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Typical Scenario: Win the Lottery – Go On Vacation Where Would You Go?

Instant Games Players Received More Than \$99.7 Million in Prizes in September

TRENTON (Oct. 12, 2017) – Michael G. of Philadelphia, PA, commutes to New Jersey from Philadelphia each day for his job at a Print Shop. On the way he stops at the Pantry 1 for a beverage and an Instant Game ticket. He was playing the **Casino Royale** Instant Game, “from Slot 15 at the store,” for a few weeks until the new **20X the Bucks** game caught his eye and decided to give it a try. There were not winners in the first few days of play but he decided to purchase one more ticket.

When Michael arrived at work, he began scratching his ticket and saw that one of his numbers matched a winning number, 18. He was anxious to see what he had won, but didn't expect more than \$10 or \$20. As he revealed the prize, he saw "\$200" and was very happy, but as he continued to remove the latex it revealed a \$200,000 prize.



"Is this real?" Michael asked a coworker, who confirmed the matching numbers and prize amount. Michael arrived at Lottery HQ a few days later to file his claim. Michael said that he will use some of the winnings to pay down some current bills and debts. After that, he and his wife are looking forward to taking their first proper vacation in 20 years. Michael's lucky ticket was purchased at Pantry 1 Food Mart, 4040 Marlton Pike, Pennsauken in Camden County.



Another winner this month was Diane Miliotis of Rahway in Union County. She enjoys playing various Instant Games. Her husband, Vasos, knows how much she enjoys playing them so when he saw that there was a raffle at work for which the prize was a basket of scratch-off tickets, he didn't hesitate to participate. Their luck began when he won the basket and surprised Diane with it. Soon after receiving the gift, Diane scratched a Sizzlin' Hot 7's Instant Game ticket that was as hot as its name and delivered a \$17,777 prize win. Diane was elated

to share the news with her husband. The couple will use a portion of the prize to pay some bills, put some into savings, and to take a small vacation together to celebrate. The lucky basket of tickets was purchased at Old Bridge Shoprite, 2239 US Highway 9, Old Bridge in Middlesex County.

New Jersey Lottery players claimed more than \$99.7 million in prizes playing Instant Games in September. Below is a listing of the top prizes, over \$10,000, won for the month.



September 2017 Instant Game Top-Tier Winning Tickets

Name	Address	City	County	Game Number	Game Name	Valid Amount
Country Farms 1	193 Rte. 70 West & Whitesville	Toms River	Ocean	1453	\$250,000 Crossword	\$250,000.00
Express Mart	990 Rte. 202 So.	Branchburg	Somerset	1371	Extra Play	\$200,000.00
Pantry 1 Food Mart	4040 Marlton Pike	Pennsauken	Camden	1443	20x The Bucks	\$200,000.00
Freddie's Corner	295 Mount Pleasant Ave.	Woodland Park	Passaic	1446	Diamonds and Dollars	\$200,000.00
AI Supermart LLC	96 Mountainview Blvd.	Wayne	Passaic	1382	Hot Streak	\$150,000.00
Fairview Farms	22 Wall St.	West Long Branch	Monmouth	1412	Super Crossword	\$50,000.00
Brothers Supermarket	361 Market St.	Perth Amboy	Middlesex	1421	Super Crossword	\$50,000.00
Sterling Market	157-159 Sterling Ave.	Jersey City	Hudson	1401	Loteria	\$30,000.00
D & A Market & Deli	901 Calhoun St.	Ewing	Mercer	1430	Power Play Crossword	\$30,000.00
Township Stationery	299A Pascack Rd.	Washington Twp.	Bergen	1395	Birthday Surprise	\$25,000.00
Sunrise Convenience Store	6905 Bergenline Ave.	Guttenberg	Hudson	1394	Crossword	\$20,000.00
Pitstop Food Store	2 Colton Rd.	Edison	Middlesex	1394	Crossword	\$20,000.00
Country Farm Convenience Shop	224 Pennypacker Dr.	Willingboro	Burlington	1410	Spring \$50s	\$20,000.00
7-Eleven #11039 (S)	217 Rte. 70	Lakehurst	Ocean	1424	Liberty Bill\$	\$20,000.00
High Spirits	215 Main St.	Ridgefield Park	Bergen	1429	Double Match	\$20,000.00
Fairview Liquors & Grocery	36 Anderson Ave.	Fairview	Bergen	1438	Crossword	\$20,000.00
Nutley News & Liquor	98 Centre St.	Nutley	Essex	1438	Crossword	\$20,000.00
Liquor Depot LLC	435 Rahway Ave.	Elizabeth	Union	1438	Crossword	\$20,000.00
M & S Deli & Grocery	197 Bartholdi Ave.	Jersey City	Hudson	1438	Crossword	\$20,000.00
Shop Rite of Old Bridge	2239 US Hwy. 9	Old Bridge	Middlesex	1435	Sizzlin Hot 7s	\$17,777.00
Hospital Sweet Shop	171 So. Essex Ave.	Orange	Essex	1434	Instant Bingo	\$15,000.00
Vingo Wine & Spirits-Manalapan	700 Tennent Rd.	Manalapan	Monmouth	1385	\$10K Blowout	\$10,000.00
Hometown Grill & Deli	25 Union St.	Lodi	Bergen	1385	\$10K Blowout	\$10,000.00
News Stand Plus	379 Thornall St.	Edison	Middlesex	1441	5x The Bucks	\$10,000.00
					Total	\$1,427,777.00