



ARIZONA CARDINALS NOTE CARDS

126 Consecutive sellouts at State Farm Stadium (including preseason and postseason). Arizona has sold out every game played at the venue since it opened in 2006. A sellout of this week's regular season opener would make #127.

2 Offensive starters for the Cardinals in 2018 (WR Larry Fitzgerald and TE Ricky Seals-Jones) who started in the game at Washington in Week 15 last season. On Sunday, it will have been eight months, 23 days since the two teams last met.

24 New players on the Cardinals 53-man roster (45.3%). That total includes 15 veterans, five draft picks and four rookie free agents.

8 Different coaching jobs for Arizona head coach Steve Wilks during an eight-year span between 1999-2006. That includes stops at Savannah State, Illinois State, Appalachian State, East Tennessee State, Bowling Green, Notre Dame, the University of Washington and his first NFL job with the Bears.

WEEK 1



WASHINGTON
REDSKINS

VS



ARIZONA
CARDINALS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

WITH A WIN...

- Arizona would improve to 10-3 in regular season home openers at State Farm Stadium, which opened in 2006.
- Arizona would have four wins in its last five home games dating back to last season, including victories in three straight.
- The Cardinals would push their home win streak vs. Washington to three straight dating back to 2014.

MILESTONES WITHIN REACH...

WR LARRY FITZGERALD

- With a catch, Fitzgerald would have at least one reception in 212 consecutive games, the second-longest streak in NFL history behind only Jerry Rice (274). Fitzgerald enters this week's game tied with TE Tony Gonzalez (211) for the second-longest streak.
- 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 from QB Sam Bradford, Fitzgerald would have caught a TD pass from 15 different QBs in his career.
- With eight receiving yards, Fitzgerald (currently with 982 yards, 8 TDs) would become just the fifth player in NFL history with 1,000+ receiving yards and 8+ TD catches in season-openers. He would join a list that includes four Hall of Famers: Jerry Rice (1,385; 9), Andre Reed (1,225; 10), Randy Moss (1,194; 10) and Don Maynard (1,025; 9).

RB DAVID JOHNSON

- With a TD (of any kind), Johnson would have 34 total TDs in 34 career games played. That would tie Larry Fitzgerald (34; 2004-07) for the most TDs in franchise history in a player's first four seasons. In NFL history, only six players (Jim Brown, Gale Sayers, Abner Haynes, Edgerrin James, Marcus Allen and Eric Dickerson) would have more TDs in their first 34 career games.
- With 100 yards rushing, Johnson would become the first Cardinals player since Edgerrin James (100) in 2008 to rush for 100+ yards in a season-opener.

QB SAM BRADFORD

- With 300+ passing yards, Bradford would have 300+ yards in each of his last three Week 1 starts - doing so with three different teams (2015-Philly; 2017-Minnesota).

LB CHANDLER JONES

- With a sack, Jones would become the first player in franchise history with a sack in three consecutive season-openers. He would have at least one sack in six of the last seven games dating back to last season and in 23 of 33 total games played with the Cardinals.

CB PATRICK PETERSON

- Enters this week's contest having started all 112 games in his first seven NFL seasons and will start his eighth consecutive season opener. Peterson is the only Cardinals player to start at least 100 consecutive games to begin his career. Among active NFL DBs, only the Ravens Brandon Carr (160) and Lions Glover Quin (132) entered the season with more consecutive starts than Peterson.

K PHIL DAWSON

- With one FG, Dawson would have 437 career FGs and sit alone in eighth place on the NFL's all-time list.

C MASON COLE

- With a start for the Cardinals on Sunday vs. Washington, Cole will have started 105 consecutive games in a streak that dates back to his freshman year of high school. Cole made 51 consecutive starts at Michigan, becoming the first true freshman in school history to start a season-opener on the offensive line.

A NEW NAME FOR THE NEST

On Tuesday, the Cardinals and State Farm announced an 18-year naming rights commitment that results in the team's home venue becoming State Farm Stadium.

"We were intent on finding a relationship that was an ideal fit with our organization and this community in terms of values, priorities and culture," said Cardinals President Michael Bidwill. "With State Farm, we absolutely did that."

Arizona is home to one of three of State Farm regional hubs. State Farm is an active member of the local community employing approximately 7,000 individuals.

Since it opened in 2006, the stadium has become one of the most iconic and well-known landmarks in the state of Arizona. The building has hosted some of the most incredible and unforgettable sporting events in America. In addition to sold-out Cardinals games and the Fiesta Bowl annually, the multi-purpose facility has also hosted two Super Bowls, the 2015 Pro Bowl, three college football national championship games and the NCAA men's basketball Final Four in 2017. It was recently selected to host Super Bowl LVII in 2023 and the Final Four again in 2024. In addition, State Farm Stadium will host a College Football Playoff semifinal game three times between now and 2026.



FIRST OVERALL PICKS COLLIDING

In the first two weeks of the 2018 regular season, three games will feature matchups between QBs taken No. 1 overall in the NFL Draft. The Cardinals - and QB Sam Bradford - will be involved in two of those games.

On Sunday, Bradford (selected #1 overall in 2010) goes head-to-head with Washington's Alex Smith (selected #1 overall in 2005). Both QBs are making their first start with their respective teams. Arizona signed Bradford as a free agent in the offseason and Washington acquired Smith via a trade with the Chiefs.

There are currently nine QBs taken with the #1 overall pick active in the NFL. After facing Smith this week, Bradford will face Rams QB Jared Goff (selected #1 overall in 2016) in Week 2. Bradford and Goff are the only two QBs selected No. 1 overall by the Rams since the inception of the common draft in 1967.

Active QBs Drafted 1st Overall

Draft Yr	Quarterback	Team
2018	Baker Mayfield	Cleveland
2016	Jared Goff	Los Angeles
2015	Jameis Winston	Tampa Bay
2012	Andrew Luck	Indianapolis
2011	Cam Newton	Carolina
2010	Sam Bradford	St. Louis
2009	Matthew Stafford	Detroit
2005	Alex Smith	San Francisco
2004	Eli Manning	NY Giants



A NOISY VENUE IN ARIZONA

The intensity created by sellout crowds at State Farm Stadium has proven difficult for opposing teams. *Dating back to the inaugural year at the venue in 2006, Cards opponents have accumulated 158 accepted false start penalties in the regular season.* That is the most for any home team in the NFL during that span.

NFL Leaders - Opponent False Start Penalties (2006-Present)

Rnk	Home Team	FS	Stadium
1	Cardinals	158	State Farm Stadium
2t	Vikings	141	U.S. Bank Stadium/Metrodome/TCF Bank
2t	Seahawks	141	CenturyLink Field
4	Lions	139	Ford Field
5	Eagles	132	Lincoln Financial Field