

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES OFFICIAL RACE REPORT No. 25

67TH ANNUAL BOJANGLES' SOUTHERN 500

DARLINGTON RACEWAY

Darlington, SC - September 4, 2016

1.366-Mile Paved Oval

367 Laps - 501.3 Miles



TIME OF RACE: 3 hours, 57 minutes, 54 seconds

AVERAGE SPEED: 126.437 mph

MARGIN OF VICTORY: 0.606 second(s)

Fin Pos	Str Pos	Car No	Driver	Team	Laps	Pts	Bns Pts	Driver Rating	Status	Lead Tms	Laps
1	8	78	Martin Truex Jr	Auto-Owners Insurance Toyota	367	44	4	125.9	Running	2	28
2	1	4	Kevin Harvick	Busch Chevrolet	367	41	2	140.9	Running	5	214
3	16	42	Kyle Larson	Target Chevrolet	367	39	1	108.6	Running	1	45
4	7	11	Denny Hamlin	Sport Clips Toyota	367	38	1	108.2	Running	2	13
5	5	22	Joey Logano	Shell Pennzoil Ford	367	36		107.5	Running		
6	10	20	Matt Kenseth	Tide PODS Toyota	367	36	1	109.0	Running	1	10
7	18	5	Kasey Kahne	Liftmaster Chevrolet	367	34		87.1	Running		
8	14	31	Ryan Newman	Caterpillar Chevrolet	367	34	1	87.7	Running	1	9
9	2	2	Brad Keselowski	Miller Lite Ford	367	33	1	118.3	Running	2	47
10	11	24	Chase Elliott #	NAPA Auto Parts Chevrolet	367	31		97.9	Running		
11	6	18	Kyle Busch	Interstate Batteries Toyota	367	31	1	92.3	Running	1	1
12	12	3	Austin Dillon	American Ethanol Chevrolet	367	29		79.6	Running		
13	20	21	Ryan Blaney #	Motorcraft/Quick Lane Tire & Auto Center Ford	367	28		76.8	Running		
14	15	88	Jeff Gordon	Nationwide Chevrolet	367	27		73.6	Running		
15	13	1	Jamie McMurray	McDonald's Chevrolet	367	26		84.3	Running		
16	24	27	Paul Menard	Valvoline/Menards Chevrolet	367	25		69.6	Running		
17	31	34	Chris Buescher #	Love's Travel Stops Ford	367	24		64.7	Running		
18	22	17	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	Fastenal Ford	367	23		72.2	Running		
19	3	19	Carl Edwards	ARRIS Toyota	366	22		82.4	Running		
20	33	7	Regan Smith	Nikko RC Road Rippers Chevrolet	366	21		51.1	Running		
21	32	23	David Ragan	I'm a Pepper Toyota	366	20		42.7	Running		
22	27	15	Clint Bowyer	5-hour Energy Chevrolet	365	19		50.1	Running		
23	21	47	AJ Allmendinger	Kroger/Tyson 1977 Bruce Hill Throwback Chevrolet	365	18		56.7	Running		
24	25	10	Danica Patrick	Nature's Bakery Chevrolet	365	17		52.6	Running		
25	28	13	Casey Mears	GEICO Chevrolet	365	16		51.3	Running		
26	35	83	Matt DiBenedetto	Orange Crush Toyota	364	15		45.2	Running		
27	30	95	Michael McDowell	Thrivent Financial Chevrolet	364	14		42.1	Running		
28	37	46	Michael Annett	Pilot Flying J Chevrolet	362	13		36.2	Running		
29	40	30	Josh Wise	Incredible Bank Chevrolet	361	12		33.2	Running		
30	29	38	Landon Cassill	Rumple Furniture/Bailey Excavating Ford	361	11		40.2	Running		
31	39	55	Reed Sorenson	Vydox Plus Chevrolet	358	10		30.7	Running		
32	26	43	Aric Almirola	STP Ford	346	9		53.0	Accident		
33	9	48	Jimmie Johnson	Lowe's Chevrolet	328	8		76.9	Running		
34	4	41	Kurt Busch	Haas VF1/Monster Energy Chevrolet	326	7		69.8	Accident		
35	17	14	Tony Stewart	Coca-Cola Chevrolet	317	6		65.6	Overheating		
36	23	16	Greg Biffle	Hooters Ford	295	5		53.4	Accident		
37	36	98	Cole Whitt	Carolina Skiff Chevrolet	250	4		29.0	Electrical		
38	38	32	Jeffrey Earnhardt #	Otter Pops/Corvetteparts.net Ford	247	3		24.7	Accident		
39	34	44	Brian Scott #	Twisted Tea Ford	199	2		41.2	Accident		
40	19	6	Trevor Bayne	AdvoCare Ford	161	1		39.3	Engine		

