

Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Race Number 31

Unofficial Race Results for the 49th Annual Alabama 500 - Sunday, October 15, 2017

Talladega Superspeedway - Talladega, AL - 2.66 Mile Paved

Total Race Length - 188 Laps - 500.08 Miles



Fin	Str	Car	Driver	Team	Stage 1		Stage 2		Pts	Status	Tms	Playoff	
					Laps	Pos	Pos	Laps				Pts	
1	6	2	Brad Keselowski (P)	Miller Lite Ford	188	1	2	59	Running	3	7	6	
2	27	31	Ryan Newman	Caterpillar Chevrolet	188			35	Running	2	3		
3	10	6	Trevor Bayne	Liberty National Ford	188	9		36	Running				
4	3	22	Joey Logano	Shell Pennzoil Ford	188	2		42	Running	3	59		
5	26	43	Aric Almirola	Smithfield Ford	188			32	Running				
6	15	11	Denny Hamlin (P)	FedEx Ground Toyota	188		10	32	Running	2	4		
7	1	88	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	Mountain Dew Chevrolet	188			30	Running	1	7		
8	11	5	Kasey Kahne	Farmers Insurance Chevrolet	188	10		30	Running	2	5		
9	39	83	* Gray Gaulding #	Dustless Blasting Toyota	188			28	Running				
10	33	38	David Ragan	Juice Batteries Ford	188			27	Running				
11	25	13	Ty Dillon #	GEICO Chevrolet	188			26	Running				
12	20	27	Paul Menard	Knauf/Menards Chevrolet	188			25	Running				
13	12	42	Kyle Larson (P)	First Data Chevrolet	187			24	Running				
14	19	20	Matt Kenseth (P)	DEWALT FLEXVOLT Toyota	187			23	Running	3	7		
15	14	19	Daniel Suarez #	Camping World Toyota	184			22	Accident	2	11		
16	2	24	Chase Elliott (P)	NAPA Chevrolet	182		4	28	Accident	3	26		
17	28	37	Chris Buescher	Bush's Chili Beans Chevrolet	182			20	Accident				
18	9	21	Ryan Blaney (P)	Quick Lane Tire & Auto Center Ford	177	3	1	37	Accident	2	27	1	
19	35	75	* Brendan Gaughan(i)	Beard Oil Distributing Chevrolet	177			0	Accident	2	6		
20	22	4	Kevin Harvick (P)	Busch Light Outdoors Ford	176		8	20	Accident				
21	13	10	Danica Patrick	Aspen Dental Ford	175			16	Accident				
22	24	47	AJ Allmendinger	Kroger ClickList Chevrolet	172			15	Accident	1	1		
23	21	78	Martin Truex Jr. (P)	Bass Pro Shops/Tracker Boats Toyota	171			14	Accident				
24	8	48	Jimmie Johnson (P)	Lowe's Chevrolet	171	5	7	23	Parked				
25	4	41	Kurt Busch	Monster Energy/Haas Automation Ford	171	8	5	21	Accident	1	3		
26	5	17	Ricky Stenhouse Jr. (P)	SunnyD Ford	171	4		18	Accident	1	6		
27	16	18	Kyle Busch (P)	M&M's Caramel Toyota	171		9	12	Accident	1	4		
28	30	34	Landon Cassill	Love's Travel Stops/CSX Play It Safe Ford	171			9	Accident				
29	18	3	Austin Dillon	American Ethanol Chevrolet	171		6	13	Accident				
30	29	95	Michael McDowell	K-Love Radio Chevrolet	171	7		11	Accident				
31	32	32	Matt DiBenedetto	Can-Am/Kappa Ford	171			6	Parked	1	12		
32	37	23	Joey Gase(i)	Dr Pepper Toyota	164			0	Accident				
33	40	55	* DJ Kennington	Dirt and Rock Toyota	164			4	Accident				
34	38	72	Cole Whitt	RTIC Chevrolet	155			3	Accident				
35	7	14	Clint Bowyer	Haas Automation Ford	155	6	3	15	Accident				
36	23	77	Erik Jones #	5-hour ENERGY Extra Strength Toyota	26			1	Accident				
37	17	1	Jamie McMurray (P)	Cessna Chevrolet	25			1	Accident				
38	34	33	Jeffrey Earnhardt	Hulu Chevrolet	25			1	Accident				
39	36	15	Mark Thompson(i)	Phoenix Air Chevrolet	25			0	Accident				
40	31	7	* Justin Marks(i)	Golden Corral/Katerra Chevrolet	16			0	Accident				

