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Statistical Advance: Analyzing the Toyota Owners 400

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (April 9, 2019) – Below is a look at some of the top statistical performers at Richmond Raceway in Richmond, Virginia, going into the Toyota Owners 400 this Saturday night, April 13 at 7:30 p.m. ET on FOX, MRN and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.



2019 Driver Standings - Top 30

Rank	Drivers	Points	Starts	Wins	Stage Wins	Playoff Pts	Top 5s	Top 10s	DNFs	Poles	G/L
1	Kyle Busch	361	8	3	4	19	6	8	0	0	0
2	Denny Hamlin	334	8	2	1	11	5	7	0	0	0
3	Joey Logano	326	8	1	3	8	4	5	0	1	1
4	Kevin Harvick	301	8	0	2	2	3	6	1	1	-1
5	Brad Keselowski	271	8	2	2	12	4	4	0	0	1
6	Ryan Blaney	265	8	0	2	2	4	4	2	1	2
7	Martin Truex	254	8	0	0	0	2	5	1	0	0
8	Kurt Busch	253	8	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	2
9	Aric Almirola	246	8	0	0	0	1	6	2	1	-4
10	Chase Elliott	245	8	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	-1
11	Clint Bowyer	234	8	0	0	0	2	4	2	0	0
12	Daniel Suarez	210	8	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	2
13	Jimmie Johnson	209	8	0	0	0	1	4	0	1	2
14	Kyle Larson	203	8	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	-2
15	Ryan Newman	188	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5
16	Ricky Stenhouse	187	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-3
17	Erik Jones	186	8	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	-1
18	Austin Dillon	185	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	-1
19	Paul Menard	183	8	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
20	William Byron	174	8	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	-2
21	Alex Bowman	166	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	-2
22	Ty Dillon	156	8	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
23	Chris Buescher	147	8	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	-1
24	Matt DiBenedetto	129	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
25	Ryan Preece	109	8	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
26	David Ragan	100	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
27	Bubba Wallace	100	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
28	Michael McDowell	93	8	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	-2
29	Daniel Hemric	79	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
30	Matt Tiff	72	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

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RICHMOND-SPECIFIC STATISTICS

(Driver stats below are from 2005 – Present)

Clint Bowyer (No. 14 Stewart-Haas Racing Ford Mustang)

- Two wins, four top fives, 14 top 10s
- Average finish of 13.038, eighth-best
- Average Running Position of 12.322, sixth-best
- Driver Rating of 93.1, sixth-best
- 271 Fastest Laps Run, sixth-best
- 7,341 Laps in the Top 15 (70.4), seventh-most
- 662 Quality Passes, seventh-most

Kyle Busch (No. 18 Joe Gibbs Racing Toyota Camry)

- Six wins, 17 top fives, 20 top 10s; one pole
- Average finish of 6.926, series-best
- Average Running Position of 7.735, second-best
- Driver Rating of 110.2, series-best
- 727 Fastest Laps Run, 13th-best
- 9,602 Laps in the Top 15 (88.7), second-most
- 811 Quality Passes, third-most

Kurt Busch (No. 1 Chip Ganassi Racing Chevrolet Camaro ZL1)

- Two wins, seven top fives, 15 top 10s
- Average finish of 13.893, 10th-best
- Average Running Position of 12.597, eighth-best
- Driver Rating of 95.3, fifth-best
- 515 Fastest Laps Run, fourth-best
- 7,434 Laps in the Top 15 (66.2), eighth-most
- 734 Quality Passes, fourth-most

Chase Elliott (No. 9 Hendrick Motorsports Chevrolet Camaro ZL1)

- Two top fives, three top 10s
- Average finish of 12.429, sixth-best
- Average Running Position of 13.801, 10th-best
- Driver Rating of 85.6, 12th-best
- 37 Fastest Laps Run, eighth-best
- 1,711 Laps in the Top 15 (60.8), 11th-most
- 201 Quality Passes, 13th-most

Richmond Raceway Data

Season Race #: 9 of 36 (04-13-19)

Track Size: 0.75-miles

Banking/Turns 1 & 2: 14 degrees

Banking/Turns 3 & 4: 14 degrees

Banking/Frontstretch: 8 degrees

Banking/Backstretch: 2 degrees

Frontstretch Length: 1,290 feet

Backstretch Length: 860 feet

Race Length: 400 laps / 300 miles

Stage 1 and 2 Length: 100 laps (each)

Final Stage Length: 200 laps

Top 10 Driver Ratings at Richmond

Kyle Busch.....	110.2
Kevin Harvick.....	110.0
Denny Hamlin	107.9
Brad Keselowski	97.8
Kurt Busch	95.3
Clint Bowyer.....	93.1
Kyle Larson.....	92.6
Joey Logano	90.2
Jimmie Johnson.....	89.6
Ryan Newman	88.4

Note: Driver Ratings compiled from 2005-2018 races (28 total) among active drivers at Richmond Raceway.

