



2025 U.S. MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM GAME NOTES

4 Nations Face-Off | Bell Centre | Montreal, Quebec

Preliminary Round • USA (0-0-0-0) vs. Finland (0-0-0-0) • Thursday, February 13, 2025

TONIGHT'S GAME

The U.S. Men's National Team takes on Finland here tonight to open play in the 4 Nations Face-Off in Montreal. The game is the first of three preliminary round games for the U.S. and will be broadcast live in the U.S. on ESPN at 8 p.m. ET.

THE SERIES VS. FINLAND

The U.S. and Finland have played six times in Canada Cups/World Cup of Hockey events with Team USA holding a 4-1-1 (W-L-T) advantage.

Date	Score	W	L	T	City
9/11/76	6-3	W			Montreal
9/9/81	4-4			T	Montreal
8/28/87	4-1	W			Hartford
9/9/91	4-3	W			Chicago
9/11/91	7-3 (SF)	W			Hamilton
9/10/04	1-2		L		Saint Paul

IN GOAL

Connor Hellebuyck will get the call in goal tonight. The two-time Vezina Trophy winner has represented the U.S. on the international stage in three IIHF Men's World Championships (2014, 2015, 2017). His most recent appearance wearing the U.S. uniform was on May 13, 2017, when he earned a 5-3 win over Latvia in the 2017 Men's Worlds. Hellebuyck made 20 saves on 23 shots in the contest and also had an assist on Andrew Copp's game-winning goal with 3:22 to play in regulation.

THE JOURNEY TO DATE

Team USA's 4 Nations journey began with player and staff arrivals in Montreal on Sunday (Feb. 9), a day which included the news of Jake Sanderson replacing the injured Quinn Hughes on the U.S. roster. Team USA had approximately hour-long practices on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, along with a brief morning skate today. The U.S. had one team dinner with players and staff on Monday at Restaurant Grinder. A large number of U.S. families and guests arrived yesterday and most will be with the group through the end of the tournament in Boston.

BROCK NELSON'S GOLDEN FAMILY

Brock Nelson's uncle Dave Christian was a member of the 1980 "Miracle On Ice" Olympic Hockey Team. In addition, his grandfather, Bill Christian and great uncle, Roger Christian, were both on the 1960 gold medal-winning U.S. Olympic Team and another great uncle, Gordon Christian, played for the U.S. at the 1956 Olympic Winter Games where the team won the silver medal. Brock's middle name is ... you guessed it ... Christian.

THE CONNECTIVITY OF THE COACHING STAFF

Between head coach **Mike Sullivan** and assistant coaches **John Tortorella**, **John Hynes** and **David Quinn**, the four have been on the coaching staff of 30 different U.S. teams on the international stage. Three of the four were part of the 2016 World Cup of Hockey staff, including Tortorella (head coach), Hynes (assistant coach) and Sullivan (assistant coach).

NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

A total of 15 players who have been part of USA Hockey's National Team Development Program are among the 23 players on Team USA. The group includes **Matt Boldy** (2017-19), **Jack Eichel** (2012-14), **Brock Faber** (2018-20), **Adam Fox** (2014-16), **Noah Hanifin** (2013-14), **Jack Hughes** (2017-19), **Dylan Larkin** (2012-14), **Auston Matthews** (2013-15), **Charlie McAvoy** (2013-15), **J.T. Miller** (2009-11), **Jake Oettinger** (2014-16), **Jake Sanderson** (2018-20), **Brady Tkachuk** (2013-15), **Matthew Tkachuk** (2013-15), and **Zach Werenski** (2013-14). In addition, U.S. coaches **John Hynes** and **David Quinn** also served as coaches at the NTDP.

LEADERSHIP

Auston Matthews is the captain of Team USA. He serves as the captain of the NHL's Toronto Maple Leafs. Serving as alternate captains of Team USA are **Matthew Tkachuk** of the Florida Panthers and **Charlie McAvoy** of the Boston Bruins. Matthews, Tkachuk and McAvoy have played together twice on the international stage for Team USA, helping the U.S. earn gold at the 2015 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship and bronze at the 2016 IIHF World Junior Championship. In addition, Matthews was also part of the gold medal-winning U.S. Under-18 Men's National Team at the 2014 IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship and played for Team USA at the 2015 IIHF World Junior Championship and 2016 IIHF Men's World Championship.

