

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES OFFICIAL RACE REPORT No. 29



43RD ANNUAL AAA 400  
DOVER INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY  
Dover, DE - September 30, 2012  
1-Mile Concrete Oval  
400 Laps - 400 Miles Purse: \$5,185,716



TIME OF RACE: 3 hours, 11 minutes, 53 seconds

AVERAGE SPEED: 125.076 mph

MARGIN OF VICTORY: 1.078 second(s)

Fin Pos	Str Pos	Car No	Driver	Team	Laps	Pts	Bns Pts	Driver Rating	Winnings	Status	Lead Tms	Laps
1	10	2	Brad Keselowski	Miller Lite Dodge	400	47	4	118.2	\$226,070	Running	2	14
2	7	24	Jeff Gordon	Drive to End Hunger Chevrolet	400	43	1	114.1	207,796	Running	1	1
3	26	55	Mark Martin	Aaron's 2000th Store - Bronx, NY Toyota	400	41		98.7	140,760	Running		
4	11	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's/Kobalt Tools Chevrolet	400	41	1	119.6	164,321	Running	1	43
5	15	99	Carl Edwards	Fastenal Ford	400	39		100.3	158,126	Running		
6	3	56	Martin Truex Jr	NAPA Auto Parts Toyota	400	38		100.2	132,674	Running		
7	5	18	Kyle Busch	Interstate Batteries Toyota	399	39	2	139.8	148,068	Running	4	302
8	1	11	Denny Hamlin	FedEx Office Toyota	399	37	1	119.0	136,901	Running	3	39
9	2	15	Clint Bowyer	5-hour Energy Toyota	399	36	1	108.8	115,474	Running	1	1
10	14	20	Joey Logano	The Home Depot Toyota	399	34		83.6	95,535	Running		
11	25	88	Dale Earnhardt Jr	National Guard/Diet Mountain Dew Chevrolet	398	33		85.4	92,510	Running		
12	17	6	Ricky Stenhouse Jr(i)	Cargill Ford	397	0		74.9	78,935	Running		
13	13	29	Kevin Harvick	Budweiser Chevrolet	397	31		79.6	126,596	Running		
14	16	47	Bobby Labonte	Kingsford Charcoal Toyota	397	30		77.7	106,468	Running		
15	9	5	Kasey Kahne	Farmers Insurance Chevrolet	397	29		98.0	87,260	Running		
16	6	16	Greg Biffle	Scotch-Brite Ford	397	28		89.1	87,485	Running		
17	18	78	Regan Smith	Furniture Row/Farm American Chevrolet	397	27		69.3	102,118	Running		
18	27	9	Marcos Ambrose	DeWalt Ford	397	26		64.6	105,543	Running		
19	21	43	Aric Almirola	Super 8 Ford	397	25		73.1	114,296	Running		
20	24	14	Tony Stewart	Office Depot/Mobil 1 Chevrolet	397	24		70.3	127,835	Running		
21	8	39	Ryan Newman	U.S. ARMY Chevrolet	397	23		81.0	117,593	Running		
22	19	27	Paul Menard	Menards/CertainTeed Chevrolet	396	22		65.3	84,735	Running		
23	28	51	Kurt Busch	Phoenix Construction Chevrolet	395	21		63.9	98,643	Running		
24	20	1	Jamie McMurray	McDonald's Chevrolet	394	20		66.0	107,268	Running		
25	4	22	Sam Hornish Jr(i)	Shell Pennzoil Dodge	393	0		84.1	117,335	Running		
26	35	42	Juan Pablo Montoya	Target Chevrolet	393	18		52.5	106,326	Running		
27	39	31	Jeff Burton	Caterpillar Chevrolet	393	17		56.3	114,535	Running		
28	38	10	Danica Patrick (i)	GoDaddy.com Chevrolet	393	0		42.0	75,135	Running		
29	33	93	Travis Kvapil	Burger King Toyota	392	15		49.9	94,818	Running		
30	31	34	David Ragan	Long John Silver's Ford	392	14		45.5	85,782	Running		
31	30	13	Casey Mears	GEICO Ford	391	13		42.5	74,060	Running		
32	42	38	David Gilliland	Taco Bell Ford	391	12		52.1	71,360	Running		
33	41	32	T.J. Bell (i)	Green Smoke Ford	390	0		36.0	79,485	Running		
34	40	36	J.J. Yeley	Drive Sober, Arrive Alive DE Chevrolet	388	10		38.3	71,035	Running		
35	12	17	Matt Kenseth	Ford EcoBoost Ford	371	9		66.6	119,621	Running		
36	22	83	Landon Cassill	Burger King Toyota	354	8		43.1	97,280	Running		
37	23	26	Josh Wise #	MDS Transport Ford	92	7		32.4	70,530	Vibration		
38	32	98	Michael McDowell	Phil Parsons Racing Ford	51	6		36.1	70,353	Suspension		
39	37	87	Joe Nemechek (i)	AM/FM Energy Wood & Pellet Stoves Toyota	48	0		31.4	67,500	Electrical		
40	34	95	Scott Speed	Jordan Truck Sales Ford	32	4		34.0	67,325	Suspension		
41	43	37	Dave Blaney	MaxQWorkforce.com Chevrolet	29	3		32.2	67,125	Overheating		
42	36	23	Scott Riggs	North Texas Pipe Chevrolet	26	2		29.3	66,995	Brakes		
43	29	91	Reed Sorenson (i)	Plinker Tactical Toyota	18	0		28.6	67,329	Brakes		

