



The 2024-25 season opens Oct. 4-5, 2024 in Prague, Czechia for the 2024 NHL Global Series before the puck drops in North America starting with a tripleheader on Oct. 8, when the St. Louis Blues visit the Seattle Kraken and the Florida Panthers will raise the franchise's first Stanley Cup championship banner prior to their game against the Boston Bruins. Utah Hockey Club's first-ever game concludes the evening when **Connor Bedard** and the Chicago Blackhawks travel to Delta Center.

\* **Download the PDF** for a list of single-game highs by NHL teams, skaters and goaltenders during season-opening games. A list of each team's record in *home openers*, as well as the date and opponent of their 2024-25 home opener is also included in the attached PDF.

The NHL's all-time standings in season-opening games can be found on [Records.NHL.com](https://records.nhl.com):

- \* [Season Opener Standings, Overall](#)
- \* [Season Opener Standings, When Opening at Home](#)
- \* [Season Opener Standings, When Opening on Road](#)

### **REIGNING CHAMPIONS RETURN TO AMERANT BANK ARENA TO OPEN SEASON**

The Panthers return home to Amerant Bank Arena for their 2024-25 season opener 107 days after they treated their home fans with a Game 7 victory against the Oilers to capture the first Stanley Cup championship in franchise history. Florida owns the NHL's best points percentage when competing in a [season-opening game on home ice](#) and have yet to suffer a regulation loss in those contests (10-0-2; .917).

\* Defending Stanley Cup champions are 61-26-16 (103 GP) in season openers in NHL history, including a 5-3-2 mark in the past 10 seasons and an 8-7-5 clip over the past 20. (There was no Stanley Cup champion in 1918-19 due to the influenza epidemic. A non-NHL team won the Stanley Cup in 1924-25).

### **UTAH READY TO GET UP-AND-RUNNING FOR 2024-25**

The NHL's newest franchise gets its inaugural season underway almost immediately when the puck drops for opening night in North America, as Utah Hockey Club clash with the Blackhawks for a mutual season-opening game on Oct. 8. Since 1967-68, franchises hold a record of 7-17-3 in their first-ever regular-season game; Vegas is the only franchise in the past 30 years to earn a season-opening victory in its inaugural campaign.

\* **Clayton Keller**, fresh off consecutive 30-goal campaigns, begins his quest for a third straight when Delta Center hosts its first-ever NHL regular-season game. The 25-year-old forward has accumulated 3-4—7 in seven career season-opening contests – the most points in that scenario on Utah’s active roster. His three goals are tied with **Nick Schmaltz** (3-2—5 in 8 GP) while newly-acquired **Mikhail Sergachev** (0-6—6 in 8 GP) owns the most assists.

## **QUICK HITS: FRANCHISES IN THEIR INAUGURAL GAME (SINCE 1967-68)**

### **FASTEST GOAL TO BEGIN GAME**

3:23 – Kent Douglas (Oct. 11, 1967 w/ OAK)

4:43 – Chris Kontos (Oct. 7, 1992 w/ TBL)

5:06 – Jim Hrycuik (Oct. 9, 1974 w/ WSH)

### **MOST GOALS IN A GAME**

7 – Tampa Bay Lightning (Oct. 7, 1992 vs. CHI)

5 – Ottawa Senators (Oct. 8, 1992 vs. MTL)

– Oakland Seals (Oct. 11, 1967 vs. PHI)

4 – Florida Panthers (Oct. 6, 1993 at CHI)

– Los Angeles Kings (Oct. 4, 1967 vs. PHI)

### **MOST GOALS BY A PLAYER**

4 – Chris Kontos (Oct. 7, 1992 w/ TBL)

3 – Real Cloutier (Oct. 10, 1979 / QUE)

2 – James Neal (Oct. 6, 2017 w/ VGK)

– Doug Smail (Oct. 8, 1992 w/ OTT)

– Pat MacLeod (Oct 4, 1991 w/ SJS)

– Brian Kilrea (Oct. 14, 1967 w/ LAK)

– Bill Hicke (Oct. 11, 1967 w/ OAK)

### **MOST ASSISTS BY A PLAYER**

4 – Joe Reekie (Oct. 7, 1992 w/ TBL)

3 – Rob Zamuner (Oct. 7, 1992 w/ TBL)

