



## 2019 AUSTRALIAN OPEN – WOMEN’S PREVIEW NOTES MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA – JAN 14-27, 2019 – GRAND SLAM TOURNAMENT

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The Australian Open was first held in 1905, with the first women’s singles championship being staged in 1922. This is the 93rd staging of the women’s singles championship and the 51st of the Open Era, which began in 1968 (1969 for Australian Open) and saw the introduction of prize money.

### 2019 AUSTRALIAN OPEN – SINGLES PRIZE MONEY & RANKING POINTS:

ROUND	PRIZE MONEY (\$AUD)	RANKING POINTS
Winner	\$4,100,000	2000
Runner-Up	\$2,050,000	1300
Semifinalists	\$920,000	780
Quarterfinalists	\$460,000	430
Round of 16 (4r)	\$260,000	240
Round of 32 (3r)	\$155,000	130
Round of 64 (2r)	\$105,000	70
Round of 128 (1r)	\$75,000	10

### SEEDED FOR FIRST TIME AT A SLAM

**Wang Qiang** (CHN) – No.21  
**Donna Vekic** (CRO) – No.29  
**Petra Martic** (CRO) – No.31

### WTA SPECIAL RANKINGS

The following players are using a special ranking to gain main draw entry to the 2019 Australian Open:

**Timea Bacsinszky** (SUI) – No.23  
**Laura Siegemund** (GER) – No.32  
**Bethanie Mattek-Sands** (USA) – No.90

### SINGLES WITHDRAWALS

The following players have withdrawn from this year’s Australian Open:

**Coco Vandeweghe** (USA) – right ankle injury



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### 2019: THE STORY SO FAR

TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	SEMIFINALISTS
Brisbane	Hard	Karolina Pliskova	Lesia Tsurenko	Naomi Osaka, Donna Vekic
Auckland	Hard	Julia Goerges	Bianca Andreescu	Viktoria Kuzmova, Su-Wei Hsieh
Shenzhen	Hard	Aryna Sabalenka	Alison Riske	Wang Yafan,, Vera Zvonareva
Sydney	Hard			Ashleigh Barty, Kiki Bertens, Petra Kvitova, Aliaksandra Sasnovich
Hobart	Hard			Belinda Bencic, Alizé Cornet, Sofia Kenin, Anna Karolina Schmiedlova

### WORLD NO.1 SINGLES RANKING UPDATE

Only two players held the World No.1 ranking across 2018. **Simona Halep** started the season in the top spot, before **Caroline Wozniacki** wrestled it away from the Romanian following her triumph here at the Australian Open last year. **Simona Halep** then took back the title on February 22, following her semi-final run at Doha and remained at the top of the leaderboard for the remainder of the 2018 season.

**Halep** became the WTA World No.1 for the first time in her career on October 9, 2017, the first Romanian - and 25th WTA World No.1 in history - to achieve this historic milestone since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975.

**Halep** remains only the 13th WTA player to achieve the year-end No.1 singles ranking after holding the top spot for 45 weeks in 2018, bringing her career total to 64. The two weeks of the 2019 Australian Open will be **Halep's** 47th and 48th consecutive weeks atop the WTA Rankings.

PLAYER	WEEKS AT No.1	REACHED No.1
Stefanie Graf (GER)	377	August 17, 1987
Martina Navratilova (USA)	332	July 10, 1978
Serena Williams (USA)	319	July 8, 2002
Chris Evert (USA)	260	November 3, 1975
Martina Hingis (SUI)	209	March 31, 1997
Monica Seles (USA)	178	March 11, 1991
Justine Henin (BEL)	117	October 20, 2003
Lindsay Davenport (USA)	98	October 12, 1998
Caroline Wozniacki (DEN)	71	October 11, 2010
<b>Simona Halep (ROU)</b>	<b>64*</b>	<b>October 9, 2017</b>
Victoria Azarenka (BLR)	51	January 30, 2012
Amélie Mauresmo (FRA)	39	September 13, 2004
Angelique Kerber (GER)	34	September 12, 2016
Dinara Safina (RUS)	26	April 20, 2009
Tracy Austin (USA)	21	April 7, 1980
Maria Sharapova (RUS)	21	August 22, 2005
Kim Clijsters (BEL)	20	August 11, 2003
Jelena Jankovic (SRB)	18	August 11, 2008
Jennifer Capriati (USA)	17	October 15, 2001
Ana Ivanovic (SRB)	12	June 9, 2008
Arantxa Sánchez Vicario (ESP)	12	February 6, 1995
Venus Williams (USA)	11	February 25, 2002
Karolina Pliskova (CZE)	8	July 17, 2017
Garbiñe Muguruza	4	September 11, 2017
Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	2	April 26, 1976

\*including weeks of 14th & 21st January 2019



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## RANKING WATCH: TOP SPOT ON THE LINE IN MELBOURNE

Simona Halep will occupy the top spot for the two weeks of the Australian Open, thus extending her stay at No.1 to 64 weeks, the 10th most all-time. The Romanian has held the World No.1 ranking since February 26, 2018. Next week will be her 48th-consecutive week at No.1.

As it currently stands there are 11 players who have a shot at the No.1 Ranking at the Australian Open, however all would need a run deep into the second week.

### PLAYERS IN CONTENTION TO OVERTAKE HALEP AT NO.1

	AO18 Pts Defending	Minimum Round Required
Angelique Kerber	780	SF
Caroline Wozniacki*	2000	Win
Sloane Stephens	10	QF
Elina Svitolina	430	SF
Naomi Osaka	240	QF
Petra Kvitova	10	SF
Karolina Pliskova	430	F
Kiki Bertens	130	F
Daria Kasatkina*	70	W (eliminated with Halep playing AO)
Aryna Sabalenka	10	W (eliminated with a Halep 1r win at AO)

\*eliminated with Halep playing AO

## WHAT A DIFFERENCE A YEAR MAKES

Ranking changes among Top 16 seeds at the 2019 Australian Open; nine of this year’s Top 16 seeds did not feature in this elite bracket in 2018. Furthermore, two of the Top 4 seeds – **Simona Halep** and **Caroline Wozniacki** - from last year are back in that group this fortnight after a ranking drop for Garbiñe Muguruza and Elina Svitolina:

PLAYER	1/8/2018	1/7/2019	CHANGE
[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU)	1	1	---
[2] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER)	21	2	+19
[3] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN)	2	3	-1
[4] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN)	68	4	+64
[5] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA)	13	5	+8
[6] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR)	4	6	-2
[7] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE)	6	7	-1
[8] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE)	29	8	+21
[9] KIKI BERTENS (NED)	31	9	+22
[10] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS)	24	10	+14
[11] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR)	78	11	+67
[12] ELISE MERTENS (BEL)	35	12	+23
[13] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT)	16	13	+3
[14] JULIA GOERGES (GER)	12	14	-2
[15] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS)	17	15	+2
[16] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA)	22	16	+6



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## DEFENDING RANKING POINTS

Here is a look at the Top 16 seeds and the ranking points that they will be defending from the 2018 Australian Open:

PLAYER	2018 AO RESULT	2018 AO PTS
[1] Simona Halep	F	1300
[2] Angelique Kerber	SF	780
[3] Caroline Wozniacki	WON	2000
[4] Elina Svitolina	QF	430
[5] Naomi Osaka	4r	240
[6] Sloane Stephens	1r	10
[7] Petra Kvitova	1r	10
[8] Karolina Pliskova	QF	430

PLAYER	2018 AO RESULT	2018 AO PTS
[9] Kiki Bertens	3r	130
[10] Daria Kasatkina	2r	70
[11] Anastasija Sevastova	2r	70
[12] Elise Mertens	SF	780
[13] Aryna Sabalenka	1r	10
[14] Julia Goerges	2r	70
[15] Ashleigh Barty	3r	130
[16] Serena Williams	DNP	0

## PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN AND THE WTA FINALS

The 2019 edition of the Porsche Race to Shenzhen will travel through 29 countries with 55 events, plus the four Grand Slam tournaments, with players competing for a record \$164 million in prize money. With 2000 ranking points going to the winner, the champion of the 2019 Australian Open will be propelled to the top of the Porsche Race to Shenzhen Leader Board.

Last October, the BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore presented by SC Global were held in Asia-Pacific for the fifth and final time, with **Elina Svitolina** defeating **Sloane Stephens** in the final to lift the Billie Jean King Trophy – the biggest title of her career to date.

The Hungarian-French duo of **Timea Babos** and **Kristina Mladenovic** took home the coveted Martina Navratilova WTA Finals Doubles Trophy – a first WTA Finals triumph for Mladenovic. This year’s event, the first of a 10-year stay in Shenzhen, will take place between 27 October – 3 November 2019 with a record \$14 million prize money purse.

## ACTIVE GRAND SLAM CHAMPIONS

Three first-time Grand Slam champions were crowned in 2018 – **Caroline Wozniacki** at the Australian Open, **Simona Halep** at Roland Garros and **Naomi Osaka** at the US Open – there are now 15 active Grand Slam champions, five of whom have lifted the trophy at the Australian Open: **Victoria Azarenka** (2012-13), **Angelique Kerber** (2016), **Maria Sharapova** (2008), **Serena Williams** (2003, 2005, 2007, 2009-10, 2015, 2017) and **Caroline Wozniacki** (2018).



