- Cardinals ranking in total offense this season (376.8 ypg). Arizona had the NFL's #32 ranked offense in 2018. The Cards have the same number of scoring drives in six games this season (28) as they had through 13 games in 2018.
- Rushing yards for RB Chase Edmonds in his final game at Fordham University. In that contest, Edmonds ran for 185 yards and two TDs on 28 carries against Bucknell on 11/18/17. That game was held at Jack Coffey Field in the Bronx, just 18 miles from MetLife Stadium.
- Average passing yards allowed per snap by CB Patrick Peterson last season, according to ProFootball-Reference.com. That was the lowest total among all NFL defenders in 2018. Peterson is set to make his season debut for Arizona on Sunday.
  - Consecutive games in which RB David Johnson has recorded 60+ receiving yards. The last Arizona RB to have 60+ receiving yards in at least four consecutive games was Larry Centers, who did so in the final four contests of the 1993 season.



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# WITH A WIN.

- Arizona would have three consecutive wins and four wins in the last five matchups against the Giants. It would mark the Cardinals longest winning streak against New York since the team took seven straight from 1974-77.
- The Cardinals would improve to 2-1 all-time at MetLife Stadium and 2-0 against the Giants at the venue, which opened in 2010.
- The Cardinals would have three straight wins for the first time since 2015.

# MILESTONES WITHIN REACH...

## **WR LARRY FITZGERALD**

- With a reception, Fitzgerald would have at least one catch in 234 consecutive games, extending the second-longest streak in NFL history (HOF WR Jerry Rice - 274).
- With a TD reception, Fitzgerald would have 119 career TD catches. MetLife Stadium would become the 28<sup>th</sup> different NFL venue in which he had at least one TD catch. Only Jerry Rice (33) and Randy Moss (32) would have a TD catch in more different venues.
- With 100 receiving yards, Fitzgerald would have 50 career 100-yard games during the regular season. He would have four career 100-yard outings against the Giants, including three in the last four meetings.

#### LB TERRELL SUGGS

- With a sack, Suggs would have 137.5 career sacks, tying Hall of Fame defenders John Randle and Richard Dent for ninth place on the NFL's all-time sacks list.
- With a sack, Giants QB Daniel Jones would become the 75th different QB Suggs has sacked in his career. In NFL history, only Reggie White (77), Julius Peppers (77) and Bruce Smith (76) would have sacked more different QBs than Suggs.
- With two sacks, Suggs would tie DeMarcus Ware (138.5) for eighth place on the NFL's all-time sacks list.

#### B CHANDLER JONES

With a sack, Jones would have 46.5 sacks as a member of the Cardinals. Giants QB Daniel Jones would become the 41st different QB Jones has sacked in his

## <u>QB KYLER MURRAY</u>

- With nine completions, Murray (162) would establish a new NFL record for completions in a player's first seven career games. Nick Foles (161 in 2012)
- With two TD passes, Murray would tie Jim Hart (9 in 1966-67) for the most TD passes in franchise history in a player's first seven career games.
- With 300 passing yards, Murray would become the first rookie in NFL history to throw for 300+ yards four times in his first seven career games. He would join Kansas City's Patrick Mahomes (5) as the only players in NFL history with at least four 300-yard outings in their first seven career games.

### **RB DAVID JOHNSON**

- With a receiving TD, Johnson would become just the fifth player in NFL history with at least 30 rushing TDs and 15 receiving TDs in his first five seasons. He would join Marcus Allen, Thurman Thomas, Chuck Foreman and Abner Haynes as the only players to accomplish the feat.
- With two TDs (of any kind), Johnson would have 50 TDs in 56 career games. Former RB John David Crow (66 games) holds the current franchise record for fewest games to 50 career TDs.
- With 100+ yards from scrimmage, Johnson would have at least 100 scrimmage yards in four consecutive outings - and in five of seven games this season.

# <u>LB JORDAN HICKS</u>

With seven tackles, Hicks would become the first AZ defender with 70+ tackles through the first seven games since LB Ronald McKinnon (74) in 2000.

## MURRAY WINS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

QB Kyler Murray was named "NFC Offensive Player of the Week" for his performance in last Sunday's 34-33 victory over the Falcons. He became just the second Cardinals rookie ever to be chosen as "Offensive Player of the Week" and the first since RB Ronald Moore in 1993 (Weeks 14 & 17).

He became the ninth rookie in Cardinals history to be selected as Player of the Week and the first since David Johnson (Special Teams, Week 2) in 2015.

Murray completed 27-of-37 pass attempts (72.9%) for 340 yards, three TDs and a 128.2 passer rating in the win. His 128.2 passer rating is the highest by a rookie QB in the NFL this season and he became the first rookie QB to throw for at least three TDs in a game in 2019.

# RELYING HEAVILY ON THE ROOKIE

Murray's statistics in 2019 bear out just how much the Cardinals have relied on their rookie signal-caller so far this season. He has:

**238** pass attempts (tied for 4<sup>th</sup> in the NFL)

**153** completions (tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> in the NFL)

**1,664** passing yards (9<sup>th</sup> in the NFL)

39 rush attempts (3rd among starting QBs)

238 rushing vards (2<sup>nd</sup> among starting QBs)

2 rushing TDs (tied for 5th among starting QBs) Murray and Houston's Deshaun Watson (201 pass attempts; 32 rushes) were the only QBs in the NFL with 200+ pass attempts and 30+ rushing attempts through Week 6.

### **MURRAY AND MURPHY LEAD ROOKIES IN SNAPS**

Murray - who leads all NFL rookies in offensive snaps (425) this season - isn't the only rookie the Cardinals have relied heavily on. CB **Byron Murphy** (selected with the 33<sup>rd</sup> overall pick in the 2019) leads all NFL rookies with 412 defensive snaps.

# RELIEVING THE PRESSURE YIELDS GREAT RESULTS

The Cardinals offensive output the last two weeks - which includes 956 total yards - has coincided with a sharp drop in pressure behind the line of scrimmage.

In the last two games, Arizona has allowed:

1 sack (20 in 1st 4 games) 5 sack yards lost (134 in 1st 4 games) 3 total negative plays 7 total QB pressures (50 in 1st 4 games) 8.49 QB pressure % (23.6% in 1st 4 games)

That has allowed Arizona's offense to produce:

956 total yards (368 rushing, 588 passing)
22 big plays (runs of 10+ yds; receptions of 20+ yds)
11 big play runs (10 in 1st 4 games)
11 big play passes (14 in 1st 4 games)
60 points (including 6 TDs)
46 1st downs (17 rushing, 29 passing)



# APPLYING FORCE TO OPPOSING QBS

Arizona has forced an NFL-high 12 fumbles in 2019. Sunday's opponent - the NY Giants - have fumbled 12 times, which is tied for the second-highest total in NFL behind only Minnesota (15).

The Cardinals defense ranks second in the NFL with seven "strip sacks" of opposing QBs through six games - with LBs Terrell Suggs (3) and Chandler Jones (3) accounting for six of the seven. Giants QBs have fumbled five times this season, including three fumbles by rookie Daniel Jones.

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