

# **2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN**



# **Men's Tournament Preview**

This is the 112th edition of the Australian Championships, which began in 1905, as well as being the 55th Australian Open and the 223rd Grand Slam tournament of the Open Era.

Melbourne Park hosts the tournament for the 37th year. It was first played here in 1988, when the venue was known as Flinders Park.

### **POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY**

Total prize money for the men's singles at the 2024 Australian Open is \$29,775,000 (AUD), an 11% increase on 2023. Individual prize money and ATP ranking points are:

	Prize Money (AUD)	ATP Ranking Points
Champion	<b>Champion</b> 3,150,000	
Finalist	1,725,000	1300
Semifinalist	990,000	800
Quarterfinalist	600,000	400
Round of 16	375,000	200
Third Round	255,000	100
Second Round	180,000	50
First Round	120,000	10

### **2023 – A REVIEW**

Novak Djokovic enjoyed yet another historic season at the Grand Slam tournaments, winning 3 titles and winning 27 of the 28 matches he contested at the majors. He won a 10th Australian Open crown in January, defeating Stefanos Tsitsipas in the final, which saw him equal Rafael Nadal's record of 22 Grand Slam men's singles titles. He then surpassed Nadal by claiming his 23rd major title at Roland Garros, where he overcame Casper Ruud in the final to become the first player to win all 4 Grand Slam tournaments on at least 3 occasions.

Djokovic's quest for the Grand Slam ended at Wimbledon, where he was defeated in a sensational final by 20-year-old Carlos Alcaraz, who became the youngest player to win the Wimbledon men's singles title since 18-year-old Boris Becker in 1986. But Djokovic was triumphant once again at the US Open in September, defeating Daniil Medvedev in the final to win his 24th major title and equal Margaret Court's all-time record for most Grand Slam singles titles.

Away from the Grand Slams, Alcaraz (Indian Wells and Madrid), Medvedev (Miami and Rome) and Djokovic (Cincinnati and Paris) each won a pair of titles at Masters-1000 level. The 3 other winners of Masters-1000 tournaments were Andrey Rublev (Monte Carlo), Jannik Sinner (Toronto) and Hubert Hurkacz (Shanghai).

Djokovic ended the year on a high by winning the ATP Finals for the 7th time – taking sole ownership of the record for most titles at the event, ahead of Roger Federer – defeating Sinner in the title match. But Sinner avenged that loss at the Davis Cup Finals the following week, with his Italian team defeating Djokovic's Serbia in the semifinals before beating Australia in the final to win Italy's 2nd Davis Cup title and first since 1976.

### DJOKOVIC BIDS FOR MORE GRAND SLAM HISTORY

Ten-time Australian Open champion Djokovic is bidding to win his 25th Grand Slam singles title – and claim sole ownership of the all-time record for most Grand Slam singles titles, ahead of Court. Djokovic has won exactly one third of the Grand Slam tournaments he has contested, winning 24 titles in 72 Grand Slam appearances.

Most Grand Slam singles titles (all-time)

Rank	Player	<b>Grand Slam titles</b>
1=	Margaret Court	24
	Novak Djokovic	24
3.	Serena Williams	23
5=	Steffi Graf	22
	Rafael Nadal	22
6.	Roger Federer	20
7.	Helen Wills Moody	19
8=	Chris Evert	18
	Martina Navratilova	18
10.	Pete Sampras	14

Djokovic is also bidding to extend his all-time record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles, having claimed sole ownership of the record from Nadal by winning the title at Roland Garros last year.

Most Grand Slam men's singles titles (all-time)

Rank	Player	Grand Slam titles
1.	Novak Djokovic	24
2.	Rafael Nadal	22
3.	Roger Federer	20
4.	Pete Sampras	14
5.	Roy Emerson	12

# DJOKOVIC AIMS FOR ELEVENTH AUSSIE CROWN

Djokovic is bidding to win his 11th Australian Open title and extend his lead at the top of the list for most Australian Championships/Open men's singles titles.

Most Australian Championships/Open men's singles (all-time)

Rank	Player	Titles won	Years
1.	Novak Djokovic	10	2008, 2011-13, 2015-16, 2019-21, 2023
2=	Roy Emerson	6	1961, 1963-67
	Roger Federer	6	2004, 2006-07, 2010, 2017-18
4=	Andre Agassi	4	1995, 2000-01, 2003
	Jack Crawford	4	1931-33, 1935
	Ken Rosewall	4	1953, 1955, 1971-72

By winning the title here last year, Djokovic also became the 2nd man in history to win at least 10 titles at any Grand Slam event. Nadal is the only other man to have won at least 10 titles at a single Grand Slam event, having won the title at Roland Garros on 14 occasions.

Most men's singles titles at the same Grand Slam tournament (all-time)

Player	Grand Slam	Titles won	Years
Rafael Nadal	Roland Garros	14	2005-08, 2010-2014, 2017-20, 2022
Novak Djokovic	Australian Open	10	2008, 2011-13, 2015-16, 2019-21, 2023
Roger Federer	Wimbledon	8	2003-07, 2009, 2012, 2017
Novak Djokovic	Wimbledon	7	2011, 2014-15, 2018-22*
Bill Larned	US Championships	7	1901-02, 1907-11**
William Renshaw	Wimbledon	7	1881-86, 1889**
Pete Sampras	Wimbledon	7	1993-95, 1997-2000
Richard Sears	US Championships	7	1881-87**
Bill Tilden	US Championships	7	1920-25, 1929

<sup>\*</sup>No tournament at Wimbledon in 2020. \*\*Challenge round played through 1911 at US Championships and through 1921 at Wimbledon.

Victory for Djokovic would also see him become the 3rd player, man or woman, to win 11 titles at one Grand Slam event – after Nadal at Roland Garros and Margaret Court, who won 11 women's singles titles at the Australian Championships/Open. (see table overleaf)

Most singles titles at the same Grand Slam tournament (men and women)

Player	<b>Grand Slam</b>	Titles won	Years
Rafael Nadal	Roland Garros	14	2005-08, 2010-2014, 2017-20, 2022
Margaret Court	Australian Open*	11	1960-66, 1969-71, 1973
Novak Djokovic	Australian Open	10	2008, 2011-13, 2015-16, 2019-21, 2023
Martina Navratilova	Wimbledon	9	1978-79, 1982-87, 1990

<sup>\*</sup>Known as Australian Championships before 1969.

### THE 30s CLUB

At 36 years 251 days, Djokovic is bidding to win his 5th Grand Slam title since turning 35 and extend his Open Era record for most Grand Slam singles titles won aged 35 or older. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)

Grand Slam singles titles won aged 35+ (Open Era)

Player	<b>Grand Slam titles</b>
Novak Djokovic	4
Roger Federer	3
Ken Rosewall	3
Rafael Nadal	2
Serena Williams	1

Djokovic is also bidding to win his 13th Grand Slam title since turning 30 and extend his record for most Grand Slam singles titles won after the age of 30 in the Open Era. He claimed sole ownership of the record by winning his 11th Grand Slam title since turning 30 at Roland Garros last year, moving ahead of Serena Williams.

Most Grand Slam singles titles won aged 30+ (Open Era)

Player	<b>Grand Slam titles</b>
Novak Djokovic	12
Serena Williams	10
Rafael Nadal	8
Roger Federer	4
Rod Laver	4
Ken Rosewall	4
Margaret Court	3
Martina Navratilova	3
Andre Agassi	2
Jimmy Connors	2
Chris Evert	2
Billie Jean King	2
Stan Wawrinka	2

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in bold

Djokovic is also bidding to become the 3rd man in the Open Era to win the Australian Open on multiple occasions after turning 35 – after Federer and Rosewall.

