

St. Louis Blues at Chicago Blackhawks

NHL | Regular | October 6, 2026

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

Away	St. Louis Blues
Home	Chicago Blackhawks
Venue	United Center, Chicago, IL, USA
Scheduled start	Oct 06, 08:00 PM Toronto
Game evidence	S1 source event 401891779

Provisional prediction

Expected score	St. Louis Blues 3.0 - Chicago Blackhawks 2.9
Winner lean	St. Louis Blues model probability 52.2%
Margin / total	Home minus away -0.1 goals; total 6.0
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

St. Louis Blues: 2 completed current-season games; 1 wins, 5 goals for and 6 against. Read the shot, special-teams and scoring-state reviews before interpreting the record.

Chicago Blackhawks: 3 completed current-season games; 0 wins, 5 goals for and 15 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

St. Louis Blues - away

Jordan Binnington - LISTED - NOT CONFIRMED [S1]; Joel Hofer - 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
Alexey Toropchenko	Injured Reserve / Upper Body	2026-10-05T21:20Z
Tyler Tucker	Injured Reserve / Knee	2026-09-30T19:39Z
Felix Trudeau	Injured Reserve / Undisclosed	2026-09-29T16:48Z
Logan Mailloux	Injured Reserve / Hand	2026-09-28T15:40Z

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

Chicago Blackhawks - home

Spencer Knight - LISTED - NOT CONFIRMED [S1]; Arvid Soderblom - 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
Andrew Mangiapane	Out / Lower Body	2026-10-05T17:40Z
Connor Bedard	Injured Reserve / Shoulder	2026-10-05T16:01Z

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

St. Louis Blues: last completed phase game 2026-10-03, 2 full calendar off-days; Chicago Blackhawks: last completed phase game 2026-10-03, 2 full calendar off-days. Actual travel itinerary, time-zone adaptation and numerical fatigue effect are unverified.

2. St. Louis Blues - recent game evidence

Current regular chronology [S2]

Date	Opponent / venue role	Score (team first)
2026-10-02	Dallas Stars / away	4-0
2026-10-03	Colorado Avalanche / away	1-6

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 | away vs Dallas Stars | W 4-0 (Final)

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

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	24	25
Power play goals	0	0
Power play opportunities	4	4
Giveaways	17	16
Penalty minutes	26	15

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 1:34 1-0 Even Strength; P2 13:05 2-0 Even Strength; P3 17:37 3-0 Empty Net; P3 17:52 4-0 Empty Net

Jimmy Snuggerud: Goals 1, Assists 1, Shots total 4, Time on ice 18:59. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Pius Suter: Goals 1, Assists 1, Shots total 4, Time on ice 14:25. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Dalibor Dvorsky: Goals 1, Assists 0, Shots total 2, Time on ice 13:03. 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.

2026-10-03 | away vs Colorado Avalanche | L 1-6 (Final)

Period/quarter/inning scores, team first: 1: 0-2; 2: 0-4; 3: 1-0 [S4]

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	26	36
Power play goals	0	0
Power play opportunities	2	4
Giveaways	10	17
Penalty minutes	8	4

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 4:09 0-1 Even Strength; P1 13:12 0-2 Even Strength; P2 5:38 0-3 Even Strength; P2 11:40 0-4 Even Strength; P2 18:02 0-5 Even Strength; P2 18:25 0-6 Even Strength; P3 2:34 1-6 Even Strength

Dalibor Dvorsky: Goals 1, Assists 0, Shots total 3, Time on ice 12:17. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Theo Lindstein: Goals 0, Assists 1, Shots total 0, Time on ice 14:26. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Jonatan Berggren: Goals 0, Assists 0, Shots total 3, Time on ice 14:48. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Interpretation: Shot margin -10. 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. Chicago Blackhawks - recent game evidence

Current regular chronology [S5]

Date	Opponent / venue role	Score (team first)
2026-09-29	Vegas Golden Knights / away	2-5
2026-10-01	Utah Mammoth / away	0-6
2026-10-03	Buffalo Sabres / away	3-4

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.

2026-09-29 | away vs Vegas Golden Knights | L 2-5 (Final)

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

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	26	37
Power play goals	0	1
Power play opportunities	2	3
Giveaways	12	22
Penalty minutes	6	4

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 10:30 0-1 Power Play; P1 15:22 0-2 Even Strength; P2 12:23 1-2 Even Strength; P2 15:12 1-3 Even Strength; P3 4:04 2-3 Even Strength; P3 4:43 2-4 Even Strength; P3 17:27 2-5 Empty Net

Ryan Greene: Goals 0, Assists 1, Shots total 1, Time on ice 14:43. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Jordan Greenway: Goals 1, Assists 0, Shots total 5, Time on ice 14:08. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Patrick Kane: Goals 1, Assists 0, Shots total 4, Time on ice 21:36. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Interpretation: Shot margin -11. 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.

