Quaker State 400
Kentucky Speedway
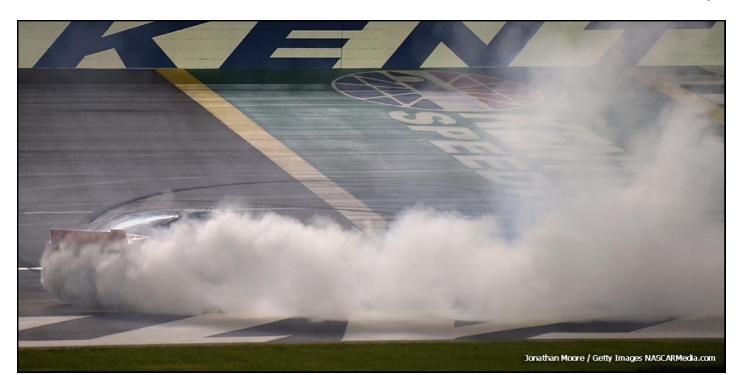
Dan Beaver's Fantasy Racing News

Overview

Last week's top-10 was one of the most unexpected we've seen in several years.

Fantasy players have come to expect a few dark horses sprinkled into the top-10, but the Coke Zero 400 results featured only two previous winners from earlier in the season. Moreover, Ricky Stenhouse Jr. was a former winner because he won the Talladega SuperSpeedway lottery; Ryan Newman won with fuel mileage strategy.

Jimmie Johnson finished 12th and he was the only other driver with a 2017 win to finish on the lead lap.

That left plenty of room for dark horse contenders to run with the leaders, but even so there were few who expected Michael McDowell to score a top-five, or David Ragan, Brendan Gaughan, and Chris Buescher to finish in the top 10.

If one guessed correctly, it would have been extremely easy to select the top six drivers in salary cap games with thousands of dollars left over.

Since racing is a zero sum game, they got to the front by passing drivers who have been strong all season. Of course, it is pretty easy to pass a car that is a crumpled wreck—but even so, eight of the top 10

drivers based on our Fantasy Power Rankings finished 20th or worse.

Shake it Off

The only thing to do is shake it off and move onto the next race. Kyle Larson, Martin Truex Jr., Kevin Harvick, and Brad Keselowski all have solid records on similarly-configured, 1.5-mile tracks and should rebound quickly at Kentucky.

NASCAR is cyclical, so players can expect the marquee drivers to return with a vengeance. This is not a week to play dark horses unless one is buried deep

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in the standings and needs to throw a Hail Mary pass. Unrestricted, intermediate speedways require the total package: speed, handling, strategy, and driver skill. These strengths are concentrated among top-dollar teams, leaving little room for Cinderella stories.

Any surprises are likely to come from the bottom driver of each organization. For instance, if Hendrick Motorsports reassigns resources,

Kasey Kahne could have a better-than expected day. Daniel Suarez could be a top-performer at Joe Gibbs Racing or, dare we say it: Danica Patrick could challenge for a top 10.

Those drivers will not be highly regarded, however, and that can be a good or bad thing.

Players risk climbing out on a limb, but if they have one of the few dark horses to finish well and if they guess correctly as to which marquee racer will be supplanted, this could be an opportunity to move up the grid in season-long games.

Risking so much will probably not be worthwhile in one-week games because even if these dark horses manage to finish with the leaders, they will almost certainly not run with them for the majority of the race—and as a result will not earn laps led bonuses or points for fastest laps.

Driver	Wins
Brad Keselowski	3
Kyle Busch	2
Matt Kenseth	1

Top-10 Drivers

1. Martin Truex Jr.
Yahoo! Group: A
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 3 (.500)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 15.33
Yahoo! Points: 63.00
NASCAR.com Points: 50.50
Draft Kings Points: 39.17
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 12.86

This week, players can pretty much ignore recent momentum and concentrate on a driver's record on similarly-configured, 1.5-mile tracks.

One's record at Kentucky is also of diminished importance because that track hosts only one race per year and results from three seasons ago might not be representative of how one will run in 2017.

Truex is the only driver with a perfect record of top-10s on this track type in 2017. Two of his efforts resulted in victories at Las Vegas Motor Speedway and Kansas Speedway. Even in the races he failed to win, he contended for top spot for sizeable portions of the day and spent enough time with the leaders to make himself a good value.

2. Kyle Larson
Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/3
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)

Driver	Top-5s
Kyle Busch	4
Matt Kenseth	3
Brad Keselowski	3
Ryan Newman	3
Dale Earnhardt Jr	2
Denny Hamlin	2
Joey Logano	2
Clint Bowyer	1
Kurt Busch	1
Jimmie Johnson	1
Kasey Kahne	1
Jamie McMurray	1

Last 3 Years
Current Track: 31.33
Yahoo! Points: 27.50
NASCAR.com Points: -0.50
Draft Kings Points: -9.33
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 14.86

Kentucky has not been kind to Larson in his brief career. He sustained crash damage in his first two attempts to finish 40th and 35th. Last year he improved, but only to 19th and he has yet to complete the distance in a race on this track. That doesn't mean he has always run badly, though. He qualified sixth in the 2014 race and sat on the pole in 2015 when the grid was set by practice speeds.

The biggest reason to make him a favorite this week is his record on similarly-configured, 1.5-mile tracks in 2017.

He finished second in three consecutive races at Atlanta Motor Speedway, Vegas, and Texas Motor Speedway. He was sixth at Kansas—and his most recent win in the Cup series was scored on the two-mile, doglegged oval of Michigan International Speedway.