INSPIRING PRESENCE/WORDS

The U.S. last won a major senior-level men's tournament in 1996, that being the championship of the 1996 World Cup of Hockey. And prior to that it was the gold-medal performance of the 1980 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team. At a team dinner on Monday night (Feb. 10), the players and staff had the pleasure of the company of captain **Mike Eruzione** and forward **Rob McClanahan** from the 1980 team and also **Mike Modano**, the top American-born point producer and goal scorer in NHL history and also a member of Team USA for the 1996 World Cup of Hockey. In addition, **Guy Gaudreau**, father of Johnny and Matthew Gaudreau was an inspirational part of the team dinner. Gaudreau also skated with Team USA on Tuesday (Feb. 11) and was part of the team photo.

THINGS

The U.S. is the visiting team tonight ... Team USA includes 16 players who were first round NHL draft picks, including #1 overall choices **Auston Matthews** and **Jack Hughes** ... **Jack Eichel** (19-50--69) and **Kyle Connor** (30-39--69) each have 69 points in the NHL to lead Team USA, while **Zach Werenski** is third with 59 (17-42--59) ... **Kyle Connor** has 30 goals this season in the NHL, tops on Team USA. **Jack Eichel** is second with 27 ... **Jake Sanderson** and **Brady Tkachuk** are the only two players part of Team USA without NHL playoff experience ... **Chris Kreider**, **Jake Sanderson** and **Jeremy Swayman** will not dress tonight ... **Mike Trimboli**, president of USA Hockey and **Pat Kelleher**, executive director of USA Hockey are here tonight ... Hockey Week Across America, a seven-day celebration of the game at all levels, runs from Feb. 17-23 across the U.S. ... The U.S. is hosting three world championships over the next 12 months, including the IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship, April 23-May 3 in Frisco and Allen, Texas; the IPC Para Sled Hockey World Championship May 24-31 in Buffalo, N.Y.; and the 2026 IIHF World Junior Hockey Championship Dec. 26-, 2025 - Jan. 5, 2026, in Saint Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota ... U.S. assistant coach **John Hynes** celebrated his 50th birthday on Monday (Feb. 10) ... Brothers **Matthew and Brady Tkachuk** are playing together for the first time ever on a team.

TEAM USA SCHEDULE

Date	Game	Time (Local/ET)/Result
Thurs., Feb. 13	USA vs. Finland <i>Bell Centre TV: ESPN</i>	8:00 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 15	USA vs. Canada <i>Bell Centre TV: ABC</i>	8:00 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 17	Sweden vs. USA <i>TD Garden TV: TNT</i>	8:00 p.m.
Thurs., Feb 20	Championship Game <i>TD Garden TV: ESPN</i>	8:00 p.m.

