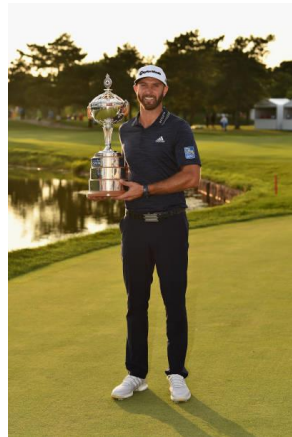


2019 RBC Canadian Open Broadcast Window & Pre-Tournament Notes



ShotLink Keys to Victory for Dustin Johnson

Dustin Johnson recorded his 19th career PGA TOUR win in his 235th start and it was his 10th in his previous 43 (23%) starts on TOUR. Dustin earned 500 FedExCup points and widened his lead to 527 points over Justin Thomas in the standings at this point last season. Dustin's win at the 2018 RBC Canadian Open marked his third win last season and became the first player with three consecutive 3+ win seasons since Tiger Woods (2005-2009). In Dustin's three victories last season he won by a combined 17 strokes (Sentry TOC (8), FedEx St. Jude (6) & RBC Canadian Open (3)).

Strokes Gained Statistics vs. The Field

	Rank	Avg
Off-the-Tee	1st	+1.884
Approach-the-Green	4th	+1.452
Around-the-Green	33 rd	+0.220
Putting	29 th	+0.557
Total	1 st	+4.113

81% of Dustin's total strokes gained for the week were a result of his performance off the tee and approach the green gaining +3.34 strokes per round in these two categories combined.

Dustin Johnson co-led after round three last year and was the eventual winner of the RBC Canadian Open marking the 47th time he had led/co-led after any stroke-play round on TOUR since the start of the 2013-14 season.

Since the start of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, no other player has positioned themselves at the top of the leaderboard more times than Dustin Johnson. In this timeframe, Dustin Johnson has led/co-lead 51 times after a round, six more than the next player (Jordan Spieth, 45).

Most Times Leading/Co-leading After Any Round Since Start of 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season

	# of Times
Dustin Johnson	51
Jordan Spieth	45
Jason Day	32
Justin Thomas	32
Rory McIlroy	27

Course Stats Hamilton G&CC

Courses with the Most 3-Putts Inside 5 Feet 2012 PGA TOUR Season

	Total
Quail Hollow Club	6
Innisbrook Resort - Copperhead	6
Sedgefield Country Club	5
Hamilton G&CC	5
Annandale GC	5
Riviera CC	5

In 2012, there were five 3-putts from inside five feet at Hamilton G&CC, which was tied with three other courses for the third-most three putts from inside five feet on TOUR.

5.91%: In 2012, the field made 5.91% of putts from outside 20 feet, marking the fifth lowest Putts made percentage from over 20 feet of any course in the 2012 PGA TOUR season.

Courses with the Lowest Putting % Outside 20' 2012 PGA TOUR Season

	% Made
PGA West (Palmer Course)	5.39
Riviera CC	5.62
TPC Four Seasons Resort	5.69
Quail Hollow Club	5.86
Hamilton G&CC	5.91

Courses with the Fewest Avg Feet of Putts Made / Rd 2012 PGA TOUR Season

	Avg
Riviera CC	65' 9"
PGA West (Palmer Course)	67' 5"
Hamilton G&CC	68' 2"
Pebble Beach Golf Links	68' 10"
Harbour Town Golf Links	68' 11"

68' 2": The field made an average of 68' 2" of putts per round at Hamilton G&CC in 2012, marking the third-fewest average of putts made per round of any course in 2012 PGA TOUR season.

The 317-yard, par-4 fifth hole at Hamilton G&CC had the fifth highest Going for Green percentage of any par 4 on the PGA TOUR in the 2012 season. 70.15% of the field went for the green from the tee on this hole in 2012. This season the scorecard yardage for the par-4 fifth hole is 337 yards.

