



## REGULAR SEASON WEEK

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS VS. CHICAGO BEARS



### **MEDIA SCHEDULE**

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Media Check-In (Ticket Office) 8:30 a.m. 9:00-9:15 a.m. Bill Belichick Press Conference

(Media Workroom) TRD Tom Brady Media Availability 11:45 a.m. Media Access at Practice

Approx. 2:00-2:45 p.m. Patriots Media Availability (Open Locker Room)

3:00-3:10 p.m. Bears RB Matt Forte Conf. Call 3:10-3:20 p.m. Bears Head Coach Marc Trestman Conference Call

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

11:15 a.m. Media Check-In (Ticket Office) 11:45 a.m. Media Access at Practice Approx. 2:00-2:45 p.m. Patriots Media Availability (Open Locker Room)

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

8:30 a.m. 9:00-9:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m.

Media Check-In (Ticket Office) Bill Belichick Press Conference Media Access at Practice Approx. 1:15-2:00 p.m. Patriots Media Availability (Open Locker Room)

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

Team Walkthrough - No Media Availability

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

Patriots vs. Bears 1:00 p.m.

## **2014 PATRIOTS SCHEDULE**

#### REGULAR SEASON (5-2)

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	Sun., Sept. 7	at	Miami	L	20-33
	Sun., Sept. 14	at	Minnesota	W	30-7
	Sun., Sept. 21		Oakland	W	16-9
	Mon., Sept. 29	at	Kansas City	L	14-41
	Sun., Oct. 5		Cincinnati	W	43-17
	Sun., Oct. 12	at	Buffalo	W	37-22
	Thurs., Oct. 16		N.Y. Jets	W	27-25
	Sun., Oct. 26		Chicago	1:00 p.m.	FOX
	Sun., Nov. 2		Denver	4:25 p.m.	CBS*
	Sun., Nov. 9		BYE WEEK		
	Sun., Nov. 16	at	Indianapolis	8:30 p.m.	NBC*
	Sun., Nov. 23		Detroit	1:00 p.m.	FOX*
	Sun., Nov. 30	at	Green Bay	4:25 p.m.	CBS*
	Sun., Dec. 7	at	San Diego	8:30 p.m.	NBC*
	Sun., Dec. 14		Miami	1:00 p.m.	CBS*
	Sun., Dec. 21	at	N.Y. Jets	1:00 p.m.	CBS*
	Sun., Dec. 28		Buffalo	1:00 p.m.	CBS*

\*Game time and network subject to possible flexible scheduling adjustment.

### **2014 AFC EAST STANDINGS**

TEAM	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
NEW ENGLAND	5	2	0	.714	187	154
Buffalo Bills	4	3	0	.571	135	142
Miami Dolphins	3	3	0	.500	147	138
New York Jets	1	6	0	.143	121	185

#### **GAME SUMMARY**

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (5-2) vs. CHICAGO BEARS (3-4) Sunday, Oct. 26, 2014 • Gillette Stadium (68,756) • 1:00 p.m. ET

The New England Patriots improved to a 5-2 record following two AFC East Division wins in a five-day span with a win at Buffalo on Oct. 12 followed by a win against the New York Jets on Thursday Night Football on Oct. 16.

The AFC East faces the four teams from the NFC North this year as part of the NFL's schedule rotation. Over the past 13 seasons, the Patriots have a 12-game winning streak against the NFC North. Since realignment in 2002, their only loss against the current NFC North was on Oct. 13, 2002, when they dropped a 28-10 decision at home against the Green Bay Packers in their very first game against the reconfigured division. The Patriots extended their streak to 12 straight wins against the NFC North with a 30-7 win at Minnesota on Sept. 14, 2014. The Patriots were 4-0 against the NFC North in 2010 and 2006 and won their final three NFC North matchups in 2002 after the loss to the Packers.

This Patriots streak is the longest current streak any NFL team has against another division. Kansas City had the second longest streak at 10 straight wins against the NFC West until losing at San Francisco earlier this season.

#### BROADCAST INFORMATION

TELEVISION: This week's game will be broadcast by FOX and can be seen locally on WFXT-TV Channel 25 in Boston. Sam Rosen will handle play-by-play duties with John Lynch as the color analyst. Pam Oliver will work from the sidelines. The game will be produced by Fran Morison and directed by Artie Kempner.

NATIONAL RADIO: This week's game will be broadcast to a national audience by ESPN. Marc Kestecher and Bill Polian will call the game with Ian Fitzsimmons as the sideline

LOCAL RADIO: 98.5 FM, The Sports Hub, is the flagship station for the Patriots Radio Network. Play-by-play broadcaster Bob Socci will call the action along with former Patriots quarterback Scott Zolak, who will provide color analysis.

