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MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

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[5] Daniil Medvedev (RUS) vs. [2] Rafael Nadal (ESP)

Nadal Leads 1-0

DAY 14 FAST FACTS

- Three-time US Open champion and World No. 2 **Rafael Nadal** takes on No. 5 **Daniil Medvedev**, who is making his Grand Slam final debut. Nadal won the only previous meeting 63 60 on Aug. 11 in the final of ATP Masters 1000 Montreal. Medvedev (50) and Nadal (46) are the Top 2 wins leaders on the ATP Tour this season. The 23-year-old Russian is the youngest US Open finalist since **Novak Djokovic** (23) in 2010 (l. to Nadal). He is trying to become the youngest man to win a Grand Slam title since **Juan Martin del Potro** (20) captured the 2009 US Open crown (d. Federer). Medvedev is the first Russian to reach a Grand Slam final since **Marat Safin** won the 2005 Australian Open title (d. Hewitt). Safin was also the last Russian to reach the US Open final/win the title in 2000 (d. Sampras).
- **Medvedev** enters with a career-best 12-match winning streak and he is trying to become the first Grand Slam singles champion born in the 1990s. There have been two finalists: **Dominic Thiem** at Roland Garros in 2018-19 and **Milos Raonic** at Wimbledon in 2016. Medvedev, who is 20-2 on the summer hard courts, is the third player to reach the Washington, Canada, Cincinnati and US Open finals in the same season during the Open Era (since 1968), joining Ivan Lendl in 1982 and Andre Agassi in 1995. Lendl and Agassi lost in the US Open final. The 6'6" (1.98m) Russian is trying to become the tallest US Open champion along with **Marin Cilic** (2014) and **Del Potro** (2009) and become the second No. 5 seed in the Open Era to win the US Open, joining **Arthur Ashe** in 1968.
- **Nadal** comes in with a 10-match winning streak (26-1 in past 5 events) and he is appearing in his 5th US Open final (3-1) and 27th Grand Slam title match (18-8). The 33-year-old Spaniard is the oldest US Open finalist since Roger Federer (34) in 2015 (l. to Djokovic) and he is trying to become the second-oldest US Open champion in the Open Era since Ken Rosewall (35) in 1970. Nadal is making his third Grand Slam tournament final showing of the season with a runner-up at the Australian Open (l. to Djokovic) and capturing a 12th Roland Garros crown (d. Thiem). He also reached three Grand Slam finals in 2010-11 and 2017. He is looking to win multiple Grand Slam titles for the fifth time in his career (2008, 2010 (3), 2013, 2017) and move within one of all-time leader Federer. He and Federer are the only players to reach a Grand Slam final at least five times in three different tournaments.
- Nadal has a 19-match winning streak against Russians since his last loss to **Nikolay Dayvdenko** in the semi-finals of Doha in 2011. Nadal is also 7-1 against opponents trying to capture their first career Grand Slam title with the only loss coming to **Stan Wawrinka** in the 2014 Australian Open. This is the third time Nadal has not faced a Top 20 opponent en route to a Grand Slam final (2010 Roland Garros, 2017 US Open) and both previous times he won the title.

- **ATP Race to London Standings (going into Championship)**

No.	Player	Points	Key
1	Rafael Nadal*	8,425 [^]	Top 8 qualify for Nitto ATP Finals in London (10-17 November)
2	Novak Djokovic*	7,265	* Qualified
3	Roger Federer*	5,510	[^] Add 800 points for Final win
4	Daniil Medvedev*	4,805 [^]	
5	Dominic Thiem	3,845	
6	Stefanos Tsitsipas	3,160	
7	Roberto Bautista Agut	2,350	
8	Kei Nishikori	2,180	
9	Matteo Berrettini	2,160	
10	Alexander Zverev	2,120	
11	David Goffin	2,080	
12	Gael Monfils	2,080	
13	Fabio Fognini	1,965	
14	Diego Schwartzman	1,850	
15	Stan Wawrinka	1,670	
16	Felix Auger-Aliassime	1,591	

