

2019 Sony Open in Hawaii Broadcast Window & Pre-Tournament Notes





ShotLink Keys to Victory for Patton Kizzire

Patton Kizzire made par on the sixth playoff hole (17th hole) to defeat James Hahn at the 2018 Sony Open in Hawaii for his second career PGA TOUR victory in his 66th career start on TOUR. Kizzire moved from third to first in the FedExCup standings with his win at the 2018 Sony Open in Hawaii.

Strokes Gained Statistics vs. The Field

	Rank	Average
Off-the-Tee	67 th	-0.501
Approach-the-Green	3 rd	+1.715
Around-the-Green	34 th	+0.078
Putting	3 rd	+1.711
Total	T1	+3.003

57.1% (+1.715) of Kizzire's total strokes gained for the week were a result of his approach the green performance at the Waialae CC.

Last season, Patton Kizzire recorded 10 of 16 final rounds final rounds under par with a final round stroke average of 69.25. Kizzire's 69.25 Final Round Scoring Average was the 15th lowest of any player on TOUR in 2017-18.

Final Round Performance PGA TOUR Last Season

	Value
Birdies or Better	60
Rounds Under Par	10 of 16
Scoring Average	69.25
Score to Par	-26

Patton Kizzire was dialed in on his approach the green performance en route to victory at the 2018 Sony Open in Hawaii. Kizzire ranked inside the top-five in several Approach-the-Green categories, ranking third in SG: Approach-the-Green, fourth in Proximity to the Hole, second in Fairway Proximity and fourth in Approaches from 175-200 yards.

Approach-the-Green Performance vs. 2018 Sony Open Field

	Rank	Value	Field
SG: Approach-the-Green	3 rd	+1.715	
Proximity to Hole	4 th	29' 7"	36' 0"
Fairway Proximity	2 nd	21' 4"	28' 5"
Approaches 175-200 Yds.	4 th	22' 10"	33' 5"

7' 1" Closer than the field: Patton Kizzire averaged 21' 4" on approach shots from the fairway, 7' 1" closer to the hole than the field (28' 5").



Course & Hole Stats Waialae CC

Courses with the Most Rounds of 62 or Better PGA TOUR Since 2003

	# of Rds
Sedgefield CC	33
Waialae CC	31
TPC River Highlands	26
TPC Summerlin	26
LaCantera GC (Resort)	25

31 Rounds 62 or better: Since the start of the ShotLink Era (2003), only Sedgefield CC has produced more rounds of 62 or better than Waialae CC. In this span, Waialae CC has produced 31 rounds of 62 or better.

2017 Sony Open champion and 2017 FedExCup Champion Justin Thomas is one of two players (Chad Campbell) with multiple rounds of 62 or better at Waialae CC in the ShotLink Era (since 2003).

Most Rounds of 62 or Better Waialae CC Since 2003

	# of Rds
Justin Thomas	2
Chad Campbell	2
27 players w/	1

Since 2003, Waialae CC has been one of the toughest courses to find the fairway off the tee. In fact, Waialae CC has ranked inside the top 15 toughest Driving Accuracy courses on TOUR in each of the last 16 seasons on TOUR. Waialae CC and Torrey Pines (North) are the only two courses to rank inside the top 15 of the toughest fairways to hit in every season in the ShotLink era (16 consecutive seasons).

Waialae CC Driving Accuracy Ranks PGA TOUR Since 2003

	Season Rank	PCT.
Last Season	14th Toughest	54.80
2016-17	14 th Toughest	56.03
2015-16	12 th Toughest	55.14
2014-15	7 th Toughest	52.34
2013-14	3 rd Toughest	49.35
2013	2 nd Toughest	48.03
2012	2 nd Toughest	46.61
2011	12 th Toughest	56.28
2010	Toughest	47.17
2009	7 th Toughest	52.42
2008	3 rd Toughest	50.78
2007	2 nd Toughest	47.76
2006	Toughest	43.66
2005	8 th Toughest	54.34
2004	7 th Toughest	53.87
2003	12 th Toughest	58.26

Most Seasons Ranked Inside Top 15 in Driving Accuracy PGA TOUR Since 2003

	# of Seasons
Waialae CC	16
Torrey Pines (North)	16
Torrey Pines GC (South)	15
Firestone CC (South)	15

Since 2003, the 18th hole at Waialae CC has proved to be the toughest fairway to hit on TOUR (min 2,200 attempts). In 6,992 tee shots on the 18th hole, only 36.4% of players have found the fairway (2,545).

