

Ottawa Senators at Detroit Red Wings

NHL | Regular | October 6, 2026

Checked Oct 06, 01:08 PM Toronto | prepared snapshot, not live

Away	Ottawa Senators
Home	Detroit Red Wings
Venue	Little Caesars Arena, Detroit, MI, 48288, USA
Scheduled start	Oct 06, 07:00 PM Toronto
Game evidence	S1 source event 401892450

Provisional prediction

Expected score	Ottawa Senators 3.4 - Detroit Red Wings 3.1
Winner lean	Ottawa Senators model probability 53.6%
Margin / total	Home minus away -0.2 goals; total 6.5
Spread meaning	Model margin, not a bookmaker spread or a claim of value.

Lineups not fully set. Historical scoring baseline; probable personnel shown as context, not numeric adjustments. Probabilities are uncalibrated model estimates.

What matters in this matchup

Ottawa Senators: 2 completed current-season games; 2 wins, 7 goals for and 3 against. Read the shot, special-teams and scoring-state reviews before interpreting the record.

Detroit Red Wings: 2 completed current-season games; 0 wins, 2 goals for and 5 against. Read the shot, special-teams and scoring-state reviews before interpreting the record.

Tonight's goalie and line decisions can change the outlook. The experimental baseline below does not adjust for confirmed goalies, missing players or opponent shot quality.

Use and confidence

Early research estimate. Small winner differences are weak leans; model probability is not proven accuracy. Recheck personnel and current prices before relying on it.

1. Availability and playing conditions

Ottawa Senators - away

Linus Ullmark - LISTED - NOT CONFIRMED [S1]; Samuel Ersson - LISTED - NOT CONFIRMED [S1]

Goalie names in a statistics feed can be candidates or past participants. They are not confirmed starters unless a direct confirmation is recorded.

Captured injury listings [S1]

Player	Reported status / issue	Source effective date
Linus Ullmark	Day-To-Day / Undisclosed	2026-10-06T03:19Z
Jake Sanderson	Out / Lower Body	2026-10-05T16:09Z
Andre Burakovsky	Injured Reserve / Upper Body	2026-10-05T15:08Z
Blake Montgomery	Injured Reserve / Undisclosed	2026-09-29T16:40Z
Kurtis MacDermid	Injured Reserve / Upper Body	2026-09-28T22:02Z

Final lineup, scratches, replacement roles and any restrictions still require a near-start check. Listed return dates are not clearance.

Detroit Red Wings - home

John Gibson - LISTED - NOT CONFIRMED [S1]

Goalie names in a statistics feed can be candidates or past participants. They are not confirmed starters unless a direct confirmation is recorded.

Captured injury listings [S1]

Player	Reported status / issue	Source effective date
J.T. Compher	Out / Undisclosed	2026-10-06T15:54Z
Marco Kasper	Injured Reserve / Upper Body	2026-10-06T15:39Z
Mason Appleton	Out / Undisclosed	2026-10-06T15:37Z
Simon Edvinsson	Out / Contract Dispute	2026-09-30T14:09Z
Chase Stillman	Injured Reserve / Undisclosed	2026-09-28T21:36Z

Final lineup, scratches, replacement roles and any restrictions still require a near-start check. Listed return dates are not clearance.

Location and conditions

Indoor arena: outdoor wind and precipitation are not direct playing-surface inputs. Travel disruption was not assessed. [S1]

Rest and travel

Ottawa Senators: last completed phase game 2026-10-05, 0 full calendar off-days; Detroit Red Wings: last completed phase game 2026-10-04, 1 full calendar off-days. Actual travel itinerary, time-zone adaptation and numerical fatigue effect are unverified.

2. Ottawa Senators - recent game evidence

Current regular chronology [S2]

Date	Opponent / venue role	Score (team first)
2026-10-03	Toronto Maple Leafs / away	3-2
2026-10-05	Boston Bruins / away	4-1

NHL: every completed regular-season game in the current source schedule is summarized below. NBA: available preseason games only. MLB: every completed current postseason game, not a claim of reviewing all 162 regular-season games.

