**1. Rajasthan Royals (RR) is a professional franchise cricket team based in Jaipur, Rajasthan, that participates in the prestigious Indian Premier League (IPL). The team was established in 2008 as one of the original eight franchises of the IPL and has its home ground at the Sawai Mansingh Stadium in Jaipur.**

**2. The Rajasthan Royals have gained recognition for their ability to discover and nurture talented players who may have otherwise gone unnoticed. They have a reputation for identifying and developing promising players with great potential.**

**3. In a remarkable display of resilience and skill, the Rajasthan Royals clinched the title in the inaugural edition of the IPL in 2008, led by the inspiring captaincy of Shane Warne. Despite being initially underestimated by both the media and fans, they emerged as the victorious underdogs.**

**4. Under the leadership of Rahul Dravid, the Rajasthan Royals reached the final of the 2013 Champions League Twenty20, showcasing their consistent performance and ability to excel in high-stakes tournaments.**

**5. In a setback resulting from a 2013 betting scandal, the Rajasthan Royals, along with the Chennai Super Kings, were suspended for two years by a panel appointed by the Supreme Court of India. As a result, they were unable to participate in the 2016 and 2017 IPL seasons.**

**6. However, the Rajasthan Royals made a strong comeback and reentered the IPL competition in 2018, determined to reclaim their standing as a formidable team in the league.**

**7. Sanju Samson holds the record for the highest number of runs scored by a Rajasthan Royals player, amassing an impressive total of 3138 runs in the history of the franchise.**

**8. Shane Watson, a former player for the Rajasthan Royals, holds the distinction of being their leading wicket-taker, having taken 67 wickets during his time with the team.**

**9. The franchise is currently owned by Emerging Media IPL Ltd, led by Manoj Badale, holding a majority stake of 65%. Notable minority stakeholders include Lachlan Murdoch and RedBird Capital Partners.**

**10. The ownership of the Rajasthan Royals has experienced past controversies, which led to a temporary expulsion of the team from the IPL in 2010. However, they have managed to overcome these challenges and have achieved commercial success, recording a pre-tax profit of $7.5 million in 2009.**

**Expulsion from the IPL and return**[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Rajasthan_Royals&action=edit&section=2)]

**The Rajasthan Royals were initially expelled from the IPL in 2010 by the BCCI, leading to a legal battle and appeals filed by the team. However, an arbitrator allowed the Royals to participate in the IPL for a six-week period while the case was ongoing. Eventually, the BCCI's appeals were rejected, and both the Rajasthan Royals and Kings XI Punjab were allowed to remain in the IPL.**

In 2015, the Rajasthan Royals faced another ban, this time for two years, as a result of the Lodha Committee inquiry. The team was involved in controversy due to inappropriate and fictitious bids that violated BCCI norms. It was revealed that only Ranjit Barthakur and Fraser Castellino were the shareholders of the team, which was previously unknown to the BCCI. An out-of-court settlement took place between the parties involved. Additionally, Rajasthan Royals' owner, Raj Kundra, was banned for life by the BCCI.

Home ground

1. The Sawai Mansingh Stadium in Jaipur is the home venue of the Rajasthan Royals cricket team in the Indian Premier League (IPL). It was built during the reign of Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II and is located at one corner of the Rambagh Circle in Jaipur.

2. The stadium underwent renovation in 2006, which significantly improved its facilities. It has a seating capacity of 30,000 spectators and is considered one of the best cricket stadiums in India, according to some sources. However, the specific source for this claim is not mentioned in the provided information.



Seasons[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Rajasthan_Royals&action=edit&section=31)]

**Indian Premier League**[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Rajasthan_Royals&action=edit&section=32)]

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| **Year** | **League standing** | **Final standing** |
| [**2008**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2008) | 1st out of 8 | **Champions** |
| [**2009**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2009) | 6th out of 8 | League stage |
| [**2010**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2010) | 7th out of 8 |
| [**2011**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2011) | 6th out of 10 |
| [**2012**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2012) | 7th out of 9 |
| [**2013**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2013) | 3rd out of 9 | Playoffs |
| [**2014**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2014) | 5th out of 8 | League stage |
| [**2015**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2015) | 4th out of 8 | Playoffs |
| **2016** | *Suspended* | |
| **2017** |
| [**2018**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2018) | 4th out of 8 | Playoffs |
| [**2019**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2019) | 7th out of 8 | League stage |
| [**2020**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2020) | 8th out of 8 |
| [**2021**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2021) | 7th out of 8 |
| [**2022**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2022) | 2nd out of 10 | **Runners-up** |
| [**2023**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajasthan_Royals_in_2023) | 5th out of 10 | League stage |

Statistics

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| Summary of results | | | | | |
| **Years** | **Matches** | **Wins** | **Losses** | **No Result** | **Success Rate** |
| **2008** | 16 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 81.25% |
| **2009** | 14 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 46.15% |
| **2010** | 14 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 42.86% |
| **2011** | 14 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 46.15% |
| **2012** | 16 | 7 | 9 | 0 | 43.75% |
| **2013** | 18 | 11 | 7 | 0 | 61.11% |
| **2014** | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 50.00% |
| **2015** | 15 | 7 | 6 | 2 | 53.85% |
| **2016** | *Suspended* | | | | |
| **2017** | *Suspended* | | | | |
| **2018** | 15 | 7 | 8 | 0 | 46.67% |
| **2019** | 14 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 38.46% |
| **2020** | 14 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 42.85% |
| **2021** | 14 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 35.71% |
| **2022** | 17 | 10 | 7 | 0 | 58.82% |
| **2023\*** | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 50.00% |
| **Total** | **208** | **103** | **102** | **5** | **49.52%** |

Administration and support staff[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Rajasthan_Royals&action=edit&section=29)]

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| **Position** | **Name** |
| CEO | Jake Lush McCrum |
| Team manager | Romi Bhinder |
| Director of cricket | [Kumar Sangakkara](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kumar_Sangakkara) |
| Strategy, Development, and Performance Director | [Zubin Bharucha](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zubin_Bharucha) |
| Assistant coach | [Trevor Penney](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trevor_Penney) |
| Tactical performance coach | [Lisa Keightley](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lisa_Keightley) |
| Support coach | [Siddhartha Lahiri](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Siddhartha_Lahiri&action=edit&redlink=1) |
| Spin bowling and strategy coach | [Richard das Neves](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Richard_das_Neves&action=edit&redlink=1) |
| Fast bowling coach | [Lasith Malinga](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lasith_Malinga) |
| Fielding coach | [Dishant Yagnik](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dishant_Yagnik) |
| Head physio | [John Gloster](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Gloster) |
| **Source:** | |

Rivalries[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Rajasthan_Royals&action=edit&section=24)]

1. The Rajasthan Royals and Punjab Kings have a longstanding rivalry in the Indian Premier League (IPL), often referred to as the Northern Derby. The matches between these two teams are known for being high-scoring encounters.

2. In the 25 matches played between the Rajasthan Royals and Punjab Kings, the Royals have emerged victorious 14 times, while the Kings have won 11 times. This indicates a relatively balanced rivalry between the two teams.

3. One notable incident in the rivalry occurred in 2019 during the fourth match of the season. Ravichandran Ashwin, who was playing for Punjab at the time, ran Jos Buttler out at the non-striker's end, leading to tensions and controversies between the teams.