

2024 WORLD PARA ICE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP | WINSPORT ARENA | CALGARY, ALBERTA

PRELIMINARY ROUND · USA (2-0-0-0) VS. CHINA (2-0-0-0) · TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024 · 1:30 P.M. MT · WINSPORT ARENA

TODAY'S GAME

The U.S. National Sled Hockey Team is set to play China here today at WinSport Arena in Calgary in its third and final preliminary-round game of the 2024 World Para Ice Hockey Championship.

Puck drop is set for 1:30 p.m. MT, and the game will live stream on the Paralympics YouTube page.

The winner of today's contest will take the top seed in Group A, earning a bye through the quarterfinals.

The U.S. enters this contest with an unbeaten 17-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record on the season after beating Slovakia, 10-0, and Korea, 11-0, in the opening two games of the 2024 World Para Ice Hockey Championship. The U.S. has outshot its two opponents a combined 51-5.

Team USA is 3-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) against China all-time. The U.S. faced off against China once before this season, winning 11-1 in the preliminary round of the 2023 Para Hockey Cup in Quispamsis, New Brunswick, in December.

- TALKING POINTS -

THE STREAK CONTINUES

The U.S. National Sled Team is currently riding a 39-game winning streak, dating back to the Sled Series vs. Canada in October, 2021. In that span, Team USA has captured gold at the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games, won gold at the 2023 World para ICe Hockey Championship in Moose Jaw, and earned titles at two Para Hockey Cups and two IPH Cups.

FARMER TOPS THE RECORD BOOKS... AGAIN

Declan Farmer (Tampa, Fla.) set a pair of new records for the U.S. National Sled Team in its preliminary round game against Korea on Sunday. After tallying a hat trick and two assists in the contests, Farmer segt new marks for most goals in a single-season in team history (33), and most points in a single season in team history (52).

LAST TIME OUT

Declan Farmer (Tampa, Fla.) notched a hat trick and added two assists, setting new U.S. records for single-season goals (33) and points (52), to help lift the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team to an 11-0 shutout over Korea in its second preliminary round game at the 2024 World Para Ice Hockey Championship on Sunday at WinSport Arena in Calgary.

"We really moved the puck well today," said **David Hoff**, head coach of the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team. "We finished our chances well today too, especially with the way we got out to that strong start in the second period."

Kevin McKee (Davenport, Iowa) was named U.S. Player of the Game in the win, notching a goal and an assist. **Griffin LaMarre** (Haverhill, Mass.) earned the shutout in goal for Team USA.

SPUDS STARES DOWN 200

Team captain and longest-tenured player **Josh Pauls** (Green Brook, N.J.), also known by many as "Spuds", entered the 2024 World Para Ice Hockey Championship with a record 197 career games played.

Today's contest marks his 200th career game played, making him the first player in team history to reach that milestone.

BROADCAST DETAILS

All three preliminary-round games for Team USA will stream live on the Paralympics YouTube page. Broadcast details for quarterfinals, semifinals, and medal-round games will be announced at a later date.

	— TEAM USA SCHEDU	LE
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (ET)/RESULTS
SAT., MAY 4	SLOVAKIA	W, 10-0
SUN., MAY 5	KOREA	W, 11-0
TUES., MAY 7	CHINA	3:30 P.M.
WED., MAY 8	QUARTERFINALS	TBD
FRI., MAY 10	SEMIFINALS	TBD
SUN., MAY 12	MEDAL ROUND	TBD

TEAM USA SINCE 2014 PARALYMPICS

TOURNAMENT	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	U.S. RECORD
2023 Para Hockey Cup	USA	CAN	CZE	5-0-0-0
2023 IPH Cup	USA	CAN	CZE	5-0-0-0
2023 Sled Worlds	USA	CAN	CZE`	5-0-0-0
2022 Para Hockey Cup	USA	CAN	CZE	4-1-0-0
2022 IPH Cup	USA	CAN	IPH	5-0-0-0
2022 Paralympics	USA	CAN	CHN	4-0-0-0
2021 Sled Worlds	USA	CAN	RPC	4-0-0-1
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				93-4-1-3