Par 4's with the Highest Going for the Green Pct 2012 PGA TOUR Season

	Hole	Yards	PCT.
TPC Boston	4 th	298	93.73
TPC Summerlin	15 th	341	91.67
CordeValle Golf Club	17 th	358	89.58
TPC River Highlands	15 th	296	83.51
Hamilton G&CC	5th	317	70.15

FedExCup Storylines

Since 2007, 10 players have qualified for the FedExCup Playoffs in all 12 seasons. Nine of the 10 players are currently inside the top 70 of the standings with Zach Johnson currently 128th in the FedExCup. Zach Johnson is currently 8.078 points behind the 125th position in the standings (Beau Hossler).

Qualifying for FedExCup Playoffs Every Year Since 2007

	Rank
Matt Kuchar	1 st
Justin Rose	10 th
Charles Howell III	13 th
Adam Scott	15 th
Phil Mickelson	24 th
Brandt Snedeker	43 rd
Ryan Moore	52 nd
Charley Hoffman	56 th
Bubba Watson	68 th
Zach Johnson	128th

Top 125 FedExCup Bubble Entering 2019 RBC Canadian Open

		Pts Ahead/Behind
Scott Langley	121 st	+9.214
Daniel Berger	122 nd	+6.797
Dominic Bozzelli	123 rd	+3.634
Hudson Swafford	124 th	+0.805
Beau Hossler	125th	- - -
Shawn Stefani	126 th	-0.925
Brian Harman	127 th	-2.732
Zach Johnson	128th	-8.078
Alex Noren	129 th	-10.007
Martin Laird	130 th	-13.356

Most FedExCup Points Earned RBC Canadian Open Since 2009

	# of Points
Jhonattan Vegas	1,085
Dustin Johnson	975
Brandt Snedeker	855
Scott Piercy	682
Tim Clark	650

975: Since 2009, Dustin Johnson has earned 975 FedExCup points at the RBC Canadian Open, marking the second-most points earned of any player at this event in this timeframe.

RBC Canadian Open Champions FedExCup Finish Since 2007

		Finish
Dustin Johnson	2018	4 th
Jhonattan Vegas	2017	23 rd
Jhonattan Vegas	2016	29 th
Jason Day	2015	3 rd
Tim Clark	2014	54 th
Brandt Snedeker	2013	12 th
Scott Piercy	2012	27 th
Sean O'Hair	2011	58 th
Carl Pettersson	2010	40 th
Nathan Green	2009	63 rd
Chez Reavie	2008	57 th
Jim Furyk	2007	11 th

Since 2007, seven RBC Canadian Open champions have qualified for the TOUR Championship with the winner of this event advancing to East Lake GC in six of the last seven seasons.

Jason Day (2015, 3rd) and Defending RBC Canadian Open champion Dustin Johnson (2018, 4th) are the only two winners of the RBC Canadian Open to finish the season inside the top-five in the final FedExCup standings.

Country with Most Players Ranked Inside Top 125 FedExCup Standings

	# of Players
Australia	6
Canada	5
England	5
South Korea	5

Broadcast Window Notes

2019 RBC Canadian Open *(featured groups)*

Brooks Koepka

Six-time PGA TOUR winner and 2017-18 PGA TOUR player of the year Brooks Koepka is set to make his third start at the RBC Canadian Open and first start since his win at the PGA Championship.

Over his first two rounds in his last three stroke-play starts on the PGA TOUR, Brooks Koepka is a combined 30-under par compared to 10-under in his final two rounds. Koepka is a combined 16-under par on the par 4s in the first two rounds and just a cumulative one-under on the par 4s in the Third and Final rounds in these three events.

Scoring Comparison Last 3 Starts on PGA TOUR *(stroke-play)*

	First 2 Rds	Last 2 Rds
Scoring Average	66.00	69.33
Score to Par	-30	-10
Par 3 Scoring	-3	4
Par 4 Scoring	-16	-1
Par 5 Scoring	-11	-13

Most Rounds of 65 or Better Since Start of 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season

	# of Rds
Jordan Spieth	43
Webb Simpson	36
Brooks Koepka	34
Justin Thomas	33
Dustin Johnson	33

Since the start of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Brooks Koepka has 34 career rounds of 65 or better, third-most of any player in this timeframe.