– Marc Tardif (Oct. 10, 1979 w/ QUE)

### **MOST POINTS BY A PLAYER**

4 – Chris Kontos (4-0—4: Oct. 7, 1992 w/ TBL)

– Joe Reekie (0-4—4: Oct. 7, 1992 w/ TBL)

3 – Rob Zamuner (0-3—3: Oct. 7, 1992 w/ TBL)

– Real Cloutier (3-0—3: Oct. 10, 1979 / QUE)

– Marc Tardif (0-3—3: Oct. 10, 1979 w/ QUE)

– Bill Hicke (2-1—3: Oct. 11, 1967 w/ OAK)

– Kent Douglas (1-2—3: Oct. 11, 1967 w/ OAK)

– Gerry Ehman (1-2—3: Oct. 11, 1967 w/ OAK)

### **MOST SAVES BY A GOALTENDER**

48 – Jeff Hackett (Oct. 4, 1991 w/ SJS)

45 – Marc-Andre Fleury (Oct. 6, 2017 w/ VGK)

40 – Michel Plasse (Oct. 9, 1974 w/ KCS)

37 – Ron Low (Oct. 9, 1974 w/ WSH)

– Hank Bassen (Oct. 11, 1967 w/ PIT)

36 – Jamie McLennan (Oct. 6, 2000 w/ MIN)

– Guy Herbert (Oct. 8, 1993 w/ ANA)

35 – Roger Crozier (Oct. 10, 1970 w/ BUF)

### **GOALIES TO RECORD A SHUTOUT**

None. The only goaltender in NHL history to record a shutout in his team’s first-ever NHL game was **Hal Winkler**. Winkler, who backstopped the Rangers to a 1-0 victory at Madison Square Garden II, blanked the Montreal Maroons on [Nov. 16, 1926](#).



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## **TEAMS AND THEIR SEASON-OPENING #NHLSTATS IN 2024-25**

\* Toronto and Montreal will be meeting in a mutual season-opening game for the sixth time in seven seasons, with the Maple Leafs winning four of the previous five entering this campaign (TOR: 4-1-0; MTL: 1-1-3). The 2024-25 schedule marks the 22nd time the longtime rivals have been opponents in a mutual season-opening game – the highest such total in NHL history, ahead of the Canucks-Flames (12; VAN: 7-3-1, CGY: 3-7-1).

\* Vancouver and Calgary are meeting in a mutual season-opening game for the first time since 2018-19, when the former skated to a 5-2 victory at Rogers Arena. The Canucks' seven victories against the Flames are the third most by one franchise versus another in a season-opening contest behind the Maple Leafs (13-7-1 vs. MTL) and Canadiens (8-10-3 vs. TOR).

\* The Bruins, Hurricanes and Golden Knights enter 2024-25 having each won their past five season-opening games, tied for the longest active streak among all teams. Each one of those clubs can join the Lightning (7 from 2014-15 – 2020-21), Sharks (7 from 2010-11 – 2016-17) and Red Wings (6 from 1999-00 – 2005-06) as the only teams in the past 20 years to win at least six straight season openers.

\* The Flyers own the NHL's longest active *point* streak in season-opening contests (9 GP; 7-0-2 since 2015-16) and can become just the fifth franchise in League history to push that stretch to double digits. They would join the Canadiens (17 GP from 1963-64 – 1979-80), Red Wings (15 GP from 1940-41 – 1954-55), Bruins (12 GP from 1987-88 – 1998-99) and Stars (10 GP from 1996-97 – 2006-07).

## **STARS LOOK TO CONTINUE TO SHINE IN OPENERS**

\* Minnesota goaltender **Marc-Andre Fleury** is 10-7 in his team's season-opening games. Should he start and backstop the Wild past the Blue Jackets on Oct. 10, he would surpass **Curtis Joseph** (10 in 13 GP) and **Martin Brodeur** (10 in 18 GP) for the most such wins in NHL history. Should Fleury – the [second-winningest goaltender in NHL history](#) – register a shutout in that contest, he would tie **Glenn Hall** (3 SO in 11 GP) and **Jacques Plante** (3 SO in 12 GP) for the most in season-opening games in NHL history. More information on each note below is available in the attached PDF.

