

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES OFFICIAL RACE REPORT No. 25

66TH ANNUAL BOJANGLES' SOUTHERN 500

DARLINGTON RACEWAY

Darlington, SC - September 6, 2015

1.366-Mile Paved Oval

367 Laps - 501.3 Miles Purse: \$5,762,276

AVERAGE SPEED: 111.993 mph

MARGIN OF VICTORY: 0.902 second(s)

TIME OF RACE: 4 hours, 28 minutes, 35 seconds



Fin Pos	Str Pos	Car No	Driver	Team	Laps	Pts	Bns Pts	Driver Rating	Winnings	Status	Lead Tms	Laps
1	13	19	Carl Edwards	ARRIS Toyota	367	47	4	106.0	\$285,225	Running	3	15
2	1	2	Brad Keselowski	Miller High Life Ford	367	44	2	137.4	252,981	Running	6	196
3	6	11	Denny Hamlin	Sport Clips Toyota	367	42	1	114.7	180,915	Running	3	57
4	4	22	Joey Logano	Shell Pennzoil Ford	367	41	1	118.1	182,073	Running	2	29
5	3	4	Kevin Harvick	Budweiser/Jimmy John's Chevrolet	367	40	1	123.6	175,190	Running	4	44
6	2	41	Kurt Busch	Haas Automation Chevrolet	367	39	1	116.4	133,365	Running	2	7
7	10	18	Kyle Busch	M&M's Crispy Toyota	367	38	1	96.8	149,731	Running	1	3
8	26	88	Dale Earnhardt Jr	Valvoline Chevrolet	367	36		91.6	120,165	Running		
9	7	78	Martin Truex Jr	Furniture Row/Visser Precision Chevrolet	367	35		106.6	129,660	Running		
10	16	42	Kyle Larson	Mello Yello Chevrolet	367	35	1	99.6	128,873	Running	1	3
11	11	43	Aric Almirola	STP Ford	367	33		85.2	137,141	Running		
12	15	5	Kasey Kahne	HendrickRideAlong.com Chevrolet	367	33	1	78.9	112,935	Running	1	2
13	23	31	Ryan Newman	Caterpillar Chevrolet	367	31		78.3	130,635	Running		
14	20	1	Jamie McMurray	McDonald's/Cessna Chevrolet	367	30		81.3	127,726	Running		
15	17	14	Tony Stewart	Bass Pro Shops/Mobil 1 Chevrolet	367	30	1	91.0	125,249	Running	1	10
16	5	24	Jeff Gordon	3M Chevrolet	367	28		96.8	140,571	Running		
17	28	15	Clint Bowyer	Buddy Baker Tribute Toyota	367	27		71.1	129,493	Running		
18	24	16	Greg Biffle	Ortho Ford	367	26		75.1	126,018	Running		
19	19	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's Chevrolet	367	25		80.3	137,996	Running		
20	31	40	Landon Cassill (i)	#Snap Honor Chevrolet	367	0		60.7	93,710	Running		
21	14	20	Matt Kenseth	Dollar General Toyota	367	23		73.6	134,996	Running		
22	29	3	Austin Dillon	American Ethanol Chevrolet	367	22		62.8	128,846	Running		
23	34	47	AJ Allmendinger	Kroger/House-Autry Chevrolet	367	21		54.0	124,018	Running		
24	35	7	Alex Bowman	Tommy Baldwin Racing Chevrolet	367	20		49.9	106,818	Running		
25	25	83	Matt DiBenedetto #	Cosmo Motors Toyota	367	19		50.1	105,613	Running		
26	12	27	Paul Menard	Moen/Menards Chevrolet	367	18		59.3	97,255	Running		
27	38	38	David Gilliland	Love's Travel Stops Ford	367	18	1	42.7	108,213	Running	1	1
28	33	9	Sam Hornish Jr	Winn Dixie Ford	367	16		58.5	114,200	Running		
29	32	13	Casey Mears	GEICO Chevrolet	366	15		53.2	105,202	Running		
30	9	21	Ryan Blaney (i)	Snap-On Tools Ford	366	0		66.6	85,955	Running		
31	41	23	Jeb Burton #	Estes Toyota	364	13		34.9	86,755	Running		
32	42	33	Mike Bliss (i)	Little Joe's Auto Chevrolet	363	0		35.5	84,055	Running		
33	27	51	Justin Allgaier	Brandt Chevrolet	354	11		39.6	91,855	Running		
34	36	26	J.J. Yeley (i)	Beds For Kids Toyota	348	0		33.8	83,655	Running		
35	18	6	Trevor Bayne	AdvoCare Ford	342	9		52.0	128,035	Running		
36	40	34	Brett Moffitt #	Dockside Ford	332	8		31.2	83,360	Running		
37	43	98	T.J. Bell	Premium Motorsports Ford	325	7		28.7	83,138	Running		
38	8	17	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	Cargill Ford	313	6		54.5	86,348	Running		
39	39	46	Michael Annett	Pilot Flying J Chevrolet	300	5		34.7	74,285	Running		
40	21	55	David Raqqan	Ol' Aaron's Dream Machine Toyota	275	4		73.6	97,499	Accident		
41	22	25	Chase Elliott (i)	NAPA Auto Parts Chevrolet	227	0		45.4	66,285	Accident		
42	30	10	Danica Patrick	GoDaddy Chevrolet	190	2		39.3	70,285	Accident		
43	37	35	Cole Whitt	Speed Stick Ford	5	1		23.5	58,785	Accident		