#### PATRIOTS SUCCESS VS. NFC

Since realignment in 2002, the Patriots are now 40-9 vs. NFC clubs, the best inter-conference record in the NFL.

#### BEST INTER-CONFERENCE RECORDS SINCE 2002

<u>Team</u>	Record
New England	40-9
Pittsburgh	34-15-1
Indianapolis	32-17
Baltimore	32-19
Tennessee	30-20
Δtlanta	29-20-1

## WEEK 8 HIGHLIGHT

**PAGE 5:** The Patriots clawed their way to an amazing win over the Bears in 2002.

PAGE 10: New England owns the longest current home winning streak in the NFL.

PAGE 14: Brady and Gronkowski look to break a team scoring record.

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## KRAFT

#### News & Notes

Since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994, the Patriots have experienced one of the most dramatic turnarounds in the history of sports. Now in his 21st season of ownership, Kraft has transformed one of the league's least successful clubs into what observers view as a model NFL franchise. In the five seasons immediately preceding his purchase (1989-93), the Patriots were a moribund team, winning just 19 of 80 games (.238 pct.) and logging the worst record in the NFL over that span. When he bought the franchise on Jan. 21, 1994,



Kraft announced his intention to bring a championship to New England, a tall order considering the team's previous success rate. But under Kraft's leadership, the Patriots have won more division titles [13], conference crowns [6] and Super Bowl championships [3] than any other NFL team. The Patriots have made six Super Bowl appearances since Kraft purchased the team, a period during which no other team has earned more than four berths. In Kraft's 20 seasons, the Patriots have qualified for the playoffs 15 times, more than doubling the franchise's accomplishments during its first 34 seasons.

Pre-Kraft 1960-93	1989-93	Kraft Era 1994-13
225-276-9	19-61	243-117
.450	.238	.675
0	0	3
1	0	6
3	0	13
6	0	15
4-6	-	21-12
1	0	18
0-1	-	15-3
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#### A CHAMPIONSHIP TRADITION

#### **MULTIPLE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 2001**

	LEAGUE	TITLES
Los Angeles Lakers	NBA	
San Antonio Spurs	NBA	
Los Angeles Galaxy	MLS	
New England Patriots	NFL	
Boston Red Sox	MLB	3

## HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE IN MAJOR PROFESSIONAL SPORTS SINCE 1994 (Regular Season)

TEAM	LEAGUE	PCT
San Antonio Spurs	NBA	 686
New England Patriots		
Detroit Red Wings	NHL	 660
Green Bay Packers	NFL	 641
Los Angeles Lakers	NBA	 632
Pittsburgh Steelers	NFL	 625

#### **221 GAME SELLOUT STREAK**

In the early 1990's, the Patriots seemed destined for relocation until Robert Kraft's purchase of the team rejuvenated local interest. In 1991, the season ticket base was just 17,635, barely enough to support the club. Now, the season tickets are capped and more than 50,000 fans are on a season ticket waiting list. The Patriots have sold out 221 consecutive home games, including playoff and preseason games (dating back to the 1994 season opener).

## SINCE ROBERT KRAFT PURCHASED THE TEAM IN 1994

#### TOTAL VICTORIES SINCE 1994 (Regular Season)

	New England Patriots	
	Green Bay Packers	209
	Pittsburgh Steelers	
	Indianapolis Colts	199
T	AL VICTORIES SINCE 1994 (Incl. Postseason)	
	New England Patriots	.243

New England Patriots	.243
Green Bay Packers	. 225
Pittsburgh Steelers	
Indianapolis Colts	
Denver Broncos	
Philadelphia Eagles	. 192

#### WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 1994 (Incl. Postseason)

TEAM	W	L	T	PCT.
New England Patriots	243	117	0	.675
Green Bay Packers	225	130	1	.633
Pittsburgh Steelers	221	131	1	.627
Denver Broncos	207	138	0	.600
Indianapolis Colts	211	142	0	.598
Philadelphia Eagles	192	155	2	.553
N.Y. Giants	181	161	1	.529

#### SUPER BOWL CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994

New England Patriots3
Baltimore Ravens
Green Bay Packers2
Pittsburgh Steelers2
Denver Broncos
N.Y. Giants

#### **CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994**

New England Patriots6
Pittsburgh Steelers
Denver Broncos
Green Bay Packers3
N.Y. Giants

#### **DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994**

New England Patriots13
Pittsburgh Steelers
Green Bay Packers
Indianapolis Colts9

#### **PLAYOFF VICTORIES SINCE 1994**

New England Patriots	. 21
Pittsburgh Steelers	17
Green Bay Packers	16
Baltimore Ravens	14
Indianapolis Colts	12
San Francisco 49ers	12

