This document contains visualizations for all time trend question and provides a brief interpretation of the trends observed in each plot.

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Player with the highest Elo rating:
Position (in January)
                                1
Name
                          Carlsen
ELO
                             2872
Date
                         2020 Jan
Age
                               29
Year
                             2020
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Top 10 players with the highest Elo ratings:
     Position (in January)
                                Name
                                       ELO
                                                Date
                                                      Age
                                                           Year
20
                             Carlsen
                                      2872
                                            2020 Jan
                                                       29
                                                           2020
140
                         1
                             Carlsen 2872
                                            2014 Jan
                                                       23
                                                           2014
0
                         1
                             Carlsen 2862
                                            2021 Jan
                                                       30
                                                           2021
120
                             Carlsen 2862
                                            2015 Jan
                         1
                                                       24
                                                           2015
160
                             Carlsen 2861
                         1
                                            2013 Jan
                                                       22
                                                           2013
420
                         1
                            Kasparov 2851
                                            2000 Jan
                                                       36
                                                           2000
400
                         1
                            Kasparov 2849
                                            2001 Jan
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                                                           2001
360
                         1
                            Kasparov
                                      2847
                                            2003 Jan
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                                                           2003
100
                             Carlsen
                                      2844
                                            2016 Jan
                                                       25
                         1
                                                           2016
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Carlsen 2840

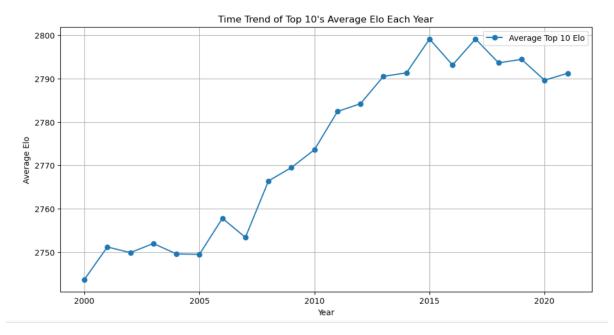
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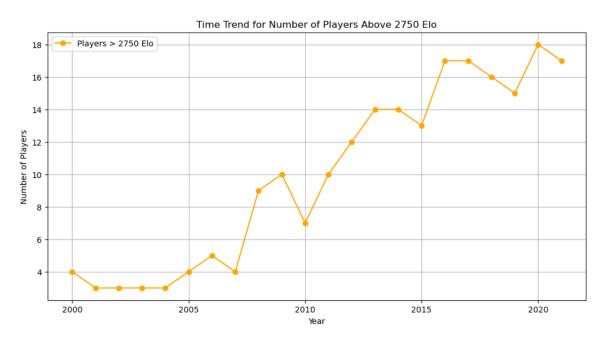
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The average Elo rating of the top 10 players shows a general upward trend from 2000 to 2014, indicating an increase in the skill level of the top players during this period.

There are periods of stabilization and slight dips, reflecting times when the top-tier competition may have consolidated rather than expanded.

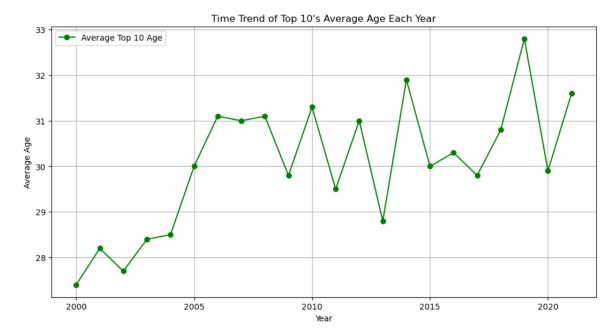
After 2014, the average Elo stabilizes and fluctuates slightly between 2790 and 2800, suggesting that the top players have reached a competitive ceiling or plateau in terms of ratings.



From 2000 to 2005, the number of players exceeding 2750 Elo remained very low (around 3-4 players).

After 2008, there was a significant rise in the number of players surpassing 2750, peaking at 18 players in 2019-2020.

This trend indicates that the pool of elite players has broadened significantly over the last two decades, with more players achieving exceptionally high ratings.

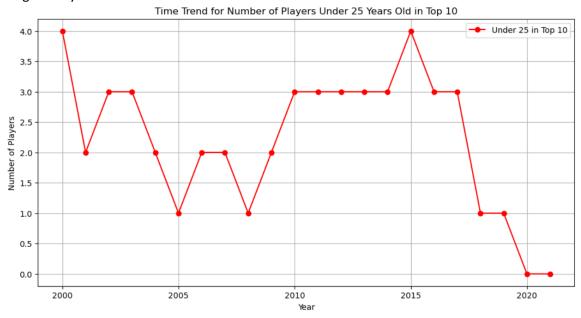


The average age of the Top 10 players shows a gradual upward trend over the years.

Around 2005, there is a noticeable increase, with average ages rising above 30 and fluctuating between 30 and 32 for most of the timeline.

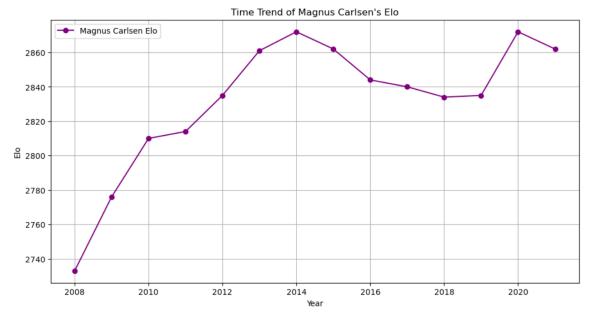
In recent years (2019–2021), the average age remains relatively high, suggesting that older players dominate the Top 10.

However, there are some dips, possibly indicating a rise in young prodigies entering the top ranks during those years



The number of top 10 players under the age of 25 has fluctuated significantly and it has decreased over time.

From 2000 to 2015, the count fluctuates, reaching peaks (e.g., 4 players around 2000 and 2015). After 2016, the number drops sharply to almost zero, indicating that younger players have become less frequent in the Top 10 rankings.



2008–2014: Carlsen's Elo rose sharply, reaching a peak of 2882, marking his dominance.

2014–2018: A slight decline and stabilization around 2840–2850 indicate consistent performance.

2019–2020: Elo surged again, nearing his peak levels.

Overall: Carlsen maintained exceptional consistency, staying at the top for over a decade.