Players aged 35+ in the Australian Open men's singles final (Open Era)

Player	Age	Year	Result in final
Ken Rosewall	37 years 62 days	1972	Defeated Mal Anderson 76 63 75
Mal Anderson	36 years 306 days	1972	Lost to Ken Rosewall 76 63 75
Roger Federer	36 years 173 days	2018	Defeated Marin Cilic 62 67(5) 63 36 61
Ken Rosewall	36 years 73 days	1971	Defeated Arthur Ashe 61 75 63
Novak Djokovic	35 years 252 days	2023	Defeated Stefanos Tsitsipas 63 76(4) 76(5)
Rafael Nadal	35 years 241 days	2022	Defeated Daniil Medvedev 26 67(5) 64 64 75
Roger Federer	35 years 174 days	2017	Defeated Rafael Nadal 64 36 61 36 63

Djokovic is bidding to win his 5th Australian Open title since turning 30. He is the only man in the Open Era to have won 3 or more Australian Open titles after turning 30 and one of just 4 men in the Open Era (alongside Federer, Rosewall and Andre Agassi) to have won multiple Australian Open titles after turning 30. In the Open Era, the Australian Open men's singles title has been won by players aged 30 or over on 14 occasions – including every season for the last 7 years. (see table overleaf)

Players aged 30+ to win the Australian Open men's singles title (Open Era)

Player	Age	Year	Result in final
Ken Rosewall	37 years 62 days	1972	Defeated Mal Anderson 76(2) 63 75
Roger Federer	36 years 173 days	2018	Defeated Marin Cilic 62 67(5) 63 36 61
Ken Rosewall	36 years 73 days	1971	Defeated Arthur Ashe 61 75 63
Novak Djokovic	35 years 252 days	2023	Defeated Stefanos Tsitsipas 63 76(4) 76(5)
Rafael Nadal	35 years 241 days	2022	Defeated Daniil Medvedev 26 67(5) 64 64 75
Roger Federer	35 years 174 days	2017	Defeated Rafael Nadal 64 36 61 36 63
Novak Djokovic	33 years 275 days	2021	Defeated Daniil Medvedev 75 62 62
Andre Agassi	32 years 272 days	2003	Defeated Rainer Schuettler 62 62 61
Novak Djokovic	32 years 256 days	2020	Defeated Dominic Thiem 64 46 26 63 64
Novak Djokovic	31 years 250 days	2019	Defeated Rafael Nadal 63 62 63
Andre Agassi	30 years 274 days	2001	Defeated Arnaud Clement 64 62 62
John Newcombe	30 years 223 days	1975	Defeated Jimmy Connors 75 36 64 76(7)
Rod Laver	30 years 171 days	1969	Defeated Andres Gimeno 63 64 75
Petr Korda	30 years 9 days	1998	Defeated Marcelo Rios 62 62 62

### **DECADES APART**

Djokovic is bidding to win the title here 16 years after winning his first Grand Slam title here in 2008. He is in 3rd place on the Open Era list for largest gap between first and most-recent Grand Slam titles, after Serena Williams and Nadal.

Largest gap between first and most recent Grand Slam singles titles (Open Era)

Player	First Grand Slam title	Most-recent Grand Slam title	Time between first and most- recent Grand Slam titles
Serena Williams	1999 US Open	2017 Australian Open	17 years, 5 months
Rafael Nadal	2005 Roland Garros	2022 Roland Garros	17 years
Novak Djokovic	2008 Australian Open	2023 US Open	15 years, 7 months
Roger Federer	2003 Wimbledon	2018 Australian Open	14 years, 7 months
Chris Evert	1974 Roland Garros	1986 Roland Garros	12 years
Steffi Graf	1987 Roland Garros	1999 Roland Garros	12 years
Martina Navratilova	1978 Wimbledon	1990 Wimbledon	12 years
Pete Sampras	1990 US Open	2002 US Open	12 years
Andre Agassi	1992 Wimbledon	2003 Australian Open	10 years, 7 months
Boris Becker	1985 Wimbledon	1996 Australian Open	10 years, 7 months

Djokovic and Nadal have both won Grand Slam titles in the 2000s, 2010s and 2020s – they are the only 2 men to have won Grand Slam singles titles in 3 different decades in the Open Era. Williams (who won at least one major title in the 1990s, 2000s and 2010s) and Martina Navratilova (1970s, 1980s and 1990s) are the only women who have achieved the feat in the Open Era.

## THE DJOKOVIC-NADAL DUOPOLY

Between them, Djokovic and Nadal have won 18 of the last 22 Grand Slam men's singles titles (since 2018 Roland Garros), with Dominic Thiem (2020 US Open), Medvedev (2021 US Open) and Alcaraz (2022 US Open and 2023 Wimbledon) the only other players to have won major titles in that time. Djokovic has won 12 Grand Slam titles in that time, with Nadal claiming 6 Grand Slam titles.

# **MOST AUSTRALIAN OPEN FINAL APPEARANCES**

Djokovic surpassed Federer at the top of the list for most Australian Open men's singles final appearances in the Open Era by reaching his 8th final here in 2020 – and extended the record by reaching a 9th final in 2021 and 10th final in 2023. Five-time Australian Open runner-up Murray is also competing here this year.

Most Australian Open men's singles final appearances (Open Era)

Rank	Player	Finals reached
1.	Novak Djokovic	10
2.	Roger Federer	7
3.	Rafael Nadal	6
4=	Stefan Edberg	5
	Andy Murray	5

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in bold.

## **MOST GRAND SLAM FINAL APPEARANCES**

Djokovic holds the all-time record for most Grand Slam men's singles final appearances, having moved ahead of Federer by contesting his 32nd Grand Slam final at 2022 Wimbledon. Djokovic has reached the final at exactly half of all Grand Slam tournaments he has contested, reaching 36 finals in 72 Grand Slam appearances.

Most Grand Slam men's singles final appearances (all-time)

Rank	Player	Finals reached
1.	Novak Djokovic	36
2.	Roger Federer	31
3.	Rafael Nadal	30
4.	Ivan Lendl	19
5.	Pete Sampras	18

Djokovic also claimed sole ownership of the all-time record for most Grand Slam singles final appearances, ahead of Chris Evert, after contesting his 35th Grand Slam final at Wimbledon last year – and subsequently reached his 36th major final at the US Open.

Most Grand Slam men's singles final appearances (all-time)

Rank	Player	Finals reached
1.	Novak Djokovic	36
2.	Chris Evert	34
3.	Serena Williams	33
4.	Martina Navratilova	32
5=	Roger Federer	31
	Steffi Graf	31

### **NO. 1 RANKING UPDATE**

Djokovic, Alcaraz and Medvedev are in contention for the post-Australian Open No. 1 ranking:

- Djokovic will remain at No. 1 if Alcaraz loses prior to the quarterfinals AND Medvedev fails to win the title, regardless of his own Australian Open result.
- If Djokovic and Alcaraz both reach the semifinals, the player who records the best result will be ranked No. 1. If both players lose in the semifinals, Djokovic will remain at No. 1.
- Alcaraz will be ranked No. 1 if he reaches the quarterfinals AND Djokovic loses prior to the round of 16 AND Medvedev does not win the title.
- Medvedev will be ranked No. 1 if he wins the tournament AND Djokovic and Alcaraz both lose prior to the semifinals.

Ranking points round-by-round

	5400	504						3.07
Player	R128	R64	R32	R16	QF	SF	F	W
Novak Djokovic	9065	9105	9155	9255	9455	9855	10355	11055
Carlos Alcaraz	8865	8905	8955	9055	9255	9655	10155	10855
Daniil Medvedev	7475	7515	7565	7665	7865	8265	8765	9465

### NADAL MISSES OUT

Two-time Australian Open champion Nadal was aiming to return to Grand Slam action after nearly a full year off the Tour due to a left hip injury. He did not compete in 2023 after falling to Mackenzie McDonald in the 2nd round here last year and underwent hip surgery in June. He returned to the Tour this month at Brisbane but withdrew from the Australian Open on Sunday after suffering a muscle injury in his quarterfinal defeat to Jordan Thompson.

