

# 1996-1997 IRL Results

## Indianapolis, IN 500 Mile Race - 25 May 1997

<b>Track Type:</b> Paved oval	<b>Lap Distance:</b> 2.5 miles	<b>Total Purse:</b> \$8,652,450
<b>Race Distance:</b> 500 miles	<b>Margin of Victory:</b>	<b>Promoter:</b> Indianapolis Motor Speedway
<b>Race Name:</b> Indianapolis 500		

FP	#	Driver	Car Name	Entrant	SP	Qu Time	Qu Spd	Laps	Time/Speed	Behind	Purse	Pts
1	5	Arie Luyendyk	Wavephore/Miller Lite	Treadway Racing	1	2:44.939	218.263	200	3:25:43.388 145.827		1,568,150	37
2	6	Scott Goodyear	Nortel/Sprint PCS	Treadway Racing	5	2:46.813	215.811	200	3:25:43.958 145.820	0.570	513,300	33
3	52	Jeff Ward	FirstPlus	Team Cheever	7	2:47.819	214.517	200	3:25:47.469 145.779	4.081	414,250	32
4	91	Buddy Lazier	Delta Faucet-Montana	Hemelgarn Racing	10	2:48.000	214.286	200	3:25:53.718 145.705	10.330	279,250	31
5	2	Tony Stewart	Glidden	Team Menard, Inc.	2	2:45.122	218.021	200	3:26:12.001 145.490	28.613	345,050	31
6	14	Davey Hamilton	PowerTeam	A.J. Foyt Enterprises	8	2:47.845	214.484	199	Flagged		264,000	29
7	11	Billy Boat	Concesco	A.J. Foyt Enterprises	22	2:47.019	215.544	199	Flagged		269,700	28
8	3	Robbie Buhl	Quaker State	Team Menard, Inc.	4	2:46.588	216.102	199	Flagged		235,200	27
9	30	Robbie Groff	Alfa-Laval/Team Losi	McCormack Motorsports	21	2:53.250	207.792	197	Flagged		222,350	26
10	33	Fermin Velez	Old Navy Alta	Team Scandia	29	2:54.324	206.512	195	Flagged		216,400	25
11	12	Buzz Calkins	Bradley Food Marts	Bradley Motorsports	16	2:51.785	209.564	188	Brkn right halfshaft		201,000	24
12	10	Mike Groff	Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria	Byrd-Cunningham Racing	18	2:52.631	208.537	188	Flagged		197,300	23
13	90	Lyn St. James	Lifetime TV-Cinergy	Hemelgarn Racing, Inc.	34	2:51.310	210.145	186	Wrecked turn 4		188,000	22
14	44	Steve Kinser	SRS/One Call/Quaker State	Team Menard, ing, Inc.	20	2:50.784	210.793	185	Wrecked turn 4		193,250	21
15	54	Dennis Vitolo	SmithKline Beacham/Kroger	Beck Motorsports	28	2:53.389	207.626	173	Flagged		200,000	20
16	22	Marco Greco	Side Play Intl Sport	Team Scandia	27	2:51.166	210.322	166	Broken gearbox		193,000	19
17	8	Vincenzo Sospiri	Old Navy Scandia Purple	Team Scandia	3	2:46.035	216.822	163	Flagged		196,250	18
18	9	Johnny Unser	Delta Faucet/Montana	Hemelgarn Racing	35	2:51.966	209.344	158	Lost oil pressure		158,000	17
19	18	Tyce Carlson	Klipsch Tnemac Overhead	PDM Racing, Inc.	26	2:50.736	210.852	156	Wrecked		173,250	16
20	40	Jack Miller	AMS/Crest Racing	Arizona Motorsports	17	2:52.043	209.250	131	Wrecked		171,250	15
21	1	Paul Durant	Conseco	A.J. Foyt Enterprises	33	2:52.126	209.149	111	Wrecked turn 3		178,000	14
22	50	Billy Roe	Sega/Progressive Elect.	Eurointernational, Inc.	24	2:49.211	212.752	110	Wrecked turn 3		150,250	13
23	51	Eddie Cheever	FirstPlus	Team Cheever	11	2:48.167	214.073	84	Broken timing chain		176,000	12
24	7	Eliseo Salazar	Copec/Cristal	Team Scandia	9	2:47.973	214.320	70	Wrecked		164,000	11
25	97	Greg Ray	Tobacco Free Kids	Thomas Knapp Motorsports	30	2:48.413	213.760	48	Water pump		171,250	10
26	27	Jim Guthrie	Blueprint/Jacuzzi/Armour	Blueprint Racing, Inc.	6	2:47.281	215.207	43	Fuel pressure		164,500	9
27	21	Roberto Guerrero	Pennzoil	Pagan Racing	19	2:53.602	207.371	25	Brkn steering gear		160,000	8
28	28	Mark Dismore	Kelley Automotive Group	PDM Racing, Inc.	25	2:49.473	212.423	24	Wrecked turn 4		159,000	7
29	42	Robby Gordon	Coors Light	Team Sabco	12	2:48.847	213.211	19	Engine fire		139,500	6
30	72	Claude	Blueprint/Jacuzzi/Armour	Blueprint Racing	32	2:51.003	210.523	9	Engine		152,250	5
31	77	Stephan Gregoire	Chastain Motorsports	Chastain Motorsports	13	2:48.914	213.126	0	Wrecked turn 4		158,000	4
32	17	Affonso Giaffone	General Motors Brazil	Chitwood Motorsports	14	2:49.035	212.974	0	Wrecked turn 4		158,250	3
33	4	Kenny Brack	Monsoon	Gallas Racing	15	2:50.438	211.221	0	Wrecked turn 4		202,250	2
34	16	Sam Schmidt	Blueprint/HOPE Prepaid	Blueprint Racing	23	2:47.332	215.141	0	Engine		150,250	1
35	34	Alessandro	Mi-Jack/Royal Purple	Team Scandia	31	2:50.006	211.757	0	Oil leak		145,000	1

### Lap Leaders

Arie Luyendyk	61	63-78, 83-109, 132-140, 167-168, 194-200
Tony Stewart	64	1-50, 52-62, 79, 110-111
Jeff Ward	49	142-166, 169-192
Buddy Lazier	7	80-82, 112-115
Scott Goodyear	2	141, 193
Robbie Buhl	16	116-131
Billy Boat	1	51

### Non-Qualifiers

34	Alessandro	Mi-Jack/Royal Purple	Team Scandia	2:52.171	209.094	DNS, too slow	
1	Scott Sharp	Conseco	A.J. Foyt Enterprises			Wrecked practice	
1	Johnny O'Connell	Conseco	A.J. Foyt Enterprises			Wrecked practice	
18	John Paul, Jr	Overhead door	PDM Racing			Wrecked practice	25,000
36	Scott Harrington	Johansson/Immke	Johansson Motorsports			Wrecked qualifying	

**Data Source:** 1998 IRL Media Guide

### Race Notes

- 1) Original date of race was May 27th. Postponed to May 29th due to two days of rain.
- 2) Yellow flags: Pace lap: Giaffone wrecked; Caution laps: Brack and Gregoire wrecked, 10, Bourbonnais car smoking; 11-14, moisture on track ; 15, Red flagged, rain; 16-18, Continued under caution; 20-28, Gordon stopped; 59-62, Guthrie stalled; 94-99, Salazar stopped; 114-123, Roe and Durant wrecked; 138-142, Miller wrecked; 165-169, Carlson spun; 189-193, Kinser wrecked; 196-197, debris on track; 199, debris on track.