

# FIA Formula One World Championship 2021

MARCH 28 - DECEMBER 12

The opening race of the Formula 1 World Championship signals the starting lights on a season of thrilling manoeuvres, breathtaking drama and unrivalled precision over more than 20 Grands Prix that span the globe

## Race schedule

### European races

### World races

Inaugural **Saudi Arabian Grand Prix** set to be held at Jeddah Street Circuit. **Dutch Grand Prix** returns to F1 calendar for first time since 1985



1	Bahrain	Sakhir	Mar 28
2	Italy	Imola	Apr 18
3	Portugal	Portimao	May 2
4	Spain	Barcelona	May 9
5	Monaco	Monte Carlo	May 23
6	Azerbaijan	Baku	Jun 6
7	France	Le Castellet	Jun 20
8	Austria	Spielberg	Jun 27
9	Austria	Spielberg	Jul 4
10	Britain	Silverstone	Jul 18
11	Hungary	Budapest	Aug 1
12	Belgium	Spa	Aug 29
13	Netherlands	Zandvoort	Sep 5
14	Italy	Monza	Sep 12
15	Russia	Sochi	Sep 26
16	Japan	Suzuka	Oct 10
17	U.S.	Austin	Oct 24
18	Mexico	Mexico City	Oct 31
19	Brazil	São Paulo	Nov 7
20	Australia	Melbourne	Nov 21
21	Saudi Arabia	Jeddah	Dec 5
22	Abu Dhabi	Yas Marina	Dec 12

## POINTS SYSTEM

25	1st place
18	2nd
15	3rd
12	4th
10	5th
8	6th
6	7th
4	8th
2	9th
1	10th

Single point awarded for **fastest lap** – but driver must finish in top 10

## Lewis Hamilton

Signed new one-year contract with Mercedes for 2021 season. Became most successful F1 driver last year – surpassing race victories record of legend **Michael Schumacher**, before equalling German's haul of seven World titles

## RACE WINS 2020

Five different drivers claimed chequered flag

11	Hamilton
2	Bottas
2	Verstappen
1	Gasly
1	Perez

Official Logistics Partner DHL estimates F1 cargo travels over 130,000km on up to six Boeing 747s during average season

ACROSS GENERATIONS Season opens amid fierce debate comparing talents of **Hamilton** and **Schumacher** – two of the greatest drivers of all time – as British driver chases another record-breaking year

## Race starts

Hamilton	266
Schumacher	306

## Pole positions

98 (36.8%)
68 (22.2%)

## Fastest laps

53
77

## Race victories

95 (35.7%)
91 (29.7%)

## Podium places

165
155

## Laps leading

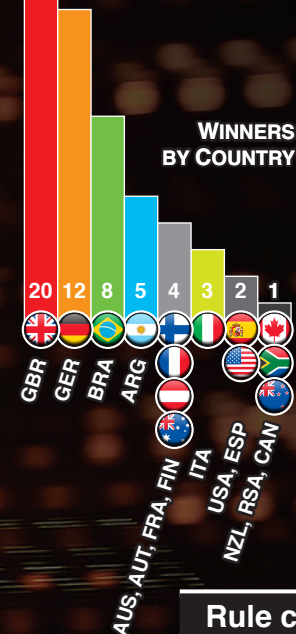
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## Wins in single season

11
13

## Roll call of champions

Hamilton targeting eighth title to lead elite club of only five drivers with four or more World Championship titles. Britain heads list of national triumphs, with 20 crowns won by 10 different drivers



## Rule changes

Radical changes delayed to 2022, teams will run their current cars in 2021



**Wheels:** 18-inch wheels with low-profile tyres – to handle increases in downforce – delayed  
Current 13-inch wheels to be used with new tyres

**Power units:** Retain 1.6-litre V6 turbocharged hybrid engines with Energy Recovery Systems. ERS provides extra 120kW of power per lap  
Higher rear wing to lift wake over following car

## Proposed 2021-22 car

**Dual-Axis Steering banned:** DAS changes alignment of front wheels from “toe-out” on bends to increase straight line speed

## ADDITIONAL CHANGES:

**Minimum weight increase:** Weight of cars in unfuelled states rises from 746kg to 752kg – discouraging use of weight-saving materials

**Cost cap:** Set at \$145 million per team, with increases if the revised calendar of all 23 races all take place

## Teams and drivers

20 drivers compete for 10 constructors

MERCEDES		RED BULL		MCLAREN		ASTON MARTIN		ALPINE		FERRARI		ALPHA TAURI		ALFA ROMEO		HAAS		WILLIAMS	
																			
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	9th	11th	13th	12th	—	6th	8th	10th	—	16th	17th	—	—	18th	21st
347	223	214	125	119	97	75	33	62	—	105	98	75	—	4	4	—	—	3	0
Lewis Hamilton	Valtteri Bottas	Max Verstappen	Sergio Perez	Daniel Ricciardo	Lando Norris	Lance Stroll	Sebastian Vettel	Esteban Ocon	Fernando Alonso	Carlos Sainz Jr.	Charles Leclerc	Pierre Gasly	Yuki Tsunoda	Kimi Raikkonen	Antonio Giovinazzi	Mick Schumacher	Nikita Mazepin	George Russell	Nicholas Latifi
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Alonso last F1 Championship 2018

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