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**GRAND SLAM CHAMPIONS (ACTIVE PLAYERS)**

PLAYERS	GS TITLES	GRAND SLAM TITLES BREAKDOWN
Serena Williams	23	<b>Australian Open:</b> 2003, 2005, 2007, 2009-10, 2015, 2017; <b>Roland Garros:</b> 2002, 2013, 2015; <b>Wimbledon:</b> 2002-03, 2009-10, 2012, 2015-16; <b>US Open:</b> 1999, 2002, 2008, 2012-14
Venus Williams	7	<b>Wimbledon:</b> 2000-01, 2005, 2007-08; <b>US Open:</b> 2000-01
Maria Sharapova	5	<b>Australian Open:</b> 2008; <b>Roland Garros:</b> 2012, 2014; <b>Wimbledon:</b> 2004; <b>US Open:</b> 2006
Angelique Kerber	3	<b>Australian Open:</b> 2016; <b>US Open:</b> 2016; <b>Wimbledon:</b> 2018
Victoria Azarenka	2	<b>Australian Open:</b> 2012-13
Svetlana Kuznetsova	2	<b>Roland Garros:</b> 2009; <b>US Open:</b> 2004
Petra Kvitova	2	<b>Wimbledon:</b> 2011, 2014
Garbiñe Muguruza	2	<b>Roland Garros:</b> 2016; <b>Wimbledon:</b> 2017
Simona Halep	1	<b>Roland Garros:</b> 2018
Naomi Osaka	1	<b>US Open:</b> 2018
Jelena Ostapenko	1	<b>Roland Garros:</b> 2017
Francesca Schiavone	1	<b>Roland Garros:</b> 2010
Sloane Stephens	1	<b>US Open:</b> 2017
Samantha Stosur	1	<b>US Open:</b> 2011
Caroline Wozniacki	1	<b>Australian Open:</b> 2018

**Serena Williams’** victory in Melbourne in 2017 marked her seventh Australian Open singles title – the most in the Open Era ahead of **Margaret Court**, who won four Australian Open titles in the Open Era (11 overall):

**OPEN ERA – AUSTRALIAN OPEN TITLES**

PLAYER	TITLES	YEARS
Serena Williams (USA)	7	2003, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2015, 2017
Margaret Court (AUS)	4	1969, 1970, 1971, 1973
Evonne Goolagong Cawley (AUS)	4	1974, 1975, 1976, 1977 [Dec]
Stefanie Graf (GER)	4	1988, 1989, 1990, 1994
Monica Seles (YUG/USA)	4	1991, 1992, 1993, 1996



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## MOST GRAND SLAM SINGLES FINAL APPEARANCES

A total of 22 active players have reached a Grand Slam singles final; the 2019 Australian Open field features 18 players who have reached at least one major final – missing are **Svetlana Kuznetsova**, **Sara Errani**, **Jelena Jankovic** and **Sabine Lisicki**.

PLAYER	TOTAL	TITLES WON	RUNNER-UP FINISHES
<b>Serena Williams</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>23 Wins</b> Australian Open (03, 05, 07, 09, 10, 15, 17) Roland Garros (02, 13, 15) Wimbledon (02, 03, 09, 10, 12, 15, 16) US Open (99, 02, 08, 12, 13, 14)	<b>8 Runner-Ups</b> Australian Open (16) Roland Garros (16) Wimbledon (04, 08, 18) US Open (01, 11, 18)
<b>Venus Williams</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7 Wins</b> Wimbledon (00, 01, 05, 07, 08) US Open (00, 01)	<b>9 Runner-Ups</b> Australian Open (03, 17) Roland Garros (02) Wimbledon (02, 03, 09, 17) US Open (97, 02)
<b>Maria Sharapova</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5 Wins</b> Australian Open (08) Roland Garros (12, 14) Wimbledon (04) US Open (06)	<b>5 Runner-Ups</b> Australian Open (07, 12, 15) Roland Garros (13) Wimbledon (11)
<b>Svetlana Kuznetsova</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2 Wins</b> Roland Garros (09) US Open (04)	<b>2 Runner-Ups</b> Roland Garros (06) US Open (07)
<b>Victoria Azarenka</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2 Wins</b> Australian Open (12, 13)	<b>2 Runner-Ups</b> US Open (12, 13)
<b>Simona Halep</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1 Win</b> Roland Garros (18)	<b>3 Runner-Ups</b> Roland Garros (14, 17) Australian Open (18)
<b>Angelique Kerber</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3 Wins</b> Australian Open (16) US Open (16) Wimbledon (18)	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> Wimbledon (16)
<b>Caroline Wozniacki</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1 Win</b> Australian Open (18)	<b>2 Runner-Ups</b> US Open (09, 14)
<b>Petra Kvitova</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2 Wins</b> Wimbledon (11, 14)	---
<b>Garbiñe Muguruza</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2 Wins</b> Roland Garros (16) Wimbledon (17)	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> Wimbledon (15)
<b>Sloane Stephens</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1 Win</b> US Open (17)	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> Roland Garros (18)
<b>Samantha Stosur</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1 Win</b> US Open (11)	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> Roland Garros (10)
<b>Naomi Osaka</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1 Win</b> US Open (18)	---
<b>Jelena Ostapenko</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1 Win</b> Roland Garros (17)	---
<b>Eugenie Bouchard</b>	<b>1</b>	---	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> Wimbledon (14)
<b>Dominika Cibulkova</b>	<b>1</b>	---	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> Australian Open (14)
<b>Sara Errani</b>	<b>1</b>	---	<b>1 Runner-Up</b>



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			Roland Garros (12)
<b>Jelena Jankovic</b>	<b>1</b>	---	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> US Open (08)
<b>Madison Keys</b>	<b>1</b>	---	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> US Open (17)
<b>Sabine Lisicki</b>	<b>1</b>	---	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> Wimbledon (13)
<b>Karolina Pliskova</b>	<b>1</b>	-	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> US Open (16)
<b>Lucie Safarova</b>	<b>1</b>	---	<b>1 Runner-Up</b> Roland Garros (15)

### OPEN ERA: GRAND SLAM SINGLES TITLES LEADERS

PLAYER (NAT)	AO	RG	WIMB	US	TOTAL
<b>Serena Williams (USA)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>23</b>
Stefanie Graf (GER)	4	6	7	5	22
Chris Evert (USA)	2	7	3	6	18
Martina Navratilova (USA)	3	2	9	4	18
Margaret Court (AUS)	4	3	1	3	11
Monica Seles (USA)	4	3	0	2	9
Billie Jean King (USA)	0	1	4	3	8
Evonne Goolagong Cawley (AUS)	4	1	2	0	7
Justine Henin (BEL)	1	4	0	2	7
<b>Venus Williams (USA)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>
Martina Hingis (SUI)	3	0	1	1	5
<b>Maria Sharapova (RUS)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
Kim Clijsters (BEL)	1	0	0	3	4
Hana Mandlikova (CZE)	2	1	0	1	4
Arantxa Sánchez Vicario (ESP)	0	3	0	1	4

### ALL-TIME GRAND SLAM SINGLES TITLES LEADERS (10 or more)

PLAYER	TOTAL
Margaret Court (AUS)	24
Serena Williams (USA)	23
Stefanie Graf (GER)	22
Helen Wills Moody (USA)	19
Chris Evert (USA)	18
Martina Navratilova (USA)	18
Billie Jean King (USA)	12



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## ALL-TIME AUSTRALIAN OPEN TITLES – BY COUNTRY

TITLES	COUNTRY	MOST RECENTLY
43	<b>Australia</b>	1978 (Chris O’Neil)
24	<b>United States</b>	2017 (Serena Williams)
5	<b>Germany</b>	2016 (Angelique Kerber)
3	<b>Great Britain</b>	1968 (Virginia Wade)
3	<b>Yugoslavia</b>	1993 (Monica Seles)
3	<b>Switzerland</b>	1999 (Martina Hingis)
2	<b>Belgium</b>	2011 (Kim Clijsters)
2	<b>Belarus</b>	2013 (Victoria Azarenka)
2	<b>France</b>	2006 (Amélie Mauresmo)
2	<b>Czechoslovakia</b>	1987 (Hana Mandlikova)
1	<b>China</b>	2014 (Li Na)
1	<b>Denmark</b>	2018 (Caroline Wozniacki)
1	<b>Russia</b>	2008 (Maria Sharapova)

## MOST GRAND SLAM MAIN DRAW APPEARANCES

**Venus Williams** is playing in her 81st career Grand Slam main draw at the Australian Open, the most in the Open Era. There are eight active players who have played in 50 or more Grand Slam main draws:

### OPEN ERA – ALL PLAYERS

PLAYER	GS APPEARANCES
<b>Venus Williams (USA)</b>	<b>81*</b>
Amy Frazier (USA)	71
Francesca Schiavone (ITA)	69
Martina Navratilova (USA)	67
<b>Serena Williams (USA)</b>	<b>70*</b>
Conchita Martinez (ESP)	64
Ai Sugiyama (JPN)	63
<b>Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS)</b>	<b>63</b>
Daniela Hantuchova (SVK)	61
Helena Sukova (CZE)	61
<b>Samantha Stosur (AUS)</b>	<b>61*</b>
Virginie Razzano (FRA)	59
Patty Schnyder (SUI)	59
Tamarine Tanasugarn (THA)	59
Arantxa Sanchez Vicario (ESP)	58
Virginia Ruano Pascual (ESP)	57
<b>Jelena Jankovic (SRB)</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Maria Sharapova (RUS)</b>	<b>55*</b>
Roberta Vinci (ITA)	52
<b>Alizé Cornet (FRA)</b>	<b>52*</b>
<b>Barbora Strycova (CZE)</b>	<b>51*</b>

\*Includes 2019 Australian Open; BOLD = active player

### ACTIVE SINGLES PLAYERS

PLAYER	GS APPEARANCES*
Venus Williams (USA)	81*
Serena Williams (USA)	70*
Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS)	63
Samantha Stosur (AUS)	61*
Jelena Jankovic (SRB)	57
Maria Sharapova (RUS)	55*
Alizé Cornet (FRA)	52*
Barbora Strycova (CZE)	51*

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## CORNET INHERITS GRAND SLAM STREAK

**Jelena Jankovic’s** 56-straight Grand Slam appearance streak came to an end at last year’s Australian Open after the former World No.1 took time out to recover from a back injury. Her feat becomes the third longest streak of consecutive slams in the Open Era behind only **Ai Sugiyama** (62) and **Francesca Schiavone** (61). **Schiavone** had amassed 61 successive Grand Slam appearances dating back to 2000 US Open, however the Italian veteran fell in the second round of qualifying at the 2016 Australian Open (l. Razzano). As such, **Sugiyama** retains the longest streak in the Open Era for women – 62 appearances in a row. **Feliciano Lopez** holds the men’s record with 68 consecutive appearances (68th at 2019 Australian Open).

