

DALLAS STARS

8-5, 16 PTS (Finished 2nd in Central)

Last Game: 5/17 2-1 W vs. WPG

Next Game: 5/23 vs. EDM

PP: 12/39 (30.8%)

PK: 37/43 (86.1%)

EDMONTON OILERS

8-3, 16 PTS (Finished 3rd in Pacific)

Last Game: 5/14 1-0 OTW at VGK

Next Game: 5/23 at DAL

PP: 6/24 (25.0%)

PK: 22/33 (66.7%)

DALLAS STARS VS. EDMONTON OILERS // MAY 21, 2025 // 7 P.M. CT // AMERICAN AIRLINES CENTER // DALLAS, TX

LAST GAME

Dallas 2 vs. Winnipeg 1

Goals: Steel, Harley

Goalie: Oettinger (22/23)

PP: 1/1 PK: 0/0 Shots: Dallas 20 – Winnipeg 23

Three Stars: 1. DAL – T. Harley 2. DAL – S. Steel 3. DAL – M. Scheifele

- The Stars are making three straight Conference Finals appearances for the second time in franchise history – the other run came from 1998 to 2000 and included the club's only Stanley Cup win (1999).
- The Stars' victory over the Jets is the 19th series win of Pete DeBoer's career, which gives him sole possession of sixth in NHL history among head coaches.
- The Stars win extended their playoff home winning streak to six games for the first time since April 12 to May 7, 2000.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Friday, May 23, 2025: Dallas vs. Edmonton, 7 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (ESPN, Sportsnet, CBC, TVAS/The Ticket)

Sunday, May 25, 2025: Dallas at Edmonton, 2 p.m. CT, Rogers Place (ABC, ESPN+, Sportsnet, CBC, TVAS/The Ticket)

Tuesday, May 27, 2025: Dallas at Edmonton, 7 p.m. CT, Rogers Place (ESPN, Sportsnet, CBC, TVAS/The Ticket)

*Thursday, May 29, 2025: Dallas vs. Edmonton, 7 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (ESPN, Sportsnet, CBC, TVAS/The Ticket)

*Saturday, May 31, 2025: Dallas at Edmonton, 7 p.m. CT, Rogers Place (ABC, ESPN+, Sportsnet, CBC, TVAS/The Ticket)

*Monday, June 2, 2025: Dallas vs. Edmonton, 7 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (ESPN, Sportsnet, CBC, TVAS/The Ticket)

**If necessary*

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

April 18, 2025: Recalled D Lian Bichsel, D Alexander Petrovic and G Ben Kraws from Texas (AHL)

May 13, 2025: Activated D Miro Heiskanen off of LTIR

CURRENT INJURIES

TOTAL REGULAR SEASON MAN GAMES LOST: 190

TOTAL POSTSEASON MAN GAMES LOST: 29

Nils Lundkvist (shoulder; LTIR) – 35 regular-season games; 13 playoff games

GAME NOTES

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- Tonight marks the Stars' 425th postseason game in franchise history. Dallas has a 216-207 all-time postseason record.
 - The Stars rank eighth all-time in playoff wins with 216.
- The Stars have a 33-33 all-time record in Game 1s including a 13-16 record at home, while Edmonton is 27-29 in Game 1s with a 13-19 record on the road.
- The Stars have advanced to the Western Conference Final and will face the Edmonton Oilers for the second consecutive year. It marks just the 10th time in the NHL's expansion era (since 1967-68) that the same teams have played each other in a Conference Final according to NHL Stats.
- **Cody Ceci** and **Esa Lindell** have played 185:06 together at 5-on-5, which is the highest total of any defensive pair this postseason according to Natural Stat Trick. The pairing of **Thomas Harley** and **Ilya Lyubushkin** ranked sixth with 167:13 of 5-on-5 ice time together.
- **Esa Lindell** ranks third in NHL with 36 blocked shots this postseason.
- **Miro Heiskanen** logged a 63.7 percent Corsi rating in Games 3 through 6 of the Second Round according to Natural Stat Trick. When he was on the ice during 5-on-5 in those games, the Stars had 14 high-danger scoring chances to the Jets' three.
- **Tyler Seguin** enters tonight's game one assist shy of totaling 50 career playoff assists. When he reaches the milestone, he will become the 32nd active NHL player to have at least 50 career assists in the Stanley Cup Playoffs.
- **Matt Duchene** has gone 57-for-89 at the faceoff dot this postseason. His 64 percent success rate is the best mark of any player to take at least 25 draws this postseason.
 - **Duchene** went 15-for-17 at the faceoff in Game 6 against the Jets, setting a single-game playoff career high for faceoff wins.
- 2025 marks the first trip to the Stanley Cup Playoffs for rookies **Oskar Bäck** and **Lian Bichsel**. **Mavrik Bourque** appeared in one game for the Stars during the 2024 postseason.

- The Stars' American Hockey League (AHL) affiliate the Texas Stars also qualified for the postseason after finishing the 2024-25 regular season with a 42-25-3 record. Dallas is one of nine organizations this season to have both its NHL and AHL clubs qualify for their respective postseasons, with the others being Carolina, Colorado, Florida, Los Angeles, Montreal, St. Louis, Tampa Bay and Washington.

OIL LEAK

- In the postseason, Dallas is 29-19 all-time vs. Edmonton, including a 15-10 mark on home ice.
 - During the regular season, the Stars are 81-49-23 all-time vs. Edmonton, including a 46-20-11 mark at home.
- The Stars have won five of the last six postseason series against the Oilers, dating back to the 1998 playoffs. Dallas has 29 all-time wins in the playoffs against Edmonton, including 15 home victories, which are the most of any team in the NHL.
- **Jamie Benn** has seven points (1-6—7) in six career playoff games against the Oilers, averaging better than a point per game against them (1.17).
 - His seven postseason points vs. Edmonton tops active Stars skaters.
- **Mikko Rantanen** has tallied six points (4-2—6) in four postseason games against the Oilers, averaging better than a point per game against them (1.50).
 - **Rantanen** has at least one point in all four playoff games vs. Edmonton, including putting up two multi-point performances (with COL).
- **Wyatt Johnston** has registered five points (3-2—5) in six career playoff games against the Oilers.
- **Tyler Seguin** has five points (2-3—5) in six career postseason games vs. Edmonton.
- **Jason Robertson** has four points (3-1—4) in six career postseason games against Edmonton, including scoring a hat trick on May 27, 2024 in Edmonton.
 - **Robertson** has 17 points (8-9—17) in 12 career regular-season games against the Oilers.
- **Thomas Harley** has two points (0-2—2) in six career postseason games against Edmonton.
- **Roope Hintz** has two points (0-2—2) in four playoff games against the Oilers.
 - **Hintz** has 20 points (7-13—20) in 17 career regular-season games against Edmonton, which includes recording eight multi-point efforts in those games.
- **Miro Heiskanen** has recorded three points (1-2—3) in six career postseason games against the Oilers.

