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TITANS-TEXANS SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES

HENRY'S PRODUCTION BEFORE 30TH BIRTHDAY: Titans running back **Derrick Henry** is scheduled to play in one more game this Sunday before celebrating his 30th birthday next week on Jan. 4. With one or more rushing touchdowns this week, he will join a select group of players in NFL history to reach 9,000 career rushing yards and 90 career rushing touchdowns before turning 30.

Last week against Seattle, Henry scored his 11th rushing touchdown of the season and his 89th career rushing touchdown. His career total ranks 15th in NFL annals, and with one more, he will tie **Eric Dickerson** (90) and **Curtis Martin** (90) for 13th place all-time.

Henry, who did not become a regular starter until his third season, which was just prior to his 25th birthday, currently ranks 37th in NFL history with 9,307 rushing yards.

If he reaches the 90-rushing-touchdown milestone this week to go along with his 9,000-plus rushing yards, he will join Pro Football Hall of Famers **LaDainian Tomlinson**, **Emmitt Smith**, **Jim Brown** and **Barry Sanders** as the only NFL players to do so before age 30.

Players in NFL history with 9,000 rushing yards and 90 rushing touchdowns before age 30:

Player	Rushing Yards	Rushing TDs
LaDainian Tomlinson	11,760	126
Emmitt Smith	12,566	125
Jim Brown	12,312	106
Barry Sanders	13,778	95
Derrick Henry	9,307	89

Needs one rushing TD before 30th birthday

Henry also can accomplish the following this week:

- He needs 28 rushing yards (972 entering the game) to record his fifth career 1,000-yard rushing season. He would join **Eddie George** (seven), **Chris Johnson** (six) and **Earl Campbell** (five) as the only players in franchise history with five or more 1,000-yard rushing seasons.
- A 28-yard rushing effort would also make him the 10th player in NFL history to record at least five seasons with 1,000 rushing yards and 10 rushing touchdowns.
- With at least 100 rushing yards, he will register his 41st total 100-yard rushing game, including regular season (38) and playoffs (three). He would surpass **Earl Campbell** (40) for the most such games in franchise history. It would also give Henry four consecutive 100-yard games at Houston.
- One rushing touchdown would give him his fifth career season with at least 12 rushing touchdowns. He would join **LaDainian Tomlinson**, **Emmitt Smith**, **Adrian Peterson**, **Shaun Alexander** and **Jim Brown** as the only players in NFL history with five such seasons.
- With two rushing touchdowns, he would tie **Jerome Bettis** (91) and **Franco Harris** (91) for the 11th best career total in NFL history.
- On his first rushing attempt this week, he will become the second player in Titans/Oilers history (2,733 by **Eddie George**) and the 42nd player in NFL history to reach 2,000 career rushing attempts (1,999 entering the game).

LANDRY SECOND IN NFL IN FOURTH-QUARTER SACKS: Last week against the Seahawks, outside linebacker **Harold Landry III** recorded a sack in the fourth quarter to increase his season total to 9.5 sacks. He ranks second on the team behind **Denico Autry**, who has a career-high 11.5 sacks with two games remaining in the season.

After coming back from season-ending knee injury in 2022, Landry is on the verge of registering his second career double-digit sack season. He established a career high with 12 sacks in 2021.

This season, Landry has been especially productive late in games. His 7.5 sacks in the fourth quarter are more than any other NFL player other than Cincinnati's **Trey Hendrickson**, who has a league-high eight fourth-quarter sacks.

Most sacks in the fourth quarter in 2023:

Player	Team	4th Quarter Sacks	Yards
1. Trey Hendrickson	Cincinnati Bengals	8.0	59.0
2. Harold Landry III	Tennessee Titans	7.5	55.5
3. Justin Madubuike	Baltimore Ravens	5.5	30.0
	Haason Reddick	5.5	40.0
5. Myles Garrett	Cleveland Browns	5.0	35.0
	Jadeveon Clowney	5.0	30.0
	Jonathan Greenard	5.0	56.0
	Danielle Hunter	5.0	30.0
	Kwity Paye	5.0	32.0
10. (five tied)		4.5	

Since 1991, Landry's 7.5 fourth-quarter sacks this season are more than any other Titans/Oilers player has had in a season. The previous mark was 5.5 by **Jevon Kearse** in 2000.