\* **Alex Ovechkin** (13-11—24), set to skate in his 20th season, is one of two active players (also **Anze Kopitar**: 9-14—23 in 17 GP) with at least 20 career points in season-opening games and 10 career goals in such contests (also **Auston Matthews**: 12-3—15 in 7 GP). The Capitals' captain can tie **Michel Goulet** (14 in 13 GP) and **Dino Ciccarelli** (14 in 16 GP) for the most career goals in season-opening games in NHL history should he find the back of the net against the Devils on Oct. 12. Finding the score sheet on Oct. 12 would also make Ovechkin the 10th player in League history with at least 25 career points in season-opening contests.

\* Ovechkin also joins elite company in NHL history on another list as the puck drops for 2024-25. The No. 1 pick in the 2004 NHL Draft is set to captain the franchise for a 16th consecutive season dating to 2009-10 and tie **Joe Sakic** (16 from 1992-93 – 2008-09 w/ COL) for the third-longest stretch in NHL history. Longtime rival **Sidney Crosby** enters the year as Penguins captain for the 18th consecutive year and moved within one of **Steve Yzerman** (19 from 1986-87 – 2005-06 w/ DET) as the longest-tenured captain in League history.

\* **Kyle Connor** enters 2024-25 riding an active six-game goal streak in season-opening games dating to 2018-19 – tied with **Cam Atkinson** (2014-15 – 2019-20), **Yvan Cournoyer** (1973-74 – 1978-79) and **Mud Bruneteau** (1940-41 – 1945-56) for the longest such streak in NHL history. Should he find the back of the net against the Oilers on Oct. 9, he would become the first player in League history to score in seven straight season-opening contests.

\* Oilers forward **Leon Draisaitl**, Predators forward **Filip Forsberg**, Canadiens forward **Patrik Laine** and Maple Leafs defenseman **Morgan Rielly** have collected at least one point in each of their team's past eight season-opening games dating to 2016-17 – the NHL's longest active stretch. The League's lengthiest stretch of



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consecutive season-opening games with a point is shared by **Vincent Lecavalier** (11 GP from 2002-03 – 2013-14) and **Viktor Kozlov** (11 GP from 1997-98 – 2008-09).

\* **Auston Matthews** scored a hat trick to begin the 2023-24 campaign – his second time scoring three-plus goals in a season opener (4 in 2016-17). Should he achieve the feat again on Oct. 9, he would become the first player in NHL history to score a hat trick on at least three different season openers and the second to do so in back-to-back campaigns (also **Cam Neely** in 1994-95 & 1995-96).

\* The Sharks selected **Macklin Celebrini** with the No. 1 pick in the 2024 NHL Draft. Should Celebrini crack the club's opening-night roster, he can become the 10th No. 1 pick to score in their first season-opening game and the seventh to register multiple points in that scenario. Toronto's **Auston Matthews** (No. 1 in 2016 by TOR) is the last player to achieve both 4-0—4 on Oct. 12, 2016.

### **ALL-TIME RECORDS IN HOME OPENERS**

Download the PDF for each team's record in *home openers* as well as the date and opponent of their 2023-24 home opener.

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## ACTIVE HEAD COACHES' RECORDS IN SEASON OPENERS

HEAD COACH	GC	W	L	T/OT	PTS	P%
Ryan Huska (CGY)	1	1	0	0	2	1.000
Rod Brind'Amour (CAR)	6	5	0	1	11	.917
Bruce Cassidy (VGK)	9	8	1	0	16	.889
Jared Bednar (COL)	8	7	1	0	14	.875
Jim Montgomery (BOS)	4	3	1	0	6	.750
Sheldon Keefe (NJD)	4	3	1	0	6	.750
Dean Evason (CBJ)	4	3	1	0	6	.750
Martin St. Louis (MTL)	2	1	0	1	3	.750
Jon Cooper (TBL)	11	8	3	0	16	.727
Travis Green (OTT)	5	3	1	1	7	.700
Craig Berube (TOR)	6	3	1	2	8	.667
Peter Laviolette (NYR)	20	12	6	2	26	.650
Lindy Ruff (BUF)	23	13	7	3	29	.630
John Hynes (MIN)	8	4	2	2	10	.625
John Tortorella (PHI)	18	10	7	1	21	.583
Dan Bylsma (SEA)	7	4	3	0	8	.571
Peter DeBoer (DAL)	16	9	7	0	18	.563
Paul Maurice (FLA)	23	10	10	3	23	.500
Mike Sullivan (PIT)	10	4	4	2	10	.500
Luke Richardson (CHI)	2	1	1	0	2	.500
Derek Lalonde (DET)	2	1	1	0	2	.500
Patrick Roy (NYI)	3	1	2	0	2	.333
André Tourigny (UTA)	3	1	2	0	2	.333
Rick Tocchet (VAN)	6	1	4	1	3	.250
Scott Arniel (WPG)	2	0	2	0	0	.000
Andrew Brunette (NSH)	1	0	1	0	0	.000
Spencer Carbery (WSH)	1	0	1	0	0	.000
Greg Cronin (ANA)	1	0	1	0	0	.000
Jim Hiller (LAK)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kris Knoblauch (EDM)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drew Bannister (STL)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ryan Warsofsky (SJS)	-	-	-	-	-	-

