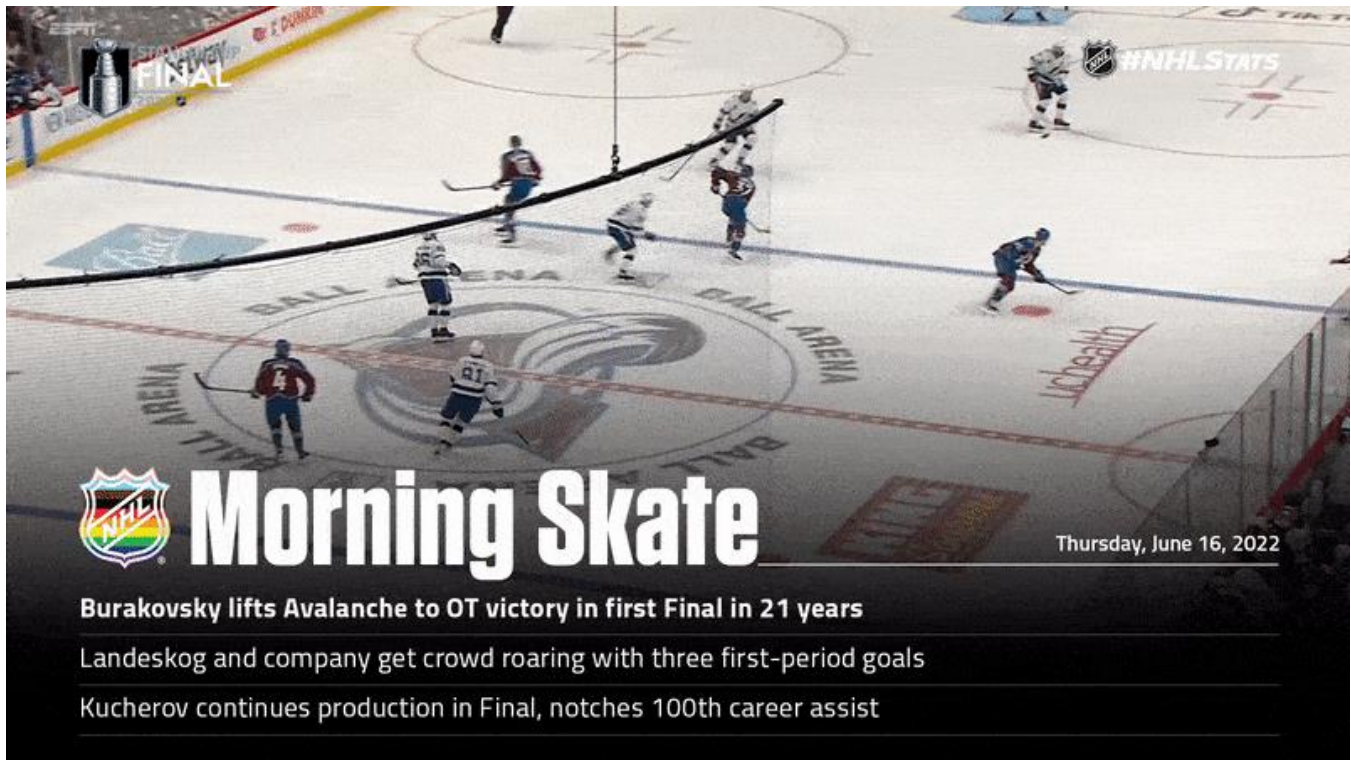


NHL MORNING SKATE: STANLEY CUP FINAL EDITION – JUNE 16, 2022



Morning Skate Thursday, June 16, 2022

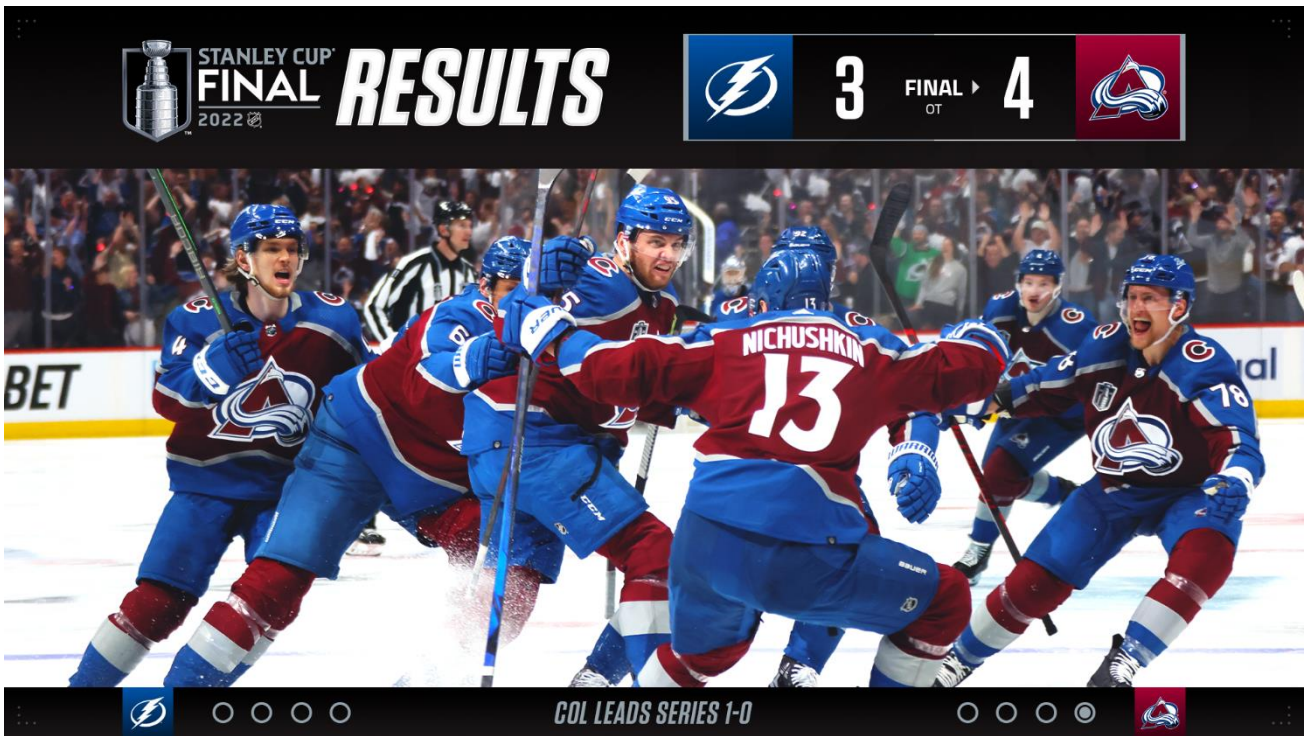
- Burakovsky lifts Avalanche to OT victory in first Final in 21 years
- Landeskog and company get crowd roaring with three first-period goals
- Kucherov continues production in Final, notches 100th career assist

* Game 1 of the Stanley Cup Final went to overtime for the 20th time in NHL history and first time in eight years, with **Andre Burakovsky** giving the host Avalanche a win less than two minutes into the extra frame.

* Captain **Gabriel Landeskog** started the scoring for Colorado, which notched three goals in the first period – tied for the most by a *home team* in the opening frame of the championship series in the past 39 years.

* Team scoring leader **Nikita Kucherov** sparked a Lightning rally with his highlight-reel assist as Tampa Bay forced the 95th overtime game in Stanley Cup Final history.

* The Lightning will have a chance to split the series in Denver when the clubs play Game 2 on Saturday at 8 p.m. ET (ABC, ESPN+, Sportsnet, TVAS, CBC).



AVALANCHE WITHSTAND LIGHTNING RALLY AFTER BURAKOVSKY SCORES IN OT

After Avalanche fans waited 21 years to cheer on their team in the Stanley Cup Final, captain **Gabriel Landeskog** (1-1—2) brought a [raucous Ball Arena crowd to its feet](#) with the first of three first-period goals only to have the Lightning storm back to tie the game. In the first-ever Stanley Cup Final overtime game in Denver, the home crowd left happy thanks to an **Andre Burakovsky** winner just 83 seconds into the extra frame – which he told ESPN was a [childhood dream come true](#).



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* Burakovsky, one of four Colorado players with previous experience in the championship series and one of two with a Stanley Cup (2018 w/ WSH), scored his first career goal in the Final. It was the earliest overtime goal in the championship series since 2011 when Canucks forward **Alexandre Burrows** tallied the winner 11 seconds into the fourth period during Game 2 against the Bruins.



