



# 2021 U.S. NATIONAL SLED HOCKEY TEAM GAME NOTES

2021 PARA ICE HOCKEY WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP | OSTRAVA, CZECH REPUBLIC | JUNE 19-26, 2021

GOLD MEDAL GAME • USA (3-0-0-1) VS. CANADA (4-0-0-0) • SAT., JUNE 26 • 9:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME • OSTRAVA ARENA (CAPACITY: 9,779)

## TODAY'S GAME

Team USA and Canada meet for a second time this year, a rematch of the opening game for both teams at the 2021 Para Ice Hockey World Championship. Dating back to the 2014 Paralympics, the U.S. is 4-1 in gold-medal games in both Sled Worlds and Paralympics combined. Tonight's game will also be a rematch of the 2019 Sled Worlds, a game in which the U.S. won in overtime, 3-2. The U.S. has not lost multiple games at Sled Worlds dating back to 2009, and hasn't lost back-to-back Sled Worlds games against Canada since 2000.

## TALKING POINTS

### GOLD STREAK

The U.S. is playing in its seventh consecutive Worlds gold-medal game, having won four of six gold-medal games to date. The U.S. and Canada have met four times during this streak, splitting the series 2-2. The teams sit at an even 7-7 in four games played, with two games decided by just one goal.

### REMATCH OF GAME 1

The U.S. and Canada opened preliminary play against one another, in a closely contested 2-1 game. The U.S. outshot Canada 16-9, but Canada's power play would give them the edge over the U.S. scoring twice on the man advantage. Since then, both teams have won every game, including three consecutive shutouts by the U.S.

### SERIES VS. CANADA

Since the 2014-15 season, the two teams have met 29 times, with the U.S. posting a 19-4-1-5 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record. All-time, the teams have met on 102 occasions with Team USA holding a 34-11-8-48-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) record. Combined, the two teams have captured the last seven world championships and last five Paralympic titles.

Two years ago, Team USA and Canada met in the gold-medal game of the 2019 Para Ice Hockey World Championship where **Declan Farmer** (Tampa, Fla.) scored with 3:26 to play in regulation to send the game into overtime. **Brody Roybal** (Northlake, Ill.) scored the game-winning goal 5:08 into overtime, giving Team USA its fourth gold medal in World Championship history.

### AUTOMATIC ON THE DRAW

Three of the top-four tournament leaders in faceoffs play for Team USA. **Declan Farmer** leads all tournament players with a 74.49 win percentage, while **Rico Roman** (67.31) and **Josh Misiewicz** (65.00) rank third and fifth, respectively. Farmer's +48 ranks first in tournament faceoff +/-, and his 73 total wins rank tops by two wins.

### POINT STREAKS

**Brody Roybal** and **Josh Pauls** are both riding four-game point streaks in 2021 Para Ice Hockey World Championships. Both players are currently on eight-game point streaks at Para Ice Hockey World Championships dating back to 2019 Worlds. Roybal has scored 17 points and 11 goals (11-6--17) in eight games, while Pauls has scored 16 points and four goals (4-12--16) in his eight games.

### STAYING DISCIPLINED

The U.S. is ranked second in fewest penalties taken with 18 min, just two minutes shy of fewest penalties among all teams. Canada ranks fourth among all teams with most penalties, with 26 penalty minutes.

### TEAM USA IN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY

The U.S. has captured four gold medals in the events' 10-year history and enters the 2021 event seeking a seventh-straight berth to the gold-medal game. This is the third time the event will take place in Ostrava, which hosted the 2009 and 2019 world championships, both resulting in gold medals for Team USA.

## TEAM USA SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	TIME (ET)/RESULT
SAT., JUNE 19	CANADA	L, 1-2
SUN., JUNE 20	CZECH REPUBLIC	W, 4-0
TUES., JUNE 22	SOUTH KOREA	W, 8-0
FRI., JUNE 25	SOUTH KOREA	W, 9-0
SAT., JUNE 26	CANADA	3:00 P.M.
GOLD MEDAL GAME		

## U.S. BROADCAST DETAILS

The 2021 Para Ice Hockey World Championship will broadcast all U.S. preliminary games live on the Olympic Channel. Those games will also stream live on Olympics.com, as well as the NBCSN app.

Hosts Ahmed Fareed and Paul Burmeister will provide pre-game commentary, intermission reports and post-game commentary.