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- **OPEN ERA 30 & OVER GRAND SLAM TITLE LEADERS (min. 2):** Nadal is looking to win his 5th Grand Slam title since turning 30, which would be a record:

	No.	Tournaments
Novak Djokovic	4	2018 Wimbledon, 2018 US Open , 2019 Australian Open, 2019 Wimbledon
Roger Federer	4	2012 Wimbledon, 2017 Aust. Open, 2017 Wimbledon, 2018 Aust. Open
Rafael Nadal	4	2017 Roland Garros, 2017 US Open , 2018-19 Roland Garros
Rod Laver	4	1969 Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open
Ken Rosewall	4	1968 Roland Garros, 1970 US Open 1971-72 Australian Open
Andre Agassi	2	2001, 2003 Australian Open
Jimmy Connors	2	1982-83 US Open
Stan Wawrinka	2	2015 Roland Garros, 2016 US Open

Note: The last 11 Grand Slam titles have been won by players 30 & over since Andy Murray (29) won 2016 Wimbledon

- **BIG 3 TITLE STREAK:** The Big 3 of Federer, Nadal and Djokovic have accounted for the last 11 Grand Slam titles between them – which ties for the 2nd-longest streak won by the trio. The last player outside the ‘Big 3’ to win a Grand Slam title was **Stan Wawrinka**, who defeated Djokovic at the 2016 US Open. Since Nadal won his first Grand Slam title at 2005 Roland Garros, the Big 3 have accounted for **50 of the past 58 Grand Slam titles**. Here is a look at the Big 3 dominance in Grand Slam tournaments:

Big 3 Titles Streak	Federer	Nadal	Djokovic
18 Grand Slam Titles (2005 Roland Garros- 2009 Wimbledon)	2005-07, '09 Wimbledon 2005-08 US Open 2006-07 Aust. Open 2009 Roland Garros	2005-08 Roland Garros 2008 Wimbledon 2009 Aust. Open	2008 Aust. Open
11 Grand Slam Titles (2017 Aust. Open- 2019 Wimbledon)	2017-18 Aust. Open 2017 Wimbledon	2017-19 Roland Garros 2017 US Open	2018-19 Wimbledon 2019 Aust. Open 2018 US Open
11 Grand Slam Titles (2010 Aust. Open- 2012 Wimbledon)	2010 Aust. Open 2012 Wimbledon	2010-12 Roland Garros 2010 Wimbledon 2010 US Open	2011-12 Aust. Open 2011 US Open 2011 Wimbledon

MOST GRAND SLAM FINALS OF ALL TIME

	No. (W-L)
1 Roger Federer	31 (20-11)
2 Rafael Nadal	27 (18-8)
3 Novak Djokovic	25 (16-9)
4 Ivan Lendl	19 (8-11)
5 Pete Sampras	18 (14-4)

MOST US OPEN TITLES OF OPEN ERA

	No.
T1 Jimmy Connors	5
T1 Roger Federer	5
T1 Pete Sampras	5
4 John McEnroe	4
T5 Novak Djokovic	3
T5 Ivan Lendl	3
T5 Rafael Nadal	3

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Tournament Stats (going into Final)

D. MEDVEDEV (5)	SERVING STATS	R. NADAL (2)
88	Aces	30
46	Double Faults	15
38%	Unreturned Serves	31%
57%	1st Serve %	57%
77%	1st Serve Points	81%
54%	2nd Serve Points	59%
18	Broken	6
53	Break Points Faced	16
109	Games Served	73
83%	Service Games Held	92%
	RETURN STATS	
33%	1st Return Points Won	39%
55%	2nd Return Points Won	53%
33	Breaks of Serve	27
68	Break Points	64
49%	Pct. Converted	42%
108	Return Games Played	71
31%	Return Games Won %	38%
	GAMES, SETS W-L	
129-93	Games W-L	95-50
18-4	Sets W-L	15-1
15:11	Time on Court	12:18

