

MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES OFFICIAL RACE REPORT No. 15



50TH ANNUAL FIREKEEPERS CASINO 400
 MICHIGAN INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY
 Brooklyn, MI - June 10, 2018
 2-Mile Paved Tri-Oval
 133 Laps - 266.0 Miles



TIME OF RACE: 2 hours, 0 minutes, 15 seconds

AVERAGE SPEED: 132.723 mph

MARGIN OF VICTORY: Under Caution

Fin Pos	Str Pos	Car No	Driver	Team	Laps	Stg 1 Pos	Stg 2 Pos	Pts	Status	Lead Tms	Playoff Laps	Playoff Pts
1	12	14	Clint Bowyer	Haas 30 Years of the VF1 Ford	133	3	2	57	Running	1	8	5
2	4	4	Kevin Harvick	Jimmy John's Ford	133	4	1	52	Running	3	49	1
3	1	41	Kurt Busch	Monster Energy/Haas Automation Ford	133	7	3	46	Running	1	46	
4	3	18	Kyle Busch	M&M's Red White & Blue Toyota	133		4	40	Running			
5	15	21	Paul Menard	Menards/Jack Links Ford	133		5	38	Running	1	3	
6	2	2	Brad Keselowski	Miller Lite Ford	133	6	7	40	Running			
7	5	22	Joey Logano	Shell Pennzoil Ford	133	9		32	Running			
8	9	12	Ryan Blaney	DEX Imaging Ford	133	1	6	44	Running	1	15	1
9	13	9	Chase Elliott	Mountain Dew/Little Caesars Chevrolet	133			28	Running			
10	24	1	Jamie McMurray	McDonald's Chevrolet	133		8	30	Running			
11	6	10	Aric Almirola	Mobil 1 Ford	133	10		27	Running			
12	10	11	Denny Hamlin	FedEx Freight Toyota	133	5		31	Running			
13	14	24	William Byron #	Liberty University Chevrolet	133	8	10	28	Running			
14	16	3	Austin Dillon	Dow Salutes Veterans Chevrolet	133			23	Running			
15	8	20	Erik Jones	DeWalt Toyota	133		9	24	Running			
16	21	88	Alex Bowman	Nationwide Chevrolet	133			21	Running			
17	25	47	AJ Allmendinger	Kroger ClickList Chevrolet	133			20	Running			
18	17	78	Martin Truex Jr	Auto-Owners Insurance Toyota	133			19	Running			
19	28	43	Bubba Wallace #	Meijer Chevrolet	133			18	Running			
20	20	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's for Pros Chevrolet	133			17	Running			
21	31	13	Ty Dillon	Twisted Tea Chevrolet	133			16	Running			
22	11	31	Ryan Newman	Okuma Chevrolet	133			15	Running			
23	29	95	Kasey Kahne	Chevy Accessories Chevrolet	133			14	Running	2	11	
24	18	37	Chris Buescher	Scott Comfort Plus Chevrolet	133			13	Running			
25	23	34	Michael McDowell	Dockside Logistics Ford	133			12	Running			
26	33	15	Ross Chastain (i)	FlightPath International Chevrolet	133			0	Running			
27	32	72	Corey Lajoie	Zomongo Chevrolet	133			10	Running			
28	26	42	Kyle Larson	Credit One Bank Chevrolet	133	2		18	Running	1	1	
29	7	17	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	Fastenal Ford	133			8	Running			
30	22	19	Daniel Suarez	ARRIS Toyota	132			7	Running			
31	34	23	Gray Gaulding	Toyota	132			6	Running			
32	36	00	Landon Cassill	Star Com Fiber Chevrolet	132			5	Running			
33	19	6	Matt Kenseth	Wyndham Rewards Ford	132			4	Running			
34	37	7	D.J. Kennington	APC Chevrolet	132			3	Running			
35	38	66	Timmy Hill (i)	MBM Motorsports/CrashClaimsR.us Toyota	132			0	Running			
36	30	32	Matt DiBenedetto	Can-Am/Wholey Ford	131			1	Running			
37	35	51	BJ McLeod (i)	Prefund Capital Chevrolet	131			0	Running			
38	27	38	David Ragan	MDS Transport Ford	35			1	Accident			
39	39	99	Garrett Smithley (i)	Victory Lane Quick Oil Change Chevrolet	1			0	Transmission			

Sunoco Rookie of the Year Contender.
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Stage 1 Top 10: 12, 42, 14, 4, 11, 2, 41, 24, 22, 10
 Stage 2 Top 10: 4, 14, 41, 18, 21, 12, 2, 1, 20, 24

Race Comments: Clint Bowyer won the FireKeepers Casino 400 at Michigan International Speedway, his 10th victory in the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series. Prior to the start of the race, the following car(s) dropped to the rear of the field under penalty for the reasons indicated: Nos. 11, 18, 20 (Inspection Failure).