## TEAM USA SINCE 2014 PARALYMPICS

TOURNAMENT	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	U.S. RECORD
2019 Para Hockey Cup*	USA	CAN	RUS	5-0-0-0
2019 Sled Worlds	USA	CAN	KOR	4-1-0-0
2018 Para Hockey Cup*	USA	CAN	KOR	5-0-0-0
2018 Paralympics	USA	CAN	KOR	4-1-0-0
2018 Turin Para Hockey*	USA	ITA	NOR	5-0-0-0
2017 (Dec.) WSHC*	USA	CAN	KOR	5-0-0-0
2017 Sled Worlds	CAN	USA	KOR	6-0-0-1
2017 (Jan.) WSHC*	USA	CAN	KOR	5-0-0-0
2016 IPC Pan-Pacific*	USA	CAN	KOR	5-0-0-0
2016 WSHC*	USA	CAN	RUS	4-0-1-0
2015 Sled Worlds	USA	CAN	RUS	5-0-0-0
2015 WSHC*	USA	RUS	CAN	4-1-0-0
2014 Paralympics	USA	RUS	CAN	4-0-0-1
TOTAL				61-3-1-2

\*First place finishes, not gold medals

## LEADING TEAM USA

**David Hoff**, USA Hockey's Northern Plains District Coach-In-Chief and assistant coach of the gold medal-winning 2018 U.S. Paralympic Sled Hockey Team, is in his third season as head coach of the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team. This is Hoff's fifth season with Team USA after making his debut in the 2016-17 season.

**Josh Pauls**, who has helped the U.S. capture gold medals in the last three Paralympic Winter Games (2010, 2014, 2018), is serving as captain of the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team. In addition, two-time Paralympic gold medalists (2014, 2018) **Declan Farmer** and **Rico Roman** are serving as alternate captains.

This marks Pauls' 13th season with the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team and his fourth as team captain while Farmer is entering his ninth season with the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team and his fourth as an alternate captain. A Purple Heart recipient and U.S. Army Veteran, Roman is serving as an alternate captain for a third-straight year as he begins his 10th season with Team USA.

## MEDIA INFORMATION

All Team USA players or staff will be available for interviews in designated mixed-zone areas following games and practices. Media availability on day-of-game skates will be limited. Members of the media are not allowed in the U.S. dressing room at any time.

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All media availability with U.S. team members must be arranged through Aaron Westendorf, who is on-site with Team USA in Ostrava.



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### 2021 U.S. NATIONAL SLED HOCKEY TEAM ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	HOMETOWN	MOST RECENT TEAM
<b>GOALTENDERS (2)</b>						
32	Jen Lee* <sup>^</sup>	6-2 (188)	190 (86)	07/26/1986	San Francisco, California	San Antonio Rampage
34	Steve Cash* <sup>^</sup> #	5-7 (170)	150 (68)	05/09/1989	Overland, Missouri	DASA St. Louis Blues
<b>DEFENSEMEN (5)</b>						
3	Ralph DeQuebec*	5-10 (178)	185 (84)	03/24/1983	San Pedro, California	Colorado Avalanche
8	Jack Wallace*	6-4 (193)	210 (95)	06/24/1998	Franklin Lakes, New Jersey	NJ Freeze
17	Chris Douglas	5-9 (175)	150 (68)	05/17/1990	Saint Cloud, Florida	Minnesota Wild Sled Hockey
27	Josh Pauls* <sup>^</sup> # (C)	5-8 (173)	135 (61)	12/31/1992	Green Brook, New Jersey	DASA St. Louis Blues
37	David Eustace	6-1 (185)	155 (70)	05/03/1999	Stoneham, Massachusetts	Northeast Passage Wildcats
<b>FORWARDS (10)</b>						
4	Brody Roybal* <sup>^</sup>	3-1 (94)	120 (54)	05/25/1998	Northlake, Illinois	Nashville Sled Preds
9	Travis Dodson*	4-0 (122)	150 (68)	02/14/1985	Deming, New Mexico	Nashville Sled Preds
11	Joseph Woodke	6-0 (183)	160 (73)	07/12/1989	Nashville, Tennessee	Nashville Sled Preds
15	Kyle Zych	5-9 (175)	165 (75)	12/09/1996	South Hadley, Massachusetts	Northeast Passage Wildcats
16	Declan Farmer* <sup>^</sup> (A)	6-0 (183)	135 (61)	11/05/1997	Tampa, Florida	Tampa Bay Lightning
22	Noah Grove*	5-8 (173)	135 (61)	05/01/1999	Frederick, Maryland	Boston Bruins
23	Rico Roman* <sup>^</sup> (A)	5-9 (175)	180 (82)	02/04/1981	Portland, Oregon	Colorado Avalanche
24	Josh Misiewicz*	5-7 (170)	155 (70)	06/25/1988	Westerlo, New York	Chicago Blackhawks
40	Josh Hargis	6-0 (183)	165 (75)	08/16/1989	Colorado Springs, Colorado	Nashville Sled Preds
88	Kevin McKee* <sup>^</sup>	4-7 (140)	115 (52)	02/11/1990	Chicago, Illinois	Chicago Blackhawks

#### TEAM STAFF

General Manager	Dan Brennan (Colorado Springs, Colo.)	Equipment Manager	Jake Visser (Plymouth, Mich.)
Head Coach	David Hoff (Bottineau, N.D.)	Team Physician	Mike Uihlein (Grafton, Wis.)
Assistant Coach	Corey Gorder (Bottineau, N.D.)	Communications	Aaron Westendorf (Divide, Colo.)
Athletic Trainer	Mike Cortese (Boynton Beach, Fla.)	Content	Meg Stahl (Colorado Springs, Colo.)