For what it's worth, he also has some recent momentum on his side. As of the writing of this profile, he was sitting on three consecutive 410 sprint

Driver	Top-10s
Matt Kenseth	6
Kyle Busch	5
Jimmie Johnson	5
Brad Keselowski	5
Kurt Busch	4
Kevin Harvick	4
Joey Logano	3
Ryan Newman	3
Martin Truex Jr	3
Dale Earnhardt Jr	2
Denny Hamlin	2
Kasey Kahne	2
Jamie McMurray	2
AJ Allmendinger	1
Clint Bowyer	1
David Ragan	1

car wins in Pennsylvania Speedweeks and that is going to put him in a great mood.

3. Brad Keselowski
Yahoo! Group: A
Wins at Track/Attempts: 3/6
Top-fives: 3 (.500)
Top-10s: 5 (.833)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 2.67
Yahoo! Points: 100.00
NASCAR.com Points: 97.25
Draft Kings Points: 102.83
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 19.14

Keselowski has been close to perfect at Kentucky and while records older than three years are not always predictive, faultlessness shows a great sense for the track and the existence of superlative notes. In six starts there, he has finished worse than seventh only once and that was because of crash damage in 2013. He more than makes up for this slight stumble with three wins including last year's edition of the Quaker State 400.

In Yahoo!'s game, he is a double threat because he has qualified on the front row for the past three years and should earn qualification bonus points.

4. Kyle Busch
Yahoo! Group: A
Wins at Track/Attempts: 2/6
Top-fives: 4 (.667)
Top-10s: 5 (.833)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 5.00
Yahoo! Points: 96.50
NASCAR.com Points: 163.00
Draft Kings Points: 81.33
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 9.14

No matter where the series goes, Busch is hard to handicap. He has a tendency to drive over his head when he is desperate for a strong finish or when he gets frustrated and it does not take much to ruin one's day at NASCAR's top level. Last year at Kentucky, the difficulty of handi-

capping him was apparent. He entered the Quaker State 400 with a perfect record of top-10s—all but one of which was a top-five. He finished 12th.

Even then, he finished on the lead lap and this is his best track in terms of career average finishes with a 5.2 in six starts. Two of these were wins, including as recently as 2015. In the balance of risk versus reward, Busch is worth starting this week more than just about any other place.

5. Kevin Harvick
Yahoo! Group: A

record another career-best, but he has been in the top 10 ever since. With a victory two weeks ago at Sonoma Raceway, the pressure is off his shoulders and that could give him the tiny bit of extra speed that he needs.

6. Matt Kenseth
Yahoo! Group: A
Wins at Track/Attempts: 1/6
Top-fives: 3 (.500)
Top-10s: 6 (1.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 5.67
Yahoo! Points: 83.50
NASCAR.com Points: 46.75
Draft Kings Points: 50.67
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 13.86

cess in the Coke 600 when the three veterans all finished in the top five in the most recent "cookie-cutter" race. Kenseth was fourth and could challenge for a top-five at Kentucky if he gets track position late in the going.

7. Joey Logano
Yahoo! Group: A
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 2 (.333)
Top-10s: 3 (.500)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 16.67
Yahoo! Points: 67.00
NASCAR.com Points: 16.75
Draft Kings Points: 25.67
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 22.29

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Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 4 (.667)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 8.00
Yahoo! Points: 81.00
NASCAR.com Points: 76.75
Draft Kings Points: 54.50
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 10.00

Harvick has not yet earned a top-five at Kentucky, but this could be the week he turns that corner. He ran in the inaugural race of 2011 and finished 16th. He was 11th the next year, then 10th in 2013, and seventh in 2014. His progress stalled and he failed to

Kenseth is the only driver in the field with a perfect streak of Kentucky top-10s. Under normal circumstances, that would make him one of the five best this week and might even lead a fantasy player to think he has a shot at Victory Lane. The Joe Gibbs Racing organization needs to learn how to walk again before they can run, but at least they are not crawling any longer.

There have been some signs of improvement in recent weeks. The most notable is their suc-

This week is going to be pivotal for Logano. He crashed out of the Coke Zero 400 and earned few enough points to drop him from Chase consideration. He has been walking that tightrope for several weeks and the encumbered win seems to have taken a lot of wind out of the No. 22 team's sails. In order to get his confidence back, he really must win again.

A strong run at Michigan was a step in the right direction, but he failed to capitalize in back-to-back wild card races at Sonoma and Daytona International Speedway. He can either tell himself that those races are not typical of how the team runs and start over at Kentucky, or he can continue his downward spiral. With a second-place finish in 2015, we are betting the first scenario is the accurate one.

8. Chase Elliott
Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/1
Top-fives: 0 (.000)

Top-fives and Top-10s
By Car Owner, Last Three Years

Owner	Attempts	Top-5s		Top-10s	
Joe Gibbs	11	7	64%	8	73%
Roger Penske	6	3	50%	5	83%
Richard Childress	9	2	22%	2	22%
Tony Stewart	12	2	17%	6	50%
Rick Hendrick	12	1	8%	6	50%
Barney Visser	3			1	33%
Chip Ganassi	6			1	17%
Jack Roush	9			1	11%
BK Racing	9				
Front Row Motorsports	7				
Petty Enterprises	6				
Harry Scott	5				
Jay Robinson	4				
Michael Waltrip	4				
Tommy Baldwin	4				
Frank Stoddard	3				
Germain Bros	3				
Tad Geschickter	3				
Joe Falk	2				
Michael Hillman	2				
Mike Curb	2				
Bob Leavine	1				
Curtis Key	1				
Wood Bros	1				

Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 31.00
Yahoo! Points: 30.00
NASCAR.com Points: -13.00
Draft Kings Points: -10.00
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 16.00

Elliott was having a great year until he entered Talladega this spring. His crash in that race triggered a downward spiral that included a 29th at Kansas and 38th at Charlotte—both occasioned by accidents. Dover International Speedway allowed him to get back on the right side of the equation with a fifth.

That was the first of four consecutive top-10s. Last week, he got turned out of the draft on the final lap and finished 22nd. He is a good driver who is capable of learning how to reverse momentum more quickly than he did earlier this year.