Heading into this year’s Australian Open, **Alizé Cornet** assumes the title of having the longest active consecutive Grand Slam main draw appearance streak with 49-straight appearances.

### GRAND SLAM MAIN DRAW: CONSECUTIVE APPEARANCES – ACTIVE STREAKS

PLAYER	CONSECUTIVE APPEARANCES*	START OF STREAK
Alizé Cornet (FRA)	49*	2007 Australian Open
Ekaterina Makarova (RUS)	46*	2007 US Open
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (RUS)	44*	2008 Roland Garros
Julia Goerges (GER)	43*	2008 Wimbledon

\*Including 2019 Australian Open

### GRAND SLAM MAIN DRAW: CONSECUTIVE APPEARANCES - LONGEST STREAKS ALL-TIME

PLAYER	CONSECUTIVE SLAMS
Ai Sugiyama (JPN)	62
Francesca Schiavone (ITA)	61
Jelena Jankovic (SRB)	56
Nathalie Dechy (FRA)	54
Elena Likhovtseva (RUS)	54
Patty Schnyder (SUI)	52
<b>Alizé Cornet (FRA)*</b>	<b>49*</b>
Ana Ivanovic (SRB)	48
Agnieszka Radwanska (POL)	47
Amanda Coetzer (RSA)	46
Lisa Raymond (USA)	46
<b>Ekaterina Makarova (RUS)</b>	<b>46*</b>

\*Including 2019 Australian Open and indicates active streak



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## MOST AUSTRALIAN OPEN APPEARANCES & MOST MATCHES PLAYED

Among the active players, here is a look at who has made the most appearances at the Australian Open, as well as most matches played.

### ACTIVE PLAYERS: AO MOST MAIN DRAW MATCHES

PLAYER	W-L	MATCHES
Serena Williams (USA)	81-10	91
Venus Williams (USA)	51-18	69
Maria Sharapova (RUS)	54-13	67
Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS)	35-16	51
Victoria Azarenka (BLR)	39-9	48
Jelena Jankovic (SRB)	29-15	44
Caroline Wozniacki (DEN)	32-10	42
Angelique Kerber (GER)	26-10	36

### ALL-TIME: AO MOST MAIN DRAW MATCHES

PLAYER	W-L	MATCHES
Serena Williams (USA)	81-10	91
Lindsay Davenport (USA)	56-13	69
Venus Williams (USA)	51-18	69
Maria Sharapova (RUS)	54-13	67
Nell Hopman (AUS)	37-26	63
Martina Hingis (SUI)	52-7	59
Thelma Long (AUS)	45-14	59
Helena Sukova (CZE)	38-16	54

### ACTIVE PLAYERS: AO MOST MAIN DRAW APPEARANCES

PLAYER	APPEARANCES*
Venus Williams (USA)	19*
Serena Williams (USA)	18*
Francesca Schiavone (ITA)	17
Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS)	16
Samantha Stosur (AUS)	17*
Jelena Jankovic (SRB)	15

\*Including 2019 Australian Open

## 200+ GRAND SLAM WINS AND BEYOND

**Serena Williams** leads all active players with 331 Grand Slam match wins, followed by her sister **Venus Williams** with 266. They are the only active players to have 200+ Grand Slam main draw wins. Seven active players have won 100 or more Grand Slam main draw matches – Angelique Kerber, whose career record is currently 98-41, could join the group this fortnight:

### MOST CAREER GRAND SLAM WINS - OPEN ERA (Entering 2019 Australian Open)

#### OPEN ERA

PLAYER	W-L
<b>Serena Williams</b>	<b>331-45</b>
Martina Navratilova	306-49
Chris Evert	299-37
Stefanie Graf	278-32
<b>Venus Williams</b>	<b>266-72</b>
Arantxa Sánchez Vicario	210-54
<b>Maria Sharapova</b>	<b>194-49</b>
<b>Svetlana Kuznetsova</b>	<b>152-61</b>

#### ACTIVE PLAYERS

PLAYER	W-L
Serena Williams	331-45
Venus Williams	266-72
Maria Sharapova	194-49
Svetlana Kuznetsova	152-61
Victoria Azarenka	124-42
Jelena Jankovic	113-57
Caroline Wozniacki	112-45
Angelique Kerber	98-41

**BOLD** denotes active singles players



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## STRONG OFF THE BLOCKS – FIRST ROUND SUCCESS

Of those players with 10 or more Grand Slam appearances in this year’s Australian Open draw, here are the players with the best strike rate in the opening round at a Grand Slam:

- **Maria Sharapova (50-4 in 1r):** Sharapova’s first round loss at the 2010 Australian Open (l. Kirilenko) snapped her streak of 24 consecutive first round wins at the majors. Her other three losses came at the 2003 Australian Open (l. Koukalova), 2003 Roland Garros (l. Serna) as a qualifier and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Diatchenko)
- **Serena Williams (68-1 in 1r):** Serena has lost in the opening round of a Grand Slam only once in her career, at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Razzano)
- **Venus Williams (70-10 in 1r):** Venus has lost in the opening round of a Grand Slam ten times in her career: 1997 Wimbledon (l. Grzybowska), 2001 Roland Garros (l. Schett), 2006 Australian Open (l. Pironkova), 2012 Wimbledon (l. Vesnina), 2013 Roland Garros (l. U.Radwanska), 2014 Australian Open (l. Makarova), 2015 Roland Garros (l. Stephens), 2016 Australian Open (l. Konta), 2018 Australian Open (l. Wang) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Bencic)
- **Caroline Wozniacki (40-6 in 1r):** Caroline’s first round loss at 2012 Wimbledon (l. Paszek) broke her streak of 20 successive first round wins at the Slams. She lost in the first round at her first Roland Garros main draw in 2007 (l. Dechy). Her other four losses came at 2012 US Open (l. Begu), 2014 Roland Garros (l. Wickmayer), 2016 Australian Open (l. Putintseva) and 2016 Wimbledon (l. Kuznetsova)
- **Madison Keys (22-3 in 1r):** Keys has not fallen in the first round on her past 17 major appearances. All three of her losses at this stage came in her teenage years, at 2012 Australian Open (l. J.Zheng), 2013 US Open (l. Jankovic) and 2014 Roland Garros (l. Errani)
- **Garbiñe Muguruza (21-3 in 1r):** Muguruza has not been upset in the first round on her past 16 major appearances. Her three defeats at this stage came on her Grand Slam debut at 2012 US Open (l. J. Errani), 2014 Wimbledon (l. Vandeweghe) and 2014 US Open (l. Lucic-Baroni)

### ACTIVE PLAYERS: BEST WINNING PERCENTAGE IN OPENING ROUND OF A SLAM (MINIMUM 10 APPEARANCES)

PLAYER	W	L	TOTAL	PCT
SERENA WILLIAMS (USA)	68	1	68	.986
MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS)	50	4	53	.926
MADISON KEYS (USA)	22	3	24	.880
VENUS WILLIAMS (USA)	70	10	79	.875
GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP)	21	3	23	.875
CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN)	40	6	45	.870
VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR)	38	7	44	.844
VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS)	35	7	41	.833



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## BACK-TO-BACK SLAMS – US OPEN TO AUSTRALIAN OPEN

Having triumphed at Flushing Meadows in 2018, **Naomi Osaka** is bidding to be the 10th player to win the US Open and then the Australian Open back-to-back. Two players have won the US Open and Australian Open back-to-back on three occasions – Stefanie Graf and Serena Williams:

### Players winning US Open and Australian Open back-to-back (Open Era):

Margaret Court	1970, 1971
Chris Evert	1982
Martina Navratilova	1983
Monica Seles	1992, 1993
Stefanie Graf	1989, 1990, 1994
Martina Hingis	1998
Serena Williams	2003, 2009, 2015
Justine Henin	2004
Kim Clijsters	2011

*NB: Years listed are for Australian Open win*

## QUEENS OF THE HARDCOURT

The Australian Open is being played on hardcourts for the 32nd time since the event moved from Kooyong’s grass courts to the new Melbourne Park facility in 1988.