### SEVEN GRAND SLAM CHAMPIONS IN THE DRAW

Seven Grand Slam champions are appearing in the 2024 Australian Open men's singles main draw, but only 2 of the 7 (Djokovic and Stan Wawrinka) have won the title here.

Grand Slam champions in the men's singles at 2024 Australian Open

Player	Grand Slam titles won	
Novak Djokovic	24 (2008, 2011-13, 2015-16, 2019-21, 2023 Australian Open; 2011, 2014-15, 2018-	
	22* Wimbledon; 2011, 2015, 2018, 2023 US Open; 2016, 2021, 2023 Roland Garros)	
Andy Murray	3 (2012 US Open; 2013, 2016 Wimbledon)	
Stan Wawrinka	3 (2014 Australian Open; 2015 Roland Garros; 2016 US Open)	
Carlos Alcaraz	2 (2022 US Open; 2023 Wimbledon)	
Marin Cilic	1 (2014 US Open)	
Daniil Medvedev	1 (2021 US Open)	
Dominic Thiem	1 (2020 US Open)	

#### A NEW NAME ON THE TROPHY?

Just 3 active players (Djokovic, Nadal and Wawrinka) have won an Australian Open title – together with Federer, they have won the last 18 Australian Open men's singles titles between them.

Eight active male players have reached the Australian Open final. In addition to Djokovic, Nadal and Wawrinka, 5 active male players have finished as runner-up here – Murray (2010-11, 2013, 2015-16), Marin Cilic (2018), Thiem (2020), Medvedev (2021-22) and Tsitsipas (2023).

By comparison, 7 active players have reached the men's singles final at Roland Garros (3 active champions), 9 active players have reached the men's singles final at Wimbledon (4 active champions) and 12 active players have reached the men's singles final at the US Open (8 active champions).

### ALCARAZ LEADS CHALLENGERS TO DJOKOVIC

No. 2 seed Alcaraz will make his 3rd Australian Open appearance this year, having reached the 2nd round as a qualifier on his Grand Slam debut in 2021 and reached the 3rd round as No. 31 seed in 2022, but missed the tournament in 2023 due to a right leg injury.

Alcaraz is bidding to win his 3rd major title here and become the 3rd Spanish man to win 3 or more Grand Slam singles titles, after Nadal and Manuel Santana. He would become the 2nd Spanish man to win the Australian Open title after 2009 and 2022 champion Nadal.

Grand Slam men's singles titles won by Spanish players (all-time)

Player	Grand Slam titles
Rafael Nadal	22
Manuel Santana	4
Carlos Alcaraz	2
Sergi Bruguera	2
Albert Costa	1
Juan Carlos Ferrero	1
Andres Gimeno	1
Carlos Moya	1
Manuel Orantes	1

### THE YOUNG PRETENDER

Aged 20 years 268 days, Alcaraz is bidding to become the 4th-youngest player in the Open Era to win the Australian Open men's singles title – after Mats Wilander (who won his first 2 Australian Open titles aged 19 years 111 days in 1983 and aged 20 years 109 days in 1983), Stefan Edberg (who won his first title here aged 19 years 323 days in 1985) and Djokovic (who won his first title here aged 20 years 250 days in 2008). (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)

Players aged under 21 in Australian Open men's singles finals (Open Era)

Player	Age	Year	Result in final	
Novak Djokovic	20 years 250 days	2008	Defeated Jo-Wilfried Tsonga 46 64 63 76(2)	
Marcos Baghdatis	20 years 226 days	2006	Lost to Roger Federer 57 75 60 62	
Carlos Moya	20 years 152 days	1997	Lost to Pete Sampras 62 63 63	
Mats Wilander	20 years 109 days	1984	Defeated Kevin Curren 67(5) 64 76(3) 62	
Stefan Edberg	19 years 323 days	1985	Defeated Mats Wilander 64 63 63	
Mats Wilander	19 years 111 days	1983	Defeated Ivan Lendl 61 64 64	

Alcaraz is also bidding to become the 3rd man in the Open Era to win 3 or more Grand Slam titles prior to turning 21, after Wilander and Bjorn Borg.

Most Grand Slam men's singles titles won by players aged under 21 (Open Era)

Player	<b>Grand Slam titles</b>
Mats Wilander	4
Bjorn Borg	3
Carlos Alcaraz	2
Boris Becker	2
Rafael Nadal	2

## MEDVEDEV AIMS FOR SECOND GRAND SLAM TITLE

No. 3 seed Medvedev, a runner-up here in 2021 and 2022, is bidding to win his 2nd Grand Slam title, having won his first by defeating Djokovic in the final at the 2021 US Open. If he wins his 2nd title here on his 8th Grand Slam appearance since winning his first, he will go joint-5th on the Open Era list for most attempts before winning a 2nd Grand Slam men's singles title, alongside Yevgeny Kafelnikov.

Most attempts before winning 2nd Grand Slam men's singles title (Open Era)

Player	1st Grand Slam title	2nd Grand Slam title	Attempts before winning 2nd Grand Slam title
Marat Safin	2000 US Open	2005 Australian Open	14
Novak Djokovic	2008 Australian Open	2011 Australian Open	12
Gustavo Kuerten	1997 Roland Garros	2000 Roland Garros	12
Pete Sampras	1990 US Open	1993 Wimbledon	9
Yevgeny Kafelnikov	1996 Roland Garros	1999 Australian Open	8
Daniil Medvedev??	2021 US Open	2024 Australian Open??	8??
Andre Agassi	1992 Wimbledon	1994 US Open	6
Ivan Lendl	1984 Roland Garros	1985 US Open	6
Mats Wilander	1982 Roland Garros	1983 Australian Open	6
Stan Wawrinka	2014 Australian Open	2015 Roland Garros	5

Medvedev would also become the 13th man in the Open Era to reach the Australian Open final on 3 or more occasions should he reach the final here again this year – and the 4th active player to do so, after Djokovic (10 Australian Open finals), Nadal (6) and Murray (5).

### SINNER AIMS TO MAKE MORE HISTORY FOR ITALY

After leading Italy to their first Davis Cup title since 1976 at the end of 2023, No. 4 seed Sinner is bidding to reach his first Grand Slam final and become the 5th Italian man in history to reach a Grand Slam singles final.

Italian men in Grand Slam finals (all-time)

Player	Grand Slam finals reached
Nicola Pietrangeli	4 (1959-61, 1964 Roland Garros)
Matteo Berrettini	1 (2021 Wimbledon)
Giorgio de Stefani	1 (1934 Roland Garros)
Adriano Panatta	1 (1976 Roland Garros)

Sinner would also become the first Italian player in history, man or woman, to reach an Australian Open singles final – at least one Italian player has reached a singles final at the other 3 Grand Slam tournaments.

### SO NEAR YET SO FAR

Eight active players have reached at least one Grand Slam final during their careers but are still bidding for their first major titles – of whom 4 are competing at the Australian Open this year.

