Team USA Game Notes

2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team

USA vs. Canada • Oct.22, 2017 • 2 p.m. ET Videotron Centre • Quebec City, Quebec



GAME DAY: Today marks the first of at least seven meetings between the U.S. and Canada leading up to the 2018 Olympic Winter Games. Today's game will be televised in the United States on NHL Network. Follow the updates on Twitter @USAHockey and join the conversation by using the hashtag #TheTimeisNow. The last meeting between the two teams was at the 2017 International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship on April 7, 2017, in the gold-medal game in Plymouth, Michigan, as the U.S. defeated Canada, 3-2, in overtime.

THE TIME IS NOW: The Time is Now Tour, presented by Toyota, will feature the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team in action for a series of games this fall and winter as it continues its journey to the Olympic Winter Games. See the full schedule for the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team, including all Tour stops and the 2017 Four Nations Cup, at the bottom of the page, or visit TheTimeisNowTour.com for more information.

TAKING ON THE WORLD: The United States is the four-time defending world champion and has captured gold at seven of the last eight IIHF Women's World Championships (2008, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017) and eight overall, including 2005.

ON THE OLYMPIC STAGE: The United States has medaled at every Olympic Winter Games since the sport was introduced to the Olympic program at the Nagano 1998 Olympic Winter Games, winning one gold (1998), three silvers (2002, 2010, 2014) and one bronze (2006).

SIGHTS ON THE GOLD: The 2018 Olympic Winter Games mark the 20-year anniversary of the United States' inaugural gold-medal victory in the sport of women's ice hockey, setting the stage for a commemorative opportunity to honor the 1998 team and earn a top finish in PyeongChang.

SINCE SOCHI: Since falling to Canada in overtime, 3-2, and earning a silver medal at the 2014 Olympic Winter Games, the U.S. Women's National Team has played Canada in six international events (three IIHF Women's World Championships and three Four Nations Cups), winning five of six titles and nine of 12 games overall.

ADDITIONAL PLAY: The teams have also met frequently during pre-Olympic tours and exhibition games. The two teams faced off in a pair of games in December 2016, including the first-ever Team USA Winter Champions Series. Canada defeated the U.S. in both games, 5-3, on Dec. 17, and 3-2 in overtime on Dec. 19.

* Game part of The Time is Now Tour, presented by Toyota

BORDER RIVALRY: The U.S. and Canada are the only goldmedal winners in Olympic Winter Games and International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship history.

USA vs. CANADA: In Olympic play, the U.S. has faced Canada six times and has posted a 2-0-1-3-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) record. The U.S. and Canada have met in the Olympic gold-medal game four times (1998, 2002, 2010, 2014), with the U.S. earning one win (1998). In games played against one another, the United States and Canada stand even at 16 goals apiece on the scoring chart.

BRING ON THE CUP: The U.S. and Canada have also met frequently during the Four Nations Cup, with the last game taking place on Nov. 5, 2016, in Jarvanpaa, Finland. The U.S. defeated Canada, 5-3, to win the tournament. The U.S. has competed in the tournament 20 of 21 times, having not participated in 2001. Team USA has captured the title seven times (1997, 2003, 2008, 2011-12, 2015-16), finished second 12 times and third in the tournament in 2013. The U.S. holds an overall record of 46-6-5-24-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) in 83 Three/Four Nations Cup games. The 2017 Four Nations Cup will be held Nov. 7-12 in Wesley Chapel and Tampa, Fla., as part of The Time is Now Tour, presented by Toyota.

ON THE AIR: NHL Network is televising today's game live in the U.S. and will also carry Wednesday's (Oct. 25) contest in Boston and contests in Canada on Dec. 5 and 17. NBCSN will televise the U.S.-Canada matchups on Dec. 3 in St. Paul and Dec. 15 in San Jose. All eight games from the Four Nations Cup will be streamed live on HockeyTV.com.