Qualifying/Race Data

2018 pole winner:

Martin Truex Jr., Toyota
123.859 mph, 21.799 secs. 04-20-18

2018 race winner:

Kyle Busch, Toyota
96.215 mph, (03:08:01), 04-21-18

Track qualifying record:

Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet
130.599 mph, 20.674 secs. 09-04-13

Track race record:

Dale Jarrett, Ford
109.047 mph, (02:45:04), 09-06-97

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Denny Hamlin (No. 11 Joe Gibbs Racing Toyota Camry)

- Three wins, 11 top fives, 15 top 10s; three poles
- Average finish of 9.56, third-best
- Average Running Position of 8.141, third-best
- Driver Rating of 107.9, third-best
- 792 Fastest Laps Run, 11th-best
- 8,445 Laps in the Top 15 (84.3), third-most
- 670 Quality Passes, sixth-most

Kevin Harvick (No. 4 Stewart-Haas Racing Ford Mustang)

- Three wins, 14 top fives, 23 top 10s; two poles
- Average finish of 8.071, second-best
- Average Running Position of 7.329, series-best
- Driver Rating of 110, second-best
- 748 Fastest Laps Run, 12th-best
- 10,414 Laps in the Top 15 (92.7), series-most
- 893 Quality Passes, series-most

Jimmie Johnson (No. 48 Hendrick Motorsports Chevrolet Camaro ZL1)

- Three wins, seven top fives, 15 top 10s; two poles
- Average finish of 14.357, 11th-best
- Average Running Position of 14.695, 11th-best
- Driver Rating of 89.6, ninth-best
- 361 Fastest Laps Run, third-best
- 6,912 Laps in the Top 15 (61.6), ninth-most
- 677 Quality Passes, fifth-most

Brad Keselowski (No. 2 Team Penske Ford Mustang)

- One win, four top fives, nine top 10s; one pole
- Average finish of 13.474, ninth-best
- Average Running Position of 10.811, fourth-best
- Driver Rating of 97.8, fourth-best
- 475 Fastest Laps Run, fifth-best
- 5,719 Laps in the Top 15 (75.1), fifth-most
- 573 Quality Passes, ninth-most

MENCS Richmond Pole Winners

<u>Pole Winners</u>	<u>Poles</u>
Bobby Allison	8
Richard Petty	8
Darrell Waltrip	7
Jeff Gordon	6
Mark Martin	5
Ned Jarrett	4
Benny Parsons	3
Bill Elliott	3
Buck Baker	3
Denny Hamlin	3
Matt Kenseth	3
Rusty Wallace	3
Alan Kulwicki	2
Brian Vickers	2
Dale Earnhardt	2
Davey Allison	2
David Pearson	2
Ernie Ivan	2
Geoff Bodine	2
Jimmie Johnson	2
Joey Logano	2
Junior Johnson	2
Kevin Harvick	2
Mike Skinner	2
Morgan Shepherd	2
Neil Bonnett	2
Rex White	2
Ricky Rudd	2
Ted Musgrave	2
Terry Labonte	2
Bill Dennis	1
Bobby Isaac	1
Bobby Labonte	1
Brad Keselowski	1
Cale Yarborough	1
Carl Edwards	1
Cotton Owens	1
Dale Earnhardt Jr	1
Dave Marcis	1
David Reutimann	1
Dick Hutcherson	1
Greg Biffle	1
Harry Gant	1
Jeff Burton	1
Joe Weatherly	1
Juan Pablo Montoya	1
Kasey Kahne	1
Ken Schrader	1
Kyle Busch	1
Martin Truex Jr	1
Russ Hepler	1
Ryan Newman	1
Speedy Thompson	1
Tom Pistone	1
Ward Burton	1

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Kyle Larson (No. 42 Chip Ganassi Racing Chevrolet Camaro ZL1)

- One win, two top fives, four top 10s
- Average finish of 9.7, fourth-best
- Average Running Position of 11.143, fifth-best
- Driver Rating of 92.6, seventh-best
- 66 Fastest Laps Run, 10th-best
- 3,138 Laps in the Top 15 (78.2), fourth-most
- 316 Quality Passes, 12th-most

Joey Logano (No. 22 Team Penske Ford Mustang)

- Two wins, eight top fives, 11 top 10s; two poles
- Average finish of 11.6, fifth-best
- Average Running Position of 13.622, ninth-best
- Driver Rating of 90.2, eighth-best
- 163 Fastest Laps Run, ninth-best
- 4,648 Laps in the Top 15 (58), 12th-most
- 471 Quality Passes, 11th-most

Ryan Newman (No. 6 Roush Fenway Racing Ford Mustang)