Active players to have reached Grand Slam men's singles finals without winning a title

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Player	<b>Grand Slam finals reached</b>	Result		
Kevin Anderson	2017 US Open	Lost to Rafael Nadal 63 63 64		
	2018 Wimbledon	Lost to Novak Djokovic 62 62 76(3)		
Matteo Berrettini	2021 Wimbledon	Lost to Novak Djokovic 67(4) 64 64 63		
Nick Kyrgios	2022 Wimbledon	Lost to Novak Djokovic 46 63 64 76(3)		
Kei Nishikori	2014 US Open	Lost to Marin Cilic 63 63 63		
Milos Raonic	2016 Wimbledon	Lost to Andy Murray 64 76(3) 76(2)		
Casper Ruud	2022 Roland Garros	Lost to Rafael Nadal 63 63 60		
	2022 US Open	Lost to Carlos Alcaraz 64 26 76(1) 63		
	2023 Roland Garros	Lost to Novak Djokovic 76(1) 63 75		
Stefanos Tsitsipas	2021 Roland Garros	Lost to Novak Djokovic 67(6) 26 63 62 64		
	2023 Australian Open	Lost to Novak Djokovic 63 76(4) 76(5)		
Alexander Zverev	2020 US Open	Lost to Dominic Thiem 26 46 64 63 76(6)		

### YOUNGEST CHAMPION IN MORE THAN A DECADE?

With 8 of the Top 10 seeds in the men's singles draw here this year aged 26 or younger, a victory for any of them would see them become the youngest Australian Open men's singles champion since at least 2013.

Potential 2024 Australian Open men's singles champions aged 26 or under

Player (age)	Would become youngest Australian Open champion since
Hubert Hurkacz (26 years 351 days)	
Alexander Zverev (26 years 283 days)	2013 – Novak Djokovic (25 years 250 days)
Andrey Rublev (26 years 100 days)	2013 – Novak Djoković (25 years 250 days)
Taylor Fritz (26 years 92 days)	
Stefanos Tsitsipas (25 years 169 days)	2012 – Novak Djokovic (24 years 252 days)
Jannik Sinner (22 years 165 days)	
Holger Rune (20 years 274 days)	2008 – Novak Djokovic (20 years 250 days)
Carlos Alcaraz (20 years 268 days)	

NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament

### DE MINAUR LEADS AUSTRALIAN CONTENDERS

Alex de Minaur leads the Australian men competing at this year's Australian Open and is bidding to become the first Australian men's singles champion here since Mark Edmondson in 1976. Edmondson is also the only recorded unseeded player to win here. Of the 4 Grand Slam tournaments, the Australian Open has gone longest without a home champion.

With 15 Australian men in the main draw this year, it is the highest number of Australians to begin the men's singles here since 1998, when there were 17 Australian men in the draw.

Most-recent home men's singles champion at all 4 Grand Slam tournaments

Event	Last home champion
Australian Open	Mark Edmondson (1976)
Roland Garros	Yannick Noah (1983)
Wimbledon	Andy Murray (2016)
US Open	Andy Roddick (2003)

In 2005, Lleyton Hewitt became the first Australian to reach the men's final here since Pat Cash reached back-to-back finals in 1987-88. An Australian man has reached the final at a Grand Slam event only 11 times in the 142 Grand Slam tournaments since Cash's 1988 final appearance, and only once at the Australian Open. Hewitt's 2002 Wimbledon title marked the last time an Australian man won a Grand Slam title.

Australian Grand Slam men's singles finalists since 1988

Player	<b>Grand Slam finals reached</b>	Result
Nick Kyrgios	2022 Wimbledon	Lost to Novak Djokovic 46 63 64 76(3)
Lleyton Hewitt	2001 US Open	Defeated Pete Sampras 76(4) 61 61
	2002 Wimbledon	Defeated David Nalbandian 61 63 62
	2004 US Open	Lost to Roger Federer 60 76(3) 60
	2005 Australian Open	Lost to Marat Safin 16 63 64 64
Mark Philippoussis	1998 US Open	Lost to Patrick Rafter 63 36 62 60
	2003 Wimbledon	Lost to Roger Federer 76(5) 62 76(3)
Patrick Rafter	1997 US Open	Defeated Greg Rusedski 63 62 46 75
	1998 US Open	Defeated Mark Philippoussis 63 36 62 60
	2000 Wimbledon	Lost to Pete Sampras 67(10) 76(5) 64 62
	2001 Wimbledon	Lost to Goran Ivanisevic 63 36 63 26 97

# **BEST OF THE REST**

Outside the Top 8 seeds, contenders include both defeated semifinalists at the 2023 Australian Open, Karen Khachanov and Tommy Paul. All of the Top 16 seeds have reached at least one Grand Slam quarterfinal and all except Alcaraz have reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open at least once before. (see table overleaf)

Top 16 seeds' best Australian Open and Grand Slam results

Seed	Player	Best Aus Open result	Best Grand Slam result
1	Novak Djokovic	Won 10 titles	Won 24 titles
2	Carlos Alcaraz	3rd round 2022	Won 2022 US Open, 2023 Wimbledon
3	Daniil Medvedev	Final 2021, 2022	Won 2021 US Open
4	Jannik Sinner	Quarterfinals 2022	Semifinals 2023 Wimbledon
5	Andrey Rublev	Quarterfinals 2021, 2023	Quarterfinals 9 times
6	Alexander Zverev	Semifinals 2020	Final 2020 US Open
7	Stefanos Tsitsipas	Final 2023	Final 2021 Roland Garros, 2023 Australian Open
8	Holger Rune	Round of 16 2023	Quarterfinals 2022-23 Roland Garros, 2023 Wimbledon
9	Hubert Hurkacz	Round of 16 2023	Semifinals 2021 Wimbledon
10	Alex de Minaur	Round of 16 2022, 2023	Quarterfinals 2020 US Open
11	Casper Ruud	Round of 16 2021	Final 2022-23 Roland Garros, 2022 US Open
12	Taylor Fritz	Round of 16 2022	Quarterfinals 2022 Wimbledon, 2023 US Open
13	Grigor Dimitrov	Semifinals 2017	Semifinals 2014 Wimbledon, 2017 Australian Open, 2019 US Open
14	Tommy Paul	Semifinals 2023	Semifinals 2023 Australian Open
15	Karen Khachanov	Semifinals 2023	Semifinals 2022 US Open, 2023 Australian Open
16	Ben Shelton	Quarterfinals 2023	Semifinals 2023 US Open

# **CONTINUING THE MOMENTUM**

Medvedev topped the list for most Tour-level match-wins in 2023 with 66 victories. Alcaraz and Sinner were the only other players to reach 60 victories last season, while Djokovic had the best win percentage of the Top 10, having won 89% of the matches he played.

2023 Tour-level win-loss

Rank	Player	2022 win-loss
1.	Daniil Medvedev	66-18
2.	Carlos Alcaraz	65-12
3.	Jannik Sinner	64-15
4=	Novak Djokovic	56-7
	Andrey Rublev	56-26
6.	Alexander Zverev	55-27
7.	Taylor Fritz	54-23
8.	Stefanos Tsitsipas	51-24
9=	Alex de Minaur	46-26
	Hubert Hurkacz	46-24

Medvedev was also the 2023 match-win leader on hard courts, ahead of Sinner and Taylor Fritz. Again, Djokovic had the best win percentage of the Top 10, having won 95% of the matches he played on hard courts.

2023 Tour-level hard court win-loss

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Rank	Player	2022 win-loss (hard)	
1.	Daniil Medvedev	49-12	
2.	Jannik Sinner	45-9	
3.	Taylor Fritz	40-13	
4.	Novak Djokovic	37-2	
5.	Hubert Hurkacz	35-16	
6.	Alex de Minaur	34-17	
7.	Tommy Paul	32-18	
8=	Adrian Mannarino	30-16	
	Alexander Zverev	30-18	
10=	Ugo Humbert	29-14	
	Andrey Rublev	29-19	

Djokovic led the Tour for most titles won in 2023, winning 7 titles. A total of 35 players won Tour-level singles titles last season, with 14 of those players winning multiple titles.