9. Jimmie Johnson
Yahoo! Group: A
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 1 (.167)

Top-10s: 5 (.833)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 17.00
Yahoo! Points: 62.00
NASCAR.com Points: 10.25
Draft Kings Points: 25.67
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 16.14

Like Kenseth, Johnson entered last year's Quaker State 400 with a perfect record of top-10s. Only one of these was a top five, but his consistency still made him extremely attractive to fantasy players. He retired nearly 60 laps from the end of the race with crash damage.

He was far from the most powerful driver all of last year and his disappointing in the Bluegrass State was just one of many in 2016. He has not burned up the track this season despite earning three wins.

And there is no way that a player can assume he should challenge for the win, but no matter how badly he struggles, Johnson is capable of scoring a top-10 on a "cookie-cutter" track.

10. Jamie McMurray
Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 1 (.167)
Top-10s: 2 (.333)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 19.33
Yahoo! Points: 56.00
NASCAR.com Points: 33.00
Draft Kings Points: 15.83
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 13.29

McMurray's record on similarly-configured, 1.5-mile tracks this year has been the most consistent and strong of everyone except Truex. He entered the Coke 600 with four straight results of seventh through 10th. He could not add another single digit finish to his tally, but did not miss by much with a 12th. That gives him an average finish of ninth on this track type.

McMurray has not been as strong at Kentucky as most of the drivers in the top 10 and a few of the drivers listed below this mark. The 2017 season has been atypical, however, and he will finish well above his three-year average.

Sleepers

12. Erik Jones
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/0
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: NA
Yahoo! Points: NA
NASCAR.com Points: NA
Draft Kings Points: NA
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 12.00

Jones recorded his fourth top-10 of the season last week at Daytona. One of these came with a seventh-place finish at Charlotte in the most recent "cookie-cutter" race of the season. Jones has a power average of 16.73 on this track type

in 2017.

In the Xfinity series he's raced at the track four times, racking up two top-fives, three top-10s, and one pole.

14. Daniel Suarez
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/0
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: NA
Yahoo! Points: NA
NASCAR.com Points: NA
Draft Kings Points: NA
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 14.83

Suarez has been the most impressive rookie of the season and he's been steadily improving.

He's picked up four top-10s and seven top-15s so far. One top-10 and two top-15s came on cookie-cutter tracks at Charlotte and Kansas, which are also the two most recent "cookie-cutters".

Suarez has three top-five finishes in his Xfinity races at the speedway. Hopefully he'll show some of that same speed against the top drivers.

15. Dale Earnhardt Jr.
Yahoo! Group: A
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 2 (.333)
Top-10s: 2 (.333)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 13.00
Yahoo! Points: 62.00
NASCAR.com Points: 20.50
Draft Kings Points: 36.50
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 18.00

Before crashing twice at Daytona, Earnhardt had back-to-back top-10 finishes at Michigan and Sonoma. His only oth-

3 Year Avg. Finish on Cookie-Cutters			
Rank	Driver	Avg.	Attempts
1	Kyle Busch	8.58	26
2	Martin Truex Jr	8.63	30
3	Kevin Harvick	9.63	30
4	Brad Keselowski	10.83	30
5	Kurt Busch	10.93	28
6	Joey Logano	11.27	30
7	Matt Kenseth	11.69	29
8	Dale Earnhardt Jr	12.54	26
9	Jimmie Johnson	12.70	30
10	Ryan Newman	13.63	30
11	Jamie McMurray	14.63	30
12	Denny Hamlin	14.87	30
13	Daniel Suarez	15.60	5
14	Kasey Kahne	16.50	30
15	Kyle Larson	16.93	30
16	Chase Elliott	17.00	16
17	Erik Jones	18.86	7
18	Ryan Blaney	19.67	21
19	Austin Dillon	19.70	30
20	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	19.73	30
21	AJ Allmendinger	20.60	30
22	Trevor Bayne	21.96	27
23	Ty Dillon	22.09	11
24	Danica Patrick	22.10	30
25	Paul Menard	22.33	30
26	Clint Bowyer	22.77	30
27	Chris Buescher	25.13	16
28	David Ragan	27.40	30
29	Michael McDowell	28.44	25
30	Landon Cassill	29.23	30
31	Cole Whitt	31.14	29
32	Matt DiBenedetto	32.63	25
33	Corey LaJoie	33.17	6
34	Gray Gaulding	33.20	5
35	Reed Sorenson	34.00	25
36	Jeffrey Earnhardt	34.25	12
37	Derrike Cope	35.60	5
38	Timmy Hill	36.70	10
39	Joey Gase	37.56	9
40	Brendan Gaughan	40.40	5

er top-10 of the season came at "cookie-cutter" Texas Motor Speedway where he finished fifth.

In his last 14 attempts on cookie-cutter tracks, he's finished in the top-10 six times or 42.9% of the time. Earnhardt has raced in every Kentucky race since the 2011 inaugural running and only finished outside the top-15 twice in the six starts.

He's also finished in the top five twice on the track, in 2012 and 2014. He remains a risky proposition, but that is why he's a sleeper and not a

favorite.

25. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.
Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/4
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 25.33
Yahoo! Points: 48.50
NASCAR.com Points: 11.00
Draft Kings Points: 13.33
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 17.57

Stenhouse needs to prove he can win at tracks other than the wild card restrictor-plate superspeedways. Stenhouse took home a surprise second win last week at Daytona and that momentum could propel him again. But it is really his record on this track type that recommends him most.

This year in the five "cookie-cutter" races run so far, he's finished in the top 15 in four--only missing the mark once with a 33rd-place finish at Vegas.

Last year Stenhouse crashed on the ninth lap at Kentucky after passing five cars from his 21st-place starting position.

He had to settle for a DNF and a 40th-place finish. In his three other starts he's finished in the top 25 each time, with one top-15 and two top-20s.

