



# DALLAS STARS VS. CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS

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## LAST GAME

### Dallas 4 vs. Colorado 5 [SO]

Goals: Heiskanen, Johnston, Hryckowian, Benn

Goalie: Oettinger (25/29)

PP: 1/4 PK: 3/5 Shots: Dallas 21 – Colorado 29

Three Stars: 1. COL – M. Necas 2. COL – N. MacKinnon 3. DAL – M. Heiskanen

- **Jason Robertson** tallied two assists during the game, marking the fourth consecutive game he’s recorded multiple points. This matches a career high set earlier this season from Nov. 11 to 18, 2025.
  - **Robertson** now has had multi-point efforts in eight of the last 13 games that he has played, totaling 18 points (7-11—18) in all during that span.
  - He now has 20 points (9-11—20) in 16 career games against the Avalanche.
- With **Miro Heiskanen’s** first-period goal, the Stars have now scored a power-play goal in eight consecutive games for the second time this season, after previously doing so from Nov. 1 to 15, 2025.
- The team’s first-period power-play goal was their 55th of the season, matching their total in 82 games last year.
- **Wyatt Johnston** scored his 34th goal of the season, setting a new career high for the forward. With a goal and an assist during the game, **Johnston** extended his points streak against Colorado to seven games, totaling 12 points (3-9—12) during that span.
- **Mavrik Bourque** tallied his 14th and 15th assists of the season, setting a new career high.
- **Miro Heiskanen** recorded the 78th multi-point game of his career during the game with a goal and an assist. He now has sole possession of the fifth-most multi-point games by a Finnish defenseman in NHL history according to NHL Stats, surpassing Reijo Routsalainen (77).
  - **Heiskanen** now has five points (1-4—5) in his last four games against Colorado.
  - He also passed Darryl Sydor (334) for the fourth-most points among franchise defensemen.
- **Justin Hryckowian** recorded the second multi-point game of his career with a goal and an assist during the game. The Stars had a 73.6 expected goals for percentage at 5-on-5 during the game when **Hryckowian** was on the ice according to NHL Stats.
  - **Hryckowian** skated 20:22 in the game, setting a new single-game career high.

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, March 10, 2026:** Dallas Stars vs. Vegas Golden Knights, 7 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (Victory+/FOX4/The Ticket)

**Thursday, March 12, 2026:** Dallas Stars vs. Edmonton Oilers, 7 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (ESPN+/HULU/The Ticket)

**Saturday, March 14, 2026:** Dallas Stars vs. Detroit Red Wings, 7 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (Victory+/The Ticket)

**Monday, March 16, 2026:** Dallas Stars vs. Utah Mammoth, 7 p.m. CT, American Airlines Center (Victory+/FOX4/The Ticket)

**Wednesday, March 18, 2026:** Dallas Stars at Colorado Avalanche, 8:30 p.m. CT, Ball Arena (TNT/HBO MAX/The Ticket)

## RECENT TRANSACTIONS

**March 3, 2026:** Placed F Roope Hintz on IR (illness), retroactive to Feb. 25

**March 4, 2025:** Acquired D Tyler Myers from Vancouver in exchange for a 2027 second-round pick and a 2024 fourth-round pick

**March 5, 2025:** Acquired F Michael Bunting from Nashville in exchange for Seattle’s 2026 third-round pick

## CURRENT INJURIES

MAN GAMES LOST: 213

**Tyler Seguin** (lower body; LTIR) – 35 games

**Mikko Rantanen** (lower body ; IR) – 5 games

**Radek Faksa** (upper body ; IR) – 5 games

## MATCHUP

	DALLAS	CHICAGO
RECORD	38-14-10 (86 pts)	23-29-10 (56 pts)
STANDINGS	2nd in Central, 2nd in West	8th in Central, 14th in West
LAST GAME	3/6 vs. COL (5-4 SOL)	3/6 vs. VAN (6-3 L)
NEXT GAME	3/10 vs. VGK	3/9 vs. UTA
LAST 10 GAMES	9-0-1	2-6-2

LEADING SCORER	Jason Robertson (34-40—74)	Connor Bedard (25-32—57)
POWER PLAY	55/184 (29.9%)	35/181 (19.3%)
PENALTY KILL	153/191 (80.1%)	161/188 (85.6%)