- One win, seven top fives, 18 top 10s; one pole
- Average finish of 12.75, seventh-best
- Average Running Position of 12.384, seventh-best
- Driver Rating of 88.4, 10th-best
- 161 Fastest Laps Run, seventh-best
- 8,078 Laps in the Top 15 (71.9), sixth-most
- 872 Quality Passes, second-most

Martin Truex Jr (No. 19 Joe Gibbs Racing Toyota Camry)

- Three top fives, nine top 10s; one pole
- Average finish of 19.154, 13th-best
- Average Running Position of 14.714, 12th-best
- Driver Rating of 87.8, 11th-best
- 424 Fastest Laps Run, series-best
- 6,410 Laps in the Top 15 (61.5), 10th-most
- 604 Quality Passes, eighth-most

MENCS Richmond Winners

Race Winners	Wins
Richard Petty	13
Bobby Allison	7
Darrell Waltrip	6
David Pearson	6
Kyle Busch	6
Rusty Wallace	6
Dale Earnhardt	5
Cale Yarborough	3
Dale Earnhardt Jr	3
Denny Hamlin	3
Jimmie Johnson	3
Joe Weatherly	3
Kevin Harvick	3
Terry Labonte	3
Tony Stewart	3
Benny Parsons	2
Carl Edwards	2
Clint Bowyer	2
Cotton Owens	2
Dale Jarrett	2
Dave Marcis	2
Davey Allison	2
Ernie Irvan	2
Jeff Gordon	2
Joey Logano	2
Kurt Busch	2
Lee Petty	2
Matt Kenseth	2
Neil Bonnett	2
Ricky Rudd	2
Speedy Thompson	2
Bill Elliott	1
Brad Keselowski	1
Buck Baker	1
Harry Gant	1
James Hylton	1
Jeff Burton	1
Jeremy Mayfield	1
Joe Nemechek	1
Junior Johnson	1
Kasey Kahne	1
Kyle Larson	1
Kyle Petty	1
Mark Martin	1
Ned Jarrett	1
Paul Goldsmith	1
Rex White	1
Ryan Newman	1
Tim Flock	1
Tim Richmond	1
Tom Pistone	1

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The Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series 2019 Top 16 at Richmond Raceway

Rank	Driver	Races	Poles	Wins	Top Fives	Top 10s	DNFs	Average Finish	Driver Rating
1	Kyle Busch	27	1	6	17	20	0	6.9	110.2
2	Denny Hamlin	25	3	3	11	15	0	9.6	107.9
3	Joey Logano	20	2	2	8	11	1	11.6	90.2
4	Kevin Harvick	36	2	3	14	23	0	10.1	110.0
5	Brad Keselowski	19	1	1	4	9	1	13.5	97.8
6	Ryan Blaney	6	0	0	0	0	1	27.0	59.7
7	Martin Truex Jr	26	1	0	3	9	4	19.2	87.8
8	Kurt Busch	36	0	2	7	15	1	15.4	95.3
9	Aric Almirola	14	0	0	2	5	0	15.5	77.6
10	Chase Elliott	7	0	0	2	3	0	12.4	85.6
11	Clint Bowyer	26	0	2	4	14	1	13.0	93.1
12	Daniel Suarez	4	0	0	0	2	0	11.5	70.5
13	Jimmie Johnson	34	2	3	7	15	1	15.1	89.6
14	Kyle Larson	10	0	1	2	4	0	9.7	92.6
15	Ryan Newman	34	1	1	7	18	1	12.6	88.4
16	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	12	0	0	1	2	0	19.8	69.2

* – Based on last 28 races at Richmond Raceway (2005 – 2018).

The Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Top Five Leaders In Loop Data:

Richmond Raceway (Loop Data Era: 2005-Present)

Driver Rating		Average Running Position		Laps in The Top 15	
Drivers	Driver Rating	Drivers	Avg. Running Pos.	Drivers	Laps in Top 15
Kyle Busch	110.2	Kevin Harvick	7.329	Kevin Harvick	10,414 (92.7%)
Kevin Harvick	110.0	Kyle Busch	7.735	Kyle Busch	9,602 (88.7%)
Denny Hamlin	107.9	Denny Hamlin	8.141	Denny Hamlin	8,445 (84.3%)
Brad Keselowski	97.8	Brad Keselowski	10.811	Ryan Newman	8,078 (71.9%)
Kurt Busch	95.3	Kyle Larson	11.143	Kurt Busch	7,434 (66.2%)
Laps Led		Quality Passes		Fastest Laps Run	
Drivers	Laps Led	Drivers	Quality Passes	Drivers	Fastest Laps
Denny Hamlin	1,659	Kevin Harvick	893	Denny Hamlin	792 (7.9%)
Kyle Busch	1,181	Ryan Newman	872	Kevin Harvick	748 (6.7%)
Kevin Harvick	1,062	Kyle Busch	811	Kyle Busch	727 (6.7%)
Brad Keselowski	840	Kurt Busch	734	Kurt Busch	515 (4.6%)
Kurt Busch	787	Jimmie Johnson	677	Brad Keselowski	475 (6.2%)

