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Grand Slam Season Kicks Off

Packed field stands in between Henin and eighth major crown

MELBOURNE, Australia - After a phenomenal 2007 season and fresh off her 40th career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title at Sydney, **Justine Henin** has been pegged by many as a favorite at this fortnight's Australian Open. But a range of challengers with some mighty credentials is hoping to put an end to her 28-match winning streak, and she by no means thinks she has this Grand Slam in the bag.

"As the No.1 player in the world I can understand that everyone sees me as the favorite, but I can tell you anything can happen," the Belgian said. "I just do the best I can. I'm focused on myself and just try to do my best and be prepared. I just give 200% on the court."

Henin's streak - which, incidentally, is the second-best since the turn of the millennium - began after a semifinal loss at Wimbledon last summer, and includes title runs last year at Toronto, the US Open, Stuttgart, Zürich, the Tour Championships and this year at Sydney. She has been pushed hard by several players during that stretch however, including several players who immediately trail her in the seeds.

After an incredibly consistent 2007 that included her third career Grand Slam final at the US Open, **Svetlana Kuznetsova** can definitely be considered one of Henin's biggest challengers for this fortnight's title. The No.2-seeded Russian had the top-seeded Henin on the ropes just a few days ago over in Sydney, being just a point away from 4-0 up in the third set before falling, 46 62 64, in the Medibank International final. The Serbian assault on the top of the women's game - **Jelena Jankovic** and **Ana Ivanovic**, the No.3 and No.4 seeds, respectively - are also hot on Henin's heels. Although neither has beaten the Belgian they have both taken sets off her in the last year and are both hungry for their first major crown. And then there's **Maria Sharapova**, the No.5 seed, who reached the final here last year and pushed Henin to a marathon three-setter in the final of the Tour Championships last November.

Rounding out the Top 8 seeds are No.6 seed **Anna Chakvetadze**, No.7 seed and defending champion **Serena Williams** and No.8 seed **Venus Williams**. Chakvetadze is one of the Tour's newest Top 10 players, putting together a breakthrough 2007, which included a



Henin is seven wins away from tying the longest win streak of the millennium - Venus Williams' 35 in 2000.
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run to the quarterfinals here. The Williams sisters really don't need much of an introduction - both former No.1s, multiple Grand Slam champions in both singles and doubles and, when they're on, two of the most unbeatable players around. Also lurking among the seeds are the always-dangerous **Daniela Hantuchova** (No.9) and **Marion Bartoli** (No.10), as well as former champion **Amélie Mauresmo** (No.18). And looming for Sharapova in the second round is perhaps the most dangerous unseeded player in the draw, 2000 champ **Lindsay Davenport**, who has returned to the Tour in full force after missing a year to give birth to her first child. She is 18-1 since returning at Bali last September and has already won a title this year, at the ASB Classic in Auckland, New Zealand.

The doubles competition should prove to be just as heated, with clear-cut world No.1 duo **Cara Black and Liezel Huber** coming off a phenomenal season but still searching for its first title of the year. Their closest competition could come from three teams that also participated in the Tour Championships last year, namely **Katarina Srebotnik and Ai Sugiyama**, **Chan Yung-Jan and Chuang Chia-Jung** and finally **Kveta Peschke and Rennae Stubbs**.

Regardless of the round or discipline, the 2008 Australian Open is sure to kick the 2008 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour season off in style.

PRIZE MONEY AND RANKING POINTS

Total - A\$20,600,000

SINGLES

Singles prize money	A\$
Champion	1,370,000
Runner-up	685,000
Semifinalist	342,500
Quarterfinalist	171,250
Round of 16	85,625
Round of 32	50,000
Round of 64	30,250
Round of 128	19,400

DOUBLES

Doubles prize money	A\$ (per team)
Champions	446,020
Runners-Up	223,010
Semifinalists	110,800
Quarterfinalists	55,400
Round of 16	31,245
Round of 32	17,035
Round of 64	9,585

MIXED DOUBLES

Mixed doubles prize money	A\$ (per team)
Champions	134,460
Runners-Up	67,230
Semifinalists	33,615
Quarterfinalists	15,490
Round of 16	7,745
Round of 32	3,755

RANKING POINTS

Round reached	Singles	Doubles
Champion(s)	1000	1000
Runner(s)-Up	700	700
Semifinalist(s)	450	450
Quarterfinalist(s)	250	250
Round of 16	140	140
Round of 32	90	90
Round of 64	60	2
Round of 128	2	n/a

IN THE SINGLES DRAW

Those who did not receive direct entry

Of the 128 players in the 2008 Australian Open women's singles draw, 108 received direct entry based on their Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Singles Rankings. In addition to those players are 12 qualifiers, who had to battle through three grueling rounds of qualifying, and eight wild cards. Below is a list of those players whose rankings did not give them direct entry into the main draw but were able to earn places a different way:

Qualifiers (12)

Angelika Bachmann (GER)
 Timea Bacsinszky (SUI)
 Marta Domachowska (POL)
 Hsieh Su-Wei (TPE)
 Ekaterina Ivanova (RUS)
 Alisa Kleybanova (RUS)
 Sandra Kloesel (GER)
 Sabine Lisicki (GER)
 Monica Niculescu (ROU)
 Julia Schruoff (GER)
 Tamarine Tanasugarn (THA)
 Yuan Meng (CHN)

Wild cards (8)

Monique Adamczak (AUS)
 Madison Brengle (USA)
 Sophie Ferguson (AUS)
 Jarmila Gajdosova (AUS)
 Mathilde Johansson (FRA)
 Jessica Moore (AUS)
 Iroda Tulyaganova (UZB)
 Christina Wheeler (AUS)

WITHDRAWALS

Elena Likhovtseva (RUS)	Right shoulder strain
Mara Santangelo (ITA)	Left foot injury
Milagros Sequera (VEN)	Left foot injury
Meghann Shaughnessy (USA)	Left knee injury
Samantha Stosur (AUS)	Illness

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COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

Thirty-seven nations represented in the draw

Russia leads the way with 15 entries into the 2008 Australian Open main draw, followed by France with 13 and the United States with 11.

	Argentina	3	Gisela Dulko, Clarisa Fernández, María Emilia Salerni
	Australia	9	Monique Adamczak, Casey Dellacqua, Sophie Ferguson, Jarmila Gajdosova, Alicia Molik, Jessica Moore, Nicole Pratt, Anastasia Rodionova, Christina Wheeler
	Austria	3	Sybille Bammer, Yvonne Meusburger, Tamira Paszek
	Belarus	3	Victoria Azarenka, Olga Govortsova, Tatiana Poutchek
	Belgium	1	Justine Henin
	Bulgaria	1	Tsvetana Pironkova
	Canada	1	Stéphanie Dubois
	China	4	Li Na, Peng Shuai, Yan Zi, Yuan Meng
	Chinese Taipei	2	Chan Yung-Jan, Hsieh Su-Wei
	Colombia	1	Catalina Castaño
	Croatia	1	Jelena Kostanic Tosic
	Czech Republic	5	Petra Cetkovska, Lucie Safarova, Nicole Vaidisova, Renata Voracova, Klara Zakopalova
	Denmark	1	Caroline Wozniacki
	Estonia	2	Maret Ani, Kaia Kanepi
	France	13	Marion Bartoli, Severine Brémond, Stéphanie Cohen-Aloro, Alizé Cornet, Nathalie Dechy, Mathilde Johansson, Tatiana Golovin, Emilie Loit, Amélie Mauresmo, Pauline Parmentier, Camille Pin, Virginie Razzano, Aravane Rezai
	Germany	8	Angelika Bachmann, Angelique Kerber, Sandra Kloesel, Sabine Lisicki, Tatjana Malek, Martina Müller, Andrea Petkovic, Julia Schruff
	Greece	1	Eleni Daniilidou
	Hungary	1	Agnes Szavay
	India	1	Sania Mirza
	Israel	3	Evgenia Linetskaya, Tzipora Obziler, Shahar Peer
	Italy	7	Maria Elena Camerin, Sara Errani, Tathiana Garbin, Karin Knapp, Flavia Pennetta, Francesca Schiavone, Roberta Vinci
	Japan	3	Akiko Morigami, Aiko Nakamura, Ai Sugiyama
	Luxembourg	1	Anne Kremer
	Netherlands	1	Michaela Krajicek
	Poland	2	Marta Domachowska, Agnieszka Radwanska
	Romania	4	Sorana Cirstea, Edina Gallovits, Monica Niculescu, Ioana Raluca Olaru
	Russia	15	Anna Chakvetadze, Elena Dementieva, Ekaterina Ivanova, Maria Kirilenko, Alisa Kleybanova, Alla Kudryavtseva, Svetlana Kuznetsova, Ekaterina Makarova, Nadia Petrova, Olga Poutchkova, Dinara Safina, Maria Sharapova, Yaroslava Shvedova, Elena Vesnina, Vera Zvonareva
	Serbia	2	Ana Ivanovic, Jelena Jankovic
	Slovakia	2	Dominika Cibulkova, Daniela Hantuchova
	Slovenia	1	Katarina Srebotnik
	Spain	3	Lourdes Domínguez Lino, Anabel Medina Garrigues, Virginia Ruano Pascual
	Sweden	1	Sofia Arvidsson
	Switzerland	2	Timea Bacsinszky, Patty Schnyder
	Thailand	1	Tamarine Tanasugarn
	Ukraine	6	Alona Bondarenko, Kateryna Bondarenko, Mariya Koryttseva, Tatiana Perebijnis, Olga Savchuk, Julia Vakulenko
	USA	11	Madison Brengle, Jill Craybas, Lindsay Davenport, Julie Ditty, Laura Granville, Ashley Harkleroad, Vania King, Lilia Osterloh, Meilen Tu, Serena Williams, Venus Williams
	Uzbekistan	2	Akgul Amanmuradova, Iroda Tulyaganova

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HONOR ROLL (OPEN ERA)

Ladies' Singles Final history since 1969

SITES: 1969 - Brisbane; 1970-71 - Sydney; 1972-87 - Kooyong, Melbourne; 1988-Present - National Tennis Centre, Melbourne Park.
SURFACE: 1969-87 - grass; 1988-Present - hardcourt

Year	(Seed) Champion (Rank)	(Seed) Runner-Up (Rank)	Score
1969	(2) Margaret Smith-Court (AUS)	(1) Billie Jean King (USA)	64 61
1970	(1) Margaret Court (AUS)	(2) Kerry Melville (AUS)	61 63
1971	(1) Margaret Court (AUS)	(2) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	26 76(5-0) 75
1972	(2) Virginia Wade (GBR)	(1) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	64 64
1973	(1) Margaret Court (AUS)	(2) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	64 75
1974	(2) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	(1) Chris Evert (USA)	76(5) 46 60
1975	(3) Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	(8) Martina Navratilova (TCH)	63 62
1976	(1) Evonne Goolagong-Cawley (AUS #3)	(5) Renata Tomanova (TCH #44)	62 62
1977-Jan	(2) Kerry Melville Reid (AUS #8)	(1) Dianne Fromholtz (AUS #5)	75 62
1977-Dec	(1) Evonne Goolagong-Cawley (AUS #unr)	(5) Helen Gourlay-Cawley (AUS #33)	63 60
1978	(-) Chris O'Neil (AUS #111)	(7) Betsy Nagelsen (USA #87)	63 76(5)
1979	(5) Barbara Jordan (USA #68)	(4) Sharon Walsh (USA #54)	63 63
1980	(3) Hana Mandlikova (TCH #5)	(4) Wendy Turnbull (AUS #8)	60 75
1981	(3) Martina Navratilova (USA #3)	(1) Chris Evert-Lloyd (USA #1)	67(4) 64 75
1982	(2) Chris Evert-Lloyd (USA #2)	(1) Martina Navratilova (USA #1)	63 26 63
1983	(1) Martina Navratilova (USA #1)	(9) Kathy Jordan (USA #14)	62 76(5)
1984	(2) Chris Evert-Lloyd (USA #2)	(9) Helena Sukova (CZE #9)	67(4) 61 63
1985	(2) Martina Navratilova (USA #1)	(1) Chris Evert-Lloyd (USA #2)	62 46 62
1986	<i>Not held - tournament moved from December to January timeslot</i>		
1987	(2) Hana Mandlikova (CZE #4)	(1) Martina Navratilova (USA #1)	75 76(1)
1988	(1) Steffi Graf (GER #1)	(3) Chris Evert (USA #3)	61 76(4)
1989	(1) Steffi Graf (GER #1)	(5) Helena Sukova (CZE #6)	64 64
1990	(1) Steffi Graf (GER #1)	(6) Mary Joe Fernandez (USA #11)	63 64
1991	(2) Monica Seles (YUG #2)	(10) Jana Novotna (CZE #12)	57 63 61
1992	(1) Monica Seles (YUG #1)	(6) Mary Joe Fernandez (USA #8)	62 63
1993	(1) Monica Seles (YUG #1)	(2) Steffi Graf (GER #2)	46 63 62
1994	(1) Steffi Graf (GER #1)	(2) Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP #2)	60 62
1995	(4) Mary Pierce (FRA #5)	(1) Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP #2)	63 62
1996	(1) Monica Seles (USA co-#1)	(8) Anke Huber (GER #9)	64 61
1997	(4) Martina Hingis (SUI #4)	(-) Mary Pierce (FRA #22)	62 62
1998	(1) Martina Hingis (SUI #1)	(8) Conchita Martínez (ESP #11)	63 63
1999	(2) Martina Hingis (SUI #2)	(-) Amélie Mauresmo (FRA #29)	62 63
2000	(2) Lindsay Davenport (USA #2)	(1) Martina Hingis (SUI #1)	61 75
2001	(12) Jennifer Capriati (USA #12)	(1) Martina Hingis (SUI #1)	64 63
2002	(1) Jennifer Capriati (USA #1)	(3) Martina Hingis (SUI #4)	46 76(7) 62
2003	(1) Serena Williams (USA #1)	(2) Venus Williams (USA #2)	76(4) 36 64
2004	(1) Justine Henin (BEL #1)	(2) Kim Clijsters (BEL #2)	63 46 63
2005	(7) Serena Williams (USA #7)	(1) Lindsay Davenport (USA #1)	26 63 60
2006	(3) Amélie Mauresmo (FRA #3)	(8) Justine Henin (BEL #6)	61 20 ret.**
2007	(-) Serena Williams (USA #81)	(1) Maria Sharapova (RUS #2)	61 62

** retired from final due to gastrointestinal illness

DID YOU KNOW?

- * In the 39 years of the Open Era, the top two seeds have played in the final 15 times, with the No.2 seed winning 53% of the time (8-7).
- * Of the 39 finals in the Open Era, the player who won the first set went on to take the title 82% of the time (32-7).

RETURNING AUSTRALIAN OPEN FINALISTS

Three one-time champions and one three-time champion among those chasing 2008 title glory



Lindsay Davenport (USA)
Champion 2000



Justine Henin (BEL)
Champion 2004



Amélie Mauresmo (FRA)
Champion 2006



Serena Williams (USA)
Champion 2003, 2005, 2007

QUEENS OF THE HARDCOURT

Best all-time hardcourt win-loss

	Player	W	L	%
1.	Steffi Graf	339	35	.906
2.	Martina Navratilova	135	17	.888
3.	Chris Evert	116	19	.859
4.	Monica Seles	311	59	.841
5.	Serena Williams	221	45	.831
6.	Venus Williams	264	55	.828
	Justine Henin	255	53	.828
8.	Kim Clijsters	242	54	.818
9.	Tracy Austin	85	19	.817
10.	Lindsay Davenport	459	111	.805
11.	Martina Hingis	305	75	.803
12.	Maria Sharapova	156	41	.792
13.	Gabriela Sabatini	247	71	.777
14.	Manuela Maleeva-Fragnière	135	41	.767
15.	Kimiko Date	138	49	.738
16.	Amélie Mauresmo	224	81	.734
17.	Jennifer Capriati	231	89	.721
18.	Hana Mandlikova	64	25	.719
19.	Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario	307	122	.716
20.	Zina Garrison	182	73	.714

* As of January 14, 2008; includes only those who have played 50 matches or more; players in 2008 Australian Open main draw in bold

Most Sony Ericsson WTA Tour hardcourt singles titles

1.	Steffi Graf	37
2.	Lindsay Davenport	33
3.	Chris Evert	32
4.	Monica Seles	28
5.	Martina Navratilova	26
6.	Kim Clijsters	25
	Justine Henin	25
8.	Martina Hingis	23
9.	Venus Williams	22
10.	Serena Williams	20

* As of Jan. 14, 2008; players in 2008 Australian Open main draw in bold

DEBUTANTES

Australian Open main draw first-timers

Bacsinszky, Tímea (SUI) (Q 05, 07)
 Bondarenko, Kateryna (UKR) (Q 06, 07)
 Cetkovska, Petra (CZE)
 Cibulkova, Dominika (SVK) (Q 07)
 Cirstea, Sorana (ROU)
 Ditty, Julie (USA)
 Dubois, Stéphanie (CAN) (Q 05, 07)
 Errani, Sara (ITA) (Q 07)
 Govortsova, Olga (BLR)
 Hsieh, Su-Wei (TPE) (Q 02, 06, 07)
 Ivanova, Ekaterina (RUS) (Q 07)
 Johansson, Mathilde (FRA) (Q 06, 07)
 Kerber, Angelique (GER) (Q 07)
 Kleybanova, Alisa (RUS)
 Knapp, Karin (ITA) (Q 07)
 Koryttseva, Mariya (UKR) (Q 04, 06)
 Lisicki, Sabine (GER)
 Makarova, Ekaterina (RUS)
 Malek, Tatjana (GER) (Q 07)
 Niculescu, Monica (ROU) (Q 07)
 Olaru, Ioana Raluca (ROU)
 Parmentier, Pauline (FRA) (Q 06)
 Petkovic, Andrea (GER)
 Shvedova, Yaroslava (RUS) (Q 07)
 Szavay, Agnes (HUN) (Q 06, 07)
 Wozniacki, Caroline (DEN)

* (xx) denotes years contested and lost in qualifying

ONE-NATION BATTLES

First round matches between compatriots

France: [13] Tatiana Golovin vs. Stéphanie Cohen-Aloro
 Germany: [Q] Sandra Kloesel vs. [Q] Julia Schruff

No.1 SEEDS' PERFORMANCES

Strong track record for top seed at Australian Open

Below is a look at the performance of the women's singles No.1 seed at the Australian Open in the Open Era. As you can see, the No.1 seed has claimed the title on 17 occasions and finished runner-up on 13 occasions since 1969. The top seed has reached the final in seven of the last eight years and has won three times, in 2002 (Jennifer Capriati), 2003 (Serena Williams) and 2004 (Justine Henin). Last year, Maria Sharapova finished runner-up to an unseeded Serena Williams in the final. Below is a look at the No.1 seed's history here:

Year	No.1 seed	Result	Year	No.1 seed	Result
1969	Billie Jean King (USA)	Runner-up	1989	Steffi Graf (GER)	Won
1970	Margaret Smith Court (AUS)	Won	1990	Steffi Graf (GER)	Won
1971	Margaret Smith Court (AUS)	Won	1991	Steffi Graf (GER)	QF
1972	Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	Runner-up	1992	Monica Seles (YUG)	Won
1973	Margaret Smith Court (AUS)	Won	1993	Monica Seles (YUG)	Won
1974	Chris Evert (USA)	Runner-up	1994	Steffi Graf (GER)	Won
1975	Margaret Smith Court (AUS)	QF	1995	Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario	Runner-up
1976	Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	Won	1996	Monica Seles (YUG)	Won
1977-J	Dianne Balestrat (AUS)	Runner-up	1997	Steffi Graf (GER)	4r
1977-D	Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	Won	1998	Martina Hingis (SUI)	Won
1978	Sue Barker (GBR)	QF	1999	Lindsay Davenport (USA)	SF
1979	Virginia Ruzici (ROM)	1r	2000	Martina Hingis (SUI)	Runner-up
1980	Martina Navratilova (USA)	SF	2001	Martina Hingis (SUI)	Runner-up
1981	Chris Evert (USA)	Runner-up	2002	Jennifer Capriati (USA)	Won
1982	Martina Navratilova (USA)	Runner-up	2003	Serena Williams (USA)	Won
1983	Martina Navratilova (USA)	Won	2004	Justine Henin (BEL)	Won
1984	Martina Navratilova (USA)	SF	2005	Lindsay Davenport (USA)	Runner-up
1985	Chris Evert (USA)	Runner-up	2006	Lindsay Davenport (USA)	QF
1986	Not held		2007	Maria Sharapova (RUS)	Runner-up
1987	Martina Navratilova (USA)	Runner-up	2008	Justine Henin (BEL)	?
1988	Steffi Graf (GER)	Won			

FOUR-YEAR SEEDS COMPARISON

Top 16 seeds from 2005-2008

Seed	2008	2007	2006	2005
1	Justine Henin	Maria Sharapova	Lindsay Davenport	Lindsay Davenport
2	Svetlana Kuznetsova	Amélie Mauresmo	Kim Clijsters	Amélie Mauresmo
3	Jelena Jankovic	Svetlana Kuznetsova	Amélie Mauresmo	Anastasia Myskina
4	Ana Ivanovic	Kim Clijsters	Maria Sharapova	Maria Sharapova
5	Maria Sharapova	Nadia Petrova	Mary Pierce	Svetlana Kuznetsova
6	Anna Chakvetadze	Martina Hingis	Nadia Petrova	Elena Dementieva
7	Serena Williams	Elena Dementieva	Patty Schnyder	Serena Williams
8	Venus Williams	Patty Schnyder	Justine Henin	Venus Williams
9	Daniela Hantuchova	Dinara Safina	Elena Dementieva	Vera Zvonareva
10	Marion Bartoli	Nicole Vaidisova	Venus Williams	Alicia Molik
11	Elena Dementieva	Jelena Jankovic	Nathalie Dechy	Nadia Petrova
12	Nicole Vaidisova	Anna Chakvetadze	Anastasia Myskina	Patty Schnyder
13	Tatiana Golovin	Ana Ivanovic	Serena Williams	Karolina Sprem
14	Nadia Petrova	Francesca Schiavone	Svetlana Kuznetsova	Francesca Schiavone
15	Patty Schnyder	Daniela Hantuchova	Francesca Schiavone	Silvia Farina Elia
16	Dinara Safina	Shahar Peer	Nicole Vaidisova	Ai Sugiyama

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Top 30 ranking movers

Below is a look at the best ranking movers in the past year of all main draw entries (in terms of positions improved):

	Player	1yr ago	Now	+/-
1.	Jessica Moore	914	376	+538
2.	Olga Govortsova	333	47	+286
3.	Madison Brengle	496	228	+268
4.	Sabine Lisicki	442	194	+248
5.	Sorana Cirstea	350	106	+244
6.	Mariya Koryttseva	337	104	+233
7.	Ioana Raluca Olaru	260	57	+203
8.	Christina Wheeler	397	214	+183
9.	Agnes Szavay	183	19	+164
	Caroline Wozniacki	228	64	+164
11.	Tamira Paszek	187	39	+148
	Andrea Petkovic	240	92	+148
13.	Yan Zi	207	61	+146
14.	Julie Ditty	245	101	+144
15.	Ekaterina Makarova	248	110	+138
16.	Alizé Cornet	192	59	+133
17.	Pauline Parmentier	186	56	+130
18.	María Emilia Salerni	213	88	+125
19.	Petra Cetkovska	214	103	+111
20.	Angelika Bachmann	269	159	+110
21.	Sara Errani	173	65	+108
	Akgul Amanmuradova	203	95	+108
23.	Dominika Cibulkova	155	48	+107
24.	Monique Adamczak	241	149	+92
25.	Casey Dellacqua	169	78	+91
26.	Julia Vakulenko	116	31	+85
27.	Alisa Kleybanova	238	154	+84
28.	Angelique Kerber	171	89	+82
29.	Alicia Molik	141	62	+79
30.	Anne Kremer	159	84	+75

* does not include Evgenia Linetskaya (unranked to No.584)

All 32 seeds and where they ranked a year ago

Below is a look at the ranking moves made in the past year by the seeds at the 2008 Australian Open:

	Seed	Player	1yr ago	Now	+/-
1.		Justine Henin	1	1	=
2.		Svetlana Kuznetsova	4	2	+2
3.		Jelena Jankovic	11	4	+7
4.		Ana Ivanovic	14	3	+11
5.		Maria Sharapova	2	5	-3
6.		Anna Chakvetadze	13	6	+7
7.		Serena Williams	81	7	+74
8.		Venus Williams	47	8	+39
9.		Daniela Hantuchova	18	9	+9
10.		Marion Bartoli	21	10	+11
11.		Elena Dementieva	8	11	-3
12.		Nicole Pietrangeli	12	12	=
13.		Tatiana Golovin	23	13	+10
14.		Nadia Petrova	6	14	-8
15.		Patty Schnyder	9	15	-6
16.		Dinara Safina	10	16	-6
17.		Shahar Peer	17	17	=
18.		Amélie Mauresmo	3	18	-15
19.		Sybille Bammer	42	20	+22
20.		Agnes Szavay	183	19	+164
21.		Alona Bondarenko	34	21	+13
22.		Lucie Safarova	70	23	+47
23.		Vera Zvonareva	24	22	+2
24.		Li Na	16	30	-14
25.		Francesca Schiavone	20	24	-4
26.		Victoria Azarenka	94	25	+69
27.		Maria Kirilenko	28	26	+2
28.		Katarina Srebotnik	22	27	-5
29.		Agnieszka Radwanska	59	28	+31
30.		Virginie Razzano	78	29	+49
31.		Sania Mirza	53	32	+23
32.		Julia Vakulenko	116	31	+85

*Note: ranking comparisons are between January 15, 2007 vs. January 14, 2008

TOP 16 SEEDS' AUSTRALIAN OPEN LEAD-UPS

Seed	Player	W-L	In Detail
1.	Justine Henin	3-0	Won (1): Sydney
2.	Svetlana Kuznetsova	3-1	R-Up (1): Sydney (l. to Henin)
3.	Jelena Jankovic	1-1	QF (1): Sydney (l. to Vaidisova)
4.	Ana Ivanovic	2-1	SF (1): Sydney (l. to Henin)
5.	Maria Sharapova	0-0	DNP
6.	Anna Chakvetadze	0-1	1r (1): Sydney (l. to Srebotnik)
7.	Serena Williams	0-0	DNP
8.	Venus Williams	0-0	DNP
9.	Daniela Hantuchova	1-1	2r (1): Sydney (l. to Vaidisova)
10.	Marion Bartoli	1-1	2r (1): Sydney (l. to Schiavone)
11.	Elena Dementieva	0-1	1r (1): Sydney (l. to Arvidsson)
12.	Nicole Pietrangeli	5-2	SF (1): Sydney (l. to Kuznetsova); QF (1): Gold Coast (l. to Li)
13.	Tatiana Golovin	1-1	2r (1): Sydney (l. to Jankovic)
14.	Nadia Petrova	0-2	1r (2): Gold Coast (l. to Garbin), Sydney (l. to Bammer)
15.	Patty Schnyder	3-1	SF (1): Gold Coast (l. to Li)
16.	Dinara Safina	2-2	QF (1): Gold Coast (l. to Peer); 1r (1): Sydney (l. to Hantuchova)

GRAND SLAM HONOR ROLL

A look at the recent Grand Slam champions

There is no better evidence of the depth on the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour than the fact that since 1997, Roland Garros and the US Open has had eight different champions, Wimbledon has had seven and the Australian Open has had six. Since 1997, on only eight occasions have major singles titles been successfully defended (most recently last June at Roland Garros by Justine Henin).

Year	Australian Open	Roland Garros	Wimbledon	US Open
1997	Martina Hingis	Iva Majoli	Martina Hingis	Martina Hingis
1998	Martina Hingis	Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario	Jana Novotna	Lindsay Davenport
1999	Martina Hingis	Steffi Graf	Lindsay Davenport	Serena Williams
2000	Lindsay Davenport	Mary Pierce	Venus Williams	Venus Williams
2001	Jennifer Capriati	Jennifer Capriati	Venus Williams	Venus Williams
2002	Jennifer Capriati	Serena Williams	Serena Williams	Serena Williams
2003	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Serena Williams	Justine Henin
2004	Justine Henin	Anastasia Myskina	Maria Sharapova	Svetlana Kuznetsova
2005	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Venus Williams	Kim Clijsters
2006	Amélie Mauresmo	Justine Henin	Amélie Mauresmo	Maria Sharapova
2007	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Venus Williams	Justine Henin

DEFENDING A MAJOR IS A DIFFICULT TASK

Successful major title defenses since 1946

Winning a Grand Slam championship is not easy, but defending is even more difficult. This is especially the case at Roland Garros. While there have been 21 successful title defenses at Wimbledon and 19 at the Australian and US Opens, Roland Garros has been defended just 10 times since 1946. Justine Henin holds the distinction of being the only player to have their lone major title defense come at Roland Garros. Below is a look at the champions that have managed to defend their Grand Slam trophies over the past 62 years:

Australian Open (19)

Nancy Wynne Bolton (1948-50)
 Margaret Smith Court (1960-66, 1969-71)
 Evonne Goolagong Cawley (1974-76)
 Steffi Graf (1988-90)
 Monica Seles (1991-93)
 Martina Hingis (1997-99)
 Jennifer Capriati (2001-02)

Roland Garros (10)

Maureen Connolly Brinker (1953-54)
 Margaret Smith Court (1969-70)
 Chris Evert (1974-75, 1979-80, 1985-86)
 Steffi Graf (1987-88, 1995-96)
 Monica Seles (1990-92)
 Justine Henin (2005-07)

Wimbledon (21)

Louise Brough Clapp (1948-50)
 Maureen Connolly Brinker (1952-54)
 Althea Gibson (1957-58)
 Maria Bueno (1959-60)
 Billie Jean King (1966-68, 1972-73)
 Martina Navratilova (1978-79, 1982-87)
 Steffi Graf (1988-89, 1991-93, 1995-96)
 Venus Williams (2000-01)
 Serena Williams (2002-03)

US Open (19)

Margaret Osbourne duPont (1948-50)
 Maureen Connolly Brinker (1951-53)
 Doris Hart (1954-55)
 Althea Gibson (1957-58)
 Darlene Hard (1960-61)
 Maria Bueno (1963-64)
 Margaret Court (1969-70)
 Billie Jean King (1971-72)
 Chris Evert (1975-78)
 Martina Navratilova (1983-84, 1986-87)
 Steffi Graf (1988-89, 1995-96)
 Monica Seles (1991-92)
 Venus Williams (2000-01)

THE GRAND DEFENDERS

- * 20 different women have successfully defended a Grand Slam singles title **at least once** in their careers
- * **Nine** different women have successfully defended **at two or more** different Grand Slams
- * Only **four** women - Maureen Connolly, Margaret Court, Steffi Graf and Monica Seles - have defended **three or more** different majors
- * **Steffi Graf is the only woman to have defended at all four of the majors at least once; in fact she achieved the amazing feat at least twice at each Grand Slam!**

FOUR DIFFERENT GRAND SLAM CHAMPIONS

Four players sharing majors a rarity in the Open Era

Only 21 times since 1922 have all four Grand Slam singles championships in a calendar year been claimed by four different players. The most recent occasion this happened was in 2005, where Serena Williams, Justine Henin, Venus Williams and Kim Clijsters each hoisted Grand Slam singles trophies. This could be another year where the Slams are won by four different players. The following is a look at the years since 1922 that all four Grand Slam singles championships were won by different players in a calendar year (prefix denotes seeding):

Year	Australian Open	Roland Garros	Wimbledon	US Open
1926	(1) D.Akhurst	(1) S.Lenglen	K.McKane-Godfrey	(2) M.Bjurstedt-Mallory
1933	(1) J.Hartigan	M.Scriven (GBR)	(1) H.Wills-Moody (USA)	(2) H.Jacobs
1934	(1) J.Hartigan	(2) M.Scriven (GBR)	(2) D.Round	(1) H.Jacobs
1935	(1) D.Round (GBR)	(2) H.Sperling (GER)	(4) H.Wills-Moody (USA)	(1) H.Jacobs
1936	(1) J.Hartigan	(1) H.Sperling (GER)	(2) H.Jacobs (USA)	(3) A.Marble
1937	(2) N.Wynne-Bolton	(1) H.Sperling (GER)	(7) D.Round	(2) A.Lizane (CHI)
1938	(1) D.Bundy	(1) S.Mathieu	(1) H.Wills-Moody (USA)	(2) A.Marble
1947	(1) N.Wynne-Bolton	(5) P.Todd (USA)	(1) M.Osbourne (USA)	(2) L.Brough
1948	(1) N.Wynne-Bolton	(3) N.Adamson-Landry	(2) L.Brough (USA)	(3) M.Osbourne duPont
1951	(1) N.Wynne-Bolton	(3) S.Fry (USA)	(3) D.Hart (USA)	(3) M.Connolly
1955	(2) B.Penrose	(2) A.Mortimer (GBR)	(2) L.Brough (USA)	(1) D.Hart
1961	(1) M.Smith	(6) A.Haydon (GBR)	(7) A.Mortimer	(1) D.Hard
1966	(1) M.Smith	(3) A.Haydon-Jones (GBR)	(4) B.J.King (USA)	(2) M.Bueno (BRA)
1977 (Jan)	(2) K.Melville-Reid	(1) M.Jausovec (YUG)	(3) V.Wade	(1) C.Evert
1978	C.O'Neil	(2) V.Ruzici (ROM)	(2) M.Navratilova (TCH)	(2) C.Evert
1981	(3) M.Navratilova (USA)	(4) H.Mandlikova (TCH)	(1) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(3) T.Austin
1990	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(3) M.Seles (YUG)	(2) M.Navratilova (USA)	(5) G.Sabatini (ARG)
1998	(1) M.Hingis (SUI)	(4) A.Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	(3) J.Novotna (CZE)	(2) L.Davenport
1999	(2) M.Hingis (SUI)	(6) S.Graf (GER)	(3) L.Davenport (USA)	(7) S.Williams
2004	(1) J.Henin (BEL)	(6) A.Myskina (RUS)	(13) M.Sharapova (RUS)	(9) S.Kuznetsova (RUS)
2005	(7) S.Williams (USA)	(10) J.Henin (BEL)	(14) V.Williams (USA)	(4) K.Clijsters (BEL)

* Note: Champion represented host nation unless otherwise stated

GRAND SLAM SWEEPERS

Winning four Grand Slams in a row an even bigger rarity

With her win at the 2003 Australian Open, Serena Williams became the ninth all-time to have won each of the four majors at some point in their careers, and only the fifth to hold all four at once. Below is a look at those who have triumphed at all four at some points:

Calendar-year Grand Slams

Maureen Connolly (USA) - 1953

Margaret Court (AUS) - 1970

Steffi Graf (GER) - 1988

Non-calendar-year Grand Slams

Martina Navratilova (USA) - 1983 Wimbledon / US Open / Australian Open and 1984 Roland Garros

Steffi Graf (GER) - 1993 Roland Garros / Wimbledon / US Open and 1994 Australian Open

Serena Williams (USA) - 2002 Roland Garros / Wimbledon / US Open and 2003 Australian Open

Career Grand Slams (year indicates first victory)

Doris Hart (USA) - 1949 Australian Open / 1950 Roland Garros / 1951 Wimbledon / 1954 US Open

Shirley Fry (USA) - 1957 Australian Open / 1951 Roland Garros / 1956 Wimbledon / 1956 US Open

Billie Jean King (USA) - 1968 Australian Open / 1972 Roland Garros / 1966 Wimbledon / 1967 US Open

Chris Evert (USA) - 1982 Australian Open / 1974 Roland Garros / 1974 Wimbledon / 1975 US Open

BACK-TO-BACK CLUB

Players winning consecutive Grand Slams during same calendar year

Claiming two or more straight majors in a calendar year is a difficult task, but in the 39 years since the Open Era began, the feat has been accomplished 23 times. Below is a list of all the times since 1920 that a player has won consecutive majors within a calendar year:

Year/s	Player	Consecutive majors won
1920-25	Suzanne Lenglen (FRA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon
1928/29	Helen Wills (USA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open
1930-32	Helen Wills Moody (USA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon
1931	Cilly Aussem (GER)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon
1946	Pauline Betz (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open
1952	Maureen Connolly (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open
1953	Maureen Connolly (USA)	Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open
1954	Maureen Connolly (USA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon
1955	Shirley Fry (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open
1956-58	Althea Gibson (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open
1957/64	Maria Bueno (BRA)	Wimbledon, US Open
1962/64/69/73	Margaret Smith (AUS)	Australian Open, Roland Garros
1965	Margaret Smith (AUS)	Wimbledon, US Open
1967	Billie Jean King (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open
1970	Margaret Smith (AUS)	Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open
1971	Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon
1972	Billie Jean King (USA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open
1974	Chris Evert (USA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon
1975	Chris Evert (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open
1982	Martina Navratilova (USA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon
1982	Chris Evert (USA)	US Open, Australian Open*
1983	Martina Navratilova (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open, Australian Open* (held in December)
1984	Martina Navratilova (USA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open
1986/87	Martina Navratilova (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open
1988	Steffi Graf (GER)	Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open
1989	Steffi Graf (GER)	Wimbledon, US Open
1991/92	Monica Seles (YUG)	Australian Open, Roland Garros
1993/95/96	Steffi Graf (GER)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open
1997	Martina Hingis (SUI)	Wimbledon, US Open
2000/01	Venus Williams (USA)	Wimbledon, US Open
2001	Jennifer Capriati (USA)	Australian Open, Roland Garros
2002	Serena Williams (USA)	Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open

DID YOU KNOW?

* Three-time champion Serena Williams (pictured) is one of just two women in women's tennis history to save match points on her way to a Grand Slam singles title twice, coming back from the brink of defeat against Kim Clijsters in the 2003 Australian Open semis and against Maria Sharapova in the 2005 Australian Open semis, eventually winning the entire event both times. (Margaret Osbourne duPont also achieved the feat, flirting with defeat en route to titles at the 1942 French Open and the 1948 US Open).



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MOST GRAND SLAM SINGLES FINALS APPEARANCES

Among active singles players

Only nine active players on the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour have reached more than one Grand Slam singles final in their career. Leading the way is Venus Williams, who has been in 12 (and going 6-6 in those). The following is a list of all active multiple Grand Slam singles finalists:

	PLAYER	TOTAL	TITLES WON	RUNNER-UP FINISHES
1.	Venus Williams	12	6 Wins Wimbledon (00, 01, 05, 07) US Open (00, 01)	6 Finals Australian Open (02) Roland Garros (02) Wimbledon (02-03) US Open (97, 02)
2.	Justine Henin	11	7 Wins Australian Open (04) Roland Garros (03, 05, 06, 07) US Open (03, 07)	4 Finals Australian Open (06) Wimbledon (01, 06) US Open (06)
3.	Serena Williams	10	8 Wins Australian Open (03, 05, 07) US Open (99, 02) Roland Garros (02) Wimbledon (02-03)	2 Finals Wimbledon (04) US Open (01)
4.	Lindsay Davenport	7	3 Wins Australian Open (00) Wimbledon (99) US Open (98)	4 Finals Australian Open (05) Wimbledon (00, 05) US Open (00)
5.	Mary Pierce	6	2 Wins Australian Open (95) Roland Garros (00)	4 Finals Roland Garros (94, 05) Australian Open (97) US Open (05)
T6.	Amélie Mauresmo	3	2 Wins Australian Open (06) Wimbledon (06)	1 Final Australian Open (99)
T6.	Maria Sharapova	3	2 Wins Wimbledon (04) US Open (06)	1 Final Australian Open (07)
T6.	Svetlana Kuznetsova	3	1 Win US Open (04)	2 Finals Roland Garros (06) US Open (07)
9.	Elena Dementieva	2		2 Finals Roland Garros (04) US Open (04)

BEST AUSTRALIAN OPEN PERFORMANCES OF THE SEEDS

Below is a look at how this year's Australian Open seeds have performed at the event in the past. Three of the 32 have won the title previously, namely Justine Henin (2004), Serena Williams (2003, 2005, 2007) and Amélie Mauresmo (2006). The only other former champion in the draw, Lindsay Davenport (2000), comes into this year's event unseeded. Former runners-up among the seeds are Henin (2006), Maria Sharapova (2007), Venus Williams (2003), Mauresmo (1999), and Davenport was also a runner-up at this event one time (2005).

Seed	Player	Best result	Year(s)	Appearances (including 2008)
1	Justine Henin	Champion	2004	7
2	Svetlana Kuznetsova	Quarterfinalist	2005	7
3	Jelena Jankovic	Fourth Round	2007	6
4	Ana Ivanovic	Third Round	2005, 2007	4
5	Maria Sharapova	Runner-up	2007	6
6	Anna Chakvetadze	Quarterfinalist	2007	4
7	Serena Williams	Champion	2003, 2005, 2007	9
8	Venus Williams	Runner-up	2003	9
9	Daniela Hantuchova	Quarterfinalist	2003	8
10	Marion Bartoli	Second Round	2004, 2005, 2006, 2007	7
11	Elena Dementieva	Fourth Round	2002, 2005, 2007	10
12	Nicole Pietrangeli	Semifinalist	2007	4
13	Tatiana Golovin	Fourth Round	2004	5
14	Nadia Petrova	Quarterfinalist	2006	9
15	Patty Schnyder	Semifinalist	2004	12
16	Dinara Safina	Third Round	2004, 2007	6
17	Shahar Peer	Quarterfinalist	2007	3
18	Amélie Mauresmo	Champion	2006	10
19	Sybille Bammer	Third Round	2006	3
20	Agnes Szavay	--	--	1
21	Alona Bondarenko	Third Round	2007	4
22	Lucie Safarova	Quarterfinalist	2007	3
23	Vera Zvonareva	Fourth Round	2004, 2007	6
24	Li Na	Fourth Round	2007	4
25	Francesca Schiavone	Fourth Round	2006	8
26	Victoria Azarenka	Third Round	2007	3
27	Maria Kirilenko	Third Round	2006, 2007	4
28	Katarina Srebotnik	Third Round	2003, 2007	8
29	Agnieszka Radwanska	Second Round	2007	2
30	Virginie Razzano	Third Round	2001, 2006	8
31	Sania Mirza	Third Round	2005	4
32	Julia Vakulenko	Second Round	2004, 2007	3

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31 December	Gold Coast (III) / Auckland (IV)
7 January	Sydney (II) / Hobart (IV)
14 January	Australian Open (Grand Slam)
21 January	Australian Open (Grand Slam)
28 January	Fed Cup I
4 February	Paris [Indoors] (II) / Pattaya City (IV)
11 February	Antwerp (II) / Viña del Mar (III)
18 February	Doha (I) / Bogotá (III)
25 February	Dubai (II) / Acapulco (III) / Memphis (III)
3 March	Bangalore (II)
10 March	Indian Wells (I)
17 March	Indian Wells (I)
24 March	Miami (I)
31 March	Miami (I)
7 April	Amelia Island (II)
14 April	Charleston (I) / Estoril (IV)
21 April	Fed Cup II
28 April	Fes (IV) / Prague (IV)
5 May	Berlin (I)
12 May	Rome (I)
19 May	Strasbourg (III) / Istanbul (III)
26 May	Roland Garros (Grand Slam)
2 June	Roland Garros (Grand Slam)
9 June	Birmingham (III) / Barcelona (IV)
16 June	Eastbourne (II) / 's-Hertogenbosch (III)
23 June	Wimbledon (Grand Slam)
30 June	Wimbledon (Grand Slam)
7 July	Budapest (III) / Palermo (IV)
14 July	Stanford (II) / Bad Gastein (III)
21 July	Los Angeles (II) / Portoroz (IV)
28 July	Montréal (I) / Stockholm (IV)
4 August	
11 August	Cincinnati (III) / Olympics (starts 10 August)
18 August	New Haven (II) / Forest Hills (IV)
25 August	US Open (Grand Slam)
1 September	US Open (Grand Slam)
8 September	Bali (III) / Fed Cup Final
15 September	Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (I) / Guangzhou (III)
22 September	Beijing (II) / Seoul (IV)
29 September	Stuttgart (II) / Tokyo [Japan Open] (III) / Tashkent (IV)
6 October	Moscow (I) / Kolkata (III)
13 October	Zürich (I)
20 October	Linz (II) / Luxembourg (III)
27 October	Québec City (III)
3 November	Sony Ericsson Championships (SEC)

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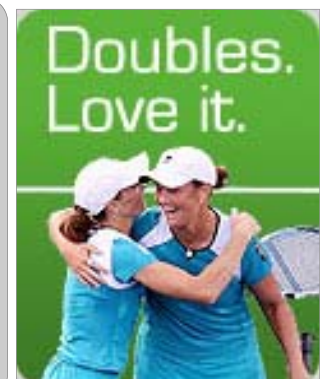


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FINAL FACTS

- This is the fifth meeting between Ana Ivanovic and Maria Sharapova but their first in a final. They are tied at 2-2 head-to-head with Sharapova winning their last match-up at the 2007 Sony Ericsson Championships, 61 62. All four previous meetings have been in two sets and they have one meeting in a Grand Slam – the semis last year at Roland Garros, where Ivanovic beat Sharapova 62 61.
- Less than a year separates these two 20-year-old finalists in age. Sharapova, born April 19, 1987, is older than Ivanovic, born November 6, 1987.
- This is only the second time in Open Era history (since 1969) that the No.4 and 5 seeds have faced off in an Australian Open women's singles final. The only other time this has happened was in 1979, when No.5 seed Barbara Jordan defeated No.4 seed Sharon Walsh 63 63.
- Since 1999 Wimbledon, only four countries have won Grand Slam women's singles titles, a figure that could change after Saturday's final if Serbia's Ivanovic wins, making history as Serbia's first-ever Grand Slam champion; the USA dominates with 19 of the 34 titles decided in that period, including 11 straight from 2000 Wimbledon to 2003 Australian Open (inclusive), followed by Belgium with eight (8), Russia with four (4) and France with three (3).
- Playing in her second career Grand Slam final after her runner-up finish at 2007 Roland Garros as Serbia's first Grand Slam finalist, Ivanovic is aiming for her first Grand Slam title, making her the 36th woman in Open Era history to win a Grand Slam singles title.
- In the Open Era, Ivanovic is the first No.4 seed to reach an Australian Open women's singles final since 1997, when Martina Hingis defeated Mary Pierce 62 62. Sharapova is the first No.5 seed to reach an Australian Open women's singles final since 1989, when Helena Sukova was runner-up to top seed Steffi Graf. The only No.5 seed to win the Australian Open women's singles title was in 1979 when American Barbara Jordan beat No.4 seed Sharon Walsh 63 63.
- Maria Sharapova has a chance to move up to No.4 on the list of active Grand Slam singles titlists; she is currently tied at No.5 with Mary Pierce and Amelie Mauresmo with two Grand Slam singles titles but can move up to No.4, tied with Lindsay Davenport, if she captures her third career singles Grand Slam title on Saturday; No.1 on the list of active Grand Slam singles titlists is Serena Williams, who holds eight Grand Slam singles titles
- Sharapova is one of six former world No.1's and one of seven former Grand Slam singles champions featured in this year's Australian Open women's singles main draw.
- This is the 17th straight Grand Slam that nobody will win back-to-back titles (the last person to achieve two major title runs in a row was Justine Henin, who won the 2003 US Open and the 2004 Australian Open); the longest run of Grand Slams without a back-to-back winner is 18 (between 1976 US Open and 1980 Australian Open [Dec.]).

RANK PROJECTIONS*

- **Ana Ivanovic (SRB):** By reaching the semifinals, Ivanovic surpassed current world No.2 Svetlana Kuznetsova in ranking points and will move to a career-best No.2.
- **Maria Sharapova (RUS):** With her final appearance, Sharapova will remain at No.5, regardless of the result.

*Ranking projections are not official until new rankings are released on Monday, January 28.

FINAL COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

COUNTRY	PLAYERS AT START	PLAYERS REMAINING	PLACE AMONG COMPATRIOTS IN RANKINGS
Russia	15	Sharapova	Second-highest of three in Top 10, 15 in Top 100 (after No.2 Kuznetsova)
Serbia	1	Ivanovic	One of two in Top 200 (along with No.4 Jankovic); next-highest is No.245 Lukic

GRAND SLAM FINAL RECORDS*

PLAYER	TOTAL F*	LAST F APPEARANCE	NOTES
Ivanovic	2	2007 Roland Garros	Making second Grand Slam final appearance; l. to Henin; at 2007 Roland Garros, became first player representing Serbia – male or female – to reach Grand Slam singles final
Sharapova	4	2007 Australian Open	2-1 in first three Grand Slam finals; victorious at 2004 Wimbledon (d. S.Williams) and 2006 US Open (d. Henin); second straight Australian Open final (in 2007, l. to S.Williams)

*Includes 2008 Australian Open



TOP 5 FEWEST GAMES LOST EN ROUTE TO AUSTRALIAN OPEN FINAL *

Maria Sharapova dropped a total of 24 games in her six previous rounds, the most impressive run to an Australian Open final (in terms of games lost) since Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario's 23 in 1995, and fifth best overall since the tournament became a 128 singles main draw. Additionally, Sharapova's 24 losses leading up to the final marks the most impressive run to the final at any Grand Slam event since 2002 when Serena Williams lost 22 games en route to the 2002 US Open final.

YEAR	PLAYER	GAMES LOST	RESULT
1989	Steffi Graf	16	Won
1993	Monica Seles	20	Won
1988	Steffi Graf	22	Won
1995	Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario	23	Runner-up
2008	Maria Sharapova	24	TBD

*Since 1988 when Australian Open switched to a 128 singles main draw

NEW AUSTRALIAN OPEN SINGLES CHAMPION

With the elimination of former Australian Open champions Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Amelie Mauresmo and Serena Williams, a new Australian Open singles champion is guaranteed. Since 1997, Roland Garros and the US Open have had eight (8) different champions. Wimbledon has had seven (7), and including this year, the Australian Open now has seven (7). Below is a chart showcasing the different Grand Slam champions.

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1997	Martina Hingis	Iva Majoli	Martina Hingis	Martina Hingis
1998	Martina Hingis	Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario	Jana Novotna	Lindsay Davenport
1999	Martina Hingis	Steffi Graf	Lindsay Davenport	Serena Williams
2000	Lindsay Davenport	Mary Pierce	Venus Williams	Venus Williams
2001	Jennifer Capriati	Jennifer Capriati	Venus Williams	Venus Williams
2002	Jennifer Capriati	Serena Williams	Serena Williams	Serena Williams
2003	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Serena Williams	Justine Henin
2004	Justine Henin	Anastasia Myskina	Maria Sharapova	Svetlana Kuznetsova
2005	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Venus Williams	Kim Clijsters
2006	Amelie Mauresmo	Justine Henin	Amelie Mauresmo	Maria Sharapova
2007	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Venus Williams	Justine Henin
2008	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

AUSTRALIAN OPEN RECORDS *

PLAYER	BEST AUS. OPEN RESULT *	BEST GRAND SLAM RESULT *	AUS OPEN W-L *
[4] Ivanovic	F (1): 2008**	R-up (1): Roland Garros (2007)	11-3
[5] Sharapova	R-up (1): 2007; F (1): 2008 **	Won (2): Wimbledon (2004), US Open (2006)	24-5

*Including 2008 Australian Open; main draw matches only

FINALIST WIN-LOSS CHARTS

IVANOVIC			vs.	SHARAPOVA		
	WIN-LOSS	%			WIN-LOSS	%
Career	183-61	75		Career	279-66	81
2008	8-1	89		2008	6-0	100
Grand Slam	39-12	76		Grand Slam	80-18	82
Aus Open	11-3	79		Aus Open	24-5	83

* Main draw matches only for Grand Slam and Australian Open W-L | Career and 2008 W-L include ITF and Tour events (qualifying and main draw)

REVERSAL OF AUSTRALIAN OPEN FORTUNES

Below is a look at how this year's Australian Open finalists fared at this event last year:

PLAYER	2007 AO RESULT
[4] Ivanovic	3r (l. to Zvonareva, 61 62)
[5] Sharapova	R-Up (l. to S.Williams, 61 62)

ANOTHER FINAL FOR RUSSIA

For the 12th time in history, a Russian has advanced to the final of a Grand Slam, and Maria Sharapova has been that Russian four times, including this year's Australian Open. Here is a look at the progression of Russian* women through to the finals of all Grand Slams in the Open Era:

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2008	Sharapova (TBD)			
2007	Sharapova (R-Up)			Kuznetsova (F)
2006		Kuznetsova (R-Up)		Sharapova (Won)
2005	<i>No Russians in Final</i>			
2004		Dementieva (R-Up) Myskina (Won)	Sharapova (Won)	Dementieva (R-Up) Kuznetsova (Won)
1975-2003	<i>No Russians in Final</i>			
1974		Morozova (R-Up)	Morozova (R-Up)	
1968-1973	<i>No Russians in Final</i>			

** Only lists Russian women who have reached Finals and does not include non-Russian women representing the former Soviet Union*

MULTIPLE GRAND SLAM FINALS CLUB

Ana Ivanovic now joins the multiple Grand Slam finals club, joining nine (9) other active players on the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour, including Maria Sharapova, to have reached more than one Grand Slam singles final in their careers.

PLAYER	TOTAL (W-L)	TITLES WON	RUNNER-UP FINISHES
1. Venus Williams	12 (6-6)	Wimbledon (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007) US Open (2000, 2001)	Australian Open (2002) Roland Garros (2002) Wimbledon (2002, 2003) US Open (1997, 2002)
2. Justine Henin	11 (7-4)	Australian Open (2004) Roland Garros (2003, 2005, 2006, 2007) US Open (2003)	Australian Open (2006) Wimbledon (2001) Wimbledon (2006) US Open (2006, 2007)
3. Serena Williams	10 (8-2)	Australian Open (2003, 2005, 2007) Roland Garros (2002) Wimbledon (2002, 2003) US Open (1999, 2002)	Wimbledon (2004) US Open (2001)
4. Lindsay Davenport	7 (3-4)	Australian Open (2000) Wimbledon (1999) US Open (1998)	Australian Open (2005) Wimbledon (2000, 2005) US Open (2000)
5. Mary Pierce	6 (2-4)	Australian Open (1995) Roland Garros (2000)	Australian Open (1997) Roland Garros (1994, 2005) US Open (2005)
T6. Amélie Mauresmo	3 (2-1)	Australian Open (2006) Wimbledon (2006)	Australian Open (1999)
T6. Maria Sharapova	4 (2-1)*	Wimbledon (2004) US Open (2006)	Australian Open (2007)
T6. Svetlana Kuznetsova	3 (1-2)	US Open (2004)	Roland Garros (2006) US Open (2007)
T9. Elena Dementieva	2 (0-2)	-	Roland Garros (2004) US Open (2004)
T9. Ana Ivanovic	2 (0-1)*		Roland Garros (2007)

* Records and results do not include 2008 Australian Open



THERE'S NOTHING LIKE THE FIRST TIME

Ana Ivanovic is aiming to become the 36th woman in Open Era tennis history to win a Grand Slam singles title. Since the Open Era of tennis began at the 1968 Roland Garros, there have been 35 different singles champions. Many winners have often referred to the first Grand Slam title as the most special championship of their career – 20 of the 35 total different winners have won multiple Grand Slam singles titles.

The most popular site to win the first Grand Slam title has been the red clay of Roland Garros where 12 of the 35 Open Era Grand Slam winners have been crowned as first-time Champions, compared to nine (9) at the Australian Open, seven (7) at the US Open and seven (7) at Wimbledon.

Player (Nationality)	Age Yrs, Mos	First Grand Slam Title	Total (singles) Open Era GS Titles
Austin, Tracy (USA)	16,9	1979 US Open	2
Barker, Sue (GBR)	20,2	1976 Roland Garros	1
Capriati, Jennifer (USA)	24,10	2001 Australian Open	3
*Court, Margaret (AUS)	26,6	1969 Australian Open	11
Clijsters, Kim (BEL)	22,2	2005 US Open	1
Davenport, Lindsay (USA)	22,3	1998 US Open	3
Evert, Chris (USA)	19,6	1974 Roland Garros	18
Goolagong-Cawley, Evonne (AUS)	19,10	1971 Roland Garros	7
Graf, Steffi (GER)	17,11	1987 Roland Garros	22
Henin, Justine (BEL)	21,0	2003 Roland Garros	7
Hingis, Martina (SUI)	16,4	1997 Australian Open	5
Jausovec, Mima (YUG)	20,1	1977 Roland Garros	1
**Jones, Ann (GBR)	30,9	1969 Wimbledon	1
Jordan, Barbara (USA)	22,8	1979 Australian Open	1
***King, Billie Jean (USA)	24,8	1968 Wimbledon	8
Kuznetsova, Svetlana (RUS)	19,2	2004 US Open	1
Majoli, Iva (CRO)	19,10	1997 Roland Garros	1
Mandlikova, Hana (TCH/AUS)	18,10	1980 Australian Open	4
Martínez, Conchita (ESP)	22,3	1994 Wimbledon	1
Mauresmo, Amélie (FRA)	26,6	2006 Australian Open	2
Myskina, Anastasia (RUS)	22,11	2004 Roland Garros	1
Navratilova, Martina (TCH/USA)	21,9	1978 Wimbledon	18
Novotna, Jana (CZE)	29,9	1998 Wimbledon	1
O' Neil, Christine (AUS)	22,9	1978 Australian Open	1
Pierce, Mary (FRA)	20,0	1995 Australian Open	2
Melville-Reid, Kerry (AUS)	29,4	1976 Australian Open	1
****Richey-Gunter, Nancy (USA)	25,10	1968 Roland Garros	1
Ruzici, Virginia (ROM)	23,4	1978 Roland Garros	1
Sabatini, Gabriela (ARG)	20,4	1990 US Open	1
Sánchez-Vicario, Arantxa (ESP)	17,6	1989 Roland Garros	4
Seles, Monica (YUG/USA)	16,6	1990 Roland Garros	9
Sharapova, Maria (RUS)	17,2	2004 Wimbledon	2
Wade, Virginia (GBR)	23,2	1968 US Open	3
Williams, Serena (USA)	17,11	1999 US Open	8
Williams, Venus (USA)	20,0	2000 Wimbledon	6

* Court won her first Grand Slam title at 1960 Australian Championships aged 17 years, six months, and followed with 12 more titles between 1960 and 1966

** Jones won two pre-Open Era Grand Slam titles: her first at 1961 French Championships, aged 22 years, eight months and a second at the French again in 1966

*** King won four titles prior to the Open Era: (Wimbledon 1966-67, US Open 1967 and the 1968 Australian Championships); King was aged 22 years, eight months at the time of her first GS win at Wimbledon 1966

**** Richey won 1967 Australian Open (aged 24 years, four months) and the 1968 French Open - the first Grand Slam tournament of the Open Era

OPEN ERA GRAND SLAM SINGLES HONOR ROLL *

OPEN ERA:	AUSTRALIAN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1969	(2) M.Court (AUS)	(2) N.Richey (USA)	(1) B.J.King (USA)	(6) V.Wade (GBR)
1970	(1) M.Court (AUS)	(1) M.Court (AUS)	(4) A.Jones (GBR)	(2) M.Court (AUS)
1971	(1) M.Court (AUS)	(2) M.Court (AUS)	(1) M.Court (AUS)	(1) M.Court (AUS)
1972	(2) V.Wade (GBR)	(3) E.Goolagong (AUS)	(2) E.Goolagong (AUS)	(1) B.J.King (USA)
1973	(1) M.Court (AUS)	(3) B.J.King (USA)	(2) B.J.King (USA)	(1) B.J.King (USA)
1974	(2) E.Goolagong (AUS)	(1) M.Court (AUS)	(2) B.J.King (USA)	(1) M.Court (AUS)
1975	(3) E.Goolagong (AUS)	(1) C.Evert (USA)	(2) C.Evert (USA)	(2) B.J.King (USA)
1976	(1) E.G'gong Cawley (AUS)	(1) C.Evert (USA)	(3) B.J.King (USA)	(1) C.Evert (USA)
1977-Jan	(2) K.Melville-Reid (AUS)	(1) S.Barker (GBR)	(1) C.Evert (USA)	(1) C.Evert (USA)
1977-Dec	(2) K.Melville-Reid (AUS)	(1) M.Jausovec (YUG)	(3) V.Wade (GBR)	(1) C.Evert (USA)
1978	(1) E.G'gong Cawley (AUS)			
1978	(-- C.O'Neil (AUS)	(2) V.Ruzici (ROU)	(2) M.Navratilova (TCH)	(2) C.Evert (USA)
1979	(5) B.Jordan (USA)	(1) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (TCH)	(3) T.Austin (USA)
1980	(3) H.Mandlikova (TCH)	(1) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(4) E.G'gong Cawley (AUS)	(3) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)
1981	(3) M.Navratilova (USA)	(4) H.Mandlikova (TCH)	(1) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(3) T.Austin (USA)
1982	(2) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(2) M.Navratilova (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)	(2) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)
1983	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)	(2) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)
1984	(2) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)
1985	(2) M.Navratilova (USA)	(2) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(co-1) M.Navratilova (USA)	(3) H.Mandlikova (TCH)
1986	- not held -	(2) C.Evert-Lloyd (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)
1987	(2) H.Mandlikova (TCH)	(2) S.Graf (GER)	(1) M.Navratilova (USA)	(2) M.Navratilova (USA)
1988	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)
1989	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(7) A.Sánchez (ESP)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)
1990	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(3) M.Seles (YUG)	(2) M.Navratilova (USA)	(5) G.Sabatini (ARG)
1991	(2) M.Seles (YUG)	(1) M.Seles (YUG)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(2) M.Seles (YUG)
1992	(1) M.Seles (YUG)	(1) M.Seles (YUG)	(2) S.Graf (GER)	(1) M.Seles (YUG)
1993	(1) M.Seles (YUG)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)
1994	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(2) A.Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	(3) C.Martínez (ESP)	(2) A.Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)
1995	(4) M.Pierce (FRA)	(2) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)
1996	(1) M.Seles (USA)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)	(1) S.Graf (GER)
1997	(4) M.Hingis (SUI)	(9) I.Majoli (CRO)	(1) M.Hingis (SUI)	(1) M.Hingis (SUI)
1998	(1) M.Hingis (SUI)	(4) A.Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	(3) J.Novotna (CZE)	(2) L.Davenport (USA)
1999	(2) M.Hingis (SUI)	(6) S.Graf (GER)	(2) L.Davenport (USA)	(7) S.Williams (USA)
2000	(2) L.Davenport (USA)	(6) M.Pierce (FRA)	(5) V.Williams (USA)	(3) V.Williams (USA)
2001	(12) J.Capriati (USA)	(4) J.Capriati (USA)	(2) V.Williams (USA)	(3) V.Williams (USA)
2002	(1) J.Capriati (USA)	(3) S.Williams (USA)	(2) S.Williams (USA)	(1) S.Williams (USA)
2003	(1) S.Williams (USA)	(4) J.Henin (BEL)	(1) S.Williams (USA)	(2) J.Henin (BEL)
2004	(1) J.Henin (BEL)	(6) A.Myskina (RUS)	(13) M.Sharapova (RUS)	(9) S.Kuznetsova (RUS)
2005	(7) S.Williams (USA)	(10) J.Henin (BEL)	(14) V.Williams (USA)	(4) K.Clijsters (BEL)
2006	(3) A.Mauresmo (FRA)	(5) J.Henin (BEL)	(1) A.Mauresmo (FRA)	(3) M.Sharapova (RUS)
2007	(-- S.Williams (USA)	(1) J.Henin (BEL)	(23) V.Williams (USA)	(1) J.Henin (BEL)
2008	TBD			

*Seedings indicated in parentheses

HISTORY OF THE SEEDS

In the history of the Australian Open (Open Era – since 1969), this marks the ninth time that the No.1 seed has not advanced to the final. With the Nos. 4 and 5 seeds advancing to this year's championship match, the following is a look at the progression of those seeds in the Australian Open since the first Open tournament in 1969:

- **No.4 seed:** Won singles title twice (1997 – Martina Hingis, 1995 – Mary Pierce) and finished runner-up two (2) times
- **No.5 seed:** Captured one title (1979 – Barbara Jordan) and finished runner-up three (3) times

SEED	BEST RESULTS
No.4	WON (1): 1995, 1997 RUNNER-UP (2): 1979, 1980
No.5	WON (1): 1979 RUNNER-UP (2): 1976, 1977 (Dec), 1989



ROAD TO THE FINAL

<p>(4) ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #3) R128: d. Sorana Cirstea (ROU #106) 75 63 (1:38) R64: d. Tathiana Garbin (ITA #40) 60 63 (1:06) R32: d. (28) Katarina Srebotnik (SLO #27) 63 64 (1:29) R16: d. Caroline Wozniacki (DEN #64) 61 76(2) (1:35) QF: d. (8) Venus Williams (USA #8) 76(3) 64 (1:46) SF: d. (9) Daniela Hantuchova (SVK #9) 06 63 64 (2:10) Total games: 123 Won/lost: 75-48 Sets won/lost: 12-1 Total time on court: 9:44 Average time on court: 1:37 Average rank of opponent: 42</p>	<p>VS.</p>	<p>(5) MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #5) R128: d. Jelena Kostanic Tomic (CRO #102) 64 63 (1:29) R64: d. Lindsay Davenport (USA #51) 61 63 (1:06) R32: d. Elena Vesnina (RUS #55) 63 60 (1:25) R16: d. (11) Elena Dementieva (RUS #11) 62 60 (1:02) QF: d. (1) Justine Henin (BEL #1) 64 60 (1:38) SF: d. (3) Jelena Jankovic (SRB #4) 63 61 (1:18) Total games: 96 Won/lost: 72-24 Sets won/lost: 12-0 Total time on court: 7:58 Average time on court: 1:20 Average rank of opponent: 37</p>
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Match times provided by www.australianopen.com

AND THEN THERE WERE TWO...

PLAYER	RANK	NAT	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$	YTD W-L	CAREER PRIZE \$	CAREER W-L
[4] Ana Ivanovic	3	SRB	20	26,700	8-1	3,191,857	183-61
[5] Maria Sharapova	5	RUS	20	0	6-0	10,231,402	279-66

Players listed in order of seeding, then ranking; match records up-to-date through SF; prize money figures do not include this tournament

ALL-TIME AUSTRALIAN OPEN TITLE LEADERS

NAME	TITLE-WINNING YEARS	SINGLES	DOUBLES	MIXED	TOTAL
Margaret Court (AUS)	1960-73	11	8	3	21
Nancy Wynne (AUS)	1936-52	6	10	4	20
Thelma Coyne (AUS)	1936-58	2	12	4	18
Daphne Akhurst (AUS)	1924-31	5	5	4	14
Martina Navratilova (USA)	1980-2003	3	8	1	12
Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	1971-78	4	4	-	8
Pam Shriver (USA)	1982-89	0	7	0	7
Martina Hingis (SUI)	1997-2006	3	4	1	7

Source: Australian Open Media Information

2008 AUSTRALIAN OPEN SERVICE ACES LEADERS (including semifinals)

Rank	Player	Country	Matches	Aces
1	S.Williams	USA	5	40
2	M.Sharapova	RUS	6	25
3	N.Vaidisova	CZE	4	23
4	A.Ivanovic	SRB	6	20
5	V.Williams	USA	5	18
6	M.Domachowska	POL	4	17
7	M.Kirilenko	RUS	4	16
8	N.Petrova	RUS	4	15
9	A.Chakvetadze	RUS	3	14
9	D.Hantuchova	SVK	6	14
9	J.Henin	BEL	5	14

Aces statistics provided by: www.australianopen.com

ANA'S AUSTRALIAN OPEN BLOG

Twenty-year-old Ana Ivanovic is coming off a career season and this fortnight in Melbourne is playing her very first tournament as the world's No.3 player, having just cracked the Top 3 on last week's singles rankings. Check out her Australian Open experience in the latest Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Player Blog at www.sonyericssonwtatour.com. Ivanovic gives her personal insight into the year's first Grand Slam tournament and answers questions from fans.



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SONY ERICSSON WTA TOUR CHARITY AUCTION

Four items are available at the online Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Charity Auction, www.sonyericssonwtatourauctions.com. Fans can bid on authentic tennis memorabilia, such as an official Australian Open tennis ball and t-shirt, autographed by some of the Tour's all-time greats - Lindsay Davenport, Amélie Mauresmo, Maria Sharapova and the Williams sisters.



CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH-UP

[4] ANA IVANOVIC (SRB) vs. [5] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Series tied 2-2

2006	LINZ	HARD (I)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	7-6(3) 7-5
2007	TOKYO	CARPET (I)	SF	IVANOVIC, ANA	6-1 0-1 (Ret. w/ left hamstring strain)
2007	FRENCH OPEN	CLAY (O)	SF	IVANOVIC, ANA	6-2 6-1
2007	TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS	CARPET (I)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-2

IVANOVIC	Quick Facts	SHARAPOVA
20	Age	20
Basel, Switzerland	Residence	Bradenton, FL, USA
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	16
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,191,857	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$10,231,402
\$26,700	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.3	Current Singles Rank	No.5
No.3 (January 14, 2008)	Highest Singles Rank	No.1 (August 22, 2005)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
11-3	Aus. Open W-L**	24-5
13	GS Attempts**	21
39-12	Career GS W-L**	80-18
2	2008 Events Played	1
8-1	2008 W-L	6-0
183-61	Career W-L	279-66
29-14	Career Tie-Break W-L	34-22
2-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
49-18	Career 3-Set W-L	66-25
3-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Physical trainer: Scott Burns	Coach	Father, Yuri Sharapov; Michael Joyce
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

IVANOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best prior results were 3r finishes in 2005 (as unseeded debutante, d. No.32 seed Benesova in 1r, before l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and 2007 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.22 Zvonareva); 2r defeat in 2006 (as No.21 seed, l. to Stosur)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: **F (1):** Australian Open**; **SF (1):** Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Made SF in first event of 2008 in Sydney; as No.4 seed l. to eventual champion Henin 62 26 64 (first set won against Henin in four meetings)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **WON (3):** Berlin, Los Angeles, Luxembourg; **R-Up (2):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Roland Garros; **SF (3):** Amelia Island, Wimbledon, Tour Championships; **QF (4):** Gold Coast, Sydney, Antwerp, 's-Hertogenbosch

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season, bursting into Top 5 after being outside of Top 15 in May; three titles and first Grand Slam final appearance were highlights
- Grand Slam play:** Recorded two best Grand Slam results of career in reaching the Roland Garros final as No.7 seed (d. world No.3 Kuznetsova in QF in 3s, No.2 Sharapova 62 61 in SF; l. to world No.1 Henin) and Wimbledon SF (d. world No.9 Petrova in 4r after trailing 3-1 third set, No.10 Vaidisova 75 third set in QF after trailing 5-3 and saving 3 mp at 5-4; l. to eventual champion V.Williams); reached 3r of Australian Open (l. to Zvonareva) and 4r at US Open (l. to V.Williams)
- Regular Tour season:** Her three-title haul (one each on clay, hard and indoors) was a career best; at Berlin,

collected second Tier I title, defeating world No.4 Kuznetsova in final 76 third set; at Los Angeles, d. No.3-ranked compatriot Jankovic in SF 46 63 75 (trailed 4-1 third set and saved 2 mp; fifth Top 5 win of the season) and No.9 Petrova in final; seeded No.2 at Luxembourg, collected career-first indoor title, defeating Hantuchova in final in 3s; in addition to Roland Garros runner-up finish, also a losing finalist at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (world No.1 Sharapova ret. in SF w/left hamstring strain; l. to Hingis) and semifinalist at Tour Championships (l. to eventual champion Henin 64 64) and Amelia Island (l. to eventual champion Golovin in 3s); the only player other than Henin to record more than 10 Top 10 wins in 2007 (12-4) and to have a record vs. Top 5 players greater than 50% (5-2)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.14, dipping to No.17 in April; surged from No.16 to No.8 after Berlin title run (May 14), debuting in Top 5 after Wimbledon SF finish (July 9); Los Angeles title pushed her to a career-high No.4 (August 13), a ranking she held uninterrupted since October 15
- **Doubles:** Went 0-4, losing 1r at Miami, Berlin, Roland Garros (all w/Kirilenko) and Wimbledon (w/Hantuchova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, at Tier V Canberra in 2005, Tier I Montréal in 2006 and Tier I Berlin, Tier II Los Angeles in 2007 and Tier II Luxembourg in 2007
- Two-time runner-up, at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] in 2007 (l. to Hingis) and Roland Garros (l. to world No.1 Henin); five-time semifinalist, incl. 2007 Amelia Island (l. to Golovin) and 2007 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams)
- Holds 17 career Top 10 victories: three in 2005 (No.7 Kuznetsova, No.10 Zvonareva, No.3 Mauresmo), two in 2006 (No.3 Mauresmo, No.8 Schnyder) and 12 in 2007 (No.6 Petrova (ret.), No.10 Jankovic, No.1 Sharapova (ret.), No.9 Jankovic, No.4 Kuznetsova, No.3 Kuznetsova, No.2 Sharapova, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Vaidisova, No.3 Jankovic, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Hantuchova)
- One-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Kirilenko)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of five singles titles (all in 2004)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.anaivanovic.com
- In 2007, was appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Jankovic was also appointed); in December 2007, donated share of her profits from a Humanitarian Exhibition, held in Belgrade, to UNICEF's Schools Without Violence program in Serbia; her contribution, which totaled \$62,804, will enable 12 schools to join the national program
- Alongside Hantuchova, featured in Sony Ericsson's first ever tennis-themed TV commercial, "Never Miss A Shot" launched in July 2006
- Winner of Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Most Improved Player in 2005 (presented in March 2006 at Miami)
- 2006 US Open Series champion (best 2006 USOS results were title in Montréal and QF at Los Angeles)

SHARAPOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best prior performance was runner-up finish last year (as No.1 seed, d. No.12 Chakvetadze and No.4 Clijsters in QF and SF before falling to S.Williams; was first Russian to reach Australian Open final); best results prior to 2007 were two back-to-back SF finishes – in 2005 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion S.Williams 26 75 86 having served for match in second and third sets and held 3 mp at 5-4 third set), and 2006 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual runner-up Henin-Hardenne 46 61 64); 3r in 2004 (as No.28 seed, l. to No.6 seed Myskina 64 16 62; event debut in 2003 as qualifier, l. in 1r to Koukalova 64 76(6))

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: F (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): San Diego; **R-Up (3):** Australian Open, Birmingham, Tour Championships; **SF (4):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Istanbul, Roland Garros, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Injury-plagued season which saw the Russian fall from No.1 to outside the Top 5 for the first time in three years
- **Grand Slam play:** Diminishing results in the majors over the season; opened 2007 with first finals appearance at Australian Open; seeded No.1, escaped from 1r vs. Pin (in searing heat) with 97 third set victory, before winning next five matches in straight sets (d. world No.5 Clijsters in SF for only Top 5 win of the season thus far; l. 61 62 to unseeded S.Williams); at Roland Garros, again endured a 16-game final set (vs. Schnyder in 4r, saving 2 mp)

to reach first SF there, falling 61 62 to Ivanovic; suffered earliest exit at Wimbledon since 2003 debut, falling in 4r to eventual champion V.Williams; seeded No.2 at US Open, blazed through first two matches vs. Vinci and Dellacqua (dropping one game in each match) before falling to No.30 seed Radwanska, her earliest Grand Slam loss since 3r exit in New York in 2004

- **Regular Tour season:** First title of the season came at San Diego in early August (fifth career Tier I title; d. Schnyder in final in 3s), her longest wait for her first title of the season since 2003; also runner-up at Tour Championships (as No.6 seed d. Chakvetadze in SF, l. to Henin 57 75 63 in final, in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era) and Birmingham (l. to Jankovic 75 third set) and semifinalist at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (ret. vs. Ivanovic w/left hamstring strain that forced withdrawal from Dubai), Istanbul (only second career clay SF on Tour; l. to Rezaï) and Los Angeles (WD vs. Petrova w/left lower leg strain which also forced withdrawal from Toronto); also withdrew from Charleston w/right shoulder and left hamstring injuries and from Rome, Stuttgart, Zürich and Linz w/right shoulder injury (was defending champion at Zürich and Linz); defeated in opening match at Moscow (l. to Azarenka 76(8) 62 having held six set points in first set)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.2, rising to No.1 on January 29 after Australian Open runner-up finish, her third career stint in the top spot; held onto No1. for seven weeks (14 weeks in total) before surrendering it to Henin on March 19 after failing to defend Indian Wells title (fell in 4r); remained at No.2 until 3r exit at US Open (as defending champion) pushed her down to No.4 (September 10); having been unable to defend Zürich and Linz titles through injury, fell to No.5 on October 15 and No.6 on October 29, her first time outside Top 5 since November 2004, when she rose from No.6 to No.4 after winning the Season-Ending Championships
- **Fed Cup play:** Served as hitting partner for Russia during its World Group I Final win over Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 16 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. majors at 2004 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open, also 2004 Season-Ending Championships and Tier Is at 2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Indian Wells, 2006 San Diego, 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego; seven-time runner-up, incl. 2007 Australian Open and 2007 Tour Championships and Tier Is at 2004 Zürich, 2005 Miami and 2006 Miami
- Has four career victories against reigning world No.1 ranked players: defeated Davenport twice (2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2005 Tour Championships), Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, all at Tier III level – 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] and 2003 Luxembourg (both w/Tanasugarn) and on grass at 2004 Birmingham (w/Kirilenko)
- Winner of four singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit (three in 2002 and one in 2003)
- On August 22, 2005, became 15th woman and first Russian to reach No.1 (also most recent new No.1) since 1975 inception of computer rankings

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.mariasharapova.com
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy at age 9
- Named UNDP Goodwill Ambassador on February 14, 2007
- At 2005 Australian Open, donated value of Porsche Cayenne she won at 2004 Tour Championships (approx. US\$56,300) to those affected by Russian school hostage crisis in Beslan in September 2004
- Has appeared on the cover of SI (first tennis player in over two years to do so), ESPN The Magazine, Forbes (listed as one of the richest female athletes in the world); also featured in People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People", Vogue Italia, USA Today, Teen People's "20 Teens Who Will Change the World", W, YM and SPORT Magazine's "21 Athletes to Watch Out For in the 21st Century", among others

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SISTER ACT TAKE ON AZARENKA, PEER FOR AUSTRALIAN OPEN DOUBLES CROWN

After a fortnight full of upsets, the final of the first Grand Slam of the season, the Australian Open, will pit the sibling partnership of Alona and Kateryna Bondarenko against the No.12 seeds, Victoria Azarenka and Shahar Peer. Neither team has appeared at this stage of a major before, but with both pairings desperate to finish the day crowned champions the match promises to provide the spectators in the Rod Laver Arena with a spectacle to savor.

Alona and Kateryna Bondarenko is one of the longest-standing partnerships on the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour, but prior to this tournament they had struggled for consistent success. The Ukrainian sisters have never ventured beyond the semifinals of any event and their best showings in Grand Slam competition were second-round finishes at the Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon and the US Open in 2007.

However, the Bondarenkos have been in truly sublime form Down Under, dropping just one set en route to Friday's final and defeating several of the pre-tournament favorites along the way – including defending champions and top seeds Cara Black and Liezel Huber.

On the other side of the draw, the relatively newly formed partnership of **Victoria Azarenka and Shahar Peer** have been causing quite a commotion, accounting for three of their fellow seeds on their way to the championship round. The Belarusian-Israeli duo is playing in tandem for just the third time, but this has not prevented them from conjuring up several mercurial performances as they have stormed through the draw and into their second career final in unison.

After breezing through their opening few matches, Azarenka and Peer claimed their first notable scalp in the round of 16 when they defeated No.6 seeds Sania Mirza and Alicia Molik in straight sets. Two matches later they scored an even more impressive victory, battling back from an opening-set whitewash to see off 2006 champions Yan Zi and Zheng Jie on a final-set tie-break.

RANKING PROJECTIONS

- **Alona Bondarenko** is projected to move from No.55 to No.20 on this coming Monday's Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Doubles Rankings (a new career-high) should she and her sister Kateryna win the title; if they finish as runners-up she will still reach a career-best ranking of No.22
- **Kateryna Bondarenko** is projected to rise from No.51 to a new career-high position of No.19 if she emerges victorious with Alona; if they are defeated she will still achieve a best-ever ranking of No.21
- **Victoria Azarenka** is projected to improve from No.30 to No.16 on the new rankings with victory alongside Peer in Friday afternoon's final; defeat will still see her rise to a career-best position of No.17
- **Shahar Peer** is projected to move from No.29 to No.15 on the new rankings should she and Azarenka come out on top in the final; she will still reach a career-high of No.16 if they finish as runners-up

ROAD TO THE FINAL

<p>ALONA BONDARENKO (UKR #55) / KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #51) R64: d. Cohen-Aloro / Razzano (FRA/FRA) 76(3) 63 R32: d. (8) Peng / T.Sun (CHN/CHN) 46 64 76(6) R16: d. Davenport / Hantuchova (USA/SVK) w/o QF: d. (1) Black / Huber (ZIM/USA) 63 62 SF: d. (10) Medina Garrigues / Ruano Pascual (ESP/ESP) 62 64 Total games: 90 Won/lost: 54-36 Sets won/lost: 8-1</p>	vs.	<p>[12] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #30) / SHAHAR PEER (ISR #29) R64: d. Bammer / Paszek (AUT/AUT) 61 63 R32: d. Gagliardi / Schnyder (SUI/SUI) 63 63 R16: d. (6) Mirza / Molik (IND/AUS) 75 63 QF: d. (13) Husarova / Pennetta (SVK/ITA) 61 61 SF: d. (7) Yan / Zheng (CHN/CHN) 06 75 76(3) Total games: 100 Won/lost: 63-37 Sets won/lost: 10-1</p>
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AUSTRALIAN OPEN / GRAND SLAM DOUBLES RESULTS

PLAYER	BEST AUSTRALIAN OPEN RESULT*	BEST PREVIOUS GRAND SLAM DOUBLES RESULTS
A.Bondarenko	F (1): 2008	3r (1): 2006 Roland Garros (w/Fedak)
K.Bondarenko	F (1): 2008	2r (5): 2006 US Open, 2007 Australian Open, 2007 Roland Garros, 2007 Wimbledon, 2007 US Open (all w/A.Bondarenko)
Azarenka	F (1): 2008	2r (1): 2007 Wimbledon (w/Chakvetadze)
Peer	F (1): 2008	QF (1): 2005 Wimbledon (w/Douchevina)

* Including 2008 Australian Open



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DOUBLES FINAL NOTES: FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 2008
A\$20,600,000 AUSTRALIAN OPEN – MELBOURNE-AUS

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH-UP

**ALONA BONDARENKO / KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR/UKR) vs.
(12) VICTORIA AZARENKA / SHAHAR PEER (BLR/ISR)**

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First meeting

A.BONDARENKO	K.BONDARENKO	Quick Facts	AZARENKA	PEER
23	21	Age	18	20
Kharkov, Ukraine	Kharkov, Ukraine	Residence	Scottsdale, Arizona	Macabim, Israel
1	0	Career Tour Doubles Titles	1	3
0	0	2008 Tour Doubles Titles	0	0
\$1,021,756	\$488,295	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$656,344	\$1,556,442
\$2,165	\$1,165	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$16,440	\$15,795
No.55	No.51	Current Doubles Rank	No.30	No.29
No.49 (Sept. 25, 2006)	No.51 (July 23, 2007)	Highest Doubles Rank	No.29 (Oct. 15, 2007)	No.25 (Oct. 1, 2007)
3	2	Aus. Open Doubles Attempts**	1	3
6-2	5-1	Aus. Open Doubles W-L**	5-0	5-2
12-9	9-6	Career GS Doubles W-L**	6-3	19-10
1	1	2008 Doubles Events Played	2	2
4-0	4-0	2008 Doubles W-L	6-1	6-1
126-120	81-75	Career Doubles W-L	47-21	92-65
Father Vladimir; mother, Natalia	Father Vladimir; mother, Natalia	Coach	Antonio Van Grichen	Oded Teig (Israel) / Jose Higuera (USA)
		* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw		

A.BONDARENKO/K.BONDARENKO

- **Alona and Kateryna Bondarenko** are playing their 38th event together - including their 4-0 mark here, they are 39-36 as a team
- They have yet to capture a Tour doubles titles together; the closest they have come were semifinal runs at 2007 Warsaw, 2006 Dubai and 2005 Estoril; they have one ITF women's circuit title together, coming in 2006 at \$50K ITF/Orange-CA, USA
- The Bondarenkos are the first siblings to appear in a Grand Slam doubles final since Venus and Serena Williams triumphed at Melbourne Park in 2003
- **Alona** is 1-0 in Tour doubles finals; her sole title to date came at Istanbul 2006 (with Yakimova); her next best performances were semifinal finishes at 2007 Warsaw, 2006 Dubai and 2005 Estoril (all with K.Bondarenko)
- Alona reached a career-high ranking of No.49 in September 2006 and currently resides just outside to the Top 50
- **Kateryna** has yet to enter the Top 50, she currently sits at a career-best position of No.51; a position she first obtained last July
- Kateryna has yet to win a Tour doubles final and prior to this fortnight had not made a final either; she is a two-time doubles winner on the ITF women's circuit at \$50K ITF/Orange-CA, USA in 2006 (with A.Bondarenko) and \$10K ITF/Pune 2-India in 2002 (with Amanmuradova)
- Both Bondarenko sisters contested the Australian Open singles; Alona, the No.21 seed, fell in the second round to Wozniacki; while Kateryna, lost to Rezai in the first round

AZARENKA/PEER FACTS

- **Azarenka and Peer** are playing their third event together - including their 5-0 mark here, they are 9-2 as a team
- They have yet to capture a Tour doubles title in tandem; although they did finish runners-up in their first event together at Luxembourg last year
- As a team, they are 0-1 in finals; individually, Azarenka is 1-5, while Peer is 3-1 – Azarenka's sole title came at Tashkent in 2006 (with countrywoman Poutchek); Peer's three victories were at 2007 Stanford (with Mirza), 2006 Prague (with Bartoli) and 2006 Stanford (with Groenefeld)
- **Azarenka** has tasted Grand Slam success before, winning the 2007 US Open mixed doubles alongside compatriot Max Mirnyi
- **Azarenka** is currently placed at No.30 in the doubles rankings, just one place off her career-high ranking of No.29 (October, 2007)
- **Peer** sits just one place above her partner at No.29, four places off her career-best position of No.25 (achieved in October, 2007 immediately after the runner-up finish in Luxembourg)
- Azarenka and Peer both participated in the singles competition at Melbourne Park; Azarenka, the No.26 seed, fell to reigning champion S.Williams in the third round; while Peer, the No.17 seed, also lost in the third round, falling to No.11 Dementieva

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SEMIFINAL FACTS

- Youngest player remaining – Ana Ivanovic (SRB): 20 years, 2 months
- Oldest player remaining – Daniela Hantuchova (SVK): 24 years, 9 months
- Lowest-ranked player remaining – Daniela Hantuchova (SVK): No.9
- Highest-ranked player remaining – Ana Ivanovic (SRB): No.3
- Number of seeds remaining – 4 out of 32 (4 of the Top 10 and 3 of the Top 5)
- Number of former world No.1s in the singles main draw – 6 (Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Amélie Mauresmo, Maria Sharapova, Serena Williams, Venus Williams)
- Number of former No.1s still in contention – 1 (Sharapova)
- Number of former Grand Slam singles champions in singles main draw: 7 (Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Svetlana Kuznetsova, Amelie Mauresmo, Maria Sharapova, Serena Williams, Venus Williams)
- Number of former Grand Slam singles champions still in contention: 1 (Sharapova)
- Number of former Australian Open singles champions in the singles main draw: 4 (Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Amelie Mauresmo, Serena Williams)
- Number of former Australian Open singles champions still in contention – 0 (A new Australian Open champion is guaranteed)
- Players making Grand Slam semifinal debut appearances: Daniela Hantuchova (SVK)
- Players making Australian Open semifinal debuts (in addition to Grand Slam semifinal debutante above): Ana Ivanovic (SRB), Jelena Jankovic (SRB)
- Potential Grand Slam final debutante (in addition to Grand Slam semifinal debutantes above): Jelena Jankovic (SRB)

RANK PROJECTIONS*

- **Ana Ivanovic (SRB):** There will be a new No.2 player in the world, and she will be a Serb – Ivanovic or Jankovic. The No.2 ranking will be determined by which Serb advances the furthest. By reaching the semifinals, Ivanovic has surpassed current world No.2 Kuznetsova in ranking points. If Jankovic loses in the semis, Ivanovic will move up to a career-high No.2 ranking, bumping Kuznetsova to No.3. Jankovic would stay at No.4.
- **Jelena Jankovic (SRB):** If Ivanovic loses in the semis and Jankovic advances to the final, Jankovic will be ranked No.2 for the first time in her career. Ivanovic would stay at No.3 and Kuznetsova would fall to No.4.
- **Maria Sharapova (RUS):** If Sharapova reaches the final and Hantuchova does not win the title, Sharapova would secure her current No.5 ranking and would not be able to move any higher. If Sharapova loses in the semis, and Hantuchova advances, Sharapova would fall to No.8, and if both Sharapova and Hantuchova lose in the semis, Sharapova would fall to No.7.
- **Daniela Hantuchova (RUS):** By reaching the semifinals, Hantuchova is projected to move from No.9 to No.8. If Sharapova loses in the semis and Hantuchova advances to the final, Hantuchova would move to No.5, equaling her career-high ranking achieved on January 27, 2003. She would not be able to move any higher.

