

NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Race Number 11
Unofficial Race Results for the 63Rd Annual Bojangles' Southern 500 -
Saturday, May 12, 2012



Darlington Raceway - Darlington, SC - 1.366 Mile Paved
Total Race Length - 368 Laps - 502.688 Miles - Purse: \$5,663,476

Leader

Fin	Str	Car	Driver	Team	Laps	Pts	Bns	Driver Rating	Winnings	Status	Tms	Laps
1	2	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's / Kobalt Tools Chevrolet	368	48	5	141.1	\$319,786	Running	6	134
2	8	11	Denny Hamlin	Sport Clips Toyota	368	43	1	116.4	\$238,656	Running	4	56
3	17	14	Tony Stewart	Office Depot / MOBIL 1 Chevrolet	368	41		103.1	\$209,415	Running		
4	5	18	Kyle Busch	Wrigley Doublemint Toyota	368	41	1	120.9	\$178,123	Running	5	44
5	6	56	Martin Truex Jr.	NAPA Auto Parts Toyota	368	40	1	117.2	\$147,554	Running	2	25
6	19	17	Matt Kenseth	Zest Ford	368	38		96.7	\$154,776	Running		
7	7	99	Carl Edwards	Ford EcoBoost Fusion Ford	368	37		104.8	\$145,906	Running		
8	3	5	Kasey Kahne	Rockwell Tools Chevrolet	368	37	1	108.8	\$108,790	Running	2	33
9	28	9	Marcos Ambrose	DeWalt Ford	368	35		74.8	\$130,748	Running		
10	21	20	Joey Logano	The Home Depot Toyota	368	34		90.6	\$104,715	Running		
11	26	15	Clint Bowyer	5-hour Energy Toyota	368	33		86.1	\$120,969	Running		
12	1	16	Greg Biffle	3M / OH / ES Ford	368	33	1	115.4	\$107,580	Running	2	74
13	14	27	Paul Menard	Menards / Pittsburgh Paints Chevrolet	368	31		76.4	\$100,705	Running		
14	9	78	Regan Smith	Furniture Row / CSX Play it Safe Chevrolet	368	30		79.4	\$117,488	Running		
15	15	2	Brad Keselowski	Miller Lite Dodge	368	29		75.9	\$124,725	Running		
16	23	29	Kevin Harvick	Budweiser Chevrolet	368	28		85.1	\$136,391	Running		
17	24	88	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	Diet Mountain Dew / National Guard Chevrolet	368	28	1	75.9	\$96,930	Running	1	1
18	10	31	Jeff Burton	BB&T Chevrolet	368	26		69.9	\$126,530	Running		
19	13	43	Aric Almirola	Gravelly Mower Ford	368	25		67.3	\$124,416	Running		
20	18	55	Mark Martin	Aaron's Dream Machine Toyota	368	24		65.1	\$87,605	Running		
21	25	51	Kurt Busch	Phoenix Construction Services Chevrolet	368	23		87.0	\$110,063	Running		
22	31	13	Casey Mears	GEICO Ford	367	22		54.2	\$99,063	Running		
23	4	39	Ryan Newman	WIX Chevrolet	367	21		79.1	\$125,263	Running		
24	27	42	Juan Pablo Montoya	Target Chevrolet	366	20		57.0	\$113,696	Running		
25	36	38	David Gilliland	A&W All American Food Ford	366	19		54.5	\$94,913	Running		
26	20	83	Landon Cassill	Burger King / Dr. Pepper Toyota	366	19	1	57.0	\$108,575	Running	1	1
27	34	36	Dave Blaney	SealWrap.com Chevrolet	365	17		51.0	\$78,255	Running		
28	37	34	David Ragan	Peanut Patch / Margaret Holmes Ford	364	16		38.7	\$90,152	Running		
29	22	47	Bobby Labonte	Scott Products Toyota	364	15		55.3	\$88,680	Running		
30	42	32	Reed Sorenson(i)	Southern Pride Trucking Ford	363	0		39.7	\$89,505	Running		
31	38	10	Danica Patrick(i)	GoDaddy.com Chevrolet	362	0		44.5	\$76,980	Running		
32	33	73	Travis Kvapil	Burger King / Dr. Pepper Toyota	362	PE		40.4	\$76,805	Running		
33	16	22	AJ Allmendinger	Shell Pennzoil Dodge	357	11		70.9	\$121,480	Running		
34	11	1	Jamie McMurray	Bass Pro Shops / Allstate Chevrolet	345	10		63.7	\$107,813	Running		
35	12	24	Jeff Gordon	Drive to End Hunger / AARP Chevrolet	339	9		80.9	\$124,466	Running		
36	41	93	David Reutimann	Burger King / Dr. Pepper Toyota	314	8		43.4	\$84,380	Running		
37	43	49	JJ Yeley	America Israel Racing / JPO Absorbents Toyota	132	7		32.5	\$75,915	Clutch		
38	39	74	Cole Whitt(i)	Turn One Racing Chevrolet	35	0		30.9	\$75,682	Vibration		
39	32	30	David Stremme	Inception Motorsports Toyota	32	5		34.1	\$72,225	Overheating		
40	40	87	Joe Nemechek(i)	AM/FM Energy Wood & Pellet Stoves Toyota	27	0		31.4	\$72,050	Power		
41	35	52	Mike Skinner(i)	CrusaderStaffing.com Toyota	20	0		29.6	\$71,875	Electrical		
42	29	79	Scott Speed	Team Kyle / KOMA Unwind Ford	20	2		29.5	\$71,780	Overheating		
43	30	26	Josh Wise	Morristown Drivers Service Ford	19	1		27.3	\$72,139	Vibration		