Justin Thomas

2017 FedExCup champion Justin Thomas is set to make his tournament debut at the RBC Canadian Open and his 130th career start on the PGA TOUR.

Tournament Results When making Debut PGA TOUR Career

	Value
Wins	2 (5%)
Top 10s	9 (21%)
Top 25s	18 (43%)
Total Events	42

Thomas is seeking his third career PGA TOUR title in an event when making his tournament debut (2015 CIMB Classic & 2017 CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES) and has finished inside the top-10 of an event when making his debut 21% of the time.

**Making Tournament Debut This Week*

This season, Justin Thomas ranks inside the top-10 in SG: Approach-the-Green, (6th), Approaches from 50-125 yards (T3), from 125-150 yards (1st) and from 150-175 yards (T9). In 2012, the average approach shot distance at Hamilton G&CC was 168.3 yards. From inside 175 yards, Justin Thomas averages 19' 7" in Proximity to the hole on approach shots and is the only player on TOUR who averages inside 20 feet on these approach shots.

Approach the Green Stats vs. TOUR Average PGA TOUR This Season

	Thomas	TOUR Avg
SG: Approach-the-Green	+0.870 (6 th)	- - -
From 50-125 Yds	15' 7" (T3)	19' 4"
From 125-150 Yds	16' 9" (1 st)	24' 2"
From 150-175 Yds	24' 8" (T9)	28' 9"

Best Proximity on Approaches from Inside 175 Yards PGA TOUR This Season

	Avg
Justin Thomas	19' 7"
Corey Connors	20' 10"
Vaughn Taylor	21' 5"
Phil Mickelson	21' 7"

Brandt Snedeker

2013 RBC Canadian Open champion Brandt Snedeker has recorded five top-10 finishes in eight previous starts at the RBC Canadian Open. The 2012 FedExCup champion currently ranks 43rd in the FedExCup standings on the strength of two top 10s and seven top-25 finishes.

Brandt Snedeker is one of six FedExCup champions in the field this week at the RBC Canadian Open.

FedExCup Champions in the Field This Week

	Year
Justin Thomas	2017
Rory McIlroy	2016
Henrik Stenson	2013
Brandt Snedeker	2012
Bill Haas	2011
Jim Furyk	2010

Most Total SG: Putting RBC Canadian Open Since 2004

	Total
Brandt Snedeker	+32.54
Kevin Kisner	+28.42
Jim Furyk	+24.33
Scott McCarron	+23.47
Hunter Mahan	+23.42

+32.54: Brandt Snedeker has outperformed the field at the RBC Canadian Open by +32.54 total strokes on the greens, marking the most total Strokes Gained: Putting by any player at this event since 2004.

Since 2007, Brandt Snedeker ranks second in cumulative Score to Par (-73), Scoring Average (68.77) and T2 in Total Eagles (9) at the RBC Canadian Open.

Scoring Ranks RBC Canadian Open Since 2007

	Rank
Scoring Average*	2nd
Score to Par	2 nd
Total Eagles	T2

*Min 17 Rds

Best Scoring Average RBC Canadian Open Since 2007

	Avg
Dustin Johnson	68.63
Brandt Snedeker	68.77
Charley Hoffman	68.89
Matt Kuchar	69.09
Jhonattan Vegas	69.14

*Min 17 Rds

Best Score to Par RBC Canadian Open Since 2007

	Score to Par
Jim Furyk	-79
Brandt Snedeker	-73
Matt Kuchar	-69
Charley Hoffman	-67
Ryan Palmer	-62

*Entering This Week

Most Total Eagles RBC Canadian Open Since 2007

	Total
Bubba Watson	10
Brandt Snedeker	9
Dustin Johnson	9
Charley Hoffman	9
Rory Sabbatini	9

*Entering This Week

Best Weekend Scoring RBC Canadian Open Since 2007

	Score to Par
Brandt Snedeker	-47
Matt Kuchar	-39
Jim Furyk	-39
Jhonattan Vegas	-37
Dustin Johnson	-37

47-Under: Since 2007, Brandt Snedeker is a combined 47-under par on the weekend at RBC Canadian Open, marking the best combined score to par in the Third and Final Rounds at this event in this timeframe.

