



# 2026 U.S. UNDER-18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM GAME NOTES

2026 IIHF UNDER-18 WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP | MEMBERTOU AND SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA | JAN. 17, 2026

USA (4-0-0-0) VS. SWEDEN (3-0-0-1) • CENTRE 200 • SEMIFINAL ROUND • 4:00 P.M. AT

## TONIGHT'S GAME

IIHF UNDER-18 WOMEN'S WORLDS • CENTRE 200



4:00 p.m. AT

ESPN+

Blue Jerseys

Kenzie Lalonde, Cheryl Pounder

## LAST TIME OUT

Jane Daley tallied two goals, bringing her tournament total to 11, tying the IIHF single-tournament goal record, as the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team topped Hungary, 9-0, in the quarterfinals of the 2026 IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship. Bianca Birrittieri made eight saves in the shutout effort.

## QUICK SHOTS

### TODAY'S MATCH UP

Today's game marks the team's semifinal match at the 2026 IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship. With a win, Team USA will advance to the gold medal game on Sunday.

### IN THE SEMIFINALS

The U.S. holds a 16-0-0-1 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record all time at this tournament in semifinal games. The team's lone loss in the semifinals came at the hands of Sweden in 2023. Since then, the U.S. has outscored opponents 6-3 in the last two semifinal games.

### MAKING THE SEMIFINALS

Team USA has advanced to the semifinals of the IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship in every tournament staged, marking the 18th straight tournament they are playing in the semifinals.

### ALL TIME AGAINST SWEDEN

Team USA and Sweden have met 19 times at this tournament prior to today, with the U.S. holding a 17-1-0-1 advantage. The U.S. has outscored Sweden, 98-17, all time.

### AGAINST SWEDEN IN THE SEMIFINALS

The two teams have met five times previously in the semifinals, with the U.S. holding a 4-1 advantage. Team USA won the semifinal meetings in 2025, 2022, 2016 and 2010, while Sweden won in 2023 by a 2-1 tally.

### LAST TIME AGAINST SWEDEN

The two teams last met in the semifinals of the 2025 IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship last January in Finland. Bella Fanale tallied two second-period goals to help propel the team past the Swedes, 2-1.

### STICKING WITH NAVY

For the fifth straight game, Team USA will be wearing their navy jerseys when they take the ice. The team holds a perfect 4-0 record in those jerseys and has outscored opponents 45-1 while donning the navy.

### DALEY TIES SINGLE-TOURNAMENT GOAL RECORD

Forward Jane Daley recorded two goals in Thursday's 9-0 win over Hungary, bringing her total to 11 for the entire tournament. That ties the IIHF single-tournament goal record set by fellow American Haley Skarupa in 2012. One more goal breaks the record. Daley has 15 points on the tournament.

### AMELKOVICH AND TAYLOR LEND A HELPING HAND

Kylie Amelkovich has registered 10 assists on the tournament, leading all skaters in assists, sitting in third for the most assists in a single U18 WWC in tournament history. Chyna Taylor has nine assists on the tournament, second amongst all skaters and tied for fourth for the most assists in a single U18 WWC.

## TEAM USA AT A GLANCE

### ROSTER BREAKDOWN

The 2026 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team features 26 players - 14 forwards, eight defenders and three goaltenders, and returns 10 players from the 2025 team that took home silver at U18 Women's Worlds.

### LEADERSHIP CORE NAMED

Defender Maggie Averill (Wayland, Mass.) has been named the captain of the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team for the 2026 IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship. Forwards Kylie Amelkovich (Glen Ellyn, Ill.) and Maddy Kimbrel (Mound, Minn.) will serve as alternate captains.

### BEHIND THE BENCH

Courtney Kennedy is the head coach of the 2026 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team. Chris Bailey, Greg 'Boom' May and Shelly Picard are the assistant coaches, while Mackenzie Bruch is the goaltending coach.

## 2026 IIHF UNDER-18 WWC SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (LOCAL/ET)
<b>WED., JAN. 7</b> <i>Pre-Tournament Game</i>	<b>CZECHIA</b> <i>RBC Centre</i>	<b>W, 4-2</b>
<b>SAT., JAN. 10</b> <i>Preliminary Round</i>	<b>SLOVAKIA</b> <i>Sport and Wellness Centre</i>	<b>W, 13-0</b> <i>POG: Maggie Averill</i>
<b>SUN., JAN. 11</b> <i>Preliminary Round</i>	<b>CZECHIA</b> <i>Sport and Wellness Centre</i>	<b>W, 9-1</b> <i>POG: Jane Daley</i>
<b>TUES., JAN. 13</b> <i>Preliminary Round</i>	<b>FINLAND</b> <i>Sport and Wellness Centre</i>	<b>W, 14-0</b> <i>POG: Alaina Gnetz</i>
<b>THURS., JAN. 15</b> <i>Quarterfinals</i>	<b>HUNGARY</b> <i>Centre 200</i>	<b>W, 9-0</b> <i>POG: Emily Pohl</i>
<b>SAT., JAN. 17</b> <i>Semifinal</i>	<b>SWEDEN</b> <i>Centre 200</i>	<b>4 P.M./3 P.M.</b> <i>ESPN+</i>
<b>SUN., JAN. 15</b>	<b>BRONZE MEDAL</b> <i>Centre 200</i>	<b>3:30 P.M./2:30 P.M.</b> <i>NHL Network</i>
<b>SUN., JAN. 15</b>	<b>GOLD MEDAL</b> <i>Centre 200</i>	<b>7:30 P.M./6:30 P.M.</b> <i>NHL Network</i>

## 2026 IIHF UNDER-18 WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The U.S. U18 Women's World Championship Team is one of eight teams competing at the International Ice Hockey Federation Under-18 Women's World Championship from January 10-18, 2026 in Sydney, Nova Scotia.