DANIIL MEDVEDEV	vs	RAFAEL NADAL
23 (2/11/96)	Age (Birthdate)	33 (6/3/86)
No. 5 (No. 5 on 8/19/19)	ATP Ranking (Career-High)	No. 2 (No. 1 on 8/18/08)
Moscow, Russia	Birthplace	Manacor, Mallorca, Spain
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Manacor, Mallorca, Spain
50-16 (37-8)	2019 Record (on hard)	46-6 (20-2)
122-71 (94-43)	Career Record (on hard)	965-196 (456-131)
2 / 5	2019 Titles / Career Titles	3 / 83
17-11	Career Grand Slam Record	270-38
8-2 (2019 Final)	US Open Record (Best Result)	63-11 (2010, 2013, 2017 Champion)
0-4 (0-2)	Career 5th-Set Record (YTD)	21-12 (0-0)
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	3
43-28 (20-8)	Career Tiebreak Record (YTD)	234-150 (8-4)
\$6,068,073	Career Prize Money	\$111,328,858
Gilles Cervara	Coach	Carlos Moya, Francisco Roig

DANIIL MEDVEDEV

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- Has lost 4 sets en route to the final, earning 4-set wins over Dellien in 2R, Lopez in 3R, [Q] Koepfer in 4R and [23] Wawrinka in QF. His lone straight-sets win came in 1R over Gunneswaran and Dimitrov in SF. Has broken opponents 33 times while losing serve 18 times.
- With QF win, qualified for season-ending Nitto ATP Finals in London and 4th player to earn a spot in the 8-player field.
- First Russian to reach a Grand Slam final since Marat Safin won the 2005 Australian Open (d. Hewitt). Safin was also the last Russian to reach the US Open final/win the title in 2000 (d. Sampras). Yevgeny Kafelnikov is the other Russian Grand Slam singles champion with titles at 1996 Roland Garros and 1999 Australian Open.
- He is the youngest US Open finalist since Djokovic (23) in 2010 (l. to Nadal) and would become youngest champion since Juan Martin del Potro (20) in 2009 (d. Federer).

2019 Highlights

W (2): Sofia (d Fucsovics); ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati (d Goffin)

F (5): Brisbane (l Nishikori); Barcelona (l Thiem); Washington (l Kyrgios); ATP Masters 1000 Montreal (l Nadal); **US Open**

SF (3): Rotterdam (l Monfils); ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (l Lajovic); London/Queen's Club (l Simon)

2019 in Review

- Leads ATP Tour with 7 finals (2-4) and appearing in 4th title match in a row, 50 overall wins and 37 on hard courts. Owns a 20-2 record on summer hard courts with 1 title in 3 finals since 30 July.
- He is the 3rd player to reach the Washington, Canada, Cincinnati and US Open finals in the same season during the Open Era, joining Ivan Lendl in 1982 and Andre Agassi in 1995. Agassi did it when all 4 tournaments were on hard courts. Lendl did it when Washington was played on clay and the other 3 tournaments were on hard courts.
- Achieved career-high No. 5 on 19 August, becoming 1st Russian in Top 5 since No. 5 Davydenko on 28 June 2010. Will move to a new career-high No. 4 after the US Open
- Captured 1st ATP Masters 1000 title at Cincinnati (d. No. 1 Djokovic and Goffin). Became 1st Russian to win Cincinnati title. Also beat No. 1 Djokovic to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at Monte-Carlo (l. to Lajovic).
- Won title at Sofia (d. Fucsovics) and advanced to finals at Brisbane (l. to Nishikori), Barcelona (d. Nishikori, l. to Thiem), Washington (l. to Kyrgios) and ATP Masters 1000 Montreal (d. Thiem and Khachanov, l. to Nadal).
- One of 5 men under 23 to reach Aus. Open 4R (l. to No. 1 Djokovic) -- most at a Slam since 2009 Roland Garros (5).
- Beat Laaksonen in opening rubber of Russia's 3-1 road win over Switzerland in Davis Cup Qualifiers.
- Withdrew from Sydney due to right shoulder injury and Geneva due to right adductor injury.