Bubba Watson

Bubba Watson is set to make his ninth start at the RBC Canadian Open and currently ranks 68th in the FedExCup standings and is one of four players who have qualified for the BMW Championship (top 70) in 11 or more seasons since the start of the FedExCup (2007).

Most Seasons Qualifying for BMW Championship in FedExCup Era

# of Seasons	
Phil Mickelson	12
Bubba Watson	11
Zach Johnson	11
Charley Hoffman	11

**Top 70 Qualify*

Most Total Eagles Since Start of 2006 PGA TOUR Season

Total	
Bubba Watson	154
Dustin Johnson	135
Charley Hoffman	130
Charles Howell III	126
Nick Watney	120

154 Total Eagles: Since the start of the 2006 PGA TOUR season, Bubba Watson has made a TOUR leading 154 Total Eagles, 19 more than the next best player (Dustin Johnson, 135).

Scott Piercy

2012 RBC Canadian Open champion Scott Piercy is set to make his seventh start at this event. Piercy picked up his second career PGA TOUR victory (4 total career TOUR wins) at this event in 2012 and was dialed in on the par 5s.

For the week, Scott Piercy played the par 5s a combined eight-under par in 2012, tied with J.B. Holmes for the best Par 5 Performance at the 2012 RBC Canadian Open.

Best Par 5 Scoring 2012 RBC Canadian Open

Score to Par	
Scott Piercy	-8
J.B. Holmes	-8
Billy Horschel	-7
Nathan Green	-7
Kevin Kisner	-7
Jason Kokrak	-7

**Field Avg: Even*

Best Putting from 4-8 Feet RBC Canadian Open Champions Since 2003

	Rank	PCT.
2012 Scott Piercy	1	100.00
2014 Tim Clark	1	93.33
2006 Jim Furyk	5	92.31
2009 Nathan Green	3	86.36
2010 Carl Pettersson	11	82.61

In 2012, Scott Piercy made every putt from 4-8 feet (11 of 11) en route to victory at Hamilton G&CC, marking the only RBC Canadian Open champion to make every putt from within this range in the ShotLink era.

Graeme McDowell

Graeme McDowell is set to make his eighth start at the RBC Canadian Open and his 221st start on TOUR. Last season, McDowell ranked 134th in the FedExCup standings entering week #30 and has improved 81 positions ranking 53rd in the standings this season.

FedExCup Comparison Entering Week #30 Last Season vs This Season

	Last Season	This Season
FedExCup Rank	134 th	53rd
FedExCup Points	216	589
Weeks Inside Top 70	1	10
Wins	0	1
Top 10s	1	2

This season, McDowell has spent the last 10 consecutive weeks inside the top 70 of the FedExCup standings, nine more weeks than at this point last season.

This season, Graeme McDowell ranks seventh on the PGA TOUR in SG: Putting, outperforming the TOUR by +0.732 strokes per round on the greens. McDowell has made 77.85% of his putts from 4 to 8 feet, 10.57% more than the TOUR average (67.82%).

On the Greens vs TOUR Average PGA TOUR This Season

	Rank	Value	TOUR Avg
SG: Putting	7 th	+0.732	- - -
Total Putting	1 st	40.9	224.9
Putting from 4-8'	4th	77.85%	67.82%
Putting - Inside 10'	6 th	90.17%	87.33%

Corey Conners

Corey Conners is one of 26 Canadian's in the field this week seeking to end the drought since Pat Fletcher won the RBC Canadian Open in 1954. Conners currently ranks 23rd in the FedExCup standings and is the highest ranked player from Canada in the standings. Since the start of the FedExCup, three Canadians (4 times) have qualified for the season ending TOUR Championship.

