Poker hand rankings and odds cheat sheet

Best hand at the top. The rarer the hand, the higher it ranks. Odds in 5 cards: being dealt the hand from a 52-card deck (2,598,960 possible hands, counted one by one by us). With 7 cards: your best five from seven, as in Texas Hold’em.

#	Hand	Example	Ways (5 cards)	Odds in 5 cards	Chance with 7 cards
1	**Royal flush**	A♠ K♠ Q♠ J♠ 10♠	4	1 in 649,740	0.0032%
2	**Straight flush**	9♥ 8♥ 7♥ 6♥ 5♥	36	1 in 72,193	0.0279%
3	**Four of a kind**	Q♣ Q♦ Q♥ Q♠ 7♦	624	1 in 4,165	0.168%
4	**Full house**	K♠ K♥ K♦ 4♣ 4♥	3,744	1 in 694	2.60%
5	**Flush**	A♦ J♦ 8♦ 6♦ 2♦	5,108	1 in 509	3.03%
6	**Straight**	10♣ 9♦ 8♠ 7♥ 6♣	10,200	1 in 255	4.62%
7	**Three of a kind**	7♠ 7♥ 7♦ K♣ 3♠	54,912	1 in 47	4.83%
8	**Two pair**	J♥ J♣ 5♠ 5♦ A♥	123,552	1 in 21	23.5%
9	**One pair**	10♠ 10♥ K♦ 6♣ 3♥	1,098,240	1 in 2.4	43.8%
10	**High card**	A♣ Q♦ 9♠ 6♥ 3♣	1,302,540	1 in 2	17.4%

How often you are dealt the big starting hands

Hold’em starting hand	Combinations (of 1,326)	Chance	About 1 in
Pocket aces	6	0.45%	221 hands
Any pocket pair	78	5.9%	17 hands
A-K suited	4	0.30%	332 hands
A-K, any suits	16	1.2%	83 hands

Tie-breakers

- Only your best five cards count, even when you can see seven.
- Same hand type: compare the highest cards, then the kickers, one by one.
- Suits never rank in standard poker: identical five-card hands split the pot.
- The ace plays high (A-K-Q-J-10) or low (5-4-3-2-A), but straights can’t wrap around (Q-K-A-2-3 is not a straight).
- A flush beats a straight, and a full house beats a flush.

Last checked: 24 October 2026. Sources: 5-card counts enumerated by us and matching Wikipedia (Poker probability); 7-card chances from Wikipedia, cross-checked with Wizard of Odds.

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