



DALLAS STARS VS. TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING

JAN. 18, 2026 // 1 P.M. CT
AMERICAN AIRLINES CENTER // DALLAS, TX



LAST GAME

Dallas 1 at Utah 2

Goals: Rantanen

Goalie: Oettinger (25/27)

PP: 1/2 PK: 2/2 Shots: Dallas 27 – Utah 27

Three Stars: 1. UTA – K. Vejmelka 2. UTA – N. Schmaltz 3. UTA – J. Marino

- **Mikko Rantanen** (108) is one of three Finnish players in NHL history with at least 100 power-play goals. The others: Teemu Selanne (255) and Jari Kurri (155) according to NHL Stats.
- **Rantanen** scored Dallas' only goal of the night, extending his point streak against the Mammoth to six games, earning nine points (2-7—9) during that span.
- **Wyatt Johnston** registered the primary assist on **Rantanen's** goal and extended his point streak against Utah to five games, collecting six points (2-4—6) during that span. His assist was his 25th power-play point of the season, matching his career high that he set last year.
- **Jason Robertson** recorded an assist on Thursday, extending his point streak against the Mammoth to three games, earning three points (2-1—3) during that span.
- **Thomas Harley** skated 30:46, the highest time on ice of his career in a regular-season game that didn't go to overtime.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2026: Dallas Stars vs. Boston Bruins, 6:30 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (TNT/HBO MAX/The Ticket)

Thursday, Jan. 22, 2026: Dallas Stars at Columbus Blue Jackets, 6 p.m. CT, Nationwide Arena (Victory+/The Ticket)

Friday, Jan. 23, 2026: Dallas Stars vs. St. Louis Blues, 7 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (Victory+/The Ticket)

Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2026: Dallas Stars at St. Louis Blues, 7 p.m. CT, Enterprise Center (ESPN+/HULU/The Ticket)

Thursday, Jan. 29, 2026: Dallas Stars at Vegas Golden Knights, 9 p.m. CT, T-Mobile Arena (Victory+/The Ticket)

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

Jan. 3, 2026: Recalled G Remi Poirier from Texas (AHL)

Jan. 5, 2026: Loaned G Remi Poirier to Texas (AHL); Recalled F Nathan Bastian from Texas (AHL) from a conditioning loan

Jan. 7, 2026: Signed F Justin Hryckowian to a two-year, one-way contract extension worth \$1.9 million (\$950,000 AAV)

CURRENT INJURIES

MAN GAMES LOST: 169

Lian Bichsel (lower body; LTIR) - 22 games

Tyler Seguin (lower body; LTIR) - 21 games

MATCHUP

	DALLAS	TAMPA BAY
RECORD	27-12-9 (63 pts)	29-13-4 (62 pts)
STANDINGS	2nd in Central, 2nd in West	1st in Atlantic, 1st in East
LAST GAME	1/15 at UTA (2-1 L)	1/16 at STL (3-2 SOL)
NEXT GAME	1/20 vs. BOS	1/20 vs. SJS
LAST 10 GAMES	2-5-3	9-0-1
LEADING SCORER	Mikko Rantanen (19-44—63)	Nikita Kucherov (24-45—69)
POWER PLAY	40/139 (28.8%)	31/147 (21.1%)
PENALTY KILL	122/153 (79.7%)	125/149 (83.9%)

GAME NOTES

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- Today is the second and final game that the Stars will play against the Lightning this season. Dallas earned a point in their previous meeting vs. Tampa Bay on Oct. 30, 2025 – a 2-1 overtime loss at Benchmark International Arena.
- The Stars ranked in the top five in the NHL in wins (27, tied fifth), points (63, second) and points percentage (.656, third) this year entering play Saturday. The team's success this season comes despite having 169 combined man games lost with **Oskar Bäck**, **Jamie Benn**, **Lian Bichsel**, **Matt Duchene**, **Adam Erne**, **Thomas Harley**, **Roope Hintz**, **Nils Lundkvist**, **Ilya Lyubushkin** and **Tyler Seguin** all missing multiple games with injury at various points this year.

- **Mikko Rantanen** (109), **Jason Robertson** (96) and **Wyatt Johnston** (91) are all on pace to finish the season with at least 90 points. If they were to maintain that pace, they would become the second trio of Stars teammates in franchise history to have 90 or more points in the same season, joining Bobby Smith (114), Dino Ciccarelli (106) and Neal Broten (98) in 1981-82.
 - They would also become the first trio of 90-point teammates since **Rantanen** (104), Nathan MacKinnon (140) and Cale Makar (90) did so for the Colorado Avalanche in 2023-24.
- **Roope Hintz** has gone 347-for-601 at the faceoff dot this season for a 57.7 percent success rate, which was the eighth-best mark in the NHL this season among skaters to take at least 500 draws entering play Saturday.
- The next game that **Adam Erne** plays will be the 400th of his regular-season career. When he reaches the milestone, it will make him the 42nd player drafted in 2013 and the 10th Connecticut-born player in NHL history to play in at least 400 regular-season games.

LIGHTNING STRIKES TWICE

- Dallas is 30-23-8 all-time vs. Tampa Bay, including a 14-11-4 mark on home ice.
- The Stars have earned points in seven of their last 10 games played against the Lightning (4-3-3) dating back to May 7, 2021.
- **Mikko Rantanen** has tallied 10 points (3-7—10) in 17 career games against the Lightning, averaging 20:54 of time on ice per game.
- **Roope Hintz** has recorded 13 points (5-8—13) in 19 career games played vs. Tampa Bay.
- **Jason Robertson** has totaled 12 points (4-8—12) in 16 career games played against the Lightning, including recording four multi-point outings.
- **Miro Heiskanen** has registered eight points (3-5—8) in 20 career games played vs. Tampa Bay, averaging 24:32 of time on ice per game.
 - His 24:32 time on ice per game played against them is the sixth-best mark among active NHL defensemen who have played the Lightning at least five times in their careers.
- **Oskar Bäck** registered a goal in his last outing against Tampa Bay and holds a plus-minus rating of +2 in his career against them (1-0—1, 2 GP).
- **Matt Duchene** enters today's matchup riding a two-game point streak against the Lightning, collecting three points (1-2—3) during that span. In all, **Duchene** has 25 points (11-14—25) in 31 career games against Tampa Bay.
- **Adam Erne** recorded Dallas' only goal in their last matchup against the Lightning on Oct. 30, 2025. In 18 career games played vs. Tampa Bay, **Erne** has notched eight points (4-4—8).
- **Radek Faksa** enters today's contest riding a two-game point streak against the Lightning, earning two points (0-2—2) during that span. In all, **Faksa** has tallied seven points (3-4—7) in 25 career games played against the Lightning.
- **Jamie Benn** has recorded five points (2-3—5) in his last six games played vs. Tampa Bay, dating back to Nov. 15, 2022. In all, **Benn** has totaled 23 points (11-12—23) in 31 career games against the Lightning.