#### **PLAYOFF GAMES PLAYED SINCE 1994**

New England Patriots	33
Green Bay Packers	29
Pittsburgh Steelers	27
Indianapolis Colts	26
Philadelphia Eagles	23
Baltimore Ravens	21
San Francisco 49ers	21
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#### PLAYOFF SEASONS SINCE 1994

New England Patriots	5
Indianapolis Colts	5
Green Bay Packers1	5
Pittsburgh Steelers	2
Philadelphia Eagles	2

#### **PLAYOFF WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 1994**

TEAM	W	L	PCT.
Baltimore Ravens	14	7	
New England Patriots	21	12	636
Pittsburgh Steelers	17		630
N.Y. Giants	10	6	625
Arizona Cardinals	5	3	625
Denver Broncos	11		579
San Francisco 49ers	12	9	571

## KRAFT PRODUCES MORE WINS THAN EVERY OTHER PATRIOTS OWNER COMBINED

The Patriots have 243 wins overall under Robert Kraft. He has produced more victories than every other Patriots owner combined. Under Kraft, the Patriots are 243-117 overall since he purchased the team in 1994. Kraft's predecessors in the owner's office went 225-276-9 in the 34 years prior to his purchase of the team.

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### Years of Ownership

#### ESTABLISHING A WINNING TRADITION

Kraft's winning percentage with the Patriots (.675) since taking over the team in 1994 is the highest among all owners/ownership groups with at least 200 wins (regular and postseason). He is just one of four owners with at least 200 wins and a winning percentage over 600

OWNER	TEAM	YEARS	WINNING PCT.	
Robert Kraft	Patriots	1994-present	.675	
Eddie DeBartalo, Jr.	49ers	1977-1999	.636	
Clint Murchison, Jr.	Cowboys	1960-1983	.634	
Joe Robbie	Dolphins	1966-1989	.609	

#### **ALL-TIME POSTSEASON WINS BY AN OWNER**

Robert Kraft has 21 career postseason wins, tied for the fifth-most in NFL history.

WINS	OWNERSHIP
33	The Rooney Family, Pittsburgh (1933-present)
30	Green Bay Packers (1919-present)
24	the Mara Family, N.Y. Giants (1925-present)
22	Eddie DeBartalo, Jr., San Francisco (1977-1999)
21	Robert Kraft, New England (1994-present)
21	Al Davis, Oakland/Los Angeles (1972-2011)

#### **QB STABILITY**

Since 1994, the Patriots have had 15 quarterbacks on their active roster. Of this group, only four quarterbacks have started a regular-season or post-season game for the club, the fewest total of any team in the NFL. Only Drew Bledsoe and Tom Brady - have started on Opening Weekend for New England.

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TEAM	STARTING QBs SINCE 1994	OPENING DAY QBs SINCE 199
New England	4	2
Green Bay	5	<b>2</b> 2 3
Houston * *	9	
N.Y. Giants	8	6
Pittsburgh	10	6
Indianapolis	11	4
San Diego	12	6
Cincinnati	12	8 7
New Orleans	13	
Carolina	15	9
Kansas City	15	5
Seattle	15	9 5 6 7
Tennessee	15	
Buffalo	16	9
Jacksonville	16	5
San Francisco	16	6
Philadelphia	16	8
Baltimore*	16	8
Tampa Bay	17	10
Denver	17	7
N.Y. Jets	17	8
Dallas	18	5
Detroit	18	5
Atlanta	18	6
Minnesota	19	9
Miami	20	9
St. Louis	21	6
Washington	21	13
Chicago	22	9
Arizona	23	11
Cleveland	23	12
Oakland	24	11

<sup>\*</sup> Since 1996

#### \* \* Since 2002

#### A MODEL OF CONSISTENCY

With Belichick in his 15th season as head coach, the Patriots have had just three head coaches since 1994, the fewest number by far of any AFC East team.

AFC EAST TEAM	HEAD COACHES SINCE 1994	
New England	3	
Buffalo	7	
N.Y. Jets	7	
Miami	9	

#### COACHING CONSISTENCY

Since Kraft took ownership of the team in 1994, the Patriots have had just three head coaches - Bill Parcells (1994-1996), Pete Carroll (1997-1999) and current head coach Bill Belichick (2000-present). The only team with fewer head coaches since 1994 is the Pittsburgh Steelers, who have had two - Bill Cowher (199-2006) and Mike Tomlin (2007-present).