Toughest Driving Holes on TOUR Since 2003

	Hole	PCT.
Waialae CC	18 th	36.4
Quail Hollow Club	5 th	37.0
TPC Boston	4 th	38.3
Firestone CC (South)	9 th	38.4
TPC Four Seasons Resort	1 st	40.1

*Min 2,200 Attempts



Last season, Waialae CC had the third easiest greens to hit in regulation from approach shots inside 125 yards. The field hit the green in regulation 87.99% with 125 yards or less on their approach shot. Eight players hit the green in regulation on all their attempts from inside 125 yards at the 2018 Sony Open.

Easiest Greens to Hit Inside 125 Yards PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT.
Sedgefield CC	90.27
Trinity Forest Golf Club	89.19
Waialae CC	87.99
Bay Hill Club & Lodge	86.32
Sea Island Resort (Seaside)	86.30

100% GIR Percentage from Inside 125 Yards 2018 Sony Open in Hawaii

	Greens Hit	Total Attempts	
Sam Ryder	18	18	
Scott Piercy	17	17	
Gary Woodland	23	23	
James Hahn	16	16	
Chris Kirk	15	15	
Charles Howell III	17	17	
Ryan Armour	18	18	
D.A. Points	14	14	

*Field Avg: 87.99%

Highest Birdie or Better PCT. Inside 125 Yards PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT.
Keene Trace Golf Club	29.71
Stadium Course	27.82
Aronimink GC	27.59
Glen Abbey GC	27.47
Waialae CC	27.31

27.31%: Last season, players went onto make birdie or better on 27.31% of the attempts from inside 125 yards (307 of 1,124) at Waialae CC, marking the fifth highest Birdie or Better Percentage of any course.

59 Eagles: Last season, five courses produced 50 or more Total Eagles for the week. Waialae CC had the fourth most Total Eagles of any course on TOUR (59). Nine players made two eagles at Waialae CC in 2018.

Most Total Eagles PGA TOUR Last Season

	Total
Glen Abbey GC	78
Sedgefield CC	77
TPC Sawgrass	65
Waialae CC	59
Trinity Forest Golf Club	54

9th Hole - Par 5 - 506 Yards Waialae CC - PGA TOUR Last Season

	Rank	Value
Most Eagles	2 nd	39
Most Birdies	1 st	285
Scoring Average	1 st	-0.790

Last season, the ninth hole at Waialae CC was the easiest hole out of the 918 ranked holes on TOUR, playing 0.790-under par. The ninth hole ranked in the top two in several categories including Most Eagles, Most Birdies and Scoring Average.



FedExCup Storylines

Since 2007, eight of the 12 Sony Open Champions have qualified for the TOUR Championship, finishing inside the top 30 in the final FedExCup standings in the year winning the Sony Open.

FedExCup Finishes
Sony Open Champions Since 2007

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	Year	FEC Finish
Patton Kizzire	2018	30 th
Justin Thomas	2017	WIN
Fabián Gómez	2016	40 th
Jimmy Walker	2015	16 th
Jimmy Walker	2014	7 th
Russell Henley	2013	44 th
Johnson Wagner	2012	36 th
Mark Wilson	2011	22 nd
Ryan Palmer	2010	23 rd
Zach Johnson	2009	6 th
K.J. Choi	2008	10 th
Paul Goydos	2007	59 th

Most FedExCup Points Earned Sony Open Since 2009

	Total
Jimmy Walker	1,265
Zach Johnson	876
Charles Howell III	846
Tim Clark	729
Ryan Palmer	694

Since 2009, no player has earned more FedExCup season points at the Sony Open than Jimmy Walker. Walker has earned 1,265 FEC points in this timeframe including two victories in 2014 & 2015.