# Sunoco Rookie of the Year Contender.

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Bonus points: includes winner (3), lap leader (1) & most laps led (1) points

**Failed to qualify:** (3) #32 Josh Wise; #62 Timmy Hill; #30 Travis Kvapil

**Race Comments:** Carl Edwards won the Bojangles' Southern 500, his 25th career NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory and first at Darlington Raceway. Prior to the start of the race, the following cars dropped to the rear of the field for the reasons indicated: No. 10 (backup car) and No. 25 (rear gear change).

**Caution Flags:** 18 cautions for 89 laps. [Beneficiary in Brackets] 8-13 (Car #25, 34 And 35 Accident On The Backstretch [None]); 46-50 (Car #31 Accident In Turn 4 [47]); 62-65 (Debris On The Frontstretch [16]); 110-114 (Car #46 Accident In Turn 2 [40]); 121-124 (Car #33 Accident In Turn 4 [13]); 126-132 (Car #26, 33 And 46 Accident On The Backstretch [83]); 134-138 (Car #22 And 48 Accident In Turn 4 [10]); 166-169 (Car #6 Accident On The Backstretch [47]); 190-194 (Car #10 Accident In Turn 4 [5]); 199-202 (Car #17 Accident In Turn 4 [6]); 208-211 (Car #16 Accident In Turn 2 [19]); 229-237 (Car #25 Accident In Turn 1 [20]); 247-251 (Car #6 Accident In Turn 3 [38]); 266-269 (Car #55 Accident In Turn 4 [38]); 279-282 (Car #55 And 27 Accident On The Frontstretch [None]); 301-305 (Debris On The Frontstretch [7]); 308-312 (Car #41 And #78 Accident In Turn 4 [7]); 356-359 (Car #23 Spin In Turn 1 [48]).

**Lap Leaders:** 24 lead changes among 11 drivers. Keselowski 1-62, Edwards 63-65, Kahne 66-67, Hamlin 68-109, Harvick 110, Hamlin 111-117, Keselowski 118-137, Harvick 138-139, Keselowski 140-193, Ku. Busch 194, Keselowski 195-202, Ku. Busch 203-208, Larson 209-211, Stewart 212-221, Hamlin 222-229, Harvick 230-247, Logano 248-266, Ky. Busch 267-269, Logano 270-279, Harvick 280-302, Gilliland 303, Keselowski 304-344, Edwards 345, Keselowski 346-356, Edwards 357-367.

**COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD:** Brad Keselowski (178.874 mph, 27.492 secs.)

**3M LAP LEADER:** Denny Hamlin (57 Laps)

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD:** Brad Keselowski

**DURALAST BRAKES "BRAKE IN THE RACE" AWARD:** Brad Keselowski

**FREESCALE "WIDE OPEN":** Carl Edwards

**INGERSOLL RAND POWER MOVE:** Kurt Busch (9 positions)

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER OF THE RACE:** Roush-Yates Engines (#2)

**MOBIL 1 DRIVER OF THE RACE:** Carl Edwards

**MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE:** Carl Edwards (crew chief Darian Grubb, 0.228 seconds)

**NASCAR SPRINT CUP LEADER BONUS:** No winner: rolls over to \$220,000 at next event++

**SHERWIN-WILLIAMS FASTEST LAP AWARD:** Matt Kenseth (lap 4, 174.724 mph)

**SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE RACE:** Matt DiBenedetto

++Rollover money awarded at year's end, amount not included in race winnings.

**NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES TOP 16**

	(Wins)
1 - Kevin Harvick	948 (2)
2 - Joey Logano	906 (3)
3 - Dale Earnhardt Jr	855 (2)
4 - Brad Keselowski	837 (1)
5 - Jimmie Johnson	817 (4)
6 - Martin Truex Jr	806 (1)
7 - Matt Kenseth	776 (3)
8 - Denny Hamlin	754 (1)
9 - Kurt Busch	752 (2)
10 - Jamie McMurray	726 (0)
11 - Ryan Newman	714 (0)
12 - Carl Edwards	713 (2)
13 - Jeff Gordon	700 (0)
14 - Paul Menard	692 (0)
15 - Clint Bowyer	682 (0)
16 - Aric Almirola	653 (0)

**MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPIONSHIP**

	Pts	Wins
Chevrolet	1,106	(11)
Toyota	1,043	(10)
Ford	1,039	(4)

**3M LAP LEADER**

Kevin Harvick	(#4)	10
Kyle Busch	(#18)	4
Kurt Busch	(#41)	3

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART**

Driver	(#)	Laps
Kevin Harvick	(#4)	5
Joey Logano	(#22)	4
Martin Truex Jr	(#78)	3

**DURALAST BRAKES "BRAKE IN THE RACE"**

Driver	(#)	Laps
Kevin Harvick	(#4)	74
Joey Logano	(#22)	39
Dale Earnhardt Jr	(#88)	38

**INGERSOLL RAND POWER MOVE**

Kurt Busch	(#41)	42
Jeff Gordon	(#24)	29
Ryan Newman	(#31)	23

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER**

Hendrick	(#4)	351
Roush/Yates	(#22)	278
Hendrick	(#88)	214

**MOBIL 1 DRIVER OF THE RACE**

Kevin Harvick	(#4)	10
Kyle Busch	(#18)	5
Matt Kenseth	(#20)	3

**MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE**

Greg Ives	(#88)	3
Justin Alexander	(#27)	3
Rodney Childers	(#4)	2

**SHERWIN-WILLIAMS FASTEST LAP AWARD**

Carl Edwards	(#19)	5
Denny Hamlin	(#11)	4
Kyle Busch	(#18)	4

**COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD**

Joey Logano		4
Matt Kenseth		3
Kurt Busch		3
Jeff Gordon		3
Denny Hamlin		2
Carl Edwards		2
AJ Allmendinger		2
Brad Keselowski		1
Kasey Kahne		1
Kyle Busch		1

**SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**

Brett Moffitt		182
Jeb Burton		174
Matt DiBenedetto		164
Alex Kennedy		96

**NEXT EVENT:** September 12, 2015 - 58th Annual Federated Auto Parts 400, Richmond International Raceway, Richmond, VA (300 Miles) (400 Laps)

**NOTE:** The above figures are based upon team winnings and include racing purse and cash contingency awards by participating manufacturers. (9/7/2015)

## NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES DRIVER LEADERS

Race #25: 66TH ANNUAL BOJANGLES' SOUTHERN "500" Race Date: 09/06/2015

POS	DRIVER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Money Won
1	KEVIN HARVICK	948	25	2	18	22	\$6,844,086
2	JOEY LOGANO	906	25	3	15	19	6,096,730
3	DALE EARNHARDT JR.	855	25	2	11	16	4,598,660
4	BRAD KESELOWSKI	837	25	1	6	17	4,564,645
5	JIMMIE JOHNSON	817	25	4	11	16	5,328,826
6	MARTIN TRUEX JR.	806	25	1	7	17	3,986,606
7	MATT KENSETH	776	25	3	9	15	4,493,605
8	DENNY HAMLIN	754	25	1	9	12	4,884,657
9	KURT BUSCH	752	22	2	8	14	3,308,771
10	JAMIE MCMURRAY	726	25	0	2	7	3,714,280
11	RYAN NEWMAN	714	25	0	4	12	3,852,988
12	CARL EDWARDS	713	25	2	3	9	3,282,078
13	JEFF GORDON	700	25	0	3	12	4,298,465
14	PAUL MENARD	692	25	0	2	4	3,037,825
15	CLINT BOWYER	682	25	0	2	10	3,929,800
16	ARIC ALMIROLA	653	25	0	1	1	3,692,910
17	KASEY KAHNE	651	25	0	2	6	3,249,294
18	GREG BIFFLE	598	25	0	2	3	3,806,269
19	KYLE LARSON	586	24	0	1	7	3,340,912
20	AUSTIN DILLON	586	25	0	1	4	3,616,378
21	A J ALLMENDINGER	536	25	0	0	3	3,409,302
22	CASEY MEARS	531	25	0	0	1	3,259,348
23	DANICA PATRICK	527	25	0	0	2	2,907,039
24	TONY STEWART	496	25	0	0	2	3,285,685
25	DAVID RAGAN	495	25	0	1	1	3,326,616
26	SAM HORNISH JR.	492	25	0	0	3	3,240,768
27	KYLE BUSCH	471	14	4	5	8	2,857,344
28	TREVOR BAYNE	452	25	0	0	2	3,547,280
29	RICKY STENHOUSE JR.	440	25	0	1	1	2,757,129
30	JUSTIN ALLGAIER	420	25	0	0	1	2,870,644
31	COLE WHITT	388	25	0	0	0	2,707,147
32	DAVID GILLILAND	380	25	0	0	0	2,872,180
33	ALEX BOWMAN	324	24	0	0	0	2,296,211
34	BRETT MOFFITT	311	21	0	0	1	2,089,668
35	MATT DIBENEDETTO	282	22	0	0	0	2,041,647
36	MICHAEL ANNETT	276	25	0	0	0	2,342,499
37	JOSH WISE	202	19	0	0	1	1,635,595
38	MICHAEL MCDOWELL	161	11	0	0	0	1,291,780
39	JEB BURTON	149	19	0	0	0	1,498,266
40	ALEX KENNEDY	93	10	0	0	0	827,065
41	REED SORENSON	41	4	0	0	0	541,758
42	BOBBY LABONTE	39	3	0	0	0	486,278
43	BRIAN VICKERS	32	2	0	0	0	220,743
44	MICHAEL WALTRIP	26	2	0	0	0	464,816
45	MIKE WALLACE	8	1	0	0	0	313,883
46	EDDIE MACDONALD	7	1	0	0	0	78,542
47	T J BELL JR.	7	1	0	0	0	83,138
48	WILL KIMMEL III	6	1	0	0	0	73,752
49	RON HORNADAY JR.	2	1	0	0	0	95,715
50	RYAN BLANEY(i)	0	11	0	1	1	1,275,133
51	LANDON CASSILL(i)	0	25	0	0	0	2,382,494
52	BRIAN SCOTT(i)	0	6	0	0	0	622,987
53	TY DILLON(i)	0	4	0	0	0	615,664
54	J J YELEY(i)	0	24	0	0	0	2,247,083
55	REGAN SMITH(i)	0	4	0	0	0	697,536
56	CHASE ELLIOTT(i)	0	5	0	0	0	506,667
57	MATT CRAFTON(i)	0	1	0	0	0	382,849
58	JOHNNY SAUTER(i)	0	1	0	0	0	333,128
59	CHRIS BUESCHER(i)	0	6	0	0	0	536,764
60	BORIS SAID(i)	0	2	0	0	0	171,408
61	BRENDAN GAUGHAN(i)	0	8	0	0	0	665,928
62	JUSTIN MARKS(i)	0	1	0	0	0	112,760
63	MIKE BLISS(i)	0	10	0	0	0	840,685
64	TRAVIS KVAPIL(i)	0	3	0	0	0	215,095
65	JOE NEMECHKI(i)	0	1	0	0	0	93,860
66	TIMMY HILL(i)	0	6	0	0	0	483,669
67	JOEY GASE(i)	0	2	0	0	0	123,942
68	DEREK WHITE(i)	0	1	0	0	0	69,655
69	JEFF GREEN(i)	0	1	0	0	0	82,370
70	ERIK JONES(i)	0	1	0	0	0	110,321
71	TANNER BERRYHILL	0	0	0	0	0	20,105

