



**2022 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard**  
*(18<sup>th</sup> of 47 events in the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season)*

Orlando, Florida  
 Bay Hill Club & Lodge

March 3-6, 2022  
 Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,466

FedExCup points: 550 (winner)  
 Purse: \$12 million (\$2.16 million winner)

**First-Round Notes – Thursday, March 3, 2022**

*Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 82. Wind NNE 4-8 mph.*

**First-Round Leaderboard**

Rory McIlroy	65 (-7)
Beau Hossler	67 (-5)
J.J. Spaun	67 (-5)
Billy Horschel	67 (-5)
Six players	68 (-4)

**Things to Know**

- Rory McIlroy holds a two-stroke lead, his second consecutive 18-hole lead/co-lead at the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard
- Marks McIlroy's 18<sup>th</sup> career 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR (3-for-17 to date)
- McIlroy has five consecutive top-10s at the event (longest active streak), including a win in 2018

**First-Round Lead Notes**

- 3 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win the Arnold Palmer Invitational since 2000 (most recent: Jason Day, 2016)
- 3 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win on TOUR in 2021-22 (most recent: Joaquin Niemann, The Genesis Invitational)

**Rory McIlroy (1<sup>st</sup>/-7)**

Category	Entering the week
Age	32 (May 4, 1989)
FedExCup	23
OWGR	5
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	206-20-97
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2021-22	2-1-2
Starts – wins – top-10s at the Arnold Palmer Invitational	7-1-5

- Second consecutive 18-hole lead/co-lead at the event
- 18<sup>th</sup> career 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR; 3-for-17 to date converting to victory
- Sixth 18-hole lead of two strokes or more on TOUR (listed below in **bold**); 1-for-5 to date converting to victory (lone win: 2011 U.S. Open)

Tournament	Margin	Result
<b>2022 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard</b>	<b>Leads by 2</b>	<b>TBD</b>
2021 BMW Championship	T1	4th
2021 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard	T1	T10
<b>2020 WGC-Mexico Championship</b>	<b>Led by 2</b>	<b>5th</b>
2019 Wells Fargo Championship	T1	T8
2019 WGC-Mexico Championship	Led by 1	2nd
2018 BMW Championship	T1	5th
2014 BMW Championship	T1	T8
2014 Open Championship	Led by 1	Won
<b>2014 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday</b>	<b>Led by 3</b>	<b>T15</b>
2014 Honda Classic	Led by 1	T2
<b>2013 WGC-HSBC Champions</b>	<b>Led by 2</b>	<b>T6</b>
2013 Wells Fargo Championship	T1	T10
2012 BMW Championship	T1	Won

<b>2011 U.S. Open</b>	<b>Led by 3</b>	<b>Won</b>
2011 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday	T1	5th
2011 Masters Tournament	T1	T15
<b>2010 Open Championship</b>	<b>Led by 2</b>	<b>T3</b>

- 19<sup>th</sup> career first-round score of 65 or better and second in his last five starts (64/2021 BMW Championship); won three of the previous 18 instances and none of the last 12 (wins: 65/2011 U.S. Open, 65/2012 Deutsche Bank Championship, 64/2012 BMW Championship)
- Leads the field in Strokes Gained: Off the Tee (2.383) and SG: Tee-to-Green (5.516)
- 41-foot, 1-inch eagle putt at the par-5 16<sup>th</sup> marked the longest made eagle putt of his PGA TOUR career
- Winner of the 2018 Arnold Palmer Invitational
- Five consecutive top-10s at the Arnold Palmer Invitational (longest active streak): T4/2017, Won/2018, T6/2019, T5/2020, T10/2021
- In two prior starts this season, has a win (THE CJ CUP @ SUMMIT) and a T10 (The Genesis Invitational)
- Tied for 35<sup>th</sup> on the all-time PGA TOUR wins list (20)

#### Miscellaneous notes

- **Billy Horschel** (T2/-5) ties his career-low score in 35 rounds at the Arnold Palmer Invitational (previous 67s: R2/2016, R3/2017)
- **Beau Hossler** (T2/-5) entered the week T180th on TOUR in First-Round Scoring Average (71.00) before a 5-under 67 (second sub-70 score in 13 rounds at the event)
- **J.J. Spaun** (T2/-5) leads the field in Strokes Gained: Putting (3.680)
- World No. 1 **Jon Rahm** (T51/E) is second in the field in Strokes Gained: Approach (2.953) and 114<sup>th</sup> of 120 in Strokes Gained: Putting (-2.693; missed a 10-inch par attempt on No. 7)