Biggest Improvement in FedExCup Standings Entering 2018 Sony Open & Entering 2019 Sony Open

100-Position Improvement: Matt Kuchar is one of 11 players who have improved over 100 positions in the FedExCup standings from entering the 2018 Sony Open to this week. Kuchar has improved from 116th to ninth in the standings.

Sam Ryder has made the biggest jump in the standings from this point last season, moving 178 position in the FedExCup standings.

	2017-18	This Season	Biggest Improvement
Sam Ryder	196 th	18 th	+178
J.B. Holmes	201st	42 nd	+159
Brandt Snedeker	157 th	16 th	+141
Denny McCarthy	202 nd	68 th	+134
Troy Merritt	167 th	35 th	+132
Nick Watney	191 st	67 th	+124
Andrew Putnam	148 th	31 st	+117
Richy Werenski	137 th	23 rd	+114
Robert Streb	164 th	50 th	+114
Matt Kuchar	116 th	9 th	+107
Ryan Blaum	147 th	45 th	+102

Players Who Can Move to #1 in FedExCup With a Win This Week

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Rank Entering Week	
Gary Woodland	2 nd
Marc Leishman	3 rd
Charles Howell III	4 th
Kevin Tway	5 th

Last week, Gary Woodland moved from ninth to second in the FedExCup standings, marking his highest rank in the standings of his career. With a win this week, Gary Woodland is one of four players in the field that can take the lead in the FedExCup.



Past Sony Open in Hawaii Champions Stats

Since 2012, six of the last seven Sony Open champions have ranked inside the top 10 in SG: Approach-the-Green. 2018 Sony Open Champion Patton Kizzire was dialed in on his approach game en route to victory. Kizzire ranked third in SG: Approach-the-Green, outperforming the field by +1.715 stroke per round on all approach shots.

SG: Approach-the-Green Performance Sony Open Champions Since 2012

Cony Open Champions Cince 2012			
	Year Won	Rank	Avg
Patton Kizzire	2018	3 rd	+1.715
Justin Thomas	2017	4 th	+1.536
Fabián Gómez	2016	2 nd	+1.694
Jimmy Walker	2015	7 th	+1.228
Jimmy Walker	2014	21 st	+0.626
Russell Henley	2013	5 th	+1.399
Johnson Wagner	2012	3 rd	+1.558

Sony Open Champions Ranking Inside Top-Five in Both SG: Approach-the-Green & SG: Putting Since 2004

Patton Kizzire ranked inside the top five in both SG: Approach-the-Green and SG: Putting, becoming the sixth Sony Open champion since 2004 to rank inside the top five in both Strokes Gained categories.

	Approach	Putting
2018 Patton Kizzire	3 rd	3 rd
2017 Justin Thomas	4 th	2 nd
2016 Fabián Gómez	2 nd	5 th
2013 Russell Henley	5 th	1 st
2012 Johnson Wagner	3 rd	3 rd
2006 David Toms	4 th	2th

Proximity to the Hole Ranks Sony Open Champions Since 2012

	Rank
2018 Patton Kizzire	4 th
2017 Justin Thomas	6 th
2016 Fabián Gómez	6 th
2015 Jimmy Walker	12 th
2014 Jimmy Walker	50 th
2013 Russell Henley	13 th
2012 Johnson Wagner	13 th

Since 2012, six of the last seven Sony Open champions ranked inside the top 15 in Proximity to the Hole en route to victory at Waialae CC.

Five of the last seven Sony Open champions have hit 40 or more approach shots inside 30 feet with the last three champions averaging less than 30' in Proximity to the Hole.

