



Queen's Plate Facts (2020 edition)

All records are from 1956 to current day unless otherwise stated; 1956 was the year that the Queen's Plate was first run at the new Woodbine, where it continues to be run today.

Record Purse:

\$1,000,000 (2000-2019)

\$500,000 (1998-1999)

Record Time (run at 1-1/4 miles since 1957):

2:01 4/5 (IZVESTIA, 1990)

2:01.99 (STRAIT OF DOVER, 2012)

2:02-flat (REGAL EMBRACE, 1978; VICTORIA PARK, 1960)

2:02 1/5 (NORTHERN DANCER, 1964; ARCHERS BAY, 1998)

2:02.26 (WONDER GADOT, 2018)

2:02.48 (WANDO, 2003)

Longest Priced Winners:

T J's LUCKY MOON - \$166.00 (2002)

ROYAL CHOCOLATE - \$48.10 (1973)

DRIVING HOME - \$43.90 (1980)

BLUE LIGHT - \$39.50 (1961)

Shortest Priced Winners:

VICTORIA PARK - \$2.10 (1960)

ALYDEED - \$2.20 (1992)

NORTHERN DANCER - \$2.30 (1964)

TITLED HERO - \$2.50 (1966)

Largest Field:

20 (1959)

19 (1963)

18 (1980, 1982)

17 (1973, 1999, 2011)

Smallest Field:

8 (1960, 1964, 1977, 2007)

9 (1971, 1979, 1991, 2005)

10 (2001)

11 (1966, 1976, 1988, 1993, 1994)

Largest Margin of Victory:

13 lengths (IZVESTIA, 1990)

11-1/2 lengths (LYFORD CAY, 1957; ALYDEED, 1992)

9-1/2 lengths (CALEDON BEAU, 1958)

Smallest Margin of Victory:

nose (BLUE LIGHT, 1961; FIDDLE DANCER BOY, 1981; WITH APPROVAL, 1989)

Winningest Jockeys:

AVELINO GOMEZ - 4 (1957, 1960, 1966, 1969)

SANDY HAWLEY - 4 (1970, 1971, 1975, 1978)

ROBIN PLATTS - 4 (1972, 1974, 1977, 1984)



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Winningest Trainers:

HARRY GIDDINGS JR. - 8 (1911, 1913, 1914, 1920, 1931, 1932, 1934, 1942)
ROGER ATTFIELD - 8 (1976, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1993, 1995, 2008)

Winningest Owners:

WINDFIELDS FARM - 7 (1959, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1978, 1985)
KINGHAVEN FARMS - 5 (1979, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1992)
SAM-SON FARM - 5 (1988, 1991, 2000, 2001, 2009)

Fillies to win the Queen's Plate: (37 since 1860; 9 since 1956)
Since 1956:

FLAMING PAGE (1962)
JAMMED LOVELY (1967)
LA LORNETTE (1985)
DANCE SMARTLY (1991)
DANCETHRUTHEDAWN (2001)
INGLORIOUS (2011)
LEXIE LOU (2014)
HOLY HELENA (2017)
WONDER GADOT (2018)

Only female trainer to win the Queen's Plate:

JOSIE CARROLL (EDENWOLD, 2006; INGLORIOUS, 2011)

Only female jockey to win the Queen's Plate:

EMMA-JAYNE WILSON (MIKE FOX, 2007)

OTHER FACTS

* Since 1956, Queen's Plate mutuel favourites are winning at a 37.5% (24 for 64) average, above the traditional 33% rate. Favourites have lost 21 of the last 25 editions, though. The only post-time choices to win during this stretch are Wando (2003), Eye of the Leopard (2009), Holy Helena (2017) and Wonder Gadot (2018).

* Seven three-year-olds have won the Queen's Plate, the first jewel in Canada's Triple Crown of Thoroughbred Racing, and gone on to sweep the other two legs, the Prince Of Wales Stakes and the Breeders' Stakes for the Triple Crown since the series was established in 1959:

NEW PROVIDENCE (1959)
CANEBORA (1963)
WITH APPROVAL (1989)
IZVESTIA (1990)
DANCE SMARTLY (1991)
PETESKI (1993)
WANDO (2003)

* Eleven winners of the Queen's Plate went wire-to-wire:

CANADIAN CHAMP (1956)
LYFORD CAY (1957)
WHISTLING SEA (1965)
REGAL EMBRACE (1978)
SON OF BRIARTIC (1982)
PETESKI (1993)
WANDO (2003)
BIG RED MIKE (2010)
STRAIT OF DOVER (2012)
MIDNIGHT ARIA (2013)
ONE BAD BOY (2019)



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* Two winners of the Queen's Plate came from last:

VICTORIA SONG (1972)

MARKET CONTROL (1987)

* Twenty-six winners of the Queen's Plate have gone on to win Sovereign Awards that year:

L'ENJOLEUR 1975 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year & Horse of the Year)

NORCLIFFE 1976 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year & Horse of the Year)

STEADY GROWTH 1979 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

BOMPAGO 1983 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

KEY TO THE MOON 1984 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

LA LORNETTE 1985 (Three-Year-Old Filly of the Year)

GOLDEN CHOICE 1986 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

REGAL INTENTION 1988 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

WITH APPROVAL 1989 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year & Horse of the Year)

IZVESTIA 1990 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year & Horse of the Year)

DANCE SMARTLY 1991 (Three-Year-Old Filly of the Year & Horse of the Year)

PETESKI 1993 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year & Horse of the Year)

VICTOR COOLEY 1996 (Three-Year-Old Colt/Gelding of the Year)

ARCHERS BAY 1998 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

WOODCARVER 1999 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

DANCETHRUTHE DAWN 2001 (Three-Year-Old Filly of the Year)

WANDO 2003 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year & Horse of the Year)

NOT BOURBON 2008 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

EYE OF THE LEOPARD 2009 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

BIG RED MIKE 2010 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

INGLORIOUS 2011 (Three-Year-Old Filly of the Year)

STRAIT OF DOVER 2012 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

LEXIE LOU 2014 (Three-Year-Old Filly of the Year, Female Turf Champion & Horse of the Year)

SHAMAN GHOST 2015 (Three-Year-Old Colt of the Year)

HOLY HELENA (Three-Year-Old Filly of the Year)

WONDER GADOT (Three-Year-Old Filly of the Year & Horse of the Year)

* The track has been listed as fast for every Queen's Plate except:

SLOPPY – 3 (1974, 1977, 1979)

MUDDY – 3 (1968, 1980, 1999)

SLOW – 3 (1956, 1973, 1986)

GOOD – 1 (1985)

This year's Queen's Plate is the fifth edition to be contested on the Tapeta track.



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