

Lydia Ko

Birthdate: April 24, 1997

Hometown: Auckland, New Zealand

Resides: Orlando, Fla.

Rookie Year: 2014

2016 Earnings: \$2,493,059 (2nd)



	STARTS	CUTS MADE	TOP 10S	WINS	LOW ROUND
2016	24	24	14	4	62
CAREER	90*	89*	53*	14*	62

*Includes events as a non-member

Career Wins (14 wins, 2 majors)

- 2012 CN Canadian Women's Open*, 2013 CN Canadian Women's Open*, 2014 Swinging Skirts LPGA Classic, 2014 Marathon Classic presented by Owens Corning and O-I, 2014 CME Group Tour Championship, 2015 ISPS Handa Women's Australian Open, 2015 Swinging Skirts LPGA Classic, 2015 Canadian Pacific Women's Open, **2015 Evian Championship**, 2015 Fubon LPGA Taiwan, 2016 Kia Classic, **2016 ANA Inspiration**, 2016 Walmart NW Arkansas Championship presented by P&G, 2016 Marathon Classic presented by Owens Corning and O-I
**as an amateur and non-member*

Career Highlights

- In 2016, racked up four victories including her second major championship at the ANA Inspiration and tallied 10 additional top-10 finishes including three runner-ups
- Became the youngest female ever to win two major championships (18y/11m/9d) and the second-youngest golfer (male or female) to two major wins behind Young Tom Morris after he won the 1869 Open Championship
- One of three players in 2016 to win back-to-back tournaments (Kia Classic, ANA Inspiration) joining Ariya Jutanugarn and Shanshan Feng
- Second in the Rolex Player of the Year, Race to the CME Globe, Vare Trophy and Official Money standings in 2016
- Shot a career-low 62 twice in 2016 - in her second round at both the Walmart NW Arkansas Championship and the CME Group Tour Championship
- Captured the 2015 Rolex Player of the Year Award by a mere two points over Inbee Park to become the youngest winner in the 49-year history of the award
- Tallied five victories including one major in 2015 to become the youngest player in LPGA Tour history (18y/6m/1d) to reach 10 career wins, besting Nancy Lopez's record (22y/2m/5d) by more than 3½ years
- Won her first major at the 2015 Evian Championship to become the youngest major winner in LPGA Tour history (18y/4m/20d), beating Morgan Pressel's previous record (18y/10m/9d)
- Ko was also the youngest male or female major winner in the modern era and youngest since Young Tom Morris (17y/5m/8d) at the 1868 Open Championship
- Her round of 63 in the final round of the 2015 Evian Championship was the lowest final round by a winner in a major championship; Ko bested the record set by Karen Stupples (64) at the 2004 Women's British Open
- On February 2, 2015, Ko ascended to No. 1 in the Rolex Women's World Golf rankings after a runner-up finish at the COATES Golf Championship
- Became the youngest player, male or female, to reach No. 1 in the world (17y/9m/9d) besting Tiger Woods





- (21y/5m/16d) and Jiyai Shin (22y/0m/5d)
- Recorded a streak of 29 consecutive sub-par rounds from November 2014 through April 2015 (1st round 2014 CME Group Tour Championship – 2nd round 2015 ANA Inspiration), tying an LPGA record set by Annika Sorenstam in 2004
- Captured three victories in her rookie season in 2014
- Was the youngest winner in the history of the Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year Award in 2014
- Became the youngest player to surpass \$1 million, \$2 million, \$3 million, \$4 million, \$5 million, \$6 million and \$7 million in career earnings
- Recorded 12 additional top-10 finishes, including a pair of runner-up finishes in 2014
- Turned professional in October 2013 and was granted membership for the 2014 season by LPGA Commissioner Mike Whan in October 2013

Amateur

- Made 15 LPGA starts as an amateur, recording two wins, five additional top-10s and did not miss a cut
- With her win at the 2013 CN Canadian Women's Open, became the first amateur in history to win twice on the LPGA Tour
- With her first win in Canada, became the fifth amateur winner in LPGA history and first since 1967
- Became the youngest winner in LPGA history on August 19, 2012 at the 72-hole CN Canadian Women's Open (15y/4m/2d)
- Became the second-youngest winner in U.S. Women's Amateur history in 2012 (15y/3m/18d)
- Won the 2012 Bing Lee/Samsung Women's NSW Open on the ALPG Tour at the age of 15, becoming the youngest person ever to win a professional event (since broken by Brooke Henderson)

Best Finishes in Majors (through 2016)

- 1 ANA Inspiration ('16)
- 2 KPMG Women's PGA Championship ('16)
- T3 U.S. Women's Open ('16)
- T3 RICOH Women's British Open ('15)
- 1 The Evian Championship ('15)

Special Achievements

- Silver Medalist representing New Zealand in the 2016 Rio Olympics
- 2015 Rolex Player of the Year
- 2015 Vare Trophy
- 2015 and 2014 Race to the CME Globe winner
- 2015 LPGA Money Title
- 2015 GWAA Player of the Year
- 2014 Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year
- 2012 U.S. Women's Amateur Champion

Lydia's Fun Facts

- ☆ Lydia was twice named to *Time Magazine's* list of 100 Most Influential People (2014 & 2015)
- 🎓 Currently studying psychology at Korea University while competing on Tour