



INDY 500: BY THE NUMBERS

200+ The number of countries that tune in to watch the race

3.2 MILLION BRICKS

Each weighing 9.5 pounds, were laid on top of the original surface of crushed rock and tar to upgrade the Speedway, creating the nickname "The Brickyard"

A 36-inch strip of the original bricks was kept intact at the start/finish line, where it remains today

.043 SEC

Closest finish between first and second place set by Al Unser, Jr. (over Scott Goodyear) in 1992

37.895 SEC / 236.986 MPH

Fastest official single lap time set by Arie Luyendyk during qualifying in 1996

700+ MILLION

The number of times #INDY500 or #INDY500ORBUST were tweeted in 2013

2.5 MILES

The distance of one lap around the oval

The front and back straightaways are 5/8th of a mile each and the "short chute" straightaways are 1/8th of a mile each

Each of the four turns is 1/4th of a mile

45 LBS / 27.5 IN

The back tires weigh 45 lbs and measure up to 27.5 inches in diameter

105°

The average temperature inside the cockpit during the race

40 LBS

Equivalent weight lifted when steering through each turn

8 SEC

Average time it takes for a pit crew to change four tires and put in 18.5 gallons of E85 fuel during a pit stop

30 LBS / 26 IN

The front tires weigh 30 lbs and measure up to 26 inches in diameter

1/10TH SEC

Time lost during a pit stop can equate to losing five places in the race



A long-standing tradition of the Indianapolis 500 is for the victor to drink a bottle of milk immediately after the race

This practice first began in 1936 with Victor Louis Meyer

6-8 LBS

The average amount of weight lost through sweat during a race

1,800°

The temperature protection provided by each driver's fire suit

10

The number of female drivers who have competed in the race

In 2009, Danica Patrick finished third, the best finish ever for a woman

6

The number of father-son combinations who have led the Indy 500:

Al and Al Unser, Jr.
Tony and Gary Bettenhausen
Bill and Bill Vukovich, Jr.
Mario and Michael Andretti
Michael and Marco Andretti
Bobby and Graham Rahal

4 Gs

The peak amount of force withstood by drivers during turns

\$3,048,005

The highest purse for an Indy 500 winner

Won by Helio Castroneves in 2009

\$690,000 **\$359,000**

The cost to lease an engine for the season

The cost of a new Dallara chassis

With tires and miscellaneous items, the total amount to go racing is just above \$1 million



THE RIGHT SIDE

The tires on the right side are slightly bigger than the left because the cars turn left the whole race