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## ACTIVE GENERAL MANAGERS' RECORDS IN SEASON OPENERS

GENERAL MANAGER	GP	W	L	T/OTL	PTS	P%
Kelly McCrimmon (VGK)	5	5	0	0	10	1.000
Chris MacFarland (COL)	2	2	0	0	4	1.000
Daniel Brière (PHI)	1	1	0	0	2	1.000
Craig Conroy (CGY)	1	1	0	0	2	1.000
Don Sweeney (BOS)	9	7	2	0	14	0.778
Bill Zito (FLA)	4	3	1	0	6	0.750
Kent Hughes (MTL)	2	1	0	1	3	0.750
Steve Yzerman (DET)	13	9	3	1	19	0.731
Doug Armstrong (STL)	19	12	4	3	27	0.711
Jim Nill (DAL)	11	7	3	1	15	0.682
Julien Brisebois (TBL)	6	4	2	0	8	0.667
Kyle Dubas (PIT)	6	4	2	0	8	0.667
Chris Drury (NYR)	3	2	1	0	4	0.667
Lou Lamoriello (NYI)	36	20	11	5	45	0.625
Don Waddell (CBJ)	16	9	5	2	20	0.625
Tom Fitzgerald (NJD)	4	2	1	1	5	0.625
Bill Guerin (MIN)	5	3	2	0	6	0.600
Kevin Cheveldayoff (WPG)	13	7	6	0	14	0.538
Kevyn Adams (BUF)	4	2	2	0	4	0.500
Patrik Allvin (VAN)	2	1	1	0	2	0.500
Kyle Davidson (CHI)	2	1	1	0	2	0.500
Pat Verbeek (ANA)	2	1	1	0	2	0.500
Stan Bowman (EDM)	13	5	6	2	12	0.462
Rob Blake (LAK)	7	2	3	2	6	0.429
Bill Armstrong (UTA)	4	1	2	1	3	0.375
Ron Francis (SEA)	7	1	4	2	4	0.286
Brad Treliving (TOR)	10	2	7	1	5	0.250
Mike Grier (SJS)	2	0	2	0	0	0.000
Barry Trotz (NSH)	1	0	1	0	0	0.000
Chris Patrick (WSH)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Steve Staios (OTT)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eric Tulsky (CAR)	-	-	-	-	-	-

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## LONGEST WIN STREAKS IN SEASON OPENERS, NHL HISTORY

- 9 – Montreal Canadiens, from 1953-54 – 1961-62
  - St. Louis Blues, from 1978-79 – 1986-87
- 8 – Detroit Red Wings, from 1947-48 – 1954-55
  - Quebec Nordiques, from 1981-82 – 1988-89
  - Boston Bruins, from 1987-88 – 1994-95
- 7 – New York Rangers, from 1926-27 – 1932-33
  - Pittsburgh Penguins, from 1971-72 – 1977-78
  - San Jose Sharks, from 2010-11 – 2016-17
  - Tampa Bay Lightning, from 2014-15 – 2020-21

### Active Streaks

- 5 – Boston Bruins, from 2019-20 – 2023-24
  - Carolina Hurricanes, from 2019-20 – 2023-24
  - Vegas Golden Knights, from 2019-20 – 2023-24
- 4 – Dallas Stars, from 2020-21 to 2023-24
- 3 – Colorado Avalanche, 2021-22 to 2023-24