\*2018 Paralympic gold medalist

<sup>^</sup>2014 Paralympic gold medalist

#2010 Paralympic gold medalist

### 2021 GAME-BY-GAME SCORING

TIME (ET)		CANADA	CZECH REPUBLIC	SOUTH KOREA	SEMIFINALS (KOR)	GOLD MEDAL (CAN) TOTALS
No	Name	L, 1-2 6/19/2021	W, 4-0 6/20/2021	W, 8-0 6/22/21	W, 9-0 6/25/21	3:00 P.M. 6/26/21
3	Ralph DeQuebec	--	DND	--	DND	0-0--0
4	Brody Roybal	G#	G	P*GGGA	AG	7-2--9
8	Jack Wallace	--	G*G#	AA	A	2-3--5
9	Travis Dodson	--	A	AG	--	1-1--2
11	Joey Woodke	--	--	--	--	0-0--0
15	Kyle Zych	DND	--	--	DND	0-0--0
16	Declan Farmer	--	--	A*A	GA	1-3--4
17	Chris Douglas	--	G	DND	AG	2-1--3
22	Noah Grove	DND	A	--	G	1-1--2
23	Rico Roman	--	A	AG	A	1-2--3
24	Josh Misiewicz	--	--	G	AG	2-1--3
27	Josh Pauls	A	A	AA	GAAG#	2-4--6
37	David Eustace	--	--	--	A	0-1--1
40	Josh Hargis	--	Pe*	DND	G*	1-0--1
88	Kevin McKee	--	DND	AGA	G	2-2--4
32	Jen Lee	DNP	W (1/1)	DNP	(1/1)	1-0 (2/2)
34	Steve Cash	L (7/9)	DNP	A, W (2/2)	W, (0/0)	2-1 (9/11)

Key:

G - goal  
A - assist  
P - powerplay goal

S - shorthanded goal  
Pe\* - penalty shot  
U - unassisted goal

G\* - game-winning goal  
A\* - assist on game-winning goal  
# - U.S. Player of the Game

DNP - did not play  
DND - did not dress

### 2021 U.S. ROSTER DETAILS

#### CAREER SKATER STATISTICS ENTERING 2020-21

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
3	Ralph DeQuebec	D	32	1	13	14	26
4	Brody Roybal	F	91	70	80	150	50
8	Jack Wallace	D	43	23	17	40	30
9	Travis Dodson	F	27	6	4	10	6
11	Joseph Woodke	F	5	0	1	1	2
15	Kyle Zych	F	12	4	1	5	2
16	Declan Farmer	F	98	104	84	188	44
17	Chris Douglas	D	42	2	13	15	16
22	Noah Grove	F	43	10	23	33	2
23	Rico Roman	F	114	17	24	41	26
24	Josh Misiewicz	F	33	17	28	45	8
27	Josh Pauls	D	155	45	75	120	22
37	David Eustace	D	5	1	0	1	2
40	Josh Hargis	F	16	4	0	4	2
88	Kevin McKee	F	120	44	66	110	37

\*Making their national team debuts this season

#### CAREER GOALTENDER STATISTICS ENTERING 2020-21

NO.	NAME	GP	MIN	W-OTW-OTL-L-T	GA	SVS	GAA	SV%
32	Jen Lee	29	818:52	14-0-0-1-0	10	67	0.62	0.870
34	Steve Cash	153	6990:10	100-16-7-32-1	190	1681	1.10	0.900

#### HOME STATES

California	2
Colorado	1
Florida	2
Illinois	2
Iowa	1
Maryland	1
Massachusetts	2
Missouri	1
New Jersey	2
New Mexico	1
Oregon	1
Tennessee	1

#### BIRTH YEARS

1981	1
1983	1
1985	1
1986	1
1987	2
1989	3
1990	2
1992	1
1996	1
1997	1
1998	2
1999	1

#### ROSTER BREAKDOWN

Average Height:	5'6"
Average Weight:	156 lbs.
Oldest Player:	Rico Roman (40 yrs, 4 mo.)
Youngest Player:	David Eustace (22 yrs, 1 mo.)
Average Age:	29 yrs, 6 mo.