Busts

17. Denny Hamlin
Yahoo! Group: A
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 2 (.333)
Top-10s: 0 (.333)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 20.00

Track Sweeps (Drivers Sweeping Top-5, -10, and -15s in a season			
Track	top-5s	10s	15s
2016 Michigan	4	7	10
2016 Texas	3	7	11
2016 Road Courses	3	5	9
2016 Phoenix	2	6	7
2016 Kansas	2	5	10
2016 Richmond	1	7	10
2016 Dover	2	5	8
2016 Martinsville	2	4	9
2016 New Hampshire	2	3	8
2016 Charlotte	1	5	7
2016 Pocono	1	4	9
2016 Daytona	1	4	6
2016 Bristol	0	3	6
2016 Talladega	0	2	6

Previous Seasons

2015 Road Courses	4	7	11
2015 Texas	3	8	9
2012 New Hampshire	3	7	13
2015 Daytona	4	5	7
2014 Dover	3	6	11
2013 Martinsville	3	6	10
2014 Michigan	2	8	10
2011 Pocono	3	6	9
2012 Charlotte	3	5	10
2011 Texas	3	5	10
2013 Pocono	2	7	10
2014 Phoenix	3	5	9
2010 Pocono	3	5	8
2010 Phoenix	2	6	11
2012 Phoenix	2	6	9
2011 Richmond	2	6	9
2013 Dover	2	6	8
2012 Talladega	2	6	7
2011 Kansas	2	5	11
2011 Dover	1	7	11
2015 Dover	2	5	10
2015 Michigan	2	5	9
2012 Texas	2	5	9
2015 Kansas	2	5	8
2014 Charlotte	2	5	8
2013 Road Courses	2	5	8
2010 Richmond	1	6	13
2011 Road Courses	1	6	12
2013 New Hampshire	1	6	11
2012 Kansas	2	4	10
2013 Michigan	1	6	10
2014 Richmond	2	4	9
2014 Martinsville	2	4	9
2012 Michigan	2	4	9
2015 Charlotte	1	6	9
2010 New Hampshire	1	5	11
2015 New Hampshire	1	4	8
2014 New Hampshire	1	4	7
2011 New Hampshire	1	1	6

Yahoo! Points: 65.75
NASCAR.com Points: 41.75
Draft Kings Points: 15.75
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 11.43

only finished outside the top 20 six times, which means half of those poor results came on this track type. If Hamlin can perform like he did at Vegas or Charlotte, fantasy owners are in luck, but with his poorer finishes coming in 60% of this year's "cookie-cutter" starts. he is a risky move.

Hamlin has run in all five cup races at Kentucky and has recorded four top-15s at the track, but he has a modest power average of 19.62 due to his two worst performances of 35th in 2013 and 42nd in 2014.

21. Austin Dillon
Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/4
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 19.00
Yahoo! Points: 53.50
NASCAR.com Points: 17.25
Draft Kings Points: 21.75
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 17.57

Minus his win this year at Charlotte, Dillon hasn't been able to find the inside of the top-15 on a "cookie-cutter" track--but it is precisely that win that makes us list him as a driver to avoid. Do not get fooled into thinking he will carry that momentum forward into the Bluegrass State. He finished 25th or worse in the first three "cookie-cutters" of the season.

Dillon has a career power average of 21.03 at Kentucky, with a career best finish of 16th in 2016 and 2014. In his last three starts at the track he has finished behind his qualification position and that means he has lost place-differential points each time.

Hamlin has had three of five "cookie-cutter" races end 23rd or worse so far this year. For the entire 2017 season, he's

22. Kasey Kahne

Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 1 (.167)
Top-10s: 2 (.333)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 16.33
Yahoo! Points: 54.00
NASCAR.com Points: 20.00
Draft Kings Points: 32.33
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 23.57

Kahne is having a harder time on "cookie-cutters" than he has in years past. Last year he finished in the top 10 in six of 10 races.

This year he only has one top-10 and that came back at Atlanta. He finished outside the top 30 in two appearances at "cookie-cutters" so far this year. Those were recorded at Texas and Charlotte.

Last year he finished 14th at Kentucky and has a career high of second at the track in 2012. In six starts he has five top-15's on this 1.5-milers, and his worst two starts occurring in the last two years.

30. Ryan Blaney

Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/1
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 35.00
Yahoo! Points: 22.00
NASCAR.com Points: -12.50
Draft Kings Points: -9.50
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 17.29

Blaney has finished 24th or worse in seven of the last 10 races this season. And while he's recorded six top-10s this season, those are beginning to seem like a distant memory.

Laps in Top-10 at Kentucky (L 3Yrs)				
Rank	Driver	Laps	%	Possible Laps
1	Brad Keselowski	498	93.3%	534
2	Kyle Busch	492	92.1%	534
3	Kevin Harvick	478	89.5%	534
4	Matt Kenseth	470	88.0%	534
5	Martin Truex Jr	395	74.0%	534
6	Joey Logano	308	57.7%	534
7	Denny Hamlin	242	45.3%	534
8	Jimmie Johnson	203	38.0%	534
9	Kurt Busch	203	38.0%	534
10	Kyle Larson	194	36.3%	534
11	Chase Elliott	85	31.8%	267
12	Ryan Blaney	81	30.3%	267
13	Ryan Newman	147	27.5%	534
14	Austin Dillon	146	27.3%	534
15	Jamie McMurray	128	24.0%	534
16	Paul Menard	105	19.7%	534
17	Trevor Bayne	65	12.2%	534
18	Dale Earnhardt Jr	64	12.0%	534
19	David Ragan	60	11.2%	534
20	Kasey Kahne	32	6.0%	534
21	Clint Bowyer	21	3.9%	534
22	Ty Dillon	7	2.6%	267
23	Danica Patrick	5	0.9%	534
24	Landon Cassill	3	0.6%	534
25	Cole Whitt	3	0.6%	534
26	Reed Sorenson	3	0.6%	534
27	AJ Allmendinger	-	0.0%	534
28	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	-	0.0%	534
29	Matt DiBenedetto	-	0.0%	534
30	Jeffrey Earnhardt	-	0.0%	267
31	Chris Buescher	-	0.0%	267

There is little hope for an average finish if he doesn't go into the weekend strong, so wait for practice and qualification to make a decision on him and then only start him if he is absolutely great in those sessions.