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At Richmond Raceway:

History

- Originally known as the Atlantic Rural Exposition Fairgrounds, Richmond Raceway held its first race in 1946 as a half-mile dirt track.
- The first Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series race was held on April 19, 1953 and won by **Lee Petty** with an average speed of 45.535 mph.
- In 1955, Paul Sawyer and former driver Joe Weatherly bought the property. Track was then known as Atlantic Rural Fairgrounds.
- The spring 1964 race was run on a Tuesday night under temporary lighting.
- The track name changed to Virginia State Fairgrounds in 1967.
- The track surface was changed from dirt to asphalt between races in 1968.
- The track name changed to Richmond Fairgrounds Raceway in 1969.
- The track was re-measured to .542-mile in 1970.
- The track was rebuilt as a three-quarters-mile D-shaped oval following the Feb. 21, 1988 race.
- The first race under permanent lights was Sept. 7, 1991.
- In 1999, International Speedway Corporation purchased the raceway and surrounding property. It was the first season with both races as night races and the track was renamed to Richmond International Raceway.
- In 2017, the track underwent renovations to upgrade the amenities for fans and in the process changed the name of the track to Richmond Raceway.
- There have been 125 Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series races at Richmond Raceway, one event from 1953 - 1958 and two races per year since 1959.

Starts

- A total of 503 different drivers have competed in at least one Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series race at Richmond Raceway; 332 drivers have competed in more than one.
- NASCAR Hall of Famer **Richard Petty** leads the series in starts at Richmond Raceway with 63; followed by **Mark Martin** with 56.
- **Kevin Harvick** and **Kurt Busch** lead all active drivers in the Monster Energy Series in starts at Richmond with 36.

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Starts

- **Dick Rathmann** (two series starts) leads the series in average finish at Richmond Raceway with a 2.0.
- **Kyle Larson** leads all active drivers in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series in average starting position at Richmond Raceway with an 8.5; followed by **Denny Hamlin** with a 9.4.

Top Five in Average Starting Position at Richmond Raceway (All-Time & Active)

All-Time Drivers				Active Drivers			
Rank	All-Time Drivers	Average Starting Position	Starts	Rank	Active Drivers	Average Starting Position	Starts
1	Dick Rathmann	2.0	2	1	Kyle Larson	8.5	11
2	Herb Thomas	3.0	2	2	Denny Hamlin	9.4	26
3	Billy Wade	3.7	3	3	Joey Logano	10.3	22
4	Bobby Isaac	3.7	10	4	Brad Keselowski	10.6	20
5	Ned Jarrett	4.1	13	5	Erik Jones	11.3	5
6	Glen Wood	4.3	3	6	Kyle Busch	12.7	28
7	Speedy Thompson	4.6	5	7	Jimmie Johnson	13.1	35
8	Marvin Panch	5.0	3	8	Ryan Newman	13.3	35
9	Cotton Owens	5.1	9	9	Ryan Blaney	13.7	7
10	Bill Morgan	6.0	2	10	Kevin Harvick	13.7	37

Poles

- A total of 55 different drivers have won Busch poles at Richmond Raceway in the Monster Energy Series.
- NASCAR Hall of Famers **Richard Petty** (1961, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970 sweep, 1974, 1975) and **Bobby Allison** (1972 sweep, 1973 sweep, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1982) lead the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series in poles at Richmond with eight each.
- **Denny Hamlin** (2006, 2008 and 2016) leads the eight active drivers in Busch poles at Richmond with three; followed by **Joey Logano**, **Kevin Harvick** and **Jimmie Johnson** with two each.
- **Buck Baker** won the inaugural Busch Pole Award at Richmond in the Monster Energy Series in 1953 with a speed of 48.465 mph.
- Eight different drivers have won consecutive poles at Richmond – **Buck Baker** (1953, 1956), **Ned Jarrett** (1960 sweep, 1964 sweep), **Rex White** (1962, 1963), **Richard Petty** (1969, 1970 sweep), **Bobby Allison** (1972-1974), **Darrell Waltrip** (1983, 1984 sweep, 1985), **Alan Kulwicki** (1987 sweep), **Ted Musgrave** (1994 sweep), **Joey Logano** (2015 sweep) and **Matt Kenseth** (2017 sweep) – Logano is the only active driver to accomplish the feat.
- **Bobby Allison** holds the record for most consecutive poles at Richmond with five straight from 1972-1974; **Darrell Waltrip** has the second-most with four-straight from 1983-1985.