# 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:** (5) #30 David Stremme; #19 Mike Bliss; #49 Jason Leffler; #33 Cole Whitt; #79 Kelly Bires

**Race Comments:** Before an estimated attendance of 85,000, Brad Keselowski won the AAA 400, his ninth NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory. Prior to the green flag, the following car dropped to the rear of the field for the reason indicated: #38 (transmission change).

**Caution Flags:** 5 cautions for 28 laps. [Beneficiary in Brackets] 70-76 (Debris. [47]); 180-184 (Debris. [99]); 247-252 (Debris. [5]); 310-315 (Debris From #17. [55]); 318-321 (Car #17 Accident Turn 4. [56]).

**Lap Leaders:** 11 lead changes among 6 drivers. Hamlin 1-34, Ky. Busch 35-145, J. Gordon 146, Bowyer 147, Keselowski 148-151, Ky. Busch 152-180, Hamlin 181-184, Ky. Busch 185-311, Johnson 312-354, Ky. Busch 355-389, Hamlin 390, Keselowski 391-400.

**COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD:** Denny Hamlin (159.299 mph. 22.599 secs.)

**3M LAP LEADER:** Kyle Busch (302 Laps)

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD:** Jimmie Johnson

**DIRECTV CREW CHIEF OF THE RACE:** Martin Truex Jr (crew chief Chad Johnston)

**FREESCALE "WIDE OPEN":** Brad Keselowski

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER OF THE RACE:** Penske Engines (#2)

**MOBIL 1 OIL DRIVER OF THE RACE:** Kyle Busch

**MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE:** Carl Edwards (crew chief Chad Norris, 0.053 seconds)

**NASCAR SPRINT CUP LEADER BONUS:** Brad Keselowski (\$20,000 ++)

**USG IMPROVING THE FINISH:** Mark Martin (23 places)

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

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

1 - Brad Keselowski	2,142	(5)
2 - Jimmie Johnson	2,137	(3)
3 - Denny Hamlin	2,126	(5)
4 - Clint Bowyer	2,117	(2)
5 - Tony Stewart	2,110	(3)
6 - Kasey Kahne	2,110	(2)
7 - Dale Earnhardt Jr	2,103	(1)
8 - Martin Truex Jr	2,100	(0)
9 - Kevin Harvick	2,096	(0)
10 - Jeff Gordon	2,094	(1)
11 - Greg Biffle	2,091	(2)
12 - Matt Kenseth	2,070	(1)

**MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPIONSHIP**

	Pts	Wins
Chevrolet	197	(11)
Toyota	172	(9)
Ford	138	(4)
Dodge	131	(5)

**3M LAP LEADER**

Jimmie Johnson	(#48)	6
Denny Hamlin	(#11)	5
Kyle Busch	(#18)	4

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD**

Jimmie Johnson	(#48)	5
Denny Hamlin	(#11)	4
Joey Logano	(#20)	3

**DIRECTV CREW CHIEF OF THE RACE**

Darian Grubb	(#11)	6
Matt Puccia	(#16)	5
Dave Rogers	(#18)	3

**FREESCALE "WIDE OPEN"**

Tony Stewart	(#14)	35
Matt Kenseth	(#17)	32
Denny Hamlin	(#11)	30

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER**

Hendrick	(#48)	307
TRD	(#11)	253
Penske	(#2)	232

**MOBIL 1 OIL DRIVER OF THE RACE**

Denny Hamlin	(#11)	10
Kyle Busch	(#18)	5
Clint Bowyer	(#15)	4

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

Steve Addington	(#14)	4
Steve Letarte	(#88)	4
Chad Johnston	(#56)	4

**USG IMPROVING THE FINISH**

Tony Stewart	(#14)	4
Jeff Gordon	(#24)	3
Carl Edwards	(#99)	3

**COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD**

Mark Martin	4
Denny Hamlin	3
Jimmie Johnson	2
Kasey Kahne	2
Jeff Gordon	2
Greg Biffle	2
Marcos Ambrose	2
Juan Pablo Montoya	2
Tony Stewart	1
Dale Earnhardt Jr	1
Martin Truex Jr	1
Matt Kenseth	1
Kyle Busch	1
Carl Edwards	1
Joey Logano	1
AJ Allmendinger	1

**SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**

Stephen Leicht	85
Josh Wise	68

**NEXT EVENT:** October 7, 2012 - 44th Annual Good Sam Roadside Assistance 500, Talladega Superspeedway, Talladega, AL (500 Miles) (188 Laps)

**NOTE:** The above figures are based upon team winnings and include racing purse and cash contingency awards by participating manufacturers. (10/1/2012)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES DRIVER LEADERS