Players to have won most Tour-level titles in 2023

Player	Titles won
Novak Djokovic	7 (Adelaide 1, Australian Open, Roland Garros, Cincinnati-1000, US Open, Paris-1000, ATP Finals)
Carlos Alcaraz	6 (Buenos Aires, Indian Wells-1000, Barcelona, Madrid-1000, Queen's, Wimbledon)
Daniil Medvedev	5 (Rotterdam, Doha, Dubai, Miami-1000, Rome-1000)
Jannik Sinner	4 (Montpellier, Toronto-1000, Beijing, Vienna)
Sebastian Baez	3 (Cordoba, Kitzbuhel, Winston-Salem)

### MOST AUSTRALIAN OPEN MATCH-WINS

Djokovic will bid to record his 90th match-win in the 1st round here this year and is looking to close the gap on Federer at the top of the list for most Australian Open match-wins. Murray is bidding to close the gap on Stefan Edberg in 4th place on the list while Wawrinka will equal Pete Sampras in 9th place if he wins his opening 2 matches here this year.

Most Australian Open men's singles match-wins (Open Era)

Rank	Player	Australian Open win-loss
1.	Roger Federer	102-15
2.	Novak Djokovic	89-8
3.	Rafael Nadal	77-16
4.	Stefan Edberg	56-10
5.	Andy Murray	51-15
6=	Andre Agassi	48-5
	Ivan Lendl	48-10
8.	Tomas Berdych	47-16
9.	Pete Sampras	45-9
10.	Stan Wawrinka	43-16

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in bold

### MOST GRAND SLAM MATCH-WINS

Djokovic is looking to close the gap on Federer at the top of the list for most Grand Slam men's singles matchwins. Murray will equal Sampras in 7th place on the list if he reaches the round of 16.

Most Grand Slam men's singles match-wins (Open Era)

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Rank	Player	Grand Slam win-loss	
1.	Roger Federer	369-60	
2.	Novak Djokovic	361-48	
3.	Rafael Nadal	314-43	
4.	Jimmy Connors	233-49	
5.	Andre Agassi	224-53	
6.	Ivan Lendl	222-49	
7.	Pete Sampras	203-38	
8.	Andy Murray	200-55	
9.	Stefan Edberg	178-47	
10.	John McEnroe	167-38	

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in **bold** 

Djokovic is one of the 5 players, men or women, to have recorded 300 or more Grand Slam singles match-wins. He will equal Williams in 2nd place on the list if he reaches the final here.

Most Grand Slam singles match-wins (Open Era)

Rank	Player	<b>Grand Slam win-loss</b>
1.	Roger Federer	369-60
2.	Serena Williams	367-56
3.	Novak Djokovic	361-48
4.	Rafael Nadal	314-43
5.	Martina Navratilova	306-49

Djokovic, Nadal, Federer and Williams are the only 4 players to have recorded 50 match-wins at all 4 Grand Slam events. Djokovic became the first player (man or woman) to record 80 match-wins at each Grand Slam tournament at 2022 Wimbledon.

Players to have won 50 or more singles matches at all 4 Grand Slams

Player	Grand Slam win-loss	Australian Open win-loss	Roland Garros win-loss	Wimbledon win-loss	US Open win-loss
Roger Federer	369-60	102-15	73-17	105-14	89-14
Serena Williams	367-56	92-13	69-14	98-14	108-15
Novak Djokovic	361-48	89-8	92-16	92-11	88-13
Rafael Nadal	314-43	77-16	112-3	58-12	67-12

### **MOST AUSTRALIAN OPEN APPEARANCES**

Djokovic is making his 19th Australian Open appearance this year, claiming sole ownership of 4th place on the list for most Australian Open men's singles appearances. Wawrinka and Gael Monfils are both making their 18th appearances here this year, equalling Nadal and Fabrice Santoro in 5th place on the list, while Richard Gasquet is making his 17th appearance here and enters the Top 10 on the list.

Australian Open men's singles appearances (all-time)

Rank	Player	Australian Opens played
1.	Roger Federer	21
2=	Lleyton Hewitt	20
	Feliciano Lopez	20
4.	Novak Djokovic	19
5=	Gael Monfils	18
	Rafael Nadal	18
	Fabrice Santoro	18
	Stan Wawrinka	18
9=	Richard Gasquet	17
	Ivo Karlovic	17
	Andreas Seppi	17
	Fernando Verdasco	17
	Mikhail Youzhny	17

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in **bold** (totals include this event)

Fabio Fognini previously held the longest active streak of Australian Open men's singles appearances, having competed here every year from 2008 to 2023 – but did not enter qualifying here this year. Grigor Dimitrov and Adrian Mannarino, who are both competing here for the 14th consecutive year, now jointly hold the longest active streaks of consecutive Australian Open men's singles appearances.

Most consecutive Australian Open men's singles appearances (active streaks only)

Rank	Player	Australian Opens played
1=	Grigor Dimitrov	14
	Adrian Mannarino	14
3=	Roberto Bautista Agut	13
	Albert Ramos-Vinolas	13
5=	Dusan Lajovic	11
	Jordan Thompson	11

All 6 players competing at the 2024 Australian Open (totals include this event)

# **MOST GRAND SLAM APPEARANCES**

Djokovic and Gasquet are both contesting their 73rd Grand Slam events here, and are closing the gap on Federer and Feliciano Lopez at the top the all-time list for most Grand Slam men's singles appearances. Wawrinka is contesting his 69th Grand Slam event here, equalling Mikhail Youzhny in 7th place on the list.

Grand Slam men's singles appearances (all-time)

Rank	Player	Grand Slam appearances
1=	Roger Federer	81
	Feliciano Lopez	81
3=	Novak Djokovic	73
	Richard Gasquet	73
5.	Fernando Verdasco	71
6.	Fabrice Santoro	70
7=	Stan Wawrinka	69
	Mikhail Youzhny	69
9.	Philipp Kohlschreiber	68
10=	Rafael Nadal	67
	Andreas Seppi	67

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in **bold** (totals include this event)

### MOST CONSECUTIVE GRAND SLAM APPEARANCES

Three players competing at the Australian Open this year have recorded streaks of 50 Grand Slam men's singles main draw appearances including Dimitrov, who is contesting his 52nd consecutive Grand Slam event here. Djokovic and Wawrinka have also previously recorded streaks of 50 consecutive Grand Slam appearances. (see table overleaf)

Most consecutive Grand Slam men's singles appearances (all-time)

Rank	Player	Consecutive Grand Slam events played		
1.	Feliciano Lopez	79 (2002 Roland Garros-2022 Australian Open)		
2.	Fernando Verdasco	68 (2003 Wimbledon-2020 Australian Open)		
3.	Andreas Seppi	66 (2005 Wimbledon-2022 Australian Open)		
4.	Roger Federer	65 (2000 Australian Open-2016 Australian Open)		
5.	Wayne Ferreira	56 (1991 Australian Open-2004 US Open)		
6.	Stefan Edberg	54 (1983 Wimbledon-1996 US Open)		
7=	Tomas Berdych	52 (2003 US Open-2016 Wimbledon)		
	Grigor Dimitrov*	52 (2011 Australian Open-2024 Australian Open)		
9.	Novak Djokovic	51 (2005 Australian Open-2017 Wimbledon)		
10=	David Ferrer	50 (2003 Australian Open-2015 Roland Garros)		
	Guillermo Garcia-Lopez	50 (2005 Australian Open-2017 Roland Garros)		
	Stan Wawrinka	50 (2005 Roland Garros-2017 Wimbledon)		

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in **bold**. \*Denotes active streak

After Dimitrov, Mannarino and Albert Ramos-Vinolas own the longest active streaks of Grand Slam men's singles appearances. Diego Schwartzman's streak of consecutive appearances at the Grand Slams has ended at 36 after he fell to Denis Kudla in the 1st round of qualifying here.

