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2025 BMW Ladies Championship

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KPMG Insight of the Week

*Over the last two seasons, players on the LPGA Tour have gained at least a full stroke on the field with their approach play in 27.5% of their total rounds. Three players – Rio Takeda, Haeran Ryu and Akie Iwai – have each done that in more than 50% of their rounds in that same span. All three are in the field this week.

Rounds With 1+ SG Approach Highest Percentage – Last 2 LPGA Seasons

Rio Takeda	56.5%
Haeran Ryu	52.4%
Akie Iwai	51.4%
Jin Young Ko	49.1%
Megan Khang	48.3%

*Overall LPGA average: 27.5%

Minjee Lee

*Minjee Lee finished in solo third place last week in Shanghai, her 11th consecutive top-25 finish on the LPGA Tour. She has finished four straight tournaments double-digits under par, gaining 2.75 strokes on the field per round in that stretch:

Minjee Lee Last 4 LPGA Tour Starts

SG Total per round	+2.75
Rounds in 60s	11-for-16
Score to par	-56
Scoring average	68.3

*Lee's 16 top-25 finishes this season are the most of any player on the LPGA Tour.

Most Top-25 Finishes LPGA Tour This Season

Minjee Lee	16*
Rio Takeda	15
Jeenno Thitikul	15
Miyu Yamashita	15

*Includes 11 straight



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Miyu Yamashita

*Miyu Yamashita leads the LPGA Tour this season in strokes gained putting, putts made of 10 feet or longer and putt make percentage from 10 to 20 feet:

Miyu Yamashita

Putting Ranks – LPGA Tour This Season

		Rank
Strokes gained putting	1.30	1st
Made of 10+ feet	159	1st
Putting 10-20 feet	36.1%	1st

*Yamashita ranks fifth in scoring average despite ranking 146th in average driving distance:

Scoring Average Leaders

This Season – With Driving Distance Rank

		Distance rank
Jeeno Thitikul	68.95	35th
Minjee Lee	69.67	39th
Nelly Korda	69.70	14th
Hyo Joo Kim	69.94	140th
Miyu Yamashita	69.97	146th

Hyo Joo Kim

*A year ago, Hyo Joo Kim saw her strokes gained total average drop from the best on the LPGA Tour to outside the top-25. She's back to a familiar perch this season:

Hyo Joo Kim

Strokes Gained Total – Last 3 Seasons

	2023	2024	2025
Per Round	2.00	0.93	1.69
LPGA Rank	1st	26th	T-6th

*Any way you slice it, Hyo Joo Kim has one of the best short games in the entire world:

Hyo Joo Kim

Short Game Ranks – This Season

		Rank
SG Around the Green	+0.57	2nd
Scrambling	67.1%	1st
Sand save percentage	56.9%	6th



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Rio Takeda

*Rio Takeda leads the LPGA Tour in greens in regulation percentage this season. When she hits the fairway, she ranks 13th. After a missed fairway, she still finds the green in regulation 58.9% of the time, the 5th-best rate of any qualified player.

Rio Takeda

Greens in Regulation This Season

		Rank
Overall	76.6%	1st
After hit fairway	81.5%	13th
After missed fairway	58.9%	5th

*Takeda leads the LPGA Tour this season in strokes gained tee-to-green per round.

Most SG Tee to Green Per Round LPGA Tour This Season

Rio Takeda	1.95
Haeran Ryu	1.91
Megan Khang	1.70
Nelly Korda	1.68
Jeeno Thitikul	1.65

Somi Lee

*After winning at the Dow Championship with Jin Hee Im, Somi Lee had a bit of a downturn in her performance, with three missed cuts and no top-ten finishes in a six-start span. That's all gone now though as she comes off a T-4 finish in Shanghai:

Somi Lee

LPGA Tour Results Since Dow Championship

	Thru Kroger	Since NW Arkansas
Starts	6	3
Rounds	18	9
Score to par	-13	-34
Scoring average	70.8	68.1



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Akie Iwai

*Akie Iwai has been one of the best approach players on the LPGA Tour in 2025.

Akie Iwai

Approach Play Ranks – 2025 LPGA Season

		Rank
SG Approach	+1.00	4th
Proximity 100-125 yards	19'3"	3rd
Proximity 125-150 yards	24'0"	12th
GIR after missed fairway	57.8%	10th

Andrea Lee

*Andrea Lee is enjoying a tremendous season with six top-ten finishes and a dozen top-25s on the LPGA Tour. One of the biggest reasons has been her bogey avoidance – from outside the top-50 a season ago to 7th so far in 2025.

Andrea Lee

Bogey or Worse Pct – Last 2 LPGA Seasons

	2024	2025
Percentage	16.9%	12.3%
LPGA Rank	59th	7th

*Lee has improved her scoring average by more than a full stroke this season compared to 2024:

Andrea Lee

2024 vs 2025 on LPGA Tour

	2024	2025
Starts	22	19
Top 10 finishes	5	6
Top 25 finishes	10	12
Scoring average	71.51	70.36

Lilia Vu

*Lilia Vu has dropped outside the top-150 on the LPGA Tour this season in driving distance.

Lilia Vu

Driving Distance – Last 3 LPGA Seasons

	Avg Distance	LPGA Rank
2023	258.9	62nd
2024	255.0	107th
2025	243.2	152nd



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Haeran Ryu

*After a strong start to the 2025 season, Haeran Ryu has just one top-20 finish in her last 11 LPGA Tour starts. Her strokes gained average has dipped from 1.86 to 0.66 per round in that stretch:

Haeran Ryu

LPGA Tour This Season

	Thru Black Desert (Won)	Since
Starts	8	11
Top 20 finishes	7	1
Scoring average	67.17	71.59
SG Total per round	+1.86	+0.66

*Haeran Ryu has gained three or more strokes with her approach play in 14 different rounds this season on the LPGA Tour, five more than any other player.

Most Rounds With 3+ SG Approach

LPGA This Season

Haeran Ryu	14
Pajaree Anannarukarn	9
Jeenoo Thitikul	8
Nasa Hataoka	8
Cassie Porter	8
Ina Yoon	8

Minami Katsu

*Minami Katsu is on fire – she's finished 3rd and 2nd the last two full LPGA tournaments. If you include her opening round 63 in the weather-canceled Walmart NW Arkansas Championship, the numbers are even more staggering. In nine rounds, she has made birdie or better on more than 35% of her holes played:

Minami Katsu

Last 3 LPGA Tournaments

Rounds played	9
Score to par	-47
Scoring average	66.7
Birdie or better Pct	35.2%

*3rd, 2nd in last 2 official events (63 at NW Arkansas)



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Hannah Green

*Hannah Green won this tournament a year ago at Seowon Valley Country Club thanks to an excellent performance with her putter. She led the field in strokes gained putting for the week and tied for the field lead in one-putts with 31.

Hannah Green

Putting Ranks – 2024 BMW Ladies Championship

		Field Rank
SG Putting	9.56	1st
One-putts	31	T-1st
Putts per round	28.8	1st
Putts per GIR	1.67	2nd

*After enjoying a three-win campaign in 2024, Green has not had the same consistency this year.

Hannah Green

LPGA Tour – Last 2 Seasons

	2024	2025
Starts	20	16
Wins	3	0
Top 10s	6	3
SG Total Rank	8th	57th
SG Tee to Green Rank	18th	77th