THE MOOSE IS LOOSE

- **Mikko Rantanen** is expected to play in his 700th NHL game today. In reaching the milestone, he will become...
 - The 27th Finnish player in NHL history to play in 700 regular-season games.
 - The sixth player from the 2015 draft class to reach the 700-game milestone.
- **Rantanen** has totaled 63 points (19-44—63) in 47 games played this season and enters today's game leading the Stars in scoring. He ranked sixth in points and fifth in assists in the NHL this season entering play Saturday.
- He is one goal shy of becoming the fifth Finnish player in NHL history to record nine-plus 20-goal seasons according to NHL Stats. He would join Teemu Selanne (17x), Jari Kurri (13x), Aleksander Barkov (10x) and Sebastian Aho (9x).
- **Rantanen** is currently pacing to finish the year with 76 assists and 109 points, both of which would be career highs for the forward. If he were to maintain that pace, **Rantanen** would become the third Finnish skater in NHL history to record three 100-point seasons after also doing so in 2022-23 (55-50—105) and 2023-24 (42-62—104). He would join Jari Kurri (6) and Teemu Selanne (4).
 - 109 points would tie for the fifth-most in a single season by a Finnish player in NHL history.
- If **Rantanen** were to finish the year with 109 points, it would make his 2025-26 campaign tied for the second-highest scoring season by a Stars skater in franchise history, trailing only the 114 points (43-71—114) that Bobby Smith had for the Minnesota North Stars in 1981-82.
 - He would tie **Jason Robertson**, who also had 109 points (46-63—109) in 2022-23.
- Seventy-six assists would set the franchise record for most assists in a season and would tie Teemu Selanne in 1992-93 for the most ever in a single season by a Finnish skater in NHL history.
- Twenty-seven (5-22—27) of **Rantanen's** 63 points this season have come on the power play, which was the third-most in the NHL this year entering play Saturday.
- He is currently on pace to have 47 power-play points this year, which would be a career high and set the franchise record for most power-play points in a season, surpassing Bobby Smith (13-31—44) in 1980-81.
- **Rantanen** reached the 60-point mark in his 44th game played of the season on Jan. 10 at San Jose, tying the Dallas Stars team record (since 1993-94) for fewest games needed to total 60 points according to NHL Stats. He matched the record that **Jason Robertson** set in 2022-23.
- **Rantanen's** performance against San Jose on Jan. 10 was also the 209th multi-point game of his career, which matched **Aleksander Barkov** for the third-most by a Finnish player according to NHL Stats. The only players with more are **Jari Kurri** (385) and **Teemu Selanne** (382).
- According to NHL Stats, **Rantanen** became the fifth player in franchise history to record five consecutive multi-point games on the road when he did so from Dec. 18 against San Jose to Jan. 6 against Carolina. He totaled 10 points (2-8—10) during that run.

- Fifty-six (16-40—56) of his 61 points came in his first 40 games played of the season, which tied for the fourth-most through a players' first 40 games played of the season in franchise history according to NHL Stats.
- **Rantanen** tallied his 40th assist of the season in Dallas' game on Jan. 1 against Chicago, making the 2025-26 season the second time he has recorded 40 assists in 40 or fewer games in his career (also 2018-19) according to NHL Stats. He became the second Finnish player to achieve the feat multiple times, joining Jari Kurri (3x).
- **Rantanen** had two assists in Dallas' Dec. 23 game against Detroit, the first of which was his 50th point of the season. He became the second-fastest player in Stars team history (since 1993-94) to record 50 points in a season according to NHL Stats. Only **Jason Robertson** required fewer games in 2022-23 (35 GP).
- **Rantanen** tallied two assists on Dec. 18 against the Sharks to bring his career point total to 751, which gave him sole possession of fifth on the all-time scoring list among Finnish-born players.
- **Rantanen** scored a goal and tallied an assist in Dallas' game on Dec. 15 – a 4-1 win over Los Angeles. **Rantanen's** assist was his 30th of the season, tying Neal Broten in 1985-86 for the fifth-fastest player in franchise history to reach the 30-assist mark, doing so in his 33rd game of the season.
- **Rantanen** tallied three assists on Dec. 9 against the Winnipeg Jets – his 50th regular-season game with the Stars. His third assist of the night was his 60th point with the Stars (18-42—60), setting a franchise record for most points by a skater through his first 50 regular-season games with the team according to NHL Stats.
- **Rantanen** scored the game-deciding goal in the shootout against Pittsburgh on Dec. 7. It marked the sixth game-deciding goal of his career, which tied him with Teemu Selane for the sixth-most in NHL history among Finnish skaters.
- **Rantanen** had three points (1-2—3) the previous game on Dec. 5 against the Sharks, a 4-1 Dallas win. His performance against San Jose marked the 200th multi-point performance of his career, making him the fourth Finnish player and seventh-fastest European skater to record 200 multi-point games according to NHL Stats.