Visiting Team Listed First

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2025 U.S. MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	S/C	HOMETOWN	MOST RECENT TEAM (LEAGUE)	COLLEGE (LEAGUE THEN)
GOALTENDERS (3)								
37	Connor Hellebuyck	6-4 (193)	207 (95)	5/19/1993	L	Commerce, Mich.	Winnipeg Jets (NHL)	Univ. of Mass. Lowell (Hockey East)
30	Jake Oettinger	6-6 (198)	224 (102)	12/18/1998	L	Lakeville, Minn.	Dallas Stars (NHL)	Boston University (Hockey East)
1	Jeremy Swayman	6-3 (191)	195 (88)	11/24/1998	L	Anchorage, Alaska	Boston Bruins (NHL)	University of Maine (Hockey East)
DEFENSEMEN (7)								
14	Brock Faber	6-1 (185)	200 (91)	8/22/2002	R	Maple Grove, Minn.	Minnesota Wild (NHL)	University of Minnesota (Big Ten)
23	Adam Fox	5-11 (180)	185 (84)	2/17/1998	R	Jericho, N.Y.	New York Rangers (NHL)	Harvard University (ECAC Hockey)
15	Noah Hanifin	6-3 (191)	206 (93)	1/25/1997	L	Norwood, Mass.	Vegas Golden Knights (NHL)	Boston College (Hockey East)
25	Charlie McAvoy (A)	6-1 (185)	209 (95)	12/21/1997	R	Long Beach, N.Y.	Boston Bruins (NHL)	Boston University (Hockey East)
85	Jake Sanderson	6-2 (188)	204 (92)	7/8/2002	L	Whitefish, Mont.	Ottawa Senators (NHL)	University of North Dakota (NCHC)
74	Jacob Slavin	6-3 (191)	207 (95)	5/1/1994	L	Erie, Colo.	Carolina Hurricanes (NHL)	Colorado College (NCHC)
8	Zach Werenski	6-2 (188)	211 (96)	7/19/1997	L	Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich.	Columbus Blue Jackets (NHL)	University of Michigan (Big 10)
FORWARDS (13)								
12	Matt Boldy	6-2 (188)	201 (91)	4/5/2001	L	Millis, Mass.	Minnesota Wild (NHL)	Boston College (Hockey East)
81	Kyle Connor	6-1 (185)	183 (83)	12/6/1996	L	Shelby Township, Mich.	Winnipeg Jets (NHL)	University of Michigan (Big 10)
9	Jack Eichel	6-2 (188)	203 (92)	10/28/1996	R	North Chelmsford, Mass.	Vegas Golden Knights (NHL)	Boston University (Hockey East)
59	Jake Guentzel	5-11 (180)	178 (81)	10/6/1994	L	Woodbury, Minn.	Tampa Bay Lightning (NHL)	University of Nebraska Omaha (NCHC)
86	Jack Hughes	5-11 (180)	175 (80)	5/4/2001	L	Canton, Mich.	New Jersey Devils (NHL)	
20	Chris Kreider	6-3 (191)	230 (104)	4/30/1991	L	Boxford, Mass.	New York Rangers (NHL)	Boston College (Hockey East)
21	Dylan Larkin	6-1 (185)	199 (90)	7/30/1996	L	Waterford, Mich.	Detroit Red Wings (NHL)	University of Michigan (Big 10)
34	Auston Matthews (C)	6-3 (191)	215 (98)	9/17/1997	L	Scottsdale, Ariz.	Toronto Maple Leafs (NHL)	
10	J.T. Miller	6-1 (185)	218 (99)	3/14/1993	L	East Palestine, Ohio	New York Rangers (NHL)	
29	Brock Nelson	6-4 (193)	205 (93)	10/15/1991	L	Warroad, Minn.	New York Islanders (NHL)	University of North Dakota (NCHC)
7	Brady Tkachuk	6-4 (193)	225 (102)	9/16/1999	L	St. Louis, Mo.	Ottawa Senators (NHL)	Boston University (Hockey East)
19	Matthew Tkachuk (A)	6-2 (188)	206 (93)	12/11/1997	L	St. Louis, Mo.	Florida Panthers (NHL)	
16	Vincent Trocheck	5-11 (180)	188 (85)	7/11/1993	R	Pittsburgh, Pa.	New York Rangers (NHL)	

2025 U.S. MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM STAFF

ROLE	NAME	HOMETOWN	MOST RECENT ORGANIZATION
General Manager	Bill Guerin	Wilbraham, Mass.	Minnesota Wild (NHL)
Assistant General Manager	Tom Fitzgerald	Billerica, Mass.	New Jersey Devils (NHL)
Assistant General Manager	Chris Drury	Trumbull, Ct.	New York Rangers (NHL)
Assistant General Manager	Bill Zito	Milwaukee, Wis.	Florida Panthers (NHL)
Director of Player Personnel	Chris Kelleher	Belmont, Mass.	Minnesota Wild (NHL)
USA Hockey Assistant Executive Director	John Vanbiesbrouck	Detroit, Mich.	USA Hockey
Head Coach	Mike Sullivan	Marshfield, Mass.	Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL)
Assistant Coach	John Tortorella	Boston, Mass.	Philadelphia Flyers (NHL)
Assistant Coach	John Hynes	Warwick, R.I.	Minnesota Wild (NHL)
Assistant Coach	David Quinn	Cranston, R.I.	Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL)
Goaltending Coach	Mike Buckley	Boston, Mass.	Los Angeles Kings (NHL)
Video Coach	Mike King	Conway, N.H.	Ottawa Senators (NHL)
Video Coach	Madison Nikkel	Wexford, Penn.	Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL)
Hockey Operations	Brij Singh	Los Altos, Calif.	Boston Bruins (NHL)
Equipment Manager	Chris "Frosty" Scoppetto	Hamden, Conn.	Columbus Blue Jackets (NHL)
Equipment Manager	Teddy Richards	Wilkes-Barre, Penn.	Columbus Blue Jackets (NHL)
Equipment Manager	Scott Aldrich	Hancock, Mich.	USA Hockey
Athletic Trainer	Travis Green	St. Paul, Minn.	Minnesota Wild (NHL)
Athletic Trainer	John Worley	Ridley Park, Penn.	Minnesota Wild (NHL)
Athletic Trainer	Kevin Morley	Newington, Conn.	Nashville Predators (NHL)
Team Physician	Dr. Joel Boyd	St. Paul, Minn.	Minnesota Wild (NHL)
Communications/Media Officer	Dave Fischer	Colorado Springs, Colo.	USA Hockey
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BY THE NUMBERS