The tournament features eight teams divided in two groups of four. Team USA is competing in Group B alongside, host Finland, Czechia and Slovakia. Group A includes Canada, Hungary, Sweden and Switzerland. Each group will play a single round-robin series before the playoff round.

All eight teams advance to the playoff rounds, with the teams being seeded in four quarterfinal games. The winners of the quarterfinals move to the semifinals. The two semifinal winners will play in the gold medal game, while the two semifinal losers will play for bronze.

## MEDIA ACCESS

Team USA players and head coach Courtney Kennedy will be available for interviews in the mixed zone following games and non-gameday practices. The locker room is closed. All interviews must be coordinated through Melissa Katz of USA Hockey.

Information, including team bios, schedule, news and team history is available online at teamusa.usahockey.com.

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## 2026 U.S. UNDER-18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	S/C	HOMETOWN	MOST RECENT TEAM (LEAGUE)
<b>GOALTENDERS (3)</b>							
30	Morgan Stickney	5-8 (173)	135 (61)	01/18/08	L	Manhattan Beach, Calif.	Shattuck-St. Mary's
31	Bianca Birrittieri	5-7 (170)	138 (63)	03/25/08	L	Flower Mound, Texas	Pittsburgh Penguins Elite
35	Cecilia Wielenberg	5-9 (175)	135 (61)	03/6/09	L	Downers Grove, Ill.	Team Illinois
<b>DEFENSE (8)</b>							
2	Maggie Averill	5-11 (180)	187 (85)	09/9/08	R	Wayland, Mass.	Assabet Valley
3	Mia Miller	5-8 (173)	135 (61)	04/3/08	R	Dundas, Minn.	Northfield High School
4	Ava Decourcey	5-7 (170)	140 (64)	07/24/08	R	Rockland, Mass.	Assabet Valley
5	Kateryna Sander	5-8 (173)	160 (73)	03/4/08	L	Chanhassen, Minn.	Holy Family Catholic
6	Sloane Hartmetz	5-3 (160)	122 (55)	02/8/08	R	Phoenixville, Pa.	Shattuck-St. Mary's
9	Chyna Taylor	5-6 (168)	130 (59)	07/10/09	L	Louisville, Ky.	Lovell Academy
28	Taylee Manion	5-4 (163)	136 (62)	11/12/09	R	Hermantown, Minn.	Proctor/Hermantown High School
37	Addison McLay	5-4 (163)	125 (57)	06/9/08	L	Hastings, Minn.	Hill-Murray School
<b>FORWARDS (14)</b>							
7	Emily Pohl	5-7 (170)	145 (66)	06/7/08	L	Woodbury, Minn.	Hill-Murray School
10	Jane Daley	5-5 (165)	127 (58)	03/21/09	L	Medfield, Mass.	Shattuck-St. Mary's
11	Kylie Amelkovich	5-8 (173)	155 (70)	04/29/08	L	Glen Ellyn, Ill.	Shattuck-St. Mary's
14	Talla Hansen	5-5 (165)	140 (64)	11/22/08	R	Wayzata, Minn.	Benilde-St. Margaret's
17	Maddy Kimbrel	5-4 (163)	125 (57)	05/5/08	R	Mound, Minn.	Holy Family Catholic
18	Lily Bromley	5-6 (168)	170 (77)	02/2/09	L	Carlisle, Mass.	Noble & Greenough
20	Alaina Gnetz	5-5 (165)	135 (61)	01/25/08	L	Woodbury, Minn.	Woodbury High School
22	Christina Scalese	5-3 (160)	130 (59)	01/17/08	R	West Boylston, Mass.	Assabet Valley
24	Catherine McCool	5-6 (168)	145 (66)	10/2/09	L	Boston, Mass.	Boch Blazers
25	Annabelle Lovell	5-3 (160)	110 (50)	02/25/09	R	Hingham, Mass.	Lovell Academy
27	Haley Box	5-4 (163)	140 (64)	03/10/08	R	Cheyenne, Wyo.	Etobicoke Dolphins
29	Lindsay Stepnowski	5-6 (168)	143 (65)	01/28/08	L	South Glastonbury, Ct.	Loomis Chaffee School
38	Bailey Rupp	5-8 (173)	155 (70)	08/22/08	L	Bemidji, Minn.	Bemidji High School
78	Jillian McLaughlin	5-6 (168)	140 (64)	03/2/08	L	Oceanside, Calif.	Rink Hockey Academy