**Time of Race:** 03 Hrs, 47 Mins, 52 Secs.

**Average Speed:** 131.677 MPH

**Margin of Victory:** 0.210 Seconds

**Stage 1 Top 10:** 2,22,21,17,48,14,95,41,6,5

**Stage 2 Top 10:** 21,2,14,24,41,3,48,4,18,11

**Race Comments:** Brad Keselowski (P) won the 49th Annual Alabama 500, his 24th victory in 300 Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series races. Prior to the start of the race, the following cars dropped to the rear of the field for the reason indicated: No. 4, 41, 15 and 55 (unapproved adjustments).

**Failed to Qualify:** N/A

**Caution Flags:** 11 for 47 laps: Laps: 27-36 (1, 15, 18, 33 and 77 Incident on Frontstretch [None]); 52-54 (27 Incident in Turn 3 [None]); 57-61 (Stage 1 Conclusion [None]); 82-87 (Debris on the Backstretch [83]); 112-115 (Stage 2 Conclusion [55]); 153-155 (6, 19, 41 and 88 Incident in Turn 3 [None]); 157-159 (14, 43, 47, 72, 83 and 95 Incident in Turn 1 [None]); 166-170 (23, 55 and 83 Incident in Turn 2 [83]); 173-176 (3, 4, 10, 13, 17, 18, 20, 32, 34, 38, 41, 48, 75, 78, 88 and 95 Incident in Turn 3 [Red Flag: Lap 173, 12:31] [5]); 179-180 (4, 6, 21, 22 and 75 Incident in Turn 3 [Red Flag: Lap 179, 5:45] [None]); 184-185 (5, 19, 24, 37, 42 and 88 Incident in Turn 3. [Red Flag: Lap 184, 17:14] [20]).

**Lead Changes:** 30 among 16 drivers: D. Earnhardt Jr. 0; J. Logano 1-13; D. Earnhardt Jr. 14-20; C. Elliott (P) 21-25; M. Kenseth (P) 26-29; A. Allmendinger 30; J. Logano 31-54; B. Keselowski (P) 55-57; K. Kahne 58-61; M. Kenseth (P) 62-63; D. Hamlin (P) 64-66; M. Kenseth (P) 67; K. Kahne 68; B. Gaughan(i) 69-70; M. DiBenedetto 71-82; R. Stenhouse Jr. (P) 83-88; K. Busch 89-91; R. Blaney (P) 92-111; R. Newman 112; B. Gaughan(i) 113-116; D. Hamlin (P) 117; R. Blaney (P) 118-124; C. Elliott (P) 125-144; K. Busch (P) 145-148; J. Logano 149-170; D. Suarez # 171-176; C. Elliott (P) 177; D. Suarez # 178-182; B. Keselowski (P) 183-185; R. Newman 186-187; B. Keselowski (P) 188;

**American Ethanol Green Flag Restart Award:** Gray Gaulding, #83

**Coors Light Pole Award:** Dale Earnhardt Jr., #88 190.544 mph

**Ingersoll Rand Power Move:** Ryan Newman, #31 26 positions

**Mahle Clevite Engine Builder of the Race:** Roush-Yates Engines, #22

**Mobil 1 Driver of the Race:** Aric Almirola, #43

**Moog Go the Extra Mile:** Kasey Kahne, #5 crew chief Darian Grubb, 0.110 seconds

**Sherwin-Williams Fastest Lap:** Cole Whitt, #72

**Sunoco Rookie of the Race:** Gray Gaulding, #83

(i) Ineligible for driver points in this series

**Next Race:** Oct. 22, 2017 - Kansas Speedway

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