21 CAN YOU DO SOMETHING FOR ME

- **Jason Robertson** has totaled 56 points (27-29—56) in 48 games played this season, ranking second on the team and 10th in the NHL in scoring entering play Saturday. **Robertson's** 27 goals were tied for third in the League entering play Saturday.
- **Robertson** was leading all American NHLers goals (27, tied) and points (56) this season entering play Saturday.
 - **Robertson** has totaled 325 points (137-188—325) since the start of the 2022-23 season, which leads all American-born skaters during that span. His 324 points are 17 more than second-ranked Auston Matthews (308).
- **Robertson's** 174 shots on goal this year were the third-most in the NHL this season entering play Saturday.
- Twenty-three (10-13—23) of **Robertson's** 56 points this season have come on the power play, which was the sixth-most in the NHL this season entering play Saturday.
- **Robertson's** next assist will be his 30th of the year and will make the 2025-26 campaign his sixth consecutive 30-assist season.
- With a goal on Jan. 6 against the Carolina Hurricanes, **Robertson** reached the 50-point mark in his 43rd game played, making him the fourth player in Stars team history to have 50 points in 45 or fewer games according to NHL Stats. He joined Mike Modano (3x), Brad Richards (2x) and **Tyler Seguin** (2x).
- **Robertson** scored his first-ever goal against the Maple Leafs in Dallas' game on Dec. 21 against Toronto. With the goal, **Robertson** has now scored at least one goal against every other team in the NHL.
- **Robertson** tallied three points (2-1—3) in Dallas' game on Dec. 19, an 8-3 win over the Anaheim Ducks. It marked the 33rd three-point performance of his career, which tied Tim Young for the 10th-most in franchise history according to NHL Stats.
- His performance against the Ducks was also the 12th time in his career that he has scored at least two goals in the same period, which is also the 10th-most in franchise history according to NHL Stats.
- **Robertson** scored his 20th goal of the season in Dallas' game on Dec. 11 against Minnesota, making the 2025-26 season his fifth consecutive 20-goal campaign. He is now the fourth player in Dallas Stars team history (since 1993-94) to have 20 or more goals in five consecutive seasons according to NHL Stats, joining Mike Modano (8 from 1995-96 to 2002-03), **Jamie Benn** (6 from 2013-14 to 2018-19) and **Tyler Seguin** (6 from 2013-14 to 2018-19).
- **Robertson** played in his 400th NHL game on Nov. 30 against the Senators. In reaching the milestone, he became the 47th player in franchise history and the 13th skater selected in the 2017 NHL draft to play in 400 regular-season games.
 - **Robertson's** 429 career points (184-245—429) were the third-most in franchise history through a player's first 400 games with the team and the fifth-most in NHL history among American-born players through their first 400 career games.
- **Robertson** scored the 184th goal of his career in that game, which was the second-most by a player through 400 career games with the Stars/North Stars (NHL debut or otherwise) behind Dino Ciccarelli (221) according to NHL Stats. He also passed Kyle Connor (183) for the eighth-most goals through 400 games by a U.S.-born player in NHL history according to NHL Stats.
- **Robertson** scored in seven consecutive games from Nov. 11 to 25, finding the back of the net 11 times in total during that span. His seven-game goal streak remains the longest in the NHL this season.
- **Robertson's** seven-game goal streak was the longest of his career and the longest by a Stars skater since the team relocated to Dallas in 1993-94. It is also tied for the second-longest by an American skater since the start of the 2005-06 season according to NHL Stats, trailing only Auston Matthew's eight-game goal streak in 2023-24.
- **Robertson's** 11 goals over the course of his seven-game goal streak were the most ever by a Stars skater. The previous record was held by Bill Goldsworthy, who scored nine goals over the course of a seven-game goal streak from Feb. 6 to 17, 1971.
- When he extended his goal streak to six games on Nov. 22 against the Flames, **Robertson** became the fifth player in Stars/ North Stars history to have multiple six-game goal streaks according to NHL Stats, joining Mike Modano (4x), Jamie Benn (2x), Danny Grant (2x) and Bill Goldsworthy (2x).

- From Nov. 13 to 18, **Robertson** recorded three consecutive multi-goals games for the second time in his career according to NHL Stats. **Robertson** previously had three consecutive three-point games for the first time in his career after doing so from Nov. 11 to 15.
- **Robertson** scored two goals in the Stars' game on Nov. 18 against the Islanders for his 31st career multi-goal game, which surpassed former Minnesota North Stars forward Steve Payne for ninth place on the franchise's all-time list according to NHL Stats.
- **Robertson** scored the sixth hat trick of his career in Dallas' game on Nov. 15 vs. Philadelphia to tie Neal Broten and Steve Payne for seventh place on the franchise's all-time list according to NHL Stats. All three of his goals came consecutively, making him the second player in franchise history (Neal Broten) to score multiple natural hat tricks.

