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TITANS-PATRIOTS SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES

TANNEHILL SHARES LEAD FOR MOST GAMES WITH 130 PASSER RATING: Last week at Houston, Titans quarterback **Ryan Tannehill** recorded a passer rating of 130.8, completing 13 passes for 198 yards and two touchdowns on 20 attempts. His performance helped him secure the NFL's 2019 passing title with a season passer rating of 117.5.

His effort against the Texans gave him six single-game passer ratings of 130 or greater in only 10 starts during the season. He tied Seattle's **Russell Wilson** with the most such performances in 2019 and also tied for the most by any NFL starting quarterback in any season since 1960. Green Bay's **Aaron Rodgers** (2011) and Dallas' **Tony Romo** (2014) are the only other quarterbacks to accomplish the feat.

In franchise history, former Oilers quarterback **Chris Chandler** previously had the most season games with a 130-plus passer rating, with four in 1995.

Most starts by a quarterback with a passer rating of 130.0 or greater, 1960–present:

	Player	Season	Team	Games
1.	**Ryan Tannehill**	**2019**	**Tennessee Titans**	**6**
	Russell Wilson	2019	Seattle Seahawks	6
	Tony Romo	2014	Dallas Cowboys	6
	Aaron Rodgers	2011	Green Bay Packers	6
5.	Lamar Jackson	2019	Baltimore Ravens	5
	Kirk Cousins	2019	Minnesota Vikings	5
	Matt Ryan	2016	Atlanta Falcons	5
	Aaron Rodgers	2014	Green Bay Packers	5
	Peyton Manning	2013	Denver Broncos	5
	Steve Young	1993	San Francisco 49ers	5
	Joe Montana	1989	San Francisco 49ers	5

TANNEHILL FINISHES REGULAR SEASON ON FRANCHISE-BEST STREAK: In the team's win at Houston, **Ryan Tannehill** completed multiple touchdown passes for the seventh consecutive game, one game shy of **Marcus Mariota's** 2016 franchise record of eight consecutive games with multiple touchdown passes.

However, Tannehill did establish a franchise benchmark in his final seven contests for most consecutive games with multiple touchdown passes and fewer than two interceptions. Over those seven games, he had two total interceptions—one each on Dec. 8 (at Oakland) and Dec. 15 (vs. Houston)—to go along with 19 touchdown passes and a 129.8 passer rating.

During Mariota's 2016 season, he registered the previous franchise-best streak of four straight games with at least two touchdown passes and fewer than two interceptions.

Most consecutive games in franchise history with multiple touchdown passes and fewer than two interceptions:

	Player	Season	Consec. Games
1.	**Ryan Tannehill**	**2019**	**7**
2.	Marcus Mariota	2016	4
	Warren Moon	1990	4
4.	Marcus Mariota	2016	3
	Steve McNair	2001	3
	Don Trull	1968	3
	George Blanda	1963	3

Tannehill's streak was the best in the NFL in 2019. **Drew Brees**, **Kirk Cousins** and **Jacoby Brissett** had runs of four consecutive games with multiple touchdown passes and fewer than two interceptions, tying for second.

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Most consecutive games in 2019 with multiple touchdown passes and fewer than two interceptions:

	Player	Team	Consec. Games
1.	**Ryan Tannehill**	**Tennessee Titans**	**7**
2.	Drew Brees	New Orleans Saints	4
	Kirk Cousins	Minnesota Vikings	4
	Jacoby Brissett	Indianapolis Colts	4
5.	(several tied)		3

PLAYER OF THE MONTH: **Ryan Tannehill** was named the AFC Offensive Player of the Month, capping a December in which he completed 90 of 132 passes for 1,322 yards with 12 touchdowns and two interceptions. His passer rating for the calendar month was 124.6, which led the AFC and ranked second in the NFL to **Drew Brees** (137.0) .

It marks Tannehill's first career Player of the Month honor. He was previously recognized with two AFC Offensive Player of the Week awards, including Week 14 of 2019 (at Oakland).

Tannehill arguably had the best December of any quarterback in franchise history. No other player in team annals has ever produced more touchdown passes, more passing yards or a higher passer rating (qualifiers only) in December than him.

Highest December passer rating, franchise history (single season):

	Player	Season	Passer Rating
1.	**Ryan Tannehill**	**2019**	**124.6**
2.	Steve McNair	2001	115.3

Most December passing yards, franchise history (single season):

	Player	Season	Passing Yards
1.	**Ryan Tannehill**	**2019**	**1,322**
2.	Billy Volek	2004	1,298

Most December passing touchdowns, franchise history (single season):

	Player	Season	Passing TDs
1.	**Ryan Tannehill**	**2019**	**12**
2.	Billy Volek	2004	11
	George Blanda	1961	11

A.J. BROWN LED NFL IN FINAL SIX GAMES: Wide receiver **A.J. Brown** led all NFL rookies with 1,051 receiving yards during the regular season, becoming the first 1,000-yard rookie receiver since New Orleans' **Michael Thomas** in 2016.

