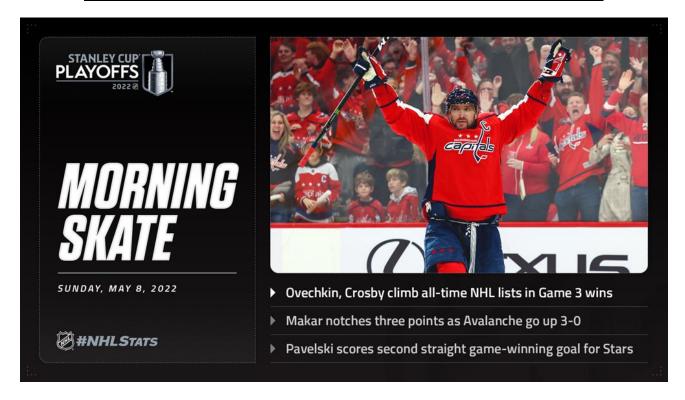
NHL MORNING SKATE: STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS EDITION - MAY 8, 2022



- * **Sidney Crosby** and **Alex Ovechkin**, two players who have headlined the Stanley Cup Playoffs countless times over the past 15 years, each posted multiple points to help the Penguins and Capitals take a 2-1 series lead.
- * Cale Makar tallied his second three-point outing through Colorado's first three games of the 2022 Stanley Cup Playoffs to take the overall playoff scoring lead as the Avalanche became the only team to go up 3-0 in the First Round.
- * **Joe Pavelski** scored twice, including the game-winning goal for the second straight contest, to help the Stars take a 2-1 series lead in the first postseason game contested in Dallas in over three years.
- * The Penguins (7), Avalanche (7) and Capitals (6) each scored at least six goals Saturday. It marked the first time three or more teams have recorded as many goals on the same day in a postseason since April 29, 1993, when the Kings (9), Red Wings (7) and Flames (6) all did so.





CROSBY, OVECHKIN CLIMB ALL-TIME LISTS IN HOME WINS

Sidney Crosby (0-2—2) and **Alex Ovechkin** (1-1—2) each posted multi-point performances to climb a few of the NHL's all-time playoff lists and help their respective teams skate to a 2-1 series lead. Among active players, the Penguins captain is the playoff points leader (70-127—197 in 177 GP) while the Capitals captain sits atop the postseason goals category (72-67—139 in 144 GP).

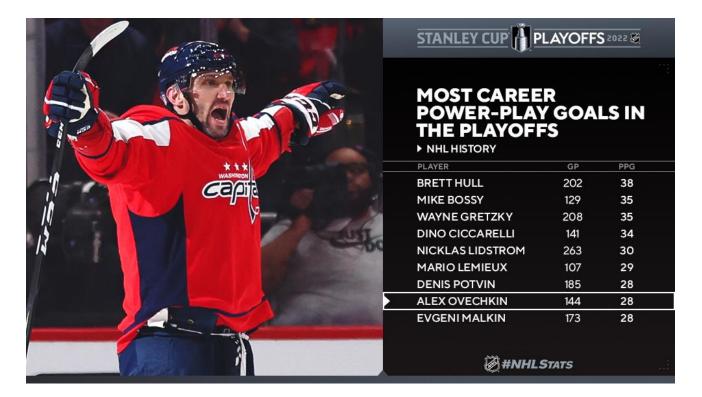
- * After recording just four goals through their four-game regular-season series against the Rangers in 2021-22 (PIT: 1-3-0; NYR: 3-1-0), the Penguins have now scored 13 times en route to a 2-1 series lead, including fending off a three-goal rally from New York which tied the game at 4-4 before Pittsburgh pulled ahead for good. The Penguins' seven-goal outburst in Game 3 marked the club's highest total in a playoff contest since Game 6 of the 2018 First Round against the Flyers.
- * Crosby, who has multiple points in each of the first three games of the 2022 Stanley Cup Playoffs, factored on each of Pittsburgh's last two goals to help seal the win and surpassed **Paul Coffey** (59-137—196 in 194 GP) for sixth place on the NHL's all-time postseason points list. The Penguins captain also recorded his 19th and 20th career postseason assists against the Rangers (25 GP) in the process, surpassing **Henri Richard** (18 in 30 GP) for the most among all players in NHL history versus the franchise.





- * After **Jonathan Huberdeau** opened the scoring in Game 3, Ovechkin factored on two of Washington's six unanswered goals to help the Capitals become the eighth team to take a 2-1 lead against the Presidents' Trophy winners in the opening round of a best-of-seven series.
- * Ovechkin, who became the NHL's all-time leader in <u>regular-season power-play goals</u> in 2021-22, scored his 28th career playoff marker on the man advantage. He now has 72 career postseason goals overall, tying **Esa Tikkanen** and **Patrick Marleau** for 14th place on the <u>League's all-time playoff goals list</u>.