HARD COURT TITLES ACTIVE PLAYERS	
46	Serena Williams
31	Venus Williams
24	Caroline Wozniacki
20	Maria Sharapova
19	Victoria Azarenka
17	Petra Kvitova
14	Svetlana Kuznetsova
10	Simona Halep
9	Jelena Jankovic
9	Elina Svitolina
9	Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova

MULTIPLE HARDCOURT GS TITLE WINNERS - OPEN ERA	
<b>13</b>	<b>Serena Williams</b>
9	Stefanie Graf
6	Monica Seles
4	Kim Clijsters
4	Martina Hingis
4	Martina Navratilova
3	Chris Evert
3	Justine Henin
2	Tracy Austin
<b>2</b>	<b>Victoria Azarenka</b>
2	Jennifer Capriati
2	Lindsay Davenport
<b>2</b>	<b>Angelique Kerber</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Maria Sharapova</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Venus Williams</b>



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## NO.1 SEED PERFORMANCES AT AUSTRALIAN OPEN

**Simona Halep** enters the 2019 Australian Open as the No.1 seed. Overall, in the Open Era, the top seed at the Australian Open has claimed the title on 20 occasions (including 10 of 15 years between 1983 and 1997). The feat was most recently achieved by **Serena Williams** in 2015:

### NO.1 SEEDS’ PERFORMANCES AT AUSTRALIAN OPEN

YEAR	NO.1 SEED	RESULT
1969	Billie Jean King (USA)	R-Up
1970	Margaret Smith Court (AUS)	Won
1971	Margaret Smith Court (AUS)	Won
1972	Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	R-Up
1973	Margaret Smith Court (AUS)	Won
1974	Chris Evert (USA)	R-Up
1975	Margaret Smith Court (AUS)	QF
1976	Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	Won
1977-J	Dianne Balestrat (AUS)	R-Up
1977-D	Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	Won
1978	Sue Barker (GBR)	QF
1979	Virginia Ruzici (ROU)	1r
1980	Martina Navratilova (USA)	SF
1981	Chris Evert (USA)	R-Up
1982	Martina Navratilova (USA)	R-Up
1983	Martina Navratilova (USA)	Won
1984	Martina Navratilova (USA)	SF
1985	Chris Evert (USA)	R-Up
1986	Not held	
1987	Martina Navratilova (USA)	R-Up
1988	Stefanie Graf (GER)	Won
1989	Stefanie Graf (GER)	Won
1990	Stefanie Graf (GER)	Won
1991	Stefanie Graf (GER)	QF
1992	Monica Seles (YUG)	Won
1993	Monica Seles (YUG)	Won

YEAR	NO.1 SEED	RESULT
1994	Stefanie Graf (GER)	Won
1995	Arantxa Sánchez Vicario	R-Up
1996	Monica Seles (YUG)	Won
1997	Stefanie Graf (GER)	4r
1998	Martina Hingis (SUI)	Won
1999	Lindsay Davenport (USA)	SF
2000	Martina Hingis (SUI)	R-Up
2001	Martina Hingis (SUI)	R-Up
2002	Jennifer Capriati (USA)	Won
2003	Serena Williams (USA)	Won
2004	Justine Henin (BEL)	Won
2005	Lindsay Davenport (USA)	R-Up
2006	Lindsay Davenport (USA)	QF
2007	Maria Sharapova (RUS)	R-Up
2008	Justine Henin (BEL)	QF
2009	Jelena Jankovic (SRB)	4r
2010	Serena Williams (USA)	Won
2011	Caroline Wozniacki (DEN)	SF
2012	Caroline Wozniacki (DEN)	QF
2013	Victoria Azarenka (BLR)	Won
2014	Serena Williams (USA)	4r
2015	Serena Williams (USA)	Won
2016	Serena Williams (USA)	R-Up
2017	Angelique Kerber (GER)	4r
2018	Simona Halep (ROU)	R-Up
2019	Caroline Wozniacki	???

- In the Open Era, the top seed has lost in 1r on six occasions across all Grand Slams:

1979 Australian Open	Ruzici (l. Mary Sawyer)
1994 Wimbledon	Graf (l. Lori McNeil)
1999 Wimbledon	Hingis (l. Jelena Dokic)
2001 Wimbledon	Hingis (l. Virginia Ruano Pascual)
2017 Roland Garros	Kerber (l. Ekaterina Makarova)
2018 US Open	Halep (l. Kaia Kanepi)



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**AUSTRALIAN OPEN: FIVE-YEAR SEEDS COMPARISON**

SEED	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
1	Halep	Halep	Kerber	S.Williams	S.Williams
2	Kerber	Wozniacki	S.Williams	Halep	Sharapova
3	Wozniacki	Muguruza	A.Radwanska	Muguruza	Halep
4	Osaka	Svitolina	Halep	A.Radwanska	Kvitova
5	Stephens	V.Williams	Ka.Pliskova	Sharapova	Ivanovic
6	Svitolina	Ka.Pliskova	Cibulkova	Kvitova	A.Radwanska
7	Ka.Pliskova	Ostapenko	Muguruza	Kerber	Bouchard
8	Kvitova	Garcia	Kuznetsova	V.Williams	Wozniacki
9	Bertens	Konta	Konta	Ka.Pliskova	Kerber
10	Kasatkina	Vandeweghe	Suárez Navarro	Suárez Navarro	Makarova
11	Sabalenka	Mladenovic	Svitolina	Bacsinszky	Cibulkova
12	Mertens	Goerges	Bacsinszky	Bencic	Pennetta
13	Sevastova	Stephens	V.Williams	Vinci	Petkovic
14	Goerges	Sevastova	Vesnina	Azarenka	Errani
15	Barty	Pavlyuchenkova	Vinci	Keys	Jankovic
16	S.Williams	Vesnina	Strycova	Safarova	Suárez Navarro

**TOP 16 SEEDS in 2019 – AUSTRALIAN OPEN & GRAND SLAM RESULTS**

PLAYER	AO W-L	AO BEST RESULT	GS W-L	GS BEST RESULT (not including AO)	
1	Simona Halep	16-8	R-Up (2018)	73-33	WON (2018 Roland Garros)
2	Angelique Kerber	26-10	WON (2016)	98-41	WON (2018 Wimbledon, 2016 US Open)
3	Caroline Wozniacki	32-10	WON (2018)	112-45	R-Up (2009, 2014 US Open)
4	Elina Svitolina	11-6	QF (2018)	42-25	QF (2015, 2017 Roland Garros)
5	Naomi Osaka	6-3	4r (2018)	25-10	WON (2018 US Open)
6	Sloane Stephens	9-6	SF (2013)	58-26	WON (2017 US Open)
7	Petra Kvitova	14-9	SF (2012)	92-39	WON (2011, 2014 Wimbledon)
8	Karolina Pliskova	13-6	QF (2017, 2018)	46-26	R-Up (2016 US Open)
9	Kiki Bertens	3-6	3r (2018)	25-26	SF (2016 Roland Garros)
10	Daria Kasatkina	3-3	3r (2016)	24-13	QF (2018 Roland Garros and 2018 Wimbledon)
11	Anastasija Sevastova	7-5	4r (2011)	26-23	SF (2018 US Open)
12	Elise Mertens	5-1	SF (2018)	15-8	4r (2018 Roland Garros and 2018 US Open)
13	Aryna Sabalenka	0-1	1r (2018)	4-5	4r (2018 US Open)
14	Julia Goerges	16-10	4r (2012-13, 2015)	46-43	SF (2018 Wimbledon)
15	Ashley Barty	4-5	3r (2017-18)	14-17	4r (2018 US Open)
16	Serena Williams	81-10	WON (2003, 2005, 2007, 2009-10, 2015, 2017)	331-45	WON (23 Grand Slam titles, most recently 2017 Australian Open)



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### RECENT GRAND SLAM FORM

Here are the recent Grand Slam performances of the Top 16 seeds:

PLAYER	2017 AO	2017 RG	2017 WIMB	2017 USO	2018 AO	2018 RG	2018 WIMB	2018 USO
[1] Simona Halep	1r	R-Up	QF	1r	R-Up	WON	3r	1r
[2] Angelique Kerber	4r	1r	4r	1r	SF	QF	WON	3r
[3] Caroline Wozniacki	3r	QF	4r	2r	WON	R16	2r	2r
[4] Naomi Osaka	2r	1r	3r	3r	4r	3r	3r	WON
[5] Sloane Stephens	-	-	1r	WON	1r	R-Up	1r	QF
[6] Elina Svitolina	3r	QF	4r	4r	QF	3r	1r	4r
[7] Karoline Pliskova	QF	SF	2r	QF	QF	3r	4r	QF
[8] Petra Kvitova	-	2r	2r	4r	1r	3r	1r	3r
[9] Kiki Bertens	1r	2r	1r	1r	3r	3r	QF	3r
[10] Daria Kasatkina	1r	3r	2r	4r	2r	QF	QF	3r
[11] Aryna Sabalenka	-	-	2r	-	1r	1r	1r	4r
[12] Elise Mertens	-	3r	1r	1r	SF	4r	3r	4r
[11] Anastasija Sevastova	3r	3r	2r	QF	2r	1r	1r	SF
[14] Julia Goerges	2r	1r	1r	4r	2r	3r	SF	2r
[15] Ashleigh Barty	3r	1r	1r	3r	3r	2r	3r	4r
[16] Serena Williams	WON	-	-	-	-	4r	R-Up	R-Up



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## WILDCARDS AT AUSTRALIAN OPEN & GRAND SLAMS

Eight players received singles main draw wildcards for the 2019 Australian Open: **Whitney Osuigwe** (USA; won American Wildcard Challenge), **Peng Shuai** (CHN; won Asia-Pacific Wildcard Play-Off) and **Clara Burel** (FRA; FFT exchange) are joined by five Australians: **Priscilla Hon** (won Australian Wildcard Challenge), **Kimberly Birrell** (won Australian Wildcard Play-Off), **Ellen Perez** (Australian internal selection) along with **Destanee Aiava** (Australian internal selection) and **Zoe Hives** (Australian internal selection).