Brown made significant contributions throughout the season. He had 100 yards in his first NFL contest (Sept. 8 at Cleveland), and he was one of three rookies in 2019 with at least one reception in all 16 games, along with Denver's **Noah Fant** and Pittsburgh's **Diontae Johnson**. Since the NFL moved to a 16-game schedule in 1978, Brown is the first Titans/Oilers rookie wide receiver and second overall rookie (running back **Rodney Thomas**, 1995) with at least one reception in every game.

Yet Brown, the NFL Offensive Rookie of the Month for December, was particularly effective in the final month and a half of the season, as the Titans made their push to the playoffs. Over the final six games of 2019, Brown not only led all rookies but also led all NFL players with 605 receiving yards and a remarkable average of 24.2 yards per catch. His five touchdown receptions in the final six games tied for the second-most in the NFL.

Most receiving yards in the final six games (team games) of 2019:

	Player	Team	Rec	Rec Yds	Avg	Long	TD
1.	**A.J. Brown**	**Tennessee Titans**	**25**	**605**	**24.2**	**91**	**5**
2.	DeVante Parker	Miami Dolphins	32	598	18.7	51	5
3.	Michael Thomas	New Orleans Saints	55	584	10.6	49	4
4.	Robert Woods	Los Angeles Rams	45	568	12.6	48	2
5.	Breshad Perriman	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	26	550	21.2	44	5
6.	Tyler Higbee	Los Angeles Rams	48	542	11.3	33	2
7.	Allen Robinson	Chicago Bears	41	514	12.5	49	4
8.	George Kittle	San Francisco 49ers	39	512	13.1	61	3
	Julio Jones	Atlanta Falcons	40	512	12.8	38	2
10.	Travis Kelce	Kansas City Chiefs	41	488	11.9	47	2
	Christian McCaffrey	Carolina Panthers	57	488	8.6	28	1

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Brown accomplished the following during his rookie campaign:

- Led all rookies with 1,051 receiving yards
- Led the NFL with 605 receiving yards over his final six games of 2019
- First rookie 1,000-yard receiver since **Michael Thomas** in 2016
- Only NFL rookie since 1970 with 1,000+ receiving yards and an average of 20+ yards per reception
- Per Next Gen Stats, led all NFL receivers and tight ends in 2019 with an average of 8.8 YAC (yards after catch)
- Five 100-yard games led all rookie receivers in 2019 and were the most by any NFL rookie since **Amari Cooper** (five) in 2015
- Among all qualifiers (rookies and veterans with a minimum of 32 receptions), his 20.2-yard receiving average was the third-highest in a season from 2011-19 (20.9 by **DeSean Jackson** in 2014; 20.4 by **Mike Williams** in 2019).
- Fourth rookie since 1970 with at least four touchdown receptions of 50+ yards, joining **Randy Moss** (five in 1998), **Isaac Curtis** (1973) and **Willie Gault** (1983)
- Led the NFL with nine scrimmage plays of 45+ yards in 2019, three more than the next-closest players on the list (six by **Mike Williams** and **Stefon Diggs**)
- Fifth player since 1948 and the first since 1985 (**Craig James**) with a reception of 90+ yards and a rushing attempt of 45+ yards in the same season
- Joined **John Jefferson** (1978), **Bill Brooks** (1986) and **Randy Moss** (1998) as the NFL's only rookies since 1970 to have a minimum of 50 receptions, 1,000 receiving yards and five receiving touchdowns while averaging at least 17.0 yards per catch

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TOP TWO LEADERS IN YAC ABOVE EXPECTATION: The Titans offense features two of the NFL's biggest threats in yards after catch, wide receiver **A.J. Brown** and tight end **Jonnu Smith**. Per Next Gen Stats, Brown and Smith, respectively, were the first and second leading performers at their positions during the regular season in average yards after catch (YAC) above expectation.

YAC above expectation measures a player's actual yards after catching a pass compared to the player's forecasted yards after the catch. It is based upon tracking data that includes variables such as how open the receiver is, how fast he is running, and how many defenders and blockers are in the area.

Brown, who ranked second in the NFL with a base average of 20.2 yards per reception, averaged 8.8 yards after the catch. His expected YAC of 4.0 yards gave him a league-best 4.9 YAC above expectation.

Smith averaged 8.4 yards after the catch. His expected YAC was 5.5 yards on average, giving him a YAC above expectation of 2.9. That led all tight ends and ranked second only to Brown among receivers and tight ends.

