

**NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Race Number 5**

**Unofficial Race Results for the 16Th Annual Auto Club 400 - Sunday, March 25, 2012**

**Auto Club Speedway - Fontana, CA - 2 Mile Paved**

**Total Race Length - 129 Laps - 258 Miles - Purse: \$5,847,881**



**Leader**

Fin	Str	Car	Driver	Team	Laps	Pts	Bns	Driver Rating	Winnings	Status	Tms	Laps
1	9	14	Tony Stewart	Office Depot/Mobil 1 Chevrolet	129	47	4	133.5	\$323,450	Running	2	42
2	2	18	Kyle Busch	Interstate Batteries Toyota	129	44	2	137.5	\$259,698	Running	2	80
3	14	88	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	Diet Mountain Dew/National Guard Chevrolet	129	41		104.3	\$170,165	Running		
4	7	29	Kevin Harvick	Jimmy John's Chevrolet	129	40		103.9	\$181,551	Running		
5	12	99	Carl Edwards	Subway Ford	129	39		100.7	\$161,056	Running		
6	4	16	Greg Biffle	3M Ford	129	38		104.9	\$119,590	Running		
7	6	39	Ryan Newman	US ARMY Chevrolet	129	37		104.5	\$146,448	Running		
8	13	56	Martin Truex Jr.	NAPA Auto Parts Toyota	129	36		89.3	\$131,504	Running		
9	23	51	Kurt Busch	Phoenix Construction Services Inc. Chevrolet	129	35		79.9	\$138,898	Running		
10	10	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's/Jimmie Johnson Foundation Chevrolet	129	35	1	112.5	\$142,201	Running	2	2
11	1	11	Denny Hamlin	FedEx Express Toyota	129	34	1	115.1	\$149,771	Running	2	2
12	3	55	Mark Martin	Aaron's Toyota	129	32		90.8	\$96,355	Running		
13	11	15	Clint Bowyer	5-hour Energy Toyota	129	31		85.4	\$122,469	Running		
14	5	5	Kasey Kahne	Quaker State Chevrolet	129	30		89.9	\$102,105	Running		
15	25	22	AJ Allmendinger	Southern California AAA Dodge	129	29		76.5	\$134,330	Running		
16	15	17	Matt Kenseth	Ford EcoBoost Ford	129	28		79.2	\$138,866	Running		
17	24	42	Juan Pablo Montoya	Target Chevrolet	128	27		66.1	\$122,096	Running		
18	17	2	Brad Keselowski	Miller Lite Dodge	128	26		81.7	\$125,250	Running		
19	27	27	Paul Menard	Menards/CertainTeed Chevrolet	128	25		58.1	\$98,705	Running		
20	22	78	Regan Smith	Furniture Row/Farm American Chevrolet	128	24		63.3	\$114,163	Running		
21	29	9	Marcos Ambrose	DeWalt Ford	128	23		67.3	\$118,388	Running		
22	19	31	Jeff Burton	Caterpillar Chevrolet	128	22		72.0	\$127,180	Running		
23	33	13	Casey Mears	GEICO Ford	128	21		65.0	\$102,163	Running		
24	8	20	Joey Logano	Dollar General Toyota	128	20		68.6	\$95,280	Running		
25	28	43	Aric Almirola	Medallion Financial Ford	128	19		56.2	\$124,016	Running		
26	21	24	Jeff Gordon	Drive to End Hunger Chevrolet	128	19	1	94.7	\$130,566	Running	2	3
27	18	10	David Reutimann	Accell Construction Chevrolet	127	17		59.0	\$85,230	Running		
28	26	47	Bobby Labonte	Charter Toyota	127	16		54.9	\$104,188	Running		
29	40	93	Travis Kvapil	Burger King/Dr.Pepper Toyota	127	15		48.0	\$101,777	Running		
30	41	38	David Gilliland	1-800 LoanMart Ford	127	14		41.4	\$85,480	Running		
31	38	34	David Ragan	Front Row Motorsports Ford	127	13		48.0	\$83,280	Running		
32	16	1	Jamie McMurray	Bass Pro Shops/Allstate Chevrolet	126	12		68.2	\$111,613	Running		
33	34	36	Dave Blaney	Tommy Baldwin Racing Chevrolet	126	11		37.7	\$80,355	Running		
34	42	32	Ken Schrader	US Chrome/1 Less Than 2 Ltd. Ford	125	10		32.0	\$88,155	Running		
35	36	49	JJ Yeley	America Israel Racing Chevrolet	125	9		35.5	\$79,930	Running		
36	31	83	Landon Cassill	Burger King/Dr.Pepper Toyota	124	8		46.2	\$106,125	Running		
37	30	26	Josh Wise #	MDS Ford	51	7		32.9	\$79,555	Vibration		
38	32	98	Michael McDowell	Curb Records Ford	40	6		39.1	\$79,307	Vibration		
39	20	30	David Stremme	@TheNascarFans Toyota	36	5		34.1	\$75,855	Rear Gear		
40	39	19	Mike Bliss(i)	TriStar Motorsports Toyota	18	0		33.8	\$75,675	Transmission		
41	35	23	Scott Riggs	North TX Pipe Chevrolet	17	3		30.0	\$75,505	Vibration		
42	43	74	Reed Sorenson(i)	Turn One Racing Chevrolet	6	0		28.9	\$75,415	Vibration		
43	37	33	Brendan Gaughan	South Point Casino Chevrolet	1	1		27.8	\$83,769	Engine		

**Race Comments:** Before an estimated attendance of 90,000, Tony Stewart won the Auto Club 400, his 46th NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory. Prior to the green flag, the following cars dropped to the rear of the field for the reason indicated: #30 (transmission change).

**Failed to Qualify:** (3) 7 Robby Gordon, 87 Joe Nemechek(i), 37 Timmy Hill #.

**Time of Race:** 1 Hrs, 36 Mins, 39 Secs.

**Average Speed:** 160.166 MPH

**Margin of Victory:** Caution

**Caution Flags:** 1 for 5 laps: Laps: 125-129 (Rain{red flag after lap 129} [22]).

**Lead Changes:** 9 among 5 drivers: D. Hamlin 1; Kyle Busch 2-67; D. Hamlin 68; J. Gordon 69; J. Johnson 70; Kyle Busch 71-84; T. Stewart 85-104; J. Johnson 105; J. Gordon 106-107; T. Stewart 108-129.

**Top 12 Driver Points:** (1) G. Biffle 195;(2) K. Harvick 188;(3) D. Earnhardt Jr. 178;(4) T. Stewart 177;(5) M. Truex Jr. 175;(6) M. Kenseth 173;(7) D. Hamlin 171;(8) C. Bowyer 157;(9) J. Johnson 156;(10) R. Newman 155;(11) P. Menard 148;(12) C. Edwards 146.

**3M Lap Leader:** Kyle Busch, #18 80 Laps

**American Ethanol Green Flag Restart Award:** Kyle Busch, #18

**Coors Light Pole Award:** Denny Hamlin, #11 186.403 mph

**DIRECTV Crew Chief of the Race:** Kyle Busch, #18 crew chief Dave Rogers

**Mahle Clevite Engine Builder of the Race:** Toyota Racing Development (TRD), #18

**Mobil 1 Oil Driver of the Race:** Tony Stewart, #14

**Moog Chassis Parts Problem Solver of the Race:** Kurt Busch, #51 cc N Harrison, 0.069 sec **USG Improving the Finish:** Kurt Busch, #51 14 places

(i) Ineligible for driver points in this series

**Next Race:** Apr. 1, 2012 - Martinsville Speedway