

#NHLSTATS PACK: CONNOR McDAVID'S PURSUIT OF BECOMING 4TH-FASTEST TO 1,000 NHL POINTS Ten things to know as Oilers captain and 2024 Conn Smythe Trophy winner Connor McDavid closes in on the 1,000-point milestone (all entering play Nov. 11, 2024).

1. McDavid (339-656—995 in 657 GP), a dozen games into his 10th NHL season, needs just five points to become the 99th player in League history to record 1,000 career points. McDavid is likely to become the fourth fastest to reach the milestone, behind Wayne Gretzky (424 GP), Mario Lemieux (513 GP) and Mike Bossy (656 GP). That trio and Peter Stastny (682 GP) are the only players in League history to hit the mark within their first 715 games.





[^]Connor McDavid enters week with 995 points through 657 games

2. McDavid (27 years, 304 days as of Edmonton's next game Nov. 12) can become the fourth-youngest player in NHL history to reach the 1,000-point milestone if he achieves the feat in the Oilers' next 15 games (by Dec. 14). McDavid would be the youngest to hit the mark since <u>Feb. 24, 1993</u>, when Red Wings captain **Steve Yzerman** tallied 1-3—4 against the Sabres at Buffalo Memorial Auditorium to become the third-youngest ever to 1,000.



3. McDavid entered the 2024-25 season 18 points back of the milestone and has played in 12 of Edmonton's 15 games to date. He has needed less than 15 games played to accumulate 18 points in five of his nine previous



NHL seasons. *At any point in a season*, the shortest span it has taken McDavid to record 18-plus points is six games (achieved three times): Nov. 24 to Dec. 8, 2023 (3-15—18 in 6 GP), Feb. 21 to March 3, 2023 (10-9—19 in 6 GP) and May 1-10, 2021 (5-13—18 in 6 GP).



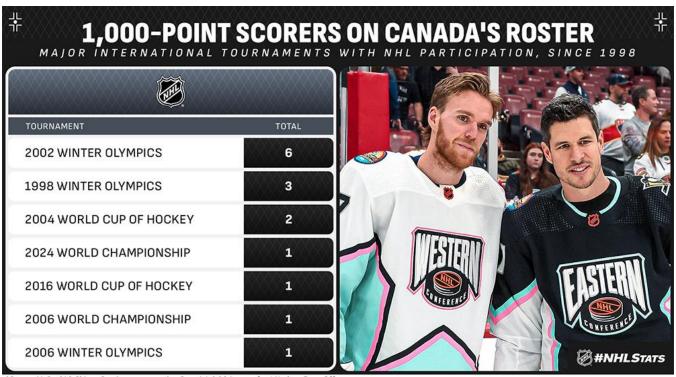
4. McDavid has recorded nearly half his points to date on goals that **Leon Draisaitl** also was part of (44%). They have factored on the same goal 442 times: 134 McDavid goals with Draisaitl assist, 190 Draisaitl goals with McDavid assist and 118 with both notching an assist. The 190 times McDavid has set up a Draisaitl goal rank fourth among teammates *at the time of a player's 1,000th point* – a list topped by **Nicklas Backstrom** who had 274 assists on **Alex Ovechkin** goals when he hit the 1,000-point milestone in the Capitals' game against the Oilers at Rogers Place on March 9, 2022 (though McDavid spoiled Backstrom's 1,000-point milestone by scoring the OT winner that day, the 655th point of his career). Overall, the 190 times McDavid has set up a Draisaitl goal rank eighth in NHL history *for an entire career*.



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*As of Nov. 11, 2024

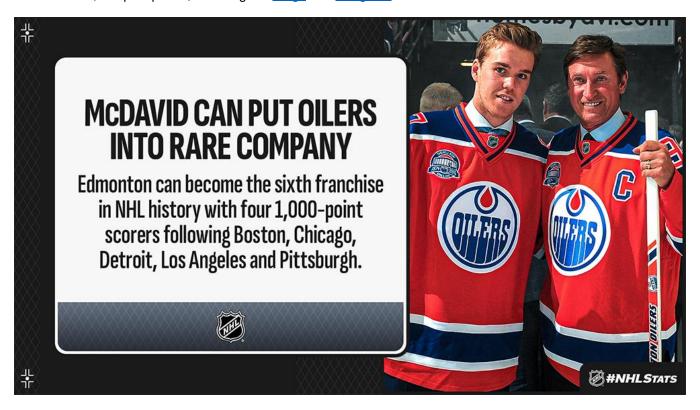
5. McDavid was one of the six players named to Canada's initial roster for the 4 Nations Face-Off and would become the second 1,000-point scorer among the group following **Sidney Crosby** (of note, **Brad Marchand** and **Nathan MacKinnon** have 941 and 928 points, respectively, entering Nov. 11). Canada is the only 4 Nations Face-Off participant with multiple active NHL players who have 1,000 career points and are eligible to play in the tournament, based on a minimum of one game played in 2024-25 as of Nov. 11 (Canada: Crosby, **Steven Stamkos**, **Claude Giroux** and **John Tavares**; United States: **Patrick Kane**). Canada had one 1,000-point scorer at the 2016 World Cup of Hockey (**Joe Thornton**).