JOHNNY B. GOODE

- **Wyatt Johnston** has totaled 53 points (25-28—53) in 48 games played this year and enters tonight's game ranked third on the team and tied for 13th in the NHL in scoring entering play Saturday. **Johnston's** 25 goals were tied for fifth in the NHL this year.
- **Johnston** was tied for fifth in points and third in goals among Canadian NHL players this season entering play Saturday.
- Twenty-five (15-10—25) of **Johnston's** 53 points this season have come on the power play, which was tied for the fourth-most in the NHL entering play Saturday. His 25 power-play points have already tied his career high that he set last season.
- **Johnston's** 15 power-play goals led the NHL entering play Saturday and were two more than the second-ranked skater (Pavel Dorofeyev).
- His 15 power-play goals are already a career high and are tied for the third-most in a single-season in Dallas Stars team history (since 1994-94), trailing only the 17 power-play goals **Jamie Benn** scored in 2015-16 and the 18 power-play goals that Mike Modano scored in 1993-94.
 - **Johnston's** 15 power-play goals are seven shy of tying the single-season franchise record (Dino Ciccarelli with 22 in 1986-87).
- **Johnston** is currently on pace to finish the year with 43 goals, 48 assists and 91 points, all of which would be career highs. Forty-three goals would tie for the eighth-most by a Stars skater in a single season in franchise history and 91 points would tie for the 13th-most in franchise history.
- **Johnston** tied his single-game career high with three assists on Dec. 27 against Chicago, factoring in on each of Dallas' three goals. It marked the fifth three-assist game of his career, which is tied for the third-most in franchise history by a player age 22 or younger according to NHL Stats. Bobby Smith (11) and Mike Modano (7) are the only players with more.
- **Johnston** scored his 20th goal of the season in Dallas' Dec. 23 against Detroit, making the 2025-26 season his fourth-consecutive 20-goal season. His four 20-goal seasons to begin his career is the fifth-longest run by a player in franchise history according to NHL Stats.
- **Johnston** scored the fourth hat trick of his career and added an assist for his second four-point game of the season in Dallas' game on Nov. 30 against the Senators. He became the third player in Stars/North Stars history with four career hat tricks before age 23 according to NHL Stats, following Dino Ciccarelli and **Tyler Seguin** (both with five).
- **Johnston** had four points (1-3—4) in Dallas' game on Nov. 25 against the Oilers – an 8-3 Stars win – scoring one power-play goal and adding three assists. It was his highest single-game point total since he had a career-high five points (3-2—5) on March 5, 2024 against the Nashville Predators.
 - His performance against Edmonton marked the third time in his career that he has had at least four points in a game. He joined **Tyler Seguin** (6x) as the second player in Stars team history to register as many at age 22 or younger according to NHL Stats.
- **Johnston's** second assist of the night was the 200th point of his NHL career, making him the first player in his draft class to total 200 career points and the 50th player in franchise history to have 200 points with the club. He is the first player in Stars team history with 200 career points at age 22 or younger, and the fifth in franchise history alongside Brian Bellows (342), Mike Modano (309), Bobby Smith (222) and Tom McCarthy (202) according to NHL Stats.
- Among players to debut with the Stars, **Johnston** (100-100—200 in 269 games played) became the third-fastest player in team history to record 200 NHL points behind Jason Robertson (190 games played) and **Roope Hintz** (263 games played) according to NHL Stats.
- **Johnston's** second assist of the night also marked the 100th assist of his NHL career. He became the first player from his draft class to total 100 career assists and the 60th player in franchise history to have 100 assists with the Stars.
- **Johnston** (100-100—200) became the 10th active player to have 100 goals and 100 assists at the time of his 200th career point according to NHL Stats. He joined Alex DeBrincat, Tyler Toffoli, James van Riemsdyk, Conor Sheary, Nino Niederreiter, Sam Bennett, Victor Olofsson and Joel Armia.
- **Johnston's** scored his 100th NHL goal in Dallas' Nov. 13 game, a 7-0 win over Montreal. In doing so, he became the first player selected in the 2021 NHL Draft to score 100 NHL goals and the 26th player in franchise history to score 100 goals for the Stars/North Stars.
- **Johnston**, who was 22 years and 183 days old on Nov. 13, became the third-youngest player in Stars/North Stars history to record 100 career goals according to NHL Stats. Only Brian Bellows (20 years, 179 days) and Mike Modano (22 years, 173 days) reached the mark at a younger age.
- **Johnston** recorded at least one point on the power play in five consecutive games from Nov. 1 to 9, which was the longest such streak of his career. He is the first Stars skater to have a power-play point in five straight games since **Tyler Seguin** had a six-game power-play point streak from Dec. 29, 2018 to Jan. 8, 2019 according to NHL Stats.
- **Johnston** recorded three consecutive multi-point efforts from Nov. 4 to 8, notching three assists against the Oilers, three points (2-1—3) against the Ducks and two assists against the Predators.

- Both of **Johnston's** goals against Anaheim came on the power play, marking the second time in his career that he has had multiple power-play goals in the same game, after scoring three on March 2, 2025 against the St. Louis Blues.
- Johnston** also scored the game-deciding goal in the shootout against Edmonton. It marked the second shootout goal of his career and the first time he has scored a game-winner in the shootout.

LIND, LAUGH, LOVE

- Esa Lindell** has totaled 21 points (4-17—21) in 48 games this year, which is the second-most among Stars defensemen this season. It puts him on pace to finish the season with 29 assists and 36 points, both of which would be career highs.
 - His 17 assists this season are only four shy of matching his career high that he's reached on four previous occasions, most recently last year.
- Lindell** has totaled a team-high 103 blocked shots this season, which was the ninth-most in the NHL entering play Saturday. The 2025-26 season the 10th consecutive season in which he has had at least 100 blocks.
 - Lindell** has recorded at least 100 blocked shots in each of his full NHL seasons, topped by a career-high 170 blocks last year.
- The Stars are outscoring their opponents 48-28 when **Lindell** has been on the ice during even-strength play this season. His plus-20 on-ice goal differential was tied for the 10th-best mark among all NHL defensemen entering play Saturday.
- According to Natural Stat Trick, when **Lindell** has been on the ice during 5-on-5 play, the Stars...
 - Are outscoring their opponents 41-26.
 - Have 22 high-danger goals for to their opponent's nine.
 - Own a 54.9 expected goals for percentage.
 - Have a 52.3 high-danger chances for percentage.
- Lindell** is leading the Stars in 5-on-5 in on-ice goals for (41), high-danger on-ice goals for (22, tied) and expected goals for percentage (54.9) this season.
- Lindell** ranked second in the NHL in both total shorthanded ice time (199:42) and shorthanded ice time per game (4:10) this season entering play Saturday.
- Lindell** tied his single-game career high in both points and assists on Jan. 12 against the Los Angeles Kings, assisting on all three of Dallas' goals. It marked the fourth three-assist game and the sixth three-point game of his career.
- Lindell's** first assist against the Kings was the 178th of his career, giving him sole possession of ninth on the franchise's all-time assist list among defensemen.
- Lindell** tallied an assist on **Miro Heiskanen's** shorthanded goal – the team's first of the season – in Dallas' game on Dec. 11 against the Minnesota Wild. It marked the 13th shorthanded point of his career, the second-most by a Finnish defenseman on record in NHL history according to NHL Stats.
 - He trails only Kimmo Timonen (14).
- Lindell** opened the scoring 44 seconds into regulation in Dallas' game on Dec. 9, a 4-3 win over the Winnipeg Jets. It was the fourth opening-minute goal of his career, which is the most by a defenseman in franchise history according to NHL Stats.
 - Only five players in franchise history have more: Mike Modano (10), Jamie Benn (7), Brian Bellows (6), Dino Ciccarelli (6) and Bill Goldsworthy (5).
- His goal against the Jets made **Lindell** the 11th defenseman in NHL history with four opening-minute goals according to NHL Stats. Only four have more: Ray Bourque (9), Larry Murphy (6), Brent Burns (5) and Sandis Ozolinsh (5).

