ARIZONA CARDINALS NOTE CARDS

158.5 Combined career sacks for Cardinals DE Chandler Jones (69.5) and Broncos LB Von Miller (89.0). Dating back to Jones' first year in AZ in 2016, he leads the NFL with 33.5 sacks. Miller ranks second with 29.0.

Takeaways for the Cardinals defense over the last two games (3 INTs, 4 FR). That is the most in the NFL over the last two weeks (Week 5-6). Arizona has recorded two defensive TDs (both fumble returns) and 28 total points off those seven takeaways.



Cardinals rookies who lead the NFL in key categories this season. WR Christian Kirk leads all NFL rookie WRs with 25 receptions and free agent rookie LB Zeke Turner leads the NFL with eight special teams tackles.

5 Receiving yards needed by WR Larry Fitzgerald to pass Hall of Fame WR Terrell Owens (15,934) for second place on the NFL's all-time receiving yardage list. Fitzgerald is also 26 receptions shy of passing HOFer Jerry Rice (1,281) for most receptions in NFL history with a single team.

WITH A WIN...

- The Cardinals would have their second-ever win over the Broncos and will have won two straight at home against Denver.
- Arizona would have as many primetime victories in the last six seasons (10) as the team did in the previous 36 years combined.

MILESTONES WITHIN REACH...

WR LARRY FITZGERALD

- With a catch, Fitzgerald would have at least one reception in 218 consecutive games, the second-longest streak in NFL history behind only Jerry Rice (274). He would have at least one catch in 224 of 225 career games.
- With 25 receiving yards, Fitzgerald would pass Marvin Harrison (7,180 at RCA Dome) for the third-most receiving yards in a single stadium in NFL history.
- With a TD reception, Fitzgerald would have 111 TD catches in his career. That would tie Tony Gonzalez for seventh place on the NFL's all-time list for career receiving TDs.
- With a TD reception, Fitzgerald would have his first career TD catch against the Broncos, leaving the Jets, Ravens and Steelers as the only teams he does not have a TD reception against during the regular season.
- With a TD reception from Rosen, Fitzgerald would have at least one TD catch from 15 different QBs in his NFL career.

RB DAVID JOHNSON

- With a TD (of any kind), Johnson would have 40 TDs in 40 career games played. That total would include 34 TDs in his last 31 games. Johnson would reach 40 career TDs in 13 fewer games than any other player in franchise history. The current record is 53 games by John David Crow.
- With a TD (of any kind), Johnson would have 10 TDs in his last six primetime games.
- With a TD (of any kind), Johnson would have at least one TD in five consecutive games. That would represent the longest streak of his career and tie the third-longest streak in franchise history behind John David Crow (7 straight in 1959-60) and Anguan Boldin (6 straight in 2008).

DE CHANDLER JONES

- With a sack, Jones would have at least one sack in 28 of 39 games with the Cardinals. It would give him 34.5 total sacks in 39 games with Arizona.
- With a sack, Jones would have at least one sack in five consecutive games, tying the second-longest streak in franchise history. It would mark the third time Jones has posted a streak of five straight games with a sack during his time with the Cardinals.

CB PATRICK PETERSON

With an INT, Peterson would have 23 INTs in his career. Only seven players in team history would have more.

WR CHRISTIAN KIRK

With five receptions, Kirk would become just the third rookie in franchise history with 30+ receptions through their first seven career games, joining Anquan Boldin (42 in 2003) and Gern Nagler (30 in 1953).

TE RICKY SEALS-JONES

With a TD reception, Jones would have five TD catches in his career. Only two TEs in franchise history would have more in their first two NFL seasons: Rob Awalt (10, 1987-88) and Jackie Smith (6, 1963-64).

DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWN

Combined with fumble return TDs in Weeks 5 and 6 (23-yard return by Josh Bynes @ SF; 36-yard return by Budda Baker @ Min) the Cardinals would have a defensive TD in three consecutive games for the first time since Games 14-16 of the 2001 season (INT-FR-INT).



CARDINALS IN PRIMETIME

This week the Cardinals host the Denver Broncos on Thursday Night Football at State Farm Stadium. This will be Arizona's first primetime appearance of the season and 16th in the last six seasons.

<u>Arizona enter this week's game with a 9-5-1 record in its last</u> <u>15 primetime contests between 2013-17. The Cardinals had</u> <u>10 total primetime wins in the 36 seasons prior.</u>



The Cardinals matchup against the Broncos marks Arizona's ninth Thursday Night game dating back to 1995. The Cardi-

nals have won three of their last four TNF appearances. This week's game will mark the second-ever primetime meeting between the Cardinals and Broncos (MNF during the 2001 season).

DAVID THRIVES AT NIGHT

RB **David Johnson** will make his 10th career appearance in primetime when the Cardinals host the Broncos on Thursday Night Football. In the previous nine, he had 763 yards and nine TDs on 151 carries and 32 receptions for 273 yards and a TD. Arizona posted a 7-1-1 record in those games.



Johnson has nine TDs (all rushing) in his last five appearances in primetime.

In two-career games on Thursday Night Football, Johnson has rushed for two TDs and 249 yards, including 157 yards against the 49ers in 2016.

In six career primetime starts dating back to his rookie season in 2015, Johnson has averaged 124.8 rushing yards per game, the most among NFL RBs with at least five primetime starts during that stretch.

NFLI	Leaders – Rushir	rimeT	imeTime Starts (Since 2015						
Rnk	Player	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Yds/G	
1 2 3 4	David Johnson	6	146	749	5.1	58	9	124.8	
2	Kareem Hunt	8	160	845	5.3	58	3	105.6	
3	Ezekiel Elliott	10	214	984	4.6	55	6	98.4	
4	Le'Veon Bell	9	172	845	4.9	44	6	93.9	

5 Carlos Hyde 7 151 649 4.3 22 10 92.7 *Stat among NFL RBs with at least five primetime starts since 2015

DEFENSE TAKING IT AWAY

In the Cardinals Week 5 victory at San Francisco, Arizona's defense forced five takeaways (2 INT, 3 FR) in a 28-18 win over the 49ers. The Cardinals scored 21 of their 28 points off those turnovers, including a 23-yard fumble return TD in the fourth quarter by LB **Josh Bynes**.

Last week at Minnesota, the Cards defense recorded two more takeaways (INT, FR), including a fumble recovery by S **Budda Baker** that he returned 36 yards for a TD.

<u>Arizona's seven takeaways are the most in the NFL in the</u> <u>last two weeks (Weeks 5-6)</u>. Below is a look at Arizona's defensive output the last two games:

Arizona Defense in Weeks 5-6 <u>Takeaways</u> <u>INT</u> <u>FF</u> <u>FR</u> <u>TDs</u> <u>Sack</u> <u>TFL</u> <u>PD</u> 7 3 4 4 2 (2 FR) 8.0 15 17

Baker's 36-yard TD return last week, combined with Bynes' 23-yard return in Week 5. gave the Cardinals fumble recovery TDs in back-to-back games for the first time since 2010 (Cards accomplished feat twice that season).