Average Height	6ft. 1in.
Tallest	Oettinger (6-6)
Shortest	Hughes/Trocheck (5-11) Guentzel/Fox (5-11)
Average Weight	204 lbs
Heaviest	Kreider (230 lbs)
Lightest	Hughes (175 lbs)
Average Age	28.0 yrs
Oldest	Kreider (33.8 yrs)
Youngest	Faber (22.5 yrs)
Shoot/Catch	Left: 18 Right: 5

HOME STATES (11)

Michigan	5
Massachusetts	4
Minnesota	4
New York	2
Missouri	2
Alaska	1
Arizona	1
Colorado	1
Montana	1
Ohio	1
Pennsylvania	1

U.S. COLLEGE TIES (19)

Boston University	4
Boston College	3
University of Michigan	3
University of North Dakota	2
Colorado College	1
Harvard University	1
University of Maine	1
University of Massachusetts Lowell	1
University of Minnesota	1
University of Nebraska-Omaha	1



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PLAYER	NHL DRAFT (TM, YR, RD, PICK)	REGULAR SEASON	PLAYOFFS -- STATS/YRS
Matt Boldy	MIN (2019, 1st, 12th)	4 seasons; 259GP, 95-124--219	12GP, 1-3--4 (2)
Kyle Connor	WPG (2015, 1st, 17th)	9 seasons, 597GP, 273-281--554	45GP, 15-17--32 (6)
Jack Eichel	BUF (2015, 1st, 2nd)	10 seasons; 594GP, 230-353--583	29GP, 9-24--33 (2)
Brock Faber	LAK (2020, 2nd, 45)	3 seasons, 136GP, 14-55--69	6GP, 0-0--0 (1)
Adam Fox	CGY (2016, 3rd, 66th)	6 seasons; 412GP, 57-295--352	46GP, 5-34--39 (4)
Jake Guentzel	PIT (2013, 3rd, 77th)	9 seasons, 574GP, 254-291--545	69GP, 38-29--67 (7)
Connor Hellebuyck	WPG (2012, 5th, 130th)	10 seasons, 548GP, 309-180-43, 2.58, .917	45GP, 18-27-0, 2.85, .910 (6)
Noah Hanifin	CAR (2015, 1st, 5th)	10 seasons, 734GP, 68-241--309	34GP, 2-11--13 (4)
Jack Hughes	NJD (2019, 1st, 1st)	6 seasons, 363GP, 138-208--346	12GP, 6-5--11 (1)
Chris Kreider	NYR (2009, 1st, 19th)	14 seasons, 862GP, 320-252--572	123GP, 48-28--76 (10)
Dylan Larkin	DET (2014, 1st, 15th)	10 seasons, 707GP, 235-321--556	5GP, 1-0--1 (1)
Auston Matthews	TOR (2016, 1st, 1st)	9 seasons, 602GP, 388-306--694	55GP, 23-25--48 (8)
Charlie McAvoy	BOS (2016, 1st, 14th)	9 seasons, 504GP, 60-240--300	91GP, 6-42-48 (8)
J.T. Miller	NYR (2011, 1st, 15th)	13 seasons, 844GP, 249-429-678	91GP, 12-44--56 (8)
Brock Nelson	NYI (2010, 1st, 30th)	13 seasons, 895GP, 292-274--566	78GP, 27-23--50 (8)
Jake Oettinger	DAL (2017, 1st, 26th)	6 seasons, 233GP, 139-60-25, 2.48, .913	47GP, 13-13-0, 2.64, .915 (4)
Jake Sanderson	OTT (2020, 1st, 5th)	3 seasons, 211GP, 19-86--105	--
Jacob Slavin	CAR (2012, 4th, 120th)	10 seasons, 721GP, 53-239--292	71GP, 7-29--36 (6)
Jeremy Swayman	BOS (2017, 4th, 111th)	5 seasons, 172GP, 97-51-19, 2.49, .914	20GP, 9-10-0, 2.38, .922 (4)
Brady Tkachuk	OTT (2018, 1st, 4th)	7 seasons, 496GP, 183-210--393	--
Matthew Tkachuk	CGY (2016, 1st, 6th)	9 seasons, 642GP, 240-396--636	71GP, 24-37--61 (6)
Vincent Trocheck	FLA (2011, 3rd, 64th)	12 seasons, 774GP, 214-342--556	56GP, 17-20--37 (6)
Zach Werenski	CBS (2015, 1st, 8th)	9 seasons, 541GP, 107-254--361	29GP, 4-9--13 (4)

