

GAME NOTES

New England Patriots vs. Kansas City Chiefs – October 14, 2018

TEAM NOTES

- Patriots have the most regular season wins over two consecutive decades.
- Brady sets mark for the most career wins all-time
- Brady become fourth player and first quarterback with 200 regular season wins
- Gronkowski becomes 15th TE with 500 career receptions

PATRIOTS HAVE THE MOST REGULAR SEASON WINS IN CONSECUTIVE DECADES

The Patriots victory over Kansas City is their 218th win since 2000. The Patriots moved past the San Francisco 49ers (2017-1980s/1990s) for the most regular seasons wins over two consecutive decades with 26 regular season games remaining in the decade.

PATRIOTS SCORE 30 POINTS IN THIRD STRAIGHT GAME

The Patriots have scored 30 or more points in three straight games. The team had two three-game streaks of 30 or more points in 2017, and before that went on a six-game run in 2015. The franchise record for consecutive games with 30 or more points is 13 games, set from 2010-11.

PATRIOTS HAVE RECORDED AN INTERCEPTION IN ALL SIX GAMES IN 2018

The Patriots defense has recorded an interception in all six games of 2018, after LB Dont'a Hightower's first quarter interception. It marks the first time the team has done so in six-straight games since 2013, when they did it in eight consecutive games. It is the first time the Patriots have had at least one interception in the first six games since the 1990 season. The team record for most games to start the season with at least one interception is 11 in 1985.

PATRIOTS CONVERT TURNOVERS INTO POINTS

The Patriots converted a first quarter interception into a touchdown. The Patriots now have 52 points off takeaways, which is the most in the NFL including today's earlier games

PATRIOTS DID NOT PUNT OR COMMIT A PENALTY

The Patriots finished the game without punting and were not charged with a penalty. It is the first time in the Super Bowl era that an NFL team played an entire game without punting or being charged a penalty. It was the sixth time in franchise history that the Patriots were not charged with a penalty and the fifth time in franchise history that the Patriots did not punt in a regular season game.

BOTH TEAM SCORE 40 POINTS; SECOND TIME IN TEAM HISTORY THAT HAS OCCURRED

The Patriots beat Kansas City 43-40. It is just the second time in franchise history that the Patriots have played in a game that both teams scored 40 points or more. The other game was a 43-43 tie vs. Oakland on Oct. 16, 1964.

WICKED GOOD IN OCTOER

The Patriots are an NFL-best 59-18 in the month of October since the 2000 season. The Patriots are 34-6 (.850) at home during that time.

MOST WINS IN OCTOBER SINCE 2000

Team	W	L	<u> T</u>	Pct.
New England Patriots	59	18	0	.766
Pittsburgh Steelers	52	21	0	.712
New Orleans Saints	48	25	0	.658
New York Giants	45	27	0	.625

PATRIOTS OFFENSE PRODUCES 500 NET YARDS

The Patriots offense generated 500 total yards. It is the 22nd time in team history that they have finished a game with 500 net yards. It is the highest yardage total at home since generating 505 total yards in a win vs. Cincinnati on Oct. 5, 2014.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

BRADY HAS THE MOST WINS ALL-TIME

QB Tom Brady won his 227th career game to move past Adam Vinatieri for the most career wins ever by an NFL player. Brady has 200 regular season wins and 27 postseason wins.

MOST WINS BY AN NFL PLAYER (INCLUDING PLAYOFFS)

Player	Wins
Tom Brady	227
Adam Vinatieri	226
George Blanda	218
Jerry Rice	211
Gary Anderson	210
Peyton Manning	200
Brett Favre	199
Morten Andersen	194

BRADY REACHES 200 CAREER REGULAR SEASON WINS;

BECOMES FOURTH NFL PLAYER AND FIRST QB TO REACH 200 CAREER REGULAR SEASON WINS

The victory over Kansas City is Brady's 200th career regular season win. He is now one of four NFL players with 200 career regular season wins and the only quarterback in NFL history to reach 200 regular season wins.

MOST WINS BY AN NFL PLAYER

(regular season)

<u>Player</u>	Wins
George Blanda	209
Adam Vinatieri	206
Gary Anderson	201
Tom Brady	200
Jerry Rice	194

BRADY GOES OVER 300 YARDS

Tom Brady went over 300 yards for the second time in 2018 after finishing with 340 yards. He had 341 yards last week vs. Indianapolis. He is third in NFL history with 84 300-yard games. The Patriots are 70-14 when he throws for at least 300 yards.

Most 300-yard Games in NFL History

Drew Brees 112
Peyton Manning 93
Tom Brady 84
Dan Marino 63

BRADY PASSES FAVRE FOR SECOND-MOST PASSING YARDS (REGULAR SEASON AND POSTSEASON)

Brady moves past Brett Favre into second place for the most passing yards all-time (including postseason). He entered the game needing 50 yards to move past Favre.

Most Overall Passing Yards (regular season and postseason)

Player	<u>Yards</u>
Peyton Manning	79,279
Tom Brady	77,984
Brett Favre	77,693
Drew Brees	76,312

PATS IMPROVE TO 37-0 AGAINST THE AFC AT HOME WITH BRADY AND EDELMAN IN THE LINEUP

The Patriots improved to 37-0 at home against AFC opponents in the regular season when both QB Tom Brady and WR Julian Edelman are in the lineup.

LB DONT'A HIGHTOWER RECORDS FIRST REGULAR SEASON INTERCEPTION

LB Dont'a Hightower recorded his first regular season interception when he picked off Kansas City QB Patrick Mahomes in the first quarter and returned it 28 yards to the 4-yard line to set up the Patriots first touchdown. He had his first NFL interception in the 2013 AFC Divisional playoff game vs. Indianapolis on Jan. 11, 2014.