BIKER GANG

- **Thomas Harley** scored the game-winning goal 1:33 into overtime of Game 6 to send the Stars to their third consecutive Western Conference Final. The goal made him the third defenseman in franchise history to score a series-clinching goal and just the second ever to do so in overtime according to NHL Stats.
- At 23 years and 271 days, **Harley** became the third-youngest defenseman in NHL history to score a series-clinching goal according to NHL Stats, following Babe Pratt (21 years, 77 days; Game 2 of 1937 QF) and Bobby Orr (22 years, 51 days; Game 4 of 1970 SCF).
- **Harley's** goal was also the third-fastest, series-clinching overtime goal by a defenseman in NHL history according to NHL Stats, behind only Chris Tanev (0:11 in Game 4 of 2020 SCQ) and Bobby Orr (0:40 in Game 4 of 1970 SCF).
- His performance against the Jets in Game 6 gives him 11 points (4-7—11) in 13 games this postseason, which ranks second on both the Stars and among all NHL defensemen. He enters the Western Conference Final tied for 10th in postseason scoring among all NHL skaters.
- **Harley's** goal and point totals this postseason are already playoff career highs for the defenseman, and he is one assist shy of matching his career high of eight he had during the 2024 Stanley Cup Playoffs.
 - **Harley's** 2025 Stanley Cup Playoffs are already tied for the 11th-highest scoring postseason by a Stars/North Stars defenseman in franchise history. His is one point shy of tying Miro Heiskanen (1-11—12) in 2023 and Darryl Sydor (3-9—12) in 1999 for ninth.
- **Harley's** 11 points this postseason brings his playoff career total to 24 (5-19—24). He currently leads all players drafted in 2019 in playoff career goals, assists, points and games played (50).
- Between the regular season and postseason, **Harley** has scored 20 goals, which is the second-most in a single season by a Stars defenseman in franchise history according to TSN Stats. He trails only Brad Maxwell, who had 21 in 1983-84.
- **Harley** has totaled 346:04 of ice time this postseason, which leads all NHL skaters and is almost 30 minutes more than the second-ranked player (Neal Pionk, 317:19). His 26:37 of average ice time per game tops all players still playing this postseason and ranks sixth overall during this year's playoffs.
 - **Harley** set a playoff single-game career high with 35:54 of ice time in Game 2 against Colorado, which was also the highest time on ice by an NHL skater in a single game this postseason.
 - He also had 27:34 of ice time in Game 1 against the Avalanche, which was the most he's ever played in a Stanley Cup Playoff game that ended in regulation and topped all skaters from either team.
- **Harley** is tied for eighth in the NHL with 29 blocked shots this postseason.
- **Harley** had a career year in 2024-25, finishing the regular season with 50 points (15-34—50), setting career highs in goals, assists, points, even-strength goals (15), power-play points (15), plus/minus (plus-32) and time on ice per game played (23:23).
 - His 50 points ranked 15th among all NHL defensemen this season.
- **Harley** became the third Stars defenseman in the last 10 years to reach the 50-pointing plateau (Miro Heiskanen, John Klingberg), and his 16 goals were tied for the sixth-most by a Stars defenseman in a single season in franchise history.

- The Stars outscored their opponents 93-59 when **Harley** was on the ice during even-strength play during the regular-season season, which topped the Stars and was tied for the sixth-best mark in the NHL.

DALLAS VS. EVERYBODY

- The Stars series-clinching win over the Winnipeg Jets on Saturday was one of several milestone events for Dallas sports last weekend.
- On Friday, May 16, first-overall pick Paige Bueckers made her WNBA debut, scoring 10 points against the Minnesota Lynx. Bueckers was in attendance for Dallas' 3-1 win over Winnipeg in Game 5 earlier in the week.
- On Sunday, May 18, professional golfer Scottie Scheffler won the PGA Championship by five strokes, marking the third major championship title for the Dallas resident. Scheffler dropped the puck at the Stars' game against the Anaheim Ducks after his Master's victory in 2022.

HOME COOKING

- The Stars enter tonight's game looking to win their seventh consecutive game at home this postseason after posting a 6-1 record at the American Airlines Center through their first seven home games. Dallas was a perfect 3-0 at home during the Second Round.
 - The Stars' six home wins this postseason are tied with the Winnipeg Jets for the most by a single team in the 2025 Stanley Cup Playoffs.
- If the Stars were to win tonight, it would give the team seven consecutive playoff wins at home for the first time since the Minnesota North Stars won eight consecutive games at home from April 10 to May 19, 1991. The team has never won seven consecutive home playoff games since relocating to Dallas.
 - During that span, the North Stars beat the Blackhawks twice, Blues three times and Oilers three times.
- Mikko Rantanen** (5-6—11), **Thomas Harley** (5-4—9), **Wyatt Johnston** (4-3—7) and **Miro Heiskanen** (0-2—2) are all averaging a point per game or better this postseason when playing at home.
 - Rantanen's** 11 home points are the second-most in NHL this postseason.
- Harley** has notched at least one point in each home game this postseason. With a goal and an assist in Game 6, **Harley** became the second defenseman in the last 20 years to have a home point streak of at least seven games during the playoffs according to NHL Stats, joining New York's Adam Fox (9 GP in 2022).
- Harley's** nine home points are the most among all NHL defensemen during the playoffs and are tied for fourth in the NHL.
- Harley's** nine home points this postseason are already tied for the most by a Stars/North Stars defenseman in franchise history in a single playoff run. The others to accomplish this feat: Miro Heiskanen in 2023 (0-9—9, 10 GP) and 2020 (4-5—9, 12 GP), Sergei Zubov in 1999 (1-8—9, 12 GP) and Gordie Roberts in 1984 (2-7—9, 9 GP).
- Mikael Granlund** has five points (3-2—5) in his last three home playoff games.
- Dallas logged a 28-10-3 record in home games this season, which includes 40 games played at the American Airlines Center and one game played at Nokia Arena in Finland as part as the NHL's Global Series.
- The team's 28 home wins were just one shy of matching the franchise record set in 1998-99, and their 59 home points and .720 home points percentage were tied for the fourth- and fifth-best marks in franchise history.