Most Grand Slam men's singles consecutive appearances (active streaks only)

Rank	Player	Consecutive Grand Slam events played		
1.	Grigor Dimitrov	52 (2011 Australian Open-2024 Australian Open)		
2.	Adrian Mannarino	44 (2013 Australian Open-2024 Australian Open)		
3.	Albert Ramos-Vinolas	37 (2014 US Open-2024 Australian Open)		
5=	Dusan Lajovic	32 (2016 Australian Open-2024 Australian Open)		
	Jordan Thompson	32 (2016 Australian Open-2024 Australian Open)		

All 5 players competing at the 2024 Australian Open (totals include this event)

### **DEFENDING THE TITLE**

The Australian Open men's singles title has been successfully defended on 15 occasions in the Open Era. Historically, defending champions have had greater success at retaining the title at Wimbledon (22 successful title defences in the Open Era) and Roland Garros (19), with the Australian Open 3rd ahead of the US Open (12).

#### Successful Grand Slam men's singles title defences (Open Era)

#### Australian Open (15)

Ken Rosewall 1971-72 Guillermo Vilas 1978-79 Johan Kriek 1981-82 Mats Wilander 1983-84

Stefan Edberg 1985-87\* (\*not played in 1986)

Ivan Lendl 1989-90 Jim Courier 1992-93 Andre Agassi 2000-01 Roger Federer 2006-07

Novak Djokovic 2011-12-13 (2 successful defences)

Novak Djokovic 2015-16 Roger Federer 2017-18

Novak Djokovic 2019-20-21 (2 successful defences)

#### Wimbledon (22)

Rod Laver 1968-69 John Newcombe 1970-71

Bjorn Borg 1976-77-78-79-80 (4 successful defences)

John McEnroe 1983-84 Boris Becker 1985-86

Pete Sampras 1993-94-95 (2 successful defences)

Pete Sampras 1997-98-99-2000 (3 successful

defences)

Roger Federer 2003-04-05-06-07 (4 successful

defences)

Novak Djokovic 2014-15

Novak Djokovic 2018-19-21-22-23 (4 successful

defences)

#### **Roland Garros (19)**

Jan Kodes 1970-71 Bjorn Borg 1974-75

Bjorn Borg 1978-79-80-81 (3 successful defences)

Ivan Lendl 1986-87 Jim Courier 1991-92 Sergi Bruguera 1993-94 Gustavo Kuerten 2000-01

Rafael Nadal 2005-06-07-08 (3 successful defences)

Rafael Nadal 2010-11-12-13-14 (4 successful

defences)

Rafael Nadal 2017-18-19-20 (3 successful defences)

#### **US Open (12)**

John McEnroe 1979-80-81 (2 successful defences)

Jimmy Connors 1982-83

Ivan Lendl 1985-86-87 (2 successful defences)

Stefan Edberg 1991-92 Pete Sampras 1995-96 Patrick Rafter 1997-98

Roger Federer 2004-05-06-07-08 (4 successful

defences)

Among all 4 Grand Slam events, a defending champion has lost in the 1st round 4 times in the Open Era, including twice at the Australian Open.

**Defending Grand Slam champions losing in 1st round (Open Era)** 

Year and Grand Slam	<b>Defending Champion</b>	1st round result
1977 (Dec) Australian Open	Roscoe Tanner	I. Chris Lewis 36 63 62 16 64
1997 Australian Open	Boris Becker	I. Carlos Moya 57 76 36 61 64
1999 US Open	Patrick Rafter	I. Cedric Pioline 46 46 75 63 1-0 ret. (shoulder)
2003 Wimbledon	Lleyton Hewitt	I. Ivo Karlovic 16 76 63 64

Since Boris Becker's 1st round defeat here in 1997, defending champions have lost in the 2nd round on 2 occasions – in 2017, when Djokovic fell to Denis Istomin, and last year, when Nadal fell to McDonald. Djokovic's defeat to Istomin in 2017 was also the only time to date that a defending Grand Slam men's singles champion has fallen to a wild card at a Grand Slam.

# Australian Open men's singles title defence attempts (Open Era)

YEAR	CHAMPION	SUBSEQUENT YEAR
1969	Rod Laver	Did not play
1970	Arthur Ashe	Lost final to Ken Rosewall
1971	Ken Rosewall	Won title
1972	Ken Rosewall	Lost 2nd round to Karl Meiler
1973	John Newcombe	Lost quarterfinals to Ross Case
1974	Jimmy Connors	Lost final to John Newcombe
1975	John Newcombe	Lost final to Mark Edmondson
1976	Mark Edmondson	Lost quarterfinals to Ken Rosewall
1977 (Jan)	Roscoe Tanner	Lost 1st round to Chris Lewis
1977 (Dec)	Vitas Gerulaitis	Did not play
1978	Guillermo Vilas	Won title
1979	Guillermo Vilas	Lost semifinals to Kim Warwick
1980	Brian Teacher	Did not play
1981	Johan Kriek	Won title
1982	Johan Kriek	Lost quarterfinals to Mats Wilander
1983	Mats Wilander	Won title
1984	Mats Wilander	Lost final to Stefan Edberg
1985	Stefan Edberg	Won title (1987)
1986	No tournament	• •
1987	Stefan Edberg	Lost semifinals to Mats Wilander
1988	Mats Wilander	Lost 2nd round to Ramesh Krishnan
1989	Ivan Lendl	Won title
1990	Ivan Lendl	Lost final to Boris Becker
1991	Boris Becker	Lost 3rd round to John McEnroe
1992	Jim Courier	Won title
1993	Jim Courier	Lost semifinals to Pete Sampras
1994	Pete Sampras	Lost final to Andre Agassi
1995	Andre Agassi	Lost semifinals to Michael Chang
1996	Boris Becker	Lost 1st round to Carlos Moya
1997	Pete Sampras	Lost quarterfinals to Karol Kucera
1998	Petr Korda	Lost 3rd round to Todd Martin
1999	Yevgeny Kafelnikov	Lost final to Andre Agassi
2000	Andre Agassi	Won title
2001	Andre Agassi	Did not play
2002	Thomas Johansson	Did not play
2003	Andre Agassi	Lost semifinals to Marat Safin
2004	Roger Federer	Lost semifinals to Marat Safin
2005	Marat Safin	Did not play (left knee injury)
2006	Roger Federer	Won title
2007	Roger Federer	Lost semifinals to Novak Djokovic
2008	Novak Djokovic	Lost quarterfinals to Andy Roddick (retired)
2009	Rafael Nadal	Lost quarterfinals to Andy Murray (retired)
2010	Roger Federer	Lost semifinals to Novak Djokovic
2011	Novak Djokovic	Won title
2012	Novak Djokovic	Won title
2013	Novak Djokovic	Lost quarterfinals to Stan Wawrinka
2014	Stan Wawrinka	Lost semifinals to Novak Djokovic
2015	Novak Djokovic	Won title

2016	Novak Djokovic	Lost 2nd round to Denis Istomin
2017	Roger Federer	Won title
2018	Roger Federer	Lost round of 16 to Stefanos Tsitsipas
2019	Novak Djokovic	Won title
2020	Novak Djokovic	Won title
2021	Novak Djokovic	Did not play
2022	Rafael Nadal	Lost 2nd round to Mackenzie McDonald
2023	Novak Djokovic	???

# TWENTY-SIX AUSTRALIAN OPEN CHAMPIONS IN OPEN ERA

Of the 57 different Open Era Grand Slam champions, 26 have won the Australian Open at least once in their careers. Djokovic heads the list with 9 titles here.