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POS	Car #	OWNER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Attempts
1	4	TONY STEWART	948	25	2	18	22	25
2	22	WALTER CZARNECKI	906	25	3	15	19	25
3	88	RICK HENDRICK	855	25	2	11	16	25
4	2	ROGER PENSKE	837	25	1	6	17	25
5	41	GENE HAAS	835	25	2	8	14	25
6	48	JEFF GORDON	817	25	4	11	16	25
7	78	BARNEY VISSER	806	25	1	7	17	25
8	20	JOE GIBBS	776	25	3	9	15	25
9	11	J D GIBBS	754	25	1	9	12	25
10	1	FELIX SABATES	726	25	0	2	7	25
11	31	RICHARD CHILDRESS	714	25	0	4	12	25
12	19	J D GIBBS	713	25	2	3	9	25
13	24	RICK HENDRICK	700	25	0	3	12	25
14	18	JOE GIBBS	699	25	4	6	9	25
15	27	RICHARD CHILDRESS	692	25	0	2	4	25
16	15	ROB KAUFFMAN	682	25	0	2	10	25
17	43	RICHARD PETTY	653	25	0	1	1	25
18	5	LINDA HENDRICK	651	25	0	2	6	25
19	42	CHIP GANASSI	614	25	0	1	7	25
20	16	JACK ROUSH	598	25	0	2	3	25
21	3	RICHARD CHILDRESS	586	25	0	1	4	25
22	47	TAD GESCHICKTER	536	25	0	0	3	25
23	13	BOB GERMAIN	531	25	0	0	1	25
24	10	TONY STEWART	527	25	0	0	2	25
25	14	MARGARET HAAS	496	25	0	0	2	25
26	9	RICHARD PETTY	492	25	0	0	3	25
27	55	MICHAEL WALTRIP	461	25	0	0	1	25
28	6	JOHN HENRY	452	25	0	0	2	25
29	17	JOHN HENRY	440	25	0	1	1	25
30	51	HARRY SCOTT JR.	420	25	0	0	1	25
31	35	BOB JENKINS	388	25	0	0	0	25
32	38	BRAD JENKINS	380	25	0	0	0	25
33	40	MICHAEL HILLMAN	348	25	0	0	0	25
34	34	JERRY FREEZE	346	25	0	0	0	25
35	7	TOMMY BALDWIN	324	24	0	0	0	25
36	83	RON DEVINE	307	23	0	0	0	25
37	33	JOE FALK	281	25	0	0	0	25
38	46	HARRY SCOTT JR.	261	24	0	0	0	25
39	23	RON DEVINE	235	25	0	0	0	25
40	98	MIKE CURB	209	24	0	0	1	25
41	21	GLEN WOOD	203	11	0	1	1	13
42	32	ARCHIE ST HILAIRE	200	21	0	0	0	25
43	95	BOB LEAVINE	161	11	0	0	0	14
44	26	ANTHONY MARLOWE	140	18	0	0	0	25
45	25	RICK HENDRICK	89	5	0	0	0	5
46	62	JAY ROBINSON	83	10	0	0	0	25
47	44	JOHN COHEN	12	1	0	0	0	4
48	66	JAY ROBINSON	8	1	0	0	0	4
49	30	CURTIS KEY SR.	6	2	0	0	0	10
50	139	GORDON SMITH	0	0	0	0	0	2
51	129	ROBBY BENTON	0	0	0	0	0	4