*Ranking projections are not official until new rankings are released on Monday, January 28.

NEW AUSTRALIAN OPEN SINGLES CHAMPION

With the elimination of former Australian Open champions Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Amelie Mauresmo and Serena Williams, a new Australian Open singles champion is guaranteed. Since 1997, Roland Garros and the US Open have had eight (8) different champions. Wimbledon has had seven (7), and including this year, the Australian Open now has seven (7). Below is a chart showcasing the different Grand Slam champions.

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1997	Martina Hingis	Iva Majoli	Martina Hingis	Martina Hingis
1998	Martina Hingis	Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario	Jana Novotna	Lindsay Davenport
1999	Martina Hingis	Steffi Graf	Lindsay Davenport	Serena Williams
2000	Lindsay Davenport	Mary Pierce	Venus Williams	Venus Williams
2001	Jennifer Capriati	Jennifer Capriati	Venus Williams	Venus Williams
2002	Jennifer Capriati	Serena Williams	Serena Williams	Serena Williams
2003	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Serena Williams	Justine Henin
2004	Justine Henin	Anastasia Myskina	Maria Sharapova	Svetlana Kuznetsova
2005	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Venus Williams	Kim Clijsters
2006	Amelie Mauresmo	Justine Henin	Amelie Mauresmo	Maria Sharapova
2007	Serena Williams	Justine Henin	Venus Williams	Justine Henin
2008	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

MULTIPLE GRAND SLAM FINALS CLUB

Only nine (9) active players on the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour have reached more than one Grand Slam singles final in their careers, and one of them, Maria Sharapova, is featured in the 2008 Australian Open semifinals.

PLAYER	TOTAL (W-L)	TITLES WON	RUNNER-UP FINISHES
1. Venus Williams	12 (6-6)	Wimbledon (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007) US Open (2000, 2001)	Australian Open (2002) Roland Garros (2002) Wimbledon (2002, 2003) US Open (1997, 2002)
2. Justine Henin	11 (7-4)	Australian Open (2004) Roland Garros (2003, 2005, 2006, 2007) US Open (2003)	Australian Open (2006) Wimbledon (2001) Wimbledon (2006) US Open (2006, 2007)
3. Serena Williams	10 (8-2)	Australian Open (2003, 2005, 2007) Roland Garros (2002) Wimbledon (2002, 2003) US Open (1999, 2002)	Wimbledon (2004) US Open (2001)
4. Lindsay Davenport	7 (3-4)	Australian Open (2000) Wimbledon (1999) US Open (1998)	Australian Open (2005) Wimbledon (2000, 2005) US Open (2000)
5. Mary Pierce	6 (2-4)	Australian Open (1995) Roland Garros (2000)	Australian Open (1997) Roland Garros (1994, 2005) US Open (2005)
T6. Amélie Mauresmo	3 (2-1)	Australian Open (2006) Wimbledon (2006)	Australian Open (1999)
T6. Maria Sharapova	3 (2-1)*	Wimbledon (2004) US Open (2006)	Australian Open (2007)
T6. Svetlana Kuznetsova	3 (1-2)	US Open (2004)	Roland Garros (2006) US Open (2007)
9. Elena Dementieva	2 (0-2)	-	Roland Garros (2004) US Open (2004)

*Does not include 2008 Australian Open

SEMIFINAL COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

COUNTRY	PLAYERS AT START	PLAYERS REMAINING	PLACE AMONG COMPATRIOTS IN RANKINGS
Russia	15	Sharapova	Second-highest of three in Top 10, 15 in Top 100 (after No.2 Kuznetsova)
Serbia	2	Ivanovic, Jankovic	Only two in Top 200; next-highest is No.245 Lukic
Slovakia	2	Hantuchova	Highest of two in Top 100 (ahead of No.48 Cibulkova)

REVERSAL OF AUSTRALIAN OPEN FORTUNES

Below is a look at how this year's Australian Open semifinalists fared at this event last year:

PLAYER	2007 AO RESULT
[3] Jankovic	4r (l. to S.Williams, 63 62)
[4] Ivanovic	3r (l. to Zvonareva, 61 62)
[5] Sharapova	R-Up (l. to S.Williams, 61 62)
[9] Hantuchova	4r (l. to Clijsters, 61 75)

POSSIBLE HISTORIC ALL-COUNTRY FINAL

With two Serbs in the semifinals, another all-country Grand Slam final is possible. If Ana Ivanovic and Jelena Jankovic advance to the final, it will be the first all-Serbian Grand Slam in history. In the Open Era, 44 Grand Slam singles finals featured two women from the same country, the most recent being the all-American final at Wimbledon in 2005, when Venus Williams defeated Lindsay Davenport 46 76(4) 97. The following lists each Grand Slam with its respective number of all-country finals: Australian Open – 13, Roland Garros – 8; Wimbledon – 11; US Open – 12.

The United States dominates in all-country Grand Slam finals in Open era with 31 in total, followed by Australia with eight (8), Belgium with three (3), and Russia with two (2).

HISTORY OF THE SEEDS

In the history of the Australian Open (Open Era), this marks just the seventh time that the No.1 seed has not advanced to the semifinal round. With the Nos.3, 4, 5 and 9 seeds advancing to this year's semifinals, the following is a look at the progression of those seeds in the Australian Open since the first Open tournament in 1969:

- **No.3 seed:** Won the title four (4) times and finished runner-up three (3) times
- **No.4 seed:** Won singles title once (1997 – Martina Hingis) and finished runner up two (2) times
- **No.5 seed:** Captured one title (1979 – Barbara Jordan) and finished runner-up two (2) times
- **No.9 seed:** Only three (3) No.9 seeds have advanced to the SF in Open Era, including Hantuchova this year

SEED	BEST RESULTS
No.3	WON (4): 1975, 1980, 1981, 2006 RUNNER-UP (3): 1976, 1988, 2002 SEMIFINALIST (15): 1969, 1970, 1974, 1977 (Jan), 1977 (Dec), 1979, 1982, 1983, 1985, 1989, 1991, 1992, 1993, 2001, 2008*
No.4	WON (1): 1997 RUNNER-UP (2): 1979, 1980 SEMIFINALIST (15): 1969, 1970, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1976, 1992, 1993, 1994, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008*
No.5	WON (1): 1979 RUNNER-UP (2): 1977 (Dec), 1989 SEMIFINALIST (6): 1982, 1985, 1987, 1990, 2003, 2008*
No.9	WON (0): RUNNER-UP (2): 1983, 1984 SEMIFINALIST (3): 2008*

SEMIFINALIST WIN-LOSS CHARTS

JANKOVIC

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	271-153	63.9
2008	6-1	85.7
Grand Slam	39-17	69.6
Aus Open	12-5	70.6

vs.

SHARAPOVA

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	278-66	80.8
2008	5-0	100
Grand Slam	79-18	81.4
Aus Open	23-5	82.1

IVANOVIC

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	182-61	74.9
2008	7-1	87.5
Grand Slam	38-12	76.0
Aus Open	10-3	76.9

vs.

HANTUCHOVA

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	326-193	62.8
2008	6-1	85.7
Grand Slam	59-28	67.8
Aus Open	20-7	74.1

* Main draw matches only for Grand Slam and Australian Open W-L | Career and 2008 W-L include ITF and Tour events (qualifying and main draw)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN SEMIFINAL HISTORY

In Open Era history, the last time the Top 4 seeds advanced to the Australian Open semifinals was in 1993. This was only the fourth time in the Open Era. This is only the seventh time in Open Era history (since 1969) that the No.1 seed did not advance to the final four.

Bold indicates eventual champion; *Italics* indicates eventual runner-up

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN SEMIFINALISTS (by seed)			
2008	3-Jankovic	4-Ivanovic	5-Sharapova	9-Hantuchova
2007	<i>1-Sharapova</i>	4-Clijsters	10-Vaidisova	S.Williams
2006	2-Clijsters	3-Mauresmo	4-Sharapova	<i>8-Henin-Hardenne</i>
2005	<i>1-Davenport</i>	4-Sharapova	7-S.Williams	19-Dechy
2004	1-Henin-Hardenne	<i>2-Clijsters</i>	22-Schnyder	32-Zuluaga
2003	1-S.Williams	<i>2-V.Williams</i>	4-Clijsters	5-J.Henin-Hardenne
2002	1-Capriati	<i>3-Hingis</i>	4-Clijsters	8-Seles
2001	<i>1-Hingis</i>	2-Davenport	3-V.Williams	12-Capriati
2000	<i>1-Hingis</i>	2-Davenport	10-Martinez	Capriati
1999	1-Davenport	2-Hingis	6-Seles	<i>Mauresmo</i>
1998	1-Hingis	2-Davenport	<i>8-Martinez</i>	10-Huber
1997	4-Hingis	12-Coetzer	14-MJ.Fernandez	<i>Pierce</i>
1996	1-Seles	<i>8-Huber</i>	13-Rubin	16-Coetzer
1995	<i>1-Sánchez-Vicario</i>	2-Martinez	3-Pierce	Werdel-Witmeyer
1994	1-Graf	<i>2-Sánchez-Vicario</i>	4-Sabatini	10-Date
1993	1-Seles	<i>2-Graf</i>	3-Sabatini	4-Sánchez-Vicario
1992	1-Seles	3-Sabatini	4-Sánchez-Vicario	<i>7-MJ.Fernandez</i>
1991	2-Seles	3-MJ.Fernandez	6-Sánchez-Vicario	<i>10-Novotna</i>
1990	1-Graf	5-Sukova	<i>6-MJ.Fernandez</i>	Porwik
1989	1-Graf	3-Sabatini	<i>5-Sukova</i>	Cordwell
1988	1-Graf	2-Navratilova	<i>3-Evert</i>	8-Kohde-Kilsch
1987	<i>1-Navratilova</i>	2-Mandlikova	5-Kohde-Kilsch	10-Lindqvist
1986	Not held			
1985	<i>1-Evert-Lloyd</i>	2-Navratilova	3-Mandlikova	5-Kohde-Kilsch
1984	1-Navratilova	2-Evert-Lloyd	3-Turnbull	<i>9-Sukova</i>
1983	1-Navratilova	3-Shriver	6-Garrison	<i>9-K.Jordan</i>
1982	<i>1-Navratilova</i>	2-Evert-Lloyd	3-Jaeger	5-Shriver
1981	<i>1-Evert-Lloyd</i>	3-Navratilova	6-Shriver	7-Turnbull
1980	1-Navratilova	3-Mandlikova	<i>4-Turnbull</i>	Jausovec
1979	3-Tomanova	<i>4-Walsh</i>	5-B.Jordan	Sawyer
1978	<i>7-Nagelson</i>	Evers	O'Neil	Matison
1977 (Dec)	1-Goolagong	2-Barker	3-Melville	<i>5-Gourlay-Cawley</i>
1977 (Jan)	<i>1-Fromholtz</i>	2-Melville-Reid	3-Gourlay	Krantzcke
1976	1-Goolagong	<i>2-Tomanova</i>	4-Gourlay	Ekblom
1975	3-Goolagong	<i>8-Navratilova</i>	Barker	Chmyreva
1974	<i>1-Evert</i>	2-Goolagong	3-Melville	4-Heldman
1973	1-Court	<i>2-Goolagong</i>	4-Melville	8-Sawamatsu
1972	<i>1-Goolagong</i>	2-Wade	4-Gourlay	6-Harris
1971	1-Court	<i>2-Goolagong</i>	3-Shaw	Hunt
1970	1-Court	<i>2-Melville</i>	3-Shaw	4-Krantzcke
1969	<i>1-King</i>	2-Court	3-Jones	4-Melville

KEEPING UP WITH THE RUSSIANS

For the 15th time in the last 16 majors, at least one Russian woman has advanced to the singles semifinals. Below is a look at the progression of Russian* women through to the semifinals of all Grand Slams in the Open Era:

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2008	Sharapova (TBD)			
2007	Sharapova (F)	Kuznetsova (SF) Chakvetadze (SF) Sharapova (F)		Chakvetadze (SF) Kuznetsova (F)
2006	Sharapova (SF)	Kuznetsova (F)	Sharapova (SF)	Sharapova (W)
2005	Sharapova (SF)	Likhovtseva (SF) Petrova (SF)	Sharapova (SF)	Dementieva (SF) Sharapova (SF)
2004		Dementieva (F) Myskina (W)	Sharapova (W)	Dementieva (F) Kuznetsova (W)
2003		Petrova (SF)		
2001-02	<i>No Russians in SF or better</i>			
2000				Dementieva (SF)
1998-99	<i>No Russians in SF or better</i>			
1997			Kournikova (SF)	
1976-96	<i>No Russians in SF or better</i>			
1975	Chmyreva (SF)			
1974		Morozova (F)	Morozova (F)	
1968-1973	<i>No Russians in SF or better</i>			

* Only lists Russian women who have reached SF or better and does not include non-Russian women representing the former Soviet Union

ALL-TIME AUSTRALIAN OPEN TITLE LEADERS

NAME	TITLE-WINNING YEARS	SINGLES	DOUBLES	MIXED	TOTAL
Margaret Court (AUS)	1960-73	11	8	3	21
Nancy Wynne (AUS)	1936-52	6	10	4	20
Thelma Coyne (AUS)	1936-58	2	12	4	18
Daphne Akhurst (AUS)	1924-31	5	5	4	14
Martina Navratilova (USA)	1980-2003	3	8	1	12
Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	1971-78	4	4	-	8
Pam Shriver (USA)	1982-89	0	7	0	7
Martina Hingis (SUI)	1997-2006	3	4	1	7

Source: Australian Open Media Information

HEAD-TO-HEADS FOR SEMIFINALS AND POSSIBLE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH-UPS

Below is a head-to-head table featuring all four semifinalists:

PLAYERS	JANKOVIC	IVANOVIC	SHARAPOVA	HANTUCHOVA
JANKOVIC	--	1-4	1-3	1-1
IVANOVIC	4-1	--	2-2	2-1
SHARAPOVA	3-1	2-2	--	6-1
HANTUCHOVA	1-1	1-2	1-6	--

AND THEN THERE WERE FOUR..

PLAYER	RANK	NAT	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$	YTD W-L	CAREER PRIZE \$	CAREER W-L
[3] Jelena Jankovic	4	SRB	22	14,130	6-1	3,390,600	271-153
[4] Ana Ivanovic	3	SRB	20	26,700	7-1	3,191,857	182-61
[5] Maria Sharapova	5	RUS	20	0	5-0	10,231,402	278-66
[9] Daniela Hantuchova	9	SVK	24	7,470	6-1	5,334,366	326-193

Players listed in order of seeding, then ranking; match records up-to-date through QF; prize money figures do not include this tournament

ROAD TO THE SEMIFINALS

<p>(3) JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #4) R128: d. Tamira Paszek (AUT #39) 26 62 1210 (3:09) R64: d. Edina Gallovits (ROU #76) 62 75 (1:31) R32: d. (30) Virginie Razzano (FRA #29) 62 46 61 (1:52) R16: d. Casey Dellacqua (AUS #78) 76(3) 61 (1:21) QF: d. (7) S.Williams (USA #7) 63 64 (1:39) Total games: 122 Won/lost: 74-48 Sets won/lost: 10-2 Total time on court: 9:32 Average time on court: 1:54 Average rank of opponent: 46</p>	VS.	<p>(5) MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #5) R128: d. Jelena Kostanic Tosic (CRO #102) 64 63 (1:29) R64: d. Lindsay Davenport (USA #51) 61 63 (1:06) R32: d. Elena Vesnina (RUS #55) 63 60 (1:25) R16: d. (11) Elena Dementieva (RUS #11) 62 60 (1:02) QF: d. (1) Justine Henin (BEL #1) 64 60 (1:38) Total games: 80 Won/lost: 60-20 Sets won/lost: 10-0 Total time on court: 6:40 Average time on court: 1:20 Average rank of opponent: 44</p>
<p>(4) ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #3) R128: d. Sorana Cirstea (ROU #106) 75 63 (1:38) R64: d. Tathiana Garbin (ITA #40) 60 63 (1:06) R32: d. (28) Katarina Srebotnik (SLO #27) 63 64 (1:29) R16: d. Caroline Wozniacki (DEN #64) 61 76(2) (1:35) QF: d. (8) Venus Williams (USA #8) 76(3) 64 (1:46) Total games: 98 Won/lost: 63-35 Sets won/lost: 10-0 Total time on court: 7:34 Average time on court: 1:31 Average rank of opponent: 49</p>	VS.	<p>(9) DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK #9) R128: d. Vania King (USA #108) 63 75 (1:50) R64: d. Alize Cornet (FRA #59) 62 75 (1:22) R32: d. Virginia Ruano Pascual (ESP #82) 62 63 (1:08) R16: d. (27) Maria Kirilenko (RUS #26) 16 64 64 (2:20) QF: d. (29) Agnieszka Radwanska (POL #28) 62 62 (1:27) Total games: 101 Won/lost: 63-38 Sets won/lost: 10-1 Total time on court: 8:07 Average time on court: 1:37 Average rank of opponent: 61</p>

Match times provided by www.australianopen.com

AUSTRALIAN OPEN RECORDS*

PLAYER	BEST AUS. OPEN RESULT*	BEST GRAND SLAM RESULT*	AUS OPEN W-L*
[3] Jankovic	SF (1): 2008**	SF (3): Australian Open (2008), Roland Garros (2007), US Open (2006)	12-5
[4] Ivanovic	SF (1): 2008**	R-up (1): Roland Garros (2007)	10-3
[5] Sharapova	R-up (1): 2007	Won (2): Wimbledon (2004), US Open (2006)	23-5
[9] Hantuchova	SF (1): 2008**	SF (1): Australian Open (2008**)	20-7

*Including 2008 Australian Open; main draw matches only; list only includes those players who have won through to QF

GRAND SLAM SEMIFINAL RECORDS*

PLAYER	TOTAL SF*	LAST SF APPEARANCE	NOTES
Jankovic	2	2007 Roland Garros	0-2 in first two (first SF at Australian Open; both Grand Slam SF losses to Henin)
Ivanovic	2	2007 Wimbledon	1-1 in first two (both SF appearances in 2007 at Wimbledon (d. Sharapova) and Roland Garros (l. to V.Williams))
Sharapova	9	2007 Roland Garros	3-6 in first nine (fourth SF at Australian Open)
Hantuchova	1	debut	Making career Grand Slam SF debut

*Includes 2008 Australian Open

CAREER GRAND SLAM SEMIFINAL RECORDS*

PLAYER	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	TOTAL
Jankovic	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-2
Ivanovic	0-0	1-0	0-1	0-0	1-1
Sharapova	1-2	0-1	1-2	1-1	3-6
Hantuchova	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

*Not including 2008 Australian Open

2008 AUSTRALIAN OPEN SERVICE ACES LEADERS (as of January 23)

RANK	PLAYER	# OF ACES
1	Serena Williams	40
2	Nicole Pietrangeli	23
3	Venus Williams	18
4	Maria Sharapova	17
	Marta Domachowska	17
6	Maria Kirilenko	16
7	Ana Ivanovic	15
	Nadia Petrova	15
9	Anna Chakvetadze	14
	Justine Henin	14

Bold indicates players still in contention

ANA'S AUSTRALIAN OPEN BLOG

Twenty-year-old Ana Ivanovic is coming off a career season and this fortnight in Melbourne is playing her very first tournament as the world's No.3 player, having just cracked the Top 3 on last week's singles rankings. Check out her Australian Open experience in the latest Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Player Blog at www.sonyericssonwtatour.com. Ivanovic gives her personal insight into the year's first Grand Slam tournament and answers questions from fans.

SONY ERICSSON WTA TOUR CHARITY AUCTION

Four items are available at the online Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Charity Auction, www.sonyericssonwtatourauctions.com. Fans can bid on authentic tennis memorabilia, such as an official Australian Open tennis ball and t-shirt, autographed by some of the Tour's all-time greats - Lindsay Davenport, Amélie Mauresmo, Maria Sharapova and the Williams sisters.

SEMIFINAL MATCH-UPS (IN SEEDING ORDER)

[3] JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB) vs. [5] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Sharapova leads 3-1

2004	US OPEN	HARD (O)	R64 (2r)	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-0 6-7(5) 6-1
2004	BEIJING	HARD (O)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	5-2 RET
2005	BIRMINGHAM	GRASS (O)	F	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-2 4-6 6-1
2007	BIRMINGHAM	GRASS (O)	F	JANKOVIC, JELENA	4-6 6-3 7-5

JANKOVIC	Quick Facts	SHARAPOVA
22	Age	20
Belgrade, Serbia	Residence	Bradenton, FL, USA
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	16
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,390,600	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$10,231,402
\$14,130	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.4	Current Singles Rank	No.5
No.3 (June 11, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.1 (August 22, 2005)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
12-5	Aus. Open W-L**	23-5
18	GS Attempts**	21
39-17	Career GS W-L**	79-18
2	2008 Events Played	1
6-1	2008 W-L	5-0
271-153	Career W-L	278-66
43-38	Career Tie-Break W-L	34-22
1-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
75-72	Career 3-Set W-L	66-25
3-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
None	Coach	Father, Yuri Sharapov; Michael Joyce
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

JANKOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best previous performance was last year's 4r run (as No.11 seed, l. 4r to eventual champion S.Williams); all four other results were 2r finishes – 2003 (qualified in event debut, l. to Coetzer), 2004 (upset world No.8 Dementieva, l. to Craybas 64 26 86), 2005 (l. to Panova 36 64 62) and 2006 (l. to Savchuk)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **SF (1):** Australian Open**; **QF (1):** Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF of first Tour event of the year; as No.3 seed, l. to Vaidisova 64 in final set
- Represented Serbia in Hopman w/Djokovic; went 1-3 in singles (l. to Golovin, Dulko, S.Williams; d. Hsieh)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Auckland, Charleston, Rome, Birmingham; **R-Up (4):** Sydney, 's-Hertogenbosch, Toronto, Beijing; **SF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles, Stuttgart; **QF (5):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Amelia Island, Berlin, US Open, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Phenomenally consistent season, reaching QF or better at 20 of 28 events coming in and surging to No.3 by year's end, having started 2007 outside the Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Highlight of Grand Slam season was SF finish at Roland Garros – dropped just one set en route to SF (d. V.Williams in 3s in 3r) where she fell to eventual champion Henin 62 62, their most one-sided match to date (five of their eight career meetings have gone to 3s); also reached QF at US Open (l. to V.Williams 76 third

set) and 4r at Australian Open (l. to eventual champion S. Williams) and Wimbledon (l. to eventual runner-up Bartoli 36 75 63)

- **Regular Tour season:** Her eight final appearances were second only to Henin's 11, winning titles at Auckland (d. Zvonareva in 3s for first title since 2004 Budapest), Charleston (first Tier I; d. Safina in final), Rome (d. Kuznetsova in final) and Birmingham (d. world No.2 Sharapova in final 75 third set after trailing 3-0 for career-best win and first win over a Top 2-ranked player in 14 meetings); runner-up at Sydney (l. to Clijsters 46 76(4) 64, having served for the match at 5-4 (held 1 mp) and 6-5 second set), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze in 3s), Toronto (l. to Henin) and Beijing (l. to Szavay 67(7) 75 62 after leading 5-1 second set and holding 1 mp); semifinalist another seven times – Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles and Stuttgart – and quarterfinalist another five times; her 72 match wins were a Tour-best for 2007, although she lost her last six matches – Stuttgart SF (l. to Henin), Bangkok 1r (ret. vs. Yan w/heat illness), 2r at Zürich (after 1r bye; l. to Vaidisova) and all three round-robin matches at the Tour Championships (vs. Henin, Chakvetadze and Bartoli)
- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.12, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Australian Open (January 29); continued to move up the rankings with impressive performances in spring, debuting in the Top 5 at No.5 after Berlin (May 14); just four weeks later rose to current career-high No.3 after SF finish at Roland Garros (June 11), where she remained
- **Fed Cup:** Represented Serbia regional qualifying (Europe/Africa Group I), going 4-0 in singles and 2-1 in doubles, helping her country reach the World Group II Play-off, where it fell to Slovakia 4-1 (d. Cibulkova for Serbia's only point in the tie)
- **Doubles:** Went 5-12 in doubles in 2007, the highlights being QF finishes at Auckland (w/Krizan) and Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Mattek); collected career-first Grand Slam title, partnering Brit Jamie Murray to Wimbledon mixed doubles championship (d. Molik/Bjorkman in final)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at Budapest in 2004 and at Auckland, Charleston, Rome and Birmingham in 2007; eight-time runner-up – 2005 Dubai (l. to Davenport), 2005 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Seoul (l. to Vaidisova), 2006 Los Angeles (l. to Dementieva), 2007 Sydney (l. to Clijsters), 2007 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze), 2007 Toronto (l. to Henin) and 2007 Beijing (l. to Szavay); 5-8 lifetime in Tour singles finals (2-1 at Tier I level)
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2006 Birmingham (w/Li); two-time semifinalist, incl. 2006 Guangzhou (w/Li)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2007 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Top 20 debut in March 2005; Top 10 debut in January 2007; Top 5 debut in May 2007; Top 3 in June 2007
- Had 11 Top 10 wins prior to 2007 Birmingham, but was 0-13 against Top 2; but in Birmingham final notched career-first Top 2 win over world No.2 Sharapova, coming back from 3-0 third set deficit to prevail, 46 63 75
- Member of Serbian Fed Cup Team, 2001-05, 2007 and Serbia and Montenegro Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- In 2007, appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Ivanovic was also appointed)
- Introduced to tennis at age 9 by brother and fitness coach Marko (six years her senior); admires Monica Seles
- Won junior Australian Open in 2001 and was runner-up at junior US Open that year; was No.1 in junior rankings
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2006, presented at the 2007 Sony Ericsson Open in Miami

SHARAPOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best prior performance was runner-up finish last year (as No.1 seed, d. No.12 Chakvetadze and No.4 Clijsters in QF and SF before falling to S. Williams; was first Russian to reach Australian Open final); best results prior to 2007 were two back-to-back SF finishes – in 2005 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion S. Williams 26 75 86 having served for match in second and third sets and held 3 mp at 5-4 third set), and 2006 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual runner-up Henin-Hardenne 46 61 64); 3r in 2004 (as No.28 seed, l. to No.6 seed Myskina 64 16 62); event debut in 2003 as qualifier, l. in 1r to Koukalova 64 76(6))

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): San Diego; **R-Up (3):** Australian Open, Birmingham, Tour Championships; **SF (4):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Istanbul, Roland Garros, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Injury-plagued season which saw the Russian fall from No.1 to outside the Top 5 for the first time in three years
- **Grand Slam play:** Diminishing results in the majors over the season; opened 2007 with first finals appearance at Australian Open; seeded No.1, escaped from 1r vs. Pin (in searing heat) with 97 third set victory, before winning next five matches in straight sets (d. world No.5 Clijsters in SF for only Top 5 win of the season thus far; l. 61 62 to unseeded S.Williams); at Roland Garros, again endured a 16-game final set (vs. Schnyder in 4r, saving 2 mp) to reach first SF there, falling 61 62 to Ivanovic; suffered earliest exit at Wimbledon since 2003 debut, falling in 4r to eventual champion V.Williams; seeded No.2 at US Open, blazed through first two matches vs. Vinci and Dellacqua (dropping one game in each match) before falling to No.30 seed Radwanska, her earliest Grand Slam loss since 3r exit in New York in 2004
- **Regular Tour season:** First title of the season came at San Diego in early August (fifth career Tier I title; d. Schnyder in final in 3s), her longest wait for her first title of the season since 2003; also runner-up at Tour Championships (as No.6 seed d. Chakvetadze in SF, l. to Henin 57 75 63 in final, in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era) and Birmingham (l. to Jankovic 75 third set) and semifinalist at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (ret. vs. Ivanovic w/left hamstring strain that forced withdrawal from Dubai), Istanbul (only second career clay SF on Tour; l to Rezaï) and Los Angeles (WD vs. Petrova w/left lower leg strain which also forced withdrawal from Toronto); also withdrew from Charleston w/right shoulder and left hamstring injuries and from Rome, Stuttgart, Zürich and Linz w/right shoulder injury (was defending champion at Zürich and Linz); defeated in opening match at Moscow (l. to Azarenka 76(8) 62 having held six set points in first set)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.2, rising to No.1 on January 29 after Australian Open runner-up finish, her third career stint in the top spot; held onto No1. for seven weeks (14 weeks in total) before surrendering it to Henin on March 19 after failing to defend Indian Wells title (fell in 4r); remained at No.2 until 3r exit at US Open (as defending champion) pushed her down to No.4 (September 10); having been unable to defend Zürich and Linz titles through injury, fell to No.5 on October 15 and No.6 on October 29, her first time outside Top 5 since November 2004, when she rose from No.6 to No.4 after winning the Season-Ending Championships
- **Fed Cup play:** Served as hitting partner for Russia during its World Group I Final win over Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 16 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. majors at 2004 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open, also 2004 Season-Ending Championships and Tier Is at 2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Indian Wells, 2006 San Diego, 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego; seven-time runner-up, incl. 2007 Australian Open and 2007 Tour Championships and Tier Is at 2004 Zürich, 2005 Miami and 2006 Miami
- Has four career victories against reigning world No.1 ranked players: defeated Davenport twice (2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2005 Tour Championships), Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, all at Tier III level – 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] and 2003 Luxembourg (both w/Tanasugarn) and on grass at 2004 Birmingham (w/Kirilenko)
- Winner of four singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit (three in 2002 and one in 2003)
- On August 22, 2005, became 15th woman and first Russian to reach No.1 (also most recent new No.1) since 1975 inception of computer rankings

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.mariasharapova.com
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy at age 9
- Named UNDP Goodwill Ambassador on February 14, 2007
- At 2005 Australian Open, donated value of Porsche Cayenne she won at 2004 Tour Championships (approx. US\$56,300) to those affected by Russian school hostage crisis in Beslan in September 2004
- Has appeared on the cover of SI (first tennis player in over two years to do so), ESPN The Magazine, Forbes (listed as one of the richest female athletes in the world); also featured in People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People", Vogue Italia, USA Today, Teen People's "20 Teens Who Will Change the World", W, YM and SPORT Magazine's "21 Athletes to Watch Out For in the 21st Century", among others

[4] ANA IVANOVIC (SRB) vs. [9] DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Ivanovic leads 2-1

2007	S'HERTOGENBOSCH	GRASS (O)	QF	HANTUCHOVA, DANIELA	6-3 6-1
2007	LUXEMBOURG	HARD (I)	F	IVANOVIC, ANA	3-6 6-4 6-4
2007	TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS	CARPET (I)	QF	IVANOVIC, ANA	6-2 7-6(9)

IVANOVIC	Quick Facts	HANTUCHOVA
20	Age	24
Basel, Switzerland	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	3
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	2
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,191,857	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$5,334,366
\$26,700	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$7,470
No.3	Current Singles Rank	No.9
No.3 (January 14, 2008)	Highest Singles Rank	No.5 (January 27, 2003)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	8
10-3	Aus. Open W-L**	20-7
13	GS Attempts**	29
38-12	Career GS W-L**	59-28
2	2008 Events Played	2
7-1	2008 W-L	6-1
182-61	Career W-L	326-193
29-14	Career Tie-Break W-L	76-48
2-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
48-18	Career 3-Set W-L	108-64
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	2-0
Physical trainer: Scott Burns	Coach	None
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

IVANOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best prior results were 3r finishes in 2005 (as unseeded debutante, d. No.32 seed Benesova in 1r, before l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and 2007 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.22 Zvonareva); 2r defeat in 2006 (as No.21 seed, l. to Stosur)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (2): Sydney, Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Made SF in first event of 2008 in Sydney; as No.4 seed l. to eventual champion Henin 62 26 64 (first set won against Henin in four meetings)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Berlin, Los Angeles, Luxembourg; **R-Up (2):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Roland Garros; **SF (3):** Amelia Island, Wimbledon, Tour Championships; **QF (4):** Gold Coast, Sydney, Antwerp, 's-Hertogenbosch

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season, bursting into Top 5 after being outside of Top 15 in May; three titles and first Grand Slam final appearance were highlights
- Grand Slam play:** Recorded two best Grand Slam results of career in reaching the Roland Garros final as No.7 seed (d. world No.3 Kuznetsova in QF in 3s, No.2 Sharapova 62 61 in SF; l. to world No.1 Henin) and Wimbledon SF (d. world No.9 Petrova in 4r after trailing 3-1 third set, No.10 Vaidisova 75 third set in QF after trailing 5-3 and saving 3 mp at 5-4; l. to eventual champion V.Williams); reached 3r of Australian Open (l. to Zvonareva) and 4r at US Open (l. to V.Williams)
- Regular Tour season:** Her three-title haul (one each on clay, hard and indoors) was a career best; at Berlin, collected second Tier I title, defeating world No.4 Kuznetsova in final 76 third set; at Los Angeles, d. No.3-ranked compatriot Jankovic in SF 46 63 75 (trailed 4-1 third set and saved 2 mp; fifth Top 5 win of the season) and No.9 Petrova in final; seeded No.2 at Luxembourg, collected career-first indoor title, defeating Hantuchova in final in 3s; in addition to Roland Garros runner-up finish, also a losing finalist at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (world No.1

Sharapova ret. in SF w/left hamstring strain; l. to Hingis) and semifinalist at Tour Championships (l. to eventual champion Henin 64 64) and Amelia Island (l. to eventual champion Golovin in 3s); the only player other than Henin to record more than 10 Top 10 wins in 2007 (12-4) and to have a record vs. Top 5 players greater than 50% (5-2)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.14, dipping to No.17 in April; surged from No.16 to No.8 after Berlin title run (May 14), debuting in Top 5 after Wimbledon SF finish (July 9); Los Angeles title pushed her to a career-high No.4 (August 13), a ranking she held uninterrupted since October 15
- **Doubles:** Went 0-4, losing 1r at Miami, Berlin, Roland Garros (all w/Kirilenko) and Wimbledon (w/Hantuchova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, at Tier V Canberra in 2005, Tier I Montréal in 2006 and Tier I Berlin, Tier II Los Angeles in 2007 and Tier II Luxembourg in 2007
- Two-time runner-up, at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] in 2007 (l. to Hingis) and Roland Garros (l. to world No.1 Henin); five-time semifinalist, incl. 2007 Amelia Island (l. to Golovin) and 2007 Wimbledon (l. to V. Williams)
- Holds 17 career Top 10 victories: three in 2005 (No.7 Kuznetsova, No.10 Zvonareva, No.3 Mauresmo), two in 2006 (No.3 Mauresmo, No.8 Schnyder) and 12 in 2007 (No.6 Petrova (ret.), No.10 Jankovic, No.1 Sharapova (ret.), No.9 Jankovic, No.4 Kuznetsova, No.3 Kuznetsova, No.2 Sharapova, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Vaidisova, No.3 Jankovic, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Hantuchova)
- One-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Kirilenko)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of five singles titles (all in 2004)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.anaivanovic.com
- In 2007, was appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Jankovic was also appointed); in December 2007, donated share of her profits from a Humanitarian Exhibition, held in Belgrade, to UNICEF's Schools Without Violence program in Serbia; her contribution, which totaled \$62,804, will enable 12 schools to join the national program
- Alongside Hantuchova, featured in Sony Ericsson's first ever tennis-themed TV commercial, "Never Miss A Shot" launched in July 2006
- Winner of Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Most Improved Player in 2005 (presented in March 2006 at Miami)
- 2006 US Open Series champion (best 2006 USOS results were title in Montréal and QF at Los Angeles)

HANTUCHOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth straight appearance, seventh in main draw; best result was QF in 2003 (l. to world No.2 V. Williams); 4r in 2007 (as No.15 seed, l. to No.4 seed Clijsters) and 2006 (l. to world No.4 Sharapova); 3r twice – 2002 (l. to V. Williams 36 60 64) and 2005 (l. to world No.6 Dementieva 75 57 64); 2r in 2004 (l. to Australia's Molik); l. in 1r in 2001 in main draw debut to world No.8 Kournikova; failed to qualify in 2000

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney 2r; as No.6 seed l. to Vaidisova

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Indian Wells, Linz; **R-Up (2):** Bali, Luxembourg; **SF (5):** Doha, Rome, 's-Hertogenbosch, Stanford, Kolkata; **QF (3):** Dubai, Amelia Island, Birmingham

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Impressive return to top-flight play, winning two titles and once again a regular in the world's Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Unable to break back into last eight (which she achieved at three consecutive majors in 2002-03), but reached 4r twice and 3r once; 4r for second straight year at both Australian Open (d. Harkleroad 67(6) 75 63 in 3r after trailing 5-2 second set; l. to Clijsters) and Wimbledon (l. to S. Williams in dramatic three-set encounter, 62 67(2) 62, halted by rain at end of second set while Williams was struggling with cramp; match resumed later that day with Williams taking final set); seeded No.12 at Roland Garros, upset in 3r by Medina Garrigues 46 76(2) 75; also suffered surprise loss at US Open as No.9 seed, falling in 1r to Vakulenko in 3s, her first opening-match loss in New York in six years
- **Regular Tour season:** Her four finals appearances were a career-best, winning titles at Indian Wells (her second title there and in her career; d. world No.6 Hingis in 4r and No.4 Kuznetsova in final) and Linz (d. Schnyder in final); Linz victory saw her qualify for Sony Ericsson Championships tied in eighth place with Sharapova (the tie-break went in Hantuchova's favor, who played more tournaments this season than Sharapova, 26 to 12); strong

end to the season also included runner-up finishes at Bali (l. to Davenport in 3s) and Luxembourg (l. to Ivanovic in 3s); posted five SF finishes – Doha (d. world No.6 Hingis; l. to Kuznetsova), Rome (l. to Kuznetsova), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to eventual champion Chakvetadze), Stanford (l. to Chakvetadze) and Kolkata (l. to Kirilenko)

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.17, dipping to No.19 in February; rose to No.12 after Indian Wells victory (March 19); after reaching Birmingham QF (l. to Bartoli), rose from No.13 to No.10 (June 18), her first time in Top 10 since September 2003; also spent parts of July and August at No.10 and began current stint in Top 10 on September 24, rising to No.9 on October 8
- **Fed Cup play:** Represented Slovakia in World Group II QF loss to Czech Republic (0-2 in singles; l. to Safarova and Vaidisova, both in 3s) and World Group II Playoff victory over Serbia (2-0 in singles; d. Timotic and Lukic)
- **Doubles:** Contested 11 doubles events in 2007, reaching three SF – Dubai (w/Sugiyama), Miami (w/Hingis) and Bali (w/Davenport)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion at 2002 Indian Wells (d. Hingis in final), 2007 Indian Wells (d. Kuznetsova in final) and 2007 Linz (d. Schnyder in final); six-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2002 Filderstadt, 2004 Eastbourne, 2005 Los Angeles, 2006 Zürich, 2007 Bali and 2007 Luxembourg; also 16-time Tour singles semifinalist as well as three-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist (2002 Wimbledon, 2002 US Open, 2003 Australian Open)
- Eight-time Tour doubles titlist (last three w/Sugiyama); nine-time Tour doubles runner-up (incl. two Grand Slams)
- Holds four career Top 5 wins, all over world No.4 players (0-21 against rest of Top 5): Hingis-2002 Indian Wells; Mauresmo-2004 Eastbourne; Kuznetsova-2006 Zurich; Kuznetsova-2007 Indian Wells)
- Owns career Grand Slam in mixed doubles (2001 Wimbledon, 2002 Australian, 2005 Roland Garros and US Open; all with different partners); just second woman in Open Era (after Navratilova) and fourth all-time (also Court, King)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of three singles titles (two in 1999, one in 2000) and one doubles title
- Member of Slovak Fed Cup Team 1999-2003, 2007 (incl. title-winning 2002 team) and 2004 Olympic Team

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.dhantuchova.com
- Alongside Ivanovic, featured in Sony Ericsson's "Never Miss A Shot" TV commercial, launched in July 2006
- Father, Igor, is a computer scientist; mother, Marianna, is a toxicologist; older brother, Igor, is architect working in Bratislava; qualified for top university in Slovakia but deferred it to pursue professional tennis career
- Trained at Bollettieri Academy between ages 16 and 18; formerly coached by Nigel Sears; not currently working with one coach, but travels with various coaches from Casal/Sánchez Academy in Barcelona, Spain

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QUARTERFINAL FACTS

- Youngest player remaining – Agnieszka Radwanska (POL): 18 years, 10 months
- Oldest player remaining – Venus Williams (USA): 27 years, 7 months
- Lowest-ranked player remaining – Agnieszka Radwanska (POL): No.28
- Highest-ranked player remaining – Justine Henin (BEL): No.1
- Number of seeds remaining – 8 out of 32 (7 of the Top 16 and 6 of the Top 8)
- Number of former world No.1s in the singles main draw – 6 (Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Amélie Mauresmo, Maria Sharapova, Serena Williams, Venus Williams)
- Number of former No.1s still in contention – 4 (Davenport I. in 2r; Mauresmo I. in 3r)
- Number of former Australian Open champions in the singles main draw: 4 (Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Amélie Mauresmo, Serena Williams)
- Number of former champions still in contention – 2 (Justine Henin, Serena Williams)
- Players making Grand Slam quarterfinal debut appearances: Agnieszka Radwanska (POL)
- Players making Australian Open quarterfinal debuts (in addition to Grand Slam quarterfinal debutante above): Ana Ivanovic (SRB) and Jelena Jankovic (SRB)
- Potential Grand Slam semifinal debutante (in addition to Grand Slam quarterfinal debutantes above): Daniela Hantuchova (SVK)
- Potential Australian Open semifinal debutante (in addition to Australian Open quarterfinal debutantes above): Daniela Hantuchova (SVK)

RANK PROJECTIONS

- **Justine Henin (BEL):** Safe at No.1 regardless of remaining result
- **Ana Ivanovic (SRB) / Jelena Jankovic (SRB):** There could be shift in the No.2, 3, 4 rankings depending on Ivanovic and Jankovic's results for the remainder of the tournament; **Ivanovic** could potentially climb to a career-best No.2, bumping current No.2 Svetlana Kuznetsova, by advancing to semifinals and further than Jankovic; **Jankovic** could also to move to a career-best No.2 by advancing to the final and further than Ivanovic
- **Venus Williams (USA):** Currently at No. 8, Williams could potentially climb as high as No.5 by advancing past the quarterfinals and out-performing Sharapova and Hantuchova
- **Maria Sharapova (RUS):** Would need to win the tournament to secure her current No.5 ranking.
- **Serena Williams (USA):** Depending on how sister Venus, Sharapova and Hantuchova fare, would need to win the tournament to improve her current No.7 ranking
- **Daniela Hantuchova (RUS):** Depending on Serena Williams' results, Hantuchova is projected to improve on her current No. 9 ranking; she could potentially equal her career-best No.5 ranking by advancing to the final
- **Agnieszka Radwanska (POL):** As a result of her quarterfinal appearance, projected to move from No.28 to No.21, a new career-best (previous-best was No.25 on November 19, 2007); Radwanska could potentially crack the Top 20 for the first time in her career by advancing past the quarterfinal

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WILLIAMS SISTERS BREAK ONE-AMERICAN-IN-QUARTERFINALS STREAK

In 2006 and 2007, only one American featured in the final eight of this event, but this year, that dubious streak has been broken by Venus and Serena Williams. In 2007, Serena Williams was the only American in this round; in 2006, Lindsay Davenport was the only one; and in 2005, it was the same two who were the only ones left. In fact, the last American who wasn't Davenport or a Williams sister to reach this round was Lisa Raymond, who was one of the two Americans in the 2004 quarterfinals (alongside Davenport). The following is a look at the number of American quarterfinalists at the Australian Open since 1981, when the tournament started to attract a truly international field:

YEAR	U.S. QUARTERFINALISTS	YEAR	U.S. QUARTERFINALISTS	YEAR	U.S. QUARTERFINALISTS
2008	2	1998	2	1989	2
2007	1	1997	2	1988	2
2006	1	1996	2	1987	4
2005	2	1995	2	1986	not held
2004	2	1994	1	1985	3
2003	3	1993	2	1984	5
2002	3	1992	3	1983	4
2001	5	1991	1	1982	6
2000	2	1990	3	1981	5
1999	3				

TOP 8 SEEDS IN THE QUARTERFINALS

Only seven times in 160 Grand Slams in the Open Era have the Top 8 seeds reached the quarterfinals. The last time this happened was at 1993 Roland Garros (No.1 Graf, No.2 Sánchez-Vicario, No.3 Sabatini, No.4 Martínez, No.5 Fernandez, No.6 Capriati, No.7 Novotna and No.8 Huber). Below is a look at the number of women's singles Top 8 seeds who have reached the singles quarterfinals at Grand Slam tournaments in the Open Era (starting with 1968 Roland Garros):

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN	FRENCH	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	YEAR	AUSTRALIAN	FRENCH	WIMBLEDON	US
1968	N/A*	5	7	6	1988	6	3	5	5
1969	7	6	6	7	1989	5	4	4	8
1970	6	6	5	6	1990	4	5	6	5
1971	4	3	5	4	1991	6	7	6	7
1972	7	5	7	5	1992	5	6	5	4
1973	7	5	8	6	1993	6	8	6	3
1974	5	5	6	6	1994	6	3	3	6
1975	5	5	7	5	1995	5	4	6	4
1976	5	2	8	3	1996	5	5	3	4
1977	3 (Jan) 7 (Dec)	5	8	5	1997	1	4	4	4
1978	3	4	5	4	1998	5	6	6	6
1979	5	5	8	6	1999	5	5	5	6
1980	6	6	6	3	2000	2	6	5	6
1981	8	7	7	5	2001	6	3	6	6
1982	5	5	3	6	2002	7	5	5	5
1983	6	4	2	5	2003	6	5	6	6
1984	4	4	6	4	2004	5	5	4	5
1985	6	5	5	7	2005	5	3	5	5
1986	Not held	6	4	5	2006	7	3	5	4
1987	6	6	7	6	2007	3	7	4	5
					2008	6			

RUSSIANS IN GRAND SLAM QUARTERFINALS

For the first time in four years, only one Russian (Maria Sharapova) has reached the quarterfinals of the Australian Open. And for just the second time since the 2004 US Open, only one Russian is in the quarterfinals of a Grand Slam (this was also the case at 2007 Wimbledon, where Svetlana Kuznetsova was the only Russian remaining at this stage). Below is a look at the progression of Russian* women through to the quarterfinals of all Grand Slam events in the Open Era:

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2008	Sharapova (TBD)			
2007	Chakvetadze (QF) Sharapova (F)	Chakvetadze (QF) Kuznetsova (QF) Sharapova (SF)	Kuznetsova (QF)	Chakvetadze (SF) Kuznetsova (F)
2006	Petrova (QF) Sharapova (SF)	Kuznetsova (F) Safina (QF)	Dementieva (QF) Myskina (QF) Sharapova (SF)	Dementieva (QF) Safina (QF) Sharapova (W)
2005	Kuznetsova (QF) Sharapova (SF)	Likhovtseva (SF) Petrova (SF) Sharapova (QF)	Kuznetsova (QF) Myskina (QF) Petrova (QF) Sharapova (SF)	Dementieva (SF) Petrova (QF) Sharapova (SF)
2004	Myskina (QF)	Dementieva (F) Myskina (W) Sharapova (QF)	Sharapova (W)	Dementieva (F) Kuznetsova (W) Petrova (QF)
2003	Myskina (QF)	Petrova (SF) Zvonareva (QF)	Kuznetsova (QF)	Myskina (QF)
2002			Likhovtseva (QF)	Bovina (QF)
2001	Kournikova (QF)	Krasnoroutskaya (QF)		
2000	Likhovtseva (QF)			Dementieva (SF)
1998-99	<i>No Russians in QF or better</i>			
1997			Kournikova (SF)	
1996				
1977-95	<i>No Russians in Fourth Round or better</i>			
1976			Morozova (QF)	Chmyreva (QF)
1975	Chmyreva (SF)	Morozova (QF)	Morozova (QF)	
1974		Morozova (F)	Morozova (F)	
1973			Morozova (QF)	
1972	Morozova (QF)	Morozova (QF)		Morozova (QF)
1968-1971	<i>No Russians in QF or better</i>			

* Only lists Russian women who have reached QF or better and does not include non-Russian women representing the former Soviet Union

REVERSAL OF AUSTRALIAN OPEN FORTUNES

Below is a look at how this year's Australian Open quarterfinalists fared at this event last year:

PLAYER	2007 AO RESULT
[1] Henin	Did not play
[3] Jankovic	4r (l. to S.Williams, 63 62)
[4] Ivanovic	3r (l. to Zvonareva, 61 62)
[5] Sharapova	R-Up (l. to S.Williams, 61 62)
[7] S.Williams	Won title
[8] V.Williams	Did not play
[9] Hantuchova	4r (l. to Clijsters, 61 75)
Radwanska	2r (l. to Ivanovic, 62 36 62)



QUARTERFINAL COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

COUNTRY	PLAYERS AT START	PLAYERS REMAINING	PLACE AMONG COMPATRIOTS IN RANKINGS
Belgium	1	Henin	Only one in Top 100; next-highest is No.172 Wickmayer
Poland	2	Radwanska	Only one in Top 100; next-highest is No.146 Domachowska
Russia	15	Sharapova	Second-highest of three in Top 10, 15 in Top 100 (after No.2 Kuznetsova)
Serbia	2	Ivanovic, Jankovic	Only two in Top 200; next-highest is No.245 Lukic
Slovakia	2	Hantuchova	Highest of two in Top 100 (ahead of No.48 Cibulkova)
USA	11	S.Williams, V.Williams	Highest two of nine in Top 100 (next-highest are No.46 Tu, No.51 Davenport)

QUARTERFINALIST WIN-LOSS CHARTS

HENIN

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	484-103	82.3
2007	7-0	100
Grand Slam	127-23	84.7
Aus Open	30-5	85.7

vs.

SHARAPOVA

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	277-66	80.8
2007	4-0	100
Grand Slam	78-18	81.3
Aus Open	22-5	81.5

JANKOVIC

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	270-153	63.8
2007	5-1	83.3
Grand Slam	38-17	69.1
Aus Open	11-5	68.8

vs.

S.WILLIAMS

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	359-77	82.3
2007	4-0	100
Grand Slam	143-24	85.6
Aus Open	37-5	88.1

V.WILLIAMS

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	479-110	81.3
2007	4-0	100
Grand Slam	164-33	83.2
Aus Open	32-8	80.0

vs.

IVANOVIC

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	181-61	74.8
2007	6-1	85.7
Grand Slam	37-12	75.5
Aus Open	9-3	75.0

HANTUCHOVA

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	325-193	62.7
2007	5-1	83.3
Grand Slam	58-28	67.4
Aus Open	19-7	73.1

vs.

RADWANSKA

	WIN-LOSS	%
Career	116-55	67.8
2007	4-1	80.0
Grand Slam	14-6	70.0
Aus Open	5-1	83.3

* Main draw matches only for Grand Slam and Australian Open W-L | Career and 2008 W-L include ITF and Tour events (qualifying and main draw)



AND THEN THERE WERE EIGHT...

PLAYER	RANK	NAT	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$	YTD W-L	CAREER PRIZE \$	CAREER W-L
[1] Henin	1	BEL	25	95,500	7-0	19,098,405	484-103
[3] Jankovic	4	SRB	22	14,130	5-1	3,390,600	270-153
[4] Ivanovic	3	SRB	20	26,700	6-1	3,191,857	181-61
[5] Sharapova	5	RUS	20	0	4-0	10,231,402	277-66
[7] S.Williams	7	USA	26	0	4-0	18,109,234	359-77
[8] V.Williams	8	USA	27	0	4-0	18,173,781	479-110
[9] Hantuchova	9	SVK	24	7,470	5-1	5,334,366	325-193
Radwanska	28	POL	18	1,753	4-1	566,034	116-55

Players listed in order of seeding, then ranking; match records up-to-date through fourth round; prize money figures do not include this tournament

ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

<p>(1) JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #1) R128: d. Aiko Nakamura (JPN #73) 62 62 (1:28) R64: d. Olga Poutchkova (RUS #97) 61 75 (1:23) R32: d. (25) Francesca Schiavone (ITA #24) 75 64 (1:42) R16: d. (Q) Hsieh Su-Wei (TPE #158) 62 61 (1:14) Total games: 72 Won/lost: 50-22 Sets won/lost: 8-0 Total time on court: 5:47 Average time on court: 1:27 Average rank of opponent: 88</p>	VS.	<p>(5) MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #5) R128: d. Jelena Kostanic Tosic (CRO #102) 64 63 (1:29) R64: d. Lindsay Davenport (USA #51) 61 63 (1:06) R32: d. Elena Vesnina (RUS #55) 63 60 (1:25) R16: d. (11) Elena Dementieva (RUS #11) 62 60 (1:02) Total games: 64 Won/lost: 48-16 Sets won/lost: 8-0 Total time on court: 5:02 Average time on court: 1:16 Average rank of opponent: 55</p>
<p>(3) JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #4) R128: d. Tamira Paszek (AUT #39) 26 62 1210 (3:09) R64: d. Edina Gallovits (ROU #76) 62 75 (1:31) R32: d. (30) Virginie Razzano (FRA #29) 62 46 61 (1:52) R16: d. Casey Dellacqua (AUS #78) 76(3) 61 (1:21) Total games: 103 Won/lost: 62-41 Sets won/lost: 8-2 Total time on court: 7:53 Average time on court: 1:58 Average rank of opponent: 56</p>	VS.	<p>(7) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #7) R128: d. Jarmila Gajdosova (AUS #145) 63 63 (1:02) R64: d. (Q) Yuan Meng (CHN #121) 63 61 (1:11) R32: d. (26) Victoria Azarenka (BLR #25) 63 64 (1:12) R16: d. (12) Nicole Pietrangeli (CZE #12) 63 64 (1:13) Total games: 72 Won/lost: 48-24 Sets won/lost: 8-0 Total time on court: 4:38 Average time on court: 1:10 Average rank of opponent: 76</p>
<p>(8) VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #8) R128: d. Yan Zi (CHN #61) 62 75 (1:14) R64: d. Camille Pin (FRA #90) 75 64 (1:33) R32: d. (31) Sania Mirza (IND #32) 76(0) 64 (1:32) R16: d. (Q) Marta Domachowska (POL #146) 64 64 (1:19) Total games: 85 Won/lost: 51-34 Sets won/lost: 8-0 Total time on court: 5:38 Average time on court: 1:25 Average rank of opponent: 82</p>	VS.	<p>(4) ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #3) R128: d. Sorana Cirstea (ROU #106) 75 63 (1:38) R64: d. Tathiana Garbin (ITA #40) 60 63 (1:06) R32: d. (28) Katarina Srebotnik (SLO #27) 63 64 (1:29) R16: d. Caroline Wozniacki (DEN #64) 61 76(2) (1:35) Total games: 75 Won/lost: 50-25 Sets won/lost: 8-0 Total time on court: 5:48 Average time on court: 1:27 Average rank of opponent: 59</p>
<p>(9) DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK #9) R128: d. Vania King (USA #108) 63 75 (1:50) R64: d. Alize Cornet (FRA #59) 62 75 (1:22) R32: d. Virginia Ruano Pascual (ESP #82) 62 63 (1:08) R16: d. (27) Maria Kirilenko (RUS #26) 16 64 64 (2:20) Total games: 85 Won/lost: 51-34 Sets won/lost: 8-1 Total time on court: 6:40 Average time on court: 1:40 Average rank of opponent: 69</p>	VS.	<p>(29) AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #28) R128: d. Olga Savchuk (UKR #86) 60 61 (1:02) R64: d. Pauline Parmentier (FRA #56) 75 64 (1:38) R32: d. (2) Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS #2) 63 64 (1:17) R16: d. (14) Nadia Petrova (RUS #14) 16 75 60 (1:52) Total games: 79 Won/lost: 51-28 Sets won/lost: 8-1 Total time on court: 5:49 Average time on court: 1:27 Average rank of opponent: 40</p>

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AUSTRALIAN OPEN RECORDS *

PLAYER	BEST AUS. OPEN RESULT *	BEST GRAND SLAM RESULT *	AUS OPEN W-L *
[1] Henin	Won (1): 2004	Won (7): Australian Open (2004), Roland Garros (2003, 2005, 2006, 2007), US Open (2003, 2007)	30-5
[3] Jankovic	QF (1): 2008**	SF (2): Roland Garros (2007), US Open (2006)	11-5
[4] Ivanovic	QF (1): 2008**	R-up (1): Roland Garros (2007)	9-3
[5] Sharapova	R-up (1): 2007	Won (2): Wimbledon (2004), US Open (2006)	22-5
[7] S.Williams	Won (3): 2003, 2005, 2007	Won (8): Australian Open (2003, 2005, 2007), Roland Garros (2002), Wimbledon (2002, 2003), US Open (1999, 2002)	37-5
[8] V.Williams	R-up (1): 2003	Won (6): Wimbledon (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007), US Open (2000, 2001)	32-8
[9] Hantuchova	QF (2): 2003, 2008**	QF (4): Australian Open (2003, 2008**), Wimbledon (2002), US Open (2002)	19-7
[29] Radwanska	QF (1): 2008**	QF (1): Australian Open (2008**)	5-1

*Including 2008 Australian Open; main draw matches only; list only includes those players who have won through to QFs

GRAND SLAM QUARTERFINAL RECORDS *

PLAYER	TOTAL QF *	LAST QF APPEARANCE	NOTES
Henin	18	2007 US Open	16-1 in first 17 (only loss came here in 2002 to Clijsters)
Jankovic	4	2007 US Open	2-1 in first three (first QF at Australian Open)
Ivanovic	4	2007 Wimbledon	2-1 in first three (first QF at Australian Open)
Sharapova	12	2007 Roland Garros	9-2 in first 11 (only losses came at Roland Garros in 2004 and 2005)
S.Williams	22	2007 US Open	12-9 in first 21 (has now made QF or better at 22 of 33 career majors)
V.Williams	27	2007 US Open	16-10 in first 24 (has now made QF or better at 27 of 40 career majors)
Hantuchova	4	2003 Australian Open	0-3 in first three (lost all in 2s - two to S.Williams, one to V.Williams)
Radwanska	1	-	Making career Grand Slam QF debut

*Includes 2008 Australian Open

CAREER GRAND SLAM QUARTERFINAL RECORDS *

PLAYER	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	TOTAL
Henin	3-1	5-0	5-0	3-0	16-1
Jankovic	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-1	2-1
Ivanovic	0-0	1-1	1-0	0-0	2-1
Sharapova	3-0	1-2	3-0	2-0	9-2
S.Williams	3-1	2-3	4-2	3-3	12-9
V.Williams	2-3	1-4	6-2	7-1	16-10
Hantuchova	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-3
Radwanska	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

*Not including 2008 Australian Open

2008 AUSTRALIAN OPEN SERVICE ACES LEADERS (as of January 22)

RANK	PLAYER	# OF ACES
1	Serena Williams	36
2	Nicole Pietrangeli	23
3	Venus Williams	17
	Marta Domachowska	17
5	Maria Kirilenko	16
6	Maria Sharapova	15
	Nadia Petrova	15
8	Anna Chakvetadze	14
	Justine Henin	14
10	Ana Ivanovic	13



TALE OF THE TAPE - WILLIAMS COMPARISON

The following is a look at the entire career list of 57 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour tournaments, including the 2008 Australian Open, that both Serena and Venus Williams have played (the first being 1997 Indian Wells; first main draw appearances by both was at 1997 Moscow). This year's Australian Open appearance marks the seventh time that both Serena and Venus have played at Melbourne.

The Williams sisters have won 25 of the previous 56 tournaments (Serena 13, Venus 12) that they have both played. In the 55 tournaments they have played, it has been an all-Williams final eight times, with Venus winning twice and Serena winning six times, including the last five head-to-head match-ups in the finals. The last time Serena and Venus met in a final was at 2003 Wimbledon, which Serena won 46 64 62. Serena dominated from 2002 Miami to 2004 Miami, advancing further in 10 straight events.

Here is a look at the record of both Serena and Venus when they've played the same event (Tournaments won by one of the sisters indicated by an asterisk):

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SERENA	VENUS	YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SERENA	VENUS
1997	Indian Wells	Q1r	QF	2002	Miami*	W	SF
	Los Angeles	Q3r	R16		Roland Garros*	W	RU
	Zurich	Q2r	QF		Wimbledon*	W	RU
	Moscow	R32	QF		US Open*	W	RU
1998	Sydney	SF	RU		Tour Championships	RU	SF
	Australian Open	R64	QF	2003	Australian Open*	W	RU
	Oklahoma City*	QF	W		Miami*	W	R16
	Miami*	QF	W		Roland Garros	SF	R16
	Rome	QF	RU		Wimbledon*	W	RU
	Roland Garros	R16	QF	2004	Miami*	W	QF
	Eastbourne	QF	R16		Charleston*	R16	W
	Wimbledon	R32	QF		Roland Garros	QF	QF
	US Open	R32	SF		Wimbledon	RU	R64
	Filderstadt	QF	R16		Los Angeles	RU	SF
1999	Sydney	R16	QF		US Open	QF	R16
	Australian Open	R32	QF	2005	Australian Open*	W	R16
	Miami*	RU	W		Miami	QF	SF
	Rome*	QF	W		Amelia Island	QF	QF
	Roland Garros	R32	R16		Wimbledon*	R32	W
	US Open*	W	SF		US Open	R16	QF
	Grand Slam Cup*	W	RU		Beijing	R16	QF
2000	Wimbledon*	SF	W	2006	Australian Open	R32	R128
	US Open*	QF	W	2007	Miami*	W	R32
2001	Australian Open	QF	SF		Charleston	R32	SF
	Indian Wells*	W	SF		Roland Garros	QF	R32
	Miami*	QF	W		Wimbledon*	QF	W
	Roland Garros	QF	R128		US Open	QF	SF
	Wimbledon*	QF	W	2008	Australian Open	TBD	TBD
	US Open*	RU	W				



SONY ERICSSON WTA TOUR HARDCOURT TITLE LEADERS

Four players in this year's 2008 Australian Open singles main draw are in the Top 10 list of all-time leaders for most Sony Ericsson WTA Tour hardcourt singles titles - Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Serena Williams and Venus Williams:

NAME	# OF TOUR HARD COURT SINGLES TITLES
1. Steffi Graf	37
2. Lindsay Davenport	33
3. Chris Evert	32
4. Monica Seles	28
5. Martina Navratilova	26
6. Kim Clijsters	25
Justine Henin	25
8. Martina Hingis	23
9. Venus Williams	22
10. Serena Williams	20

ANA'S AUSTRALIAN OPEN BLOG

Twenty-year-old Ana Ivanovic is coming off a career season and this fortnight in Melbourne is playing her very first tournament as the world's No.3 player, having just cracked the Top 3 on last week's singles rankings. Check out her Australian Open experience in the latest Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Player Blog at www.sonyericssonwtatour.com. Ivanovic gives her personal insight into the year's first Grand Slam tournament and answers questions from fans.

SONY ERICSSON WTA TOUR CHARITY AUCTION

Four items are available at the online Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Charity Auction, www.sonyericssonwtatourauctions.com. Fans can bid on authentic tennis memorabilia, such as an official Australian Open tennis ball and t-shirt, autographed by some of the Tour's all-time greats - Lindsay Davenport, Amélie Mauresmo, Maria Sharapova and the Williams sisters.

QUARTERFINAL MATCH-UPS (IN SEEDING ORDER)

[1] JUSTINE HENIN (BEL) vs. [5] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Henin leads 6-2

2005	MIAMI	HARD (O)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-7(6) 6-2
2005	BERLIN OPEN	CLAY (O)	QF	HENIN, JUSTINE	6-2 6-4
2005	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY (O)	QF	HENIN, JUSTINE	6-4 6-2
2006	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	CLAY (O)	SF	HENIN, JUSTINE	4-6 6-1 6-4
2006	DUBAI	HARD (O)	F	HENIN, JUSTINE	7-5 6-2
2006	US OPEN	HARD (O)	F	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-4 6-4
2006	TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS	HARD (I)	SF	HENIN, JUSTINE	6-2 7-6(5)
2007	TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS	CARPET (I)	F	HENIN, JUSTINE	5-7 7-5 6-3

HENIN	Quick Facts	SHARAPOVA
25	Age	20
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Bradenton, FL, USA
40	Career Tour Singles Titles	16
10	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
1	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$19,098,405	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$10,231,402
\$95,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.1	Current Singles Rank	No.5
No.1 (October 20, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.1 (August 22, 2005)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
30-5	Aus. Open W-L**	22-5
31	GS Attempts**	21
127-23	Career GS W-L**	78-18
2	2008 Events Played	1
7-0	2008 W-L	4-0
484-103	Career W-L	277-66
66-40	Career Tie-Break W-L	34-22
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
95-56	Career 3-Set W-L	66-25
2-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Carlos Rodriguez	Coach	Father, Yuri Sharapov; Michael Joyce
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HENIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh appearance in this event; won the title in 2004 (as No.1 seed, d. Clijsters in final, joined elite list of nine women to hold three Grand Slams at once following her 2003 Roland Garros and US Open titles); runner-up on last appearance in 2006 (as No.8 seed ret. in final vs. Mauresmo w/gastrointestinal illness trailing 61 20, only second time in Open Era a player has ret. during a Grand Slam final); SF finish in 2003, d. Davenport 97 third set in 4r after trailing 4-1 (first win in six meetings) before l. to V.Williams; QF run in 2002 (as No.6 seed l. to No.4 Clijsters); also 4r in 2001 (d. No.14 seed Testud in 3r, before l. to No.4 Seles) and 2r on debut in 2000 (l. to No.1 seed Hingis)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Sydney; **QF (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Opened up season with 40th career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour title in Sydney; as No.1 seed d. No.4 Ivanovic 62 26 64 in SF, before d. No.2 Kuznetsova 46 62 64 in final

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (10): Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Toronto, US Open, Stuttgart, Zürich, Tour Championships; **R-Up (1):** Miami; **SF (3):** Paris [Indoors], Berlin, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Career-best season for the undisputed world No.1, winning 10 titles in 14 events – including two majors, the Sony Ericsson Championships and two Tier I's – and losing just four of 67 matches
- **Grand Slam play:** After missing Australian Open due to personal reasons, went 19-1 in the remaining three majors; won fourth Roland Garros (d. Ivanovic in final to become only fifth woman since 1925 to win four titles in Paris) and third consecutively (only other woman to achieve the feat in the Open Era was Seles in 1990-92); also became first woman to win three consecutive titles at the same major since Martina Hingis (Australian Open 1997-99); her 2006 and 2007 titles at Roland Garros were won without the loss of a set, an all-time record; seeded No.1 at Wimbledon, shocked in SF by No.18 seed Bartoli 16 75 61 after leading 61 53; at US Open, regained title without the loss of a set (d. Kuznetsova in final), her seventh major (second most among active players behind S.Williams's eight) in her 11th Grand Slam final; she became the first woman to win a Grand Slam singles title having beaten both Williams sisters en route (d. S.Williams in QF, V.Williams in SF)
- **Regular Tour season:** In addition to her two majors, collected another eight titles in the regular Tour season (from 11 events), the Tour championships, two Tier I's (Toronto, Zürich) and five Tier II's (Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Eastbourne, Stuttgart), losing only four matches in 67 matches; after returning to Tour at Paris [Indoors] in February (l. in SF to Safarova), went undefeated in the Middle East, winning first title in Doha and fourth in Dubai (a perfect 16-0 in the latter event); runner-up in Miami (l. to S.Williams 06 75 63 after holding 1 mp at 5-4 second set) before winning second Warsaw title (d. A.Bondarenko in final, improving to 9-0 lifetime in that event); after SF finish in Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova in 3s) and title run at Roland Garros, successfully defended Eastbourne crown (d. Mauresmo in final 76 third set; also needed final-set tie-break to d. Myskina in 2006 final); after SF loss at Wimbledon has gone undefeated, winning Toronto (d. Jankovic in final), US Open, Stuttgart (d. Golovin in final for first title there after runner-up finishes in 2001, 2003), Zürich (d. Golovin again in final) and Tour Championships (d. Sharapova 57 75 63 in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era); by triumphing at the Tour Championships in Madrid she became first woman since Graf in 1989 to go undefeated in the second-half of a season (post-Wimbledon); in Madrid
- **Ranking:** Reigned as world No.1 for all but seven weeks in 2007; having started 2007 in the top spot, fell to No.2 (behind Sharapova) after Australian Open (runner-up there in 2006) but regained No.1 on March 19 and remained there from then on

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 40 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. seven majors (Roland Garros four times in 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2007; one Australian Open in 2004; two US Opens in 2003 and 2007); one Olympic gold medal (2004) and two Tour Championships (2006, 2007); four-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams), 2006 Australian Open/Wimbledon (l. to Mauresmo at both) and 2006 US Open (l. to Sharapova); is 38-16 lifetime in Tour singles finals (9-1 in 2007)
- Thirteenth player to hold No.1 Tour Singles Ranking, reaching No.1 on October 20, 2003, after winning Zürich; surrendered it a week later to compatriot Clijsters (first time a new No.1 spent one week on top before losing it) but returned two weeks later, where she stayed 44 straight weeks; regained it after winning Tour Championships last November and held it for 11 weeks before losing it again; began fourth (current) stint at the top during this year's Miami fortnight and is spending her 44th consecutive week (100th overall) on top during Madrid
- Won 1999 Antwerp in Tour main draw debut, becoming the fifth player at that stage to achieve the feat
- Two-time Tour doubles titlist, both in 2002, at Gold Coast (w/Shaugnessy) and Zürich (w/Bovina)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of seven singles titles (most recently in hometown of Liège in 2000) and two doubles titles
- Member of Belgian Fed Cup Team 2000-03, 2006 and Belgian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.justine-henin.be
- Created her own charity, 'Justine's Winners' Circle', in December 2003 to help children with cancer
- Should Henin successfully defend her title in Madrid, she will become the first player to win 10 Tour singles titles in a season since Martina Hingis won 12 in 1997; she will also become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1996 to win Roland Garros, the US Open and the Season-Ending Championships in the same year

SHARAPOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance was runner-up finish last year (as No.1 seed, d. No.12 Chakvetadze and No.4 Clijsters in QF and SF before falling to S.Williams; was first Russian to reach Australian Open final); best results prior to 2007 were two back-to-back SF finishes – in 2005 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion S.Williams 26 75 86 having served for match in second and third sets and held 3 mp at 5-4 third set), and 2006 (as

No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual runner-up Henin-Hardenne 46 61 64); 3r in 2004 (as No.28 seed, l. to No.6 seed Myskina 64 16 62; event debut in 2003 as qualifier, l. in 1r to Koukalova 64 76(6))

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): San Diego; **R-Up (3):** Australian Open, Birmingham, Tour Championships; **SF (4):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Istanbul, Roland Garros, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Injury-plagued season which has saw the Russian fall from No.1 to outside the Top 5 for the first time in three years
- **Grand Slam play:** Diminishing results in the majors over the season; opened 2007 with first finals appearance at Australian Open; seeded No.1, escaped from 1r vs. Pin (in searing heat) with 97 third set victory, before winning next five matches in straight sets (d. world No.5 Clijsters in SF for only Top 5 win of the season thus far; l. 61 62 to unseeded S.Williams); at Roland Garros, again endured a 16-game final set (vs. Schnyder in 4r, saving 2 mp) to reach first SF there, falling 61 62 to Ivanovic; suffered earliest exit at Wimbledon since 2003 debut, falling in 4r to eventual champion V.Williams; seeded No.2 at US Open, blazed through first two matches vs. Vinci and Dellacqua (dropping one game in each match) before falling to No.30 seed Radwanska, her earliest Grand Slam loss since 3r exit in New York in 2004
- **Regular Tour season:** First title of the season came at San Diego in early August (fifth career Tier I title; d. Schnyder in final in 3s), her longest wait for her first title of the season since 2003; also runner-up at Tour Championships (as No.6 seed d. Chakvetadze in SF, l. to Henin 57 75 63 in final, in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era) and Birmingham (l. to Jankovic 75 third set) and semifinalist at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (ret. vs. Ivanovic w/left hamstring strain that forced withdrawal from Dubai), Istanbul (only second career clay SF on Tour; l to Rezai) and Los Angeles (WD vs. Petrova w/left lower leg strain which also forced withdrawal from Toronto); also withdrew from Charleston w/right shoulder and left hamstring injuries and from Rome, Stuttgart, Zürich and Linz w/right shoulder injury (was defending champion at Zürich and Linz); defeated in opening match at Moscow (l. to Azarenka 76(8) 62 having held six set points in first set)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.2, rising to No.1 on January 29 after Australian Open runner-up finish, her third career stint in the top spot; held onto No1. for seven weeks (14 weeks in total) before surrendering it to Henin on March 19 after failing to defend Indian Wells title (fell in 4r); remained at No.2 until 3r exit at US Open (as defending champion) pushed her down to No.4 (September 10); having been unable to defend Zürich and Linz titles through injury, fell to No.5 on October 15 and No.6 on October 29, her first time outside Top 5 since November 2004, when she rose from No.6 to No.4 after winning the Season-Ending Championships
- **Fed Cup play:** Served as hitting partner for Russia during its World Group I Final win over Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 16 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. majors at 2004 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open, also 2004 Season-Ending Championships and Tier Is at 2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Indian Wells, 2006 San Diego, 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego; seven-time runner-up, incl. 2007 Australian Open and 2007 Tour Championships and Tier Is at 2004 Zürich, 2005 Miami and 2006 Miami
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, all at Tier III level – 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] and 2003 Luxembourg (both w/Tanasugarn) and on grass at 2004 Birmingham (w/Kirilenko)
- Winner of four singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit (three in 2002 and one in 2003)
- On August 22, 2005, became 15th woman and first Russian to reach No.1 (also most recent new No.1) since 1975 inception of computer rankings

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.mariasharapova.com
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy at age 9
- Named UNDP Goodwill Ambassador on February 14, 2007
- At 2005 Australian Open, donated value of Porsche Cayenne she won at 2004 Tour Championships (approx. US\$56,300) to those affected by Russian school hostage crisis in Beslan in September 2004



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- Has appeared on the cover of SI (first tennis player in over two years to do so), ESPN The Magazine, Forbes (listed as one of the richest female athletes in the world); also featured in People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People", Vogue Italia, USA Today, Teen People's "20 Teens Who Will Change the World", W, YM and SPORT Magazine's "21 Athletes to Watch Out For in the 21st Century", among others

[3] JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB) vs. [7] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Series tied 2-2

2004	SAN DIEGO	HARD (O)	R32 (2r)	WILLIAMS, SERENA	6-7(3) 6-3 6-2
2005	DUBAI	HARD (O)	SF	JANKOVIC, JELENA	6-0 4-3 ret. (right shoulder injury)
2006	LOS ANGELES	HARD (O)	SF	JANKOVIC, JELENA	6-4 6-3
2007	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD (O)	R16 (4r)	WILLIAMS, SERENA	6-3 6-2

JANKOVIC	Quick Facts	S.WILLIAMS
22	Age	26
Belgrade, Serbia	Residence	Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	28
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	2
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,390,600	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$18,109,234
\$14,130	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.4	Current Singles Rank	No.7
No.3 (June 11, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.1 (July 8, 2002)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	9
11-5	Aus. Open W-L**	37-5
18	GS Attempts**	33
38-17	Career GS W-L**	143-24
2	2008 Events Played	1
5-1	2008 W-L	4-0
270-153	Career W-L	359-77
43-38	Career Tie-Break W-L	47-30
1-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
75-72	Career 3-Set W-L	74-32
3-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
None	Coach	Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

JANKOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance to date was last year's 4r run (as No.11 seed, l. 4r to eventual champion S.Williams); all four previous results were 2r finishes – 2003 (qualified in event debut, l. to Coetzer), 2004 (upset world No.8 Dementieva, l. to Craybas 64 26 86), 2005 (l. to Panova 36 64 62) and 2006 (l. to Savchuk)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **QF (2):** Sydney, Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF of first Tour event of the year; as No.3 seed, l. to Vaidisova 64 in final set
- Represented Serbia in Hopman w/Djokovic; went 1-3 in singles (l. to Golovin, Dulko, S.Williams; d. Hsieh)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Auckland, Charleston, Rome, Birmingham; **R-Up (4):** Sydney, 's-Hertogenbosch, Toronto, Beijing; **SF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles, Stuttgart; **QF (5):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Amelia Island, Berlin, US Open, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Phenomenally consistent season, reaching QF or better at 20 of 28 events coming in and surging to No.3 by year's end, having started 2007 outside the Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Highlight of Grand Slam season was SF finish at Roland Garros – dropped just one set en route to SF (d. V.Williams in 3s in 3r) where she fell to eventual champion Henin 62 62, their most one-sided match to date (five of their eight career meetings have gone to 3s); also reached QF at US Open (l. to V.Williams 76 third set) and 4r at Australian Open (l. to eventual champion S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. to eventual runner-up Bartoli 36 75 63)
- **Regular Tour season:** Her eight finals appearances were second only to Henin's 11, winning titles at Auckland (d.