2026-10-03 | away vs Toronto Maple Leafs | W 3-2 (Final)

Period/quarter/inning scores, team first: 1: 1-0; 2: 1-2; 3: 1-0 [S3]

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	29	29
Power play goals	0	1
Power play opportunities	4	4
Giveaways	15	19
Penalty minutes	10	10

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 18:51 1-0 Even Strength; P2 0:33 1-1 Even Strength; P2 7:06 1-2 Power Play; P2 12:40 2-2 Even Strength; P3 9:46 3-2 Even Strength

Claude Giroux: Goals 0, Assists 2, Shots total 4, Time on ice 18:17. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Thomas Chabot: Goals 1, Assists 1, Shots total 2, Time on ice 27:06. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Michael Amadio: Goals 1, Assists 0, Shots total 1, Time on ice 19:13. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Interpretation: Shot margin +0. Final score and shot volume do not tell the same story; finishing and goaltending need separate review.

Interpretation: These observations describe this game; opponent adjustment and stable repeatability have not been established.

2026-10-05 | away vs Boston Bruins | W 4-1 (Final)

Period/quarter/inning scores, team first: 1: 2-0; 2: 2-0; 3: 0-1 [S4]

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	24	19
Power play goals	0	0
Power play opportunities	4	4
Giveaways	14	21
Penalty minutes	18	28

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 7:39 1-0 Shorthanded; P1 9:22 2-0 Even Strength; P2 1:06 3-0 Even Strength; P2 5:19 4-0 Even Strength; P3 3:30 4-1 Even Strength

Tim Stutzle: Goals 2, Assists 1, Shots total 3, Time on ice 18:56. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Michael Amadio: Goals 1, Assists 1, Shots total 2, Time on ice 15:44. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Drake Batherson: Goals 1, Assists 0, Shots total 2, Time on ice 15:11. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Interpretation: Shot margin +5. The result and shot-volume advantage point in the same direction.

Interpretation: These observations describe this game; opponent adjustment and stable repeatability have not been established.

Evidence limit: score-state and box-score review does not by itself establish tactics, quality of chances, causal luck, or opponent-adjusted team strength.

2. Detroit Red Wings - recent game evidence

Current regular chronology [S5]

Date	Opponent / venue role	Score (team first)
2026-10-02	New York Rangers / home	0-2
2026-10-04	Winnipeg Jets / home	2-3

NHL: every completed regular-season game in the current source schedule is summarized below. NBA: available preseason games only. MLB: every completed current postseason game, not a claim of reviewing all 162 regular-season games.

2026-10-02 | home vs New York Rangers | L 0-2 (Final)

Period/quarter/inning scores, team first: 1: 0-1; 2: 0-0; 3: 0-1 [S6]

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	22	21
Power play goals	0	1
Power play opportunities	2	4
Giveaways	13	11
Penalty minutes	15	11

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 5:12 0-1 Power Play; P3 18:44 0-2 Empty Net

Mason Appleton: Goals 0, Assists 0, Shots total 1, Time on ice 10:18. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Viktor Arvidsson: Goals 0, Assists 0, Shots total 1, Time on ice 16:17. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Michael Brandsegg-Nygard: Goals 0, Assists 0, Shots total 3, Time on ice 9:39. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Interpretation: Shot margin +1. Final score and shot volume do not tell the same story; finishing and goaltending need separate review.

Interpretation: These observations describe this game; opponent adjustment and stable repeatability have not been established.