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## LONGEST POINT STREAKS IN SEASON OPENERS, NHL HISTORY

- 17 – Montreal Canadiens, from 1963-64 – 1979-80 (13-0-4)
- 15 – Detroit Red Wings, from 1940-41 – 1954-55 (14-0-1)
- 12 – Boston Bruins, from 1987-88 – 1998-99 (9-0-3)
- 10 – Dallas Stars, from 1996-97 – 2006-07 (7-0-3)
- 9 – Montreal Canadiens, from 1953-54 – 1961-62 (9-0-0)
  - St. Louis Blues, from 1978-79 – 1986-87 (9-0-0)
  - Quebec Nordiques, from 1980-81 – 1988-89 (8-0-1)
  - New Jersey Devils, from 1989-90 – 1997-98 (7-0-2)
  - Philadelphia Flyers, from 2015-16 – 2023-24 (7-0-2)
  - Los Angeles Kings, from 1994-95 – 2002-03 (6-0-3)

### Active Streaks

- 9 – Philadelphia Flyers, from 2015-16 – 2023-24 (7-0-2)
- 8 – Carolina Hurricanes, from 2016-17 – 2023-24 (6-0-2)
- 5 – Boston Bruins, from 2019-20 – 2023-24 (5-0-0)
  - Vegas Golden Knights, from 2019-20 – 2023-24 (5-0-0)
  - St. Louis Blues, from 2019-20 – 2023-24 (3-0-2)
- 4 – Dallas Stars, from 2020-21 – 2023-24 (4-0-0)

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## LONGEST WINLESS STREAKS IN SEASON OPENERS, NHL HISTORY

- 12 – Detroit Red Wings, from 1982-83 – 1993-94 (0-8-4)
  - Calgary Flames, from 2010-11 – 2021-22 (0-10-2)
- 10 – St. Louis Blues, from 1997-98 – 2007-08 (0-6-4)
- 8 – Boston Bruins, from 1939-40 – 1946-47 (0-5-3)
  - Toronto Maple Leafs, from 1945-46 – 1952-53 (0-4-4)
  - Hartford Whalers, from 1987-88 – 1994-95 (0-6-2)

### Active Streaks

- 3 – Seattle Kraken, from 2021-22 – 2023-24 (0-2-1)
- 2 – Ottawa Senators, from 2022-23 – 2023-24 (0-2-0)
  - San Jose Sharks, from 2022-23 – 2023-24 (0-2-0)
  - Columbus Blue Jackets, from 2022-23 – 2023-24 (0-2-0)
  - Los Angeles Kings, from 2022-23 – 2023-24 (0-2-0)
  - Washington Capitals, from 2022-23 – 2023-24 (0-2-0)

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## FASTEST GOALS FROM START OF A SEASON OPENER, NHL HISTORY

Date	Team	Opponent	Player	Time
Oct. 11, 1986	MNS	at QUE	Kent Nilsson	0:10
Oct. 7, 1981	WSH	at BUF	Ryan Walter	0:12
Oct. 31, 1943	CHI	vs. TOR	Bill Mosienko	0:13
Oct. 7, 1981	CHI	vs. PIT	Denis Savard	0:13
Oct. 30, 1943	TOR	vs. NYR	Gus Bodnar	0:15
Oct. 4, 1991	CGY	vs. EDM	Theo Fleury	0:16
Oct. 15, 2021	NJD	vs. CHI	Dougie Hamilton	0:17
Oct. 10, 1974	BUF	vs. BOS	Danny Gare	0:18
Oct. 10, 1973	STL	at CGS	Lou Angotti	0:20
Oct. 5, 1989	BUF	vs. QUE	Alexander Mogilny	0:20

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### MOST GOALS IN A SEASON OPENER, NHL HISTORY

Date	Team	Opponent	Player	Goals
Dec. 19, 1917	MWN	vs. TAN	Harry Hyland	5
Dec. 19, 1917	MTL	at SEN	Joe Malone	5
Dec. 16, 1922	TSP	vs. MTL	Babe Dye	5
Dec. 19, 1917	TAN	at MWN	Reg Noble	4
Oct. 6, 1976	VAN	at PIT	Rick Blight	4
Oct. 8, 1987	VAN	vs. STL	Greg Adams	4
Oct. 7, 1992	TBL	vs. CHI	Chris Kontos	4
Oct. 12, 2016	TOR	at OTT	Auston Matthews	4
Oct. 14, 2021	DET	vs. TBL	Tyler Bertuzzi	4
Oct. 11, 2023	VAN	vs. EDM	Brock Boeser	4

