

MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES OFFICIAL RACE REPORT No. 10



48TH ANNUAL GEICO 500
TALLADEGA SUPERSPEEDWAY
Talladega, AL - May 7, 2017
2.66-Mile Paved Tri-Oval
191 Laps - 508.1 Miles



TIME OF RACE: 3 hours, 29 minutes, 16 seconds

AVERAGE SPEED: 145.669 mph

MARGIN OF VICTORY: 0.095 second(s)

Fin Pos	Str Pos	Car No	Driver	Team	Laps	Stage 1 Pos	Stage 2 Pos	Pts	Status	Lead Tms	Laps	Playoff Pts
1	1	17	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	Fifth Third Bank Ford	191	2		49	Running	2	14	5
2	23	1	Jamie McMurray	McDonald's \$1 Any Size Soft Drink Chevrolet	191		10	36	Running			
3	10	18	Kyle Busch	Skittles Red White & Blue Toyota	191	3		42	Running	3	48	
4	22	43	Aric Almirola	Fresh From Florida Ford	191			33	Running			
5	19	5	Kasey Kahne	UniFirst Chevrolet	191		8	35	Running			
6	15	41	Kurt Busch	Haas Automation/Monster Energy Ford	191		7	35	Running			
7	3	2	Brad Keselowski	Fitzgerald Glider Kits Ford	191	1		40	Running	3	31	1
8	30	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's Chevrolet	191		5	35	Running	1	3	
9	9	27	Paul Menard	Valvoline/Menards Chevrolet	191	7		32	Running	1	1	
10	29	38	David Ragan	Camping World/Good Sam Ford	191			27	Running			
11	11	11	Denny Hamlin	FedEx Express Toyota	191		1	36	Running	4	43	1
12	21	42	Kyle Larson	Share an Ice Cold Coke Chevrolet	191		6	30	Running			
13	28	13	Ty Dillon #	GEICO Chevrolet	191			24	Running	1	3	
14	17	14	Clint Bowyer	Haas Automation Demo Days Ford	191			23	Running	3	10	
15	34	37	Chris Buescher	Velveeta Chevrolet	191			22	Running			
16	38	72	Cole Whitt	RTIC Coolers Chevrolet	191			21	Running			
17	35	7	Elliott Sadler (i)	Golden Corral Chevrolet	191			0	Running	1	2	
18	26	32	Matt DiBenedetto	EJ Wade Foundation Ford	191			19	Running			
19	7	19	Daniel Suarez #	ARRIS Toyota	191			18	Running			
20	37	23	Gray Gaulding #	SunFrog.com Toyota	191			17	Running			
21	39	15	Joey Gase (i)	Sparks Energy Chevrolet	191			0	Running			
22	2	88	Dale Earnhardt Jr	Nationwide Chevrolet	191			15	Running			
23	6	4	Kevin Harvick	Jimmy John's Ford	191		2	23	Running	3	15	
24	4	20	Matt Kenseth	Circle K Toyota	190			13	Running	1	4	
25	30	31	Ryan Newman	Caterpillar Chevrolet	185			12	Accident	2	2	
26	32	75	Brendan Gaughan (i)	Beard Oil Distributing Chevrolet	183			0	Running			
27	36	83	Corey Lajoie #	Dustless Blasting Toyota	183			10	Running			
28	40	33	Jeffrey Earnhardt	Chevrolet	174			9	Engine			
29	25	34	Landon Cassill	Love's Travel Stops Ford	173			8	Transmission			
30	8	24	Chase Elliott	Hooters Chevrolet	168			7	Accident			
31	27	47	AJ Allmendinger	Kroger ClickList Chevrolet	168			6	Accident			
32	12	22	Joey Logano	Shell Pennzoil Ford	168	6		10	Accident	1	10	
33	14	77	Erik Jones #	ToyotaCare Toyota	168	10	9	7	Accident			
34	24	95	Michael McDowell	Winn-Dixie Chevrolet	168			3	Accident			
35	13	78	Martin Truex Jr	Bass Pro Shops/Tracker Boats Toyota	168	4	4	16	Accident			
36	18	3	Austin Dillon	Dow Intellifresh Chevrolet	168			1	Accident			
37	5	6	Trevor Bayne	AdvoCare Ford	168	5		7	Accident	1	5	
38	31	10	Danica Patrick	Aspen Dental Ford	168	8		4	Accident			
39	16	21	Ryan Blaney	Motorcraft/Quick Lane Tire & Auto Center Ford	160	9	3	11	Accident			
40	33	55	Reed Sorenson	Xchange of America Toyota	72			1	Accident			

Sunoco Rookie of the Year Contender.
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Stage 1 Top 10: 2, 17, 18, 78, 6, 22, 27, 10, 21, 77
Stage 2 Top 10: 11, 4, 21, 78, 48, 42, 41, 5, 77, 1

Race Comments: Ricky Stenhouse Jr. won the 48th Annual GEICO 500, his first victory in 158 NASCAR Monster Energy Cup Series races. Prior to the start of the race, the following car dropped to the rear of the field for the reasons indicated: No. 75 (unapproved tire change).