Active MENCs Pole Winners

Pole Winners	Poles
Denny Hamlin	3
Jimmie Johnson	2
Joey Logano	2
Kevin Harvick	2
Brad Keselowski	1
Kyle Busch	1
Martin Truex Jr	1
Ryan Newman	1

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Poles

- Youngest Richmond Cup pole winner: **Brian Vickers** (May 15, 2004 – 20 years, 6 months, 21 days).
- Oldest Richmond Cup pole winner: **Mark Martin** (April 28, 2012 – 53 years, 3 months, 19 days).
- Nine different Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series drivers have posted their first career Busch Pole Award at Richmond Raceway – none are currently active.

First-Time Pole Winners	Date
Russ Hepler	Sunday, May 5, 1957
Ned Jarrett	Sunday, June 5, 1960
Dave Marcis	Sunday, March 7, 1971
Bill Dennis	Sunday, November 14, 1971
Morgan Shepherd	Sunday, February 22, 1981
Alan Kulwicki	Sunday, March 8, 1987
Bobby Labonte	Saturday, September 11, 1993
Ted Musgrave	Sunday, March 6, 1994
Brian Vickers	Saturday, May 15, 2004

- A total of nine different manufacturers have posted Busch Poles at Richmond Raceway in the Monster Energy Series; led by **Chevrolet** (46); followed by **Ford** (32), **Dodge** (11), **Toyota** (10), **Pontiac** (six), **Plymouth** (five), **Mercury** (three), **Buick** (two) and **Oldsmobile** (two).

Wins

- A total of 51 different drivers have won a Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series race at Richmond Raceway. **Lee Petty** won the first series race at Richmond in 1953.
- NASCAR Hall of Famer **Richard Petty** leads the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series in wins at Richmond Raceway with 13 victories (spring 1961, 1967 sweep, fall 1968, fall 1970, 1971 sweep, 1972 sweep, 1973 sweep, fall 1974 and spring 1975) – the third-most wins by a single driver at a single track in series history behind his 15 wins at Martinsville and North Wilkesboro.

- **Kyle Busch** leads all active drivers in wins at Richmond with six victories (spring 2009, spring 2010, spring 2011, spring 2012, 2018 sweep).

MENCS Active Richmond Winners

Active Winners	Wins
Kyle Busch	6
Denny Hamlin	3
Jimmie Johnson	3
Kevin Harvick	3
Clint Bowyer	2
Joey Logano	2
Kurt Busch	2
Brad Keselowski	1
Kyle Larson	1
Ryan Newman	1

- Nine different drivers in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series have posted consecutive wins at Richmond Raceway – **Joe Weatherly** (1962-1963), **David Pearson** (1965, 1966 sweep), **Richard Petty** (1970, 1971 sweep, 1972 sweep, 1973 sweep), **Cale Yarborough** (1976-1977), **Bobby Allison** (1982, 1983 sweep), **Dale Earnhardt** (1987 sweep, 1990-1991), **Rusty Wallace** (1989 sweep), **Terry Labonte** (1994-1995), **Jimmie Johnson** (2007 sweep) and **Kyle Busch** (2018 sweep).

- **Richard Petty** leads the series in consecutive Cup wins at Richmond with seven consecutive victories from the fall race of 1970 to the fall race of 1973.
- Youngest Richmond Cup winner: **Richard Petty** (April 23, 1961 – 23 years, 9 months, 21 days).
- Oldest Richmond winner: **Harry Gant** (September 7, 1991 – 51 years, 7 months, 28 days).

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Wins

- The first starting position is the most proficient starting position in the field, producing more winners than any other starting position at Richmond Raceway with 24 victories.
- Only five active MENCs drivers have been able to win from the pole: **Kasey Kahne** (2005), **Jimmie Johnson** (2007), **Kyle Busch** (2010), **Brad Keselowski** (2014) and **Denny Hamlin** (2016).

Monster Energy Series Wins by Starting Positions at Richmond Raceway

Starting Position	Wins	Winning %	Starting Position	Wins	Winning %	Starting Position	Wins	Winning %
1	24	19.20%	10	3	2.40%	21	1	0.80%
2	14	11.20%	11	2	1.60%	22	2	1.60%
3	17	13.60%	12	2	1.60%	23	1	0.80%
4	11	8.80%	13	2	1.60%	24	1	0.80%
5	6	4.80%	14	3	2.40%	25	2	1.60%
6	7	5.60%	16	3	2.40%	26	1	0.80%
7	11	8.80%	17	2	1.60%	28	1	0.80%
8	2	1.60%	19	1	0.80%	31	1	0.80%
9	2	1.60%	20	2	1.60%	32	1	0.80%
Stats			Winning %			Wins		
Winning from the First Starting Position:			19.20%			24		
Winning from the Front Row:			30.40%			38		
Winning from a Top-Five Starting Position:			57.60%			72		
Winning from a Top-10 Starting Position:			77.60%			97		
Winning After Starting Outside the Top 20:			8.80%			11		

- The deepest in the field that a Monster Energy Series race winner has started at Richmond Raceway is 32nd, by **Kyle Busch** last spring.
- Five drivers have posted their first career Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series win at Richmond – **Kasey Kahne** (2005), **Tony Stewart** (1999), **Kyle Petty** (1986), **Neil Bonnett** (1977) and **James Hylton** (1970)
- **Martin Truex Jr.** leads the series among active drivers with the most Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series starts at Richmond without visiting Victory Lane at 26; followed by **David Ragan** and **Paul Menard** with 24 starts each.
- In total 37 different organizations have won at Richmond Raceway in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series.
- **Petty Enterprises** leads the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series in wins at Richmond Raceway with 15 victories.