### BY THE NUMBERS

**TALLEST** Averill (5ft. 11 in.)  
**SHORTEST** Lovell/Scalese/Hartmetz (5ft. 3 in.)

**SHOOT/CATCH** Left: 15 Right: 10

**YOUNGEST** Manion (16)  
**OLDEST** Stickney (17)

### HOME STATES (9)

California	2
Connecticut	1
Illinois	2
Kentucky	1
Massachusetts	5
Minnesota	11
Pennsylvania	1
Texas	1
Wyoming	1

### YOUTH PROGRAMS (16)

Assabet Valley	3
Bemidji High School	1
Benilde-St. Margaret's	1
Boch Blazers	1
Etobicoke Dolphins	1
Hill-Murray School	2
Holy Family Catholic	2
Loomis Chaffee School	1
Lovell Academy	2
Northfield High School	1
Pittsburgh Penguins Elite	1
Proctor/Hermantown High School	1
Rink Hockey Academy	1
Shattuck-St. Mary's	4
Team Illinois	1
Woodbury High School	1

### ROSTER (25)

Amelkovich, Kylie  
 Averill, Maggie  
 Birrittieri, Bianca  
 Box, Haley  
 Bromley, Lily  
 Daley, Jane  
 Decourcey, Ava  
 Gnetz, Alaina  
 Hansen, Talla  
 Hartmetz, Sloane  
 Kimbrel, Madelyn  
 Manion, Taylee  
 McCool, Catherine  
 McLaughlin, Jillian  
 McLay, Addison  
 Miller, Mia  
 Lovell, Annabelle  
 Pohl, Emily  
 Rupp, Bailey  
 Sander, Kateryna  
 Scalese, Christina  
 Stepnowski, Lindsay  
 Stickney, Morgan  
 Taylor, Chyna  
 Wielenberg, Cecilia

### COACHING STAFF

Kennedy, Courtney  
 Bailey, Chris  
 May, Greg  
 Picard, Shelly  
 Bruch, Mackenzie

### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

KAI-lee ah-MEL-koh-vich  
 MAHG-ee AY-ver-ill  
 bee-AHN-kuh beer-ih-TEER-ee  
 HAY-lee BOX  
 LIL-ee BROM-lee  
 JAYN DAY-lee  
 AY-vuh duh-KOR-see  
 uh-LAY-nuh guh-NETS  
 TAL-uh HAN-suhn  
 SLOHN HART-metz  
 MAD-uh-lin KIM-brel  
 TAY-lee MAN-yuhn  
 KATH-er-in muh-KOOL  
 JIL-ee-uhn muh-KLOK-lin  
 AD-uh-suhn muh-KLAY  
 MEE-uh MIL-er  
 AN-uh-bel LUV-ul  
 EM-uh-lee POHL  
 BAY-lee ROOP  
 kah-teh-REE-nuh SAN-der  
 kris-TEE-nuh skuh-LEESE  
 LINZ-ee step-NOW-skee  
 MOR-guhn STIK-nee  
 CHAI-nuh TAY-lur  
 suh-SIL-yuh WEE-len-berg

KORT-nee KEN-uh-dee  
 KRIS BAY-lee  
 GREG MAY  
 SHEL-ee PEH-kard  
 muh-KEN-zee BRUCK



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NO	NAME	POS.	SVK W, 13-0 1/10	CZE W, 9-1 1/11	FIN W, 14-0 1/13	HUN W, 9-0 1/15	SWE 4:00 PM AT 1/17	MEDAL TBD 1/18	U18WWC TOTAL
2	Maggie Averill	D	AGGG	AG	AAA	A*			3-7 (10)
3	Mia Miller	D	A	A	DND	A			0-3 (3)
4	Ava Decourcey	D	DND	DND	A	DND			0-1 (1)
5	Kateryna Sander	D	AA	--	--	A			0-3 (3)
6	Sloane Hartmetz	D	--	A	P	A			1-2 (3)
7	Emily Pohl	F	A	AA	WAAA	GGA			3-7 (10)
9	Chyna Taylor	D	AAA	AA	AAAA	--			0-9 (9)
10	Jane Daley	F	PGAG	SWAAG	PAGG	WG			11-4 (15)
11	Kylie Amelkovich	F	A*AAAAA	AGA	PA	A*			2-10 (12)
14	Talla Hansen	F	GGA	P	A*AP	AP			5-4 (9)
17	Maddy Kimbrel	F	W	A	--	--			1-1 (2)
18	Lily Bromley	F	--	--	G	DND			1-0 (1)
20	Alaina Gnetz	F	--	G	GAGA	GG			5-2 (7)
22	Christina Scalsese	F	AGPA	--	--	--			2-2 (4)
24	Catherine McCool	F	--	A	DND	A			0-2 (2)
25	Annabelle Lovell	F	G	--	GAGA	--			3-2 (5)
27	Haley Box	F	--	--	AAA	AA			0-5 (5)
28	Taylee Manion	D	A	AA	--	--			0-3 (3)
29	Lindsay Stepnowski	F	AG	G	GA	G			4-2 (6)
37	Addison McLay	D	A	--	A	--			0-2 (2)
38	Bailey Rupp	F	DND	--	GA	--			1-1 (2)
78	Jillian McLaughlin	F	A	G	--	G			2-1 (3)
30	Morgan Stickney	G	5/5 1.00 SV%	--	7/7 1.00 SV%	--			2-0 0.00 GAA
31	Bianca Birritteri	G	--	A 15/16 .937 SV%	--	8/8 1.00 SV%			2-0 0-1 (1) 0.50 GAA
35	Cecilia Wielenberg	G	DND	DND	DND	DND			0-0 0.00 GAA

