

POSTGAME NOTES

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LOS ANGELES CHARGERS vs. CHICAGO BEARS



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BOLTS BEAT BEARS IN PRIMETIME

The Los Angeles Chargers defeated the Chicago Bears on *Sunday Night Football*, 30-13. **WR Keenan Allen**, **S Derwin James Jr.**, and **DL Sebastian Joseph-Day** were the game captains for the Chargers. The Bolts won the toss and deferred to the second half.

TEAM	1	2	3	4	OT	F
Chicago	0	7	0	6	—	13
L.A. Chargers	14	10	6	0	—	30

On offense, the Bolts converted seven-of-13 attempts on third down and did not allow a sack in the passing game. **QB Justin Herbert** completed 31 passes on 40 attempts (77.5 pct.) for 298 yards and three touchdowns with zero interceptions (122.7 rating). It was the fourth-best completion percentage in a Sunday night game in NFL history among players with 40 attempts and zero interceptions. He completed passes to eight different receivers.

RB Austin Ekeler totaled 123 yards from scrimmage (94 receiving, 29 rushing) and caught the 30th touchdown of his career. Herbert's second passing score went to **WR Simi Fehoko**, who registered his first career touchdown catch on the play, while his third was to **TE Donald Parham Jr.**, who set a career high with his fourth of the season. In the first quarter, Herbert completed all 11 passes for 120 yards and two touchdowns with zero interceptions (151.7 rating), the most completions in a single first quarter with zero incompletions by any Chargers QB in at least the last 30 years.

Defensively, Los Angeles picked off two passes and forced three turnovers on downs, holding Chicago to one fourth-down conversions on four attempts. **LB Eric Kendricks** led the defense with 10 tackles (nine solo), while **OLB Joey Bosa** recorded his fourth sack of the season. **S Derwin James Jr.**, and **DB Ja'Sir Taylor** recorded the interceptions, with Taylor's being the first of his career. The unit broke up seven passes, including a pair from **CB Asante Samuel Jr.**

K Cameron Dicker made all three field goals and all three PATs on the night, setting a single-game career high with 12 points scored.

EKELER THE YOUNGEST TO 30

RB Austin Ekeler led the team with 94 receiving yards and a touchdown on seven catches (13.4 avg.). He reached 30 career receiving touchdowns on his 39-yard catch-and-run in the first quarter. At 28 years, 265 days old on Sunday, Ekeler became the youngest running back to reach 30 touchdown catches.

He also is now the only running back in the Super Bowl era (since 1966) to have 30 receiving scores with the same team and is just one of seven players in NFL history to have 30 touchdowns rushing and 30 touchdown catches in a career.

YOUNGEST RUNNING BACKS TO REACH 30 CAREER RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS, NFL, SINCE 1960

Rank	Team/s	Player	Age (Years-Days)
1.	LAC	Austin Ekeler	28-165
2.	Ind./StL	Marshall Faulk*	28-294
3.	NYG	Joe Morrison	30-62
4.	Hou.**/Oak./K.C.	Billy Cannon	30-81
5.	Phi./S.F.	Brian Westbrook	31-101

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HERBERT EFFICIENT ON SUNDAY NIGHTS

QB Justin Herbert completed his first 15 passes of the game, finishing with 298 yards and three touchdowns with zero interceptions on 31-of-40 passing (77.5 pct.) to register a 122.7 passer rating. Herbert's completion percentage was the fourth-highest in a Sunday night contest in NFL history among players with at least 40 passing attempts and zero interceptions.

HIGHEST COMPLETION PCT., SUNDAY NIGHT GAME, MIN. 40 ATT. AND ZERO INTERCEPTIONS, NFL HISTORY

Rk.	Team	Game	Player	Comp. Pct.
1.	N.O.	Nov. 10, 2023 vs. Dal.	QB Drew Brees	82.9
2.	Mia.	Nov. 5, 2017 vs. Oak.	QB Jay Cutler	81.0
3.	N.O.	Oct. 4, 2015 vs. Dal.	QB Drew Brees	80.5
4.	LAC	Oct. 29, 2023 vs. Chi.	QB Justin Herbert	77.5
5.	LAC	Dec. 11, 2022 vs. Mia.	QB Justin Herbert	76.5

A DYNAMIC RECEIVING BACK

With his receiving touchdown, **RB Austin Ekeler** also is now the only running back in the Super Bowl era (since 1966) to have 30 receiving scores with the same team and is just one of seven players in NFL history to have 30 touchdowns rushing and 30 touchdown catches in a career.

RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS WITH A SINGLE TEAM, RUNNING BACKS, NFL, SUPER BOWL ERA

Rank	Team	Player	Receiving TDs
1.	Chargers	Austin Ekeler	30
2.	Eagles	Brian Westbrook	29
3.	Rams	Marshall Faulk*	27
	Bengals	James Brooks	27
	Giants	Joe Morrison	27

PLAYERS WITH 30 RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS AND 30 RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS, NFL HISTORY

Seasons	Player	Rush TDs	Rec. TDs
2017-Present	RB Austin Ekeler	35	30
2002-10	RB Brian Westbrook	41	30
1994-2005	RB Marshall Faulk*	100	36
1981-92	RB James Brooks	49	30
1958-68	RB John David Crow	38	35
1956-67	RB Lenny Moore*	63	48
1952-64	RB Frank Gifford*	34	43

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KEENAN GETS TO 10K

WR Keenan Allen hauled in a team-best eight catches for 69 yards (8.6 avg.), eclipsing 10,000 career scrimmage yards on the day. With the game marking his 133rd career regular-season appearance, Allen was the second-fastest player in franchise history to reach 10,000 scrimmage yards.

FEWEST GAMES TO 10,000 YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE, CHARGERS HISTORY

Rank	Seasons	Player	Games
1.	2001-09	RB LaDainian Tomlinson*	81
2.	2013-Present	WR Keenan Allen	133
3.	2003-18	TE Antonio Gates	179

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DEFENSE GETS HOME ON THIRD DOWN

OLB Joey Bosa registered his fourth sack of the season, which came on third-and-11 of the game's opening series to force a Chicago punt. It gave the Bolts 13 sacks on third down this season, tied for No. 2 in the NFL. The unit is averaging 1.86 sacks per game on third down in 2023, tied for the league lead.

SACKS PER GAME, THIRD DOWN, NFL, 2023

Rank	Team	Sacks per Game
1.	Los Angeles Chargers	1.86
	Green Bay Packers	1.86
3.	Kansas City Chiefs	1.75
4.	Indianapolis Colts	1.63
5.	Baltimore Ravens	1.38
	Miami Dolphins	1.38
	San Francisco 49ers	1.38