HARMON WITH ANOTHER END ZONE PICK

DB Duron Harmon picked off QB Patrick Mahomes in the end zone at the end of the first half for his first interception of the season. Of his 12 career interceptions, four have come in the end zone:

Harmon's End Zone Picks

10/14/18 vs Kansas City 9/18/2016 vs. Miami, 9/24/2017 vs. Houston 12/17/2017 vs. Pittsburgh

GRONKOWSKI BECOMES 15TH NFL TIGHT END TO REACH 500 CAREER RECEPTIONS

TE Rob Gronkowski reached 500 career receptions after finishing with three receptions for 97 yards against Kansas City. He became the 15th NFL tight end to reach 500 career receptions. He reached 500 career receptions in his 108th NFL game, the fourth-fastest in NFL history among tight ends.

FEWEST GAMES TO REACH 500 RECEPTIONS / TIGHT ENDS

Kellen Winslow	101
Jimmy Graham	106
Jason Witten	107
Rob Gronkowski	108
Antonio Gates	113
Jeremy Shockey	117

GRONKOWSKI REACHES 7,500 YARDS; FASTEST TIGHT END TO REACH 7,500

Gronkowski caught a 16-yard reception in the first quarter to eclipse 7,500 career receiving yards. He finished the game with 97 yards to give him a career total of 7,584 yards. He is the 8th NFL tight end to reach that mark. He reached it in his 108th NFL games, which makes him the fastest tight end to reach 7,500 yards. The previous fastest was Antonio Gates at 128 games. Gronkowski is also the fastest Patriot player to reach 7,500 receiving yards. The next fastest was Wes Welker, also in 128 games

GRONKOWSKI HAS HIS 15TH CAREER RECEPTION OF 40 OR MORE YARDS

Gronkowski caught a 42-yard pass from QB Tom Brady in the fourth quarter. It marks his 15th career reception of 40 or more yards. Gronkowski's 15 receptions of 40 or more yards are second among NFL tight ends since 2010. Vernon Davis is first with 16 40-yard receptions.

GOSTKOWSKI GAME WINNERS

Gostkowski connected on his ninth game-winning field goal when he kicked a 28-yard field goal as time expired. His nine game winning kicks are listed below:

GOSTKOWSKI'S CAREER GAME-WINNING FIELD GOALS

TIME LEFT	DISTANCE	FINAL SCORE	OPP	<u>DATE</u>
0:03 4 th	28	43-40	KC	10/14/18
3:44 4 th	32	23-21	ARI	09/11/2016
0:01 4th	54	27-16	NYG	11/15/2015
3:12 4th	53	34-31	HOU	12/01/2013
1:56, OT	31	34-31	DEN	11/24/2013
0:05, 4th	35	23-21	BUF	09/08/2013
1:56, OT	35	23-20	BAL	10/17/2010
11:02 OT	48	29-26	NYJ	10/21/2012
1:10, 4th	31	24-21	SD	01/14/2007*

^{*}Postseason

GOSTKOWSKI TIES CAREER-HIGH WITH FIVE FIELD GOALS

Gostkowski tied a career-high with five field goals (48, 24, 39, 50 and 28). He also had five field goals vs. Cincinnati on Oct. 5, 2014.

GOSTKOWSKI BECOMES 19TH NFL KICKER TO REACH 350 CAREER FIELD GOALS

Gostkowski's five field goals give him 352 career field goals. He became the 19th kicker in NFL history to reach 350 field goals.

MICHEL GOES OVER 100 YARDS FOR SECOND TIME

RB Sony Michel went over 100 yards for the second time this season after finishing with 106 yards on 24 carries. He had 112 yards rushing in the win vs. Miami on Sept. 30. He is the first Patriots rookie running back to have more than one 100-yard game in his rookie season since Robert Edwards had four 100-yard rushing games in 1998.

MICHEL HAS THIRD STRAIGHT GAME WITH AT LEAST 90 YARDS

With his 106-yard performance, Michel became just the fifth running back in Patriots history and first since Robert Edwards in 1998 to have three or more 90-yard rushing games in his rookie season. In addition to Edwards (six times, 1998), Curtis Martin (nine times, 1995), John Stephens (five times, 1988) and Tony Collins (three times, 1981) have tallied three or more 90-yard games. Michel ran for 112 yards against the Dolphins and 98 yards against the Colts.

MICHEL SCORES IN HIS THIRD STRAIGHT GAME

Michel has scored a rushing touchdown in three straight games. The last Patriots rookie with a rushing touchdown in three straight games was RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis, who did so in four straight in 2008. Michel is the seventh Patriots rookie to score a rushing touchdown in three straight games.

MICHEL HAS FIRST CAREER 2-TD GAME;

FIRST PATRIOTS ROOKIE WITH TWO RUSHING TDS IN A GAME SINCE 2006

Michel scored on a 4-yard run in the first quarter and a 1-yard run in the second quarter. He is the first Patriots rookie to have a game with two rushing touchdowns since Laurence Maroney scored two rushing touchdowns at Cincinnati on Oct. 1, 2006.

FB JAMES DEVELIN TIES SEASON-HIGH FOR RECEPTIONS

FB James Develin had two receptions and now has six receptions for the season, tying the career highs he set in 2014 and tied in 2017.

LINEUP NOTES

- DL **Danny Shelton** made his first start as a member of the Patriots when he started in place of DL Malcom Brown, who was inactive due to injury.
- DB **Eric Rowe** returned to action after missing the last three games due to injury.