When hitting approach shots inside 30 feet, the last six champions at Waialae CC have a GIR percentage of 88.89%

Proximity to Hole & Approach Shots Inside 30 Feet Sony Open Champions Since 2012

	Proximity to Hole Avg	Approach Shots < 30'	GIR PCT < 30 '
2018 Patton Kizzire	29' 7"	44	84.09
2017 Justin Thomas	29' 1"	46	91.30
2016 Fabián Gómez	29' 3"	46	89.13
2015 Jimmy Walker	30' 10"	45	95.56
2014 Jimmy Walker	37' 11"	39	89.74
2013 Russell Henley	30' 4"	46	86.96
2012 Johnson Wagner	33' 11"	39	87.18



Since 2010, every winner of the Sony Open has ranked inside the top 10 in SG: Putting, with Russell Henley's 2013 performance the best of any winner at this event in this time frame. The Sony Open has the most winners ranked inside the top 10 in SG: Putting in any event on the PGA TOUR in this stretch.

SG: Putting Performance Sony Open Champions Since 2010

Cony Open Champions Cine 2010		
	Rank	Average
2018 Patton Kizzire	3 rd	+1.711
2017 Justin Thomas	2 nd	+1.886
2016 Fabián Gómez	5 th	+1.405
2015 Jimmy Walker	1 st	+2.566
2014 Jimmy Walker	8 th	+1.410
2013 Russell Henley	1 st	+3.052
2012 Johnson Wagner	3 rd	+1.501
2011 Mark Wilson	2 nd	+2.108
2010 Ryan Palmer	6 th	+1.414

Most Winners Ranked Inside Top 10 in SG: Putting PGA TOUR Since 2010

	# of Winners
Sony Open in Hawaii	9
Arnold Palmer Invitational	8
BMW Championship	8
Dell Technologies Championship	8



Broadcast Window Notes 2019 Sony Open in Hawaii (featured groups)

Justin Thomas

2017 Sony Open in Hawaii and FedExCup Champion Justin Thomas is set to make his fifth start at this event. Justin Thomas is one of four past FedExCup Champions in the field this week (Singh, Snedeker & Spieth).

Past FedExCup Champions in the Field This Week

	Year Won
Justin Thomas	2017
Jordan Spieth	2015
Brandt Snedeker	2012
Vijay Singh	2008

Players to Complete Hawaii Slam in a Single Season PGA TOUR Since 2003

Justin Thomas (2017) and Ernie Els (2003) are the only two players to complete the Hawaii Slam in a single season in the ShotLink era (since 2003).

2017	Justin Thomas
2003	Ernie Els

Most Under Par in Hawaii Since Start of 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season

	Score to Par
Jimmy Walker	-111
Justin Thomas	-105
Jordan Spieth	-105
Zach Johnson	-101

105-Under Par: Since the start of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Justin Thomas is one of four players who are each over 100-under par in Hawaii (Sentry TOC & Sony Open in Hawaii). Justin Thomas is 105-under par in this timeframe, tied with Jordan Spieth for the second-best combined score to par in Hawaii.

Most Rounds of 67 or Better in an Event PGA TOUR Career

Justin Thomas has recorded nine rounds of 67 or better in 14 career rounds at the Sony Open in Hawaii, tied with the CIMB Classic for his most in an event on the PGA TOUR.

	# of Rds
Sony Open in Hawaii	9
CIMB Classic	9
Sentry Tournament of Champions	6
BMW Championship	6

Lowest Stroke Average Waialae CC Since 2007

	Avg	
Justin Thomas	66.43	
Zac Blair	66.83	
Justin Rose	66.92	
Jordan Spieth	67.10	
Charles Howell III	67.25	

*min 10 rds

In the FedExCup era, no player has a better stroke average at Waialae CC than Justin Thomas. Since 2007, Thomas' 66.43 stroke average is the best of any player with a minimum of 10 rounds played at the Sony Open in Hawaii.



