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TITANS-COWBOYS SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES

HENRY, ELLIOTT LEAD NFL IN RUSHING SINCE 2016: During the 2016 NFL Draft, 22 total running backs were selected. The first was **Ezekiel Elliott**, who went to the Dallas Cowboys with the fourth overall pick and was the only first-round running back selected. The next running back chosen was **Derrick Henry**, who went to the Titans in the second round with the 45th overall pick. Elliott and Henry will be on opposite sidelines this Thursday night when the Cowboys visit the Titans.

After last weekend's games, for the first time in his career, Henry now has more rushing yards—8,226—than any other NFL player since he arrived in the league. Until Henry narrowly passed him last week, Elliott, who enters Thursday with 8,215 career rushing yards, previously had the most since the beginning of 2016.

Henry, who did not become a full-time starter until his third season, also leads the NFL with 78 career rushing touchdowns since 2016. Elliott's 67 rushing touchdowns rank second.

Most rushing yards from 2016 to 2022:

Player	Attempts	Yards	Avg	TD
1. Derrick Henry	1,720	8,226	4.8	78
2. Ezekiel Elliott	1,854	8,215	4.4	67
3. Nick Chubb	1,184	6,160	5.2	48
4. Dalvin Cook	1,262	5,929	4.7	47
5. Melvin Gordon	1,383	5,821	4.2	55
6. Joe Mixon	1,303	5,351	4.1	39
7. Aaron Jones	1,009	5,125	5.1	43
8. Todd Gurley	1,231	4,976	4.0	57
9. Alvin Kamara	1,096	4,955	4.5	49
10. Mark Ingram	1,069	4,916	4.6	39

Henry and Elliott have nearly doubled the rushing total of any other member of their draft class. Among 2016 draftees, **Jordan Howard's** 4,362 career rushing yards are third behind the Titans and Cowboys standouts. Howard was the 150th overall selection in the fifth round by the Chicago Bears. Cowboys quarterback **Dak Prescott** has more career rushing yards (1,615) than all but six running backs drafted in 2016.

Most career rushing yards among members of the 2016 draft class:

Player	Draft Team	Round	Overall	Attempts	Yards	Avg	TD
1. Derrick Henry	Tennessee Titans	2	45	1,720	8,226	4.8	78
2. Ezekiel Elliott	Dallas Cowboys	1	4	1,854	8,215	4.4	67
3. Jordan Howard	Chicago Bears	5	150	1,019	4,362	4.3	37
4. Kenyan Drake	Miami Dolphins	3	73	851	3,806	4.5	32
5. Devontae Booker	Denver Broncos	4	136	527	2,119	4.0	11
6. Alex Collins	Seattle Seahawks	5	171	483	1,997	4.1	18
7. Dak Prescott (QB)	Dallas Cowboys	4	135	343	1,615	4.7	26
8. Carson Wentz (QB)	Philadelphia Eagles	1	2	334	1,355	4.1	9
9. DeAndre Washington	Oakland Raiders	5	143	313	1,213	3.9	7
10. Wendell Smallwood	Philadelphia Eagles	5	153	238	956	4.0	5

Note: Peyton Barber (2,457 yards), Jalen Richard (1,333) and J.D. McKissic (1,074) entered the NFL in 2016 as undrafted free agents.

STONEHOUSE ON PACE TO BREAK ONE OF NFL'S OLDEST RECORDS: In 1940, Washington's **Sammy Baugh** punted 35 times for 1,799 yards, averaging 51.40 yards per punt. Eighty-two years later, the mark still stands as the best qualifying single-season punting average in NFL history.

With two weeks remaining on the 2022 schedule, Titans punter **Ryan Stonehouse** is on pace to finally break Baugh's record. The undrafted rookie from Colorado State University is averaging 53.37 yards per attempt on 82 total punts—nearly two yards per punt ahead of Baugh's number.

If Stonehouse continues at his current pace, it would alter one of the NFL's longest-held records. In the NFL Record & Fact Book, only three single-season individual records predate Baugh's punting mark, and all three of those were later tied: most safeties in a season (two by Green Bay's **Tom Nash** in 1932 and subsequently tied 18 times), most fumbles returned for a touchdown in a season (two by Boston's **Harold McPhail** in 1934 and tied 44 times) and most opponent fumbles returned for a touchdown in a season (two by McPhail in 1934 and tied 41 times).

The Titans/Oilers franchise record for gross punting average in a season is 49.71 yards, established by **Brett Kern** in 2017.

To qualify for the single-season average record, a punter needs a minimum of 2.5 attempts per team game.