Race #29: 43RD ANNUAL AAA "400" Race Date: 9/30/2012

POS	DRIVER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Money Won
1	BRAD KESELOWSKI	2142	29	5	12	18	\$5,086,460
2	JIMMIE JOHNSON	2137	29	3	15	20	6,739,582
3	DENNY HAMLIN	2126	29	5	12	15	5,865,534
4	CLINT BOWYER	2117	29	2	7	18	4,375,594
5	TONY STEWART	2110	29	3	10	14	5,561,135
6	KASEY KAHNE	2110	29	2	9	15	3,944,296
7	DALE EARNHARDT JR.	2103	29	1	10	18	4,673,980
8	MARTIN TRUEX JR.	2100	29	0	6	16	4,364,764
9	KEVIN HARVICK	2096	29	0	4	11	4,715,859
10	JEFF GORDON	2094	29	1	9	14	4,912,887
11	GREG BIFFLE	2091	29	2	10	15	4,818,633
12	MATT KENSETH	2070	29	1	10	16	6,096,380
13	KYLE BUSCH	870	29	1	7	14	5,240,320
14	CARL EDWARDS	836	29	0	3	12	4,434,948
15	RYAN NEWMAN	830	29	1	4	11	4,398,105
16	PAUL MENARD	814	29	0	0	7	3,344,835
17	MARCOS AMBROSE	798	29	1	3	8	4,003,252
18	JOEY LOGANO	785	29	1	2	11	3,389,473
19	JEFF BURTON	713	29	0	2	5	4,307,925
20	JAMIE MCMURRAY	702	29	0	0	3	3,767,847
21	JUAN PABLO MONTOYA	669	29	0	0	2	3,715,629
22	ARIC ALMIROLA	661	29	0	0	2	3,905,614
23	REGAN SMITH	631	29	0	0	2	3,431,415
24	BOBBY LABONTE	629	29	0	0	1	3,435,249
25	MARK MARTIN	563	19	0	4	8	2,405,488
26	KURT BUSCH	551	28	0	1	2	3,296,980
27	CASEY MEARS	492	29	0	0	0	2,920,680
28	DAVID GILLILAND	491	29	0	0	0	2,901,736
29	DAVID RAGAN	489	29	0	0	1	2,959,934
30	TRAVIS KVAPIL	475	28	0	0	0	2,880,033
31	LANDON CASSILL	461	29	0	0	0	3,426,300
32	A J ALLMENDINGER	400	17	0	1	3	2,577,395
33	DAVE BLANEY	352	27	0	0	0	2,413,296
34	DAVID REUTIMANN	330	20	0	0	0	1,905,793
35	BRIAN VICKERS	213	7	0	3	4	689,275
36	DAVID STREMMER	198	23	0	0	0	2,113,178
37	J J YELEY	151	20	0	0	0	1,616,525
38	MICHAEL MCDOWELL	140	23	0	0	0	1,949,386
39	JOSH WISE	122	25	0	0	0	1,964,388
40	KEN SCHRADER	111	10	0	0	0	929,465
41	STEPHEN LEICHT	107	13	0	0	0	1,175,295
42	SCOTT SPEED	89	13	0	0	0	1,073,293
43	MICHAEL WALTRIP	75	3	0	0	1	316,687
44	TONY RAINES	71	7	0	0	0	788,728
45	TERRY LABONTE	66	3	0	0	0	492,560
46	SCOTT RIGGS	52	18	0	0	0	1,366,055
47	BRENDAN GAUGHAN	50	4	0	0	0	354,559
48	BORIS SAID	34	2	0	0	0	167,290
49	BILL ELLIOTT	14	2	0	0	0	196,098
50	HERMIE SADLER III	13	1	0	0	0	80,610
51	MIKE OLSEN	11	1	0	0	0	81,735
52	ROBBY GORDON	11	3	0	0	0	405,300
53	MIKE SKINNER	10	4	0	0	0	340,850
54	TOMY DRISSI	6	1	0	0	0	76,242
55	STACY COMPTON	5	1	0	0	0	64,225
56	DAVID MAYHEW	4	1	0	0	0	72,625
57	KELLY BIRES	3	2	0	0	0	139,167
58	PATRICK LONG	2	1	0	0	0	61,555
59	SAM HORNISH JR.(i)	0	13	0	1	1	1,700,810
60	TREVOR BAYNE(i)	0	11	0	0	2	1,369,022
61	RICKY STENHOUSE JR.(i)	0	2	0	0	0	383,210
62	MIKE BLISS(i)	0	14	0	0	0	1,119,949
63	AUSTIN DILLON(i)	0	1	0	0	0	88,285
64	DANICA PATRICK(i)	0	7	0	0	0	795,535
65	ELLIOTT SADLER(i)	0	1	0	0	0	305,788
66	ROBERT RICHARDSON JR.(i)	0	1	0	0	0	110,318
67	JOE NEMECHKI(i)	0	26	0	0	0	2,161,204
68	REED SORENSON(i)	0	15	0	0	0	1,163,992
69	T J BELL(i)	0	5	0	0	0	453,510
70	JASON LEFFLER(i)	0	4	0	0	0	313,877
71	JASON WHITE(i)	0	1	0	0	0	76,610
72	COLE WHITT(i)	0	4	0	0	0	316,887
73	CHRIS COOK(i)	0	2	0	0	0	134,035
74	TIMMY HILL(i)	0	1	0	0	0	79,780
75	KENNY WALLACE(i)	0	0	0	0	0	24,838
76	MIKE WALLACE(i)	0	0	0	0	0	23,900
77	JEFF GREEN(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0
78	TIM ANDREWS(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0
79	BRIAN SIMO	0	0	0	0	0	0
80	MARK GREEN	0	0	0	0	0	0

