

# POSTGAME NOTES

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## LOS ANGELES CHARGERS vs. NEW YORK GIANTS



Sunday, Dec. 12, 2021 | 1:05 p.m. PT | Inglewood, Calif.

### BOLTS IMPROVE TO 8-5

The Los Angeles Chargers beat the New York Giants, 37-21, to improve to 8-5 on the season. The Bolts also now have an 8-5 record all-time against the Giants and have won five straight in the series. Los Angeles has a short week and hosts Kansas City on *Thursday Night Football* on December 16th.

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N.Y. Giants	7	0	0	14	—	21
L.A. Chargers	7	17	6	7	—	37

### GO FOR THE BALL

With the strip-sack by **OLB Joey Bosa**, the Los Angeles defense has forced a conference-best 16 fumbles and a league-leading nine strip sacks on the season. Bosa now leads the NFL with five strip sacks this year, the most by a Chargers defender in a single season since **DE Marcellus Wiley** had five in 2001.

#### FORCED FUMBLES, NFL, 2021

Rank	Team	Forced Fumbles
1.	San Francisco 49ers	18
2.	Los Angeles Chargers	17
	Arizona Cardinals	17
4.	Houston Texans	15
	Kansas City Chiefs	15

#### STRIP SACKS, NFL, 2021

Rank	Team	Strip Sacks
1.	Los Angeles Chargers	9
2.	Arizona Cardinals	8
3.	Dallas Cowboys	7

#### STRIP-SACKS LEADERS, NFL, 2021

Rank	Team	Player	Strip Sacks
1.	LAC	OLB Joey Bosa	5
2.	Pit.	LB T.J. Watt	4
3.	—	Eight Other Players	3

### HERBERT CONTINUES TO SET RECORDS

**QB Justin Herbert** threw for 275 yards and three touchdowns on 23-of-31 passing (74.2 pct.) for a 133.1 rating. He is the first player ever to throw for 30 touchdowns in each of his first two seasons. Herbert's 14th completion of the day put him at 725 for his career, setting the all-time mark for a player through their first two seasons.

Sunday marked Herbert's 12 games with three-plus touchdown passes. Only Hall of Fame QB Dan Marino had more in the first two seasons of a career (13). The performance was also Herbert's eighth with three touchdowns and no interceptions, the most in a player's first two career seasons.

#### MOST COMPLETIONS, FIRST TWO PROFESSIONAL SEASONS, NFL HISTORY

Rank	Team	Player	Completions
1.	LAC	QB Justin Herbert	734
2.	Ari.	QB Kyler Murray	724

Herbert eclipsed 8,000 career yards in his 28th game, the second-fastest in NFL history. He was the fourth-youngest player in history to reach that mark, doing so at 23 years, 277 days old.

The Oregon product eclipsed 60 passing touchdowns on the season, becoming the second-youngest (23 years, 277 days) and fourth-fastest (28 games) player ever to do so in NFL history.

#### FEWEST GAMES TO 8,000 PASSING YARDS, NFL HISTORY

Rank	Team	Player	Games
1.	K.C.	QB Patrick Mahomes	25
2.	LAC	QB Justin Herbert	28
3.	StL	QB Kurt Warner	29

#### YOUNGEST PLAYERS TO THROW 60 TOUCHDOWN PASSES, NFL HISTORY

Rank	Team	Player	Age (Years-Days)
1.	Mia.	QB Dan Marino	23-78
2.	LAC	QB Justin Herbert	23-277
3.	T.B.	QB Jameis Winston	23-289

## BREAK IT UP

The Los Angeles defense finished the day with a season-high 10 pass breakups, the most by a Chargers defensive unit in a single game since 2017. The 10 passes defended tie for the most by an AFC team in a game this season.

Four of the passes defended were from **CB Michael Davis**, who now has nine this season and 41 in his career. The four breakups tied for the most by an AFC defender in a single game this season and the most in a game by any Chargers defensive player since 2017.

## EKELER ADDS ANOTHER

**RB Austin Ekeler** ran in his ninth rushing touchdown of the season in the first quarter, giving him 16 scrimmage scores this year. The game marked his fifth in a row with a touchdown. Ekeler has 1,265 yards from scrimmage in 2021, ranking No. 3 in the NFL among running backs.

### SCRIMMAGE TOUCHDOWNS LEADERS, NFL, 2021

Rank	Team	Player	Scrimmage TDs
1.	Ind.	RB Jonathan Taylor	18
2.	LAC	<b>RB Austin Ekeler</b>	16
3.	Ari.	RB James Conner	14
	Cin.	RB Joe Mixon	14

### SCRIMMAGE YARDS LEADERS, NFL, 2021

Rank	Team	Player	Scrimmage Yards
1.	Ind.	RB Jonathan Taylor	1,684
2.	Pit.	RB Najee Harris	1,270
2.	LAC	<b>RB Austin Ekeler</b>	1,265
4.	Cin.	RB Joe Mixon	1,238

## WHITE HITS THE CENTURY MARK

**LB Kyzir White** led the Chargers with 10 tackles (five solo) on the day, vaulting into the team lead with 106 on the season. He's now the second Bolts defender to have 100 tackles on the season. White and S Derwin James Jr., are the first pair of Chargers teammates in the last 20 years to each have 100 tackles in the same season.

### SEASONS WITH MULTIPLE PLAYERS WITH 100-PLUS TACKLES, CHARGERS HISTORY

Season	Player	Tk.	Player	Tk.
2021	<b>LB Kyzir White</b>	106	<b>S Derwin James Jr.</b>	100
2000	S Rodney Harrison	127	LB Junior Seau	123

## DIAL IT UP DEEP

Late in the second quarter, **QB Justin Herbert** hit **WR Jalen Guyton** for a 59-yard touchdown. It marked Herbert's seventh passing touchdown of at least 50 yards, the most in the NFL since he entered the professional ranks last year.

Guyton has hauled in three touchdowns of at least 50 yards over the last two seasons, tying for No. 2 in the NFL over that span.

### PASSING TOUCHDOWNS OF 50-PLUS YARDS, NFL, SINCE 2020

Rank	Team	Player	Passing TDs
1.	LAC	<b>QB Justin Herbert</b>	7
2.	LAR	QB Matthew Stafford	6
	Sea.	QB Russell Wilson	6