Zvonareva in 3s for first title since 2004 Budapest), Charleston (first Tier I; d. Safina in final), Rome (d. Kuznetsova in final) and Birmingham (d. world No.2 Sharapova in final 75 third set after trailing 3-0 for career-best win and first win over a Top 2-ranked player in 14 meetings); runner-up at Sydney (l. to Clijsters 46 76(4) 64, having served for the match at 5-4 (held 1 mp) and 6-5 second set), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze in 3s), Toronto (l. to Henin) and Beijing (l. to Szavay 67(7) 75 62 after leading 5-1 second set and holding 1 mp); semifinalist another seven times – Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles and Stuttgart – and quarterfinalist another five times; her 72 match wins were a Tour-best for 2007, although she lost her last six matches – Stuttgart SF (l. to Henin), Bangkok 1r (ret. vs. Yan w/heat illness), 2r at Zürich (after 1r bye; l. to Vaidisova) and all three round-robin matches at the Tour Championships (vs. Henin, Chakvetadze and Bartoli)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.12, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Australian Open (January 29); continued to move up the rankings with her impressive performances in the spring, debuting in the Top 5 at No.5 after Berlin (May 14); just four weeks later rose to current career-high No.3 after SF finish at Roland Garros (June 11), where she remained
- **Fed Cup:** Represented Serbia regional qualifying (Europe/Africa Group I), going 4-0 in singles and 2-1 in doubles, helping her country reach the World Group II Play-off, where it fell to Slovakia 4-1 (d. Cibulkova for Serbia's only point in the tie)
- **Doubles:** Went 5-12 in doubles in 2007, the highlights being QF finishes at Auckland (w/Krizan) and Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Mattek); collected career-first Grand Slam title, partnering Brit Jamie Murray to Wimbledon mixed doubles championship (d. Molik/Bjorkman in final)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at Budapest in 2004 and at Auckland, Charleston, Rome and Birmingham in 2007; eight-time runner-up – 2005 Dubai (l. to Davenport), 2005 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Seoul (l. to Vaidisova), 2006 Los Angeles (l. to Dementieva), 2007 Sydney (l. to Clijsters), 2007 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze), 2007 Toronto (l. to Henin) and 2007 Beijing (l. to Szavay); 5-8 lifetime in Tour singles finals (2-1 at Tier I level)
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2006 Birmingham (w/Li); two-time semifinalist, incl. 2006 Guangzhou (w/Li)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2007 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Top 20 debut in March 2005; Top 10 debut in January 2007; Top 5 debut in May 2007; Top 3 in June 2007
- Had 11 Top 10 wins prior to 2007 Birmingham, but was 0-13 against Top 2; but in Birmingham final notched career-first Top 2 win over world No.2 Sharapova, coming back from 3-0 third set deficit to prevail, 46 63 75
- Member of Serbian Fed Cup Team, 2001-05, 2007 and Serbia and Montenegro Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- In 2007, appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Ivanovic was also appointed)
- Introduced to tennis at age 9 by brother and fitness coach Marko (six years her senior); admires Monica Seles
- Won junior Australian Open in 2001 and was runner-up at junior US Open that year; was No.1 in junior rankings
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2006, presented at the 2007 Sony Ericsson Open in Miami

S.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance in this event; three-time champion winning the title last year (unseeded and ranked No.81, d. six seeds en route to title, incl. No.5 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (having trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic 63 62 in 4r, No.16 Peer 36 62 86 in QF, No.10 Vaidisova 76(5) 64 in SF and No.1 Sharapova 61 62 in final (becoming third-lowest ranked player in history to win a Grand Slam), 2005 (saved 3 mp in SF against Sharapova and d. Davenport in three-set final) and 2003 (d. Clijsters from 2 mp down in SF and sister Venus in 3s final) – the only player to have won two Grand Slam singles titles having saved mp en route; missed 2002 due to a sprained right ankle and 2004 due to rehabilitation from surgery to repair left knee quadriceps tendon; QF defeat in 2001 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.1 seed Hingis); only other defeats pre-QF defeats came in 1998 (on debut, l. to V.Williams in 2r), 1999 (l. to No.14 seed Testud 9-7 in third set in 3r), 2000 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Likhovteva in 4r) and 2006 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.17 Hantuchova in 3r)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Australian Open, Miami; **R-Up (1):** Moscow; **QF (6):** Hobart, Rome, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** An incredible comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by seventh Grand Slam title at Australian Open and return to Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** A record-breaking run in Melbourne, collecting her eighth career Grand Slam singles title and third Australian Open; ranked No.81 (having just fallen in Tier IV Hobart QF the week before), d. world No.6 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic in 4r, No.17 Peer 86 third set in QF, No.12 Vaidisova in SF and top seed and world No.2 Sharapova 61 62 in final to become third lowest-ranked and only the second unseeded Grand Slam champion in the Open Era; it was Williams's first Tour final of any kind since winning 2005 Australian Open; thereafter, suffered an identical fate at the remaining three majors, falling in QF to Henin at Roland Garros, Wimbledon (l. in 3s while suffering from left thumb injury sustained in 4r win over Hantuchova) and US Open (held set point in first set)
- **Regular Tour season:** In next event after winning Australian Open (WD from Bangalore due to illness) collected eighth career Tier I title, winning Miami for the loss of one set – d. world No.2 Sharapova 61 61 in 4r and No.1 Henin 06 75 63 in final (saved 2 mp at 5-4 second set); was sixth time in her career to d. world's Top 2 in same event; right groin strain forced retirement during Charleston opener vs. Chan and withdrawal from Berlin; after QF finish in Rome in May (l. to Schnyder 76 third set), next Tour event was Stuttgart in October – her only three events in between were Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open – having withdrawn from Cincinnati, Stanford, San Diego and Los Angeles w/left thumb sprain sustained in Wimbledon 4r; during indoor season, reached QF at Stuttgart (l. to Kuznetsova) and final at Moscow (d. world No.2 Kuznetsova in SF; l. to Dementieva in 3s); before retiring in 1r of Zürich vs. Schnyder w/right adductor strain (trailed 60 30); at Tour Championships ret. During first RR match vs. Chakvetadze w/left knee injury and subsequently withdrew from tournament
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.95, having been restricted to four events in 2006 w/left knee injury; rose to No.81 after Hobart QF finish, then surged to No.14 two weeks later (January 29) after title run at Australian Open; moved to No.11 after Miami victory, then returned to Top 10 for first time since September 2005 after reaching Rome QF (May 21); edged up to No.5 on October 29 for first time in Top 5 since July 2005
- **Fed Cup:** Played first Fed Cup match since 2003, winning rubber vs. Maes in USA's 5-0 World Group I QF win over Belgium (pulled out of second match vs. Flipkens w/knee injury)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/V.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 28 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. eight Grand Slams (2003, 2005 and 2007 Australian Open, 2002 Roland Garros, 2002 and 2003 Wimbledon and 1999 and 2002 US Open), 2001 Tour Championships and eight Tier IIs (incl. 2007 Miami); also two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 US Open (l. to V.Williams) and 2004 Wimbledon (l. to Sharapova)
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Venus, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
- On July 8, 2002, became 11th woman (second African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 57 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000 (gold medalist in doubles w/V.Williams)
- Member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.serenawilliams.com; owns Aneres, a fashion design label (www.aneresdesigns.com)
- Williams is currently No.7 on the all-time list of prize money earners; below is a look at the Top 10 all-time prize money earners' list:

PLAYER	EARNINGS (US\$)
1. Lindsay Davenport (USA)	\$21,897,501
2. Steffi Graf (GER)	\$21,895,277
3. Martina Navratilova (USA)	\$21,626,089
4. Martina Hingis (SUI)	\$20,130,657
4. Justine Henin (BEL)*	\$19,098,405
6. Venus Williams (USA)	\$18,173,781
7. Serena Williams (USA)*	\$18,109,234
8. Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	\$16,942,640
9. Monica Seles (USA)	\$14,891,762
10. Kim Clijsters (BEL)	\$14,764,296

* Does not include 2008 Australian Open earnings

[4] ANA IVANOVIC (SRB) vs. [8] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Williams leads 4-0

2004	ZÜRICH	HARD (I)	R16 (2r)	WILLIAMS, VENUS	7-6(11) 7-6(6)
2006	LUXEMBOURG	HARD (I)	R32 (1r)	WILLIAMS, VENUS	6-3 6-4
2007	WIMBLEDON	GRASS (O)	SF	WILLIAMS, VENUS	6-2 6-4
2007	US OPEN	HARD (O)	R16 (4r)	WILLIAMS, VENUS	6-4 6-2

IVANOVIC	Quick Facts	V.WILLIAMS
20	Age	27
Basel, Switzerland	Residence	Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	36
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	3
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,191,857	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$18,173,781
\$26,700	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.3	Current Singles Rank	No.8
No.3 (January 14, 2008)	Highest Singles Rank	No.1 (February 25, 2002)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	9
9-3	Aus. Open W-L**	32-8
13	GS Attempts**	40
37-12	Career GS W-L**	164-33
2	2008 Events Played	1
6-1	2008 W-L	4-0
181-61	Career W-L	479-110
28-14	Career Tie-Break W-L	71-41
1-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
48-18	Career 3-Set W-L	87-47
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Physical trainer: Scott Burns	Coach	Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

IVANOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best results were 3r finishes in 2005 (as unseeded debutante, d. No.32 seed Benesova in 1r, before l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and 2007 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.22 Zvonareva); 2r defeat in 2006 (as No.21 seed, l. to Stosur)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Sydney; QF (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Made SF in first event of 2008 in Sydney; as No.4 seed l. to eventual champion Henin 62 26 64 (first set won against Henin in four meetings)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Berlin, Los Angeles, Luxembourg; R-Up (2): Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Roland Garros; SF (3): Amelia Island, Wimbledon, Tour Championships; QF (4): Gold Coast, Sydney, Antwerp, 's-Hertogenbosch

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season, bursting into the Top 5 after being outside of Top 15 in May; three titles and first Grand Slam final appearance were the highlights for the young Serb
- Grand Slam play:** Recorded two best Grand Slam results of her career in reaching the Roland Garros final as No.7 seed (d. world No.3 Kuznetsova in QF in 3s, No.2 Sharapova 62 61 in SF; l. to world No.1 Henin) and Wimbledon SF (d. world No.9 Petrova in 4r after trailing 3-1 third set, No.10 Vaidisova 75 third set in QF after trailing 5-3 and saving 3 mp at 5-4; l. to eventual champion V.Williams); reached 3r of Australian Open (l. to Zvonareva) and 4r at US Open (l. to V.Williams)
- Regular Tour season:** Her three-title haul (one each on clay, hard and indoors) was a career best; at Berlin, collected second Tier I title, defeating world No.4 Kuznetsova in final 76 third set; at Los Angeles, d. No.3-ranked compatriot Jankovic in SF 46 63 75 (trailed 4-1 third set and saved 2 mp; fifth Top 5 win of the season) and No.9 Petrova in final; seeded No.2 at Luxembourg, collected career-first indoor title, defeating Hantuchova in final in 3s; in addition to Roland Garros runner-up finish, also a losing finalist at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (world No.1

Sharapova ret. in SF w/left hamstring strain; l. to Hingis) and semifinalist at Tour Championships (l. to eventual champion Henin 64 64) and Amelia Island (l. to eventual champion Golovin in 3s); the only player other than Henin to record more than 10 Top 10 wins in 2007 (12-4) and to have a record vs. Top 5 players greater than 50% (5-2)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.14, dipping to No.17 in April; surged from No.16 to No.8 after Berlin title run (May 14), debuting in Top 5 after Wimbledon SF finish (July 9); Los Angeles title pushed her to a career-high No.4 (August 13), a ranking she has held uninterrupted since October 15
- **Doubles:** Went 0-4, losing 1r at Miami, Berlin, Roland Garros (all w/Kirilenko) and Wimbledon (w/Hantuchova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, at Tier V Canberra in 2005, Tier I Montréal in 2006 and Tier I Berlin, Tier II Los Angeles in 2007 and Tier II Luxembourg in 2007
- Two-time runner-up, at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] in 2007 (l. to Hingis) and Roland Garros (l. to world No.1 Henin); five-time semifinalist, incl. 2007 Amelia Island (l. to Golovin) and 2007 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams)
- Holds 17 career Top 10 victories: three in 2005 (No.7 Kuznetsova, No.10 Zvonareva, No.3 Mauresmo), two in 2006 (No.3 Mauresmo, No.8 Schnyder) and 12 in 2007 (No.6 Petrova (ret.), No.10 Jankovic, No.1 Sharapova (ret.), No.9 Jankovic, No.4 Kuznetsova, No.3 Kuznetsova, No.2 Sharapova, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Vaidisova, No.3 Jankovic, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Hantuchova
- One-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Kirilenko)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of five singles titles (all in 2004)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.anaivanovic.com
- In 2007, was appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Jankovic was also appointed); in December 2007, donated share of her profits from a Humanitarian Exhibition, held in Belgrade, to UNICEF's Schools Without Violence program in Serbia; her contribution, which totaled \$62,804, will enable 12 schools to join the national program
- Alongside Hantuchova, featured in Sony Ericsson's first ever tennis-themed TV commercial, "Never Miss A Shot"
- Winner of Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Most Improved Player in 2005 (presented in March 2006 at Miami)
- 2006 US Open Series champion (best 2006 USOS results were title in Montréal and QF at Los Angeles)

V.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making her eighth appearance since 1998, missing only 2000 due to tendonitis in both wrists; best result was runner-up in 2003 (as No.2 seed, d No.7 Hantuchova in QF, No.5 Henin in SF, before l. to No.1 S.Williams); SF in 2001 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.1 Hingis) and QF in 1998 (on debut, d. S.Williams in 2r, before l. to No.2 seed Davenport), 1999 (as No.5 seed, l. to No.1 Davenport) and 2002 (as No.2 seed, l. to No.8 Seles); past three appearances have seen 3r exit in 2004 (l. to Raymond), 4r in 2005 (l. to Molik) and 2006 (l. to Pironkova); withdrew from 2007 event w/left wrist injury

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Memphis, Wimbledon, Seoul; **R-Up (1):** Tokyo [Japan Open]; **SF (3):** Charleston, US Open, Bangkok; **QF (3):** Amelia Island, Warsaw, San Diego

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Sensational comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by spectacular Wimbledon title run and subsequent return to Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Victorious run at All England club included four consecutive straight set victories over No.2 seed Sharapova in 4r, No.5 seed Kuznetsova in QF, No.6 seed Ivanovic in SF and No.18 seed Bartoli in final; was her fourth Wimbledon title (fourth woman in Open Era to win that many, after King, Navratilova and Graf); wins over world No.2 Sharapova and world No.5 Kuznetsova were first Top 5 victories since her Wimbledon title two years earlier; was also lowest-ranked player (No.31) ever to win Wimbledon (breaking her own record from two years earlier); afterwards, rose from No.31 to No.17, her first Top 20 ranking since the 2006 Wimbledon fortnight (when she was defending champion); impressive SF run at US Open (as No.12 seed d. No.5 seed Ivanovic in 4r, No.3 Jankovic in QF before falling to eventual champion and No.1 Henin); 3r finish at Roland Garros (as No.26 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic in 3s); withdrew from Australian Open w/left wrist injury

- **Regular Tour season:** Also captured 34th and 36th career Tour singles titles (Wimbledon was her 35th) at Memphis (as No.7 seed, d. top seed Peer 61 61 in final in first event of season, having missed Australian swing w/continued left wrist injury) and in Seoul (as No.1 seed d. No.4 Kirilenko in final); finished runner-up in Tokyo [Japan Open] (as No.1 seed, l. to No.5 Razzano 64 in third set having held three mp in second set tie-break); SF runs at Charleston (l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Jankovic 76 third set) and Bangkok (as No.2 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 64 76(8), having help sp at 6-5 second set); QF finishes on three occasions at Amelia Island (d. No.4 seed Schnyder; l. to No.8 seed and eventual champion Golovin), Warsaw (d. No.7 seed Dementieva; l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova 36 63 64 having led 4-2 third set) and San Diego (as No.10 seed, d. No.6 seed Hantuchova; l. to No.3 seed Chakvetadze 67(5) 76(3) 62, having led 5-3 second set w/mp); fell prior to QF two other times, at Miami (l. to top seed Sharapova 75 third set in 3r) and Istanbul (as No.4 seed, upset by Rezaï in 2r)
- **Ranking:** Having begun season at No.46, dipped to No.54 on February 19 but bounced back into Top 50 immediately on February 26 (after Memphis; rose from No.54 to No.38); returned to Top 20 on July 9 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.31 to No.17) and back into Top 10 on September 10 (after US Open; rose from No.14 to No.9); reached season-high No.8 on October 1 (after Seoul; rose from No.9 to No.8)
- **Fed Cup play:** Impressive 4-1 record, including 2-0 in USA's 5-0 World Group I 1r victory over Belgium (d. Wickmayer, Flipkens) and 2-1 during USA's 3-2 World Group I SF loss to Russia (d. Chakvetadze, Petrova; w/Raymond, l. to Petrova/Vesnina in deciding rubber)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/S.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 36 Tour singles titles, incl. six majors (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007 Wimbledon and 2000, 2001 US Open), one Olympic gold medal (2000 Sydney) and six Tier Is (fourth among active players); also six-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 1997 US Open, 2002 Roland Garros/Wimbledon/US Open and 2003 Australian Open/Wimbledon
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Serena, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Australian Open/Roland Garros (both w/Gimelstob)
- On February 25, 2002, became 10th woman (first African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 11 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000, 2004; member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003-2005 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com
- Owns V Starr Interiors, an interior design company specializing in residential design (www.vstarrinteriors.com) On August 23, 2007 unveiled new clothing range 'EleVen' which will be sold in Steve & Barry stores in America
- In November 2006, was named first Promoter of Gender Equality as per new partnership between UNESCO and Tour, which aims to promote women's leadership and gender equality in all spheres of society (has since been joined by Golovin and Zheng in the role)
- On December 13, 2007. attended her graduation at the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale, receiving her Associate's Degree in Fashion Design

[9] DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK) vs. [29] AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Radwanska leads 1-0

2007 ZÜRICH CARPET (I) R16 (2r) RADWANSKA, AGNIESZKA 6-3 6-3

HANTUCHOVA	Quick Facts	RADWANSKA
24	Age	18
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Krakow, Poland
3	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$5,334,366	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$566,034
\$7,470	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,753
No.9	Current Singles Rank	No.28
No.5 (January 27, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.25 (November 19, 2007)
8	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
19-7	Aus. Open W-L**	5-1
29	GS Attempts**	7
58-28	Career GS W-L**	14-6
2	2008 Events Played	2
5-1	2008 W-L	4-1
325-193	Career W-L	116-55
76-48	Career Tie-Break W-L	12-9
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
108-64	Career 3-Set W-L	23-26
2-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-1
None	Coach	Father, Robert
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HANTUCHOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth straight appearance, seventh in main draw; best result was QF in 2003 (l. to world No.2 V.Williams); 4r in 2007 (as No.15 seed, l. to No.4 seed Clijsters) and 2006 (l. to world No.4 Sharapova); 3r twice – 2002 (l. to V.Williams 36 60 64) and 2005 (l. to world No.6 Dementieva 75 57 64); 2r in 2004 (l. to Australia's Molik); l. in 1r in 2001 in main draw debut to world No.8 Kournikova; failed to qualify in 2000

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney 2r; as No.6 seed l. to Vaidisova

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Indian Wells, Linz; **R-Up (2):** Bali, Luxembourg; **SF (5):** Doha, Rome, 's-Hertogenbosch, Stanford, Kolkata; **QF (3):** Dubai, Amelia Island, Birmingham

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Impressive return to top-flight play, winning two titles and once again a regular in the world's Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Unable to break back into last eight (which she achieved at three consecutive majors in 2002-03), but reached 4r twice and 3r once; 4r for second straight year at both Australian Open (d. Harkleroad 67(6) 75 63 in 3r after trailing 5-2 second set; l. to Clijsters) and Wimbledon (l. to S.Williams in dramatic three-set encounter, 62 67(2) 62, halted by rain at end of second set while Williams was struggling with cramp; match resumed later that day with Williams taking final set); seeded No.12 at Roland Garros, upset in 3r by Medina Garrigues 46 76(2) 75; also suffered surprise loss at US Open as No.9 seed, falling in 1r to Vakulenko in 3s, her first opening-match loss in New York in six years
- **Regular Tour season:** Her four finals appearances were a career-best, winning titles at Indian Wells (her second title there and in her career; d. world No.6 Hingis in 4r and No.4 Kuznetsova in final) and Linz (d. Schnyder in final); Linz victory saw her qualify for Sony Ericsson Championships tied in eighth place with Sharapova (the tie-break went in Hantuchova's favor, who played more tournaments this season than Sharapova, 26 to 12); strong end to the season also included runner-up finishes at Bali (l. to Davenport in 3s) and Luxembourg (l. to Ivanovic in 3s); posted five SF finishes – Doha (d. world No.6 Hingis; l. to Kuznetsova), Rome (l. to Kuznetsova), 's-

- Hertogenbosch (l. to eventual champion Chakvetadze), Stanford (l. to Chakvetadze) and Kolkata (l. to Kirilenko)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.17, dipping to No.19 in February; rose to No.12 after Indian Wells victory (March 19); after reaching Birmingham QF (l. to Bartoli), rose from No.13 to No.10 (June 18), her first time in Top 10 since September 2003; also spent parts of July and August at No.10 and began current stint in Top 10 on September 24, rising to No.9 on October 8
 - **Fed Cup play:** Represented Slovakia in World Group II QF loss to Czech Republic (0-2 in singles; l. to Safarova and Vaidisova, both in 3s) and World Group II Playoff victory over Serbia (2-0 in singles; d. Timotic and Lukic)
 - **Doubles:** Contested 11 doubles events in 2007, reaching three SF – Dubai (w/Sugiyama), Miami (w/Hingis) and Bali (w/Davenport)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion at 2002 Indian Wells (d. Hingis in final), 2007 Indian Wells (d. Kuznetsova in final) and 2007 Linz (d. Schnyder in final); six-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2002 Filderstadt, 2004 Eastbourne, 2005 Los Angeles, 2006 Zürich, 2007 Bali and 2007 Luxembourg; also 16-time Tour singles semifinalist as well as three-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist (2002 Wimbledon, 2002 US Open, 2003 Australian Open)
- Eight-time Tour doubles titlist (last three w/Sugiyama); nine-time Tour doubles runner-up (incl. two Grand Slams)
- Holds four career Top 5 wins, all over world No.4 players (0-21 against rest of Top 5): Hingis-2002 Indian Wells; Mauresmo-2004 Eastbourne; Kuznetsova-2006 Zurich; Kuznetsova-2007 Indian Wells)
- Owns career Grand Slam in mixed doubles (2001 Wimbledon, 2002 Australian, 2005 Roland Garros and US Open; all with different partners); just second woman in Open Era (after Navratilova) and fourth all-time (also Court, King)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of three singles titles (two in 1999, one in 2000) and one doubles title
- Member of Slovak Fed Cup Team 1999-2003, 2007 (incl. title-winning 2002 team) and 2004 Olympic Team

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.dhantuchova.com
- Alongside Ivanovic, featured in Sony Ericsson's "Never Miss A Shot" TV commercial, launched in July 2006
- Father, Igor, is a computer scientist; mother, Marianna, is a toxicologist; older brother, Igor, is architect working in Bratislava; qualified for top university in Slovakia but deferred it to pursue professional tennis career
- Trained at Bollettieri Academy between ages 16 and 18; formerly coached by Nigel Sears; not currently working with one coach, but travels with various coaches from Casal/Sánchez Academy in Barcelona, Spain

RADWANSKA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making second straight appearance; advanced to 2r at tournament debut in 2007 (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell 1r at Hobart (as No.4 seed, l. to Pennetta in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won (1): Stockholm; **QF (3):** Istanbul, Palermo, Zurich; **4r (2):** Miami, US Open; **3r (1):** Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Another breakthrough season, highlighted by first Tour singles title at Stockholm and three more Top 10 wins; win over Wozniacki in Stockholm QF was 100th career singles match win
- **Grand Slam play:** Played in all four Grand Slams; best result came at US Open, reaching 4r (as No.30 seed, d. No.2 seed and defending champion Sharapova en route, falling to No.18 seed Peer); at Wimbledon reached 3r (l. to Kuznetsova); 2r at Australian Open (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s); fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. to No.28 seed Santangelo)
- **Regular Tour season:** Won first singles title at Stockholm (as No.2 seed, d. No.8 seed Dushevina in final; lost just 20 games en route to title, tied w/Hingis at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] for least games lost en route to a Tour singles title last season; also first Tour singles title for Poland); QF three times, at Istanbul (as No.7 seed, l. to top seed Sharapova in 3s), Palermo (as No.3 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual champion Szavay) and Zürich (as LL, d. No.7 seed Hantuchova en route to first career Tier I QF; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin); reached 4r twice, at Miami (d. No.27 seed Zheng and No.5 seed Hingis en route, falling to No.24 seed Garbin) and US Open

(see above); wins over world No.6 Hingis (Miami), No.2 Sharapova (US Open) and No.9 Hantuchova (Zürich) were second, third and fourth career Top 10 wins; reached 3r once, at Wimbledon (l. to Kuznetsova); 2r eight times, incl. Australian Open (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s) and Stuttgart (d. No.11 Bartoli); fell 1r four times, incl. Rome (ret. vs. Peer w/right wrist strain) and Roland Garros (l. to No.28 seed Santangelo); fell in qualifying twice; withdrew from Beijing w/injury

- **Ranking:** Made several ranking breakthroughs, cracking Top 50 on January 29 (after Australian Open; moved from No.59 to No.46), Top 40 on May 28 (after Istanbul; No.43 to No.38) and Top 30 on September 10 (after US Open; No.32 to No.30)
- **Doubles:** Won first Tour doubles title at Istanbul (w/U.Radwanska);
- **ITF Circuit:** Won second career ITF Circuit singles title at \$100K ITF/Biella-ITA

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of one Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title in Stockholm (see above); also a one-time semifinalist, at 2006 Luxembourg
- Four-time Tour singles quarterfinalist, at 2006 Warsaw and 2007 Istanbul, Palermo and Zurich (see 2007 Summary above)
- Already has four career wins over Top 10 players, at 2006 Luxembourg (Dementieva), 2007 Miami (Hingis), 2007 US Open (Sharapova) and 2007 Zurich (Hantuchova)
- Breakthrough 2006 season, incl. Warsaw QF, Wimbledon 4r (in career Grand Slam debut) and Luxembourg SF; win over Dementieva at Luxembourg was first Top 10 win; also notched two other Top 20 wins in season, over Myskina (Warsaw) and Groenefeld (Linz); ranking rose from outside Top 300 to inside Top 60 by year's end
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of two singles title and two doubles titles
- Outstanding junior player; captured junior singles titles at 2005 Roland Garros and 2006 Wimbledon
- Polish Fed Cup Team, 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Baseline player whose favorite shot is forehand; favorites surfaces are clay and grass
- Coached by father, Robert, who also travels with her; grew up playing at a club in Gronau, Germany, where he was a club pro; mother, Marta, is an accountant; younger sister, Urszula, also currently plays professional tennis and recently followed in her older siblings footsteps by capturing junior singles crown at Wimbledon

THESE MATCH NOTES AND OTHER INFORMATION ARE AVAILABLE AT:

www.sonyericssonwtatour.com/media

Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Web site: www.sonyericssonwtatour.com | Tournament Web site: www.australianopen.com
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FOURTH ROUND QUICK FACTS

- Youngest player remaining - Caroline Wozniacki (17 years, 6 months)
- Oldest player remaining - Venus Williams (27 years, 7 months)
- Lowest-ranked player remaining - Hsieh Su-Wei (No.158)
- Highest-ranked player remaining - Justine Henin (No.1)
- Wildcards remaining - none
- Qualifiers remaining - Marta Domachowska, Hsieh Su-Wei
- Number of seeds remaining - 12 out of 32
- Australian Open main draw debutantes remaining - Hsieh Su-Wei, Caroline Wozniacki
- Australian Open junior singles champions remaining - Jankovic (2001)
- Australian Open junior singles runners-up remaining - Sharapova (2002), Vaidisova (2004), Wozniacki (2006)

FOURTH ROUND PARADE OF NATIONS

Of the 37 nations represented at the start of the 2008 Australian Open, 10 still have a chance to take home the ladies' singles title. Below is a look at which nations remain in contention at the 2008 Australian Open, and with which players:

COUNTRY	PLAYERS AT START	PLAYERS REMAINING	PLAYERS
Australia	9	1	Dellacqua
Belgium	1	1	Henin
Chinese Taipei	2	1	Hsieh
Czech Republic	5	1	Vaidisova
Denmark	1	1	Wozniacki
Poland	2	2	Domachowska, Radwanska
Russia	15	4	Dementieva, Kirilenko, Petrova, Sharapova
Serbia	2	2	Ivanovic, Jankovic
Slovakia	2	1	Hantuchova
USA	11	2	S.Williams, V.Williams

GRAND SLAM SECOND WEEK DEBUTANTES, AUSTRALIAN OPEN SECOND WEEK DEBUTANTES

Five players are making their debuts in a Grand Slam fourth round (Dellacqua, Domachowska, Hsieh, Kirilenko, Wozniacki) while two are making their debuts in the Australian Open fourth round (Ivanovic, Radwanska), as per the following:

PLAYER	PREVIOUS BEST GRAND SLAM RESULT	PREVIOUS BEST AUS. OPEN RESULTS
Grand Slam 4r debutantes		
Dellacqua	2r (1): 2007 US Open	1r (5): 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007
Domachowska	2r (2): 2005 Australian Open, 2005 Roland Garros	2r (1): 2005
Hsieh	1r (5): 2005 US Open, 2006 Roland Garros, 2006 Wimbledon, 2007 Roland Garros, 2007 Wimbledon	Making main draw debut
Kirilenko	3r (6): 2003 US Open, 2006 Australian Open, 2006 Roland Garros, 2006 US Open, 2007 Australian Open, 2007 US Open)	3r (2): 2006, 2007
Wozniacki	2r (2): 2007 Wimbledon, 2007 US Open	Making tournament debut
Australian Open 4r debutantes		
Ivanovic	R-Up (1): 2007 Roland Garros	3r (2): 2005, 2007
Radwanska	4r (2): 2006 Wimbledon, 2007 US Open	2r (1): 2007

POTENTIAL QUARTERFINAL DEBUTS

In addition to the fourth-round Grand Slam debutantes listed above, two players in the fourth round are hoping to make their debuts in an Australian Open quarterfinal - Elena Dementieva and Jelena Jankovic.

PLAYER	PREVIOUS BEST GRAND SLAM RESULTS	PREVIOUS BEST AUSTRALIAN OPEN RESULTS
Dementieva	R-Up (2): 2004 Roland Garros, 2004 US Open	4r (3): 2002, 2005, 2007
Jankovic	SF (2): 2006 US Open, 2007 Roland Garros	4r (1): 2007

SONY ERICSSON WTA TOUR HARDCOURT TITLE LEADERS

Four players in this year's 2008 Australian Open singles main draw are in the Top 10 list of all-time leaders for most Sony Ericsson WTA Tour hardcourt singles titles - Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Serena Williams and Venus Williams:

NAME	# OF TOUR HARD COURT SINGLES TITLES
1. Steffi Graf	37
2. Lindsay Davenport	33
3. Chris Evert	32
4. Monica Seles	28
5. Martina Navratilova	26
6. Kim Clijsters	25
Justine Henin	25
8. Martina Hingis	23
9. Venus Williams	22
10. Serena Williams	20

IT'S DOWN TO THE LAST 16...

PLAYER	RANK	NAT	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$	YTD W-L	CAREER PRIZE \$	CAREER W-L
[1] Justine Henin	1	BEL	25	95,500	6-0	19,098,405	483-103
[3] Jelena Jankovic	4	SRB	22	14,130	4-1	3,390,600	269-153
[4] Ana Ivanovic	3	SRB	20	26,700	5-1	3,191,857	180-61
[5] Maria Sharapova	5	RUS	20	0	3-0	10,231,402	276-66
[7] Serena Williams	7	USA	26	0	3-0	18,109,234	358-77
[8] Venus Williams	8	USA	27	0	3-0	18,173,781	475-110
[9] Daniela Hantuchova	9	SVK	24	7,470	4-1	5,334,366	324-191
[11] Elena Dementieva	11	RUS	26	3,950	3-1	8,679,912	427-221
[12] Nicole Pietrangeli	12	CZE	18	31,075	8-2	2,125,248	167-55
[14] Nadia Petrova	14	RUS	25	5,875	3-2	6,014,155	350-182
[27] Maria Kirilenko	26	RUS	20	3,580	5-1	1,446,170	172-116
[29] Agnieszka Radwanska	28	POL	18	1,753	3-1	566,034	115-55
Casey Dellacqua	78	AUS	22	6,228	4-2	320,487	181-100
Caroline Wozniacki	64	DEN	17	0	3-0	177,353	51-29
[Q] Marta Domachowska	146	POL	22	0	3-0	559,302	184-117
[Q] Hsieh Su-Wei	158	TPE	22	0	3-0	310,464	178-89

Players listed in order of seeding, then ranking; match records up-to-date through third round; prize money figures do not include this tournament

ANA'S AUSTRALIAN OPEN BLOG

Twenty-year-old Ana Ivanovic is coming off a career season and this fortnight in Melbourne is playing her very first tournament as the world's No.3 player, having just cracked the Top 3 on last week's singles rankings. Check out her Australian Open experience in the latest Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Player Blog at www.sonyericssonwtatour.com. Ivanovic gives her personal insight into the year's first Grand Slam tournament and answers questions from fans.

SONY ERICSSON WTA TOUR CHARITY AUCTION

Four items are available at the online Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Charity Auction, www.sonyericssonwtatourauctions.com. Fans can bid on authentic tennis memorabilia, such as an official Australian Open tennis ball and t-shirt, autographed by some of the Tour's all-time greats - Lindsay Davenport, Amélie Mauresmo, Maria Sharapova and the Williams sisters.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN RECORDS*

PLAYER	BEST AUS. OPEN RESULT*	BEST GRAND SLAM RESULT*	AUS OPEN W-L*
[1] Henin	Won (1): 2004	Won (7): Australian Open (2004), Roland Garros (2003, 2005, 2006, 2007), US Open (2003, 2007)	29-5
[3] Jankovic	4r (2): 2007, 2008**	SF (2): Roland Garros (2007), US Open (2006)	10-5
[4] Ivanovic	4r (1): 2008**	R-up (1): Roland Garros (2007)	8-3
[5] Sharapova	R-up (1): 2007	Won (2): Wimbledon (2004), US Open (2006)	21-5
[7] S.Williams	Won (3): 2003, 2005, 2007	Won (8): Australian Open (2003, 2005, 2007), Roland Garros (2002), Wimbledon (2002, 2003), US Open (1999, 2002)	36-5
[8] V.Williams	R-up (1): 2003	Won (6): Wimbledon (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007), US Open (2000, 2001)	31-8
[9] Hantuchova	QF (1): 2003	QF (3): Australian Open (2003), Wimbledon (2002), US Open (2002)	18-7
[11] Dementieva	4r (4): 2002, 2005, 2007, 2008**	R-up (2): Roland Garros (2004), US Open (2004)	17-9
[12] Vaidisova	SF (1): 2007	SF (2): Australian Open (2007), Roland Garros (2006)	13-3
[14] Petrova	QF (1): 2006	SF (2): Roland Garros (2003, 2005)	17-8
[27] Kirilenko	4r (1): 2008**	4r (1): Australian Open (2008)	8-3
[29] Radwanska	4r (1): 2008**	4r (3): Australian Open (2008), Wimbledon (2006), US Open (2007)	4-1
Wozniacki	4r (1): 2008**	4r (1): Australian Open (2008)	3-0
Dellacqua	4r (1): 2008**	4r (1): Australian Open (2008)	3-5
[Q] Domachowska	4r (1): 2008**	4r (1): Australian Open (2008)	4-3
[Q] Hsieh	4r (1): 2008**	4r (1): Australian Open (2008)	3-0

*Including 2008 Australian Open; main draw matches only; list only includes those players who have won through to 4r

GRAND SLAM FOURTH ROUND HISTORIES*

PLAYER	TOTAL 4R*	LAST 4R REACHED	NOTES
[1] Henin	24	2007 US Open	Has now reached 4r or better in last nine Grand Slams played
[3] Jankovic	7	2007 US Open	Has now reached 4r or better in last seven Grand Slams
[4] Ivanovic	6	2007 US Open	Has now reached 4r or better in last four Grand Slams
[5] Sharapova	15	2007 Wimbledon	Has now reached 4r or better in 12 of last 13 Grand Slams
[7] S.Williams	26	2007 US Open	Has now reached 4r or better in last six Grand Slams
[8] V.Williams	31	2007 US Open	Fourth straight 4r at a Grand Slam; seventh 4r here
[9] Hantuchova	10	2007 Wimbledon	Third straight 4r here; has reached 4r in 6 of last 8 Grand Slams
[11] Dementieva	17	2007 US Open	Fourth 4r here; reached 4r here three of last four years
[12] Vaidisova	8	2007 Wimbledon	Has now reached 4r or better in eight of last 10 Grand Slams played
[14] Petrova	13	2007 Wimbledon	Third 4r here; reached 4r here three of last four years
[27] Kirilenko	1	--	Grand Slam 4r debut in 17th major
[29] Radwanska	3	2007 US Open	Second straight 4r at a Grand Slam; first 4r in Melbourne
Wozniacki	1	--	Grand Slam 4r debut in 4th major
Dellacqua	1	--	Grand Slam 4r debut in 9th major
[Q] Domachowska	1	--	Grand Slam 4r debut in 10th major
[Q] Hsieh	1	--	Grand Slam 4r debut in 6th major

*Includes 2008 Australian Open

CAREER GRAND SLAM FOURTH ROUND RECORDS *

PLAYER	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	TOTAL
[1] Justine Henin	4-1	5-1	5-1	3-5	17-8
[3] Jelena Jankovic	0-1	1-0	0-2	2-0	3-3
[4] Ana Ivanovic	0-0	2-0	1-1	0-1	3-2
[5] Maria Sharapova	3-0	3-1	3-2	2-0	11-3
[7] Serena Williams	4-1	5-1	6-0	6-2	21-4
[8] Venus Williams	5-1	5-2	8-0	8-1	26-4
[9] Daniela Hantuchova	1-2	0-2	1-2	1-0	3-6
[11] Elena Dementieva	0-3	1-2	1-3	4-2	6-10
[12] Nicole Pietrangeli	1-1	2-0	1-1	0-1	4-3
[14] Nadia Petrova	1-1	2-1	1-3	2-1	6-6
[27] Maria Kirilenko	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
[29] Agnieszka Radwanska	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-2
Caroline Wozniacki	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Casey Dellacqua	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
[Q] Marta Domachowska	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
[Q] Su-Wei Hsieh	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

*Not including 2008 Australian Open

SECOND WEEK STARS & STRIPES - AMERICAN WOMEN INTO FOURTH ROUND

Last year, Serena Williams flew the flag for American women in the fourth round of all four Grand Slams. At Wimbledon last year, she was joined by Laura Granville and her sister Venus. Below is a look at the number of American women (with their eventual results in parentheses) who have contested the fourth round at the Grand Slams since 2001:

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2008	S.Williams (TBD) V.Williams (TBD)	TBD	TBD	TBD
2007	S.Williams (W)	S.Williams (QF)	Granville (4r) S.Williams (QF) V.Williams (W)	S.Williams (QF) V.Williams (SF)
2006	Davenport (QF)	V.Williams (QF)	Perry (4r)	Davenport (QF) S.Williams (4r)
2005	Davenport (F) S.Williams (Won) V.Williams (4r)	Davenport (QF)	Craybas (4r) Davenport (F) V.Williams (Won)	Davenport (QF) S.Williams (4r) V.Williams (QF)
2004	Davenport (QF) Raymond (QF) Rubin (4r)	Capriati (SF) Davenport (4r) S.Williams (QF) V.Williams (QF)	Capriati (QF) Davenport (SF) Frazier (4r) S.Williams (F)	Capriati (SF) Davenport (SF) S.Williams (QF) V.Williams (4r)
2003	Davenport (4r) Rubin (4r) Shaughnessy (QF) S.Williams (Won) V.Williams (F)	Capriati (4r) Davenport (4r) Rubin (QF) S.Williams (SF) V.Williams (4r)	Capriati (QF) Davenport (QF) S.Williams (Won) V.Williams (F)	Capriati (SF) Davenport (SF) Shaughnessy (4r)
2002	Capriati (Won) Seles (SF) V.Williams (QF)	Capriati (SF) Rubin (4r) Seles (QF) S.Williams (Won) V.Williams (F)	Capriati (QF) Granville (4r) Raymond (4r) Rubin (4r) Seles (QF) S.Williams (Won) V.Williams (F)	Capriati (QF) Davenport (SF) Frazier (4r) Rubin (4r) Seles (QF) S.Williams (Won) V.Williams (F)
2001	Capriati (Won) Davenport (SF) Seles (QF) S.Williams (QF) V.Williams (SF)	Capriati (Won) Shaughnessy (4r) S.Williams (QF)	Capriati (SF) Davenport (SF) Shaughnessy (4r) S.Williams (QF) V.Williams (Won)	Capriati (SF) Davenport (QF) Seles (4r) S.Williams (F) V.Williams (Won)

RUSSIANS RULE

Since the 2004 Australian Open, there have been at least three (3) Russians in the fourth round of every Grand Slam, peaking at seven (7) at the 2005 Australian Open. Below is a look at the progression of Russian* women (with their eventual results in parentheses) through to the round of 16 of all Grand Slams in the Open Era:

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2008	Dementieva (TBD) Kirilenko (TBD) Petrova (TBD) Sharapova (TBD)			
2007	Sharapova (F) Dementieva (4r) Kuznetsova (4r) Zvonareva (4r)	Chakvetadze (QF) Kuznetsova (QF) Safina (4r) Sharapova (SF)	Kuznetsova (QF) Petrova (4r) Sharapova (4r)	Chakvetadze (SF) Kuznetsova (F) Safina (4r)
2006	Kuznetsova (4r) Myskina (4r) Petrova (QF) Sharapova (SF) Vesnina (4r)	Kuznetsova (F) Myskina (4r) Safina (QF) Sharapova (4r)	Dementieva (QF) Myskina (QF) Sharapova (SF)	Chakvetadze (4r) Dementieva (QF) Kuznetsova (4r) Safina (QF) Sharapova (W)
2005	Dementieva (4r) Douchevina (4r) Kuznetsova (QF) Linetskaya (4r) Myskina (4r) Petrova (4r) Sharapova (SF)	Bovina (4r) Dementieva (4r) Kuznetsova (4r) Likhovtseva (SF) Petrova (SF) Sharapova (QF)	Dementieva (4r) Kuznetsova (QF) Likhovtseva (4r) Myskina (QF) Petrova (QF) Sharapova (SF)	Dementieva (SF) Likhovtseva (4r) Petrova (QF) Sharapova (SF)
2004	Zvonareva (4r) Myskina (QF)	Dementieva (F) Kuznetsova (4r) Myskina (W) Sharapova (QF)	Petrova (4r) Sharapova (W) Zvonareva (4r)	Dementieva (F) Kuznetsova (W) Petrova (QF) Zvonareva (4r)
2003	Bovina (4r) Myskina (QF)	Petrova (SF) Zvonareva (QF)	Dementieva (4r) Kuznetsova (QF) Myskina (4r) Sharapova (4r) Zvonareva (4r)	Dementieva (4r) Likhovtseva (4r) Myskina (QF) Petrova (4r) Safina (4r)
2002	Dementieva (4r)	Dementieva (4r) Zvonareva (4r)	Dementieva (4r) Likhovtseva (QF)	Bovina (QF)
2001	Kournikova (QF)	Petrova (4r) Krasnoroutskaya (QF)	Krasnoroutskaya (4r) Petrova (4r)	Dementieva (4r)
2000	Kournikova (4r) Likhovtseva (QF)			Dementieva (SF)
1999	Kournikova (4r)	Kournikova (4r)	Kournikova (4r)	Likhovtseva (4r)
1998		Kournikova (4r)		Kournikova (4r)
1997			Kournikova (SF)	
1996	Likhovtseva (4r)			Kournikova (4r)
1977-95	<i>No Russians in Fourth Round or better</i>			
1976			Chmyreva (4r) Morozova (QF)	Chmyreva (QF)
1975	Chmyreva (SF)	Kroshina (4r) Morozova (QF)	Chmyreva (4r) Morozova (QF)	
1974		Morozova (F)	Morozova (F)	
1973			Morozova (QF)	Morozova (4r)
1972	Morozova (QF)	Morozova (QF)	Morozova (4r)	Morozova (QF)
1971				
1970				Morozova (4r)
1969		Morozova (4r)	Morozova (4r)	
1968				

* This chart only lists Russians who have reached the fourth round or better and does not include non-Russians representing the former Soviet Union

FOURTH ROUND (TOP HALF) MATCH-UPS (IN SEEDING ORDER)

[1] JUSTINE HENIN (BEL) vs. [Q] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

HENIN	Quick Facts	HSIEH
25	Age	22
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Taipei, Taiwan
40	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
10	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$19,098,405	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$310,464
\$95,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.1	Current Singles Rank	No.158
No.1 (October 20, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.112 (July 9, 2007)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
29-5	Aus. Open W-L**	3-0
31	GS Attempts**	5
126-23	Career GS W-L**	3-5
2	2008 Events Played	1
6-0	2008 W-L	3-0
483-103	Career W-L	178-89
66-40	Career Tie-Break W-L	23-20
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-1
95-56	Career 3-Set W-L	47-29
2-0	2008 3-Set W-L	2-0
Carlos Rodriguez	Coach	Chen Nai
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HENIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh appearance in this event; won the title in 2004 (as No.1 seed, d. Clijsters in final, joined elite list of nine women to hold three Grand Slams at once following her 2003 Roland Garros and US Open titles); runner-up on last appearance in 2006 (as No.8 seed ret. in final vs. Mauresmo w/gastrointestinal illness trailing 61 20, only second time in Open Era a player has ret. during a Grand Slam final); SF finish in 2003, d. Davenport 97 third set in 4r after trailing 4-1 (first win in six meetings) before l. to V.Williams; QF run in 2002 (as No.6 seed l. to No.4 Clijsters); also 4r in 2001 (d. No.14 seed Testud in 3r, before l. to No.4 Seles) and 2r on debut in 2000 (l. to No.1 seed Hingis)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Sydney; **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Opened up season with 40th career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour title in Sydney; as No.1 seed d. No.4 Ivanovic 62 26 64 in SF, before d. No.2 Kuznetsova 46 62 64 in final

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (10): Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Toronto, US Open, Stuttgart, Zürich, Tour Championships; **R-Up (1):** Miami; **SF (3):** Paris [Indoors], Berlin, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season for the undisputed world No.1, winning 10 titles in 14 events – including two majors, the Sony Ericsson Championships and two Tier Is – and losing just four of 67 matches
- Grand Slam play:** After missing Australian Open due to personal reasons, went 19-1 in the remaining three majors; won fourth Roland Garros (d. Ivanovic in final to become only fifth woman since 1925 to win four titles in Paris) and third consecutively (only other woman to achieve the feat in the Open Era was Seles in 1990-92); also became first woman to win three consecutive titles at the same major since Martina Hingis (Australian Open 1997-99); her 2006 and 2007 titles at Roland Garros were won without the loss of a set, an all-time record; seeded No.1 at Wimbledon, shocked in SF by No.18 seed Bartoli 16 75 61 after leading 61 53; at US Open, regained title without the loss of a set (d. Kuznetsova in final), her seventh major (second most among active players behind S.Williams's eight) in her 11th Grand Slam final; she became the first woman to win a Grand Slam singles title having beaten both Williams sisters en route (d. S.Williams in QF, V.Williams in SF)
- Regular Tour season:** In addition to her two majors, collected another eight titles in the regular Tour season (from

11 events), the Tour championships, two Tier I's (Toronto, Zürich) and five Tier II's (Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Eastbourne, Stuttgart), losing only four matches in 67 matches; after returning to Tour at Paris [Indoors] in February (l. in SF to Safarova), went undefeated in the Middle East, winning first title in Doha and fourth in Dubai (a perfect 16-0 in the latter event); runner-up in Miami (l. to S.Williams 06 75 63 after holding 1 mp at 5-4 second set) before winning second Warsaw title (d. A.Bondarenko in final, improving to 9-0 lifetime in that event); after SF finish in Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova in 3s) and title run at Roland Garros, successfully defended Eastbourne crown (d. Mauresmo in final 76 third set; also needed final-set tie-break to d. Myskina in 2006 final); after SF loss at Wimbledon has gone undefeated, winning Toronto (d. Jankovic in final), US Open, Stuttgart (d. Golovin in final for first title there after runner-up finishes in 2001, 2003), Zürich (d. Golovin again in final) and Tour Championships (d. Sharapova 57 75 63 in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era); by triumphing at the Tour Championships in Madrid she became first woman since Graf in 1989 to go undefeated in the second-half of a season (post-Wimbledon); in Madrid

- **Ranking:** Reigned as world No.1 for all but seven weeks in 2007; having started 2007 in the top spot, fell to No.2 (behind Sharapova) after Australian Open (runner-up there in 2006) but regained No.1 on March 19 and remained there from then on

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 40 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. seven majors (Roland Garros four times in 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2007; one Australian Open in 2004; two US Opens in 2003 and 2007); one Olympic gold medal (2004) and two Tour Championships (2006, 2007); four-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams), 2006 Australian Open/Wimbledon (l. to Mauresmo at both) and 2006 US Open (l. to Sharapova); is 38-16 lifetime in Tour singles finals (9-1 in 2007)
- Thirteenth player to hold No.1 Tour Singles Ranking, reaching No.1 on October 20, 2003, after winning Zürich; surrendered it a week later to compatriot Clijsters (first time a new No.1 spent one week on top before losing it) but returned two weeks later, where she stayed 44 straight weeks; regained it after winning Tour Championships last November and held it for 11 weeks before losing it again; began fourth (current) stint at the top during this year's Miami fortnight and is spending her 44th consecutive week (100th overall) on top during Madrid
- Won 1999 Antwerp in Tour main draw debut, becoming the fifth player at that stage to achieve the feat
- Two-time Tour doubles titlist, both in 2002, at Gold Coast (w/Shughnessy) and Zürich (w/Bovina)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of seven singles titles (most recently in hometown of Liège in 2000) and two doubles titles
- Member of Belgian Fed Cup Team 2000-03, 2006 and Belgian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.justine-henin.be
- Created her own charity, 'Justine's Winners' Circle', in December 2003 to help children with cancer
- Should Henin successfully defend her title in Madrid, she will become the first player to win 10 Tour singles titles in a season since Martina Hingis won 12 in 1997; she will also become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1996 to win Roland Garros, the US Open and the Season-Ending Championships in the same year

HSIEH FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making first main draw appearance; fell in qualifying three times (2002, 2006, 2007) posting a 4-3 record

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by first two Tour titles of any kind in doubles, at Beijing and Seoul (both w/Chuang); won two singles titles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit (bringing career tallies to 13 and 17, respectively)
- **Grand Slam play:** Advanced to 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Dulko) and Wimbledon (l. to No.17 seed Golovin), both as a qualifier; fell in qualifying at Australian Open and US Open
- **Regular Tour season:** Appeared in main draw at seven tournaments; fell in qualifying eight times; posted a 13-15 record overall
- **Ranking:** Started season No.140 and finished No.157; climbed to a career-best No.112 on July 9, 2007; ranks No.47 in doubles



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- **Doubles:** In addition to two doubles titles (see above), finished as runner-up twice at Auckland (w/Uberoi) and at Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva)
- **Fed Cup play:** Posted 6-1 record in Fed Cup play

CAREER SUMMARY

- Reached SF and QF in first two Tour main draws at 2001 Bali (as qualifier, l. to Widjaja 76 third set) and 2001 Pattaya City (also as qualifier)
- At the 2008 Australian Open, became the first qualifier since 2004 (Santangelo) to reach the round 16 (4r); also became first Taiwanese player to reach the round of 16 (4r) at any Grand Slam event
- Won two Sony Ericsson WTA Tour doubles events: 2007 Beijing and Seoul (both w/Chuang); three-time runner-up: 2007 Auckland (w/Uberoi), 2007 Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva) and 2004 Seoul (w/Chuang); two-time doubles semifinalist: 2007 Stanford (w/Kudryavtseva) and 2006 Pattaya City (w/Tanasugarn)
- Winner of 13 ITF Circuit singles events and 17 doubles events
- Won first 33 matches on ITF Women's Circuit in 2001 as a 14-year old, a stretch that included five singles titles
- Represented Chinese Taipei Fed Cup Team in 2003 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Father introduced her to tennis at 8 years old
- Favorite playing surface is hard

[3] JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB) vs. CASEY DELLACQUA (AUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Jankovic leads 1-0

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JANKOVIC	Quick Facts	DELLACQUA
22	Age	22
Belgrade, Serbia	Residence	Perth, Australia
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,390,600	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$320,487
\$14,130	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$6,228
No.4	Current Singles Rank	No.78
No.3 (June 11, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.77 (November 5, 2007)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
10-5	Aus. Open W-L**	2-5
18	GS Attempts**	9
37-17	Career GS W-L**	3-8
2	2008 Events Played	3
4-1	2008 W-L	4-2
269-153	Career W-L	181-100
42-38	Career Tie-Break W-L	31-29
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
75-72	Career 3-Set W-L	57-33
3-1	2008 3-Set W-L	3-1
None	Coach	Lyndon Huff
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

JANKOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance to date was last year's 4r run (as No.11 seed, l. 4r to eventual champion S.Williams); all four previous results were 2r finishes – 2003 (qualified in event debut, l. to Coetzer), 2004 (upset world No.8 Dementieva, l. to Craybas 64 26 86), 2005 (l. to Panova 36 64 62) and 2006 (l. to Savchuk)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **QF (1):** Sydney; **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF of first Tour event of the year; as No.3 seed, l. to Vaidisova 64 in final set
- Represented Serbia in Hopman w/Djokovic; went 1-3 in singles (l. to Golovin, Dulko, S.Williams; d. Hsieh)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Auckland, Charleston, Rome, Birmingham; **R-Up (4):** Sydney, 's-Hertogenbosch, Toronto, Beijing; **SF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles, Stuttgart; **QF (5):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Amelia Island, Berlin, US Open, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Phenomenally consistent season, reaching QF or better at 20 of 28 events coming in and surging to No.3 by year's end, having started 2007 outside the Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Highlight of Grand Slam season was SF finish at Roland Garros – dropped just one set en route to SF (d. V.Williams in 3s in 3r) where she fell to eventual champion Henin 62 62, their most one-sided match to date (five of their eight career meetings have gone to 3s); also reached QF at US Open (l. to V.Williams 76 third set) and 4r at Australian Open (l. to eventual champion S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. to eventual runner-up Bartoli 36 75 63)
- **Regular Tour season:** Her eight finals appearances were second only to Henin's 11, winning titles at Auckland (d. Zvonareva in 3s for first title since 2004 Budapest), Charleston (first Tier I; d. Safina in final), Rome (d. Kuznetsova in final) and Birmingham (d. world No.2 Sharapova in final 75 third set after trailing 3-0 for career-best win and first win over a Top 2-ranked player in 14 meetings); runner-up at Sydney (l. to Clijsters 46 76(4) 64, having served for the match at 5-4 (held 1 mp) and 6-5 second set), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze in 3s), Toronto (l. to Henin) and Beijing (l. to Szavay 67(7) 75 62 after leading 5-1 second set and holding 1 mp); semifinalist

another seven times – Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles and Stuttgart – and quarterfinalist another five times; her 72 match wins were a Tour-best for 2007, although she lost her last six matches – Stuttgart SF (l. to Henin), Bangkok 1r (ret. vs. Yan w/heat illness), 2r at Zürich (after 1r bye; l. to Vaidisova) and all three round-robin matches at the Tour Championships (vs. Henin, Chakvetadze and Bartoli)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.12, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Australian Open (January 29); continued to move up the rankings with her impressive performances in the spring, debuting in the Top 5 at No.5 after Berlin (May 14); just four weeks later rose to current career-high No.3 after SF finish at Roland Garros (June 11), where she remained
- **Fed Cup:** Represented Serbia regional qualifying (Europe/Africa Group I), going 4-0 in singles and 2-1 in doubles, helping her country reach the World Group II Play-off, where it fell to Slovakia 4-1 (d. Cibulkova for Serbia's only point in the tie)
- **Doubles:** Went 5-12 in doubles in 2007, the highlights being QF finishes at Auckland (w/Krizan) and Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Mattek); collected career-first Grand Slam title, partnering Brit Jamie Murray to Wimbledon mixed doubles championship (d. Molik/Bjorkman in final)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at Budapest in 2004 and at Auckland, Charleston, Rome and Birmingham in 2007; eight-time runner-up – 2005 Dubai (l. to Davenport), 2005 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Seoul (l. to Vaidisova), 2006 Los Angeles (l. to Dementieva), 2007 Sydney (l. to Clijsters), 2007 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze), 2007 Toronto (l. to Henin) and 2007 Beijing (l. to Szavay); 5-8 lifetime in Tour singles finals (2-1 at Tier I level)
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2006 Birmingham (w/Li); two-time semifinalist, incl. 2006 Guangzhou (w/Li)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2007 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Top 20 debut in March 2005; Top 10 debut in January 2007; Top 5 debut in May 2007; Top 3 in June 2007
- Had 11 Top 10 wins prior to 2007 Birmingham, but was 0-13 against Top 2; but in Birmingham final notched career-first Top 2 win over world No.2 Sharapova, coming back from 3-0 third set deficit to prevail, 46 63 75
- Member of Serbian Fed Cup Team, 2001-05, 2007 and Serbia and Montenegro Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- In 2007, appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Ivanovic was also recently appointed)
- Introduced to tennis at age 9 by brother and fitness coach Marko (six years her senior); admires Monica Seles
- Won junior Australian Open in 2001 and was runner-up at junior US Open that year; was No.1 in junior rankings
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2006, presented at the 2007 Sony Ericsson Open in Miami

DELLACQUA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making sixth tournament appearance; fell in 1r all five times prior to this year; in 2006, as WC, l. to world No.1 Davenport

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: **QF (1):** Hobart; **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF at Hobart (as WC, l. to eventual champion Daniilidou)
- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast to world No.1 Vaidisova
- In doubles, advanced to QF (w/Moore)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **WON:** ITF/Bronx, NY-USA (\$50K), ITF/Melbourne-AUS (\$25K), ITF/Perth-AUS (\$25K), ITF/Kalgoorlie-AUS (\$25K); **2r (6):** Birmingham, US Open, Bali, Kolkata, Tokyo [Japan Open], Bangkok

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish after first season playing predominantly on Tour
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slam result was 2r at US Open (l. to world No.2 Sharapova); fell in 1r at Australian Open (as WC; l. to No.21 seed Srebotnik 75 third set), Roland Garros (on debut as WC; l. to Tanasugarn in 3s) and Wimbledon (on debut as qualifier; l. to Pratt)
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached 2r at half of 12 Tour main draws contested, at Birmingham (l. to No.15 seed Daniilidou), US Open (on debut, d. Shvedova in 1r for first career Grand Slam main draw match win; l. to No.2 seed Sharapova), Bali (l. to top seed Jankovic), Kolkata (l. to Obziler 75 third set), Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. to No.2 seed Mirza in 3s) and Bangkok (l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 26 63 75, having led 3-0 third set); fell 1r at six event; fell in qualifying at Gold Coast and Istanbul
- **Ranking:** Made Top 100 debut on August 6 (rising from No.106 to No.100)



- **ITF Circuit:** Won eighth through 11th career ITF Circuit singles titles during season, beginning w/three straight \$25K events in Australia (ITF/Melbourne-AUS, ITF/Perth-AUS, ITF/Kalgoorlie-AUS) and the fourth coming at \$50K ITF/Bronx, NY-USA; also won 13th career ITF Circuit doubles title at \$25K ITF/Perth-AUS (w/Hewson).

CAREER SUMMARY

- Best result on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour came at 2008 Hobart, reaching QF before falling to eventual singles champion Daniilidou
- Winner of 11 ITF Women's Circuit singles titles, most recently at 2007 \$50K ITF/Bronx, NY-USA
- Seven 1r defeats at Grand Slam level (incl. 2007 Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon) before reaching 2r at 2007 US Open
- In doubles winner of 13 ITF Women's Circuit events
- Made career Top 100 debut on August 3, 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis at age 5
- Favorite surface is grass
- Lists Australian Open and Wimbledon as favorite tournaments
- Player most admires is Australian tennis legend Margaret Court

[4] ANA IVANOVIC (SRB) vs. CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

IVANOVIC	Quick Facts	WOZNIACKI
20	Age	17
Basel, Switzerland	Residence	Copenhagen, Denmark
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,191,857	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$177,353
\$26,700	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.3	Current Singles Rank	No.64
No.3 (January 14, 2008)	Highest Singles Rank	No.60 (December 17, 2007)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
8-3	Aus. Open W-L**	3-0
13	GS Attempts**	4
36-12	Career GS W-L**	5-3
2	2008 Events Played	1
5-1	2008 W-L	3-0
180-61	Career W-L	51-29
27-14	Career Tie-Break W-L	12-2
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
48-18	Career 3-Set W-L	12-8
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	1-0
Physical trainer: Scott Burns	Coach	Father, Piotr; also by Morten Christensen at National Tennis Center in Denmark
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

IVANOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best results were 3r finishes in 2005 (as unseeded debutante, d. No.32 seed Benesova in 1r, before l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and 2007 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.22 Zvonareva); 2r defeat in 2006 (as No.21 seed, l. to Stosur)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Sydney; 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Made SF in first event of 2008 in Sydney; as No.4 seed l. to eventual champion Henin 62 26 64 (first set won against Henin in four meetings)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Berlin, Los Angeles, Luxembourg; R-Up (2): Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Roland Garros; SF (3): Amelia Island, Wimbledon, Tour Championships; QF (4): Gold Coast, Sydney, Antwerp, 's-Hertogenbosch

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Career-best season, bursting into the Top 5 after being outside of Top 15 in May; three titles and first Grand Slam final appearance were the highlights for the young Serb
- **Grand Slam play:** Recorded two best Grand Slam results of her career in reaching the Roland Garros final as No.7 seed (d. world No.3 Kuznetsova in QF in 3s, No.2 Sharapova 62 61 in SF; l. to world No.1 Henin) and Wimbledon SF (d. world No.9 Petrova in 4r after trailing 3-1 third set, No.10 Vaidisova 75 third set in QF after trailing 5-3 and saving 3 mp at 5-4; l. to eventual champion V.Williams); reached 3r of Australian Open (l. to Zvonareva) and 4r at US Open (l. to V.Williams)
- **Regular Tour season:** Her three-title haul (one each on clay, hard and indoors) was a career best; at Berlin, collected second Tier I title, defeating world No.4 Kuznetsova in final 76 third set; at Los Angeles, d. No.3-ranked compatriot Jankovic in SF 46 63 75 (trailed 4-1 third set and saved 2 mp; fifth Top 5 win of the season) and No.9 Petrova in final; seeded No.2 at Luxembourg, collected career-first indoor title, defeating Hantuchova in final in 3s; in addition to Roland Garros runner-up finish, also a losing finalist at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (world No.1 Sharapova ret. in SF w/left hamstring strain; l. to Hingis) and semifinalist at Tour Championships (l. to eventual champion Henin 64 64) and Amelia Island (l. to eventual champion Golovin in 3s); the only player other than Henin to record more than 10 Top 10 wins in 2007 (12-4) and to have a record vs. Top 5 players greater than 50% (5-2)
- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.14, dipping to No.17 in April; surged from No.16 to No.8 after Berlin title run (May 14), debuting in Top 5 after Wimbledon SF finish (July 9); Los Angeles title pushed her to a career-high No.4 (August 13), a ranking she has held uninterrupted since October 15

- **Doubles:** Went 0-4, losing 1r at Miami, Berlin, Roland Garros (all w/Kirilenko) and Wimbledon (w/Hantuchova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, at Tier V Canberra in 2005, Tier I Montréal in 2006 and Tier I Berlin, Tier II Los Angeles in 2007 and Tier II Luxembourg in 2007
- Two-time runner-up, at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] in 2007 (l. to Hingis) and Roland Garros (l. to world No.1 Henin); five-time semifinalist, incl. 2007 Amelia Island (l. to Golovin) and 2007 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams)
- Holds 17 career Top 10 victories: three in 2005 (No.7 Kuznetsova, No.10 Zvonareva, No.3 Mauresmo), two in 2006 (No.3 Mauresmo, No.8 Schnyder) and 12 in 2007 (No.6 Petrova (ret.), No.10 Jankovic, No.1 Sharapova (ret.), No.9 Jankovic, No.4 Kuznetsova, No.3 Kuznetsova, No.2 Sharapova, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Vaidisova, No.3 Jankovic, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Hantuchova)
- One-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Kirilenko)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of five singles titles (all in 2004)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.anaivanovic.com
- Was recently appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Jankovic was also recently appointed); in December 2007, donated share of her profits from a Humanitarian Exhibition, held in Belgrade, to UNICEF's Schools Without Violence program in Serbia; her contribution, which totaled \$62,804, will enable 12 schools to join the national program
- Alongside Hantuchova, featured in Sony Ericsson's first ever tennis-themed TV commercial, "Never Miss A Shot"
- Winner of Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Most Improved Player in 2005 (presented in March 2006 at Miami)
- The 2006 US Open Series champion (best 2006 USOS results were title in Montréal and QF at Los Angeles)

WOZNIACKI FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making tournament debut

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of season

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **Won:** ITF/Ortisei-ITA (\$75K), ITF/Las Vegas, NV-USA (\$75K); **SF (1):** Tokyo [Japan Open]; **QF (2):** Fes, Stockholm; **2r (5):** Memphis, Indian Wells, Estoril, Wimbledon, US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish after first full season on the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour, highlighted by first Tour singles SF at Tokyo [Japan Open]
- **Grand Slam play:** Made debuts at three Grand Slams, falling 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Dechy in 3s) but reaching 2r at Wimbledon (as WC; l. to No.28 seed Santangelo) and US Open (l. to qualifier Cornet);
- **Regular Tour season:** Best result was first Tour singles SF at Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. to top seed V.Williams 63 75, having led 4-2 in second set) and QF runs at Fes (l. to qualifier Olaru) and Stockholm (d. No.6 seed Vesnina en route; l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion A.Radwanska); made debuts at three Grand Slams, falling 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Dechy in 3s) but reaching 2r at Wimbledon (as WC; l. to No.28 seed Santangelo) and US Open (l. to qualifier Cornet); reached 2r three more times, at Memphis (as WC; l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion V.Williams), Indian Wells (as WC; l. to No.3 seed Hingis) and Estoril (d. No.4 seed Müller in 1r; l. to qualifier and eventual champion Arn in 3s); fell 1r six times
- **ITF Circuit:** Won second and third career ITF Circuit singles titles at \$75K ITF/Ortisei-ITA and \$75K ITF/Las Vegas, NV-USA
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.237; made Top 100 debut on July 9 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.103 to No.88) and would reach career-high No.62 on October 15 (shortly after Tokyo [Japan Open] SF showing); finished season ranked No.60

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour semifinalist – 2007 Tokyo [Japan Open] (see above)
- Four-time Tour quarterfinalist – 2007 Fes and Stockholm (see above) and 2006 Memphis (excellent showing in just third Tour event at Tier III event; as unranked WC, d. Brandi in 1r for first Tour singles match win and Harkleroad in 2r; l. to No.3 seed, eventual champion Arvidsson) and Stockholm
- In 2005, made pro debut as unranked WC at Cincinnati, just eight (8) days after 15th birthday (l. to top seed and



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eventual champion Schnyder in 1r)

- On ITF Women's Circuit captured three singles titles; two in 2007 (see above)
- One-time Tour doubles finalist at 2006 Memphis (w/Azarenka)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.carolinewozniacki.dk
- Began playing tennis at age 7; has been coached by father, Piotr, from start of career; also coached by Morten Christensen at the national tennis center in Denmark
- Father played professional soccer in Poland and Denmark; mother, Anna, played volleyball for Polish National Team; brother, Patrik, plays professional soccer for Danish Viasat Sport Division club AB
- Admires Martina Hingis and Steffi Graf
- Favorite tennis memories include winning 2005 Orange Bowl and winning the 2006 Wimbledon junior singles title

[5] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS) vs. [11] ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Sharapova leads 7-2

2003	BIRMINGHAM	GRASS (O)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	2-6 7-6(4) 6-2
2003	SHANGHAI	HARD (O)	QF	DEMENTIEVA, ELENA	6-4 7-6(4)
2004	ROME	CLAY (O)	R32 (2r)	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-4
2004	ZURICH	HARD (I)	SF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	4-6 6-2 6-3
2006	INDIAN WELLS	HARD (O)	F	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-2
2006	WIMBLEDON	GRASS (O)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-4
2006	LOS ANGELES	HARD (O)	SF	DEMENTIEVA, ELENA	7-5 6-2
2006	TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS	HARD (I)	RR1	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-4
2007	LOS ANGELES	HARD (O)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-3 6-4

SHARAPOVA	Quick Facts	DEMENTIEVA
20	Age	26
Bradenton, FL, USA	Residence	Moscow, Russia
16	Career Tour Singles Titles	8
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	2
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$10,231,402	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$8,679,912
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,950
No.5	Current Singles Rank	No.11
No.1 (August 22, 2005)	Highest Singles Rank	No.4 (October 25, 2004)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	10
20-5	Aus. Open W-L**	17-9
21	GS Attempts**	37
76-18	Career GS W-L**	83-35
1	2008 Events Played	2
3-0	2008 W-L	3-1
276-66	Career W-L	427-221
34-22	Career Tie-Break W-L	84-54
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
66-25	Career 3-Set W-L	135-87
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-0
Father, Yuri Sharapov; Michael Joyce	Coach	Mother, Vera Dementieva
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

SHARAPOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance was runner-up finish last year (as No.1 seed, d. No.12 Chakvetadze and No.4 Clijsters in QF and SF before falling to S.Williams; was first Russian to reach Australian Open final); best results prior to 2007 were two back-to-back SF finishes – in 2005 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion S.Williams 26 75 86 having served for match in second and third sets and held 3 mp at 5-4 third set), and 2006 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual runner-up Henin-Hardenne 46 61 64); 3r in 2004 (as No.28 seed, l. to No.6 seed Myskina 64 16 62; event debut in 2003 as qualifier, l. in 1r to Koukalova 64 76(6))

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): San Diego; **R-Up (3):** Australian Open, Birmingham, Tour Championships; **SF (4):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Istanbul, Roland Garros, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Injury-plagued season which has saw the Russian fall from No.1 to outside the Top 5 for the first time in three years
- Grand Slam play:** Diminishing results in the majors over the season; opened 2007 with first finals appearance at Australian Open; seeded No.1, escaped from 1r vs. Pin (in searing heat) with 97 third set victory, before winning next five matches in straight sets (d. world No.5 Clijsters in SF for only Top 5 win of the season thus far; l. 61 62

to unseeded S.Williams); at Roland Garros, again endured a 16-game final set (vs. Schnyder in 4r, saving 2 mp) to reach first SF there, falling 61 62 to Ivanovic; suffered earliest exit at Wimbledon since 2003 debut, falling in 4r to eventual champion V.Williams; seeded No.2 at US Open, blazed through first two matches vs. Vinci and Dellacqua (dropping one game in each match) before falling to No.30 seed Radwanska, her earliest Grand Slam loss since 3r exit in New York in 2004

- **Regular Tour season:** First title of the season came at San Diego in early August (fifth career Tier I title; d. Schnyder in final in 3s), her longest wait for her first title of the season since 2003; also runner-up at Tour Championships (as No.6 seed d. Chakvetadze in SF, l. to Henin 57 75 63 in final, in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era) and Birmingham (l. to Jankovic 75 third set) and semifinalist at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (ret. vs. Ivanovic w/left hamstring strain that forced withdrawal from Dubai), Istanbul (only second career clay SF on Tour; l to Rezaï) and Los Angeles (WD vs. Petrova w/left lower leg strain which also forced withdrawal from Toronto); also withdrew from Charleston w/right shoulder and left hamstring injuries and from Rome, Stuttgart, Zürich and Linz w/right shoulder injury (was defending champion at Zürich and Linz); defeated in opening match at Moscow (l. to Azarenka 76(8) 62 having held six set points in first set)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.2, rising to No.1 on January 29 after Australian Open runner-up finish, her third career stint in the top spot; held onto No1. for seven weeks (14 weeks in total) before surrendering it to Henin on March 19 after failing to defend Indian Wells title (fell in 4r); remained at No.2 until 3r exit at US Open (as defending champion) pushed her down to No.4 (September 10); having been unable to defend Zürich and Linz titles through injury, fell to No.5 on October 15 and No.6 on October 29, her first time outside Top 5 since November 2004, when she rose from No.6 to No.4 after winning the Season-Ending Championships
- **Fed Cup play:** Served as hitting partner for Russia during its World Group I Final win over Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 16 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. majors at 2004 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open, also 2004 Season-Ending Championships and Tier Is at 2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Indian Wells, 2006 San Diego, 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego; seven-time runner-up, incl. 2007 Australian Open and 2007 Tour Championships and Tier Is at 2004 Zürich, 2005 Miami and 2006 Miami
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, all at Tier III level – 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] and 2003 Luxembourg (both w/Tanasugarn) and on grass at 2004 Birmingham (w/Kirilenko)
- Winner of four singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit (three in 2002 and one in 2003)
- On August 22, 2005, became 15th woman and first Russian to reach No.1 (also most recent new No.1) since 1975 inception of computer rankings

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.mariasharapova.com
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy at age 9
- Named UNDP Goodwill Ambassador on February 14, 2007
- At 2005 Australian Open, donated value of Porsche Cayenne she won at 2004 Tour Championships (approx. US\$56,300) to those affected by Russian school hostage crisis in Beslan in September 2004
- Has appeared on the cover of SI (first tennis player in over two years to do so), ESPN The Magazine, Forbes (listed as one of the richest female athletes in the world); also featured in People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People", Vogue Italia, USA Today, Teen People's "20 Teens Who Will Change the World", W, YM and SPORT Magazine's "21 Athletes to Watch Out For in the 21st Century", among others

DEMENTIEVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Tenth straight appearance; best results were 4r finishes in 2002 (l. to world No.8 Henin), 2005 (as world No.6, l. to world No.14 Schnyder 67(6) 76(4) 62) after leading 4-0 second set and 2007 (as No.7 seed, l. to No.10 Vaidisova); 3r twice – 2000 (l. to Halar-Decugis 36 64 62) and 2001 (l. to Bedanova 26 76(5) 63); 2r in 1999 as qualifier (event debut, l. to world No.2 and eventual champion Hingis); l. in 1r in 2003 (as No.17 seed, l. to Schwartz in 3s), 2004 (as No.7 seed, l. to Jankovic) and 2006 (as No.9 seed, l. to Schuff)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Made disappointing start to 2008 with 1r defeat at Sydney; as No.8 seed l. to Arvidsson

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Istanbul, Moscow; **SF (3):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], San Diego, New Haven; **QF (5):** Rome, Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Solid if unspectacular season, highlighted by seventh and eighth career Tour singles titles
- **Grand Slam play:** Best result was third career 4r finish at Australian Open as No.7 seed (l. to eventual semifinalist Vaidisova); beaten in 3r at other three majors – Roland Garros (l. to Bartoli), Wimbledon (l. to Paszek in 3s) and US Open (l. to Bammer)
- **Regular Tour season:** For second straight season collected two Tour singles titles – her victories at Istanbul (d. Rezaei in final) and on home soil at Tier I Moscow (d. S.Williams 57 61 61 in final) brought career tally to eight; her victory in Moscow was her first at the event, in her 11th consecutive attempt (competing every year since 1997) and in her third final (runner-up in 2001 and 2004); became the third different Russian champion there from the past four years; also semifinalist at Tier Is at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (l. to eventual champion Hingis in reverse result from 2006 final) and San Diego (l. to Schnyder) and Tier II at New Haven (ret. vs. Kuznetsova w/nausea); five-time quarterfinalist, once at a Tier I (Rome) and four times at Tier II (Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart); fell prior to QF on six occasions at Sydney (as No.6 seed, l. to Li in 2r), Antwerp (as No.4 seed, ret. vs. Likhovtseva w/right rib stress fracture in 2r), Warsaw (as No.10 seed, l. to V.Williams in 2r), Berlin (as No.10 seed, l. to No.7 seed Petrova in 3r), Toronto (as No.8 seed, after 1r bye l. to Schiavone in 2r) and Zürich (ret. vs. Schiavone w/left adductor strain)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.8, where she remained until March 19, when she fell to No.10; on April 2 fell to No.12, first time outside Top 10 since September 2003; fell as low as No.17 on August 13, but returned to No.10 (rising from No.14) after Moscow victory (October 15); currently at No.11
- **Doubles:** Went 6-4 in five doubles events, the highlight being 3r finish at Australian Open (w/Pennetta)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Eight-time Tour singles titlist, at 2003 Amelia Island, 2003 Bali, 2003 Shanghai, 2004 Hasselt, 2006 Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (first Tier I), 2006 Los Angeles, 2007 Istanbul and 2007 Moscow; 11-time runner-up, incl. majors at 2004 Roland Garros (l. to Myskina) and 2004 US Open (l. to Kuznetsova) and five Tier I events, as well as 2000 Olympics (l. to V.Williams)
- Six-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2002 Tour Championships, Berlin, San Diego and Moscow (all w/Husarova), 2003 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Krasnoroutskaya) and 2005 Los Angeles (w/Pennetta); seven-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Grand Slams at 2002 US Open (w/Husarova) and 2005 US Open (w/Pennetta)
- Has been Top 5 in both singles (career-high No.4 in October 2004) and doubles (career-high No.5 in April 2003)
- Has two wins over reigning No.1s, at 2001 Moscow (in QF vs. Hingis) and 2005 US Open (in QF vs. Davenport)
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2001-03, 2005 (undefeated in 2005 final vs. France, winning both singles rubbers, doubles rubber) and 2006; Russian Olympic Team in 2000 (silver medal in singles) and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is <http://eng.dementieva.ru>
- Only player to qualify and compete in season-ending Tour Champions in every year between 2000 and 2006
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2000; also Russia's 2001 Female of the Year Award
- In junior competition, won Orange Bowl U16s in 1996 and reached SF at junior Roland Garros that same year
- Father, Viatcheslav, is an electrical engineer; mother, Vera, was a school teacher but is now her coach; has one older brother, Vsevolod; entire family plays tennis

[7] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA) vs. [12] NICOLE VAIDISOVA (CZE)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: S.Williams leads 3-0

2007	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD (O)	SF	WILLIAMS, SERENA	7-6(5) 6-4
2007	MIAMI	HARD (O)	QF	WILLIAMS, SERENA	6-1 6-4
2007	MOSCOW	CARPET (I)	QF	WILLIAMS, SERENA	6-4 7-6(7)

S.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	VAIDISOVA
26	Age	18
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	Prague, Czech Republic
28	Career Tour Singles Titles	6
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,109,234	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,125,248
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$31,075
No.7	Current Singles Rank	No.12
No.1 (July 8, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.7 (May 14, 2007)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
36-5	Aus. Open W-L**	13-3
33	GS Attempts**	14
142-24	Career GS W-L**	39-13
1	2008 Events Played	3
3-0	2008 W-L	8-2
358-77	Career W-L	167-55
47-30	Career Tie-Break W-L	24-24
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-1
74-32	Career 3-Set W-L	50-17
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	3-0
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	Stepfather, Alex Kodat

* as of 1/14/08 | ** main draw

S.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance in this event; three-time champion winning the title last year (unseeded and ranked No.81, d. six seeds en route to title, incl. No.5 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (having trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic 63 62 in 4r, No.16 Peer 36 62 86 in QF, No.10 Vaidisova 76(5) 64 in SF and No.1 Sharapova 61 62 in final (becoming third-lowest ranked player in history to win a Grand Slam), 2005 (saved 3 mp in SF against Sharapova and d. Davenport in three-set final) and 2003 (d. Clijsters from 2 mp down in SF and sister Venus in 3s final) – the only player to have won two Grand Slam singles titles having saved mp en route; missed 2002 due to a sprained right ankle and 2004 due to rehabilitation from surgery to repair left knee quadriceps tendon; QF defeat in 2001 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.1 seed Hingis); only other defeats pre-QF defeats came in 1998 (on debut, l. to V.Williams in 2r), 1999 (l. to No.14 seed Testud 9-7 in third set in 3r), 2000 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Likhovteva in 4r) and 2006 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.17 Hantuchova in 3r)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Australian Open, Miami; **R-Up (1):** Moscow; **QF (6):** Hobart, Rome, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** An incredible comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by seventh Grand Slam title at Australian Open and return to Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** A record-breaking run in Melbourne, collecting her eighth career Grand Slam singles title and third Australian Open; ranked No.81 (having just fallen in Tier IV Hobart QF the week before), d. world No.6 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic in 4r, No.17 Peer 86 third set in QF, No.12 Vaidisova in SF and top seed and world No.2 Sharapova 61 62 in final to become third lowest-ranked and only the second unseeded Grand Slam champion in the Open Era; it was Williams's first Tour final of any kind since winning 2005 Australian Open; thereafter, suffered an identical fate at the remaining three majors, falling in QF to Henin at Roland Garros, Wimbledon (l. in 3s while suffering from left thumb injury sustained in 4r win over Hantuchova) and

US Open (held set point in first set)

- **Regular Tour season:** In next event after winning Australian Open (WD from Bangalore due to illness) collected eighth career Tier I title, winning Miami for the loss of one set – d. world No.2 Sharapova 61 61 in 4r and No.1 Henin 06 75 63 in final (saved 2 mp at 5-4 second set); was sixth time in her career to d. world's Top 2 in same event; right groin strain forced retirement during Charleston opener vs. Chan and withdrawal from Berlin; after QF finish in Rome in May (l. to Schnyder 76 third set), next Tour event was Stuttgart in October – her only three events in between were Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open – having withdrawn from Cincinnati, Stanford, San Diego and Los Angeles w/left thumb sprain sustained in Wimbledon 4r; during indoor season, reached QF at Stuttgart (l. to Kuznetsova) and final at Moscow (d. world No.2 Kuznetsova in SF; l. to Dementieva in 3s); before retiring in 1r of Zürich vs. Schnyder w/right adductor strain (trailed 60 30); at Tour Championships ret. During first RR match vs. Chakvetadze w/left knee injury and subsequently withdrew from tournament
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.95, having been restricted to four events in 2006 w/left knee injury; rose to No.81 after Hobart QF finish, then surged to No.14 two weeks later (January 29) after title run at Australian Open; moved to No.11 after Miami victory, then returned to Top 10 for first time since September 2005 after reaching Rome QF (May 21); edged up to No.5 on October 29 for first time in Top 5 since July 2005
- **Fed Cup:** Played first Fed Cup match since 2003, winning rubber vs. Maes in USA's 5-0 World Group I QF win over Belgium (pulled out of second match vs. Flipkens w/knee injury)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/V.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 28 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. eight Grand Slams (2003, 2005 and 2007 Australian Open, 2002 Roland Garros, 2002 and 2003 Wimbledon and 1999 and 2002 US Open), 2001 Tour Championships and eight Tier Is (incl. 2007 Miami); also two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 US Open (l. to V.Williams) and 2004 Wimbledon (l. to Sharapova)
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Venus, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
- On July 8, 2002, became 11th woman (second African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 57 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000 (gold medalist in doubles w/V.Williams)
- Member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.serenawilliams.com; owns Aneres, a fashion design label (www.aneresdesigns.com)
- Williams is currently No.7 on the all-time list of prize money earners; below is a look at the Top 10 all-time prize money earners' list (as of January 14, 2008):

PLAYER	EARNINGS (US\$)
1. Steffi Graf (GER)	\$21,895,277
2. Lindsay Davenport (USA)	\$21,849,317
3. Martina Navratilova (USA)	\$21,626,089
4. Martina Hingis (SUI)	\$20,130,657
4. Justine Henin (BEL)	\$19,098,405
6. Venus Williams (USA)	\$18,173,781
7. Serena Williams (USA)	\$18,109,234
8. Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	\$16,942,640
9. Monica Seles (USA)	\$14,891,762
10. Kim Clijsters (BEL)	\$14,764,296

VAIDISOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best showing was SF run last year (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 Dementieva in 4r, l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64); reached 4r in 2006 (l. to world No.3 and eventual champion Mauresmo); reached 3r in 2005 (unseeded, l. to world No.1 and eventual runner-up Davenport)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Sydney; QF (1): Gold Coast; 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Made promising start to season with SF run at Sydney (d. No.6 seed Hantuchova in 2r, No.3 Jankovic in QF, before l. to Kuznetsova 75 76(4)) and QF finish at Gold Coast (as No.1 seed, l. to eventual champion N.Li)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (4): Sydney, Australian Open, Zurich, Linz; **QF (6):** Indian Wells, Miami, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Wimbledon, Moscow

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Third straight Top 20 finish after consistent season, marred somewhat by illness and injury
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached second career Grand Slam semifinal at Australian Open (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 seed Dementieva en route to second career Grand Slam SF; l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64, having held sp at 5-4 first set); reached QF at both Roland Garros (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic) and Wimbledon (as No.14 seed, upset No.4 seed and defending champion Mauresmo en route; l. to No.6 seed Ivanovic 46 62 75, having led 5-3 third set w/3mp at 5-4); made return from viral illness at US Open and suffered slightly disappointing 3r defeat (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set)
- **Regular Tour season:** QF or better at 10 of 14 events (incl. majors), with SF finishes at Sydney (as No.8 seed, l. to Jankovic in 3s), Zürich (unseeded, d. No.3 seed Jankovic en route; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin in 3s) and Linz (as No.5 seed, l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Hantuchova 26 62 76(3), having led 4-1 third set and holding mp at 6-5); reached the QF at Indian Wells (as No.6 seed, l. to No.2 seed Kuznetsova), Miami (as No.8 seed, l. to No.13 seed and eventual champion S.Williams), Eastbourne (as No.5 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin) and Moscow (as No.8 seed, l. to No.4 seed S.Williams 64 76(7), having held sp at 6-5 second set); Wins over world No.8 Dementieva (Australian Open), No.4 Mauresmo (Wimbledon) and No.3 Jankovic (Zürich) were her fifth, sixth and seventh career Top 10 wins; Suffered only four pre-QF losses, at Paris [Indoors] (as No.5 seed, l. 2r to Safarova), Charleston (as top seed, l. 2r to WC Krajicek in 3s after 1r bye), US Open (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set) and Québec City in final week of year (as top seed, ret. during 1r match vs. Voracova w/right wrist injury); Missed most of European clay court season w/right wrist injury (withdrew from Berlin, Rome, Strasbourg) and summer hardcourt season w/viral illness (withdrew from San Diego, Los Angeles, Toronto); also withdrew from Stuttgart w/left hamstring injury; Surpassed \$2 million in career prize money during season
- **Ranking:** After briefly exiting the Top 10 at the beginning of the year, broke back in at No.9 after Australian Open run; achieved new career-high on May 28 (before Roland Garros) rising from No.8 to No.7; was in and out of Top 10 during early months of summer before falling out for good due to inactivity during summer hardcourt swing
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 2-0 in Czech Republic's 5-0 World Group II 1r win vs. Slovak Republic (d. Hantuchova, Cibulkova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Six-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at 2004 Vancouver and Tashkent, 2005 Seoul, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bangkok and most recently 2006 Strasbourg; one-time Tour singles runner-up at 2005 Istanbul (l. to V.Williams); 10-time semifinalist, incl. Grand Slams at 2006 Roland Garros (l. to Kuznetsova) and 2007 Australian Open (l. to S.Williams)
- Only sixth woman to win five Tour singles titles before 17th birthday (after Austin, Jaeger, Seles, Capriati, Hingis)
- Six Top 10 wins: two in 2005 (Myskina, Petrova), two in 2006 (Mauresmo twice) and two in 2007 (Dementieva, Mauresmo); wins over Mauresmo in 2006 were first two career wins over reigning world No.1 players
- One-time Tour doubles semifinalist, at 2005 Philadelphia (w/Canada's Drake)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, two-time singles titlist (one in 2003 and one in 2004)
- Member of Czech Fed Cup Team, 2004-07

OTHER FACTS

- In Reebok's 2005 "I Am What I Am" campaign; also signed with Citizen Eco-Drive and PlayPumps International in 2007
- Lived in Germany until age 6;
- Trains at Nick Bollettieri Academy in Bradenton, FL, USA
- Biggest weapons are serve and groundstrokes

[8] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA) vs. [Q] MARTA DOMACHOWSKA (POL)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: V.Williams leads 2-0

2005	AMELIA ISLAND	CLAY (O)	R16 (3r)	WILLIAMS, VENUS	3-6 6-4 6-2
2005	BEIJING	HARD (O)	QF	DOMACHOWSKA, MARTA	W/O (w/left knee inj.)
2007	SEOUL	HARD (O)	QF	WILLIAMS, VENUS	6-2 6-3

V.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	DOMACHOWSKA
27	Age	22
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	Warsaw, Poland
36	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,173,781	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$559,302
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.8	Current Singles Rank	No.146
No.1 (February 25, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.37 (April 3, 2006)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
31-8	Aus. Open W-L**	4-3
40	GS Attempts**	10
162-33	Career GS W-L**	5-9
1	2008 Events Played	1
3-0	2008 W-L	3-0
478-110	Career W-L	184-117
71-41	Career Tie-Break W-L	33-27
1-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
87-47	Career 3-Set W-L	49-41
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	2-0
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	Pavel Ostrowski
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

V.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making her eighth appearance since 1998, missing only 2000 due to tendonitis in both wrists; best result was runner-up in 2003 (as No.2 seed, d No.7 Hantuchova in QF, No.5 Henin in SF, before l. to No.1 S.Williams); SF in 2001 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.1 Hingis) and QF in 1998 (on debut, d. S.Williams in 2r, before l. to No.2 seed Davenport), 1999 (as No.5 seed, l. to No.1 Davenport) and 2002 (as No.2 seed, l. to No.8 Seles); past three appearances have seen 3r exit in 2004 (l. to Raymond), 4r in 2005 (l. to Molik) and 2006 (l. to Pironkova); withdrew from 2007 event w/left wrist injury

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **WON (3):** Memphis, Wimbledon, Seoul; **R-Up (1):** Tokyo [Japan Open]; **SF (3):** Charleston, US Open, Bangkok; **QF (3):** Amelia Island, Warsaw, San Diego

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Sensational comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by spectacular Wimbledon title run and subsequent return to Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** Victorious run at All England club included four consecutive straight set victories over No.2 seed Sharapova in 4r, No.5 seed Kuznetsova in QF, No.6 seed Ivanovic in SF and No.18 seed Bartoli in final; was her fourth Wimbledon title (fourth woman in Open Era to win that many, after King, Navratilova and Graf); wins over world No.2 Sharapova and world No.5 Kuznetsova were first Top 5 victories since her Wimbledon title two years earlier; was also lowest-ranked player (No.31) ever to win Wimbledon (breaking her own record from two years earlier); afterwards, rose from No.31 to No.17, her first Top 20 ranking since the 2006 Wimbledon fortnight (when she was defending champion); impressive SF run at US Open (as No.12 seed d. No.5 seed Ivanovic in 4r, No.3 Jankovic in QF before falling to eventual champion and No.1 Henin); 3r finish at Roland Garros (as No.26 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic in 3s); withdrew from Australian Open w/left wrist injury

- **Regular Tour season:** Also captured 34th and 36th career Tour singles titles (Wimbledon was her 35th) at Memphis (as No.7 seed, d. top seed Peer 61 61 in final in first event of season, having missed Australian swing w/continued left wrist injury) and in Seoul (as No.1 seed d. No.4 Kirilenko in final); finished runner-up in Tokyo [Japan Open] (as No.1 seed, l. to No.5 Razzano 64 in third set having held three mp in second set tie-break); SF runs at Charleston (l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Jankovic 76 third set) and Bangkok (as No.2 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 64 76(8), having help sp at 6-5 second set); QF finishes on three occasions at Amelia Island (d. No.4 seed Schnyder; l. to No.8 seed and eventual champion Golovin), Warsaw (d. No.7 seed Dementieva; l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova 36 63 64 having led 4-2 third set) and San Diego (as No.10 seed, d. No.6 seed Hantuchova; l. to No.3 seed Chakvetadze 67(5) 76(3) 62, having led 5-3 second set w/mp); fell prior to QF two other times, at Miami (l. to top seed Sharapova 75 third set in 3r) and Istanbul (as No.4 seed, upset by Rezaï in 2r)
- **Ranking:** Having begun season at No.46, dipped to No.54 on February 19 but bounced back into Top 50 immediately on February 26 (after Memphis; rose from No.54 to No.38); returned to Top 20 on July 9 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.31 to No.17) and back into Top 10 on September 10 (after US Open; rose from No.14 to No.9); reached season-high No.8 on October 1 (after Seoul; rose from No.9 to No.8)
- **Fed Cup play:** Impressive 4-1 record, including 2-0 in USA's 5-0 World Group I 1r victory over Belgium (d. Wickmayer, Flipkens) and 2-1 during USA's 3-2 World Group I SF loss to Russia (d. Chakvetadze, Petrova; w/Raymond, l. to Petrova/Vesnina in deciding rubber)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/S.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 36 Tour singles titles, incl. six majors (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007 Wimbledon and 2000, 2001 US Open), one Olympic gold medal (2000 Sydney) and six Tier Is (fourth among active players); also six-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 1997 US Open, 2002 Roland Garros/Wimbledon/US Open and 2003 Australian Open/Wimbledon
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Serena, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Australian Open/Roland Garros (both w/Gimelstob)
- On February 25, 2002, became 10th woman (first African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 11 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000, 2004; member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003-2005 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com
- Owns V Starr Interiors, an interior design company specializing in residential design (www.vstarrinteriors.com) On August 23, 2007 unveiled new clothing range 'EleVen' which will be sold in Steve & Barry stores in America Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com

DOMACHOWSKA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best prior result was 2r finish in 2005 (debut; l. to No.15 seed Farina Elia); l. in 1r in 2006 (to No.8 seed Henin) and 2007 (l. to Poutchkova)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of season

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Poitiers-FRA; **SF:** ITF/Dinan-FRA; **QF (1):** ITF/Torrent-ESP, Seoul

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by QF finish at Seoul
- **Grand Slam play:** Played main draw at Australian Open, l. in 1r; failed to qualify at Roland Garros and US Open; did not play Wimbledon
- **Regular Tour season:** Best results were QF finish at Seoul (as qualifier, l. to top seed and eventual champion V.Williams) and 2r runs at Indian Wells (l. to No.9 seed Safina) and Stockholm (as qualifier, l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion A.Radwanska); fell 1r twice, at Australian Open (l. to Poutchkova) and Kolkata (as qualifier, l. to No.2 seed Hantuchova); fell in Tour qualifying nine times (incl. Roland Garros, US Open)
- **ITF Circuit:** Won one singles title and one doubles title on ITF Circuit
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.90 and finished season ranked No.143



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CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour runner-up – 2006 Memphis, 2005 Strasbourg and 2004 Seoul
- Two-time Tour semifinalist – 2005 Beijing and 2004 Sopot
- Three-time Tour quarterfinalist – 2007 Seoul (see above), 2005 Hobart and 2004 Casablanca
- Holds one Tour doubles title – 2006 Canberra (w/Vinci)
- On ITF Circuit, holds six (6) singles titles and two (2) doubles titles
- Member of 2003 Polish Fed Cup team
- In juniors, reached 2003 Australian Open singles SF and 2002 Roland Garros QF

OTHER FACTS

- Father introduced her to tennis at age 8 at a local club (father and sister play)
- Favorite surface is clay
- Speaks Polish, English and Russian
- Tennis idol growing up was Steffi Graf; also admires Lance Armstrong and Kim Clijsters

[9] DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK) vs. [27] MARIA KIRILENKO (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Hantuchova leads 3-1

2005	TOKYO [PAN PACIFIC]	CARPET (I)	R16 (2r)	HANTUCHOVA, DANIELA	4-6 6-0 6-2
2005	SAN DIEGO	HARD (O)	R64 (1r)	HANTUCHOVA, DANIELA	7-6(5) 6-1
2007	DUBAI	HARD (O)	R16 (2r)	HANTUCHOVA, DANIELA	2-6 6-4 7-6(4)
2005	KOLKATA	CARPET (I)	SF	KIRILENKO, MARIA	4-6 6-2 6-1

HANTUCHOVA	Quick Facts	KIRILENKO
24	Age	20
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Moscow, Russia
3	Career Tour Singles Titles	2
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$5,334,366	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,446,170
\$7,470	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,580
No.9	Current Singles Rank	No.26
No.5 (January 27, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.20 (June 12, 2006)
8	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
18-7	Aus. Open W-L**	8-3
29	GS Attempts**	17
57-28	Career GS W-L**	21-16
2	2008 Events Played	2
4-1	2008 W-L	5-1
324-193	Career W-L	172-116
76-48	Career Tie-Break W-L	26-25
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-1
107-64	Career 3-Set W-L	40-36
1-0	2008 3-Set W-L	3-0
None	Coach	Eric Van Harpen
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HANTUCHOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth straight appearance, seventh in main draw; best result was QF in 2003 (l. to world No.2 V.Williams); 4r in 2007 (as No.15 seed, l. to No.4 seed Clijsters) and 2006 (l. to world No.4 Sharapova); 3r twice – 2002 (l. to V.Williams 36 60 64) and 2005 (l. to world No.6 Dementieva 75 57 64); 2r in 2004 (l. to Australia's Molik); l. in 1r in 2001 in main draw debut to world No.8 Kournikova; failed to qualify in 2000

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney 2r; as No.6 seed l. to Vaidisova

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Indian Wells, Linz; **R-Up (2):** Bali, Luxembourg; **SF (5):** Doha, Rome, 's-Hertogenbosch, Stanford, Kolkata; **QF (3):** Dubai, Amelia Island, Birmingham

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Impressive return to top-flight play, winning two titles and once again a regular in the world's Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** Unable to break back into last eight (which she achieved at three consecutive majors in 2002-03), but reached 4r twice and 3r once; 4r for second straight year at both Australian Open (d. Harkleroad 67(6) 75 63 in 3r after trailing 5-2 second set; l. to Clijsters) and Wimbledon (l. to S.Williams in dramatic three-set encounter, 62 67(2) 62, halted by rain at end of second set while Williams was struggling with cramp; match resumed later that day with Williams taking final set); seeded No.12 at Roland Garros, upset in 3r by Medina Garrigues 46 76(2) 75; also suffered surprise loss at US Open as No.9 seed, falling in 1r to Vakulenko in 3s, her first opening-match loss in New York in six years
- Regular Tour season:** Her four finals appearances were a career-best, winning titles at Indian Wells (her second title there and in her career; d. world No.6 Hingis in 4r and No.4 Kuznetsova in final) and Linz (d. Schnyder in final); Linz victory saw her qualify for Sony Ericsson Championships tied in eighth place with Sharapova (the tie-break went in Hantuchova's favor, who played more tournaments this season than Sharapova, 26 to 12); strong end to the season also included runner-up finishes at Bali (l. to Davenport in 3s) and Luxembourg (l. to Ivanovic in 3s)

3s); posted five SF finishes – Doha (d. world No.6 Hingis; l. to Kuznetsova), Rome (l. to Kuznetsova), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to eventual champion Chakvetadze), Stanford (l. to Chakvetadze) and Kolkata (l. to Kirilenko)

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.17, dipping to No.19 in February; rose to No.12 after Indian Wells victory (March 19); after reaching Birmingham QF (l. to Bartoli), rose from No.13 to No.10 (June 18), her first time in Top 10 since September 2003; also spent parts of July and August at No.10 and began current stint in Top 10 on September 24, rising to No.9 on October 8
- **Fed Cup play:** Represented Slovakia in World Group II QF loss to Czech Republic (0-2 in singles; l. to Safarova and Vaidisova, both in 3s) and World Group II Playoff victory over Serbia (2-0 in singles; d. Timotic and Lukic)
- **Doubles:** Contested 11 doubles events in 2007, reaching three SF – Dubai (w/Sugiyama), Miami (w/Hingis) and Bali (w/Davenport)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion at 2002 Indian Wells (d. Hingis in final), 2007 Indian Wells (d. Kuznetsova in final) and 2007 Linz (d. Schnyder in final); six-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2002 Filderstadt, 2004 Eastbourne, 2005 Los Angeles, 2006 Zürich, 2007 Bali and 2007 Luxembourg; also 16-time Tour singles semifinalist as well as three-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist (2002 Wimbledon, 2002 US Open, 2003 Australian Open)
- Eight-time Tour doubles titlist (last three w/Sugiyama); nine-time Tour doubles runner-up (incl. two Grand Slams)
- Holds four career Top 5 wins, all over world No.4 players (0-21 against rest of Top 5): Hingis-2002 Indian Wells; Mauresmo-2004 Eastbourne; Kuznetsova-2006 Zurich; Kuznetsova-2007 Indian Wells)
- Owns career Grand Slam in mixed doubles (2001 Wimbledon, 2002 Australian, 2005 Roland Garros and US Open; all with different partners); just second woman in Open Era (after Navratilova) and fourth all-time (also Court, King)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of three singles titles (two in 1999, one in 2000) and one doubles title
- Member of Slovak Fed Cup Team 1999-2003, 2007 (incl. title-winning 2002 team) and 2004 Olympic Team

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.dhantuchova.com
- Alongside Ivanovic, featured in Sony Ericsson's "Never Miss A Shot" TV commercial, launched in July 2006
- Father, Igor, is a computer scientist; mother, Marianna, is a toxicologist; older brother, Igor, is architect working in Bratislava; qualified for top university in Slovakia but deferred it to pursue professional tennis career
- Trained at Bollettieri Academy between ages 16 and 18; formerly coached by Nigel Sears; not currently working with one coach, but travels with various coaches from Casal/Sánchez Academy in Barcelona, Spain

KIRILENKO FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making fourth main draw appearance (fifth overall); reached 3r twice, in 2006 (l. to top seed Davenport in 3s) and 2007 (l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova); reached 2r in 2006 (l. to Ivanovic); fell in qualifying in 2004

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Auckland; **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Reached QF at Auckland (as No.2 seed, l. to No.6 seed Paszek)
- Withdrew from Hobart w/ left knee injury

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won (1): Kolkata; **R-Up (1):** Seoul; **QF (2):** San Diego, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by summer turnaround and fall win streak, capped by capturing singles title at Kolkata; had four Top 20 wins during season, over No.15 Peer (Tokyo [Pan Pacific]), No.3 Jankovic (San Diego; was second career Top 10 win), No.11 Bartoli (Los Angeles) and No.11 Hantuchova (Kolkata)
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slams were 3r at Australian Open (as No.26 seed, l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova) and US Open (d. No.22 seed Srebotnik en route; l. to Vakulenko), falling 2r at Roland Garros (l. to No.27 seed Stosur 75 third set) and Wimbledon (l. to LL Cornet)
- **Regular Tour season:** Won back-to-back matches twice in first 18 events of season, reaching 3r at Australian Open and Birmingham (l. to eventual champion Jankovic 36 63 75, having led 63 20); went 18-6 in next six events, a stretch highlighted by back-to-back QF at San Diego (d. No.2 seed Jankovic en route; l. to No.9 seed Dementieva) and Los Angeles (d. No.6 seed Bartoli en route; l. to No.3 seed and eventual champion Ivanovic) and nine-match win streak in fall that brought her second Tour singles title at Kolkata (as No.4 seed, d. No.2 seed Hantuchova in SF and Koryttseva in final) and runner-up finish at Seoul (as No.4 seed, l. to top seed

V. Williams in 3s); 0-4 to end season with four straight 1r losses; ret. in Toronto 2r vs. Bartoli w/left tendon irritation and withdrew from Cincinnati w/right ankle injury.