*\*Overall, there have been 61 instances of a player scoring a hat trick in a season opener, including the 10 listed above*

### Active NHL Players with 3+ Goals in a Season Opener

Date	Team	Opponent	Player	Goals
Oct. 12, 2016	TOR	at OTT	Auston Matthews	4
Oct. 14, 2021	DET	vs. TBL	Tyler Bertuzzi	4
Oct. 11, 2023	VAN	vs. EDM	Brock Boeser	4
Oct. 9, 2014	ANA	at PIT	Corey Perry	3
Oct. 4, 2017	EDM	vs. CGY	Connor McDavid	3
Oct. 5, 2017	WSH	at OTT	Alex Ovechkin	3
Oct. 5, 2017	CHI	vs. PIT	Brandon Saad	3
Oct. 14, 2021	LAK	vs. VGK	Anze Kopitar	3
Oct. 12, 2022	EDM	vs. VAN	Connor McDavid	3
Oct. 11, 2023	TOR	vs. MTL	Auston Matthews	3

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### MOST ASSISTS IN A SEASON OPENER, NHL HISTORY

Date	Team	Opponent	Player	Assists
Oct. 10, 1985	NJD	at PHI	Greg Adams	5
Oct. 5, 1990	PIT	at WSH	John Cullen	5

*Overall, there have been 22 instances of a player having at least 4 assists in a season opener, including the 2 listed above*

### Last Five Players with 4+ Assists in a Season Opener

Date	Team	Opponent	Player	Assists
Oct. 10, 2002	TOR	at PIT	Darcy Tucker	4
Oct. 5, 2006	PHX	vs. NYI	Steve Reinprecht	4
Oct. 5, 2017	DET	vs. MIN	Mike Green	4
Oct. 5, 2017	CHI	vs. PIT	Ryan Hartman	4
Oct. 12, 2022	COL	vs. CHI	Mikko Rantanen	4

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## MOST POINTS IN A SEASON OPENER, NHL HISTORY

Date	Team	Opponent	Player	Points
Oct. 5, 1990	PIT	at WSH	Kevin Stevens	2-4—6
Dec. 19, 1917	MWN	vs. TAN	Harry Hyland	5-0—5
Dec. 19, 1917	MTL	at SEN	Joe Malone	5-0—5
Dec. 16, 1922	TSP	vs. MTL	Babe Dye	5-0—5
Oct. 7, 1955	NYR	at CHI	Andy Bathgate	1-4—5
Oct. 10, 1973	BOS	vs. VAN	Phil Esposito	3-2—5
Oct. 10, 1974	BUF	vs. BOS	Gilbert Perreault	3-2—5
Oct. 4, 1983	QUE	vs. NYI	Michel Goulet	1-4—5
Oct. 10, 1985	NJD	at PHI	Greg Adams	0-5—5
Oct. 9, 1986	TOR	vs. MTL	Tom Fergus	3-2—5
Oct. 5, 1990	PIT	at WSH	John Cullen	0-5—5
Oct. 5, 2006	PHX	vs. NYI	Steve Reinprecht	1-4—5
Jan. 20, 2013	BUF	vs. PHI	Thomas Vanek	2-3—5
Oct. 13, 2016	BOS	at CBJ	Brad Marchand	2-3—5
Oct. 5, 2017	CHI	vs. PIT	Ryan Hartman	1-4—5
Oct. 14, 2021	LAK	vs. VGK	Anze Kopitar	3-2—5

*\*Overall, there have been 112 instances of a player having at least 4 points in a season opener, including the 16 listed above*