Failed to Qualify: n/a

Caution Flags: 8 cautions for 30 laps. [Beneficiary in Brackets] 27-29 (Competition Caution [72]); 37-40 (Car #43, 38 Incident Turn 2 [00]); 58-59 (Car #6 Spin Turn 4 [66]); 62-65 (Stage 1 Conclusion [23]); 67-71 (Car #19, 21 Incident Turn 4 [7]); 87-90 (Car #42 Spin Turn 4 [66]); 122-125 (Stage 2 Conclusion [15]); 130-133 (Car #17, 95 Incident Turn 2 [42]).

Lead Changes: 9 lead changes among 7 drivers. Ku. Busch 1-46, Blaney 47-61, Larson 62, Kahne 63-71, Harvick 72-87, Menard 88-90, Harvick 91-122, Kahne 123-124, Harvick 125, Bowyer 126-133.

BUSCH POLE AWARD: Kurt Busch (203.361 mph, 35.405 secs.)
 AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD: Kevin Harvick
 FASTEST LAP AWARD: Kevin Harvick (lap 5, 199.485 mph)
 MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER OF THE RACE: Roush-Yates Engines (#4)

MOBIL 1 PERFORMANCE AWARD: Erik Jones (58 passes)
 MOOG GO THE EXTRA MILE AWARD: Kyle Busch (crew chief Adam Stevens, 0.057 seconds)
 SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE RACE: William Byron

MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPIONSHIP

	Pts	Wins
Ford	545	(8)
Toyota	540	(6)
Chevrolet	479	(1)

AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD

Kevin Harvick	(#4)	5
Kyle Busch	(#18)	4
Martin Truex Jr	(#78)	2

FASTEST LAP AWARD

Kevin Harvick	(#4)	7
Joey Logano	(#22)	2
Martin Truex Jr	(#78)	2

MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER

Roush/Yates	(#4)	210
TRD	(#18)	205
Roush/Yates	(#22)	147

MOBIL 1 PERFORMANCE AWARD

Ricky Stenhouse Jr	(#17)	4
Aric Almirola	(#10)	3
David Ragan	(#38)	2

MOOG GO THE EXTRA MILE AWARD

Adam Stevens	(#18)	3
Mike Bugarewicz	(#14)	3
Michael Wheeler	(#11)	2

BUSCH POLE AWARD

Kyle Busch	3
Martin Truex Jr	3
Kevin Harvick	2
Kurt Busch	2
Ryan Blaney	2
Kyle Larson	1
Alex Bowman	1

SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

WILLIAM BYRON	277
BUBBA WALLACE	247

NEXT EVENT: June 24, 2018 - 30th Annual Toyota/Save Mart 350, Sonoma Raceway, Sonoma, CA (352.285 Miles) (110 Laps)

MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES DRIVER LEADERS

Race #15: 50TH ANNUAL FIREKEEPERS CASINO "400" Race Date: 06/10/2018

Rank	DRIVER	Points	Behind Leader	Race Wins	Stage Wins	Playoff Points
1	KYLE BUSCH	664	0	4	5	25
2	KEVIN HARVICK	589	75	5	8	26
3	JOEY LOGANO	566	98	1	2	7
4	BRAD KESELOWSKI	514	150	0	4	4
5	CLINT BOWYER	510	154	2	0	10
6	MARTIN TRUEX JR.	506	158	2	3	13
7	KURT BUSCH	493	171	0	2	2
8	DENNY HAMLIN	468	196	0	1	1
9	RYAN BLANEY	457	207	0	4	4
10	KYLE LARSON	443	221	0	1	0
11	ARIC ALMIROLA	433	231	0	0	0
12	JIMMIE JOHNSON	377	287	0	0	0
13	CHASE ELLIOTT	362	302	0	0	0
14	ERIK JONES	346	318	0	0	0
15	ALEX BOWMAN	331	333	0	1	0
16	RICKY STENHOUSE JR.	327	337	0	0	0
17	PAUL MENARD	327	337	0	1	1
18	AUSTIN DILLON	292	372	1	0	5
19	JAMIE MCMURRAY	283	381	0	0	0
20	WILLIAM BYRON	277	387	0	0	0
21	DANIEL SUAREZ	265	399	0	1	0
22	RYAN NEWMAN	257	407	0	0	0
23	A J ALLMENDINGER	249	415	0	0	0
24	BUBBA WALLACE	247	417	0	0	0
25	DAVID RAGAN	225	439	0	0	0
26	CHRIS BUESCHER	217	447	0	0	0
27	MICHAEL MCDOWELL	205	459	0	0	0
28	KASEY KAHNE	201	463	0	0	0
29	TY DILLON	194	470	0	0	0
30	MATT DIBENEDETTO	156	508	0	0	0
31	TREVOR BAYNE	145	519	0	0	0
32	GRAY GAULDING	100	564	0	0	0
33	COLE WHITT	85	579	0	0	0
34	LONDON CASSILL	75	589	0	0	0
35	D J KENNINGTON	58	606	0	0	0
36	MATT KENSETH	49	615	0	0	0
37	COREY LAJOIE	49	615	0	0	0
38	JEFFREY EARNHARDT	35	629	0	0	0
39	REED SORENSON	31	633	0	0	0
40	BRENDAN GAUGHAN	24	640	0	0	0
41	HARRISON RHODES	23	641	0	0	0
42	MARK THOMPSON	15	649	0	0	0
43	DERRIKE COPE	4	660	0	0	0
44	DANICA PATRICK	2	662	0	0	0
45	JUSTIN MARKS(i)	0	664	0	0	0
46	DAVID GILLILAND(i)	0	664	0	0	0
47	ROSS CHASTAIN(i)	0	664	0	0	0
48	TIMOTHY PETERS(i)	0	664	0	0	0
49	COLE CUSTER(i)	0	664	0	0	0
50	JOEY GASE(i)	0	664	0	0	0
51	PARKER KLIGERMAN(i)	0	664	0	0	0
52	JJ YELEY(i)	0	664	0	0	0
53	TIMMY HILL(i)	0	664	0	0	0
54	DANIEL HEMRIC(i)	0	664	0	0	0
55	BJ MCLEOD(i)	0	664	0	0	0
56	CHAD FINCHUM(i)	0	664	0	0	0
57	CODY WARE	0	664	0	0	0
58	GARRETT SMITHLEY(i)	0	664	0	0	0