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.30 and finished No.25
- **Doubles:** Won third career Tour doubles title at Doha (w/Hingis)
- **ITF Circuit:** Also won third career ITF Circuit singles title in December at \$75K ITF/Dubai 2-UAE

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Tour singles titlist, at 2005 Beijing (Tier II) and 2007 Kolkata (Tier III); two-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2004 Hyderabad (Tier IV; l. to Pratt) and 2007 Seoul (Tier IV; l. to V. Williams in 3s); also two-time semifinalist and 10-time quarterfinalist (incl. Tier I quarterfinals at 2006 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego)
- Has two Top 10 wins, over then-No.8 Petrova (2006 Dubai) and then-No.3 Jankovic (2007 San Diego)
- Made simultaneous debuts in Top 50 and Top 40 after Beijing title in September 2005 (rose from No.45 to No.28) then cracked Top 20 in June 2006 (after Roland Garros); dipped out of Top 40 in 2007 but has returned to No.26
- Three-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2004 Birmingham (w/Sharapova), 2005 Tokyo [Japan Open] (w/Dulko) and this year at Doha (w/Hingis); three-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Tier I Rome in 2005 (w/Medina Garrigues)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of two singles titles (one in 2003 and one in 2004)
- Russian Fed Cup Team, 2006

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.mariakirilenko.com
- Prior to 2006 Australian Open launched line of Stella McCartney-designed tennis attire, created especially for her
- Started playing at age 7 when father introduced her to the sport at Dinamo Moscow Central Stadium

[14] NADIA PETROVA (RUS) vs. [29] AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

PETROVA	Quick Facts	RADWANSKA
25	Age	18
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Krakow, Poland
7	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$6,014,155	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$566,034
\$5,875	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,753
No.14	Current Singles Rank	No.28
No.3 (May 15, 2006)	Highest Singles Rank	No.25 (November 19, 2007)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
17-8	Aus. Open W-L**	4-1
31	GS Attempts**	7
66-30	Career GS W-L**	13-6
3	2008 Events Played	2
3-2	2008 W-L	3-1
350-182	Career W-L	115-55
55-59	Career Tie-Break W-L	12-9
1-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
80-77	Career 3-Set W-L	22-26
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-1
Tatiana Matoukhnuke; Lars Wahlgren	Coach	Father, Robert
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

PETROVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance; best prior result was QF finish in 2006 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 Sharapova); 4r in 2005 (as No.11 seed, l. to No.7 and eventual champion S.Williams 61 36 63); three 3r finishes – 2000 (l. to Schnyder in 3s), 2003 (unseeded, d. No.21 seed Sugiyama before falling to No.12 Schnyder in 3s) and 2007 (as No.5 seed, l. to eventual champion S.Williams in 3s having led 61 53); 2r in 2001 (l. to No.6 seed S.Williams); l. in 1r in 1999 (event debut as qualifier, l. to No.11 seed van Roost) and 2004 (as No.10 seed, l. to Kapros)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Disappointing start to season with 1r losses at Gold Coast (as No.2 seed, l. to Garbin in 3s) and Sydney (as WC, l. to Bammer)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **WON (1):** Paris [Indoors]; **R-Up (2):** Amelia Island, Los Angeles; **SF (1):** Eastbourne; **QF (6):** Antwerp, Miami, Berlin, San Diego, Toronto, Stuttgart; **4r (1):** Indian Wells

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Fifth straight Top 20 finish (but first non-Top 10 finish since 2004) in season highlighted by seventh career Tour singles title
- Grand Slam play:** Disappointing showing at all four majors, reaching the 4r on just one occasion; reached 4r of Wimbledon (as No.11 seed, l. to No.6 Ivanovic in 3s); 3r defeat at Australian Open (as No.5 seed, l. to unseeded eventual champion S.Williams 16 75 63 having led 5-3 in second set) and US Open (as No.7 seed, l. to unseeded Szavay); shock 1r exit at Roland Garros (as No.11 seed, l. to qualifier Peschke in 3s)
- Regular Tour season:** Won seventh Tour singles title at Paris [Indoors] (as No.4 seed, d. No.2 seed and defending champion Mauresmo 57 64 76(7) in SF, having trailed 4-1 third set and saving mp at 7-6 in tie-break, then d. Safarova 46 61 64 in final); finished runner-up twice, at Amelia Island (as top seed and defending champion, l. to No.8 seed Golovin 62 61 in final) and Los Angeles (as No.4 seed, l. to No.3 seed Ivanovic 75 64 in final); suffered one SF defeat at Eastbourne (as No.3 seed, ret. w/right pectoral muscle strain vs. No.2 seed Mauresmo); lost in QF six times, at Antwerp (l. to Chakvetadze), Miami (l. to Henin), Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova), San Diego (l. to Schnyder), Toronto (l. to eventual champion Henin) and Stuttgart (as No.7 seed and defending champion, ret. Vs. No.3 Jankovic w/left hip strain); fell in 4r once, at Indian Wells (ret. vs. Golovin w/heat illness); 3r at Rome (ret. vs. Dementieva w/low back pain); defeated in 2r three times, at Sydney (after 1r bye; ret. vs. Ivanovic w/abdominal strain), Warsaw (upset by Santangelo) and Luxembourg (as No.3 seed after 1r bye, l. to Azarenka)

- **Ranking:** Fell out of Top 10 for first time in just over two years on May 14, and although would bounce back inside on June 11 (after four weeks), would dip outside the elite again on October 15 and for remainder of season
- **Fed Cup play:** 2-0 during Russia's 5-0 World Group 1r win vs. Spain (d. Medina Garrigues; w/Vesnina d. Domínguez Lino/Pous Tio); then 2-1 in Russia's 3-2 Fed Cup SF win over USA (l. to V.Williams, d. Tu; w/Vesnina, d. Raymond/V.Williams)
- **Doubles:** best performance was SF finish at Paris [Indoors] (w/Kuznetsova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of seven Tour singles titles, at 2005 Linz, 2006 Doha, Amelia Island, Charleston, Berlin and Stuttgart, and 2007 Paris [Indoors]; eight-time Tour singles runner-up: 2003 Linz, 2004 Gold Coast, 2005 Berlin and Bangkok, 2006 Moscow and Linz, most recently 2007 Amelia Island and Los Angeles (see above); 7-8 in Tour singles finals
- Grand Slam semifinalist twice, both at Roland Garros, in 2003 (d. Seles and Capriati en route; l. to Clijsters) and 2005 (l. to eventual champion Henin); has reached QF at all other majors, incl. twice at US Open (2004, 2005)
- Winner of 12 Tour doubles titles; won seven of those in 2004 (all w/Shaugnessy), incl. Tour Championships
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 2001, 2003, 2006 and 2007; also Russian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.nadia-petrova.com
- Spent part of her youth training in Egypt, where parents were athletics coaches; father, Victor Petrov, was a top hammer thrower; mother, Nadejda Ilina, won bronze medal at Montréal Olympics in 400m relay; both still coach
- Official Ambassador for Habitat for Humanity through Sony Ericsson WTA Tour's partnership with Whirlpool and "Aces for Homes" initiative

RADWANSKA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making second straight appearance; advanced to 2r at tournament debut in 2007 (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell 1r at Hobart (as No.4 seed, l. to Pennetta in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won (1): Stockholm; **QF (3):** Istanbul, Palermo, Zurich; **4r (2):** Miami, US Open; **3r (1):** Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Another breakthrough season, highlighted by first Tour singles title at Stockholm and three more Top 10 wins; win over Wozniacki in Stockholm QF was 100th career singles match win
- **Grand Slam play:** Played in all four Grand Slams; best result came at US Open, reaching 4r (as No.30 seed, d. No.2 seed and defending champion Sharapova en route, falling to No.18 seed Peer); at Wimbledon reached 3r (l. to Kuznetsova); 2r at Australian Open (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s); fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. to No.28 seed Santangelo)
- **Regular Tour season:** Won first singles title at Stockholm (as No.2 seed, d. No.8 seed Dushevina in final; lost just 20 games en route to title, tied w/Hingis at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] for least games lost en route to a Tour singles title last season; also first Tour singles title for Poland); QF three times, at Istanbul (as No.7 seed, l. to top seed Sharapova in 3s), Palermo (as No.3 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual champion Szavay) and Zürich (as LL, d. No.7 seed Hantuchova en route to first career Tier I QF; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin); reached 4r twice, at Miami (d. No.27 seed Zheng and No.5 seed Hingis en route, falling to No.24 seed Garbin) and US Open (see above); wins over world No.6 Hingis (Miami), No.2 Sharapova (US Open) and No.9 Hantuchova (Zürich) were second, third and fourth career Top 10 wins; reached 3r once, at Wimbledon (l. to Kuznetsova); 2r eight times, incl. Australian Open (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s) and Stuttgart (d. No.11 Bartoli); fell 1r four times, incl. Rome (ret. vs. Peer w/right wrist strain) and Roland Garros (l. to No.28 seed Santangelo); fell in qualifying twice; withdrew from Beijing w/injury
- **Ranking:** Made several ranking breakthroughs, cracking Top 50 on January 29 (after Australian Open; moved from No.59 to No.46), Top 40 on May 28 (after Istanbul; No.43 to No.38) and Top 30 on September 10 (after US Open; No.32 to No.30)
- **Doubles:** Won first Tour doubles title at Istanbul (w/U.Radwanska);
- **ITF Circuit:** Won second career ITF Circuit singles title at \$100K ITF/Biella-ITA

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of one Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title in Stockholm (see above); also a one-time semifinalist, at 2006 Luxembourg
- Four-time Tour singles quarterfinalist, at 2006 Warsaw and 2007 Istanbul, Palermo and Zurich (see 2007 Summary above)
- Already has four career wins over Top 10 players, at 2006 Luxembourg (Dementieva), 2007 Miami (Hingis), 2007 US Open (Sharapova) and 2007 Zurich (Hantuchova)
- Breakthrough 2006 season, incl. Warsaw QF, Wimbledon 4r (in career Grand Slam debut) and Luxembourg SF; win over Dementieva at Luxembourg was first Top 10 win; also notched two other Top 20 wins in season, over Myskina (Warsaw) and Groenefeld (Linz); ranking rose from outside Top 300 to inside Top 60 by year's end
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of two singles title and two doubles titles
- Outstanding junior player; captured junior singles titles at 2005 Roland Garros and 2006 Wimbledon
- Polish Fed Cup Team, 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Baseline whose favorite shot is forehand; favorites surfaces are clay and grass
- Coached by father, Robert, who also travels with her; grew up playing at a club in Gronau, Germany, where he was a club pro; mother, Marta, is an accountant; younger sister, Urszula, also currently plays professional tennis and recently followed in her older siblings footsteps by capturing junior singles crown at Wimbledon

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FOURTH ROUND (TOP HALF) MATCH-UPS (IN SEEDING ORDER)

[1] JUSTINE HENIN (BEL) vs. [Q] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

HENIN	Quick Facts	HSIEH
25	Age	22
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Taipei, Taiwan
40	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
10	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$19,098,405	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$310,464
\$95,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.1	Current Singles Rank	No.158
No.1 (October 20, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.112 (July 9, 2007)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
29-5	Aus. Open W-L**	3-0
31	GS Attempts**	5
126-23	Career GS W-L**	3-5
2	2008 Events Played	1
6-0	2008 W-L	3-0
483-103	Career W-L	178-89
66-40	Career Tie-Break W-L	23-20
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-1
95-56	Career 3-Set W-L	47-29
2-0	2008 3-Set W-L	2-0
Carlos Rodriguez	Coach	Chen Nai
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HENIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh appearance in this event; won the title in 2004 (as No.1 seed, d. Clijsters in final, joined elite list of nine women to hold three Grand Slams at once following her 2003 Roland Garros and US Open titles); runner-up on last appearance in 2006 (as No.8 seed ret. in final vs. Mauresmo w/gastrointestinal illness trailing 61 20, only second time in Open Era a player has ret. during a Grand Slam final); SF finish in 2003, d. Davenport 97 third set in 4r after trailing 4-1 (first win in six meetings) before l. to V.Williams; QF run in 2002 (as No.6 seed l. to No.4 Clijsters); also 4r in 2001 (d. No.14 seed Testud in 3r, before l. to No.4 Seles) and 2r on debut in 2000 (l. to No.1 seed Hingis)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Sydney; **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Opened up season with 40th career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour title in Sydney; as No.1 seed d. No.4 Ivanovic 62 26 64 in SF, before d. No.2 Kuznetsova 46 62 64 in final

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (10): Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Toronto, US Open, Stuttgart, Zürich, Tour Championships; **R-Up (1):** Miami; **SF (3):** Paris [Indoors], Berlin, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season for the undisputed world No.1, winning 10 titles in 14 events – including two majors, the Sony Ericsson Championships and two Tier Is – and losing just four of 67 matches
- Grand Slam play:** After missing Australian Open due to personal reasons, went 19-1 in the remaining three majors; won fourth Roland Garros (d. Ivanovic in final to become only fifth woman since 1925 to win four titles in Paris) and third consecutively (only other woman to achieve the feat in the Open Era was Seles in 1990-92); also became first woman to win three consecutive titles at the same major since Martina Hingis (Australian Open 1997-99); her 2006 and 2007 titles at Roland Garros were won without the loss of a set, an all-time record; seeded No.1 at Wimbledon, shocked in SF by No.18 seed Bartoli 16 75 61 after leading 61 53; at US Open,

regained title without the loss of a set (d. Kuznetsova in final), her seventh major (second most among active players behind S. Williams's eight) in her 11th Grand Slam final; she became the first woman to win a Grand Slam singles title having beaten both Williams sisters en route (d. S. Williams in QF, V. Williams in SF)

- **Regular Tour season:** In addition to her two majors, collected another eight titles in the regular Tour season (from 11 events), the Tour championships, two Tier Is (Toronto, Zürich) and five Tier IIs (Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Eastbourne, Stuttgart), losing only four matches in 67 matches; after returning to Tour at Paris [Indoors] in February (l. in SF to Safarova), went undefeated in the Middle East, winning first title in Doha and fourth in Dubai (a perfect 16-0 in the latter event); runner-up in Miami (l. to S. Williams 06 75 63 after holding 1 mp at 5-4 second set) before winning second Warsaw title (d. A. Bondarenko in final, improving to 9-0 lifetime in that event); after SF finish in Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova in 3s) and title run at Roland Garros, successfully defended Eastbourne crown (d. Mauresmo in final 76 third set; also needed final-set tie-break to d. Myskina in 2006 final); after SF loss at Wimbledon has gone undefeated, winning Toronto (d. Jankovic in final), US Open, Stuttgart (d. Golovin in final for first title there after runner-up finishes in 2001, 2003), Zürich (d. Golovin again in final) and Tour Championships (d. Sharapova 57 75 63 in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era); by triumphing at the Tour Championships in Madrid she became first woman since Graf in 1989 to go undefeated in the second-half of a season (post-Wimbledon); in Madrid
- **Ranking:** Reigned as world No.1 for all but seven weeks in 2007; having started 2007 in the top spot, fell to No.2 (behind Sharapova) after Australian Open (runner-up there in 2006) but regained No.1 on March 19 and remained there from then on

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 40 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. seven majors (Roland Garros four times in 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2007; one Australian Open in 2004; two US Opens in 2003 and 2007); one Olympic gold medal (2004) and two Tour Championships (2006, 2007); four-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 Wimbledon (l. to V. Williams), 2006 Australian Open/Wimbledon (l. to Mauresmo at both) and 2006 US Open (l. to Sharapova); is 38-16 lifetime in Tour singles finals (9-1 in 2007)
- Thirteenth player to hold No.1 Tour Singles Ranking, reaching No.1 on October 20, 2003, after winning Zürich; surrendered it a week later to compatriot Clijsters (first time a new No.1 spent one week on top before losing it) but returned two weeks later, where she stayed 44 straight weeks; regained it after winning Tour Championships last November and held it for 11 weeks before losing it again; began fourth (current) stint at the top during this year's Miami fortnight and is spending her 44th consecutive week (100th overall) on top during Madrid
- Won 1999 Antwerp in Tour main draw debut, becoming the fifth player at that stage to achieve the feat
- Two-time Tour doubles titlist, both in 2002, at Gold Coast (w/Shaugnessy) and Zürich (w/Bovina)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of seven singles titles (most recently in hometown of Liège in 2000) and two doubles titles
- Member of Belgian Fed Cup Team 2000-03, 2006 and Belgian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.justine-henin.be
- Created her own charity, 'Justine's Winners' Circle', in December 2003 to help children with cancer
- Should Henin successfully defend her title in Madrid, she will become the first player to win 10 Tour singles titles in a season since Martina Hingis won 12 in 1997; she will also become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1996 to win Roland Garros, the US Open and the Season-Ending Championships in the same year

HSIEH FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making first main draw appearance; fell in qualifying three times (2002, 2006, 2007) posting a 4-3 record

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by first two Tour titles of any kind in doubles, at Beijing and Seoul (both w/Chuang); won two singles titles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit (bringing career tallies to 13 and 17, respectively)
- **Grand Slam play:** Advanced to 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Dulko) and Wimbledon (l. to No.17 seed Golovin), both as a qualifier; fell in qualifying at Australian Open and US Open

- **Regular Tour season:** Appeared in main draw at seven tournaments; fell in qualifying eight times; posted a 13-15 record overall
- **Ranking:** Started season No.140 and finished No.157; climbed to a career-best No.112 on July 9, 2007; ranks No.47 in doubles
- **Doubles:** In addition to two doubles titles (see above), finished as runner-up twice at Auckland (w/Uberoi) and at Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva)
- **Fed Cup play:** Posted 6-1 record in Fed Cup play

CAREER SUMMARY

- Reached SF and QF in first two Tour main draws at 2001 Bali (as qualifier, l. to Widjaja 76 third set) and 2001 Pattaya City (also as qualifier)
- At the 2008 Australian Open, became the first qualifier since 2004 (Santangelo) to reach the round 16 (4r); also became first Taiwanese player to reach the round of 16 (4r) at any Grand Slam event
- Won two Sony Ericsson WTA Tour doubles events: 2007 Beijing and Seoul (both w/Chuang); three-time runner-up: 2007 Auckland (w/Uberoi), 2007 Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva) and 2004 Seoul (w/Chuang); two-time doubles semifinalist: 2007 Stanford (w/Kudryavtseva) and 2006 Pattaya City (w/Tanasugarn)
- Winner of 13 ITF Circuit singles events and 17 doubles events
- Won first 33 matches on ITF Women's Circuit in 2001 as a 14-year old, a stretch that included five singles titles
- Represented Chinese Taipei Fed Cup Team in 2003 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Father introduced her to tennis at 8 years old
- Favorite playing surface is hard

[3] JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB) vs. CASEY DELLACQUA (AUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Jankovic leads 1-0

2007 BALI HARD (O) R16 (2r) JANKOVIC, JELENA 6-4 6-4

JANKOVIC	Quick Facts	DELLACQUA
22	Age	22
Belgrade, Serbia	Residence	Perth, Australia
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,390,600	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$320,487
\$14,130	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$6,228
No.4	Current Singles Rank	No.78
No.3 (June 11, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.77 (November 5, 2007)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
10-5	Aus. Open W-L**	2-5
18	GS Attempts**	9
37-17	Career GS W-L**	3-8
2	2008 Events Played	3
4-1	2008 W-L	4-2
269-153	Career W-L	181-100
42-38	Career Tie-Break W-L	31-29
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
75-72	Career 3-Set W-L	57-33
3-1	2008 3-Set W-L	3-1
None	Coach	Lyndon Huff
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

JANKOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance to date was last year's 4r run (as No.11 seed, l. 4r to eventual champion S.Williams); all four previous results were 2r finishes – 2003 (qualified in event debut, l. to Coetzer), 2004 (upset world No.8 Dementieva, l. to Craybas 64 26 86), 2005 (l. to Panova 36 64 62) and 2006 (l. to Savchuk)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **QF (1):** Sydney; **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF of first Tour event of the year; as No.3 seed, l. to Vaidisova 64 in final set
- Represented Serbia in Hopman w/Djokovic; went 1-3 in singles (l. to Golovin, Dulko, S.Williams; d. Hsieh)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Auckland, Charleston, Rome, Birmingham; **R-Up (4):** Sydney, 's-Hertogenbosch, Toronto, Beijing; **SF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles, Stuttgart; **QF (5):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Amelia Island, Berlin, US Open, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Phenomenally consistent season, reaching QF or better at 20 of 28 events coming in and surging to No.3 by year's end, having started 2007 outside the Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Highlight of Grand Slam season was SF finish at Roland Garros – dropped just one set en route to SF (d. V.Williams in 3s in 3r) where she fell to eventual champion Henin 62 62, their most one-sided match to date (five of their eight career meetings have gone to 3s); also reached QF at US Open (l. to V.Williams 76 third set) and 4r at Australian Open (l. to eventual champion S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. to eventual runner-up Bartoli 36 75 63)
- **Regular Tour season:** Her eight finals appearances were second only to Henin's 11, winning titles at Auckland (d. Zvonareva in 3s for first title since 2004 Budapest), Charleston (first Tier I; d. Safina in final), Rome (d. Kuznetsova in final) and Birmingham (d. world No.2 Sharapova in final 75 third set after trailing 3-0 for career-best win and first win over a Top 2-ranked player in 14 meetings); runner-up at Sydney (l. to Clijsters 46 76(4) 64, having served for the match at 5-4 (held 1 mp) and 6-5 second set), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze in 3s), Toronto (l. to Henin) and Beijing (l. to Szavay 67(7) 75 62 after leading 5-1 second set and holding 1 mp); semifinalist

another seven times – Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles and Stuttgart – and quarterfinalist another five times; her 72 match wins were a Tour-best for 2007, although she lost her last six matches – Stuttgart SF (l. to Henin), Bangkok 1r (ret. vs. Yan w/heat illness), 2r at Zürich (after 1r bye; l. to Vaidisova) and all three round-robin matches at the Tour Championships (vs. Henin, Chakvetadze and Bartoli)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.12, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Australian Open (January 29); continued to move up the rankings with her impressive performances in the spring, debuting in the Top 5 at No.5 after Berlin (May 14); just four weeks later rose to current career-high No.3 after SF finish at Roland Garros (June 11), where she remained
- **Fed Cup:** Represented Serbia regional qualifying (Europe/Africa Group I), going 4-0 in singles and 2-1 in doubles, helping her country reach the World Group II Play-off, where it fell to Slovakia 4-1 (d. Cibulkova for Serbia's only point in the tie)
- **Doubles:** Went 5-12 in doubles in 2007, the highlights being QF finishes at Auckland (w/Krizan) and Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Mattek); collected career-first Grand Slam title, partnering Brit Jamie Murray to Wimbledon mixed doubles championship (d. Molik/Bjorkman in final)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at Budapest in 2004 and at Auckland, Charleston, Rome and Birmingham in 2007; eight-time runner-up – 2005 Dubai (l. to Davenport), 2005 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Seoul (l. to Vaidisova), 2006 Los Angeles (l. to Dementieva), 2007 Sydney (l. to Clijsters), 2007 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze), 2007 Toronto (l. to Henin) and 2007 Beijing (l. to Szavay); 5-8 lifetime in Tour singles finals (2-1 at Tier I level)
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2006 Birmingham (w/Li); two-time semifinalist, incl. 2006 Guangzhou (w/Li)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2007 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Top 20 debut in March 2005; Top 10 debut in January 2007; Top 5 debut in May 2007; Top 3 in June 2007
- Had 11 Top 10 wins prior to 2007 Birmingham, but was 0-13 against Top 2; but in Birmingham final notched career-first Top 2 win over world No.2 Sharapova, coming back from 3-0 third set deficit to prevail, 46 63 75
- Member of Serbian Fed Cup Team, 2001-05, 2007 and Serbia and Montenegro Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- In 2007, appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Ivanovic was also recently appointed)
- Introduced to tennis at age 9 by brother and fitness coach Marko (six years her senior); admires Monica Seles
- Won junior Australian Open in 2001 and was runner-up at junior US Open that year; was No.1 in junior rankings
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2006, presented at the 2007 Sony Ericsson Open in Miami

DELLACQUA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making sixth tournament appearance; fell in 1r all five times prior to this year; in 2006, as WC, l. to world No.1 Davenport

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Hobart; **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF at Hobart (as WC, l. to eventual champion Daniilidou)
- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast to world No.1 Vaidisova
- In doubles, advanced to QF (w/Moore)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Bronx, NY-USA (\$50K), ITF/Melbourne-AUS (\$25K), ITF/Perth-AUS (\$25K), ITF/Kalgoorlie-AUS (\$25K); **2r (6):** Birmingham, US Open, Bali, Kolkata, Tokyo [Japan Open], Bangkok

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish after first season playing predominantly on Tour
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slam result was 2r at US Open (l. to world No.2 Sharapova); fell in 1r at Australian Open (as WC; l. to No.21 seed Srebotnik 75 third set), Roland Garros (on debut as WC; l. to Tanasugarn in 3s) and Wimbledon (on debut as qualifier; l. to Pratt)
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached 2r at half of 12 Tour main draws contested, at Birmingham (l. to No.15 seed Daniilidou), US Open (on debut, d. Shvedova in 1r for first career Grand Slam main draw match win; l. to No.2 seed Sharapova), Bali (l. to top seed Jankovic), Kolkata (l. to Obziler 75 third set), Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. to No.2 seed Mirza in 3s) and Bangkok (l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 26 63 75, having led 3-0 third set); fell 1r at six event; fell in qualifying at Gold Coast and Istanbul
- **Ranking:** Made Top 100 debut on August 6 (rising from No.106 to No.100)

- **ITF Circuit:** Wn eighth through 11th career ITF Circuit singles titles during season, beginning w/three straight \$25K events in Australia (ITF/Melbourne-AUS, ITF/Perth-AUS, ITF/Kalgoorlie-AUS) and the fourth coming at \$50K ITF/Bronx, NY-USA; also won 13th career ITF Circuit doubles title at \$25K ITF/Perth-AUS (w/Hewson).

CAREER SUMMARY

- Best result on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour came at 2008 Hobart, reaching QF before falling to eventual singles champion Daniilidou
- Winner of 11 ITF Women's Circuit singles titles, most recently at 2007 \$50K ITF/Bronx, NY-USA
- Seven 1r defeats at Grand Slam level (incl. 2007 Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon) before reaching 2r at 2007 US Open
- In doubles winner of 13 ITF Women's Circuit events
- Made career Top 100 debut on August 3, 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis at age 5
- Favorite surface is grass
- Lists Australian Open and Wimbledon as favorite tournaments
- Player most admires is Australian tennis legend Margaret Court

[5] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS) vs. [11] ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Sharapova leads 7-2

2003	BIRMINGHAM	GRASS (O)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	2-6 7-6(4) 6-2
2003	SHANGHAI	HARD (O)	QF	DEMENTIEVA, ELENA	6-4 7-6(4)
2004	ROME	CLAY (O)	R32 (2r)	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-4
2004	ZURICH	HARD (I)	SF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	4-6 6-2 6-3
2006	INDIAN WELLS	HARD (O)	F	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-2
2006	WIMBLEDON	GRASS (O)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-4
2006	LOS ANGELES	HARD (O)	SF	DEMENTIEVA, ELENA	7-5 6-2
2006	TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS	HARD (I)	RR1	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 6-4
2007	LOS ANGELES	HARD (O)	QF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-3 6-4

SHARAPOVA	Quick Facts	DEMENTIEVA
20	Age	26
Bradenton, FL, USA	Residence	Moscow, Russia
16	Career Tour Singles Titles	8
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	2
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$10,231,402	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$8,679,912
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,950
No.5	Current Singles Rank	No.11
No.1 (August 22, 2005)	Highest Singles Rank	No.4 (October 25, 2004)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	10
20-5	Aus. Open W-L**	17-9
21	GS Attempts**	37
76-18	Career GS W-L**	83-35
1	2008 Events Played	2
3-0	2008 W-L	3-1
276-66	Career W-L	427-221
34-22	Career Tie-Break W-L	84-54
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
66-25	Career 3-Set W-L	135-87
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-0
Father, Yuri Sharapov; Michael Joyce	Coach	Mother, Vera Dementieva
	<small>* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw</small>	

SHARAPOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance was runner-up finish last year (as No.1 seed, d. No.12 Chakvetadze and No.4 Clijsters in QF and SF before falling to S.Williams; was first Russian to reach Australian Open final); best results prior to 2007 were two back-to-back SF finishes – in 2005 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion S.Williams 26 75 86 having served for match in second and third sets and held 3 mp at 5-4 third set), and 2006 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual runner-up Henin-Hardenne 46 61 64); 3r in 2004 (as No.28 seed, l. to No.6 seed Myskina 64 16 62; event debut in 2003 as qualifier, l. in 1r to Koukalova 64 76(6))

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): San Diego; **R-Up (3):** Australian Open, Birmingham, Tour Championships; **SF (4):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Istanbul, Roland Garros, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Injury-plagued season which has saw the Russian fall from No.1 to outside the Top 5 for the first time in three years
- Grand Slam play:** Diminishing results in the majors over the season; opened 2007 with first finals appearance at Australian Open; seeded No.1, escaped from 1r vs. Pin (in searing heat) with 97 third set victory, before winning

next five matches in straight sets (d. world No.5 Clijsters in SF for only Top 5 win of the season thus far; l. 61 62 to unseeded S.Williams); at Roland Garros, again endured a 16-game final set (vs. Schnyder in 4r, saving 2 mp) to reach first SF there, falling 61 62 to Ivanovic; suffered earliest exit at Wimbledon since 2003 debut, falling in 4r to eventual champion V.Williams; seeded No.2 at US Open, blazed through first two matches vs. Vinci and Dellacqua (dropping one game in each match) before falling to No.30 seed Radwanska, her earliest Grand Slam loss since 3r exit in New York in 2004

- **Regular Tour season:** First title of the season came at San Diego in early August (fifth career Tier I title; d. Schnyder in final in 3s), her longest wait for her first title of the season since 2003; also runner-up at Tour Championships (as No.6 seed d. Chakvetadze in SF, l. to Henin 57 75 63 in final, in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era) and Birmingham (l. to Jankovic 75 third set) and semifinalist at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (ret. vs. Ivanovic w/left hamstring strain that forced withdrawal from Dubai), Istanbul (only second career clay SF on Tour; l to Rezaei) and Los Angeles (WD vs. Petrova w/left lower leg strain which also forced withdrawal from Toronto); also withdrew from Charleston w/right shoulder and left hamstring injuries and from Rome, Stuttgart, Zürich and Linz w/right shoulder injury (was defending champion at Zürich and Linz); defeated in opening match at Moscow (l. to Azarenka 76(8) 62 having held six set points in first set)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.2, rising to No.1 on January 29 after Australian Open runner-up finish, her third career stint in the top spot; held onto No1. for seven weeks (14 weeks in total) before surrendering it to Henin on March 19 after failing to defend Indian Wells title (fell in 4r); remained at No.2 until 3r exit at US Open (as defending champion) pushed her down to No.4 (September 10); having been unable to defend Zürich and Linz titles through injury, fell to No.5 on October 15 and No.6 on October 29, her first time outside Top 5 since November 2004, when she rose from No.6 to No.4 after winning the Season-Ending Championships
- **Fed Cup play:** Served as hitting partner for Russia during its World Group I Final win over Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 16 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. majors at 2004 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open, also 2004 Season-Ending Championships and Tier Is at 2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Indian Wells, 2006 San Diego, 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego; seven-time runner-up, incl. 2007 Australian Open and 2007 Tour Championships and Tier Is at 2004 Zürich, 2005 Miami and 2006 Miami
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, all at Tier III level – 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] and 2003 Luxembourg (both w/Tanasugarn) and on grass at 2004 Birmingham (w/Kirilenko)
- Winner of four singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit (three in 2002 and one in 2003)
- On August 22, 2005, became 15th woman and first Russian to reach No.1 (also most recent new No.1) since 1975 inception of computer rankings

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.mariasharapova.com
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy at age 9
- Named UNDP Goodwill Ambassador on February 14, 2007
- At 2005 Australian Open, donated value of Porsche Cayenne she won at 2004 Tour Championships (approx. US\$56,300) to those affected by Russian school hostage crisis in Beslan in September 2004
- Has appeared on the cover of SI (first tennis player in over two years to do so), ESPN The Magazine, Forbes (listed as one of the richest female athletes in the world); also featured in People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People", Vogue Italia, USA Today, Teen People's "20 Teens Who Will Change the World", W, YM and SPORT Magazine's "21 Athletes to Watch Out For in the 21st Century", among others

DEMENTIEVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Tenth straight appearance; best results were 4r finishes in 2002 (l. to world No.8 Henin), 2005 (as world No.6, l. to world No.14 Schnyder 67(6) 76(4) 62) after leading 4-0 second set and 2007 (as No.7 seed, l. to No.10 Vaidisova); 3r twice – 2000 (l. to Halar-Decugis 36 64 62) and 2001 (l. to Bedanova 26 76(5) 63); 2r in 1999 as qualifier (event debut, l. to world No.2 and eventual champion Hingis); l. in 1r in 2003 (as No.17 seed, l. to Schwartz in 3s), 2004 (as No.7 seed, l. to Jankovic) and 2006 (as No.9 seed, l. to Schuff)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Made disappointing start to 2008 with 1r defeat at Sydney; as No.8 seed l. to Arvidsson

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Istanbul, Moscow; **SF (3):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], San Diego, New Haven; **QF (5):** Rome,

Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Solid if unspectacular season, highlighted by seventh and eighth career Tour singles titles
- **Grand Slam play:** Best result was third career 4r finish at Australian Open as No.7 seed (l. to eventual semifinalist Vaidisova); beaten in 3r at other three majors – Roland Garros (l. to Bartoli), Wimbledon (l. to Paszek in 3s) and US Open (l. to Bamber)
- **Regular Tour season:** For second straight season collected two Tour singles titles – her victories at Istanbul (d. Rezai in final) and on home soil at Tier I Moscow (d. S.Williams 57 61 61 in final) brought career tally to eight; her victory in Moscow was her first at the event, in her 11th consecutive attempt (competing every year since 1997) and in her third final (runner-up in 2001 and 2004); became the third different Russian champion there from the past four years; also semifinalist at Tier Is at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (l. to eventual champion Hingis in reverse result from 2006 final) and San Diego (l. to Schnyder) and Tier II at New Haven (ret. vs. Kuznetsova w/nausea); five-time quarterfinalist, once at a Tier I (Rome) and four times at Tier II (Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart); fell prior to QF on six occasions at Sydney (as No.6 seed, l. to Li in 2r), Antwerp (as No.4 seed, ret. vs. Likhovtseva w/right rib stress fracture in 2r), Warsaw (as No.10 seed, l. to V.Williams in 2r), Berlin (as No.10 seed, l. to No.7 seed Petrova in 3r), Toronto (as No.8 seed, after 1r bye l. to Schiavone in 2r) and Zürich (ret. vs. Schiavone w/left adductor strain)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.8, where she remained until March 19, when she fell to No.10; on April 2 fell to No.12, first time outside Top 10 since September 2003; fell as low as No.17 on August 13, but returned to No.10 (rising from No.14) after Moscow victory (October 15); currently at No.11
- **Doubles:** Went 6-4 in five doubles events, the highlight being 3r finish at Australian Open (w/Pennetta)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Eight-time Tour singles titlist, at 2003 Amelia Island, 2003 Bali, 2003 Shanghai, 2004 Hasselt, 2006 Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (first Tier I), 2006 Los Angeles, 2007 Istanbul and 2007 Moscow; 11-time runner-up, incl. majors at 2004 Roland Garros (l. to Myskina) and 2004 US Open (l. to Kuznetsova) and five Tier I events, as well as 2000 Olympics (l. to V.Williams)
- Six-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2002 Tour Championships, Berlin, San Diego and Moscow (all w/Husarova), 2003 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Krasnoroutskaya) and 2005 Los Angeles (w/Pennetta); seven-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Grand Slams at 2002 US Open (w/Husarova) and 2005 US Open (w/Pennetta)
- Has been Top 5 in both singles (career-high No.4 in October 2004) and doubles (career-high No.5 in April 2003)
- Has two wins over reigning No.1s, at 2001 Moscow (in QF vs. Hingis) and 2005 US Open (in QF vs. Davenport)
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2001-03, 2005 (undefeated in 2005 final vs. France, winning both singles rubbers, doubles rubber) and 2006; Russian Olympic Team in 2000 (silver medal in singles) and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is <http://eng.dementieva.ru>
- Only player to qualify and compete in season-ending Tour Champions in every year between 2000 and 2006
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2000; also Russia's 2001 Female of the Year Award
- In junior competition, won Orange Bowl U16s in 1996 and reached SF at junior Roland Garros that same year
- Father, Viatcheslav, is an electrical engineer; mother, Vera, was a school teacher but is now her coach; has one older brother, Vsevolod; entire family plays tennis

[7] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA) vs. [12] NICOLE VAIDISOVA (CZE)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: S.Williams leads 3-0

2007	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD (O)	SF	WILLIAMS, SERENA	7-6(5) 6-4
2007	MIAMI	HARD (O)	QF	WILLIAMS, SERENA	6-1 6-4
2007	MOSCOW	CARPET (I)	QF	WILLIAMS, SERENA	6-4 7-6(7)

S.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	VAIDISOVA
26	Age	18
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	Prague, Czech Republic
28	Career Tour Singles Titles	6
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,109,234	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,125,248
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$31,075
No.7	Current Singles Rank	No.12
No.1 (July 8, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.7 (May 14, 2007)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
36-5	Aus. Open W-L**	13-3
33	GS Attempts**	14
142-24	Career GS W-L**	39-13
1	2008 Events Played	3
3-0	2008 W-L	8-2
358-77	Career W-L	167-55
47-30	Career Tie-Break W-L	24-24
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-1
74-32	Career 3-Set W-L	50-17
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	3-0
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	Stepfather, Alex Kodat
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

S.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance in this event; three-time champion winning the title last year (unseeded and ranked No.81, d. six seeds en route to title, incl. No.5 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (having trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic 63 62 in 4r, No.16 Peer 36 62 86 in QF, No.10 Vaidisova 76(5) 64 in SF and No.1 Sharapova 61 62 in final (becoming third-lowest ranked player in history to win a Grand Slam), 2005 (saved 3 mp in SF against Sharapova and d. Davenport in three-set final) and 2003 (d. Clijsters from 2 mp down in SF and sister Venus in 3s final) – the only player to have won two Grand Slam singles titles having saved mp en route; missed 2002 due to a sprained right ankle and 2004 due to rehabilitation from surgery to repair left knee quadriceps tendon; QF defeat in 2001 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.1 seed Hingis); only other defeats pre-QF defeats came in 1998 (on debut, l. to V.Williams in 2r), 1999 (l. to No.14 seed Testud 9-7 in third set in 3r), 2000 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Likhovteva in 4r) and 2006 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.17 Hantuchova in 3r)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **WON (2):** Australian Open, Miami; **R-Up (1):** Moscow; **QF (6):** Hobart, Rome, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** An incredible comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by seventh Grand Slam title at Australian Open and return to Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** A record-breaking run in Melbourne, collecting her eighth career Grand Slam singles title and third Australian Open; ranked No.81 (having just fallen in Tier IV Hobart QF the week before), d. world No.6 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic in 4r, No.17 Peer 86 third set in QF, No.12 Vaidisova in SF and top seed and world No.2 Sharapova 61 62 in final to become third lowest-ranked and only the second unseeded Grand Slam champion in the Open Era; it was Williams's first Tour final of any kind since winning 2005 Australian Open; thereafter, suffered an identical fate at the remaining three majors, falling in QF to Henin at Roland Garros, Wimbledon (l. in 3s while suffering from left thumb injury sustained in 4r win over Hantuchova) and

US Open (held set point in first set)

- **Regular Tour season:** In next event after winning Australian Open (WD from Bangalore due to illness) collected eighth career Tier I title, winning Miami for the loss of one set – d. world No.2 Sharapova 61 61 in 4r and No.1 Henin 06 75 63 in final (saved 2 mp at 5-4 second set); was sixth time in her career to d. world's Top 2 in same event; right groin strain forced retirement during Charleston opener vs. Chan and withdrawal from Berlin; after QF finish in Rome in May (l. to Schnyder 76 third set), next Tour event was Stuttgart in October – her only three events in between were Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open – having withdrawn from Cincinnati, Stanford, San Diego and Los Angeles w/left thumb sprain sustained in Wimbledon 4r; during indoor season, reached QF at Stuttgart (l. to Kuznetsova) and final at Moscow (d. world No.2 Kuznetsova in SF; l. to Dementieva in 3s); before retiring in 1r of Zürich vs. Schnyder w/right adductor strain (trailed 60 30); at Tour Championships ret. During first RR match vs. Chakvetadze w/left knee injury and subsequently withdrew from tournament
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.95, having been restricted to four events in 2006 w/left knee injury; rose to No.81 after Hobart QF finish, then surged to No.14 two weeks later (January 29) after title run at Australian Open; moved to No.11 after Miami victory, then returned to Top 10 for first time since September 2005 after reaching Rome QF (May 21); edged up to No.5 on October 29 for first time in Top 5 since July 2005
- **Fed Cup:** Played first Fed Cup match since 2003, winning rubber vs. Maes in USA's 5-0 World Group I QF win over Belgium (pulled out of second match vs. Flipkens w/knee injury)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/V.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 28 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. eight Grand Slams (2003, 2005 and 2007 Australian Open, 2002 Roland Garros, 2002 and 2003 Wimbledon and 1999 and 2002 US Open), 2001 Tour Championships and eight Tier Is (incl. 2007 Miami); also two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 US Open (l. to V.Williams) and 2004 Wimbledon (l. to Sharapova)
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Venus, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirny)
- On July 8, 2002, became 11th woman (second African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 57 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000 (gold medalist in doubles w/V.Williams)
- Member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.serenawilliams.com; owns Aneres, a fashion design label (www.aneresdesigns.com)
- Williams is currently No.7 on the all-time list of prize money earners; below is a look at the Top 10 all-time prize money earners' list (as of January 14, 2008):

PLAYER	EARNINGS (US\$)
1. Steffi Graf (GER)	\$21,895,277
2. Lindsay Davenport (USA)	\$21,849,317
3. Martina Navratilova (USA)	\$21,626,089
4. Martina Hingis (SUI)	\$20,130,657
4. Justine Henin (BEL)	\$19,098,405
6. Venus Williams (USA)	\$18,173,781
7. Serena Williams (USA)	\$18,109,234
8. Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	\$16,942,640
9. Monica Seles (USA)	\$14,891,762
10. Kim Clijsters (BEL)	\$14,764,296

VAIDISOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best showing was SF run last year (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 Dementieva in 4r, l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64); reached 4r in 2006 (l. to world No.3 and eventual champion Mauresmo); reached 3r in 2005 (unseeded, l. to world No.1 and eventual runner-up Davenport)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Sydney; **QF (1):** Gold Coast; **4r (1):** Australian Open**

2008 SUMMARY

- Made promising start to season with SF run at Sydney (d. No.6 seed Hantuchova in 2r, No.3 Jankovic in QF, before l. to Kuznetsova 75 76(4)) and QF finish at Gold Coast (as No.1 seed, l. to eventual champion N.Li)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (4): Sydney, Australian Open, Zurich, Linz; **QF (6):** Indian Wells, Miami, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Wimbledon, Moscow

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Third straight Top 20 finish after consistent season, marred somewhat by illness and injury
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached second career Grand Slam semifinal at Australian Open (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 seed Dementieva en route to second career Grand Slam SF; l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64, having held sp at 5-4 first set); reached QF at both Roland Garros (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic) and Wimbledon (as No.14 seed, upset No.4 seed and defending champion Mauresmo en route; l. to No.6 seed Ivanovic 46 62 75, having led 5-3 third set w/3mp at 5-4); made return from viral illness at US Open and suffered slightly disappointing 3r defeat (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set)
- **Regular Tour season:** QF or better at 10 of 14 events (incl. majors), with SF finishes at Sydney (as No.8 seed, l. to Jankovic in 3s), Zürich (unseeded, d. No.3 seed Jankovic en route; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin in 3s) and Linz (as No.5 seed, l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Hantuchova 26 62 76(3), having led 4-1 third set and holding mp at 6-5); reached the QF at Indian Wells (as No.6 seed, l. to No.2 seed Kuznetsova), Miami (as No.8 seed, l. to No.13 seed and eventual champion S.Williams), Eastbourne (as No.5 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin) and Moscow (as No.8 seed, l. to No.4 seed S.Williams 64 76(7), having held sp at 6-5 second set); Wins over world No.8 Dementieva (Australian Open), No.4 Mauresmo (Wimbledon) and No.3 Jankovic (Zürich) were her fifth, sixth and seventh career Top 10 wins; Suffered only four pre-QF losses, at Paris [Indoors] (as No.5 seed, l. 2r to Safarova), Charleston (as top seed, l. 2r to WC Krajicek in 3s after 1r bye), US Open (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set) and Québec City in final week of year (as top seed, ret. during 1r match vs. Voracova w/right wrist injury); Missed most of European clay court season w/right wrist injury (withdrew from Berlin, Rome, Strasbourg) and summer hardcourt season w/viral illness (withdrew from San Diego, Los Angeles, Toronto); also withdrew from Stuttgart w/left hamstring injury; Surpassed \$2 million in career prize money during season
- **Ranking:** After briefly exiting the Top 10 at the beginning of the year, broke back in at No.9 after Australian Open run; achieved new career-high on May 28 (before Roland Garros) rising from No.8 to No.7; was in and out of Top 10 during early months of summer before falling out for good due to inactivity during summer hardcourt swing
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 2-0 in Czech Republic's 5-0 World Group II 1r win vs. Slovak Republic (d. Hantuchova, Cibulkova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Six-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at 2004 Vancouver and Tashkent, 2005 Seoul, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bangkok and most recently 2006 Strasbourg; one-time Tour singles runner-up at 2005 Istanbul (l. to V.Williams); 10-time semifinalist, incl. Grand Slams at 2006 Roland Garros (l. to Kuznetsova) and 2007 Australian Open (l. to S.Williams)
- Only sixth woman to win five Tour singles titles before 17th birthday (after Austin, Jaeger, Seles, Capriati, Hingis)
- Six Top 10 wins: two in 2005 (Myskina, Petrova), two in 2006 (Mauresmo twice) and two in 2007 (Dementieva, Mauresmo); wins over Mauresmo in 2006 were first two career wins over reigning world No.1 players
- One-time Tour doubles semifinalist, at 2005 Philadelphia (w/Canada's Drake)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, two-time singles titlist (one in 2003 and one in 2004)
- Member of Czech Fed Cup Team, 2004-07

OTHER FACTS

- In Reebok's 2005 "I Am What I Am" campaign; also signed with Citizen Eco-Drive and PlayPumps International in 2007
- Lived in Germany until age 6;
- Trains at Nick Bollettieri Academy in Bradenton, FL, USA
- Biggest weapons are serve and groundstrokes

Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Web site: www.sonyericssonwtatour.com | Tournament Web site: www.australianopen.com
 On-site Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Communications Staff: Amy Binder, John Dolan, Isabelle Hodge

THIRD ROUND QUICK FACTS

- Youngest player remaining – Caroline Wozniacki (DEN): 17 years, 6 months
- Oldest player remaining – Virginia Ruano Pascual – 34 years, 3 months
- Lowest-ranked player remaining – Sabine Lisicki (GER) – No.194
- Highest-ranked player remaining – Justine Henin – No.1
- Wildcards remaining – none
- Qualifiers remaining – Marta Domachowska (POL), Hsieh Su-Wei (TPE), Sabine Lisicki (GER)
- Number of seeds remaining – 22 out of 32
- Australian Open main draw debutantes remaining – Hsieh Su-Wei (TPE), Sabine Lisicki (GER), Ekaterina Makarova (RUS), Caroline Wozniacki (DEN)

THIRD ROUND PARADE OF NATIONS

From the 37 nations that were represented at the start of the 2008 Australian Open, 20 still have a chance to take home the ladies' singles title. Below is a look at which nations remain in contention at the 2008 Australian Open, and with which players:

COUNTRY	PLAYERS AT START	PLAYERS REMAINING	PLAYERS
Australia	9	1	Dellacqua
Belarus	3	1	Azarenka
Belgium	1	1	Henin
China	4	1	N.Li
Chinese Taipei	2	1	Hsieh
Czech Republic	5	1	Vaidisova
Denmark	1	1	Wozniacki
France	13	3	Mauresmo, Razzano, Rezai
Germany	8	1	Lisicki
India	1	1	Mirza
Israel	3	1	Peer
Italy	7	1	Schiavone
Japan	3	1	Sugiyama
Poland	2	2	Domachowska, Radwanska
Russia	15	8	Chakvetadze, Dementieva, Kirilenko, Kuznetsova Makarova, Petrova, Sharapova, Vesnina
Serbia	2	2	Ivanovic, Jankovic
Slovakia	2	1	Hantuchova
Slovenia	1	1	Srebotnik
Spain	3	1	Ruano Pascual
USA	11	2	S.Williams, V.Williams

THIRD ROUND DEBUTANTES

Five (5) Sony Ericsson WTA Tour players are making their debuts in a Grand Slam third round (in **bold** type below) – Casey Dellacqua (AUS), Marta Domachowska (POL), Hsieh Su-Wei (TPE), Sabine Lisicki (GER) and Caroline Wozniacki (DEN). In addition, Aravane Rezai is making her debut in an Australian Open third round.

PLAYER	PREVIOUS BEST GRAND SLAM RESULTS	PREVIOUS BEST AUSTRALIAN OPEN RESULTS
Casey Dellacqua (AUS)	2r (2007 US Open)	1r (2003-2007)
Marta Domachowska (POL)	2r (2005 Australian Open and Roland Garros)	2r (2005)
Hsieh Su-Wei (TPE)	1r (2005 US Open, 2006 Roland Garros and Wimbledon, 2007 Roland Garros and Wimbledon)	Making main draw debut
Sabine Lisicki (GER)	Making Grand Slam debut	Making Grand Slam debut



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Aravane Rezai (FRA)	3r (2006 Roland Garros, 2007 Wimbledon)	1r (2007)
Caroline Wozniacki (DEN)	2r (2007 Wimbledon and US Open)	Making tournament debut

POTENTIAL FOURTH ROUND DEBUTS

In addition to the third-round Slam debutantes listed above, two more players in the third round are hoping to make their debuts in the fourth round of a major (in **bold** type below) – Maria Kirilenko (RUS) and Ekaterina Makarova (RUS). In addition, six players are hoping to make their debuts in an Australian Open fourth round – Victoria Azarenka (BLR), Ana Ivanovic (SRB), Sania Mirza (IND), Agnieszka Radwanska (POL), Virginie Razzano (FRA) and Katarina Srebotnik (SLO).

PLAYER	PREVIOUS BEST GRAND SLAM RESULTS	PREVIOUS BEST AUSTRALIAN OPEN RESULTS
Victoria Azarenka (BLR)	4r (2007 US Open)	3r (2007)
Ana Ivanovic (SRB)	R-Up (2007 Roland Garros)	3r (2005, 2007)
Maria Kirilenko (RUS)	3r (2003 US Open, 2006 Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open, 2007 Australian Open and US Open)	3r (2006, 2007)
Ekaterina Makarova (RUS)	3r (2007 US Open)	Making tournament debut
Sania Mirza (IND)	4r (2005 US Open)	3r (2005)
Agnieszka Radwanska (POL)	4r (2006 Wimbledon, 2007 US Open)	2r (2007)
Virginie Razzano (FRA)	4r (2006 US Open)	3r (2001, 2006)
Katarina Srebotnik (SLO)	4r (2002 Roland Garros)	3r (2003, 2007)

SONY ERICSSON WTA TOUR HARD COURT TITLE LEADERS

Four players in this year's 2008 Australian Open singles main draw are in the Top 10 list of all-time leaders for most Sony Ericsson WTA Tour hard court singles titles – Lindsay Davenport, Justine Henin, Serena Williams and Venus Williams:

NAME	# OF TOUR HARD COURT SINGLES TITLES
1. Steffi Graf	37
2. Lindsay Davenport	33
3. Chris Evert	32
4. Monica Seles	28
5. Martina Navratilova	26
6. Kim Clijsters	25
Justine Henin	25
8. Martina Hingis	23
9. Venus Williams	22
10. Serena Williams	20

ANA'S AUSTRALIAN OPEN BLOG

Twenty-year-old Ana Ivanovic is coming off a career season and this fortnight in Melbourne is playing her very first tournament as the world's No.3 player, having just cracked the Top 3 on this week's singles rankings. Check out her Australian Open experience at the latest Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Player Blog at www.sonyericssonwtatour.com. Ivanovic gives her personal insight into the year's first Grand Slam and answers questions from fans.

SONY ERICSSON WTA TOUR CHARITY AUCTION

Four new items are now available at the online Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Charity Auction, www.sonyericssonwtatourauctions.com. Fans can bid on authentic tennis memorabilia, such as an official Australian Open tennis ball and t-shirt, autographed by some of the Tour's all-time greatest names - Lindsay Davenport, Amelie Mauresmo, Maria Sharapova and the Williams sisters.

THESE MATCH NOTES AND OTHER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT:
www.sonyericssonwtatour.com/media

THIRD ROUND MATCH-UPS (IN SEEDING ORDER)

[1] JUSTINE HENIN (BEL) vs. FRANCESCA SCHIAVONE (ITA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Henin leads 6-0

2001	ESTORIL	CLAY (O)	QF	HENIN, JUSTINE	6-2 6-4
2002	ROME	CLAY (O)	R32 (2r)	HENIN, JUSTINE	7-6(5) 6-2
2002	MONTREAL	HARD (O)	R16 (3r)	HENIN, JUSTINE	6-3 7-6(2)
2006	SYDNEY	HARD (O)	F	HENIN, JUSTINE	4-6 7-5 7-5
2006	DUBAI	HARD (O)	QF	HENIN, JUSTINE	6-4 7-6(5)
2006	FED CUP FINAL	HARD (I)	R4	HENIN, JUSTINE	6-4 7-5

HENIN	Quick Facts	SCHIAVONE
25	Age	27
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	London, England
40	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
10	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
1	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$19,098,405	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,243,426
\$95,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$18,135
No.1	Current Singles Rank	No.24
No.1 (October 20, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.11 (January 30, 2006)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	8
28-5	Aus. Open W-L**	11-7
31	GS Attempts**	30
125-23	Career GS W-L**	52-29
2	2008 Events Played	3
5-0	2008 W-L	5-2
482-103	Career W-L	346-237
66-40	Career Tie-Break W-L	76-56
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
95-56	Career 3-Set W-L	108-78
2-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-1
Carlos Rodriguez	Coach	Daniel Panajotti
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HENIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh appearance in this event; won the title in 2004 (as No.1 seed, d. Clijsters in final, joined elite list of nine women to hold three Grand Slams at once following her 2003 Roland Garros and US Open titles); runner-up on last appearance in 2006 (as No.8 seed ret. in final vs. Mauresmo w/gastrointestinal illness trailing 61 20, only second time in Open Era a player has ret. during a Grand Slam final); SF finish in 2003, d. Davenport 97 third set in 4r after trailing 4-1 (first win in six meetings) before l. to V.Williams; QF run in 2002 (as No.6 seed l. to No.4 Clijsters); also 4r in 2001 (d. No.14 seed Testud in 3r, before l. to No.4 Seles) and 2r on debut in 2000 (l. to No.1 seed Hingis)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Opened up season with 40th career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour title in Sydney; as No.1 seed d. No.4 Ivanovic 62 26 64 in SF, before d. No.2 Kuznetsova 46 62 64 in final

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (10): Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Toronto, US Open, Stuttgart, Zürich, Tour Championships; **R-Up (1):** Miami; **SF (3):** Paris [Indoors], Berlin, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season for the undisputed world No.1, winning 10 titles in 14 events – including two majors, the Sony Ericsson Championships and two Tier Is – and losing just four of 67 matches
- Grand Slam play:** After missing Australian Open due to personal reasons, went 19-1 in the remaining three majors; won fourth Roland Garros (d. Ivanovic in final) to become only fifth woman since 1925 to win four titles in

Paris) and third consecutively (only other woman to achieve the feat in the Open Era was Seles in 1990-92); also became first woman to win three consecutive titles at the same major since Martina Hingis (Australian Open 1997-99); her 2006 and 2007 titles at Roland Garros were won without the loss of a set, an all-time record; seeded No.1 at Wimbledon, shocked in SF by No.18 seed Bartoli 16 75 61 after leading 61 53; at US Open, regained title without the loss of a set (d. Kuznetsova in final), her seventh major (second most among active players behind S.Williams's eight) in her 11th Grand Slam final; she became the first woman to win a Grand Slam singles title having beaten both Williams sisters en route (d. S.Williams in QF, V.Williams in SF)

- **Regular Tour season:** In addition to her two majors, collected another eight titles in the regular Tour season (from 11 events), the Tour championships, two Tier I's (Toronto, Zürich) and five Tier II's (Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Eastbourne, Stuttgart), losing only four matches in 67 matches; after returning to Tour at Paris [Indoors] in February (l. in SF to Safarova), went undefeated in the Middle East, winning first title in Doha and fourth in Dubai (a perfect 16-0 in the latter event); runner-up in Miami (l. to S.Williams 06 75 63 after holding 1 mp at 5-4 second set) before winning second Warsaw title (d. A.Bondarenko in final, improving to 9-0 lifetime in that event); after SF finish in Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova in 3s) and title run at Roland Garros, successfully defended Eastbourne crown (d. Mauresmo in final 76 third set; also needed final-set tie-break to d. Myskina in 2006 final); after SF loss at Wimbledon has gone undefeated, winning Toronto (d. Jankovic in final), US Open, Stuttgart (d. Golovin in final for first title there after runner-up finishes in 2001, 2003), Zürich (d. Golovin again in final) and Tour Championships (d. Sharapova 57 75 63 in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era); by triumphing at the Tour Championships in Madrid she became first woman since Graf in 1989 to go undefeated in the second-half of a season (post-Wimbledon); in Madrid
- **Ranking:** Reigned as world No.1 for all but seven weeks in 2007; having started 2007 in the top spot, fell to No.2 (behind Sharapova) after Australian Open (runner-up there in 2006) but regained No.1 on March 19 and remained there from then on

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 40 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. seven majors (Roland Garros four times in 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2007; one Australian Open in 2004; two US Opens in 2003 and 2007); one Olympic gold medal (2004) and two Tour Championships (2006, 2007); four-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams), 2006 Australian Open/Wimbledon (l. to Mauresmo at both) and 2006 US Open (l. to Sharapova); is 38-16 lifetime in Tour singles finals (9-1 in 2007)
- Thirteenth player to hold No.1 Tour Singles Ranking, reaching No.1 on October 20, 2003, after winning Zürich; surrendered it a week later to compatriot Clijsters (first time a new No.1 spent one week on top before losing it) but returned two weeks later, where she stayed 44 straight weeks; regained it after winning Tour Championships last November and held it for 11 weeks before losing it again; began fourth (current) stint at the top during this year's Miami fortnight and is spending her 44th consecutive week (100th overall) on top during Madrid
- Won 1999 Antwerp in Tour main draw debut, becoming the fifth player at that stage to achieve the feat
- Two-time Tour doubles titlist, both in 2002, at Gold Coast (w/Shaugnessy) and Zürich (w/Bovina)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of seven singles titles (most recently in hometown of Liège in 2000) and two doubles titles
- Member of Belgian Fed Cup Team 2000-03, 2006 and Belgian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.justine-henin.be
- Created her own charity, 'Justine's Winners' Circle', in December 2003 to help children with cancer
- Should Henin successfully defend her title in Madrid, she will become the first player to win 10 Tour singles titles in a season since Martina Hingis won 12 in 1997; she will also become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1996 to win Roland Garros, the US Open and the Season-Ending Championships in the same year

SCHIAVONE FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making eighth straight appearance; best result came in 2006, falling to No.2 seed Clijsters in 4r; advanced to 3r twice: 2002 (l. to No.8 seed Seles) and 2005 (l. to Dechy); 2r twice, incl. 2004 (l. to Likhovtseva) and 2007 (l. to Safarova); fell in 1r twice

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- QF at Sydney (d. No.7 seed Bartoli en route, falling to No.2 Kuznetsova); win over world No.10 Bartoli was 11th career Top 10 win
- Reached 2r at Gold Coast (l. to No.4 seed Schnyder in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won (1): Bad Gastein; SF (1): Zurich; QF (2): Doha, New Haven

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Fifth straight Top 30 finish (but first non-Top 20 finish in five years) after season highlighted by career-first Tour singles title at inaugural Tier III Bad Gastein (see below); surpassed \$3 million in career prize money during season
- **Grand Slam play:** Best finish was 3r at Roland Garros (as No.23 seed, l. to No.10 seed Safina in 3s); 2r at Australian Open (as No.14 seed, l. to Safarova), Wimbledon (as No.29 seed, l. to Rezaï in 3s) and US Open (as No.24 seed, l. to Paszek 63 75, having led 4-2 second set)
- **Regular Tour season:** At Bad Gastein (as top seed, d. No.6 seed Szavay in QF and No.4 seed Kanepi in SF, then d. Meusbürger in final; was ninth career Tour singles final); SF once, at Zürich (l. to Golovin; second career Tier I SF); QF twice, at Doha (as No.8 seed, l. to No.2 seed Kuznetsova) and New Haven (ret. vs. top seed and eventual champion Kuznetsova w/left ankle injury); reached 3r three times, incl. Roland Garros; 2r at Australian Open (as No.14 seed, l. to Safarova), Wimbledon (as No.29 seed, l. to Rezaï in 3s) and US Open (as No.24 seed, l. to Paszek 63 75, having led 4-2 second set); fell 1r five times;
- **Ranking:** Started the season No.15 and finished No.24
- **Fed Cup play:** 3-2 overall in Fed Cup play, going 3-0 during Italy's 3-2 World Group I SF win over France (d. world No.6 Mauresmo 75 63 for 10th career Top 10 win, having trailed 5-3 first set; d. Golovin 64 26 75, having trailed 5-2 third set; and w/Vinci, d. Brémond/Dechy in doubles rubber) and 0-2 during their 4-0 finals loss to Russia (l. to Chakvetadze 64 46 64, having led 3-0 third set; l. to Kuznetsova 46 76(7) 75, having held 2mp in second set and 4-1 lead in third set)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of one Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title at 2007 Bad Gastein (see above; 0-8 in Tour singles finals going into championship match vs. Meusbürger); eight-time Tour singles runner-up: 2000 Tashkent, 2003 Canberra, 2005 Bali, Moscow (Tier I) and Hasselt, and three in 2006 at Sydney (l. to Henin 46 75 75 after leading 4-2 second set and 5-3 third set), Amelia Island (l. to Petrova), Luxembourg (l. to A.Bondarenko)
- Has reached Grand Slam QF twice, at 2001 Roland Garros and 2003 US Open (d. Sugiyama in 4r match which took four days to complete, coming back from one-set, 5-2 second-set deficit to win, before falling to Capriati)
- Winner of six Tour doubles titles, most recently at Dubai, Luxembourg and Moscow, all in 2006 (all w/Peschke)
- Made debut appearance at Sony Ericsson Championships by qualifying for doubles in 2006 (w/Peschke)
- Member of Italian Fed Cup Team 2002-2007 (helping Italy win first title in 2006), Italian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Reached career-high ranking of No.11 on January 30, 2006, matching best rank of now-retired Farina Elia (May/June 2002); no Italian woman has ever been ranked in the singles world Top 10
- Highest-ranked of eight Italians in Top 100 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Singles Rankings (as of January 14, 2008))

[2] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS) vs. [29] AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Kuznetsova leads 3-0

2007	WIMBLEDON	GRASS (O)	R32 (3r)	KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA	6-2 6-3
2007	NEW HAVEN	HARD (O)	R16 (2r)	KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA	4-6 6-1 6-4
2007	STUTT GART	HARD (I)	R16 (2r)	KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA	6-4 6-7(5) 6-3

KUZNETSOVA	Quick Facts	RADWANSKA
22	Age	18
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Krakow, Poland
9	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$8,418,199	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$566,034
\$50,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,753
No.2	Current Singles Rank	No.28
No.2 (September 10, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.25 (November 19, 2007)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
15-6	Aus. Open W-L**	3-1
23	GS Attempts**	7
65-21	Career GS W-L**	12-6
2	2008 Events Played	2
5-1	2008 W-L	2-1
305-125	Career W-L	114-55
65-45	Career Tie-Break W-L	12-9
2-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
91-44	Career 3-Set W-L	22-26
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-1
Stefan Ortega	Coach	Father, Robert
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

KUZNETSOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh straight appearance; best result was QF finish in 2005 (as No.5 seed, l. to No.4 Sharapova 46 62 62); 4r in 2006 (l. to world No.1 Davenport) and 2007 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Peer); 3r in 2004 (l. to world No.1 and eventual champion Henin); 2r in 2002 (event debut as qualifier, l. to Tulyaganova); l. in 1r in 2003 (l. to No.2 seed V.Williams)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **R-Up (1):** Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Finished runner-up in first event of 2007 in Sydney; as No.2 seed l. to 64 26 46 No.1 Henin, after leading 3-0 in final set

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): New Haven; **R-Up (5):** Doha, Indian Wells, Berlin, Rome, US Open; **SF (4)** Dubai, Warsaw, Stuttgart, Moscow; **QF (5):** Paris [Indoors], Roland Garros, Wimbledon, Toronto, Zürich

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Arguably her best-ever season, reaching six finals (incl. third career major final) and reaching career-high No.2 ranking
- **Grand Slam play:** Modest results in first three majors, reaching 4r at Australian Open as No.3 seed (l. to Peer) and QF at Roland Garros (again as No.3 seed; l. to eventual runner-up Ivanovic in 3s) and Wimbledon as No.5 seed (l. to eventual champion V.Williams); seeded No.4 at US Open, advanced to second career final there, defeating compatriot Chakvetadze in three-set SF before falling to world No.1 Henin 61 63; afterwards (September 10) rose to career-high No.2 ranking
- **Regular Tour season:** Somewhat unlucky to have collected only one Tour singles title in 2007 (bringing career tally to nine), having reached six finals overall (incl. US Open); lone victory came at New Haven, where her opponents in each of the last three rounds retired – Schiavone in QF (left ankle injury), Dementieva in SF (nausea) and Szavay in final (low back injury); in addition to US Open runner-up finish, was also a losing finalist at Doha (l. to Henin), Indian Wells (l. to Hantuchova), Berlin (l. to Ivanovic 76 third set) and Rome (l. to Jankovic); also

semifinalist at Dubai (l. to Henin in 3s), Warsaw (l. to A.Bondarenko), Stuttgart (l. to Golovin) and Moscow (l. to S.Williams); reached another five QF, and thus advanced to QF or better at 15 of 19 events

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.4, dipping to No.5 on January 29 but reaching then career-high No.3 on March 19 after Indian Wells runner-up finish; fluctuated between No.3 and No.5 until September 10, when she rose to current career-high No.2 after US Open runner-up finish, where she has remained ever since; is the third Russian woman to have been ranked in the world's Top 2, after Myskina (No.2 in September 2004) and Sharapova (No.1 in August 2005)
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 4-0 in singles in Fed Cup for Russia – d. Domínguez Lino and Medina Garrigues in QF vs. Spain and d. Santangelo and Schiavone (46 76(7) 75, saving 2 mp and overcoming 4-1 third-set deficit) in her country's 4-0 final win over Italy
- **Doubles:** Contested eight doubles events in 2007, with the highlight being a runner-up finish at Dubai (w/Molik; l. to Black/Huber); also semifinalist at Paris [Indoors] (w/Petrova) and quarterfinalist at Doha (w/Molik), Berlin, Wimbledon and Toronto (all w/Petrova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of nine Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. first major at 2004 US Open (d. Dementieva in second all-Russian major final of 2004; was first Russian woman to claim US Open singles title); runner-up seven times, including 2006 Roland Garros (see above); also QF at 2003 Wimbledon, 2005 Australian Open, 2005 Wimbledon
- Winner of 13 Tour doubles titles (three w/Sánchez-Vicario, five w/Navratilova, two w/Likhovtseva, two w/Molik, one w/Mauresmo); highlight is 2005 Australian Open (w/Molik), her first Grand Slam doubles title
- Owns four career wins over reigning No.1s – Henin in 2004 Doha SF and 2007 Berlin SF and Mauresmo in 2006 Miami SF and 2006 Beijing final
- In 2004, member of Russian Olympic Team and champion Russian Fed Cup Team; also member of champion Fed Cup Team in 2007; ITF Girls' Singles World Champion for 2001

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing at age 7; father is Alexandr Kuznetsov, cycling coach of six Olympic and world champions, now coach of Lokomotiv (best club in Russia); coached Svetlana's mother, Galina Tsareva, six-time world champion and holder of 20 world records and Svetlana's brother, Nikolai Kuznetsov, a silver medalist at 1996 Olympics
- No.1-ranked of 15 Russians in Top 100 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Singles Rankings (as of January 14, 2008), the most of any country:

RUSSIA RANK	WORLD RANK	PLAYER
1	2	Svetlana Kuznetsova
2	5	Maria Sharapova
3	6	Anna Chakvetadze
4	11	Elena Dementieva
5	14	Nadia Petrova
6	16	Dinara Safina
7	22	Vera Zvonareva
8	26	Maria Kirilenko
9	42	Vera Dushevina
10	55	Elena Vesnina
11	66	Elena Likhovtseva
12	75	Alla Kudryavtseva
13	79	Anastasia Rodionova
14	85	Yaroslava Shvedova
15	97	Olga Poutchkova

RADWANSKA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making second straight appearance; advanced to 2r at tournament debut in 2007 (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell 1r at Hobart (as No.4 seed, l. to Pennetta in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **Won (1):** Stockholm; **QF (3):** Istanbul, Palermo, Zurich; **4r (2):** Miami, US Open; **3r (1):** Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Another breakthrough season, highlighted by first Tour singles title at Stockholm and three more Top 10 wins; win over Wozniacki in Stockholm QF was 100th career singles match win
- **Grand Slam play:** Played in all four Grand Slams; best result came at US Open, reaching 4r (as No.30 seed, d. No.2 seed and defending champion Sharapova en route, falling to No.18 seed Peer); at Wimbledon reached 3r (l. to Kuznetsova); 2r at Australian Open (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s); fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. to No.28 seed Santangelo)
- **Regular Tour season:** Won first singles title at Stockholm (as No.2 seed, d. No.8 seed Dushevina in final; lost just 20 games en route to title, tied w/Hingis at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] for least games lost en route to a Tour singles title last season; also first Tour singles title for Poland); QF three times, at Istanbul (as No.7 seed, l. to top seed Sharapova in 3s), Palermo (as No.3 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual champion Szavay) and Zürich (as LL, d. No.7 seed Hantuchova en route to first career Tier I QF; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin); reached 4r twice, at Miami (d. No.27 seed Zheng and No.5 seed Hingis en route, falling to No.24 seed Garbin) and US Open (see above); wins over world No.6 Hingis (Miami), No.2 Sharapova (US Open) and No.9 Hantuchova (Zürich) were second, third and fourth career Top 10 wins; reached 3r once, at Wimbledon (l. to Kuznetsova); 2r eight times, incl. Australian Open (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic in 3s) and Stuttgart (d. No.11 Bartoli); fell 1r four times, incl. Rome (ret. vs. Peer w/right wrist strain) and Roland Garros (l. to No.28 seed Santangelo); fell in qualifying twice; withdrew from Beijing w/injury
- **Ranking:** Made several ranking breakthroughs, cracking Top 50 on January 29 (after Australian Open; moved from No.59 to No.46), Top 40 on May 28 (after Istanbul; No.43 to No.38) and Top 30 on September 10 (after US Open; No.32 to No.30)
- **Doubles:** Won first Tour doubles title at Istanbul (w/U.Radwanska);
- **ITF Circuit:** Won second career ITF Circuit singles title at \$100K ITF/Biella-ITA

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of one Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title in Stockholm (see above); also a one-time semifinalist, at 2006 Luxembourg
- Four-time Tour singles quarterfinalist, at 2006 Warsaw and 2007 Istanbul, Palermo and Zurich (see 2007 Summary above)
- Already has four career wins over Top 10 players, at 2006 Luxembourg (Dementieva), 2007 Miami (Hingis), 2007 US Open (Sharapova) and 2007 Zurich (Hantuchova)
- Breakthrough 2006 season, incl. Warsaw QF, Wimbledon 4r (in career Grand Slam debut) and Luxembourg SF; win over Dementieva at Luxembourg was first Top 10 win; also notched two other Top 20 wins in season, over Myskina (Warsaw) and Groenefeld (Linz); ranking rose from outside Top 300 to inside Top 60 by year's end
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of two singles title and two doubles titles
- Outstanding junior player; captured junior singles titles at 2005 Roland Garros and 2006 Wimbledon
- Polish Fed Cup Team, 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Baseline player whose favorite shot is forehand; favorites surfaces are clay and grass
- Coached by father, Robert, who also travels with her; grew up playing at a club in Gronau, Germany, where he was a club pro; mother, Marta, is an accountant; younger sister, Urszula, also currently plays professional tennis and recently followed in her older siblings footsteps by capturing junior singles crown at Wimbledon

[3] JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB) vs. VIRGINIE RAZZANO (FRA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Jankovic leads 1-0

2007 TORONTO HARD (O) QF JANKOVIC, JELENA 7-5 6-2

JANKOVIC	Quick Facts	RAZZANO
22	Age	24
Belgrade, Serbia	Residence	Nimes, France
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	2
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	2
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,390,600	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,281,971
\$14,130	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$8,770
No.4	Current Singles Rank	No.29
No.3 (June 11, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.27 (October 8, 2007)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	8
9-5	Aus. Open W-L**	8-7
18	GS Attempts**	31
36-17	Career GS W-L**	29-30
2	2008 Events Played	3
3-1	2008 W-L	3-2
268-153	Career W-L	230-177
42-38	Career Tie-Break W-L	56-43
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
74-72	Career 3-Set W-L	64-54
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	1-1
None	Coach	Cédric Nouvel
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

JANKOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance to date was last year's 4r run (as No.11 seed, l. 4r to eventual champion S.Williams); all four previous results were 2r finishes – 2003 (qualified in event debut, l. to Coetzer), 2004 (upset world No.8 Dementieva, l. to Craybas 64 26 86), 2005 (l. to Panova 36 64 62) and 2006 (l. to Savchuk)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **QF (1):** Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF of first Tour event of the year; as No.3 seed, l. to Vaidisova 64 in final set
- Represented Serbia in Hopman w/Djokovic; went 1-3 in singles (l. to Golovin, Dulko, S.Williams; d. Hsieh)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Auckland, Charleston, Rome, Birmingham; **R-Up (4):** Sydney, 's-Hertogenbosch, Toronto, Beijing; **SF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles, Stuttgart; **QF (5):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Amelia Island, Berlin, US Open, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Phenomenally consistent season, reaching QF or better at 20 of 28 events coming in and surging to No.3 by year's end, having started 2007 outside the Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Highlight of Grand Slam season was SF finish at Roland Garros – dropped just one set en route to SF (d. V.Williams in 3s in 3r) where she fell to eventual champion Henin 62 62, their most one-sided match to date (five of their eight career meetings have gone to 3s); also reached QF at US Open (l. to V.Williams 76 third set) and 4r at Australian Open (l. to eventual champion S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. to eventual runner-up Bartoli 36 75 63)
- **Regular Tour season:** Her eight finals appearances were second only to Henin's 11, winning titles at Auckland (d. Zvonareva in 3s for first title since 2004 Budapest), Charleston (first Tier I; d. Safina in final), Rome (d. Kuznetsova in final) and Birmingham (d. world No.2 Sharapova in final 75 third set after trailing 3-0 for career-best win and first win over a Top 2-ranked player in 14 meetings); runner-up at Sydney (l. to Clijsters 46 76(4) 64, having served for the match at 5-4 (held 1 mp) and 6-5 second set), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze in 3s), Toronto (l. to Henin) and Beijing (l. to Szavay 67(7) 75 62 after leading 5-1 second set and holding 1 mp); semifinalist

another seven times – Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles and Stuttgart – and quarterfinalist another five times; her 72 match wins were a Tour-best for 2007, although she lost her last six matches – Stuttgart SF (l. to Henin), Bangkok 1r (ret. vs. Yan w/heat illness), 2r at Zürich (after 1r bye; l. to Vaidisova) and all three round-robin matches at the Tour Championships (vs. Henin, Chakvetadze and Bartoli)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.12, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Australian Open (January 29); continued to move up the rankings with her impressive performances in the spring, debuting in the Top 5 at No.5 after Berlin (May 14); just four weeks later rose to current career-high No.3 after SF finish at Roland Garros (June 11), where she remained
- **Fed Cup:** Represented Serbia regional qualifying (Europe/Africa Group I), going 4-0 in singles and 2-1 in doubles, helping her country reach the World Group II Play-off, where it fell to Slovakia 4-1 (d. Cibulkova for Serbia's only point in the tie)
- **Doubles:** Went 5-12 in doubles in 2007, the highlights being QF finishes at Auckland (w/Krizan) and Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Mattek); collected career-first Grand Slam title, partnering Brit Jamie Murray to Wimbledon mixed doubles championship (d. Molik/Bjorkman in final)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at Budapest in 2004 and at Auckland, Charleston, Rome and Birmingham in 2007; eight-time runner-up – 2005 Dubai (l. to Davenport), 2005 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Seoul (l. to Vaidisova), 2006 Los Angeles (l. to Dementieva), 2007 Sydney (l. to Clijsters), 2007 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze), 2007 Toronto (l. to Henin) and 2007 Beijing (l. to Szavay); 5-8 lifetime in Tour singles finals (2-1 at Tier I level)
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2006 Birmingham (w/Li); two-time semifinalist, incl. 2006 Guangzhou (w/Li)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2007 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Top 20 debut in March 2005; Top 10 debut in January 2007; Top 5 debut in May 2007; Top 3 in June 2007
- Had 11 Top 10 wins prior to 2007 Birmingham, but was 0-13 against Top 2; but in Birmingham final notched career-first Top 2 win over world No.2 Sharapova, coming back from 3-0 third set deficit to prevail, 46 63 75
- Member of Serbian Fed Cup Team, 2001-05, 2007 and Serbia and Montenegro Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- In 2007, appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Ivanovic was also recently appointed)
- Introduced to tennis at age 9 by brother and fitness coach Marko (six years her senior); admires Monica Seles
- Won junior Australian Open in 2001 and was runner-up at junior US Open that year; was No.1 in junior rankings
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2006, presented at the 2007 Sony Ericsson Open in Miami

RAZZANO FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making eighth straight appearance; advanced to 3r twice in 2001 (l. to top seed Hingis) and 2006 (l. to No.8 seed Henin); fell in 2r twice, in 2003 (l. to Srebotnik in 3s) and 2007 (l. to Bondarenko); fell in 1r three times

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast (l. to Cibulkova) but reached 2r at Sydney (l. to No.4 seed Ivanovic 61 26 75, having led 5-2 third set)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won (2): Guangzhou, Tokyo [Japan Open]; **R-Up (1):** Forest Hills; **SF (1):** Barcelona; **QF (3):** Auckland, Los Angeles, Toronto

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Breakthrough season highlighted by strong summer and phenomenal fall; Charleston 1r win over Shaughnessy was 200th career singles match win; captured first and second Tour singles titles
- **Grand Slam play:** Competed in all four Grand Slams; 2r at Australian Open (l. to Bondarenko) and US Open (l. to No.30 seed A.Radwanska); reached 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Sequera) and Wimbledon (l. to Meusburger)
- **Regular Tour season:** Went 11-5 in summer hardcourt season, reaching 2r at San Diego (l. to V.Williams), back-to-back QF at Los Angeles (l. to Petrova in 3s) and Toronto (career-first Tier I QF; l. to Jankovic), final at Forest Hills (as top seed, l. to No.3 seed Dulko) and 2r at US Open (see above); moved from No.59 into Top 40 in that stretch; went 11-1 during fall, winning first Tour singles titles of career back-to-back at Guangzhou (as No.2 seed, d. Obziler in final) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (as No.5 seed, d. top seed V.Williams 46 76(7) 64 in final, saving 3mp down 6-3 in tie-break; win over world No.8 V.Williams was fifth career Top 10 win), then extending win streak to 11 matches in reaching 2r at last event of year in Bangkok (as No.4 seed, l. to WC U.Radwanska 76(3))



75, having led 5-2 first set and held 2sp at 5-4 second set); best results in first 15 events were QF at Auckland (ret. vs. Zvonareva w/low back strain), 3r at Miami (l. to Henin 62 26 76(5), having led 5-1 third set) and SF at Barcelona (l. to Gallovits); ret. during Charleston 2r w/gastrointestinal illness and during Fes 1r w/hip inflammation.