Blaney has a power average of 18.44 at "cookie-cutter" tracks during the last 18 races. In his one attempt so far at Kentucky he finished in 35th. He was more than 100 laps off the pace after qualifying in 15th position.

Other Drivers

11. Ryan Newman

Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 3 (.500)
Top-10s: 3 (.500)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 8.67
Yahoo! Points: 74.00
NASCAR.com Points: 40.00
Draft Kings Points: 44.33

Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 14.57

13. Kurt Busch

Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 1 (.167)
Top-10s: 4 (.667)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 8.67
Yahoo! Points: 76.50
NASCAR.com Points: 38.83
Draft Kings Points: 36.83
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 16.14

16. Trevor Bayne

Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/2
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 12.00
Yahoo! Points: 67.33
NASCAR.com Points: 41.25
Draft Kings Points: 42.75
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 19.29

18. Michael McDowell

Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/3
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: NA
Yahoo! Points: NA
NASCAR.com Points: NA
Draft Kings Points: NA
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 17.67

19. Paul Menard

Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 16.00
Yahoo! Points: 60.50
NASCAR.com Points: 28.50
Draft Kings Points: 29.00
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 19.57

20. Clint Bowyer

Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 1 (.167)
Top-10s: 1 (.167)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 21.67
Yahoo! Points: 50.00

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Top-fives: # (.000)
Top-10s: # (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 24.00
Yahoo! Points: 47.33
NASCAR.com Points: 18.00
Draft Kings Points: 16.17
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 23.71

29. AJ Allmendinger
Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 28.00
Yahoo! Points: 37.00
NASCAR.com Points: 2.00
Draft Kings Points: 7.50
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 21.29

31. Gray Gaulding
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/0
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: NA
Yahoo! Points: NA
NASCAR.com Points: NA
Draft Kings Points: NA
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 26.67

32. Landon Cassill
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 29.67
Yahoo! Points: 33.50
NASCAR.com Points: 18.00
Draft Kings Points: 18.67
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 27.57

33. Cole Whitt
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/3
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 28.67
Yahoo! Points: 34.67
NASCAR.com Points: 19.00
Draft Kings Points: 19.67
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 29.00

34. Chris Buescher
Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/1
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 37.00

NASCAR.com Points: 28.00
Draft Kings Points: 23.00
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 14.43

23. Darrell Wallace Jr.
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/0
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: NA
Yahoo! Points: NA
NASCAR.com Points: NA
Draft Kings Points: NA
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 20.00

24. Joey Gase
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/0
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: NA
Yahoo! Points: NA
NASCAR.com Points: NA
Draft Kings Points: NA
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 21.00

26. Ty Dillon
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/1
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 25.00
Yahoo! Points: 52.00
NASCAR.com Points: 22.00
Draft Kings Points: 24.75
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 20.86

27. David Ragan
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/6
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 1 (.167)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 23.67
Yahoo! Points: 50.00
NASCAR.com Points: 31.00
Draft Kings Points: 27.50
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 23.00

28. Danica Patrick
Yahoo! Group: B
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/4

Yahoo! Points: 18.00
NASCAR.com Points: 1.00
Draft Kings Points: 4.00
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 20.71

35. Reed Sorenson
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/3
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 30.00
Yahoo! Points: 35.33
NASCAR.com Points: 20.25
Draft Kings Points: 21.42
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 30.00

36. Jeffrey Earnhardt
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/1
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 28.00
Yahoo! Points: 36.00
NASCAR.com Points: 23.00
Draft Kings Points: 26.00
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 34.33

37. Matt DiBenedetto
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/2
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: 40.00
Yahoo! Points: 10.67
NASCAR.com Points: -0.50
Draft Kings Points: 1.00
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 27.71

38. Ryan Sieg
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/0
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: NA
Yahoo! Points: NA
NASCAR.com Points: NA
Draft Kings Points: NA
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: 36.50

39. Carl Long
Yahoo! Group: C
Wins at Track/Attempts: 0/0
Top-fives: 0 (.000)
Top-10s: 0 (.000)
Last 3 Years
Current Track: NA
Yahoo! Points: NA
NASCAR.com Points: NA
Draft Kings Points: NA
Avg. Last 6 races ^
Cup results: NA

Avg. Start at Kentucky			
Rank	Driver	Avg.	Attempts
1	Brad Keselowski	1.67	3
2	Joey Logano	3.33	3
3	Kevin Harvick	7.00	3
4	Denny Hamlin	7.33	3
5	Kurt Busch	8.33	3
6	Kyle Larson	9.00	3
7	Martin Truex Jr	10.33	3
8	Jamie McMurray	10.33	3
9	Kyle Busch	11.00	3
10	Austin Dillon	13.00	3
11	Jimmie Johnson	13.33	3
12	Matt Kenseth	13.67	3
13	Ryan Newman	15.67	3
14	Paul Menard	16.67	3
15	Dale Earnhardt Jr	17.33	3
16	Kasey Kahne	19.00	3
17	AJ Allmendinger	19.33	3
18	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	19.67	3
19	Danica Patrick	20.00	3
20	Clint Bowyer	22.00	3
21	Trevor Bayne	22.50	2
22	David Ragan	30.67	3
23	Cole Whitt	33.00	3
24	Landon Cassill	34.00	3
25	Matt DiBenedetto	37.00	2
26	Reed Sorenson	37.33	3

^ The last six races average is from the last six races of this season; the driver may not have run in all of those events. This statistic and the average finish for the last three years include failures to qualify (DNQ) as if they were actually finishes; i.e. the first non-qualifier is credited with a 44th-place finish. This is true for the statistics at all levels of the game, but is more like to skew the numbers in Group C where DNQs are a more frequent way of life.