## GAME NOTES

### THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- Tonight is the third and final game that the Stars will play against the Blackhawks this season. Dallas has fallen short against Chicago in both of their previous meetings this season on Dec. 27 (4-3 SOL) and Jan. 1 (4-3 L).
- The Stars ranked in the top five in the NHL in wins (38, tied third), points (86, tied second) and points percentage (.694, tied second) this year entering play Saturday. The team's success this season comes despite having 210 combined man games lost with **Oskar Bäck**, **Jamie Benn**, **Lian Bichsel**, **Matt Duchene**, **Adam Erne**, **Radek Faksa**, **Thomas Harley**, **Roope Hintz**, **Nils Lundkvist**, **Ilya Lyubushkin**, **Tyler Seguin** and **Mikko Rantanen** all missing multiple games with injury at various points this year.
- Dallas has only allowed 42 goals against in the first period this season, which was the fewest in the NHL entering play Saturday.
- Since returning from the Olympic break, when **Matt Duchene** and **Sam Steel** have been on the ice together during 5-on-5 play, the Stars are outscoring their opponents 5-1 and has a 72.5 expected goals for percentage according to Natural Stat Trick.
- The Stars have not lost in regulation in games in which **Justin Hryckowian** has scored this year. Dallas is 5-0-4 in those contests.
- **Casey DeSmith** was ranked eighth in the NHL in both goals saved above expected (14.8) and goals saved above expected per 60 (0.653) this season according to MoneyPuck.com entering play Saturday.

### TEXAS TOUGH

- The Dallas Stars acquired defenseman **Tyler Myers** from the Vancouver Canucks for a 2027 second-round pick and a 2029 fourth-round pick on March 4.
- Born in Houston, **Myers** will become the first-ever Texas-born player to appear in a game for the Stars when he plays in his first game for the club.
- Although born in Houston, **Myers** holds dual citizenship and has elected to represent Canada in international competition. **Myers** won a gold medal while playing for Team Canada with new teammate **Jamie Benn** at the 2009 IIHF World Junior Championship. He would later play for Canada alongside **Matt Duchene** at the 2010 IIHF World Championship.
- **Myers** and **Benn** were teammates during the junior careers, both playing for the Kelowna Rockets of the Western Hockey League (WHL) during the 2007-08 and 2008-09 seasons. The two won the 2009 WHL Championship together, with **Myers** being named the playoff Most Valuable Player and **Benn** leading the WHL in postseason goals (13), assists (20) and points (33).
- **Myers** and **Duchene** were both nominated for the Calder Memorial Trophy as the League's top rookie in 2010, with **Myers** ultimately taking home the award.
- **Myers** and **Casey DeSmith** both played for the Vancouver Canucks during the 2024-25 season.

### I WANNA BE LIKE MIKE

- The Dallas Stars acquired forward **Michael Bunting** from the Nashville Predators in exchange for Seattle's third-round pick in 2026 on March 5, 2026.
- **Bunting** had 31 points (13-18—31) in 61 games played with the Predators prior to the trade. He also previously played for Pittsburgh Penguins (2023-24 to 2024-25), Carolina Hurricanes (2023-24), Toronto Maple Leafs (2021-22 to 2022-23) and Arizona Coyotes (2018-19, 2020-21).
- **Bunting** previously played with Stars defensemen **Kyle Capobianco** and **Ilya Lyubushkin** while he was a part of the Coyotes organizations.
- He later played with **Lyubushkin** again and forward **Colin Blackwell** for the Toronto Maple Leafs.