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SHORTEST OVERTIMES

▶ STANLEY CUP FINAL HISTORY

TEAM	OPPONENT	GAME	YEAR	TIME
MONTREAL CANADIENS	CGY	2	1986	0:09
VANCOUVER CANUCKS	BOS	2	2011	0:11
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS	DET	3	1936	0:30
MONTREAL CANADIENS	LAK	3	1993	0:34
ANAHEIM DUCKS	NJD	4	2003	0:39
BOSTON BRUINS	STL	4	1970	0:40
MONTREAL CANADIENS	LAK	2	1993	0:51
CAROLINA HURRICANES	DET	1	2002	0:58
MONTREAL CANADIENS	STL	3	1968	1:13
MONTREAL CANADIENS	BOS	5	1953	1:22
COLORADO AVALANCHE	TBL	1	2022	1:23

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* Colorado, which matched a [franchise playoff record for longest win streak](#) (6 GP), skated to its fourth overtime victory of the 2022 Stanley Cup Playoffs (5 GP). This is the third time the club has posted at least four overtime wins in one playoff year; the Nordiques went 4-0 in 1985 and the Avalanche went 5-2 in 1996, clinching their first Stanley Cup with their last overtime win.

* Game 1 marked the 95th overtime game in Stanley Cup Final history and 20th in the series opener. Home teams improved to 42-50-3 in those contests overall and 8-11-1 in Game 1s.

LANDESKOG LEADS AVALANCHE IN HIGH-SCORING OPENING FRAME

Gabriel Landeskog scored the first of three Avalanche first-period goals as Colorado became the first team ever to score three times on **Andrei Vasilevskiy** in the opening frame of a playoff game. The Avalanche captain followed in the footsteps of current general manager **Joe Sakic** who also netted the 1-0 tally to open Colorado's [last Stanley Cup Final appearance in 2001](#) while wearing the "C" on his chest.

* The Avalanche became just the second *home team* in the past 39 years to score three or more times in the opening period of the Stanley Cup Final (also PIT in 2017: 3 in P1 vs. NSH).



The Avalanche (3) and Lightning (1) fell one shy of the most combined goals in the opening period of a Stanley Cup Final. Five combined goals happened five times and last by the Flyers (3) and Blackhawks (2) in 2010.

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LIGHTNING ATTEMPT A STANLEY CUP FINAL COMEBACK LAST SEEN IN 1994

The Lightning scored [twice in a span of 48 seconds](#) to overcome deficits of 2-0 and 3-1 and force overtime in Game 1. It was the 58th time a team at least tied a contest in the Final after trailing by multiple goals (second by the Lightning) and 14th time that happened in Game 1 (last: [2017](#)).

* It has been 28 years since a *road team* overcame a multi-goal deficit to win a Stanley Cup Final game, with the Rangers last achieving the feat in [Game 4 of the 1994 Final](#) at Vancouver. However, the Lightning did stage a multi-goal comeback win as the designated road team while playing in the neutral-site bubble in Edmonton in 2020 (Game 4 vs. DAL – the only other time they tied a Final game after trailing by multiple goals).

* **Nikita Kucherov** notched a [highlight-reel assist](#) to set up the second Lightning goal and climb the list of career Stanley Cup Final points among active players. It was his [100th career playoff assist](#), team-leading 24th point of the 2022 postseason and 90th playoff point over the past three years.



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MOST CAREER POINTS IN STANLEY CUP FINAL

▶ ACTIVE PLAYERS

PLAYER	TEAM	POINTS
SIDNEY CROSBY	PIT	20
EVGENI MALKIN	PIT	18
NIKITA KUCHEROV	TBL	17
PATRICK KANE	CHI	16
VICTOR HEDMAN	TBL	14
PATRICE BERGERON	BOS	13
BRAYDEN POINT	TBL	12
DUNCAN KEITH	CHI	12
BRAD MARCHAND	BOS	12
ONDREJ PALAT	TBL	11
ZDENO CHARA	BOS	11
JONATHAN TOEWS	CHI	11

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The NHL unveiled the logos for the 2023 Discover NHL Winter Classic, 2023 Honda NHL All-Star Weekend and 2023 Navy Federal Credit Union NHL Stadium Series prior to puck drop for Game 1 of the 2022 Stanley Cup Final. [Click here](#) to read about the unique inspiration and design behind each logo heading into the 2022-23 campaign.

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