

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES OFFICIAL RACE REPORT No. 18



54TH ANNUAL COKE ZERO 400  
 DAYTONA INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY  
 Daytona Beach, FL - July 7, 2012  
 2.5-Mile Paved Tri-Oval  
 160 Laps - 400 Miles Purse: \$6,233,220



TIME OF RACE: 2 hours, 32 minutes, 14 seconds

AVERAGE SPEED: 157.653 mph

MARGIN OF VICTORY: Under Caution

Fin Pos	Str Pos	Car No	Driver	Team	Laps	Pts	Bns Pts	Driver Rating	Winnings	Status	Lead Tms	Laps
1	42	14	Tony Stewart	MOBIL 1 / Office Depot Chevrolet	160	47	4	86.3	\$340,950	Running	2	22
2	20	31	Jeff Burton	Wheaties Chevrolet	160	42		78.4	239,215	Running		
3	1	17	Matt Kenseth	Zest Ford	160	43	2	133.0	233,051	Running	3	89
4	19	20	Joey Logano	Dollar General Toyota	160	40		86.0	155,240	Running		
5	2	39	Ryan Newman	Aspen Dental Chevrolet	160	39		106.9	168,598	Running		
6	12	99	Carl Edwards	Subway Ford	160	38		108.8	162,381	Running		
7	3	5	Kasey Kahne	HendrickCars.com Chevrolet	160	37		103.9	125,540	Running		
8	9	2	Brad Keselowski	Miller Lite Dodge	160	36		74.7	146,860	Running		
9	28	55	Michael Waltrip	Aaron's Dream Machine Toyota	160	35		77.0	110,290	Running		
10	41	47	Bobby Labonte	Kingsford Charcoal Toyota	160	34		54.0	135,673	Running		
11	39	10	David Reutimann	CarportEmpire.com/TMone.com Call Ctrs Chev	160	33		74.3	106,005	Running		
12	5	24	Jeff Gordon	PepsiMax Chevrolet	160	32		90.5	148,791	Running		
13	30	1	Jamie McMurray	Bass Pro Shops / NRA Museum Chevrolet	160	31		95.8	135,313	Running		
14	13	27	Paul Menard	Quaker State / Menards Chevrolet	160	30		66.6	111,380	Running		
15	24	88	Dale Earnhardt Jr	Ntl Guard-An American Salute/Diet Mtn Dew Chev	160	29		93.5	111,030	Running		
16	40	93	Travis Kvapil	Burger King / Dr Pepper Toyota	160	28		66.9	126,488	Running		
17	18	56	Martin Truex Jr	NAPA Batteries Toyota	160	28	1	93.5	127,919	Running	1	2
18	7	13	Casey Mears	GEICO Ford	160	27	1	60.6	113,763	Running	1	1
19	17	43	Aric Almirola	U.S. Air Force Ford	160	25		78.2	135,966	Running		
20	34	32	Terry Labonte	C & J Energy Services Ford	160	24		48.4	107,705	Running		
21	4	16	Greg Biffle	3M Ford	160	24	1	111.7	105,330	Running	1	35
22	33	36	Dave Blaney	Golden Corral Chevrolet	160	22		50.6	96,330	Running		
23	11	29	Kevin Harvick	Budweiser Folds of Honor Chevrolet	159	21		64.6	141,666	Running		
24	22	18	Kyle Busch	Interstate Batteries Toyota	159	21	1	99.5	139,313	Running	2	6
25	23	11	Denny Hamlin	FedEx Office Toyota	156	19		80.0	136,971	Running		
26	27	34	David Ragan	MHP 8-hour Alert Ford	154	19	1	55.2	105,288	Accident	1	1
27	15	21	Trevor Bayne (i)	Motorcraft / Quick Lane Tire & Auto Center Ford	152	0		68.2	92,880	Accident		
28	14	42	Juan Pablo Montoya	Target Chevrolet	152	16		62.7	122,521	Accident		
29	19	15	Clint Bowyer	5-hour Energy Toyota	152	15		58.7	119,019	Accident		
30	10	9	Marcos Ambrose	DeWalt Ford	152	14		75.4	117,538	Accident		
31	32	38	David Gilliland	Glory Foods Ford	152	14	1	56.2	99,227	Accident	1	1
32	38	83	Landon Cassill	Burger King / Dr Pepper Toyota	151	12		45.8	115,175	Running		
33	8	22	Sam Hornish Jr(i)	Shell Pennzoil Dodge	149	0		50.4	133,255	Running		
34	25	78	Regan Smith	Furniture Row / Farm American Chevrolet	133	10		60.0	96,555	Running		
35	35	51	Kurt Busch	Phoenix Construction Services Chevrolet	132	9		64.7	96,380	Running		
36	16	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's Chevrolet	123	8		71.4	135,166	Accident		
37	6	50	Bill Elliott	Walmart Chevrolet	123	7		71.2	87,780	Accident		
38	31	26	Josh Wise #	MDS Transport Ford	47	7	1	39.8	87,632	Transmission	1	3
39	26	30	David Stremme	Stock Car Steel and Aluminum Toyota	25	5		30.0	84,175	Rear Gear		
40	43	49	J.J. Yeley	Robinson-Blakeney Racing Toyota	16	4		24.9	84,000	Overheating		
41	36	87	Joe Nemechek (i)	AM/FM Energy Wood & Pellet Stoves Toyota	10	0		29.0	83,825	Overheating		
42	37	33	Stephen Leicht #	LittleJoesAutos.com Chevrolet	4	2		27.9	83,725	Overheating		
43	21	98	Michael McDowell	Phil Parsons Racing Ford	3	1		27.3	84,093	Overheating		