Career Highlights

- > Achieved career-high No. 5 on 19 August 2019, becoming 1st Russian in Top 5 since No. 5 Davydenko on 28 June 2010. Set a new career-high ranking 7 times in 2017, 8 times in 2018 and 7 times in 2019. Improved year-end ranking by 300+ spots in 2015 and 200+ spots in 2016. Peaked at No. 13 in juniors on 6 January 2014.
- > Advanced to SF at inaugural Next Gen ATP Finals in 2017 (l. to eventual champion Chung).
- > Went 14-2 and reached 3 finals in as many weeks during summer 2019. Finished as runner-up at Washington and ATP Masters 1000 Montreal before winning 1st ATP Masters 1000 title at Cincinnati. First Russian champion at Cincinnati in tournament history (since 1899).
- > Captured all 5 of his titles on hard courts. Earned 7 wins for 1st title at 2018 Sydney as Q, 6 wins for 2nd title at 2018 Winston-Salem and 7 wins for 3rd title at 2018 Tokyo as Q. Posted 1st 3 title victories in opponent's home country, winning finals over De Minaur at Sydney, Johnson at Winston-Salem and Nishikori at Tokyo.
- > Led ATP Tour with 38 hard-court wins in 2018. Posted biggest wins of career over No. 1 Djokovic in 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo QF and 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati SF.

Most Wins on ATP Tour in 2019

Rank	Player	Wins
1	Daniil Medvedev	50
2	Rafael Nadal	46
3	Roger Federer	43
4	Novak Djokovic	41

5	Stefanos Tsitsipas	37
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- **GRAND SLAM FINAL BREAKTHROUGH (since 2009):** Medvedev is trying to become the fifth player since 2009 to win his first Grand Slam tournament title, the first since Marin Cilic in 2014 US Open. Here are the players outside the Big 3 to reach Grand Slam finals since 2009:

	Tournament	Result
Daniil Medvedev	2019 US Open	vs. Nadal
Dominic Thiem	2019 Roland Garros	l. to Nadal
Kevin Anderson	2018 Wimbledon	l. to Djokovic
Dominic Thiem	2018 Roland Garros	l. to Nadal
Kevin Anderson	2017 US Open	l. to Nadal
Milos Raonic	2016 Wimbledon	l. to Murray
Marin Cilic	2014 US Open	d. Nishikori
Kei Nishikori	2014 US Open	l. to Cilic
Stan Wawrinka	2014 Australian Open	d. Nadal
David Ferrer	2013 Roland Garros	l. to Nadal
Andy Murray	2012 US Open	d. Djokovic
Andy Murray	2012 Wimbledon	l. to Federer
Andy Murray	2011 Australian Open	l. to Djokovic
Tomas Berdych	2010 Wimbledon	l. to Nadal
Robin Soderling	2010 Roland Garros	l. to Nadal
Andy Murray	2010 Australian Open	l. to Federer
Juan Martin del Potro	2009 US Open	d. Federer
Robin Soderling	2009 Roland Garros	l. to Federer

Note: Murray also was runner-up at 2008 US Open and was 0-4 in finals before winning his first Grand Slam title at 2012 US Open.

First Grand Slam Title by Player (Open Era)

Medvedev is trying to add his name to the list by becoming the 14th player to win his first Grand Slam title at the US Open, the third in this decade.

