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**ARIZONA
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LOOKING AHEAD

With a Win at Arizona...

- The **49ers** would improve to 30-18 all-time against the Cardinals, including a 13-10 record on the road.
- The **Niners** would improve to 6-4 at University of Phoenix Stadium.
- The **49ers** would win their sixth out of the last seven matchups between the two clubs and 11 of 13 overall against Arizona dating back to 2009.
- **San Francisco** would move to 25-11-1 against NFC West opponents since 2009. The team's current .681 winning pct. within their division ranks 4th in the NFL during that timespan.

HIGHEST WINNING PCT. VS. OWN DIVISION (2009-15)

Team	Win	Loss	Tie	Win %
1. New England	29	8	0	.784
2. Indianapolis	28	8	0	.778
3. Green Bay	28	8	1	.770
4. San Francisco	24	11	1	.681
5. Denver	25	12	0	.676

HOW THEY'VE FARED

- In 5 career starts vs. Arz., QB **Colin Kaepernick** holds a 4-1 record with 97 completions for 1,287 yds., 9 TDs and only 1 INT. Kaepernick has also rushed for 164 yds. on 30 atts.
- In his last meeting against the Cardinals, LB **NaVorro Bowman** intercepted a pass by Cardinals QB Carson Palmer and added 1.0 sack, 1 FF and 1 FR at Arz. (12/29/13). The INT led to a 4-yd. TD pass from Kaepernick to WR **Anquan Boldin**.
- TE **Vernon Davis** needs 47 yards to become the active leader in rec. yds. against the Cardinals. In 17 career games vs. Arz., Davis has registered 55 recpts. for 820 yds. and 9 TDs.
- Last season at Arz. (9/21/14), RB **Carlos Hyde** scored the 2nd rushing TD of his career.
- LB **Aaron Lynch** sacked Cardinals QB Ryan Lindley for a 9-yd. loss vs. Arz. (12/28/14). It marked the 6th sack of his rookie season in 2014.
- In Week 17 of the 2010 season, head coach **Jim Tomsula** made his NFL head coaching debut as 49ers interim head coach, defeating the Cardinals, 38-7, at Candlestick Park.

MOST REC. YDS. VS. ARIZONA (ACTIVE PLAYERS)

Player	Yds.
1. Steve Smith Sr.	866
2. Vernon Davis	820

DIVISIONAL RANKINGS

The 49ers team success in recent years against the NFC West is no surprise considering the amount of statistics that San Francisco ranks towards the top in the NFL against divisional opponents.

Since 2009...

- The 49ers defense has allowed 3,236 yds. rushing vs. their own division, ranking 1st in the NFL over that timespan.
- The 49ers also rank 1st in the NFL in rushing yds. per game allowed vs. the NFC West, giving up only 89.9 yds. per game and allowing only 3.65 yds. per carry, which ranks 1st in the NFL.

RUSH DEFENSE VS. OWN DIVISION (2009-15)

Team	Games	Atts.	Yds.	Yds./Game
1. San Francisco	36	886	3,236	89.9
2. Seattle	37	904	3,415	92.3
3. Pittsburgh	36	900	3,406	94.6
4. Baltimore	36	948	3,464	96.2
5. Minnesota	37	958	3,779	102.1

- The Niners have only allowed 15 rushing TDs against division opponents, ranking 1st in the NFL.
- Against the NFC West, the 49ers defense has allowed an avg. of only 16.1 points per game, which ranks 2nd in the NFL.
- While limiting points against their divisional foes, the 49ers defense has racked up 105 sacks, a total that ranks 4th in the NFL for teams playing within their division.
- The 49ers have a +34 turnover differential against divisional opponents, ranking 2nd in the NFL. Part of the reason for the team's positive turnover ratio is that in 36 games against NFC West opponents since 2009, 49ers QBs have thrown 16 INTs, the fewest in the NFL over that timespan.

SACKS VS. OWN DIVISION (2009-15)

Team	Sacks
1. St. Louis	123
2. New England	119
3. Detroit	108
4. San Francisco	105
5t. Arizona	99
Minnesota	99

TURNOVER DIFFERENTIAL VS. OWN DIVISION (2009-15)

Team	Takeaways			Giveaways			Diff.
	Fum.	INTs	Total	Fum.	INTs	Total	
1. New England	31	51	82	14	23	37	+45
2. San Francisco	25	41	66	16	16	32	+34
3. Green Bay	19	59	78	26	20	46	+32
4. Baltimore	25	42	67	16	28	44	+23
5. Seattle	25	43	68	17	31	48	+20