The best result by a wildcard at a Grand Slam was achieved by **Kim Clijsters** who won the 2009 US Open title. Five wildcards have reached R16 or better at the Australian Open:

Best Results by a Wildcard at ...	Round	Year
<b>Australian Open</b>		
Justine Henin (BEL)	R-Up	2010
Jelena Dokic (AUS)	QF	2009
Martina Hingis (SUI)	QF	2006
Tatiana Golovin (FRA)	R16	2004
Casey Dellacqua (AUS)	R16	2014

Best Results by a Wildcard at...	Round	Grand Slam
<b>All Grand Slams</b>		
Kim Clijsters (BEL)	Won	2009 US Open
Justine Henin (BEL)	R-Up	2010 Australian Open
Sabine Lisicki (GER)	SF	2011 Wimbledon
Zheng Jie (CHN)*	SF	2008 Wimbledon
Jelena Dokic (AUS)	QF	2009 Australian Open
Martina Hingis (SUI)	QF	2006 Australian Open
Mary Pierce (FRA)	QF	2002 Roland Garros

\*Zheng Jie became first WC to advance to SF at a Grand Slam (since joined by Clijsters, Henin and Lisicki)

## QUALIFIERS AT AUSTRALIAN OPEN & GRAND SLAMS

Sixteen players will earn their main draw place by winning through the qualifying rounds. The best result by a qualifier at any Grand Slam in the Open Era is the SF – achieved by Alexandra Stevenson at 1999 Wimbledon and Christine Dorey at the 1978 Australian Open. In the Open Era, seven qualifiers have reached the QF or better at the Australian Open:

Best Results by a Qualifier at:	Round	Year
<b>Australian Open</b>		
Christine Dorey (AUS)	SF	1978
Mary Sawyer (AUS)	QF	1977
Judy Dalton (AUS)	QF	1977
Dorte Ekner (DEN)	QF	1978
Sophie Amiach (FRA)	QF	1984
Angelica Gavaldon (MEX)	QF	1990
Zhang Shuai (CHN)	QF	2016

Best Results by a Qualifier at:	Round	Grand Slam
<b>All Grand Slams</b>		
Alexandra Stevenson (USA)	SF	1999 Wimbledon
Christine Dorey (AUS)	SF	1978 Australian Open





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## THE THIRTYSOMETHINGS KEEP THRIVING...

**Venus Williams**, who will be 38 years, 211 days old at the start of the 2019 Australian Open, is the oldest player in this year’s field.

Not including qualifiers, this year’s draw at the Australian Open features 22 players who are 30 or older (at tournament start date). Listed oldest to youngest: **Venus Williams (38)**, **Serena Williams (37)**, **Samantha Stosur (34)**, **Bethanie Mattek-Sands (33)**, **Hsieh Su-Wei (33)**, **Kirsten Flipkens (33)**, **Kaia Kanepi (33)**, **Barbora Strýcová (32)**, **Pauline Parmentier (32)**, **Peng Shuai (32)**, **Tatjana Maria (31)**, **Maria Sharapova (31)**, **Monica Niculescu (31)**, **Andrea Petkovic (31)**, **Angelique Kerber (31)**, **Magdalena Rybarikova (30)**, **Julia Goerges (30)**, **Carla Suarez Navarro (30)**, **Mihaela Buzarnescu (30)**, **Ekaterina Makarova (30)**, **Johanna Larsson (30)** and **Laura Siegemund (30)**.

## 30+ GRAND SLAM CHAMPIONS

In the Open Era, a 30-something has won a Grand Slam title 25 times, a feat accomplished by nine different women: **Serena Williams (10)**, **Margaret Court (3)**, **Martina Navratilova (3)**, **Chris Evert (2)**, **Billie Jean King (2)**, **Ann Jones (1)**, **Li Na (1)**, **Flavia Pennetta (1)**, **Virginia Wade (1)** and **Angelique Kerber (1)**.

**Serena Williams** is the oldest woman in the Open Era to win a Grand Slam singles title – most recently at the 2017 Australian Open.

### OPEN ERA: GRAND SLAM CHAMPIONS – 30 AND OLDER

YR	SLAM	NAME	YRS	DAYS
2017	Australian Open	Serena Williams (USA)	35	125
2016	Wimbledon	Serena Williams (USA)	34	287
2015	Wimbledon	Serena Williams (USA)	33	285
1990	Wimbledon	Martina Navratilova (USA)	33	263
2015	Roland Garros	Serena Williams (USA)	33	254
2015	US Open	Flavia Pennetta (ITA)	33	198
2015	Australian Open	Serena Williams (USA)	33	127
2014	US Open	Serena Williams (USA)	32	330
1977	Wimbledon	Virginia Wade (GBR)	31	357
2013	US Open	Serena Williams (USA)	31	348
2014	Australian Open	Li Na (CHN)	31	256
2013	Roland Garros	Serena Williams (USA)	31	225
1975	Wimbledon	Billie Jean King (USA)	31	169
1986	Roland Garros	Chris Evert (USA)	31	55
1973	US Open	Margaret Court (AUS)	31	347
2012	US Open	Serena Williams (USA)	30	331
1987	US Open	Martina Navratilova (USA)	30	322
1973	Roland Garros	Margaret Court (AUS)	30	290
1974	US Open	Billie Jean King (USA)	30	284
2012	Wimbledon	Serena Williams (USA)	30	261
1969	Wimbledon	Ann Jones (GBR)	30	260
2018	Wimbledon	Angelique Kerber (GER)	30	184
1987	Wimbledon	Martina Navratilova (USA)	30	170
1985	Roland Garros	Chris Evert (USA)	30	169
1973	Australian Open	Margaret Court (AUS)	30	285

*Ages based on tournament end date*



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## 40-PLUS... LOOKING BACK AT KIMIKO’S HISTORIC FEAT

In 2015 **Kimiko Date** (44 years, 113 days) became the oldest woman to contest the Australian Open women’s singles in the Open Era. She was only the fifth player aged 40 or over to do so and was already the oldest woman to win a main draw match in Melbourne.

### PLAYERS aged 40 or over at AUSTRALIAN OPEN (Open Era)

YEAR	PLAYER	AGE*	RESULT
<b>2015 (128-draw)</b>	<b>Kimiko Date (JPN)</b>	<b>44 years, 113 days</b>	<b>1r</b>
1974 (64-draw)	Beverley Rae (AUS)	44 years, 39 days	1r
<b>2014 (128-draw)</b>	<b>Kimiko Date (JPN)</b>	<b>43 years, 107 days</b>	<b>1r</b>
<b>2013 (128-draw)</b>	<b>Kimiko Date (JPN)</b>	<b>42 years, 108 days</b>	<b>3r</b>
<b>2012 (128-draw)</b>	<b>Kimiko Date (JPN)</b>	<b>41 years, 109 days</b>	<b>1r</b>
1985 (64-draw)	Virginia Wade (GBR)	40 years, 138 days	2r
<b>2011 (128-draw)</b>	<b>Kimiko Date (JPN)</b>	<b>40 years, 111 days</b>	<b>1r</b>
1977 (32-draw)	Judy Dalton (AUS)	40 years, 7 days	QF
1983 (64-draw)	Billie Jean King (USA)	40 years, 7 days	2r

\*ages at start of tournament

### OLDEST PLAYERS TO WIN GRAND SLAM SINGLES MATCHES (Open Era)

YEAR/TOURNAMENT	PLAYER	AGE*	RESULT
2004 Wimbledon (128-draw)	Martina Navratilova (USA)	47 years, 235 days	2r
1980 US Open (128-draw)	Renee Richards (USA)	46 years, 6 days	2r
1979 US Open (128-draw)	Renee Richards (USA)	45 years, 8 days	3r
1968 US Open (64-draw)	Betty Pratt (USA)	43 years, 133 days	2r
2013 Wimbledon (128-draw)	Kimiko Date (JPN)	42 years, 282 days	3r
2013 Australian Open (128-draw)	Kimiko Date (JPN)	42 years, 121 days	3r
2011 Wimbledon (128-draw)	Kimiko Date (JPN)	40 years, 277 days	2r
1985 Australian Open (64-draw)	Virginia Wade (GBR)	40 years, 151 days	2r

\*ages at end of tournament

## TEENAGE KICKS...

Among direct entrants and wildcards there are seven teenagers in the women’s singles draw at the 2019 Australian Open.

American wildcard **Whitney Osuigwe** (16) is the youngest player in the field at Melbourne this year, followed by the French wildcard, **Clara Burel** (17), **Amanda Anisimova** (17), **Anastasia Potapova** (17). The other three teenagers (youngest to oldest) are **Dayana Yastremska** (18), Australian wildcard **Destanee Aiava** (18) and **Marketa Vondrousova** (19).

A teenager has won a Grand Slam singles title 33 times (12 different players) in the Open Era. The last teenager to win a Grand Slam title was **Maria Sharapova** (19 yrs, 132 days) at the 2006 US Open. The youngest player to win a Grand Slam title in the Open Era is **Martina Hingis** at 1997 Australian Open (16 years, 105 days).



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## DEFENDING CHAMPIONS’ RESULTS AT AUSTRALIAN OPEN (OPEN ERA)

Eight different players have successfully defended their title at the Australian Open: **Margaret Court**, **Evonne Goolagong**, **Stefanie Graf**, **Monica Seles**, **Martina Hingis**, **Jennifer Capriati**, **Serena Williams** and **Victoria Azarenka**. Overall, there have been 14 successful title defences at this event.