AROUND USA HOCKEY: The first of USA Hockey's two national Try Hockey for Free Days is set for Nov. 4. The nationwide event includes opportunities all across the country for kids that have never tried the sport to do just that and without cost. More information is available at TryHockeyForFree.com. USA Hockey expects more than 10,000 young girls and boys to try the sport for the first time that day ... The U.S. will host the 2017 IIHF World Junior Hockey Championship, Dec. 26-Jan. 5 in Buffalo, New York. The 10-team tournament is back on U.S. soil for the first time since 2011 and the U.S. is the defending gold medalist ... The U.S. won five gold medals in the six major IIHF world championships in 2016-17, a feat never before accomplished ... The Women's Four Nations Cup comes to Florida for the very first time this season -- Nov. 7-12 at Wesley Chapel's Florida Hospital Center Ice for all but the third-place and championship games, which will be staged at AMALIE Arena in Tampa.

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2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team Schedule

<u>Date</u>	Opponent	Time (Local/ET)	Location	Broadcast/Streaming Info
Sun., Oct. 22	Canada	2 p.m	Centre Videotron, Quebec City, Que.	NHL Network
Wed., Oct. 25	Canada*	7:30 p.m.	Agganis Arena, Boston	NHL Network
Tues., Nov. 7	Finland*%	7 p.m.	Florida Hospital Center Ice, Wesley Chapel, Fla.	HockeyTV.com
Wed., Nov. 8	Canada*%	7 p.m.	Florida Hospital Center Ice, Wesley Chapel, Fla.	HockeyTV.com
Fri., Nov. 10	Sweden*%	6:30 p.m.	Florida Hospital Center Ice, Wesley Chapel, Fla.	HockeyTV.com
Sun., Nov. 12	TBD*%	12 or 3:30 p.m.	AMALIE Arena, Tampa, Fla.	HockeyTV.com
Sun., Dec. 3	Canada*	3 p.m./4 p.m.	Xcel Energy Center, St. Paul, Minn.	NBC Sports and NBC Sports App
Tues., Dec. 5	Canada	7 p.m./8 p.m.	Bell MTS Place, Winnipeg, Manit.	NHL Network
Fri., Dec. 15	Canada*	7 p.m./10 p.m.	SAP Center, San Jose, Calif.	NBC Sports and NBC Sports App
Sun., Dec. 17	Canada	5 p.m./7 p.m.	Rogers Place, Edmonton, Alta.	NHL Network

% Game part of Four Nations Cup



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CAPTAIN AMERICA: Meghan Duggan is captain for the U.S. Women's National Team. She has served as captain at multiple events for the U.S., most recently for gold medal-winning Team USA at the 2017 IIHF Women's World Championhip in Plymouth, Michigan. She was also the captain at the 2014 Olympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia. Kacey Bellamy and Monique Lamoureux-Morando will serve as alternate captains.

OLYMPIANS: Twelve players on Team USA competed in the 2014 Olympic Winter Games, including Kacey Bellamy, Megan Bozek, Alex Carpenter, Kendall Coyne, Brianna Decker, Meghan Duggan, Amanda Kessel, Hilary Knight, Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson, Monique Lamoureux-Morando, Gigi Marvin and Lee Stecklein.

REPEAT PERFORMERS: Twenty-one of the 23 players on the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team roster helped the U.S. earn the gold medal at the 2017 IIHF Women's World Championship.

VETERAN EXPERIENCE: Eight players on the current roster have competed in more than 100 games with Team USA, including Kacey Bellamy (123), Kendall Coyne (105), Brianna Decker (100), Meghan Duggan (120), Hilary Knight (140), Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson (120), Monique Lamoureux-Morando (118) and Gigi Marvin (106).

MINNESOTA CONNECTIONS: Seven players on the current roster have played at the University of Minnesota. The group includes Megan Bozek, Hannah Brandt, Dani Cameranesi, Amanda Kessel, Gigi Marvin, Kelly Pannek and Lee Stecklein. Maddie Rooney is the lone representative from the University of Minnesota Duluth. Hannah Brandt, Kendall Coyne, Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson, Monique Lamoureux-Morando and Alex Rigsby all previously played for the Minnesota Whitecaps, an independent professional women's team.