2026-10-04 | home vs Winnipeg Jets | L 2-3 (Final)

Period/quarter/inning scores, team first: 1: 0-2; 2: 1-1; 3: 1-0 [S7]

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	36	27
Power play goals	1	3
Power play opportunities	5	4
Giveaways	10	19
Penalty minutes	13	15

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 13:04 0-1 Power Play; P1 14:36 0-2 Power Play; P2 5:41 0-3 Power Play; P2 16:52 1-3 Power Play; P3 4:56 2-3 Even Strength

Viktor Arvidsson: Goals 1, Assists 0, Shots total 4, Time on ice 21:24. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Michael Brandsegg-Nygard: Goals 0, Assists 1, Shots total 6, Time on ice 19:33. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Andrew Copp: Goals 0, Assists 1, Shots total 1, Time on ice 23:44. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Interpretation: Shot margin +9. Final score and shot volume do not tell the same story; finishing and goaltending need separate review.

Interpretation: These observations describe this game; opponent adjustment and stable repeatability have not been established.

Evidence limit: score-state and box-score review does not by itself establish tactics, quality of chances, causal luck, or opponent-adjusted team strength.

3. Matchup interpretation and key players

Ottawa Senators

Current phase: 2 games, 2 wins; scoring average 3.50 for / 1.50 against. These are descriptive averages, not projected scores.

Current feed metric	Value
Avg goals	3.50
Avg goals against	1.50
Avg shots	26.5
Avg shots against	24.0
Power play pct	0.0
Penalty kill pct	87.5

Feed season scope: 2 completed current-phase games in the captured schedule; metrics are all-strength where supplied. No five-on-five xG model is inferred. [S1]

Detroit Red Wings

Current phase: 2 games, 0 wins; scoring average 1.00 for / 2.50 against. These are descriptive averages, not projected scores.

Current feed metric	Value
Avg goals	1.00
Avg goals against	2.50
Avg shots	28.5
Avg shots against	24.0
Power play pct	14.3
Penalty kill pct	50.0

Feed season scope: 2 completed current-phase games in the captured schedule; metrics are all-strength where supplied. No five-on-five xG model is inferred. [S1]

How to read the matchup

Compare the two recent-game sections: did score and underlying volume agree, did the game change late, and did current absences affect the players producing those numbers? Where shot-quality, possession or bullpen detail is missing, the report cannot declare a repeatable style edge.

Conditional game scripts

If one team sustains a shot-volume and special-teams advantage, it has a plausible territorial route to scoring. A different goalie, changed lines or poor conversion can break that route. This is a conditional scenario, not a claim that tonight's deployment is confirmed.

4. Executed simulations and prediction limits

EXPERIMENTAL TEAM-SCORE BASELINE. This run is real and reproducible, but is not adjusted for the personnel, injuries, game-flow evidence, weather or tactical factors described in this report. It supplies the provisional prediction on page one; no accuracy or betting edge is established.	
Scenario win share	Ottawa Senators 53.6% Detroit Red Wings 46.4%
Average sampled score	Ottawa Senators 3.35 Detroit Red Wings 3.13
Total scenarios	Mean 6.49; central 80% sampled totals 3-10
Trials / seed	100,000 / 545323387
Raw ties	15.5%; assumed 50/50 winner split
Run completed	2026-10-06T17:08:30.458344+00:00
Input hash	See retained JSON run record

Method: pooled venue scoring/conceding moments; independent negative-binomial draws where overdispersed, otherwise Poisson. For NHL, current completed regular-season results augment the preserved prior sample. NBA preseason estimates explicitly transfer preserved regular-season scoring without a rotation model. There is no opponent-strength, roster, goalie/pitcher or recency adjustment. Historical NHL overtime/shootout scores are included; raw ties are not regulation ties. MLB postseason transfer remains unvalidated.

Monte Carlo repeat-run error approximately +/- 0.31 percentage points at 95%. This only measures simulation noise; it excludes model and input uncertainty. No accuracy, calibration or ROI is claimed.

Ottawa Senators: 84 historical qualifying games; 43 in this venue role. Latest input 2026-10-05T23:30Z.

Detroit Red Wings: 84 historical qualifying games; 43 in this venue role. Latest input 2026-10-04T17:00Z.