# Sunoco Rookie of the Year Contender.

(i) = Ineligible for driver points in this series

Bonus points: includes winner (3), lap leader (1) & most laps led (1) points

**Failed to qualify:** (1) #23 Robert Richardson

**Race Comments:** Before an estimated attendance of 115,000, Tony Stewart won the Coke Zero 400, his 47th NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory. Prior to the green flag, the following cars dropped to the rear of the field for the reasons indicated: #9 (unapproved adjustments); #22, 98 (driver change).

**Caution Flags:** 6 cautions for 23 laps. [Beneficiary in Brackets] 82-85 (Car #22 Accident Backstretch [32]); 92-95 (Car #21, 47, 51, 43, 11, 42 Accident Turn 2 [36]); 125-130 (Car #48, 24, 55, 20, 50, 78, 56 Accident Turn 4 [47]); 146-148 (Car #2 Spin Turn 2 [83]); 154-158 (Car #11, 42, 21, 9, 15, 24, 18, 10, 36, 38, 13, 27, 34, 56 Accident Tri-Oval [83]); 160 (Car #29, 43, 16, 36, 18, 34, 5, 93, 88, 78, 99, 17, 27, 32, 1 Accident Turn 4 [None]).

**Lap Leaders:** 12 lead changes among 9 drivers. Kenseth 1-41, Ragan 42, Wise 43-45, Truex Jr 46-47, Biffle 48-82, Mears 83, Kenseth 84-123, Ky. Busch 124-126, Gilliland 127, Ky. Busch 128-130, Stewart 131-151, Kenseth 152-159, Stewart 160.

**COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD:** Matt Kenseth (192.386 mph. 46.781 secs.)

**3M LAP LEADER:** Matt Kenseth (89 Laps)

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD:** Joey Logano

**DIRECTV CREW CHIEF OF THE RACE:** Matt Kenseth (crew chief Jimmy Fennig)

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER OF THE RACE:** Roush Yates Engines (#17)

**MOBIL 1 OIL DRIVER OF THE RACE:** Tony Stewart

**MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE:** Tony Stewart (crew chief Steve Addington, -0.047 seconds)

**NASCAR SPRINT CUP LEADER BONUS:** No winner: rolls over to \$120,000 at next event++

**USG IMPROVING THE FINISH:** Tony Stewart (41 places)

++Rollover money awarded at year's end, amount not included in race winnings.

**NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES TOP 12 (Wins)**

1 - Matt Kenseth	676	(1)
2 - Dale Earnhardt Jr	651	(1)
3 - Greg Biffle	632	(1)
4 - Jimmie Johnson	618	(2)
5 - Tony Stewart	592	(3)
6 - Kevin Harvick	586	(0)
7 - Denny Hamlin	584	(2)
8 - Martin Truex Jr	584	(0)
9 - Brad Keselowski	573	(3)
10 - Clint Bowyer	572	(1)
11 - Carl Edwards	541	(0)
12 - Kyle Busch	516	(1)

**MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPIONSHIP**

	Pts	Wins
Chevrolet	126	(8)
Toyota	104	(5)
Ford	90	(2)
Dodge	76	(3)

**3M LAP LEADER**

Jimmie Johnson	(#48)	3
Matt Kenseth	(#17)	2
Kyle Busch	(#18)	2

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD**

Greg Biffle	(#16)	2
Jimmie Johnson	(#48)	2
Denny Hamlin	(#11)	2

**DIRECTV CREW CHIEF OF THE RACE**

Matt Puccia	(#16)	5
Dave Rogers	(#18)	3
Jimmy Fennig	(#17)	2

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER**

Hendrick	(#48)	188
Roush/Yates	(#17)	179
Roush/Yates	(#16)	154

**MOBIL 1 OIL DRIVER OF THE RACE**

Denny Hamlin	(#11)	6
Tony Stewart	(#14)	4
Kyle Busch	(#18)	2

**MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE**

Steve Addington	(#14)	3
Jimmy Fennig	(#17)	2
Steve Letarte	(#88)	2

**USG IMPROVING THE FINISH**

Carl Edwards	(#99)	3
Jeff Gordon	(#24)	2
Jeff Burton	(#31)	2

**COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD**

Mark Martin	3
Greg Biffle	2
Kasey Kahne	2
Marcos Ambrose	2
Matt Kenseth	1
Jimmie Johnson	1
Denny Hamlin	1
Martin Truex Jr	1
Carl Edwards	1
Joey Logano	1
Jeff Gordon	1
AJ Allmendinger	1

**SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**

Josh Wise	47
Stephen Leicht	17

**NEXT EVENT:** July 15, 2012 - 20th Annual LENOX Industrial Tools 301, New Hampshire Motor Speedway, Loudon, NH (318.46 Miles) (301 Laps)

**NOTE:** The above figures are based upon team winnings and include racing purse and cash contingency awards by participating manufacturers. (7/9/2012)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES DRIVER LEADERS