LEADING TEAM USA

David Hoff (Bottineau, N.D.) is in his sixth season as head coach of the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team. In March of 2023, Hoff was named the 2022 Paralympic Coach of the Year by the USOPC. USA Hockey's Northern Plains District Coach-In-Chief, Hoff led the U.S. to an unprecedented fourth-straight Paralympic gold medal at the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games. In his debut season as bench boss, Hoff coached Team USA to a 10-1-0-1 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record, including an undefeated 4-1-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) mark at the 2019 Para Ice Hockey World Championship in Ostrava, Czech Republic. He added a second world championship gold medal to his resume after guiding Team USA to a top-of-the-podium finish at the 2021 IPC Para Ice Hockey World Championship in Ostrava, its record fifth gold medal in world championship history. In his Paralympic debut in 2022, Hoff led Team USA to a perfect 4-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record and the gold medal. In 2023, Hoff led team USA to an unbeaten 16-2-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record, capped off by winning his third world championship.

Josh Pauls (Green Brook, N.J.), who has helped the U.S. capture the gold medal in the last four Paralympic Winter Games (2010, 2014, 2018, 2022), is serving as captain of the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team. Pauls is in his 16th season with the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team and his seventh as team captain.

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 Seamus Kelley, who will be on-site with Team USA in Calgary, Alberta



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YEAR 2023 2021 2019 2017 2015 2013 2012 2009 2008 2004	Most Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan Ostrava, Czechia Ostrava, Czechia Gangneung, South Korea Buffalo, N.Y. Goyang, South Korea Hamar, Norway Ostrava, Czechia Marlborough, Mass. Ornskoldsvik, Sweden	United States United States Unites States Canada United States Canada United States United States United States Canada Norway	Canada Canada Canada United States Canada United States Korea Norway Norway United States	BRONZE Czechia RPC Korea Korea Russia Russia Canada Canada United States Sweden	U.S. HEAD COACH David Hoff David Hoff David Hoff Guy Gosselin Jeff Sauer Jeff Sauer Jeff Sauer Ray Maluta Ray Maluta Keith Blase	U.S. RECORD 5-0-0-0 4-0-0-1 4-1-0-0 6-0-0-1 5-0-0-0 4-0-0-1 3-1-1-0 3-1-0-1 4-0-0-2 4-0-0-1	U.S. FINISH Gold Gold Gold Silver Gold Silver Gold Bronze 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

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Year	Date	Opponent	Round	W	OTW	OTL.	L	GF	GA
2024	5/5/24	Korea	Preliminary	W				11	0
2024	5/4/24	Slovakia	Preliminary	W				10	0
2023	6/4/23	Canada	GMG	W				6	1
2023	6/3/23	China	Semifinals	W				10	2
2023	5/31/23	Canada	Preliminary	W				3	0
2023	5/30/23	Korea	Preliminary	W				9	0
2023	5/29/23	Czechia	Preliminary	W				7	_1
2021	6/26/21	Canada	GMG	W				5	1
2021	6/25/21	South Korea	Semifinals	W				9	0
2021	6/22/21	South Korea	Preliminary	W				8	0
2021	6/20/21	Czechia	Preliminary	W				4	0
2021	6/19/21	Canada	Preliminary			L_		1	2
2019	5/4/19	Canada	GMG		OTW			3	2
2019	5/3/19	Czechia	Semifinals	W				10	2
2019	4/30/19	Norway	Preliminary	W				10	0
2019	4/28/19	South Korea	Preliminary	W				4	0
2019	4/27/19	Canada	Preliminary	W				3	_1
2017	4/20/17	Canada	GMG				L	1	4
2017	4/19/17	South Korea	Preliminary	W				5	0
2017	4/18/17	Norway	Preliminary	W				6	0
2017	4/17/17	Canada	Preliminary	W				2	1
2017	4/15/17	Germany	Preliminary	W				9	0
2017	4/14/17	Italy	Preliminary	W				9	1
2017	4/13/17	Sweden	Preliminary	W				7	0
2015	5/3/15	Canada	GMG	W				3	0
2015	5/1/15	Norway	Semifinals	W				6	0
2015	4/29/15	Italy	Preliminary	W				7	0
2015	4/27/15	Germany	Preliminary	W				7	0
2015	4/26/15	Russia	Preliminary	W				6	_1
2013	4/20/13	Canada	GMG				L	0	1
2013	4/18/13	Russia	Semifinals	W				2	1
2013	4/16/13	Czechia	Preliminary	W				3	0
2013	4/13/13	Norway	Preliminary	W				7	0
2013	4/12/13	Sweden	Preliminary	W				7	0
2012	4/1/12	South Korea	GMG	W				5	1
2012	3/29/12	Canada	Semifinals	W				2	1
2012	3/28/12	Japan	Preliminary	W				5	0
2012	3/26/12	Czechia	Preliminary			OTL*		1	2
2012	3/25/12	Estonia	Preliminary		OTW*			2	1
2009	5/16/09	Norway	GMG	W				1	0
2009	5/14/09	Canada	Semifinals		OTW*			2	1
2009	5/12/09	Norway	Preliminary				L	1	2
2009	5/10/09	South Korea	Preliminary	W				2	1
2009	5/9/09	Italy	Preliminary	W				3	0
2008	4/5/08	Japan	BMG	W				3	1
2008	4/4/08	Germany	Preliminary	W				5	1
2008	4/2/08	Canada	Preliminary	• • •			L	0	3
2008	4/1/08	Norway	Preliminary				Ĺ	2	3
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U.S. CAREER RECORDS