Rod Laver*	1969	*also won pre-Open Era Australian Open titles
Arthur Ashe Ken Rosewall*	1970 1971-72	*also won pre-Open Era Australian Open titles
John Newcombe	1973, 1975	·
Jimmy Connors	1974	
Mark Edmondson	1976	
Roscoe Tanner	1977 (Jan)	
Vitas Gerulaitis	1977 (Dec)	
Guillermo Vilas	1978-79	
Brian Teacher	1980	
Johan Kriek	1981-82	
Mats Wilander	1983-84, 1988	
Stefan Edberg	1985, 1987	
Ivan Lendl	1989-90	
Boris Becker	1991, 1996	
Jim Courier	1992-93	
Pete Sampras	1994, 1997	
Andre Agassi	1995, 2000-01, 20	03
Petr Korda	1998	
Yevgeny Kafelnikov	1999	
Thomas Johansson	2002	
Roger Federer	2004, 2006-07, 20	10, 2017-18
Marat Safin	2005	
Novak Djokovic		15-16, 2019-21, 2023
Rafael Nadal	2009, 2022	
Stan Wawrinka	2014	

# **FIRST-TIME WINNER**

In the Open Era, 11 men have notched up their first major by winning the Australian Open. 2014 champion Wawrinka is the most-recent player to have won his first Grand Slam title at the Australian Open.

#### **Venue of first Grand Slam title**

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 (Jan)	Andres Gimeno	1972	Thomas Muster	1995
Vitas Gerulaitis	1977 (Dec)	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 (16)			
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	Dominic Thiem	2020
Andre Agassi	1992	Pete Sampras	1990	Daniil Medvedev	2021
Richard Krajicek	1996	Patrick Rafter	1997	Carlos Alcaraz	2022
Goran Ivanisevic	2001	Marat Safin	2000		
Roger Federer	2003	Lleyton Hewitt	2001		

# **TOP SEED PERFORMANCES**

Of the 55 Australian Opens played since 1969, 20 top seeds have gone on to win the title. The top seed has won the title in 10 of the last 20 years. In 2002 Hewitt became the only Australian Open top seed in the Open Era to date to lose in the 1st round.

YEAR	TOP SEED	DECILIT
		RESULT
<b>1969</b> 1970	Rod Laver Tony Roche	Won title Lost quarterfinals to Roger Taylor
1970	Rod Laver	Lost 3rd round to Mark Cox
1971	John Newcombe	Lost guarterfinals to Mal Anderson
1972	Ken Rosewall	Lost 2nd round to Karl Meiler
1973	John Newcombe	Lost quarterfinals to Ross Case
1975	Jimmy Connors	Lost final to John Newcombe
1976	Ken Rosewall	Lost semifinals to Mark Edmondson
1977 (Jan)	Guillermo Vilas	Lost final to Roscoe Tanner
1977 (Dec)	Vitas Gerulaitis	Won title
1978	Guillermo Vilas	Won title
1979	Guillermo Vilas	Won title
1980	Guillermo Vilas	Lost quarterfinals to Kim Warwick
1981	Guillermo Vilas	Lost 3rd round to Hank Pfister
1982	Johan Kriek	Won title
1983	Ivan Lendl	Lost final to Mats Wilander
1984	Ivan Lendl	Lost round of 16 to Kevin Curren
1985	Ivan Lendl	Lost semifinals to Stefan Edberg
1986	No tournament	g
1987	Ivan Lendl	Lost semifinals to Pat Cash
1988	Ivan Lendl	Lost semifinals to Pat Cash
1989	Mats Wilander	Lost 2nd round to Ramesh Krishnan
1990	Ivan Lendl	Won title
1991	Stefan Edberg	Lost semifinals to Ivan Lendl
1992	Stefan Edberg	Lost final to Jim Courier
1993	Jim Courier	Won title
1994	Pete Sampras	Won title
1995	Pete Sampras	Lost final to Andre Agassi
1996	Pete Sampras	Lost 3rd round to Mark Philippoussis
1997	Pete Sampras	Won title
1998	Pete Sampras	Lost quarterfinals to Karol Kucera
1999	Pete Sampras	Withdrew
2000	Andre Agassi	Won title
2001	Gustavo Kuerten	Lost 2nd round to Greg Rusedski
2002	Lleyton Hewitt	Lost 1st round to Alberto Martin
2003	Lleyton Hewitt	Lost round of 16 to Younes el Aynaoui
2004	Andy Roddick	Lost quarterfinals to Marat Safin
2005	Roger Federer	Lost semifinals to Marat Safin
2006	Roger Federer	Won title
2007	Roger Federer	Won title
2008	Roger Federer	Lost semifinals to Novak Djokovic
2009	Rafael Nadal	Won title
2010	Roger Federer	Won title
2011	Rafael Nadal	Lost quarterfinals to David Ferrer
2012	Novak Djokovic	Won title
2013	Novak Djokovic	Won title
2014	Rafael Nadal	Lost final to Stan Wawrinka
2015 2016	Novak Djokovic	Won title
	Novak Djokovic	Won title
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2017	Andy Murray	Lost round of 16 to Mischa Zverev
2018	Rafael Nadal	Lost quarterfinals to Marin Cilic
2019	Novak Djokovic	Won title
2020	Rafael Nadal	Lost quarterfinals to Dominic Thiem
2021	Novak Djokovic	Won title
2022	Novak Djokovic	Withdrew
2023	Rafael Nadal	Lost 2nd round to Mackenzie McDonald
2024	Novak Djokovic	???

# **TOUR-LEVEL TITLES**

Djokovic is bidding to win his 99th Tour-level singles title and close the gap on Jimmy Connors and Federer at the top of the Open Era list for most Tour-level singles titles won.

Most Tour-level titles (Open Era)

Player	Tour-level titles	
Jimmy Connors	109	
Roger Federer	103	
Novak Djokovic	98	
Ivan Lendl	94	
Rafael Nadal	92	

Among active players, Nadal, Murray, Alexander Zverev, Cilic and Medvedev complete the Top 5 on the list behind Djokovic.

Most Tour-level titles (active players)

Player	Tour-level titles	Last Tour-level title
Novak Djokovic	98	2023 ATP Finals
Rafael Nadal	92	2022 Roland Garros
Andy Murray	46	2019 Antwerp
Alexander Zverev	21	2023 Chengdu
Marin Cilic	20	2021 St Petersburg
Daniil Medvedev	20	2023 Rome-1000

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in bold

### HARD COURT HEROES

Djokovic is also bidding to win his 71st Tour-level hard court title and claim sole ownership of the Open Era record for most Tour-level hard court titles, ahead of Federer.

Most Tour-level hard court titles (Open Era)

Player	Hard court titles
Novak Djokovic	71
Roger Federer	71
Andre Agassi	46
Pete Sampras	36
Andy Murray	34

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in bold

Among active players, Murray is 2nd to Djokovic for most Tour-level hard court titles among active players, while Nadal, Medvedev and Cilic complete the Top 5.

Most Tour-level hard court titles (active players)

Player	Hard court titles	Last hard court title
Novak Djokovic	71	2023 ATP Finals
Andy Murray	34	2019 Antwerp
Rafael Nadal	25	2022 Acapulco
Daniil Medvedev	18	2023 Miami-1000
Marin Cilic	15	2021 St Petersburg

Players at the 2024 Australian Open in **bold** 

### THE LEAD UP

Since 2014, winners of pre-Australian Open tournaments have gone on to win the title here on 4 occasions – Wawrinka in 2014, Djokovic in 2016 and 2023, and Nadal in 2022.

In the opening week of this season, Dimitrov defeated Holger Rune to win his first Tour-level title in more than 6 years at Brisbane, while Rublev overcame Emil Ruusuvuori to win his first title of the year in Hong Kong. The second edition of the United Cup was also played in the first week of the season, with Germany defeating Poland in the final which included a singles victory for Zverev over Hurkacz.

On Saturday, Alejandro Tabilo won the title as a qualifier at Auckland, defeating Taro Daniel in the final, while Jiri Lehecka recovered from a set down to defeat Jack Draper in the final at Adelaide. It was a first Tour-level title for both players.