- **Ranking:** On October 28 (after Tokyo [Japan Open]), rose from No.33 to No.27 (Top 30 debut); started season No.87 and finished No.28
- **Fed Cup play:** 1-0 in France's 5-0 Fed Cup World Group 1r win vs. Japan (d. Morigami)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Tour singles titlist at 2007 Guangzhou and 2007 Tokyo [Japan Open] and two-time runner-up, at 2004 Tashkent (l. to Vaidisova) and 2007 Forest Hills (l. to Dulko); five-time semifinalist, at 2002 Sarasota, 2002 Luxembourg, 2003 Estoril, 2005 Amelia Island (Tier II) and 2007 Barcelona
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at Tier II Paris [Indoors] in 2001 (w/Majoli)
- Has four career Top 10 wins: one in 2004 (Kuznetsova), two in 2005 (Molik, Zvonareva) and one in 2006 (Hingis)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of four singles titles (most recently one in 2004) and three doubles titles
- French Fed Cup Team, 2001, 2003, 2005-07

OTHER FACTS

- In juniors, won 1999 Australian Open singles and doubles (w/Daniilidou) and 2000 Roland Garros singles
- Favorite players growing up were Sabatini and Agassi; superstition is to never look at a draw during a tournament

[4] ANA IVANOVIC (SRB) vs. [28] KATARINA SREBOTNIK (SLO)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Ivanovic leads 3-0

2005	ZURICH	HARD (I)	QF	IVANOVIC, ANA	6-3 6-1
2006	MONTREAL	HARD (O)	QF	IVANOVIC, ANA	6-4 6-4
2008	SYDNEY	HARD (O)	QF	IVANOVIC, ANA	6-3 3-6 6-2

IVANOVIC	Quick Facts	SREBOTNIK
20	Age	26
Basel, Switzerland	Residence	Dubai, UAE
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	4
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,191,857	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,321,595
\$26,700	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$19,940
No.3	Current Singles Rank	No.27
No.3 (January 14, 2008)	Highest Singles Rank	No.20 (August 7, 2006)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	8
7-3	Aus. Open W-L**	8-7
13	GS Attempts**	34
35-12	Career GS W-L**	37-33
2	2008 Events Played	3
4-1	2008 W-L	6-2
179-61	Career W-L	328-241
27-14	Career Tie-Break W-L	48-60
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
48-18	Career 3-Set W-L	89-77
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	2-1
Physical trainer: Scott Burns	Coach	Biljana Veselinovic
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

IVANOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best results were 3r finishes in 2005 (as unseeded debutante, d. No.32 seed Benesova in 1r, before l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and 2007 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.22 Zvonareva); 2r defeat in 2006 (as No.21 seed, l. to Stosur)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Made SF in first event of 2008 in Sydney; as No.4 seed l. to eventual champion Henin 62 26 64 (first set won against Henin in four meetings)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Berlin, Los Angeles, Luxembourg; **R-Up (2):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Roland Garros; **SF (3):** Amelia Island, Wimbledon, Tour Championships; **QF (4):** Gold Coast, Sydney, Antwerp, 's-Hertogenbosch

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season, bursting into the Top 5 after being outside of Top 15 in May; three titles and first Grand Slam final appearance were the highlights for the young Serb
- Grand Slam play:** Recorded two best Grand Slam results of her career in reaching the Roland Garros final as No.7 seed (d. world No.3 Kuznetsova in QF in 3s, No.2 Sharapova 62 61 in SF; l. to world No.1 Henin) and Wimbledon SF (d. world No.9 Petrova in 4r after trailing 3-1 third set, No.10 Vaidisova 75 third set in QF after trailing 5-3 and saving 3 mp at 5-4; l. to eventual champion V.Williams); reached 3r of Australian Open (l. to Zvonareva) and 4r at US Open (l. to V.Williams)
- Regular Tour season:** Her three-title haul (one each on clay, hard and indoors) was a career best; at Berlin, collected second Tier I title, defeating world No.4 Kuznetsova in final 76 third set; at Los Angeles, d. No.3-ranked compatriot Jankovic in SF 46 63 75 (trailed 4-1 third set and saved 2 mp; fifth Top 5 win of the season) and No.9 Petrova in final; seeded No.2 at Luxembourg, collected career-first indoor title, defeating Hantuchova in final in 3s; in addition to Roland Garros runner-up finish, also a losing finalist at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (world No.1 Sharapova ret. in SF w/left hamstring strain; l. to Hingis) and semifinalist at Tour Championships (l. to eventual champion Henin 64 64) and Amelia Island (l. to eventual champion Golovin in 3s); the only player other than Henin

to record more than 10 Top 10 wins in 2007 (12-4) and to have a record vs. Top 5 players greater than 50% (5-2)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.14, dipping to No.17 in April; surged from No.16 to No.8 after Berlin title run (May 14), debuting in Top 5 after Wimbledon SF finish (July 9); Los Angeles title pushed her to a career-high No.4 (August 13), a ranking she has held uninterrupted since October 15
- **Doubles:** Went 0-4, losing 1r at Miami, Berlin, Roland Garros (all w/Kirilenko) and Wimbledon (w/Hantuchova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, at Tier V Canberra in 2005, Tier I Montréal in 2006 and Tier I Berlin, Tier II Los Angeles in 2007 and Tier II Luxembourg in 2007
- Two-time runner-up, at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] in 2007 (l. to Hingis) and Roland Garros (l. to world No.1 Henin); five-time semifinalist, incl. 2007 Amelia Island (l. to Golovin) and 2007 Wimbledon (l. to V. Williams)
- Holds 17 career Top 10 victories: three in 2005 (No.7 Kuznetsova, No.10 Zvonareva, No.3 Mauresmo), two in 2006 (No.3 Mauresmo, No.8 Schnyder) and 12 in 2007 (No.6 Petrova (ret.), No.10 Jankovic, No.1 Sharapova (ret.), No.9 Jankovic, No.4 Kuznetsova, No.3 Kuznetsova, No.2 Sharapova, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Vaidisova, No.3 Jankovic, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Hantuchova)
- One-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Kirilenko)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of five singles titles (all in 2004)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.anaivanovic.com
- Was recently appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Jankovic was also recently appointed); in December 2007, donated share of her profits from a Humanitarian Exhibition, held in Belgrade, to UNICEF's Schools Without Violence program in Serbia; her contribution, which totaled \$62,804, will enable 12 schools to join the national program
- Alongside Hantuchova, featured in Sony Ericsson's first ever tennis-themed TV commercial, "Never Miss A Shot"
- Winner of Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Most Improved Player in 2005 (presented in March 2006 at Miami)
- The 2006 US Open Series champion (best 2006 USOS results were title in Montréal and QF at Los Angeles)

SREBOTNIK FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making eight main draw appearance (ninth overall); best results were 3r finishes in 2003 (l. to No.5 seed Henin) and 2007 (as No.21 seed, l. to No.10 seed Vaidisova); 2r two times in 2002 (l. to No.7 seed Mauresmo) and 2006 (l. to Santangelo in 3s); fell in 1r three times and in qualifying once

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (2): Auckland, Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Back-to-back QF at Auckland (as No.3 seed, l. to Rezaei) and Sydney (d. No.5 seed Chakvetadze en route, falling to No.4 seed Ivanovic in 3s; win over world No.6 Chakvetadze was fifth career Top 10 win)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Portoroz; **QF (3):** Sydney, Charleston, Stanford

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Another impressive season highlighted by strong singles and doubles results; third straight Top 30 singles season, highlighted by runner-up finish at Portoroz and three-time doubles titlist (see details below); surpassed 300 career singles match wins and \$3 million in career prize money during season
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached 3r at three Grand Slam events, Australian Open (as No.23 seed, l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova in 3s), Roland Garros (as No.17 seed, l. to No.15 seed Peer 61 46 63, having led 3-0 third set) and Wimbledon (as No.19 seed, l. to No.10 seed Hantuchova in 3s); fell 2r at US Open (as No.22 seed, l. to Kirilenko); strong doubles performances at Roland Garros and Wimbledon (see below)
- **Regular Tour season:** Runner-up finish at Portoroz (as No.4 seed, l. to top seed Golovin in 3s in final) and three-time quarterfinalist, at Sydney (l. to Li), Tier I Charleston (as No.12 seed, l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Jankovic) and Stanford (as No.7 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion Chakvetadze in 3s); 3r seven times, incl. three Grand Slams (Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon); withdrew from Cincinnati w/low back pain, ret. in Toronto 2r w/viral illness and withdrew from Luxembourg for rest
- **Ranking:** Started season No.23 and finished No.27; in doubles, on July 9 (after Wimbledon), rose from No.7 to No.5 (Top 5 doubles debut) and on November 12 year-end rankings (after Tour Championships), rose from No.6 to No.4 (new career-high doubles ranking)
- **Doubles:** Three-time Tour doubles titlist, at Gold Coast (w/Safina), Amelia Island (w/Santangelo) and Toronto (w/Sugiyama; first Tier I title for Srebotnik); formed strong pair w/Sugiyama at Miami, notching runner-up finishes

with her at Roland Garros (as No.7 seeds, d. top seeds Raymond/Stosur in SF; l. to No.17 seeds Molik/Santangelo), Wimbledon (as No.4 seeds, d. top seeds Raymond/Stosur in SF; l. to No.2 seeds Black/Huber in 3s) and Tour Championships (qualified at No.3 position in Race; as No.2 seeds, l. to top seeds Black/Huber in final); mixed doubles runner-up at Roland Garros (w/Zimonjic);

CAREER SUMMARY

- Four-time Tour singles titlist, at 1999 Estoril, 2002 Acapulco, 2005 Auckland and 2005 Stockholm; five-time Tour runner-up, at 2002 Bogotá, 2003 Palermo, 2005 Portoroz, 2006 Cincinnati and 2007 Portoroz; best Grand Slam result is 4r at 2002 Roland Garros (has made 3r nine other times, incl. at first three Grand Slams this season)
- Sixteen-time Tour doubles titlist, incl. three in 2007 at Gold Coast (w/Safina), Amelia Island (w/Santangelo) and Toronto (w/Sugiyama); 20-time runner-up, incl. six majors (2007 Roland Garros, Wimbledon and Tour Championships (all w/Sugiyama); 2006 US Open w/Safina, 2007 Roland Garros and 2007 Wimbledon w/Sugiyama); also owns three Grand Slam mixed doubles trophies at 1999 Roland Garros (w/Norval), 2003 US Open (w/B.Bryan) and 2006 Roland Garros (w/Zimonjic); also three-time mixed runner-up
- Holds four career Top 10 wins, two coming last year (over Schnyder in Cincinnati, over Dementieva in Zürich)
- Career-best rankings are No.20 in singles (achieved August 2006) and No.4 in doubles (achieved November 2007)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles titles and 19 doubles titles (all between 1996 and 1999)
- Member of Slovenian Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2001, 2003-05 and Slovenian Olympic Team in 2000 and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Junior highlights include winning Wimbledon girls' singles title and US Open girls' runner-up finish (both in 1998)
- Lone Slovenian in Top 100 on Tour Singles Rankings this week (next-highest is No.136 Klepac)

[5] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS) vs. ELENA VESNINA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

SHARAPOVA	Quick Facts	VESNINA
20	Age	21
Bradenton, FL, USA	Residence	Sochi, Russia
16	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$10,231,402	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$635,697
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$5,490
No.5	Current Singles Rank	No.55
No.1 (August 22, 2005)	Highest Singles Rank	No.41 (January 15, 2007)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	3
20-5	Aus. Open W-L**	6-2
21	GS Attempts**	9
76-18	Career GS W-L**	9-8
1	2008 Events Played	3
2-0	2008 W-L	4-2
275-66	Career W-L	158-106
34-22	Career Tie-Break W-L	22-27
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-1
66-25	Career 3-Set W-L	46-37
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-1
Father, Yuri Sharapov; Michael Joyce	Coach	Father, Sergej Vesnin
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

SHARAPOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance was runner-up finish last year (as No.1 seed, d. No.12 Chakvetadze and No.4 Clijsters in QF and SF before falling to S.Williams; was first Russian to reach Australian Open final); best results prior to 2007 were two back-to-back SF finishes – in 2005 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion S.Williams 26 75 86 having served for match in second and third sets and held 3 mp at 5-4 third set), and 2006 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual runner-up Henin-Hardenne 46 61 64); 3r in 2004 (as No.28 seed, l. to No.6 seed Myskina 64 16 62; event debut in 2003 as qualifier, l. in 1r to Koukalova 64 76(6))

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): San Diego; **R-Up (3):** Australian Open, Birmingham, Tour Championships; **SF (4):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Istanbul, Roland Garros, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Injury-plagued season which has saw the Russian fall from No.1 to outside the Top 5 for the first time in three years
- **Grand Slam play:** Diminishing results in the majors over the season; opened 2007 with first finals appearance at Australian Open; seeded No.1, escaped from 1r vs. Pin (in searing heat) with 97 third set victory, before winning next five matches in straight sets (d. world No.5 Clijsters in SF for only Top 5 win of the season thus far; l. 61 62 to unseeded S.Williams); at Roland Garros, again endured a 16-game final set (vs. Schnyder in 4r, saving 2 mp) to reach first SF there, falling 61 62 to Ivanovic; suffered earliest exit at Wimbledon since 2003 debut, falling in 4r to eventual champion V.Williams; seeded No.2 at US Open, blazed through first two matches vs. Vinci and Dellacqua (dropping one game in each match) before falling to No.30 seed Radwanska, her earliest Grand Slam loss since 3r exit in New York in 2004
- **Regular Tour season:** First title of the season came at San Diego in early August (fifth career Tier I title; d. Schnyder in final in 3s), her longest wait for her first title of the season since 2003; also runner-up at Tour Championships (as No.6 seed d. Chakvetadze in SF, l. to Henin 57 75 63 in final, in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era) and Birmingham (l. to Jankovic 75 third set) and semifinalist at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (ret. vs. Ivanovic w/left hamstring strain that forced withdrawal from Dubai), Istanbul (only second career clay SF on Tour; l. to Rezaei) and Los Angeles (WD vs. Petrova w/left lower leg strain which also forced withdrawal from Toronto); also withdrew from Charleston w/right shoulder and left hamstring injuries and from Rome, Stuttgart, Zürich and Linz w/right shoulder injury (was

defending champion at Zürich and Linz); defeated in opening match at Moscow (l. to Azarenka 76(8) 62 having held six set points in first set)

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.2, rising to No.1 on January 29 after Australian Open runner-up finish, her third career stint in the top spot; held onto No1. for seven weeks (14 weeks in total) before surrendering it to Henin on March 19 after failing to defend Indian Wells title (fell in 4r); remained at No.2 until 3r exit at US Open (as defending champion) pushed her down to No.4 (September 10); having been unable to defend Zürich and Linz titles through injury, fell to No.5 on October 15 and No.6 on October 29, her first time outside Top 5 since November 2004, when she rose from No.6 to No.4 after winning the Season-Ending Championships
- **Fed Cup play:** Served as hitting partner for Russia during its World Group I Final win over Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 16 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. majors at 2004 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open, also 2004 Season-Ending Championships and Tier Is at 2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Indian Wells, 2006 San Diego, 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego; seven-time runner-up, incl. 2007 Australian Open and 2007 Tour Championships and Tier Is at 2004 Zürich, 2005 Miami and 2006 Miami
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, all at Tier III level – 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] and 2003 Luxembourg (both w/Tanasugarn) and on grass at 2004 Birmingham (w/Kirilenko)
- Winner of four singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit (three in 2002 and one in 2003)
- On August 22, 2005, became 15th woman and first Russian to reach No.1 (also most recent new No.1) since 1975 inception of computer rankings

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.mariasharapova.com
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy at age 9
- Named UNDP Goodwill Ambassador on February 14, 2007
- At 2005 Australian Open, donated value of Porsche Cayenne she won at 2004 Tour Championships (approx. US\$56,300) to those affected by Russian school hostage crisis in Beslan in September 2004
- Has appeared on the cover of SI (first tennis player in over two years to do so), ESPN The Magazine, Forbes (listed as one of the richest female athletes in the world); also featured in People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People", Vogue Italia, USA Today, Teen People's "20 Teens Who Will Change the World", W, YM and SPORT Magazine's "21 Athletes to Watch Out For in the 21st Century", among others

VESNINA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making third straight appearance; in 2006 at tournament debut, reached 4r (l. to Petrova; first since Zvonareva at 2002 Roland Garros to go that far in Grand Slam debut); in 2007 fell in 2r (d. No.25 seed Medina Garrigues in 1r; l. to Camerin 86 third set)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Hobart

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast (l. to WC Adamczak 76(4) 36 75, having led 5-2 third set)
- Reached QF at Hobart (l. to No.2 seed Zvonareva)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (2): Forest Hills, Tashkent; **QF (3):** Gold Coast, Strasbourg, Cincinnati; **3r (1):** Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Second straight Top 100 finish in season highlighted by first two Tour singles SF at Forest Hills and Tashkent (see below for details)
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slam showings were 3r at Wimbledon (l. to top seed Henin) and 2r at Australian Open (d. No.25 seed Medina Garrigues in 1r; l. to Camerin 86 third set); fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin) and US Open (l. to Kostanic Tosic)
- **Regular Tour season:** First two Tour singles SF at Forest Hills (d. No.4 seed Nakamura en route; l. to top seed Razzano) and Tashkent (as No.4 seed, d. No.5 seed Olaru in QF; l. to top seed Azarenka); was 0-7 in QF prior to those two runs, incl. three QF earlier in season at Gold Coast (d. No.7 seed Srebotnik en route; l. to Garbin), Strasbourg (l. to No.5 seed Bartoli in 3s) and Cincinnati (as No.6 seed, ret. in third set of match vs. top seed and eventual champion Chakvetadze w/right shoulder tendonitis); withdrew from Doha w/left knee injury, from Palermo w/shoulder injury and from Québec City w/upper respiratory infection.
- **Ranking:** Started season No.44 and finished No.54; climbed to a career-best No.41 on January 15, 2007
- **Fed Cup play:** Was 2-0 in Fed Cup – 1-0 in Russia's 3-2 Fed Cup World Group SF win over USA (w/Petrova, d.



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Raymond/V.Williams) and 1-0 in their 4-0 final win over Italy (d. Santangelo)

- **Doubles:** Strong doubles results included second Tour doubles title at Hobart and runner-up finishes at Tier II events in Antwerp and Warsaw (all w/Likhovtseva)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles semifinalist: 2007 Forest Hills and 2007 Tashkent; eight-time Tour singles quarterfinalist, incl. five Tier III events, at 2005 Québec City; 2006 Strasbourg; 2007 Gold Coast, Strasbourg and Cincinnati
- Two-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2005 Tier III Québec City (w/Rodionova) and 2007 Hobart (w/Likhovtseva); four-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 Bangalore (w/Rodionova) and Beijing (w/Chakvetadze) and 2007 Antwerp, Warsaw (both w/Likhovtseva)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, two-time singles titlist and six-time doubles titlist
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Introduced to tennis by mother at age 7; began playing at Sochi sport school (first coach was Jurij Vasiljevich, who also coached Sharapova); coached by father, Sergej Vesnin (who travels with her) and Boris Konujushkov
- Favorite surfaces are clay and hard

[6] ANNA CHAKVETADZE (RUS) vs. [27] MARIA KIRILENKO (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Chakvetadze leads 3-1

2005	MIAMI	HARD (O)	R128 (1r)	KIRILENKO, MARIA	7-5 6-3
2005	NEW HAVEN	HARD (O)	R16 (2r)	CHAKVETADZE, ANNA	6-3 6-3
2006	INDIAN WELLS	HARD (O)	R32 (3r)	CHAKVETADZE, ANNA	6-2 6-3
2007	INDIAN WELLS	HARD (O)	R32 (3r)	CHAKVETADZE, ANNA	6-4 6-1

CHAKVETADZE	Quick Facts	KIRILENKO
20	Age	20
Moscow, Russia	Residence	Moscow, Russia
6	Career Tour Singles Titles	2
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$2,399,137	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,446,170
\$3,950	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,580
No.6	Current Singles Rank	No.26
No.5 (September 10, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.20 (June 12, 2006)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
10-3	Aus. Open W-L**	7-3
14	GS Attempts**	17
31-13	Career GS W-L**	20-16
2	2008 Events Played	2
2-1	2008 W-L	4-1
199-91	Career W-L	171-116
30-31	Career Tie-Break W-L	26-24
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
55-31	Career 3-Set W-L	39-36
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	2-0
Father, Djambuli Chakvetadze	Coach	Eric Van Harpen
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

CHAKVETADZE FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best result was last year's QF finish (as No.12 seed, d. No.8 Schnyder in 4r, l. to No.1 Sharapova); both previous results were 2r finishes – 2005 (l. to No.6 seed Dementieva) and 2006 (l. to No.16 seed Vaidisova)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell at the hands of Katarina Srebotnik in 1r of Sydney

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Hobart, 's-Hertogenbosch, Cincinnati, Stanford; **SF (5):** Antwerp, Miami, San Diego, US Open, Tour Championships; **QF (6):** Australian Open, Paris [Indoors], Warsaw, Roland Garros, Luxembourg, Linz

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season highlighted by four titles and Top 5 and Grand Slam SF debuts
- Grand Slam play:** Excellent results in three of the four majors; having never advanced past 4r at a Grand Slam, reached one SF and two QF; reached last eight at Australian Open as No.12 seed (l. to world No.2 76(5) 75) and Roland Garros (l. again to Sharapova); seeded No.8 at Wimbledon, upset in 3r by No.31 seed Krajicek in 3s; at US Open, did not drop a set en route to first-ever Grand Slam SF – d. No.26 seed Mirza in 3r and No.18 seed Peer in QF before falling to compatriot and eventual runner-up Kuznetsova in 3s
- Regular Tour season:** Reached QF or better at 14 of 22 events (incl. Grand Slams); collected titles at Hobart (d. Bardina in final), 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Jankovic in final in 3s) and in consecutive weeks, Cincinnati (d. Morigami in final) and Stanford (d. Mirza in final); extended summer win streak to 12 matches by reaching SF at Tier I San Diego (d. V.Williams 67(5) 76(3) 62 after trailing 5-3 second set and saving 1 mp; l. to eventual champion Sharapova); also reached final four at Antwerp (l. to Mauresmo in 3s) and Miami (l. to world No.1 Henin) and QF at Paris [Indoors], Warsaw and in the fall, at Luxembourg (l. to Bartoli in 3s) and Linz (l. to Schnyder); went 4-5 in the fall indoor season, losing opening matches at Stuttgart and Moscow (as defending champion), SF run at Tour Championships (as No.7 seed, l. to Sharapova), in addition to aforementioned QF finishes at Luxembourg and Linz

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.13, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Antwerp SF finish (February 19) for a lone week; spent two more weeks at No.10 in April and began current stint in elite group on May 14; rose to No.8 after Roland Garros QF showing (June 11), No.7 after Cincinnati title (July 23) and No.6 after Stanford title (July 30); broke into Top 5 at No.5 after US Open SF finish (September 10), where she stayed for three weeks; was one of three Russians in Top 5 alongside No.2 Kuznetsova and then-No.4 Sharapova
- **Fed Cup play:** Represented Russia in all three of its winning ties in its victorious 2007 season; d. Llagostera Vives in 3s in 5-0 QF win over Spain; went 1-1 in 3-2 win over USA (d. King; l. to V.Williams) and d. Schiavone in 3s in Final win over Italy
- **Doubles:** Contested 10 doubles events in 2007, the highlight being consecutive runner-up finishes in the summer at Stanford and San Diego (both w/Azarenka)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Six-time Tour singles tittlist w/perfect 6-0 record in Tour singles finals, winning 2006 Guangzhou, 2006 Moscow, 2007 Hobart, 2007 's-Hertogenbosch, 2007 Cincinnati and 2007 Stanford; seven-time Tour singles semifinalist: 2005 New Haven, 2006 Warsaw, 2006 Montréal, 2007 Antwerp, 2007 Miami, 2007 San Diego and 2007 Tour Championships
- Best Grand Slam results have been SF finish at 2007 US Open and consecutive QF finishes at 2007 Australian Open and Roland Garros
- As No.175-ranked qualifier at 2004 US Open, in Grand Slam debut and second career Tour main draw, d. Schett 16 64 63 in 1r, then recorded career-best win in 2r vs. world No.3 and then-reigning Roland Garros champion Myskina 76(3) 63; in only her third Tour main draw match, was equal-second fastest to d. a Top 10 player alongside S.Williams (who d. No.7 Pierce in 1997 Chicago 2r); Andrea Leand is the fastest, scoring first Top 10 win in second Tour match
- Three-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 Beijing (w/Vesnina), 2007 Stanford, San Diego (both w/Azarenka)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, holds one singles title and one doubles title
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.theannachakvetadze.com
- Was girls' singles runner-up at 2003 Wimbledon (as qualifier; l. to Flipkens in 3s)
- Has 12 Top 10 victories in her young career (seven against fellow Russians):

TOURNAMENT/ROUND	PLAYER	RANKING	SCORE
2004 US Open 2r	Anastasia Myskina	No.3	76(3) 63
2006 San Diego 2r	Nadia Petrova	No.5	63 67(5) 62
2006 Montréal 2r	Nadia Petrova	No.6	61 64
2006 Moscow 1r	Dinara Safina	No.10	61 62
2006 Moscow SF	Elena Dementieva	No.7	75 36 60
2006 Moscow F	Nadia Petrova	No.5	64 64
2007 Australian Open 4r	Patty Schnyder	No.9	64 61
2007 Antwerp QF	Nadia Petrova	No.7	63 64
2007 's-Hertogenbosch SF	Daniela Hantuchova	No.10	63 64
2007 's-Hertogenbosch F	Jelena Jankovic	No.3	76(2) 36 63
2007 Tour Championships RR	Serena Williams	No.5	64 ret.
2007 Tour Championships RR	Jelena Jankovic	No.3	64 06 63

KIRILENKO FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making fourth main draw appearance (fifth overall); reached 3r twice, in 2006 (l. to top seed Davenport in 3s) and 2007 (l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova); reached 2r in 2006 (l. to Ivanovic); fell in qualifying in 2004

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Auckland

2008 SUMMARY

- Reached QF at Auckland (as No.2 seed, l. to No.6 seed Paszek)
- Withdrew from Hobart w/ left knee injury

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won (1): Kolkata; R-Up (1): Seoul; QF (2): San Diego, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by summer turnaround and fall win streak, capped by capturing singles title at Kolkata; had four Top 20 wins during season, over No.15 Peer (Tokyo [Pan Pacific]), No.3 Jankovic (San Diego; was second career Top 10 win), No.11 Bartoli (Los Angeles) and No.11 Hantuchova (Kolkata)
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slams were 3r at Australian Open (as No.26 seed, l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova) and US Open (d. No.22 seed Srebotnik en route; l. to Vakulenko), falling 2r at Roland Garros (l. to No.27 seed Stosur 75 third set) and Wimbledon (l. to LL Cornet)
- **Regular Tour season:** Won back-to-back matches twice in first 18 events of season, reaching 3r at Australian Open and Birmingham (l. to eventual champion Jankovic 36 63 75, having led 63 20); went 18-6 in next six events, a stretch highlighted by back-to-back QF at San Diego (d. No.2 seed Jankovic en route; l. to No.9 seed Dementieva) and Los Angeles (d. No.6 seed Bartoli en route; l. to No.3 seed and eventual champion Ivanovic) and nine-match win streak in fall that brought her second Tour singles title at Kolkata (as No.4 seed, d. No.2 seed Hantuchova in SF and Koryttseva in final) and runner-up finish at Seoul (as No.4 seed, l. to top seed V.Williams in 3s); 0-4 to end season with four straight 1r losses; ret. in Toronto 2r vs. Bartoli w/left tendon irritation and withdrew from Cincinnati w/right ankle injury.
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.30 and finished No.25
- **Doubles:** Won third career Tour doubles title at Doha (w/Hingis)
- **ITF Circuit:** Also won third career ITF Circuit singles title in December at \$75K ITF/Dubai 2-UAE

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Tour singles titlist, at 2005 Beijing (Tier II) and 2007 Kolkata (Tier III); two-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2004 Hyderabad (Tier IV; l. to Pratt) and 2007 Seoul (Tier IV; l. to V.Williams in 3s); also two-time semifinalist and 10-time quarterfinalist (incl. Tier I quarterfinals at 2006 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego)
- Has two Top 10 wins, over then-No.8 Petrova (2006 Dubai) and then-No.3 Jankovic (2007 San Diego)
- Made simultaneous debuts in Top 50 and Top 40 after Beijing title in September 2005 (rose from No.45 to No.28) then cracked Top 20 in June 2006 (after Roland Garros); dipped out of Top 40 in 2007 but has returned to No.26
- Three-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2004 Birmingham (w/Sharapova), 2005 Tokyo [Japan Open] (w/Dulko) and this year at Doha (w/Hingis); three-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Tier I Rome in 2005 (w/Medina Garrigues)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of two singles titles (one in 2003 and one in 2004)
- Russian Fed Cup Team, 2006

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.mariakirilenko.com
- Prior to 2006 Australian Open launched line of Stella McCartney-designed tennis attire, created especially for her
- Started playing at age 7 when father introduced her to the sport at Dinamo Moscow Central Stadium

[7] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA) vs. [26] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BEL)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

S.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	AZARENKA
26	Age	Scottsdale, Arizona
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	18
28	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,109,234	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$656,344
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$16,440
No.7	Current Singles Rank	No.25
No.1 (July 8, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.25 (January 14, 2008)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	3
35-5	Aus. Open W-L**	4-2
33	GS Attempts**	9
141-24	Career GS W-L**	11-8
1	2008 Events Played	3
2-0	2008 W-L	6-2
357-77	Career W-L	103-52
47-30	Career Tie-Break W-L	14-13
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
74-32	Career 3-Set W-L	23-20
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-1
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	Antonio Van Grichen
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

S.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance in this event; three-time champion winning the title last year (unseeded and ranked No.81, d. six seeds en route to title, incl. No.5 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (having trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic 63 62 in 4r, No.16 Peer 36 62 86 in QF, No.10 Vaidisova 76(5) 64 in SF and No.1 Sharapova 61 62 in final (becoming third-lowest ranked player in history to win a Grand Slam), 2005 (saved 3 mp in SF against Sharapova and d. Davenport in three-set final) and 2003 (d. Clijsters from 2 mp down in SF and sister Venus in 3s final) – the only player to have won two Grand Slam singles titles having saved mp en route; missed 2002 due to a sprained right ankle and 2004 due to rehabilitation from surgery to repair left knee quadriceps tendon; QF defeat in 2001 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.1 seed Hingis); only other defeats pre-QF defeats came in 1998 (on debut, l. to V.Williams in 2r), 1999 (l. to No.14 seed Testud 9-7 in third set in 3r), 2000 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Likhovteva in 4r) and 2006 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.17 Hantuchova in 3r)

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Australian Open, Miami; **R-Up (1):** Moscow; **QF (6):** Hobart, Rome, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** An incredible comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by seventh Grand Slam title at Australian Open and return to Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** A record-breaking run in Melbourne, collecting her eighth career Grand Slam singles title and third Australian Open; ranked No.81 (having just fallen in Tier IV Hobart QF the week before), d. world No.6 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic in 4r, No.17 Peer 86 third set in QF, No.12 Vaidisova in SF and top seed and world No.2 Sharapova 61 62 in final to become third lowest-ranked and only the second unseeded Grand Slam champion in the Open Era; it was Williams's first Tour final of any kind since winning 2005 Australian Open; thereafter, suffered an identical fate at the remaining three majors, falling in QF to Henin at Roland Garros, Wimbledon (l. in 3s while suffering from left thumb injury sustained in 4r win over Hantuchova) and US Open (held set point in first set)
- Regular Tour season:** In next event after winning Australian Open (WD from Bangalore due to illness) collected eighth career Tier I title, winning Miami for the loss of one set – d. world No.2 Sharapova 61 61 in 4r and No.1 Henin 06 75 63 in final (saved 2 mp at 5-4 second set); was sixth time in her career to d. world's Top 2 in same event; right groin strain forced retirement during Charleston opener vs. Chan and withdrawal from Berlin; after QF

finish in Rome in May (l. to Schnyder 76 third set), next Tour event was Stuttgart in October – her only three events in between were Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open – having withdrawn from Cincinnati, Stanford, San Diego and Los Angeles w/left thumb sprain sustained in Wimbledon 4r; during indoor season, reached QF at Stuttgart (l. to Kuznetsova) and final at Moscow (d. world No.2 Kuznetsova in SF; l. to Dementieva in 3s); before retiring in 1r of Zürich vs. Schnyder w/right adductor strain (trailed 60 30); at Tour Championships ret. During first RR match vs. Chakvetadze w/left knee injury and subsequently withdrew from tournament

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.95, having been restricted to four events in 2006 w/left knee injury; rose to No.81 after Hobart QF finish, then surged to No.14 two weeks later (January 29) after title run at Australian Open; moved to No.11 after Miami victory, then returned to Top 10 for first time since September 2005 after reaching Rome QF (May 21); edged up to No.5 on October 29 for first time in Top 5 since July 2005
- **Fed Cup:** Played first Fed Cup match since 2003, winning rubber vs. Maes in USA's 5-0 World Group I QF win over Belgium (pulled out of second match vs. Flipkens w/knee injury)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/V.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 28 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. eight Grand Slams (2003/2005/2007 Australian Open, 2002 Roland Garros, 2002/2003 Wimbledon and 1999/2002 US Open), 2001 Tour Championships and eight Tier Is (incl. 2007 Miami); also two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 US Open (l. to V.Williams) and 2004 Wimbledon (l. to Sharapova)
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Venus, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
- On July 8, 2002, became 11th woman (second African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 57 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000 (gold medalist in doubles w/V.Williams)
- Member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.serenawilliams.com; owns Aneres, a fashion design label (www.aneresdesigns.com)
- Williams is currently No.7 on the all-time list of prize money earners; below is a look at the Top 10 all-time prize money earners' list (as of January 14, 2008):

PLAYER	EARNINGS (US\$)
1. Steffi Graf (GER)	\$21,895,277
2. Lindsay Davenport (USA)	\$21,849,317
3. Martina Navratilova (USA)	\$21,626,089
4. Martina Hingis (SUI)	\$20,130,657
4. Justine Henin (BEL)	\$19,098,405
6. Venus Williams (USA)	\$18,173,781
7. Serena Williams (USA)	\$18,109,234
8. Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	\$16,942,640
9. Monica Seles (USA)	\$14,891,762
10. Kim Clijsters (BEL)	\$14,764,296

AZARENKA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making third straight appearance; in 2007 advanced to 3r (d. No.18 seed Bartoli; l. to No.11 seed Jankovic; 2006 fell in 1r (as qualifier, l. to No.32 seed Mirza)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: Runner-Up (1): Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Runner-up at Gold Coast (d. No.5 seed Peer en route, falling to Li in 3s; now 0-3 lifetime in Tour singles finals)
- Fell in 1r at Hobart (as No.5 seed, ret. vs. Govortsova w/ right abductor injury)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (2): Estoril, Tashkent; **SF (1):** Prague; **QF (3):** Los Angeles, Luxembourg, Moscow; **4r (1):** US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Breakthrough season highlighted by first two Tour singles finals and victories over Petrova and Sharapova
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached 4r at US Open (d. No.16 seed Hingis; l. to No.4 seed Kuznetsova); 3r twice at Australian Open (d. No.18 seed Bartoli; l. to No.11 seed Jankovic) and Wimbledon (d. No.21 seed Garbin; l. to No.14 seed Vaidisova); 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Knapp)
- **Regular Tour season:** Runner-up at Estoril (d. No.2 seed Schiavone and No.3 seed Safarova en route to final; l. to qualifier Arn 26 61 76(3), having held 2mp at 5-4 third set) and Tashkent (as top seed, l. to Parmentier 75 62, having led 4-1 and 5-3 w/3sp in first set); SF once, at Prague (d. No.5 seed Dechy en route; ret. vs. No.6 seed and eventual champion Morigami w/right hip strain); QF three times, at Los Angeles (l. to No.2 seed Jankovic in 3s), Luxembourg (d. No.3 seed Petrova en route; l. to Zvonareva 61 76(5) after holding sp at 6-5 second set) and Moscow (d. No.2 seed Sharapova 76(9) 62 en route to first Tier I QF, having saved 6sp in first set; l. to eventual champion Dementieva); wins over world No.8 Petrova (Luxembourg) and No.4 Sharapova (Moscow) were first two career Top 10 wins; reached 4r once at US Open (see above) and 3r four times, incl. Australian Open and Wimbledon (see above); fell 2r once, 1r four times and in qualifying once; withdrew from Budapest w/injury and from Strasbourg w/hip injury
- **Ranking:** After starting year at No.96 made several ranking breakthroughs – on May 14 (after Prague) rose from No.55 to No.49 (Top 50 debut), on August 13 (after Los Angeles) rose from No.42 to No.37 (Top 40 debut) and on October 15 (after Moscow) rose from No.32 to No.27 (Top 30 debut)
- **Doubles:** Impressive doubles results also, notching runner-up finishes at Stanford (w/Chakvetadze), San Diego (also w/Chakvetadze; d. Srebotnik/Sugiyama en route to final), Luxembourg (w/Peer) and Moscow (w/Poutchek), and winning third career ITF Circuit doubles title; began year No.124 in doubles but finished No.32; won first career Grand Slam title in US Open mixed doubles (w/Mirnyi)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2007 Estoril and 2007 Tashkent (see above); three-time semifinalist, at 2005 Guangzhou, 2006 Tashkent, 2007 Prague; also two-time quarterfinalist, at 2007 Los Angeles, 2007 Luxembourg
- Has four wins over Top 20 players: two in 2006 (Vaidisova, Myskina) and two so far in 2007 (Hingis, Petrova)
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2006 Tashkent (w/Poutchek); also four-time Tour doubles runner-up, at Memphis last year (w/Wozniacki), Stanford and San Diego this year (w/Chakvetadze) and Luxembourg last week (w/Peer)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles champion, at 2007 US Open (w/fellow Belarusian Mirnyi)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of one singles title (2005) and three doubles titles (one in 2003, one in 2005, one this year)
- Member of Belarusian Fed Cup Team, 2005

OTHER FACTS

- Originally from Minsk, but spends most of her time living and training in Scottsdale, Arizona now; is friends with NHL star Nikolay Khabibulin and his family, who also live in Scottsdale; has lived there approximately two years
- Speaks Belarusian, Russian, English; tennis player most admired growing up was Graf, now admires Federer
- Junior highlights include Grand Slam singles titles at 2005 Australian Open and 2005 US Open and Grand Slam doubles titles at 2004 Wimbledon (w/Havartsova), 2005 Roland Garros and 2005 Wimbledon (both w/Szavay)
- Earned ITF Junior World Girls' Champion 2005 award on June 6, 2006 at ITF World Champions Dinner ceremony at Pavillion d'Armenonville in Paris, for her many 2005 achievements

[8] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA) vs. [31] SANIA MIRZA (IND)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: V.Williams leads 1-0

2005 STANFORD HARD (O) R16 (2r) WILLIAMS, VENUS 6-3 6-2

V.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	MIRZA
27	Age	21
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	Hyderabad, India
36	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,173,781	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$961,938
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$4,015
No.8	Current Singles Rank	No.32
No.1 (February 25, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.27 (August 27, 2007)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
30-8	Aus. Open W-L**	6-3
40	GS Attempts**	13
161-33	Career GS W-L**	15-12
1	2008 Events Played	2
2-0	2008 W-L	4-1
477-110	Career W-L	183-84
70-41	Career Tie-Break W-L	28-21
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
87-47	Career 3-Set W-L	42-37
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-1
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	Father, Imran
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

V.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making her eighth appearance since 1998, missing only 2000 due to tendonitis in both wrists; best result was runner-up in 2003 (as No.2 seed, d No.7 Hantuchova in QF, No.5 Henin in SF, before l. to No.1 S.Williams); SF in 2001 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.1 Hingis) and QF in 1998 (on debut, d. S.Williams in 2r, before l. to No.2 seed Davenport), 1999 (as No.5 seed, l. to No.1 Davenport) and 2002 (as No.2 seed, l. to No.8 Seles); past three appearances have seen 3r exit in 2004 (l. to Raymond), 4r in 2005 (l. to Molik) and 2006 (l. to Pironkova); withdrew from 2007 event w/left wrist injury

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Memphis, Wimbledon, Seoul; **R-Up (1):** Tokyo [Japan Open]; **SF (3):** Charleston, US Open, Bangkok; **QF (3):** Amelia Island, Warsaw, San Diego

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Sensational comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by spectacular Wimbledon title run and subsequent return to Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** Victorious run at All England club included four consecutive straight set victories over No.2 seed Sharapova in 4r, No.5 seed Kuznetsova in QF, No.6 seed Ivanovic in SF and No.18 seed Bartoli in final; was her fourth Wimbledon title (fourth woman in Open Era to win that many, after King, Navratilova and Graf); wins over world No.2 Sharapova and world No.5 Kuznetsova were first Top 5 victories since her Wimbledon title two years earlier; was also lowest-ranked player (No.31) ever to win Wimbledon (breaking her own record from two years earlier); afterwards, rose from No.31 to No.17, her first Top 20 ranking since the 2006 Wimbledon fortnight (when she was defending champion); impressive SF run at US Open (as No.12 seed d. No.5 seed Ivanovic in 4r, No.3 Jankovic in QF before falling to eventual champion and No.1 Henin); 3r finish at Roland Garros (as No.26 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic in 3s); withdrew from Australian Open w/left wrist injury
- Regular Tour season:** Also captured 34th and 36th career Tour singles titles (Wimbledon was her 35th) at Memphis (as No.7 seed, d. top seed Peer 61 61 in final in first event of season, having missed Australian swing w/continued left wrist injury) and in Seoul (as No.1 seed d. No.4 Kirilenko in final); finished runner-up in Tokyo

[Japan Open] (as No.1 seed, l. to No.5 Razzano 64 in third set having held three mp in second set tie-break); SF runs at Charleston (l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Jankovic 76 third set) and Bangkok (as No.2 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 64 76(8), having help sp at 6-5 second set); QF finishes on three occasions at Amelia Island (d. No.4 seed Schnyder; l. to No.8 seed and eventual champion Golovin), Warsaw (d. No.7 seed Dementieva; l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova 36 63 64 having led 4-2 third set) and San Diego (as No.10 seed, d. No.6 seed Hantuchova; l. to No.3 seed Chakvetadze 67(5) 76(3) 62, having led 5-3 second set w/mp); fell prior to QF two other times, at Miami (l. to top seed Sharapova 75 third set in 3r) and Istanbul (as No.4 seed, upset by Rezaï in 2r)

- **Ranking:** Having begun season at No.46, dipped to No.54 on February 19 but bounced back into Top 50 immediately on February 26 (after Memphis; rose from No.54 to No.38); returned to Top 20 on July 9 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.31 to No.17) and back into Top 10 on September 10 (after US Open; rose from No.14 to No.9); reached season-high No.8 on October 1 (after Seoul; rose from No.9 to No.8)
- **Fed Cup play:** Impressive 4-1 record, including 2-0 in USA's 5-0 World Group I 1r victory over Belgium (d. Wickmayer, Flipkens) and 2-1 during USA's 3-2 World Group I SF loss to Russia (d. Chakvetadze, Petrova; w/Raymond, l. to Petrova/Vesnina in deciding rubber)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/S.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 36 Tour singles titles, incl. six majors (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007 Wimbledon and 2000, 2001 US Open), one Olympic gold medal (2000 Sydney) and six Tier Is (fourth among active players); also six-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 1997 US Open, 2002 Roland Garros/Wimbledon/US Open and 2003 Australian Open/Wimbledon
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Serena, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Australian Open/Roland Garros (both w/Gimelstob)
- On February 25, 2002, became 10th woman (first African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 11 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000, 2004; member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003-2005 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com
- Owns V Starr Interiors, an interior design company specializing in residential design (www.vstarrinteriors.com) On August 23, 2007 unveiled new clothing range 'EleVen' which will be sold in Steve & Barry stores in America Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com

MIRZA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making fourth tournament appearance; best result came in 2005, reaching 3r (l. to No.7 seed S.Williams); advanced to 2r twice, in 2006 (as No.32 seed, l. to Krajicek) and 2007 (l. to Nakamura)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Hobart

2008 SUMMARY

- Reached QF at Hobart (as No.6 seed, l. to Pennetta in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-up (1): Stanford; **SF (3):** Hobart, Pattaya City, Cincinnati; **QF (3):** Bangalore, San Diego, Tokyo [Japan Open]

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Strong start to season followed by two-month lay-off due to knee surgery, but compiled breakthrough results during second half of season; notched five Top 20 wins during summer, over No.19 Golovin and No.17 Schnyder (Stanford), No.18 Peer and No.14 Safina (San Diego) and No.12 Hingis (Los Angeles)
- **Grand Slam play:** Best result was 3r at US Open (as No.26 seed, l. to No.3 seed Chakvetadze); 2r at Australian Open (l. to Nakamura); 2r losses at Roland Garros (l. to No.7 seed Ivanovic) and Wimbledon (l. to No.11 seed Petrova)
- **Regular Tour season:** Went 10-4 to start, reaching SF at Hobart (as WC; l. to top seed and eventual champion Chakvetadze) and Pattaya City (as No.5 seed, l. to No.6 seed Dulko), QF at Bangalore (as No.2 seed, l. to eventual champion Shvedova in 3s) and 2r at Australian Open (l. to Nakamura) and Doha (withdrew before match vs. K.Bondarenko w/right knee injury); underwent right knee surgery on March 2 and withdrew from Indian Wells, Miami, Amelia Island and Berlin (missing 10 weeks in total); struggled upon return with 3-6 record, incl. 2r losses at Roland Garros (l. to No.7 seed Ivanovic) and at Wimbledon (l. to No.11 seed Petrova); went 15-6 during summer hardcourt season, reaching SF at Cincinnati (as No.3 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion

Chakvetadze in 3s), final at Stanford (d. No.6 seed Golovin, No.4 seed Schnyder and No.8 seed Bammer to reach first Tier II final; l. to top seed Chakvetadze), QF at San Diego (d. No.12 seed Peer and No.8 seed Safina to reach first Tier I QF; l. to top seed and eventual champion Sharapova), 3r at Los Angeles (d. No.7 seed Hingis; l. to Razzano), 2r at New Haven (l. to No.8 seed A.Bondarenko) and 3r at US Open (as No.26 seed, l. to No.3 seed Chakvetadze); in fall, withdrew from Kolkata and Seoul w/right wrist sprain then reached one more QF at Tokyo [Japan Open] (as No.2 seed, l. to No.8 seed Pennetta) and fell 1r at Moscow and Zürich, then withdrew from Linz and Québec City w/abdominal strain; withdrew from Toronto w/personal reasons.

- **Ranking:** Having dipped as low as No.70 in time since, returned to her 2005 career-high of No.31 on July 30 (after Stanford), then one week later on August 6 rose to No.30 (Top 30 debut); in doubles, on August 27, rose to No.20 (career doubles Top 20 debut)
- **Doubles:** Stellar year in doubles as well, winning fourth through seventh career Tour doubles titles, and all with different partners: Fes (w/King), Cincinnati (w/Mattek), Stanford (w/Peer) and New Haven (w/Santangelo)

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Tour singles titlist at 2005 Hyderabad; two-time runner-up at 2005 Forest Hills (l. to Safarova) and Stanford (see above); five-time semifinalist, at 2005 Tokyo [Japan Open], 2006 Kolkata, and 2007 Pattaya City, Hobart, Cincinnati
- Owns three career Top 10 victories, two in 2005 (Kuznetsova and Petrova) and one in 2006 (Hingis)
- Seven-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2004 Hyderabad, 2006 Bangalore and 2006 Kolkata (all w/Huber), and four in 2007 at Fes (w/King), Cincinnati (w/Mattek), Stanford (w/Peer) and New Haven (w/Santangelo); is 7-4 lifetime in Tour doubles finals (four-time runner-up)
- Holds many firsts for India; first Tour singles titlist at 2005 Hyderabad, first to reach Tour Singles Rankings Top 50, youngest-ever male or female titlist (2004 Hyderabad doubles), first woman in Grand Slam 4r (2005 US Open)
- On ITF Circuit, owns 12 singles titles (six in 2004, three in 2003, three in 2002) and four doubles titles

OTHER FACTS

- Huge celebrity in Asia; the centre court in her hometown of Hyderabad, where she won her first Tour singles title in February 2005, was overflowing with fans, full to capacity; has been featured on cover of Asia's Time magazine
- One of two Indian women ranked in Top 200 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Singles Rankings (as of January 14, 2008) along with Sunitha Rao (No.193)
- At Stars for Stars awards gala on March 21, 2006, won Newcomer of the Year Award

[9] DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK) vs. VIRGINIA RUANO PASCUAL (ESP)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

HANTUCHOVA	Quick Facts	RUANO PASCUAL
24	Age	34
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Madrid, Spain
3	Career Tour Singles Titles	3
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$5,334,366	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$4,967,988
\$7,470	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,765
No.9	Current Singles Rank	No.82
No.5 (January 27, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.28 (April 12, 1999)
8	Aus. Open Attempts**	14
17-7	Aus. Open W-L**	14-13
29	GS Attempts**	52
56-28	Career GS W-L**	47-51
2	2008 Events Played	1
3-1	2008 W-L	2-0
323-193	Career W-L	382-324
76-48	Career Tie-Break W-L	66-56
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
107-64	Career 3-Set W-L	115-116
1-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
None	Coach	Gabriel Urpi
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HANTUCHOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth straight appearance, seventh in main draw; best result was QF in 2003 (l. to world No.2 V.Williams); 4r in 2007 (as No.15 seed, l. to No.4 seed Clijsters) and 2006 (l. to world No.4 Sharapova); 3r twice – 2002 (l. to V.Williams 36 60 64) and 2005 (l. to world No.6 Dementieva 75 57 64); 2r in 2004 (l. to Australia's Molik); l. in 1r in 2001 in main draw debut to world No.8 Kournikova; failed to qualify in 2000

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney 2r; as No.6 seed l. to Vaidisova

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Indian Wells, Linz; **R-Up (2):** Bali, Luxembourg; **SF (5):** Doha, Rome, 's-Hertogenbosch, Stanford, Kolkata; **QF (3):** Dubai, Amelia Island, Birmingham

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Impressive return to top-flight play, winning two titles and once again a regular in the world's Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** Unable to break back into last eight (which she achieved at three consecutive majors in 2002-03), but reached 4r twice and 3r once; 4r for second straight year at both Australian Open (d. Harkleroad 67(6) 75 63 in 3r after trailing 5-2 second set; l. to Clijsters) and Wimbledon (l. to S.Williams in dramatic three-set encounter, 62 67(2) 62, halted by rain at end of second set while Williams was struggling with cramp; match resumed later that day with Williams taking final set); seeded No.12 at Roland Garros, upset in 3r by Medina Garrigues 46 76(2) 75; also suffered surprise loss at US Open as No.9 seed, falling in 1r to Vakulenko in 3s, her first opening-match loss in New York in six years
- Regular Tour season:** Her four finals appearances were a career-best, winning titles at Indian Wells (her second title there and in her career; d. world No.6 Hingis in 4r and No.4 Kuznetsova in final) and Linz (d. Schnyder in final); Linz victory saw her qualify for Sony Ericsson Championships tied in eighth place with Sharapova (the tie-break went in Hantuchova's favor, who played more tournaments this season than Sharapova, 26 to 12); strong end to the season also included runner-up finishes at Bali (l. to Davenport in 3s) and Luxembourg (l. to Ivanovic in 3s); posted five SF finishes – Doha (d. world No.6 Hingis; l. to Kuznetsova), Rome (l. to Kuznetsova), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to eventual champion Chakvetadze), Stanford (l. to Chakvetadze) and Kolkata (l. to Kirilenko)
- Ranking:** Started season ranked No.17, dipping to No.19 in February; rose to No.12 after Indian Wells victory (March 19); after reaching Birmingham QF (l. to Bartoli), rose from No.13 to No.10 (June 18), her first time in Top 10 since September 2003; also spent parts of July and August at No.10 and began current stint in Top 10 on September 24, rising to No.9 on October 8
- Fed Cup play:** Represented Slovakia in World Group II QF loss to Czech Republic (0-2 in singles; l. to Safarova

and Vaidisova, both in 3s) and World Group II Playoff victory over Serbia (2-0 in singles; d. Timotic and Lukic)

- **Doubles:** Contested 11 doubles events in 2007, reaching three SF – Dubai (w/Sugiyama), Miami (w/Hingis) and Bali (w/Davenport)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion at 2002 Indian Wells (d. Hingis in final), 2007 Indian Wells (d. Kuznetsova in final) and 2007 Linz (d. Schnyder in final); six-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2002 Filderstadt, 2004 Eastbourne, 2005 Los Angeles, 2006 Zürich, 2007 Bali and 2007 Luxembourg; also 16-time Tour singles semifinalist as well as three-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist (2002 Wimbledon, 2002 US Open, 2003 Australian Open)
- Eight-time Tour doubles titlist (last three w/Sugiyama); nine-time Tour doubles runner-up (incl. two Grand Slams)
- Holds four career Top 5 wins, all over world No.4 players (0-21 against rest of Top 5): Hingis-2002 Indian Wells; Mauresmo-2004 Eastbourne; Kuznetsova-2006 Zurich; Kuznetsova-2007 Indian Wells)
- Owns career Grand Slam in mixed doubles (2001 Wimbledon, 2002 Australian, 2005 Roland Garros and US Open; all with different partners); just second woman in Open Era (after Navratilova) and fourth all-time (also Court, King)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of three singles titles (two in 1999, one in 2000) and one doubles title
- Member of Slovak Fed Cup Team 1999-2003, 2007 (incl. title-winning 2002 team) and 2004 Olympic Team

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.dhantuchova.com
- Alongside Ivanovic, featured in Sony Ericsson's "Never Miss A Shot" TV commercial, launched in July 2006
- Father, Igor, is a computer scientist; mother, Marianna, is a toxicologist; older brother, Igor, is architect working in Bratislava; qualified for top university in Slovakia but deferred it to pursue professional tennis career
- Trained at Bollettieri Academy between ages 16 and 18; formerly coached by Nigel Sears; not currently working with one coach, but travels with various coaches from Casal/Sánchez Academy in Barcelona, Spain

RUANO PASCUAL FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making 14th appearance; best result was QF finish in 2003 (l. to No.5 seed Henin); 4r once, in 2006 (fourth career Grand Slam second week; l. to No.8 seed Henin; notched seventh career Top 20 win over No.18 Likhovtseva in 2r); reached 3r in 2001 (l. to No.12 seed Capriati); 2r four times, incl. 2007 (l. to Jankovic) and 1r five times

2008 SUMMARY

- Captured 39th career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour doubles title at Hobart (w/Medina Garrigues)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Guangzhou; **3r (1):** Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Twelfth career Top 100 singles finish (all in last 13 years) in season highlighted by 25th Tour singles QF of career (see below)
- **Grand Slam play:** Only 3r finish of season came at Wimbledon (d. No.22 seed Medina Garrigues en route; l. to No.11 seed Petrova); 2r at Australian Open (l. to No.11 seed Jankovic); 1r at US Open (l. to Bondarenko) and fell in qualifying at Roland Garros (had played 26 straight Grand Slam main draws beforehand)
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached 25th Tour singles QF of career at Guangzhou (d. No.6 seed Govortsova en route; l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Razzano); reached 3r once, at Wimbledon (d. No.22 seed Medina Garrigues en route; l. to No.11 seed Petrova); reached 2r seven times, incl. Australian Open (l. to No.11 seed Jankovic); fell 1r five times, incl. US Open (l. to K.Bondarenko) and Charleston (ret. vs. Schiavone w/low back injury); fell in qualifying four times
- **Ranking:** Started the season ranked No.67 and finished No.81 in singles
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 1-0 in Spain's 4-1 Fed Cup World Group Play-off win over Czech Republic (in doubles w/Llagostera Vives)
- **Doubles:** Reached four doubles finals w/Medina Garrigues, winning 38th career Tour doubles title at Stockholm; played w/Suárez at Australian Open, Indian Wells and Miami (2-3 record), their last three events together (Suárez retired from Tour after US Open)



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- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist (2003 Tashkent, 1998 Budapest, 1997 Cardiff); five-time semifinalist, incl. 2006 Seoul, 2005 Pattaya City; 2002 Brussels; 2000 Madrid; 1997 Warsaw); and 17-time quarterfinalist
- Captured 39 titles at Tour doubles events, incl. 2008 Hobart (w/Medina Garrigues)
- Owns four ITF Circuit singles titles and 10 doubles

OTHER FACTS

- Omitted hyphen between family names in 1998
- Father, Juan Manuel, works for Iberia Airlines; mother, Virginia, is a housewife; brother, Juan Ramón, is a tennis pro at a club; sister, Marbella, works in administration
- Hobbies include watching sports (especially handball) and going to movies
- Named Tour Doubles Team of the Year and ITF World Doubles Champions (all w/Suárez) for three straight years (2002-04); also w/Suárez, received Premio Consagración Clarín al Mérito Deportivo 2003, an award presented to Argentine athletes for their achievements.
- In 1993, helped Spain recapture the Fed Cup title and defend it in 1994.

[11] ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS) vs. [17] SHAHAR PEER (ISR)
HEAD-TO-HEAD: Dementieva leads 2-1

2006	FRENCH OPEN	CLAY (O)	R32 (3r)	PEER, SHAHAR	6-4 7-5
2006	LOS ANGELES	HARD (O)	R16 (3r)	DEMENTIEVA, ELENA	7-5 6-3
2006	MOSCOW	CARPET (I)	R16 (2r)	DEMENTIEVA, ELENA	4-6 7-6(4) 6-3

DEMENTIEVA	Quick Facts	PEER
26	Age	20
Moscow, Russia	Residence	Macabim, Israel
8	Career Tour Singles Titles	3
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$8,679,912	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,556,442
\$3,950	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$15,795
No.11	Current Singles Rank	No.17
No.4 (October 25, 2004)	Highest Singles Rank	No.15 (January 29, 2007)
10	Aus. Open Attempts**	3
16-9	Aus. Open W-L**	6-2
37	GS Attempts**	12
82-35	Career GS W-L**	27-11
2	2008 Events Played	3
2-1	2008 W-L	6-2
426-221	Career W-L	194-84
84-54	Career Tie-Break W-L	31-25
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
135-87	Career 3-Set W-L	52-30
1-0	2008 3-Set W-L	3-0
Mother, Vera Dementieva	Coach	Oded Teig (Israel) / Jose Higuera (Palm Springs USA)
	<small>* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw</small>	

DEMENTIEVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Tenth straight appearance; best results were 4r finishes in 2002 (l. to world No.8 Henin), 2005 (as world No.6, l. to world No.14 Schnyder 67(6) 76(4) 62) after leading 4-0 second set and 2007 (as No.7 seed, l. to No.10 Vaidisova); 3r twice – 2000 (l. to Halar-Decugis 36 64 62) and 2001 (l. to Bedanova 26 76(5) 63); 2r in 1999 as qualifier (event debut, l. to world No.2 and eventual champion Hingis); l. in 1r in 2003 (as No.17 seed, l. to Schwartz in 3s), 2004 (as No.7 seed, l. to Jankovic) and 2006 (as No.9 seed, l. to Schruff)

2008 SUMMARY

- Made disappointing start to 2008 with 1r defeat at Sydney; as No.8 seed l. to Arvidsson

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Istanbul, Moscow; **SF (3):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], San Diego, New Haven; **QF (5):** Rome, Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Solid if unspectacular season, highlighted by seventh and eighth career Tour singles titles
- **Grand Slam play:** Best result was third career 4r finish at Australian Open as No.7 seed (l. to eventual semifinalist Vaidisova); beaten in 3r at other three majors – Roland Garros (l. to Bartoli), Wimbledon (l. to Paszek in 3s) and US Open (l. to Bammer)
- **Regular Tour season:** For second straight season collected two Tour singles titles – her victories at Istanbul (d. Rezaei in final) and on home soil at Tier I Moscow (d. S.Williams 57 61 61 in final) brought career tally to eight; her victory in Moscow was her first at the event, in her 11th consecutive attempt (competing every year since 1997) and in her third final (runner-up in 2001 and 2004); became the third different Russian champion there from the past four years; also semifinalist at Tier Is at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (l. to eventual champion Hingis in reverse result from 2006 final) and San Diego (l. to Schnyder) and Tier II at New Haven (ret. vs. Kuznetsova w/nausea); five-time quarterfinalist, once at a Tier I (Rome) and four times at Tier II (Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart); fell prior to QF on six occasions at Sydney (as No.6 seed, l. to Li in 2r), Antwerp (as No.4 seed, ret. vs. Likhovtseva w/right rib stress fracture in 2r), Warsaw (as No.10 seed, l. to V.Williams in 2r), Berlin (as No.10 seed, l. to No.7 seed Petrova in 3r), Toronto (as No.8 seed, after 1r bye l. to Schiavone in 2r) and Zürich (ret. vs. Schiavone w/left

adductor strain)

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.8, where she remained until March 19, when she fell to No.10; on April 2 fell to No.12, first time outside Top 10 since September 2003; fell as low as No.17 on August 13, but returned to No.10 (rising from No.14) after Moscow victory (October 15); currently at No.11
- **Doubles:** Went 6-4 in five doubles events, the highlight being 3r finish at Australian Open (w/Pennetta)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Eight-time Tour singles titlist, at 2003 Amelia Island, 2003 Bali, 2003 Shanghai, 2004 Hasselt, 2006 Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (first Tier I), 2006 Los Angeles, 2007 Istanbul and 2007 Moscow; 11-time runner-up, incl. majors at 2004 Roland Garros (l. to Myskina) and 2004 US Open (l. to Kuznetsova) and five Tier I events, as well as 2000 Olympics (l. to V.Williams)
- Six-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2002 Tour Championships, Berlin, San Diego and Moscow (all w/Husarova), 2003 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Krasnoroutskaya) and 2005 Los Angeles (w/Pennetta); seven-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Grand Slams at 2002 US Open (w/Husarova) and 2005 US Open (w/Pennetta)
- Has been Top 5 in both singles (career-high No.4 in October 2004) and doubles (career-high No.5 in April 2003)
- Has two wins over reigning No.1s, at 2001 Moscow (in QF vs. Hingis) and 2005 US Open (in QF vs. Davenport)
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2001-03, 2005 (undefeated in 2005 final vs. France, winning both singles rubbers, doubles rubber) and 2006; Russian Olympic Team in 2000 (silver medal in singles) and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is <http://eng.dementieva.ru>
- Only player to qualify and compete in season-ending Tour Champions in every year between 2000 and 2006
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2000; also Russia's 2001 Female of the Year Award
- In junior competition, won Orange Bowl U16s in 1996 and reached SF at junior Roland Garros that same year
- Father, Viatcheslav, is an electrical engineer; mother, Vera, was a school teacher but is now her coach; has one older brother, Vsevolod; entire family plays tennis

PEER FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making third main draw appearance (fourth overall); in 2007 advanced to QF (as No.16 seed, d. No.20 Golovin 36 75 75 in 3r, saving mp down 5-4 third set, then d. No.3 seed Kuznetsova in 4r; l. to eventual champion S.Williams 86 third set); at main draw debut in 2006, fell in 1r (l. to Asagoe); fell in qualifying in 2005

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Reached SF at Gold Coast (as No.5 seed, saved 5mp t o d. No.3 seed Safina 46 61 76(8) in QF before falling to Azarenka
- 2r at Sydney (l. to No.2 seed Kuznetsova)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Memphis; **SF (2):** Gold Coast, Miami; **QF (6):** Sydney, Australian Open, Indian Wells, Eastbourne, US Open, Bangkok; **4r (1):** Roland Garros

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Second straight Top 20 finish in season highlighted by fourth Tour singles final and first two Grand Slam QF; surpassed \$1 million in career prize money
- **Grand Slam play:** Australian Open (as No.16 seed, d. No.20 seed Golovin 36 75 75 in 3r, saving mp down 5-4 third set, then d. No.3 seed Kuznetsova in 4r; l. to eventual champion S.Williams 86 third set) and US Open (as No.18 seed, d. No.13 seed Vaidisova en route; l. to No.6 seed Chakvetadze); were first two Grand Slam QF of career; 4r at Roland Garros (as No.15 seed, l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova) and 3r at Wimbledon (as No.16 seed, l. to No.18 seed and eventual finalist Bartoli)
- **Regular Tour season:** Runner-up at Memphis (as top seed, l. to No.7 seed V.Williams in final); SF twice, at Gold Coast (as No.5 seed, d. No.3 seed Ivanovic en route; l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Safina 46 76(1) 61, having led 5-1 second set) and Miami (as No.14 seed, d. No.3 seed Kuznetsova en route to first Tier I SF; l. to No.13 seed and eventual champion S.Williams); QF six times, incl. Australian Open and US Open (see details for both above); other four QF came at Sydney (d. Schnyder; l. to Clijsters), Indian Wells (d. Chakvetadze; l. to Hantuchova 76 third set), Eastbourne (l. to Mauresmo) and Bangkok (l. to Pennetta in 3s); wins over world No.9 Schnyder (Sydney), No.4 Kuznetsova (Australian Open) and No.3 Kuznetsova (Miami) were second, third and fourth career Top 10 wins; had 13 pre-QF losses; withdrew from Amelia Island w/left plantar fasciitis and from Linz w/left wrist tendonitis.



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- **Ranking:** January 29 (after Australian Open), rose from No.17 to No.15, equal-highest ranking ever for an Israeli woman (also Smashnova); finished season No.17
- **Fed Cup play:** 5-1 overall in Fed Cup play, going 2-1 during Israel's World Group II win over Canada and 3-0 during World Group I Play-off win over Austria
- **Doubles:** Won third career Tour doubles title at Stanford (w/Mirza)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion at Pattaya City, Prague, Istanbul (all 2006)
- One-time runner-up at Memphis in 2007
- Three-time semifinalist at 2006 Canberra and 2007 Gold Coast and Miami
- Ten-time quarterfinalist, incl. 2007 Australian Open and US Open
- Two-time Tour doubles champion at 2006 Prague (w/Bartoli) and Stanford (w/Groenefeld)
- Has three Top 10 wins to date, against Dementieva (2006) and Schnyder and Kuznetsova (both in 2007)
- Girls' singles champion at 2004 Australian Open
- Member of Israeli Fed Cup Team 2002-2005, 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis as a six-year-old
- Commenced mandatory Israeli Army military training in November 2005
- Top-ranked of two Israeli players in Top 100 (as of October 8, 2007); next highest is No.87 Obziler

[12] NICOLE VAIDISOVA (CZE) vs. AI SUGIYAMA (JPN)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Sugiyama leads 1-0

2006 BEIJING HARD (O) R16 (2r) SUGIYAMA, AI 6-4 1-6 6-3

VAIDISOVA	Quick Facts	SUGIYAMA
18	Age	32
Prague, Czech Republic	Residence	Kanagawa, Japan
6	Career Tour Singles Titles	6
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$2,125,248	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$6,897,466
\$31,075	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$4,115
No.12	Current Singles Rank	No.41
No.7 (May 14, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.8 (February 9, 2004)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	14
12-3	Aus. Open W-L**	17-13
14	GS Attempts**	56
38-13	Career GS W-L**	75-55
3	2008 Events Played	3
7-2	2008 W-L	2-2
166-55	Career W-L	457-373
24-24	Career Tie-Break W-L	84-85
0-1	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
50-17	Career 3-Set W-L	152-137
3-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Stepfather, Alex Kodat	Coach	Mother, Fusako Sugiyama
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

VAIDISOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best showing was SF run last year (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 Dementieva in 4r, l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64); reached 4r in 2006 (l. to world No.3 and eventual champion Mauresmo); reached 3r in 2005 (unseeded, l. to world No.1 and eventual runner-up Davenport)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Sydney; QF (1): Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Made promising start to season with SF run at Sydney (d. No.6 seed Hantuchova in 2r, No.3 Jankovic in QF, before l. to Kuznetsova 75 76(4)) and QF finish at Gold Coast (as No.1 seed, l. to eventual champion N.Li)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (4): Sydney, Australian Open, Zurich, Linz; QF (6): Indian Wells, Miami, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Wimbledon, Moscow

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Third straight Top 20 finish after consistent season, marred somewhat by illness and injury
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached second career Grand Slam semifinal at Australian Open (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 seed Dementieva en route to second career Grand Slam SF; l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64, having held sp at 5-4 first set); reached QF at both Roland Garros (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic) and Wimbledon (as No.14 seed, upset No.4 seed and defending champion Mauresmo en route; l. to No.6 seed Ivanovic 46 62 75, having led 5-3 third set w/3mp at 5-4); made return from viral illness at US Open and suffered slightly disappointing 3r defeat (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set)
- **Regular Tour season:** QF or better at 10 of 14 events (incl. majors), with SF finishes at Sydney (as No.8 seed, l. to Jankovic in 3s), Zürich (unseeded, d. No.3 seed Jankovic en route; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin in 3s) and Linz (as No.5 seed, l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Hantuchova 26 62 76(3), having led 4-1 third set and holding mp at 6-5); reached the QF at Indian Wells (as No.6 seed, l. to No.2 seed Kuznetsova), Miami (as No.8 seed, l. to No.13 seed and eventual champion S.Williams), Eastbourne (as No.5 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin) and Moscow (as No.8 seed, l. to No.4 seed S.Williams 64 76(7), having held sp at 6-5 second set); Wins over world No.8 Dementieva (Australian Open), No.4 Mauresmo (Wimbledon) and No.3 Jankovic (Zürich) were her fifth, sixth and seventh career Top 10 wins; Suffered only four pre-QF losses, at Paris [Indoors] (as No.5 seed, l. 2r to Safarova), Charleston (as top seed, l. 2r to WC Krajicek in 3s after 1r bye), US Open (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set) and Québec City in final week of year (as top seed, ret. during 1r match vs. Voracova w/right wrist injury); Missed most of European clay court season w/right wrist

injury (withdrew from Berlin, Rome, Strasbourg) and summer hardcourt season w/viral illness (withdrew from San Diego, Los Angeles, Toronto); also withdrew from Stuttgart w/left hamstring injury; Surpassed \$2 million in career prize money during season

- **Ranking:** After briefly exiting the Top 10 at the beginning of the year, broke back in at No.9 after Australian Open run; achieved new career-high on May 28 (before Roland Garros) rising from No.8 to No.7; was in and out of Top 10 during early months of summer before falling out for good due to inactivity during summer hardcourt swing
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 2-0 in Czech Republic's 5-0 World Group II 1r win vs. Slovak Republic (d. Hantuchova, Cibulkova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Six-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at 2004 Vancouver and Tashkent, 2005 Seoul, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bangkok and most recently 2006 Strasbourg; one-time Tour singles runner-up at 2005 Istanbul (l. to V.Williams); 10-time semifinalist, incl. Grand Slams at 2006 Roland Garros (l. to Kuznetsova) and 2007 Australian Open (l. to S.Williams)
- Only sixth woman to win five Tour singles titles before 17th birthday (after Austin, Jaeger, Seles, Capriati, Hingis)
- Six Top 10 wins: two in 2005 (Myskina, Petrova), two in 2006 (Mauresmo twice) and two in 2007 (Dementieva, Mauresmo); wins over Mauresmo in 2006 were first two career wins over reigning world No.1 players
- One-time Tour doubles semifinalist, at 2005 Philadelphia (w/Canada's Drake)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, two-time singles titlist (one in 2003 and one in 2004)
- Member of Czech Fed Cup Team, 2004-07

OTHER FACTS

- In Reebok's 2005 "I Am What I Am" campaign; also signed with Citizen Eco-Drive and PlayPumps International in 2007
- Lived in Germany until age 6;
- Trained at Nick Bollettieri Academy in Bradenton, FL, USA
- Biggest weapons are serve and groundstrokes

SUGIYAMA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making 14th straight Australian Open main draw appearance and 55th straight Grand Slam appearance; previous-best Australian Open result was QF finish in 2000 (unseeded, d. No.4 seed Pierce before l. to Capriati); 4r once – in 1998 (as No.16 seed, l. to No.7 seed Sanchez-Vicario); 3r twice (1996, 2002); l. in 2r four times (1997, 2003-04, 2007) and l. in 1r 5 times (1995 – main draw debut, 2001, 2005-06); failed to qualify in 1991, 1993-94

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell 1r at Gold Coast (l. to Azarenka); fell in Sydney qualifying

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Tokyo [Pan Pacific]; **4r (1):** Indian Wells; **3r (3):** Miami, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, San Diego

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Fourteenth straight Top 100 finish (12th straight Top 40 finish) in season highlighted by QF at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific]
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slam runs were 3r at Roland Garros (as No.21 seed, l. to No.9 seed Chakvetadze) and Wimbledon (as No.26 seed, l. to No.2 seed Sharapova); l. in 2r at Australian Open and US Open
- **Regular Tour season:** Best singles result was QF at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (l. to top seed Sharapova in 3s); reached 4r at Tier I Indian Wells (l. to No.2 seed Kuznetsova); reached 3r at Tier I events in Miami (l. to No.10 seed Safina) and San Diego (l. to No.3 seed Chakvetadze); l. in 2r six times and 1r nine times incl. ret. in Doha vs. Molik w/right toe injury
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.26; finished season at No.39
- **Doubles:** Excellent year in doubles, playing predominantly w/Srebotnik after forming partnership in Miami; best results were runner-up finishes at Roland Garros (as No.7 seeds, d. top seeds Raymond/Stosur in SF; l. to No.17 seeds Molik/Santangelo) and Wimbledon (as No.4 seeds, d. top seeds Raymond/Stosur in SF; l. to No.2 seeds Black/Huber), reaching SF at Stanford and San Diego, winning title at Toronto (d. Molik/Santangelo in SF and Black/Huber in final) and finishing runners-up at Linz (l. to Black/Huber); became third team to qualify for Tour Championships, finishing runners-up (as No.2 seeds, l. to top seeds Black/Huber); won fourth ITF Circuit doubles title at \$50K ITF/Gifu-JPN (w/Morita)
- **Fed Cup:** Went 0-3 in Japan's 5-0 Fed Cup World Group I loss to France

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of six Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, most recently at 2004 Gold Coast (d. Petrova in final)
- Reached Grand Slam QF at 2000 Australian Open (l. to Capriati) and 2005 Wimbledon (l. to Sharapova in 3s)



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- A former No.1 in doubles, winner of 33 Tour doubles titles, incl. three majors, 2003 Roland Garros/Wimbledon (both w/Clijsters) and 2000 US Open (w/Halard-Decugis); also won 1999 US Open mixed doubles (w/Bhupathi)
- Member of Japanese Fed Cup Team 1995-2000, 2003-04, 2006-07; Japanese Olympic Team 1996, 2000, 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Won first Tier II title at 2003 Scottsdale, when she won two singles and two doubles matches on Sunday (due to rain delayed matches), saving 3 mp to d. Stevenson in SF, then d. Clijsters in final, after Belgian served for match at 5-4 second set; later teamed with Clijsters to win doubles title (also winning doubles SF that day)
- Part-owner of a company named Belly Button, which started a tennis academy and opened a café, a renewal sports shop and a flower shop in Chigasaki in 1998

[14] NADIA PETROVA (RUS) vs. EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

PETROVA	Quick Facts	MAKAROVA
25	Age	19
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Moscow, Russia
7	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$6,014,155	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$146,389
\$5,875	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,285
No.14	Current Singles Rank	No.110
No.3 (May 15, 2006)	Highest Singles Rank	No.105 (October 29, 2007)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
16-8	Aus. Open W-L**	2-0
31	GS Attempts**	2
65-30	Career GS W-L**	4-1
3	2008 Events Played	2
2-2	2008 W-L	3-1
349-182	Career W-L	140-72
54-59	Career Tie-Break W-L	22-18
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
80-77	Career 3-Set W-L	36-30
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	1-0
Tatiana Matoukhnuke; Lars Wahlgren	Coach	Irina Granatourova
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

PETROVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance; best prior result was QF finish in 2006 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 Sharapova); 4r in 2005 (as No.11 seed, l. to No.7 and eventual champion S.Williams 61 36 63); three 3r finishes – 2000 (l. to Schnyder in 3s), 2003 (unseeded, d. No.21 seed Sugiyama before falling to No.12 Schnyder in 3s) and 2007 (as No.5 seed, l. to eventual champion S.Williams in 3s having led 61 53); 2r in 2001 (l. to No.6 seed S.Williams); l. in 1r in 1999 (event debut as qualifier, l. to No.11 seed van Roost) and 2004 (as No.10 seed, l. to Kapros)

2008 SUMMARY

- Disappointing start to season with 1r losses at Gold Coast (as No.2 seed, l. to Garbin in 3s) and Sydney (as WC, l. to Bammer)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Paris [Indoors]; **R-Up (2):** Amelia Island, Los Angeles; **SF (1):** Eastbourne; **QF (6):** Antwerp, Miami, Berlin, San Diego, Toronto, Stuttgart; **4r (1):** Indian Wells

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Fifth straight Top 20 finish (but first non-Top 10 finish since 2004) in season highlighted by seventh career Tour singles title
- Grand Slam play:** Disappointing showing at all four majors, reaching the 4r on just one occasion; reached 4r of Wimbledon (as No.11 seed, l. to No.6 Ivanovic in 3s); 3r defeat at Australian Open (as No.5 seed, l. to unseeded eventual champion S.Williams 16 75 63 having led 5-3 in second set) and US Open (as No.7 seed, l. to unseeded Szavay); shock 1r exit at Roland Garros (as No.11 seed, l. to qualifier Peschke in 3s)
- Regular Tour season:** Won seventh Tour singles title at Paris [Indoors] (as No.4 seed, d. No.2 seed and defending champion Mauresmo 57 64 76(7) in SF, having trailed 4-1 third set and saving mp at 7-6 in tie-break, then d. Safarova 46 61 64 in final); finished runner-up twice, at Amelia Island (as top seed and defending champion, l. to No.8 seed Golovin 62 61 in final) and Los Angeles (as No.4 seed, l. to No.3 seed Ivanovic 75 64 in final); suffered one SF defeat at Eastbourne (as No.3 seed, ret. w/right pectoral muscle strain vs. No.2 seed Mauresmo); lost in QF six times, at Antwerp (l. to Chakvetadze), Miami (l. to Henin), Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova), San Diego (l. to Schnyder), Toronto (l. to eventual champion Henin) and Stuttgart (as No.7 seed and defending champion, ret. Vs. No.3 Jankovic w/left hip strain); fell in 4r once, at Indian Wells (ret. vs. Golovin w/heat illness); 3r at Rome (ret. vs. Dementieva w/low back pain); defeated in 2r three times, at Sydney (after 1r bye; ret. vs. Ivanovic w/abdominal strain), Warsaw (upset by Santangelo) and Luxembourg (as No.3 seed after 1r bye, l. to Azarenka)
- Ranking:** Fell out of Top 10 for first time in just over two years on May 14, and although would bounce back inside on June 11 (after four weeks), would dip outside the elite again on October 15 and for remainder of season



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- **Fed Cup play:** 2-0 during Russia's 5-0 World Group 1r win vs. Spain (d. Medina Garrigues; w/Vesnina d. Dominguez Lino/Pous Tio); then 2-1 in Russia's 3-2 Fed Cup SF win over USA (l. to V.Williams, d. Tu; w/Vesnina, d. Raymond/V.Williams)
- **Doubles:** best performance was SF finish at Paris [Indoors] (w/Kuznetsova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of seven Tour singles titles, at 2005 Linz, 2006 Doha, Amelia Island, Charleston, Berlin and Stuttgart, and 2007 Paris [Indoors]; eight-time Tour singles runner-up: 2003 Linz, 2004 Gold Coast, 2005 Berlin and Bangkok, 2006 Moscow and Linz, most recently 2007 Amelia Island and Los Angeles (see above); 7-8 in Tour singles finals
- Grand Slam semifinalist twice, both at Roland Garros, in 2003 (d. Seles and Capriati en route; l. to Clijsters) and 2005 (l. to eventual champion Henin); has reached QF at all other majors, incl. twice at US Open (2004, 2005)
- Winner of 12 Tour doubles titles; won seven of those in 2004 (all w/Shughnessy), incl. Tour Championships
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 2001, 2003, 2006 and 2007; also Russian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.nadia-petrova.com
- Spent part of her youth training in Egypt, where parents were athletics coaches; father, Victor Petrov, was a top hammer thrower; mother, Nadejda Ilna, won bronze medal at Montréal Olympics in 400m relay; both still coach
- Official Ambassador for Habitat for Humanity through Sony Ericsson WTA Tour's partnership with Whirlpool and "Aces for Homes" initiative

MAKAROVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making tournament debut

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney qualifying

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Moscow 1-RUS; **R-Up:** ITF/Moscow 2-RUS; **SF:** ITF/Zagreb 2-CRO; ITF/Saint Raphael-FRA; **3r (1):** US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Played first two Tour main draws of career (both as qualifier) at Los Angeles and Grand Slam main draw debut at US Open
- **Grand Slam play:** Made Grand Slam main draw debut at US Open, reached 3r as qualifier (d. No.28 seed Sugiyama en route, falling to top seed and eventual champion Henin)
- **Regular Tour season:** In first two Tour main draws of career (both as qualifier), fell 1r at Los Angeles (l. to No.9 seed Dementieva) but reached 3r in Grand Slam main draw debut at US Open (see above); fell in Tour qualifying seven times (incl. Roland Garros and Wimbledon)
- **ITF Circuit:** won one singles title and three doubles titles on ITF Circuit (bringing career tallies to three and nine, respectively)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.264; reached career-high No.105 on October 29, 2007, and finished season ranked No.110

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time winner on ITF Women's Circuit at \$25K ITF/Moscow1-RUS in 2007 (see 2007 summary above), \$10K ITF/Antalya-Belek-TUR and \$10K ITF/Targu Mures-ROU (both in 2004)
- Winner of nine (9) ITF Women's Circuit doubles titles;
- Made Tour main draw debut at Tier II Los Angeles in 2007 (l. in 1r)

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis at age 6 and was member of Luzhniki club in Moscow
- Baseline whose favorite surface is hardcourt
- Admires compatriot Anastasia Myskina

[18] AMELIE MAURESMO (FRA) vs. CASEY DELLACQUA (AUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

MAURESMO	Quick Facts	DELLACQUA
28	Age	22
Geneva, Switzerland	Residence	Perth, Australia
24	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$13,742,886	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$320,487
\$4,050	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$6,228
No.18	Current Singles Rank	No.78
No.1 (September 13, 2004)	Highest Singles Rank	No.77 (November 5, 2007)
10	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
36-8	Aus. Open W-L**	2-5
39	GS Attempts**	9
119-36	Career GS W-L**	3-8
2	2008 Events Played	3
4-1	2008 W-L	4-2
490-195	Career W-L	181-100
89-66	Career Tie-Break W-L	31-29
1-1	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
127-78	Career 3-Set W-L	57-33
1-0	2008 3-Set W-L	3-1
Loic Courteau	Coach	Lyndon Huff
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

MAURESMO FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making 12th appearance, 10th in main draw; claimed first career Grand Slam at Australian Open; as No.3 seed, d. No.2 seed Clijsters in SF (when she ret. during third set w/right ankle sprain), then d. No.8 seed Henin-Hardenne in final (when she ret. down 61 20 w/gastrointestinal illness); was second-longest wait for first major (was her 32nd attempt, also seven years after lone prior major final, also at Australian Open in 1999, when she was runner-up to Hingis (unseeded, upset world No.1 Davenport 46 75 75 in SF); reached QF three times – in 2002 (l. to world No.1 and eventual champion Capriati), 2004 (withdrew vs. Zuluaga w/back muscle injury) and 2005 (l. to world No.7 and eventual champion S.Williams); reached 4r in 2001 (l. to world No.3 V.Williams 62 36 63) and 2007 (as defending champion and world No.3, l. to No.70-ranked Safarova 64 63); reached 3r in 1998 (l. to V.Williams); l. in 2r in 2000 to Schnyder; failed to qualify in 1996-97; missed 2003 due to right knee cartilage inflammation

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Started season with QF finish at Gold Coast (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 seed Schnyder 64 64)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (2): San Diego, Linz; **SF (1):** Rome; **QF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Berlin, Istanbul, Cincinnati, Stanford, Luxembourg; **4r (3):** Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Ninth consecutive Top 20 finish (but first non-Top 10 finish in seven years) after two separate two-month lay-offs
- Grand Slam play:** Best results were two 4r finishes at Australian Open and Wimbledon; l. in 3r at Roland Garros and did not play US Open
- Regular Tour season:** Went 13-4 in first five events, reaching QF at Sydney (as top seed, l. to Jankovic), 4r at Australian Open (as No.2 seed and defending champion, l. to Safarova 64 63, having led 4-1 first set), SF at Paris [Indoors] (as No.2 seed, l. to No.4 seed Petrova 57 64 76(7), having led 4-1 third set w/mp at 7-6 in tie-break), winning title at Antwerp (as top seed, d. No.2 seed Clijsters in final; was third straight title there, granting her the coveted diamond-studded racquet) and finishing runner-up at Dubai (as No.2 seed, l. to top seed Henin in final); but on Sunday, March 18, underwent an emergency appendectomy and subsequently withdrew from Miami, Amelia Island and Charleston (missed two months in total); went 5-4 in clay court season, falling early at Berlin (as No.2 seed, l. 3r to Vakulenko in 3s), Rome (as top seed, l. 2r to Stosur 75 67(4) 76(7), having led 4-1 third set

w/2mp later on) and Roland Garros (as No.5 seed, l. 3r to No.25 seed Safarova) but finishing runner-up at Strasbourg (as top seed, l. to No.6 seed Medina Garrigues in 3s); solid grass court season, finishing runner-up at Eastbourne (as No.2 seed, l. to top seed Henin 75 67(4) 76(2), having led 4-2 and 5-3 third set) and reaching 4r at Wimbledon (as No.4 seed and defending champion, l. to No.14 seed Vaidisova in 3s); after representing France in its Fed Cup World Group I SF loss to Italy, withdrew from both scheduled summer hardcourt stops (Toronto, US Open) w/right adductor strain (missed nine weeks in total); returned in fall but didn't win back-to-back matches in four events, best finish being QF at Beijing (as No.3 seed, l. to Peng in 3s) with 2r finish at Zurich (as No.8 seed, l. to A.Bondarenko in 3s) and 1r losses at Stuttgart (l. to Dementieva) and Moscow (l. to Zvonareva in 3s)

- **Ranking:** Having begun season at No.3, dropped from No.4 to No.6 on July 9 (after Wimbledon; had spent 191 consecutive weeks inside Top 5) and from No.7 to No.11 on September 10 (after US Open; had spent 270 straight weeks inside Top 10); dropped to No.18 on November 12 year-end rankings (lowest since February 11, 2001)
- **Fed Cup:** Went 1-1 in France's 3-2 Fed Cup World Group I SF loss to Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 24 career Tour singles titles, incl. two Grand Slams (2006 Australian Open, 2006 Wimbledon), one Tour Championships (2005) and six Tier I titles (2001 Berlin, 2002 Montreal, 2004 Berlin/Rome/Montreal, 2005 Rome); runner-up 23 times, incl. one major (1999 Australian Open to Hingis), two Tour Championships (2003 to Clijsters, 2006 to Henin), one Olympics (2004 to Henin), four Tier Is (1998 Berlin, 2000 Rome, 2001 Rome, 2003 Rome)
- One of 15 women since the inception of computer singles rankings in 1975 to become No.1, holding it for a total of 39 weeks in two stints (five weeks in 2004, 34 weeks in 2006); first French person to attain No.1 in singles
- Two-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2000 Linz (w/Rubin) and 2006 Eastbourne (w/Kuznetsova); one-time runner-up but at one of the world's biggest stages, Wimbledon in 2005 (also w/Kuznetsova)
- Member of French Fed Cup Team, 1998-99, 2001-07; member of French Olympic Team, 2000, 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.ameliemauresmo.fr
- Decided just before turning 4 to play tennis after watching Yannick Noah win 1983 Roland Garros on television; was very honored when Noah personally picked her to compete on 1998 French Fed Cup team
- Received Legion of Honor Award in 2007, presented by French president Jacques Chirac in Paris
- On June 14, 2004, named official ambassador for Habitat for Humanity (joint cause of Whirlpool Europe and Tour)
- Junior achievements include winning Roland Garros and Wimbledon junior girls' singles titles in 1996

DELLACQUA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making sixth tournament appearance; fell in 1r all five times prior to this year; in 2006, as WC, l. to world No.1 Davenport

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Hobart

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF at Hobart (as WC, l. to eventual champion Daniilidou)
- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast to world No.1 Vaidisova
- In doubles, advanced to QF (w/Moore)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Bronx, NY-USA (\$50K), ITF/Melbourne-AUS (\$25K), ITF/Perth-AUS (\$25K), ITF/Kalgoorlie-AUS (\$25K); **2r (6):** Birmingham, US Open, Bali, Kolkata, Tokyo [Japan Open], Bangkok

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish after first season playing predominantly on Tour
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slam result was 2r at US Open (l. to world No.2 Sharapova); fell in 1r at Australian Open (as WC; l. to No.21 seed Srebotnik 75 third set), Roland Garros (on debut as WC; l. to Tanasugarn in 3s) and Wimbledon (on debut as qualifier; l. to Pratt)
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached 2r at half of 12 Tour main draws contested, at Birmingham (l. to No.15 seed Daniilidou), US Open (on debut, d. Shvedova in 1r for first career Grand Slam main draw match win; l. to No.2 seed Sharapova), Bali (l. to top seed Jankovic), Kolkata (l. to Obziler 75 third set), Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. to No.2 seed Mirza in 3s) and Bangkok (l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 26 63 75, having led 3-0 third set); fell 1r at six event; fell in qualifying at Gold Coast and Istanbul
- **Ranking:** Made Top 100 debut on August 6 (rising from No.106 to No.100)



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- **ITF Circuit:** Won eighth through 11th career ITF Circuit singles titles during season, beginning w/three straight \$25K events in Australia (ITF/Melbourne-AUS, ITF/Perth-AUS, ITF/Kalgoorlie-AUS) and the fourth coming at \$50K ITF/Bronx, NY-USA; also won 13th career ITF Circuit doubles title at \$25K ITF/Perth-AUS (w/Hewson).

