



Team USA Game Notes

2014 IIHF World Junior Championship • Malmo, Sweden

Team USA (0-0-0-0) vs. Sweden (0-0-0-0)

Dec. 20, 2013, 7:30 p.m. (1:30 p.m. ET) • Pre-Tournament Game

Team USA Schedule

Friday, Dec. 20 -- Pre-Tournament
vs. Sweden 7:30 p.m. (1:30 p.m. ET)

Saturday, Dec. 22 -- Pre-Tournament
vs. Finland 1:30 p.m. (7:30 a.m.)

Thursday, Dec. 26 -- Group A
vs. Czech Republic 5:30 p.m. (11:30 a.m.)

Saturday, Dec. 28 -- Group A
vs. Slovakia 1:30 p.m. (7:30 a.m.)

Sunday, Dec. 29 -- Group A
vs. Germany 3:00 p.m. (9:00 a.m.)

Tuesday, Dec. 31 -- Group A
vs. Canada 5:30 p.m. (11:30 a.m.)

Thursday, Jan. 2 -- Quarterfinal
TBD TBD

Friday, Jan. 3 -- Semifinal
TBD TBD

Sunday, Jan. 5 -- Medal Round
TBD TBD

All games: live on NHL Network U.S. (DirectTV 215, Dish 157),
live streamed on NHL.com in U.S.

WINTER EVENTS UPDATE

• The U.S. Women's National Team is in action tonight at 8 p.m. ET vs. Canada at Ralph Engelstad Arena in Grand Forks, N.D. The game is being broadcast on NBC Sports Network. The U.S. and Canada will meet twice more before the 2014 Olympic Winter Games. USA hosts Canada Dec. 28 at Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, Minn. Faceoff is 4 p.m. ET and NBC Sports Network will air the game live. The U.S. visits Toronto Dec. 30 to face Canada at 7 p.m. ET. The game will be shown by Universal Sports.

• The U.S. Olympic Men's and Women's Ice Hockey Teams will be announced Jan. 1, 2014, at the Bridgestone NHL Winter Classic in Ann Arbor, Mich. The women's team will be announced during the second intermission live on NBC Sports. The men's team will be unveiled immediately following the game, also on NBC Sports.

• The 2014 World Under-17 Challenge runs Dec. 28, 2013-Jan. 4, 2014, in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. The U.S. National Under-17 Team is led by head coach Don Granato. The team will face Canada-Quebec, Russia, Germany, Canada-Atlantic and Canada-Ontario during group play.

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TODAY'S GAME

The United States and Sweden meet in pre-tournament action at Lindab Arena (capacity: 5,150) in Angelholm, Sweden. Team USA topped Sweden, 3-1, in the gold medal game of the 2013 IIHF World Junior Championship in Ufa, Russia. Sweden has medaled in five of the last six tournaments, including the gold medal in 2012.

THE SERIES VS. SWEDEN

- The U.S. trails in the all-time series vs. Sweden, 12-2-0-14-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T).

- Team USA has won 10 of the last 11 meetings with Sweden dating back to 1998. The teams tied in 2002.

- The U.S. and Sweden met in a pre-tournament game last year (Dec. 20, 2012). Team USA won 3-2 in overtime.

MEDAL SUCCESS

The United States captured its third gold medal at the 2013 IIHF World Junior Championship. Team USA has finished atop the podium in three of the last 10 tournaments. During that span, the U.S. also won a pair of bronze medals in 2007 and 2011.

In the 37-year history of the IIHF World Junior Championship, Team USA has garnered eight medals (3 gold, 1 silver, 4 bronze).

U.S. MEDALS AT THE WJC

Year	Medal	Coach
2013	Gold	Phil Housley
2011	Bronze	Keith Allain
2010	Gold	Dean Blais
2007	Bronze	Ron Rolston
2004	Gold	Mike Eaves
1997	Silver	Jeff Jackson
1992	Bronze	Walt Kyle
1986	Bronze	Dave Peterson

WELCOME BACK

Forwards Riley Barber and Ryan Hartman, as well as goaltender Jon Gillies were members of the 2013 U.S. National Junior Team. Barber contributed three goals, which tied for third on Team USA, and three assists for six points. Ryan Hartman tallied two goals and an assist. Gillies was the backup netminder for the U.S., stopping all seven shots he faced in 20 minutes of action.

