# ARIZONA CARDINALS NOTE CARDS

Average yards per game for the Cardinals in 2020. Arizona has the NFL's #1 ranked offense. The Cardinals have 3,376 total net yards of offense this season (2,073 passing; 1,303 rushing), the highest total in franchise history through the first eight games of a season.

4 Record of the two teams - Buffalo (7-2) and Seattle (6-2) - Aizona will face in a five-day span beginning on Sunday. After facing the Bills, the Cardinals will take on the Seahawks in Seattle on Thursday Night Football.

Kyler Murray's passer rating last week vs. Miami, the highest of his career. He completed 21-of-26 pass attempts (80.8%) for 283 yards and 3 TDs. Only two QBs in the NFL had a higher passer rating in a game this season: Ryan Fitzpatrick (154.5 @ SF) and Lamar Jackson (152.1 vs. Cle).

6 NFL teams that rank in the top-10 in both points scored per game and points allowed per game this season: Arizona, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Tampa Bay, Miami and Kansas City. Those six teams have a combined 38-12 record. The Cardinals ranks #6 in points/game (29.3) and #8 in points allowed/game (22.5).

## WITH A WIN...

- Arizona would improve to 6-3 in 2020 and would be off to its best start since 2015 when the team poted a 7-2 record through nine games.
- The Cardinals would improve to 4-3 at home all-time vs. Buffalo and 2-1 at State Farm Stadium.

## MILESTONES WITHIN REACH...

#### WR LARRY FITZGERALD

- With 1 reception, Fitzgerald would have at least one catch in 252 consecutive games, extending the second-longest streak in NFL history (Jerry Rice 274). The only game in his career in which he did not have a reception was in Week 8 of 2004. In the seventh game of his rookie season playing at Buffalo in rainy and windy conditions QB Josh McCown had just nine completions, none of which went to Fitzgerald.
- With a TD reception, Fitzgerald would have 121 TD catches in his career. That would include four TD receptions in five career games vs. Buffalo.

#### WR DEANDRE HOPKINS

- With 1 reception, Hopkins would extend his streak to 119 consecutive games with at least one catch. He would have at least one reception in every game played in his NFL career.
- With 8 receptions, Hopkins (28 years, 162 days) would become the youngest player in NFL history to reach 700 career receptions. He would break the current record held by Larry Fitzgerald (29 years, 23 days).
- With 9 receptions, Hopkins (69) would establish a franchise record for catches in the first nine games of a season (Larry Fitzgerald, 68 in 2016). He was also set an NFL record for most receptions in a player's first nine games with a team (Lionel Taylor, 69 w/ Denver in 1960).

#### **QB KYLER MURRAY**

- With 2 rushing yards, Murray (545) would surpass his own franchise record for rushing yards by a QB (544 in 2019).
- With 1 rushing TD, Murray would tie the franchise record with a rushing TD in five consecutive games. He would become the first NFL QB to rush for a TD in at least five straight games since Green Bay's Tobin Rote (5) in 1956.
- With 3 TD passes, Murray would have 19 TD passes in 2020. Only Carson Palmer (23 in 2015) would have more through the first nine games of a season.
- With both a rushing and passing TD, Murray <u>would establish an NFL record for</u> <u>consecutive games with a passing and rushing TD (5)</u>. Just nine games into 2020, he would also tie the NFL single-season record for most games with both a passing and rushing TD (8).
- With 148 passing yards and 13 rushing yards, Murray would become the first player in NFL history with 7,000+ passing yards and 1,100+ rushing yards in their first 25 career games.

#### LB HAASON REDDICK

With 1.0 sack, Reddick would extend his career high to 6.0 sacks in 2020. It would also give him 4.0 sacks in the last four games.

#### <u>WR CHRISTIAN KIRK</u>

- With 1 TD reception, Kirk would have seven TD catches in 2020 and six TD catches in his last four games. He would have more TD receptions in eight games played this season (7) than he had in his first two seasons combined (6, 2018-19).
- With 2 TD receptions, Kirk would have seven TD catches in the last four games.

#### LB MARKUS GOLDEN

With 1.0 sack, Golden would have at least 1.0 sack in three consecutive games dating back to his final game with the Giants (Week 7 @ Philly). It would also give him a sack in each of his last three games played with the Cardinals: last week vs. Miami (1.0) and on 12/16/18 at Atlanta.

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**WEEK 10** 

A RECORD-BREAKING PACE IN THE FIRST HALF

QB **Kyler Murray** has completed 190-of-279 pass attempts for 2,130 yards and 16 TDs this season, while also rushing for 543 yards and eight TDs on 76 carries (7.1 avg.).