YEAR	DEFENDING CHAMPION	RESULT
<b>1970</b>	<b>Margaret Smith Court</b>	<b>WON</b>
<b>1971</b>	<b>Margaret Smith Court</b>	<b>WON</b>
1972	Margaret Smith Court	R-UP
1973	Virginia Wade	QF
1974	Margaret Smith Court	DN
<b>1975</b>	<b>Evonne Goolagong</b>	<b>WON</b>
<b>1976</b>	<b>Evonne Goolagong</b>	<b>WON</b>
<b>1977</b>	<b>Evonne Goolagong</b>	<b>WON</b>
1978	Kelly Melville Reid	Did not play
1979	Chris O’Neil	Did not play
1980	Barbora Jordan	Did not play
1981	Hana Mandlikova	Did not play
1982	Martina Navratilova	R-UP
1983	Chris Evert	Did not play
1984	Martina Navratilova	SF
1985	Chris Evert	R-UP
1986	Martina Navratilova	R-UP
1987	Not held. Moved to January 1987	
1988	Hana Mandlikova	QF
<b>1989</b>	<b>Stefanie Graf</b>	<b>WON</b>
<b>1990</b>	<b>Stefanie Graf</b>	<b>WON</b>
1991	Stefanie Graf	QF
<b>1992</b>	<b>Monica Seles</b>	<b>WON</b>
<b>1993</b>	<b>Monica Seles</b>	<b>WON</b>
1994	Monica Seles	Did not play

YEAR	DEFENDING CHAMPION	RESULT
1995	Stefanie Graf	Did not play
1996	Mary Pierce	2R
1997	Monica Seles	Did not play
<b>1998</b>	<b>Martina Hingis</b>	<b>WON</b>
<b>1999</b>	<b>Martina Hingis</b>	<b>WON</b>
2000	Martina Hingis	R-UP
2001	Lindsay Davenport	SF
<b>2002</b>	<b>Jennifer Capriati</b>	<b>WON</b>
2003	Jennifer Capriati	1R
2004	Serena Williams	Did not play
2005	Justine Henin	Did not play
2006	Serena Williams	3R
2007	Amélie Mauresmo	4R
2008	Serena Williams	QF
2009	Maria Sharapova	Did not play
<b>2010</b>	<b>Serena Williams</b>	<b>WON</b>
<b>2011</b>	<b>Serena Williams</b>	Did not play
2012	Kim Clijsters	SF
<b>2013</b>	<b>Victoria Azarenka</b>	<b>WON</b>
2014	Victoria Azarenka	QF
2015	Li Na	Retired
2016	Serena Williams	R-Up
2017	Angelique Kerber	4R
2018	Serena Williams	Did not play
2019	Caroline Wozniacki	???



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## DEFENDING THE TITLE, A TOUGH TASK

There have been 24 title defenses at Wimbledon, 22 at the US Open, **21 at the Australian Open** and 11 at Roland Garros (post-1945):

- 22 different women have successfully defended a Grand Slam singles title at least once in their careers
- 10 different women have successfully defended two or more different Grand Slams
- Only five women – Maureen Connolly, Margaret Court, Stefanie Graf, Monica Seles and Serena Williams – have defended three or more different majors
- Graf is the only woman to have defended at all four of the majors more than once; in fact she achieved the amazing feat at least twice at each Grand Slam
- Four defending champions have lost in the opening round of their title defense: Graf (1994 Wimbledon), Capriati (2003 Australian Open), Myskina (2005 Roland Garros) and Kuznetsova (2005 US Open)
- Victoria Azarenka (2012-13) was the last player to defend her title at the Australian Open

Below is a look at the Grand Slam singles champions who have defended their titles post-1945:

AUSTRALIAN OPEN (21)	ROLAND GARROS (11)	WIMBLEDON (24)	US OPEN (22)
Nancy Wynne Bolton (1946-48)	Maureen Connolly Brinker (1953-54)	Louise Brough Clapp (1948-50)	Margaret Osborne duPont (1948-50)
Margaret Smith Court (1960-66, 1969-71)	Margaret Smith Court (1969-70)	Maureen Connolly Brinker (1952-54)	Maureen Connolly Brinker (1951-53)
Evonne Goolagong Cawley (1974-76)	Chris Evert (1974-75, 1979-80, 1985-86)	Althea Gibson (1957-58)	Doris Hart (1954-55)
Stefanie Graf (1988-90)	Stefanie Graf (1987-88, 1995-96)	Maria Bueno (1959-60)	Althea Gibson (1957-58)
Monica Seles (1991-93)	Monica Seles (1990-92)	Billie Jean King (1966-68, 1972-73)	Darlene Hard (1960-61)
Martina Hingis (1997-99)	Justine Henin (2005-07)	Martina Navratilova (1978-79, 1982-87)	Maria Bueno (1963-64)
Jennifer Capriati (2001-02)		Stefanie Graf (1988-89, 1991-93, 1995-96)	Margaret Court (1969-70)
Serena Williams (2009-10)		Venus Williams (2000-01, 2007-08)	Billie Jean King (1971-72)
Victoria Azarenka (2012-13)		Serena Williams (2002-03, 2009-10, 2015-16)	Chris Evert (1975-78)
			Martina Navratilova (1983-84, 1986-87)
			Stefanie Graf (1988-89, 1995-96)
			Monica Seles (1991-92)
			Venus Williams (2000-01)
			Kim Clijsters (2009-10)
			Serena Williams (2012-14)



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## FOUR DIFFERENT GRAND SLAM CHAMPIONS

For the second year in a row, the four majors were won by four different Grand Slam champions in a calendar year - Caroline Wozniacki, Simona Halep, Angelique Kerber and Naomi Osaka.

In the Open Era, the majors have produced four different champions in 13 different years, and it has happened 26 times since 1926. See table below for details (prefix denotes seeding):

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
<b>1926</b>	(1) D.Akhurst (AUS)	(1) S.Lenglen (FRA)	K.McKane-Godfrey (GBR)	(2) M.Bjurstedt-Mallory (USA)
<b>1933</b>	(1) J.Hartigan (AUS)	M.Scriven (GBR)	(1) H.Wills-Moody (USA)	(2) H.Jacobs (USA)
<b>1934</b>	(1) J.Hartigan (AUS)	(2) M.Scriven (GBR)	(2) D.Round (GBR)	(1) H.Jacobs (USA)
<b>1935</b>	(1) D.Round (GBR)	(2) H.Sperling (GER)	(4) H.Wills-Moody (USA)	(1) H.Jacobs (USA)
<b>1936</b>	(1) J.Hartigan (AUS)	(1) H.Sperling (GER)	(2) H.Jacobs (USA)	(3) A.Marble (USA)
<b>1937</b>	(2) N.Wynne-Bolton (AUS)	(1) H.Sperling (GER)	(7) D.Round (GBR)	(2) A. Lizane (CHI)
<b>1938</b>	(1) D.Bundy (AUS)	(1) S.Mathieu (FRA)	(1) H.Wills-Moody (USA)	(2) A.Marble (USA)
<b>1947</b>	(1) N.Wynne-Bolton (AUS)	(5) P.Todd (USA)	(1) M.Osborne (USA)	(2) L.Brough (USA)
<b>1948</b>	(1) N.Wynne-Bolton (AUS)	(3) N.Adamson-Landry (FRA)	(2) L.Brough (USA)	(4) M.Osborne DuPont (USA)
<b>1951</b>	(1) N.Wynne-Bolton (AUS)	(3) S.Fry (USA)	(3) D.Hart (USA)	(3) M.Connolly (USA)
<b>1955</b>	(2) B.Penrose (AUS)	(2) A.Mortimer (GBR)	(2) L.Brough (USA)	(1) D.Hart (USA)
<b>1961</b>	(1) M.Smith (AUS)	(6) A.Haydon (GBR)	(7) A.Mortimer (GBR)	(1) D.Hard (USA)
<b>1966</b>	(1) M.Smith (AUS)	(3) A.Haydon-Jones (GBR)	(4) B.J.King (USA)	(2) M.Bueno (BRA)
<b>1968</b>	<b>OPEN ERA BEGAN</b>			
<b>1977 (Jan)</b>	(2) K. Melville-Reid (AUS)	(1) M.Jausovec (YUG)	(3) V.Wade (GBR)	(1) C.Evert (USA)
<b>1978</b>	C.O’Neil (AUS)	(2) V.Ruzici (ROU)	(2) M.Navratilova (TCH)	(2) C.Evert (USA)
<b>1981</b>	(3) M.Navratilova (USA)	(4) H.Mandlikova (TCH)	(1) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(3) T.Austin (USA)
<b>1990</b>	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(3) M.Seles (YUG)	(2) M.Navratilova (USA)	(5) G.Sabatini (ARG)
<b>1998</b>	(1) M.Hingis (SUI)	(4) A.Sánchez Vicario (ESP)	(3) J.Novotna (CZE)	(2) L.Davenport (USA)
<b>1999</b>	(2) M.Hingis (SUI)	(6) S.Graf (GER)	(3) L.Davenport (USA)	(7) S.Williams (USA)
<b>2004</b>	(1) J.Henin (BEL)	(6) A. Myskina (RUS)	(13) M.Sharapova (RUS)	(9) S.Kuznetsova (RUS)
<b>2005</b>	(7) S.Williams (USA)	(10) J.Henin (BEL)	(14) V.Williams (USA)	(4) K.Clijsters (BEL)
<b>2008</b>	(5) M.Sharapova (RUS)	(2) A. Ivanovic (SRB)	(7) V.Williams (USA)	(4) S.Williams (USA)
<b>2011</b>	(3) K.Clijsters (BEL)	(6) Li N. (CHN)	(8) P.Kvitova (CZE)	(9) S.Stosur (AUS)
<b>2014</b>	(4) Li.N. (CHN)	(7) M.Sharapova (RUS)	(6) P.Kvitova (CZE)	(1) S.Williams (USA)
<b>2017</b>	(2) S.Williams (USA)	J.Ostapenko (LAT)	(14) G.Muguruza (ESP)	S.Stephens (USA)
<b>2018</b>	(2) C. Wozniacki (DEN)	(1) S. Halep (ROU)	(11) A.Kerber (GER)	(20) N.Osaka (JPN)