CAREER SUMMARY

- Best result on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour came at 2008 Hobart, reaching QF before falling to eventual singles champion Daniilidou
- Winner of 11 ITF Women's Circuit singles titles, most recently at 2007 \$50K ITF/Bronx, NY-USA
- Seven 1r defeats at Grand Slam level (incl. 2007 Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon) before reaching 2r at 2007 US Open
- In doubles winner of 13 ITF Women's Circuit events
- Made career Top 100 debut on August 3, 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis at age 5
- Favorite surface is grass
- Lists Australian Open and Wimbledon as favorite tournaments
- Player most admires is Australian tennis legend Margaret Court

[24] LI NA (CHN) vs. [Q] MARTA DOMACHOWSKA (POL)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Li leads 2-0

2004 BEIJING HARD (O) Q-Q LI, NA 6-1 7-5
2005 HOBART HARD (O) QF LI, NA 6-3 3-6 6-1

LI	Quick Facts	DOMACHOWSKA
25	Age	21
Wuhan Hubei, China	Residence	Warsaw, Poland
2	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$1,163,368	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$559,302
\$28,000	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.30	Current Singles Rank	No.146
No.16 (January 15, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.37 (April 3, 2006)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
7-3	Aus. Open W-L**	3-3
9	GS Attempts**	10
18-8	Career GS W-L**	4-9
2	2008 Events Played	1
7-0	2008 W-L	2-0
264-82	Career W-L	183-117
31-20	Career Tie-Break W-L	33-27
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
60-28	Career 3-Set W-L	48-41
4-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-0
Husband, Jiang Shan	Coach	Pavel Ostrowski
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

LI FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fifth appearance, fourth straight in main draw; best prior result was 4r finish in 2007 (as No.19 seed, d. No.9 seed Safina before 3s loss to No.6 seed Hingis; reached 3r in 2005 (unseeded, d. No.28 seed Asagoe before l. to No.4 seed Sharapova); l. in 1r to No.13 seed S.Williams in 2006, 63 67(1) 62; failed to qualify in 2001

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Stellar return from six-month injury lay-off at Gold Coast, winning second career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title (d. No.7 seed Bammer, top seed Vaidisova and No.4 seed Schnyder en route to final, then d. Azarenka; by beating world No.19 Bammer, No.12 Vaidisova and No.16 Schnyder, was first time to beat three Top 20 players at same event); withdrew from Sydney w/right knee injury

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (2): Sydney, Indian Wells; **QF (3):** Miami, Strasbourg, Birmingham; **4r (1):** Australian Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Impressive first half of season but missed second half due to injury
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached 4r at Australian Open and 3r at Roland Garros; did not contest Wimbledon and US Open due to injury (see below)
- **Regular Tour season:** QF or better five times in 13 pre-Wimbledon events, beginning with SF at Sydney (d. No.6 seed Dementieva en route; l. to No.3 seed and eventual champion Clijsters 75 third set) and Indian Wells (as No.12 seed, d. No.7 seed Jankovic en route to second career Tier I SF; l. to No.14 seed and eventual champion Hantuchova in 3s) and QF at Miami (as No.15 seed, d. No.4 seed Clijsters en route; l. to No.9 seed Chakvetadze 46 75 62, having led 3-1 second set), Strasbourg (as No.4 seed, l. to No.6 seed and eventual champion Medina Garrigues 75 third set) and Birmingham (as No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed Santangelo); reached 4r once, at Australian Open (as No.19 seed, d. No.9 seed Safina en route; l. to No.6 seed Hingis in 3s); wins over world No.8 Dementieva, No.9 Jankovic, No.5 Clijsters and No.10 Safina were third, fourth, fifth and sixth career Top 10 wins; reached 3r twice, incl. Roland Garros (as No.16 seed, l. to No.18 seed Bammer); 2r four times and 1r once; became third Chinese woman to pass \$1 million in career prize money earnings (after Zheng, Yan); withdrew from Rome w/gastrointestinal illness and from all scheduled tournaments after Birmingham w/right rib stress fracture

(Eastbourne, Wimbledon, Stanford, San Diego, Los Angeles, New Haven, US Open, Beijing, Guangzhou, Stuttgart, Moscow, Zürich, Linz)

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.21; on January 15 (after Sydney), rose from No.21 to No.16 (a new career-high); finished season ranked No.29

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of two (2) Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles at 2004 Guangzhou and 2008 Gold Coast (see above); two-time Tour singles runner-up at Estoril in 2005 and 2006
- Six-time Tour singles semifinalist, at 2005 Hobart, Rabat and Bali, 2006 Berlin and 2007 Sydney and Indian Wells
- Two-time Tour doubles champion, at 2000 Tashkent (w/T.Li) and 2006 Birmingham (w/Jankovic)
- Holds many firsts for Chinese tennis: first to win Tour singles title (2004 Guangzhou), first to reach Grand Slam singles QF (2006 Wimbledon) and first to crack singles Top 30 (June 19, 2006) and Top 20 (August 14, 2006)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, holds 19 singles titles (12 in China) and 16 doubles titles (seven (7) in China)
- Member of Chinese Fed Cup Team 1999-2002 and 2005-2006 and Chinese Olympic Team in 2000

OTHER FACTS

- After years of success on ITF Women's Circuit, burst into Sony Ericsson WTA Tour prominence in September 2004; ranked No.193, qualified for Tier II Beijing and held 2 mp vs. new US Open champion Kuznetsova in 2r before falling 76 third set; following week at Guangzhou, stormed to first Tour singles title as qualifier; ranking rose 101 spots those two weeks
- Having reached 4r at 2007 Miami, became third Chinese woman (after Zheng and Yan) to pass \$1 million in career earnings

DOMACHOWSKA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best prior result was 2r finish in 2005 (debut; l. to No.15 seed Farina Elia); l. in 1r in 2006 (to No.8 seed Henin) and 2007 (l. to Poutchkova)

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of season

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Poitiers-FRA; **SF:** ITF/Dinan-FRA; **QF (1):** ITF/Torrent-ESP, Seoul

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by QF finish at Seoul
- **Grand Slam play:** Played main draw at Australian Open, l. in 1r; failed to qualify at Roland Garros and US Open; did not play Wimbledon
- **Regular Tour season:** Best results were QF finish at Seoul (as qualifier, l. to top seed and eventual champion V.Williams) and 2r runs at Indian Wells (l. to No.9 seed Safina) and Stockholm (as qualifier, l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion A.Radwanska); fell 1r twice, at Australian Open (l. to Poutchkova) and Kolkata (as qualifier, l. to No.2 seed Hantuchova); fell in Tour qualifying nine times (incl. Roland Garros, US Open)
- **ITF Circuit:** Won one singles title and one doubles title on ITF Circuit
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.90 and finished season ranked No.143

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour runner-up – 2006 Memphis, 2005 Strasbourg and 2004 Seoul
- Two-time Tour semifinalist – 2005 Beijing and 2004 Sopot
- Three-time Tour quarterfinalist – 2007 Seoul (see above), 2005 Hobart and 2004 Casablanca
- Holds one Tour doubles title – 2006 Canberra (w/Vinci)
- On ITF Circuit, holds six (6) singles titles and two (2) doubles titles
- Member of 2003 Polish Fed Cup team
- In juniors, reached 2003 Australian Open singles SF and 2002 Roland Garros QF

OTHER FACTS

- Father introduced her to tennis at age 8 at a local club (father and sister play)
- Favorite surface is clay
- Speaks Polish, English and Russian
- Tennis idol growing up was Steffi Graf; also admires Lance Armstrong and Kim Clijsters

[Q] SABINE LISICKI (GER) vs. CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

LISICKI	Quick Facts	WOZNIACKI
18	Age	17
Berlin, Germany	Residence	Copenhagen, Denmark
0	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$41,885	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$177,353
\$300	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.194	Current Singles Rank	No.64
No.194 (January 14, 2008)	Highest Singles Rank	No.60 (December 17, 2007)
1	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
2-0	Aus. Open W-L**	2-0
1	GS Attempts**	4
2-0	Career GS W-L**	4-3
2	2008 Events Played	1
6-1	2008 W-L	2-0
76-41	Career W-L	50-29
14-16	Career Tie-Break W-L	12-2
3-1	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
18-17	Career 3-Set W-L	11-8
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Dr. Richard Lisicki	Coach	Father, Piotr; also by Morten Christensen at National Tennis Center in Denmark
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

LISICKI FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making Grand Slam debut

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Auckland qualifying

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **Won:** ITF/Jersey 2-GBR, ITF/Toronto-CAN; **R-Up:** ITF/Saguenay-CAN, ITF/Madrid 2-ESP; **QF:** ITF/Gorizia-ITA, ITF/Vancouver-CAN, ITF/Nottingham 2-GBR

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Contested three (3) Sony Ericsson WTA Tour events, one in main draw; played mainly on ITF Circuit, winning two titles
- **Regular Tour season:** Fell 1r at Berlin (as WC, l. to Bremond); fell in Tour qualifying twice – Doha, Budapest
- **ITF Circuit:** Won two singles titles on ITF Circuit - \$25K ITF/Jersey 2-GBR and ITF/Toronto-CAN; runner-up two times - \$50K ITF/Saguenay-CAN and \$25K ITF/Madrid 2-ESP
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.497 and finished season ranked No.198

CAREER SUMMARY

- In 2004, played first events of career on ITF Circuit
- Made Sony Ericsson WTA Tour main draw debut at 2006 Berlin, falling 1r (as WC, l. to Santangelo)
- Holds two ITF Circuit singles titles, both in 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Started playing tennis at age 7
- Personal interests include reading, playing the piano, all different kinds of sports

WOZNIACKI FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making tournament debut

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of season



2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **Won:** ITF/Ortisei-ITA (\$75K), ITF/Las Vegas, NV-USA (\$75K); **SF (1):** Tokyo [Japan Open]; **QF (2):** Fes, Stockholm; **2r (5):** Memphis, Indian Wells, Estoril, Wimbledon, US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish after first full season on the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour, highlighted by first Tour singles SF at Tokyo [Japan Open]
- **Grand Slam play:** Made debuts at three Grand Slams, falling 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Dechy in 3s) but reaching 2r at Wimbledon (as WC; l. to No.28 seed Santangelo) and US Open (l. to qualifier Cornet);
- **Regular Tour season:** Best result was first Tour singles SF at Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. to top seed V.Williams 63 75, having led 4-2 in second set) and QF runs at Fes (l. to qualifier Olaru) and Stockholm (d. No.6 seed Vesnina en route; l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion A.Radwanska); made debuts at three Grand Slams, falling 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Dechy in 3s) but reaching 2r at Wimbledon (as WC; l. to No.28 seed Santangelo) and US Open (l. to qualifier Cornet); reached 2r three more times, at Memphis (as WC; l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion V.Williams), Indian Wells (as WC; l. to No.3 seed Hingis) and Estoril (d. No.4 seed Müller in 1r; l. to qualifier and eventual champion Arn in 3s); fell 1r six times
- **ITF Circuit:** Won second and third career ITF Circuit singles titles at \$75K ITF/Ortisei-ITA and \$75K ITF/Las Vegas, NV-USA
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.237; made Top 100 debut on July 9 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.103 to No.88) and would reach career-high No.62 on October 15 (shortly after Tokyo [Japan Open] SF showing); finished season ranked No.60

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour semifinalist – 2007 Tokyo [Japan Open] (see above)
- Four-time Tour quarterfinalist – 2007 Fes and Stockholm (see above) and 2006 Memphis (excellent showing in just third Tour event at Tier III event; as unranked WC, d. Brandi in 1r for first Tour singles match win and Harkleroad in 2r; l. to No.3 seed, eventual champion Arvidsson) and Stockholm
- In 2005, made pro debut as unranked WC at Cincinnati, just eight (8) days after 15th birthday (l. to top seed and eventual champion Schnyder in 1r)
- On ITF Women's Circuit captured three singles titles; two in 2007 (see above)
- One-time Tour doubles finalist at 2006 Memphis (w/Azarenka)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.carolinewozniacki.dk
- Began playing tennis at age 7; has been coached by father, Piotr, from start of career; also coached by Morten Christensen at the national tennis center in Denmark
- Father played professional soccer in Poland and Denmark; mother, Anna, played volleyball for Polish National Team; brother, Patrik, plays professional soccer for Danish Viasat Sport Division club AB
- Admires Martina Hingis and Steffi Graf
- Favorite tennis memories include winning 2005 Orange Bowl and winning the 2006 Wimbledon junior singles title

ARAVANE REZAI (FRA) vs. [Q] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First meeting

REZAI	Quick Facts	HSIEH
20	Age	22
St. Etienne, France	Residence	Taipei, Taiwan
0	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$438,737	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$310,464
\$12,345	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$0
No.69	Current Singles Rank	No.158
No.40 (January 15, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.112 (July 9, 2007)
2	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
2-1	Aus. Open W-L**	2-0
8	GS Attempts**	5
11-7	Career GS W-L**	2-5
2	2008 Events Played	1
6-1	2008 W-L	2-0
134-75	Career W-L	177-89
27-16	Career Tie-Break W-L	23-19
1-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
37-33	Career 3-Set W-L	46-29
1-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-0
Father, Arsalan	Coach	---
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

REZAI FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making second main draw appearance (third overall); fell in 1r in 2007 (l. to Loit in 3s); fell in qualifying in 2006

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Auckland

2008 SUMMARY

- Runner-up at Auckland (l. to Davenport 62 62; defeated No.7 seed Daniilidou and No.3 seed Srebotnik en route)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Istanbul; 3r (1): Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Second straight Top 100 finish in season highlighted by reaching first Tour final at Istanbul (see below)
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached 3r once, on debut at Wimbledon (d. No.29 seed Schiavone en route; l. to No.6 seed Ivanovic); reached 2r at US Open (l. to No.5 seed Ivanovic); fell in 1r twice Australian Open (l. to Loit) and Roland Garros (l. to No.18 seed Bartoli)
- **Regular Tour season:** Runner-up at Istanbul d. No.4 seed V.Williams 64 64 and top seed Sharapova 62 64 en route, then ret. vs. No.2 seed Dementieva at 76(5) 30 w/left patella tendonitis; win over world No.2 Sharapova was first career Top 10 win); advanced past 1r of main draw three other times; reached 3r once, on debut at Wimbledon (see above); reached 2r twice, at Charleston (d. qualifier Dushevina in 1r; l. to No.12 seed Srebotnik 75 third set) and US Open (see above); fell 1r 18 times in 22 Tour main draws, incl. Australian Open and Roland Garros; fell in qualifying three times
- **Ranking:** Having cracked Top 100 and Top 50 in 2006, made Top 40 debut on January 15, 2007 (moving from No.41 to No.40) but dipped to No.80 by year's end
- **ITF Circuit:** Won one ITF Circuit singles title (bringing career tally to seven)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour finalist at 2007 Istanbul (d. V.Williams in 2r and world No.2 Sharapova in SF for career best win before l. to Dementieva in final, 76(5) 3-0 ret. due to left patella tendonitis) and 2008 Auckland (see above)
- Three-time Tour singles quarterfinalist: two Tier IIIs (2006 Kolkata, 2006 Hasselt) and one Tier IV (2006 Palermo)
- Reached career-first Grand Slam second week at 2006 US Open (d. seeds Groenefeld, Kirilenko en route to 4r)
- Has four Top 20 wins, three vs. Groenefeld (all in 2006, at \$75,000 ITF/Ortisei-ITA, US Open and Hasselt) and one vs. Sharapova (2007 Istanbul)

- Winner of seven ITF Women's Circuit singles titles (two in 2004, two in 2005, two in 2006 and one in 2007)

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis at age 8
- Baseline player whose favorite surface is hard
- Coached by father, Arsalan, who was a car mechanic; mother Nouchine is a physiotherapist who travels with her
- Captured two (2) gold medals in tennis at Muslim Women Olympic Games in Iran
- Was interested in being an astronomer if she wasn't playing tennis

HSIEH FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making first main draw appearance; fell in qualifying three times (2002, 2006, 2007) posting a 4-3 record

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by first two Tour titles of any kind in doubles, at Beijing and Seoul (both w/Chuang); won two singles titles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit (bringing career tallies to 13 and 17, respectively)
- **Grand Slam play:** Advanced to 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Dulko) and Wimbledon (l. to No.17 seed Golovin), both as a qualifier; fell in qualifying at Australian Open and US Open
- **Regular Tour season:** Appeared in main draw at seven tournaments; fell in qualifying eight times; posted a 13-15 record overall
- **Ranking:** Started season No.140 and finished No.157; climbed to a career-best No.112 on July 9, 2007; ranks No.47 in doubles
- **Doubles:** In addition to two doubles titles (see above), finished as runner-up twice at Auckland (w/Uberoi) and at Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Reached SF and QF in first two Tour main draws at 2001 Bali (as qualifier, l. to Widjaja 76 third set) and 2001 Pattaya City (also as qualifier)
- Won two Sony Ericsson WTA Tour doubles events: 2007 Beijing and Seoul (both w/Chuang); three-time runner-up: 2007 Auckland (w/Uberoi), 2007 Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva) and 2004 Seoul (w/Chuang); two-time doubles semifinalist: 2007 Stanford (w/Kudryavtseva) and 2006 Pattaya City (w/Tanasugarn)
- Winner of 13 ITF Circuit singles events and 17 doubles events

OTHER FACTS

- Father introduced her to tennis at 8 years old
- Favorite playing surface is hard
- Represented Chinese Taipei Fed Cup Team in 2003

Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Web site: www.sonyericssonwtatour.com | Tournament Web site: www.australianopen.com
On-site Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Communications Staff: Amy Binder, John Dolan, Isabelle Hodge

FEATURED SECOND ROUND (BOTTOM HALF) MATCH-UPS (INCL. TOP 16 SEEDS)

[2] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS) vs. TSVETANA PIRONKOVA (BUL)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Kuznetsova leads 1-0

2006 WARSAW CLAY (O) R16 (2r) KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA 6-3 6-1

KUZNETSOVA	Quick Facts	PIRONKOVA
22	Age	20
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Plovdiv, Bulgaria
9	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$8,418,199	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$374,197
\$50,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,090
No.2	Current Singles Rank	No.94
No.2 (September 10, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.62 (November 13, 2006)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	3
14-6	Aus. Open W-L**	2-2
23	GS Attempts**	9
64-21	Career GS W-L**	5-8
2	2008 Events Played	2
4-1	2008 W-L	3-1
304-125	Career W-L	165-78
64-45	Career Tie-Break W-L	31-18
1-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
91-44	Career 3-Set W-L	29-30
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-1
Stefan Ortega	Coach	Father, Kiril Enchev
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

KUZNETSOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh straight appearance; best result was QF finish in 2005 (as No.5 seed, l. to No.4 Sharapova 46 62 62); 4r in 2006 (l. to world No.1 Davenport) and 2007 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Peer); 3r in 2004 (l. to world No.1 and eventual champion Henin); 2r in 2002 (event debut as qualifier, l. to Tulyaganova); l. in 1r in 2003 (l. to No.2 seed V.Williams)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **R-Up (1):** Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Finished runner-up in first event of 2007 in Sydney; as No.2 seed l. to 64 26 46 No.1 Henin, after leading 3-0 in final set

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): New Haven; **R-Up (5):** Doha, Indian Wells, Berlin, Rome, US Open; **SF (4)** Dubai, Warsaw, Stuttgart, Moscow; **QF (5):** Paris [Indoors], Roland Garros, Wimbledon, Toronto, Zürich

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Arguably her best-ever season, reaching six finals (incl. third career major final) and reaching career-high No.2 ranking
- **Grand Slam play:** Modest results in first three majors, reaching 4r at Australian Open as No.3 seed (l. to Peer) and QF at Roland Garros (again as No.3 seed; l. to eventual runner-up Ivanovic in 3s) and Wimbledon as No.5 seed (l. to eventual champion V.Williams); seeded No.4 at US Open, advanced to second career final there, defeating compatriot Chakvetadze in three-set SF before falling to world No.1 Henin 61 63; afterwards (September 10) rose to career-high No.2 ranking



- **Regular Tour season:** Somewhat unlucky to have collected only one Tour singles title in 2007 (bringing career tally to nine), having reached six finals overall (incl. US Open); lone victory came at New Haven, where her opponents in each of the last three rounds retired – Schiavone in QF (left ankle injury), Dementieva in SF (nausea) and Szavay in final (low back injury); in addition to US Open runner-up finish, was also a losing finalist at Doha (l. to Henin), Indian Wells (l. to Hantuchova), Berlin (l. to Ivanovic 76 third set) and Rome (l. to Jankovic); also semifinalist at Dubai (l. to Henin in 3s), Warsaw (l. to A.Bondarenko), Stuttgart (l. to Golovin) and Moscow (l. to S.Williams); reached another five QF, and thus advanced to QF or better at 15 of 19 events
- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.4, dipping to No.5 on January 29 but reaching then career-high No.3 on March 19 after Indian Wells runner-up finish; fluctuated between No.3 and No.5 until September 10, when she rose to current career-high No.2 after US Open runner-up finish, where she has remained ever since; is the third Russian woman to have been ranked in the world's Top 2, after Myskina (No.2 in September 2004) and Sharapova (No.1 in August 2005)
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 4-0 in singles in Fed Cup for Russia – d. Domínguez Lino and Medina Garrigues in QF vs. Spain and d. Santangelo and Schiavone (46 76(7) 75, saving 2 mp and overcoming 4-1 third-set deficit) in her country's 4-0 final win over Italy
- **Doubles:** Contested eight doubles events in 2007, with the highlight being a runner-up finish at Dubai (w/Molik; l. to Black/Huber); also semifinalist at Paris [Indoors] (w/Petrova) and quarterfinalist at Doha (w/Molik), Berlin, Wimbledon and Toronto (all w/Petrova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of nine Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. first major at 2004 US Open (d. Dementieva in second all-Russian major final of 2004; was first Russian woman to claim US Open singles title); runner-up seven times, including 2006 Roland Garros (see above); also QF at 2003 Wimbledon, 2005 Australian Open, 2005 Wimbledon
- Winner of 13 Tour doubles titles (three w/Sánchez-Vicario, five w/Navratilova, two w/Likhovtseva, two w/Molik, one w/Mauresmo); highlight is 2005 Australian Open (w/Molik), her first Grand Slam doubles title
- Owns four career wins over reigning No.1s – Henin in 2004 Doha SF and 2007 Berlin SF and Mauresmo in 2006 Miami SF and 2006 Beijing final
- In 2004, member of Russian Olympic Team and champion Russian Fed Cup Team; also member of champion Fed Cup Team in 2007; ITF Girls' Singles World Champion for 2001

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing at age 7; father is Alexandr Kuznetsov, cycling coach of six Olympic and world champions, now coach of Lokomotiv (best club in Russia); coached Svetlana's mother, Galina Tsareva, six-time world champion and holder of 20 world records and Svetlana's brother, Nikolai Kuznetsov, a silver medalist at 1996 Olympics
- No.1-ranked of 15 Russians in Top 100 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Singles Rankings (as of January 14, 2008), the most of any country:

RUSSIA RANK	WORLD RANK	PLAYER
1	2	Svetlana Kuznetsova
2	5	Maria Sharapova
3	6	Anna Chakvetadze
4	11	Elena Dementieva
5	14	Nadia Petrova
6	16	Dinara Safina
7	22	Vera Zvonareva
8	26	Maria Kirilenko
9	42	Vera Dushevina
10	55	Elena Vesnina
11	66	Elena Likhovtseva
12	75	Alla Kudryavtseva
13	79	Anastasia Rodionova
14	85	Yaroslava Shvedova
15	97	Olga Poutchkova



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PIRONKOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Third straight appearance; advanced 2r in 2006 (d. world No.10 V.Williams in 1r, first Top 10 win and American's earliest Grand Slam exit since 2001 Roland Garros; l. to Granville); fell in 1r in 2007 (l. to Morigami)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney qualifying

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **Won:** \$100k ITF/Bordeaux-FRA; **SF (1):** Stockholm; **2r (4):** Indian Wells, Istanbul, Birmingham, US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Third straight Top 100 finish after season highlighted by fourth Tour SF at Stockholm (see below)
- **Grand Slam play:** Played in all four Grand Slams; 2r at US Open (as qualifier; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin); fell 1r at Australian Open (l. to Morigami), Roland Garros (l. to No.8 seed S.Williams in 3s) and Wimbledon (l. to A.Radwanska);
- **Regular Tour season:** Best finish was SF at Stockholm (d. No.5 seed Dechy en route; l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion A.Radwanska); won main draw matches at four other Tour events, reaching 2r at Indian Wells (l. to No.17 seed Bartoli), Istanbul (l. to top seed Sharapova), Birmingham (l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Jankovic) and US Open (as qualifier; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin); fell 1r six times and in Tour qualifying nine times; withdrew from Québec City w/shoulder injury
- **Ranking:** Started ranked No.62 and finished No.98
- **ITF Circuit:** Won sixth and biggest career ITF Circuit singles title at \$100K ITF/Bordeaux-FRA (d. Cornet in final)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles semifinalist, at 2005 Istanbul and 2005 Palermo (were first two Tour main draws of career) and 2007 Stockholm (see 2007 summary above)
- Owns one Top 10 victory - vs. world No.10 V.Williams at 2006 Australian Open (won 97 third set)
- Six-time singles titlist on ITF Women's Circuit
- Reached career-high ranking of No.62 on November 13, 2006
- Member of Bulgarian Fed Cup Team 2003-05

OTHER FACTS

- Started to play tennis at the age of 5
- Kiril Enchev (father, coach) is a former canoe champion; Radosveta Nikolova (mother) is a former swimming champion
- Prefers playing on hardcourts

[4] ANA IVANOVIC (SRB) vs. TATHIANA GARBIN (ITA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Ivanovic leads 1-0

2005 TORONTO HARD (0) R64 IVANOVIC, ANA 6-2 7-6(3)

IVANOVIC	Quick Facts	GARBIN
20	Age	30
Basel, Switzerland	Residence	Mestre, Italy
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,191,857	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,798,876
\$26,700	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,965
No.3	Current Singles Rank	No.40
No.3 (January 14, 2008)	Highest Singles Rank	No.22 (May 21, 2007)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	10
6-3	Aus. Open W-L**	9-9
13	GS Attempts**	33
34-12	Career GS W-L**	26-32
2	2008 Events Played	2
3-1	2008 W-L	2-2
178-61	Career W-L	353-261
27-14	Career Tie-Break W-L	69-56
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
48-18	Career 3-Set W-L	100-79
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	1-1
Physical trainer: Scott Burns	Coach	Pier Francesco Restelli
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

IVANOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best results were 3r finishes in 2005 (as unseeded debutante, d. No.32 seed Benesova in 1r, before l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and 2007 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.22 Zvonareva); 2r defeat in 2006 (as No.21 seed, l. to Stosur)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Made SF in first event of 2008 in Sydney; as No.4 seed l. to eventual champion Henin 62 26 64 (first set won against Henin in four meetings)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Berlin, Los Angeles, Luxembourg; **R-Up (2):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Roland Garros; **SF (3):** Amelia Island, Wimbledon, Tour Championships; **QF (4):** Gold Coast, Sydney, Antwerp, 's-Hertogenbosch

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Career-best season, bursting into the Top 5 after being outside of Top 15 in May; three titles and first Grand Slam final appearance were the highlights for the young Serb
- **Grand Slam play:** Recorded two best Grand Slam results of her career in reaching the Roland Garros final as No.7 seed (d. world No.3 Kuznetsova in QF in 3s, No.2 Sharapova 62 61 in SF; l. to world No.1 Henin) and Wimbledon SF (d. world No.9 Petrova in 4r after trailing 3-1 third set, No.10 Vaidisova 75 third set in QF after trailing 5-3 and saving 3 mp at 5-4; l. to eventual champion V.Williams); reached 3r of Australian Open (l. to Zvonareva) and 4r at US Open (l. to V.Williams)
- **Regular Tour season:** Her three-title haul (one each on clay, hard and indoors) was a career best; at Berlin, collected second Tier I title, defeating world No.4 Kuznetsova in final 76 third set; at Los Angeles, d. No.3-ranked compatriot Jankovic in SF 46 63 75 (trailed 4-1 third set and saved 2 mp; fifth Top 5 win of the season) and No.9 Petrova in final; seeded No.2 at Luxembourg, collected career-first indoor title, defeating Hantuchova in final in 3s; in addition to Roland Garros runner-up finish, also a losing finalist at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (world No.1 Sharapova ret. in SF w/left hamstring strain; l. to Hingis) and semifinalist at Tour Championships (l. to eventual champion Henin 64 64) and Amelia Island (l. to eventual champion Golovin in 3s); the only player other than Henin to record more than 10 Top 10 wins in 2007 (12-4) and to have a record vs. Top 5 players greater than 50% (5-2)
- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.14, dipping to No.17 in April; surged from No.16 to No.8 after Berlin title run

(May 14), debuting in Top 5 after Wimbledon SF finish (July 9); Los Angeles title pushed her to a career-high No.4 (August 13), a ranking she has held uninterrupted since October 15

- **Doubles:** Went 0-4, losing 1r at Miami, Berlin, Roland Garros (all w/Kirilenko) and Wimbledon (w/Hantuchova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, at Tier V Canberra in 2005, Tier I Montréal in 2006 and Tier I Berlin, Tier II Los Angeles in 2007 and Tier II Luxembourg in 2007
- Two-time runner-up, at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] in 2007 (l. to Hingis) and Roland Garros (l. to world No.1 Henin); five-time semifinalist, incl. 2007 Amelia Island (l. to Golovin) and 2007 Wimbledon (l. to V. Williams)
- Holds 17 career Top 10 victories: three in 2005 (No.7 Kuznetsova, No.10 Zvonareva, No.3 Mauresmo), two in 2006 (No.3 Mauresmo, No.8 Schnyder) and 12 in 2007 (No.6 Petrova (ret.), No.10 Jankovic, No.1 Sharapova (ret.), No.9 Jankovic, No.4 Kuznetsova, No.3 Kuznetsova, No.2 Sharapova, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Vaidisova, No.3 Jankovic, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Hantuchova)
- One-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Kirilenko)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of five singles titles (all in 2004)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.anaivanovic.com
- Was recently appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Jankovic was also recently appointed); in December 2007, donated share of her profits from a Humanitarian Exhibition, held in Belgrade, to UNICEF's Schools Without Violence program in Serbia; her contribution, which totaled \$62,804, will enable 12 schools to join the national program
- Alongside Hantuchova, featured in Sony Ericsson's first ever tennis-themed TV commercial, "Never Miss A Shot"
- Winner of Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Most Improved Player in 2005 (presented in March 2006 at Miami)
- The 2006 US Open Series champion (best 2006 USOS results were title in Montréal and QF at Los Angeles)

GARBIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making 10th main draw appearance (11th overall); best result came in 2007 advancing to 3r (as No.30 seed, l. to top seed Sharapova); 2r three times, incl. 2002 (l. to Hantuchova), 2003 (l. to Suarez) and 2005 (l. to Sprem); fell in 1r four times and qualifying once

2008 SUMMARY

- Reached 2r at Gold Coast (d. No.2 seed Petrova in 1r, falling to Cibulkova; win over world No.14 Petrova was seventh career Top 20 win)
- Fell in Sydney qualifying

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Bogotá; SF (1): Gold Coast; QF (2): Acapulco, Miami; 4r (1): Roland Garros

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Best season to date, highlighted by runner-up finish at Bogota (see below)
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached first Grand Slam 4r at Roland Garros (as No.19 seed, l. to No.6 seed Vaidisova); next-best Grand Slam was 3r at Australian Open (as No.30 seed, l. to top seed Sharapova); reached 2r at Wimbledon (as No.21 seed, l. to Azarenka) but fell 1r at US Open (as No.23 seed, l. to Cibulkova)
- **Regular Tour season:** Season highlighted by runner-up finish at Bogotá (as top seed, led No.6 seed Vinci 3-0 in third set of final before ret. w/gastrointestinal illness); SF at Gold Coast (d. No.4 seed Groenefeld en route, ret. vs. top seed Hingis due to breathing problems from viral illness; win over No.19 Groenefeld was sixth Top 20 win of career); QF twice, at Acapulco (as No.2 seed, l. to qualifier Errani in 3s) and Miami (as No.24 seed, l. to No.14 seed Peer in first Tier I QF); withdrew prior to Budapest 2r w/left hamstring strain; withdrew from Barcelona w/right leg injury, from Luxembourg w/injury and from Linz w/foot injury.
- **Ranking:** On January 29 (after Australian Open), rose from No.33 to No.28 (her Top 30 debut), reaching new career-high No.22 for two weeks in May;
- **Doubles:** Tier I doubles finals at Berlin and Rome (w/Vinci; d. Black/Huber en route both times)
- **Fed Cup:** 2-0 in Italy's 5-0 Fed Cup World Group I 1r win over China and 0-1 during 3-2 SF win over France

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Tour singles champion, at 2000 Budapest; four-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2000 Bogotá, 2005 Modena, 2006 Palermo and 2007 Bogotá; six-time Tour singles semifinalist, three at Tier III level (incl. 2007 Gold Coast)



- Eight-time Tour doubles champion; four-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Tier I Berlin and Rome in 2007 (see above) and Tier II New Haven in 2002 (w/Husarova)
- On ITF Circuit, eight-time singles champion and six-time doubles champion
- Member of Italian Fed Cup Team 1999-2000, 2003-05, 2007; Italian Olympic Team 2000 and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Became first Italian woman in Open Era to defeat a reigning world No.1 with a victory over defending champion Henin in 2r of 2004 Roland Garros; also third-lowest-ranked player at the time (No.86) since 1975 inception of computer rankings to defeat a reigning world No.1 at any tournament.
- Has had six Top 20 victories overall in her Sony Ericsson WTA Tour career; the following is a chart detailing all of her Top 20 victories:

TOURNAMENT/ROUND	RANKING	PLAYER	SCORE
2001 Indian Wells 2r	No.4	Monica Seles	76(6) 36 64
2001 Miami 3r	No.20	Justine Henin	63 61
2002 Bol QF	No.15	Elena Dementieva	57 75 75
2004 Roland Garros 2r	No.1	Justine Henin	75 64
2004 Olympics 1r	No.19	Anna Smashnova	62 61
2007 Gold Coast 1r	No.19	Anna-Lena Groenefeld	76(4) 67(2) 63

[6] ANNA CHAKVETADZE (RUS) vs. (Q) ALISA KLEYBANOVA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

CHAKVETADZE	Quick Facts	KLEYBANOVA
20	Age	18
Moscow, Russia	Residence	Moscow, Russia
6	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$2,399,137	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$103,018
\$3,950	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,625
No.6	Current Singles Rank	No.154
No.5 (September 10, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.150 (November 12, 2007)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
7-3	Aus. Open W-L**	1-0
14	GS Attempts**	1
30-13	Career GS W-L**	1-0
2	2008 Events Played	2
1-1	2008 W-L	8-1
198-91	Career W-L	114-41
30-31	Career Tie-Break W-L	11-7
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
55-31	Career 3-Set W-L	33-8
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	3-0
Father, Djambuli Chakvetadze	Coach	Julian Vespan
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

CHAKVETADZE FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best result was last year's QF finish (as No.12 seed, d. No.8 Schnyder in 4r, l. to No.1 Sharapova); both previous results were 2r finishes – 2005 (l. to No.6 seed Dementieva) and 2006 (l. to No.16 seed Vaidisova)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell at the hands of Katarina Srebotnik in 1r of Sydney

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Hobart, 's-Hertogenbosch, Cincinnati, Stanford; **SF (5):** Antwerp, Miami, San Diego, US Open, Tour Championships; **QF (6):** Australian Open, Paris [Indoors], Warsaw, Roland Garros, Luxembourg, Linz

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Career-best season highlighted by four titles and Top 5 and Grand Slam SF debuts
- **Grand Slam play:** Excellent results in three of the four majors; having never advanced past 4r at a Grand Slam, reached one SF and two QF; reached last eight at Australian Open as No.12 seed (l. to world No.2 76(5) 75) and Roland Garros (l. again to Sharapova); seeded No.8 at Wimbledon, upset in 3r by No.31 seed Krajicek in 3s; at US Open, did not drop a set en route to first-ever Grand Slam SF – d. No.26 seed Mirza in 3r and No.18 seed Peer in QF before falling to compatriot and eventual runner-up Kuznetsova in 3s
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached QF or better at 14 of 22 events (incl. Grand Slams); collected titles at Hobart (d. Bardina in final), 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Jankovic in final in 3s) and in consecutive weeks, Cincinnati (d. Morigami in final) and Stanford (d. Mirza in final); extended summer win streak to 12 matches by reaching SF at Tier I San Diego (d. V.Williams 67(5) 76(3) 62 after trailing 5-3 second set and saving 1 mp; l. to eventual champion Sharapova); also reached final four at Antwerp (l. to Mauresmo in 3s) and Miami (l. to world No.1 Henin) and QF at Paris [Indoors], Warsaw and in the fall, at Luxembourg (l. to Bartoli in 3s) and Linz (l. to Schnyder); went 4-5 in the fall indoor season, losing opening matches at Stuttgart and Moscow (as defending champion), SF run at Tour Championships (as No.7 seed, l. to Sharapova), in addition to aforementioned QF finishes at Luxembourg and Linz
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.13, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Antwerp SF finish (February 19) for a lone week; spent two more weeks at No.10 in April and began current stint in elite group on May 14; rose to No.8 after Roland Garros QF showing (June 11), No.7 after Cincinnati title (July 23) and No.6 after Stanford title (July 30); broke into Top 5 at No.5 after US Open SF finish (September 10), where she stayed for three weeks; was one of three Russians in Top 5 alongside No.2 Kuznetsova and then-No.4 Sharapova



- **Fed Cup play:** Represented Russia in all three of its winning ties in its victorious 2007 season; d. Llagostera Vives in 3s in 5-0 QF win over Spain; went 1-1 in 3-2 win over USA (d. King; l. to V. Williams) and d. Schiavone in 3s in Final win over Italy
- **Doubles:** Contested 10 doubles events in 2007, the highlight being consecutive runner-up finishes in the summer at Stanford and San Diego (both w/Azarenka)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Six-time Tour singles titlist w/perfect 6-0 record in Tour singles finals, winning 2006 Guangzhou, 2006 Moscow, 2007 Hobart, 2007 's-Hertogenbosch, 2007 Cincinnati and 2007 Stanford; seven-time Tour singles semifinalist: 2005 New Haven, 2006 Warsaw, 2006 Montréal, 2007 Antwerp, 2007 Miami, 2007 San Diego and 2007 Tour Championships
- Best Grand Slam results have been SF finish at 2007 US Open and consecutive QF finishes at 2007 Australian Open and Roland Garros
- As No.175-ranked qualifier at 2004 US Open, in Grand Slam debut and second career Tour main draw, d. Schett 16 64 63 in 1r, then recorded career-best win in 2r vs. world No.3 and then-reigning Roland Garros champion Myskina 76(3) 63; in only her third Tour main draw match, was equal-second fastest to d. a Top 10 player alongside S. Williams (who d. No.7 Pierce in 1997 Chicago 2r); Andrea Leand is the fastest, scoring first Top 10 win in second Tour match
- Three-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 Beijing (w/Vesnina), 2007 Stanford, San Diego (both w/Azarenka)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, holds one singles title and one doubles title
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.theannachakvetadze.com
- Was girls' singles runner-up at 2003 Wimbledon (as qualifier; l. to Flipkens in 3s)
- Has 12 Top 10 victories in her young career (seven against fellow Russians):

TOURNAMENT/ROUND	PLAYER	RANKING	SCORE
2004 US Open 2r	Anastasia Myskina	No.3	76(3) 63
2006 San Diego 2r	Nadia Petrova	No.5	63 67(5) 62
2006 Montréal 2r	Nadia Petrova	No.6	61 64
2006 Moscow 1r	Dinara Safina	No.10	61 62
2006 Moscow SF	Elena Dementieva	No.7	75 36 60
2006 Moscow F	Nadia Petrova	No.5	64 64
2007 Australian Open 4r	Patty Schnyder	No.9	64 61
2007 Antwerp QF	Nadia Petrova	No.7	63 64
2007 's-Hertogenbosch SF	Daniela Hantuchova	No.10	63 64
2007 's-Hertogenbosch F	Jelena Jankovic	No.3	76(2) 36 63
2007 Tour Championships RR	Serena Williams	No.5	64 ret.
2007 Tour Championships RR	Jelena Jankovic	No.3	64 06 63

KLEYBANOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making tournament and Grand Slam main draw debut

2008 SUMMARY

- As qualifier, l. in 1r at Gold Coast to No.4 seed Schnyder 61 63

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won: ITF/Monteroni d'Arbia-ITA, ITF/Lecce-ITA, ITF/Augusta, GA-USA; **R-Up:** ITF/Mestre-ITA; **SF:** ITF/Moscow 1-RUS, ITF/Moscow 2-RUS, ITF/Moscow 4-RUS; **QF:** ITF/Minsk-BLR, ITF/Rome-Tevere Remo-ITA, ITF/Rimini-ITA, ITF/Bordeaux-FRA

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Only Tour appearance was in Moscow qualifying; won three singles titles and seven doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- **Grand Slam play:** Did not compete in any Grand Slam
- **Regular Tour season:** At Moscow, l. in 1r qualifying; won three singles ITF titles (\$25K ITF/Monteroni d'Arbia-ITA,



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\$25K ITF/Lecce-ITA and ITF/Augusta, GA-USA) and seven doubles ITF titles (bringing career tallies to eight and 11 respectively).

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.262 and reached career-high No.150 ranking on November 12, 2007

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of eight (8) ITF Women's Circuit singles events and 11 doubles events
- Made Sony Ericsson WTA Tour debut at 2004 Indian Wells, reaching 2r (as WC, d. Kostanic Tosic in 1r before falling to No.10 seed Smashnova)
- In juniors, won 2005 US Open doubles title (w/ Frankova), d. Glatch/King in final

OTHER FACTS

- List clay and grass as favorite surfaces
- Began playing tennis at age 5

[8] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA) vs. CAMILLE PIN (FRA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: V.Williams leads 1-0

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V.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	PIN
27	Age	26
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	Aix-en-Provence, France
36	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,173,781	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$660,460
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$5,875
No.8	Current Singles Rank	No.90
No.1 (February 25, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.61 (January 8, 2007)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
29-8	Aus. Open W-L**	3-5
40	GS Attempts**	19
160-33	Career GS W-L**	4-18
1	2008 Events Played	3
1-0	2008 W-L	5-2
476-110	Career W-L	307-272
70-41	Career Tie-Break W-L	50-53
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
87-47	Career 3-Set W-L	99-88
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-1
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	Eric Brémond
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

V.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making her eighth appearance since 1998, missing only 2000 due to tendonitis in both wrists; best result was runner-up in 2003 (as No.2 seed, d No.7 Hantuchova in QF, No.5 Henin in SF, before l. to No.1 S.Williams); SF in 2001 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.1 Hingis) and QF in 1998 (on debut, d. S.Williams in 2r, before l. to No.2 seed Davenport), 1999 (as No.5 seed, l. to No.1 Davenport) and 2002 (as No.2 seed, l. to No.8 Seles); past three appearances have seen 3r exit in 2004 (l. to Raymond), 4r in 2005 (l. to Molik) and 2006 (l. to Pironkova); withdrew from 2007 event w/left wrist injury

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Memphis, Wimbledon, Seoul; **R-Up (1):** Tokyo [Japan Open]; **SF (3):** Charleston, US Open, Bangkok; **QF (3):** Amelia Island, Warsaw, San Diego

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Sensational comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by spectacular Wimbledon title run and subsequent return to Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Victorious run at All England club included four consecutive straight set victories over No.2 seed Sharapova in 4r, No.5 seed Kuznetsova in QF, No.6 seed Ivanovic in SF and No.18 seed Bartoli in final; wins her fourth Wimbledon title (fourth woman in Open Era to win that many, after King, Navratilova and Graf); wins over world No.2 Sharapova and world No.5 Kuznetsova were first Top 5 victories since her Wimbledon title two years earlier; was also lowest-ranked player (No.31) ever to win Wimbledon (breaking her own record from two years earlier); afterwards, rose from No.31 to No.17, her first Top 20 ranking since the 2006 Wimbledon fortnight (when she was defending champion); impressive SF run at US Open (as No.12 seed d. No.5 seed Ivanovic in 4r, No.3 Jankovic in QF before falling to eventual champion and No.1 Henin); 3r finish at Roland Garros (as No.26 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic in 3s); withdrew from Australian Open w/left wrist injury
- **Regular Tour season:** Also captured 34th and 36th career Tour singles titles (Wimbledon was her 35th) at Memphis (as No.7 seed, d. top seed Peer 61 61 in final in first event of season, having missed Australian swing w/continued left wrist injury) and in Seoul (as No.1 seed d. No.4 Kirilenko in final); finished runner-up in Tokyo [Japan Open] (as No.1 seed, l. to No.5 Razzano 64 in third set having held three mp in second set tie-break); SF

runs at Charleston (l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Jankovic 76 third set) and Bangkok (as No.2 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 64 76(8), having help sp at 6-5 second set); QF finishes on three occasions at Amelia Island (d. No.4 seed Schnyder; l. to No.8 seed and eventual champion Golovin), Warsaw (d. No.7 seed Dementieva; l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova 36 63 64 having led 4-2 third set) and San Diego (as No.10 seed, d. No.6 seed Hantuchova; l. to No.3 seed Chakvetadze 67(5) 76(3) 62, having led 5-3 second set w/mp); fell prior to QF two other times, at Miami (l. to top seed Sharapova 75 third set in 3r) and Istanbul (as No.4 seed, upset by Rezai in 2r)

- **Ranking:** Having begun season at No.46, dipped to No.54 on February 19 but bounced back into Top 50 immediately on February 26 (after Memphis; rose from No.54 to No.38); returned to Top 20 on July 9 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.31 to No.17) and back into Top 10 on September 10 (after US Open; rose from No.14 to No.9); reached season-high No.8 on October 1 (after Seoul; rose from No.9 to No.8)
- **Fed Cup play:** Impressive 4-1 record, including 2-0 in USA's 5-0 World Group I 1r victory over Belgium (d. Wickmayer, Flipkens) and 2-1 during USA's 3-2 World Group I SF loss to Russia (d. Chakvetadze, Petrova; w/Raymond, l. to Petrova/Vesnina in deciding rubber)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/S.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 36 Tour singles titles, incl. six majors (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007 Wimbledon and 2000, 2001 US Open), one Olympic gold medal (2000 Sydney) and six Tier Is (fourth among active players); also six-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 1997 US Open, 2002 Roland Garros/Wimbledon/US Open and 2003 Australian Open/Wimbledon
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Serena, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Australian Open/Roland Garros (both w/Gimelstob)
- On February 25, 2002, became 10th woman (first African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 11 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000, 2004; member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003-2005 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com
- Owns V Starr Interiors, an interior design company specializing in residential design (www.vstarrinteriors.com) On August 23, 2007 unveiled new clothing range 'EleVen' which will be sold in Steve & Barry stores in America Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com

PIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making sixth main draw appearance (seventh overall); advanced to 2r twice: 2004 as qualifier (l. to top seed Henin) and 2006 (l. to No.13 seed S.Williams); fell in 1r three times: in 2003 (l. to No.9 seed Davenport), 2005 (l. to No.7 seed S.Williams) and 2007 (l. to top seed Sharapova in 3s); in 2002, fell in qualifying

2008 SUMMARY

- Reached 2r at Auckland (l. to No.6 seed Paszek)
- Fell in 1r at Sydney (as qualifier, l. to Vaidisova in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Auckland; **QF (4):** Prague, Fes, Tokyo [Japan Open], Bangkok

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Second straight (and third overall) Top 100 finish, reaching third career Tour singles SF and four singles QF2r win over Kostanic Tomic at Tokyo [Japan Open] was 300th career singles match win; also reached third and fourth Tour doubles SF of career
- **Grand Slam play:** Best result came when reached 2r at US Open (l. to No.4 seed Kuznetsova in 3s); fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. to top seed Sharapova 63 46 97, having trailed 5-0 third set before coming back to serve for match at 7-6), Roland Garros (l. to Dushevina) and Wimbledon (l. to No.15 seed Schnyder 61 46 86, having led 5-1 third set)
- **Regular Tour season:** SF at Auckland (d. No.8 seed Perry en route; ret. vs. top seed and eventual champion Jankovic w/left hip strain); four QF, at Prague (l. to No.6 seed and eventual champion Morigami), Fes (as No.7 seed, l. to eventual champion Sequera), Tokyo [Japan Open] (d. No.3 seed Kirilenko en route; l. to No.5 seed and eventual champion Razzano) and Bangkok (l. to No.2 seed V.Williams); reached 2r another six times, incl. at Paris [Indoors] (as WC; l. to No.7 seed Safina 76 third set) and US Open see above); fell 1r 12 times, incl. Cincinnati (l. to No.7 seed Morigami 46 76(6) 76(2), having led 64 53 and 5-1 in second set tie-break w/mp at 6-5) and Toronto (as qualifier, l. to No.9 seed Safina 76(9) 36 75, having led 4-1 third set); fell in qualifying three times; withdrew from Charleston w/fever and from Québec City w/right hamstring strain



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- **Ranking:** Started the season ranked No.76 and finished No.77
- **Doubles:** Reached SF at Fes (w/Sequera) and Bangkok (w/Salerni)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Tour singles semifinalist, at 2004 Vancouver, 2006 Tokyo [Japan Open], 2007 Auckland (see 2007 summary above); also five-time Tour singles quarterfinalist, at 2006 Bangalore and 2007 Prague, Fes, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bangkok
- Four-time Tour doubles semifinalist, incl. 2007 Fes (w/Sequera) and 2007 Bangkok (w/Salerni)
- Best Grand Slam results have been three 2r finishes at Australian Open (2004 and 2006) and US Open (2007)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, seven-time singles titlist and two-time doubles titlist

OTHER FACTS

- Coached by Eric Brémond, husband of fellow player Severine Brémond; travels w/practice partner Carine Bornu
- Junior highlights include being a quarterfinalist at Orange Bowl U14s and member of France's Europa Cup team

(9) DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK) vs. ALIZE CORNET (FRA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Hantuchova leads 1-0

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HANTUCHOVA	Quick Facts	CORNET
24	Age	17
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Nice, France
3	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$5,334,366	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$245,257
\$7,470	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$585
No.9	Current Singles Rank	No.59
No.5 (January 27, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.55 (November 19, 2007)
8	Aus. Open Attempts**	3
16-7	Aus. Open W-L**	1-2
29	GS Attempts**	8
55-28	Career GS W-L**	6-7
2	2008 Events Played	2
2-1	2008 W-L	1-1
322-193	Career W-L	82-44
76-48	Career Tie-Break W-L	10-9
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
107-64	Career 3-Set W-L	26-14
1-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
None	Coach	Pierre Bouteyre
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HANTUCHOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth straight appearance, seventh in main draw; best result was QF in 2003 (l. to world No.2 V.Williams); 4r in 2007 (as No.15 seed, l. to No.4 seed Clijsters) and 2006 (l. to world No.4 Sharapova); 3r twice – 2002 (l. to V.Williams 36 60 64) and 2005 (l. to world No.6 Dementieva 75 57 64); 2r in 2004 (l. to Australia's Molik); l. in 1r in 2001 in main draw debut to world No.8 Kournikova; failed to qualify in 2000

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney 2r; as No.6 seed l. to Vaidisova

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Indian Wells, Linz; **R-Up (2):** Bali, Luxembourg; **SF (5):** Doha, Rome, 's-Hertogenbosch, Stanford, Kolkata; **QF (3):** Dubai, Amelia Island, Birmingham

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Impressive return to top-flight play, winning two titles and once again a regular in the world's Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Unable to break back into last eight (which she achieved at three consecutive majors in 2002-03), but reached 4r twice and 3r once; 4r for second straight year at both Australian Open (d. Harkleroad 67(6) 75 63 in 3r after trailing 5-2 second set; l. to Clijsters) and Wimbledon (l. to S.Williams in dramatic three-set encounter, 62 67(2) 62, halted by rain at end of second set while Williams was struggling with cramp; match resumed later that day with Williams taking final set); seeded No.12 at Roland Garros, upset in 3r by Medina Garrigues 46 76(2) 75; also suffered surprise loss at US Open as No.9 seed, falling in 1r to Vakulenko in 3s, her first opening-match loss in New York in six years
- **Regular Tour season:** Her four finals appearances were a career-best, winning titles at Indian Wells (her second title there and in her career; d. world No.6 Hingis in 4r and No.4 Kuznetsova in final) and Linz (d. Schnyder in final); Linz victory saw her qualify for Sony Ericsson Championships tied in eighth place with Sharapova (the tie-break went in Hantuchova's favor, who played more tournaments this season than Sharapova, 26 to 12); strong end to the season also included runner-up finishes at Bali (l. to Davenport in 3s) and Luxembourg (l. to Ivanovic in 3s); posted five SF finishes – Doha (d. world No.6 Hingis; l. to Kuznetsova), Rome (l. to Kuznetsova), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to eventual champion Chakvetadze), Stanford (l. to Chakvetadze) and Kolkata (l. to Kirilenko)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.17, dipping to No.19 in February; rose to No.12 after Indian Wells victory (March 19); after reaching Birmingham QF (l. to Bartoli), rose from No.13 to No.10 (June 18), her first time in Top 10 since September 2003; also spent parts of July and August at No.10 and began current stint in Top 10 on

September 24, rising to No.9 on October 8

- **Fed Cup play:** Represented Slovakia in World Group II QF loss to Czech Republic (0-2 in singles; l. to Safarova and Vaidisova, both in 3s) and World Group II Playoff victory over Serbia (2-0 in singles; d. Timotic and Lukic)
- **Doubles:** Contested 11 doubles events in 2007, reaching three SF – Dubai (w/Sugiyama), Miami (w/Hingis) and Bali (w/Davenport)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion at 2002 Indian Wells (d. Hingis in final), 2007 Indian Wells (d. Kuznetsova in final) and 2007 Linz (d. Schnyder in final); six-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2002 Filderstadt, 2004 Eastbourne, 2005 Los Angeles, 2006 Zürich, 2007 Bali and 2007 Luxembourg; also 16-time Tour singles semifinalist as well as three-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist (2002 Wimbledon, 2002 US Open, 2003 Australian Open)
- Eight-time Tour doubles titlist (last three w/Sugiyama); nine-time Tour doubles runner-up (incl. two Grand Slams)
- Holds four career Top 5 wins, all over world No.4 players (0-21 against rest of Top 5): Hingis-2002 Indian Wells; Mauresmo-2004 Eastbourne; Kuznetsova-2006 Zurich; Kuznetsova-2007 Indian Wells)
- Owns career Grand Slam in mixed doubles (2001 Wimbledon, 2002 Australian, 2005 Roland Garros and US Open; all with different partners); just second woman in Open Era (after Navratilova) and fourth all-time (also Court, King)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of three singles titles (two in 1999, one in 2000) and one doubles title
- Member of Slovak Fed Cup Team 1999-2003, 2007 (incl. title-winning 2002 team) and 2004 Olympic Team

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.dhantuchova.com
- Alongside Ivanovic, featured in Sony Ericsson's "Never Miss A Shot" TV commercial, launched in July 2006
- Father, Igor, is a computer scientist; mother, Marianna, is a toxicologist; older brother, Igor, is architect working in Bratislava; qualified for top university in Slovakia but deferred it to pursue professional tennis career
- Trained at Bolletieri Academy between ages 16 and 18; formerly coached by Nigel Sears; not currently working with one coach, but travels with various coaches from Casal/Sánchez Academy in Barcelona, Spain

CORNET FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making third appearance; fell in qualifying in previous two appearances; in 2007 (as qualifier, l. to No.15 seed Hantuchova); made tournament debut in 2006 (as WC, l. to Nakamura in 3s)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney qualifying

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Dnepropetrovsk-UKR (\$50K); **QF (2):** Acapulco, Fes; **3r (1):** US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish after first season playing regularly on the Tour, highlighted by first two QF appearances
- **Grand Slam play:** Played all four Grand Slams in a year for first time, falling 1r at Australian Open (as qualifier; l. to No.15 seed Hantuchova) and Roland Garros (as WC; l. to No.26 seed V.Williams) but reaching 2r at Wimbledon (as LL; l. to No.26 seed Sugiyama in 3s) and 3r at US Open (as qualifier, upset No.29 seed Stosur en route)
- **Regular Tour season:** QF twice at Acapulco (as qualifier, d. No.4 seed Brémond en route; l. to No.5 seed Pennetta) and Fes (d. No.9 seed Gajdosova en route; l. to Wozniak 63 16 75, having held 3mp leading 5-4 third set); l. to No.3 seed Jankovic in 3s); in three other Tour main draws, reached 2r at Bogotá (as qualifier; l. to No.6 seed and eventual champion Vinci) but fell 1r at Paris [Indoors] (as WC; l. to Golovin) and Québec City (as No.6 seed, l. to qualifier Ditty 75 63, having led 4-1 first set)
- **Ranking:** Shortly afterward capturing ITF Circuit singles title on August 6 (see below) made Top 100 debut (rising from No.107 to No.94)
- **ITF Circuit:** Won third career ITF Circuit singles title at \$50K ITF/Dnepropetrovsk-UKR

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Tour quarterfinalist at 2007 Acapulco and Fes (see 2007 summary above)
- Best Grand Slam performance is 3r finish – at 2007 US Open
- Three-time winner on ITF Women's Circuit at \$50K ITF/Dnepropetrovsk-UKR in 2007 (see 2007 summary above), \$25K ITF/Bari-ITA and \$25K ITF/Padova-ITA (both in 2006)
- Reached career-high ranking of No.55 on November 19, 2007



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- Began to play tennis as an four-year-old after watching brother (who is now her agent) play
- Baseliner who views her two-handed backhand as her most potent weapon
- Player she most admires is Andy Roddick for his on court intensity

[14] NADIA PETROVA (RUS) vs. ANNE KREMER (LUX)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Series tied 1-1

2000	STRASBOURG	CLAY (O)	R32 (1r)	PETROVA, NADIA	6-3 2-6 4-2 RET.
2000	SAN DIEGO	HARD (O)	Q-QF	KREMER, ANNE	6-3 6-2

PETROVA	Quick Facts	KREMER
25	Age	32
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Hesperange, Luxembourg
7	Career Tour Singles Titles	2
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$6,014,155	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,384,054
\$5,875	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$800
No.14	Current Singles Rank	No.84
No.3 (May 15, 2006)	Highest Singles Rank	No.18 (July 29, 2002)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	9
15-8	Aus. Open W-L**	9-8
31	GS Attempts**	30
64-30	Career GS W-L**	20-29
3	2008 Events Played	3
1-2	2008 W-L	1-2
348-182	Career W-L	390-308
54-59	Career Tie-Break W-L	70-70
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
80-77	Career 3-Set W-L	108-83
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-1
Tatiana Matoukhnuke; Lars Wahlgren	Coach	Henri Faberga
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

PETROVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance; best result was QF finish in 2006 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 Sharapova); 4r in 2005 (as No.11 seed, l. to No.7 and eventual champion S.Williams 61 36 63); three 3r finishes – 2000 (l. to Schnyder in 3s), 2003 (unseeded, d. No.21 seed Sugiyama before falling to No.12 Schnyder in 3s) and 2007 (as No.5 seed, l. to eventual champion S.Williams in 3s having led 61 53); 2r in 2001 (l. to No.6 seed S.Williams); l. in 1r in 1999 (event debut as qualifier, l. to No.11 seed van Roost) and 2004 (as No.10 seed, l. to Kapros)

2008 SUMMARY

- Disappointing start to season with 1r defeats at Gold Coast (as No.2 seed, l. to Garbin in 3s) and Sydney (as WC, l. to Bammer)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Paris [Indoors]; **R-Up (2):** Amelia Island, Los Angeles; **SF (1):** Eastbourne; **QF (6):** Antwerp, Miami, Berlin, San Diego, Toronto, Stuttgart; **4r (1):** Indian Wells

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Fifth straight Top 20 finish (but first non-Top 10 finish since 2004) in season highlighted by seventh career Tour singles title
- Grand Slam play:** Disappointing showing at all four majors, reaching the 4r on just one occasion; reached 4r of Wimbledon (as No.11 seed, l. to No.6 Ivanovic in 3s); 3r defeat at Australian Open (as No.5 seed, l. to unseeded eventual champion S.Williams 16 75 63 having led 5-3 in second set) and US Open (as No.7 seed, l. to unseeded Szavay); shock 1r exit at Roland Garros (as No.11 seed, l. to qualifier Peschke in 3s)
- Regular Tour season:** Won seventh Tour singles title at Paris [Indoors] (as No.4 seed, d. No.2 seed and defending champion Mauresmo 57 64 76(7) in SF, having trailed 4-1 third set and saving mp at 7-6 in tie-break, then d. Safarova 46 61 64 in final); finished runner-up twice, at Amelia Island (as top seed and defending champion, l. to No.8 seed Golovin 62 61 in final) and Los Angeles (as No.4 seed, l. to No.3 seed Ivanovic 75 64 in final); suffered one SF defeat at Eastbourne (as No.3 seed, ret. w/right pectoral muscle strain vs. No.2 seed Mauresmo); lost in QF six times, at Antwerp (l. to Chakvetadze), Miami (l. to Henin), Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova), San Diego (l. to Schnyder), Toronto (l. to eventual champion Henin) and Stuttgart (as No.7 seed and defending champion, ret. Vs. No.3 Jankovic w/left hip strain); fell in 4r once, at Indian Wells (ret. vs. Golovin w/heat illness); 3r at Rome (ret. vs. Dementieva w/low back pain); defeated in 2r three times, at Sydney (after 1r bye; ret. vs. Ivanovic w/abdominal strain), Warsaw (upset by Santangelo) and Luxembourg (as No.3 seed after 1r bye, l. to Azarenka)

- **Ranking:** Fell out of Top 10 for first time in just over two years on May 14, and although would bounce back inside on June 11 (after four weeks), would dip outside the elite again on October 15 and for remainder of season
- **Fed Cup play:** 2-0 during Russia's 5-0 World Group 1r win vs. Spain (d. Medina Garrigues; w/Vesnina d. Domínguez Lino/Pous Tio); then 2-1 in Russia's 3-2 Fed Cup SF win over USA (l. to V. Williams, d. Tu; w/Vesnina, d. Raymond/V. Williams)
- **Doubles:** best performance was SF finish at Paris [Indoors] (w/Kuznetsova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of seven Tour singles titles, at 2005 Linz, 2006 Doha, Amelia Island, Charleston, Berlin and Stuttgart, and 2007 Paris [Indoors]; eight-time Tour singles runner-up: 2003 Linz, 2004 Gold Coast, 2005 Berlin and Bangkok, 2006 Moscow and Linz, most recently 2007 Amelia Island and Los Angeles (see above); 7-8 in Tour singles finals
- Grand Slam semifinalist twice, both at Roland Garros, in 2003 (d. Seles and Capriati en route; l. to Clijsters) and 2005 (l. to eventual champion Henin); has reached QF at all other majors, incl. twice at US Open (2004, 2005)
- Winner of 12 Tour doubles titles; won seven of those in 2004 (all w/Shughnessy), incl. Tour Championships
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 2001, 2003, 2006 and 2007; also Russian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.nadia-petrova.com
- Spent part of her youth training in Egypt, where parents were athletics coaches; father, Victor Petrov, was a top hammer thrower; mother, Nadejda Ilina, won bronze medal at Montréal Olympics in 400m relay; both still coach
- Official Ambassador for Habitat for Humanity through Sony Ericsson WTA Tour's partnership with Whirlpool and "Aces for Homes" initiative

KREMER FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making ninth appearance in main draw (11th overall); Reached 2r five times: in 1999 (l. to Pierce), 2001 (l. to Razzano), 2002 (l. to Rittner), 2003 (l. t Dominikovic), 2007 (as qualifier, l. to S. Williams); fell in 1r three times; fell in qualifying twice

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Auckland and Hobart qualifying

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Budapest

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish in three years for Tour veteran
- **Grand Slam play:** Best result was 2r at Australian Open (as qualifier; l. to eventual champion S. Williams); fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. to qualifier Szavay) and Wimbledon (l. to No.29 seed Schiavone in 3s); fell in qualifying, US Open
- **Regular Tour season:** Best showing being QF at Budapest (d. No.3 seed Kirilenko en route; l. to Knapp); reached 2r five times; fell 1r seven times, incl. Roland Garros and Wimbledon (see above); fell in Tour qualifying 10 times, incl. US Open; ret. during Fes 2r match vs. Kloesel w/left SIJ sprain.
- **Ranking:** Started the season No.142 and finished No.85

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of two Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles at 2000 Auckland and Pattaya City, in the first and last events of that season; also runner-up at 1999 Pattaya City and 2001 Budapest and semifinalist four times, incl. Tier IIs at 2000 Eastbourne and 2002 Amelia Island
- Career-best season in 2002, breaking into Top 20 on July 29 at No.18 and defeating four Top 10 players
- Member of Luxembourg Fed Cup Team 1991-94, 1996, 1998-2002, 2004-05 and the Luxembourg Olympic Team in 1996, 2000 and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Suffered left wrist injury in 2003 which restricted her to just two Tour events that season; didn't play from January to October 2003 but returned to Top 100 in 2004
- Was Luxembourg's flag bearer in the 1996 Atlanta Olympics opening ceremony
- Played two years of collegiate tennis at Stanford University and helped school win NCAA national title in 1997; earned All-American honors both years, ranking among the NCAA's Top 10 for most of sophomore year

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FEATURED SECOND ROUND (TOP HALF) MATCH-UPS (INCL. TOP 16 SEEDS)

[1] JUSTINE HENIN (BEL) vs. OLGA POUTCHKOVA (RUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

HENIN	Quick Facts	POUTCHKOVA
25	Age	20
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Washington, DC, USA
40	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
10	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$19,098,405	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$326,990
\$95,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,515
No.1	Current Singles Rank	No.97
No.1 (October 20, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.32 (June 11, 2007)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
27-5	Aus. Open W-L**	2-1
31	GS Attempts**	6
124-23	Career GS W-L**	3-5
2	2008 Events Played	3
4-0	2008 W-L	2-2
481-103	Career W-L	149-98
66-40	Career Tie-Break W-L	21-27
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
95-56	Career 3-Set W-L	50-21
2-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-0
Carlos Rodriguez	Coach	none
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HENIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh appearance in this event; won the title in 2004 (as No.1 seed, d. Clijsters in final, joined elite list of nine women to hold three Grand Slams at once following her 2003 Roland Garros and US Open titles); runner-up on last appearance in 2006 (as No.8 seed ret. in final vs. Mauresmo w/gastrointestinal illness trailing 61 20, only second time in Open Era a player has ret. during a Grand Slam final); SF finish in 2003, d. Davenport 97 third set in 4r after trailing 4-1 (first win in six meetings) before l. to V.Williams; QF run in 2002 (as No.6 seed l. to No.4 Clijsters); also 4r in 2001 (d. No.14 seed Testud in 3r, before l. to No.4 Seles) and 2r on debut in 2000 (l. to No.1 seed Hingis)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Opened up season with 40th career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour title in Sydney; as No.1 seed d. No.4 Ivanovic 62 26 64 in SF, before d. No.2 Kuznetsova 46 62 64 in final

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (10): Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Toronto, US Open, Stuttgart, Zürich, Tour Championships; **R-Up (1):** Miami; **SF (3):** Paris [Indoors], Berlin, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Career-best season for the undisputed world No.1, winning 10 titles in 14 events – including two majors, the Sony Ericsson Championships and two Tier Is – and losing just four of 67 matches
- **Grand Slam play:** After missing Australian Open due to personal reasons, went 19-1 in the remaining three majors; won fourth Roland Garros (d. Ivanovic in final to become only fifth woman since 1925 to win four titles in Paris) and third consecutively (only other woman to achieve the feat in the Open Era was Seles in 1990-92); also became first woman to win three consecutive titles at the same major since Martina Hingis (Australian Open 1997-99); her 2006 and 2007 titles at Roland Garros were won without the loss of a set, an all-time record; seeded No.1 at Wimbledon, shocked in SF by No.18 seed Bartoli 16 75 61 after leading 61 53; at US Open, regained title without the loss of a set (d. Kuznetsova in final), her seventh major (second most among active players behind S.Williams's eight) in her 11th Grand Slam final; she became the first woman to win a Grand Slam

singles title having beaten both Williams sisters en route (d. S.Williams in QF, V.Williams in SF)

- **Regular Tour season:** In addition to her two majors, collected another eight titles in the regular Tour season (from 11 events), the Tour championships, two Tier I's (Toronto, Zürich) and five Tier II's (Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Eastbourne, Stuttgart), losing only four matches in 67 matches; after returning to Tour at Paris [Indoors] in February (l. in SF to Safarova), went undefeated in the Middle East, winning first title in Doha and fourth in Dubai (a perfect 16-0 in the latter event); runner-up in Miami (l. to S.Williams 06 75 63 after holding 1 mp at 5-4 second set) before winning second Warsaw title (d. A.Bondarenko in final, improving to 9-0 lifetime in that event); after SF finish in Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova in 3s) and title run at Roland Garros, successfully defended Eastbourne crown (d. Mauresmo in final 76 third set; also needed final-set tie-break to d. Myskina in 2006 final); after SF loss at Wimbledon has gone undefeated, winning Toronto (d. Jankovic in final), US Open, Stuttgart (d. Golovin in final for first title there after runner-up finishes in 2001, 2003), Zürich (d. Golovin again in final) and Tour Championships (d. Sharapova 57 75 63 in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era); by triumphing at the Tour Championships in Madrid she became first woman since Graf in 1989 to go undefeated in the second-half of a season (post-Wimbledon); in Madrid
- **Ranking:** Reigned as world No.1 for all but seven weeks in 2007; having started 2007 in the top spot, fell to No.2 (behind Sharapova) after Australian Open (runner-up there in 2006) but regained No.1 on March 19 and remained there from then on

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 40 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. seven majors (Roland Garros four times in 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2007; one Australian Open in 2004; two US Opens in 2003 and 2007); one Olympic gold medal (2004) and two Tour Championships (2006, 2007); four-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams), 2006 Australian Open/Wimbledon (l. to Mauresmo at both) and 2006 US Open (l. to Sharapova); is 38-16 lifetime in Tour singles finals (9-1 in 2007)
- Thirteenth player to hold No.1 Tour Singles Ranking, reaching No.1 on October 20, 2003, after winning Zürich; surrendered it a week later to compatriot Clijsters (first time a new No.1 spent one week on top before losing it) but returned two weeks later, where she stayed 44 straight weeks; regained it after winning Tour Championships last November and held it for 11 weeks before losing it again; began fourth (current) stint at the top during this year's Miami fortnight and is spending her 43rd consecutive week (99th overall) on top during Madrid
- Won 1999 Antwerp in Tour main draw debut, becoming the fifth player at that stage to achieve the feat
- Two-time Tour doubles titlist, both in 2002, at Gold Coast (w/Shaughnessy) and Zürich (w/Bovina)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of seven singles titles (most recently in hometown of Liège in 2000) and two doubles titles
- Member of Belgian Fed Cup Team 2000-03, 2006 and Belgian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.justine-henin.be
- Created her own charity, 'Justine's Winners' Circle', in December 2003 to help children with cancer
- Should Henin successfully defend her title in Madrid, she will become the first player to win 10 Tour singles titles in a season since Martina Hingis won 12 in 1997; she will also become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1996 to win Roland Garros, the US Open and the Season-Ending Championships in the same year

POUTCHOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Third straight appearance, second in main draw; l. in 2r in 2007 to No.2 seed Mauresmo; failed to qualify in 2006

2008 SUMMARY

- Started at Gold Coast, failed to qualify
- Fell in 1r at Hobart to No.2 seed Zvonareva

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Quebec City

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Second straight Top 100 finish, highlighted by QF in last week of the season at Québec City
- **Grand Slam play:** Made main draw debuts at Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon; reached 2r at Australian Open and Roland Garros; l. in 1r at Wimbledon and US Open
- **Regular Tour season:** Best result at Québec City (as No.8 seed, reached QF, l. to No.2 seed Zvonareva); did not win back-to-back matches in 24 other main draws; reached 2r 11 times, incl. Australian Open (l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and Roland Garros (l. to No.12 seed Hantuchova); fell 1r 13 times, incl. Wimbledon (as No.30 seed, l.



to Vesnina) and US Open (l. to qualifier Pironkova); fell in qualifying twice; having played first event of year ranked No.39, finished at No.86 on year-end rankings; ret. from Estoril 2r match vs. Arvidsson w/viral illness, withdrew from Memphis w/toothache and from Amelia Island and Charleston w/low back injury

- **Ranking:** Played first event of year ranked No.39, finished at No.86 on year-end rankings

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles runner-up, at 2006 Kolkata and Québec City, and one-time semifinalist at 2006 Tashkent
- Made career Top 50 debut (at No.46) on October 2, 2006 (after Tashkent)
- Owns one Top 20 win, in career-first match against a Top 20 player (d. No.15 Ivanovic en route to 2006 Bali QF)
- Five-time ITF Women's Circuit singles champion

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.poutchkova.com
- List Bali as one of favorite tournaments, site of first career Sony Ericsson WTA Tour QF, because it's relaxing and like a resort; also enjoys visiting New York, Paris, London and Australia; splits time between Russia and Washington DC, USA
- Began playing at age 8 when introduced to tennis by father
- Baseline whose favorite shot is backhand; enjoys all surfaces
- Off-court training includes sprints, weights and swimming

[3] JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB) vs. EDINA GALLOVITS (ROU)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Series tied 1-1

2003 ROLAND GARROS	CLAY (O)	Q-R64	GALLOVITS, EDINA	6-4 0-6 6-4
2003 US OPEN	HARD (O)	Q-R128	JANKOVIC, JELENA	6-2 6-3

JANKOVIC	Quick Facts	GALLOVITS
22	Age	23
Belgrade, Serbia	Residence	Atlanta, GA, USA
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,390,600	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$357,150
\$14,130	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$4,015
No.4	Current Singles Rank	No.76
No.3 (June 11, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.71 (June 18, 2007)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
8-5	Aus. Open W-L**	1-1
18	GS Attempts**	7
35-17	Career GS W-L**	2-6
2	2008 Events Played	1
2-1	2008 W-L	6-1
267-153	Career W-L	250-143
42-38	Career Tie-Break W-L	32-28
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	2-0
74-72	Career 3-Set W-L	70-47
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
None	Coach	Gavra Mihai
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

JANKOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance to date was last year's 4r run (as No.11 seed, l. 4r to eventual champion S.Williams); all four previous results were 2r finishes – 2003 (qualified in event debut, l. to Coetzer), 2004 (upset world No.8 Dementieva, l. to Craybas 64 26 86), 2005 (l. to Panova 36 64 62) and 2006 (l. to **Savchuk**)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **QF (1):** Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF of first Tour event of the year; as No.3 seed, l. to Vaidisova 64 in final set
- Represented Serbia in Hopman w/Djokovic; went 1-3 in singles (l. to Golovin, Dulko, S.Williams; d. Hsieh)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Auckland, Charleston, Rome, Birmingham; **R-Up (4):** Sydney, 's-Hertogenbosch, Toronto, Beijing; **SF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles, Stuttgart; **QF (5):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Amelia Island, Berlin, US Open, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Phenomenally consistent season, reaching QF or better at 20 of 28 events coming in and surging to No.3 by year's end, having started 2007 outside the Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Highlight of Grand Slam season was SF finish at Roland Garros – dropped just one set en route to SF (d. V.Williams in 3s in 3r) where she fell to eventual champion Henin 62 62, their most one-sided match to date (five of their eight career meetings have gone to 3s); also reached QF at US Open (l. to V.Williams 76 third set) and 4r at Australian Open (l. to eventual champion S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. to eventual runner-up Bartoli 36 75 63)
- **Regular Tour season:** Her eight finals appearances were second only to Henin's 11, winning titles at Auckland (d. Zvonareva in 3s for first title since 2004 Budapest), Charleston (first Tier I; d. Safina in final), Rome (d. Kuznetsova in final) and Birmingham (d. world No.2 Sharapova in final 75 third set after trailing 3-0 for career-best win and first win over a Top 2-ranked player in 14 meetings); runner-up at Sydney (l. to Clijsters 46 76(4) 64, having served for the match at 5-4 (held 1 mp) and 6-5 second set), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze in 3s), Toronto (l. to Henin) and Beijing (l. to Szavay 67(7) 75 62 after leading 5-1 second set and holding 1 mp); semifinalist

another seven times – Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles and Stuttgart – and quarterfinalist another five times; her 72 match wins were a Tour-best for 2007, although she lost her last six matches – Stuttgart SF (l. to Henin), Bangkok 1r (ret. vs. Yan w/heat illness), 2r at Zürich (after 1r bye; l. to Vaidisova) and all three round-robin matches at the Tour Championships (vs. Henin, Chakvetadze and Bartoli)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.12, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Australian Open (January 29); continued to move up the rankings with her impressive performances in the spring, debuting in the Top 5 at No.5 after Berlin (May 14); just four weeks later rose to current career-high No.3 after SF finish at Roland Garros (June 11), where she remained
- **Fed Cup:** Represented Serbia regional qualifying (Europe/Africa Group I), going 4-0 in singles and 2-1 in doubles, helping her country reach the World Group II Play-off, where it fell to Slovakia 4-1 (d. Cibulkova for Serbia's only point in the tie)
- **Doubles:** Went 5-12 in doubles in 2007, the highlights being QF finishes at Auckland (w/Krizan) and Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Mattek); collected career-first Grand Slam title, partnering Brit Jamie Murray to Wimbledon mixed doubles championship (d. Molik/Bjorkman in final)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at Budapest in 2004 and at Auckland, Charleston, Rome and Birmingham in 2007; eight-time runner-up – 2005 Dubai (l. to Davenport), 2005 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Seoul (l. to Vaidisova), 2006 Los Angeles (l. to Dementieva), 2007 Sydney (l. to Clijsters), 2007 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze), 2007 Toronto (l. to Henin) and 2007 Beijing (l. to Szavay); 5-8 lifetime in Tour singles finals (2-1 at Tier I level)
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2006 Birmingham (w/Li); two-time semifinalist, incl. 2006 Guangzhou (w/Li)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2007 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Top 20 debut in March 2005; Top 10 debut in January 2007; Top 5 debut in May 2007; Top 3 in June 2007
- Had 11 Top 10 wins prior to 2007 Birmingham, but was 0-13 against Top 2; but in Birmingham final notched career-first Top 2 win over world No.2 Sharapova, coming back from 3-0 third set deficit to prevail, 46 63 75
- Member of Serbian Fed Cup Team, 2001-05, 2007 and Serbia and Montenegro Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- In 2007, appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Ivanovic was also recently appointed)
- Introduced to tennis at age 9 by brother and fitness coach Marko (six years her senior); admires Monica Seles
- Won junior Australian Open in 2001 and was runner-up at junior US Open that year; was No.1 in junior rankings
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2006, presented at the 2007 Sony Ericsson Open in Miami

GALLOVITS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance, second in main draw; l. in 1r in 2007 to Tu 26 64 62; failed to qualify in 2005-06

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Hobart

2008 SUMMARY

- Started with QF finish at Hobart (as qualifier, l. to Harkleroad)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **Won:** ITF/Pelham,AL-USA, ITF/Charlottesville,VA-USA; **R-Up (1):** ITF/Waikoloa,HI-USA; Barcelona; **SF:** ITF/Dothan,AL-USA, ITF/Indian Harbour Beach,FL-USA; **QF (1):** ITF/Palm Desert,CA-USA, ITF/Sea Island,GA-USA, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish after first season spent predominantly on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour; breakthrough week in Barcelona, reaching first Tour singles final
- **Grand Slam play:** Played all four majors in a year for first time, reaching 2r at Roland Garros (l. to No.15 seed Peer) and falling 1r at Australian Open (on debut; l. to Tu in 3s), Wimbledon (l. again to Tu in 3s) and US Open (on debut; l. to Brémond)
- **Regular Tour season:** Breakthrough week in Barcelona, reaching first Tour singles final (d. No.5 seed Domínguez Lino, No.4 seed Kanepi and No.7 seed Razzano en route; l. to No.6 seed Shaughnessy); had not been to a Tour singles QF previously; was second Romanian in seven (7) years to reach a Tour singles final after Cirstea at 2007 Budapest (last one prior to that was Dragomir Ilie at 2000 's-Hertogenbosch); QF at Bali (l. to qualifier Cirstea 76 third set); in Grand Slams, reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. to No.15 seed Peer) and fell in 1r at Australian Open (on debut; l. to Tu in 3s), Wimbledon (l. again to Tu in 3s) and US Open (on debut; l. to Brémond); 2r twice, at



Palermo and Bad Gastein; 1r four times, at Kolkata (ret. w/left thigh strain), Seoul, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bangkok (ret. w/heat illness); fell in qualifying four times; also won two ITF Circuit singles titles and one ITF Circuit doubles title (bringing career tallies to 12 and eight, respectively); withdrew from Québec City w/plantar fasciitis

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.111; made Top 100 debut on April 9 (rose from No.105 to No.98); finished season at No.85

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour runner-up – at 2007 Barcelona (see above); also one-time QF at 2007 Bali (see above)
- Winner of 12 ITF Women's Circuit singles titles, most recently two in 2007 (see 2007 Summary above)
- Holds eight (8) ITF doubles titles, incl. one (1) in 2007 (see 2007 Summary above)
- Won first career pro singles title and doubles title (w/Balaci) at \$10K 2000 ITF/Bucharest 1-ROU
- Made Sony Ericsson WTA Tour main draw debut as qualifier at 2002 Casablanca (d. Safina in final round of qualifying)
- Member of 2001 and 2003 Romanian Fed Cup teams

OTHER FACTS

- Started playing tennis aged 4 with her parents at a local club
- Baseline who prefers clay courts
- Graduated from high school (in Timisoara, Romania) in June 2003
- Speaks Romanian, Hungarian, German and English
- One of most memorable experiences was qualifying for Grand Slam debut at 2003 Roland Garros
- Admires Martina Hingis

[5] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS) vs. LINDSAY DAVENPORT (USA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Sharapova leads 4-1

2004 WIMBLEDON	GRASS (O)	SF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	2-6 7-6(5) 6-1
2005 TOKYO (PAN PACIFIC)	CARPET (I)	F	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-1 3-6 7-6(5)
2005 INDIAN WELLS	HARD (O)	SF	DAVENPORT, LINDSAY	6-0 6-0
2005 TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS	HARD (O)	RR1	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	6-3 5-7 6-4
2006 DUBAI	HARD (O)	SF	SHARAPOVA, MARIA	3-6 6-1 6-3

SHARAPOVA	Quick Facts	DAVENPORT
20	Age	31
Bradenton, FL, USA	Residence	Laguna Beach, California, USA
16	Career Tour Singles Titles	54
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	2
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	1
\$10,231,402	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$21,872,217
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$22,900
No.5	Current Singles Rank	No.51
No.1 (August 22, 2005)	Highest Singles Rank	No.1 (October 12, 1998)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	14
19-5	Aus. Open W-L**	56-12
21	GS Attempts**	53
75-18	Career GS W-L**	195-52
1	2008 Events Played	2
1-0	2008 W-L	6-0
274-66	Career W-L	735-189
34-22	Career Tie-Break W-L	101-77
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
66-25	Career 3-Set W-L	160-82
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	2-0
Father, Yuri Sharapov; Michael Joyce	Coach	Adam Petersen
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

SHARAPOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance was runner-up finish last year (as No.1 seed, d. No.12 Chakvetadze and No.4 Clijsters in QF and SF before falling to S.Williams; was first Russian to reach Australian Open final); best results prior to 2007 were two back-to-back SF finishes – in 2005 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion S.Williams 26 75 86 having served for match in second and third sets and held 3 mp at 5-4 third set), and 2006 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual runner-up Henin-Hardenne 46 61 64); 3r in 2004 (as No.28 seed, l. to No.6 seed Myskina 64 16 62; event debut in 2003 as qualifier, l. in 1r to Koukalova 64 76(6))

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): San Diego; **R-Up (3):** Australian Open, Birmingham, Tour Championships; **SF (4):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Istanbul, Roland Garros, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Injury-plagued season which has saw the Russian fall from No.1 to outside the Top 5 for the first time in three years
- **Grand Slam play:** Diminishing results in the majors over the season; opened 2007 with first finals appearance at Australian Open; seeded No.1, escaped from 1r vs. Pin (in searing heat) with 97 third set victory, before winning next five matches in straight sets (d. world No.5 Clijsters in SF for only Top 5 win of the season thus far; l. 61 62 to unseeded S.Williams); at Roland Garros, again endured a 16-game final set (vs. Schnyder in 4r, saving 2 mp) to reach first SF there, falling 61 62 to Ivanovic; suffered earliest exit at Wimbledon since 2003 debut, falling in 4r to eventual champion V.Williams; seeded No.2 at US Open, blazed through first two matches vs. Vinci and Dellacqua (dropping one game in each match) before falling to No.30 seed Radwanska, her earliest Grand Slam loss since 3r exit in New York in 2004
- **Regular Tour season:** First title of the season came at San Diego in early August (fifth career Tier I title; d. Schnyder in final in 3s), her longest wait for her first title of the season since 2003; also runner-up at Tour

Championships (as No.6 seed d. Chakvetadze in SF, l. to Henin 57 75 63 in final, in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era) and Birmingham (l. to Jankovic 75 third set) and semifinalist at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (ret. vs. Ivanovic w/left hamstring strain that forced withdrawal from Dubai), Istanbul (only second career clay SF on Tour; l. to Rezai) and Los Angeles (WD vs. Petrova w/left lower leg strain which also forced withdrawal from Toronto); also withdrew from Charleston w/right shoulder and left hamstring injuries and from Rome, Stuttgart, Zürich and Linz w/right shoulder injury (was defending champion at Zürich and Linz); defeated in opening match at Moscow (l. to Azarenka 76(8) 62 having held six set points in first set)

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.2, rising to No.1 on January 29 after Australian Open runner-up finish, her third career stint in the top spot; held onto No.1. for seven weeks (14 weeks in total) before surrendering it to Henin on March 19 after failing to defend Indian Wells title (fell in 4r); remained at No.2 until 3r exit at US Open (as defending champion) pushed her down to No.4 (September 10); having been unable to defend Zürich and Linz titles through injury, fell to No.5 on October 15 and No.6 on October 29, her first time outside Top 5 since November 2004, when she rose from No.6 to No.4 after winning the Season-Ending Championships
- **Fed Cup play:** Served as hitting partner for Russia during its World Group I Final win over Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 16 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. majors at 2004 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open, also 2004 Season-Ending Championships and Tier Is at 2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Indian Wells, 2006 San Diego, 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego; seven-time runner-up, incl. 2007 Australian Open and 2007 Tour Championships and Tier Is at 2004 Zürich, 2005 Miami and 2006 Miami
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, all at Tier III level – 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] and 2003 Luxembourg (both w/Tanasugarn) and on grass at 2004 Birmingham (w/Kirilenko)
- Winner of four singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit (three in 2002 and one in 2003)
- On August 22, 2005, became 15th woman and first Russian to reach No.1 (also most recent new No.1) since 1975 inception of computer rankings

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.mariasharapova.com
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy at age 9
- Named UNDP Goodwill Ambassador on February 14, 2007
- At 2005 Australian Open, donated value of Porsche Cayenne she won at 2004 Tour Championships (approx. US\$56,300) to those affected by Russian school hostage crisis in Beslan in September 2004
- Has appeared on the cover of SI (first tennis player in over two years to do so), ESPN The Magazine, Forbes (listed as one of the richest female athletes in the world); also featured in People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People", Vogue Italia, USA Today, Teen People's "20 Teens Who Will Change the World", W, YM and SPORT Magazine's "21 Athletes to Watch Out For in the 21st Century", among others

DAVENPORT FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making 14th appearance; champion in 2000 (as world No.2, d. world No.1 Hingis in final 61 75; did not drop a set en route to title); runner-up in 2005 (as world No.1, d. world No.12 Molik in QF 64 46 97, world No.25 Dechy 26 76(5) 64 in SF, l. to world No.7 S.Williams 26 63 60 in final); SF three times – 1998 (as world No.3, l. to No.11 C.Martinez 46 63 63), 1999 (as world No.1, upset by world No.29 Mauresmo 46 75 75) and 2001 (as world No.2, l. to world No.14 Capriati 63 64); four-time quarterfinalist – 1994 (l. to world No.1 Graf), 1995 (l. to world No.3 C.CMartinez), 2004 (l. to world No.1 Henin) and 2006 (l. to world No.6 Henin 26 62 63); l. in 4r three times – 1996 (to C.Martinez), 1997 (to Po), 2003 (to Henin); l. in 3r in 1993 (on event debut as qualifier, l. to world No.12 Pierce)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: Won (1): Auckland

2008 SUMMARY

- Won 54th career Tour singles title in first week of season at Auckland (d. Rezai in final; now No.8 on all-time list, passing Seles' total of 53 career Tour singles titles); afterwards on January 7, rose from No.72 to No.52

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won (2): Bali, Québec City; **SF (1):** Beijing

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Made scintillating return to Tour following 11-month absence while having first child, Jagger Jonathan Leach, born June 10, 2007; went 13-1 in three singles events played, winning two titles
- **Grand Slam play:** Did not play due to birth of first child