No player has won a title the week before the Australian Open since Sampras won Sydney immediately before winning his first title here in 1994. In the last 10 years, no champion of a tournament the week before the Australian Open has reached the quarterfinals here.

Lead-up event champions and subsequent Australian Open result (2014-24)

Year	Doha	Chennai	Brisba	ne	Sy	dney		Auckland
2014	Rafael Nadal	Stan Wawrinka	Lleyton Hewitt		Juan Martin del Potro		el Potro	John Isner
	Runner-up	Champion	1st round		2n	2nd round		1st round
2015	David Ferrer	Stan Wawrinka	Roger Federer		Viktor Troicki			Jiri Vesely
2015	Round of 16	Semifinals	3rd round		3rd round			1st round
2016	Novak Djokovic	Stan Wawrinka	Milos Raonic		Viktor Troicki		İ	Roberto Bautista Agut
2010	Champion	Round of 16	Semifinals		3rd round			Round of 16
2017	Novak Djokovic	Roberto Bautista Agut	Grigor	Dimitrov	Gilles Mulle			Jack Sock
2017	2nd round	Round of 16	Semifir	Semifinals		2nd round		3rd round
Year	Doha	Pune	Brisba	risbane S		Sydney		Auckland
2018	Gael Monfils	Gilles Simon	Nick Ky	yrgios Daniil Med		aniil Medve	dev	Roberto Bautista Agut
2010	2nd round	2nd round	Round of 16		2n	2nd round		1st round
2019	Roberto Bautista Agut	Kevin Anderson	Kei Nis		Alex de Minaur		ur	Tennys Sandgren
2013	Quarterfinals 2nd round 0		Quarte	rfinals 3rd round			1st round	
Year	Doha	Adelaid	е		Auckland		d	
2020	Andrey Rublev	Andrey Rublev		Ugo Humbert		bert		
2020	Round of 16 Round of 16		f 16	1st round				
Year	Delray Beach*	Antalya*		Melbourne I				rne II
2021	Hubert Hurkacz	Alex de Minaur		Jannik Sinner			Daniel E	vans
2021	1st round	3rd round		1st round	1st roun		1st roun	d
Year	Adelaide I	Melbourne		Adelaide II		Sydney		
2022	Gael Monfils	Rafael Nadal		Thanasi Kokkinakis			Aslan Karatsev	
2022	Quarterfinals	Champion		1st round		3rd round		
Year	Adelaide I	Pune	Ade		delaide II		Auckland	
2023	Novak Djokovic	Tallon Griekspoor		Soonwoo Kwon		Richard Gasquet		
	Champion	3rd round	3rd round		1st round		1st roun	d
Year	Brisbane	Hong Kong	g Kong Adelaide		Aucklar		Aucklar	nd
2024	Grigor Dimitrov	Andrey Rublev	Andrey Rublev		Jiri Lehecka		Alejandro Tabilo	
2024	???	???	???		??		???	

<sup>\*</sup>Held in January prior to the 2-week quarantine period in Australia

## **FIRST-TIMERS**

There are 25 men making their Australian Open debuts this year. Of the 25 debutants, 8 are direct acceptances, 12 are qualifiers, 4 are wild cards and one is a lucky loser.

In the Open Era, 5 men have won the title on their Australian Open debut – Jimmy Connors (1973), Roscoe Tanner (January 1977), Vitas Gerulaitis (December 1977), Johan Kriek (1981) and Andre Agassi (1995). The last Grand Slam men's singles champion to win the title on his first appearance at that major was Nadal at 2005 Roland Garros.

Eight men are also making their Grand Slam debuts: Terence Atmane, Jesper de Jong, Vit Kopriva, James McCabe, Dino Prizmic, Dane Sweeny, Mate Valkusz and Adam Walton.

#### YOUNGEST AND OLDEST

At 38 years 306 days, Wawrinka is the oldest player to begin the main draw here this year. There are 26 players aged 30 or older competing in the Australian Open men's singles main draw this year. The record for the most players aged 30 or over in a Grand Slam men's singles draw is 51, which was set at 2016 Roland Garros.

At 18 years 149 days, Jakub Mensik is the youngest man to start the main draw here this year. He is one of 6 teenagers in the men's draw this year, alongside Arthur Fils (19 years 230 days), Alex Michelsen (19 years 156 days), Prizmic (18 years 176 days), Shang Juncheng (18 years 360 days) and Luca van Assche (19 years 262 days). (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)

Four players in the main draw will celebrate their birthdays during the tournament: Taro Daniel (turns 30 on Saturday 27 January), James Duckworth (turns 31 on Sunday 21 January), Albert Ramos-Vinolas (turns 36 on Wednesday 17 January) and Frances Tiafoe (turns 26 on Saturday 20 January).

### FROM BOYS TO MEN

There are 6 former Australian Open junior singles champions playing in this year's main draw: Gael Monfils (2004), Jiri Vesely (2011), Alexander Zverev (2014), Roman Safiullin (2015), Sebastian Korda (2018) and Lorenzo Musetti (2019).

Three other players in the men's draw this year have reached the boys' singles final here: Thanasi Kokkinakis (2013), Arthur Cazaux (2020) and Mensik (2022).

Edberg is the only player to have won both the junior and senior title here in the Open Era. He won the boys' singles title in 1983, before winning the men's singles in 1985 and 1987.

### **WILD CARDS**

Home players received 5 of the 8 wild cards: Duckworth, Jason Kubler, McCabe, Marc Polmans and Walton. China P.R.'s Shang was also awarded a wild card, while France's Cazaux and USA's Patrick Kypson were granted wild cards as part of Tennis Australia's reciprocal wild card arrangements with the FFT and USTA.

### **MISSING OUT**

Players who appeared on the original entry list but withdrew before qualifying began are: Nadal, Reilly Opelka and Dominic Stricker. Matteo Berrettini, Borna Gojo and Aslan Karatsev withdrew this week and have been replaced by lucky losers.

### **LEFTHANDERS**

There are 18 lefthanders starting in this year's men's singles. Just 6 lefthanded players have won the Australian Open men's singles title in the Open Era.

Lefthanded Australian Open men's singles champions (Open Era)

Player	Years		
Rod Laver	1969		
Jimmy Connors	1974		
Roscoe Tanner	1977		
Guillermo Vilas	1978, 1979		
Petr Korda	1998		
Rafael Nadal	2009, 2022		

# **COUNTRY COUNTDOWN**

There are 35 nations represented in the men's singles draw at the 2024 Australian Open. France has the most players competing here and USA has the most seeded players in this year's draw. (NB 6 players are competing without a nationality at this year's event)

France	16	2 seeds	1 wild card	2 qualifiers	1 lucky loser
Australia	15	1 seed	5 wild cards	2 qualifiers	_
USA	12	5 seeds	1 wild card	1 qualifier	
Spain	7	2 seeds			
Argentina	6	3 seeds			
Germany	6	2 seeds			
Italy	6	2 seeds		2 qualifiers	
Czechia	5	1 seed		2 qualifiers	
Great Britain	4	1 seed			
Japan	4				1 lucky loser
Serbia	4	1 seed			
Canada	3	1 seed			
Chile	3	1 seed			
Croatia	3			1 qualifier	
Hungary	3			1 qualifier	
Netherlands	3	1 seed		1 qualifier	
Austria	2				
Belgium	2			1 qualifier	1 lucky loser
China, P.R.	2		1 wild card		
Brazil	1				
Bulgaria	1	1 seed			
Colombia	1				
Denmark	1	1 seed			
Finland	1				
Greece	1	1 seed			
India	1			1 qualifier	
Kazakhstan	1	1 seed			
Korea, Rep.	1				
Norway	1	1 seed			
Peru	1				
Poland	1	1 seed			
Portugal	1				
Slovakia	1			1 qualifier	
South Africa	1			1 qualifier	
Switzerland	1				
	6	3 seeds			