DYNAMIC DUO

- Wyatt Johnston** and **Mikko Rantanen** have played 479:21 together at 5-on-5 this season according to Natural Stat Trick. The two have spent more ice time with each other and have been on the ice for more goals scored (28) at 5-on-5 together than they have with any other Stars teammate this season.
- Johnston** and **Rantanen** perform better together than apart at 5-on-5 in several metrics according to Natural Stat Trick:

	Together	Rantanen without Johnston	Johnston without Rantanen
Expected Goals For %	48.94%	46.26%	44.74%
Scoring Chances For %	49.40%	46.41%	41.86%
High Danger Chances For %	51.47%	45.87%	48.04%
Corsi %	44.68%	43.62%	39.91%

- Johnston** (25) and **Rantanen** (19) have combined to score 44 goals this season, accounting for 27.5 percent of Dallas goals (160) this season.
- In all, the duo of **Johnston** and **Rantanen** has factored in on the same goal 20 times this season. **Rantanen** has assisted on 12 of the 25 goals **Johnston** has scored this year (48 percent), and in turn, **Johnston** has assisted on eight of **Rantanen's** 19 goals (42.1 percent).
- The Stars have scored 33 goals on the power play this season when **Johnston** and **Rantanen** are on the ice together according to Natural Stat Trick.

PUTTING ON THE RITZ

- On Jan. 7, **Justin Hryckowian** signed a two-year, one-way contract extension that will run through the 2027-28 season. The two-year deal is worth \$1.9 million (\$950,000 AAV).
- The rookie has totaled 14 points (7-7—13) in 47 games with Dallas this season. It puts him on pace to finish the year with 12 goals, 12 assists and 24 points. Twelve goals would be the most by a Stars rookie since **Wyatt Johnston** scored 24 goals in his rookie season in 2022-23.
- Hryckowian** has won 55.9 percent of the faceoffs he has taken this season (57-for-102), which was the best mark among rookies to take at least 100 draws this season entering play Saturday.
- Hryckowian** has totaled 73 hits this season, which ranked fifth among all NHL rookies this year entering play Saturday. It puts him on pace to finish the 2025-26 regular with 129 hits, which would be the seventh-most by a Stars rookie in a single season in franchise history.

MIRO THE HERO

- Miro Heiskanen** has 36 points (7-29—36) in 46 games played this season, ranking fourth on the Stars and tied for eighth among all NHL defensemen in scoring this season entering play Saturday.
- With 319 career points (65-254—319), **Heiskanen** needs one point to pass Janne Niinimaa (319) for the seventh-most points by a Finnish defenseman in League history.
- Heiskanen** has scored 65 total goals in his career, making him the seventh Finnish defenseman in NHL history to have 60 or more career goals and the only active one to do so according to NHL Stats.
- Heiskanen** is averaging 26:04 of ice time per game this season, which was the third-highest total in the NHL entering play Saturday.
- Heiskanen** has recorded 31 takeaways this season, which was tied for the fourth-most in the NHL entering play Saturday.
- Heiskanen** recorded the 55th multi-assist game of his career with two helpers on Dec. 19 against the Ducks. His 55 multi-assist games are the third-most by a Finnish-born defenseman in NHL history according to NHL Stats.
- Heiskanen** scored the first shorthanded goal of his career in Dallas' game on Dec. 11 against the Wild. He was one of eight defensemen this season to score a shorthanded goal entering play Saturday.
- Heiskanen** scored in three consecutive games from Dec. 3 to 7, setting a career high and becoming the seventh defenseman in Stars team history to score in three straight games.
- Heiskanen** scored the game-tying goal with 1:49 remaining in regulation on Dec. 7 against the Pittsburgh Penguins, an eventual 3-2 shootout win for the Stars. According to NHL Stats, it was the latest game-tying goal by a Stars skater since Craig Smith (59:45) on Dec. 23, 2023.
- Heiskanen** played in his 500th NHL game on Nov. 28, a 4-3 win over the Utah Mammoth. In reaching the milestone, he became...
 - The 34th player and 16th defenseman to play in 500 games for the Stars.
 - The second player (Nico Hirschier) drafted in 2017 to play in 500 NHL games.
 - The 46th Finnish player and 13th Finnish defenseman to play in 500 NHL games.
- Heiskanen** tallied two assists against Utah, the second of which was the 305th point of his career. He surpassed Philadelphia's Rasmus Ristolainen for eighth place on the NHL's all-time points list among Finnish defensemen.
- His 305 career points (61-244—305) were the fourth-most by a Stars defenseman through his first 500 games played according to NHL Stats.
- Heiskanen's** performance against the Mammoth was also the 54th career multi-assist game, tying Craig Hartsburg for the second most in franchise history among defensemen according to NHL Stats.
- Heiskanen** set a regular-season, single-game career high with 32:47 of ice time in Dallas' Nov. 22 game against the Calgary Flames, a 3-2 shootout loss. It is the most ice time any skater in the NHL has had in a single game this season.
 - It was the highest time on ice total by a Stars skater in a regular-season game since **Heiskanen** skated 32:01 April 11, 2021 against the Nashville Predators.
- Heiskanen** tallied an assist against Montreal on Nov. 13 for the 300th point of his career, making him:
 - The second defenseman and ninth skater from the 2017 draft class to tally 300 NHL points.
 - The fifth defenseman and 29th skater in franchise history to reach the 300-point milestone.
 - The ninth Finnish defenseman in NHL history to record 300 points.
 - The 45th active defenseman to have 300 career points.
- Heiskanen** recorded at least two assists in four consecutive games from Nov. 6 to 11, which tied **Roope Hintz** (March 24 to 29, 2025) for the longest streak of multi-assist games in franchise history according to NHL Stats. His 10 assists over that stretch also tied **Hintz** for the most assists by a Stars skater in franchise history over a four-game span according to NHL Stats. **Hintz** first accomplished this feat from Feb. 28 to March 6, 2025.
 - He is one of three active defensemen to have posted a multi-assist streak of four games, joining Erik Karlsson (four games in 2014-15 and 2011-12), Josh Morrissey (four games in 2023-24) and Roman Josi (four games in 2021-22).
 - His performance against the Kraken on Nov. 9 was the 52nd multi-assist game of his career, which gave him sole possession of 13th in franchise history according to NHL Stats. He was previously tied with Dennis Hextall (51).
- Heiskanen** tied his single-game career high with four assists in Dallas' game on Nov. 6 against Anaheim. He is now the sixth defenseman in franchise history to have multiple four-point games.
 - He joins Colorado's Cale Makar and Vancouver's Quinn Hughes as the only defensemen this season to tally four assists in a single game.
 - Heiskanen** last had four assists in a game on March 5, 2024, against the San Jose Sharks.
- Heiskanen** scored two goals in the team's Oct. 25 game against the Hurricanes, opening the scoring for the Stars and tallying the game-winning goal on the power play in the third period. It marked the first multi-goal game by a Stars skater this season.