JAKE AND BAKE

- Jake Oettinger** has logged a .919 save percentage and 2.47 goals-against average this postseason. Among netminders to play in at least four games this postseason, **Oettinger's** save percentage ranks second in the league.
- Oettinger** made 22 saves and saved 0.59 goals above expected in Game 6 according to MoneyPuck.com to help the Stars reach the Western Conference Final for the third consecutive season.
- Oettinger** surrendered only 12 goals to the Jets during the six-game series, his fewest goals allowed in a playoff series in his career. His .929 save percentage was tied for the second-best mark of his career in a single series and his 2.02 goals-against average ranked fourth.
- Dallas' Game 6 win over Winnipeg was the 31st of **Oettinger's** career, which ranks sixth among U.S. born goaltenders in NHL history. He is one win shy of tying Jon Casey and Frank Brimsek for fourth.
- With 31 saves in Game 4, **Oettinger** became the second goaltender in Stars/North Stars history to record 30 playoff wins according to NHL Stats. The only netminder with more is Ed Belfour (44).

Jake Oettinger Career Playoff Performance by Series					
Series	Goals Against	Shots Against	Saves	Save Percentage	Goals-Against Average
2025 vs. Winnipeg	12	170	158	.929	2.02
2025 vs. Colorado	20	224	204	.911	2.85
2024 vs. Edmonton	16	161	146	.907	2.56
2024 vs. Colorado	15	168	153	.911	2.24
2024 vs. Vegas	14	187	173	.925	1.95
2023 vs. Vegas	20	163	143	.877	3.84
2023 vs. Seattle	22	179	157	.877	3.50
2023 vs. Minnesota	13	170	183	.929	2.01
2022 vs. Calgary	13	285	272	.954	1.81

- **Oettinger** has made a league-leading 362 saves this postseason, which is nearly 100 more than the second-ranked netminder (Logan Thompson, 266).
- According to MoneyPuck.com, **Oettinger** has saved 6.8 goals above expected against this postseason, which is the third-best mark in the NHL, trailing only Carolina's Frederik Andersen (12.2) and Washington's Logan Thompson (8.9).
- Since the start of the 2022 Stanley Cup Playoffs, **Oettinger** has posted a 31-27 postseason record with a .916 save percentage, 2.49 goals-against average and two shutouts. His 31 wins rank second to only Florida's Sergei Bobrovsky (40) during that span.
 - Among netminders to play in at least 10 postseason games since the 2012-22 season, **Oettinger's** save percentage ranked 10th in the NHL and his goals-against average ranked ninth.
- With the Stars win over the Avalanche, **Oettinger** now has a 3-1 record in Game 7s, posting a .950 save percentage and a 1.75 goals-against average in those games.
- **Oettinger** made 204 saves against Colorado in the First Round, which was the second-highest total of his career in a series, trailing only the 272 saves he made in Dallas' 2022 First Round series against the Flames.

KILLING IT

- The Stars have gone 37-for-43 on the penalty kill this postseason for an 86.1 percent success rate, which is the third-best mark in the league. No team had been shorthanded more times than the Stars (43) this postseason.
- The Stars have been shorthanded at least three times in a game without allowing a power-play goal against this postseason six times: Games 3 (6-for-6), 5 (3-for-3) and 7 (3-for-3) of the First Round and in Games 1 (4-for-4), 3 (4-for-4) and 4 (3-for-3) of the Second Round. The Stars are the only team this postseason to be shorthanded at least three times without allowing a power-play goal against in six or more games.
- The Stars went 18-for-21 (85.7 percent) on the penalty kill against Winnipeg in the Second Round. The Jets had the league's best power play during the regular season, converting on 28.9 percent of their opportunities.
- In Games 3 through 7 of the First Round, the Stars went 14-for-15 on the penalty kill, not allowing a power-play goal against in Games 3, 5, 6 or 7.
- Colorado's 13.6 percent success rate on the power play ranked 14th out of 16 playoff teams in the First Round. They finished the regular season having converted on 24.8 percent of their power-play opportunities, which was tied for the eighth-best mark in the NHL.
 - Since the Four Nations break (Feb. 22) through the end of the regular season, Colorado's power-play topped the NHL with a 33.9 percent conversion rate.
- Dallas went a perfect 6-for-6 on the penalty kill in Game 3 against Colorado (10:17 of shorthanded ice time in total), which includes killing off 3:20 of a penalty kill to begin overtime.
- Since the NHL began tracking penalty kills in 1977-78, Dallas' Game 3 performance in the First Round marked the 13th time that the Stars have been shorthanded for at least 10 minutes without allowing a power-play goal against in a Stanley Cup Playoff game.
 - The Stars last accomplished this feat on Sept. 2, 2020 against the Avalanche, going 5-for-5 on the penalty kill.
- Game 3 against the Avalanche also marked the 17th time since 1977-78 that the Avalanche have not scored a power play goal in a postseason game while having at least 10 minutes of power-play time.
- **Esa Lindell** played 8:09 of Dallas' 10:17 of shorthanded time in Game 3 against Colorado, the highest single-game total by a Stars skater in a Stanley Cup Playoff game since the NHL began tracking penalty killing in 1977-78.
- **Lindell** (58:52) and **Cody Ceci** (45:44) rank first and second, respectively, in total shorthanded ice time this postseason. **Lindell's** 4:32 is good for second in the NHL.
 - **Lindell** also led the NHL in total shorthanded ice time (287:02) and shorthanded ice time per game (3:35) during the regular season. His 287:02 of shorthanded ice time was nearly 10 more minutes than the second ranked player (Mike Matheson; 277:22).
- **Sam Steel** has totaled 39:02 of shorthanded ice time this postseason, which leads all forwards and ranks fifth in the NHL. His 3:00 of time on the penalty kill per game is tied for the third-most among NHL forward this postseason.
- **Oskar Bäck** leads all NHL rookies in total shorthanded ice time (24:32) and shorthanded ice time per game (3:04) this postseason. No other rookie played more than 1:35 of total shorthanded ice time.
 - **Bäck's** 24:32 of shorthanded ice time ranks ninth among all NHL forwards.
 - Since the NHL began tracking penalty killing in 1997-98, **Bäck's** 24:32 of shorthanded ice time is already the most by a Stars rookie in postseason franchise history, surpassing the 17:43 of shorthanded ice time Radek Faksa had in 13 Stanley Cup Playoff games his rookie season in 2015-16.

