



Game 12 Postgame Notes – vs. New Orleans – 11/29/18

Upcoming Media Schedule

Friday, Nov. 30

2:15 p.m. – Coach Garrett conference call

Call in: **1-844-531-9388**

Access Code: **912 808 23**

Saturday, Dec. 1 – Monday, Dec. 3

No availability

Tuesday, Dec. 4

4:15 p.m. – Locker room open

TEAM NOTES

- With the victory over New Orleans, who previously won its last 10 games, Dallas claimed its fourth straight win, longest since an 11-game win streak in 2016.
- It also marked Dallas second straight win at home against New Orleans, to improve to 11-4 at home against the Saints.
- The Cowboys improved their all-time record against the NFC South to 57-32, and upped Dallas' overall record in the NFC to 6-3 in 2018.
- Dallas held New Orleans' top scoring offense, who entered the game averaging 37.1 points-per-game, to 10 points – fewest of the 2018 season by the Saints, and the fewest scored by a New Orleans team since a six point output in 2015 at Houston (11/29).
- The Cowboys held the Saints offense to 176 yards, the fewest total net yards for New Orleans all season, the fewest by a Sean Payton coached team in his New Orleans tenure, and the fewest yards by a Saints offense since the 2001 season against San Francisco (1/6/02).
- It was also the third-lowest total by an opposing team all-time at AT&T Stadium.

- Dallas shutout New Orleans in the first half, marking the first time the Saints have been shut out in a half since at Houston (11/29/15). Additionally, the Cowboys shut out the Saints in the first half in 2014 (9/28).
- The Cowboys defense held the Saints offense to 59 total net yards in the first half, the fewest total net yards New Orleans has produced in a half since they had 24 total net yards at Cincinnati (12/22/02).

COLE BEASLEY

- Cole Beasley’s two receptions for nine yards gave him 302 for his career to move past Doug Cosbie (300) and Miles Austin (301) for 10th on the club’s all-time receptions list.

AMARI COOPER

- Amari Cooper led the team with eight receptions for 75 yards.
- Cooper’s receptions allowed him to surpass 250 for his career (255).

EZEKIEL ELLIOTT

- Ezekiel Elliott rushed 23 times for 76 yards.
- Elliott also caught six passes for 60 yards and a touchdown.
- By totaling 23 carries, Elliott posted his 27th career game with at least 20 carries:

Dallas Cowboys Career 20-Plus Carry Rushing Games

Player	Games
Emmitt Smith	115
Tony Dorsett	57
<i>Ezekiel Elliott</i>	<i>27</i>

- With the win, the Cowboys improved to 21-6 in games in which Elliott rushes for 20-or-more carries.
- With 60 receiving yards tonight, Elliott established a single-season career best in receiving yards (423) to top his 2016 total (363).
- Elliott’s receiving yards allowed him to reach 1,000 for his career (1,055) and become the 16th running back in team history to accomplish that feat.
- Elliott became the ninth running back in team history to reach 50 receptions in a season (53).
- Elliott’s receiving touchdown gave him three on the season and established a single-season career-high.

L.P. LADOUCEUR

- By playing in tonight’s game, L.P. Ladouceur tied Bill Bates (217) for the third-most games played in franchise history:

Most Career Games Played – Dallas Cowboys

Player	Seasons	Games
Jason Witten	2003-17	239
Ed Jones	1974-78, 1980-89	224
Bill Bates	1983-97	217
<i>L.P. Ladouceur</i>	<i>2005-18</i>	<i>217</i>

DAK PRESCOTT

- Dak Prescott completed 24 passes on 28 attempts for 248 yards with one touchdown, no interceptions and a 115.5 quarterback rating.
- Prescott's 85.7 completion percentage was the second-highest of his career (88.9 against Tampa Bay, 12/18/16).
- Prescott's 194 passing yards in the first half were the second-most yards in a half, most in a first half, of his career. He had 212 passing yards in the second half at the N.Y. Giants (12/10/17).
- Prescott had 18 straight completions in the game to establish a career-best. It is the second-most consecutive completions in team history (Brandon Weeden – 21, 11/2/14-9/13/15).
- Prescott topped Craig Morton (1,308) in pass attempts for sixth all-time in franchise history (1,313).

JAYLON SMITH

- Jaylon Smith's tackle total in tonight's game allowed him to establish a single-season career-high and cross the century mark in tackles for the first time in his career.
- Collectively, he also reached 200 tackles for his career.

LEIGHTON VANDER ESCH

- Leighton Vander Esch's tackles moved him past Roy Williams (127 – 2002) for the second-highest tackle total by a rookie in team history, since 1981 when the start started to be tracked by coaches film:

Most Tackles by a Rookie – Dallas Cowboys		
Player	Tackles	Season
Dexter Coakley, LB	136	1997
<i>Leighton Vander Esch, LB</i>	<i>129</i>	<i>2018</i>
Roy Williams, S	127	2002
Michael Downs, S	110	1981
Robert Jones, LB	108	1992