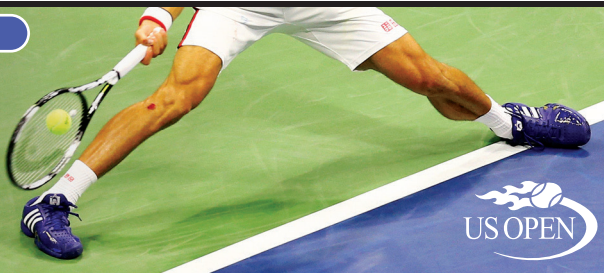


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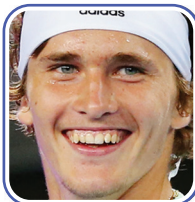
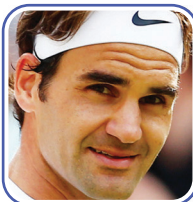


Rafael Nadal

Andy Murray

Roger Federer

Alexander Zverev



Spaniard returns to World No.1 for first time since 2014 – hoping to end streak of early exits at U.S. Open

Season blighted by recurring hip injury – not played since surprise Wimbledon defeat to **Sam Querrey**

Bidding for sixth title at Flushing Meadows after claiming two more Slams in remarkable year

Strong hard court season – victory in Washington, before defeating **Federer** to claim Montreal Masters

PLAYER RECORD*	Nadal	Murray	Federer	Zverev
2017 win-loss	49-9	25-10	35-3	46-14
2017 titles	4	1	5	5
Career titles (total)	73	45	93	6
Grand Slams	15	3	19	0

RECENT FINALS: With **Stan Wawrinka** and **Novak Djokovic** – winners of last two finals – both absent, Federer and Nadal are set to rekindle their vintage Grand Slam rivalry

RAFA'S RISE: Nine years after first becoming No.1, Nadal is back at pinnacle of tennis for fourth time

2016 **Stan Wawrinka SUI** 6-7, 6-4, 7-5, 6-3
Novak Djokovic **SRB**

2015 **Novak Djokovic SRB** 6-4, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4
Roger Federer **SUI**

2014 **Marin Cilic CRO** 6-3, 6-3, 6-3
Kei Nishikori **JPN**

2013 **Rafael Nadal ESP** 6-2, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1
Novak Djokovic **SRB**

2012 **Andy Murray GBR** 7-6, 7-5,
Novak Djokovic **SRB** 2-6, 3-6, 6-2

Weeks at World No.1:

Federer	302
Sampras	286
Lendl	270
Connors	268
Djokovic	223
McEnroe	170
Nadal	142