

Preview Ski Jumping 2021/2022 World Cup - Men

Halvor Egner Granerud

- Halvor Egner Granerud won the overall World Cup in the 2020/21 season. He became the fourth Norwegian to win the men's overall, after Vegard Opaas (1986/87), Espen Bredesen (1993/94) and Anders Bardal (2011/12).
- Granerud can become the first Norwegian man to win the overall World Cup more than once.
- The most recent man to win the overall World Cup in successive seasons was Janne Ahonen in 2003/04 and 2004/05.
- Granerud (11) has equalled the Norwegian record for most individual wins in the men's World Cup, held by Roar Ljøkelsøy (11).
- Granerud finished fourth in the 2020/21 Four Hills Tournament. The most recent Norwegian winner of the Four Hills Tournament is Anders Jacobsen (2006/07).

Kamil Stoch

- Kamil Stoch won the overall World Cup on two previous occasions, in the Olympic seasons of 2013/14 and 2017/18. Only Matti Nykänen (4), Adam Malysz (4) and Andreas Goldberger (3) have won the men's overall more than twice.
- Stoch has won three Olympic gold medals, in the large hill individual in 2014 and 2018, and in the normal hill individual in 2014. Nykänen and Simon Ammann (both 4) are the only ski jumpers to have won more Olympic titles.
- In the 2020/21 season, Stoch won the Four Hills Tournament for a third time (also 2016/17, 2017/18). He could join Janne Ahonen (5) and Jens Weißflog (4) on at least four overall wins in this tournament.
- Stoch is level with Ahonen and Nykänen (all 46) in second place on the men's all-time list for most World Cup wins in all events. Retired Gregor Schlierenzauer (70) holds the record.
- Including individual World Cup wins only, Stoch shares third place on the men's list with Malysz (both 39), behind Schlierenzauer (53) and Nykänen (46).

Other contenders

- **Ryoyu Kobayashi** is the only non-European winner of the men's overall World Cup. The Japanese won the overall in the 2018/19 season.
- In the 2018/19 season, Kobayashi became the second non-European to win the Four Hills Tournament, after compatriot Kazuyoshi Funaki (1997/98).
- Kobayashi (19) is one shy of equalling the Japanese record for most World Cup event wins, set by Noriaki Kasai (20). Kobayashi (19) already hold the Japanese record for most individual event wins in the World Cup (17 by Kasai).

- **Stefan Kraft** (2016/17, 2019/20) could win the men's overall for a third time. Only Matti Nykänen (4), Adam Malysz (4) and Andreas Goldberger (3) have won the men's overall more than twice.
- Kraft has equalled Andreas Kofler and Andreas Felder (all 27) in third place on Austria's men's list for most World Cup wins in all events. Gregor Schlierenzauer (70) and Thomas Morgenstern (39) are in the top two.
- Kraft (99) is one shy of becoming the fifth male ski jumper to achieve 100 World Cup podiums in all events, after Janne Ahonen (133), Schlierenzauer (124), Kamil Stoch (108) and Morgenstern (107).
- **Markus Eisenbichler** (second in 2020/21) and **Karl Geiger** (second in 2019/20) finished second in the overall standings in the last two seasons. Three German men have won the overall World Cup: Jens Weißflog (1983/84, representing East Germany), Martin Schmitt (1998/99, 1999/2000) and Severin Freund (2014/15).
- At the most recent Olympic Winter Games, **Andreas Wellinger** claimed a medal in all three men's events: gold in the normal hill individual, silver in the large hill individual and silver in the team event.
- At the age of 40, **Simon Ammann** is hoping to compete in his 25th World Cup season and his seventh Olympic Winter Games. He made his World Cup debut at the age of 16 in December 1997. The Swiss competed at six successive Winter Games in Nagano (1998), Salt Lake City (2002), Turin (2006), Vancouver (2010), Sochi (2014) and Pyeongchang (2018).
- Ammann shares the ski jumping record for most Olympic titles with Matti Nykänen (both 4). The Swiss won the large hill individual and normal hill individual in both 2002 and 2010.
- The 49-year-old **Noriaki Kasai** has competed in a record 31 World Cup seasons (debut in December 1988), but failed to qualify for Japan's team in the 2020/21 season. The Japanese competed in eight successive Winter Games from 1992 to 2018.

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