### BLACKHAWK DOWN

- Dallas is 127-139-43 all-time vs. Chicago, including a 75-58-23 mark on home ice.
- The Stars have earned points in nine of their last 12 games played against the Blackhawks (8-3-1), dating back to March 2, 2023. Dallas has also earned points in their last five consecutive games played vs. Chicago at American Airlines Center (4-0-1).
- **Jamie Benn** has nine points (4-5—9) in his last 10 games against Chicago dating back to Dec. 29, 2023. In all, **Benn** has totaled 54 points (17-37—54) in 67 career games played against the Blackhawks.
  - His 54 career points against them tops all active NHL skaters.
- **Matt Duchene** has registered six points (3-3—6) in his last four games played vs. Chicago, dating back to Nov. 27, 2024. In 61 career games played against the Blackhawks, **Duchene** has totaled 53 (23-30—53), including 15 multi-point outings and four game-winning goals.
  - His 53 career points against them ranks second in the League among active NHL skaters, behind teammate **Jamie Benn** (54).
- **Miro Heiskanen** has 10 points (0-10—10) in his last nine games played against the Blackhawks, dating back to Dec. 29, 2023. In all, **Heiskanen** has totaled 20 points (2-18—20) in 31 career games vs. Chicago, averaging 24:43 of time on ice per game.
  - His 24:43 of time on ice per game against them ranks eighth in the League among active skaters.
  - **Heiskanen's** 20 career points against them is his highest total against a single opponent.

- **Roope Hintz** has recorded 26 points (14-12—26) in 28 career games against the Blackhawks, carrying a plus-minus rating of +7. His 14 goals are tied for his highest total against a single opponent (also: NSH).
  - **Hintz** is the fourth highest-scoring player in the NHL vs. Chicago since the start of the 2020-21 season, totaling 25 points (13-12—25) in 22 games. His 13 goals against them are tied for first, with Edmonton's Leon Drisaitl, among active skaters during that span.
- **Jason Robertson** has collected five points (2-3—5) in his last four games played against the Blackhawks, dating back to Nov. 27, 2024. In all, **Robertson** has posted 27 points (11-16—27) in 25 career games played vs. Chicago, upholding a plus-minus rating of +11 and averaging 1.08 points per game.
  - His 27 career points against them are tied for the league-lead in scoring against the Blackhawks since the start of his rookie season (2020-21).
- **Wyatt Johnston** enters tonight's matchup riding a four-game point streak against the Blackhawks, earning seven points (1-6—7) during that span. In all, **Johnston** has totaled nine points (1-8—9) in 14 career games vs. Chicago, carrying a plus-minus rating of +6.
- **Sam Steel** enters tonight's contest riding a two-game point streak against the Blackhawks, tallying two assists during that span. In 20 career games played vs. Chicago, **Steel** has notched 13 points (2-11—13). It is his highest point total against a single opponent in his career.
- **Esa Lindell** carries a career plus-minus rating of +11 and averages 21:43 of time on ice per game against the Blackhawks through 41 games (2-8—10).
- **Jake Oettinger** owns a 10-3-3 record vs. Chicago, posting a .912 save percentage, 2.44 goals-against average and one shutout.

### GOING STREAKING

- The Stars have earned at least a point in each of the last 11 games that they have played, posting a 10-0-1 record during that span. It is the second time this season that they have recorded an 11-game point streak after previously doing so from Nov. 20 to Dec. 9 (9-0-2)
- The team's current 11-game point streak is tied for the seventh-longest in franchise history.
- A win or an overtime loss tonight would give them points in 12 consecutive games for the first time since Oct. 29 to Nov. 25, 2019, posting an 11-0-1 record during that span.

### PUTTING ON THE RITZ

- **Justin Hryckowian** has totaled 21 points (9-12—21) in 61 games this season, which ranked second among undrafted rookies in scoring this season entering play Saturday.
- **Hryckowian** recorded the second multi-point game of his career with a goal and an assist in Dallas' last game on March 6. He skated 20:22 in tonight's game, setting a new single-game career high.
- When **Hryckowian** has been on the ice this year during 5-on-5 play, the Stars are outscoring their opponents 29-22 and own a 53.4 expected goals for percentage according to Natural Stat Trick.
- **Hryckowian** has recorded 93 hits this year, which ranked ninth among all NHL rookies entering play Saturday.
- **Hryckowian** has also won 56.7 percent of the faceoffs he has taken this season (106-for-187), which ranked second among rookies to take at least 80 draws this season entering play Saturday. His faceoff win percentage ranks second to only **Roope Hintz** (59.1 percent) for the best mark on the team among players to appear in at least five games.