Top Three Per Category Entering Tournament

	SINGLE TOURNAMENT	
STATISTIC	PLAYER	RECORD
Goals	Declan Farmer	12 (2017)
	Declan Farmer	9 (2023)
	Brody Roybal	8 (2017)
Assists	Kevin McKee	9 (2017)
	Alexi Salamone	8 (2008)
	Josh Pauls	7 (2021)
Points	Declan Farmer	18 (2017)
	Declan Farmer	14 (2019)
	Brody Roybal	14 (2019)
GAA	Jen Lee	0.00 (2021)
	Jen Lee	0.00 (2019)
	Bo Reichenbach	0.00 (2017)
	Kyle Huckaby	0.00 (2015)
	Jen Lee	0.00 (2013)
SV%	Jen Lee	1.00 (2021)
	Jen Lee	1.00 (2019)
	Bo Reichenbach	1.00 (2017)
	Kyle Huckaby	1.00 (2015)
	Jen Lee	1.00 (2013)
Shutouts	Steve Cash	4 (2015)
	Steve Cash	3 (2013)
	Steve Cash	2 (2017)
	Steve Cash	2 (2009)

CAREER TOURNAMENT

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STATISTIC	PLAYER	RECORD					
Games Played	Josh Pauls	41					
	Kevin McKee	35					
	Declan Farmer	32					
	Adam Page	32					
Goals	Declan Farmer	41					
	Brody Roybal	25					
	Josh Pauls	17					
Assists	Brody Roybal	25					
	Josh Pauls	24					
	Declan Farmer	23					
Points	Declan Farmer	64					
	Brody Roybal	50					
	Josh Pauls	41					



2008

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2023-24 U.S. NATIONAL SLED HOCKEY TEAM ROSTER

NO.	NAME TENDERS (2)	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	HOMETOWN
29 32	Griffin LaMarre Jen Lee	5-10 (178) 6-2 (188)	165 (75) 190 (86)	11/10/1996 07/26/1986	Haverhill, Mass. San Francisco, Calif.
	NSEMEN (5)	0 = (.00)	.00 (00)	0.7207.000	
8 10 17 22 27	Jack Wallace Brett Bolton Chris Douglas Noah Grove Josh Pauls	6-4 (193) 5-7 (170) 5-9 (175) 5-8 (173) 5-8 (173)	210 (95) 154 (70) 150 (68) 135 (61) 135 (61)	06/24/1998 04/08/2006 05/17/1990 05/01/1999 12/31/1992	Franklin Lakes, N.J. Rockledge, Fla. Saint Cloud, Fla. Frederick, Md. Green Brook, N.J.
	VARDS (9)	0 0 (170)	100 (01)	12/01/1002	Green Breek, 14.0.
4 9 14 16 18 19 24 37 88	Brody Roybal Travis Dodson Ben Musselman Declan Farmer Evan Nichols Malik Jones Josh Misiewicz David Eustace Kevin McKee	3-1 (94) 4-0 (122) 5-6 (168) 6-0 (183) 5-7 (170) 5-7 (170) 6-0 (183) 6-1 (185) 4-7 (140)	120 (54) 150 (68) 125 (57) 135 (61) 130 (59) 162 (73) 170 (777) 155 (70) 115 (52)	05/25/1998 02/14/1985 03/03/2001 11/05/1997 07/29/2004 12/06/2002 06/25/1988 05/03/1999 02/11/1990	Northlake, III. Deming, N.M. Amelia, Ohio Tampa, Florida Haymarket, Va. Aurora, Colo. La Grange, III. Stoneham, Mass. Davenport, Iowa