GOLD MEDAL PEDIGREE

The United States has won four of the last five IIHF Men's Under-18 World Championships. Six players on the 2014 U.S. National Junior Team roster helped Team USA to the silver medal at the 2013 IIHF Men's Under-18 World Championship, including Will Butcher, Thatcher Demko, Jack Eichel, Hudson Fasching, Tyler Motte and Steve San-

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tini. Eleven players were gold medalists at the 2012 IIHF Men's Under-18 World Championship, including Riley Barber, Will Butcher, Connor Carrick, Andrew Copp, Tommy DiPauli, Matt Grzelcyk, Ryan Hartman, Nic Kerdiles, Dan O'Regan, Quentin Shore and Brady Skjei. Kerdiles and Henrik Samuelsson were members of the U.S. team that won the 2011 IIHF Men's Under-18 World Championship.

TEAM BUILDING

Seventeen of the 26 players on the U.S. National Junior Team roster were members of the U.S. National Team Development Program. Additionally, Dan O'Regan and Brett Pesce played brief stints with the NTDP during their junior careers.

The list of past NTDP members includes forwards Riley Barber (2011-12), Andrew Copp (2010-12), Tommy DiPauli (2010-12), Jack Eichel (2012-14), Hudson Fasching (2011-13), Ryan Hartman (2010-12), Nic Kerdiles (2010-12), Stefan Matteau (2010-12), Tyler Motte (2011-13), Henrik Samuelsson (2010-11), Quentin Shore (2010-12); defensemen Will Butcher (2011-13), Connor Carrick (2010-12), Matt Grzelcyk (2010-12), Steve Santini (2011-13) and Brady Skjei (2010-12); and goaltender Thatcher Demko (2012-13).

EXTRA SPECIAL TEAMS

A year ago, the U.S. led the tournament in penalty killing at 89.3%, allowing three power-play goals over 28 chances. The U.S. had perfect penalty kill games against Germany, Canada (twice) and the Czech Republic, while allowing a single power-play goal to Russia, Slovakia and Sweden. The U.S. led the 2013 tournament with 12 power-play goals and was fourth in power-play efficiency (29.3%, 12-for-41). Of Team USA's 34 goals, 35% came with a man-advantage. John Gaudreau had a tournament-best four power-play goals.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Forwards Alex Galchenyuk (Montreal) and J.T. Miller (New York Rangers) and defensemen Seth Jones (Nashville), Connor Murphy (Phoenix) and Jacob Trouba (Winnipeg) have each made their NHL debuts since helping Team USA win the gold medal a year ago. Jones, Trouba and Galchenyuk could have played for the 2014 U.S. National Junior Team.



Head Coach

Don Lucia

Don Lucia is serving as head coach of the U.S. National Junior Team for the first time.

Entering his 27th season as a head men's ice hockey coach at the NCAA Division I level, Lucia's 622 wins ranked fourth all-time among active coaches. He has won two national titles (Minnesota-2002, 2003) and his teams have averaged nearly 24 victories per season.

Lucia has had a variety of U.S. coaching positions. In August 2012, he was a camp coach at the U.S. National Junior Evaluation Camp in Lake Placid, N.Y. In 1996, he served as head coach of the U.S. Select-16 Team in a series vs. Finland. In 1995, he was the head coach of Team West at the United States Olympic Festival in Denver, and later that year was an assistant coach for the U.S. Men's Select Team that competed for the Tampere Cup in Finland.

Lucia has been the head men's ice hockey coach at the University of Minnesota since the 1999-2000 season, winning national titles in 2002 and 2003, and guiding the Gophers to two other Frozen Four appearances (2005, 2012).

From 1993-99, he was at the helm of the Colorado College program, which he took to a pair of NCAA Frozen Fours (1996, 1997). Lucia began his head-coaching career in 1987 at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where he stayed until 1993.

Lucia's first coaching stint came as an assistant coach at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (1981-85). He also served two seasons as an assistant coach at the University of Alaska Anchorage (1985-87).

A native of Grand Rapids, Minn., Lucia played collegiately at the University of Notre Dame (1977-81).

Lucia and his wife, Joyce, have two daughters, Alison and Jessica, as well as two sons, Tony and Mario. Tony played hockey at the University of Minnesota from 2006-10. Mario is a sophomore forward at the University of Notre Dame and was a member of the 2013 U.S. National Junior Team that won the gold medal. Lucia also became a grandfather in the summer of 2011. The Lucia family makes its home in Plymouth, Minn.

