



There are many young mushers out on the trail this year. A musher must be 18 before the Iditarod starts in order to race. This year's youngest musher is Laura Neese, 20 years old, who finished in 42nd place. There are eleven mushers that are 30 years old or younger this year. Dallas Seavey is the youngest person to ever complete the Iditarod in 2005-he turned 18 just days before the start. Melissa Stewart is the youngest woman to ever finish the Iditarod-she finished in 2008 at the age of 18.