THE FINNISH FIVE

- Game 4 against the Jets marked the first time that all five of Dallas' Finnish players (**Mikael Granlund**, **Miro Heiskanen**, **Roope Hintz**, **Esa Lindell** and **Mikko Rantanen**) took the ice in the same game. Defenseman **Miro Heiskanen** had already been sidelined with an injury at the time of **Granlund** and **Rantanen** being traded to Dallas.
- Dallas' five Finns hail from five different Finnish cities: Espoo (**Heiskanen**), Nokia (**Hintz**), Nousiainen (**Rantanen**), Oulu (**Granlund**) and Vantaa (**Lindell**).
- The Finns have combined for 39 points this postseason, with one or both of **Granlund** and **Rantanen** factoring in on 19 of Dallas' last 22 goals scored.
- **Rantanen** (19) leads all Finnish players in scoring this postseason, with **Hintz** (10) and **Granlund** (7) tying for third and ranking seventh, respectively.

- **Rantanen** (120, first), **Hintz** (67, fourth), **Heiskanen** (63, fifth), **Granlund** (39, eighth) and **Lindell** (23, 14th) all rank in the top 15 among active Finnish skaters in career playoff scoring.
- All five players were selected to represent their home country at the Four Nations Face-Off in February before **Heiskanen** had to withdraw due to injury.
- Prior to the Four Nations Face-Off and their time together on the Stars, various combinations of the five Finns had played together in international competition.
 - **Granlund**, **Heiskanen** and **Lindell** won a gold medal together at the 2022 IIHF World Championship.
 - **Heiskanen** and **Rantanen** represented Finland together at the 2018 IIHF World Championship.
 - **Granlund**, **Lindell** and **Rantanen** won a silver medal together at the 2016 IIHF World Championship.
 - **Hintz** and **Rantanen** played together at the 2015 and 2016 IIHF World Junior Championships, winning a gold medal in 2016.
- According to NHL Stats, since the league began tracking starters in 1997-98, there has never been an NHL game (regular season or playoffs) where all five skaters starting have been from Finland.
- The Stars also had at least five different Finnish players appear in at least one Stanley Cup Playoff game in 2023, 2022 and 2006.

THE MOOSE IS LOOSE

- **Mikko Rantanen** enters the Western Conference Final leading all NHL skaters in postseason scoring, totaling 19 points (9-10-19) in 13 games. **Rantanen's** nine goals also top the league and his 10 assists rank fifth.
- When **Rantanen** was on the ice during 5-on-5 play against Winnipeg during the Second Round, the Stars outscored the Jets 6-1 according to Natural Stat Trick.
- According to NHL Stats, **Rantanen** (9-10-19) has the third-most playoff points by a player acquired on that season's Trade Deadline Day. Only Marian Hossa (12-24-26 w/ PIT in 2008) and Marian Gaborik (14-8-22 w/ LAK in 2014) have more.
- **Rantanen's** next point will be his 20th of the postseason and will make the 2025 Stanley Cup Playoffs the third time in his career that he has had at least 20 points in a single playoff run.
- With an assist in Game 4 against the Jets, **Rantanen** (11 GP) became the second-fastest player to 10 playoff assists with the Stars/North Stars according to NHL Stats, behind only Bobby Smith (5 GP in 1980).
- With a goal and two assists in Game 3 against Winnipeg, **Rantanen** became the seventh different active player to record at least 18 points through his first 10 games in a postseason according to NHL Stats.
- **Rantanen** recorded his fifth three-point game of the postseason with a goal and two assists in Game 3 against Winnipeg. His performance in Game 3 tied **Roope Hintz** in 2023 for the most three-point games by a Stars skater in one postseason according to NHL Stats.
- **Rantanen** became the first player in NHL history with five three-point games through his first 10 contests in a postseason according to NHL Stats. The only players over the last 30 years with four were Leon Draisaitl, Evander Kane and Connor McDavid with the 2022 Oilers as well as Evgeni Malkin with the 2008 Penguins.
- **Rantanen** (9-8-17 in 6 GP) became the third player in the last 30 years with 17-plus points over a span of six postseason games according to NHL Stats, joining Leon Draisaitl and Connor McDavid during the 2022 Stanley Cup Playoffs.
- **Rantanen** factored in on each of the Stars' last five winning goals from Game 3 of the First Round through Game 3 of the Second Round, which marked the longest streak in franchise history according to NHL Stats. He bested the previous mark of four set by Joe Nieuwendyk in route to winning the Stanley Cup in 1999 (Game 3 of CQF to Game 2 of CSF).
- **Rantanen** factored in on 13 consecutive Stars goals from Game 5 of the First Round to Game 3 of the Second Round, which set an NHL record according to NHL Stats.
- With three goals in Game 1 against the Jets, **Rantanen** became the third player in NHL history to score a hat trick in consecutive Stanley Cup Playoff games according to NHL Stats, joining Jari Kurri who did so in 1985 and Doug Bentley who did so in 1944.
- All three of **Rantanen's** goals came in the second period, making him the first player in Stanley Cup Playoffs history with multiple three-goal periods in the same postseason and fourth to do so at any point during their career according to NHL Stats, joining Wayne Gretzky (3x), Maurice Richard (3x) and Tim Kerr (2x).
 - According to NHL Stats, **Rantanen** is the first player in franchise history to score a natural hat trick in the playoffs.
- **Rantanen** is the third player in franchise history to score multiple postseason hat tricks with the team, joining Joe Pavelski and Dino Ciccarelli. **Rantanen** and Pavelski are the only players to do so while the team was located in Dallas.
- **Rantanen** became the second player in NHL history to have at least three points in four consecutive games, doing so in Games 5, 6 and 7 of the First Round and Game 1 of the Second Round. He joined Leon Draisaitl who had five-consecutive three-point games from May 18 to 26, 2022.
- **Rantanen** has tied the league record for points in a period in a playoff game twice this postseason, totaling four points in the second period of Game 6 (1-3-4) and again in the third period of Game 7 (3-1-4).
 - He is the first player in NHL history to have multiple four-point periods in a single postseason according to NHL Stats.
 - **Rantanen** is the first player in NHL history (regular season or playoffs) to record a four-point period in consecutive games according to NHL Stats.
 - He also became just the second player in NHL history to have a four-point period in a Game 7, joining Kevin Labanc who did so in 2019 according to NHL Stats.