^Connor McDavid & Sidney Crosby were named to Canada's initial roster for 4 Nations Face-Off

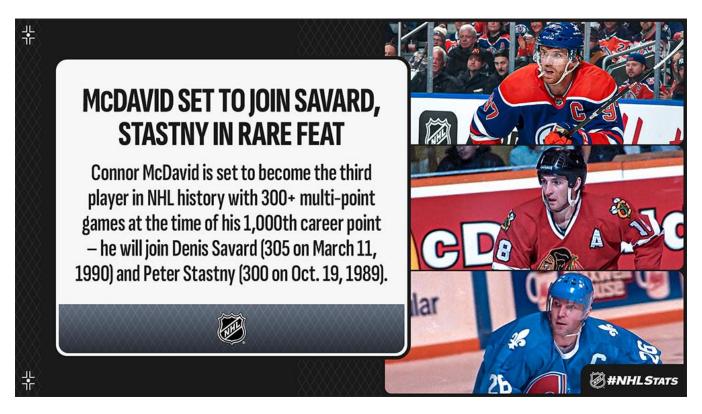


6. McDavid would be the <u>fourth player in Oilers history to record 1,000 career points</u> following **Wayne Gretzky**, **Jari Kurri** and **Mark Messier** (they also are the only three players to <u>reach that NHL milestone</u> while wearing an Oilers jersey). The Oilers can become the third non-Original Six club in NHL history to have four players accumulate 1,000-plus points, following the <u>Kings</u> and <u>Penguins</u>.

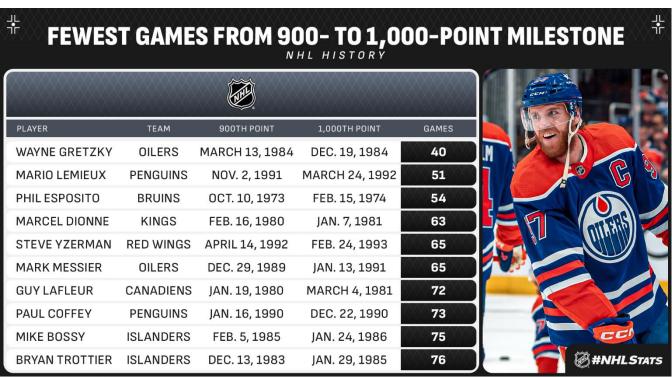


7. McDavid has 304 multi-point games in his NHL career, tied for 55th place in League history (entering Nov. 11). and one shy of matching Denis Savard for the most ever by a player at that the time of his 1,000-point milestone (through the game in which he hit the benchmark). The top six for that list entering Nov. 11: Savard (305 on March 11, 1990), Peter Stastny (300 on Oct. 19, 1989), Phil Esposito (299 on Feb. 15, 1974), Guy Lafleur (298 on March 4, 1981), Marcel Dionne (297 on Jan. 7, 1981) and Sidney Crosby (297 on Feb. 16, 2017). For the three players who got to 1,000 points the fastest: Wayne Gretzky had 278 multi-point games at the time of his 1,000th career point, Mario Lemieux had 290 when he reached the milestone and Mike Bossy had 291.





8. McDavid has contested 56 games since reaching the 900-point milestone via a second-period assist against the Flyers at Rogers Place on <u>Jan. 2</u>. Averaging more than a point per game so far in 2024-25, McDavid is set to become the fourth-fastest player in League history to make the jump from 900 to 1,000 career points (and fastest since **Mario Lemieux** need 51 games, all within the 1991-92 season), including the contests in which each milestone is achieved.



^Connor McDavid can join this list



9. McDavid has steadily climbed the ranks through his milestone progressions, becoming the fifth-fastest in NHL history to each of his past two (900 and 800 points). McDavid and teammate **Leon DraisaitI** both notched their 100th career point <u>Jan. 18, 2017</u> (DraisaitI: 156 GP) and have totaled 1,775 points across 640 regular-season games together so far in their careers (as of Nov. 11).



^{*}McDavid is likely to become the 4th fastest to 1,000 points; all-time ranks entering 2024-25

10. McDavid has recorded multiple points in every game in which he has hit one of the above milestones, including a five-point showing when he hit 900 points on <u>Jan. 2, 2024</u> (1-4—5). Each of the three players guaranteed to hit 1,000 points faster than McDavid reached the milestone during a contest in which he generated at least three points: **Wayne Gretzky** had 999 points in his NHL career entering Edmonton's game against Los Angeles at Northlands Coliseum on <u>Dec. 19, 1984</u>, and erupted for 2-4—6 to eclipse the milestone in just his 424th contest; **Mario Lemieux** logged 998 ahead of the Penguins' game versus the Red Wings at Joe Louis Arena on <u>March 24, 1992</u>, and tallied 1-2—3 to hit a quadruple-digit total in his 513th career contest; **Mike Bossy** had 507-489—996 entering play <u>Jan. 24, 1986</u>, but hit the benchmark with 1-3—4 for the Islanders at Capital Centre in Washington.

MOST POINTS IN GAME WHEN REACHING 1,000-POINT MILESTONE

PLAYER	TEAM	DATE	POINTS
WAYNE GRETZKY	OILERS	DEC. 19, 1984	6
ADAM OATES	CAPITALS	OCT. 8, 1997	5
STEVE LARMER	RANGERS	MARCH 8, 1995	4
JOE MULLEN	PENGUINS	FEB. 7, 1995	4
STEVE YZERMAN	RED WINGS	FEB. 24, 1993	4
MIKE BOSSY	ISLANDERS	JAN. 24, 1986	4