- His performance against Carolina marked the sixth multi-goal game of his career and first since Nov. 11, 2024. His second goal of the game also was his first power-play goal since Feb. 20, 2024 against the New York Rangers.
- **Heiskanen's** six multi-goal games are the third-most by a Stars defenseman in franchise history according to NHL Stats, trailing only Brad Maxwell (11) and Craig Hartsburg (8). He now also ranks fourth all-time among Finnish born defensemen in career multi-goal games behind only Reijo Ruotsalainen (12 GP), Kimmo Timonen (7 GP) and Risto Siltanen (7 GP) according to NHL Stats.

GOING FOR GOLD

- Seven stars players have been selected to represent their home countries at the upcoming Winter Olympic Games in Milan – **Radek Faksa** (Czechia), **Thomas Harley** (Canada), **Miro Heiskanen** (Finland), **Roope Hintz** (Finland), **Esa Lindel** (Finland), **Jake Oettinger** (United States) and **Mikko Rantanen** (Finland).
- The Stars are one of seven NHL teams to have at least seven Olympians on their roster, joining the Colorado Avalanche (8), Florida Panthers (9), Minnesota Wild (8), New Jersey Devils (8), Tampa Bay Lightning (10) and Vegas Golden Knights (7).
- The Stars and the Wild are the only teams to have four of their players on the same Olympic team – Four Stars will play for Finland and four Wild will play for Sweden.
- This marks the first Olympic selection for **Faksa, Harley, Hintz, Lindell, Oettinger** and **Rantanen**.
- **Heiskanen** previously represented Finland at the 2018 Winter Olympic games, scoring one goal in five games. He has also represented Finland in international play at the IIHF U18 World Junior Championship (2016, 2017), IIHF U20 World Junior Championship (2017, 2018) and IIHF World Championship (2018, 2022).
- **Lindell** has played for Finland's national team at nearly every level of international competition – the IIHF U18 World Junior Championship (2012), IIHF U20 World Junior Championship (2014), IIHF World Championship (2015, 2022) and World Cup of Hockey (2016).
- **Rantanen** has previously represented Finland at the IIHF U18 World Junior Championship (2014), IIHF U20 World Junior Championship (2015, 2016) and IIHF World Championship (2016, 2017, 2018, 2023).
- Prior to last year's Four Nations Face Off, **Hintz** played for Finland at the 2015 and 2016 IIHF World Junior Championship.
- The Winter Olympics will mark the first time that all four Finns on Dallas' roster will play in an international tournament together.
- Although born in Syracuse, New York, **Harley** holds dual citizenship and has elected to represent Canada in international competition, doing so at the 2019 IIHF U18 World Junior Championship and the 2021 IIHF U20 World Junior Championship prior to last year's Four Nations Face Off.
- **Oettinger** – a native of Minnesota – has previously played for Team USA at the IIHF U18 World Junior Championship (2015, 2016), IIHF U20 World Junior Championship (2017, 2018) and IIHF World Championship (2021).
- **Harley, Oettinger** and all four Finns were selected for their country's roster for the Four Nations Face Off that was played last February. **Heiskanen** ultimately had to withdraw from the tournament due to injury.
- **Faksa** has previously played for Czechia's national team at the IIHF U18 World Junior Championship (2011), IIHF U20 World Junior Championship (2012, 2013, 2014), IIHF World Championship (2016, 2018, 2019) and at the 2016 World Cup of Hockey.

2025 WRAPPED

- The Stars posted a 53-21-12 record for 118 points and a .686 points percentage in 2025. The team's 53 wins, 118 points and .686 all rank second in the League this calendar year.
- 2025 is the fourth consecutive calendar year that the team has earned at least 100 points and had a points percentage above .600.
 - The Stars have had a points percentage above .500 in 31 of the 32 full calendar years that the team has spent in Dallas (since 1994) since relocating from Minnesota.
- The team's 53 wins in 2025 are their third-most in a calendar year since 1994 – the team's first full calendar year in Dallas – trailing only 2022 (54) and 2006 (54).
- The Stars' 118 points are tied for their most in a calendar year since 1994, having also totaled 118 points in 2022.
- Dallas' 0.686 points percentage in 2025 is the team's second-best mark in a calendar year since 1994, trailing only 0.693 points percentage in 1998.
- Dallas has gone 74-for-255 on the power-play in 2025 for a 29.0 percent success rate, which was the second-best mark in the NHL this calendar year. The team's 74 power-play goals topped the League in 2025 and were five more than the second-ranked Detroit Red wings (69).
- The Stars own an 81.6 percent success rate on the penalty kill in 2025, which was the fourth-best mark in the NHL in 2025. They have killed off 208 of the 255 penalties they took in 2025.
- **Jason Robertson** is the Stars' leading scorer in 2025, totaling 98 points (49-49—98) in 86 games played. His 98 points and 49 goals ranked sixth and third, respectively, in the NHL in 2025.
 - **Robertson's** 49 goals are the second-most and his 98 points are the third-most in a calendar year in Stars team history (since 1994). **Robertson** currently holds the Stars team record with 108 points and 56 goals in 2022.
- **Robertson** is one of two players in franchise history to score at least 45 goals in a calendar year twice according to NHL Stats, joining Dino Ciccarelli who did so six times.
- **Wyatt Johnston** was tied for ninth in the NHL in 2025 scoring, recording 81 points (44-47—91) in 86 games played. His 44 goals were tied for seventh in the NHL during that span.
 - **Johnston** was also led the League in power-play goals (23) and ranked third in points (41) in 2025.
 - His 44 goals are the fourth-most in a calendar year in Stars team history (since 1994).
- Despite missing 14 regular-season games this calendar year, **Thomas Harley's** 14 goals were tied for the eighth-most among all NHL defensemen in 2025.