Team USA and the NHL

OVERALL DRAFT PICKS (24)

First Round (4)

- 27 Henrik Samuelsson (PHX-12)
- 28 Brady Skjei (NYR-12)
- 29 Stefan Matteau (NJ-12)
- 30 Ryan Hartman (CHI-13)

Second Round (5)

- 31 Ian McCoshen (FLA-13)
- 33 Adam Erne (TB-13)
- 36 Nic Kerdiles (ANA-12)
- 42 Steve Santini (NJ-13)
- 45 Anthony Stolarz (PHI-12)

Third Round (3)

- 66 Brett Pesce (NSH-13)
- 75 Jon Gillies (CGY-12)
- 85 Matt Grzelcyk (BOS-12)

Fourth Round (6)

- 100 Tommy DiPauli (WSH-12)
- 104 Andrew Copp (WPG-13)
- 112 Zach Stepan (NSH-12)
- 118 Hudson Fasching (LA-13)
- 120 Jaccob Slavin (CAR-12)
- 121 Tyler Motte (CHI-13)

Fifth Round (3)

- 123 Will Butcher (COL-13)
- 137 Connor Carrick (WSH-12)
- 138 Dan O'Regan (SJ-12)

Sixth Round (3)

- 167 Riley Barber (WSH-12)
- 168 Quentin Shore (OTT-13)
- 169 Vince Hinostroza (CHI-12)

Seventh Round (0)

BY TEAM

Anaheim	1
Boston	1
Carolina	2
Calgary	1
Chicago	3
Colorado	1
Florida	1
Los Angeles	1
New Jersey	2
Nashville	1
New York Rangers	1
Ottawa	1
Philadelphia	1
Phoenix	1
San Jose	1
Tampa Bay	1
Winnipeg	1
Washington	3



Roster Breakdown

HOME STATES OF TEAM USA

Illinois	5
Massachusetts	3
Minnesota	3
California	2
Colorado	2
Michigan	2
New York	2
Wisconsin	2
Arizona	1
Connecticut	1
Maine	1
New Jersey	1
Pennsylvania	1

BIRTH YEAR

1994	18
1995	7
1996	1

BY COLLEGE

Boston College	3
Boston University	2
University of Denver	2
University of Michigan	2
University of Minnesota	2
University of Notre Dame	2
Colorado College	1
Miami University	1
Minnesota State University	1
University of New Hampshire	1
Providence College	1
University of Wisconsin	1

OTHER LEAGUES

OHL	2
AHL	2
QMJHL	1
WHL	1
USHL	1



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LEFT WING

17 Kerdiles, Nic
6-2, 196 • Shot: Left • 1/11/94
NHL: ANA (2012, 2nd-36) • Irvine, Calif.
Univ. of Wisconsin (B1G): 14 GP; 8-9--17
Leads UW in pts; '11 & '12 U18 gold medalist

26 Stepan, Zach
5-11, 175 • Shot: Left • 1/6/94
NHL: NSH (2012, 4th-112) • Hastings, Minn.
Minnesota State Univ. (WCHA): 14 GP; 4-4--8
Cousin, Derek, 'C' of '10 WJC gold medal team

23 Matteau, Stefan
6-1, 215 • Shot: Left • 2/23/94
NHL: NJ (2012, 1st-29) • Chicago, Ill.
Albany Devils (AHL): 25 GP; 6-7--13
Played 17 NHL games for Devils in 2012-13

14 DiPauli, Tommy
5-11, 185 • Shot: Left • 4/29/94
NHL: WSH (2013, 4th-100) • Woodridge, Ill.
Univ. of Notre Dame (HEA): 8 GP; 1-0--1
Older brother, Theo, is soph at Union College

13 Hinostroza, Vince
5-9, 170 • Shot: Right • 4/3/94
NHL: CHI (2012, 6th-169) • Bartlett, Ill.
Univ. of Notre Dame (HEA): 12 GP; 3-11--14
Leads Notre Dame in points/game (1.12)

DEFENSE

2 Skjei, Brady
6-2, 197 • Shot: Left • 3/26/94
NHL: NYR (2012, 1st-28) • Lakeville, Minn.
Univ. of Minnesota (B1G): 16 GP; 2-3--5
Played QB and golfed at Lakeville North HS

6 Slavin, Jacob
6-3, 195 • Shot: Left • 5/1/94
NHL: CAR (2012, 4th-120) • Erie, Colo.
Colorado College (NCHC): 11 GP; 1-7--8
Sister, Jordan, played hockey at North Dakota

3 McCoshen, Ian
6-2, 207 • Shot: Left • 8/5/95
NHL: FLA (2013, 2nd-31) • Hudson, Wis.
Boston College (HEA): 16 GP; 3-6--9
Leads BC defense in goals and points

4 Butcher, Will
5-11, 175 • Shot: Left • 1/6/95
NHL: COL (2013, 5th-123) • Sun Prairie, Wis.
Univ. of Denver (NCHC): 17 GP; 3-1--4
Had 2-4--6 in 5 games at U.S. Jr. Eval. Camp

CENTER

10 O'Regan, Dan
5-10, 176 • Shot: Right • 1/30/94
NHL: SJ (2012, 5th-138) • Needham, Mass.
Boston Univ. (HEA): 17 GP; 5-6--11
Dad, Tom, played at BU, in NHL, Europe

