

MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES OFFICIAL RACE REPORT No. 3

21ST ANNUAL PENNZOIL 400 PRESENTED BY JIFFY LUBE

LAS VEGAS MOTOR SPEEDWAY

Las Vegas, NV - March 4, 2018

1.5-Mile Paved Tri-Oval

267 Laps - 400.5 Miles



TIME OF RACE: 2 hours, 49 minutes, 31 seconds

AVERAGE SPEED: 141.756 mph

MARGIN OF VICTORY: 2.906 second(s)

Fin Pos	Str Pos	Car No	Driver	Team	Laps	Stg 1 Pos	Stg 2 Pos	Pts	Status	Lead Tms	Playoff Laps	Playoff Pts
1	2	4	Kevin Harvick	Jimmy John's Ford	267	1	1	60	Running	5	214	7
2	13	18	Kyle Busch	M&M's Caramel Toyota	267	9	5	43	Running	2	10	
3	5	42	Kyle Larson	Credit One Bank Chevrolet	267	3	3	50	Running			
4	4	78	Martin Truex Jr	Bass Pro Shops/5-hour ENERGY Toyota	267	2	7	46	Running	1	6	
5	1	12	Ryan Blaney	Menards/Pennzoil Ford	267	4	2	48	Running	1	1	
6	8	2	Brad Keselowski	Discount Tire Ford	267	6	6	41	Running			
7	10	22	Joey Logano	Pennzoil Ford	267	5	4	43	Running	2	25	
8	9	20	Erik Jones	Sport Clips Toyota	267			29	Running			
9	12	21	Paul Menard	Motorcraft/Quick Lane Tire & Auto Center Ford	267	10	10	30	Running			
10	29	10	Aric Almirola	Smithfield Ford	266			27	Running			
11	25	31	Ryan Newman	Caterpillar Chevrolet	266			26	Running			
12	14	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's for Pros Chevrolet	266			25	Running			
13	16	3	Austin Dillon	Dow SILASTIC Silicone Elastomers Chevrolet	266			24	Running			
14	7	17	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	Fastenal Ford	265			23	Running			
15	28	37	Chris Buescher	Natural Light Chevrolet	265			22	Running			
16	20	88	Alex Bowman	Nationwide Chevrolet	265			21	Running			
17	19	11	Denny Hamlin	FedEx Office Toyota	265			20	Running			
18	11	14	Clint Bowyer	One Cure Ford	265			19	Running			
19	21	95	Kasey Kahne	WRL General Contractors Chevrolet	264			18	Running			
20	24	6	Trevor Bayne	Ford Ford	264			17	Running			
21	26	43	Darrell Wallace Jr #	The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas Chevrolet	264			16	Running			
22	32	32	Matt DiBenedetto	Can-Am/Wholey Ford	264			15	Running			
23	23	38	David Ragan	Speedco Ford	264			14	Running			
24	31	13	Ty Dillon	GEICO Chevrolet	264			13	Running			
25	30	51	Cole Custer (i)	Haas Automation Ford	264			0	Running			
26	18	19	Daniel Suarez	Coca-Cola Toyota	263			11	Running			
27	17	24	William Byron #	AXALTA Chevrolet	263			10	Running			
28	34	72	Cole Whitt	Chevrolet	262			9	Running			
29	33	15	Ross Chastain (i)	LowT Center Chevrolet	262			0	Running			
30	27	47	AJ Allmendinger	Kroger ClickList Chevrolet	262			7	Running			
31	36	00	Jeffrey Earnhardt	VRX Simulators Chevrolet	255			6	Running			
32	37	55	Joey Gase (i)	Nevada Donor Network Chevrolet	253			0	Running			
33	35	23	Gray Gaulding	Earthwater Toyota	195			4	Engine			
34	6	9	Chase Elliott	NAPA Auto Parts Chevrolet	183	8	9	8	Accident			
35	3	41	Kurt Busch	Haas Ford	183	7	8	9	Accident			
36	22	1	Jamie McMurray	Cessna/DC Solar Chevrolet	176			1	Accident			
37	15	34	Michael McDowell	Love's Travel Stops Ford	100			1	Engine	1	11	

# Sunoco Rookie of the Year Contender.

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Stage 1 Top 10: 4, 78, 42, 12, 22, 2, 41, 9, 18, 21

Stage 2 Top 10: 4, 12, 42, 22, 18, 2, 78, 41, 9, 21

**Race Comments:** Kevin Harvick won the Pennzoil 400 presented by Jiffy Lube at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, his 39th Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series victory. Prior to the start of the race, the following cars dropped to the rear of the field under penalty for reasons indicated: #15, 48 (multiple inspection failures).