TEAM STAFF

General Manager Head Coach Assistant Coach Dan Brennan (Colorado Springs, Colo.) David Hoff (Bottineau, N.D.) Corey Gorder (Bottineau, N.D.) Athletic Trainer Equipment Manager Team Physician Communications Content Mike Cortese (Boynton Beach, Fla.) Tim Leroy (Columbus, Ohio) Mike Uihlein (Grafton, Wis.) Seamus Kelley (Norwood, Mass.) Summer Dutton (Ludlow, Mass.)

2024 SLED SERIES GAME-BY-GAME SCORING

TIME	(ET)/RESULT	SLOVAKIA W. 10-0	KOREA 3:30 P.M.	CHINA 3:30 P.M.	TOTALS 2024 SLED WORLDS
No	Name	5/4	5/5	5/7	G-AP
4	Brody Roybal	GA	A		1-23
8	Jack Wallace	GAA	AAAAA		1-78
9	Travis Dodson		GAA		1-23
10	Brett Bolton	DND	A		0-11
14	Ben Musselman	G	G		2-02
16	Declan Farmer	GGGG#	GGGAA		7-29
17	Chris Douglas	G	DND		1-01
<u>18</u>	Evan Nichols	G	G		2-02
19	Malik Jones	AAAAA	G		1-67
<u>22</u> 24	Noah Grove	Α			0-11
	Josh Misiewicz	AA	GG		2-24
27	Josh Pauls	AA	AAA		<u>0-55</u> 2-13
37	David Eustace	G*	GA		
88	Kevin McKee		GA#		1-12
29	Griffin LaMarre	77.	W		
32	Jen Lee	W			
\sim	- goal - assist - U.S. Player of the	S - shorthande P* - penalty sh Game	ed goal oot	G* - game-winning goal A* - assist on game-winning goal	W - Goaltender Win DNP - did not play DND - did not dress

2023-24 U.S. ROSTER DETAILS

CAREER SKATER STATISTICS ENTERING 2024 SLED WORLDS

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	GP	G	Α	PTS	PIM	HOME STA	TES	BIRTH Y	EARS
4	Brody Roybal	F	132	117	118	235	64	California	1	1985	1
8	Jack Wallace	D	80	53	62	115	75	Colorado	1	1986	1
9	Travis Dodson	F	68	19	22	41	10	Florida	3	1988	1
10	Brett Bolton	Ď	27	4	3	7	12	Illinois	2	1990	2
14	Ben Musselman	F	21	8	5	13	12	lowa	1	1992	1
16	Declan Farmer	F	140	170	131	301	72	Maryland	1	1996	1
17	Chris Douglas	Ď	71	8	18	26	22	Massachusetts	2	1997	1
18	Evan Nichols	F	33	11	15	26	2	New Jersey	2	1998	2
19	Malik Jones	F	33	16	17	33	6	New Mexico	1	1999	2
22	Noah Grove	Ď	67	15	33	48	4	Ohio	1	2001	1
24	Josh Misiewicz	F	65	37	56	93	34	Virginia	1	2002	1
27	Josh Pauls	Ď.	197	59	112	171	28	9		2004	1
37	David Eustace	F	43	12	12	24	12			2006	1
88	Kevin McKee	F	157	53	79	132	49				

CAREER GOALTENDER STATISTICS ENTERING 2024 SLED WORLDS

NO. 29 32	NAME GP Griffin LaMarre14 Jen Lee 53	12-0-0-0	GA 11 22	SVS 75 230	0.92	SV% 0.872 0.912	Average Height: Average Weight: Oldest Player: Youngest Player: Average Age:	5'6" 150 Travis Dodson (39 years, 2 months) Brett Bolton (18 years, 1 month) 28 years
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INTERNATIONAL SUCCESS

The defending Paralympic gold medalists and World Para Ice Hockey champions, Team USA has claimed five Paralympic Winter Games gold medals (2022, 2018, 2014, 2010, 2002) and six International Paralympic Committee Sled Hockey World Championship gold medals (2023, 2021, 2019, 2015, 2012, 2009) in addition to ten Para Hockey Cup titles (2023, 2022, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016 (Dec.), 2016 (Jan.), 2015, 2012, 2009), two International Para Hockey Cup titles (2023, 2022), the 2018 Turin Para Ice Hockey International Tournament and the 2016 IPC Pan-Pacific Championship title.