- **Rantanen** recorded the first-ever hat trick in the third period of a Game 7 and the second Game 7 hat trick in franchise history (last: Joel Kiviranta in the Second Round in 2020 against Colorado).
 - According to Opta Stats, **Rantanen** is the second player in NHL history to score a playoff hat trick in one period when facing his former team, joining Reggie Leach who did so against the Boston Bruins on May 6, 1976.
- Eleven (5-6–11) of **Rantanen's** 12 points in the First Round were scored in Games 5, 6 and 7, making him the first player in NHL history to have 10 or more points in Games 5 through 7 of a series according to Sportsnet Stats.
- **Rantanen's** 12 points against Colorado were the most by a Stars skater in a single series since **Roope Hintz** also had 12 points (5-7–12) in the Stars First Round matchup against the Minnesota Wild in 2022-23.
 - His 12 points are his most-ever in a single series, surpassing the 11 points (4-7–11) he had against Dallas in 2020.
- **Rantanen** is over a point-per-game player in the postseason in his career, totaling 120 points (43-77–120) in 93 Stanley Cup Playoff games. His 1.29 career points per game are the seventh-most in NHL history among players that have played in at least eight Stanley Cup Playoff games.
 - His 120 career playoff points are tied for 11th among all active skaters and rank third in NHL history among Finnish players.
 - His 116 points (42-74–116) were the eighth-most by a player in NHL history through his first 90 career playoff games played according to TSN Stats.

FEELING 22

- Wednesday, May 14 marked **Wyatt Johnston's** 22nd birthday. He is the second-youngest player on the Stars current roster (**Lian Bichsel**; 21) and the third-youngest player still playing in this year's playoffs (the others: **Bichsel** and Carolina's Jackson Blake).
- **Johnston** has set several league and franchise records for a player age 21 or younger during this year's postseason.
- His 18 career playoff goals are the fourth-most in NHL history by a player age 21 or younger according to NHL Stats, trailing only Sidney Crosby (24), Patrick Kane (19) and Jaromir Jagr (19).
- **Johnston's** goal in Game 3 against Winnipeg made him the third player in franchise history to record 30 playoff points before age 22 according to NHL Stats, following Brian Bellows (14-20–34 in 39 GP) and **Miro Heiskanen** (8-22–30 in 40 GP). **Johnston** also became the fourth active player to achieve the feat, following Sidney Crosby (24-39–63 in 49 GP), Patrick Kane (19-23–42 in 38 GP) and **Heiskanen**.
- **Johnston** has scored three series-clinching goals in his career, including in Game 7 against Colorado this year, making him the second player in NHL history (Jeremy Roenick, 4) to have at least three series-clinching goals at age 22 or younger according to NHL Stats. He also became the first player in NHL history to score multiple series-clinching goals in Game 7s at age 22 or younger according to NHL Stats.
- **Johnston** recorded his third-career multi-goal playoff game in Game 5 against the Avalanche. According to NHL Stats, **Johnston** tied for the third-most multi-goal playoff games by a player age 21 or younger in Stanley Cup Playoff history according to NHL Stats. The only players with more were Sidney Crosby (4) and Pierre Turgeon (4).
- **Johnston** also set several franchise and league records for a player age 21 or younger during the regular season this year.
- **Johnston** became the youngest player in franchise history to score a natural hat trick with his three goals against Vegas on Jan. 28 according to NHL Stats, scoring one goal at even strength, one on the power play and one shorthanded.
- His shorthanded goal against the Golden Knights made him the second player in franchise history to have at least five shorthanded goals at age 21 or younger according to NHL Stats (Brian Bellows; 9). He also became the fifth active player to score at least five shorthanded goals before his 22nd birthday according to NHL Stats.
- **Johnston** scored the third hat trick of his career and his second of the season on March 2 against the Blues, tying Steve Payne for the second-most hat tricks in franchise history by a player before turning 22 according to NHL Stats.
- His first goal on March 2 was the 75th of his career, making him the third player in franchise history to score 75 career goals before turning 22 according to NHL Stats.
- With his goal on March 31 against the Kraken, **Johnston** became the fifth player in the past 30 years to have multiple goal streaks of at least five games in the same season at age 21 or younger according to NHL Stats. His goal against Seattle was also his 30th of the season, making him the second player in franchise history to have consecutive 30-goal seasons at age 21 or younger according to NHL Stats.
- He matched his career high with his 32nd goal of the season on April 12 vs Utah. It was **Johnston's** 70th point of the season, making him the first player in Stars team history to have 70 points in a season at age 21 or younger according to NHL Stats.