BOSTON STRONG: The current U.S. roster includes four players who have played at Boston College, including Alex Carpenter, Kali Flanagan, Megan Keller and Emily Pfalzer. Kendall Coyne played four seasons at Northeastern University, also located in Boston. Kacey Bellamy, Carpenter, Brianna Decker, Meghan Duggan, Hilary Knight, Gigi Marvin, and Amanda Pelkey have all skated as members of the National Women's Hockey League's Boston Pride.

CHESEHEADS: The USWNT has five players who have played at the University of Wisconsin, including Brianna Decker, Meghan Duggan, Hilary Knight, Annie Pankowski and Alex Rigsby. In addition, Amanda Kessel hails from Madison, Wis.

DOUBLE TROUBLE: Monique Lamoureux-Morando and **Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson** will once again compete for Team USA. The twin sisters have participated in more than 100 games together for the U.S.

BLOODLINES: Alex Carpenter is the daughter of Bobby Carpenter, who played in the NHL for 18 years. **Amanda Kessel** is the sister of Phil Kessel who plays for the Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL).

PATTY PROUD: Meghan Duggan (2011), Brianna Decker (2012), Amanda Kessel (2013), Alex Carpenter (2015) and Kendall Coyne (2016), have won the Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award, presented annually to the top player in NCAA Division I women's ice hockey. In addition, 16 players on the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team roster have been in the top-10 at least once, including Megan Keller, Annie Pankowski and Kelly Pannek, who were top-10 finalists for the 2017 award.

COLLEGE: All 23 players on the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team have a collegiate background. Nine different NCAA schools are represented, with the University of Minnesota (WCHA) pacing all schools with seven representatives. Fifteen players come from the WCHA, seven from the HEA and one from the CHA.

LEADING THE WAY: Head coach **Robb Stauber** is making his third appearance at the helm of Team USA after most recently serving as the head coach of the U.S. team that won gold at the 2017 IIHF Women's World Championship in Plymouth, Mich. The tournament marked the fifth time Stauber served on the staff for Team USA in world championship play and the first time as head coach at the event. Stauber was named head coach of the 2017-18 U.S. Women's National Team and 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team on May 1. Stauber, who was an assistant coach for the 2014 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, has been involved with the U.S. in various capacities since 2010. Stauber played 10 years of professional hockey, including four seasons in the National Hockey League with the Los Angeles Kings and Buffalo Sabres as a goalie. He also represented the U.S. at the 1987 World Junior Championship and 1989 IIHF World Championship. Stauber served as the goalie coach for the University of Minnesota's men's team from 2000-2008 and for the University of Minnesota Duluth's women's team from 2004-08 where he helped lead the Bulldogs to the 2008 NCAA national championship.

ALL-TIME COACHING RECORD AT IIHF WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP:

<u>Year</u>	Head Coach	Record	Finish
2017	Robb Stauber	5-0-0-0	Gold
2016	Ken Klee	4-1-0-0	Gold
2015	Ken Klee	5-0-0-0	Gold
2013	Katey Stone	4-0-1-0	Gold
2012	Katey Stone	4-0-0-1	Silver
2011	Katey Stone	4-1-0-0	Gold
2009	Mark Johnson	4-0-0-1	Gold
2008	Jackie Barto	4-0-1-0	Gold
2007	Mark Johnson	3-0-1-1	Silver
2005	Ben Smith	4-1-0-0	Gold
2004	Ben Smith	4-0-0-1	Silver
2001	Ben Smith	4-0-0-1	Silver
2000	Ben Smith	4-0-1-0	Silver
1999	Ben Smith	4-0-0-1	Silver
1997	Ben Smith	3-0-1-0-1	Silver
1994	Karen Kay	4-0-0-1	Silver
1992	Russ McCurdy	4-0-0-1	Silver
1990	Don MacLeod	4-0-0-1	Silver



