

Red Bull concern amid car struggles

Red Bull advisor *Helmut Marko* has “great concern” about the future of *Max Verstappen* (right) at the team if improvements to poor car performance are not rapidly implemented



SLOW START: *Despite Verstappen* being only eight points adrift of *Lando Norris*, issues with car balance and grip are impacting team

Red Bull: Gap to race winner



Australia: *Lando Norris* (McLaren)

Verstappen – Finished 2nd 0.895s

Liam Lawson – DNF



China: *Oscar Piastri* (McLaren)

Verstappen – 4th 16.656s

Lawson – 12th 81.147s



Japan: *Max Verstappen* (Red Bull)

Yuki Tsunoda – 12th 58.401s



Bahrain: *Oscar Piastri* (McLaren)

Verstappen – 6th 34.395s

Tsunoda – 9th 45.061s

McLaren secure one-two finish – *Verstappen* falters with tyre strategy

Team dismisses *Lawson* after only two races of season

Red Bull is on average 0.214secs per lap slower than *McLaren* in 2025

BEHIND THE WHEEL

Saudi Arabia 2024: Top 6

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|---|-----------------|-----------|
| 1 | Max Verstappen | Red Bull |
| 2 | Sergio Perez | Red Bull |
| 3 | Charles Leclerc | Ferrari |
| 4 | Oscar Piastri | McLaren |
| 5 | Fernando Alonso | A. Martin |
| 6 | George Russell | Mercedes |

- Most wins: **Max Verstappen, 2**
2022, 2024
- Podiums: **Max Verstappen, 4**
(1st: 2, 2nd: 2, 3rd: 0)
- Lap record: **Lewis Hamilton, 2021**
1:30.734
- Most wins by constructor:

2025 driver standings

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|---|---------|-------|
| 1 | Norris | 77pts |
| 2 | Piastri | 74pts |



Red Bull, 3



Mercedes, 1