- **Regular Tour season:** Went 13-1 in three singles events played, winning Bali (d. top seed Jankovic en route to final; d. No.2 seed Hantuchova for title), making SF at Beijing (d. No.4 seed Dementieva en route; l. to No.2 seed Jankovic) and winning Québec City (as WC, d. No.2 seed Zvonareva en route to final; d. No.3 seed Vakulenko for title); at No.234 going into Bali, was fourth-lowest-ranked player in history to win a Tour singles title (after No.579 Widjaja at 2001 Bali, No.285 Zuluaga at 2002 Bogotá and No.259 Paszek at 2006 Portoroz); going into Bali, hadn't played a singles match since 51 weeks earlier (at 2006 Beijing); was also second mother to win a Tour singles title this year (after Bammer at Pattaya City), the first season in history where two different mothers have won Tour singles titles; Québec City title was her 53rd career Tour singles title, tying her for No.8 on all-time list of Tour singles title-winners (w/Seles); first match back actually came in doubles – having given birth to child, Jagger Jonathan Leach, on Sunday, June 10, announced on July 18 her return to the Tour, beginning with playing doubles at New Haven in August (w/Raymond; l. 1r to Black/Huber 67(1) 63 104)
- **Ranking:** Finished 2006 ranked No.25; after 11-month absence, ranking dropped outside Top 200; bounced back into the Top 100 on November 5 (rising from No.126 to No.73) and finished season in Top 100 for 15th straight year

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 54 Tour singles titles (No.8 on all-time list), incl. three Grand Slams (1998 US Open, 1999 Wimbledon, 2000 Australian Open) and one Olympic gold medal (1996); also runner-up at 2000 Wimbledon, 2000 US Open, 2005 Australian Open and 2005 Wimbledon; also winner of 35 Tour doubles titles, incl. three Grand Slams
- Only the ninth woman in Tour history to win 50+ singles titles
- One of only five women to have held No.1 ranking in both singles (98 total weeks - sixth longest all-time - in eight separate stints since October 12, 1998) and doubles (32 weeks); finished as year-end No.1 in singles four times (1998, 2001, 2004, 2005); won Tour Championships once in singles (1999) and three times in doubles (1996-98)
- Member of US Fed Cup Team 1993-2000, 2002, 2005 and US Olympic Team in 1996 and 2000

OTHER FACTS

- Married investment banker Jon Leach in Hawaii on April 25, 2003; announced pregnancy and indefinite leave from the Tour in December 2006; gave birth to first child Jagger Jonathan Leach on June 10, 2007; in mid-July 2007, announced return to the Tour, beginning with doubles at New Haven (fell 1r) and singles at Bali (won title)
- Is only second mother to claim a Tour singles title since Laura Arraya won San Juan in 1989; other was Bammer at Pattaya City in February earlier this year; this is the first year that two different mothers won Tour singles titles
- On January 14, 2008, became the highest-earning athlete in the history of all of women's sport by advancing to the second round of the Australian Open with a 62 36 75 victory over Errani, eclipsing Graf in career prize money, with the German having previously overtaken Navratilova in earnings in 1998; Davenport earned \$25,284 by advancing past 1r and increasing her career earnings to \$21,897,501, surpassing Graf by \$2,224

[7] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA) vs. [Q] YUAN MENG (CHN)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

S.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	YUAN
26	Age	21
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	Hong Kong, China
28	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,109,234	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$243,312
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$935
No.7	Current Singles Rank	No.121
No.1 (July 8, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.92 (May 15, 2006)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	3
34-5	Aus. Open W-L**	2-2
33	GS Attempts**	6
140-24	Career GS W-L**	2-5
1	2008 Events Played	3
1-0	2008 W-L	5-2
356-77	Career W-L	180-11
47-30	Career Tie-Break W-L	34-30
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
74-32	Career 3-Set W-L	46-34
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	2-1
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	Yu Fung Ming
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

S.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance in this event; three-time champion winning the title last year (unseeded and ranked No.81, d. six seeds en route to title, incl. No.5 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (having trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic 63 62 in 4r, No.16 Peer 36 62 86 in QF, No.10 Vaidisova 76(5) 64 in SF and No.1 Sharapova 61 62 in final (becoming third-lowest ranked player in history to win a Grand Slam), 2005 (saved 3 mp in SF against Sharapova and d. Davenport in three-set final) and 2003 (d. Clijsters from 2 mp down in SF and sister Venus in 3s final) – the only player to have won two Grand Slam singles titles having saved mp en route; missed 2002 due to a sprained right ankle and 2004 due to rehabilitation from surgery to repair left knee quadriceps tendon; QF defeat in 2001 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.1 seed Hingis); only other defeats pre-QF defeats came in 1998 (on debut, l. to V.Williams in 2r), 1999 (l. to No.14 seed Testud 9-7 in third set in 3r), 2000 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Likhovteva in 4r) and 2006 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.17 Hantuchova in 3r)

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Australian Open, Miami; **R-Up (1):** Moscow; **QF (6):** Hobart, Rome, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** An incredible comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by seventh Grand Slam title at Australian Open and return to Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** A record-breaking run in Melbourne, collecting her eighth career Grand Slam singles title and third Australian Open; ranked No.81 (having just fallen in Tier IV Hobart QF the week before), d. world No.6 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic in 4r, No.17 Peer 86 third set in QF, No.12 Vaidisova in SF and top seed and world No.2 Sharapova 61 62 in final to become third lowest-ranked and only the second unseeded Grand Slam champion in the Open Era; it was Williams's first Tour final of any kind since winning 2005 Australian Open; thereafter, suffered an identical fate at the remaining three majors, falling in QF to Henin at Roland Garros, Wimbledon (l. in 3s while suffering from left thumb injury sustained in 4r win over Hantuchova) and US Open (held set point in first set)
- Regular Tour season:** In next event after winning Australian Open (WD from Bangalore due to illness) collected eighth career Tier I title, winning Miami for the loss of one set – d. world No.2 Sharapova 61 61 in 4r and No.1 Henin 06 75 63 in final (saved 2 mp at 5-4 second set); was sixth time in her career to d. world's Top 2 in same event; right groin strain forced retirement during Charleston opener vs. Chan and withdrawal from Berlin; after QF

finish in Rome in May (l. to Schnyder 76 third set), next Tour event was Stuttgart in October – her only three events in between were Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open – having withdrawn from Cincinnati, Stanford, San Diego and Los Angeles w/left thumb sprain sustained in Wimbledon 4r; during indoor season, reached QF at Stuttgart (l. to Kuznetsova) and final at Moscow (d. world No.2 Kuznetsova in SF; l. to Dementieva in 3s); before retiring in 1r of Zürich vs. Schnyder w/right adductor strain (trailed 60 30); at Tour Championships ret. During first RR match vs. Chakvetadze w/left knee injury and subsequently withdrew from tournament

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.95, having been restricted to four events in 2006 w/left knee injury; rose to No.81 after Hobart QF finish, then surged to No.14 two weeks later (January 29) after title run at Australian Open; moved to No.11 after Miami victory, then returned to Top 10 for first time since September 2005 after reaching Rome QF (May 21); edged up to No.5 on October 29 for first time in Top 5 since July 2005
- **Fed Cup:** Played first Fed Cup match since 2003, winning rubber vs. Maes in USA's 5-0 World Group I QF win over Belgium (pulled out of second match vs. Flipkens w/knee injury)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/V.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 28 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. eight Grand Slams (2003/2005/2007 Australian Open, 2002 Roland Garros, 2002/2003 Wimbledon and 1999/2002 US Open), 2001 Tour Championships and eight Tier Is (incl. 2007 Miami); also two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 US Open (l. to V.Williams) and 2004 Wimbledon (l. to Sharapova)
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Venus, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
- On July 8, 2002, became 11th woman (second African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 57 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000 (gold medalist in doubles w/V.Williams)
- Member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.serenawilliams.com; owns Aneres, a fashion design label (www.aneresdesigns.com)
- Williams is currently No.7 on the all-time list of prize money earners; below is a look at the Top 10 all-time prize money earners' list (as of January 14, 2008):

PLAYER	EARNINGS (US\$)
1. Steffi Graf (GER)	\$21,895,277
2. Lindsay Davenport (USA)	\$21,849,317
3. Martina Navratilova (USA)	\$21,626,089
4. Martina Hingis (SUI)	\$20,130,657
4. Justine Henin (BEL)	\$19,098,405
6. Venus Williams (USA)	\$18,173,781
7. Serena Williams (USA)	\$18,109,234
8. Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	\$16,942,640
9. Monica Seles (USA)	\$14,891,762
10. Kim Clijsters (BEL)	\$14,764,296

YUAN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Third straight appearance; best prior result was 2r finish in 2006 (as qualifier, l. to world No.2 Clijsters); l. in 1r in 2007 to Harkleroad

2008 SUMMARY

- Started season with two losses in qualifying rounds at Gold Coast and Sydney

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: Won: ITF/Hammond,LA-USA; **SF:** ITF/Pelham,AL-USA, ITF/Xiamen-CHN

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Appeared in main draw of eight (8) Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles events, posting a 45-30 record
- **Grand Slam play:** Contested one main draw – Australian Open, l. in 1r
- **Regular Tour season:** Best results on Tour were five 2r finishes; fell 1r three times (incl. Australian Open) and in



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Tour qualifying 13 times (incl. other three Grand Slams)

- **ITF Circuit:** Won \$25K ITF/Hammond,LA-USA; reached SF at \$25K ITF/Pelham,AL-USA and \$75K ITF/Xiamen-CHN
- **Ranking:** Started the season No.112 and finished No.121

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time singles quarterfinalist on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour – 2005 Bangkok
- Winner of four (4) ITF Women's Circuit singles events, most recently at 2007 \$25K ITF/Hammond,LA-USA
- Holds one (1) ITF Women's doubles title

OTHER FACTS

- Baseline who prefers hardcourts; best shot is forehand
- Started playing at age 8 at school, introduced by Chen Jing, the tennis coach there
- Idolized Monica Seles and Michael Chang
- List first Tour main draw appearance at Bangkok in 2005 as one of most memorable tennis experiences
- Interested in being a tennis coach if she wasn't playing

[11] ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS) vs. ANABEL MEDINA GARRIGUES (ESP)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Series tied 1-1

2004 CHARLESTON CLAY (O) R32 DEMENTIEVA, ELENA 6-2 6-2
 2005 NEW HAVEN HARD (O) QF MEDINA GARRIGUES, ANABEL 6-4 6-3

DEMENTIEVA	Quick Facts	MEDINA GARRIUGUES
26	Age	25
Moscow, Russia	Residence	Valencia, Spain
8	Career Tour Singles Titles	7
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$8,679,912	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,797,477
\$3,950	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$7,138
No.11	Current Singles Rank	No.34
No.4 (October 25, 2004)	Highest Singles Rank	No.23 (August 7, 2007)
10	Aus. Open Attempts**	8
15-9	Aus. Open W-L**	7-7
37	GS Attempts**	23
81-35	Career GS W-L**	22-22
2	2008 Events Played	3
1-1	2008 W-L	2-2
425-221	Career W-L	296-189
84-54	Career Tie-Break W-L	48-38
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	2-0
134-87	Career 3-Set W-L	75-66
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-1
Mother, Vera Dementieva	Coach	Gonzalo Lopez
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

DEMENTIEVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Tenth straight appearance; best results were 4r finishes in 2002 (l. to world No.8 Henin), 2005 (as world No.6, l. to world No.14 Schnyder 67(6) 76(4) 62) after leading 4-0 second set and 2007 (as No.7 seed, l. to No.10 Vaidisova); 3r twice – 2000 (l. to Halar-Decugis 36 64 62) and 2001 (l. to Bedanova 26 76(5) 63); 2r in 1999 as qualifier (event debut, l. to world No.2 and eventual champion Hingis); l. in 1r in 2003 (as No.17 seed, l. to Schwartz in 3s), 2004 (as No.7 seed, l. to Jankovic) and 2006 (as No.9 seed, l. to Schruoff)

2008 SUMMARY

- Made disappointing start to 2008 with 1r defeat at Sydney; as No.8 seed l. to Arvidsson

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Istanbul, Moscow; **SF (3):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], San Diego, New Haven; **QF (5):** Rome, Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Solid if unspectacular season, highlighted by seventh and eighth career Tour singles titles
- **Grand Slam play:** Best result was third career 4r finish at Australian Open as No.7 seed (l. to eventual semifinalist Vaidisova); beaten in 3r at other three majors – Roland Garros (l. to Bartoli), Wimbledon (l. to Paszek in 3s) and US Open (l. to Bammer)
- **Regular Tour season:** For second straight season collected two Tour singles titles – her victories at Istanbul (d. Rezai in final) and on home soil at Tier I Moscow (d. S.Williams 57 61 61 in final) brought career tally to eight; her victory in Moscow was her first at the event, in her 11th consecutive attempt (competing every year since 1997) and in her third final (runner-up in 2001 and 2004); became the third different Russian champion there from the past four years; also semifinalist at Tier Is at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (l. to eventual champion Hingis in reverse result from 2006 final) and San Diego (l. to Schnyder) and Tier II at New Haven (ret. vs. Kuznetsova w/nausea); five-time quarterfinalist, once at a Tier I (Rome) and four times at Tier II (Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart); fell prior to QF on six occasions at Sydney (as No.6 seed, l. to Li in 2r), Antwerp (as No.4 seed, ret. vs. Likhovtseva w/right rib stress fracture in 2r), Warsaw (as No.10 seed, l. to V.Williams in 2r), Berlin (as No.10 seed, l. to No.7 seed Petrova in 3r), Toronto (as No.8 seed, after 1r bye l. to Schiavone in 2r) and Zürich (ret. vs. Schiavone w/left adductor strain)

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.8, where she remained until March 19, when she fell to No.10; on April 2 fell to No.12, first time outside Top 10 since September 2003; fell as low as No.17 on August 13, but returned to No.10 (rising from No.14) after Moscow victory (October 15); currently at No.11
- **Doubles:** Went 6-4 in five doubles events, the highlight being 3r finish at Australian Open (w/Pennetta)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Eight-time Tour singles titlist, at 2003 Amelia Island, 2003 Bali, 2003 Shanghai, 2004 Hasselt, 2006 Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (first Tier I), 2006 Los Angeles, 2007 Istanbul and 2007 Moscow; 11-time runner-up, incl. majors at 2004 Roland Garros (l. to Myskina) and 2004 US Open (l. to Kuznetsova) and five Tier I events, as well as 2000 Olympics (l. to V.Williams)
- Six-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2002 Tour Championships, Berlin, San Diego and Moscow (all w/Husarova), 2003 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Krasnoroutskaya) and 2005 Los Angeles (w/Pennetta); seven-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Grand Slams at 2002 US Open (w/Husarova) and 2005 US Open (w/Pennetta)
- Has been Top 5 in both singles (career-high No.4 in October 2004) and doubles (career-high No.5 in April 2003)
- Has two wins over reigning No.1s, at 2001 Moscow (in QF vs. Hingis) and 2005 US Open (in QF vs. Davenport)
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2001-03, 2005 (undefeated in 2005 final vs. France, winning both singles rubbers, doubles rubber) and 2006; Russian Olympic Team in 2000 (silver medal in singles) and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is <http://eng.dementieva.ru>
- Only player to qualify and compete in season-ending Tour Champions in every year between 2000 and 2006
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2000; also Russia's 2001 Female of the Year Award
- In junior competition, won Orange Bowl U16s in 1996 and reached SF at junior Roland Garros that same year
- Father, Viatcheslav, is an electrical engineer; mother, Vera, was a school teacher but is now her coach; has one older brother, Vsevolod; entire family plays tennis

MEDINA GARRIGUES FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making eighth tournament appearance; ret. during 4r in 2002 vs. Seles due to torn anterior cruciate ligament in right knee (underwent surgery); advanced to 3r in 2004 (l. to No.4 seed Mauresmo); fell in 2r in tournament debut in 2001 (l. to Bedanova); fell in 1r four times (2003, 2005, 2006, 2007)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 2r at Auckland (as No.5 seed, l. to eventual champion Davenport)
- At Hobart, ret. in 1r match vs. Dellacqua due to a lower back injury
- Captured ninth career doubles title at a Tour event at Hobart (w/Ruano Pascual)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Strasbourg; **QF (3):** Guangzhou, Charleston, Rome; **4r (1):** Roland Garros

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Fourth straight Top 40 finish in season highlighted by seventh career Tour singles title at Strasbourg and eighth career doubles title (w/Ruano Pascual) at Stockholm (see below)
- **Grand Slam play:** Made second Grand Slam 4r showing of career at Roland Garros (as No.24 seed, d. No.12 seed Hantuchova en route; l. to No.7 seed Ivanovic); reached 3r at US Open (as No.31 seed, l. to No.4 seed Kuznetsova); fell 1r at Australian Open (as No.25 seed, l. to Vesnina) and Wimbledon (as No.22 seed, l. to Ruano Pascual)
- **Regular Tour season:** Captured seventh career Tour singles title at Strasbourg (as No.6 seed, d. No.4 seed Li in QF and top seed Mauresmo in final); made first two Tier I QF at Charleston (d. No.11 seed Schiavone and No.8 seed Li en route; l. to V.Williams) and Rome (d. No.15 seed Srebotnik en route; l. to No.9 seed Hantuchova) and second Grand Slam 4r showing of career at Roland Garros (see above); wins at Charleston (world No.18 Li), Rome (No.20 Srebotnik), Strasbourg (No.18 Li, No.5 Mauresmo) and Roland Garros (No.13 Hantuchova) were fifth through ninth career Top 20 wins, and win over Mauresmo was second career Top 10 win; won back-to-back main draw matches just twice more in 18 events, reaching 3r at US Open (see above) and QF at Guangzhou (as top seed, l. to Rodionova); withdrew from Barcelona w/right abdominal injury and from Palermo w/injury
- **Ranking:** Started the season ranked No.27 and finished No.35
- **Doubles:** Strong doubles results w/Ruano Pascual, incl. winning eighth career Tour doubles title at Stockholm
- **Fed Cup:** Went 0-2 in Spain's 5-0 Fed Cup World Group I 1r loss to Russia then 2-0 in their 4-1 World Group I Play-off win vs. Czech Republic;



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CAREER SUMMARY

- Seven-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, four times at Palermo (2001, 2004, 2005, 2006), twice at Strasbourg (2005, 2007) and once at Canberra (2006); three-time runner-up, at 2002 Hobart, 2003 Bogotá and most recently 2006 Guangzhou
- Nine-time Tour doubles champion; 10-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Tier I Rome in 2005 (w/Kirilenko)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, six-time singles champion and three-time doubles champion
- Member of Spanish Fed Cup Team 2003-07 and Spanish Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Started playing tennis at age 7 with her family; was born, grew up and still lives in Valencia, Spain
- Prefers hardcourt; favorite shot is backhand down-the-line
- Equal best Grand Slam run was 4r at 2002 Australian Open; was playing Seles in that match but tore ACL in right knee and was forced to retire trailing 4-2 first set; had surgery shortly afterwards; returned on ITF Circuit in September

[12] NICOLE VAIDISOVA (CZE) vs. ALICIA MOLIK (AUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

VAIDISOVA	Quick Facts	MOLIK
18	Age	26
Prague, Czech Republic	Residence	Melbourne, Australia
6	Career Tour Singles Titles	5
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$2,125,248	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,584,102
\$31,075	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$8,165
No.12	Current Singles Rank	No.62
No.7 (May 14, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.8 (February 28, 2005)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	9
11-3	Aus. Open W-L**	11-8
14	GS Attempts**	34
37-13	Career GS W-L**	31-33
3	2008 Events Played	2
6-2	2008 W-L	1-1
165-55	Career W-L	293-208
24-24	Career Tie-Break W-L	59-55
0-1	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-2
50-17	Career 3-Set W-L	76-68
3-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Stepfather, Alex Kodat	Coach	Nicole Bradtke
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

VAIDISOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best showing was SF run last year (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 Dementieva in 4r, l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64); reached 4r in 2006 (l. to world No.3 and eventual champion Mauresmo); reached 3r in 2005 (unseeded, l. to world No.1 and eventual runner-up Davenport)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: **SF (1):** Sydney; **QF (1):** Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Made promising start to season with SF run at Sydney (d. No.6 seed Hantuchova in 2r, No.3 Jankovic in QF, before l. to Kuznetsova 75 76(4)) and QF finish at Gold Coast (as No.1 seed, l. to eventual champion N.Li)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **SF (4):** Sydney, Australian Open, Zurich, Linz; **QF (6):** Indian Wells, Miami, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Wimbledon, Moscow

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Third straight Top 20 finish after consistent season, marred somewhat by illness and injury
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached second career Grand Slam semifinal at Australian Open (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 seed Dementieva en route to second career Grand Slam SF; l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64, having held sp at 5-4 first set); reached QF at both Roland Garros (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic) and Wimbledon (as No.14 seed, upset No.4 seed and defending champion Mauresmo en route; l. to No.6 seed Ivanovic 46 62 75, having led 5-3 third set w/3mp at 5-4); made return from viral illness at US Open and suffered slightly disappointing 3r defeat (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set)
- **Regular Tour season:** QF or better at 10 of 14 events (incl. majors), with SF finishes at Sydney (as No.8 seed, l. to Jankovic in 3s), Zürich (unseeded, d. No.3 seed Jankovic en route; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin in 3s) and Linz (as No.5 seed, l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Hantuchova 26 62 76(3), having led 4-1 third set and holding mp at 6-5); reached the QF at Indian Wells (as No.6 seed, l. to No.2 seed Kuznetsova), Miami (as No.8 seed, l. to No.13 seed and eventual champion S.Williams), Eastbourne (as No.5 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin) and Moscow (as No.8 seed, l. to No.4 seed S.Williams 64 76(7), having held sp at 6-5 second set); Wins over world No.8 Dementieva (Australian Open), No.4 Mauresmo (Wimbledon) and No.3 Jankovic (Zürich) were her fifth, sixth and seventh career Top 10 wins; Suffered only four pre-QF losses, at Paris [Indoors] (as No.5 seed, l. 2r to Safarova), Charleston (as top seed, l. 2r to WC Krajicek in 3s after 1r bye), US Open (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set) and Québec City in final week of year (as top seed, ret. during 1r match vs. Voracova w/right wrist injury); Missed most of European clay court season w/right wrist injury (withdrew from Berlin, Rome, Strasbourg) and summer hardcourt season w/viral illness (withdrew from San Diego, Los Angeles, Toronto); also withdrew from Stuttgart w/left hamstring injury; Surpassed \$2 million in career

prize money during season

- **Ranking:** After briefly exiting the Top 10 at the beginning of the year, broke back in at No.9 after Australian Open run; achieved new career-high on May 28 (before Roland Garros) rising from No.8 to No.7; was in and out of Top 10 during early months of summer before falling out for good due to inactivity during summer hardcourt swing
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 2-0 in Czech Republic's 5-0 World Group II 1r win vs. Slovak Republic (d. Hantuchova, Cibulkova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Six-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at 2004 Vancouver and Tashkent, 2005 Seoul, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bangkok and most recently 2006 Strasbourg; one-time Tour singles runner-up at 2005 Istanbul (l. to V. Williams); 10-time semifinalist, incl. Grand Slams at 2006 Roland Garros (l. to Kuznetsova) and 2007 Australian Open (l. to S. Williams)
- Only sixth woman to win five Tour singles titles before 17th birthday (after Austin, Jaeger, Seles, Capriati, Hingis)
- Six Top 10 wins: two in 2005 (Myskina, Petrova), two in 2006 (Mauresmo twice) and two in 2007 (Dementieva, Mauresmo); wins over Mauresmo in 2006 were first two career wins over reigning world No.1 players
- One-time Tour doubles semifinalist, at 2005 Philadelphia (w/Canada's Drake)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, two-time singles titlist (one in 2003 and one in 2004)
- Member of Czech Fed Cup Team, 2004-07

OTHER FACTS

- In Reebok's 2005 "I Am What I Am" campaign; also signed with Citizen Eco-Drive and PlayPumps International in 2007
- Lived in Germany until age 6;
- Trains at Nick Bollettieri Academy;
- Biggest weapons are serve and groundstrokes

MOLIK FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making ninth main draw appearance (10th overall); best result came in 2005, reaching QF (as No.10 seed, d. No.8 seed V. Williams in 4r; l. to top seed Davenport 64 46 97; became first Australian-born woman to reach QF there since Minter in 1988); reached 4r in 2004 (l. to No.4 seed Mauresmo); 3r twice, incl. 2007 (as WC, l. to No.8 seed Schnyder in 3s) and 2000 (l. to top seed Hingis); fell in 1r four times and qualifying once; captured 2005 doubles title (w/Kuznetsova)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 1r at Sydney (as WC, l. to Safarova)
- In doubles, reached SF at Sydney w/Sun

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (3): Hobart, Guangzhou, Tokyo [Japan Open]; **3r (2):** Australian Open, Indian Wells

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Seventh Top 100 finish for former Top 10 player after season highlighted by winning second Grand Slam title in doubles at Roland Garros (see below)
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slams were 3r at Australian Open (as WC; l. to No.8 seed Schnyder in 3s) and 2r at Wimbledon (l. to No.7 seed S. Williams); fell in singles 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Chakvetadze) and US Open (l. to Srebotnik)
- **Regular Tour season:** Best singles results were QF finishes at Hobart (as WC; l. to WC Mirza), Guangzhou (l. to No.4 seed Cibulkova in 3s) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (d. No.6 seed Morigami en route; l. to top seed V. Williams); withdrew prior to Pattaya City 2r match vs. Dulko w/right hamstring strain.
- **Ranking:** Notched first Top 20 win since returning to Tour in May 2006 at Dubai (No.20 Groenefeld); returned to singles Top 100 on January 29 (after Australian Open; surged from No.141 to No.99) and remained inside all season, peaking at No.57 for two weeks; returned to doubles Top 10 on August 20 (spending three straight weeks inside, all at No.8)
- **Doubles:** At Roland Garros, captured second Grand Slam doubles title as No.17 seeds w/Santangelo (as No.17 seeds w/Santangelo (made seedings after No.14 seeds Kuznetsova/Petrova withdrew due to Petrova's back injury), d. No.5 seeds Chan/Chuang in QF, No.2 seeds Black/Huber in SF and No.7 seeds Srebotnik/Sugiyama in final for title in only team's second time playing together (reached Charleston QF in April; d. Chan/Chuang there as well); reached SF or better in doubles seven times during season (w/various partners), incl. SF finish at Wimbledon (w/Santangelo)
- **Fed Cup:** went 0-2 during Australia's 4-1 Fed Cup World Group II loss to Austria (l. to Paszek and Bammer)



CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of five Tour singles titles: 2003 Hobart, 2004 Stockholm, 2004 Zürich (Tier I), 2004 Luxembourg and most recently 2005 Sydney; also four-time runner-up, at 2003 Sarasota, 2003 Budapest, 2004 Vienna and 2005 Doha
- Winner of seven Tour doubles titles: 2004 Eastbourne (w/Serna), 2004 Stockholm (w/Schett), 2004 Philadelphia (w/Raymond), 2005 Australian Open and 2005 Miami (both w/Kuznetsova), 2005 Doha (w/Schiavone) and most recently 2007 Roland Garros (w/Santangelo); also nine-time doubles runner-up (five of which were at Tier IIs)
- Three-time major mixed runner-up: 2004 Wimbledon/US Open (w/Woodbridge), 2007 Wimbledon (w/Bjorkman)
- Best Grand Slam singles result was QF finish at 2005 Australian Open, becoming first local woman to reach QF there since A.Minter in 1988; d. V.Williams in 4r, falling to world No.1, eventual runner-up Davenport 97 third set; afterwards, broke into world's Top 10 (at No.10), the first Australian-born woman to do so since Turnbull in 1985
- Australian Fed Cup Team, 1999-2003; Australian Olympic Team, 2000 and 2004 (won singles bronze medal)

OTHER FACTS

- Diagnosed with vestibular neuronitis (inner ear infection that affects vision and balance) in April 2005; attempted to compete in fall but hadn't fully recovered; announced extended break from tennis in October 2005 to recover
- During lay-off in 2005, competed in Australia's TV dance competition, 'Dancing With The Stars'
- Joined Channel Seven's commentary team at the 2006 Australian Open

[13] TATIANA GOLOVIN (FRA) vs. ARAVANE REZAI (FRA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

GOLOVIN	Quick Facts	REZAI
19	Age	20
Miami, FL, USA	Residence	St. Etienne, France
2	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$1,882,776	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$438,737
\$7,470	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$12,345
No.13	Current Singles Rank	No.69
No.13 (November 13, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.40 (January 15, 2007)
5	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
7-4	Aus. Open W-L**	1-1
17	GS Attempts**	8
22-16	Career GS W-L**	10-7
2	2008 Events Played	2
2-1	2008 W-L	5-1
164-89	Career W-L	133-75
27-27	Career Tie-Break W-L	27-16
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
40-43	Career 3-Set W-L	36-33
1-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Glen Schaap	Coach	Father, Arsalan
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

GOLOVIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fifth straight appearance; in debut as world No.354 WC, in just second Grand Slam and fifth Tour event, upset No.14 seed Smashnova in 2r and No.23 seed Krasnoroutskaya in 3r (on her 16th birthday), falling to No.25 seed Raymond in 4r; 3r finish in 2007 (as No.20 seed, l. to No.16 Peer in 3s); 2r finish in 2005 (l. to Spears); fell in 1r in 2006 (l. to Santangelo in 3s)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 2r at Sydney (l. to No.3 seed Jankovic in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Amelia Island, Portoroz; **R-Up (2):** Stuttgart, Zürich; **SF (2):** Antwerp, Toronto; **QF (4):** Paris [Indoors], Indian Wells, Charleston, Luxembourg

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Best season to date, which included first and second career Tour titles, five Top 10 wins and a first Top 20 finish
- Grand Slam play:** Disappointing performance in majors, with failure to progress beyond the 3r; best showing came at Australian Open with 3r finish as No.20 seed, l. to No.16 seed Peer 36 75 75, having held mp at 5-4 third set); withdrawal from home Grand Slam, Roland Garros, w/right ankle injury suffered at Charleston; 2r defeat at Wimbledon on return from right ankle injury (as No.17 seed, l. to unseeded Paszek in 3s); surprise 1r defeat at US Open (as No.17 seed, upset by WC Rolle in 3s; was her first loss to a non-Top 100 player since 2006 Wimbledon)
- Regular Tour season:** Year highlighted by career-first Tour singles titles at Amelia Island (as No.8 seed, d. V.Williams in QF, No.6 seed Ivanovic in SF and top seed and defending champion Petrova 62 61 in final; win over Ivanovic was first in their six career meetings) and Portoroz (as top seed, d. No.4 seed Srebotnik 26 64 64 in final); runner-up once, at Tier II Stuttgart (d. No.4 seed Chakvetadze 76(3) 61 in 2r, having trailed 5-2 first set, then d. No.2 seed Kuznetsova in SF; l. to top seed Henin in 3s in final, first player to win a set off her since Wimbledon); fell in SF on two occasions, at Antwerp (d. No.5 seed Schnyder 67(2) 76(5) 62 en route, saving 4mp; l. to No.2 seed Clijsters) and Toronto (as No.12 seed, d. No.3 seed Kuznetsova en route, falling to No.2 seed Jankovic in 3s); QF four times: Paris [Indoors] (l. to top seed Henin in 3s), Indian Wells (as No.13 seed, l. to No.33 seed Bammer), Charleston (ret. vs. Safina w/right ankle injury) and Luxembourg (as No.8 seed, l. to No.2 seed Ivanovic); lost in 3r on two occasions at Miami (as No.17 seed, l. to No.9 seed Chakvetadze) and San Diego (as No.13 seed, l. to top seed Sharapova); lost in 2r twice, at Sydney (l. to top seed Mauresmo) and Stanford (as No.6 seed, l. to Mirza); one 1r loss, at Los Angeles (as No.11 seed, ret vs. Tanasugarn w/right hamstring strain); right ankle injury suffered in Charleston caused withdrawals from Berlin, Rome, Roland Garros, Birmingham and

Eastbourne (returned at Wimbledon); also withdrew from Memphis earlier in year w/upper respiratory infection; five Top 10 wins over Petrova (Amelia Island), Kuznetsova (Toronto), Chakvetadze, Kuznetsova (Stuttgart) and Ivanovic (Zürich)

- **Ranking:** Started the year just outside the Top 20 at No.22, but solid early season for saw her break into the elite within the first few months of the season; remained just inside Top 20 for much of the summer before sublime end-of-season form during European indoor swing was rewarded with a career-high ranking of No.13 at the year's end
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 2-0 during France's 5-0 World Group I 1r win over Japan (d. Sugiyama, Morigami) then 1-1 during France's 3-2 Fed Cup World Group I SF loss to Italy (d. Garbin; l. to Schiavone 64 26 75, having led 5-2 third set)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Tour singles titlist, at 2007 Amelia Island and Portoroz (see above); runner-up at 2004 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Tokyo [Japan Open] (ret. vs. Vaidisova w/left Achilles tendonitis), 2006 Stuttgart (l. to Petrova) and 2007 Stuttgart (l. to Henin); SF at 10 events, incl. three Tier I's (2005 Charleston, 2006 Miami, 2007 Toronto); seven-time quarterfinalist, including one Grand Slam (2006 US Open; l. to eventual champion Sharapova)
- Holds 11 career Top 10 wins: two in 2004 (Dementieva and Kuznetsova), one in 2005 (V. Williams), four last year (Petrova twice, Dementieva, Schnyder) and four so far in 2007 (Petrova, Kuznetsova twice, Chakvetadze)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2004 Roland Garros (w/Gasquet)
- French Fed Cup Team, 2004, 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Born in Moscow, Russia but moved with family to Lyon, France at 8 months; father is Gregori (former ice hockey coach); mother is Lioudmila and older sisters are Olga and Oxana; moved to Miami after Wimbledon in 2005
- Named UNESCO Global Promoter of Gender Equality in 2007

REZAI FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making second main draw appearance (third overall); fell in 1r in 2007 (l. to Loit in 3s); fell in qualifying in 2006

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Auckland

2008 SUMMARY

- Runner-up at Auckland (l. to Davenport 62 62; defeated No.7 seed Daniilidou and No.3 seed Srebotnik en route)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Istanbul; **3r (1):** Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Second straight Top 100 finish in season highlighted by reaching first Tour final at Istanbul (see below)
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached 3r once, on debut at Wimbledon (d. No.29 seed Schiavone en route; l. to No.6 seed Ivanovic); reached 2r at US Open (l. to No.5 seed Ivanovic); fell in 1r twice Australian Open (l. to Loit) and Roland Garros (l. to No.18 seed Bartoli)
- **Regular Tour season:** Runner-up at Istanbul d. No.4 seed V. Williams 64 64 and top seed Sharapova 62 64 en route, then ret. vs. No.2 seed Dementieva at 76(5) 30 w/left patella tendonitis; win over world No.2 Sharapova was first career Top 10 win; advanced past 1r of main draw three other times; reached 3r once, on debut at Wimbledon (see above); reached 2r twice, at Charleston (d. qualifier Dushevina in 1r; l. to No.12 seed Srebotnik 75 third set) and US Open (see above); fell 1r 18 times in 22 Tour main draws, incl. Australian Open and Roland Garros; fell in qualifying three times
- **Ranking:** Having cracked Top 100 and Top 50 in 2006, made Top 40 debut on January 15, 2007 (moving from No.41 to No.40) but dipped to No.80 by year's end
- **ITF Circuit:** Won one ITF Circuit singles title (bringing career tally to seven)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour finalist at 2007 Istanbul (d. V. Williams in 2r and world No.2 Sharapova in SF for career best win before l. to Dementieva in final, 76(5) 3-0 ret. due to left patella tendonitis) and 2008 Auckland (see above)
- Three-time Tour singles quarterfinalist: two Tier II's (2006 Kolkata, 2006 Hasselt) and one Tier IV (2006 Palermo)
- Reached career-first Grand Slam second week at 2006 US Open (d. seeds Groenefeld, Kirilenko en route to 4r)
- Has four Top 20 wins, three vs. Groenefeld (all in 2006, at \$75,000 ITF/Ortisei-ITA, US Open and Hasselt) and one vs. Sharapova (2007 Istanbul)
- Winner of seven ITF Women's Circuit singles titles (two in 2004, two in 2005, two in 2006 and one in 2007)



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OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis at age 8
- Baseline whose favorite surface is hard
- Coached by father, Arsalan, who was a car mechanic; mother Nouchine is a physiotherapist who travels with her
- Captured two (2) gold medals in tennis at Muslim Women Olympic Games in Iran
- Was interested in being an astronomer if she wasn't playing tennis

[15] PATTY SCHNYDER (SUI) vs. CASEY DELLACQUA (AUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

SCHNYDER	Quick Facts	DELLACQUA
29	Age	22
Baech, Switzerland	Residence	Perth, Australia
10	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$6,695, 406	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$320,487
\$8,025	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$6,228
No.15	Current Singles Rank	No.78
No.7 (November 14, 2005)	Highest Singles Rank	No.77 (November 5, 2007)
12	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
29-11	Aus. Open W-L**	1-5
47	GS Attempts**	9
88-46	Career GS W-L**	2-8
2	2008 Events Played	3
3-1	2008 W-L	3-2
470-298	Career W-L	180-100
92-70	Career Tie-Break W-L	31-29
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
154-126	Career 3-Set W-L	56-33
1-1	2008 3-Set W-L	2-1
Husband, Rainer Hofmann	Coach	Lyndon Huff
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

SCHNYDER FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: 13th straight appearance, 11th in main draw; best result thus far was SF finish in 2004 (as No.22 seed, d. No.12 Suárez in 3r, No.29 Dechy in 4r, No.25 Raymond in QF, before l. to No.2 Clijsters); back-to-back QF finishes – 2005 (as No.12 seed, d. world No.6 Dementieva 67(6) 76(4) 62 in 4r, l. to No.19 Dechy 57 61 75) and 2006 (as No.7 seed, d. Myskina in 4r, before l. to No.3 and eventual champion Mauresmo); 4r five times – 1997 (main draw debut, upset No.6 seed Majoli in 1r, l. to No.14 MJ Fernandez 46 64 61), 1998 (l. to V. Williams), 2000 (upset No.7 seed Mauresmo in 2r, l. to Capriati in 3s), 2003 (as No.12 seed, l. to No.7 Hantuchova) and 2007 (as No.8 seed, l. to No.12 Chakvetadze); l. in 2r in 1999 (as No.8 seed l. to eventual runner-up Mauresmo in 3s); l. in 1r in 2001 (upset by Dominikovic in 3s), 2002 (l. to No.8 seed Seles); failed to qualify in 1996

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Started season with SF finish at Gold Coast (as No.4 seed, l. to eventual champion N.Li 36 63 75)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (2): San Diego, Linz; SF (1): Rome; QF (7): Dubai, Doha, Berlin, Istanbul, Cincinnati, Stanford, Luxembourg; 4r (3): Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Consistent year which brought fifth Top 20 finish in last six years (but first non-Top 10 finish since 2004) and highlighted by excellent summer hardcourt swing
- Grand Slam play:** Solid showings, reaching 4r in all bar one of the four majors; 4r finishes at Australian Open (as No.8 seed, l. to No.12 seed Chakvetadze), Roland Garros (as No.14 seed, l. to No.2 seed Sharapova 36 64 97, having held 2mp in third set) and Wimbledon (as No.15 seed, overcame 5 -1 third set deficit to Pin in 1r and 4 -1 third set deficit to No.24 seed A. Bondarenko in 3r, falling to top seed Henin in 4r; was first time reaching second week in 12 career appearances at the event); also fell in 3r of US Open (as No.11 seed, l. to Paszek in 3s)
- Regular Tour season:** Reached QF or better 10 times, incl. runner-up finishes at Tier I San Diego (as No.6 seed, d. No.7 seed Hingis, No.4 Petrova and No.9 Dementieva en route to final; l. to No.1 Sharapova in 3s) and Linz (as No.6 seed, d. No.1 Chakvetadze and No.3 Bartoli en route to final; l. to No.2 Hantuchova); promising form during European clay court season with SF at Rome (d. No.8 seed S. Williams en route, falling to No.3 seed and eventual champion Jankovic) and QF at Berlin (d. No.4 seed Hingis en route, falling to No.12 seed and eventual champion Ivanovic in 3s); also achieved consecutive QF during US hardcourt swing at Cincinnati (l. to Morigami)

and Stanford (l. to Mirza); fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh QF defeats came at Dubai (as No.6 seed, l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova), Doha (as No.5 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin 36 64 75, having led 5 -3 third set w/mp at 5 -4), Istanbul (withdrew prior to match vs. A.Bondarenko w/right thigh strain) and Luxembourg (l. to world No.10 Hantuchova) respectively; suffered 3r defeat at Toronto (l. to No.6 seed Petrova) and seven 2r exits at Sydney (l. to Peer), Antwerp (l. to Golovin in 3s; held 4mp in second set), Tier I Miami (w/1r bye, l. to Kanepi), Amelia Island (w/1r bye, l. to V.Williams in 3s), Bali (as No.3 seed, l. to Cirstea in 3s), Moscow (l. to eventual champion Dementieva) and Zürich (l. to Schiavone in 3s); also defeated in 1r at Paris [Indoors] (l. to qualifier Bychkova) and New Haven (l. to Schiavone)

- **Ranking:** Fell out of Top 10 on January 29 (dipping from No.9 to No.11 after Australian Open), first time outside Top 10 since September 25, 2005 and remained outside the elite for rest of year

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 10 Tour singles titles, incl. first Tier I title at 2002 Zürich, most recently 2005 Gold Coast and Cincinnati
- Breakthrough season in 1998: Top 10 debut, five titles and QF at Roland Garros and US Open (d. Graf en route); seven years later notched first two year-end Top 10 finishes, in 2005 (ending at No.7) and 2006 (ending at No.9)
- Best Grand Slam singles result was SF finish at 2004 Australian Open (l. to Clijsters)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of three singles titles, all in 1995 (all at the \$10K level)
- Winner of four Tour doubles titles, most recently at 2004 Paris [Indoors] (w/Schett)
- Member of Swiss Fed Cup Team 1996-98, 2000, 2002-04 and Swiss Olympic Team in 1996, 2000, 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.patty-schnyder.ch; English version: www.patty-schnyder.com
- With husband, is writing an autobiographical book called "The White Mile", which is scheduled for release in 2008

DELLACQUA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making sixth tournament appearance; fell in 1r all five times prior to this year; in 2006, as WC, l. to world No.1 Davenport

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Hobart

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF at Hobart (as WC, l. to eventual champion Daniilidou)
- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast to world No.1 Vaidisova
- In doubles, advanced to QF (w/Moore)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Bronx, NY-USA (\$50K), ITF/Melbourne-AUS (\$25K), ITF/Perth-AUS (\$25K), ITF/Kalgoorlie-AUS (\$25K); **2r (6):** Birmingham, US Open, Bali, Kolkata, Tokyo [Japan Open], Bangkok

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish after first season playing predominantly on Tour
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slam result was 2r at US Open (l. to world No.2 Sharapova); fell in 1r at Australian Open (as WC; l. to No.21 seed Srebotnik 75 third set), Roland Garros (on debut as WC; l. to Tanasugarn in 3s) and Wimbledon (on debut as qualifier; l. to Pratt)
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached 2r at half of 12 Tour main draws contested, at Birmingham (l. to No.15 seed Daniilidou), US Open (on debut, d. Shvedova in 1r for first career Grand Slam main draw match win; l. to No.2 seed Sharapova), Bali (l. to top seed Jankovic), Kolkata (l. to Obziler 75 third set), Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. to No.2 seed Mirza in 3s) and Bangkok (l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 26 63 75, having led 3-0 third set); fell 1r at six event; fell in qualifying at Gold Coast and Istanbul
- **Ranking:** Made Top 100 debut on August 6 (rising from No.106 to No.100)
- **ITF Circuit:** Wn eighth through 11th career ITF Circuit singles titles during season, beginning w/three straight \$25K events in Australia (ITF/Melbourne-AUS, ITF/Perth-AUS, ITF/Kalgoorlie-AUS) and the fourth coming at \$50K ITF/Bronx, NY-USA; also won 13th career ITF Circuit doubles title at \$25K ITF/Perth-AUS (w/Hewson).

CAREER SUMMARY

- Best result on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour came at 2008 Hobart, reaching QF before falling to eventual singles champion Daniilidou
- Winner of 11 ITF Women's Circuit singles titles, most recently at 2007 \$50K ITF/Bronx, NY-USA
- Seven 1r defeats at Grand Slam level (incl. 2007 Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon) before reaching 2r at 2007 US Open



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- In doubles winner of 13 ITF Women's Circuit events
- Made career Top 100 debut on August 3, 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis at the age of five
- Favorite surface is grass
- Lists Australian Open and Wimbledon as favorite tournaments
- Player most admires is Australian tennis legend Margaret Court

Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Web site: www.sonyericssonwtatour.com | Tournament Web site: www.australianopen.com
On-site Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Communications Staff: Amy Binder, John Dolan, Isabelle Hodge

FEATURED FIRST ROUND MATCH-UPS (INCL. TOP 16 SEEDS)

[1] JUSTINE HENIN (BEL) vs. AIKO NAKAMURA (JPN)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Henin leads, 1-0

2006 INDIAN WELLS HARD (O) R32 (3r) HENIN, JUSTINE 6-0 6-0

HENIN	Quick Facts	NAKAMURA
25	Age	24
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Osaka, Japan
40	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
10	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$19,098,405	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$586,145
\$95,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,810
No.1	Current Singles Rank	No.73
No.1 (October 20, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.47 (August 6, 2007)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
26-5	Aus. Open W-L**	5-3
31	GS Attempts**	13
123-23	Career GS W-L**	9-12
2	2008 Events Played	3
3-0	2008 W-L	0-2
480-103	Career W-L	179-140
66-40	Career Tie-Break W-L	33-29
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
95-56	Career 3-Set W-L	52-42
2-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Carlos Rodriguez	Coach	Eiji Takeuchi
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HENIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh appearance in this event; won the title in 2004 (as No.1 seed, d. Clijsters in final, joined elite list of nine women to hold three Grand Slams at once following her 2003 Roland Garros and US Open titles); runner-up on last appearance in 2006 (as No.8 seed ret. in final vs. Mauresmo w/gastrointestinal illness trailing 61 20, only second time in Open Era a player has ret. during a Grand Slam final); SF finish in 2003, d. Davenport 97 third set in 4r after trailing 4-1 (first win in six meetings) before l. to V.Williams; QF run in 2002 (as No.6 seed l. to No.4 Clijsters); also 4r in 2001 (d. No.14 seed Testud in 3r, before l. to No.4 Seles) and 2r on debut in 2000 (l. to No.1 seed Hingis)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Opened up season with 40th career Tour title in Sydney; as No.1 seed d. No.4 Ivanovic 62 26 64 in SF, before d. No.2 Kuznetsova 46 62 64 in final

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (10): Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Toronto, US Open, Stuttgart, Zürich, Tour Championships; **R-Up (1):** Miami; **SF (3):** Paris [Indoors], Berlin, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season for the undisputed world No.1, winning 10 titles in 14 events – including two majors, the Sony Ericsson Championships and two Tier Is – and losing just four of 67 matches
- Grand Slam play:** After missing Australian Open due to personal reasons, went 19-1 in the remaining three majors; won fourth Roland Garros (d. Ivanovic in final to become only fifth woman since 1925 to win four titles in Paris) and third consecutively (only other woman to achieve the feat in the Open Era was Seles in 1990-92); also became first woman to win three consecutive titles at the same major since Martina Hingis (Australian Open 1997-99); her 2006 and 2007 titles at Roland Garros were won without the loss of a set, an

all-time record; seeded No.1 at Wimbledon, shocked in SF by No.18 seed Bartoli 16 75 61 after leading 61 53; at US Open, regained title without the loss of a set (d. Kuznetsova in final), her seventh major (second most among active players behind S.Williams's eight) in her 11th Grand Slam final; she became the first woman to win a Grand Slam singles title having beaten both Williams sisters en route (d. S.Williams in QF, V.Williams in SF)

- **Regular Tour season:** In addition to her two majors, collected another eight titles in the regular Tour season (from 11 events), the Tour championships, two Tier I's (Toronto, Zürich) and five Tier II's (Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Eastbourne, Stuttgart), losing only four matches in 67 matches; after returning to Tour at Paris [Indoors] in February (l. in SF to Safarova), went undefeated in the Middle East, winning first title in Doha and fourth in Dubai (a perfect 16-0 in the latter event); runner-up in Miami (l. to S.Williams 06 75 63 after holding 1 mp at 5-4 second set) before winning second Warsaw title (d. A.Bondarenko in final, improving to 9-0 lifetime in that event); after SF finish in Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova in 3s) and title run at Roland Garros, successfully defended Eastbourne crown (d. Mauresmo in final 76 third set; also needed final-set tie-break to d. Myskina in 2006 final); after SF loss at Wimbledon has gone undefeated, winning Toronto (d. Jankovic in final), US Open, Stuttgart (d. Golovin in final for first title there after runner-up finishes in 2001, 2003), Zürich (d. Golovin again in final) and Tour Championships (d. Sharapova 57 75 63 in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era); by triumphing at the Tour Championships in Madrid she became first woman since Graf in 1989 to go undefeated in the second-half of a season (post-Wimbledon); in Madrid
- **Ranking:** Reigned as world No.1 for all but seven weeks in 2007; having started 2007 in the top spot, fell to No.2 (behind Sharapova) after Australian Open (runner-up there in 2006) but regained No.1 on March 19 and remained there from then on

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 40 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. seven majors (Roland Garros four times in 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2007; one Australian Open in 2004; two US Opens in 2003 and 2007); one Olympic gold medal (2004) and two Tour Championships (2006, 2007); four-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams), 2006 Australian Open/Wimbledon (l. to Mauresmo at both) and 2006 US Open (l. to Sharapova); is 38-16 lifetime in Tour singles finals (9-1 in 2007)
- Thirteenth player to hold No.1 Tour Singles Ranking, reaching No.1 on October 20, 2003, after winning Zürich; surrendered it a week later to compatriot Clijsters (first time a new No.1 spent one week on top before losing it) but returned two weeks later, where she stayed 44 straight weeks; regained it after winning Tour Championships last November and held it for 11 weeks before losing it again; began fourth (current) stint at the top during this year's Miami fortnight and is spending her 43rd consecutive week (99th overall) on top during Madrid
- Won 1999 Antwerp in Tour main draw debut, becoming the fifth player at that stage to achieve the feat
- Two-time Tour doubles titlist, both in 2002, at Gold Coast (w/Shaughnessy) and Zürich (w/Bovina)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of seven singles titles (most recently in hometown of Liège in 2000) and two doubles titles
- Member of Belgian Fed Cup Team 2000-03, 2006 and Belgian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.justine-henin.be
- Created her own charity, 'Justine's Winners' Circle', in December 2003 to help children with cancer
- Should Henin successfully defend her title in Madrid, she will become the first player to win 10 Tour singles titles in a season since Martina Hingis won 12 in 1997; she will also become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1996 to win Roland Garros, the US Open and the Season-Ending Championships in the same year

NAKAMURA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fifth straight appearance, fourth in main draw; best prior results were back-to-back 3r finishes in 2006 (career-best Grand Slam singles result; l. to No.7 seed Schnyder 62 63) and 2007 (d. No.32 seed Daniilidou in 1r, l. to No.6 Hingis); reached 2r in 2005 (as qualifier, l. to No.10 seed Molik); failed to qualify in 2004

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast (l. to Malek); defeated in qualifying for Hobart

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (2): Forest Hills, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Third straight Top 100 finish in season highlighted by QF appearances at Forest Hills and Bali
- **Grand Slam play:** Equaled-best Grand Slam showing at Australian Open, reaching 3r (d. No.32 seed



Daniilidou and Mirza in 1r and 2r; l. to No.6 seed Hingis); reached 2r at Wimbledon (l. to No.9 seed Hingis); fell in 1r at Roland Garros (l. to Paszek) and US Open (l. to No.5 seed Ivanovic)

- **Regular Tour season:** Best result was QF appearances at Forest Hills (as No.4 seed, l. to Vesnina) and Bali (as No.7 seed, l. to Errani); reached 3r at Australian Open (see above); reached 2r eight times, incl. Wimbledon (see above); fell in 1r 10 times and fell in qualifying twice; best doubles efforts were SF at Cincinnati (w/Morigami) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (w/Tanasugarn); withdrew from Los Angeles w/low back strain.
- **Ranking:** Started the 2007 season ranked No.59 and finished No.68; Made Top 50 debut on August 6 (after reaching 2r at San Diego; rose from No.61 to No.47)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Best career finish came as runner-up at 2006 Tokyo [Japan Open] (as WC; l. to top seed Bartoli in historic first final between players who hit w/two hands both sides)
- Five-time quarterfinalist: 2007 Forest Hills, 2007 Bali, 2006 Canberra, Bangkok, 2005 Bali
- Winner of two ITF Women's Circuit singles titles and two IFT Women's Circuit doubles titles

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing tennis at age 5; parents also played
- Has one older sister, Shoko
- Admires Monica Seles for her similar two-handed play on both sides

[2] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS) vs. NATHALIE DECHY (FRA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Dechy leads, 3-1

2004	GOLD COAST	HARD (O)	QF	DECHY, NATHALIE	7-6(5) 6-4
2004	FED CUP FINAL	CARPET (I)	QF	DECHY, NATHALIE	3-6 7-6(3) 8-6
2005	EASTBOURNE	GRASS (O)	QF	KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA	6-4 7-5
2005	ZÜRICH	HARD (I)	R32 (1r)	DECHY, NATHALIE	6-4 4-6 7-6(3)

KUZNETSOVA	Quick Facts	DECHY
22	Age	28
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Tournai, Belgium
9	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$8,418,199	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,758,981
\$50,500	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$9,130
No.2	Current Singles Rank	No.67
No.2 (September 10, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.11 (January 9, 2006)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	12
13-6	Aus. Open W-L**	12-11
23	GS Attempts**	49
63-21	Career GS W-L**	59-48
2	2008 Events Played	3
3-1	2008 W-L	3-2
303-125	Career W-L	403-308
64-45	Career Tie-Break W-L	69-84
1-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
91-44	Career 3-Set W-L	117-106
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Stefan Ortega	Coach	None
	<small>* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw</small>	

KUZNETSOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh straight appearance; best result was QF finish in 2005 (as No.5 seed, l. to No.4 Sharapova 46 62 62); 4r in 2006 (l. to world No.1 Davenport) and 2007 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Peer); 3r in 2004 (l. to world No.1 and eventual champion Henin); 2r in 2002 (event debut as qualifier, l. to Tulyaganova); l. in 1r in 2003 (l. to No.2 seed V.Williams)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **R-Up (1):** Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Finished runner-up in first event of 2007 in Sydney; as No.2 seed l. to 64 26 46 No.1 Henin, after leading 3-0 in final set

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): New Haven; **R-Up (5):** Doha, Indian Wells, Berlin, Rome, US Open; **SF (4)** Dubai, Warsaw, Stuttgart, Moscow; **QF (5):** Paris [Indoors], Roland Garros, Wimbledon, Toronto, Zürich

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Arguably her best-ever season, reaching six finals (incl. third career major final) and reaching career-high No.2 ranking
- **Grand Slam play:** Modest results in first three majors, reaching 4r at Australian Open as No.3 seed (l. to Peer) and QF at Roland Garros (again as No.3 seed; l. to eventual runner-up Ivanovic in 3s) and Wimbledon as No.5 seed (l. to eventual champion V.Williams); seeded No.4 at US Open, advanced to second career final there, defeating compatriot Chakvetadze in three-set SF before falling to world No.1 Henin 61 63; afterwards (September 10) rose to career-high No.2 ranking
- **Regular Tour season:** Somewhat unlucky to have collected only one Tour singles title in 2007 (bringing career tally to nine), having reached six finals overall (incl. US Open); lone victory came at New Haven, where her opponents in each of the last three rounds retired – Schiavone in QF (left ankle injury), Dementieva in SF (nausea) and Szavay in final (low back injury); in addition to US Open runner-up finish, was also a losing finalist at Doha (l. to Henin), Indian Wells (l. to Hantuchova), Berlin (l. to Ivanovic 76 third set) and Rome (l. to

Jankovic); also semifinalist at Dubai (l. to Henin in 3s), Warsaw (l. to A.Bondarenko), Stuttgart (l. to Golovin) and Moscow (l. to S.Williams); reached another five QF, and thus advanced to QF or better at 15 of 19 events

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.4, dipping to No.5 on January 29 but reaching then career-high No.3 on March 19 after Indian Wells runner-up finish; fluctuated between No.3 and No.5 until September 10, when she rose to current career-high No.2 after US Open runner-up finish, where she has remained ever since; is the third Russian woman to have been ranked in the world's Top 2, after Myskina (No.2 in September 2004) and Sharapova (No.1 in August 2005)
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 4-0 in singles in Fed Cup for Russia – d. Domínguez Lino and Medina Garrigues in QF vs. Spain and d. Santangelo and Schiavone (46 76(7) 75, saving 2 mp and overcoming 4-1 third-set deficit) in her country's 4-0 final win over Italy
- **Doubles:** Contested eight doubles events in 2007, with the highlight being a runner-up finish at Dubai (w/Molik; l. to Black/Huber); also semifinalist at Paris [Indoors] (w/Petrova) and quarterfinalist at Doha (w/Molik), Berlin, Wimbledon and Toronto (all w/Petrova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of nine Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. first major at 2004 US Open (d. Dementieva in second all-Russian major final of 2004; was first Russian woman to claim US Open singles title); runner-up seven times, including 2006 Roland Garros (see above); also QF at 2003 Wimbledon, 2005 Australian Open, 2005 Wimbledon
- Winner of 13 Tour doubles titles (three w/Sánchez-Vicario, five w/Navratilova, two w/Likhovtseva, two w/Molik, one w/Mauresmo); highlight is 2005 Australian Open (w/Molik), her first Grand Slam doubles title
- Owns four career wins over reigning No.1s – Henin in 2004 Doha SF and 2007 Berlin SF and Mauresmo in 2006 Miami SF and 2006 Beijing final
- In 2004, member of Russian Olympic Team and champion Russian Fed Cup Team; also member of champion Fed Cup Team in 2007; ITF Girls' Singles World Champion for 2001

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing at age 7; father is Alexandr Kuznetsov, cycling coach of six Olympic and world champions, now coach of Lokomotiv (best club in Russia); coached Svetlana's mother, Galina Tsareva, six-time world champion and holder of 20 world records and Svetlana's brother, Nikolai Kuznetsov, a silver medalist at 1996 Olympics
- No.1-ranked of 15 Russians in Top 100 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Singles Rankings (as of January 14, 2007), the most of any country:

RUSSIA RANK	WORLD RANK	PLAYER
1	2	Svetlana Kuznetsova
2	5	Maria Sharapova
3	6	Anna Chakvetadze
4	11	Elena Dementieva
5	14	Nadia Petrova
6	16	Dinara Safina
7	22	Vera Zvonareva
8	26	Maria Kirilenko
9	42	Vera Dushevina
10	55	Elena Vesnina
11	66	Elena Likhovtseva
12	75	Alla Kudryavtseva
13	79	Anastasia Rodionova
14	85	Yaroslava Shvedova
15	97	Olga Poutchkova

DECHY FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making 13th appearance at tournament (12th in main draw); best result was SF in 2005 (d. No.3 Myskina en route for 10th career Top 10 win; l. to No.1 seed Davenport 26 76(5) 64, having been two points from victory in tie break); advanced to 4r in 2004 (l. to No.22 seed Schnyder); advanced to 3r twice – 2002 (l. to Medina Garrigues and 2003 l. to Daniilidou; fell in 1r seven times and qualifying once (1996)

2008 SUMMARY

- 2r at Gold Coast (l. to No.6 seed Mauresmo) and fell in qualifying at Sydney
- In doubles at Gold Coast advanced to QF (w/Foretz, l. to Benesova/Voskoboeva) and SF at Sydney (w/Safina, l. to Yan/Zheng)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: 2r (2): Roland Garros, US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Lowest singles finish in 10 years but exceptional doubles results, capturing two Tour doubles titles
- **Grand Slam play:** Best Grand Slam singles showing was 2r at Roland Garros (l. to No.5 seed Mauresmo in 3s), falling 1r at Australian Open (l. to No.6 seed Hingis), Wimbledon (l. to No.12 seed Dementieva 62 76(7), having held 4sp in tie-break) and US Open (l. to No.24 seed Schiavone); notched 400th career singles match win in Portoroz 1r (d. Kerber)
- **Regular Tour season:** Won back-to-back matches in singles three times, reaching SF at Forest Hills (d. No.2 seed Tu en route; l. to No.3 seed and eventual champion Dulko 76(4) 64, having held 2sp at 5-4 first set) and 3r at Indian Wells (d. No.31 seed Pennetta en route; l. to top seed Sharapova) and Amelia Island (l. to No.6 seed Ivanovic); withdrew from Auckland w/right pectoral strain and from Québec City w/knee injury.
- **Doubles:** Won doubles title at Tier I Rome (w/Santangelo) and made doubles Top 10 debut afterwards on May 21 (rose from No.15 to No.8, spending three consecutive weeks at No.8 before dipping out of Top 10); won second and third Grand Slam titles of career in mixed doubles at Roland Garros (w/Ram; d. Srebotnik/Zimonjic in final) and in doubles at US Open (as No.7 seeds w/Safina, d. No.3 seeds Srebotnik/Sugiyama and No.6 seeds Peschke/Stubbs in QF and SF, then d. No.5 seeds Chan/Chuang in final; was their first time playing together); first Grand Slam title of career came at US Open a year earlier (w/Zvonareva)
- **Ranking:** Started year ranked just inside the world's Top 50 at No.49; highest ranking of the year of No.42 came in April, but gradually dropped thereafter and finished at No.68
- **Fed Cup:** Went 2-0 in France's Fed Cup World Group 1r win vs. Japan (d. Sugiyama; w/Brémond, d. Morita/Sugiyama) and 0-1 during their SF loss to Italy (w/Brémond, l. to Schiavone/Vinci)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of one Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title, at 2003 Gold Coast; runner-up at three Tour events, most recently 2004 New Haven (l. to Bovina in 3s); also 2000 Oklahoma City and Estoril
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, most recently at 2007 Rome (w/Santangelo); also at 2006 US Open w/Zvonareva (first major in doubles, d. No.8 seeds Safina/Srebotnik 76(5) 75 in first major final to become first unseeded team to win a doubles major since Williamses at 2001 Australian Open) and 2002 Paris [Indoors] (w/Tu)
- Finished eight straight seasons (1998-2005) ranked inside the Top 50
- Best career Grand Slam result is SF finish at 2005 Australian Open (l. to Davenport in 3s)
- Member of French Fed Cup Team 2000-07 and French Olympic Team in 2000 and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Mother, Françoise, who is French-Canadian, is a sports teacher; father Michel teaches math and tennis; has a younger sister, Isabelle, and an older brother, Nicolas
- Entire family plays tennis
- Married Antoine Maitre-Devallon on September 18, 2004
- Born on the French isle of Guadeloupe
- Graduated from high school two years early, in 1995

[3] JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB) vs. TAMIRA PASZEK (AUT)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Jankovic leads, 1-0

2007 ROME CLAY (O) R32 (2r) JANKOVIC, JELENA 6-3 6-4

JANKOVIC	Quick Facts	PASZEK
22	Age	17
Belgrade, Serbia	Residence	Dornbirn, Austria
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,390,600	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$355,274
\$14,130	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$6,650
No.4	Current Singles Rank	No.39
No.3 (June 11, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.35 (July 9, 2007)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
7-5	Aus. Open W-L**	1-1
18	GS Attempts**	5
34-17	Career GS W-L**	8-4
2	2008 Events Played	2
1-1	2008 W-L	3-1
266-153	Career W-L	69-31
42-38	Career Tie-Break W-L	14-8
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
73-72	Career 3-Set W-L	21-12
1-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
None	Coach	Larri Passos
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

JANKOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance to date was last year's 4r run (as No.11 seed, l. 4r to eventual champion S.Williams); all four previous results were 2r finishes – 2003 (qualified in event debut, l. to Coetzer), 2004 (upset world No.8 Dementieva, l. to Craybas 64 26 86), 2005 (l. to Panova 36 64 62) and 2006 (l. to Savchuk)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- **QF (1):** Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in QF of first Tour event of the year; as No.3 seed, l. to Vaidisova 64 in final set
- Represented Serbia in Hopman w/Djokovic; went 1-3 in singles (l. to Golovin, Dulko, S.Williams; d. Hsieh)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Auckland, Charleston, Rome, Birmingham; **R-Up (4):** Sydney, 's-Hertogenbosch, Toronto, Beijing; **SF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los Angeles, Stuttgart; **QF (5):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Amelia Island, Berlin, US Open, Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Phenomenally consistent season, reaching QF or better at 20 of 28 events coming in and surging to No.3 by year's end, having started 2007 outside the Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Highlight of Grand Slam season was SF finish at Roland Garros – dropped just one set en route to SF (d. V.Williams in 3s in 3r) where she fell to eventual champion Henin 62 62, their most one-sided match to date (five of their eight career meetings have gone to 3s); also reached QF at US Open (l. to V.Williams 76 third set) and 4r at Australian Open (l. to eventual champion S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. to eventual runner-up Bartoli 36 75 63)
- **Regular Tour season:** Her eight finals appearances were second only to Henin's 11, winning titles at Auckland (d. Zvonareva in 3s for first title since 2004 Budapest), Charleston (first Tier I; d. Safina in final), Rome (d. Kuznetsova in final) and Birmingham (d. world No.2 Sharapova in final 75 third set after trailing 3-0 for career-best win and first win over a Top 2-ranked player in 14 meetings); runner-up at Sydney (l. to Clijsters 46 76(4) 64, having served for the match at 5-4 (held 1 mp) and 6-5 second set), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze in 3s), Toronto (l. to Henin) and Beijing (l. to Szavay 67(7) 75 62 after leading 5-1 second set and holding 1 mp); semifinalist another seven times – Dubai, Doha, Warsaw, Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Los

Angeles and Stuttgart – and quarterfinalist another five times; her 72 match wins were a Tour-best for 2007, although she lost her last six matches – Stuttgart SF (l. to Henin), Bangkok 1r (ret. vs. Yan w/heat illness), 2r at Zürich (after 1r bye; l. to Vaidisova) and all three round-robin matches at the Tour Championships (vs. Henin, Chakvetadze and Bartoli)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.12, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Australian Open (January 29); continued to move up the rankings with her impressive performances in the spring, debuting in the Top 5 at No.5 after Berlin (May 14); just four weeks later rose to current career-high No.3 after SF finish at Roland Garros (June 11), where she remained
- **Fed Cup play:** Represented Serbia regional qualifying (Europe/Africa Group I), going 4-0 in singles and 2-1 in doubles, helping her country reach the World Group II Play-off, where it fell to Slovakia 4-1 (d. Cibulkova for Serbia's only point in the tie)
- **Doubles:** Went 5-12 in doubles in 2007, the highlights being QF finishes at Auckland (w/Krizan) and Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Mattek); collected career-first Grand Slam title, partnering Brit Jamie Murray to Wimbledon mixed doubles championship (d. Molik/Bjorkman in final)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at Budapest in 2004 and at Auckland, Charleston, Rome and Birmingham in 2007; eight-time runner-up – 2005 Dubai (l. to Davenport), 2005 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Seoul (l. to Vaidisova), 2006 Los Angeles (l. to Dementieva), 2007 Sydney (l. to Clijsters), 2007 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Chakvetadze), 2007 Toronto (l. to Henin) and 2007 Beijing (l. to Szavay); 5-8 lifetime in Tour singles finals (2-1 at Tier I level)
- One-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2006 Birmingham (w/Li); two-time semifinalist, incl. 2006 Guangzhou (w/Li)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2007 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Top 20 debut in March 2005; Top 10 debut in January 2007; Top 5 debut in May 2007; Top 3 in June 2007
- Had 11 Top 10 wins prior to 2007 Birmingham, but was 0-13 against Top 2; but in Birmingham final notched career-first Top 2 win over world No.2 Sharapova, coming back from 3-0 third set deficit to prevail, 46 63 75
- Member of Serbian Fed Cup Team, 2001-05, 2007 and Serbia and Montenegro Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Was recently appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Ivanovic was also recently appointed)
- Introduced to tennis at age 9 by brother and fitness coach Marko (six years her senior); admires Monica Seles
- Won junior Australian Open in 2001 and was runner-up at junior US Open that year; was No.1 in junior rankings
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2006, presented at the 2007 Sony Ericsson Open in Miami

PASZEK FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making second straight appearance; in 2007 advanced to 2r (as a qualifier, l. to Zvonareva)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Auckland

2007 SUMMARY

- Advanced to SF at Auckland (as No.6 seed, l. to eventual champion Davenport 64 63; upset No.2 seed Kirilenko in QF en route)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (2): Wimbledon, US Open; **3r (1):** Birmingham; **2r (6):** Australian Open, Dubai, Miami, Rome, Roland Garros, Beijing

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 season for youngest player in Top 280; wins over world No.17 Golovin, No.13 Dementieva and No.12 Schnyder were first three career Top 20 wins
- **Grand Slam play:** Debuted at all four Grand Slams; season highlighted by reaching first two Grand Slam 4r at Wimbledon (d. No.17 seed Golovin and No.12 seed Dementieva en route; l. to No.5 seed Kuznetsova) and US Open (d. No.24 seed Schiavone and No.11 seed Schnyder 46 64 76(1) en route, having trailed 4-1 second set; l. to No.6 seed Chakvetadze); also made 2r at Australian Open (as qualifier; l. to No.22 seed Zvonareva) and Roland Garros (l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin 75 61, having trailed 5-0 first set);
- **Regular Tour season:** Contested 10 more Tour main draws, reaching 3r once (Birmingham) and 2r five times (incl. Dubai as qualifier; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin 46 75 61); fell 1r four times; withdrew from Istanbul w/back injury and from Bali w/knee injury.



- **Ranking:** Made Top 100 debut on March 19 (rose from No.101 to No.100) and simultaneous Top 50 and Top 40 debuts on July 9 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.54 to No.35); next-youngest player on November 12 year-end rankings was No.281 Pavlyuchenkova (her conqueror in the 2006 US Open girls' singles final)
- **Fed Cup:** Went 2-0 during Austria's 4-1 Fed Cup World Group II win over Australia and 0-2 during their 4-1 Fed Cup World Group I Play-off loss to Israel

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of one Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title at 2006 Portoroz (career-first Tour singles title in only third Tour main draw; upset No.6 seed Camerin 75 61 in final; at 15 years, 9 months and 8 days, the youngest Tour singles titlist in 2006 and the seventh-youngest all-time; ranked No.259, the third-lowest-ranked Tour titlist all-time; afterwards on September 25, 2006 surged from No.259 to No.160)
- Best Grand Slam performance was 4r run at 2007 Wimbledon and 2007 US Open (see above)
- Made pro debut at age 14 and won first singles title at only second pro event at 2005 \$25K ITF/Sofia-BUL
- Debuted on pro circuit at 2005 \$10K ITF/Athens-GRE and reached SF
- Also holds one ITF Women's Circuit doubles title at 2005 \$25K ITF/Sofia w/Ancic
- 2005 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open girls' singles runner-up
- Member of Austrian Fed Cup Team 2005-07

OTHER FACTS

- Travels with father, Ariff Mohamed (Tanzanian-born, Kenya-raised and lived in Canada); mother's name is Francoise Paszek, who introduced her to tennis at age four-and -a-half (Chilean-born, Austrian-raised); has one younger brother, Joel; all her family plays tennis
- Enjoys playing on all surfaces
- Speaks German, English and French
- Reaching 2005 Wimbledon girls' singles final and playing first Tour match at Linz in October 2005 listed as some of most memorable experiences

[4] ANA IVANOVIC (SRB) vs. SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

IVANOVIC	Quick Facts	CIRSTEA
20	Age	17
Basel, Switzerland	Residence	Targoviste, Romania
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$3,191,857	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$79,825
\$26,700	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$630
No.3	Current Singles Rank	No.106
No.3 (January 14, 2008)	Highest Singles Rank	No.106 (November 12, 2007)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
5-3	Aus. Open W-L**	0-0
13	GS Attempts**	0
33-12	Career GS W-L**	0-0
2	2008 Events Played	2
2-1	2008 W-L	2-1
177-61	Career W-L	108-40
27-14	Career Tie-Break W-L	14-10
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-2
48-18	Career 3-Set W-L	21-12
2-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Physical trainer: Scott Burns	Coach	Ion Geanta
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

IVANOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best results were 3r finishes in 2005 (as unseeded debutante, d. No.32 seed Benesova in 1r, before l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and 2007 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.22 Zvonareva); 2r defeat in 2006 (as No.21 seed, l. to Stosur)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Sydney

2008 SUMMARY

- Made SF in first event of 2008 in Sydney; as No.4 seed l. to eventual champion Henin 62 26 64 (first set won against Henin in four meetings)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Berlin, Los Angeles, Luxembourg; **R-Up (2):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Roland Garros; **SF (3):** Amelia Island, Wimbledon, Tour Championships; **QF (4):** Gold Coast, Sydney, Antwerp, 's-Hertogenbosch

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season, bursting into the Top 5 after being outside of Top 15 in May; three titles and first Grand Slam final appearance were the highlights for the young Serb
- Grand Slam play:** Recorded two best Grand Slam results of her career in reaching the Roland Garros final as No.7 seed (d. world No.3 Kuznetsova in QF in 3s, No.2 Sharapova 62 61 in SF; l. to world No.1 Henin) and Wimbledon SF (d. world No.9 Petrova in 4r after trailing 3-1 third set, No.10 Vaidisova 75 third set in QF after trailing 5-3 and saving 3 mp at 5-4; l. to eventual champion V.Williams); reached 3r of Australian Open (l. to Zvonareva) and 4r at US Open (l. to V.Williams)
- Regular Tour season:** Her three-title haul (one each on clay, hard and indoors) was a career best; at Berlin, collected second Tier I title, defeating world No.4 Kuznetsova in final 76 third set; at Los Angeles, d. No.3-ranked compatriot Jankovic in SF 46 63 75 (trailed 4-1 third set and saved 2 mp; fifth Top 5 win of the season) and No.9 Petrova in final; seeded No.2 at Luxembourg, collected career-first indoor title, defeating Hantuchova in final in 3s; in addition to Roland Garros runner-up finish, also a losing finalist at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (world No.1 Sharapova ret. in SF w/left hamstring strain; l. to Hingis) and semifinalist at Tour Championships (l. to eventual champion Henin 64 64) and Amelia Island (l. to eventual champion Golovin in 3s); the only player other than Henin to record more than 10 Top 10 wins in 2007 (12-4) and to have a record vs. Top 5 players greater than 50% (5-2)
- Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.14, dipping to No.17 in April; surged from No.16 to No.8 after Berlin title run (May 14), debuting in Top 5 after Wimbledon SF finish (July 9); Los Angeles title pushed her to a career-high No.4 (August 13), a ranking she has held uninterrupted since October 15
- Doubles:** Went 0-4, losing 1r at Miami, Berlin, Roland Garros (all w/Kirilenko) and Wimbledon (w/Hantuchova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, at Tier V Canberra in 2005, Tier I Montréal in 2006 and Tier I Berlin, Tier II Los Angeles in 2007 and Tier II Luxembourg in 2007
- Two-time runner-up, at Tier I Tokyo [Pan Pacific] in 2007 (l. to Hingis) and Roland Garros (l. to world No.1 Henin); five-time semifinalist, incl. 2007 Amelia Island (l. to Golovin) and 2007 Wimbledon (l. to V.Williams)
- Holds 17 career Top 10 victories: three in 2005 (No.7 Kuznetsova, No.10 Zvonareva, No.3 Mauresmo), two in 2006 (No.3 Mauresmo, No.8 Schnyder) and 12 in 2007 (No.6 Petrova (ret.), No.10 Jankovic, No.1 Sharapova (ret.), No.9 Jankovic, No.4 Kuznetsova, No.3 Kuznetsova, No.2 Sharapova, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Vaidisova, No.3 Jankovic, No.9 Petrova, No.10 Hantuchova)
- One-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Kirilenko)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of five singles titles (all in 2004)

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.anaivanovic.com
- Was recently appointed as an Ambassador for UNICEF in Serbia (Jankovic was also recently appointed); in December 2007, donated share of her profits from a Humanitarian Exhibition, held in Belgrade, to UNICEF's Schools Without Violence program in Serbia; her contribution, which totaled \$62,804, will enable 12 schools to join the national program
- Alongside Hantuchova, featured in Sony Ericsson's first ever tennis-themed TV commercial, "Never Miss A Shot"
- Winner of Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Most Improved Player in 2005 (presented in March 2006 at Miami)
- The 2006 US Open Series champion (best 2006 USOS results were title in Montréal and QF at Los Angeles)

CIRSTEA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making tournament debut

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in final round of Hobart qualifying to Harkleroad

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Budapest; **SF (1):** Bali

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Near-Top 100 finish in season highlighted by breakthrough weeks at Budapest and Bali (see below); win over world No.13 Schnyder was career-first Top 20 victory, was in fact her first ever match against a Top 30 player); notched 100th career singles match win vs. Gallovits in Bali Q
- **Grand Slam play:** Fell in qualifying at Wimbledon and US Open
- **Regular Tour season:** In only second Tour main draw, reached first Tour final at Budapest (as qualifier, d. No.2 seed Müller and No.5 seed Daniilidou en route; l. to No.6 seed Dulko in 3s); another breakout week in Bali, reaching SF (as qualifier, d. No.3 seed Schnyder en route, falling to No.2 seed Hantuchova; best result in four other Tour main draws was 2r finish at Palermo (as qualifier, d. No.7 seed Kanepi in 1r; l. to Domínguez Lino); fell 1r at Fes (as qualifier), Luxembourg (as WC) and Bangkok (as WC); fell in qualifying at Istanbul, Wimbledon and US Open; on ITF women's Circuit, won one singles title and two doubles titles (bringing career tallies to four and eight, respectively).
- **Ranking:** After Budapest, on April 30, rose from No.325 to No.169, her simultaneous Top 300 and Top 200 debuts; was first Romanian to reach a Tour singles final since Dragomir Ilie in June 2000 (who was runner-up to Hingis at 's-Hertogenbosch; Gallovits has since made a Tour singles final as well, two months later at Barcelona); After Balie, on September 17, rose from No.137 to No.109, reaching current career-high No.106 on year-end rankings on November 12

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles runner-up at 2007 Budapest (see 2007 Summary above); winner of four ITF Women's Circuit singles titles, most recently at 2007 ITF/Bucharest 6-ROU
- On ITF Junior Circuit, reached best world ranking of No.6 on June 26, 2006; runner-up at Roland Garros girls' doubles in 2006 (w/Glatch)

OTHER FACTS

- Full name is Sorana Mihaela Cirstea
- Speaks Romanian, English and Spanish and is studying French
- Most admires Steffi Graf; introduced to tennis by her mother at age 4

[5] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS) vs. JELENA KOSTANIC TOSIC (CRO)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Sharapova leads, 2-0

2004 PHILADELPHIA HARD (I) R16 SHARAPOVA, MARIA 2-6 6-4 3-0 RET.
2006 AUSTRALIAN OPEN HARD (O) R32 SHARAPOVA, MARIA 6-0 6-1

SHARAPOVA	Quick Facts	KOSTANIC TOSIC
20	Age	26
Bradenton, FL, USA	Residence	Split, Croatia
16	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$10,231,402	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,395,345
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$500
No.5	Current Singles Rank	No.102
No.1 (August 22, 2005)	Highest Singles Rank	No.32 (July 26, 2004)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	9
18-5	Aus. Open W-L**	8-8
21	GS Attempts**	31
74-18	Career GS W-L**	18-30
1	2008 Events Played	2
0-0	2008 W-L	0-1
273-66	Career W-L	298-234
34-22	Career Tie-Break W-L	57-50
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
66-25	Career 3-Set W-L	87-66
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Father, Yuri Sharapov; Michael Joyce	Coach	Sinisa Popcek
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

SHARAPOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance; best performance was runner-up finish last year (as No.1 seed, d. No.12 Chakvetadze and No.4 Clijsters in QF and SF before falling to S.Williams; was first Russian to reach Australian Open final); best results prior to 2007 were two back-to-back SF finishes – in 2005 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion S.Williams 26 75 86 having served for match in second and third sets and held 3 mp at 5-4 third set), and 2006 (as No.4 seed, l. to No.8 seed and eventual runner-up Henin-Hardenne 46 61 64); 3r in 2004 (as No.28 seed, l. to No.6 seed Myskina 64 16 62; event debut in 2003 as qualifier, l. in 1r to Koukalova 64 76(6))

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): San Diego; **R-Up (3):** Australian Open, Birmingham, Tour Championships; **SF (4):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Istanbul, Roland Garros, Los Angeles

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Injury-plagued season which has saw the Russian fall from No.1 to outside the Top 5 for the first time in three years
- Grand Slam play:** Diminishing results in the majors over the season; opened 2007 with first finals appearance at Australian Open; seeded No.1, escaped from 1r vs. Pin (in searing heat) with 97 third set victory, before winning next five matches in straight sets (d. world No.5 Clijsters in SF for only Top 5 win of the season thus far; l. 61 62 to unseeded S.Williams); at Roland Garros, again endured a 16-game final set (vs. Schnyder in 4r, saving 2 mp) to reach first SF there, falling 61 62 to Ivanovic; suffered earliest exit at Wimbledon since 2003 debut, falling in 4r to eventual champion V.Williams; seeded No.2 at US Open, blazed through first two matches vs. Vinci and Dellacqua (dropping one game in each match) before falling to No.30 seed Radwanska, her earliest Grand Slam loss since 3r exit in New York in 2004
- Regular Tour season:** First title of the season came at San Diego in early August (fifth career Tier I title; d. Schnyder in final in 3s), her longest wait for her first title of the season since 2003; also runner-up at Tour Championships (as No.6 seed d. Chakvetadze in SF, l. to Henin 57 75 63 in final, in 3h 24min final, longest best-of-three-set final in Tour Championships history and 12th-longest Tour match in Open Era) and Birmingham (l. to Jankovic 75 third set) and semifinalist at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (ret. vs. Ivanovic w/left hamstring strain that forced withdrawal from Dubai), Istanbul (only second career clay SF on Tour; l to Rezaei)

and Los Angeles (WD vs. Petrova w/left lower leg strain which also forced withdrawal from Toronto); also withdrew from Charleston w/right shoulder and left hamstring injuries and from Rome, Stuttgart, Zürich and Linz w/right shoulder injury (was defending champion at Zürich and Linz); defeated in opening match at Moscow (l. to Azarenka 76(8) 62 having held six set points in first set)

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.2, rising to No.1 on January 29 after Australian Open runner-up finish, her third career stint in the top spot; held onto No.1. for seven weeks (14 weeks in total) before surrendering it to Henin on March 19 after failing to defend Indian Wells title (fell in 4r); remained at No.2 until 3r exit at US Open (as defending champion) pushed her down to No.4 (September 10); having been unable to defend Zürich and Linz titles through injury, fell to No.5 on October 15 and No.6 on October 29, her first time outside Top 5 since November 2004, when she rose from No.6 to No.4 after winning the Season-Ending Championships
- **Fed Cup play:** Served as hitting partner for Russia during its World Group I Final win over Italy

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 16 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. majors at 2004 Wimbledon and 2006 US Open, also 2004 Season-Ending Championships and Tier Is at 2005 Tokyo [Pan Pacific], 2006 Indian Wells, 2006 San Diego, 2006 Zürich and 2007 San Diego; seven-time runner-up, incl. 2007 Australian Open and 2007 Tour Championships and Tier Is at 2004 Zürich, 2005 Miami and 2006 Miami
- Winner of three Tour doubles titles, all at Tier III level – 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] and 2003 Luxembourg (both w/Tanasugarn) and on grass at 2004 Birmingham (w/Kirilenko)
- Winner of four singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit (three in 2002 and one in 2003)
- On August 22, 2005, became 15th woman and first Russian to reach No.1 (also most recent new No.1) since 1975 inception of computer rankings

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.mariasharapova.com
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy at age 9
- Named UNDP Goodwill Ambassador on February 14, 2007
- At 2005 Australian Open, donated value of Porsche Cayenne she won at 2004 Tour Championships (approx. US\$56,300) to those affected by Russian school hostage crisis in Beslan in September 2004
- Has appeared on the cover of SI (first tennis player in over two years to do so), ESPN The Magazine, Forbes (listed as one of the richest female athletes in the world); also featured in People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People", Vogue Italia, USA Today, Teen People's "20 Teens Who Will Change the World", W, YM and SPORT Magazine's "21 Athletes to Watch Out For in the 21st Century", among others

KOSTANIC TOSIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making ninth appearance; best results were three 3r finishes – in 2000, l. to No.10 seed Martinez, in 2006 l. to No.4 seed Sharapova and in 2007, d. No.24 seed Stosur en route, l. to No.12 seed Chakvetadze; two 2r finishes – in 2002 (as qualifier, l. to Schiavone) and 2005 (l. to Vaidisova); fell in 1r three times

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first tournament this season

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Bangalore; **3r (2):** Australian Open, Miami,

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Participated in main draw at 17 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles events, posting a 10-17 record
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached 3r at Australian Open (d. No.24 seed Stosur en route, l. to No.12 seed Chakvetadze); 2r finish at US Open (l. to Vakulenko); fell in 1r at Roland Garros (l. to No.12 seed Hantuchova) and Wimbledon (l. to Azarenka)
- **Regular Tour season:** Had best result at Bangalore advancing to QF (l. to Savchuk); advanced to 3r twice – Australian Open (see above) and Miami (l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova; fell in 2r four times at Istanbul (l. to Dementieva), US Op[en (l. to Vakulenko), Guangzhou (l. to Medina Garrigues) and Japan Open (l. to Pin); fell in 1r 10 times and in qualifying six times
- **ITF Circuit:** Played in two ITF Women's Circuit singles events
- **Ranking:** Started the 2007 season ranked No.47 and finished No.105
- **Fed Cup Play:** Went 1-1 in Fed Cup play
- **Doubles:** Three-time semifinalist at Sony Ericsson WTA Tour doubles events – Pattaya City (w/Gajdosova), Doha (w/Perebiynis) and Guangzhou (w/Craybas)



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- Three-time Tour singles runner-up, most recently at 2006 Pattaya City (unseeded, upset No.5 seed Llagostera Vives in SF; l. to No.4 seed Peer in final) and Bangalore (as No.6 seed, l. to No.3 seed Santangelo 36 76(5) 63 in final; was first Tier III final), also 2003 Helsinki (l. to Smashnova in 3s); also six-time Tour semifinalist, incl. Tier I Charleston in 2004
- Six-time Tour semifinalist – 2006 Hobart, 2005 Budapest, 2004 Charleston, 2004 Vienna, 2001 Vienna and 2000 Antwerp
- Winner of eight Tour doubles titles, most recently at 2006 Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bangkok (both w/King)
- Member of Croatian Fed Cup Team 2006-07, 2000-05 and 2004 Olympic Team
- Winner of four ITF Women's Circuit single events and nine doubles events

OTHER FACTS

- Top-ranked of two Croatian women in Top 100 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Singles Rankings (as of January 14, 2008)
- Started playing tennis at age 7, seriously at age 11
- In juniors, won 1998 Australian Open singles title and Wimbledon doubles crown
- Admires Michael Jordan (regards him as the greatest sportsman of all time) and Goran Ivansevic, who comes from the same tennis club in Split
- Formerly, Jelena Kostanic; married Roko Tomic, Croatian table tennis player, on July 8, 2006

[6] ANNA CHAKVETADZE (RUS) vs. ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

CHAKVETADZE	Quick Facts	PETKOVIC
20	Age	20
Moscow, Russia	Residence	Darmstadt, Germany
6	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
4	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$2,399,137	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$138,405
\$3,950	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$935
No.6	Current Singles Rank	No.92
No.5 (September 10, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.91 (January 7, 2008)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
6-3	Aus. Open W-L**	0-0
14	GS Attempts**	3
29-13	Career GS W-L**	2-2
2	2008 Events Played	3
0-1	2008 W-L	0-2
197-91	Career W-L	121-77
30-31	Career Tie-Break W-L	24-14
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
55-31	Career 3-Set W-L	42-29
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-2
Father, Djambuli Chakvetadze	Coach	Zoran Petkovic
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

CHAKVETADZE FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best result was last year's QF finish (as No.12 seed, d. No.8 Schnyder in 4r, l. to No.1 Sharapova); both previous results were 2r finishes – 2005 (l. to No.6 seed Dementieva) and 2006 (l. to No.16 seed Vaidisova)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell at the hands of Katarina Srebotnik in 1r of Sydney

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (4): Hobart, 's-Hertogenbosch, Cincinnati, Stanford; **SF (5):** Antwerp, Miami, San Diego, US Open, Tour Championships; **QF (6):** Australian Open, Paris [Indoors], Warsaw, Roland Garros, Luxembourg, Linz

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Career-best season highlighted by four titles and Top 5 and Grand Slam SF debuts
- **Grand Slam play:** Excellent results in three of the four majors; having never advanced past 4r at a Grand Slam, reached one SF and two QF; reached last eight at Australian Open as No.12 seed (l. to world No.2 76(5) 75) and Roland Garros (l. again to Sharapova); seeded No.8 at Wimbledon, upset in 3r by No.31 seed Krajicek in 3s; at US Open, did not drop a set en route to first-ever Grand Slam SF – d. No.26 seed Mirza in 3r and No.18 seed Peer in QF before falling to compatriot and eventual runner-up Kuznetsova in 3s
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached QF or better at 14 of 22 events (incl. Grand Slams); collected titles at Hobart (d. Bardina in final), 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Jankovic in final in 3s) and in consecutive weeks, Cincinnati (d. Morigami in final) and Stanford (d. Mirza in final); extended summer win streak to 12 matches by reaching SF at Tier I San Diego (d. V.Williams 67(5) 76(3) 62 after trailing 5-3 second set and saving 1 mp; l. to eventual champion Sharapova); also reached final four at Antwerp (l. to Mauresmo in 3s) and Miami (l. to world No.1 Henin) and QF at Paris [Indoors], Warsaw and in the fall, at Luxembourg (l. to Bartoli in 3s) and Linz (l. to Schnyder); went 4-5 in the fall indoor season, losing opening matches at Stuttgart and Moscow (as defending champion), SF run at Tour Championships (as No.7 seed, l. to Sharapova), in addition to aforementioned QF finishes at Luxembourg and Linz
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.13, breaking into Top 10 at No.10 after Antwerp SF finish (February 19) for a lone week; spent two more weeks at No.10 in April and began current stint in elite group on May 14; rose to No.8 after Roland Garros QF showing (June 11), No.7 after Cincinnati title (July 23) and No.6 after Stanford title (July 30); broke into Top 5 at No.5 after US Open SF finish (September 10), where she stayed for three weeks; was one of three Russians in Top 5 alongside No.2 Kuznetsova and then-No.4 Sharapova
- **Fed Cup play:** Represented Russia in all three of its winning ties in its victorious 2007 season; d. Llagostera Vives in 3s in 5-0 QF win over Spain; went 1-1 in 3-2 win over USA (d. King; l. to V.Williams) and d.