### KEY

G - GOAL  
A\* - ASSIST ON GWG

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P - POWER-PLAY GOAL

W - GAME-WINNING GOAL  
S - SHORTHANDED GOAL

P\* - PENALTY SHOT GOAL  
DND - DID NOT DRESS

U - UNASSISTED GOAL  
W\* - SHOOTOUT GWG

### TEAM USA WHEN...

<b>OVERALL RECORD</b>	4-0-0-0	<b>SCORING FIRST OPPONENT SCORING FIRST</b>	4-0-0-0 0-0-0-0
<b>WEARING WHITE</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>LEADING AFTER 1 PERIOD</b>	4-0-0-0
<b>WEARING BLUE</b>	4-0-0-0	<b>TRAILING AFTER 1 PERIOD</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>WEARING ROYAL BLUE</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>TIED AFTER 1 PERIOD</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>GAMES DECIDED BY ONE GOAL</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>LEADING AFTER 2 PERIODS</b>	4-0-0-0
<b>GAMES DECIDED BY 2 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>TRAILING AFTER 2 PERIODS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>GAMES DECIDED BY 3 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>TIED AFTER 2 PERIODS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>GAMES DECIDED BY 4 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>OT RECORD</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>GAMES DECIDED BY 5 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>SHOOTOUT RECORD</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>GAMES DECIDED BY 6+ GOALS</b>	4-0-0-0	<b>HAVING 10-19 SHOTS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>SCORING 5+ GOALS</b>	4-0-0-0	<b>HAVING 20-29 SHOTS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>SCORING 4 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>HAVING 30-39 SHOTS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>SCORING 3 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>HAVING 40-49 SHOTS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>SCORING 2 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>HAVING 50+ SHOTS</b>	4-0-0-0
<b>SCORING 1 GOAL</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>ALLOWING 0-9 SHOTS</b>	3-0-0-0
<b>ALLOWING 1 OR FEWER</b>	4-0-0-0	<b>ALLOWING 10-19 SHOTS</b>	1-0-0-0
<b>ALLOWING 2 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>ALLOWING 20-29 SHOTS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>ALLOWING 3 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>ALLOWING 30-39 SHOTS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>ALLOWING 4 GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>ALLOWING 40-49 SHOTS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>ALLOWING 5+ GOALS</b>	0-0-0-0	<b>ALLOWING 50+ SHOTS</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>SCORING A POWER-PLAY GOAL</b>	4-0-0-0	<b>OUTSHOOTING OPPONENT</b>	4-0-0-0
<b>ALLOWING A POWER-PLAY GOAL</b>	1-0-0-0	<b>OUTSHOT BY OPPONENT</b>	0-0-0-0
<b>SCORING A SHORTHANDED GOAL</b>	1-0-0-0		
<b>ALLOWING A SHORTHANDED GOAL</b>	0-0-0-0		



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## ALL-TIME AGAINST SWEDEN

DATE	ROUND	LOCATION	RESULT	DATE	ROUND	LOCATION	RESULT
Jan. 11, 2025	Semis	Vantaa	W, 2-1	Jan. 8, 2017	Prelims	Zlin	W, 4-0
Jan. 5, 2025	Prelims	Vantaa	W, 3-0	Jan. 14, 2016	Semis	St. Catharines	W, 4-0
Jan. 10, 2024	Prelims	Zug	W, 4-0	Mar. 26, 2014	Prelims	Budapest	W, 7-0
Jan. 14, 2023	Semis	Ostersund	L, 2-1	Jan. 1, 2013	Prelims	Vierumaki	W, 8-0
Jan. 8, 2023	Prelims	Ostersund	W, 6-3	Jan. 1, 2012	Prelims	Zlin	W, 7-0
June 12, 2022	Semis	Madison	W, 3-2	Jan. 4, 2011	Prelims	Stockholm	W, 10-0
June 6, 2022	Prelims	Madison	W, 6-1	April 2, 2010	Semis	Woodridge	W, 5-0
Jan. 9, 2019	Prelims	Obihiro	W, 2-0	Jan. 9, 2009	Prelims	Fussen	W, 9-2
Jan. 13, 2018	GMG	Dmitrov	W, 9-3	Jan. 9, 2008	Prelims	Calgary	W, 6-2
Jan. 6, 2018	Prelims	Dmitrov	OTW, 2-1				