### POWER UP

- The Stars have gone 55-for-184 on the power play this season for a 29.9 percent success rate, which was the second-best mark in the NHL entering play Saturday.
- The Oilers (57), Stars (55) and Wild (53) were the only teams to score at least 50 power-play goals this season entering play Saturday.
- The Stars have scored at least one goal on the power-play in each of the last eight games they have played. If they were to do so again tonight, it would give them power-play goals in nine consecutive games for the first time since the team scored a power-play goal in 10 straight games from March 11 to 31, 2006.
- Dallas' 55 power-play goals have already matched the 55 they scored in 82 games last season. The team is currently on pace to finish the year with 72 power-play goals, which would tie for the sixth-most in Dallas Stars team history.
- Dallas has scored at least two power-play goals in a game 16 different times this season, most recently on Jan. 31 against the Utah Mammoth, a 3-2 win. The Stars had 12 multi-power-play-goal games in all of 2024-25.
  - Their 16 multi-power-play goal games are their most in a season since they scored at least two power-play goals in a game 17 times in 2022-23.
- The Stars scored two power-play goals 14 seconds apart in their game on Nov. 1 at Florida, which set the franchise record for the fastest consecutive power-play goals for according to NHL Stats. They bested the previous record of 15 second set by Steve Payne and Mike Fidler on March 21, 1979 against the Philadelphia Flyers while the team was still located in Minnesota.
- Dallas' 55 power-play goals have been scored by 11 different skaters: **Wyatt Johnston** (21), **Jason Robertson** (12), **Roope Hintz** (6), **Mikko Rantanen** (5), **Matt Duchene** (4), **Miro Heiskanen** (2), **Mavrik Bourque**, **Thomas Harley**, **Justin Hryckowian**, **Tyler Seguin** and **Sam Steel**.
  - **Robertson's** 12 power-play goals are just one shy of matching his career high of 13 that he reached in both 2021-22 and 2022-23.

- **Johnston** (21-12—33) was tied for third in the NHL in power-play points this season entering play Saturday, followed by **Robertson** (12-19—31), who ranked fourth, and **Rantanen** (5-25—30), who ranked fifth.
  - **Johnston's** 33 power-play points are already a career high. **Robertson's** 31 power-play points are the second-most of his career and **Rantanen's** 30 power-play points are the sixth-most of his career.
- **Johnston's** 21 power-play goals led the NHL entering play Saturday and were five more than the second-ranked skater (Vegas' Pavel Dorofeyev).
- His 21 power-play goals are already a career high and are the most in a single-season in Dallas Stars team history (since 1993-94).
  - **Johnston's** 21 power-play goals are already tied for the second-most in a single season in franchise history one shy of tying the single-season franchise record (Dino Ciccarelli with 22 in 1986-87).
- **Johnston** is pacing to score 28 power-play goals this year, which would be the most by a Stars skater in franchise history and would be the most by any NHL skater since Edmonton's Leon Drasaitl scored 32 power-play goals in 2022-23.
- Since the start of the 2024-25 season, **Johnston** has scored 32 power-play goals, which was the most in the NHL during that span entering play Saturday.
- **Heiskanen** has totaled 21 points (2-19—21) on the power-play this season, which was the fifth-most among all NHL defensemen entering play Saturday.

## CAREER YEARS ARE NEAR

- **Wyatt Johnston** scored his 34th goal of the season in Dallas' last game on March 6 against Colorado, setting a new career high for the forward.
  - His 33 assists this season are eight shy of matching his career high and his 67 points are four shy of matching his career high of 71 that he had last season.
- **Johnston** is currently on pace to finish the year with 45 goals, 44 assists and 89 points, all of which would be career highs.
- **Jason Robertson** (45) and **Johnston** (45) are both pacing to finish the season with at least 40 goals. If they were to maintain that pace, they would become the first pair of 40-goal Stars teammates since Brian Bellows (55) and Dave Gagner (40) in 1989-90.
  - There have been five instances in franchise history of Stars teammates scoring at least 40 goals in the same year, but none have occurred since the team relocated to Dallas in 1993-94.
- **Mavrik Bourque** scored his 12th goal of the season on March 3 against Calgary, setting a career high. His goal was also his 25th point of the season, which matched his career high that he set last season.
- **Borque** recorded his 14th and 15th assists of the season in Dallas' next game on March 6, setting a new career high in assists.
- **Sam Steel** had a three-point performance (2-1—3) in Dallas' game on March 3, a 6-1 win over the Calgary Flames. His second goal of the night was his 29th point of the season, setting a career high for the forward.
  - **Steel's** 10 goals and 19 assists this season are both tied for the most of his career.
- **Esa Lindell** has totaled 24 points (5-19—24) in 61 games this year, which is the third-most among Stars defensemen this season. His 19 assists this season are only two shy of matching his career high that he's reached on four previous occasions, most recently last year.
- **Miro Heiskanen** has scored two goals on the power-play this year, which is one shy of matching his career high of three that he reached in both 2020-21 and 2021-22.
- **Casey DeSmith's** 13 wins are just two shy of matching his career high of 15 that he reached in both 2018-19 and 2022-23 while playing for the Pittsburgh Penguins.