Since the 2014 Paralympics, the U.S. has skated to a 93-4-1-3 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record across all competitions. The U.S. has captured three Paralympic gold medals and four World Championship gold medals in this span.

USA HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

U.S. WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM EARNS SILVER ON HOME SOIL

Mohawk Valley Garden and the city of Utica, New York, hosted the 2024 International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship. The event, which took place April 3-14, 2024, included 29 games and featured the top women's hockey players from across the world. Host venues for the 10-team tournament were the Adirondack Bank Center and Utica University Nexus Center.

Team USA earned its 23rd-straight medal, taking home a silver following a 6-5 overtime loss to Canada in the gold medal game.

The U.S. has made it to the gold-medal game in all 23 of the IIHF Women's World Championships, winning the gold in six of the last nine tournaments (2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2023).

TEAM USA TAKES HOME SILVER AT U-18 MEN'S WORLDS

The U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team took home silver following a 6-4 loss to Canada in the gold medal game at the 2024 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship in Finland on Sunday.

The team's silver medal marks the program's 20th all-time medal at the tournament.

James Hagens was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player following a 22-point performance. Hagens received the Directorate Award for Best Forward and Cole Hutson received the Directorate Award for Best Defender. Hagens and Hutson were named to the Media All-Star Team.

U.S. MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM GEARING UP FOR MEN'S WORLDS IN OSTRAVA

The 2024 IIHF Men's World Championship will be played May 10-26, in Ostrava, Czechia & Prague, Czechia. The U.S. Men's National Team will compete in Group B alongside France, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Poland, Sweden and Slovakia. All Group B games will be played at Ostrava Arena in Ostrava, Czechia, while Group A will take place at Prague Arena in Prague, Czechia.

USA HOCKEY NATIONAL GOALTENDING SYMPOSIUM

The inaugural USA Hockey National Goaltending Symposium will be held May 30-June 2, 2024, in Saint Paul, Minnesota. The four-day event will celebrate goaltending and provide a unique, in-depth educational opportunity for coaches. A star-studded lineup of speakers, including elite-level goalies, goalie coaches and leaders in the industry from across the country, will be featured at the event, which begins at 5 p.m. CT on Thursday, May 30, and ends at 12 p.m. CT on Sunday, June 2.

The Symposium is open to all USA Hockey members who want to learn more about goaltending and coaching the position.

TOYOTA USA HOCKEY WARRIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The Ice Vault Arena in Wayne, N.J., played host to the inaugural Toyota USA Hockey Warrior National Championship, April 11-14, 2024. Over 750 players across 34 teams from around the country competed for top warrior hockey honors in the United States.

USA Hockey's Warrior Hockey discipline is dedicated to injured and disabled U.S. military veterans who have served our country and play the sport of ice hockey. To be eligible to compete in Warrior Hockey, participants must have a discharge under honorable conditions with the ability to provide official documentation from their designated branch of service.

TOYOTA USA HOCKEY SLED NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Expanding in 2024 to include every level of sled hcokey, including youth, the Toyota USA Hockey Sled National Championship took place April 18-21, 2024, at the Ice Line Arena in West Chester, Pa.

Over 1,080 players across 60 teams from around the country competed for national championship honors in nine different tiers, including six adult and three youth classifications.

CHIPOTLE-USA HOCKEY NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

A total of 23 champions were crowned from late March to mid-April at the 2024 Chipotle-USA Hockey Girls and Youth National Championships at 10 different host sites across the country. Champions hail from 14 different states.

As part of USA Hockey Girls and Youth Nationals, some 7,000 players have competed for American hockey top honors at various host sites across the United States, culminating into national champions.