Australian Open (11)		Roland Garros (21)			
Jimmy Connors	1974	Ken Rosewall	1968	Jim Courier	1991
Mark Edmondson	1976	Jan Kodes	1970	Sergi Bruguera	1993
Roscoe Tanner	1977	Andres Gimeno	1972	Thomas Muster	1995
Vitas Gerulaitis	1977	Bjorn Borg	1974	Yevgeny Kafelnikov	1996
Brian Teacher	1980	Adriano Panatta	1976	Gustavo Kuerten	1997
Johan Kriek	1981	Guillermo Vilas	1977	Carlos Moya	1998
Stefan Edberg	1985	Mats Wilander	1982	Albert Costa	2002
Petr Korda	1998	Yannick Noah	1983	Juan Carlos Ferrero	2003
Thomas Johansson	2002	Ivan Lendl	1984	Gaston Gaudio	2004
Novak Djokovic	2008	Michael Chang	1989	Rafael Nadal	2005
Stan Wawrinka	2014	Andres Gomez	1990		
Wimbledon (9)		US Open (13)			
Rod Laver	1968	Arthur Ashe	1968	Andy Roddick	2003
John Newcombe	1970	Stan Smith	1971	Juan Martin del Potro	2009
Boris Becker	1985	Ilie Nastase	1972	Andy Murray	2012
Pat Cash	1987	Manuel Orantes	1975	Marin Cilic	2014
Michael Stich	1991	John McEnroe	1979		
Andre Agassi	1992	Pete Sampras	1990		
Richard Krajicek	1996	Patrick Rafter	1997		
Goran Ivanisevic	2001	Marat Safin	2000		

Roger Federer

2003

Lleyton Hewitt

2001

RAFAEL NADAL

2019 US Open

- The 3-time US Open champion has only dropped 1 set (15-1) en route to his 5th final (3-1) since 2010. The only set he lost came to 2014 champion Cilic on Monday.
- Has only been broken 6 times (67 of 73 service games held, 92%) while breaking serve 27 of 71 games (38%)
- In his previous runs to the final, did not lose a set in 2010, lost one set in 2011 and 2013 and three sets in 2017.
- Appearing in 5th US Open final in past 8 appearances since 2010 (W/D in 2012, '14) and won titles in 2010 (d. Djokovic), 2013 (d. Djokovic) and 2017 (d. Anderson). Finalist in 2011 (l. to Djokovic)
- Has not faced an opponent in the Top 20 en route to the final for the 3rd time in a Grand Slam event (2010 Roland Garros, 2017 US Open) and both previous times won the title.
- Looking to become 5th player in the Open Era with 4-more US Open titles (Connors, Federer, Sampras-5; McEnroe-4)

2019 Highlights

W (3): ATP Masters 1000 Rome (d Djokovic); Roland Garros (d Thiem); ATP Masters 1000 Montreal (d Medvedev)

F (2): Australian Open (l Djokovic), **US Open**

SF (5): ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (W/O vs Federer); ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (l Fognini); Barcelona (l Thiem); ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (l Tsitsipas); Wimbledon (l Federer);

2019 in Review

- Appearing in 5th final of the season and looking to win his ATP Tour-leading 4th title and 84th overall in his career.
- Captured 12th Roland Garros and 18th Grand Slam title overall (d. Federer and Thiem). Improved to 24-0 in Roland Garros SFs and finals, 93-2 overall at Roland Garros and 118-2 in best-of-5-set matches on clay.
- Became 1st men's or women's player to win a Grand Slam event 12 times. Margaret Court won Aus. Open 11 times.
- At age 33, became oldest Roland Garros champion since 34-year-old Gimeno in 1972.
- Captured ATP Masters 1000 titles at Rome (d. No. 1 Djokovic) and Montreal (d. Medvedev).
- Now owns ATP Masters 1000 records for titles (35), finals (51) and wins (381).
- Set an Open Era record by winning a title for 16th straight season (2004-19) -- breaking tie with Federer (2001-15).
- Ranked in Top 10 for 750 consecutive weeks (25 April 2005-9 September 2019) -- surpassing Federer's longest run from 2002-16. Connors holds record of 789 consecutive weeks in Top 10 (23 August 1973-3 October 1988).
- Did not drop a set en route to 5th Aus. Open final. Did not win a set for 1st time in 26 Grand Slam finals (l. to Djokovic).
- Five weeks after defeating Federer in Roland Garros SF, lost to him in Wimbledon SF. Owns 24-16 H2H lead.
- Conceded W/O in Indian Wells SF vs. Federer (right knee). Withdrew from Miami (right knee) and Cincinnati (fatigue).

Career Highlights

> Finished 2008, 2010, 2013 and 2017 as World No. 1. Ranks 6th all-time with 196 total weeks at No. 1. Spent 750 consecutive weeks in Top 10 since 25 April 2005, including record 160 straight weeks at No. 2 before passing Federer for No. 1 on 18 August 2008.