Race Comments: Before an estimated attendance of 63,000, Jimmie Johnson won the Bojangles' Southern 500, his 56th NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory. Prior to the green flag, no cars dropped to the rear of the field.

Failed to Qualify: (4) 23 Scott Riggs, 98 Michael McDowell, 33 Stephen Leicht #, 19 Mike Bliss(i).

Time of Race: 3 Hrs, 45 Mins, 25 Secs.

Average Speed: 133.802 MPH

Margin of Victory: 0.781 Seconds

Caution Flags: 8 for 38 laps: Laps: 173-179 (Debris [15]); 195-199 (Debris [39]); 231-235 (Debris [88]); 299-303 (#47 Spin [1]); 308-311 (#78 Spin [31]); 317-319 (#1, 22 Accident Turn 4 [9]); 331-334 (#32 Spin [2]); 362-366 (#39, 51 Accident Turn 2 [55]).

Lead Changes: 22 among 8 drivers: G. Biffle 1-48; K. Kahne 49; J. Johnson 50; L. Cassill 51; Kyle Busch 52-72; G. Biffle 73-98; D. Hamlin 99-100; J. Johnson 101-172; Kyle Busch 173; J. Johnson 174-179; Kyle Busch 180-188; J. Johnson 189-194; Kyle Busch 195; D. Hamlin 196-199; K. Kahne 200-231; D. Hamlin 232-280; D. Earnhardt Jr. 281; M. Truex Jr. 282-298; D. Hamlin 299; M. Truex Jr. 300-307; J. Johnson 308-312; Kyle Busch 313-324; J. Johnson 325-368.

Top 12 Driver Points: (1) G. Biffle 411;(2) M. Kenseth 409;(3) D. Earnhardt Jr. 397;(4) D. Hamlin 394;(5) J. Johnson 372;(6) M. Truex Jr. 372;(7) T. Stewart 369;(8) K. Harvick 361;(9) Kyle Busch 349;(10) C. Edwards 337;(11) C. Bowyer 335;(12) B. Keselowski 328.

3M Lap Leader: Jimmie Johnson, #48 134 Laps

American Ethanol Green Flag Restart Award: Jimmie Johnson, #48

Coors Light Pole Award: Greg Biffle, #16 180.257 mph

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

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Mobil 1 Oil Driver of the Race: Denny Hamlin, #11

Moog Chassis Parts Problem Solver of the Race: Tony Stewart, #14 crew chief Steve Addi **USG Improving the Finish:** Marcos Ambrose, #9 19 places

(i) Ineligible for driver points in this series

Next Race: May, 17, 2012 - Charlotte Motor Speedway