

U.S. searches for new tennis stars

With only seven players in the top 100, the American men's game is at an all time low – but hopes are high that new talent can begin to emulate past champions

AMERICAN DECLINE

Andy Roddick: Ranked in top 20 since August 2001

1990

25

Numbers of U.S. players ranked in top 100 ahead of U.S. Open

1993-98: Pete Sampras ranked No. 1

1991

18

CURRENT TOP 10

1 R. Nadal ESP

2 R. Federer SUI

3 N. Djokovic SRB

4 A. Murray GBR

5 R. Soderling SWE

6 N. Davydenko RUS

7 T. Berdych CZE

8 F. Verdasco ESP

9 A. Roddick USA

10 J.M. Del Potro ARG

1999:

Andre Agassi ranked No. 1

2002:

Sampras wins 14th Grand Slam

2003: Andy Roddick wins U.S. Open

TOP RANKED U.S.*

9 Andy Roddick

20 John Isner

21 Mardy Fish

22 Sam Querrey

70 Taylor Dent

80 Michael Russell

2008

10

2010

7

AMERICAN GREATS



Pete Sampras

1988-2003

ATP titles: 64



Andre Agassi

1986-2006

ATP titles: 60

NEW TALENT

Win Loss 0 ATP rank



John Isner

Turned Pro: 2007

ATP titles: 1



Sam Querrey

Turned Pro: 2006

ATP titles: 6

GRAND SLAMS: Last U.S. men to win

Australian Open A. Agassi 2003

French Open A. Agassi 1999

Wimbledon P. Sampras 2000

U.S. Open A. Roddick 2003

Open Era: 51 Last 10 years: 4

U.S. OPEN: Last 10 U.S. champions

2003 A. Roddick 1994 A. Agassi

2002 P. Sampras 1993 P. Sampras

1999 A. Agassi 1990 P. Sampras

1996 P. Sampras 1984 J. McEnroe

1995 P. Sampras 1983 J. Connors