MAKAR, LANDESKOG LEAD AN AVALANCHE OF OFFENSE IN GAME 3

Gabriel Landeskog (2-2—4) and **Cale Makar** (0-3—3) posted four and three points, respectively, as the Avalanche put up another seven-goal outburst to take a 3-0 series lead against the Predators. Colorado has now racked up 16 goals this postseason, its most through the first three games of a playoffs in franchise history (previous best: 15 in 2021 R1 vs. STL).

- * Landeskog recorded the first four-point outing of his playoff career and became the NHL's <u>third player</u> to do so this postseason. The only players in Avalanche/Nordiques history that have posted more <u>points in a playoff game</u> are **Peter Forsberg** (2-3—5 in <u>Game 2 of 1998 CQF</u>) and **Risto Siltanen** (0-5—5 in Game 5 in 1987 DSF).
- * Makar, who leads the NHL with seven points this postseason (2-5—7), notched his fourth career three-point playoff game and second this series. Only three defensemen in League history have recorded as many three-point outings in the playoffs before the age of 24: **Paul Coffey** (10 GP), **Ray Bourque** (6 GP) and **Bobby Orr** (4 GP).
- * Makar boosted his career playoff totals to 9-29—38 (38 GP). He is averaging a point per game in his postseason career, which ranks as the fourth highest among defensemen in NHL history (min. 15 GP) behind Orr (1.24), **Brian Leetch** (1.02) and Coffey (1.01).



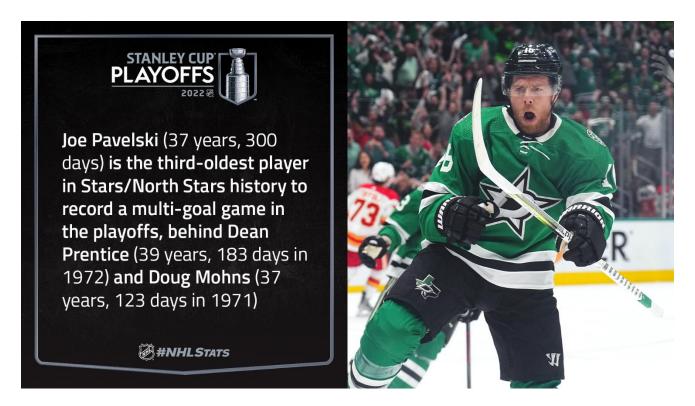


PAVELSKI'S SECOND STRAIGHT GAME WINNER GIVES STARS SERIES LEAD

Joe Pavelski (2-0—2) recorded his second straight game-winning goal and **Jake Oettinger** made 39 saves, including denying **Johnny Gaudreau** in all alone late in the third, as the Stars secured a 2-1 series lead against the Pacific Division's top-seeded Flames.

- * Pavelski recorded his 14th career game-winning goal in the playoffs, surpassing **Evgeni Malkin** (13) for the most among all active players. The Plover, Wisc., native also sits third among U.S.-born players behind **Chris Drury** (17) and **Mike Modano** (15).
- * The Stars veteran joined **Ron Francis** as the second player in NHL history to record consecutive game-winning goals in the postseason at age 37 or older. Francis, who was 39 at the time, did so in 2002 (Game 6 of 2002 CQF & Game 1 of 2002 SF).
- * Pavelski (37 years, 300 days) became the first player on any team to record a multi-goal game in the playoffs at age 37 or older since his longtime former Sharks teammate, **Joe Thornton**, did so at age 39 in 2019 (Game 3 of 2019 CF).





QUICK CLICKS

- * #NHLStats: Live Updates for Saturday, May 7
- * Series Scenarios for Sunday, May 8
- * Penguins serve **Louis Domingue**-inspired spicy pork and broccoli to media members
- * Ryan O'Reilly thankful for 'incredible women' in Mother's Day tribute
- * Sydney, Nova Scotia, wins Kraft Hockeyville 2022 title

FOUR CLUBS LOOK TO PUSH THEIR OPPOSITION TO THE BRINK OF ELIMINATION

The Oilers and Maple Leafs are two of four teams eyeing 3-1 series leads and have their sights on doing so against the Kings and the defending Stanley Cup-champion Lightning, respectively. Teams that take a 3-1 lead in a best-of-seven series hold an all-time record of 296-30 (.908), including a 5-1 mark in the 2021 Stanley Cup Playoffs (3-1 in 2021 R1).

- * Fresh off an eight-goal outburst in Game 3 and a six-goal outing in Game 2, the Oilers eye another win in Los Angeles. Edmonton can become the 14th team in NHL history and first since the 1995 Red Wings (4 GP from Games 1-4 of 1995 CSF) to score six-plus times in three consecutive playoff games.
- * The Maple Leafs can become the sixth team since the 1993 Stanley Cup Playoffs to take a 3-1 lead against the reigning Stanley Cup champions in the opening round of a best-of-seven series they would join the Blues (2016 R1 vs. CHI), Canucks (2011 CQF vs. CHI), Stars (2008 CQF vs. ANA), Senators (2006 CQF vs. TBL) and Flyers (2004 CQF vs. NJD).