> Qualified for Nitto ATP Finals in 15 straight seasons (2005-19). Made 8 appearances and still seeking 1st year-end title after finishing as runner-up in 2010 and 2013. Owns only 1 indoor hard-court title (2005 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid).

> Captured 83 titles, including unprecedented 12 at Roland Garros, 11 at ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo and 11 at Barcelona. Greatest of all time on clay with 59 titles and .918-win percentage (436-39). Owns 118-2 record in best-of-5-set matches on clay (.983). Enjoyed record win streaks on a single surface of 81 matches (2005-07) and 50 sets (2017-18). Boasts most ATP Masters 1000 titles of all time with 35. Only player to sweep Roland Garros and all 3 clay-court ATP Masters 1000 events in a single season (2010).

> Second all-time with 18 titles and 27 finals (going into US Open final) at Grand Slams, trailing only Federer's 20 titles and 31 finals. As 24-year-old at 2010 US Open, became youngest man in Open Era to complete career Grand Slam. One of 3 men to win a Grand Slam title in teens, 20s and 30s (also Sampras, Rosewall). Captured 1st of 12 Roland Garros titles as 19-year-old in 2005 and remains youngest Grand Slam champion since Chang, 17, at 1989 Roland Garros. Earned 900th win of career in 2018 Roland Garros 3R en route to title (d. Gasquet).

> Won Olympic gold medals in singles at 2008 Beijing and doubles at 2016 Rio w/M. Lopez. One of 2 men to win all 4 Grand Slams and Olympic gold medal in singles (also Agassi). Led Spain to Davis Cup titles in 2004, 2009 and 2011. Owns all-time record with 24 straight Davis Cup singles and doubles wins since 2005.

- **MASTERS 1000 SUCCESS LEADING INTO US OPEN:** Nadal captured his record 35th ATP Masters 1000 title in Montreal coming into the US Open and Medvedev won his first Masters 1000 title in Cincinnati. This will be the fourth US Open final since 1988 that features champions in Canada and Cincinnati from that same year:

Year	Canada Champion	Cincinnati Champion	US Open Final
2019	Rafael Nadal	Daniil Medvedev	Nadal vs. Medvedev
2007	Novak Djokovic	Roger Federer	Federer d. Djokovic
2006	Roger Federer	Andy Roddick	Federer d. Roddick
1988	Ivan Lendl	Mats Wilander	Wilander d. Lendl

- **NORTH OF THE BORDER:** This will be the fourth time in the Open Era the US Open men's final features both finalists from the ATP Tour event in Canada, which rotates between Montreal and Toronto each summer. In each of the previous three occurrences, the runner-up from Canada came out as champion in the US Open:

Tournament	Canadian Final	US Open Final
2019 Montreal	Rafael Nadal d. Daniil Medvedev	Nadal vs. Medvedev
2007 Montreal	Novak Djokovic d. Roger Federer	Federer d. Djokovic
1995 Montreal	Andre Agassi d. Pete Sampras	Sampras d. Agassi
1985 Montreal	John McEnroe d. Ivan Lendl	Lendl d. McEnroe

2019 ATP TOUR TITLE LEADERS

Player	Total	Clay	Grass	Hard
Novak Djokovic (SRB)	3	1	1	1
Roger Federer (SUI)	3		1	2
Rafael Nadal (ESP)	3	2		1
Dominic Thiem (AUT)	3	2		1
Matteo Berrettini (ITA)	2	1	1	
Alex de Minaur (AUS)	2			2
Cristian Garin (CHI)	2	2		
Nick Kyrgios (AUS)	2			2
Daniil Medvedev (RUS)	2			2
Benoit Paire (FRA)	2	2		
Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	2	1		1

OPEN ERA TITLE LEADERS

	No.
Jimmy Connors	109
Roger Federer	102
Ivan Lendl	94
Rafael Nadal	83
John McEnroe	77
Novak Djokovic	75