- **Jake Oettinger** has posted a 35-15-6 record with a .909 save percentage, 2.65 goals-against average and three shutouts in 2025. His 35 wins were the second-most in the NHL this calendar year.
 - **Oettinger's** 35 wins in 2025 are tied for the fourth-most in a calendar year in Dallas Stars team history (since 1994).

STAR SEARCH

- Three Dallas players have earned NHL Star of the Week honors this season: **Jason Robertson**, **Wyatt Johnston** and **Jake Oettinger**. Dallas is the only NHL team this season to have three different players be named a Star of the Week.
- **Robertson** was named the NHL's First Star of the Week for the week ending on Nov. 16 after leading the League in both goals (6) and points (9) in three games played. It marks the sixth time in his career that he has earned Star of the Week honors.
 - He was named the First Star of the Week for the week ending on Nov. 6, Nov. 27 and April 13 during the 2022-23 season and for the week ending on March 6 during the 2021-22 season.
 - He also earned Third Star of the Week honors for the week ending on Dec. 4, 2022.
- **Robertson** was then named the NHL's Second Star of the Month for November after leading the League with 13 goals and tying for the team lead with 26 points.
- **Johnston** was named the NHL's First Star of the Week for the week ending on Nov. 30 after totaling nine points (5-4—9) in four games played, tying for the league lead in goals and ranking second in points during that span. It marked the first time in his career that he earned Star of the Week honors.
- **Jake Oettinger** was named the NHL's Second Star of the Week for the week ending on Dec. 7. It marked the first time in his career that he earned Star of the Week honors.
 - He posted a 3-0-0 record with a .961 save percentage, 0.98 goals-against average and one shutout in three games that week.

IRON SHARPENS IRON

- The Stars have two players on their roster that have played in at least 100 consecutive regular-season games: **Jason Robertson** (340) and **Wyatt Johnston** (294).
- **Robertson's** 340-game Iron Man streak was tied for the seventh-longest active such streak in the NHL entering play Saturday.
- **Johnston** has not missed a regular-season game since making his debut in the 2022-23 season opener on Oct. 13, 2022, making him one of 24 players in NHL history to begin their NHL career by playing in at least 294 consecutive games according to NHL Stats. Entering play Saturday, it was tied for the 11th-longest active Iron Man streak in the NHL.
- **Johnston** was one of 21 players to appear in at least 246 regular-season games from 2022-23 to 2024-25. Only Will Borgen (248) and Charlie Coyle (247) appeared in more.
 - Borgen (84) and Coyle (83), who were traded midseason, both played in more than 82 regular-season games in 2024-25.

THE FINNISH FOUR

- Dallas' roster currently houses four Finns: **Miro Heiskanen**, **Roope Hintz**, **Esa Lindell** and **Mikko Rantanen**. Dallas' four Finns all hail from different Finnish cities: Espoo (**Heiskanen**), Nokia (**Hintz**), Nousiainen (**Rantanen**) and Vantaa (**Lindell**).
- **Heiskanen**, **Lindell** and **Rantanen** were three of the six players selected to Finland's preliminary Olympic roster with **Hintz** expected to join them in Milan this year. Prior to their time together on the Stars, various combinations of the four Finns had played together in international competition.
 - All four players were selected to represent their home country at the Four Nations Face-Off last February before **Heiskanen** had to withdraw due to injury.
 - **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.
 - **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.
- The four Finns, along with current Ducks forward and former Star Mikael Granlund, started Game 2 of the Western Conference Final against the Oilers during the 2025 Stanley Cup Playoffs. It marked the first time in a regular-season or playoff game since the NHL began tracking starters in 1997-98 that all five skaters starting were from Finland.
- In all, 34 Finnish players (28 skaters and six goalies) have appeared in at least one regular-season game for the Stars, the most of any NHL franchise in League history.

CONNECTIONS

- Lightning forward Nick Paul was drafted by the Dallas Stars in the 2013 NHL Draft (101st overall).
- Stars defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** and Lightning forward Zemgus Girgensons shared the ice on the Buffalo Sabres during the 2022-23 season.
- Stars goaltender **Casey DeSmith** played with Lightning forward Jake Guentzel in Pittsburgh from 2017-18 to 2022-23.
- Stars forward **Matt Duchene** played with Lightning defenseman Ryan McDonagh as members of the Nashville Predators during the 2022-23 season.
- Stars defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** and Lightning defenseman J.J. Moser were both members of the Arizona Coyotes during the 2021-22 season.
- Stars forward **Matt Duchene** and Lightning forward Oliver Bjorkstrand played for Columbus during the 2018-19 season.