Charles Howell III

Charles Howell III is set to make his 18th career start at the Sony Open in Hawaii. Since 2002, Charles Howell III is a combined 154-under par at Waialae CC, 26 strokes better than the next player (Jerry Kelly, -128). His 154-under combined score in relation to par is his third best in any stroke-play event on the PGA TOUR.

Most Under Par Sony Open in Hawaii Since 2002

	Score to Par
Charles Howell III	-154
Jerry Kelly	-128
Brian Gay	-85
Marc Leishman	-84
Zach Johnson	-80
Rory Sabbatini	-80

Best Combined Score to Par in an Event PGA TOUR Career

	Score to Par
Desert Classic	-181
Shriners Hospitals	-181
Sony Open in Hawaii	-154

10 Total Eagles: Since 2002, Charles Howell III and Vijay Singh are the only two players to make 10 eagles at Waialae CC.

Most Total Eagles Made Waialae CC Since 2002

	Total
Charles Howell III	10
Vijay Singh	10
Ryan Palmer	9

Most Total SG: Putting Waialae CC Since 2004

	Total
Charles Howell III	+51.57
Brian Gay	+33.45
Jerry Kelly	+25.78
Shigeki Maruyama	+23.42

Since 2004, Charles Howell III has outperformed the field by +51.57 total strokes on the greens at Waialae CC. In this timeframe, Charles has made 108 total putts from outside 10 feet.

Most Putts Made From Outside 10' Waialae CC Since 2004

	# of Putts	
Charles Howell III	108	
Zach Johnson	88	
Stewart Cink	85	

Victory Droughts Ended on PGA TOUR in 2018

	Event	Days Between Wins
Charles Howell III	The RSM Classic	4,292
Paul Casey	Valspar Championship	3,262
Kevin Na	A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier	2,472
Keegan Bradley	BMW Championship	2,227
Ted Potter, Jr.	AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	2,045
Ian Poulter	Houston Open	1,975
Tiger Woods	TOUR Championship	1,876
Phil Mickelson	WGC-Mexico Championship	1,687
Matt Kuchar	Mayakoba Golf Classic	1,667
Webb Simpson	THE PLAYERS	1,666
Gary Woodland	Waste Management Phoenix Open	1,646

4,292 days: Last season, 11 players ended victory droughts of over 1,600 days between wins. Charles Howell III's win at The RSM Classic snapped a drought that had lasted 4,292 days since his last win 2007 Genesis Open.



Matt Kuchar

Matt Kuchar is set to make his 14th appearance at the Sony Open in Hawaii. Kuchar currently ranks ninth in the FedExCup standings on the strength of one win (2018 Mayakoba Golf Classic), and two top-25 finishes in three starts this season. Seven of the top 10 in the current FedExCup standings are in the field this week.

FedExCup Rank Thru Week #8 with FedExCup Finish Since 2013-14

	Week #8	FEC Finish
This Season	9 th	??
2014-15	21 st	19 th
2013-14	24 th	8 th

This week marks the third season where Matt Kuchar has ranked inside the top 30 in the FedExCup standings since the start of the wrap-around schedule through week #8. Kuchar qualified for the TOUR Championship in both seasons he was inside the top 30 through week #8 of that season.

In his last 20 rounds at the Sony Open in Hawaii, Matt Kuchar is a combined 63-under par, 75 strokes better than in his first 20 rounds at this event. Since 2011, Kuchar has hit 68.1% of the greens in regulation and makes an average of 4.3 birdies per round.

Sony Open in Hawaii Performance First 20 Rounds vs. Last 20 Rounds

	First 20 Rds	Last 20 Rds	Difference
Scoring Average	70.6	66.9	3.8
Score to Par	12	-63	75
Birdie Average	2.7	4.3	1.6
Greens in Reg.	64.2%	68.1%	3.9%

Hideki Matsuyama

Hideki Matsuyama is set to make his sixth start at the Sony Open in Hawaii. Matsuyama currently ranks 100th in the FedExCup standings and is one of only four players to qualify for the TOUR Championship in each of the last five PGA TOUR seasons.

