ARIZONA CARDINALS NOTE CARDS

18.0 Sacks for DL J.J. Watt in 15 career games vs. the Titans. The All-Pro also has 25 tackles for loss, 38 QB hits, 9 forced fumbles, 2 fumble recoveries and 9 passes defensed against his former division rival. Watt's sack, TFL, QB hit and forced fumble totals vs. the Titans are more than he has against any other opponent.

Consecutive season-openers in which LB Chandler Jones has at least one sack. The All-Pro has a sack in every opener he has played with Arizona.

Receiving yards for WR DeAndre Hopkins in 13 career games against Tennessee. His 83 receptions and 1,313 receiving yards are more than he has against any other opponent in his career. Hopkins has seven 100-yard receiving performances against the Titans, including four in his last six outings vs. the team.

2 Combined rushing TDs of 20+ yards for Cardinals RB Chase Edmonds (5) and Titans RB Derrick Henry (7) over the last two seasons (2019-20). Edmonds and Henry are the only two RBs in the NFL with at least five TD runs of 20+ yards during that span.

WITH A WIN...

- Arizona would improve to 8-4 all-time vs. the Titans and 5-2 on the road.
- The Cardinals would push their winning streak vs. Tennessee to three games, which would match the longest winning streak in the history of the series for either team (Cards won three straight from 1970-79). Arizona would also improve to 4-1 in its last five games vs. the Titans.
- The Cardinals would have Week 1 road wins in back-to-back seasons for the first time since 1972-73. Arizona took down the 49ers in San Francisco in the 2020 season-opener.

MILESTONES WITHIN REACH...

QB KYLER MURRAY

- With a rushing TD, Murray would have 16 rushing TDs in his career (33 games). That would tie Jim Hart (16 rushing TDs in 199 games) for the most in franchise history by a QB.
- With both a passing and rushing TD, Murray would have 11 career games with both a passing and rushing TD. That would tie Jim Hart (11 in 199 games) for the most in franchise history.
- With 300+ passing yards, Murray would have nine career 300-yard games. He would also have his second 300-yard outing in a season-opener, joining Carson Palmer (3 times) as the only QBs in team history to throw for 300+ yards in multiple season-openers.

WR DEANDRE HOPKINS

- With a reception, Hopkins would extend his streak to 127 straight games with a catch. He would have at least one reception in every game played in his NFL career.
- With 100+ receiving yards, Hopkins would have eight career 100-yard outings vs. the Titans. He would have 100+ receiving yards in three straight - and in five of his last six - visits to Nissan Stadium.
- With 100+ receiving yards, Hopkins would reach the century mark in a season-opener for the third consecutive year. Hopkins and Ravens WR Marquise Brown are the only players with 100+ receiving yards in each of the last two season-openers (2019-20).
- With a TD reception, Hopkins would have eight TD catches in nine career Week 1 games.

DL J.J. WATT

- With a sack, Watt would have 102.0 sacks in his career. Only five players in NFL history (Reggie White, Bruce Smith, DeMarcus Ware, Jared Allen and Lawrence Taylor) would have more sacks in their first 129 career games.
- With a sack, Watt would have 19.0 sacks in 16 career games against the Titans. Among active players, only Cameron Jordan (21.0 vs. Atlanta) would have more sacks against a single opponent.
- With two sacks, Watt (103.0) would pass Jim Jeffcoat (102.5) for 30th place on the NFL's all-time sacks list.

WR A.J. GREEN

With 100+ receiving yards, Green would have 34 career 100-yard games including three in five career outings vs. Tennessee. He would also hit the century mark in a season-opener for the first time since 2016 (180 vs. NYJ).

LB CHANDLER JONES

- With a sack, Jones would have at least one sack in all six season-openers since joining the Cardinals in 2016. It would also give Jones 5.0 sacks in four career games against the Titans and at least one sack in all four contests.
- With a sack, Jones would have 98.0 sacks in his career. He enters the game with 97.0 sacks, the most in the NFL dating back to his rookie season in 2012. A sack on Sunday would also give Jones 62.0 sacks in 70 career games with Arizona.

KYLER RETURNS TO MUSIC CITY

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QB **Kyler Murray** has never played a game against the Titans or in the state of Tennessee but Nashville is special place for the third-year signal-caller.

On Sunday, it will have been 872 days since Murray was last in Nashville when he became the #1 overall pick in the 2019 NFL Draft. The event was held downtown with the main stage located on First and Broadway.



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It was there where he walked out on the stage, sporting Cardinals gear for the first time. "It was a great night," Murray said, "but it definitely seems like a long time ago."

After taking home NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year (2019) and Pro Bowl (2020) honors in his first two NFL seasons, Murray begins year three leading the Cardinals against the Titans at Nissan Stadium, located just over a mile from where he got drafted back in 2019.

BIG-TIME RECEIVING TRIO IN WEEK 1

Three of the NFL's top-5 active receiving leaders will share the field at Nissan Stadium on Sunday.

The trio of **DeAndre Hopkins**, A.J. Green and Julio Jones have combined for 2,244 receptions, 32,335 receiving yards and 185 TDs in their careers. They have also accounted for 19 Pro Bowl selections and 19 seasons of 1,000+ receiving yards.



Rnk	Player (Rookie Year)	Yards	Gms	Yds/G
1	Julio Jones (2011)	12,896	135	95.5
2	Antonio Brown (2010)	11,746	139	84.5
3	DeSean Jackson (2008)	10,656	160	66.6
4	DeAndre Hopkins (2013)	10,009	126	79.4
5	A.J. Green (2011)	9,430	127	74.3

A RARE ROAD START AGAINST THE AFC

• Sunday's game will mark the first time since 1997 (@ Cincinnati) the Cardinals opened a season on the road against an AFC opponent.

• Arizona is looking for its first Week 1 <u>road win</u> vs. an AFC opponent since 1985 (@ Cleveland). The Cardinals are also looking to open a season with a win vs. an AFC opponent for the first time since 2014 (home vs. San Diego).

CARDS NAME CAPTAINS

Earlier this week the Cardinals unveiled the nine players - as voted on by teammates - who who will serve as team captains in 2021.

Offense (4): DeAndre Hopkins, D.J. Humphries, Rodney Hudson, Kyler Murray Defense (4): Chandler Jones, J.J. Watt, Budda Baker, Jordan Hicks Special Teams (1): Dennis Gardeck

Each of the Cardinals team captains has now earned the honor multiple times in their career.

Of the Cardinals captains, eight served in the role last season. That includes six (Humphries, Murray, Jones, Baker, Hicks and Gardeck) who were captains in Arizona and Hudson (Las Vegas) and Watt (Houston) who were captains with their former teams.