2026-10-01 | away vs Utah Mammoth | L 0-6 (Final)

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

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	15	32
Power play goals	0	2
Power play opportunities	3	3
Giveaways	16	16
Penalty minutes	13	13

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 16:41 0-1 Power Play; P1 17:21 0-2 Even Strength; P2 9:47 0-3 Even Strength; P2 13:06 0-4 Even Strength; P2 15:28 0-5 Power Play; P3 12:50 0-6 Even Strength

Tyler Bertuzzi: Goals 0, Assists 0, Shots total 2, Time on ice 18:15. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Ryan Donato: Goals 0, Assists 0, Shots total 0, Time on ice 11:54. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Anton Frondell: Goals 0, Assists 0, Shots total 3, Time on ice 18:10. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Interpretation: Shot margin -17. 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.

2026-10-03 | away vs Buffalo Sabres | L 3-4 (Final)

Period/quarter/inning scores, team first: 1: 2-1; 2: 1-1; 3: 0-2 [S8]

Metric	Team	Opponent
Shots total	15	28
Power play goals	0	0
Power play opportunities	2	3
Giveaways	18	22
Penalty minutes	6	4

Recorded scoring sequence: P1 7:59 1-0 Even Strength; P1 11:24 2-0 Even Strength; P1 16:24 2-1 Even Strength; P2 5:41 2-2 Even Strength; P2 18:18 3-2 Even Strength; P3 6:10 3-3 Even Strength; P3 13:20 3-4 Even Strength

Anton Frondell: Goals 0, Assists 2, Shots total 1, Time on ice 16:06. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Alex Vlasic: Goals 0, Assists 2, Shots total 0, Time on ice 22:33. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Tyler Bertuzzi: Goals 1, Assists 0, Shots total 1, Time on ice 16:18. Historical game participation; not tonight's confirmation.

Interpretation: Shot margin -13. 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.

3. Matchup interpretation and key players

St. Louis Blues

Current phase: 2 games, 1 wins; scoring average 2.50 for / 3.00 against. These are descriptive averages, not projected scores.

Current feed metric	Value
Avg goals	2.50
Avg goals against	3.00
Avg shots	25.0
Avg shots against	30.5
Power play pct	0.0
Penalty kill pct	100.0

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]

Chicago Blackhawks

Current phase: 3 games, 0 wins; scoring average 1.67 for / 5.00 against. These are descriptive averages, not projected scores.

Current feed metric	Value
Avg goals	1.67
Avg goals against	5.00
Avg shots	18.7
Avg shots against	32.3
Power play pct	0.0
Penalty kill pct	66.7

Feed season scope: 3 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	St. Louis Blues 52.2% Chicago Blackhawks 47.8%
Average sampled score	St. Louis Blues 3.04 Chicago Blackhawks 2.92
Total scenarios	Mean 5.95; central 80% sampled totals 3-9
Trials / seed	100,000 / 3996954722
Raw ties	16.2%; assumed 50/50 winner split
Run completed	2026-10-06T17:08:30.520487+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.

St. Louis Blues: 84 historical qualifying games; 43 in this venue role. Latest input 2026-10-04T01:00Z.

Chicago Blackhawks: 85 historical qualifying games; 41 in this venue role. Latest input 2026-10-03T23:00Z.

Spread and total probabilities

DraftKings via ESPN, captured 2026-10-06T17:00:45.145119+00:00 [S1]. Snapshot, not a live available offer.

Captured spread	Chicago Blackhawks +1.5; model cover 71.1%; away cover 28.9%; push 0.0%
Captured total	5.5; model over 54.2%; under 45.8%; 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

Mason McTavish | St. Louis Blues

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

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

Dalibor Dvorsky | St. Louis Blues

Conditional expected shots on goal: 2.5; 3+ probability 45.6%. Observed sample 2 games: 2.0, 3.0.

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: S3, S4

Jimmy Snuggerud | St. Louis Blues

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

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: S3, S4

Jordan Greenway | Chicago Blackhawks

Conditional expected shots on goal: 2.7; 3+ probability 49.8%. Observed sample 3 games: 5.0, 1.0, 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: 2.1-3.2. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S6, S7, S8

Sam Rinzel | Chicago Blackhawks

Conditional expected shots on goal: 2.0; 3+ probability 32.3%. Observed sample 2 games: 2.0, 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: 1.6-2.4. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S6, S7

Anton Frondell | Chicago Blackhawks

Conditional expected shots on goal: 1.7; 3+ probability 23.4%. Observed sample 3 games: 1.0, 3.0, 1.0.

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: 1.3-2.0. +/-20% opportunity is an explicit illustrative assumption, not measured uncertainty. Sources: S6, S7, S8

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 2026-10-06T17:00:45.145119+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401891779>

S2 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:47.295591+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/teams/19/schedule?season=2027&seasontype=2>

S3 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:52.624485+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401891782>

S4 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:52.605020+00:00

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S5 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:47.539400+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/teams/4/schedule?season=2027&seasontype=2>

S6 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:52.687696+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401891775>

S7 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:50.847352+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401891828>

S8 | fetched 2026-10-06T17:00:51.991902+00:00

<https://site.api.espn.com/apis/site/v2/sports/hockey/nhl/summary?event=401891776>

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