## TEAM USA U18WWC STATISTICS

### ALL-TIME MEDALS AT U18WWC

Year	Medal	Coach	Result	Opp.
2025	Silver	Liz Keady Norton	L, 0-3	CAN
2024	Gold	Liz Keady Norton	W, 5-1	CZE
2023	Bronze	Katie Lachapelle	W, 5-0	FIN
2022	Silver	Katie Lachapelle	L, 2-3	CAN
2020	Gold	Maura Crowell	OTW, 2-1	CAN
2019	Silver	Maura Crowell	OTL, 2-3	CAN
2018	Gold	Joel Johnson	W, 9-3	SWE
2017	Gold	Joel Johnson	W, 3-1	CAN
2016	Gold	Joel Johnson	OTW, 3-2	CAN
2015	Gold	Joel Johnson	W, 3-2	CAN
2014	Silver	Jeff Kampersal	L, 1-5	CAN
2013	Silver	Jeff Kampersal	OTL, 1-2	CAN
2012	Silver	Heather Linstad	L, 0-3	CAN
2011	Gold	Jodi McKenna	W, 5-2	CAN
2010	Silver	Katie King	L, 4-5	CAN
2009	Gold	Mark Johnson	W, 3-2	CAN
2008	Gold	Michele Amidon	W, 5-2	CAN

## 2026 UNDER-18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM - STATISTICAL LEADERS

### POINTS

RK	NAME	GP	G	A	PTS
1.	Daley	4	11	4	15
2.	Amelkovich	4	2	10	12
5.	Averill	4	4	6	10
6.	Pohl	4	3	7	10
8.	Hansen	4	5	4	9

### GOALS

RK	NAME	GP	G
1.	Daley	4	11
6.	Gnetz	4	5
	Hansen	4	5
9.	Averill	4	4
	Stepnowski	4	4

### ASSISTS

RK	NAME	GP	A
1.	Amelkovich	4	10
2.	Taylor	4	9
3.	Pohl	4	7
5.	Averill	4	6
8.	Box	4	5

### SV %

RK	NAME	GAA	%
1.	Stickney	0.00	1.00
3.	Birritteri	0.50	.958

### ALL-TIME RECORD AT U18WWCs

Year	Finish	Coach	Record*
2025	Silver	Liz Keady Norton	5-0-0-1
2024	Gold	Liz Keady Norton	6-0-0-0
2023	Bronze	Katie Lachapelle	3-0-0-2
2022	Silver	Katie Lachapelle	4-0-0-1
2020	Gold	Maura Crowell	3-1-0-1
2019	Silver	Maura Crowell	4-0-1-0
2018	Gold	Joel Johnson	3-2-0-0
2017	Gold	Joel Johnson	4-0-1-0
2016	Gold	Joel Johnson	4-1-0-0
2015	Gold	Joel Johnson	3-2-0-0
2014	Silver	Jeff Kampersal	4-0-0-1
2013	Silver	Jeff Kampersal	4-0-1-0
2012	Silver	Heather Linstad	4-0-0-1
2011	Gold	Jodi McKenna	5-0-0-0
2010	Silver	Katie King	4-0-1-0
2009	Gold	Mark Johnson	4-1-0-0
2008	Gold	Michele Amidon	5-0-0-0

\*W-OTW-OTL-L

### ALL-TIME RECORD VS. OPPONENT

Opponent	GP	Record*	GF	GA
Canada	23	8-5-4-6	62	50
Czech Republic	14	14-0-0-0	130	5
Finland	9	9-0-0-0	57	5
Germany	3	3-0-0-0	22	1
Hungary	2	2-0-0-0	16	0
Japan	3	3-0-0-0	24	2
Russia	13	13-0-0-0	86	8
Slovakia	3	3-0-0-0-0	29	2
Sweden	19	17-1-0-1	98	17
Switzerland	2	2-0-0-0	19	1
TOTAL	91	74-6-4-7	544	91

\*W-OTW-OTL-L

## UNDER-18 WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP - TEAM USA RECORD BOOK

### CAREER POINTS

RK	NAME	YRS	PTS
1.	Kendall Coyne	2008-10	33
2.	Amanda Kessel	2008-09	30
T3.	Alex Carpenter	2010-12	28
	Haley Skarupa	2010-12	28

### CAREER GOALS

RK	NAME	YRS	G
1.	Kendall Coyne	2008-10	22
2.	Alex Carpenter	2010-12	18
3.	Haley Skarupa	2010-12	17

### CAREER ASSISTS

RK	NAME	YRS	A
1.	Amanda Kessel	2008-09	20
2.	Amanda Pelkey	2009-11	16

### CAREER WINS

RK	NAME	YRS	W
1.	Morgan Stickney	2025-26	7
T2..	Kaitlin Burt	2014-15	6
	Laila Hemp	2023-24	6

### SINGLE TOURNAMENT POINTS

RK	NAME	YRS	PTS
1.	Amanda Kessel	2009	19
2.	Kendall Coyne	2009	15
	Jane Daley	2026	15
3.	Katherine Schipper	2013	13

### SINGLE TOURNAMENT GOALS

RK	NAME	YRS	G
1.	Haley Skarupa	2012	11
	Jane Daley	2026	11
2.	Kendall Coyne	2010	10
3.	Three Tied At		8

### SINGLE TOURNAMENT ASSISTS

RK	NAME	YRS	PTS
1.	Amanda Kessel	2009	13
2.	Kylie Amelkovich	2026	10
3.	Chyna Taylor	2026	9
4.	Katherine Schipper	2013	8

### ALL-TIME RECORD IN PLAYOFFS

Opponent	QF	SF	BM	GM
Canada	N/A	1-0	N/A	7-7
Czech Republic	N/A	6-0	N/A	1-0
Finland	N/A	2-0	1-0	N/A
Germany	1-0	1-0	N/A	N/A
Hungary	1-0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Russia	N/A	2-0	N/A	N/A
Slovakia	1-0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sweden	N/A	4-1	N/A	1-0
Total	3-0	16-1	1-0	9-7



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## 2026 U.S. U18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM STAFF



### COURTNEY KENNEDY, HEAD COACH

Kennedy assumes the head coaching role after serving as an assistant coach for the 2025 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team that took home silver.