## Last 12 Players with 4+ Points in a Season Opener

Date	Team	Opponent	Player	Points
Oct. 13, 2021	WSH	vs. NYR	Alex Ovechkin	2-2—4
Oct. 14, 2021	LAK	vs. VGK	Anze Kopitar	3-2—5
Oct. 14, 2021	CBJ	vs. ARI	Oliver Bjorkstrand	2-2—4
Oct. 14, 2021	LAK	vs. VGK	Drew Doughty	1-3—4
Oct. 14, 2021	DET	vs. TBL	Tyler Bertuzzi	4-0—4
Oct. 12, 2022	BOS	at WSH	David Pastrnak	1-3—4
Oct. 12, 2022	EDM	vs. VAN	Connor McDavid	3-1—4
Oct. 12, 2022	COL	vs. CHI	Mikko Rantanen	0-4—4
Oct. 11, 2023	VAN	vs. EDM	Brock Boeser	4-0—4
Oct. 11, 2023	VAN	vs. EDM	Elias Pettersson	1-3—4
Oct. 11, 2023	VAN	vs. EDM	J.T. Miller	1-3—4
Oct. 11, 2023	COL	at LAK	Mikko Rantanen	2-2—4

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## MOST CAREER GOALS IN SEASON OPENERS, NHL HISTORY

Player	GP	Goals
Michel Goulet	13	14
Dino Ciccarelli	16	14
Cam Neely	10	13
Alexander Mogilny	14	13
Radim Vrbata	15	13
Brett Hull	17	13
Maurice Richard	18	13
Alex Ovechkin	19	13
Luc Robitaille	19	13
Jaromir Jagr	23	13
Auston Matthews	7	12
Aurel Joliat	16	12
Guy Lafleur	16	12
Brendan Shanahan	19	12



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### Most Career Goals in Season Openers, Active NHL Players

Player	GP	Goals
Alex Ovechkin	19	13
Auston Matthews	7	12
Connor McDavid	9	9
Mark Scheifele	12	9
Sidney Crosby	16	9
Anze Kopitar	17	9
Cam Atkinson	12	8

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### MOST CAREER ASSISTS IN SEASON OPENERS, NHL HISTORY

Player	GP	Assists
Jaromir Jagr	23	26
Adam Oates	17	24
Ray Bourque	21	21
Dale Hunter	18	19
Wayne Gretzky	19	18
Marcel Dionne	18	17
Doug Gilmour	18	17
Al MacInnis	20	17
Gordie Howe	25	17
Gary Suter	15	16
Joe Sakic	20	16

### Most Career Assists in Season Openers, Active NHL Players

Player	GP	Assists
Nicklas Backstrom	14	15
Steven Stamkos	16	14
Anze Kopitar	17	14
John Tavares	15	12
Victor Hedman	15	12
Patrick Kane	16	12
Kris Letang	16	12
Ryan Suter	19	12
Mark Stone	10	11
Nathan MacKinnon	10	11
Mika Zibanejad	11	11
Jonathan Huberdeau	11	11
Alex Ovechkin	19	11

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## MOST CAREER POINTS IN SEASON OPENERS, NHL HISTORY

Player	GP	G-A—P
Jaromir Jagr	23	13-26—39
Ray Bourque	21	9-21—30
Wayne Gretzky	19	9-18—27
Joe Sakic	20	11-16—27
Michel Goulet	13	14-11—25
Phil Esposito	16	11-14—25
Adam Oates	17	1-24—25
Al MacInnis	20	8-17—25
Gordie Howe	25	8-17—25
Dale Hunter	18	5-19—24
Alex Ovechkin	19	13-11—24

## Most Career Points in Season Opener, Active NHL Players

Player	GP	G-A—P
Alex Ovechkin	19	13-11—24
Anze Kopitar	17	9-14—23
Sidney Crosby	16	9-10—19
Patrick Kane	16	7-12—19
Steven Stamkos	16	4-14—18
Connor McDavid	9	9-7—16
Mark Stone	10	5-11—16
Mika Zibanejad	11	5-11—16
Nicklas Backstrom	14	1-15—16
John Tavares	15	4-12—16
Evgeni Malkin	15	6-10—16
Ryan Suter	19	4-12—16

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## MOST CAREER WINS IN SEASON OPENERS

Goaltender	GP	Wins
Curtis Joseph	13	10
Marc-Andre Fleury*	17	10
Martin Brodeur	18	10
Ryan Miller	13	9
Jacques Plante	12	8
Mike Vernon	13	8
Craig Anderson	13	8
Henrik Lundqvist	14	8

\* Active

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## MOST CAREER SHUTOUTS IN SEASON OPENERS, NHL HISTORY

<b>Goaltender</b>	<b>GP</b>	<b>Shutouts</b>
Glenn Hall	11	3
Jacques Plante	12	3
Bill Beveridge	4	2
Ken Dryden	6	2
Antti Niemi	6	2
Bill Durnan	7	2
Lorne Chabot	8	2
Stephane Fiset	8	2
Jimmy Howard	9	2
Alec Connell	11	2
Tiny Thompson	11	2
Sean Burke	12	2
John Ross Roach	12	2
Roberto Luongo	16	2
Marc-Andre Fleury*	17	2
Martin Brodeur	18	2

\* *Active*

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## ALL-TIME RECORDS IN HOME OPENERS

A home opener is defined as a team's first game as the home team in a regular season. The Golden Knights hold the NHL's best points percentage in home openers (.857).