## 21 CAN YOU DO SOMETHING FOR ME

- **Jason Robertson** had two assists in Dallas' last game to give him 74 points (34-40—74) on the season, which was the ninth-most in the NHL entering play Saturday.
- The 2025-26 season marks **Robertson's** fifth-straight 70-point season. The only other active U.S.-born player with as many consecutive campaigns is Patrick Kane (5 from 2015-16 to 2019-20) according to NHL Stats.
- **Robertson** is one of nine players in franchise history to have at least five 50-point seasons for the team, joining Mike Modano (12x), Brian Bellows (6x), Dino Ciccarelli (6x), **Tyler Seguin** (6x), **Jamie Benn** (5x), Neal Broten (5x), Dave Gagner (5x) and Bobby Smith (5x).
- **Robertson** has recorded four consecutive multi-point games, matching his career high that he set earlier this season from Nov. 11 to 18.
  - **Robertson** has recorded multi-point efforts in eight of the last 13 games that he has played, totaling 18 points in all (7-11—18) during that span.
- **Robertson** enters tonight's game having tallied at least one assist in each of the last four games that he has played in. If he were to have at least one assist again tonight, it would extend his assist streak to five games, matching his career high that he originally set from Dec. 21 to 31, 2022.
- **Robertson** scored his 34th goal of the year in Dallas' game on March 2 against the Canucks, the team's 60th game of the season. His 34 goals were the third-most through the team's first 60 games of the season in Dallas Stars team history according to NHL Stats, trailing only his own 35 goals in 2022-23 and Mike Modano's 39 goals in 1993-94.
- **Robertson's** 34 goals were tied for sixth in the NHL entering play Saturday. His 34 goals are also his fourth-most in a single season in his career and one shy of the 35 goals he scored last year.

- **Robertson** has scored 12 goals on the power-play this year, which were tied for sixth in the NHL entering play Saturday and was also just one shy of his career high of 13 that he reached in both 2021-22 and 2022-23.
- **Robertson** scored the 200th goal of his career in Dallas' game on Feb. 4 against St. Louis, becoming the...
  - First player taken in the 2017 NHL draft to score 200 career goals.
  - Twenty-fifth active American, and 80th in NHL history, to reach the 200-goal milestone.
  - Twelfth skater in franchise history to score 200 goals with the team.
- Dallas' tilt against St. Louis was the 431st game of **Robertson's** career, making the second-fastest player to record 200 goals with the Stars/North Stars according to NHL Stats, trailing only Dino Ciccarelli (381 GP). **Robertson** also required the ninth-fewest games among U.S.-born players to reach 200 career goal according to NHL Stats.

## MIRO THE HERO

- **Miro Heiskanen** has totaled 52 points (8-44—52) this season. The 2025-26 campaign marks his third 50-point season, which makes him the third Finnish-born defenseman in NHL history, alongside Reijo Ruotsalainen (5x) and Risto Siltanen (3x), to have at least three 50-point campaigns according to NHL Stats.
- **Heiskanen's** 52 points this season are already the third-most of his career, trailing only the 54 points (9-45—54) he had in 2023-24 and the 73 points (11-62—73) he had in 2022-23.
- **Heiskanen** joins Sergei Zubov (6x) and Craig Hartsburg (4x) as the only defensemen in franchise history to record at least three 50-point seasons.
- **Heiskanen's** 52 points ranked eighth among all defensemen in the NHL entering play Saturday.
- **Heiskanen** has recorded 15 assists in his last 13 games played dating back to Jan. 20.
- With a goal and an assist on March 6 against Colorado, **Heiskanen** (78) passed Reijo Ruotsalainen (77) for the fifth-most multi-point games by a Finnish defenseman in NHL history according to NHL Stats. The only others with more are Kimmo Timonen (113), Teppo Numminen (97), Jyrki Lumme (85) and Risto Siltanen (84).