POWER UP

- The Stars have gone 12-for-39 on the power play this postseason for a 30.8 percent success rate, which is the third-best mark in the NHL and is the highest conversion rate of any team remaining in the playoffs.
 - The Stars scored at least one power-play goal in 10 of the 13 games they played this postseason.
- The Stars' 12 power-play goals are the most in the NHL this postseason and are three more than second-ranked Carolina.
- Dallas' 12 power-play goals were scored by seven different skaters: **Roope Hintz** (3), **Mikael Granlund** (2), **Wyatt Johnston** (2), **Mikko Rantanen** (2), **Jamie Benn**, **Thomas Harley** and **Tyler Seguin**.
 - **Hintz's** three power-play goals are tied for the most in the NHL this postseason.
 - Dallas, Carolina and Winnipeg are the only teams to have seven different skaters score a power-play goal this postseason.

- The Stars finished their series against Winnipeg going 5-for-16 on the power play for a 31.3 percent success rate. Their performance against the Jets was their best on the power play in a series since 2023 when the team went 9-for-24 for a 37.5 percent success rate against the Minnesota Wild.

THREE OF A KIND

- **Mikael Granlund** scored all three Stars goals in Dallas' 3-1 win over the Jets in Game 4, marking the first playoff hat trick of his career. He scored one goal in each period of the game.
- **Granlund's** three goals in Game 4 brought his postseason points total to seven (4-3—7), which matches his career high that he set in 13 games during the 2014 Stanley Cup Playoffs while playing for the Minnesota Wild.
- When **Granlund** was on the ice this series during 5-on-5 play during the Second Round, the Stars outscored the Jets 3-1 and had 42 scoring chances to their 31 according to Natural Stat Trick.
- **Granlund's** performance in Game 4 was the 13th instance in franchise history in which a Stars skater has scored a playoff hat trick
- **Granlund's** hat trick was the Stars third of the postseason, a feat the team also accomplished in 2020 (3) – also the last instance League-wide according to NHL Stats. Only three other franchises have had multiple postseasons with at least three hat tricks: Edmonton (6 in 1985 & 1983), NY Islanders (4 in 1983 & 3 in 1981) and Boston (3 in 1972 & 1970).
 - **Mikko Rantanen** scored the team's first two hat tricks in Game 7 against Colorado and in Game 1 against Winnipeg. He was the only player to score multiple hat tricks this postseason entering play Tuesday.
- Dallas is the fourth team on record to feature multiple playoff hat tricks by players acquired earlier that season, though their three combined three-goal outings are the most among those clubs according to NHL Stats. The others: 1994 Blackhawks (Gary Suter & Tony Amonte), 1990 Rangers (Mike Gartner & Bernie Nicholls) and 1990 Kings (Tony Granato & Tomas Sandstrom).

FOR PETE'S SAKE

- Head Coach **Pete DeBoer** has a 96-76 all-time playoff record. His 96 wins are tied for the fifth-most in NHL history and rank second among all active coaches (Joel Quenneville; 121).
 - He is four postseason wins shy of tying Dick Irvin for fourth.
- Those 96 wins have amounted to 19 series wins, which ranks sixth in NHL history and is the second-most among active head coaches (Quenneville; 23).
- No coach in NHL history has a better record in Game 7s than **DeBoer**, who is a perfect 9-0 in his career. His nine Game 7 victories are the most of any head coach or skater in NHL history.
- The 2025 postseason marks the 10th consecutive year in which a DeBoer-coached team has reached the playoffs, which trails only Paul Maurice (12) and Cooper (11) for the longest active run among head coaches.
- **DeBoer** has reached the Conference Final for the seventh time in his career after previously doing so with New Jersey (2011-12), San Jose (2015-16, 2018-19), Vegas (2019-20) and Dallas (2022-23, 2023-24).
- **DeBoer** is the only active coach to reach the Conference Final seven separate times, surpassing Cooper and Quenneville who have each done so six times.

PARTY LIKE IT'S 1999

- The Stars enter the 2025 Stanley Cup Playoffs looking to win their second Stanley Cup in franchise history after defeating the Buffalo Sabres in six games to bring the team's first championship to Dallas in 1999.
- At the time of the Stars' first Stanley Cup win, eight players on the team's current roster had yet to be born: **Oskar Bäck**, **Mavrik Bourque**, **Lian Bichsel**, **Thomas Harley**, **Miro Heiskanen**, **Wyatt Johnston**, **Nils Lundkvist** and **Jason Robertson** had not been born yet.
 - **Heiskanen** (July 18, 1999) and **Robertson** (July 22, 1999) were both born about a month after the Stars hoisted the Stanley Cup.
- The Stars defeated the Sabres 2-1 on June 19, 1999 to secure the franchise's first-ever championship. On that day...
 - The number one song in the United States was "If You Had My Love" by Jennifer Lopez.
 - The number one movie was Disney's "Tarzan."
 - The 1999 FIFA Women's World Cup began. The United States would ultimately go on to win the tournament, led by superstars Mia Hamm and Brandi Chastain.

CUP RUNNETH OVER

- **Tyler Seguin** and **Mikko Rantanen** are the two players on Dallas' roster who have previously won the Stanley Cup.
- **Seguin** was a part of Boston's 2011 championship run, winning the Stanley Cup in his rookie season. He recorded seven points (3-4—7) in 13 postseason games.
- **Seguin** has reached the Finals on two additional occasions: in 2013 with Boston (vs. Chicago) and in 2020 with Dallas (vs. Tampa Bay).
- **Rantanen** hoisted the Cup in 2022 with the Avalanche, finishing the postseason with 25 points (5-20—25) in 20 games, which was good for fifth in the NHL in scoring that year.

REGULAR SEASON RECAP

- The Stars finished the 2024-25 regular season with a 50-26-6 record, ranking in the top five in the NHL this year in wins (tied fourth), points (fifth), goals for (275, tied third), goals for per game (3.35, tied third) and penalty kill (82.0 percent, tied fourth).
- The 2024-25 campaign marks the second straight year that Dallas has finished the regular season with at least 50 wins and the third consecutive year that the team concluded the regular season with a points percentage above .640.
- This season also sits near the top in the franchise record book in terms of single-season success with the team's 50 wins tying for the fourth-most in franchise history.
- The team's regular-season success this year came in spite of logging 190 man games lost to injury, which includes significant stretches playing without **Tyler Seguin** (62 games), **Miro Heiskanen** (32 games), **Nils Lundkvist** (40 games), **Mason Marchment** (20 games) and others.