Top Five Organizations in MENCs Richmond Wins	
Organizations	Wins
Petty Enterprises	15
Joe Gibbs Racing	14
Hendrick Motorsports	10
Richard Childress Racing	9
Junior Johnson & Assoc.	8

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Wins

- A total of nine different manufacturers have won in the Monster Energy Series at Richmond Raceway.
- **Chevrolet** leads the series in wins at Richmond with 38 victories; followed by **Ford** (32), **Dodge** (17), **Toyota** (12), **Pontiac** (11) **Plymouth** (10), **Buick** (two), **Oldsmobile** (two) and **Chrysler** (one).

Additional Finishing Position Stats

- A total of 57 different drivers have finished runner-up in a Monster Energy Series race at Richmond Raceway.
- NASCAR Hall of Famers **Bobby Allison** and **Richard Petty** are tied for the series-most runner-up finishes at Richmond with nine each.
- **Kyle Busch** leads all active drivers in series runner-up finishes at Richmond with six second-place finishes.

Top Five in Runner-Up Finishes at Richmond Raceway (All-Time & Active)

Rank	All-Time Drivers	Runner-Ups	Rank	Active Drivers	Runner-Ups
1	Bobby Allison	9	1	Kyle Busch	6
2	Richard Petty	9	2	Kevin Harvick	3
3	Jeff Gordon	8	3	Denny Hamlin	2
4	Dale Earnhardt	7	4	Kurt Busch	2
5	Kyle Busch	6	5	Ryan Newman	2

- A total of 135 different drivers have finished in the top-five in a Monster Energy Series race at Richmond Raceway.
- NASCAR Hall of Famer **Richard Petty** leads the series in top-five finishes at Richmond with 34.
- **Kyle Busch** leads all active drivers in top-five finishes at Richmond with 17.

Top Five in Top-Five Finishes at Richmond Raceway (All-Time & Active)

Rank	All-Time Drivers	Top Fives	Rank	Active Drivers	Top Fives
1	Richard Petty	34	1	Kyle Busch	17
2	Dale Earnhardt	25	2	Kevin Harvick	14
3	Bobby Allison	23	3	Denny Hamlin	11
4	Darrell Waltrip	22	4	Joey Logano	8
5	Rusty Wallace	22	5	Jimmie Johnson	7
				Kurt Busch	7
				Ryan Newman	7

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Additional Finishing Position Stats

- A total of 234 different drivers have finished in the top-10 in a Monster Energy Series race at Richmond Raceway.
- NASCAR Hall of Famer **Richard Petty** leads the series in top-10 finishes at Richmond with 41.
- **Kevin Harvick** leads all active drivers in top 10s at Richmond with 22.

Top Five in Top-10 Finishes at Richmond Raceway (All-Time & Active)

Rank	All-Time Drivers	Top 10s	Rank	Active Drivers	Top 10s
1	Richard Petty	41	1	Kevin Harvick	23
2	Dale Earnhardt	33	2	Kyle Busch	20
3	Darrell Waltrip	33	3	Ryan Newman	18
4	Mark Martin	31	4	Denny Hamlin	15
5	Jeff Gordon	30		Jimmie Johnson	15
	Rusty Wallace	30		Kurt Busch	15

- **Lee Petty** (seven series starts) leads the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series in average finishing position at Richmond Raceway with a 4.857.
- **Kyle Busch** (27 series starts) leads all active drivers in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series in average finishing position at Richmond Raceway with a 6.9.

Top 10 in Average Finishing Position at Richmond Raceway (All-Time & Active)

Rank	All-Time Drivers	Average Finish	Starts	Rank	Active Drivers	Average Finish	Starts
1	Lee Petty	4.9	7	1	Kyle Busch	6.9	27
2	Tommy Irwin	5.3	3	2	Denny Hamlin	9.6	25
3	Paul Goldsmith	5.5	4	3	Kyle Larson	9.7	10
4	Rex White	6.3	10	4	Kevin Harvick	10.1	36
5	Glen Wood	6.3	3	5	Daniel Suarez	11.5	4
6	Speedy Thompson	6.4	5	6	Joey Logano	11.6	20
7	Ned Jarrett	6.8	13	7	Chase Elliott	12.4	7
8	Kyle Busch	6.9	27	8	Ryan Newman	12.6	34
9	Billy Wade	7.0	3	9	Clint Bowyer	13.0	26
10	Bobby Allison	7.6	38	10	Brad Keselowski	13.5	19

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STATISTICAL ADVANCE

Track / Event Specific Stats

- Since the advent of electronic scoring in 1993, the closest margin of victory in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series at Richmond Raceway was the race on September 12, 1998 - won by **Jeff Burton** with a MOV of 0.051 second over second-place finisher **Jeff Gordon**.