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### AUSTRALIAN OPEN HONOR ROLL (OPEN ERA)

Year	(Seed) Champion (Rank)	(Seed) Runner-Up (Rank)	Score
1969	(2) Margaret Smith-Court (AUS)	(1) Billie Jean King (USA)	64 61
1970	(1) Margaret Court (AUS)	(2) Kerry Melville (AUS)	61 63
1971	(1) Margaret Court (AUS)	(2) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	26 76(5-0) 75
1972	(2) Virginia Wade (GBR)	(1) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	64 64
1973	(1) Margaret Court (AUS)	(2) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	64 75
1974	(2) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	(1) Chris Evert (USA)	76(5) 46 60
1975	(3) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	(8) Martina Navratilova (TCH)	63 62
1976	(1) Evonne Goolagong-Cawley (AUS #3)	(5) Renata Tomanova (TCH #44)	62 62
1977-Jan	(2) Kerry Melville Reid (AUS #8)	(1) Dianne Fromholtz (AUS #5)	75 62
1977-Dec	(1) Evonne Goolagong-Cawley (AUS #unr)	(5) Helen Gourlay-Cawley (AUS #33)	63 60
1978	(-) Chris O’Neil (AUS #111)	(7) Betsy Nagelsen (USA #87)	63 76(5)
1979	(5) Barbara Jordan (USA #68)	(4) Sharon Walsh (USA #54)	63 63
1980	(3) Hana Mandlikova (TCH #5)	(4) Wendy Turnbull (AUS #8)	60 75
1981	(3) Martina Navratilova (USA #3)	(1) Chris Evert-Lloyd (USA #1)	67(4) 64 75
1982	(2) Chris Evert-Lloyd (USA #2)	(1) Martina Navratilova (USA #1)	63 26 63
1983	(1) Martina Navratilova (USA #1)	(9) Kathy Jordan (USA #14)	62 76(5)
1984	(2) Chris Evert-Lloyd (USA #2)	(9) Helena Sukova (CZE #9)	67(4) 61 63
1985	(2) Martina Navratilova (USA #1)	(1) Chris Evert-Lloyd (USA #2)	62 46 62
1986	Not held - tournament moved from December to January timeslot		
1987	(2) Hana Mandlikova (CZE #4)	(1) Martina Navratilova (USA #1)	75 76(1)
1988	(1) Stefanie Graf (GER #1)	(3) Chris Evert (USA #3)	61 76(4)
1989	(1) Stefanie Graf (GER #1)	(5) Helena Sukova (CZE #6)	64 64
1990	(1) Stefanie Graf (GER #1)	(6) Mary Joe Fernandez (USA #11)	63 64
1991	(2) Monica Seles (YUG #2)	(10) Jana Novotna (CZE #12) 57	63 61
1992	(1) Monica Seles (YUG #1)	(6) Mary Joe Fernandez (USA #8)	62 63
1993	(1) Monica Seles (YUG #1)	(2) Stefanie Graf (GER #2) 46	63 62
1994	(1) Stefanie Graf (GER #1)	(2) Arantxa Sánchez Vicario (ESP #2)	60 62
1995	(4) Mary Pierce (FRA #5)	(1) Arantxa Sánchez Vicario (ESP #2)	63 62
1996	(1) Monica Seles (USA co-#1)	(8) Anke Huber (GER #9)	64 61
1997	(4) Martina Hingis (SUI #4)	(-) Mary Pierce (FRA #22)	62 62
1998	(1) Martina Hingis (SUI #1)	(8) Conchita Martínez (ESP #11)	63 63
1999	(2) Martina Hingis (SUI #2)	(-) Amélie Mauresmo (FRA #29)	62 63
2000	(2) Lindsay Davenport (USA #2)	(1) Martina Hingis (SUI #1)	61 75
2001	(12) Jennifer Capriati (USA #12)	(1) Martina Hingis (SUI #1)	64 63
2002	(1) Jennifer Capriati (USA #1)	(3) Martina Hingis (SUI #4)	46 76(7) 62
2003	(1) Serena Williams (USA #1)	(2) Venus Williams (USA #2)	76(4) 36 64
2004	(1) Justine Henin (BEL #1)	(2) Kim Clijsters (BEL #2)	63 46 63
2005	(7) Serena Williams (USA #7)	(1) Lindsay Davenport (USA #1)	26 63 60
2006	(3) Amélie Mauresmo (FRA #3)	(8) Justine Henin (BEL #6)	61 20 ret. (GI illness)
2007	(-) Serena Williams (USA #81)	(1) Maria Sharapova (RUS #2)	61 62
2008	(5) Maria Sharapova (RUS #5)	(4) Ana Ivanovic (SRB #3)	75 63
2009	(2) Serena Williams (USA #2)	(3) Dinara Safina (RUS #3)	60 63
2010	(1) Serena Williams (USA #1)	(WC) Justine Henin (BEL-NR)	64 36 62
2011	(3) Kim Clijsters (BEL #3)	(9) Li Na (CHN #11)	36 63 63
2012	(3) Victoria Azarenka (BLR #3)	(4) Maria Sharapova (RUS #4)	63 60
2013	(1) Victoria Azarenka (BLR #1)	(6) Li Na (CHN #6)	46 64 63
2014	(4) Li Na (CHN #4)	(20) Dominika Cibulkova (SVK #24)	76(3) 60
2015	(1) Serena Williams (USA #1)	(2) Maria Sharapova (RUS #2)	63 76(5)



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<b>2016</b>	(7) Angelique Kerber (GER #6)	(1) Serena Williams (USA #1)	64 36 64
<b>2017</b>	(2) Serena Williams (USA #2)	(13) Venus Williams (USA #17)	64 64
<b>2018</b>	(2) Caroline Wozniacki (DEN #2)	(1) Simona Halep (ROU #1)	76(2) 36 64

**SITES:** 1969 - Brisbane; 1970-71-Sydney; 1972-87-Kooyong, Melbourne; 1988-Present-National Tennis Centre, Melbourne Park. **SURFACE:** 1969-87-grass; 1988-present-hardcourt

**IN THE OPEN ERA...**

- Thirty-four (34) of the Australian Open women's titles have been won by one of the Top 2 seeds; the top seed has won the title 20 times and No.2 seed has won has won 14 times
- The Top 2 seeds have met in the final on 17 occasions, with the No.1 seed prevailing eight times (most recently in 2015) and the No.2 seed victorious nine times (most recently 2018)
- The Australian Open finals have been decided in three sets 16 times



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**OPEN ERA GRAND SLAM HONOR ROLL**

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN <sup>1</sup>	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN <sup>2</sup>
1968	-----	[2] Nancy Richey (USA)	[1] Billie Jean King (USA)	[6] Virginia Wade (GBR)
1969	[2] Margaret Court (AUS)	[1] Margaret Court (AUS)	[4] Ann Jones (GBR)	[2] Margaret Court (AUS)
1970	[1] Margaret Court (AUS)	[1] Margaret Court (AUS)	[1] Margaret Court (AUS)	[1] Margaret Court (AUS)
1971	[1] Margaret Court (AUS)	[3] Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	[3] Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	[1] Billie Jean King (USA)
1972	[2] Virginia Wade (GBR)	[3] Billie Jean King (USA)	[2] Billie Jean King (USA)	[1] Billie Jean King (USA)
1973	[1] Margaret Court (AUS)	[1] Margaret Court (AUS)	[2] Billie Jean King (USA)	[2] Margaret Court (AUS)
1974	[2] Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)	[2] Chris Evert (USA)	[2] Billie Jean King (USA)
1975	[3] Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)	[3] Billie Jean King (USA)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)
1976	[1] Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	[1] Sue Barker (GBR)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)
1977	JAN -[2] Kerry Reid (AUS) DEC - [1] Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	[1] Mima Jausovec (YUG)	[3] Virginia Wade (GBR)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)
1978	[-] Chris O'Neil (AUS)	[2] Virginia Ruzici (ROU)	[2] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[2] Chris Evert (USA)
1979	[5] Barbara Jordan (USA)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[3] Tracy Austin (USA)
1980	[3] Hana Mandlikova (CZE)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)	[4] Evonne Cawley (AUS)	[3] Chris Evert (USA)
1981	[3] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[4] Hana Mandlikova (CZE)	[1] Chris Evert (USA)	[3] Tracy Austin (USA)
1982	[2] Chris Evert (USA)	[2] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[2] Chris Evert (USA)
1983	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[2] Chris Evert (USA)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)
1984	[2] Chris Evert (USA)	[2] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)
1985	[2] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[2] Chris Evert (USA)	[=1] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[3] Hana Mandlikova (CZE)
1986	<i>Not held</i>	[2] Chris Evert (USA)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)
1987	[2] Hana Mandlikova (CZE)	[2] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[2] Martina Navratilova (USA)
1988	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)
1989	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[7] Arantxa Sánchez Vicario (ESP)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)
1990	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[2] Monica Seles (YUG)	[2] Martina Navratilova (USA)	[5] Gabriela Sabatini (ARG)
1991	[2] Monica Seles (YUG)	[1] Monica Seles (YUG)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[2] Monica Seles (YUG)
1992	[1] Monica Seles (YUG)	[1] Monica Seles (YUG)	[=1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Monica Seles (YUG)
1993	[1] Monica Seles (YUG)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)
1994	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[2] Arantxa Sánchez Vicario (ESP)	[3] Conchita Martínez (ESP)	[2] Arantxa Sánchez Vicario (ESP)
1995	[4] Mary Pierce (FRA)	[2] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)
1996	[1] Monica Seles (USA)	[=1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[1] Stefanie Graf (GER)
1997	[4] Martina Hingis (SUI)	[9] Iva Majoli (CRO)	[1] Martina Hingis (SUI)	[1] Martina Hingis (SUI)
1998	[1] Martina Hingis (SUI)	[4] Arantxa Sánchez Vicario (ESP)	[3] Jana Novotna (CZE)	[2] Lindsay Davenport (USA)
1999	[2] Martina Hingis (SUI)	[6] Stefanie Graf (GER)	[3] Lindsay Davenport (USA)	[7] Serena Williams (USA)
2000	[2] Lindsay Davenport (USA)	[6] Mary Pierce (FRA)	[5] Venus Williams (USA)	[3] Venus Williams (USA)
2001	[12] Jennifer Capriati (USA)	[4] Jennifer Capriati (USA)	[2] Venus Williams (USA)	[4] Venus Williams (USA)
2002	[1] Jennifer Capriati (USA)	[3] Serena Williams (USA)	[2] Serena Williams (USA)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)
2003	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[4] Justine Henin (BEL)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[2] Justine Henin (BEL)
2004	[1] Justine Henin (BEL)	[6] Anastasia Myskina (RUS)	[13] Maria Sharapova (RUS)	[9] Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS)
2005	[7] Serena Williams (USA)	[10] Justine Henin (BEL)	[14] Venus Williams (USA)	[4] Kim Clijsters (BEL)