Number of Top-10s Backed up With Another

This is the number of times in 2017 that a driver backed up one top-10 with another finish of 10th or better, (total number of top-10s for the season in parenthesis):

Martin Truex Jr.: 7 (11)
Brad Keselowski: 7 (11)

Chase Elliott: 7 (10)
Kyle Larson: 6 (10)
Joey Logano: 6 (9)
Kyle Busch: 6 (9)
Kevin Harvick: 5 (10)
J McMurray: 4 (10)
Denny Hamlin: 4 (8)
Kurt Busch: 2 (8)
R Stenhouse Jr.: 2 (7)
Clint Bowyer: 2 (7)
Jimmie Johnson: 1 (6)
Ryan Newman: 1 (6)
Matt Kenseth: 1 (6)
Dale Earnhardt Jr.: 1 (4)
Daniel Suarez: 1 (4)
Kasey Kahne: 1 (3)
Aric Almirola: 1 (3)
Ryan Blaney: 0 (6)
Erik Jones: 0 (4)
AJ Allmendinger: 0 (3)
Paul Menard: 0 (3)
Austin Dillon: 0 (2)
Trevor Bayne: 0 (2)
David Ragan: 0 (2)
M McDowell: 0 (1)
Brendan Gaughan: 0 (1)
Michael Waltrip: 0 (1)
Matt DiBenedetto: 0 (1)
Danica Patrick: 0 (1)
Chris Buescher: 0 (1)
Ty Dillon: 0 (0)
Landon Cassill: 0 (0)
Cole Whitt: 0 (0)
Jeffrey Earnhardt: 0 (0)
Corey LaJoie: 0 (0)
Reed Sorenson: 0 (0)
Gray Gaulding: 0 (0)
Timmy Hill: 0 (0)
Derrike Cope: 0 (0)
Darrell Wallace Jr.: 0 (0)
Elliott Sadler: 0 (0)
Cody Ware: 0 (0)
Joey Gase: 0 (0)
DJ Kennington: 0 (0)
Ross Chastain: 0 (0)
Billy Johnson: 0 (0)
Ryan Sieg: 0 (0)
Boris Said: 0 (0)
Alon Day: 0 (0)
Kevin O'Connell: 0 (0)
Tommy Regan: 0 (0)

Driver Performance

Here are the top performances

Season to Date Grid									
Driver	Starts	Wins	Top-5s	Top-10s	Avg Fin	Start	Laps	Poles	DNFs	DNQs
Kyle Larson	17	2	7	10	10.24	11.18	4,820	2	2	
Martin Truex Jr	17	2	5	11	12.00	8.24	4,802		3	
Kevin Harvick	17	1	6	10	12.53	9.06	4,679	3	2	
Clint Bowyer	17		4	7	12.88	13.35	4,852		1	
Kyle Busch	17		6	9	13.06	8.94	4,724		2	
Brad Keselowski	17	2	9	11	13.18	7.76	4,044	1	4	
Jamie McMurray	17		2	10	13.24	9.06	4,420		3	
Chase Elliott	17		5	10	13.47	10.41	4,524	1	2	
Jimmie Johnson	17	3	3	6	14.29	19.59	4,800		2	
Denny Hamlin	17		4	8	14.35	11.76	4,781		2	
Brendan Gaughan	3			1	14.67	34.33	546			
Joey Logano	17	1	7	9	14.88	10.94	4,744	1	4	
Ricky Stenhouse Jr	17	2	4	7	15.53	15.47	4,442		3	
Ryan Newman	17	1	3	6	15.94	14.71	4,800		2	
Daniel Suarez	17			4	16.47	15.94	4,866		1	
Kurt Busch	17	1	2	8	16.82	11.94	4,400		3	
Aric Almirola	11		2	3	17.27	22.36	3,425		1	
Matt Kenseth	17		3	6	17.53	11.29	4,690	1	4	
Trevor Bayne	17			2	17.59	18.76	4,908		2	
Erik Jones	17		1	4	17.88	18.00	4,419		4	
Ryan Blaney	17	1	3	6	19.12	9.18	4,789	1	3	
Kasey Kahne	17		2	3	19.24	19.35	4,727		4	
Elliott Sadler	3				19.33	36.00	553			
Austin Dillon	17	1	2	2	19.71	18.59	4,802		2	
Ty Dillon	17				19.94	24.71	4,719		2	
Paul Menard	17		2	3	20.00	20.53	4,785		2	
Darrell Wallace Jr	3				20.00	24.33	522			
Dale Earnhardt Jr	17		1	4	21.65	15.53	4,315		5	
AJ Allmendinger	17		1	3	21.71	23.18	4,808		2	
Michael McDowell	17		1	1	21.94	24.00	4,893		1	
Joey Gase	2				22.00	34.00	387			
Chris Buescher	17			1	22.47	27.47	4,403		2	
David Ragan	17			2	24.00	29.82	4,779		2	
Danica Patrick	17			1	25.82	22.00	4,548		7	
Matt DiBenedetto	17			1	26.24	28.29	4,520		3	
Cole Whitt	17				26.47	31.47	4,586		5	
JJ Yeley	2				26.50	30.00	725			
Landon Cassill	17				26.53	28.35	4,699		2	
Regan Smith	2				28.00	27.50	728		1	
Corey LaJoie	15				29.07	33.47	3,832		3	
Gray Gaulding	13				30.85	33.23	3,962		3	
Reed Sorenson	14				31.64	33.93	3,997		1	1
Ryan Sieg	3				33.00	34.33	603		1	
Timmy Hill	10				33.20	37.60	2,893		3	1
Jeffrey Earnhardt	16				33.81	35.44	3,341		9	
Derrike Cope	9				34.78	36.56	2,413		1	
DJ Kennington	2				37.00	34.00	141		2	1
Cody Ware	3				37.67	38.33	392		3	

by driver so far this season. The full list can be found each week by clicking on the "Driver Performance" link in the "Research" section of your team roster:

Yahoo! Group A:

(6) Martin Truex Jr.: Las Vegas (week 3), Auto Club (week 5), Kansas 1 (week 11), Charlotte 1 (week 12), Dover 1

(week 13), Michigan 1 (week 15)

(4) Kyle Busch: Phoenix (week 4), Martinsville 1 (week 6), Talladega 1 (week 10), Pocono 1 (week 14)

(3) Kevin Harvick: Atlanta (week 2), Texas 1 (week 7), Sonoma (week 16)

(2) Joey Logano: Daytona 1

(week 1), Richmond 1 (week 9)

(2) Jimmie Johnson: Bristol 1 (week 8), Daytona 2 (week 17)

Yahoo! Group B:

Top two each week.

(8) Kyle Larson: Atlanta (week 2), Las Vegas (week 3), Phoenix (week 4), Auto Club (week 5), Texas 1 (week 7), Bristol 1

(week 8), Dover 1 (week 13), Pocono 1 (week 14), Michigan 1 (week 15)

(5) Clint Bowyer: Auto Club (week 5), Bristol 1 (week 8), Kansas 1 (week 11), Sonoma (week 16), Daytona 2 (week 17)

(4) Ryan Blaney: Daytona 1 (week 1), Texas 1 (week 7), Kansas 1 (week 11), Pocono 1 (week 14)

(3) Ryan Newman: Phoenix (week 4), Richmond 1 (week 9), Dover 1 (week 13)

(3) Chase Elliott: Las Vegas (week 3), Martinsville 1 (week 6), Michigan 1 (week 15)

(3) Ricky Stenhouse Jr.: Richmond 1 (week 9), Talladega (week 10), Daytona 2 (week 17)

(2) Kurt Busch: Daytona 1 (week 1), Charlotte 1 (week 12)

(2) Austin Dillon: Martinsville 1 (week 6), Charlotte 1 (week 12)

(2) Jamie McMurray: Talladega (week 10), Sonoma (week 16)

(1) Kasey Kahne: Atlanta (week 2)

Yahoo! Group C:

(5) Daniel Suarez: Phoenix (week 4), Auto Club (week 5), Richmond 1 (week 9), Kansas 1 (week 11), Dover 1 (week 13)

(5) Erik Jones: Atlanta (week 2), Martinsville 1 (week 6), Charlotte (week 12), Pocono 1 (week 14), Michigan 1 (week 15)

(3) Ty Dillon: Texas 1 (week 7), Bristol 1 (week 8), Talladega (week 10)

(2) Michael McDowell: Las Vegas (week 3), Sonoma (week 16)

(1) Michael Waltrip: Daytona 1 (week 1)

(1) David Ragan: Daytona 2 (week 17)

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Top five game finishes

(9) Kyle Larson: Atlanta (week 2), Las Vegas (week 3), Phoenix 1 (week 4), Auto Club (week 5), Texas 1 (week 7), Bristol 1 (week 8), Dover 1 (week 13), Pocono 1 (week 14), Michigan 1 (week 15)

(8) Martin Truex Jr.: Las Vegas (week 3), Auto Club (week 5), Texas 1 (week 7 – tied for fifth with Earnhardt), Bristol 1 (week 8), Kansas 1 (week 11), Charlotte 1 (week 12), Dover 1 (week 13), Michigan 1 (week 15)

(8) Chase Elliott: Atlanta (week 2), Las Vegas (week 3), Phoenix 1 (week 4), Auto Club (week 5), Martinsville 1 (week 6), Dover 1 (week 13), Pocono 1 (week 14), Michigan 1 (week 15)

(8) Kevin Harvick: Atlanta (week 2), Texas 1 (week 7), Bristol 1 (week 8), Richmond 1 (week 9), Kansas 1 (week 11), Dover 1 (week 13), Pocono 1 (week 14), Sonoma (week 16)

(7) Kyle Busch: Phoenix 1 (week 4), Martinsville 1 (week 6), Talladega (week 10), Kansas 1 (week 11), Charlotte 1

Total Top-5s: Season	
Driver	Top-5s
Brad Keselowski	9
Kyle Larson	7
Joey Logano	7
Kyle Busch	6
Kevin Harvick	6
Martin Truex Jr	5
Chase Elliott	5
Clint Bowyer	4
Ricky Stenhouse Jr	4
Denny Hamlin	4
Ryan Newman	3
Ryan Blaney	3
Matt Kenseth	3
Jimmie Johnson	3
Kurt Busch	2
Jamie McMurray	2
Paul Menard	2
Austin Dillon	2
Aric Almirola	2
Kasey Kahne	2
AJ Allmendinger	1
Erik Jones	1
Dale Earnhardt Jr	1
Michael McDowell	1