#### DISABILITY

Osteosarcoma:	2
Cash, Grove	
Congenital Bilateral Amputee:	3
Farmer, Pauls, Roybal	
Congenital Regression Syndrome:	1
McKee	
Spinal Cord Injury:	1
Douglas	
Spina Bifida:	1
Zych	
Traumatic Amputee (Non-Military):	2
Lee, Wallace	
Traumatic Amputee (Military):	6
Army: Hargis (Ranger), Roman	
Marine: DeQuebec, Dodson, Misiewicz, Woodke	



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### 2021 U.S. GAME RESULTS

### 2021 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BOXSCORES

#### JUNE 19, 2021 UNITED STATES 1, CANADA 2

Ostravar Arena • Ostrava, Czech Republic • 489 attendance\*

United States (h)	0	0	1	—	1
Canada (v)	0	2	0	—	2

**1st:** No Scoring  
**2nd:** CAN - Dunn (Hickey, Jacobs-Webb) 5x4 PPG, 2:03  
 CAN - McGregor (unassisted) 5x4 PPG, 9:35  
**3rd:** USA - Roybal (Pauls), 0:35  
**Penalties:** USA 3-6, CAN 2-4 **Power Plays:** USA 0-2, CAN 2-3  
**Saves:** USA - Cash (7/9), 44:13  
 CAN - Larocque (15/16), 45:00  
**Shots:** USA, 16-9  
**Officials:** Ref: Kristijan Nikolic  
 Lines: Ivan Nedeljkovic, Ivan Nothegger

RECAP: **Brody Roybal** scored in the first minute of the third period off a **Josh Pauls** stretch pass to make the game 2-1, but the Canadian defense and netminder **Dominic LaRocque** were able to stop every U.S. push in the final frame. The U.S. outshot Canada, 16-9, however the Canadian power play made the difference scoring twice in the second period.

#### JUNE 22, 2021 UNITED STATES 8, SOUTH KOREA 0

Ostravar Arena • Ostrava, Czech Republic • 157 attendance\*

United States (h)	3	4	1	—	8
South Korea (v)	0	0	0	—	0

**1st:** USA - Roybal (Farmer, Wallace), 5x4 PPG 6:54  
 USA - Roybal (Roman, McKee), 10:05  
 USA - McKee (Dodson), 13:01  
**2nd:** USA - Roman (Pauls, Wallace), 5x4 PPG 5:15  
 USA - Roybal (Pauls, Cash), 5x3 PPG 10:56  
 USA - Misiewicz (Farmer), 13:02  
 USA - Roybal (McKee), 14:07  
**3rd:** USA - Dodson (Roybal), SHG 4x5 7:51  
**Penalties:** USA 2-4, KOR 6-12 **Power Plays:** USA 3-6, KOR 0-2  
**Saves:** USA - Cash (2/2), 45:00  
 KOR - Jae Woong Lee (24/32), 45:00  
**Shots:** USA, 32-2  
**Officials:** Ref: Martin Rapak  
 Lines: Tibor Fazekas, Tony Rundstrom

RECAP: **Brody Roybal** led the U.S. offensive attacked with four goals and assist, while goaltender **Steve Cash** was steady in net to earn his 15th career Worlds shutout. **Kevin McKee** also picked up three points on the night, including his first goal of 2021 Worlds. **Declan Farmer** started his tournament points scoring, with two assists. **Travis Dodson** scored a goal, shorthanded, after forcing a turnover on the penalty kill.

#### JUNE 20, 2021 UNITED STATES 4, CZECH REPUBLIC 0

Ostravar Arena • Ostrava, Czech Republic • 2,077 attendance\*

United States (v)	0	2	2	—	4
Czech Republic (h)	0	0	0	—	0

**1st:** No Scoring  
**2nd:** USA - Wallace (Grove), 4:15  
 USA - Roybal (Pauls, Dodson), 5:34  
**3rd:** USA - Wallace (unassisted), 3:40  
 USA - Douglas (Roman), 13:40  
**Penalties:** USA 2-4, CZE 4-8 **Power Plays:** USA 0-4, CZE 0-2  
**Saves:** USA - Lee (1/1), 45:00  
 CZE - Martin Kudela (47/51), 45:00  
**Shots:** USA, 51-0  
**Officials:** Ref: Owe Lutchke  
 Lines: Ivan Nedeljkovic, Tibor Fazekas

RECAP: The U.S. dominated play outshooting Czech Republic, 51-0. **Josh Hargis** earned an early penalty shot opportunity, but it would be **Jack Wallace** who got the U.S. on the board first. Wallace finished the game with two goals, earning U.S. player of the game. **Brody Roybal** added his second goal of the tournament in the second period, and goaltender **Jen Lee** started in net for the U.S.