Canadian Players Ranked in FedExCup Standings

	Rank
Corey Conners	23rd
Adam Hadwin	55 th
Mackenzie Hughes	101 st
Nick Taylor	111 th
Roger Sloan	114 th
David Hearn	151 st
Adam Svensson	176 th
Ben Silverman	184 th
Mike Weir	242 nd

Canadians to Qualify for TOUR Championship in FedExCup Era

	Final Rank
2017 Adam Hadwin	26 th
2013 Graham DeLaet	8 th
2009 Mike Weir	29 th
2008 Mike Weir	6 th

This season, there are nine Canadian players who are members on the PGA TOUR, marking the most players from Canada with membership on the PGA TOUR since 1970. In 1970 there were three Canadian players with TOUR membership.

Most Canadian PGA TOUR Members Since 1970

	# of Players
This Season	9
2014-15	8
1992	7
Last Season	7
1990	7
2001	7
2002	7

Jim Furyk

Two-time RBC Canadian Open champion (2006 & 2007) and 2010 FedExCup champion is set to make his 17th start at this event.

Most Rounds Par or Better RBC Canadian Open Since 1994

	# of Rds
Jim Furyk	47
Vijay Singh	43
Bob Estes	38
Bob Tway	36
Mike Weir	35

Since 1994, no player has more rounds at par or better than Jim Furyk at the RBC Canadian Open. In this timeframe, Jim Furyk has played 47 of 58 rounds at par or better, four more rounds than the next best player (Singh, 43).

Jim Furyk is one of six players who have won the RBC Canadian Open in back-to-back years.

Back-to-Back Champions RBC Canadian Open History

	Years
Jhonattan Vegas	2017, 2018
Jim Furyk	2006, 2007
Jim Ferrier	1950, 1951
Sam Snead	1940, 1941
Leo Diegel	1924, 1925 & 1928, 1929
J. Douglas Edgar	1919, 1920

156th to 32nd: Jim Furyk has made the biggest improvement in the FedExCup standings entering week #30 from last season to this season. Furyk has improved 124 positions ranking 32nd this season compared to 156th in the standings last season entering week #30.

Biggest Improvement in FedExCup Standings Entering Week #30 Last Season vs This Season

	Last Season	This Season	Improvement
Jim Furyk	156th	32nd	+124
Matt Every	173 rd	59 th	+114
Mackenzie Hughes	207 th	101 st	+106
Francesco Molinari	122 nd	22 nd	+100
Sung Kang	114 th	18 th	+96

Dustin Johnson

Defending RBC Canadian Open champion Dustin Johnson has four top-10 finishes in six previous starts at this event and is seeking his 21st career PGA TOUR victory in his 253rd start on TOUR. Dustin picked up his 20th career victory on TOUR at the WGC-Mexico Championship earlier this season, marking his 12th consecutive season with a win on TOUR as a member (4th longest-streak of any player).

Most Consecutive Season with a Win to Start PGA TOUR Career as a Member

	# of Seasons	Years
Arnold Palmer	First 17 seasons	1955-1971
Jack Nicklaus	First 17 seasons	1962-1978
Tiger Woods	First 14 seasons	1996-2009
Dustin Johnson	First 12 seasons	2008-Present
Cary Middlecoff	First 10 seasons	1947-1956
Horton Smith	First 10 seasons	1928-1937
Sam Snead	First 9 seasons	1937-1946 - excluding 1943
Ernie Els	First 7 seasons	1994-2000

Dustin Johnson is seeking to join six other players to win the RBC Canadian Open in back-to-back years.

Most Weeks Ranked Inside Top 5 FedExCup Standings Since 2007

	# of Weeks
Phil Mickelson	171
Dustin Johnson	147
Tiger Woods	116
Bubba Watson	115
Matt Kuchar	89

147 Weeks Inside Top 5: Since 2007, Dustin Johnson has spent 147 weeks ranked inside the top-five of the FedExCup standings, second-most of any player in the FedExCup era.

Since 2004, only 21 times has a winner on TOUR ranked first in both SG: Off-the-Tee & Greens in Regulation in their respective win.