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1	2	ROGER PENSKE	2142	29	5	12	18	29
2	48	JEFF GORDON	2137	29	3	15	20	29
3	11	J D GIBBS	2126	29	5	12	15	29
4	15	ROB KAUFFMAN	2117	29	2	7	18	29
5	14	MARGARET HAAS	2110	29	3	10	14	29
6	5	LINDA HENDRICK	2110	29	2	9	15	29
7	88	RICK HENDRICK	2103	29	1	10	18	29
8	56	MICHAEL WALTRIP	2100	29	0	6	16	29
9	29	RICHARD CHILDRESS	2096	29	0	4	11	29
10	24	RICK HENDRICK	2094	29	1	9	14	29
11	16	JACK ROUSH	2091	29	2	10	15	29
12	17	JOHN HENRY	2070	29	1	10	16	29
13	18	JOE GIBBS	870	29	1	7	14	29
14	55	BILL JENKINS	851	29	0	7	13	29
15	99	JACK ROUSH	836	29	0	3	12	29
16	39	TONY STEWART	830	29	1	4	11	29
17	27	RICHARD CHILDRESS	814	29	0	0	7	29
18	9	RICHARD PETTY	798	29	1	3	8	29
19	20	JOE GIBBS	785	29	1	2	11	29
20	31	RICHARD CHILDRESS	713	29	0	2	5	29
21	22	WALTER CZARNECKI	709	29	0	2	4	29
22	1	FELIX SABATES	702	29	0	0	3	29
23	42	CHIP GANASSI	669	29	0	0	2	29
24	43	RICHARD PETTY	661	29	0	0	2	29
25	78	BARNEY VISSER	631	29	0	0	2	29
26	47	TAD GESCHICKTER	629	29	0	0	1	29
27	51	JAMES FINCH	574	29	0	1	2	29
28	93	THOMAS UEBERALL	501	29	0	0	0	29
29	13	BOB GERMAIN	492	29	0	0	0	29
30	38	BRAD JENKINS	491	29	0	0	0	29
31	34	BOB JENKINS	489	29	0	0	1	29
32	83	THOMAS UEBERALL	461	29	0	0	0	29
33	10	TOMMY BALDWIN	421	29	0	0	0	29
34	32	FRANK STODDARD JR.	385	29	0	0	0	29
35	36	ALLAN HEINKE	362	29	0	0	0	29
36	21	GLEN WOOD	233	11	0	0	2	11
37	33	RICHARD CHILDRESS	230	23	0	0	0	29
38	30	KEVIN BUCKLER	200	24	0	0	0	29
39	98	MIKE CURB	152	26	0	0	0	29
40	249	JAY ROBINSON	150	17	0	0	0	25
41	26	JERRY FREEZE	147	26	0	0	0	29
42	87	ANDREA NEMECHEK	135	26	0	0	0	29
43	195	BOB LEAVINE	86	11	0	0	0	12
44	23	ROBERT RICHARDSON SR.	69	19	0	0	0	27
45	119	RANDY HUMPHREY	52	16	0	0	0	23
46	6	JOHN HENRY	32	1	0	0	0	1
47	132	FRANK STODDARD JR.	27	1	0	0	0	1
48	12	ROGER PENSKE	26	1	0	0	0	1
49	74	VICKIE COMPTON	22	7	0	0	0	11
50	37	LARRY GUNSELMAN	15	5	0	0	0	14
51	7	ROBBY GORDON	11	3	0	0	0	5
52	191	MARK SMITH	10	6	0	0	0	9
53	179	ARCHIE ST HILAIRE	8	5	0	0	0	8
54	97	ANDREA NEMECHEK	7	1	0	0	0	2
55	50	STEVE TURNER	7	1	0	0	0	1
56	52	KELLY OWEN	3	1	0	0	0	3
57	173	SCOTT GUNDERSON	0	1	0	0	0	2
58	109	BRACK MAGGARD	0	0	0	0	0	1
59	140	MICHAEL HILLMAN	0	0	0	0	0	1
60	0	STEVEN SCHARR	0	0	0	0	0	1