Players Qualifying for TOUR Championship in Each of Last 5 PGA TOUR Seasons

	Current FEC Rank		
Hideki Matsuyama	100 th		
Patrick Reed	64 th		
Dustin Johnson	55 th		
Jason Day	26 th		

Most Weeks Ranked Inside Top 125 of FedExCup Since 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season

	# of Weeks		
Brendan Steele	222		
Charles Howell III	220		
Hideki Matsuyama	219		
Ryan Moore	218		
Kevin Streelman	216		

219 Weeks Inside Top 125: Since the start of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Hideki Matsuyama has ranked inside the top 125 of the FedExCup in 219 of 223 weeks (98%). Matsuyama's 219 total weeks is the third most number of weeks ranked inside the number to qualify for the FedExCup Playoffs (Top 125) of any player in this timeframe.



Marc Leishman

Marc Leishman is set to make his 10th appearance at Waialae CC. Leishman currently ranks third in the FedExCup standings and is one of four players who can move to #1 in the standings with a win this week.

Most Under Par First 2 Rounds Sony Open in Hawaii Since 2009

Score to Par			
Zach Johnson	-58		
Marc Leishman	-51		
Charles Howell III	-51		
Webb Simpson	-47		
Chris Kirk	-40		

Since 2009, Marc Leishman is a combined 51-under par in the first two rounds of the Sony Open in Hawaii, tied with Charles Howell III for the second-best combined score to par in the first two rounds of any player at this event.

In this span, 17 of his 18 opening two rounds have been par or better.

153 Total Birdies: Since 2009, only Charles Howell III has more total birdies made at the Sony Open in Hawaii than Marc Leishman. In this timeframe, Leishman has made 153 total birdies, marking the second most of any player at this event.

Most Total Birdies Made Sony Open in Hawaii Since 2009

	# of Birdies
Charles Howell III	166
Marc Leishman	153
Zach Johnson	152
Rory Sabbatini	151

Ian Poulter

Ian Poulter is set to make his second start at the Sony Open in Hawaii (2005, MC). Poulter currently ranks 47th in the FedExCup standings on the strength of one top 10 and three top-25 finishes.

Biggest Rank Improvement in Proximity to Hole Last 2 PGA TOUR Seasons

2016-17 Last Season		Difference		
J.J. Henry	T149	T16	+133	
Steve Wheatcroft	T180	T52	+128	
Rafa Cabrera Bello	T167	T47	+120	
Brooks Koepka	T177	T65	+112	
Whee Kim	T151	T42	+109	
lan Poulter	T123	T19	+104	

Last season, Ian Poulter was one of six players who improved over 100 positions in Proximity to the Hole from the 2016-17 PGA TOUR season. Poulter ranked T19 in Proximity to the Hole in the 2017-18 PGA TOUR season, averaging 34' 5" to the hole.



Jordan Spieth

2015 FedExCup Champion Jordan Spieth is set to make his fourth start at the Sony Open in Hawaii and third start of the 2018-19 PGA TOUR season. Since 2014, Jordan Spieth has four top-five finishes in Hawaii, most of any player in this timeframe.

Most Top-5 Finishes in Hawaii PGA TOUR Since 2014

# of Top 5		
Jordan Spieth	4	
Jimmy Walker	3	
Justin Thomas	3	
Hideki Matsuyama	3	

Best GIR Percentage Sony Open in Hawaii Since 2014

	PCT.
Jordan Spieth	81.67
Gary Woodland	77.78
Chez Reavie	77.08
Kyle Stanley	76.85
Spencer Levin	76.59

*Min 5 Rds

Since 2014, Jordan Spieth has the best Greens in Regulation Percentage of any player at the Sony Open in Hawaii (min 5 rds).