Race #18: 54TH ANNUAL COKE ZERO "400" Race Date: 7/7/2012

POS	DRIVER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Money Won
1	MATT KENSETH	676	18	1	9	13	\$4,567,189
2	DALE EARNHARDT JR.	651	18	1	7	13	3,385,800
3	GREG BIFFLE	632	18	1	8	10	3,404,308
4	JIMMIE JOHNSON	618	18	2	9	13	4,609,781
5	TONY STEWART	592	18	3	8	9	3,865,310
6	KEVIN HARVICK	586	18	0	3	8	3,138,393
7	DENNY HAMLIN	584	18	2	8	9	3,673,893
8	MARTIN TRUEX JR.	584	18	0	4	9	2,854,130
9	BRAD KESELOWSKI	573	18	3	5	8	3,122,535
10	CLINT BOWYER	572	18	1	3	9	2,771,445
11	CARL EDWARDS	541	18	0	2	9	2,922,187
12	KYLE BUSCH	516	18	1	5	8	3,450,692
13	PAUL MENARD	507	18	0	0	4	2,206,130
14	JOEY LOGANO	503	18	1	2	7	2,265,468
15	RYAN NEWMAN	502	18	1	3	4	2,842,957
16	KASEY KAHNE	500	18	1	4	9	2,495,926
17	JEFF GORDON	485	18	0	2	6	2,857,721
18	JEFF BURTON	470	18	0	2	4	2,892,270
19	MARCOS AMBROSE	470	18	0	0	4	2,503,004
20	JAMIE MCMURRAY	462	18	0	0	3	2,456,059
21	JUAN PABLO MONTOYA	433	18	0	0	2	2,390,468
22	ARIC ALMIROLA	431	18	0	0	2	2,527,833
23	A J ALLMENDINGER	400	17	0	1	3	2,577,395
24	BOBBY LABONTE	387	18	0	0	1	2,213,584
25	KURT BUSCH	365	17	0	1	2	2,174,938
26	REGAN SMITH	359	18	0	0	0	2,180,861
27	CASEY MEARS	350	18	0	0	0	1,969,723
28	MARK MARTIN	341	12	0	2	5	1,594,103
29	DAVID RAGAN	312	18	0	0	1	1,931,899
30	DAVID GILLILAND	294	18	0	0	0	1,860,895
31	TRAVIS KVAPIL	284	17	0	0	0	1,715,001
32	LANDON CASSILL	258	18	0	0	0	2,180,220
33	DAVID REUTIMANN	252	15	0	0	0	1,529,093
34	DAVE BLANEY	250	18	0	0	0	1,645,258
35	J J YELEY	121	13	0	0	0	1,064,578
36	DAVID STREMMER	116	14	0	0	0	1,338,190
37	BRIAN VICKERS	106	3	0	2	2	309,910
38	MICHAEL MCDOWELL	90	16	0	0	0	1,432,036
39	MICHAEL WALTRIP	75	3	0	0	1	316,687
40	KEN SCHRADER	73	6	0	0	0	524,135
41	JOSH WISE	73	16	0	0	0	1,243,216
42	TERRY LABONTE	66	3	0	0	0	492,560
43	TONY RAINES	61	5	0	0	0	651,975
44	BRENDAN GAUGHAN	50	4	0	0	0	354,559
45	STEPHEN LEICHT	42	7	0	0	0	607,505
46	SCOTT SPEED	36	7	0	0	0	562,325
47	SCOTT RIGGS	28	10	0	0	0	725,147
48	BORIS SAID	15	1	0	0	0	88,455
49	BILL ELLIOTT	14	2	0	0	0	196,098
50	HERMIE SADLER III	13	1	0	0	0	80,610
51	ROBBY GORDON	11	3	0	0	0	405,300
52	TOMY DRISSI	6	1	0	0	0	76,242
53	STACY COMPTON	5	1	0	0	0	64,225
54	DAVID MAYHEW	4	1	0	0	0	72,625
55	CHRIS COOK	2	1	0	0	0	72,355
56	TREVOR BAYNE(i)	0	7	0	0	2	938,477
57	SAM HORNISH JR.(i)	0	2	0	0	0	209,865
58	RICKY STENHOUSE JR.(i)	0	1	0	0	0	304,275
59	MIKE BLISS(i)	0	9	0	0	0	690,998
60	AUSTIN DILLON(i)	0	1	0	0	0	88,285
61	ELLIOTT SADLER(i)	0	1	0	0	0	305,788
62	ROBERT RICHARDSON JR.(i)	0	1	0	0	0	110,318
63	REED SORENSON(i)	0	9	0	0	0	742,463
64	JOE NEMECHKI(i)	0	16	0	0	0	1,424,912
65	DANICA PATRICK(i)	0	3	0	0	0	451,575
66	T J BELL(i)	0	1	0	0	0	96,730
67	COLE WHITT(i)	0	3	0	0	0	225,807
68	MIKE SKINNER	0	1	0	0	0	71,875
69	TIMMY HILL(i)	0	1	0	0	0	79,780
70	MIKE WALLACE(i)	0	0	0	0	0	23,900
71	KENNY WALLACE(i)	0	0	0	0	0	24,838
72	JEFF GREEN(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0
73	TIM ANDREWS(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0
74	BRIAN SIMO	0	0	0	0	0	0