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NUMERICAL ROSTER Lee Stecklein 2 Defense 5 Megan Keller Defense 6 Defense Kali Flanagan 7 Monique Lamoureux-Morando Defense 8 Emily Pfalzer Defense 9 Megan Bozek Defense 10 Meghan Duggan Forward 12 Kelly Pannek Forward 14 Brianna Decker Forward 17 Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson Forward 19 Gigi Marvin Forward 20 Forward Hannah Brandt 21 Hilary Knight Forward 22 Defense Kacey Bellamy 24 Dani Cameranesi Forward 25 Alex Carpenter Forward 26 Kendall Coyne Forward 27 Forward Annie Pankowski 28 Amanda Kessel Forward 29 Nicole Hensley Goaltender 33 Goaltender Alex Rigsby 35 Maddie Rooney Goaltender 37 Amanda Pelkey Forward

TEAM STAFF

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General Manager	Reagan Carey
Head Coach	Robb Stauber
Associate Head Coach	Brett Strot
Assistant Coach	Paul Mara
Strength & Conditioning Coach	Jim Radcliffe
Head Scout	Matt Kelly
Team Physician	Dr. Ally Howe
Athletic Trainer	Sheri Walters
Massage Therapist	Jennifer Chee
Equipment Manager	Logan Fischer
Mental Skills Coach	Dr. Colleen Hacker
Sports Dietitian	Carrie Aprik
Video Coordinator	Nick Laurila
Communications Manager	Andrea Mazzarelli

NWHL SHOWCASE: Ten players competed in the NWHL during the 2016-17 season, including Megan Bozek and Emily Pfalzer who helped the Buffalo Beauts win the 2017 Isobel Cup. Kacey Bellamy, Alex Carpenter, Brianna Decker, Meghan Duggan, Hilary Knight, Gigi Marvin and Amanda Pelkey played for Boston, and Amanda Kessel with New York.

MINNESOTA CAPPED: Five players competed in 2016-17 for the Minnesota Whitecaps. They include Hannah Brandt, Kendall Coyne, Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson, Monique Lamoureux-Morando and Alex Rigsby.

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ROSTER BREAKDOWN

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Minnesota	6	Colorado	1
Massachusetts	4	Idaho	1
Wisconsin	3	Michigan	1

HOME STATES OF TEAM USA

Wisconsin 3 Michigan 1
Illinois 2 New York 1
North Dakota 2 Vermont 1
California 1

BY COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY (23 PLAYERS)

University of Minnesota (WCHA)	7
University of Wisconsin (WCHA)	5
Boston College (HEA)	4
University of North Dakota (WCHA)	2
Lindenwood University (CHA)	1
Northeastern University (HEA)	1
University of New Hampshire (HEA)	1
University of Minnesota Duluth (WCHA)	1
University of Vermont (HEA)	1

BIRTH YEAR

1997	1	1992	2
1996	1	1991	3
1995	2	1989	3
1994	4	1988	1
1993	3	1987	3

Average Player Stats:

Age: 24.8 years Height: 5'7" Weight: 150 lbs.

Oldest Player (30): Youngest Player (19):
Gigi Marvin (3/7/87) Maddie Rooney (7/7/97)

Roster Highlights

- 12 Olympians (Includes six two-time silver medalists)
- 23 World Championship participants (All gold-medal winners)
- 14 U18 World Championship participants (10 gold-medal winners)
- 10 NWHL players
- 5 Minnesota Whitecaps players
- 23 NCAA Division I players

STATES: The squad represents 11 different states. Minnesota leads the way with six representatives followed by Massachusetts with four, while Wisconsin has three, and Illinois and North Dakota each have a pair of players represented. In addition, California, Colorado, Idaho, Michigan, New York and Vermont each have one representative.

AGE: The average age of the 23 players on the team is 24.8. The oldest player on the team is **Gigi Marvin** (30) and the youngest is **Maddie Rooney** (20).

OLYMPIC PREPARATION: The USWNT currently trains together at Florida Hospital Center Ice in Wesley Chapel, Fla., a suburb of Tampa, as part of its pre-Olympic residency program, which kicked off Sept. 6.