#### JUNE 22, 2021 UNITED STATES 9, SOUTH KOREA 0

Ostravar Arena • Ostrava, Czech Republic • 120 attendance\*

United States (h)	3	2	4	—	9
South Korea (v)	0	0	0	—	0

**1st:** USA - Hargis (Eustace, Roman), 2:59  
 USA - Grove (Misiewicz), 7:08  
 USA - Pauls (Roybal), 7:33  
**2nd:** USA - Farmer (Pauls), 9:16  
 USA - Misiewicz (Farmer), 10:03  
**3rd:** USA - Roybal (Pauls), 4:11  
 USA - Pauls (Douglas), 8:16  
 USA - Douglas (unassisted), 11:28  
 USA - McKee (Wallace), 11:59  
**Penalties:** USA 2-4, KOR 1-2 **Power Plays:** USA 0-1, KOR 0-2  
**Saves:** USA - Cash (0/0), 15:00  
 USA - Lee (1/1), 30:00  
 KOR - Jae Woong Lee (38/47), 45:00  
**Shots:** USA, 47-1  
**Officials:** Ref: Owe Lutchke  
 Lines: Tibor Fazekas, Ivan Nedeljkovic

RECAP: Behind two goals and two assists from captain **Josh Pauls** (Greenbrook, N.J.), the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team earned a 9-0 victory today in semifinal action of the 2021 World Para Ice Hockey Championship. **Declan Farmer** (Tampa, Fla.), **Josh Misiewicz** (La Grange, Ill.) and **Brody Roybal** (Northlake, Ill.) also recorded multi-point games in the win.

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### U.S. PARA ICE HOCKEY WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OVERVIEW

#### 2021 GROUP A OPPONENT BREAKDOWN

##### PRELIMINARY ROUND GAMES

##### CANADA



##### RECAP: USA 1, CAN 2

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##### PLAYOFF ROUND GAMES

##### SEMIFINAL



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##### FIFTH-PLACE



##### LAST APPEARANCE: 2000 SWC - USA 0, EST 4

The U.S. suffered a 4-0 defeat to Estonia to finish sixth in Salt Lake City, Utah. The United States hosted its first-ever IPC Sled Hockey World Championship in preparation for the 2002 Salt Lake City Paralympic Winter Games, where the U.S. would claim its first-ever Paralympic gold medal.

All-Time Fifth-Place Game Record: 0-1

##### BRONZE-MEDAL



##### LAST APPEARANCE: 2008 SWC - USA 3, JPN 1

On home ice in Marlborough, Massachusetts, the United States skated to a 3-1 victory to earn its second-ever medal in tournament play. **Jimmy Connelly** opened the scoring before **Alexi Salamone** tallied a pair of goals to help lead the U.S. to victory.

All-Time Bronze-Medal Game Record: 1-0

##### GOLD-MEDAL



##### LAST APPEARANCE: 2019 WORLDS - USA 3, CAN 2 (OT)

The U.S. went undefeated 4-0-0-0 to reach its sixth straight world championship gold-medal game where Team USA defeated Canada, 3-2, in overtime to win gold at the 2019 Para Ice Hockey World Championship in Ostrava, Czech Rep.

All-Time Gold-Medal Game Record: 4-3

##### 2021 PLAYOFFS

The 2019 tournament introduced a new format that places the top four teams in the world rankings forming Group A and the next four in Group B. The top two finishers from Group A will earn a quarterfinal bye to the semifinals. The third-place finisher in Group A will face the second-place finisher in Group B while the other quarterfinal game will place Group A's fourth-place team against Group B's top finisher.

##### QUARTERFINALS

South Korea - 2 (OT)  
Norway - 1

##### SEMIFINALS

USA  
South Korea

##### BRONZE MEDAL

Loser of SF1  
Loser of SF2

##### GOLD MEDAL

Winner of SF1  
Winner of SF2

RPC - 7

Czech Republic - 0

Canada

RPC

#### U.S. PLAYERS AT SLED WORLDS

##### WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALISTS

PLAYER	YEAR	MEDAL
Steve Cash	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
	2015	Gold
	2013	Silver
	2012	Gold
	2009	Gold
	2008	Bronze
Ralph DeQuebec	2019	Gold
Travis Dodson	2019	Gold
Chris Douglas	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
	2015	Gold
Declan Farmer	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
	2015	Gold
	2013	Silver
Noah Grove	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
Josh Hargis	2019	Gold
Jen Lee	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
	2013	Silver
	2012	Gold
Kevin McKee	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
	2015	Gold
	2013	Silver
	2012	Gold
Josh Misiewicz	2015	Gold
Josh Pauls	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
	2015	Gold
	2013	Silver
	2012	Gold
Rico Roman	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
	2013	Silver
	2012	Gold
Brody Roybal	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
	2015	Gold
Jack Wallace	2019	Gold
	2017	Silver
Kyle Zych	2019	Gold

##### WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP STATISTICS

PLAYER	YEAR	GP	G	A	PTS
Ralph DeQuebec	2019	5	0	2	2
Travis Dodson	2019	5	0	0	0
Chris Douglas	2019	4	1	5	6
	2017	4	0	2	2
	2015	2	0	3	3
Declan Farmer	2019	5	7	7	14
	2017	7	12	6	18
	2015	5	6	1	7
	2013	5	4	4	8
Noah Grove	2019	5	3	0	3
	2017	4	2	2	4
Josh Hargis	2019	4	0	0	0
Kevin McKee	2019	5	0	2	2
	2017	7	1	9	10
	2015	5	1	2	3
	2013	5	2	2	4
	2012	5	0	2	2
Josh Pauls	2019	5	2	4	6
	2017	7	2	6	8
	2015	5	4	3	7
	2013	4	4	2	6
	2012	5	1	1	2
Rico Roman	2019	5	2	2	4
	2017	7	1	3	4
	2013	5	0	1	1
	2012	5	0	0	0
Brody Roybal	2019	5	3	7	10
	2017	7	8	6	14
	2015	5	2	7	9
Jack Wallace	2019	5	7	1	8
	2017	6	1	1	2
Kyle Zych	2019	5	1	0	1

PLAYER	YEAR	W-L	GAA	SV%
Steve Cash	2019	4-0	1.32	0.84
	2017	5-1	1.13	0.93
	2015	5-0	0.27	0.97
	2013	4-1	0.56	0.94
	2012	4-1	0.72	0.92
	2009	4-1	0.77	0.94
	2008	4-2	1.50	0.90
Jen Lee	2019	1-0	0.00	1.00
	2013	0-0	0.00	1.00
	2012	0-0	0.93	0.80



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### U.S. PARA ICE HOCKEY WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

**MEDALS:** Eight

**GOLD (3):** 2019, 2015, 2012, 2009

**SILVER (3):** 2017, 2013, 2004

**BRONZE (1):** 2008

YEAR	HOST	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	U.S. HEAD COACH	U.S. RECORD	U.S. FINISH
2019	Ostrava, Czech Republic	United States	Canada	Korea	David Hoff	4-1-0-0	Gold
2017	Gangneung, South Korea	Canada	United States	Korea	Guy Gosselin	6-0-0-1	Silver
2015	Buffalo, New York	United States	Canada	Russia	Jeff Sauer	5-0-0-0	Gold
2013	Goyang, South Korea	Canada	United States	Russia	Jeff Sauer	4-0-0-1	Silver
2012	Hamar, Norway	United States	Korea	Canada	Jeff Sauer	3-1-1-0	Gold
2009	Ostrava, Czech Republic	United States	Norway	Canada	Ray Maluta	3-1-0-1	Gold
2008	Marlborough, Massachusetts	Canada	Norway	United States	Ray Maluta	4-0-0-2	Bronze
2004	Ornskoldsvik, Sweden	Norway	United States	Sweden	Keith Blase	4-0-0-1	Silver
2000	Salt Lake City, Utah	Canada	Norway	Sweden	Rick Middleton	1-0-0-4	Sixth
1996	Nynashamn, Sweden	Sweden	Norway	Canada	Angelo Bianco	1-0-0-4	Fifth

### U.S. TOURNAMENT GAME-BY-GAME RESULTS

YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT	ROUND	W	OTW	OTL	L	GF	GA
2019	May 4	Canada	Gold-Medal Game		W			3	2
2019	May 3	Czech Republic	Semifinals	W				10	2
2019	April 30	Norway	Preliminary Round	W				10	0
2019	April 28	South Korea	Preliminary Round	W				4	0
2019	April 27	Canada	Preliminary Round	W				3	1
2017	April 20	Canada	Gold-Medal Game				L	1	4
2017	April 19	Korea	Preliminary Round	W				5	0
2017	April 18	Norway	Preliminary Round	W				6	0
2017	April 17	Canada	Preliminary Round	W				2	1
2017	April 15	Germany	Preliminary Round	W				9	0
2017	April 14	Italy	Preliminary Round	W				9	1
2017	April 13	Sweden	Preliminary Round	W				7	0
2015	May 3	Canada	Gold-Medal Game	W				3	0
2015	May 1	Norway	Semifinals	W				6	0
2015	April 29	Italy	Preliminary Round	W				7	0
2015	April 27	Germany	Preliminary Round	W				7	0
2015	April 26	Russia	Preliminary Round	W				6	1
2013	April 20	Canada	Gold-Medal Game				L	0	1
2013	April 18	Russia	Semifinals	W				2	1
2013	April 16	Czech Republic	Preliminary Round	W				3	0
2013	April 13	Norway	Preliminary Round	W				7	0
2013	April 12	Sweden	Preliminary Round	W				7	0
2012	April 1	Korea	Gold-Medal Game	W				5	1
2012	March 29	Canada	Semifinals	W				2	1
2012	March 28	Japan	Preliminary Round	W				5	0
2012	March 26	Czech Republic	Preliminary Round			OTL*		1	2
2012	March 25	Estonia	Preliminary Round		OTW*			2	1
2009	May 16	Norway	Gold-Medal Game	W				1	0
2009	May 14	Canada	Semifinals		OTW*			2	1
2009	May 12	Norway	Preliminary Round				L	1	2
2009	May 10	Korea	Preliminary Round	W				2	1
2009	May 9	Italy	Preliminary Round	W				3	0
2008	April 5	Japan	Bronze-Medal Game	W				3	1
2008	April 4	Germany	Preliminary Round	W				5	1
2008	April 2	Canada	Preliminary Round				L	0	3
2008	April 1	Norway	Preliminary Round				L	2	3
2008	March 30	Italy	Preliminary Round	W				4	0
2008	March 29	Japan	Preliminary Round	W				5	1
2004	April 24	Norway	Gold-Medal Game				L	1	2
2004	April 22	Sweden	Semifinals	W				2	0
2004	April 19	Canada	Preliminary Round	W				2	1
2004	April 18	Japan	Preliminary Round	W				4	3
2004	April 17	Great Britain	Preliminary Round	W				3	1
2000	NA	Estonia	Fifth-Place Game				L	0	4
2000	NA	Japan	Preliminary Round				L	2	3
2000	NA	Canada	Preliminary Round				L	0	3
2000	NA	Estonia	Preliminary Round	W				4	3
2000	NA	Sweden	Preliminary Round				L	3	4
1996	NA	Estonia	Round-Robin				L	1	5
1996	NA	Japan	Round-Robin	W				3	0
1996	NA	Norway	Round-Robin				L	0	11
1996	NA	Canada	Round-Robin				L	0	5
1996	NA	Sweden	Round-Robin				L	1	11
TOTAL				36	2	1	14	186	88