# Sunoco Rookie of the Year Contender.

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Bonus points: includes winner (3), lap leader (1) & most laps led (1) points

Failed to qualify: n/a

**Race Comments:** Martin Truex Jr. won the Bojangles' Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway, his fifth career NASCAR Sprint Cup Series victory. Prior to the start of the race, the following cars dropped to the rear of the field for the reasons indicated: No. 23 (engine change), Nos. 27, 31 (unapproved adjustments).

**Caution Flags:** 10 cautions for 52 laps. [Beneficiary in Brackets] 96-103 (Car #6 Spin Turn 4 [34]); 115-118 (Car #44 Accident Turn 2 [3]); 205-210 (Car #14, 44 Accident Backstretch [2]); 215-218 (Car #48 Accident Frontstretch [31]); 251-255 (Car #32 Accident Turn 4 [88]); 262-265 (Car #16 Accident Turn 4 [34]); 280-284 (Car #21, 47 Accident Turn 2 [21]); 319-322 (Oil On Track From #14 [2]); 328-333 (Car #27, 41 Accident Turn 2 [21]); 350-355 (Car #15, 43 Accident Turn 2 [None]).

**Lap Leaders:** 14 lead changes among 8 drivers. Harvick 1-93, Keselowski 94-138, Harvick 139-162, Keselowski 163-164, Harvick 165-251, Hamlin 252-261, Ky. Busch 262, Kenseth 263-272, Harvick 273-281, Hamlin 282-284, Larson 285-329, Newman 330-338, Truex Jr 339-350, Harvick 351, Truex Jr 352-367.

**COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD:** None - due to inclement weather

**AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD:** Kevin Harvick

**DURALAST BRAKES "BRAKE IN THE RACE" AWARD:** Brad Keselowski

**INGERSOLL RAND POWER MOVE:** Kevin Harvick (5 positions)

**MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER OF THE RACE:** Hendrick Engines (#4)

**MOBIL 1 DRIVER OF THE RACE:** Kevin Harvick

**MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE:** Kyle Larson (crew chief Chad Johnston, 0.599 seconds)

**SHERWIN-WILLIAMS FASTEST LAP AWARD:** Kyle Larson (lap 324, 175.416 mph)

**SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE RACE:** Chase Elliott

CHASE OUTLOOK

	(Wins)
1 - Brad Keselowski	797 (4)
2 - Kyle Busch	727 (4)
3 - Kevin Harvick	840 (2)
4 - Carl Edwards	746 (2)
5 - Denny Hamlin	729 (2)
6 - Martin Truex Jr.	696 (2)
7 - Matt Kenseth	669 (2)
8 - Jimmie Johnson	656 (2)
9 - Joey Logano	752 (1)
10 - Kurt Busch	728 (1)
11 - Kyle Larson	621 (1)
12 - Tony Stewart	426 (1)
13 - Chris Buescher	358 (1)
14 - Chase Elliott	659 (0)
15 - Austin Dillon	651 (0)
16 - Jamie McMurray	642 (0)

MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPIONSHIP

	Pts	Wins
Toyota	1,028	(12)
Chevrolet	1,005	(7)
Ford	957	(6)

