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# **TITANS-BENGALS SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES**

LANDRY CLOSES IN ON 50TH SACK: Titans seventh-year outside linebacker Harold Landry III registered a sack in last week's game against the Jacksonville Jaguars. The effort increased Landry's season total to seven sacks and also gave him a career total of 48.5 sacks.

With 1.5 more sacks, Landry will become the eighth all-time member of the franchise to hit the 50-sack mark. The most recent was **Jurrell Casey** (51) in 2019, preceded by the only other player in the franchise's "Titans era" (1999–present) with 50 sacks, defensive end **Jevon Kearse** (52).

Landry is also 1.5 sacks from securing his fourth season with at least 8.5 sacks. He already achieved the feat in 2019 (9.0), 2021 (12.0) and 2023 (10.5). Since individual sacks became an official NFL statistic in 1982, only three other players have had four such seasons for the Titans/Oilers: Kearse, **Sean Jones** and **Ray Childress**.

## Players with multiple 8.5-sack seasons for the Titans/Oilers since 1982:

Player		Seasons with 8.5 or More Sacks	
1.	Jevon Kearse	4	
	Sean Jones	4	
	Ray Childress	4	
4.	Harold Landry III	3	7.0 sacks with four games remaining in 2024
	William Fuller	3	
6.	Kyle Vanden Bosch	2	
	Denico Autry	2	

**<u>BIG-PLAY RECEIVERS TAKE THE STAGE:</u>** When the Titans and Bengals meet Sunday at Nissan Stadium, two of the NFL's top big-play threats will be on display: Tennessee wide receiver **Calvin Ridley** and Cincinnati wide receiver **Ja'Marr Chase**.

In 2024, Chase's totals include 93 receptions, 1,319 receiving yards and 15 receiving touchdowns. All three numbers lead the NFL.

Ridley's 50 catches and 738 receiving yards in 2024 include a surge in big plays since the Titans traveled to Detroit in Week 8. In that seven-game span, he has five receptions that have gone at least 30 yards, including one last week against the Jaguars.

Chase also has five receptions of 30-plus yards since Week 8. Along with Pittsburgh's **George Pickens** and Minnesota's **Jordan Addison**, they are tied for second in the NFL among wide receivers. Only **Jerry Jeudy**, with six such catches for Cleveland, has more during that time period.

## Most receptions of 30-plus yards by NFL wide receivers from Week 8 to Week 14:

Pla	yer	Receptions 30+ Yards		
1.	Jerry Jeudy	Cleveland Browns	6	
2.	Calvin Ridley	Tennessee Titans	5	
	Ja'Marr Chase	Cincinnati Bengals	5	
	George Pickens	Pittsburgh Steelers	5	
	Jordan Addison	Minnesota Vikings	5	
6.	Darnell Mooney	Atlanta Falcons	4	
	DeAndre Hopkins	Kansas City Chiefs	4	
	Courtland Sutton	Denver Broncos	4	
	Justin Jefferson	Minnesota Vikings	4	
	Khalil Shakir	Buffalo Bills	4	
	Christian Watson	Green Bay Packers	4	

**POLLARD NEARS SEASON & CAREER MILESTONES:** In his first season with the Titans, running back **Tony Pollard** ranks ninth in the NFL with 937 rushing yards on 213 attempts. Within the AFC, only Ravens running back **Derrick Henry** (1,407) has more rushing yards than Pollard.

Pollard is 63 rushing yards from his third consecutive 1,000-yard rushing campaign, and he is 71 rushing yards from a new career high. In his final two seasons with the Dallas Cowboys, the Memphis native rushed for a career-best 1,007 yards in 2022 and 1,005 yards in 2023.

He can become the fifth player in Titans/Oilers history with 1,000 rushing yards in his first season with the organization. The first four were **Earl Campbell** (1978), **Eddie George** (1996), **Chris Johnson** (2008) and **DeMarco Murray** (2016).

#### Players in franchise history with 1,000 rushing yards in their first season with the organization:

Player		Season	Rushing Yards	
1.	Earl Campbell	1978	1,450	
2.	Eddie George	1996	1,368	
3.	DeMarco Murray	2016	1,287	
4.	Chris Johnson	2008	1,228	
Tor	ny Pollard	2024	937	Needs 63 yards

While he moves forward with his quest for 1,000 rushing yards in 2024, Pollard is also on the brink of 1,000 career rushing attempts. His totals of 4,558 yards on 975 carries leave him 25 attempts from reaching 1,000. He is poised to join 18 other active players who have reached the plateau.

In the past three decades, few running backs have a better track record of ball security than Pollard, who has fumbled only three times on rushing attempts during his six-year career. As he approaches his next milestone, Pollard has a chance to become only the fourth player since 1991 to enter the NFL and fumble fewer than four times in his first 1,000 rushing attempts. The previous three players to do so were **Leonard Fournette**, **Brian Westbrook** and **Saquon Barkley**.

#### NFL players debuting in 1991 or later with three or fewer fumbles in their first 1,000 rushing attempts:

Player		Fumbles in First 1,000 Rushing Attempts	
1. L	eonard Fournette	2	
2. B	Brian Westbrook	2	
3. S	aquon Barkley	3	
Tony Pollard		3	Needs 25 rushing attempts

**TOP PASSING OFFENSE VS. TOP PASSING DEFENSE:** The Titans-Bengals contest will feature the NFL's No. 1 passing defense and its top passing offense. The Titans defense is allowing a league-low 175 passing yards per contest, while the Bengals, led by quarterback **Joe Burrow**, are averaging 271.6 passing yards to pace the league.

Such a matchup is a rarity in the NFL. This week marks the first time in 15 years that the league's top passing defense and top passing offense go head-tohead in Week 15 or later. The last time it occurred was Week 16 of 2009 (Dec. 27), when the New York Jets and the NFL's No. 1 passing defense traveled to Lucas Oil Stadium and defeated the Indianapolis Colts and the No. 1 passing offense by a final score of 29-15.

#### NFL's top passing defenses in 2024:

## NFL's top passing offenses in 2024:

Team 1. Tennessee Titans 2. Philadelphia Eagles	Yards Allowed 2,282 2,320	Per Game 175.5	 <u>Tea</u>		Passing Yards	Per Game
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2. Philadelphia Eagles	2,320	170 E	1 44	Cincinnati Bengals	3,531	271.6
		178.5	2.	Atlanta Falcons	3,252	250.2
3. San Francisco 49ers	2,374	182.6	3.	Seattle Seahawks	3,237	249.0
4. New York Jets	2,430	186.9	4.	Detroit Lions	3,169	243.8
5. Washington Commande	ers 2,479	190.7	5.	Baltimore Ravens	3,164	243.4
6. New York Giants	2,531	194.7	6.	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	3,133	241.0
7. Houston Texans	2,584	198.8	7.	San Francisco 49ers	3,115	239.6
8. Los Angeles Chargers	2,679	206.1	8.	Minnesota Vikings	3,097	238.2
9. Buffalo Bills	2,716	208.9	9.	Los Angeles Rams	3,090	237.7
10. Seattle Seahawks	2,762	212.5	10.	Green Bay Packers	3,011	231.6

## NFL's No. 1 passing defense vs. No. 1 passing offense-last time in Week 15 or later:

				Average		Average Pass	
Season	Week	Date	No. 1 Offense	Pass Yards	No. 1 Defense	Yards Allowed	Game Result
2024	15	Dec. 15, 2024	Cincinnati Bengals	271.6	at Tennessee Titans	175.5	-
2009	16	Dec, 27, 2009	at Indianapolis Colts	297.2	New York Jets	159.8	Jets, 29-15