FRANCHISE	GP	W	L	T/OT	PTS	P%	GF	GA	2024-25 Home Opener
Vegas Golden Knights	7	6	1	0	12	<b>.857</b>	25	14	2024-10-09 vs COL
Minnesota Wild	23	16	3	4	36	<b>.783</b>	82	62	2024-10-10 vs CBJ
Colorado Avalanche	44	31	9	4	66	<b>.750</b>	185	116	2024-10-12 vs CBJ
Florida Panthers	30	19	7	4	42	<b>.700</b>	104	78	2024-10-08 vs BOS
Anaheim Ducks	30	20	9	1	41	<b>.683</b>	85	75	2024-10-16 vs UTA
Ottawa Senators	31	18	7	6	42	<b>.677</b>	106	89	2024-10-10 vs FLA
Tampa Bay Lightning	31	19	9	3	41	<b>.661</b>	115	83	2024-10-12 vs CAR
Boston Bruins	99	54	24	21	129	<b>.652</b>	324	263	2024-10-10 vs MTL
Montreal Canadiens	106	60	29	17	137	<b>.646</b>	363	250	2024-10-09 vs TOR
Nashville Predators	25	15	8	2	32	<b>.640</b>	70	57	2024-10-10 vs DAL
St. Louis Blues	56	34	19	3	71	<b>.634</b>	208	164	2024-10-15 vs MIN
Philadelphia Flyers	56	32	17	7	71	<b>.634</b>	190	159	2024-10-19 vs VAN
Dallas Stars	56	32	17	7	71	<b>.634</b>	192	143	2024-10-12 vs NYI
New York Islanders	51	29	16	6	64	<b>.627</b>	168	136	2024-10-10 vs UTA
Edmonton Oilers	44	25	14	5	55	<b>.625</b>	149	131	2024-10-09 vs WPG
Winnipeg Jets	24	14	8	2	30	<b>.625</b>	81	71	2023-10-11 vs CHI
New Jersey Devils	49	24	12	13	61	<b>.622</b>	169	144	2024-10-10 vs TOR*
Washington Capitals	49	28	17	4	60	<b>.612</b>	179	151	2024-10-12 vs NJD
Vancouver Canucks	53	29	18	6	64	<b>.604</b>	184	156	2024-10-09 vs CGY
Detroit Red Wings	97	53	33	11	117	<b>.603</b>	309	253	2024-10-10 vs PIT
Pittsburgh Penguins	56	29	18	9	67	<b>.598</b>	202	182	2024-10-09 vs NYR
Toronto Maple Leafs	106	52	36	18	122	<b>.575</b>	383	336	2024-10-12 vs PIT
Calgary Flames	51	23	17	11	57	<b>.559</b>	176	150	2024-10-12 vs PHI
Los Angeles Kings	56	26	20	10	62	<b>.554</b>	179	158	2024-10-24 vs SJS
Carolina Hurricanes	44	19	15	10	48	<b>.545</b>	123	129	2024-10-11 vs TBL
Chicago Blackhawks	97	40	35	22	102	<b>.526</b>	280	266	2024-10-17 vs SJS
New York Rangers	97	41	39	17	99	<b>.510</b>	286	271	2024-10-12 vs UTA
Buffalo Sabres	53	23	23	7	53	<b>.500</b>	160	163	2024-10-10 vs LAK*
San Jose Sharks	32	13	15	4	30	<b>.469</b>	90	98	2024-10-10 vs STL
Columbus Blue Jackets	23	8	11	4	20	<b>.435</b>	68	66	2024-10-15 vs FLA
Seattle Kraken	3	0	3	0	0	<b>.000</b>	5	13	2024-10-08 vs STL
Utah Hockey Club	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2024-10-08 vs CHI

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