#### His current pace has him finishing with: 4,260 passing yards and 32 TDs

1,086 rushing yards and 16 TDs

Murray is the first player in NFL history to throw for 2,000+ yards and rush for 500+ yards in the first eight games of a season. He is on pace to become the first player in league history with 4,000+ passing yards and 1,000+ rushing yards in a season.



While the record-breaking yardage and TD totals have gotten most of the attention, *Murray is also on pace for the highest single-season completion percentage* and second-highest single-season passer rating in Cardinals history. The second-year pro has completed <u>68.1% percent</u> of his pass attempts in 2020 and has a passer rating of 99.3.

| Team Record - Completion % (Season) |                      |                    | Team Record - Passer Rating (Season) |                      |       |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| <u>Rnk</u>                          | Player (Year)        | <u>Pct</u><br>67.1 | Rnk                                  | Player (Year)        | Rate  |
| 1                                   | Kurt Warner (2008)   | 67.1               | 1                                    | Carson Palmer (2015) | 104.6 |
| 2                                   | Kurt Warner (2009)   | 66.1               | 2                                    | Kurt Warner (2008)   | 96.9  |
| 3                                   | Kurt Warner (2005)   | 64.5               | 3                                    | Carson Palmer (2014) | 95.6  |
| 4                                   | Kyler Murray (2019)  | 64.4               | 4                                    | Kurt Warner (2009)   | 93.2  |
| 5                                   | Carson Palmer (2015) | 63.7               | 5                                    | Neil Lomax (1984)    | 92.5  |

Both totals have shot up significantly in the last five games. He had a passer rating of 90+ in all five contests, including four games with a 100+ rating. He has also completed at least 70 percent of his pass attempts in four of the last five outings.

#### TWO TOP-5 WIDEOUTS IN WEEK 10

There are just three receivers in the NFL this season that have at least 60 receptions and 700 receiving yards. Two will be on the field at State Farm Stadium on Sunday. Cards WR **DeAndre Hopkins** is currently tied for third in the NFL in receptions (60) and fifth in receiving yards (734) while having played in just 8 games. Bills WR **Stefon Diggs** leads the NFL in both receptions (63) and receiving yards (813) in 9 games.

| <u>Rnk</u><br>1<br>2<br><b>3t</b><br>3t<br>3t<br>3t | Leaders - Receptions (2020<br><u>Player (Team)</u><br>Stefon Diggs (Buf)<br>Keenan Allen (LAC)<br><u>DeAndre Hopkins (AZ)</u><br>Robby Anderson (Car)<br>Alvin Kamara (NO) | <u>Rec</u><br>63<br>62<br>60<br>60<br>60                | <u>Gms</u><br>9<br>8<br>8<br>9<br>8        | HOPKINS AIMING FOR THE LEAD<br>Although he has never led the NFL<br>in receptions or receiving yards in<br>a season, Hopkins finished 2 <sup>nd</sup> in<br>the NFL in receiving yards (1,572) in<br>2018 and has twice finished 3 <sup>rd</sup> in re-<br>ceptions (115 in 2018; 111 in 2015). |
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| NFL I<br><u>Rnk</u><br>1<br>2<br>3<br>4<br><b>5</b> | Leaders - Receiving Yards (<br><u>Player (Team)</u><br>Stefon Diggs (Buf)<br>DK Metcalf (Sea)<br>Travis Kelce (KC)<br>Robby Anderson (Car)<br>DeAndre Hopkins (AZ)         | (2020)<br><u>Yds</u><br>813<br>788<br>769<br>751<br>734 | <u>Gms</u><br>9<br>8<br>9<br>9<br><b>8</b> | -He led the AFC in receptions in 2018<br>(115) and tied for the AFC lead in<br>2019 (104).<br>He led the AFC in receiving yards in<br>2018 (1,572).   |

#### AN ACCOMPLISHED VET JOINS THE SECONDARY

On Wednesday (11/11), the Cardinals signed CB **Johnathan Joseph**, a two-time Pro Bowl selection who is in his 15<sup>th</sup> NFL season in 2020. Below are a few facts about Joseph's career:

• His 32 career INTs rank 3<sup>rd</sup> among active players behind only Richard Sherman (35) and Tramon Williams (34).

His 199 passes defensed since 2011 lead the NFL.

• His 8 defensive TDs and 7 INT return TDs both rank 2<sup>nd</sup> among active players behind only Janoris Jenkins (9 TD; 7 INT). Joseph's last NFL TD came on a 28-yard INT return off Bills QB Nathan Peterman on 10/14/18.