

# POSTGAME NOTES

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## LOS ANGELES CHARGERS at PITTSBURGH STEELERS



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### CHARGERS FALL TO STEELERS, 20-10

The Los Angeles Chargers fell to the Pittsburgh Steelers, 20-10, at Acrisure Stadium on Sunday.

TEAM	1	2	3	4	OT	F
L.A. Chargers	7	3	0	0	—	10
Pittsburgh	0	7	3	10	—	20

**QB Justin Herbert** completed 12-of-18 passes (66.7 pct.) for 125 yards and one touchdown for a passer rating of 105.1. **QB Taylor Heinicke** was 2-for-2 passing for 24 yards and a passer rating of 116.7.

**RB J.K. Dobbins** led the Chargers ground attack with 44 yards on 15 carries (2.9 avg.) while also catching three passes for 10 yards.

**WR Quentin Johnston** scored the Bolts' lone touchdown on a 27-yard reception in the first quarter, marking the first time in his career that he has scored in back-to-back games. Rookie **WR Ladd McConkey** led the chargers in receiving yards with 44 on three receptions (14.7 avg.).

Defensively, **LB Daiyan Henley** led the defense with 12 (nine solo), 1.0 tackle for loss, and one pass defensed. Sunday marked the second-year player's first career 10-plus tackle game. **S Derwin James Jr.** added eight tackles (five solo), 1.0 sack and 2.0 tackles for loss while **OLB Khalil Mack** tallied five tackles (two solo), 1.0 sack and 1.0 tackle for loss. **OLB Bud Dupree**, the 22nd overall pick by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 2015 NFL Draft, added two tackles (one solo), one interception and one pass defensed.

### COMPLETING RECORDS

On his 11th completion of the day, **QB Justin Herbert** reached 1,655 for his career and surpass Ryan Tannehill (1,653) and Matt Ryan (1,654) for the third-most by any quarterback in the first five seasons of a career in NFL history. The completion was a one-yard shovel pass to **RB J.K. Dobbins** in the second quarter. He heads into Week 4 with 1,656 completions.

#### COMPLETIONS, FIRST FIVE SEASONS, NFL HISTORY

Rank	Team	Player	Completions
1.	Oak.	QB Derek Carr	1,759
2.	Ind.	QB Peyton Manning*	1,749
3.	LAC	<b>QB Justin Herbert</b>	<b>1,656</b>
4.	Atl.	QB Matt Ryan	1,654
5.	Mia.	QB Ryan Tannehill	1,653
6.	N.E.	QB Drew Bledsoe	1,624
7.	Buf.	QB Josh Allen	1,604
8.	Ind.	QB Andrew Luck	1,570

\*Pro Football Hall of Famer

## THREADING THE NEEDLE ON THIRD DOWN

QB Justin Herbert and WR Quentin Johnston connected twice on third down in the first half - both times for scores. Since 2020, Herbert has been one of the most effective passers on third down ranking in the top-five in completions (XX), passing yards (XX) and passing touchdowns (xx) at the conclusion of the 1 pm ET games.

### THIRD DOWN COMPLETIONS, NFL, SINCE 2020

Rank	Team/s	Player	Completions
1.	LAC	QB Justin Herbert	391
2.	LAR/Det.	QB Jared Goff	364
3.	K.C.	QB Patrick Mahomes	359
4.	L.V./N.O.	QB Derek Carr	347
5.	Min./Atl.	QB Kirk Cousins	339

### THIRD DOWN PASSING YARDS, NFL, SINCE 2020

Rank	Team	Player	Passing Yards
1.	K.C.	QB Patrick Mahomes	4,979
2.	LAC	QB Justin Herbert	4,686
3.	L.V./N.O.	QB Derek Carr	4,645
4.	LAR/Det.	QB Jared Goff	4,159
5.	Det./LAR	QB Matthew Stafford	4,136

### THIRD DOWN PASSING TOUCHDOWNS, NFL, SINCE 2020

Rank	Team/s	Player	Passing Touchdowns
1.	K.C.	QB Patrick Mahomes	52
2.	LAC	QB Justin Herbert	43
3.	Min./Atl.	QB Kirk Cousins	41
4.	Buf.	QB Josh Allen	39
	T.B.	QB Tom Brady	39

## DOBBINS HITS CENTURY MARK, AGAIN

RB J.K. Dobbins ran for XX yards and one touchdown on XX carries (AVG).

He is the fifth player since the merger, first since 2006 to run for 130-plus yards in the first two weeks of a season, joining Warrick Dunn, Garrison Hearst, Billy Simms and O.J. Simpson.

He is the first Chargers running back ever to have back-to-back 100-yard rushing performances to begin a season and is the first player in the AFC since Arian Foster did so in 2014.

Dobbins' scored on a 43-yard touchdown run in the second quarter, his third run of at least 43 yards this season. He is the first player since Jamal Lewis (2003) with three runs of 43 yards to open a season.

### CONSECUTIVE 130-YARD RUSHING GAMES WEEKS 1-2, SINCE 1970

Season	Team	Player	Rush Yards
2023	LAC	RB J.K.Scott	266
2006	ATL	RB Warrick Dunn	266
1998	SF	RB Garrison Hearst	325
1980	DET	RB Billy Simms	287
1975	BUF	RB O.J. Simpson	400

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WR Quentin Johnston hauled in two touchdown receptions in the first half of the game. Johnston is the first player this season and the first Charger since TE Donald Parham Jr. (9/24/23 at Min.) to record two touchdown receptions in the opening half of a game.

He wrapped up the game with

### FEWEST GAMES TO 500 TACKLES, DEFENSIVE BACKS, NFL, SINCE 2000

Rank	Team/s	Player	Games
1	LAC	S Derwin James Jr.	67
1.	NYG/Was.	S Landon Collins	68
2.	NYG/Oak./Mia.	S Gibril Wilson	71