Failed to Qualify: (1) #96 D.J. Kennington

Caution Flags: 8 cautions for 33 laps. [Beneficiary in Brackets] 18-21 (Car #42 Incident In Turn 1 [33]); 57-62 (Stage 1 Conclusion [33]); 83-87 (Car #55 Incident On Frontstretch [20]); 112-116 (Stage 2 Conclusion [95]); 162-165 (Car #17, #21 Incident On Backstretch [23]); 170-173 (Car #2, #3, #4, #6, #10, #13, #20, #22, #23, #24, #38, #41, #47, #72, #77, #78, #83 And #95 Incident On The Backstretch [Red Flag: 26:51] [42]); 180-181 (Car #34 Stopped On Track [88]); 187-189 (Car #14, #31 And #37 Incident On Backstretch [4]).

Lead Changes: 26 lead changes among 14 drivers. Stenhouse Jr 1-13, Keselowski 14-17, Newman 18, Bowyer 19-23, Harvick 24, Bowyer 25-27, Ky. Busch 28-33, Keselowski 34-57, Dillon 58-60, Hamlin 61-80, Ky. Busch 81-83, Bayne 84-88, Newman 89, Bowyer 90-91, Hamlin 92-112, Menard 113, Kenseth 114-117, Hamlin 118, Keselowski 119-121, Hamlin 122, Harvick 123-127, Johnson 128-130, Harvick 131-139, Logano 140-149, Sadler 150-151, Ky. Busch 152-190, Stenhouse Jr 191.

COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD: Ricky Stenhouse Jr (191.547 mph. 49.993 secs.)
AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD: Kyle Larson
INGERSOLL RAND POWER MOVE: Kurt Busch (15 positions)
MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER OF THE RACE: Roush-Yates Engines (#17)
MOBIL 1 DRIVER OF THE RACE: Ricky Stenhouse Jr

MOOG GO THE EXTRA MILE AWARD: Brad Keselowski (crew chief Brian Wilson, 0.221 seconds)
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS FASTEST LAP AWARD: Ricky Stenhouse Jr (lap 107, 200.507 mph)
SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE RACE: Ty Dillon

MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPIONSHIP			MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER			COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD		
	Pts	Wins						
Ford	365	(5)	Roush/Yates	(#2)	112	Kyle Larson		1
Chevrolet	364	(4)	Hendrick	(#42)	110	Brad Keselowski		1
Toyota	335	(1)	Hendrick	(#22)	101	Chase Elliott		1
AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD			MOBIL 1 DRIVER OF THE RACE			SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR		
Kyle Larson	(#42)	4	Kyle Larson	(#42)	5	Joey Logano		1
Martin Truex Jr	(#78)	2	Clint Bowyer	(#14)	1	Ricky Stenhouse Jr		1
Kevin Harvick	(#4)	2	Kyle Busch	(#18)	1	Matt Kenseth		1
INGERSOLL RAND POWER MOVE			MOOG GO THE EXTRA MILE AWARD			SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR		
Daniel Suarez	(#19)	32	Brian Wilson	(#2)	2	Daniel Suarez		106
Kurt Busch	(#41)	15	Chad Johnston	(#42)	1	Ty Dillon		99
AJ Allmendinger	(#47)	14	Todd Gordon	(#22)	1	Erik Jones		97
Kasey Kahne	(#5)	13	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS FASTEST LAP AWARD			Corey Lajoie		82
Ryan Newman	(#31)	8	Kyle Larson	(#42)	6	Gray Gaulding		70
Chase Elliott	(#24)	5	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	(#17)	2			
Clint Bowyer	(#14)	4	Matt Kenseth	(#20)	1			

NEXT EVENT: May 13, 2017 - 7th Annual Go Bowling 400, Kansas Speedway, Kansas City, KS (400.5 Miles) (267 Laps)

MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES DRIVER LEADERS

Race #10: 48TH ANNUAL GEICO "500" Race Date: 05/07/2017

Rank	DRIVER	Points	Behind Leader	Race Wins	Stage Wins	Playoff Points
1	KYLE LARSON	428	0	1	2	7
2	MARTIN TRUEX JR.	374	54	1	5	10
3	BRAD KESELOWSKI	367	61	2	2	11
4	CHASE ELLIOTT	353	75	0	2	2
5	JAMIE MCMURRAY	318	110	0	0	0
6	JOEY LOGANO	318	110	1	1	1
7	KEVIN HARVICK	309	119	0	3	3
8	JIMMIE JOHNSON	305	123	2	0	10
9	CLINT BOWYER	289	139	0	0	0
10	KYLE BUSCH	277	151	0	1	1
11	DENNY HAMLIN	267	161	0	1	0
12	RICKY STENHOUSE JR.	250	178	1	0	0
13	RYAN BLANEY	240	188	0	2	2
14	RYAN NEWMAN	237	191	1	0	5
15	KURT BUSCH	227	201	1	0	5
16	TREVOR BAYNE	223	205	0	0	0
17	ARIC ALMIROLA	222	206	0	0	0
18	KASEY KAHNE	214	214	0	0	0
19	MATT KENSETH	205	223	0	1	1
20	ERIK JONES	200	228	0	0	0
21	DANIEL SUAREZ	187	241	0	0	0
22	TY DILLON	181	247	0	0	0
23	AUSTIN DILLON	172	256	0	0	0
24	PAUL MENARD	171	257	0	0	0
25	DALE EARNHARDT JR.	156	272	0	0	0
26	CHRIS BUESCHER	136	292	0	0	0
27	COLE WHITT	125	303	0	0	0
28	DAVID RAGAN	124	304	0	0	0
29	A J ALLMENDINGER	123	305	0	0	0
30	MATT DIBENEDETTO	118	310	0	0	0
31	DANICA PATRICK	114	314	0	0	0
32	MICHAEL MCDOWELL	113	315	0	0	0
33	LANDON CASSILL	112	316	0	0	0
34	COREY LAJOIE	67	361	0	0	0
35	GRAY GAULDING	48	380	0	0	0
36	JEFFREY EARNHARDT	45	383	0	0	0
37	REED SORENSON	44	384	0	0	0
38	MICHAEL WALTRIP	29	399	0	0	0
39	DERRIKE COPE	15	413	0	0	0
40	D J KENNINGTON	1	427	0	0	0
41	CODY WARE	1	427	0	0	0
42	BRENDAN GAUGHAN(i)	0	428	0	0	0
43	ELLIOTT SADLER(i)	0	428	0	0	0
44	JOEY GASE(i)	0	428	0	0	0
45	JJ YELEY(i)	0	428	0	0	0
46	TIMMY HILL(i)	0	428	0	0	0

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MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES OWNER LEADERS

Race #10: 48TH ANNUAL GEICO "500" Race Date: 05/07/2017

Rank	Car #	OWNER	Points	Behind Leader	Race Wins	Stage Wins	Playoff Points	Qualifying Attempts
1	42	Chip Ganassi Racing	428	0	1	2	7	10
2	78	Furniture Row Racing	374	54	1	5	10	10
3	2	Team Penske	367	61	2	2	11	10
4	24	Hendrick Motorsports	353	75	0	2	2	10
5	1	Chip Ganassi Racing	318	110	0	0	0	10
6	22	Team Penske	318	110	1	1	1	10
7	4	Stewart-Haas Racing	309	119	0	3	3	10
8	48	Hendrick Motorsports	305	123	2	0	10	10
9	14	Stewart-Haas Racing	289	139	0	0	0	10
10	18	Joe Gibbs Racing	277	151	0	1	1	10
11	11	Joe Gibbs Racing	267	161	0	1	0	10
12	17	Roush Fenway Racing	250	178	1	0	0	10
13	21	Wood Brothers Racing	240	188	0	2	2	10
14	31	Richard Childress Racing	237	191	1	0	5	10
15	41	Stewart-Haas Racing	227	201	1	0	5	10
16	6	Roush Fenway Racing	223	205	0	0	0	10
17	43	Richard Petty Motorsports	222	206	0	0	0	10
18	5	Hendrick Motorsports	214	214	0	0	0	10
19	20	Joe Gibbs Racing	205	223	0	1	1	10
20	77	Furniture Row Racing	200	228	0	0	0	10
21	19	Joe Gibbs Racing	187	241	0	0	0	10
22	13	Germain Racing	181	247	0	0	0	10
23	3	Richard Childress Racing	172	256	0	0	0	10
24	27	Richard Childress Racing	171	257	0	0	0	10
25	88	Hendrick Motorsports	156	272	0	0	0	10
26	37	JTG Daugherty Racing	136	292	0	0	0	10
27	72	TriStar Motorsports	125	303	0	0	0	10
28	38	Front Row Motorsports	124	304	0	0	0	10
29	47	JTG Daugherty Racing	123	305	0	0	0	10
30	32	GO FAS Racing	118	310	0	0	0	10
31	10	Stewart-Haas Racing	114	314	0	0	0	10
32	95	Leavine Family Racing	113	315	0	0	0	10
33	34	Front Row Motorsports	112	316	0	0	0	10
34	15	Premium Motorsports	88	340	0	0	0	10
35	83	BK Racing	67	361	0	0	0	10
36	23	BK Racing	62	366	0	0	0	10
37	7	Tommy Baldwin Racing	47	381	0	0	0	3
38	33	Circle Sport / TMG	45	383	0	0	0	10
39	175	Beard Motorsports	37	391	0	0	0	2
40	51	Rick Ware Racing	18	410	0	0	0	9
41	55	Premium Motorsports	16	412	0	0	0	8
42	96	Gaunt Brothers Racing	1	427	0	0	0	2