Highest single-season punting average (gross average) in NFL history (minimum 2.5 punts per team game):

Player	Team	Season	Punts	Yards	Punting Average	
1. Sammy Baugh	Washington	1940	35	1,799	51.40	
2. Shane Lechler	Oakland	2009	96	4,909	51.14	
3. Andy Lee	San Francisco	2011	78	3,970	50.90	
4. Corey Bojorquez	Buffalo	2020	41	2,082	50.78	
5. Shane Lechler	Oakland	2011	78	3,960	50.77	
6. Brandon Fields	Miami	2012	74	3,715	50.20	
7. Thomas Morstead	New Orleans	2012	74	3,707	50.09	
8. A.J. Cole	Las Vegas	2021	64	3,202	50.03	
9. Donnie Jones	St. Louis	2008	82	4,100	50.00	
10. Brett Kern	Tennessee	2017	75	3,728	49.71	
Ryan Stonehouse	Tennessee	2022	82	4,376	53.37	Two games remaining in 2022
<i>Tommy Townsend</i>	<i>Kansas City</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>2,213</i>	<i>50.30</i>	<i>Two games remaining in 2022</i>
<i>Logan Cooke</i>	<i>Jacksonville</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>2,441</i>	<i>49.82</i>	<i>Two games remaining in 2022</i>

Oldest single-season individual records in the 2022 NFL Record & Fact Book:

Category	Statistic	Record Holder	Team	Year*	
Most Safeties, Season	2	19 players	Various	1932	by Tom Nash; tied 18 times
Most Touchdowns, Fumble Returns, Season	2	45 players	Various	1934	by Harold McPhail; tied 44 times
Most Touchdowns, Opponent Fumble Returns, Season	2	42 players	Various	1934	by Harold McPhail; tied 41 times
Highest Average Punting, Season	51.40	Sammy Baugh	Washington	1940	
Highest Average Gain Passing, Season	11.17	Tommy O'Connell	Cleveland	1957	
Highest Average Gain Receiving, Season	32.58	Don Currivan	Boston Yanks	1947	
Most Interception Yards Gained, Rookie, Season	301	Don Doll	Detroit	1949	
Highest Average, Punt Returns, Season	23.00	Herb Rich	Baltimore Colts	1950	
Highest Average, Punt Returns, Rookie, Season	23.00	Herb Rich	Baltimore Colts	1950	
Most Touchdowns, Punt Returns, Season	4	4 players	Various	1951	by Jack Christiansen; tied 3 times
Most Touchdowns, Punt Returns, Rookie, Season	4	2 players	Various	1951	by Jack Christiansen; tied 1 time
Most Interceptions By, Season	14	Dick (Night Train) Lane	L.A. Rams	1952	
Most Interceptions By, Rookie, Season	14	Dick (Night Train) Lane	L.A. Rams	1952	

* Year first established, if later tied

TITANS, COWBOYS AMONG LEADERS IN GAMES PLAYED BY ROOKIES: The Titans have relied upon several rookies this season and are among the top five teams in total games played by rookies. A total of 14 Titans rookies have combined to record 124 games played, which is tied for the fourth-highest total in the NFL.

Cornerback **Roger McCreary**, right tackle **Nicholas Petit-Frere**, tight end **Chig Okonkwo** and punter **Ryan Stonehouse** are the four Titans rookies who have participated in all 15 games. The rest of the Titans' list includes running back **Hassan Haskins** (13 games), cornerback **Tre Avery** (12), wide receiver **Treyton Burks** (nine), quarterback **Malik Willis** (eight), defensive back **Josh Thompson** (five), defensive end **Sam Okuyinonu** (five), wide receiver **Kyle Philips** (four), running back **Julius Chestnut** (four), linebacker **Jack Gibbens** (three) and kicker **Caleb Shudak** (one).

Meanwhile, the Cowboys have even more total games played by rookies in 2022 than the Titans. Their 128 combined appearances by rookies ranks third behind only the Chicago Bears (182) and Kansas City Chiefs (135).

Most total games played by rookies in 2022:

Team	Games Played
1. Chicago Bears	182
2. Kansas City Chiefs	135
3. Dallas Cowboys	128
4. Tennessee Titans	124
Cleveland Browns	124
6. Indianapolis Colts	122
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	122
8. Houston Texans	121
9. New England Patriots	117
10. New York Giants	116

TITANS LEAD LEAGUE IN PLAYERS USED OVER TWO SEASONS: Through 15 games, 82 total players have appeared in at least one game for the Titans in 2022. That is the most in the NFL and 13 more than the NFL average of 69 players used this season.

The current count comes immediately after a 2021 campaign in which the Titans set an NFL non-strike-year record of 91 total players used.

Combining players who have taken the field for the team in either 2021 and/or 2022, the Titans' total is up to 133 players who have appeared in at least one contest. They lead the NFL, while the NFL average is 107 players used during that time.

Most total players used from 2021 to 2022:

Team	Total Players
1. Tennessee Titans	133
2. Chicago Bears	128
3. Houston Texans	119
Las Vegas Raiders	119
5. New York Jets	118
6. Detroit Lions	116
New Orleans Saints	116
New York Giants	116
9. Baltimore Ravens	112
Cleveland Browns	112

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