Most fourth-quarter sacks by a Titans/Oilers player in a single season, 1991–2023:

Player	Season	4th Quarter Sacks	Yards
1. Harold Landry III	2023	7.5	55.5
2. Jevon Kearse	2000	5.5	24.5
3. Ray Childress	1991	5.0	25.0
	William Fuller	5.0	40.5
	Sean Jones	5.0	35.0
	Kyle Vanden Bosch	5.0	34.0
7. Jevon Kearse	2003	4.5	30.5
8. (six tied)		4.0	

AUTRY ONE OF FRANCHISE'S BEST OVER A THREE-YEAR SPAN: Titans defensive lineman **Denico Autry** continued to add to his team-leading sack total last week. He had a half sack against the Seahawks to give him a team-high and career-best 11.5 sacks in 2023.

If Autry manages to add 1.5 sacks to his total in the next two games and reaches 13 for the season, he would have the most sacks by any Titans player since **Jevon Kearse** set the NFL rookie record with 14.5 sacks in 1999.

Additionally, another 1.5 sacks would give Autry a total of 30 since signing with the Titans as an unrestricted free agent in 2021. It would be only the seventh time a player with the Titans/Oilers totaled 30 sacks over any three-season span since individual sacks became an official NFL statistic in 1982. Kearse was the last defender for the organization to accomplish the feat with 36.0 sacks from 1999 to 2001.

Autry's 28.5 sacks since arriving in Tennessee in 2021 lead the team and rank 13th in the NFL over that span. He is one of only nine NFL players with at least eight sacks in each of the 2021, 2022 and 2023 seasons.

Players with 30 or more sacks for the Titans/Oilers over a three-year period, 1982–2023:

Player	Seasons	3-Year Total	
1. Jevon Kearse	1999–2001	36.0	
2. William Fuller	1991–1993	33.0	
3. Sean Jones	1991–1993	31.5	
4. Kyle Vanden Bosch	2005–2007	31.0	
	Sean Jones	31.0	
	William Fuller	31.0	
Denico Autry	2021–2023	28.5	Needs 1.5 sacks in next two games

DEFENSE IN THE RED ZONE: In 2023, the Titans defense has allowed opponents a total of 21 touchdowns on 55 red-zone possessions. Last week, when Seattle scored two touchdowns on four red-zone opportunities, the Titans registered their 11th game of the season in which they kept opposing offenses to 50 percent efficiency or less inside the 20.

At 38.2 percent, the Titans' defensive red-zone efficiency ranks second in the NFL. Only the Atlanta Falcons defense has fared better at 38.1 percent—16 touchdowns allowed in 42 opponent trips inside the red zone.

With their current performance, the Titans would have been the category leaders in the majority of the previous 10 seasons. Since 2014, their current red-zone defense ranks fourth behind only the 2015 New York Jets (35.0 percent), the 2017 Los Angeles Chargers (36.1) and the 2023 Falcons.

Best single-season NFL red-zone defenses (touchdown percentage) in the past 10 seasons (2014–2023):

Team	Season	Opp Red Zone Drives	TDs Allowed	TD Pct
1. New York Jets	2015	40	14	35.0
2. Los Angeles Chargers	2017	36	13	36.1
3. Atlanta Falcons	2023	42	16	38.1
4. Tennessee Titans	2023	55	21	38.2
5. Baltimore Ravens	2023	44	17	38.6
6. Kansas City Chiefs	2014	54	21	38.9
7. Denver Broncos	2019	46	18	39.1
8. Jacksonville Jaguars	2017	28	11	39.3
9. New York Giants	2016	43	17	39.5
10. Minnesota Vikings	2017	40	16	40.0

At the current rate, the defense can finish 2023 with the team's best red-zone performance in its "Titans era," which began in 1999. The best mark during that stretch has been held by the 2010 squad, which allowed 26 touchdowns on 63 opponent drives inside the 20 for a rate of 41.3 percent.

Best Titans red-zone defenses (touchdown percentage), 1999–2023:

Season	Opp Red Zone Drives	TDs Allowed	TD Pct
1. 2023	55	21	38.2
2. 2010	63	26	41.3
3. 2003	41	18	43.9
4. 2018	47	21	44.7
5. 2008	43	20	46.5
6. 2000	30	14	46.7
7. 2011	48	23	47.9
8. 2001	56	27	48.2
2017	56	27	48.2
10. 1999	47	24	51.1

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