**Failed to Qualify:** n/a

**Caution Flags:** 4 cautions for 29 laps. [Beneficiary in Brackets] 82-88 (Stage 1 Conclusion [3]); 162-166 (Stage 2 Conclusion [3]); 177-182 (Car #1 Incident Backstretch [31]); 184-194 (Car #9, 41 Incident Frontstretch [48]).

**Lead Changes:** 11 lead changes among 6 drivers. Blaney 1, Harvick 2-38, McDowell 39-49, Harvick 50-121, Ky. Busch 122-125, Harvick 126-163, Logano 164-176, Truex Jr 177-182, Logano 183-194, Harvick 195-224, Ky. Busch 225-230, Harvick 231-267.

**FASTEST QUALIFIER:** Ryan Blaney (191.489 mph. 28.200 secs.)

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD:** Kevin Harvick

**FASTEST LAP AWARD:** Kevin Harvick (lap 90, 187.448 mph)

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER OF THE RACE:** Roush-Yates Engines (#4)

**MOBIL 1 PERFORMANCE AWARD:** Matt DiBenedetto (95 passes)

**MOOG GO THE EXTRA MILE AWARD:** Kyle Busch (crew chief Adam Stevens, 0.049 seconds)

**SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE RACE:** Darrell Wallace Jr

**MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPIONSHIP**

	Pts	Wins
Ford	113	(2)
Chevrolet	102	(1)
Toyota	102	(0)

**SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**

DARRELL WALLACE JR.	68
WILLIAM BYRON	43

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD**

Kevin Harvick	(#4)	1
Joey Logano	(#22)	1
Brad Keselowski	(#2)	1

**FASTEST LAP AWARD**

Kevin Harvick	(#4)	2
Kyle Larson	(#42)	1

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER**

Roush/Yates	(#4)	46
Roush/Yates	(#22)	34
TRD	(#18)	29

**MOBIL 1 PERFORMANCE AWARD**

Martin Truex Jr	(#78)	1
David Ragan	(#38)	1
Matt DiBenedetto	(#32)	1

**MOOG GO THE EXTRA MILE AWARD**

Adam Stevens	(#18)	1
Michael Wheeler	(#11)	1
Alan Gustafson	(#9)	1

**NEXT EVENT:** March 11, 2018 - 14th Annual TicketGuardian 500, ISM Raceway, Avondale, AZ (500 Miles) (312 Laps)

## MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES DRIVER LEADERS

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Rank	DRIVER	Points	Behind Leader	Race Wins	Stage Wins	Playoff Points
1	KEVIN HARVICK	135	0	2	3	13
2	JOEY LOGANO	132	3	0	0	0
3	RYAN BLANEY	131	4	0	1	1
4	MARTIN TRUEX JR.	115	20	0	0	0
5	KYLE BUSCH	104	31	0	0	0
6	KYLE LARSON	104	31	0	0	0
7	BRAD KESELOWSKI	99	36	0	1	1
8	DENNY HAMLIN	97	38	0	0	0
9	PAUL MENARD	96	39	0	0	0
10	AUSTIN DILLON	94	41	1	0	5
11	CLINT BOWYER	93	42	0	0	0
12	ARIC ALMIROLA	93	42	0	0	0
13	KURT BUSCH	77	58	0	1	1
14	RYAN NEWMAN	75	60	0	0	0
15	DARRELL WALLACE JR.	68	67	0	0	0
16	CHRIS BUESCHER	67	68	0	0	0
17	ALEX BOWMAN	67	68	0	0	0
18	RICKY STENHOUSE JR.	66	69	0	0	0
19	ERIK JONES	64	71	0	0	0
20	MICHAEL MCDOWELL	53	82	0	0	0
21	CHASE ELLIOTT	52	83	0	0	0
22	TREVOR BAYNE	50	85	0	0	0
23	A J ALLMENDINGER	43	92	0	0	0
24	WILLIAM BYRON	43	92	0	0	0
25	JAMIE MCMURRAY	42	93	0	0	0
26	DAVID RAGAN	39	96	0	0	0
27	DANIEL SUAREZ	38	97	0	0	0
28	KASEY KAHNE	37	98	0	0	0
29	JIMMIE JOHNSON	36	99	0	0	0
30	MATT DIBENEDETTO	31	104	0	0	0
31	JEFFREY EARNHARDT	25	110	0	0	0
32	TY DILLON	25	110	0	0	0
33	GRAY GAULDING .	22	113	0	0	0
34	COLE WHITT	18	117	0	0	0
35	MARK THOMPSON	15	120	0	0	0
36	D J KENNINGTON	13	122	0	0	0
37	BRENDAN GAUGHAN	9	126	0	0	0
38	HARRISON RHODES	4	131	0	0	0
39	DANICA PATRICK	2	133	0	0	0
40	COREY LAJOIE	1	134	0	0	0
41	JUSTIN MARKS(i)	0	135	0	0	0
42	DAVID GILLILAND(i)	0	135	0	0	0
43	COLE CUSTER(i)	0	135	0	0	0
44	ROSS CHASTAIN(i)	0	135	0	0	0
45	JOEY GASE(i)	0	135	0	0	0