AMERICAN ETHANOL GREEN FLAG RESTART AWARD

Kevin Harvick	(#4)	5
Kyle Busch	(#18)	5
Martin Truex Jr	(#78)	3

DURALAST BRAKES "BRAKE IN THE RACE" AWARD

Kyle Busch	(#18)	6
Joey Logano	(#22)	5
Kevin Harvick	(#4)	4

INGERSOLL RAND POWER MOVE

Ryan Newman	(#31)	37
Carl Edwards	(#19)	26
Kevin Harvick	(#4)	23

MAHLE CLEVITE ENGINE BUILDER

Hendrick	(#4)	266
TRD	(#18)	239
Roush/Yates	(#22)	233

**MOBIL 1 DRIVER OF THE RACE**

Kyle Busch	(#18)	8
Kevin Harvick	(#4)	5
Carl Edwards	(#19)	3

**MOOG STEERING AND SUSPENSION PROBLEM SOLVER OF THE RACE**

Paul Wolfe	(#2)	3
Tony Gibson	(#41)	3
Alan Gustafson	(#24)	3

**SHERWIN-WILLIAMS FASTEST LAP AWARD**

Kyle Busch	(#18)	8
Carl Edwards	(#19)	5
Denny Hamlin	(#11)	5

COORS LIGHT POLE AWARD

Carl Edwards	5
Joey Logano	3
Martin Truex Jr	3
Kurt Busch	2
Kyle Busch	2
Chase Elliott #	2
Brad Keselowski	1
Jimmie Johnson	1
Austin Dillon	1
Greg Biffle	1

SUNOCO ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Chase Elliott	262
Ryan Blaney	209
Chris Buescher	183
Brian Scott	163
Jeffrey Earnhardt	99

NEXT EVENT: September 10, 2016 - 59th Annual Federated Auto Parts 400, Richmond International Raceway, Richmond, VA (300 Miles) (400 Laps)

NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES DRIVER LEADERS

Race #25: 67TH ANNUAL BOJANGLES' SOUTHERN "500" Race Date: 09/04/2016

POS	DRIVER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10
1	KEVIN HARVICK	840	25	2	12	20
2	BRAD KESELOWSKI	797	25	4	11	16
3	JOEY LOGANO	752	25	1	10	17
4	CARL EDWARDS	746	25	2	7	15
5	DENNY HAMLIN	729	25	2	9	14
6	KURT BUSCH	728	25	1	6	16
7	KYLE BUSCH	727	25	4	11	15
8	MARTIN TRUEX JR.	696	25	2	4	11
9	MATT KENSETH	669	25	2	4	11
10	CHASE ELLIOTT	659	25	0	7	13
11	JIMMIE JOHNSON	656	25	2	7	10
12	AUSTIN DILLON	651	25	0	4	10
13	JAMIE MCMURRAY	642	25	0	1	8
14	RYAN NEWMAN	635	25	0	1	8
15	KYLE LARSON	621	25	1	6	9
16	KASEY KAHNE	598	25	0	2	7
17	RYAN BLANEY	573	25	0	2	7
18	A J ALLMENDINGER	562	25	0	2	5
19	TREVOR BAYNE	559	25	0	2	5
20	RICKY STENHOUSE JR.	551	25	0	3	5
21	PAUL MENARD	479	25	0	0	2
22	GREG BIFFLE	477	25	0	1	3
23	DANICA PATRICK	467	25	0	0	0
24	DALE EARNHARDT JR.	461	18	0	5	6
25	ARIC ALMIROLA	431	25	0	0	0
26	CLINT BOWYER	427	25	0	0	3
27	TONY STEWART	426	17	1	5	7
28	CASEY MEARS	410	25	0	0	0
29	LANDON CASSILL	368	25	0	0	0
30	CHRIS BUESCHER	358	25	1	2	2
31	DAVID RAGAN	347	25	0	0	0
32	REGAN SMITH	330	25	0	1	2
33	BRIAN SCOTT	306	25	0	0	0
34	MICHAEL MCDOWELL	302	21	0	0	1
35	MATT DIBENEDETTO	258	25	0	0	1
36	COLE WHITT	243	22	0	0	0
37	MICHAEL ANNETT	223	24	0	0	0
38	JOSH WISE	135	21	0	0	0
39	JEFF GORDON	126	5	0	0	0
40	REED SORENSON	123	17	0	0	0
41	BRIAN VICKERS	86	5	0	0	1
42	JEFFREY EARNHARDT	80	13	0	0	0
43	BOBBY LABONTE	51	3	0	0	0
44	DAVID GILLILAND	46	2	0	0	0
45	MICHAEL WALTRIP	42	2	0	0	0
46	BORIS SAID	17	1	0	0	0
47	PATRICK CARPENTIER	11	2	0	0	0
48	EDDIE MACDONALD	5	1	0	0	0
49	ALEX KENNEDY	5	1	0	0	0
50	ROBERT RICHARDSON JR.	3	1	0	0	0
51	TY DILLON(i)	0	8	0	0	0
52	ALEX BOWMAN(i)	0	2	0	0	0
53	JEB BURTON(i)	0	2	0	0	0
54	JOEY GASE(i)	0	3	0	0	0
55	RYAN ELLIS(i)	0	3	0	0	0
56	DYLAN LUPTON(i)	0	1	0	0	0
57	JUSTIN ALLGAIER(i)	0	1	0	0	0
58	CODY WARE(i)	0	0	0	0	0

