



2022 Open Championship (40th of 47 events in the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season)

St. Andrews, Scotland July 14-17, 2022 FedExCup points: 600 (winner)

The Old Course Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,313 Purse: \$14 million (\$2.5 million/winner)

First-Round Notes – Thursday, July 14, 2022

Weather: Cloudy. High of 65. Wind WNW 9-13 mph, with gusts to 22 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Cameron Young 64 (-8)
Rory McIlroy 66 (-6)
Cameron Smith 67 (-5)
Robert Dinwiddie 67 (-5)

Things to Know

- St. Andrews hosts the 150th edition of The Open Championship, marking the 30th time it has been contested at The Old Course
- After an 8-under 64 in his Open Championship debut, PGA TOUR rookie Cameron Young leads by two over Rory McIlroy
- Young holds his third first-round lead/co-lead of the season, tied with McIlroy for most on TOUR
- McIlroy's 66 is his best opening round at The Open since carding the same score en route to winning at Hoylake in 2014
- Making his 90th major championship start, three-time Open Championship winner Tiger Woods equals his highest opening-round score in 22 starts at the event
- World No. 1 and FedExCup leader Scottie Scheffler sits T5, marking the 15th time in the last 18 major championship rounds he has been inside the top 10 on the leaderboard
- Genesis Scottish Open champion Xander Schauffele posts a 3-under 69 in bid to become the first player since McIlroy in 2014 to follow a win on the PGA TOUR with a major championship victory the following week
- Collin Morikawa opens with an even-par 72 in bid to become the first player to successfully defend at The Open since Padraig Harrington in 2008
- First-round scores for past champions at St. Andrews: Louis Oosthuizen (71), Zach Johnson (72), John Daly (73), Woods (78)

First-Round Lead Notes

26 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win The Open Championship (since 1892)

(most recent: Jordan Spieth/2017)

6 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win individual stroke-play events on TOUR in 2021-22

(most recent: J.T. Poston, John Deere Classic)

Cameron Young (1st/-8)

Category	Entering the week
Age	25 (May 7, 1997)
FedExCup	18
OWGR	32
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	23-0-5
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2021-22	20-0-5
Starts – wins – top-10s at The Open Championship	0-0-0

- Holds the 18-hole lead at The Open Championship with an 8-under 64, one shy of the event's lowest first-round score (63: Rory McIlroy/St. Andrews/2010, Phil Mickelson/Royal Troon/2016)
- Is the 11th player to record a first-round score of 64 or better at The Open, with none of the previous 10 going on to win:

Year	Player	Course	Score	Finish
2022	Cameron Young	St. Andrews	64	TBD

2021	Louis Oosthuizen	Royal St. George's	64	T3
2016	Phil Mickelson	Royal Troon	63	2
2012	Adam Scott	Royal Lytham & St. Annes	64	2
2010	Rory McIlroy	St. Andrews	63	T3
2009	Miguel Angel Jiménez	Turnberry	64	T13
1992	Steve Pate	Muirfield	64	4
1992	Raymond Floyd	Muirfield	64	T12
1987	Rodger Davis	Muirfield	64	T2
1985	Christy O'Connor	Royal St. George's	64	T3
1983	Craig Stadler	Royal Birkdale	64	T12

- Holds his third first-round lead/co-lead of the season, tied with McIlroy for most on TOUR; 0-for-2 to date (RBC Heritage/T3, Memorial Tournament presented by Workday/T60)
- Hit all 18 greens in regulation for the first time on the PGA TOUR
- Making his first appearance in The Open; Collin Morikawa (Royal St. George's/2021) is the most recent of 10 players who have won the event in their debut
- Making his sixth major championship start, with a T3 at this year's PGA Championship his lone made cut (finished one stroke out of a playoff)
- Five top-three finishes this season, including runner-up finishes at the Sanderson Farms Championship, The Genesis Invitational and the Wells Fargo Championship
- Enters the week with two straight missed cuts (U.S. Open, Genesis Scottish Open)

Rory McIlroy (2nd/-6)

- Posts 6-under 66, his best opening round at The Open since carding the same score en route to winning at Hoylake in 2014
- R1 stats: 14 of 18 greens, 9 of 16 fairways, 28 putts
- In search of his fifth major championship victory (2011 U.S. Open, 2012 PGA Championship, 2014 Open Championship, 2014 PGA Championship)
- Since his win at the 2014 PGA Championship, has accumulated 16 top-10s in majors, the most of any player in that span

Miscellaneous notes

- Making his 90th major championship start, **Tiger Woods** (T146) opens with a 6-over 78, equaling his highest opening-round score in 22 starts at The Open (2019/Portrush)
- With a 5-under 67, **Cameron Smith** (T3) equals his best opening-round score in 25 major championship appearances; the only player to win THE PLAYERS Championship and The Open Championship in the same year is Jack Nicklaus (1978)
- Robert Dinwiddie (T3) records a 5-under 67, his first par-or-better score in three Open Championship starts
- World No. 1 and FedExCup leader **Scottie Scheffler** (T5) opens with a 4-under 68, marking the 15th time in the last 18 major championship rounds he has been inside the top 10 on the leaderboard; is attempting to join 10 players (17 instances) who have won five or more times in a season with multiple majors (most recently Jordan Spieth in 2014-15)
- Barclay Brown (T5) records a 4-under 68 to become the first amateur inside the top five on the leaderboard after round one at The Open since Tom Lewis in 2011 (T1)
- Viktor Hovland (T5) was the only player to birdie the final three holes in the first round, posting a 4-under 68
- One week after bookend 66s led to a runner-up finish at the Genesis Scottish Open (his second runner-up finish of the season/Mexico Open at Vidanta), **Kurt Kitayama** (T5) turns in a bogey-free 4-under 68
- Making his 91st major championship start and holding the distinction of having the most starts in a major without a victory, **Lee Westwood** (T5) posts a 4-under 68
- Genesis Scottish Open champion Xander Schauffele (T13) cards a 69 in bid to become the first player to win on the PGA
 TOUR and win a major the following week since Rory McIlroy in 2014 (WGC Bridgestone Invitational, PGA Championship)
- 2021 champion **Collin Morikawa** (T55) posts an even-par 72; the last player to successfully defend a title in a major was Brooks Koepka at the 2019 PGA Championship, while the last player to do so at The Open was Padraig Harrington in 2008
- **Justin Rose** (back injury) and **Erik Van Rooyen** (neck injury) withdrew prior to the start of the first round and were replaced by **Rikuya Hoshino** and **Aaron Rai**, respectively; both players opened with a 3-over 75