### U.S. RECORD VS. OPPONENT

OPPONENT	GP	RECORD	GF	GA
Canada	13	6-2-0-5	21	24
Czech Republic	4	3-0-1-0	24	6
Estonia	4	1-1-0-2	7	13
Germany	3	3-0-0-0	21	1
Great Britain	1	1-0-0-0	3	1
Italy	4	4-0-0-0	21	1
Japan	6	5-0-0-1	22	8
Korea	5	5-0-0-0	21	2
Norway	10	6-0-0-4	44	18
Russia	2	2-0-0-0	8	2
Sweden	5	3-0-0-2	20	15
TOTAL	57	34-2-1-14	211	91

### U.S. IN PLAYOFF ROUND

OPPONENT	SF	5TH	BMG	GMG	TOTAL
Canada	2-0	NA	NA	2-2	4-2
Czech R.	1-0	NA	NA	NA	1-0
Estonia	NA	0-1	NA	NA	0-1
Japan	NA	NA	1-0	NA	1-0
Korea	NA	NA	NA	1-0	1-0
Norway	1-0	NA	NA	1-1	2-1
Russia	1-0	NA	NA	NA	1-0
Sweden	1-0	NA	NA	NA	1-0
TOTAL	6-0	0-1	1-0	4-3	11-4

### U.S. EVENT RECORDS

Entering 2019 Tournament

#### SINGLE TOURNAMENT

STATISTIC	PLAYER	RECORD (YEAR)
Goals	Declan Farmer^	12 (2017)
Assists	Kevin McKee^	9 (2017)
Points	Declan Farmer^	17 (2017)
GAA*	Steve Cash^	0.27 (2015)
SV%*	Steve Cash^	.970 (2015)
Shutouts*	Steve Cash^	4 (2015)

\*Minimum 75 minutes played

#### CAREER TOURNAMENT

STATISTIC	PLAYER	RECORD
Games Played	Steve Cash^	36
Goals	Declan Farmer^	29
Assists	Kevin McKee^	17
Points	Declan Farmer^	47
Wins	Steve Cash^	27
GAA	Steve Cash^	0.77
Shutouts	Steve Cash^	14
Mins Played	Steve Cash^	1428

^Current U.S. player



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### U.S. TIDBITS

#### PRIDE TAPE

Captain **Josh Pauls**, alongside several teammates, have taped up their sticks with Pride Tape in celebration of Pride Month. Pauls thought of his home city and wanted to support Pride St. Louis, an organization that has supported the LGBTQ+ community for more than 40 years in St. Louis. To add a competitive twist, he wants his game to do the talking: \$10 per point he scores, \$20 for every USA win and a \$50 donation if the team wins gold. Teammates **Brody Roybal**, **David Eustace** and **Kyle Zych** have also jumped into the tournament with Pride Tape and promised donations.

When asked about his inspiration for the initiative, Pauls had this to say: "We have a lot of guys who want to give back, and are able to give back. We're all going through that learning process as a team and becoming more educated. We're family on this team. You never know when you'll meet a gay teammate and I want to make sure they're welcomed with open arms."