15 Eichel, Jack
6-1, 191 • Shot: Right • 10/28/96
NHL: 2015 Eligible • North Chelmsford, Mass.
U.S. National U-18 (USHL): 22 GP; 10-20--39
Tallied 1-1--2 at '13 U18 Worlds

9 Copp, Andrew
6-1, 205 • Shot: Left • 7/8/94
NHL: WPG (2013, 4th-104) • Ann Arbor, Mich.
Univ. of Michigan (B1G): 14 GP; 9-5--14
'A' for UM, tied w/Compher for points lead

25 Shore, Quentin
6-1, 185 • Shot: Right • 5/25/94
NHL: OTT (2013, 6th-168) • Denver, Colo.
Univ. of Denver (NCHC): 17 GP; 3-10--13
Older brothers, Drew & Nick, play in AHL

DEFENSE

27 Pesce, Brett
6-3, 180 • Shot: Right • 11/15/94
NHL: CAR (2013, 3rd-66) • Tarrytown, N.Y.
Univ. of New Hampshire (HEA): 19 GP; 1-1--2
Played lacrosse and hockey at Irvington HS

28 Carrick, Connor
5-11, 190 • Shot: Right • 4/13/94
NHL: WAS (2012, 5th-137) • Orland Park, Ill.
Hershey Bears (AHL): 13 GP; 0-4--4
Started season with Washington Capitals

7 Grzelczyk, Matt
5-9, 175 • Shot: Left • 1/5/94
NHL: BOS (2012, 3rd-85) • Charlestown, Mass.
Boston Univ. (HEA): 17 GP; 2-6--8
Dad, John, drove zamboni at Boston Garden

16 Santini, Steve
6-2, 207 • Shot: Right • 3/7/95
NHL: NJ (2013, 2nd-42) • Mahopac, N.Y.
Boston College (HEA): 13 GP; 2-4--6
Named top defenseman at '13 U18 Worlds

Scratches

8..... Tyler Motte
19..... Adam Erne
32..... Jon Gillies

RIGHT WING

11 Barber, Riley
5-11, 185 • Shot: Right • 2/7/94
NHL: WSH (2012, 6th-167) • Pittsburgh, Pa.
Miami Univ. (NCHC): 18 GP; 11-17--28
'T-2nd in NCAA pts; '13 WJC gold medalist

21 Hartman, Ryan
5-11, 190 • Shot: Right • 9/20/94
NHL: CHI (2013, 1st-30) • West Dundee, Ill.
Plymouth Whalers (OHL): 25 GP; 13-13--26
'13 WJC vet, had 2-1--3 on 'grind' line

22 Fasching, Hudson
6-2, 200 • Shot: Right • 7/28/95
NHL: LA (2013, 4th-118) • Burnsville, Minn.
Univ. of Minnesota (B1G): 16 GP; 6-8--14
Won two state titles in soccer at Apple Valley HS

18 Samuelsson, Henrik
6-3, 208 • Shot: Right • 2/7/94
NHL: PHX (2012, 1st-27) • Scottsdale, Ariz.
Edmonton Oil Kings (WHL): 28 GP; 14-24--38
Leads Oil Kings in assists and points

GOALTENDER

29 Stolarz, Anthony
6-6, 220 • Catch: Left • 1/20/94
NHL: PHI (2012, 2nd-45) • Edison, N.J.
London Knights (OHL): 20-3-1-0, 2.50, .926
Top 5 in OHL for wins, GAA and save pct.

35 Demko, Thatcher
6-3, 190 • Catch: Left • 12/8/95
NHL: 2014 Eligible • San Diego, Calif.
Boston College (HEA): 4-1-1, 2.31, .911
Youngest player in NCAA this season

Head Coach: Don Lucia

Assistant Coach: Greg Brown

Assistant Coach: Bob Motzko

Assistant Coach: David Lassonde

Pronunciation Guide

Connor CARRICK..... CARE-ick
Jack EICHEL..... EYE-kuhl
Adam ERNE..... URN-ee
Jon GILLIES..... GILL-eez
Matt GRZELCYK..... GRIZZ-lick
Vince HINOSTROZA..... Hinna-STRO-zah
Nic KERDILES..... Kuhr-DEE-lehs
Stefan MATTEAU..... Steff-ON Muh-TOH
Ian McCOSHEN..... Mc-CAWSH-en
Tyler MOTTE..... MAHT
Dan O'REGAN..... O-REE-guhn
Brett PESCE..... PESH-ee
Brady SKJEI..... SHAY
Jacob SLAVIN..... SLAY-vin
Zach STEPAN..... STEP-on