2019 NFL leaders among wide receivers and tight ends in average yards after catch above expectation, per Next Gen Stats:

	Player	Team	Pos	Rec	Yards	Avg YAC per Catch	Expected YAC per Catch	YAC Above Expectation
1.	**A.J. Brown**	**Tennessee Titans**	**WR**	**52**	**1,051**	**8.8**	**4.0**	**4.9**
2.	**Jonnu Smith**	**Tennessee Titans**	**TE**	**35**	**439**	**8.4**	**5.5**	**2.9**
3.	John Ross	Cincinnati Bengals	WR	28	506	7.4	4.9	2.6
	Jared Cook	New Orleans Saints	TE	43	705	6.1	3.5	2.6
5.	Jordan Akins	Houston Texans	TE	36	418	7.1	4.7	2.3
	Golden Tate	New York Giants	WR	49	670	6.1	3.8	2.3
	Noah Fant	Denver Broncos	TE	40	562	8.5	6.2	2.3
8.	Chris Godwin	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	WR	86	1,333	7.1	4.8	2.2
9.	Willie Snead	Baltimore Ravens	WR	31	339	4.7	2.7	2.1
10.	Hunter Renfrow	Oakland Raiders	WR	49	605	6.8	4.9	1.9

Minimum 43 receiving targets

Next Gen Stats definitions:
Yards After Catch (YAC) - The yards gained after catch by a receiver.
Expected Yards After Catch - The expected yards after catch, based on numerous factors using tracking data such as how open the receiver is, how fast they're traveling, how many defenders/blockers are in space, etc.
YAC Above Expectation - A receiver's YAC compared to their Expected YAC.

BYARD'S INTERCEPTION TOTAL AMONG LEADERS IN FIRST FOUR SEASONS: Titans safety **Kevin Byard** concluded the regular season last week with an interception at Houston. It was his team-leading fifth interception of 2019, which tied for the fourth-best total in the NFL.

The theft at Houston gave Byard 17 interceptions since entering the NFL in 2016 as a third-round draft pick. Since the 1970 NFL-AFL merger, Byard's 17 interceptions rank second among all franchise players in their first four seasons. Former safety **Mike Reinfeldt** heads the list with 19 interceptions from 1976–1979.

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Most interceptions in a Titans/Oilers player's first four seasons, 1970–present:

	Player (Position)	First Four Seasons	Interceptions
1.	Mike Reinfeldt (S)	1976-1979	19
2.	**Kevin Byard (S)**	**2016-2019**	**17**
3.	Andre Dyson (CB)	2001-2004	16
4.	Michael Griffin (S)	2007-2010	15
5.	Cris Dishman (CB)	1988-1991	14
	Samari Rolle (CB)	1998-2001	14
7.	Bubba McDowell (S)	1989-1992	13
8.	Gregg Bingham (LB)	1973-1976	12
9.	(five tied)		11

Among all active NFL players, only two have had more interceptions than Byard in their first four NFL seasons. Current San Francisco 49ers cornerback **Richard Sherman** had 24 in his first four years (2011–2014), and current Baltimore Ravens cornerback **Marcus Peters** collected 22 interceptions in his first four campaigns (2015–2018). Byard matched cornerback **Aqib Talib**, who also had 17 interceptions in his initial four seasons (2008–2011).

Active NFL players with the most interceptions their first four NFL seasons:

	Player (Position)	First Four Seasons	Interceptions
1.	Richard Sherman (CB)	2011–2014	24
2.	Marcus Peters (CB)	2015–2018	22
3.	**Kevin Byard (S)**	**2016–2019**	**17**
	Aqib Talib (CB)	2008–2011	17
5.	Devin McCourty (S)	2010–2013	15
	Earl Thomas (S)	2010–2013	15
	Patrick Peterson (CB)	2011–2014	15
	Trumaine Johnson (CB)	2012–2015	15
9.	Tashaun Gipson (S)	2012–2015	14
	Damarious Randall (S)	2015–2018	14

HENRY JOINS ELITE LIST: **Derrick Henry** won the NFL's rushing title with a performance last week that included 211 yards and three touchdowns on 32 rushing attempts. It put his season statistics at 303 carries for 1,540 yards and 16 touchdowns.

Henry became the first player in franchise history and the ninth player in NFL history to produce a season with a minimum of 300 rushing attempts, a rushing average of at least 5.0 yards per carry and a minimum of 15 rushing touchdowns. The other players on the list are **O.J. Simpson** (1975), **Terrell Davis** (1998), **Priest Holmes** (2002), **Ahman Green** (2003), **Larry Johnson** (2005), **Shaun Alexander** (2005), **LaDainian Tomlinson** (2016) and **Ezekiel Elliott** (2016).