She is no stranger to international hockey after serving as an assistant coach for the 2022 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team that captured silver in Beijing and also as an assistant coach with the 2021 U.S. Women's National Team and for three U.S. Under-18 Women's National Teams (2013, 2014, 2017, 2018).

Kennedy recently finished her first season as the skills coach of the PWHL's Boston Fleet. She spent 17 seasons as part of Boston College women's ice hockey coaching staff, including as associate head coach from 2012 until her departure in 2024.

As a player, Kennedy helped Team USA to a silver medal at the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and bronze at the 2006 Games. She also was a member of the 2005 U.S. Women's National Team that took home the country's first-ever gold medal at the IIHF Women's World Championship.

The Woburn, Mass., native was a two-time All-American at the University of Minnesota, leading the Gophers to a national title in 2000.

## ASSISTANT COACHES

### CHRIS BAILEY, ASSISTANT COACH

Bailey is in her first season on the international stage as an assistant coach for the 2026 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team.

She is a two-time Olympian, helping the U.S. to its first-ever Olympic gold medal in 1998, along with a silver medal in 2002. In addition, Bailey is a five-time women's worlds medalist, with silver medals in 1994, 1997, 1999, 2000 and 2001.

She has experience in the coaching ranks with Providence College, where she skated for four seasons (1990-94). While at Providence, she helped lead the team to three consecutive ECAC championships (1992, 1993, 1994) and was named ECAC Rookie of the Year in 1991, and an All-ECAC honoree in 1992 and 1994.

### SHELLY PICARD, ASSISTANT COACH

Picard, who was an intern coach for Team USA at the 2025 IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship, will serve as an assistant coach for the 2026 team.

She is in her third season overall, but first season back, as assistant coach for Princeton University after spending a few seasons in the same role for the Long Island University women's ice hockey team. Prior to LIU, Picard spent two seasons behind the bench as an assistant coach for the Princeton University women's ice hockey team.

On the ice, Picard helped Team USA to a silver medal at the 2014 Olympic Winter Games, and skated at five IIHF Women's World Championships, winning gold four times (2019, 2016, 2015, 2013) and silver once (2012).

### GREG 'BOOM' MAY, ASSISTANT COACH

May is making his debut on the international stage as an assistant coach for the 2026 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team.

He spent the last three seasons as associate head coach for the University of Minnesota women's hockey team after serving for two seasons as the head coach of the Augsburg University men's hockey team and two years as the director of operations for the University of Minnesota men's hockey team.

May played collegiately at Augsburg and was a MIAC all-conference honoree.

### MACKENZIE BRUCH, GOALTENDING COACH

Bruch resumes her role as goaltending coach for the 2026 U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team after serving in the same capacity in 2025. She also held the role for the U.S. Collegiate Women's Select Team in both 2023 and 2022.

Bruch is in her second season as an assistant coach for the Minnesota State University women's ice hockey program. Before the Mavericks, she served as a volunteer goaltending coach for Yale University.

A former Bemidji State University goalie, Bruch graduated from BSU in 2017 and returned for the 2017-18 season as the director of hockey and video operations for the women's ice hockey program.

## TEAM SUPPORT STAFF

### GENERAL MANAGER:

Katie Million

### GENERAL MANAGER:

Kristen Sagaert

### OPERATIONS MANAGER:

Doug Ferry

### VIDEO COACH:

Bryce Aldrich

### STRENGTH & CONDITIONING:

Jess Burlingame

### TEAM PHYSICIAN:

Dr. Jill Moschelli

### ATHLETIC TRAINER:

Kevin Lennon

### SPORTS DIETITIAN:

Amanda Feldman

### EQUIPMENT AND LOGISTICS MANAGER:

Jeff Mobley

### COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER:

Melissa Katz

### CONTENT COORDINATOR:

Charles Crowell V



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## 2026 U18 WWC - GAME SUMMARIES

### USA vs. Slovakia • Preliminary Round • Game One

United States	5	3	5	—	13
Slovakia	0	0	0	—	0

1st: USA: Kimbrel (Amelkovich), 00:35  
USA: Daley (Amelkovich, Scalese), PPG, 2:31  
USA: Daley (Miller, Averill), 7:32  
USA: Lovell (McLaughlin, Manion), 8:44  
USA: Hansen (Daley, Stepnowski), 14:22

2nd: USA: Scalese (Sander), 26:41  
USA: Averill (Sander, Amelkovich), 33:39  
USA: Averill (Amelkovich), 37:53