CONNECTIONS

- Stars defenseman **Cody Ceci** played for the Oilers for three seasons (2021-22 to 2023-24).
- Stars VP of Cultural Growth & Strategy **Al Montoya** was a member of the Oilers organization in 2017-18.
- Oilers forward Mattias Janmark was drafted by Dallas with the 79th overall pick in the 2013 NHL draft and played four seasons with the Stars (2015-16 to 2019-20).
- Oilers forward Corey Perry played 57 games with the Stars during the 2019-20 season.
- Oilers defenseman John Klingberg was drafted by the Stars with the 131st pick in the 2010 NHL draft, before playing eight seasons with the Stars (2014-15 to 2021-22).
- Stars coaches **Pete DeBoer**, **Steve Spott**, and **Misha Donskov** coached Oilers forward Mattias Janmark in Vegas from 2020-21 to 2021-22.
- Stars forwards **Colin Blackwell**, **Matt Duchene** and **Mikael Granlund** all played with Oilers forward Viktor Arvidsson in Nashville. Blackwell in 2018-19 and 2019-20, Duchene from 2019-20 to 2020-21 and Granlund from 2018-19 to 2020-21.
- Stars forward **Evgenii Dadonov** played with Oilers forward Connor Brown in Ottawa during the 2020-21 season.
- Stars forward **Sam Steel** and Oilers forwards Adam Henrique and Max Jones shared the ice in Anaheim for four seasons (2018-19 to 2021-22).
- Stars forward **Colin Blackwell** and defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** played with Zach Hyman in Toronto during the 2021-22 season.
- Stars forward **Evgenii Dadonov** played with Oilers forward Mattias Janmark in Vegas during the 2021-22 season.
- Stars defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** and Oilers forward Max Jones were teammates in Anaheim for the 2023-24 season.
- Stars forward **Mason Marchment** and Oilers forward Kasper Kapanen played four games together as members of the Toronto Maple Leafs during the 2019-20 season.
- Stars forward **Mikael Granlund**, defenseman **Cody Ceci** and goaltender **Casey DeSmith** all played with Oilers forward Kasper Kapanen when they were in Pittsburgh. Granlund, DeSmith and Kapanen were teammates from 2020-21 to 2022-23 and Ceci and Kapanen were teammates in 2020-21.
- Stars defenseman **Thomas Harley** and Oilers forward Connor McDavid were teammates on Team Canada for the 2025 Four Nations tournament.
- Stars forward **Sam Steel** and Oilers forward Corey Perry played together in Anaheim for the 2018-19 season.
- Stars forward **Colin Blackwell** and Oilers forward Corey Perry skated together in Chicago for a short time during the 2023-24 season.
- Stars goaltender **Casey DeSmith** and Oilers forward Vasily Podkolzin played together in Vancouver for part of the 2023-24 season.
- Stars defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** and Oilers forward Jeff Skinner played together in Buffalo during the 2022-23 season.
- Stars defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** and Oilers defenseman Cam Dineen skated together in Arizona during the 2021-22 season.
- Stars forwards **Colin Blackwell**, **Matt Duchene** and **Mikael Granlund** all played with Oilers defenseman Mattias Ekholm in Nashville. Blackwell played with Ekholm from 2018-19 to 2019-20, Duchene from 2019-20 to 2022-23 and Granlund from 2018-19 to 2022-23.
- Stars forward **Mikael Granlund** and Oilers defenseman Ty Emberson were teammates in San Jose during the 2023-24 season.
- Stars forward **Sam Steel** and defenseman **Matt Dumba** played with Oilers defenseman John Klingberg in Minnesota for part of the 2022-23 season.
- Stars Player Development Assistant **Jordie Benn** and Oilers defenseman Brett Kulak played part of the 2018-19 season together with the Montréal Canadiens.
- Stars defenseman **Matt Dumba** and Oilers defenseman Troy Stecher both played in Arizona during the 2023-24 season.
- Stars forwards **Matt Duchene** and **Mikko Rantanen** and Oilers goaltender Calvin Pickard shared the ice in Colorado. Duchene and Pickard were there for three seasons (2014-15 to 2016-17), and Rantanen joined them in 2015-16 and 2016-17.

- Stars defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** and Oilers goaltender Calvin Pickard were teammates for a short time in Arizona during the 2018-19 season.
- Stars forward **Tyler Seguin** and Director of Player Personnel **Rich Peverly** played with Oilers assistant coach Mark Stuart in Boston during the 2010-11 season.
- Stars VP of Cultural Growth & Strategy **Al Montoya** and Oilers assistant coach Mark Stuart were teammates in Winnipeg for two seasons (2012-13 and 2013-14).

REGULAR SEASON STARS REAL-TIME STATS LEADERS

Hits: Bichsel (155), Benn (114), Blackwell (84)

Blocked Shots: Lindell (170), Lyubushkin (136), Harley (110)

Shots: Rantanen (212), Robertson (211), Johnston (202)

POSTSEASON STARS REAL-TIME STATS LEADERS

Hits: Bichsel (54), Benn (50), Marchment (47)

Blocked Shots: Lindell (36), Harley (29), Ceci (21)

Shots: Rantanen (39), Hintz (33), Johnston (28)

STARS' RECORD IN 10-GAME SEGMENTS [W-L-OT (PTS), GF/GA, PP, PK]

Regular Season

1-10: 7-3-0 (14), 32/23, 6/32, 28/31

11-20: 6-4-0 (12), 37/27, 4/30, 20/27

21-30: 6-4-0 (12), 28/25, 7/31, 25/29

31-40: 7-2-1 (15), 34/25, 4/33, 18/20

41-50: 6-4-0 (12), 27/23, 8/28, 21/26

51-60: 7-2-1 (15), 47/31, 12/26, 26/29

61-70: 6-2-2 (14), 31/27, 6/29, 20/24

71-80: 5-3-2 (12), 35/31, 8/32, 24/35

81-82: 0-2-0 (0), 5/11, 0/9, 5/7

Playoffs

1-10: 6-4 (12), 29/32, 9/30, 31/35

11-20: 2-1 (4), 5/6, 3/9, 6/8

OVERTIME RESULTS (Regular Season: 7-4) (Playoffs: 3-0)