## LEAGUE LEADERS

- Several Stars skaters ranked near the top of the League's leaderboard in several statistical categories entering play Saturday.

Player	Stat	#	League Ranking
Jason Robertson	Points	74	Ninth
Mikko Rantanen	Points	69	16th
Miro Heiskanen	Points	50	Eighth among defensemen
Jason Robertson	Goals	34	Tied sixth
Wyatt Johnston	Goals	34	Tied sixth
Jason Robertson	Game-Winning Goals	6	Tied fifth
Thomas Harley	Game-Winning Goals	3	Tied for eighth among defensemen
Miro Heiskanen	TOI/GP	25:53	Third
Esa Lindell	Penalty Kill TOI	248:29	First
Esa Lindell	Penalty Kill TOI/GP	4:00	Second
Miro Heiskanen	Takeaways	34	Tied eighth
Esa Lindell	Blocked Shots	138	Sixth
Ilya Lyubushkin	Block Shots/60	6.55	Fourth among players to play in at least 40 games
Jason Robertson	On-ice EV GD	25	Tied for sixth among NHL forwards
Mikko Rantanen	Penalties Drawn	30	Third
Justin Hryckowian	Faceoff Win%	56.7%	Second among rookies to take at least 80 draws
Roope Hintz	Faceoff Win%	59.1%	Eighth among NHL players to take at least 500 draws

## 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** (354) and **Wyatt Johnston** (308).
- **Robertson's** 354-game Iron Man streak was tied 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 16 players in NHL history to begin their NHL career by playing in at least 308 consecutive games according to NHL Stats. Entering play Saturday, it was the 10th-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

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- Stars forward **Colin Blackwell** played for the Chicago Blackhawks from 2022-23 to 2023-24.
- Blackhawks forward Jason Dickinson was drafted by the Dallas Stars 29th overall in the 2013 NHL Draft and played for Dallas from 2015-16 until 2020-21.
- Blackhawks assistant coach Derek Plante played two seasons with the Dallas Stars organization (1998-99 to 1999-00), playing in a total of 26 games.
- Blackhawks assistant coach Kevin Dean played the 1999-00 season with the Dallas Stars, playing in 14 games.
- Stars defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** and Blackhawks forward Tyler Bertuzzi both played for the Maple Leafs following the trade deadline in 2023-24.
- Stars forward **Colin Blackwell** and Blackhawks forward Ryan Donato skated for the Seattle Kraken during the 2021-22 season.
  - **Blackwell** and Donato were also teammates at Harvard University (NCAA) from 2015-16 to 2016-17.
- Stars forwards **Jason Robertson** and **Colin Blackwell** and goaltender **Jake Oettinger** were teammates with Blackhawks forward Ryan Donato while on Team USA during the 2021 IIHF World Championship.
- Stars forward **Colin Blackwell** and defenseman **Ilya Lyubushkin** played for the Toronto Maple Leafs alongside Blackhawks forwards Nick Foligno and Ilya Mikheyev during the 2020-21 season.
- Stars forward **Adam Erne** and Blackhawks forward Tyler Bertuzzi were teammates on the Detroit Red Wings from 2019-20 to 2022-23. The two would skated under Blackhawks head coach Jeff Blashill who was an assistant coach in Detroit during that period.
- Stars forward **Mikko Rantanen** and Blackhawks forward Andre Burakovsky shared the ice in Colorado from 2019-20 to 2021-22.
- Stars goaltender **Casey DeSmith** and Blackhawks forward Sam Lafferty skated together in Pittsburgh from 2019-20 to 2021-22. The two would cross paths again in Vancouver, along with Blackhawks forward Ilya Mikheyev during the 2023-24 season.