Players in NFL history with a minimum of 300 rushing attempts, 15 rushing touchdowns and a 5.0 rushing average in a single season:

Player	Team	Season	Rush Att	Yards	Avg	TD
Derrick Henry	**Tennessee Titans**	**2019**	**303**	**1,540**	**5.1**	**16**
Ezekiel Elliott	Dallas Cowboys	2016	322	1,631	5.1	15
LaDainian Tomlinson	San Diego Chargers	2006	348	1,815	5.2	28
Shaun Alexander	Seattle Seahawks	2005	370	1,880	5.1	27
Larry Johnson	Kansas City Chiefs	2005	336	1,750	5.2	20
Ahman Green	Green Bay Packers	2003	355	1,883	5.3	15
Priest Holmes	Kansas City Chiefs	2002	313	1,615	5.2	21
Terrell Davis	Denver Broncos	1998	392	2,008	5.1	21
O.J. Simpson	Buffalo Bills	1975	329	1,817	5.5	16

HENRY ADDS ANOTHER LONG TD: On **Derrick Henry's** final rushing attempt of the 2019 regular season, he sprinted 53 yards for a touchdown. The run vaulted him to the NFL rushing title at 1,540 yards, ahead of second-place finisher **Nick Chubb** of Cleveland (1,494), who Henry trailed before the play began.

It also added another long rushing touchdown to Henry's resume. Since 2017, Henry's second NFL season, he has scored seven touchdowns on rushing attempts of at least 50 yards. He leads the NFL in that time period. Aside from the New York Giants' **Saquon Barkley** (six), no other NFL player has more than three such runs since 2017.

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Most rushing touchdowns of 50-plus yards, 2017–2019:

	Player	Rushing TDs of 50+ Yards
1.	**Derrick Henry**	**7**
2.	Saquon Barkley	6
3.	Nick Chubb	3
	Kenyan Drake	3
	Christian McCaffrey	3
6.	(seven tied)	2

RYAN CAPS RARE SEASON FOR A DB: Titans cornerback **Logan Ryan** capped his regular season with a sack at Houston, giving him a career-high 4.5 sacks in 2019. It finished one of the most statistically unique seasons by any NFL defensive player since 2000.

Ryan's season totals also included a career-high four forced fumbles, which tied for the NFL lead among defensive backs (**K'Waun Williams** and **Malcolm Jenkins**). He had four interceptions, which ranked second in his career and tied for ninth place among all AFC players.

Ryan became the third NFL player since 2000 to record four interceptions, four forced fumbles and four sacks in a single season. The only other players to do so in that span were Arizona Cardinals defensive back **Adrian Wilson** in 2006 and Carolina Panthers linebacker **Thomas Davis** in 2015.

Players since 2000 with a minimum of four sacks, four interceptions and four forced fumbles in a season:

Player	Team	Season	Sacks	Int	FF
Logan Ryan	**Tennessee Titans**	**2019**	**4.5**	**4**	**4**
Thomas Davis	Carolina Panthers	2015	5.5	4	4
Adrian Wilson	Arizona Cardinals	2006	5.0	4	4

PLAYOFF EXPERIENCE: Entering this weekend's wild card game at New England, the Titans have 23 players on the 53-man roster with postseason game experience and 30 players who could make their playoff debuts.

Combined, the Titans roster possesses 77 games and 48 starts in the playoffs.

The player with the most playoff experience on the team is **Logan Ryan**, who joined the Titans as an unrestricted free agent from the Patriots in 2017. Ryan has a team-high 12 career postseason games and a team-high seven career postseason starts under his belt, including a pair of starts with the Titans in 2017.

Players on the Titans 53-man roster with postseason experience:

Player	Pos	NFL Exp.	Games Played	Games Started
Logan Ryan	CB	7	12	7
Tramaine Brock Sr.	CB	10	8	3
Wesley Woodyard	LB	12	8	3
Dion Lewis	RB	8	6	5
Ben Jones	C	8	5	5
Rodger Saffold III	G	10	4	4
Daren Bates	LB	7	3	0
Kevin Byard	S	4	2	2
Jurrell Casey	DT	9	2	2
Jack Conklin	T	4	2	2
Corey Davis	WR	3	2	2
Derrick Henry	RB	4	2	2
Adoree' Jackson	CB	3	2	2
Taylor Lewan	T	6	2	2
Marcus Mariota	QB	5	2	2
Tye Smith	CB	4	2	2
Austin Johnson	DL	4	2	1
Jonnu Smith	TE	3	2	1
Beau Brinkley	LS	8	2	0
Jayon Brown	LB	3	2	0
Dennis Kelly	T/G	8	2	0
Brett Kern	P	12	2	0
MyCole Pruitt	TE	4	1	1
Total			**77**	**48**

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