Regular Season

Dec. 14, 2024 vs. St. Louis: Duchene

Dec. 27, 2024 vs. Minnesota: Faber

Jan. 4, 2025 vs. Utah: Harley

Jan. 7, 2025 at New York Rangers: Benn

Jan. 28, 2025 at Vegas: Johnston

March 6, 2025 vs. Calgary: Robertson

March 16, 2025 at Colorado: Makar

March 18, 2025 vs. Anaheim: Granlund

March 22, 2025 vs. Philadelphia: Harley

April 6, 2025 at Minnesota: Rossi

April 8, 2025 vs. Vancouver: Sherwood

Playoffs

April 21, 2025 vs. Colorado: Blackwell

April 23, 2025 at Colorado: Seguin

May 17, 2025 vs. Winnipeg: Harley

SHOOTOUT RESULTS (2-2)

Oct. 15, 2024 vs. San Jose: Duchene

Jan. 11, 2025 at Montréal: Robertson

Feb. 7, 2025 at Los Angeles: Kempa

March 20, 2025 vs. Tampa Bay: Goncalves

UPCOMING NHL POSTSEASON MILESTONES (PLAYER ... NEEDS ... MILESTONE)

Games Played

Esa Lindell ... 2 games ... 100 NHL playoff games

Mikko Rantanen ... 6 games ... 100 NHL playoff games

Roope Hintz ... 9 games ... 100 NHL playoff games

Sam Steel ... 13 games ... 50 NHL playoff games

Starts

N/A

Goals

Mikko Rantanen ... 7 goals ... 50 NHL playoff goals

Assists

Tyler Seguin ... 1 assist ... 50 NHL playoff assists

Roope Hintz ... 9 assists ... 50 NHL playoff assists

Points

Jason Robertson ... 11 points ... 50 NHL playoff points

Mikael Granlund ... 11 points ... 50 NHL playoff points

RECENT MILESTONES

Oskar Bäck ... First NHL game ... Oct. 10, 2024 at NSH

Pete DeBoer ... 100th win as Stars head coach ... Oct. 10, 2024 at NSH

Oskar Bäck ... First NHL point (assist) ... Oct. 17, 2024 at WSH

Mavrik Bourque ... First NHL point (assist) ... Oct. 22, 2024 at BUF

Roope Hintz ... 400th NHL game ... Oct. 24, 2024 at BOS

Jason Robertson ... 300th NHL game ... Oct. 24, 2024 at BOS

Jake Oettinger ... 200th NHL game ... Nov. 1, 2024 vs. FLA

Mavrik Bourque ... First NHL goal ... Nov. 1, 2024 vs. FLA

Brendan Smith ... 700th NHL game ... Nov. 11, 2024 at PIT

Oskar Bäck ... First NHL goal ... Nov. 14, 2024 vs. BOS

Tyler Seguin ... 800th NHL point ... Nov. 14, 2024 vs. BOS

Mason Marchment ... 100th NHL assist ... Nov. 18, 2024 vs. ANA

Jake Oettinger ... 200th NHL start ... Nov. 29, 2024 vs. COL

Esa Lindell ... 200th NHL point ... Dec. 1, 2024 vs. WPG

Lian Bichsel ... First NHL game and first NHL goal ... Dec. 12, 2024 vs. NSH

Justin Hryckowian ... First NHL game ... Dec. 29, 2024 at CHI

Wyatt Johnston ... 200th NHL game ... Dec. 31, 2024 vs. BUF

Jason Robertson ... 200th NHL assist ... Dec. 31, 2024 vs. BUF

Arttu Hyry ... First NHL game ... Jan. 2, 2025 vs. OTT

Arttu Hyry ... First NHL point (assist) ... Jan. 4, 2025 vs. UTA

Matt Dumba ... 700th NHL game ... Jan. 14, 2025 at TOR

Matt Duchene ... 1,100th NHL game ... Jan. 16, 2025 vs. MTL

Justin Hryckowian ... First NHL point (assist) ... Jan. 19, 2025 vs. DET

Ilya Lyubushkin ... 400th NHL game ... Jan. 21, 2025 vs. CAR

Lian Bichsel ... First NHL assist ... Feb. 2, 2025 vs. CBJ

Matt Duchene ... 500th NHL assist ... Feb. 7, 2025 at LAK

Sam Steel ... 400th NHL game ... March 8, 2025 at EDM

Evgenii Dadonov ... 600th NHL game ... March 8, 2025 at EDM

Mikko Rantanen ... 400th NHL assist ... March 16, 2025 at COL

Mikael Granlund ... 600th NHL point ... March 18, 2025 vs. ANA

Thomas Harley ... 100th NHL point ... March 26, 2025 at EDM

Roope Hintz ... 200th NHL assist ... March 29, 2025 at SEA

Mikko Rantanen ... 700th NHL point ... April 3, 2025 vs. NSH

Mason Marchment ... 300th NHL game ... April 8, 2025 vs. VAN

Mikael Granlund ... 900th NHL game ... April 12, 2025 vs. UTA

Jake Oettinger ... 50th NHL playoff game ... April 23, 2025 at COL

Jake Oettinger ... 50th NHL playoff start ... April 28, 2025 vs. COL

Mason Marchment ... 50th NHL playoff game ... May 9, 2025 at WPG

Evgenii Dadonov ... 50th NHL playoff game ... May 13, 2025 vs. WPG

Thomas Harley ... 50th NHL playoff game ... May 13, 2025 vs. WPG

Wyatt Johnston ... 50th NHL playoff game ... May 15, 2025 at WPG

Cody Ceci ... 100th NHL playoff game ... May 15, 2025 at WPG

Jason Robertson ... 50th NHL playoff game ... May 15, 2025 at WPG

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