

## BEST PICTURE NOMINATIONS DIRECTOR FACTS

NOTE: The following statistics refer to directors whose films received Best Picture nominations and/or awards; whether or not the director received a Directing or Best Picture nomination and/or award is not taken into account.

NOTE: From 1931/32 to 1943, the Best Picture category had more than five nominations per year (sometimes as many as twelve). From 1944 to 2008, the Best Picture category had five nominations per year. From 2009 through the present, the number of Best Picture nominees varies between a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 10.

[Updated thru 88th Awards (2/16)]

### DIRECTORS WITH THE MOST BEST PICTURE NOMINATIONS ([#] indicates number of awards)

13	William Wyler [3]	5	Leo McCarey [1]
10	Steven Spielberg [1]	5	Lewis Milestone [1]
9	John Ford [1]	5	Billy Wilder [2]
8	Mervyn LeRoy [0]	4	Frank Borzage [0]
8	Martin Scorsese [1]	4	Joel Coen [1]
7	Frank Capra [2]	4	Victor Fleming [1]
7	George Cukor [1]	4	Alfred Hitchcock [1]
7	Henry King [0]	4	John Huston [0]
7	George Stevens [0]	4	Elia Kazan [2]
6	Michael Curtiz [1]	4	Henry Koster [0]
6	David Lean [2]	4	Stanley Kramer [0]
6	Sam Wood [0]	4	Ang Lee [0]
6	Fred Zinnemann [2]	4	Sidney Lumet [0]
5	Francis Ford Coppola [2]	4	Joseph L. Mankeiwicz [1]
5	Clint Eastwood [2]	4	W. S. Van Dyke [0]
5	Norman Jewison [1]	4	William Wellman [1]
5	Ernst Lubitsch [0]		

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3	William Wyler [13]
2	Frank Capra [7]
2	Francis Ford Coppola [5]
2	Clint Eastwood [5]
2	Milos Forman [2]
2	Elia Kazan [4]
2	David Lean [6]
2	Frank Lloyd [3]
2	Vincente Minnelli [3]
2	Billy Wilder [5]
2	Robert Wise [3]
2	Fred Zinnemann [6]

### DIRECTORS WITH THE MOST CONSECUTIVE BEST PICTURE NOMINATIONS

(\* indicates Best Picture winner)

#### 7 Consecutive Years

##### **William Wyler**

1936 (9th) *Dodsworth*  
 1937 (10th) *Dead End*  
 1938 (11th) *Jezebel*  
 1939 (12th) *Wuthering Heights*  
 1940 (13th) *The Letter*  
 1941 (14th) *The Little Foxes*  
 1942 (15th) *Mrs. Miniver* \*

#### 4 Consecutive Years

##### **Frank Capra**

1936 (9th) *Mr. Deeds Goes to Town*  
 1937 (10th) *Lost Horizon*  
 1938 (11th) *You Can't Take It with You* \*  
 1939 (12th) *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington*

Note: No director to date has had consecutive Best Picture wins.

DIRECTORS WITH MORE THAN ONE FILM NOMINATED FOR BEST PICTURE IN THE SAME YEAR

(\* indicates Best Picture winner)

1931/32 (5th)	Ernst Lubitsch	<i>One Hour with You</i> (co-directed with George Cukor) and <i>The Smiling Lieutenant</i>
1936 (9th)	Jack Conway	<i>Libeled Lady</i> and <i>A Tale of Two Cities</i>
1938 (11th)	Michael Curtiz	<i>The Adventures of Robin Hood</i> (co-directed with William Keighley) and <i>Four Daughters</i>
1939 (12th)	Victor Fleming	* <i>Gone with the Wind</i> and <i>The Wizard of Oz</i>
1940 (13th)	John Ford Alfred Hitchcock Sam Wood	<i>The Grapes of Wrath</i> and <i>The Long Voyage Home</i> <i>Foreign Correspondent</i> and * <i>Rebecca</i> <i>Kitty Foyle</i> and <i>Our Town</i>
1942 (15th)	Sam Wood	<i>Kings Row</i> and <i>The Pride of the Yankees</i>
1974 (47th)	Francis Ford Coppola	<i>The Conversation</i> and * <i>The Godfather Part II</i>
1977 (50th)	Herbert Ross	<i>The Goodbye Girl</i> and <i>The Turning Point</i>
2000 (73rd)	Steven Soderbergh	<i>Erin Brockovich</i> and <i>Traffic</i>