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NASCAR SPRINT CUP SERIES OWNER LEADERS

Race #25: 67TH ANNUAL BOJANGLES' SOUTHERN "500" Race Date: 09/04/2016

POS	Car #	OWNER	Points	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Attempts
1	4	Stewart-Haas Racing	840	25	2	12	20	25
2	2	Team Penske	797	25	4	11	16	25
3	22	Team Penske	752	25	1	10	17	25
4	19	Joe Gibbs Racing	746	25	2	7	15	25
5	11	Joe Gibbs Racing	729	25	2	9	14	25
6	41	Stewart-Haas Racing	728	25	1	6	16	25
7	18	Joe Gibbs Racing	727	25	4	11	15	25
8	78	Furniture Row Racing	696	25	2	4	11	25
9	20	Joe Gibbs Racing	669	25	2	4	11	25
10	24	Hendrick Motorsports	659	25	0	7	13	25
11	48	Hendrick Motorsports	656	25	2	7	10	25
12	3	Richard Childress Racing	651	25	0	4	10	25
13	1	Chip Ganassi Racing	642	25	0	1	8	25
14	31	Richard Childress Racing	635	25	0	1	8	25
15	42	Chip Ganassi Racing	621	25	1	6	9	25
16	88	Hendrick Motorsports	613	25	0	5	6	25
17	5	Hendrick Motorsports	598	25	0	2	7	25
18	14	Stewart-Haas Racing	578	25	1	5	8	25
19	21	Wood Brothers Racing	573	25	0	2	7	25
20	47	JTG Daugherty Racing	562	25	0	2	5	25
21	6	Roush Fenway Racing	559	25	0	2	5	25
22	17	Roush Fenway Racing	551	25	0	3	5	25
23	27	Richard Childress Racing	479	25	0	0	2	25
24	16	Roush Fenway Racing	477	25	0	1	3	25
25	10	Stewart-Haas Racing	467	25	0	0	0	25
26	43	Richard Petty Motorsports	431	25	0	0	0	25
27	15	HScott Motorsports	427	25	0	0	3	25
28	13	Germain Racing	410	25	0	0	0	25
29	95	Circle Sport-Leavine Family	368	25	0	0	1	25
30	38	Front Row Motorsports	368	25	0	0	0	25
31	34	Front Row Motorsports	358	25	1	2	2	25
32	23	BK Racing	347	25	0	0	0	25
33	7	Tommy Baldwin Racing	330	25	0	1	2	25
34	44	Richard Petty Motorsports	306	25	0	0	0	25
35	83	BK Racing	269	25	0	0	1	25
36	98	Premium Motorsports	245	23	0	0	0	25
37	46	HScott Motorsports	224	25	0	0	0	25
38	32	GO FAS Racing	202	25	0	0	0	25
39	55	Premium Motorsports	160	19	0	0	0	20
40	30	The Motorsports Group	135	21	0	0	0	25
41	35	Front Row Motorsports	46	2	0	0	0	3
42	59	Circle Sport - Leavine Family	26	1	0	0	0	1
43	93	BK Racing	11	4	0	0	0	4
44	26	BK Racing	3	1	0	0	0	1
45	40	Hillman Racing	0	0	0	0	0	1