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<b>2006</b>	[3] Amelie Mauresmo (FRA)	[5] Justine Henin (BEL)	[1] Amelie Mauresmo (FRA)	[3] Maria Sharapova (RUS)
<b>2007</b>	[-] Serena Williams (USA)	[1] Justine Henin (BEL)	[23] Venus Williams (USA)	[1] Justine Henin (BEL)
<b>2008</b>	[5] Maria Sharapova (RUS)	[2] Ana Ivanovic (SRB)	[7] Venus Williams (USA)	[4] Serena Williams (USA)
<b>2009</b>	[2] Serena Williams (USA)	[7] Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS)	[2] Serena Williams (USA)	[WC] Kim Clijsters (BEL)
<b>2010</b>	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[17] Francesca Schiavone (ITA)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[2] Kim Clijsters (BEL)
<b>2011</b>	[3] Kim Clijsters (BEL)	[6] Li Na (CHN)	[8] Petra Kvitova (CZE)	[9] Samantha Stosur (AUS)
<b>2012</b>	[3] Victoria Azarenka (BLR)	[2] Maria Sharapova (RUS)	[6] Serena Williams (USA)	[4] Serena Williams (USA)
<b>2013</b>	[1] Victoria Azarenka (BLR)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[15] Marion Bartoli (FRA)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)
<b>2014</b>	[4] Li Na (CHN)	[7] Maria Sharapova (RUS)	[6] Petra Kvitova (CZE)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)
<b>2015</b>	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[26] Flavia Pennetta (ITA)
<b>2016</b>	[7] Angelique Kerber (GER)	[4] Garbiñe Muguruza (ESP)	[1] Serena Williams (USA)	[2] Angelique Kerber (GER)
<b>2017</b>	[2] Serena Williams (USA)	Jelena Ostapenko (LAT)	[14] Garbiñe Muguruza (ESP)	Sloane Stephens (USA)
<b>2018</b>	[2] Caroline Wozniacki (DEN)	[1] Simona Halep (ROU)	[11] Angelique Kerber (GER)	[20] Naomi Osaka (JPN)

Notes - 1. Australian Open held at start of year 1969-77 and from 1987, held at end of year from 1977 to 1985; held on grass through 1985, and hard court from 1987; 2. US Open held on grass through 1974, Clay (Har-tru) 1975-77; Hard court from 1978. Highlighted winners denote first time Grand Slam champions



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## COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (direct entrants and wildcards; not including qualifiers, as at January 10)

<b>AUS</b>	AIAVA, DESTANEE [WC] BARTY, ASHLEIGH BIRRELL, KIMBERLY [WC] GAVRILOVA, DARIA HIVES, ZOE [WC] HON, PRISCILLA [WC] PEREZ, ELLEN [WC] STOSUR, SAMANTHA TOMLIJANOVIC, AJLA	<b>GRE</b>	SAKKARI, MARIA	<b>SLO</b>	HERCOG, POLONA JAKUPOVIC, DALILA ZIDANSEK, TAMARA
<b>BEL</b>	FLIPKENS, KIRSTEN MERTENS, ELISE VAN UYTVANCK, ALISON	<b>HUN</b>	BABOS, TIMEA	<b>SRB</b>	KRUNIC, ALEKSANDRA
<b>BLR</b>	AZARENKA, VICTORIA LAPKO, VERA SABALENKA, ARYNA SASNOVICH, ALIAKSANDRA	<b>ITA</b>	GIORGI, CAMILA	<b>SUI</b>	BACSINSZKY, TIMEA BENCIC, BELINDA VOEGELE, STEFANIE
<b>CAN</b>	BOUCHARD, EUGENIE	<b>JPN</b>	OSAKA, NAOMI	<b>SVK</b>	CIBULKOVA, DOMINIKA KUZMOVA, VIKTORIA RYBARIKOVA, MAGDALENA SCHMIEDLOVA, ANNA KAROLINA
<b>CHN</b>	PENG, SHUAI [WC] WANG, QIANG WANG, YAFAN ZHANG, SAISAI ZHANG, SHUAI	<b>KAZ</b>	DIYAS, ZARINA PUTINTSEVA, YULIA	<b>SWE</b>	LARSSON, JOHANNA PETERSON, REBECCA
<b>CRO</b>	MARTIC, PETRA VEKIC, DONNA	<b>LAT</b>	OSTAPENKO, JELENA SEVASTOVA, ANASTASIJA	<b>THA</b>	KUMKHUM, LUKSIKA
<b>CZE</b>	KVITOVA, PETRA PLISKOVA, KAROLINA PLISKOVA, KRISTYNA SINIAKOVA, KATERINA STRYCOVA, BARBORA VONDROUSOVA, MARKETKA	<b>NED</b>	BERTENS, KIKI	<b>TPE</b>	HSIEH, SU-WEI
<b>DEN</b>	WOZNIACKI, CAROLINE	<b>POL</b>	LINETTE, MAGDA	<b>TUN</b>	JABEUR, ONS
<b>ESP</b>	ARRUABARRENA, LARA MUGURUZA, GARBIÑE SORRIBES TORMO, SARA SUÁREZ NAVARRO, CARLA	<b>PUR</b>	PUIG, MONICA	<b>UKR</b>	KOZLOVA, KATERYNA SVITOLINA, ELINA TSURENKO, LESIA YASTREMSKA, DARIA
<b>EST</b>	KANEPI, KAIA KONTAVEIT, ANETT	<b>ROU</b>	BEGU, IRINA-CAMELIA BOGDAN, ANA BUZARNESCU, MIHAELA CIRSTEA, SORANA HALEP, SIMONA NICULESCU, MONICA	<b>USA</b>	ANISIMOVA, AMANDA BREngle, MADISON COLLINS, DANIELLE KENIN, SOFIA KEYS, MADISON MATTEK-SANDS, BETHANIE OSUIGWE, WHITNEY [WC] PERA, BERNARDA RISKE, ALISON STEPHENS, SLOANE TOWNSEND, TAYLOR VICKERY, SACHA WILLIAMS, SERENA WILLIAMS, VENUS
<b>FRA</b>	BUREL, CLARA [WC] CORNET, ALIZÉ FERRO, FIONA GARCIA, CAROLINE MLADENOVIC, KRISTINA PARMENTIER, PAULINE	<b>RUS</b>	ALEXandroVA, EKATERINA BLINKOVA, ANNA GASPARYAN, MARGARITA KASATKINA, DARIA MAKAROVA, EKATERINA PAVLYUCHENKOVA, ANASTASIA POTAPOVA, ANASTASIA RODINA, EVGENIYA SHARAPOVA, MARIA		
<b>GBR</b>	BOULTER, KATIE KONTA, JOHANNA WATSON, HEATHER				
<b>GER</b>	BARTHEL, MONA GOERGES, JULIA KERBER, ANGELIQUE MARIA, TATJANA PETKOVIC, ANDREA SIEGEMUND, LAURA				

<b>COUNTRY BREAKDOWN</b> <i>(34 different countries represented)</i>	
14	USA
9	AUS, RUS
6	CZE, FRA, GER, ROU
5	CHN
4	BLR, ESP, SVK, UKR
3	BEL, GBR, SLO, SUI
2	CRO, EST, KAZ, LAT, SWE
1	CAN, DEN, GRE, HUN, ITA, JPN, NED, POL, PUR, SRB, THA, TPE, TUN