- Stars defenseman **Thomas Harley** played with Lightning forwards Anthony Cirelli, Brandon Hagel and Brayden Point for Team Canada during the 2025 Four Nations tournament.
- Stars goaltender **Jake Oettinger** played with Lightning forward Jake Guentzel for Team USA during the 2025 Four Nations tournament.
- Stars forward **Colin Blackwell** and Lightning forward Yanni Gourde played for the Seattle Kraken during the 2021-22 season.
- Stars forward **Wyatt Johnston** and Lightning forward Curtis Douglas were teammates on the Windsor Spitfire of the OHL during the 2019-20 season.
- Stars defenseman **Nils Lundkvist** and Lightning forward Pontus Holmberg represented Team Sweden during the 2019 IIHF World Junior Championship.
- Stars forward **Matt Duchene** and Lightning forward Brayden Point played for Team Canada during the 2017 IIHF World Championship.
- Stars forward **Mikko Rantanen** and Lightning goaltender Jonas Johansson shared the ice for a handful of games on the Colorado Avalanche from 2020-21 to 2021-22.
- Stars goaltending coach **Jeff Resse** played 19 games for the Lightning during the 1995-96 season. He also was on their coaching staff from 1999-00 until 2007-08, winning the Stanley Cup in 2004.

STARS REAL-TIME STATS LEADERS

Hits: Bichsel (85), Hryckowian (75), Petrovic (74)

Blocked Shots: Lindell (103), Heiskanen (87), Harley (82)

Shots: Robertson (174), Johnston (121), Rantanen (113)

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

1-10: 6-3-1 (13), 28/30, 11/35, 22/31

11-20: 6-2-2 (14), 36/26, 11/34, 23/28

21-30: 8-0-2 (18), 38/19, 8/26, 33/36

31-40: 5-3-2 (12), 35/30, 7/28, 26/30

41-50: 2-4-2 (6), 23/26, 3/16, 18/28

OVERTIME RESULTS (1-6)

Oct. 23, 2025 vs. Los Angeles : Kempe

Oct. 30, 2025 at Tampa : Cirelli

Nov. 11, 2025 at Ottawa : Hintz

Dec. 2, 2025 at NY Rangers : Gavrikov

Dec. 23, 2025 at Detroit : Larkin

Jan. 4, 2026 vs. Montreal : Hutson

Jan. 10, 2026 at San Jose : Toffoli

SHOOTOUT RESULTS (3-3)

Oct. 11, 2025 at Colorado : Rantanen

Nov. 1, 2025 at Florida : Marchand

Nov. 4, 2025 vs. Edmonton : Johnston

Nov. 22, 2025 at Calgary : Kadri

Dec. 7, 2025 vs. Pittsburgh : Rantanen

Dec. 27, 2025 vs. Chicago : Lardis

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

Games Played

Mikko Rantanen ... 1 game ... 700 NHL games

Adam Erne ... 1 game ... 400 NHL games

Nathan Bastian ... 2 games ... 300 NHL games

Kyle Capobianco ... 2 games ... 100 NHL games

Wyatt Johnston ... 6 games ... 300 NHL games

Wins

Casey DeSmith ... 6 wins ... 100 NHL wins

Goals

Radek Faksa ... 4 goals ... 100 NHL goals

Jason Robertson ... 5 goals ... 200 NHL goals

Points

Colin Blackwell ... 2 points ... 100 NHL points

Adam Erne ... 5 points ... 100 NHL points

UPCOMING FRANCHISE MILESTONES (PLAYER ... NEEDS ... MILESTONE)

Games Played

Esa Lindell ... 1 game ... Tying Richard Matvichik (733) for the 12th-most games played in franchise history

Esa Lindell ... 2 games ... Taking sole possession of the fifth-most games played by a defenseman in franchise history (734)

Goals

Thomas Harley ... 2 goals ... Surpassing Barry Gibbs (35) for the 15th-most goals by a defenseman in franchise history

Miro Heiskanen ... 6 goals ... Tying Derian Hatcher and John Klingberg (71) for the fourth-most goals among franchise defensemen

Wyatt Johnston ... 7 goals ... Tying Joe Pavelski for 24th on the franchise's all-time goals list

Assists

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Points

Roope Hintz ... 1 point ... Surpassing Craig Hartsburg (413) for the 16th-most points in franchise history

RECENT MILESTONES

Jake Oettinger ... 150 wins ... Oct. 9, 2025 at WPG

Colin Blackwell ... 300th NHL game ... Oct. 11, 2025 at COL

Thomas Harley ... 200th NHL game ... Oct. 14, 2025 vs. MIN

Jason Robertson ... 400th NHL point ... Oct. 16, 2025 vs. VAN

Tyler Seguin ... 1000th NHL game ... Oct. 30, 2025 at TBL

Justin Hryckowian ... First NHL goal ... Nov. 1, 2025 at FLA

Mikko Rantanen ... 300th NHL goal ... Nov. 4, 2025 vs. EDM

Esa Lindell ... 700th NHL game ... Nov. 9, 2025 vs. SEA

Wyatt Johnston ... 100th NHL goal ... Nov. 13, 2025 at MTL

Miro Heiskanen ... 300th NHL assist ... Nov. 13, 2025 at MTL

Jamie Benn ... 400th NHL goal ... Nov. 25, 2025 at EDM

Wyatt Johnston ... 100th NHL assist ... Nov. 25, 2025 at EDM

Wyatt Johnston ... 200th NHL point ... Nov. 25, 2025 at EDM

Miro Heiskanen ... 500th NHL game ... Nov. 28, 2025 vs. UTA

Mavrik Bourque ... 100th NHL game ... Nov. 30, 2025 vs. OTT

Jason Robertson ... 400th NHL game ... Nov. 30, 2025 vs. OTT

Casey DeSmith ... 200th NHL game ... Dec. 2, 2025 at NYR

Jamie Benn ... 1,200th NHL game ... Dec. 2, 2025 at NYR

Roope Hintz ... 400th NHL point ... Dec. 3, 2025 at NJD

Alexander Petrovic ... 300th NHL game ... Dec. 13, 2025 vs. FLA

Roope Hintz ... 500th NHL game ... Dec. 21, 2025 vs. TOR

Oskar Bäck ... 100th NHL game ... Dec. 21, 2025 vs. TOR

Sam Steel ... 100th NHL assist ... Dec. 27, 2025 vs. CHI

Nils Lundkvist ... 200th NHL game ... Jan. 7, 2026 at WSH

Matt Duchene ... 900th NHL point ... Jan. 7, 2026 at WSH

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