Leading in Both SG: Off-the-Tee & Greens in Regulation in Multiple PGA TOUR Wins Since 2004

	# of Events
Vijay Singh	5
Dustin Johnson	2
Bubba Watson	2
Phil Mickelson	2

Dustin has accomplished this feat twice in his career (2017 Genesis Open & 2018 RBC Canadian Open) and is one of four players to accomplish this feat in multiple career TOUR victories.

Off the Tee & Approach the Green vs. The Field 2018 RBC Canadian Open

Dustin averaged 19 yards further than the field at the 2018 RBC Canadian Open, averaging 318.5 yards in Driving Distance (All Drives).

On approach shots, Dustin was 5 feet closer than the field average of 31' 0" for Proximity to the Hole.

	Average	Rank	Field Avg
SG: Off-the-Tee	+1.884	1st	---
Driving Distance (All Drives)	318.5	T1	299.4
Driving Accuracy	66.1%	6th	52.9%
SG: Approach-the-Green	+1.452	4th	---
Greens in Regulation	79.2%	T1	64.1%
Proximity to Hole	26' 0"	T1	31' 0"

Webb Simpson

Webb Simpson currently ranks 42nd in the FedExCup standings on the strength of three top-10s and eight top-25 finishes this season. Webb Simpson is set to make his fourth start at the RBC Canadian Open, Webb has yet to finish inside the top-15 at this event. The RBC Canadian Open is one of four events where he has played three or more times and not have a top-15 on TOUR.

Events without a Top-15 Finish PGA TOUR (min 3 starts)

	# of Starts	# of Top 15s
AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	4	0
Houston Open	4	0
RBC Canadian Open	3	0
John Deere Classic	3	0

Best Scrambling Percentage Last 3 PGA TOUR Seasons

	PCT.
Webb Simpson	65.8%
Matt Kuchar	64.4%
Gonzalo Fernandez-Castaño	64.3%
Mike Weir	64.2%
Zac Blair	64.1%
Louis Oosthuizen	63.1%
Rickie Fowler	63.1%

In the last three seasons, Webb Simpson has ranked fourth in 2016-17, first last season and fourth this season. Over this timeframe, Webb has successfully salvaged par a TOUR leading 65.8% of the time getting up and down on 933 of 1,418 missed greens.

**min 200 missed greens*

Rory McIlroy

Rory McIlroy is set to make his 13th start this season and is coming off his first missed cut at the Memorial Tournament. Rory currently ranks fourth in the FedExCup standings recording five top-5 finishes this season. Since the 2015-16 PGA TOUR season, Rory has not ranked outside of the top-six in SG: Off-the-Tee gaining over 170 strokes from off the tee in this timeframe.

Most Top-5 Finishes PGA TOUR This Season

	Starts	Top 5s	Top 5 %
Dustin Johnson	11	5	45.5%
Rory McIlroy	12	5	41.7%
Brooks Koepka	12	5	41.7%
Matt Kuchar	15	5	33.3%
Marc Leishman	14	5	35.7%

Most SG: Off-the-Tee Total PGA TOUR Since 2015-16 Season

	Total
Dustin Johnson	+215.67
Rory McIlroy	+170.80
Bubba Watson	+169.83
Luke List	+168.28
Gary Woodland	+168.10

SG: Off-the-Tee Ranks PGA TOUR Since 2015-16 Season

	Rank
This Season	1 st
Last Season	6 th
2016-17	2 nd
2015-16	1 st

Matt Kuchar

Current FedExCup leader Matt Kuchar is set to make his 13th start at the RBC Canadian Open. Matt has five top-10s & six top-25s at this event.

Weeks Ranked #1 in FedExCup Standings PGA TOUR Since 2007

First 486 Weeks	Last 17 Weeks
3	11

Off-the-Tee Performance Ranks Last Season vs This Season

	Last Season	This Season
SG: Off-the-Tee	150 th	51 st
Driving Distance	169 th	T117
Driving Accuracy	75 th	9 th
Total Driving	160 th	18 th
Driving PCT 320+ (All Drives)	149 th	80 th

Matt Kuchar has made big improvements off the tee from last season to this season, including SG: Off-the-Tee going from 150th to 51st. Kuchar's Driving Accuracy has gone from 75th last season to 9th this season.