

Lin Dan vs Lee Chong Wei: Lin 22 wins with the longest winning streak four times in a row

In the early morning of March 12 of Beijing time, 2012 All England Open Badminton Championships had started the men's singles finals of the competition, Once again, the final showdown between Lin and Lee had begun. Lin won the opening game with a close score of 21-19. Unfortunately in the second game with Lin leading 6-2, Lee Chong Wei had to retire. Thus Lin claimed the championship this year without further resistance. This is the fifth All England men's singles title won by Lin Dan. He has also made history winning the most All England men's singles gold medals in the last 36 years.

Lin and Lee are undoubtedly the most successful and spectacular players in today's world badminton men's singles. The fight between them is also known as the "Lin-Lee Wars"; this is not only the indication of the intensity of their fights; it is also a good description of the smell of the gunpowder produced from their countless encounters.

So far, they have met a total of 31 times; Lin Dan has a record of 22 wins and 9 losses against Lee Chong Wei, an obvious advantage on the win-loss ratio. The first meeting was at the Thomas Cup in 2004, when Lin Dan won 2-1. They last played against each other at the 2012 South Korea's Super Series, Lin Dan was overturned by his opponent 1-2.

It is interesting to note that in their 31 encounters, Lee Chong Wei has had nine wins, but no consecutive victories; on the other hand, Lin Dan's longest consecutive winning streak against Lee Chong Wei is four times.

Head-to-head record

Lin Dan vs Lee Chong Wei 22-9			
Date	Tournaments	Winner	Score
2012-3-12	All England	Lin Dan	21-19 6-2 (Retire)
2012-1-8	Korean Super Series	Lee Chong Wei	12-21 21-18 21-14
2011-11-26	China Masters	Lin Dan	19-21 21-12 21-11
2011-11-19	Hong Kong Super Series	Lin Dan	21-16 21-14
2011-11-11	The Super Top-Fours	Lin Dan	21-19 12-21 22-20
2011-8-14	World Championship	Lin Dan	20-22 21-14 23-21
2011-3-13	All England	Lee Chong Wei	21-17 21-17
2011-1-30	Korean Super Series	Lin Dan	19-21 21-14 16-21
2010-11-21	Guangzhou Asia Games	Lin Dan	13-21 21-15 10-21
2010-9-26	Japan Super Series	Lee Chong	22-20 16-21 21-17

2010-5-14	Thomas Cup	Lin Dan	17-21 8-21
2009-9-19	China Master Super Series	Lin Dan	20-22 21-15 7-21
2009-5-16	Sudirmen Cup	Lin Dan	16-21 16-21
2009-3-15	Swiss Open	Lee Chong Wei	21-16 21-16
2009-3-18	All England	Lin Dan	19-21 12-21
2008-11-23	China Open	Lin Dan	18-21 9-21
2008	Beijing Olympic	Lin Dan	12-21 8-21
2008-5-16	Thomas Cup	Lee Chong Wei	21-12 21-14
2008-3-16	Swiss Open	Lin Dan	13-21 18-21
2007-12-2	Hong Kong Open	Lin Dan	21-9 15-21 15-21
2007-9-15	Japan Open	Lee Chong Wei	21-19 21-15
2007-7-14	China Master Super Series	Lin Dan	21-15 14-21 15-21
2007-6-14	Sudirman Cup	Lee Chong Wei	21-17 21-17
2006-7-23	Macau Open	Lin Dan	18-21 21-18 18-21
2006	Hong Kong Open	Lin Dan	1-2
2006	Taipei Open	Lin Dan	18-21 21-12 11-21
2006	Malaysia Open	Lee Chong Wei	21-18 18-21 23-21
2006	All England	Lin Dan	9-15 15-10 14-17
2005	Hong Kong Open	Lin Dan	4-15 6-15
2005	Malaysia Open	Lee Chong Wei	17-15 9-15 15-9
2004-2-22	Thomas Cup	Lin Dan	15-3 13-15 6-15

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