Schiavone in 3s in Final win over Italy

- **Doubles:** Contested 10 doubles events in 2007, the highlight being consecutive runner-up finishes in the summer at Stanford and San Diego (both w/Azarenka)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Six-time Tour singles titlist w/perfect 6-0 record in Tour singles finals, winning 2006 Guangzhou, 2006 Moscow, 2007 Hobart, 2007 's-Hertogenbosch, 2007 Cincinnati and 2007 Stanford; seven-time Tour singles semifinalist: 2005 New Haven, 2006 Warsaw, 2006 Montréal, 2007 Antwerp, 2007 Miami, 2007 San Diego and 2007 Tour Championships
- Best Grand Slam results have been SF finish at 2007 US Open and consecutive QF finishes at 2007 Australian Open and Roland Garros
- As No.175-ranked qualifier at 2004 US Open, in Grand Slam debut and second career Tour main draw, d. Schett 16 64 63 in 1r, then recorded career-best win in 2r vs. world No.3 and then-reigning Roland Garros champion Myskina 76(3) 63; in only her third Tour main draw match, was equal-second fastest to d. a Top 10 player alongside S.Williams (who d. No.7 Pierce in 1997 Chicago 2r); Andrea Leand is the fastest, scoring first Top 10 win in second Tour match
- Three-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 Beijing (w/Vesnina), 2007 Stanford, San Diego (both w/Azarenka)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, holds one singles title and one doubles title
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.theannachakvetadze.com
- Was girls' singles runner-up at 2003 Wimbledon (as qualifier; l. to Flipkens in 3s)
- Has 12 Top 10 victories in her young career (seven against fellow Russians):

TOURNAMENT/ROUND	PLAYER	RANKING	SCORE
2004 US Open 2r	Anastasia Myskina	No.3	76(3) 63
2006 San Diego 2r	Nadia Petrova	No.5	63 67(5) 62
2006 Montréal 2r	Nadia Petrova	No.6	61 64
2006 Moscow 1r	Dinara Safina	No.10	61 62
2006 Moscow SF	Elena Dementieva	No.7	75 36 60
2006 Moscow F	Nadia Petrova	No.5	64 64
2007 Australian Open 4r	Patty Schnyder	No.9	64 61
2007 Antwerp QF	Nadia Petrova	No.7	63 64
2007 's-Hertogenbosch SF	Daniela Hantuchova	No.10	63 64
2007 's-Hertogenbosch F	Jelena Jankovic	No.3	76(2) 36 63
2007 Tour Championships RR	Serena Williams	No.5	64 ret.
2007 Tour Championships RR	Jelena Jankovic	No.3	64 06 63

PETKOVIC FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making tournament debut

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast (l. to Bacszinsky in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: 2r (2): Roland Garros, US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish; notched 100th career singles match win in Berlin qualifying
- **Grand Slam play / Regular Tour season:** Played four Tour main draws, reaching 2r at Roland Garros (in Grand Slam debut as qualifier, d. Gajdosova in 1r for first Grand Slam main draw match win and first Tour main draw match win of any kind; l. to No.18 seed Bartoli 06 62 63) and US Open (on debut as direct entrant, d. WC Cohen in 1r, l. to No.20 seed Safarova); fell in 1r twice at Berlin (as qualifier, l. to Peng) and Stockholm (as direct entrant, l. to No.3 seed Loit); fell in Tour qualifying four times (incl. Wimbledon)
- **Ranking:** Made Top 100 debut on July 30, shortly after winning sixth career ITF Circuit singles title at \$50k ITF/Contrexeville-FRA, rose from No.102 to No.100



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- **Fed Cup:** made Fed Cup debut going 1-0 in German's 4-1 World Group II win vs. Croatia (w/Malek, d.Kostanic Tomic/Ancic)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of six ITF Women's Circuit singles events and two doubles events

OTHER FACTS

- Began playing at age 6 when father introduced her to the sport at a club
- Speaks French, German, English and Serbian
- Most memorable experience was playing first Grand Slam at 2007 Roland Garros

[7] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA) vs. JARMILA GAJDOSOVA (AUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

S.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	GAJDOSOVA
26	Age	20
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	Sydney, Australia
28	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,109,234	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$426,846
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,730
No.7	Current Singles Rank	No.145
No.1 (July 8, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.64 (September 25, 2006)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	3
33-5	Aus. Open W-L**	0-2
33	GS Attempts**	9
139-24	Career GS W-L**	4-8
1	2008 Events Played	3
0-0	2008 W-L	1-2
355-77	Career W-L	157-101
47-30	Career Tie-Break W-L	27-20
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
74-32	Career 3-Set W-L	39-26
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-1
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	None
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

S.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance in this event; three-time champion winning the title last year (unseeded and ranked No.81, d. six seeds en route to title, incl. No.5 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (having trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic 63 62 in 4r, No.16 Peer 36 62 86 in QF, No.10 Vaidisova 76(5) 64 in SF and No.1 Sharapova 61 62 in final (becoming third-lowest ranked player in history to win a Grand Slam), 2005 (saved 3 mp in SF against Sharapova and d. Davenport in three-set final) and 2003 (d. Clijsters from 2 mp down in SF and sister Venus in 3s final) – the only player to have won two Grand Slam singles titles having saved mp en route; missed 2002 due to a sprained right ankle and 2004 due to rehabilitation from surgery to repair left knee quadriceps tendon; QF defeat in 2001 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.1 seed Hingis); only other defeats pre-QF defeats came in 1998 (on debut, l. to V.Williams in 2r), 1999 (l. to No.14 seed Testud 9-7 in third set in 3r), 2000 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.16 Likhovteva in 4r) and 2006 (as No.13 seed, l. to No.17 Hantuchova in 3r)

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Australian Open, Miami; **R-Up (1):** Moscow; **QF (6):** Hobart, Rome, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** An incredible comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by seventh Grand Slam title at Australian Open and return to Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** A record-breaking run in Melbourne, collecting her eighth career Grand Slam singles title and third Australian Open; ranked No.81 (having just fallen in Tier IV Hobart QF the week before), d. world No.6 Petrova 16 75 63 in 3r (trailed 61 53), No.11 Jankovic in 4r, No.17 Peer 86 third set in QF, No.12 Vaidisova in SF and top seed and world No.2 Sharapova 61 62 in final to become third lowest-ranked and only the second unseeded Grand Slam champion in the Open Era; it was Williams's first Tour final of any kind since winning 2005 Australian Open; thereafter, suffered an identical fate at the remaining three majors, falling in QF to Henin at Roland Garros, Wimbledon (l. in 3s while suffering from left thumb injury sustained in 4r win over Hantuchova) and US Open (held set point in first set)
- **Regular Tour season:** In next event after winning Australian Open (WD from Bangalore due to illness) collected eighth career Tier I title, winning Miami for the loss of one set – d. world No.2 Sharapova 61 61 in 4r and No.1 Henin 06 75 63 in final (saved 2 mp at 5-4 second set); was sixth time in her career to d. world's Top 2 in same event; right groin strain forced retirement during Charleston opener vs. Chan and withdrawal from Berlin; after QF finish in Rome in May (l. to Schnyder 76 third set), next Tour event was Stuttgart in October – her only three events in between were Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open – having withdrawn from



Cincinnati, Stanford, San Diego and Los Angeles w/left thumb sprain sustained in Wimbledon 4r; during indoor season, reached QF at Stuttgart (l. to Kuznetsova) and final at Moscow (d. world No.2 Kuznetsova in SF; l. to Dementieva in 3s); before retiring in 1r of Zürich vs. Schnyder w/right adductor strain (trailed 60 30); at Tour Championships ret. During first RR match vs. Chakvetadze w/left knee injury and subsequently withdrew from tournament

- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.95, having been restricted to four events in 2006 w/left knee injury; rose to No.81 after Hobart QF finish, then surged to No.14 two weeks later (January 29) after title run at Australian Open; moved to No.11 after Miami victory, then returned to Top 10 for first time since September 2005 after reaching Rome QF (May 21); edged up to No.5 on October 29 for first time in Top 5 since July 2005
- **Fed Cup play:** Played first Fed Cup match since 2003, winning rubber vs. Maes in USA's 5-0 World Group I QF win over Belgium (pulled out of second match vs. Flipkens w/knee injury)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/V.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 28 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titles, incl. eight Grand Slams (2003/2005/2007 Australian Open, 2002 Roland Garros, 2002/2003 Wimbledon and 1999/2002 US Open), 2001 Tour Championships and eight Tier Is (incl. 2007 Miami); also two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2001 US Open (l. to V.Williams) and 2004 Wimbledon (l. to Sharapova)
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Venus, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
- On July 8, 2002, became 11th woman (second African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 57 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000 (gold medalist in doubles w/V.Williams)
- Member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.serenawilliams.com; owns Aneres, a fashion design label (www.aneresdesigns.com)
- Williams is currently No.7 on the all-time list of prize money earners; below is a look at the Top 10 all-time prize money earners' list (as of January 14, 2008):

PLAYER	EARNINGS (US\$)
1. Steffi Graf (GER)	\$21,895,277
2. Lindsay Davenport (USA)	\$21,849,317
3. Martina Navratilova (USA)	\$21,626,089
4. Martina Hingis (SUI)	\$20,130,657
4. Justine Henin (BEL)	\$19,098,405
6. Venus Williams (USA)	\$18,173,781
7. Serena Williams (USA)	\$18,109,234
8. Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	\$16,942,640
9. Monica Seles (USA)	\$14,891,762
10. Kim Clijsters (BEL)	\$14,764,296

GAJDOSOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making second main draw appearance (fifth overall); fell in 1r on two occasion in 2006 (as a qualifier, l. to Müller) and in 2007 (l. to Sequera)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast (l. to No.3 seed Safina in 3s) and in qualifying for Sydney

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Prague

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Appeared in main draw of 14 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles events, posting a 6-14 record
- **Grand Slam play:** Appeared at all four Grand Slams; best finish came at Wimbledon, advancing to 2r (l. to No.3 seed Jankovic)
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached third career Tour singles QF at Prague (l. to top seed Bartoli); advance to 2r



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four times, incl. Wimbledon (l. to No.3 seed Jankovic); also reached 2r at Memphis, Fes and Kolkata; fell in 1r eight times and qualifying seven times

- **Ranking:** Started the season No.71 and finished No.145

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time singles quarterfinalist on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour: 2007 Prague, 2006 Portoroz, 2003 Budapest
- Winner of one Tour doubles event – 2006 Stockholm (w/Birnerova) – and one-time runner-up – 2007 Memphis (w/Morigami)
- Winner of seven ITF Women's Circuit singles events and three doubles events

OTHER FACTS

- Mother, Jarmila, and father, Jan, are both engineers; father represented Slovakia in soccer and ice hockey as a junior; brother, Jan, five years older, is a former pro skier
- Began playing at age 7 when parents introduced her to tennis at a local club
- Speaks English, German, Slovak
- Most memorable tennis experience was playing in the semis of the 2003 Wimbledon juniors on Court 1 in front of 11,000 spectators
- Fell in love with Australia during very first trip to Australian Open as a 14-year old junior; now lives and trains in Sydney during the off-season

[8] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA) vs. YAN ZI (CHN)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

V.WILLIAMS	Quick Facts	YAN
27	Age	23
Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA	Residence	Cheng Du, China
36	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
3	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$18,173,781	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,219,859
\$0	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$18,475
No.8	Current Singles Rank	No.61
No.1 (February 25, 2002)	Highest Singles Rank	No.58 (October 15, 2007)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
28-8	Aus. Open W-L**	1-1
40	GS Attempts**	7
159-33	Career GS W-L**	1-6
1	2008 Events Played	2
0-0	2008 W-L	0-1
475-110	Career W-L	177-118
70-41	Career Tie-Break W-L	44-22
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
87-47	Career 3-Set W-L	53-45
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Father, Richard Williams; Mother, Oracene Price	Coach	Jiang Hung-Wei
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

V.WILLIAMS FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making her eighth appearance since 1998, missing only 2000 due to tendonitis in both wrists; best result was runner-up in 2003 (as No.2 seed, d No.7 Hantuchova in QF, No.5 Henin in SF, before l. to No.1 S.Williams); SF in 2001 (as No.3 seed, l. to No.1 Hingis) and QF in 1998 (on debut, d. S.Williams in 2r, before l. to No.2 seed Davenport), 1999 (as No.5 seed, l. to No.1 Davenport) and 2002 (as No.2 seed, l. to No.8 Seles); past three appearances have seen 3r exit in 2004 (l. to Raymond), 4r in 2005 (l. to Molik) and 2006 (l. to Pironkova); withdrew from 2007 event w/left wrist injury

2008 SUMMARY

- Contesting first event of 2008

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (3): Memphis, Wimbledon, Seoul; **R-Up (1):** Tokyo [Japan Open]; **SF (3):** Charleston, US Open, Bangkok; **QF (3):** Amelia Island, Warsaw, San Diego

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Sensational comeback season after injury-plagued 2006, highlighted by spectacular Wimbledon title run and subsequent return to Top 10
- **Grand Slam play:** Victorious run at All England club included four consecutive straight set victories over No.2 seed Sharapova in 4r, No.5 seed Kuznetsova in QF, No.6 seed Ivanovic in SF and No.18 seed Bartoli in final; was her fourth Wimbledon title (fourth woman in Open Era to win that many, after King, Navratilova and Graf); wins over world No.2 Sharapova and world No.5 Kuznetsova were first Top 5 victories since her Wimbledon title two years earlier; was also lowest-ranked player (No.31) ever to win Wimbledon (breaking her own record from two years earlier); afterwards, rose from No.31 to No.17, her first Top 20 ranking since the 2006 Wimbledon fortnight (when she was defending champion); impressive SF run at US Open (as No.12 seed d. No.5 seed Ivanovic in 4r, No.3 Jankovic in QF before falling to eventual champion and No.1 Henin); 3r finish at Roland Garros (as No.26 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic in 3s); withdrew from Australian Open w/left wrist injury
- **Regular Tour season:** Also captured 34th and 36th career Tour singles titles (Wimbledon was her 35th) at Memphis (as No.7 seed, d. top seed Peer 61 61 in final in first event of season, having missed Australian swing w/continued left wrist injury) and in Seoul (as No.1 seed d. No.4 Kirilenko in final); finished runner-up in Tokyo [Japan Open] (as No.1 seed, l. to No.5 Razzano 64 in third set having held three mp in second set tie-break); SF runs at Charleston (l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Jankovic 76 third set) and Bangkok (as No.2 seed, l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion Pennetta 64 76(8), having help sp at 6-5 second set); QF

finishes on three occasions at Amelia Island (d. No.4 seed Schnyder; l. to No.8 seed and eventual champion Golovin), Warsaw (d. No.7 seed Dementieva; l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova 36 63 64 having led 4-2 third set) and San Diego (as No.10 seed, d. No.6 seed Hantuchova; l. to No.3 seed Chakvetadze 67(5) 76(3) 62, having led 5-3 second set w/mp); fell prior to QF two other times, at Miami (l. to top seed Sharapova 75 third set in 3r) and Istanbul (as No.4 seed, upset by Rezaï in 2r)

- **Ranking:** Having begun season at No.46, dipped to No.54 on February 19 but bounced back into Top 50 immediately on February 26 (after Memphis; rose from No.54 to No.38); returned to Top 20 on July 9 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.31 to No.17) and back into Top 10 on September 10 (after US Open; rose from No.14 to No.9); reached season-high No.8 on October 1 (after Seoul; rose from No.9 to No.8)
- **Fed Cup play:** Impressive 4-1 record, including 2-0 in USA's 5-0 World Group I 1r victory over Belgium (d. Wickmayer, Flipkens) and 2-1 during USA's 3-2 World Group I SF loss to Russia (d. Chakvetadze, Petrova; w/Raymond, l. to Petrova/Vesnina in deciding rubber)
- **Doubles:** In only doubles event of 2007, reached 2r of Wimbledon (w/S.Williams), pulling out of match vs. Medina Garrigues/Ruano Pascual due to S.Williams's left thumb injury

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 36 Tour singles titles, incl. six majors (2000, 2001, 2005, 2007 Wimbledon and 2000, 2001 US Open), one Olympic gold medal (2000 Sydney) and six Tier Is (fourth among active players); also six-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 1997 US Open, 2002 Roland Garros/Wimbledon/US Open and 2003 Australian Open/Wimbledon
- Winner of six Grand Slam women's doubles titles (all w/Serena, most recently at 2003 Australian Open)
- Winner of two Grand Slam mixed doubles titles, at 1998 Australian Open/Roland Garros (both w/Gemelstob)
- On February 25, 2002, became 10th woman (first African-American) to hold No.1 ranking (held it for 11 weeks)
- Member of US Olympic Team in 2000, 2004; member of US Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2003-2005 and 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com
- Owns V Starr Interiors, an interior design company specializing in residential design (www.vstarrinteriors.com)
On August 23, 2007 unveiled new clothing range 'EleVen' which will be sold in Steve & Barry stores in America
Official Web site is www.venuswilliams.com

YAN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making second appearance in main draw (fourth overall); advanced to 2r in 2006 (l. to Bammer; d. No.11 seed Dechy en route); fell in qualifying in 2004 and 2007

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 1r at Gold Coast (l. to Dechy)
- In doubles captured 14th Tour title at Sydney and finished as runner-up at Gold Coast (both w/Zheng)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (2): Toronto, Bangkok

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 season in singles, highlighted by best career week in Toronto
- **Grand Slam play:** Lost in 1r at Wimbledon and US Open; failed to qualify at Australian Open; did not contest Roland Garros
- **Regular Tour season:** At Tier I event in Toronto, as alternate into qualifying, was down a break four times during final set of 64 16 76(4) victory over Voskoboeva in final round qualifying; in main draw, d. Brémond in 1r, No.4 seed Ivanovic 63 61 in 2r (win over world No.4 was first career Top 10 win), Daniilidou 63 57 76(5) in 3r (was up 63 41 and had 2mp at 5-3 second set then eventually saved 4mp down 6-5 third set) and advanced to SF when No.7 seed Bartoli ret. w/viral illness (l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin); was third Chinese ever to reach a Tier I SF (after Peng, Li); second SF of year came at Bangkok (l. to Chan 75 third set); did not win back-to-back main draw matches rest of year, incl. 1r losses at Wimbledon, US Open (both as qualifier); fell in Australian Open qualifying;
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.166, finished at career-high No.58; after Tier I SF at Toronto, on August 20, shot up from No.169 to No.78
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 1-1 in China's 4-1 Fed Cup World Group I Play-off win over Belgium
- **Doubles:** Won five Tour doubles titles, incl. at Charleston and Strasbourg (both w/Zheng; other three titles came during second half of season, which Zheng missed w/left ankle injury)

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Tour singles titlist at 2005 Guangzhou (third Chinese after Li and Zheng to capture a Tour singles title); rallied to d. Li en route to final, 67(5) 75 76(4), having trailed 5-2 second set and saving 4mp, winning title when Llagostera Vives ret. w/ left hamstring injury trailing 64 40; ranked No.163, was the lowest-ranked Tour singles champion in 2005
- Three-time Tour singles semifinalist at 2006 Rabat (l. to Shaughnessy), 2007 Toronto (l. to world No.1 Henin) and 2007 Bangkok (l. to Chan 75 in 3s); one-time quarterfinalist at 2003 Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. to Zheng)
- Ten-time Tour doubles titlist (all w/ Zheng), incl. Grand Slams in 2006 Australian Open (first Grand Slam title for a Chinese player; d. Raymond/Stouss 26 76(7) 62 in final after saving 3mp in tie-break) and 2006 Wimbledon (d. Ruano Pascual/Suárez in final)
- Reached career-high doubles ranking of No.4 on July 10, 2006, the same day Zheng reached No.3, the highest ranking ever by a Chinese woman
- Chinese Fed Cup Team, 2002-03, 2006-07; Chinese Olympic Team, 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Relaxes by listening to music, visiting amusement parks and singing
- Mother introduced her to tennis at age 6 (neither parent plays)
- Favorite player growing up was Jimmy Connors (admires sense of humor)

(9) DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK) vs. VANIA KING (USA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

HANTUCHOVA	Quick Facts	KING
24	Age	18
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Long Beach, California, USA
3	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$5,334,366	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$451,727
\$7,470	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$655
No.9	Current Singles Rank	No.108
No.5 (January 27, 2003)	Highest Singles Rank	No.50 (November 6, 2006)
8	Aus. Open Attempts**	2
15-7	Aus. Open W-L**	0-1
29	GS Attempts**	9
54-28	Career GS W-L**	3-8
2	2008 Events Played	2
1-1	2008 W-L	1-1
321-193	Career W-L	70-64
76-48	Career Tie-Break W-L	13-11
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
107-64	Career 3-Set W-L	21-16
1-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
None	Coach	Father, David King
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

HANTUCHOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth straight appearance, seventh in main draw; best result was QF in 2003 (l. to world No.2 V.Williams); 4r in 2007 (as No.15 seed, l. to No.4 seed Clijsters) and 2006 (l. to world No.4 Sharapova); 3r twice – 2002 (l. to V.Williams 36 60 64) and 2005 (l. to world No.6 Dementieva 75 57 64); 2r in 2004 (l. to Australia's Molik); l. in 1r in 2001 in main draw debut to world No.8 Kournikova; failed to qualify in 2000

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in Sydney 2r; as No.6 seed l. to Vaidisova

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Indian Wells, Linz; **R-Up (2):** Bali, Luxembourg; **SF (5):** Doha, Rome, 's-Hertogenbosch, Stanford, Kolkata; **QF (3):** Dubai, Amelia Island, Birmingham

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Impressive return to top-flight play, winning two titles and once again a regular in the world's Top 10
- Grand Slam play:** Unable to break back into last eight (which she achieved at three consecutive majors in 2002-03), but reached 4r twice and 3r once; 4r for second straight year at both Australian Open (d. Harkleroad 67(6) 75 63 in 3r after trailing 5-2 second set; l. to Clijsters) and Wimbledon (l. to S.Williams in dramatic three-set encounter, 62 67(2) 62, halted by rain at end of second set while Williams was struggling with cramp; match resumed later that day with Williams taking final set); seeded No.12 at Roland Garros, upset in 3r by Medina Garrigues 46 76(2) 75; also suffered surprise loss at US Open as No.9 seed, falling in 1r to Vakulenko in 3s, her first opening-match loss in New York in six years
- Regular Tour season:** Her four finals appearances were a career-best, winning titles at Indian Wells (her second title there and in her career; d. world No.6 Hingis in 4r and No.4 Kuznetsova in final) and Linz (d. Schnyder in final); Linz victory saw her qualify for Sony Ericsson Championships tied in eighth place with Sharapova (the tie-break went in Hantuchova's favor, who played more tournaments this season than Sharapova, 26 to 12); strong end to the season also included runner-up finishes at Bali (l. to Davenport in 3s) and Luxembourg (l. to Ivanovic in 3s); posted five SF finishes – Doha (d. world No.6 Hingis; l. to Kuznetsova), Rome (l. to Kuznetsova), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to eventual champion Chakvetadze), Stanford (l. to Chakvetadze) and Kolkata (l. to Kirilenko)
- Ranking:** Started season ranked No.17, dipping to No.19 in February; rose to No.12 after Indian Wells victory (March 19); after reaching Birmingham QF (l. to Bartoli), rose from No.13 to No.10 (June 18), her first time in Top 10 since September 2003; also spent parts of July and August at No.10 and began current stint in Top 10 on September 24, rising to No.9 on October 8

- **Fed Cup play:** Represented Slovakia in World Group II QF loss to Czech Republic (0-2 in singles; l. to Safarova and Vaidisova, both in 3s) and World Group II Playoff victory over Serbia (2-0 in singles; d. Timotic and Lukic)
- **Doubles:** Contested 11 doubles events in 2007, reaching three SF – Dubai (w/Sugiyama), Miami (w/Hingis) and Bali (w/Davenport)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion at 2002 Indian Wells (d. Hingis in final), 2007 Indian Wells (d. Kuznetsova in final) and 2007 Linz (d. Schnyder in final); six-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2002 Filderstadt, 2004 Eastbourne, 2005 Los Angeles, 2006 Zürich, 2007 Bali and 2007 Luxembourg; also 16-time Tour singles semifinalist as well as three-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist (2002 Wimbledon, 2002 US Open, 2003 Australian Open)
- Eight-time Tour doubles titlist (last three w/Sugiyama); nine-time Tour doubles runner-up (incl. two Grand Slams)
- Holds four career Top 5 wins, all over world No.4 players (0-21 against rest of Top 5): Hingis-2002 Indian Wells; Mauresmo-2004 Eastbourne; Kuznetsova-2006 Zurich; Kuznetsova-2007 Indian Wells)
- Owns career Grand Slam in mixed doubles (2001 Wimbledon, 2002 Australian, 2005 Roland Garros and US Open; all with different partners); just second woman in Open Era (after Navratilova) and fourth all-time (also Court, King)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of three singles titles (two in 1999, one in 2000) and one doubles title
- Member of Slovak Fed Cup Team 1999-2003, 2007 (incl. title-winning 2002 team) and 2004 Olympic Team

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.dhantuchova.com
- Alongside Ivanovic, featured in Sony Ericsson's "Never Miss A Shot" TV commercial, launched in July 2006
- Father, Igor, is a computer scientist; mother, Marianna, is a toxicologist; older brother, Igor, is architect working in Bratislava; qualified for top university in Slovakia but deferred it to pursue professional tennis career
- Trained at Bollettieri Academy between ages 16 and 18; formerly coached by Nigel Sears; not currently working with one coach, but travels with various coaches from Casal/Sánchez Academy in Barcelona, Spain

KING FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Third straight appearance, second in main draw; l. in 1r in 2007 to world No.14 Ivanovic; failed to qualify in 2006

2008 SUMMARY

- Started at Hobart, failed to qualify

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (2): Bangkok, Quebec City; **3r (1):** Birmingham

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by back-to-back QF appearances in last two events of season – Bangkok and Quebec City
- **Grand Slam play:** Lost in 1r at all four Grand Slams
- **Regular Tour season:** Reached back-to-back QF at end of season – Bangkok (d. No.5 seed Cibulkova 67(8) 76(6) 76(4) en route for longest match of entire Tour season in terms of games, saving mp in second set; withdrew prior to QF match vs. Yan w/right lower back injury) and Québec City (l. to qualifier Ditty in 3s); reached 3r at Birmingham (d. Schultz-McCarthy and Molik in three tiebreak sets before falling to No.6 seed A.Bondarenko); nine 2r finishes at Pattaya City (l. to Pratt), Indian Wells (l. to No.10 seed Ivanovic), Miami (l. to No.2 seed Henin), Fes (l. to Olaru), Istanbul (l. to No.3 seed Schnyder), San Diego (l. to No.2 seed Jankovic), New Haven (l. to Safina), Kolkata (l. to Koryttseva) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. to V.Williams); fell 1r 10 times, at Gold Coast (as qualifier; l. to No.7 seed Srebotnik), Australian Open (l. to No.13 seed Ivanovic), Memphis (l. to Spears), Amelia Island (l. to Razzano), Charleston (l. to Dominguez Lino), Roland Garros (l. to Amanmuradova in 3s), Wimbledon (l. to No.11 seed Petrova), Los Angeles (l. to Shaughnessy), US Open (l. to Shaughnessy) and Guangzhou (l. to Z.Yan); fell in qualifying at Sydney and Tokyo [Pan Pacific]
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.50; finished year at No.109
- **Fed Cup play:** went 2-0 during USA's 5-0 Fed Cup World Group I 1r win vs. Belgium (d. Flipkens; w/Raymond, d. Hendler/Maes); went 0-1 during USA's 3-2 Fed Cup World Group I SF loss to Russia (l. to Chakvetadze)



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- **Doubles:** Reached back-to-back doubles finals at end of season w/ three different partners – won at Kolkata (w/Kudryavtseva); runner-up at Guangzhou (w/T.Sun) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (w/C.Chang); also won Fes title (w/Mirza) and runner-up at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Stubbs; d. Yan/Zhang in SF, l. to Raymond/Stosur 75 third set in final); QF at Bangkok (w/Rodionova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles champion, at 2006 Bangkok (d. hometown favorite Tanasugarn 26 64 64 in final, having trailed 4-2 in third set; made Top 50 debut three weeks later); one-time Tour singles semifinalist, at 2006 Bangalore
- Four-time Tour doubles champion, at 2006 Tokyo [Japan Open], 2006 Bangkok (both w/Kostanic Tomic), 2007 Fes (w/Mirza) and Kolkata (w/Kudryavtseva); also four-time Tour doubles runner-up, at 2006 Guangzhou (w/Kostanic Tomic), 2007 Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (w/Stubbs), Guangzhou (w/T.Sun) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (w/C.Chuang)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of one doubles title
- Member of US Fed Cup Team 2006-2007

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.vaniaking.net
- Speaks English and Mandarin
- Relaxes by meditating and listening to music; admires Pete Sampras
- Coached by father, David King, who travels with her; mother, Karen, also travels with her; has one brother (Philip) and two sisters (Mindy, Ivana), who all play tennis
- Began playing tennis at age 4 when father and brother introduced her to game

[10] MARION BARTOLI (FRA) vs. SOFIA ARVIDSSON (SWE)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Arvidsson leads, 3-2 (Series tied 1-1 on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour)

2002 EDINBURGH	CLAY (O)	R32 (1r)	ARVIDSSON, SOFIA	4-6 6-3 6-2
2002 CARDIFF	HARD (I)	R32 (1r)	BARTOLI, MARION	7-6(4) 6-1
2002 DEAUVILLE	CLAY (I)	QF	ARVIDSSON, SOFIA	6-2 7-6(5)
2003 QUEBEC CITY	HARD (I)	R16 (2r)	BARTOLI, MARION	7-6(5) 6-3
2005 QUEBEC CITY	HARD (I)	SF	ARVIDSSON, SOFIA	6-4 1-0 RET.

BARTOLI	Quick Facts	ARVIDSSON
23	Age	23
Geneva, Switzerland	Residence	Halmstad, Sweden
3	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$2,577,464	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$585,269
\$7,470	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$9,395
No.10	Current Singles Rank	No.80
No.9 (October 22, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.29 (May 1, 2006)
7	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
4-6	Aus. Open W-L**	2-3
25	GS Attempts**	11
29-24	Career GS W-L**	6-10
2	2008 Events Played	3
1-1	2008 W-L	5-2
258-167	Career W-L	257-154
33-29	Career Tie-Break W-L	39-33
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	1-0
55-52	Career 3-Set W-L	61-51
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-1
Father, Dr. Walter Bartoli	Coach	Fredrik Loven
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

BARTOLI FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh straight appearance at event; 2r finishes on past four visits in 2004 (l. to No.22 seed Schnyder in 3s), 2005 (l. to No.5 seed Kuznetsova), 2006 (l. to Vinci in 3s) and 2007 (as No.18 seed, l. to Azarenka); suffered 1r defeats in 2002 (on debut, l. to Pisknik 9-7 in third set) and 2003 (l. to No.11 seed Maleeva)

2008 SUMMARY

- In first event of 2008 season l. to Schiavone in 2r at Sydney

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (2): Prague, Wimbledon; **SF (5):** Strasbourg, Birmingham, Eastbourne, Luxembourg, Linz; **QF (4):** Estoril, Toronto, New Haven, Zürich

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Career-best season undoubtedly highlighted by dramatic run to first Grand Slam final at Wimbledon, Top 10 debut and becoming France's top-ranked player
- Grand Slam play:** Wimbledon breakthrough outshone all other results for the French double-hander in 2007; ranked No.19 and seeded No.18, having never progressed beyond 3r in four prior attempts and having reached first Grand Slam 4r only four weeks earlier at Roland Garros, advanced to final (third French woman in the Open Era); scored come-from-behind wins vs. world No.3 Jankovic in 4r (36 75 63) and No.1 Henin in dramatic SF (16 75 61, having trailed 61 53) to become second lowest-ranked Wimbledon finalist in history (behind 2007 eventual champion V.Williams, ranked No.31); was only the second double-handed woman to reach the Wimbledon final after Seles (1992 runner-up), who inspired Bartoli to adopt the unorthodox style; earlier on home soil, reached 4r at Roland Garros (at the time her best Grand Slam result); d. No.13 seed Dementieva in 3r (l. to world No.5 Jankovic); repeated 4r finish at US Open as No.10 seed, falling to No.8 seed S.Williams; beaten in 2r at Australian Open (l. Azarenka)
- Regular Tour season:** Regular Tour season highlighted by runner-up finish at Tier IV Prague (l. to Morigami) and five SF efforts at Strasbourg (l. to Mauresmo in 3s), in consecutive weeks on grass at Birmingham (l. to Sharapova) and Eastbourne (l. to Henin) and indoors at Luxembourg (d. world No.5 Chakvetadze for third Top 5 win of 2007; l. to Hantuchova) and Linz (l. to Schnyder); also four-time quarterfinalist, incl. twice at Tier Is at

Toronto and Zürich (ret. vs. Golovin w/knee injury); withdrew from Rome w/right hip injury and from Cincinnati w/right wrist injury; qualified for Tour Championships as first alternate and competed in final two RR matches after the withdrawal of S.Williams w/left knee injury going 1-1 (l. to Henin, d. Jankovic)

- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.18, dipping to No.25 in February; returned to Top 20 at No.20 after 4r finish at Roland Garros (June 11) and then surged from No.19 to No.11 after Wimbledon runner-up effort (July 9); broke into Top 10 at No.10 heading into US Open after New Haven QF finish (August 27), peaking at No.9 after reached QF at Tier I Zürich (October 22)
- **Doubles:** Went 4-9 in 10 doubles events, with the highlight being a runner-up finish at Sydney (w/Tu; l. to Groenefeld/Shaughnessy 76 third set)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, all in 2006, at Auckland (Tier IV), Tokyo [Japan Open] and Québec City (both Tier IIIs)
- Three-time Tour singles runner-up, at 2006 Bali, 2007 Prague and 2007 Wimbledon (first major final; see above);
- Tour singles semifinalist 12 times, incl. five this year (Strasbourg, Birmingham, Eastbourne, Luxembourg, Linz)
- Three-time Tour doubles titlist (all w/different partners); also four-time Tour doubles runner-up
- Has four Top 10 wins to date, incl. two so far this year (over No.3 Jankovic and No.1 Henin)
- Made Top 20 debut in October 2006 (after winning Tokyo [Japan Open]) and Top 10 debut in August 2007
- On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles titles (three in 2001, two in 2002, one in 2005) and one doubles title (in 2002)
- Member of French Fed Cup Team, 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Father and coach, Walter Bartoli, is a doctor who enjoys playing chess and introduced Marion to tennis at age 6
- Most admires Pete Sampras and Monica Seles; like Seles, Bartoli plays two-handed on both sides
- Official Web site: www.marionbartoli.com
- Following her run at 2007 US Open and Mauresmo's withdrawal w/adductor strain, became the new French No.1 on August 10, 2007; it was the first time Mauresmo has not held the position since April 16, 2001

ARVIDSSON FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth straight appearance, fourth non-consecutive in main draw; reached 3r in 2006 (unseeded, upset No.19 seed Safina before l. to No.12 seed Myskina); l. in 1r in 2004 (to No.6 seed Myskina) and 2007 (to No.23 seed Sugiyama); failed to qualify in 2003 and 2005

2008 SUMMARY

- Started at Auckland, l. in 2r to No.1 seed Zvonareva
- As qualifier at Sydney, upset No.8 seed Dementieva 61 75, l. to Kanepi 36 63 63

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/St Paul, MN-USA (\$50K), ITF/Bastad-SWE (\$25K), ITF/Joue-les-Tours-FRA (\$50K); **SF:** ITF/Prerov-CZE (\$75K); **QF (2):** Memphis, Estoril, ITF/Nantes-FRA (\$25K)

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by success on ITF Circuit, winning three titles and bringing career tally to 13
- **Grand Slam play:** Lost in 1r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open; failed to qualify at Wimbledon
- **Regular Tour season:** Won three ITF Women's Circuit titles at \$50K ITF/St. Paul, MN-USA, \$25K ITF/Bastad-SWE and \$50K ITF/Joue-les-Tours-FRA; reached SF at \$75K ITF/Prerov-CZE; reached two Tour QF at Memphis (l. to Tu) and Estoril (l. to Arn) and also at \$25K ITF/Nantes-FRA; l. in 2r at Tour event in Kolkata and l. in 1r at six other Tour events – Hobart, Australian Open, Indian Wells, Miami (as qualifier), Roland Garros (as qualifier) and Stockholm
- **Ranking:** Started 2007 ranked No.63, finished at No.98
- **Doubles:** Won doubles titles at \$25K ITF/Nantes-FRA and \$25K ITF/Glasgow-GBR, both w/Larsson (bringing season tally to three and career tally to nine)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of one Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title at 2006 Memphis; also one-time runner-up at 2005 Québec City (l. to Frazier)
- Winner of 13 ITF Women's Circuit singles titles, most recently at 2007 ITF/Joue-les-Tours-FRA; has won nine (9) ITF Women's Circuit doubles titles



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- Member of Swedish Fed Cup Team 2002-05
- Australian Open girls' singles runner-up in 2001

OTHER FACTS

- Started playing at age 8 when neighbor, a tennis coach, introduced her to tennis
- National junior champion in both tennis and table tennis at age 14
- A baseliner whose favorite shot is backhand and favorite surface is hardcourt
- Admires tennis player Jonas Bjorkman for his fighting spirit

[11] ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS) vs. TZIPORA OBZILER (ISR)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

DEMENTIEVA	Quick Facts	OBZILER
26	Age	34
Moscow, Russia	Residence	Givataym, Israel
8	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$8,679,912	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$485,572
\$3,950	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,950
No.11	Current Singles Rank	No.81
No.4 (October 25, 2004)	Highest Singles Rank	No.75 (July 9, 2007)
10	Aus. Open Attempts**	6
14-9	Aus. Open W-L**	2-5
37	GS Attempts**	11
80-35	Career GS W-L**	4-10
2	2008 Events Played	2
0-1	2008 W-L	2-2
424-221	Career W-L	358-219
84-54	Career Tie-Break W-L	50-48
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
134-87	Career 3-Set W-L	75-85
0-0	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Mother, Vera Dementieva	Coach	Dedy Jacob
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

DEMENTIEVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Tenth straight appearance; best results were 4r finishes in 2002 (l. to world No.8 Henin), 2005 (as world No.6, l. to world No.14 Schnyder 67(6) 76(4) 62) after leading 4-0 second set and 2007 (as No.7 seed, l. to No.10 Vaidisova); 3r twice – 2000 (l. to Halard-Decugis 36 64 62) and 2001 (l. to Bedanova 26 76(5) 63); 2r in 1999 as qualifier (event debut, l. to world No.2 and eventual champion Hingis); l. in 1r in 2003 (as No.17 seed, l. to Schwartz in 3s), 2004 (as No.7 seed, l. to Jankovic) and 2006 (as No.9 seed, l. to Schuff)

2008 SUMMARY

- Made disappointing start to 2008 with 1r defeat at Sydney; as No.8 seed l. to Arvidsson

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Istanbul, Moscow; **SF (3):** Tokyo [Pan Pacific], San Diego, New Haven; **QF (5):** Rome, Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Solid if unspectacular season, highlighted by seventh and eighth career Tour singles titles
- **Grand Slam play:** Best result was third career 4r finish at Australian Open as No.7 seed (l. to eventual semifinalist Vaidisova); beaten in 3r at other three majors – Roland Garros (l. to Bartoli), Wimbledon (l. to Paszek in 3s) and US Open (l. to Bamber)
- **Regular Tour season:** For second straight season collected two Tour singles titles – her victories at Istanbul (d. Rezai in final) and on home soil at Tier I Moscow (d. S.Williams 57 61 61 in final) brought career tally to eight; her victory in Moscow was her first at the event, in her 11th consecutive attempt (competing every year since 1997) and in her third final (runner-up in 2001 and 2004); became the third different Russian champion there from the past four years; also semifinalist at Tier Is at Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (l. to eventual champion Hingis in reverse result from 2006 final) and San Diego (l. to Schnyder) and Tier II at New Haven (ret. vs. Kuznetsova w/nausea); five-time quarterfinalist, once at a Tier I (Rome) and four times at Tier II (Eastbourne, Los Angeles, Beijing, Stuttgart); fell prior to QF on six occasions at Sydney (as No.6 seed, l. to Li in 2r), Antwerp (as No.4 seed, ret. vs. Likhovtseva w/right rib stress fracture in 2r), Warsaw (as No.10 seed, l. to V.Williams in 2r), Berlin (as No.10 seed, l. to No.7 seed Petrova in 3r), Toronto (as No.8 seed, after 1r bye l. to Schiavone in 2r) and Zürich (ret. vs. Schiavone w/left adductor strain)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.8, where she remained until March 19, when she fell to No.10; on April 2 fell to No.12, first time outside Top 10 since September 2003; fell as low as No.17 on August 13, but returned to No.10 (rising from No.14) after Moscow victory (October 15); currently at No.11
- **Doubles:** Went 6-4 in five doubles events, the highlight being 3r finish at Australian Open (w/Pennetta)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Eight-time Tour singles titlist, at 2003 Amelia Island, 2003 Bali, 2003 Shanghai, 2004 Hasselt, 2006 Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (first Tier I), 2006 Los Angeles, 2007 Istanbul and 2007 Moscow; 11-time runner-up, incl. majors at 2004 Roland Garros (l. to Myskina) and 2004 US Open (l. to Kuznetsova) and five Tier I events, as well as 2000 Olympics (l. to V. Williams)
- Six-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2002 Tour Championships, Berlin, San Diego and Moscow (all w/Husarova), 2003 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Krasnoroutskaya) and 2005 Los Angeles (w/Pennetta); seven-time Tour doubles runner-up, incl. Grand Slams at 2002 US Open (w/Husarova) and 2005 US Open (w/Pennetta)
- Has been Top 5 in both singles (career-high No.4 in October 2004) and doubles (career-high No.5 in April 2003)
- Has two wins over reigning No.1s, at 2001 Moscow (in QF vs. Hingis) and 2005 US Open (in QF vs. Davenport)
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 1999, 2001-03, 2005 (undefeated in 2005 final vs. France, winning both singles rubbers, doubles rubber) and 2006; Russian Olympic Team in 2000 (silver medal in singles) and 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site is <http://eng.dementieva.ru>
- Only player to qualify and compete in season-ending Tour Champions in every year between 2000 and 2006
- Won Tour's Most Improved Player of the Year Award for 2000; also Russia's 2001 Female of the Year Award
- In junior competition, won Orange Bowl U16s in 1996 and reached SF at junior Roland Garros that same year
- Father, Viatcheslav, is an electrical engineer; mother, Vera, was a school teacher but is now her coach; has one older brother, Vsevolod; entire family plays tennis

OBZILER FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Seventh appearance, sixth in main draw; reached 2r in 2004 (as qualifier, l. to No.29 seed Dechy) and 2005 (l. to No.3 seed Myskina); l. in 1r in 2000 (as qualifier, l. to Gavaldon in 3s), 2006 (as qualifier, l. to Savchuk in 3s) and 2007 (l. to No.22 seed Zvonareva); failed to qualify in 2003

2008 SUMMARY

- Started at Sydney, as qualifier, l. in 1r to Golovin

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (1): Guangzhou; **SF (1):** Bangalore; **QF (2):** Pattaya City, Kolkata, ITF/Saint Raphael-FRA (\$50K)

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish for Israeli veteran in season highlighted by first Tour final at Guangzhou
- **Grand Slam play:** First time playing all four Grand Slams in a year, reaching 2r at Roland Garros (l. to No.10 seed Safina) but falling 1r at other three
- **Regular Tour season:** In first Tour final at Guangzhou, d. No.3 seed Peng 46 64 76(5) and Olaru 26 61 75 en route, having trailed Peng 3-0 second set and Olaru 4-1 third set; l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Razzano; SF at Bangalore (d. No.3 seed Bardina en route; l. to eventual champion Shvedova); QF at Pattaya City (as qualifier, d. No.8 seed Nakamura en route; l. to No.4 seed Peng) and Kolkata (d. No.9 seed Shvedova en route; l. to Keothavong); made Top 100 debut on February 19 (after Bangalore; rose from No.117 to No.96); fell 1r in other three Tour main draws and in qualifying five times; withdrew from Bogotá w/left calf strain and Stockholm w/wrist injury
- **Ranking:** Started 2007 at No.110; made Top 100 debut on February 19 (after Bangalore; rose from No.117 to No.96); reached career-high No.75 ranking on July 9; finished 2007 ranked No.80
- **Fed Cup:** Went 1-1 during Israel's 3-2 Fed Cup World Group II win vs. Canada and 2-0 during their World Group Play-off win over Austria

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles runner-up – at 2007 Guangzhou; two-time Tour singles semifinalist, both Tier III level - 2006 Guangzhou (d. No.20 Li en route for first Top 20 win) and 2007 Bangalore (see above); also six-time Tour singles quarterfinalist, incl. two this season (see above)
- On ITF Circuit, holds 13 career singles titles and 13 career doubles titles (incl. one earlier this year)
- Made career Top 100 debut on February 19, 2007 (after reaching SF at Bangalore)
- Israeli Fed Cup Team, 1994-2005, 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Started playing at age 10 with friends



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- Father, Efraim, is a salesman; mother, Yana, manages a jewelry store; brother, Tuvi, is a builder and married (to Nataly) w/two children (Sun, Liroi); sister, Rachel, is a fashion store designer
- Nickname is Tzipi
- Served two years in the Israeli Army
- Went to college at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia

[12] NICOLE VAIDISOVA (CZE) vs. IOANA RALUCA OLARU (ROU)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

VAIDISOVA	Quick Facts	OLARU
18	Age	18
Prague, Czech Republic	Residence	Bucharest, Romania
6	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$2,125,248	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$152,941
\$31,075	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,165
No.12	Current Singles Rank	No.57
No.7 (May 14, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.55 (October 29, 2007)
4	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
10-3	Aus. Open W-L**	0-0
14	GS Attempts**	3
36-13	Career GS W-L**	3-2
3	2008 Events Played	2
5-2	2008 W-L	1-1
164-55	Career W-L	114-42
24-24	Career Tie-Break W-L	17-12
0-1	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
50-17	Career 3-Set W-L	36-18
3-0	2008 3-Set W-L	1-0
	Coach	
Stepfather, Alex Kodat	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	Silviu Zancu

VAIDISOVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fourth straight appearance; best showing was SF run last year (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 Dementieva in 4r, l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64); reached 4r in 2006 (l. to world No.3 and eventual champion Mauresmo); reached 3r in 2005 (unseeded, l. to world No.1 and eventual runner-up Davenport)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: **SF (1):** Sydney; **QF (1):** Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Made promising start to season with SF run at Sydney (d. No.6 seed Hantuchova in 2r, No.3 Jankovic in QF, before l. to Kuznetsova 75 76(4)) and QF finish at Gold Coast (as No.1 seed, l. to eventual champion N.Li)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: **SF (4):** Sydney, Australian Open, Zurich, Linz; **QF (6):** Indian Wells, Miami, Roland Garros, Eastbourne, Wimbledon, Moscow

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Third straight Top 20 finish after consistent season, marred somewhat by illness and injury
- Grand Slam play:** Reached second career Grand Slam semifinal at Australian Open (as No.10 seed, d. No.7 seed Dementieva en route to second career Grand Slam SF; l. to eventual champion S.Williams 76(5) 64, having held sp at 5-4 first set); reached QF at both Roland Garros (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 seed Jankovic) and Wimbledon (as No.14 seed, upset No.4 seed and defending champion Mauresmo en route; l. to No.6 seed Ivanovic 46 62 75, having led 5-3 third set w/3mp at 5-4); made return from viral illness at US Open and suffered slightly disappointing 3r defeat (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set)
- Regular Tour season:** QF or better at 10 of 14 events (incl. majors), with SF finishes at Sydney (as No.8 seed, l. to Jankovic in 3s), Zürich (unseeded, d. No.3 seed Jankovic en route; l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin in 3s) and Linz (as No.5 seed, l. to No.2 seed and eventual champion Hantuchova 26 62 76(3), having led 4-1 third set and holding mp at 6-5); reached the QF at Indian Wells (as No.6 seed, l. to No.2 seed Kuznetsova), Miami (as No.8 seed, l. to No.13 seed and eventual champion S.Williams), Eastbourne (as No.5 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin) and Moscow (as No.8 seed, l. to No.4 seed S.Williams 64 76(7), having held sp at 6-5 second set); Wins over world No.8 Dementieva (Australian Open), No.4 Mauresmo (Wimbledon) and No.3 Jankovic (Zürich) were her fifth, sixth and seventh career Top 10 wins; Suffered only four pre-QF losses, at Paris [Indoors] (as No.5 seed, l. 2r to Safarova), Charleston (as top seed, l. 2r to WC Krajicek in 3s after 1r bye), US Open (as No.13 seed, l. 3r to No.18 seed Peer 76 third set) and Québec City in final week of year (as top seed, ret. during 1r match vs. Voracova w/right wrist injury); Missed most of European clay court season w/right wrist injury (withdrew from Berlin, Rome, Strasbourg) and summer hardcourt season w/viral illness (withdrew from San Diego, Los Angeles, Toronto); also withdrew from Stuttgart w/left hamstring injury; Surpassed \$2 million in career prize money during season

- **Ranking:** After briefly exiting the Top 10 at the beginning of the year, broke back in at No.9 after Australian Open run; achieved new career-high on May 28 (before Roland Garros) rising from No.8 to No.7; was in and out of Top 10 during early months of summer before falling out for good due to inactivity during summer hardcourt swing
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 2-0 in Czech Republic's 5-0 World Group II 1r win vs. Slovak Republic (d. Hantuchova, Cibulkova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Six-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles titlist, at 2004 Vancouver and Tashkent, 2005 Seoul, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bangkok and most recently 2006 Strasbourg; one-time Tour singles runner-up at 2005 Istanbul (l. to V.Williams); 10-time semifinalist, incl. Grand Slams at 2006 Roland Garros (l. to Kuznetsova) and 2007 Australian Open (l. to S.Williams)
- Only sixth woman to win five Tour singles titles before 17th birthday (after Austin, Jaeger, Seles, Capriati, Hingis)
- Six Top 10 wins: two in 2005 (Myskina, Petrova), two in 2006 (Mauresmo twice) and two in 2007 (Dementieva, Mauresmo); wins over Mauresmo in 2006 were first two career wins over reigning world No.1 players
- One-time Tour doubles semifinalist, at 2005 Philadelphia (w/Canada's Drake)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, two-time singles titlist (one in 2003 and one in 2004)
- Member of Czech Fed Cup Team, 2004-07

OTHER FACTS

- In Reebok's 2005 "I Am What I Am" campaign; also signed with Citizen Eco-Drive and PlayPumps International in 2007
- Lived in Germany until age 6;
- Trains at Nick Bollettieri Academy;
- Biggest weapons are serve and groundstrokes

OLARU FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making tournament debut

2008 SUMMARY

- Started at Hobart, l. in 2r to No.2 seed Zvonareva

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Torrent-ESP (\$50K); **R-Up:** ITF/Catania-ITA (\$25K); **SF (2):** Memphis, Fes; **QF (2):** Guangzhou, Tashkent

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish (near-Top 50 finish) after first full year on Tour, highlighted by first two Tour SF
- **Grand Slam play:** Debuted at two Grand Slams, reaching 3r at Roland Garros (as qualifier, d. No.30 seed Vakulenko in 1r for 100th career singles match win; l. to No.7 seed Ivanovic) and US Open (l. to No.12 seed V.Williams)
- **Regular Tour season:** Highlights were two SF appearances - at Memphis (as qualifier; l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion V.Williams) and Fes (d. No.6 seed King en route; l. to eventual champion Sequera 76 third set); Memphis and Fes were only fourth and fifth career Tour singles main draws; QF twice later in season, at Guangzhou (d. No.7 seed Domínguez Lino en route; l. to Obziler 26 61 75, having led 4-1 third set) and Tashkent (as No.5 seed, l. to No.4 seed Vesnina in 3s); reached 2r once in other four Tour main draws, at Beijing (l. to No.3 seed Mauresmo); fell in qualifying four times; also won seventh career ITF Circuit singles title at \$50K ITF/Torrent-ESP
- **Ranking:** Made Top 100 debut on June 11 (after Roland Garros; surged from No.122 to No.79); started 2007 at No.311; reached career-high No.59 ranking on July 9; finished season at No.59

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour semifinalist at 2007 Memphis and Fes (see 2007 summary above)
- On ITF Women's Circuit winner of seven (7) singles (incl. \$50K ITF/Torrent-ESP this year) and six (6) doubles titles
- Reached No.4 on ITF Junior Rankings in October 2005
- Member of Romanian Fed Cup Team in 2007

OTHER FACTS

- Introduced to tennis at age 7 by parents Adrian and Doina
- Favorite surface is clay and best shot is her down the line backhand
- Player she most admires and respects is Kim Clijsters

[13] TATIANA GOLOVIN (FRA) vs. STÉPHANIE COHEN-ALORO (FRA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

GOLOVIN	Quick Facts	COHEN-ALORO
19	Age	24
Miami, FL, USA	Residence	Seine, France
2	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
2	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$1,882,776	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$719,294
\$7,470	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,090
No.13	Current Singles Rank	No.109
No.13 (November 13, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.61 (October 6, 2003)
5	Aus. Open Attempts**	4
6-4	Aus. Open W-L**	1-3
17	GS Attempts**	17
21-16	Career GS W-L**	5-16
2	2008 Events Played	2
1-1	2008 W-L	2-1
163-89	Career W-L	220-181
27-27	Career Tie-Break W-L	48-38
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
39-43	Career 3-Set W-L	61-58
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
None	Coach	No full-time coach
	<small>* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw</small>	

GOLOVIN FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Fifth straight appearance; in debut as world No.354 WC, in just second Grand Slam and fifth Tour event, upset No.14 seed Smashnova in 2r and No.23 seed Krasnoroutskaya in 3r (on her 16th birthday), falling to No.25 seed Raymond in 4r; 3r finish in 2007 (as No.20 seed, l. to No.16 Peer in 3s); 2r finish in 2005 (l. to Spears); fell in 1r in 2006 (l. to Santangelo in 3s)

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell in 2r at Sydney (l. to No.3 seed Jankovic in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (2): Amelia Island, Portoroz; **R-Up (2):** Stuttgart, Zürich; **SF (2):** Antwerp, Toronto; **QF (4):** Paris [Indoors], Indian Wells, Charleston, Luxembourg

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Best season to date, which included first and second career Tour titles, five Top 10 wins and a first Top 20 finish
- Grand Slam play:** Disappointing performance in majors, with failure to progress beyond the 3r; best showing came at Australian Open with 3r finish as No.20 seed, l. to No.16 seed Peer 36 75 75, having held mp at 5-4 third set); withdrawal from home Grand Slam, Roland Garros, w/right ankle injury suffered at Charleston; 2r defeat at Wimbledon on return from right ankle injury (as No.17 seed, l. to unseeded Paszek in 3s); surprise 1r defeat at US Open (as No.17 seed, upset by WC Rolle in 3s; was her first loss to a non-Top 100 player since 2006 Wimbledon)
- Regular Tour season:** Year highlighted by career-first Tour singles titles at Amelia Island (as No.8 seed, d. V.Williams in QF, No.6 seed Ivanovic in SF and top seed and defending champion Petrova 62 61 in final; win over Ivanovic was first in their six career meetings) and Portoroz (as top seed, d. No.4 seed Srebotnik 26 64 64 in final); runner-up once, at Tier II Stuttgart (d. No.4 seed Chakvetadze 76(3) 61 in 2r, having trailed 5-2 first set, then d. No.2 seed Kuznetsova in SF; l. to top seed Henin in 3s in final, first player to win a set off her since Wimbledon); fell in SF on two occasions, at Antwerp (d. No.5 seed Schnyder 67(2) 76(5) 62 en route, saving 4mp; l. to No.2 seed Clijsters) and Toronto (as No.12 seed, d. No.3 seed Kuznetsova en route, falling to No.2 seed Jankovic in 3s); QF four times: Paris [Indoors] (l. to top seed Henin in 3s), Indian Wells (as No.13 seed, l. to No.33 seed Bammer), Charleston (ret. vs. Safina w/right ankle injury) and Luxembourg (as No.8 seed, l. to No.2 seed Ivanovic); lost in 3r on two occasions at Miami (as No.17 seed, l. to No.9 seed Chakvetadze) and San Diego (as No.13 seed, l. to top seed Sharapova); lost in 2r twice, at Sydney (l. to top seed Mauresmo) and Stanford (as No.6 seed, l. to Mirza); one 1r loss, at Los Angeles (as No.11 seed, ret vs. Tanasugarn w/right hamstring strain); right ankle injury suffered in Charleston caused withdrawals from Berlin, Rome, Roland Garros, Birmingham and Eastbourne (returned at Wimbledon); also withdrew from Memphis

earlier in year w/upper respiratory infection; five Top 10 wins over Petrova (Amelia Island), Kuznetsova (Toronto), Chakvetadze, Kuznetsova (Stuttgart) and Ivanovic (Zürich)

- **Ranking:** Started the year just outside the Top 20 at No.22, but solid early season for saw her break into the elite within the first few months of the season; remained just inside Top 20 for much of the summer before sublime end-of-season form during European indoor swing was rewarded with a career-high ranking of No.13 at the year's end
- **Fed Cup play:** Went 2-0 during France's 5-0 World Group I 1r win over Japan (d. Sugiyama, Morigami) then 1-1 during France's 3-2 Fed Cup World Group I SF loss to Italy (d. Garbin; l. to Schiavone 64 26 75, having led 5-2 third set)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Two-time Tour singles titlist, at 2007 Amelia Island and Portoroz (see above); runner-up at 2004 Birmingham (l. to Sharapova), 2005 Tokyo [Japan Open] (ret. vs. Vaidisova w/left Achilles tendonitis), 2006 Stuttgart (l. to Petrova) and 2007 Stuttgart (l. to Henin); SF at 10 events, incl. three Tier I's (2005 Charleston, 2006 Miami, 2007 Toronto); seven-time quarterfinalist, including one Grand Slam (2006 US Open; l. to eventual champion Sharapova)
- Holds 11 career Top 10 wins: two in 2004 (Dementieva and Kuznetsova), one in 2005 (V. Williams), four last year (Petrova twice, Dementieva, Schnyder) and four so far in 2007 (Petrova, Kuznetsova twice, Chakvetadze)
- One-time Grand Slam mixed doubles titlist, at 2004 Roland Garros (w/Gasquet)
- French Fed Cup Team, 2004, 2006-07

OTHER FACTS

- Born in Moscow, Russia but moved with family to Lyon, France at 8 months; father is Gregori (former ice hockey coach); mother is Lioudmila and older sisters are Olga and Oxana; moved to Miami after Wimbledon in 2005
- Named UNESCO Global Promoter of Gender Equality in 2007

COHEN-ALORO FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making fourth appearance; reached 2r in 2005 (unseeded, d. No.24 seed Pierce, l. to Baltacha 26 63 61; l. in 1r in 2004 and 2007 (as qualifier, l. to No.29 seed A.Bondarenko)

2008 SUMMARY

- Started at Sydney, failed to qualify

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Stockholm; **3r (1):** Roland Garros

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Season highlighted by career-first 3r at Grand Slam (Roland Garros) and career-first QF at Stockholm; return to Top 100 mid-season
- **Grand Slam play:** Career-first Grand Slam 3r at Roland Garros; l. in 1r at Australian Open and US Open; failed to qualify at Wimbledon
- **Regular Tour season:** Highlights of season was QF finish in Stockholm (l. to Pironkova in 3s) and 3r run at Roland Garros (as WC, l. to No.19 seed Garbin); other highlights have principally occurred on ITF Women's Circuit; runner-up at \$50K ITF/Marseille-FRA and SF at \$100K ITF/Rome-Tiro A Volo-ITA; 1r defeats at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. to No.29 seed A.Bondarenko) and in Paris [indoor] (as qualifier, l. to Srebotnik); fell in qualifying at Wimbledon, Dubai, Doha, Toronto and New Haven
- **Doubles:** Runner-up at \$50K ITF/Latina-ITA (w/Sfar)
- **Ranking:** Started 2007 at No.128; finished at No.113; Stockholm run in summer resulted in return to Top 100

CAREER SUMMARY

- One-time Sony Ericsson WTA Tour semifinalist, at 2004 Estoril (l. to No.6 seed Benesova); one-time quarterfinalist, at 2007 Stockholm (see 2007 summary above)
- One-time doubles runner-up; 2003 Paris [Indoors] w/Bartoli and has fallen at SF stage on a further six occasions.
- On ITF Women's Circuit winner of five singles and nine doubles titles

OTHER FACTS

- First became interested in tennis at age 6
- Favorite shot is her backhand
- Most treasured tennis experience was Roland Garros debut in 2000

[14] NADIA PETROVA (RUS) vs. NICOLE PRATT (AUS)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Petrova leads, 1-0

2004 GOLD COAST HARD (O) R16 (2r) PETROVA, NADIA 6-2 6-2

PETROVA	Quick Facts	PRATT
25	Age	34
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Orlando, FL, USA, and Melbourne, Australia
7	Career Tour Singles Titles	1
1	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$6,014,155	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$2,384,325
\$5,875	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$6,165
No.14	Current Singles Rank	No.87
No.3 (May 15, 2006)	Highest Singles Rank	No.35 (June 17, 2002)
9	Aus. Open Attempts**	18
14-8	Aus. Open W-L**	13-17
31	GS Attempts**	50
63-30	Career GS W-L**	30-49
3	2008 Events Played	3
0-2	2008 W-L	0-2
347-182	Career W-L	456-440
54-59	Career Tie-Break W-L	77-78
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-1
80-77	Career 3-Set W-L	147-127
0-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-0
Tatiana Matoukhnuke; Lars Wahlgren	Coach	No full-time coach
	<small>* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw</small>	

PETROVA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance; best result was QF finish in 2006 (as No.6 seed, l. to No.4 Sharapova); 4r in 2005 (as No.11 seed, l. to No.7 and eventual champion S.Williams 61 36 63); three 3r finishes – 2000 (l. to Schnyder in 3s), 2003 (unseeded, d. No.21 seed Sugiyama before falling to No.12 Schnyder in 3s) and 2007 (as No.5 seed, l. to eventual champion S.Williams in 3s having led 61 53); 2r in 2001 (l. to No.6 seed S.Williams); l. in 1r in 1999 (event debut as qualifier, l. to No.11 seed van Roost) and 2004 (as No.10 seed, l. to Kapros)

2008 SUMMARY

- Disappointing start to season with 1r defeats at Gold Coast (as No.2 seed, l. to Garbin in 3s) and Sydney (as WC, l. to Bammer)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Paris [Indoors]; **R-Up (2):** Amelia Island, Los Angeles; **SF (1):** Eastbourne; **QF (6):** Antwerp, Miami, Berlin, San Diego, Toronto, Stuttgart; **4r (1):** Indian Wells

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Fifth straight Top 20 finish (but first non-Top 10 finish since 2004) in season highlighted by seventh career Tour singles title
- Grand Slam play:** Disappointing showing at all four majors, reaching the 4r on just one occasion; reached 4r of Wimbledon (as No.11 seed, l. to No.6 Ivanovic in 3s); 3r defeat at Australian Open (as No.5 seed, l. to unseeded eventual champion S.Williams 16 75 63 having led 5-3 in second set) and US Open (as No.7 seed, l. to unseeded Szavay); shock 1r exit at Roland Garros (as No.11 seed, l. to qualifier Peschke in 3s)
- Regular Tour season:** Won seventh Tour singles title at Paris [Indoors] (as No.4 seed, d. No.2 seed and defending champion Mauresmo 57 64 76(7) in SF, having trailed 4-1 third set and saving mp at 7-6 in tie-break, then d. Safarova 46 61 64 in final); finished runner-up twice, at Amelia Island (as top seed and defending champion, l. to No.8 seed Golovin 62 61 in final) and Los Angeles (as No.4 seed, l. to No.3 seed Ivanovic 75 64 in final); suffered one SF defeat at Eastbourne (as No.3 seed, ret. w/right pectoral muscle strain vs. No.2 seed Mauresmo); lost in QF six times, at Antwerp (l. to Chakvetadze), Miami (l. to Henin), Berlin (l. to Kuznetsova), San Diego (l. to Schnyder), Toronto (l. to eventual champion Henin) and Stuttgart (as No.7 seed and defending champion, ret. Vs. No.3 Jankovic w/left hip strain); fell in 4r once, at Indian Wells (ret. vs. Golovin w/heat illness); 3r at Rome (ret. vs. Dementieva w/low back pain); defeated in 2r three times, at Sydney (after 1r bye; ret. vs. Ivanovic w/abdominal strain), Warsaw (upset by Santangelo) and Luxembourg (as No.3 seed after 1r bye, l. to Azarenka)

- **Ranking:** Fell out of Top 10 for first time in just over two years on May 14, and although would bounce back inside on June 11 (after four weeks), would dip outside the elite again on October 15 and for remainder of season
- **Fed Cup play:** 2-0 during Russia's 5-0 World Group 1r win vs. Spain (d. Medina Garrigues; w/Vesnina d. Domínguez Lino/Pous Tio); then 2-1 in Russia's 3-2 Fed Cup SF win over USA (l. to V. Williams, d. Tu; w/Vesnina, d. Raymond/V. Williams)
- **Doubles:** best performance was SF finish at Paris [Indoors] (w/Kuznetsova)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of seven Tour singles titles, at 2005 Linz, 2006 Doha, Amelia Island, Charleston, Berlin and Stuttgart, and 2007 Paris [Indoors]; eight-time Tour singles runner-up: 2003 Linz, 2004 Gold Coast, 2005 Berlin and Bangkok, 2006 Moscow and Linz, most recently 2007 Amelia Island and Los Angeles (see above); 7-8 in Tour singles finals
- Grand Slam semifinalist twice, both at Roland Garros, in 2003 (d. Seles and Capriati en route; l. to Clijsters) and 2005 (l. to eventual champion Henin); has reached QF at all other majors, incl. twice at US Open (2004, 2005)
- Winner of 12 Tour doubles titles; won seven of those in 2004 (all w/Shughnessy), incl. Tour Championships
- Member of Russian Fed Cup Team in 2001, 2003, 2006 and 2007; also Russian Olympic Team in 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.nadia-petrova.com
- Spent part of her youth training in Egypt, where parents were athletics coaches; father, Victor Petrov, was a top hammer thrower; mother, Nadejda Ilina, won bronze medal at Montréal Olympics in 400m relay; both still coach
- Official Ambassador for Habitat for Humanity through Sony Ericsson WTA Tour's partnership with Whirlpool and "Aces for Homes" initiative

PRATT FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making 18th appearance, 11th straight; best prior result was 4r finish in 2003 (unseeded, d. No.13 seed Farina Elia and No.23 seed Suarez, l. to No.2 seed V. Williams); three 3r finishes – 1999 (l. to Mauresmo), 2002 (l. to No.6 seed Henin) and 2004 (l. to No.11 seed Zvonareva); four 2r finishes and l. in 1r nine (9) times

2008 SUMMARY

- Started season with two 1r losses – at Auckland (l. to No.5 seed Medina Garrigues) and Sydney (l. to Razzano)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Pattaya City; **2r (9):** Gold Coast, Sydney, Tokyo [Pan Pacific], Memphis, Indian Wells, Charleston, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Strong start to season (particularly in doubles) but struggled with right knee injury throughout; best singles result was QF at Pattaya City
- **Grand Slam play:** Reached 2r at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open; l. in 1r at Australian Open
- **Regular Tour season:** Singles highlight was QF at Pattaya City (d. No.2 seed Kirilenko en route; l. to No.6 seed Dulko); reached 2r nine times, incl. Roland Garros (l. to No.25 seed Safarova), Wimbledon (l. to No.14 seed Vaidisova) and US Open (l. to No.6 seed Chakvetadze); fell 1r seven times, incl. Australian Open (l. to Razzano in 3s); fell in qualifying once; notched second career Top 10 win over No.10 Safina in Sydney 1r (first Top 10 win came in June 1999 at Birmingham over then-No.10 Testud); withdrew from Berlin, Birmingham, Eastbourne and Toronto w/right knee injury; in early October, underwent arthroscopic knee surgery on right knee to repair torn lateral meniscus and remove loose particles
- **Doubles:** Won eighth and ninth career Tour doubles titles at Pattaya City (w/Santangelo) and Memphis (w/Stewart) and runner-up at Acapulco (w/Loit)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.78; finished season at No.70

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of one (1) Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title at 2004 Hyderabad (first woman aged 30 to win debut Sony Ericsson WTA Tour singles title)
- Runner-up at 2001 Shanghai (l. to Seles), SF at 2002 Hobart and Birmingham and QF at 2006 Montréal
- Holds nine (9) Tour doubles titles, most recently at 2007 Pattaya City (w/Santangelo) and Memphis (w/Stewart)
- Member of Australian Fed Cup Team 1998-2004 and 2006 and 2000 and 2004 Australian Olympic Teams



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OTHER FACTS

- Voted by players to receive Tour Player Service Award in 1999, 2000 and 2004
- Finished inside Top 60 six consecutive years (1999-2004)
- As a junior won 1991 Australian Open and doubles at 1991 US Open and 1989 Roland Garros
- Trains in both Melbourne and Orlando

[15] PATTY SCHNYDER (SUI) vs. LILIA OSTERLOH (USA)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: Schnyder leads, 3-0

2000 AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD (O)	R128 (1r)	SCHNYDER, PATTY	6-3 6-4
2002 SARASOTA	CLAY (O)	R32 (1r)	SCHNYDER, PATTY	6-0 6-1
2006 CINCINNATI	HARD (O)	R32 (1r)	SCHNYDER, PATTY	5-7 6-2 7-6(1)

SCHNYDER	Quick Facts	OSTERLOH
29	Age	29
Baech, Switzerland	Residence	San Francisco, CA, USA
10	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$6,695, 406	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$1,165,002
\$8,025	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$3,930
No.15	Current Singles Rank	No.91
No.7 (November 14, 2005)	Highest Singles Rank	No.41 (April 23, 2001)
12	Aus. Open Attempts**	5
29-11	Aus. Open W-L**	0-4
47	GS Attempts**	24
88-46	Career GS W-L**	13-23
2	2008 Events Played	2
3-1	2008 W-L	2-1
470-298	Career W-L	320-302
92-70	Career Tie-Break W-L	55-61
0-0	2008 Tie-Break W-L	0-0
154-126	Career 3-Set W-L	95-89
1-1	2008 3-Set W-L	0-1
Husband, Rainer Hofmann	Coach	Rikard Allgurin
	<small>* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw</small>	

SCHNYDER FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: 13th straight appearance, 11th in main draw; best result thus far was SF finish in 2004 (as No.22 seed, d. No.12 Suárez in 3r, No.29 Dechy in 4r, No.25 Raymond in QF, before l. to No.2 Clijsters); back-to-back QF finishes – 2005 (as No.12 seed, d. world No.6 Dementieva 67(6) 76(4) 62 in 4r, l. to No.19 Dechy 57 61 75) and 2006 (as No.7 seed, d. Myskina in 4r, before l. to No.3 and eventual champion Mauresmo); 4r five times – 1997 (main draw debut, upset No.6 seed Majoli in 1r, l. to No.14 MJ Fernandez 46 64 61), 1998 (l. to V. Williams), 2000 (upset No.7 seed Mauresmo in 2r, l. to Capriati in 3s), 2003 (as No.12 seed, l. to No.7 Hantuchova) and 2007 (as No.8 seed, l. to No.12 Chakvetadze); l. in 2r in 1999 (as No.8 seed l. to eventual runner-up Mauresmo in 3s); l. in 1r in 2001 (upset by Dominikovic in 3s), 2002 (l. to No.8 seed Seles); failed to qualify in 1996

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (1): Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Started season with SF finish at Gold Coast (as No.4 seed, l. to eventual champion N.Li 36 63 75)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: R-Up (2): San Diego, Linz; **SF (1):** Rome; **QF (7):** Dubai, Doha, Berlin, Istanbul, Cincinnati, Stanford, Luxembourg; **4r (3):** Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Consistent year which brought fifth Top 20 finish in last six years (but first non-Top 10 finish since 2004) and highlighted by excellent summer hardcourt swing
- Grand Slam play:** Solid showings, reaching 4r in all bar one of the four majors; 4r finishes at Australian Open (as No.8 seed, l. to No.12 seed Chakvetadze), Roland Garros (as No.14 seed, l. to No.2 seed Sharapova 36 64 97, having held 2mp in third set) and Wimbledon (as No.15 seed, overcame 5 -1 third set deficit to Pin in 1r and 4 -1 third set deficit to No.24 seed A. Bondarenko in 3r, falling to top seed Henin in 4r; was first time reaching second week in 12 career appearances at the event); also fell in 3r of US Open (as No.11 seed, l. to Paszek in 3s)
- Regular Tour season:** Reached QF or better 10 times, incl. runner-up finishes at Tier I San Diego (as No.6 seed, d. No.7 seed Hingis, No.4 Petrova and No.9 Dementieva en route to final; l. to No.1 Sharapova in 3s) and Linz (as No.6 seed, d. No.1 Chakvetadze and No.3 Bartoli en route to final; l. to No.2 Hantuchova);

promising form during European clay court season with SF at Rome (d. No.8 seed S.Williams en route, falling to No.3 seed and eventual champion Jankovic) and QF at Berlin (d. No.4 seed Hingis en route, falling to No.12 seed and eventual champion Ivanovic in 3s); also achieved consecutive QF during US hardcourt swing at Cincinnati (l. to Morigami) and Stanford (l. to Mirza); fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh QF defeats came at Dubai (as No.6 seed, l. to No.3 seed Kuznetsova), Doha (as No.5 seed, l. to top seed and eventual champion Henin 36 64 75, having led 5 -3 third set w/mp at 5 -4), Istanbul (withdrew prior to match vs. A.Bondarenko w/right thigh strain) and Luxembourg (l. to world No.10 Hantuchova) respectively; suffered 3r defeat at Toronto (l. to No.6 seed Petrova) and seven 2r exits at Sydney (l. to Peer), Antwerp (l. to Golovin in 3s; held 4mp in second set), Tier I Miami (w/1r bye, l. to Kanepi), Amelia Island (w/1r bye, l. to V.Williams in 3s), Bali (as No.3 seed, l. to Cirstea in 3s), Moscow (l. to eventual champion Dementieva) and Zürich (l. to Schiavone in 3s); also defeated in 1r at Paris [Indoors] (l. to qualifier Bychkova) and New Haven (l. to Schiavone)

- **Ranking:** Fell out of Top 10 on January 29 (dipping from No.9 to No.11 after Australian Open), first time outside Top 10 since September 25, 2005 and remained outside the elite for rest of year

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of 10 Tour singles titles, incl. first Tier I title at 2002 Zürich, most recently 2005 Gold Coast and Cincinnati
- Breakthrough season in 1998: Top 10 debut, five titles and QF at Roland Garros and US Open (d. Graf en route); seven years later notched first two year-end Top 10 finishes, in 2005 (ending at No.7) and 2006 (ending at No.9)
- Best Grand Slam singles result was SF finish at 2004 Australian Open (l. to Clijsters)
- On ITF Women's Circuit, winner of three singles titles, all in 1995 (all at the \$10K level)
- Winner of four Tour doubles titles, most recently at 2004 Paris [Indoors] (w/Schett)
- Member of Swiss Fed Cup Team 1996-98, 2000, 2002-04 and Swiss Olympic Team in 1996, 2000, 2004

OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.patty-schnyder.ch; English version: www.patty-schnyder.com
- With husband, is writing an autobiographical book called "The White Mile", which is scheduled for release in 2008

OSTERLOH FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Ninth appearance, fourth in main draw; never been beyond 1r, falling at this stage in 1999 (l. to eventual champion Hingis), 2000 (l. to Schnyder), 2001 (l. to No.9 seed Dementieva) and 2002 (l. to No.11 seed Farina Elia in 3s); defeated in qualifying in 1997, 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2007

2008 SUMMARY

- Started at Auckland, failed to qualify

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Monzon-ESP; **QF (2):** Cincinnati, Stanford, ITF/Poitiers-FRA

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** First Top 100 finish since 2001 after season highlighted by QF runs at Cincinnati and Stanford
- **Grand Slam play:** Failed to qualify at Australian Open, Wimbledon and US Open; did not play Roland Garros; second time since turning pro in 1997 to not play a Grand Slam main draw (also 2004)
- **Regular Tour season:** QF runs at Cincinnati (l. to qualifier Amanmuradova) and Stanford (d. No.2 seed Bartoli en route, falling to No.6 seed Bammer; win over world No.11 Bartoli was sixth career Top 20 win); reached 2r three times, incl. Birmingham (d. Lepchenko in 1r for 300th career singles match win; l. to Sharapova) and Los Angeles (l. to Petrova) and fell 1r six times; fell in qualifying 10 times (incl. Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open); on ITF Circuit, won one singles title
- **Doubles:** Won two ITF doubles titles
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.114; finished season at No.91

CAREER SUMMARY

- Three-time Tour singles semifinalist, at 1999 Oklahoma City, 2002 Canberra and 2006 Quebec City; also 11-time quarterfinalist, incl. 2007 Cincinnati and Stanford (see above); one-time Tour doubles titlist, at 2002 Shanghai (w/Tanasugarn)
- Best Grand Slam showings are 4r at 2000 Wimbledon (d. Coetzer) and US Open (l. to Dementieva 76 third set)
- Member of 1999 United States Pan American Team



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OTHER FACTS

- Official Web site: www.liliaosterloh.com
- Began playing tennis at age 6
- Graduated from Groveport-Madison High School in 1996; went to Stanford University 1996-97
- Won 1997 NCAA national collegiate singles title as freshman at Stanford University - All-American in singles and doubles; Stanford also won national collegiate team title; Tennis Magazine/Rolux College Player of the Year, 1997

[16] DINARA SAFINA (RUS) vs. [Q] SABINE LISICKI (GER)

HEAD-TO-HEAD: First Meeting

SAFINA	Quick Facts	LISICKI
21	Age	18
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Berlin, Germany
5	Career Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2007 Tour Singles Titles	0
0	2008 Tour Singles Titles	0
\$2,932,321	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$41,885
\$16,340	2008 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$300
No.16	Current Singles Rank	No.194
No.9 (May 14, 2007)	Highest Singles Rank	No.194 (January 14, 2008)
6	Aus. Open Attempts**	1
6-5	Aus. Open W-L**	0-0
22	GS Attempts**	1
30-21	Career GS W-L**	0-0
3	2008 Events Played	2
2-2	2008 W-L	1-1
228-115	Career W-L	71-41
43-33	Career Tie-Break W-L	13-15
0-1	2007 Tie-Break W-L	1-1
58-42	Career 3-Set W-L	16-17
2-2	2007 3-Set W-L	0-1
Heinz Guenthardt	Coach	Father, Dr. Richard Lisicki
	* as of 1/14/08 ** main draw	

SAFINA FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Sixth appearance; best results were 3r finishes in 2004 (unseeded, upset No.27 seed Coetzer in 2r, l. to No.2 Clijsters) and 2007 (as No.9 seed, l. to No.19 Li); l. in 2r in 2005 (l. to No.2 seed Mauresmo) and 2006 (as No.19 seed, l. to Arvidsson); l. in 1r in 2003 (event debut, l. to No.32 seed Srebotnik)

2008 HIGHLIGHTS: QF (1): Gold Coast

2008 SUMMARY

- Started with QF finish at Gold Coast (as defending champion and No.3 seed, l. to No.5 seed Peer 46 61 76(8)) and 1r defeat at Sydney (l. to No.6 seed Hantuchova in 3s)

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON (1): Gold Coast; **R-Up (1):** Charleston; **SF (2):** 's-Hertogenbosch, Moscow; **QF (7):** Paris [Indoors], Antwerp, Amelia Island, Berlin, Rome, New Haven, Linz; **4r (3):** Miami, Roland Garros, US Open

2007 SUMMARY

- Summary:** Third consecutive Top 20 finish in season highlighted by fifth career Tour singles title and first major title in doubles
- Grand Slam play:** Slightly disappointing showing in all four majors; 4r finishes at Roland Garros (as No.10 seed, l. to No.8 S.Williams) and US Open (as No.15 seed, l. to No.1 and eventual champion Henin); 3r defeat at Australian Open (as No.9 seed, l. to No.19 Li) and 2r exit at Wimbledon (as No.13 seed, l. to Morigami)
- Regular Tour season:** In first week of year, won Gold Coast singles title (as No.2 seed, overcame 5-1 second set deficit en route to 46 76(1) 61 SF victory over No.5 seed Peer, then d. top seed Hingis 63 36 75 in final); runner-up at Tier I Charleston (as No.4 seed, l. to No.2 seed Jankovic in final); SF twice, at 's-Hertogenbosch (as No.4 seed, l. to top seed Jankovic 76 third set) and Moscow (d. No.3 seed Chakvetadze 76(6) 62 en route, saving 2 sp in tie-break; l. to eventual champion Dementieva); defeated in QF seven times, at Paris [Indoors] (l. to Petrova), Antwerp (l. to Mauresmo), Amelia Island (l. to Petrova), Berlin (l. to Vakulenko), Rome (l. to Kuznetsova), New Haven (l. to Daniilidou 16 76(8) 62, having held 4mp in second set) and Linz (l. to Vaidisova 63 76(7), having held sp in tie-break); suffered eight pre-QF losses: 4r at Miami (l. to No.6 Petrova); suffered 3r defeats on three occasions, Indian Wells (l. to Bartoli), San Diego (l. to Mirza) and Toronto (l. to Bartoli); fell in 2r on two occasions, at Los Angeles (l. to K.Bondarenko) and Stuttgart (l. to Henin) and 1r twice at Sydney (l. to Pratt) and Zürich (l. to Hantuchova); wins over world No.7 Hingis (Gold Coast) and No.6 Chakvetadze (Moscow) were seventh and eighth career Top 10 wins; surpassed 200 career singles match wins and \$2 million in career prize money during season
- Ranking:** Started year just outside Top 10 and No.11 and apart from brief spell inside after Gold Coast triumph spent remainder of the year just on the periphery; finishing year at No.15 in the world

- **Doubles:** Fifth and sixth career Tour doubles titles came at Gold Coast (w/Srebotnik; only player in 2007 to sweep both singles and doubles at the same event) and US Open (as No.7 seeds in first-time partnership w/Dechy, d. No.3 seeds Srebotnik/Sugiyama and No.6 seeds Peschke/Stubbs en route to final, then d. No.5 seeds Chan/Chuang; all three conquered teams qualified for the Tour Championships)

CAREER SUMMARY

- Five-time Tour singles titlist: 2002 Sopot, 2003 Palermo, 2005 Paris [Indoors], 2005 Prague, 2007 Gold Coast; four-time runner-up: 2004 Luxembourg, 2006 Rome (Tier I), 2006 's-Hertogenbosch, 2007 Charleston (Tier I)
- Owns seven Top 10 wins, at 2005 Paris [Indoors] (Mauresmo), 2005 Moscow (Sharapova), 2006 Rome (Clijsters, Dementieva, Kuznetsova) and 2007 Gold Coast (Hingis); made her own career Top 10 debut in October 2006
- Six-time Tour doubles titlist, incl. 2007 US Open (w/Dechy) six-time runner-up, incl. 2006 US Open (w/Srebotnik)
- Member of winning Russian Fed Cup Team in 2005, winning decisive doubles rubber vs. France (w/Dementieva)

OTHER FACTS

- As sister of Marat Safin one of two Top 50 players who have brothers who won major titles; also No.33 Michaella Krajicek (Richard Krajicek); Safin won 2000 US Open and 2005 Australian Open; Krajicek won 1996 Wimbledon

LISICKI FACTS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN HISTORY: Making Grand Slam debut at the event

2008 SUMMARY

- Fell to Mariya Koryttseva in second round of qualifying for Auckland

2007 HIGHLIGHTS: WON: ITF/Jersey-GBR (\$25K), ITF/Toronto-CAN (\$25K); **R-Up:** ITF/Saguenay-CAN (\$50K), ITF/Madrid-ESP (\$25K); **QF:** ITF/Goriza-ITA (\$25K), ITF/Vancouver-CAN (\$50K), ITF/Nottingham-GBR (\$25K), ITF/La Quinta-CA, USA (\$50K)

2007 SUMMARY

- **Summary:** Won first and second career titles on ITF women's circuit and after starting the year barely inside the Top 500 rose nearly 300 places in the rankings
- **Grand Slam play:** Did not compete in main draw or qualifying for any of the four Grand Slams
- **Regular Tour season:** Made sole Sony Ericsson WTA Tour appearance at Berlin and fell in 1r (as WC, l. to Bremond); on ITF women's circuit, captured first and second career titles at \$25K ITF/Jersey-GBR and \$25K ITF/Toronto-CAN; runner-up finishes at \$50K ITF/Saguenay-CAN and \$25K ITF/Madrid-ESP; fell in QF on four other occasions
- **Doubles:** Reached semifinals at two ITF doubles events, \$25K ITF/Galatina-ITA (w/Skavronskaia) and \$25K ITF/Toronto-CAN (w/Cavaday)
- **Ranking:** Started season ranked No.497; made Top 400 and Top 300 debuts in February and September, before finishing season at No.237

CAREER SUMMARY

- Winner of two singles titles on ITF Women's Circuit at \$25K ITF/Jersey-GBR and \$25K ITF/Toronto-CAN (both in 2007)
- Sole appearances on Sony Ericsson WTA Tour have come as WC at Berlin in 2006 (l. 1r to Santangelo in 3s) and 2007 (l. 1r to Bremond)
- Broke into the Top 200 at the beginning of 2008 and currently sits at career-high ranking of No.194

OTHER FACTS

- Outside of tennis enjoys reading and playing the piano
- Started playing tennis at seven-years-old
- No.10 ranked of 10 Germans in Top 200 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Singles Rankings (as of January 14, 2007)