Spieth has hit his mark 81.67% of 180 possible greens (147 total GIR) and has not missed a green in regulation on six of the 18 holes at Waialae CC.

100% Green in Regulation at Waialae CC Since 2014

Hole	Par
3 rd	4
5 th	4
9 th	5
10 th	4
12 th	4
18 th	5

Best Greens in Regulation PCT. in an Event PGA TOUR Career

	Rank	PCT.	Evt Finish
2017 Sony Open in Hawaii	1 st	86.11	3 rd
2018 Sony Open in Hawaii	1 st	84.72	T18
2018 AT&T Byron Nelson	12 th	83.33	T21
2017 Sentry TOC	11 th	83.33	Т3
2016 Sentry TOC	11 th	83.33	WIN
2015 Houston Open	3 rd	83.33	T2
2015 The Open Championship	7 th	83.33	T4
2014 Sentry TOC	2 nd	83.33	2 nd

Five of Jordan's eight-best GIR performance have come in Hawaii, with his two best event performance being his last two starts at the Sony Open in Hawaii.

Jordan Spieth hit 86.11% of the greens in regulation en route to a third-place finish at the 2017 Sony Open in Hawaii (62 of 72).

Most Total Strokes Gained in Hawaii PGA TOUR Since 2014

Total		
Jordan Spieth	+52.55	
Gary Woodland	+49.24	
Justin Thomas	+48.08	
Jimmy Walker	+47.32	
Webb Simpson	+41.24	

+52.55: Since 2014, Jordan Spieth has outperformed the TOUR by +52.55 total strokes in Hawaii, marking the most total Strokes Gained of any player in this span.



Bryson DeChambeau

Bryson DeChambeau is set to make his second appearance at the Sony Open in Hawaii and 75th career PGA TOUR start. DeChambeau currently ranks seventh in the FedExCup standings and since the start of the wraparound schedule (2013-14), the average FedExCup rank of the eventual Sony Open champion is 7th.

FedExCup Stats
Sony Open in Hawaii Champions Since 2014

	Value
Avg FedExCup Rank Entering We	eek 7 th
Avg Improvement	5 positions
Avg Season Finish	19 th
Lowest Rank to Win	19 th

^{*}DeChambeau entered week 7th

Bryson DeChambeau recorded his second-best SG: Putting performance in a four-round PGA TOUR event en route to a seventh-place finish at last week's Sentry Tournament of Champions. DeChambeau outperformed the field by +1.826 strokes per round, ranking first in SG: Putting and made 10 putts from outside 10 feet.

Best SG: Putting Performance in 4-Round Event PGA TOUR Career

	Evt Finish	Rank	Avg
2017 John Deere Classic	WIN	2 nd	+1.873
2019 Sentry TOC	7 th	1 st	+1.826
2018 THE NORTHERN TRUST	WIN	5 th	+1.741
2018 Wells Fargo Championship	4 th	4 th	+1.719

SG: Putting Leaders 2019 Sentry TOC

	Avg
Bryson DeChambeau	+1.826
Andrew Putnam	+1.698
Xander Schauffele	+1.341
Cameron Champ	+1.188
Patton Kizzire	+1.037

Gary Woodland

Gary Woodland is coming off a runner-up finish at the 2019 Sentry Tournament of Champions, marking his 10th career runner-up finish on the PGA TOUR. Woodland is one of four players who can move to the #1 position with a win at the Sony Open in Hawaii.

This season, Gary Woodland has the second-best cumulative score to par of any player. Woodland is a combined 82-under par in five starts.

Most Under Par PGA TOUR This Season

	Score to Par	
Cameron Champ	-83	
Gary Woodland	-82	
Scott Piercy	-61	
J.J. Spaun	-57	
Xander Schauffele	-55	

This season, Gary Woodland has the most rounds of 63 or better of any player (3). Woodland has recorded a 63 or better in three of his last 19 rounds compared to four in his first 765 rounds on the PGA TOUR.