Spread and total probabilities

DraftKings via ESPN, captured 2026-10-06T17:00:44.933032+00:00 [S1]. Snapshot, not a live available offer.

Captured spread	Detroit Red Wings -1.5; model cover 24.8%; away cover 75.2%; push 0.0%
Captured total	6.5; model over 46.8%; under 53.2%; push 0.0%

These fractions come from the same uncalibrated score scenarios. Price, bookmaker availability and edge are not established. NHL historical shootout scores and fair random tie breaking are a proxy, not exact sportsbook settlement.

Conditional player-prop outlook

Dylan Cozens | Ottawa Senators

Conditional expected shots on goal: 3.0; 3+ probability 57.7%. Observed sample 2 games: 2.0, 4.0.

Only if dressed with similar ice time; lineup/role not confirmed. No current bookmaker player line captured.

Poisson with observed current-season per-appearance mean; tiny-sample and role uncertainty unmodeled. Opportunity sensitivity: 2.4-3.6. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S3, S4

William Eklund | Ottawa Senators

Conditional expected shots on goal: 3.0; 3+ probability 57.7%. Observed sample 2 games: 4.0, 2.0.

Only if dressed with similar ice time; lineup/role not confirmed. No current bookmaker player line captured.

Poisson with observed current-season per-appearance mean; tiny-sample and role uncertainty unmodeled. Opportunity sensitivity: 2.4-3.6. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S3, S4

Shane Pinto | Ottawa Senators

Conditional expected shots on goal: 3.0; 3+ probability 57.7%. Observed sample 2 games: 4.0, 2.0.

Only if dressed with similar ice time; lineup/role not confirmed. No current bookmaker player line captured.

Poisson with observed current-season per-appearance mean; tiny-sample and role uncertainty unmodeled. Opportunity sensitivity: 2.4-3.6. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S3, S4

Michael Brandsegg-Nygard | Detroit Red Wings

Conditional expected shots on goal: 4.5; 3+ probability 82.6%. Observed sample 2 games: 3.0, 6.0.

Only if dressed with similar ice time; lineup/role not confirmed. No current bookmaker player line captured.

Poisson with observed current-season per-appearance mean; tiny-sample and role uncertainty unmodeled. Opportunity sensitivity: 3.6-5.4. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S6, S7

Viktor Arvidsson | Detroit Red Wings

Conditional expected shots on goal: 2.5; 3+ probability 45.6%. Observed sample 2 games: 1.0, 4.0.

Only if dressed with similar ice time; lineup/role not confirmed. No current bookmaker player line captured.

Poisson with observed current-season per-appearance mean; tiny-sample and role uncertainty unmodeled. Opportunity sensitivity: 2.0-3.0. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S6, S7

Alex DeBrincat | Detroit Red Wings

Conditional expected shots on goal: 2.5; 3+ probability 45.6%. Observed sample 2 games: 1.0, 4.0.

Only if dressed with similar ice time; lineup/role not confirmed. No current bookmaker player line captured.

Poisson with observed current-season per-appearance mean; tiny-sample and role uncertainty unmodeled. Opportunity sensitivity: 2.0-3.0. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S6, S7

What changes the prediction

Different starter; scratch or minutes restriction; changed batting order/rotation; material weather change; corrected source results. The current model does not recompute player-specific team adjustments. This prepared report does not refresh itself.

5. Sources and freshness

Source numbers refer to the captured snapshots below. This is a prepared report; personnel and conditions may change before the game.

S1 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:44.933032+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401892450>

S2 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:46.328664+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/teams/14/schedule?season=2027&seasontype=2>

S3 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:50.338056+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401892434>

S4 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:50.271058+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401892446>

S5 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:46.567151+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/teams/5/schedule?season=2027&seasontype=2>

S6 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:50.593504+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401891803>

S7 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:50.598954+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401892442>

Release status: PROVISIONAL RESEARCH. Predictions and conditional prop scenarios are experimental and unvalidated. All 23 catalog entries remain DRAFT; validated forecasts remain disabled.