Top Five Closest Margin of Victories at Richmond in the Monster Energy Series

Rank	MOV	Date	Winner	Runner-Up
1	0.051	9/12/1998	Jeff Burton	Jeff Gordon
2	0.100	9/7/1996	Ernie Irvan	Jeff Gordon
3	0.139	9/10/2011	Kevin Harvick	Carl Edwards
4	0.153	9/9/2006	Kevin Harvick	Kyle Busch
5	0.159	5/6/2000	Dale Earnhardt Jr	Jeremy Mayfield

- Five Monster Energy Series races have resulted in NASCAR Overtime at Richmond Raceway:

Scheduled No. of Laps	Actual No. of Laps	NASCAR Overtime Laps	Date	Race Winner
400	402	2	4/21/2018	Kyle Busch
400	404	4	9/9/2017	Kyle Larson
400	407	7	9/10/2016	Denny Hamlin
400	406	6	4/27/2013	Kevin Harvick
400	410	10	5/3/2008	Clint Bowyer

- Four of the 125 Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series races at Richmond Raceway have been shortened due to weather conditions:

Scheduled No. of Laps	Actual No. of Laps	Number of Fewer Laps	Date	Race Winner
400	393	-7	5/3/2003	Joe Nemechek
400	250	-150	2/21/1982	Dave Marcis
400	245	-155	2/27/1977	Cale Yarborough
250	180	-70	4/1/1962	Rex White

- Qualifying has been cancelled due to weather conditions in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series at Richmond Raceway eight times: 1955, 1962 (spring), 1967 (fall), 1986 (spring), 1997 (spring), 2008 (fall), 2014 (spring) and 2016 (spring).
- A total of 135 different Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series drivers have led at least one lap at Richmond Raceway.
- **Richard Petty** leads the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series in laps led at Richmond Raceway with 5,136 laps out front.
- **Denny Hamlin** leads all active Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series drivers in laps led at Richmond Raceway with 1,659 laps led.

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STATISTICAL ADVANCE

Track / Event Specific Stats

Top Five Laps Leaders in the Monster Energy Series at Richmond Raceway (All-Time & Active)

Rank	All-Time Drivers	Laps Led	Laps Completed	% Led	Rank	Active Drivers	Laps Led	Laps Completed	% Led
1	Richard Petty	5,136	21,135	24.30%	1	Denny Hamlin	1,659	10,012	16.57%
2	Rusty Wallace	3,024	16,730	18.08%	2	Kyle Busch	1,181	10,828	10.91%
3	Bobby Allison	2,961	14,313	20.69%	3	Kevin Harvick	1109	14,304	7.75%
4	Darrell Waltrip	2,172	18,741	11.59%	4	Kurt Busch	904	14,196	6.37%
5	Dale Earnhardt	1,976	16,808	11.76%	5	Brad Keselowski	840	7,574	11.09%
6	Denny Hamlin	1,659	10,012	16.57%	6	Martin Truex Jr	723	10,088	7.17%
7	Jeff Gordon	1,637	17,669	9.26%	7	Ryan Newman	483	13,458	3.59%
8	David Pearson	1,221	3,535	34.54%	8	Jimmie Johnson	461	13,084	3.52%
9	Cale Yarborough	1,208	6,861	17.61%	9	Clint Bowyer	393	10,182	3.86%
10	Kyle Busch	1,181	10,828	10.91%	10	Joey Logano	282	7,907	3.57%

Female Competitor Stats

- Two female drivers, **Danica Patrick** and **Janet Guthrie** have competed at Richmond Raceway in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series. Below are their stats at Richmond:

Driver	Starting Position	Finishing Position	Date	Driver Rating
Danica Patrick	19	23	9/9/2017	63.5
Danica Patrick	21	18	4/30/2017	56.9
Danica Patrick	29	15	9/10/2016	66.4
Danica Patrick	21	24	4/24/2016	56.8
Danica Patrick	14	19	9/12/2015	61.1
Danica Patrick	21	25	4/26/2015	56.5
Danica Patrick	13	16	9/6/2014	75.5
Danica Patrick	35	34	4/26/2014	36.5
Danica Patrick	36	30	9/7/2013	39.1
Danica Patrick	30	29	4/27/2013	42.6
Averages	23.9	23.3		55.5

Driver	Starting Position	Finishing Position	Date
Janet Guthrie	14	12	9/11/1977
Janet Guthrie	13	12	2/27/1977
Averages	13.5	12.0	

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NASCAR in Virginia

- There has been a total of 515 NASCAR national series races among 10 tracks in the state of Virginia.