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POS	Car #	OWNER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Attempts
1	17	JOHN HENRY	676	18	1	9	13	18
2	88	RICK HENDRICK	651	18	1	7	13	18
3	16	JACK ROUSH	632	18	1	8	10	18
4	48	JEFF GORDON	618	18	2	9	13	18
5	14	MARGARET HAAS	592	18	3	8	9	18
6	29	RICHARD CHILDRESS	586	18	0	3	8	18
7	11	J D GIBBS	584	18	2	8	9	18
8	56	MICHAEL WALTRIP	584	18	0	4	9	18
9	2	ROGER PENSKE	573	18	3	5	8	18
10	15	ROB KAUFFMAN	572	18	1	3	9	18
11	99	JACK ROUSH	541	18	0	2	9	18
12	55	BILL JENKINS	522	18	0	4	8	18
13	18	JOE GIBBS	516	18	1	5	8	18
14	27	RICHARD CHILDRESS	507	18	0	0	4	18
15	20	JOE GIBBS	503	18	1	2	7	18
16	39	TONY STEWART	502	18	1	3	4	18
17	5	LINDA HENDRICK	500	18	1	4	9	18
18	24	RICK HENDRICK	485	18	0	2	6	18
19	31	RICHARD CHILDRESS	470	18	0	2	4	18
20	9	RICHARD PETTY	470	18	0	0	4	18
21	1	FELIX SABATES	462	18	0	0	3	18
22	42	CHIP GANASSI	433	18	0	0	2	18
23	43	RICHARD PETTY	431	18	0	0	2	18
24	22	WALTER CZARNECKI	411	18	0	1	3	18
25	51	JAMES FINCH	388	18	0	1	2	18
26	47	TAD GESCHICKTER	387	18	0	0	1	18
27	78	BARNEY VISSER	359	18	0	0	0	18
28	13	BOB GERMAIN	350	18	0	0	0	18
29	34	BOB JENKINS	312	18	0	0	1	18
30	93	THOMAS UEBERALL	310	18	0	0	0	18
31	38	BRAD JENKINS	294	18	0	0	0	18
32	10	TOMMY BALDWIN	269	18	0	0	0	18
33	83	THOMAS UEBERALL	258	18	0	0	0	18
34	32	JACK ROUSH	254	18	0	0	0	18
35	36	ALLAN HEINKE	243	18	0	0	0	18
36	33	RICHARD CHILDRESS	158	16	0	0	0	18
37	21	GLEN WOOD	134	7	0	0	2	7
38	249	JAY ROBINSON	121	13	0	0	0	18
39	30	KEVIN BUCKLER	116	14	0	0	0	18
40	26	JERRY FREEZE	98	17	0	0	0	18
41	98	MIKE CURB	94	17	0	0	0	18
42	87	ANDREA NEMECHEK	72	16	0	0	0	18
43	23	ROBERT RICHARDSON SR.	45	11	0	0	0	17
44	119	RANDY HUMPHREY	35	9	0	0	0	12
45	195	BOB LEAVINE	33	5	0	0	0	5
46	132	FRANK STODDARD JR.	27	1	0	0	0	1
47	12	ROGER PENSKE	26	1	0	0	0	1
48	74	VICKIE COMPTON	22	7	0	0	0	11
49	7	ROBBY GORDON	11	3	0	0	0	5
50	97	ANDREA NEMECHEK	7	1	0	0	0	2
51	50	STEVE TURNER	7	1	0	0	0	1
52	52	KELLY OWEN	3	1	0	0	0	3
53	179	ARCHIE ST HILAIRE	3	2	0	0	0	3
54	37	LARRY GUNSELMAN	2	1	0	0	0	6
55	173	SCOTT GUNDERSON	0	1	0	0	0	2
56	109	BRACK MAGGARD	0	0	0	0	0	1
57	140	MICHAEL HILLMAN	0	0	0	0	0	1