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MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES OWNER LEADERS

Race #15: 50TH ANNUAL FIREKEEPERS CASINO "400" Race Date: 06/10/2018

Rank	Car #	OWNER	Points	Behind Leader	Race Wins	Stage Wins	Playoff Points	Qualifying Attempts
1	18	Joe Gibbs Racing	664	0	4	5	25	15
2	4	Stewart-Haas Racing	589	75	5	8	26	15
3	22	Team Penske	566	98	1	2	7	15
4	2	Team Penske	514	150	0	4	4	15
5	14	Stewart-Haas Racing	510	154	2	0	10	15
6	78	Furniture Row Racing	506	158	2	3	13	15
7	41	Stewart-Haas Racing	493	171	0	2	2	15
8	11	Joe Gibbs Racing	468	196	0	1	1	15
9	12	Team Penske	457	207	0	4	4	15
10	42	Chip Ganassi Racing	443	221	0	1	0	15
11	10	Stewart-Haas Racing	433	231	0	0	0	15
12	48	Hendrick Motorsports	377	287	0	0	0	15
13	9	Hendrick Motorsports	362	302	0	0	0	15
14	20	Joe Gibbs Racing	346	318	0	0	0	15
15	88	Hendrick Motorsports	331	333	0	1	0	15
16	17	Roush Fenway Racing	327	337	0	0	0	15
17	21	Wood Brothers Racing	327	337	0	1	1	15
18	3	Richard Childress Racing	292	372	1	0	5	15
19	1	Chip Ganassi Racing	283	381	0	0	0	15
20	24	Hendrick Motorsports	277	387	0	0	0	15
21	19	Joe Gibbs Racing	265	399	0	1	0	15
22	31	Richard Childress Racing	257	407	0	0	0	15
23	47	JTG Daugherty Racing	249	415	0	0	0	15
24	43	Richard Petty Motorsports	247	417	0	0	0	15
25	38	Front Row Motorsports	225	439	0	0	0	15
26	37	JTG Daugherty Racing	217	447	0	0	0	15
27	34	Front Row Motorsports	205	459	0	0	0	15
28	95	Leavine Family Racing	201	463	0	0	0	15
29	6	Roush Fenway Racing	194	470	0	0	0	15
30	13	Germain Racing	194	470	0	0	0	15
31	32	GO FAS Racing	156	508	0	0	0	15
32	15	Premium Motorsports	137	527	0	0	0	15
33	72	TriStar Motorsports	134	530	0	0	0	15
34	00	StarCom Racing	113	551	0	0	0	15
35	23	BK Racing	100	564	0	0	0	15
36	51	Rick Ware Racing	88	576	0	0	0	15
37	96	Gaunt Brothers Racing	65	599	0	0	0	6
38	107	Premium Motorsports	57	607	0	0	0	12
39	92	RBR Enterprises	37	627	0	0	0	2
40	162	Beard Motorsports	24	640	0	0	0	2
41	66	Motorsports Business Management	16	648	0	0	0	4
42	166	Phoenix Air Racing	15	649	0	0	0	1
43	8	Richard Childress Racing	5	659	0	0	0	1
44	199	StarCom Racing	5	659	0	0	0	3
45	7	NY Racing Team	1	663	0	0	0	1