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## MONSTER ENERGY NASCAR CUP SERIES OWNER LEADERS

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Rank	Car #	OWNER	Points	Behind Leader	Race Wins	Stage Wins	Playoff Points	Qualifying Attempts
1	4	Stewart-Haas Racing	135	0	2	3	13	3
2	22	Team Penske	132	3	0	0	0	3
3	12	Team Penske	131	4	0	1	1	3
4	78	Furniture Row Racing	115	20	0	0	0	3
5	18	Joe Gibbs Racing	104	31	0	0	0	3
6	42	Chip Ganassi Racing	104	31	0	0	0	3
7	2	Team Penske	99	36	0	1	1	3
8	11	Joe Gibbs Racing	97	38	0	0	0	3
9	21	Wood Brothers Racing	96	39	0	0	0	3
10	3	Richard Childress Racing	94	41	1	0	5	3
11	14	Stewart-Haas Racing	93	42	0	0	0	3
12	10	Stewart-Haas Racing	93	42	0	0	0	3
13	41	Stewart-Haas Racing	77	58	0	1	1	3
14	31	Richard Childress Racing	75	60	0	0	0	3
15	43	Richard Petty Motorsports	68	67	0	0	0	3
16	37	JTG Daugherty Racing	67	68	0	0	0	3
17	88	Hendrick Motorsports	67	68	0	0	0	3
18	17	Roush Fenway Racing	66	69	0	0	0	3
19	20	Joe Gibbs Racing	64	71	0	0	0	3
20	34	Front Row Motorsports	53	82	0	0	0	3
21	9	Hendrick Motorsports	52	83	0	0	0	3
22	6	Roush Fenway Racing	50	85	0	0	0	3
23	47	JTG Daugherty Racing	43	92	0	0	0	3
24	24	Hendrick Motorsports	43	92	0	0	0	3
25	1	Chip Ganassi Racing	42	93	0	0	0	3
26	51	Rick Ware Racing	41	94	0	0	0	3
27	38	Front Row Motorsports	39	96	0	0	0	3
28	19	Joe Gibbs Racing	38	97	0	0	0	3
29	95	Leavine Family Racing	37	98	0	0	0	3
30	48	Hendrick Motorsports	36	99	0	0	0	3
31	32	GO FAS Racing	31	104	0	0	0	3
32	00	StarCom Racing	25	110	0	0	0	3
33	13	Germain Racing	25	110	0	0	0	3
34	92	RBR Enterprises	23	112	0	0	0	1
35	23	BK Racing	22	113	0	0	0	3
36	72	TriStar Motorsports	19	116	0	0	0	3
37	15	Premium Motorsports	17	118	0	0	0	3
38	166	Phoenix Air Racing	15	120	0	0	0	1
39	96	Gaunt Brothers Racing	13	122	0	0	0	1
40	162	Beard Motorsports	9	126	0	0	0	1
41	55	Premium Motorsports	5	130	0	0	0	1