

Response

Thank you for your request for information below regarding National Lottery winners.

Having completed a check of our records, I can confirm that the Commission does not hold the information you have requested so unfortunately we are unable to help you with this request.

The Commission is responsible for licensing and regulating the National Lottery, ensuring the interests of participants are protected and maximising returns for Good Causes. The Commission has licensed Camelot UK Lotteries Ltd (Camelot) as the operator of the National Lottery.

As the operator, Camelot is responsible for, among other things, the payment of prizes to winners. As such, information regarding jackpot winners is held by Camelot and not the Commission.

Camelot have released a broad geographical breakdown of winners on their website which you may find of interest. This is available here: <https://www.national-lottery.co.uk/life-changing/winner-map>

Review of the decision

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your Freedom of Information request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to FOI Team, Gambling Commission, 4th floor, Victoria Square House, Victoria Square, Birmingham, B2 4BP.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Gambling Commission. The ICO can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Request

I would like to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In order to assist you I am outlining my request as specifically as possible.

1) Please either confirm or deny whether the Gambling Commission holds information about winners of the National Lottery, in particular information about their address, city of residence, postcode of residence, lives, lifestyles, fortunes, spending habits and philanthropic activities in the months, years and decades following their winning the National Lottery.

2) If information is held on this topic, please provide

- a. An explanation of all information held, as well as
 - i. A list of all datasets held on this topic
 - ii. The relevant data dictionaries
- b. Details of how the information is stored
- c. Details of where the information is stored
- d. Details of the agencies and/or departments tasked with data storage and recording
- e. The date range the information relates to

Please release all non-exempt material.

Please release datasets in a machine-readable format such as a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet and documents in a digital text format such as a Microsoft Word file or Adobe Acrobat PDF file.