#### WEDDINGS DELAYED

**Josh Pauls** and **Kevin McKee** have both been planning weddings for more than two years, with plans constantly being changed or canceled due to the COVID 19 pandemic. With the team meeting for camp this summer following the tournament, both players have scheduled their big days and are finally full steam ahead.

#### UPCOMING MILESTONES

- Declan Farmer (103 games played) played his 100th game Sunday against Czech Republic
- Brody Roybal (96 games played) is four games away from 100 games played
- Josh Pauls (47 career goals) is three goals away from 50 career goals
- Declan Farmer (192 career points) is eight points away from 200 career points
- Josh Misiewicz (48 career points) is two points away from 50 career points
- Rico Roman (45 career points) is five points away from 50 career points
- Jack Wallace (45 career points) is five points away from 50 career points

#### EXPERIENCE MATTERS

**Steve Cash** is playing in his eighth World Championship, while teammates **Kevin McKee** and **Josh Pauls** are both playing in their sixth, respectively. The three have combined for 20 World Championships.

#### NO PAD NECESSARY

**Steve Cash** typically stands out in international play, as he is the one goalie that plays without a leg pad. When asked about his equipment preference, Cash noted the comfortability and ease of using his glove and stick hands without a pad.

#### JOURNEY TO OSTRAVA

Team USA's journey to Ostrava, Czech Republic, started on Saturday, June 12, with players and staff convening in Newark, New Jersey. From there, the team boarded a plane on Sunday, June 13, and traveled overnight to Vienna, Austria, where the U.S. players and staff boarded a bus for a three-hour trip to Ostrava. Since its arrival, Team USA has held four practices at Ostravar Arena ahead of today's tournament-opening game.

### USA HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

#### NEW USA HOCKEY PRESIDENT

**Mike Trimboli** (Massena, N.Y.), who has been involved in grassroots hockey as a player, coach, official and administrator for parts of the last six decades, was elected president of USA Hockey at last week's Board of Directors Meeting as part of the organization's virtual Annual Congress. In addition to his work with USA Hockey, Trimboli, who retired in 2018 from his role in law enforcement with the New York State Police after over 31 years, has also coached public high school hockey for more than 25 seasons over two stints, including from 1990-2005 and from 2009 until today, winning a Division 1 New York State championship in 2014.

#### ANNUAL AWARDS

USA Hockey honored its top volunteers and players this season with its annual awards, with celebrations occurring virtually this year. Full list of award winners:

John Beadle Adult Member of the Year: Emily Ludy  
Adult Player of the Year: Tiffany Juha  
Excellence in Safety Award: Dr. Dave Crandell  
Chet Stewart Award: Bob Hayden  
Walter Yaciuk Award: Joe Eppolito  
Disabled Athlete of the Year: Curt Wilson  
Jim Johannson College Player of the Year: Cole Caufield  
Bob Allen Women's Player of the Year: Aerin Frankel  
Distinguished Achievement Award: Katey Stone  
Wm. Thayer Tutt Award: Dick Emahiser

#### DISABLED SECTION LEADERSHIP

USA Hockey, as part of its virtual Congress, elected **Amy LaPoe** (Hamilton, Tex.) as chair of the disabled section, replacing **J.J. O'Connor** (Mt. Prospect, Ill.) who served in the capacity for 20 years. O'Connor was elected as a director emeritus as well in the Congress session. LaPoe previously served as a Special Hockey Representative for the Disabled Hockey Section, working with special hockey programs around the country to help them grow and develop in order to allow more individuals with special needs to have the opportunity to play hockey. On a national level she developed new tools and resources and represent special hockey within the Disabled Hockey Section.

LaPoe was originally introduced to hockey over 20 years ago when her son, Spencer, wanted to play. Spencer, who has Down syndrome, originally started playing hockey with the Gateway Locomotives in St. Louis, but when the family relocated to the Chicago area in 2000, LaPoe discovered the need for a special hockey team in the area. With the help of the NHL's Chicago Blackhawks, LaPoe founded what is today recognized as the Chicago Blackhawks Special Hockey Team. Since its creation 16 years ago when it was called Tomahawks Special Needs Hockey, the program has grown and now has over 100 members across three locations in the Chicago area. For her contributions to hockey, LaPoe was inducted into the Illinois Hockey Hall of Fame in 2012 and in 2014 the Dick Butkus Foundation named her a Youth Sports Most Valuable Player at the Chicago Sports Legacy Event.

#### GROWING THE GAME

USA Hockey announced last week two new volunteer positions to its coaching and officiating education structure, including a coach-in-chief for female development and a referee-in-chief for female development. The two new volunteer positions will be filled through the coaching education and officiating education sections of USA Hockey and will serve in a lead role in developing and implementing strategies to advance efforts related to recruitment, retention and overall support of females currently involved or interested in becoming involved in coaching and officiating.