3rd: USA: Hansen (Taylor, Pohl), 41:45  
USA: Scalese (Amelkovich, Taylor), PPG, 45:00  
USA: Averill (Scalese), 46:16  
USA: Daley (Amelkovich, Taylor), 55:41  
USA: Stepnowski (McLay, Hansen), 56:34

Penalties: USA 4-8, SVK 3-6 Power Plays: USA 2-3, SVK 0-4

Saves: USA - Stickney (2-2-1--5): 60:00  
SVK - Tomeckova (18----18): 20:00  
Sumegova (--29-19--48): 40:00

Shots: USA 23-28-24--75; SVK 2-2-1--5  
Officials: Refs - Jessica Chartrand, Kamila Smetkova  
Linespersons - Jennifer Berezowski, Martina Volkanova

**Notes:** Maggie Averill was named the U.S. Player of the Game ... **Morgan Stickney** made five saves in net. The victory marked her fourth career IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship shutout, a new all-time IIHF tournament record ... **Kylie Amelkovich** recorded six assists, setting a new IIHF single-game record for assists at the tournament and tying the single-game points record.

### USA vs. Finland • Preliminary Round • Game Three

United States	6	3	5	—	14
Finland	0	0	0	—	0

1st: USA: Pohl (Hansen), 7:16  
USA: Lovell (Averill), 7:28  
USA: Gnetz (Box, Decourcey), 14:45  
USA: Hartmetz (Pohl, Averill), PPG, 17:57  
USA: Rupp (Gnetz, Box), 18:08  
USA: Daley (Taylor, Lovell), PPG, 19:37

2nd: USA: Stepnowski (Pohl, Hansen), 21:38  
USA: Lovell (Daley, Taylor), 29:30  
USA: Hansen (Pohl, Stepnowski), PPG, 35:12

3rd: USA: Gnetz (Box, Taylor), 48:39  
USA: Amelkovich (Lovell, Taylor), PPG, 50:54  
USA: Bromley (Gnetz, Rupp), 51:08  
USA: Daley (McLay, Amelkovich), 52:17  
USA: Daley (Averill), 55:19

Penalties: USA 3-6, FIN 5-10 Power Plays: USA 4-5, FIN 0-3

Saves: USA - Stickney (4-3-0--7): 60:00  
FIN - Ikonen (19----19): 20:00  
Pesola (--19-27--46): 40:00

Shots: USA 25-19-27--71; FIN 4-3-0--7  
Officials: Refs - Reetta-Kaisa Lusi, Martina Volkanova  
Linespersons - Erika Greenen, Anina Schmuepbach

**Notes:** Alaina Gnetz was named the U.S. Player of the Game ... **Morgan Stickney** made seven saves in net. The victory marked her seventh career win, the most for an American goalie in tournament history ... **Jane Daley** recorded her third-straight hat trick.

### USA vs. Czechia • Preliminary Round • Game Two

United States	4	4	1	—	9
Czechia	0	0	0	—	0

1st: USA: Daley (Taylor, Amelkovich), SH, 12:06  
USA: Daley (unassisted), 16:30  
USA: Amelkovich (Taylor, Daley), 17:03  
USA: Hansen (Pohl, Averill), PPG, 18:18  
USA: Averill (Kimbrel, Daley), 20:22

2nd: CZE: Paroubkova (Pankova), PPG, 21:27  
USA: Stepnowski (Pohl, Birrittieri), 23:04  
USA: McLaughlin (Manion, Miller), 26:03  
USA: Gnetz (McCool, Hartmetz), 38:28

3rd: USA: Daley (Amelkovich, Manion), 45:29

Penalties: USA 4-8, CZE 6-12 Power Plays: USA 1-6, CZE 1-4

Saves: USA - Birrittieri (4-6-5--15): 60:00  
CZE - Chmelarova (8----8): 20:00  
Ortova (--20-16--36): 40:00

Shots: USA 12-24-17--53; CZE 4-7-5--16  
Officials: Refs - Jennifer Berezowski, Reica Staiger  
Linespersons - Helina Anttila, Kamila Smetkova

**Notes:** Jane Daley was named the U.S. Player of the Game ... **Bianca Birrittieri** made 15 saves in net. It marked her first career Under-18 Women's World Championship win ... **Jane Daley** recorded a hat trick, her second consecutive.

### USA vs. Hungary • Quarterfinal Round • Game Four

United States	6	3	0	—	9
Hungary	0	0	0	—	0

1st: USA: Daley (Amelkovich, Averill), 5:36  
USA: McLaughlin, 6:36  
USA: Pohl (Miller), 11:32  
USA: Gnetz (Box, Sander), 13:28  
USA: Gnetz (McCool, Box), 13:39  
USA: Pohl (Hansen), 14:57

2nd: USA: Stepnowski, 21:24  
USA: Daley, 28:12  
USA: Hansen (Pohl, Hartmetz), PPG, 35:09

3rd: No Scoring

Penalties: USA 6-12, HUN 2-4 Power Plays: USA 1-2, HUN 0-6

Saves: USA - Birrittieri (3-2-3--8): 60:00  
HUN - Csordas (19-14-14--47): 60:00

Shots: USA 25-17-14--56; HUN 3-2-3--8  
Officials: Refs - Anna Kuroda, Reica Staiger, Anna Hammar  
Linespersons - Helina Anttila, Kamila Smetkova

**Notes:** Emily Pohl was named the U.S. Player of the Game ... **Jane Daley** recorded two goals, to bring her total for the tournament to 11, tying the IIHF single-tournament record ... **Bianca Birrittieri** recorded eight saves in her first career shutout.

