,000 Bonus | \$10,000.00 |
| VINGO WINE \& SPIRITS-CLIFFWOOD | D323 ROUTE 35 SOUTH | CLIFFWOOD | MONMOUTH | 1452 | \$10,000 Bonus | \$10,000.00 |
| RNR QUICK STOP | 2064 ROUTE 27 | EDISON | MIDDLESEX | 1452 | \$10,000 Bonus | \$10,000.00 |
| L \& J MINI MARKET | 168 ADAMS STREET | NEWARK | ESSEX | 1452 | \$10,000 Bonus | \$10,000.00 |
| QUIK FOOD | 745 POOLE AVENUE | HAZLET | MONMOUTH | 1452 | \$10,000 Bonus | \$10,000.00 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  | \$8,115,000.00 |