Tracks in Virginia

Track Name	City	Monster Energy	Xfinity	Gander Outdoors	Total Races	First Year
Martinsville Speedway	Martinsville	141	34	41	216	1949
Richmond Raceway	Richmond	125	70	11	206	1953
South Boston Speedway	South Boston	10	35	3	48	1960
Langley Field Speedway	Hampton	9	14	0	23	1964
Old Dominion Speedway	Manassas	7	0	0	7	1958
New River Valley Speedway	Dublin	0	4	0	4	1989
Southside Speedway	Richmond	4	0	0	4	1961
Starkey Speedway	Roanoke	4	0	0	4	1958
Norfolk Speedway	Norfolk	2	0	0	2	1956
Princess Anne Speedway	Norfolk	1	0	0	1	1953
Totals		303	157	55	515	

Virginia Drivers In NASCAR

- A total of 180 different drivers in NASCAR national series history have their home state recorded as Virginia.
- 19 drivers from the state of Virginia have won at least one race in NASCAR's three national series.
- 11 of the 19 Virginia native NASCAR winners have won in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series.

Driver	Monster Energy	Xfinity	Gander Outdoors	Combined
Denny Hamlin	33	17	2	52
Joe Weatherly	25	0	0	25
Ricky Rudd	23	1	0	24
Jeff Burton	21	27	0	48
Curtis Turner	17	0	0	17
Ward Burton	5	4	0	9
Glen Wood	4	0	0	4
Elliott Sadler	3	13	1	17
Emanuel Zervakis	2	0	0	2
Lennie Pond	1	0	0	1
Wendell Scott	1	0	0	1
Tommy Ellis	0	22	0	22
Jimmy Hensley	0	9	2	11
Rick Mast	0	9	0	9
Hermie Sadler	0	2	0	2
Elton Sawyer	0	2	0	2
Stacy Compton	0	0	2	2
Jon Wood	0	0	2	2
Jeb Burton	0	0	1	1
Totals	135	106	10	251

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STATISTICAL ADVANCE

Monster Energy Series - Achievable Milestones

Starts

Brad Keselowski Has: **349** Needs: **1**

To become the 74th driver all-time in the Monster Energy Series to make 350 starts or more.

Wins

Jimmie Johnson Has: **83** Needs: **1**

To tie Bobby Allison and Darrell Waltrip for fourth on the all-time series wins list.

Kyle Busch Has: **54** Needs: **1**

To tie Rusty Wallace for ninth on the all-time Monster Energy Series wins list.

Kevin Harvick Has: **45** Needs: **1**

To tie Buck Baker for 16th on the all-time series wins list.

Denny Hamlin Has: **33** Needs: **4**

To tie Bobby Isaac (37) for 22nd on the all-time Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series wins list.

Kurt Busch Has: **30** Needs: **1**

To tie Denny Hamlin for 25th on the all-time Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series wins list.

Brad Keselowski Has: **29** Needs: **1**

To tie Kurt Busch for 26th on the all-time Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series wins list.

Joey Logano Has: **22** Needs: **1**

To tie Ricky Rudd for 34th on the all-time Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series wins list.

Busch Poles

Ryan Newman Has: **51** Needs: **3**

Tie Bill Elliott for eighth on the all-time Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series poles list.

Jimmie Johnson Has: **36** Needs: **1**

To tie Geoff Bodine for 16th on the all-time Monster Energy Series poles list.

Kyle Busch Has: **31** Needs: **1**

To tie Fonty Flock for 23rd on the all-time Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series poles list.

Denny Hamlin Has: **30** Needs: **1**

To tie Kyle Busch for 24th on the all-time Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series poles list.

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Monster Energy Series - Achievable Milestones

Laps Led

Jimmie Johnson	Has:	18,767	Needs:	233
To become the ninth driver in the series to lead 19,000 laps.				
Kyle Busch	Has:	16,347	Needs:	653
To become the 10th driver in the series to lead 17,000 laps.				
Kevin Harvick	Has:	13,214	Needs:	786
To become the 11th driver in the MENCS all-time to lead 14,000 laps.				
Kurt Busch	Has:	9,545	Needs:	455
To become the 18th driver in the MENCS all-time to lead 10,000 laps.				
Denny Hamlin	Has:	9,320	Needs:	680
To become the 18th driver in the MENCS all-time to lead 10,000 laps.				
Martin Truex Jr.	Has:	7,549	Needs:	451
To become the 26th driver in the MENCS all-time to lead 8,000 laps.				
Brad Keselowski	Has:	6,893	Needs:	107
To become the 30th driver in the MENCS all-time to lead 7,000 laps.				
Joey Logano	Has:	5,378	Needs:	622
To become the 36th driver in the MENCS all-time to lead 6,000 laps.				