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## 2026 U18 WWC - TEAM STATS



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### PLAYER STATISTICS BY TEAM

As of THU 15 JAN 2026

Including Game 15

#### USA - United States

##### Playing Statistics

No.	Name	Pos.	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-	GWG	PPG	SHG	SOG	SG%	TM	M/G	TSh	AT/S
2	AVERILL Margaret	D	4	4	6	10	2	+15	0	0	0	24	16.67	82:25	20:36	86	0:57
3	MILLER Mia	D	3	0	3	3	0	+6	0	0	0	3	0.00	28:15	9:25	31	0:54
4	DECOURCEY Ava	D	1	0	1	1	0	+1	0	0	0	3	0.00	9:39	9:39	12	0:48
5	SANDER Kateryna	D	4	0	3	3	2	+10	0	0	0	4	0.00	59:00	14:45	70	0:50
6	HARTMETZ Sloane	D	4	1	2	3	6	+4	0	1	0	16	6.25	71:55	17:58	79	0:54
7	POHL Emily	F	4	3	7	10	0	+10	1	0	0	7	42.86	49:44	12:26	60	0:49
9	TAYLOR Chyna	D	4	0	9	9	0	+16	0	0	0	11	0.00	79:33	19:53	83	0:57
10	DALEY Jane	F	4	11	4	15	2	+15	2	2	1	31	35.48	66:11	16:32	80	0:49
11	AMELKOVICH Kylie	F	4	2	10	12	4	+14	0	1	0	11	18.18	68:27	17:06	79	0:51
14	HANSEN Talla	F	4	5	4	9	0	+9	0	3	0	14	35.71	50:18	12:34	58	0:52
17	KIMBREL Madelyn	F	4	1	1	2	0	+10	1	0	0	20	5.00	64:04	16:01	76	0:50
18	BROMLEY Lily	F	3	1	0	1	0	+4	0	0	0	2	50.00	17:11	5:43	21	0:49
20	GNETZ Alaina	F	4	5	2	7	2	+7	0	0	0	19	26.32	57:09	14:17	60	0:57
22	SCALESE Christina	F	4	2	2	4	2	+8	0	1	0	13	15.38	61:28	15:22	76	0:48
24	McCOOL Catherine	F	3	0	2	2	2	+3	0	0	0	10	0.00	33:43	11:14	37	0:54
25	LOVELL Annabelle	F	4	3	2	5	8	+8	0	0	0	10	30.00	61:16	15:19	75	0:49
27	BOX Haley	F	4	0	5	5	2	+4	0	0	0	8	0.00	36:53	9:13	45	0:49
28	MANION Taylee	D	4	0	3	3	0	+17	0	0	0	13	0.00	75:28	18:52	78	0:58
29	STEPNOWSKI Lindsay	F	4	4	2	6	2	+10	0	0	0	15	26.67	50:24	12:36	57	0:53
30	STICKNEY Morgan	GK	4	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0.00				
31	BIRRIERTIERI Bianca	GK	4	0	1	1	0		0	0	0	0	0.00				
35	WIELENBERG Cecilia	GK	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0.00				
37	McLAY Addison	D	4	0	2	2	0	+4	0	0	0	9	0.00	67:26	16:51	75	0:53
38	RUPP Bailey	F	2	1	1	2	0	+2	0	0	0	5	20.00	17:20	8:40	18	0:57
78	McLAUGHLIN Jillian	F	4	2	1	3	0	+7	0	0	0	7	28.57	57:02	14:15	66	0:51

##### Goalkeeping Statistics

No.	Name	GPT	GKD	GPI	MIP	MIP%	GA	SVS	SOG	SVS%	GAA	SO	W	L
30	STICKNEY Morgan	4	4	2	120:00	50.00	0	12	12	100.00	0.00	2	2	0
31	BIRRIERTIERI Bianca	4	4	2	120:00	50.00	1	23	24	95.83	0.50	1	2	0
35	WIELENBERG Cecilia	4	0	0	0:00	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	0

##### Legend:

+/-	Plus/minus net	A	Assists	AT/S	Average time per shift
D	Defender	F	Forward	G	Goals
GA	Goals against	GAA	Goals against as average per 60 minutes	GK	Goalkeeper
GKD	Goalkeeper dressed	GP	Number of games played	GPI	Games played in
GPT	Number of games played by team	GWG	Game winning goals	L	Number of games lost
MIP	Minutes and seconds played	MIP%	MIP as percentage	M/G	Minutes per game
No.	Jersey number	PIM	Penalties in minutes	Pos.	Position on team
PPG	Power play goals	PTS	Points	SG%	Percentage of goals from total shots
SHG	Shorthanded goals	SO	Shutouts	SOG	Shots on goal
SVS	Saves	SVS%	SVS as percentage of total SOG	TM	Total minutes played
TSh	Total shifts played	W	Number of games won		