Rounds of 63 or Better First 765 Rds vs Last 19 Rds on TOUR

First 765 Rds	Last 19 Rds
4	3

Most Rounds of 63 or Better PGA TOUR This Season

	# of Rds
Gary Woodland	3
Cameron Champ	2
Patrick Rodgers	2
Peter Uihlein	2



Patton Kizzire

Defending Sony Open in Hawaii Champion Patton Kizzire is set to make his third start at this event. Kizzire is seeking to join five other players with two wins at the Sony Open. Four of the five players who have two wins at this event, won their second title in back-to-back seasons.

Back-to-Back Sonv Open Wins Since 1965

	Years
Jimmy Walker	2014 & 2015
Ernie Els	2003 & 2004
Corey Pavin	1986 & 1987
Hubert Green	1978 & 1979

Best SG: Approach-the-Green Performance PGA TOUR Career (Non-Majors)

+1.715: Patton Kizzire outperformed the field by +1.715 strokes per round on all approach shots en route to victory at the 2018 Sony Open, marking his career best SG: Approachthe-Green performance (non-majors).

	Evt Finish	Rank	Avg
2018 Sony Open in Hawaii	WIN	3 rd	+1.715
2015 Shriners Hospitals	T2	5 th	+1.705
2017 RBC Heritage	T32	7 th	+1.593
2016 Quicken Loans National	T57	4 th	+1.583
2017 Shriners Hospitals	T4	4 th	+1.507

Bubba Watson

Bubba Watson is set to make his second start of the 2018-19 PGA TOUR season and sixth start at the Sony Open in Hawaii. Last season, Bubba Watson was one of three players who were ranked outside the top 125 in the FedExCup standings through the Sentry Tournament of Champions to qualify for the TOUR Championship.

Outside Top 125 in FedExCup Standings thru 2018 Sentry TOC & Qualified for 2018 TOUR Championship

	Thru '18 Sentry TOC	2018 FEC Finish	
Bubba Watson	176 th	10 th	
Francesco Molinari	174 th	T17	
Kevin Na	146 th	28 th	

Last week, Bubba Watson ranked second in SG: Off-the-Tee, outperforming the field by +0.998 strokes per round off the tee at the Plantation Course at Kapalua.

Most PGA TOUR Events Ranked Inside Top 2 SG: Off-the-Tee Since 2013-14

	# of Events
Rory McIlroy	23
Dustin Johnson	23
Bubba Watson	20

*4-Measured Round Events

Since the start of the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Bubba Watson is one of three players (Rory McIlroy & Dustin Johnson) to rank inside the top two in SG: Off-the-tee in 20 or more four-measured round events.



Patrick Reed

Patrick Reed currently ranks 64th in the FedExCup standings and is set to make his third start of the 2018-19 PGA TOUR season and second at the Sony Open in Hawaii. In his last eight PGA TOUR starts, Patrick Reed has started off great in the first round with a stroke average of 69.13 and playing five of the eight opening rounds under par. However, Reed has struggled slightly in the second round, only recording two of his last eight rounds under par and has a 70.88 stroke average.

First Round vs. Second Round Performance Last 8 PGA TOUR Starts

	1 st Rd	2 nd Rd	Difference
Stroke Average	69.13	70.88	1.75
Rds Under Par	5	2	3
Score to Par	-14	Even	14
Avg Leaderboard Pos.	30th	35th	5

SG: Around-the-Green Performance Since 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season

Year	Rank	Average
Last Season	2 nd	+0.545
2016-17	T43	+0.184
2015-16	8 th	+0.406
2014-15	22 nd	+0.273
2013-14	10 th	+0.393

+0.545: Last season, Patrick Reed ranked second on the PGA TOUR in SG: Around-the-Green.

Since the 2013-14 PGA TOUR season, Patrick Reed is one of eight players who ranked inside the top-25 in SG: Around-the-Green in four or more seasons in this timeframe.