- Blackhawks assistant coach Michael Vellucci coached both DeSmith and Lafferty in Pittsburgh as an assistant coach. DeSmith from 2020-21 to 2022-23 and Lafferty from 2020-21 to 2021-22.
- Stars forwards **Roope Hintz** and **Mikko Rantanen** and defenseman **Esa Lindell** were all teammates with Blackhawks forward Teuvo Teravainen on Team Finland during the 2025 NHL Four Nations Faceoff.
- Stars defenseman **Esa Lindell** and Blackhawks forward Teuvo Teravainen both represented Team Finland during the 2012 IIHF U18 World Junior Championship, 2014 IIHF World Junior Championship and 2017 World Cup of Hockey.
- Stars forward **Mikko Rantanen** and defenseman **Miro Heiskanen** both skated with Blackhawks forward Teuvo Teravainen on Team Finland during the 2018 IIHF World Championship.
- Stars forward **Mikko Rantanen** and Blackhawks forward Dominic Toninato played a handful of games together in Colorado through 2017-18 and 2018-19.
- Stars forward **Michael Bunting** and Blackhawks forward Andrew Mangiapane both represented Team Canada during the 2021 and 2024 IIHF World Championship.
  - Blackhawks forward Connor Bedard was also a member of Team Canada during the 2024 IIHF World Championship.
- Stars defenseman **Tyler Myers** and Blackhawks defenseman Ryan Ellis were members of Team Canada during the 2008 IIHF U18 World Junior Championship, 2009 IIHF World Junior Championship and 2014 IIHF World Championship.
  - Stars forward **Jamie Benn** was also a member of Team Canada during the 2009 IIHF World Junior Championship.
- Stars forward **Michael Bunting** and Blackhawks forward Sam Lafferty skated together in Toronto during the 2022-23 season.
- Stars forward **Michael Bunting** and Blackhawks forward Teuvo Teravainen were teammates in Carolina during the 2023-24 season.
- Stars forward **Michael Bunting** and Blackhawks defenseman Matt Gryzelcyk played 14 games together in Pittsburgh during the 2024-25 season.

## STARS REAL-TIME STATS LEADERS

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Hits: Erne (97), Bichsel (96), Hryckowian (93)

Blocked Shots: Lindell (138), Heiskanen (110), Harley (109)

Shots: Robertson (220), Johnston (163), Rantanen/Hintz (126)

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

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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: 3-5-2 (8), 30/32, 5/21, 21/32

51-60: 9-1-0 (18), 36/23, 11/31, 22/26

61-70: 1-0-1 (3), 10/5, 2/9, 6/8

## OVERTIME RESULTS (3-6)

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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

**Feb. 2, 2026 vs. Winnipeg : Harley**

**Feb. 28, 2026 vs. Nashville : Robertson**

## SHOOTOUT RESULTS (4-4)

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**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

**Jan. 29, 2026 at Vegas : Robertson**

March 6 vs. Colorado : Nichushkin

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

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Games Played

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**Wins**

Casey DeSmith ... 3 wins ... 100 NHL wins

**Goals**

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

Roope Hintz ... 10 goals ... 200 NHL goals

**Assists**

Thomas Harley ... 7 assists ... 100 NHL assists

**Points**

Adam Erne ... 4 points ... 100 NHL points

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

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**Games Played**

Thomas Harley ... 1 game ... Surpassing Jim Johnson (247) for the 33rd-most games played among franchise defensemen

**Goals**

Miro Heiskanen ... 5 goals ... Tying Derian Hatcher and John Klingberg (71) for the fourth-most goals among franchise defensemen

Thomas Harley ... 9 goals ... Tying Stephane Robidas for the 12th-most goals among franchise defensemen

**Assists**

Miro Heiskanen ... 3 assists ... Surpassing Jere Lehtinen for the 15th-most assist in franchise history

**Points**

Miro Heiskanen ... 6 points ... Surpassing Al MacAdam and Joe Nieuwendyk (340) for sole possession for the 23rd-most points in franchise history

**RECENT MILESTONES**

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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

Mikko Rantanen ... 700th NHL game ... Jan. 18, 2026 vs. TBL

Nathan Bastian ... 300th NHL game ... Jan. 22, 2026 at CBJ

Kyle Capobianco ... 100th NHL game ... Jan. 23, 2026 vs. STL

Wyatt Johnston ... 300th NHL game ... Jan. 29, 2026 at VGK

Adam Erne ... 400th NHL game ... Jan. 29, 2026 at VGK

Jason Robertson ... 200th NHL goal ... Feb. 4, 2026 vs. STL

Colin Blackwell ... 100th NHL goal ... March 2 at VAN

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