3 Yr. Avg. Yahoo! Points at Kentucky			
Rank	Driver	Avg. Points	Attempts
1	Brad Keselowski	100.00	3
2	Kyle Busch	96.50	3
3	Matt Kenseth	83.50	3
4	Kevin Harvick	81.00	3
5	Kurt Busch	76.50	3
6	Ryan Newman	74.00	3
7	Trevor Bayne	67.33	2
8	Joey Logano	67.00	2
9	Denny Hamlin	65.75	3
10	Martin Truex Jr	63.00	3
11	Dale Earnhardt Jr	62.00	3
12	Jimmie Johnson	62.00	3
13	Paul Menard	60.50	3
14	Jamie McMurray	56.00	3
15	Kasey Kahne	54.00	3
16	Austin Dillon	53.50	3
17	Ty Dillon	52.00	1
18	Clint Bowyer	50.00	3
19	David Ragan	50.00	3
20	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	48.50	3
21	Danica Patrick	47.33	2
22	AJ Allmendinger	37.00	3
23	Jeffrey Earnhardt	36.00	1
24	Reed Sorenson	35.33	2
25	Cole Whitt	34.67	2
26	Landon Cassill	33.50	3
27	Chase Elliott	30.00	1
28	Kyle Larson	27.50	3
29	Ryan Blaney	22.00	1
30	Chris Buescher	18.00	1
31	Matt DiBenedetto	10.67	2

Driver Rating: Season to Date			
Rank	Driver	Standings	Rating
1	Martin Truex Jr.	2	109.1
2	Kyle Larson	1	105.8
3	Kyle Busch	3	100.9
4	Kevin Harvick	4	100.6
5	Brad Keselowski	5	98.2
6	Chase Elliott	6	94.3
7	Jimmie Johnson	7	92.3
8	Joey Logano	12	91.4
9	Ryan Blaney	13	90.0
10	Jamie McMurray	8	89.8
11	Denny Hamlin	9	86.2
12	Clint Bowyer	10	84.4
13	Matt Kenseth	11	84.3
14	Erik Jones	17	78.7
15	Kurt Busch	14	78.5
16	Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	16	77.2
17	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	22	76.8
18	Kasey Kahne	20	74.5
19	Ryan Newman	15	73.2
20	Trevor Bayne	19	71.1
21	Austin Dillon	21	69.9
22	Daniel Suarez	18	66.1
23	Ty Dillon	23	63.2
24	Paul Menard	24	63.0
25	AJ Allmendinger	27	59.3
26	Danica Patrick	29	57.5
27	Chris Buescher	26	57.2
28	Michael McDowell	25	56.4
29	David Ragan	28	51.6
30	Landon Cassill	33	45.9
31	Matt DiBenedetto	31	44.4
32	Cole Whitt	32	43.6
33	Corey Lajoie	34	37.3
34	Gray Gaulding	35	35.1
35	Reed Sorenson	36	33.8
36	Jeffrey Earnhardt	37	29.0

(5) Joey Logano: Daytona 1 (week 1), Auto Club (week 5), Martinsville 1 (week 6), Bristol 1 (week 8), Richmond 1 (week 9)

(4) Denny Hamlin: Richmond 1 (week 9), Talladega (week 10). Michigan 1 (week 15), Sonoma (week 16)

(3) Ryan Blaney: Daytona 1 (week 1), Texas 1 (week 7), Kansas 1 (week 11)

(2) AJ Allmendinger: Daytona 1 (week 1), Martinsville 1 (week 6)

(2) Clint Bowyer: Auto Club (week 5), Sonoma (week 16)

(2) Paul Menard: Daytona 1 (week 1) Daytona 2 (week 17)

(2) Ricky Stenhouse Jr.: Talladega (week 10), Daytona 2 (week 17)

(1) Kurt Busch: Daytona 1 (week 1)

(1) Kasey Kahne: Atlanta (week 2)

(1) Ryan Newman: Phoenix 1 (week 4)

(1) Dale Earnhardt Jr.: Texas 1 (week 7 – tied for fifth with Earnhardt)

(1) Matt Kenseth: Richmond 1 (week 9)

(1) Jamie McMurray: Talladega (week 10)

(1) Austin Dillon: Charlotte 1 (week 12)

(1) Erik Jones: Pocono 1 (week 14)

(1) David Ragan: Daytona 2 (week 17)

(1) Michael McDowell: Daytona 2 (week 17)

(1) Brendan Gaughan: Dayto-

(week 12), Pocono 1 (week 14), Michigan 1 (week 15)

(7) Brad Keselowski: Atlanta (week 2), Las Vegas (week 3), Phoenix 1 (week 4), Martinsville 1 (week 6), Richmond 1 (week 9), Kansas 1 (week 11), Sonoma (week 16)

(7) Jimmie Johnson: Las Vegas (week 3), Texas 1 (week 7), Bristol 1 (week 8), Talladega (week 10), Charlotte (week 12), Charlotte 1 (week 12), Dover 1 (week 13), Sonoma (week 16)

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Dan Beaver's Fantasy Racing News

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Group ID#: 38
Password: FantasyRace

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3 Yr. Avg. Draft Kings Points at Kentucky			
Rank	Driver	Avg. Points	Attempts
1	Brad Keselowski	102.83	3
2	Kyle Busch	81.33	3
3	Kevin Harvick	54.50	3
4	Matt Kenseth	50.67	3
5	Ryan Newman	44.33	3
6	Trevor Bayne	42.75	2
7	Martin Truex Jr	39.17	3
8	Kurt Busch	36.83	3
9	Dale Earnhardt Jr	36.50	3
10	Kasey Kahne	32.33	3
11	Paul Menard	29.00	3
12	David Ragan	27.50	3
13	Jeffrey Earnhardt	26.00	1
14	Jimmie Johnson	25.67	3
15	Joey Logano	25.67	3
16	Ty Dillon	24.75	1
17	Clint Bowyer	23.00	3
18	Austin Dillon	21.75	3
19	Reed Sorenson	21.42	3
20	Cole Whitt	19.67	3
21	Landon Cassill	18.67	3
22	Danica Patrick	16.17	3
23	Jamie McMurray	15.83	3
24	Denny Hamlin	15.75	3
25	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	13.33	3
26	AJ Allmendinger	7.50	3
27	Chris Buescher	4.00	1
28	Matt DiBenedetto	1.00	2
29	Kyle Larson	-9.33	3
30	Ryan Blaney	-9.50	1
31	Chase Elliott	-10.00	1