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TEAM	HEAD COACHES SINCE 1994		
Pittsburgh	2		
New England	3		
Baltimore Ravens*	3		
Houston Texans * *	3		
N.Y. Giants	3		

- \* Since 1996
- \* \* Since 2002

In fact, there have been a total of 187 head coaches in the NFL since 1994, an average of 5.8 coaches per team, which is about double New England's three:

Total Head Coaches	NFL Average	Patriots	
187	5.8	3	

#### SECOND-FASTEST TO 200 WINS

Robert Kraft reached 200 career wins on Oct. 2, 2011, in the Patriots 31-19 win at Oakland. Kraft currently has 240 wins.

OWNER	TEAM	GAMES TO 200 WINS
Halas Family	Chicago	295
Robert Kraft	New England	302
Green Bay Packers, Inc.	Green Bay	302

#### COVER BOYS





Kraft's success as an owner has brought the Patriots a great increase in national recognition. Prior to Kraft's ownership, the Patriots had been featured on the cover of just four issues of *Sports Illustrated* (1966, 1977, 1981 and 1986). Since 1994, New England has graced the cover a total of 28 times, including 17 that feature Tom Brady alone.



## PATRIOTS Home Dominance



Since the Patriots opened Gillette Stadium in 2002, they have celebrated more regular and postseason wins than any other team in the NFL. The Patriots have the highest point differential at home, rank first in points scored and third in points allowed at Gillette Stadium.

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REGULAR SEASON HOME RECORD SINCE 2002					
RANK	TEAM	W	L	T	
1	New England	84	15	0	
2	Baltimore	76	24	0	

1	New England	84	15	0	0.848
2	Baltimore	76	24	0	0.760
3	Indianapolis	<i>7</i> 5	25	0	0.750
4	Pittsburgh	70	28	1	0.712
5	Green Bay	69	29	1	0.702

## HOME PLAYOFF RECORD SINCE 2002 (MIN. 5 GAMES)

RAINK	IEAIVI	VV	L	PC1.
1	Seattle	7	1	0.875
2	New England	11	3	0.786
3	Pittsburgh	6	2	0.750
4	Indianapolis	7	3	0.700
5	Philadelphia	5	4	0.556

#### HOME RECORD SINCE 2002 (INCLUDING PLAYOFFS)

RANK	TEAM	W	L	T	PCT.
1	New England	95	18	0	0.841
2	Baltimore	78	26	0	0.750
3	Indianapolis	82	28	0	0.745
4	Pittsburgh	77	29	1	0.724
5	Seattle	<i>7</i> 5	32	0	0.701

#### HOME RECORD AFTER HALLOWEEN SINCE 2002 (INCLUDING PLAYOFFS)

RANK	TEAM	W	L	T_	PCT.	
1	New England	54	12	0	0.818	
2	Indianapolis	51	18	0	0.739	
3	Baltimore	44	17	0	0.721	
4	Green Bay	42	18	0	0.697	
5	San Diego	39	23	0	0.629	

#### HOME RECORD VS. NFC SINCE 2002

RANK	TEAM	W	CLA	T	PCT.
1	Baltimore	22	4	0	0.846
2	New England	20	4	0	0.833
3	Pittsburgh	20	4	1	0.800
4	Indianapolis	17	8	0	0.680
5	Jacksonville	15	10	0	0.600

#### HOME RECORD VS. DIVISIONAL OPPONENTS SINCE 2002

RANK	TEAM	W	L	<u> </u>	PCT.
1	New England	32	5	0	0.865
2	Indianapolis	31	6	0	0.838
3	Green Bay	28	8	0	0.778
4	Seattle	27	9	0	0.750
5	Pittsburgh	27	10	0	0.730

#### POINT DIFFERENTIAL AT HOME SINCE 2002

RANK	TEAM	POINT DIFFERENTIAL
1	New England	1040
2	Baltimore	851
3	Green Bay	831
4	San Diego	700
5	Pittsburgh	694

#### POINTS ALLOWED PER GAME AT HOME SINCE 2002

RANK	TEAM	POINTS ALLOWED
1	Baltimore	16.1
2	Pittsburgh	17.2
3	New England	17.4
4	Seattle	18.0
5	Green Bav	18.9

#### POINTS SCORED PER GAME AT HOME SINCE 2002

RANK	TEAM	POINTS SCORE
1	New England	27.9
2	Green Bay	27.3
3t	San Diego	26.9
3t	New Orleans	26.9
5	Indianapolis	25.9



## **CLAWING BACK**

NOV. 10. 2002

The Patriots clawed their way back from a 21-point third-quarter deficit to beat the Bears 33-30 on a last-minute TD pass by Tom Brady.

The only game between the New England Patriots and Chicago Bears played at Memorial Stadium on the University of Illinois campus in Champaign, III. was an instant classic. As Bill Belichick remarked after the game, "This was a wild one. I can't remember ever being in a game like that one before." It was Week 10 of the 2002 NFL season, and the 4-4 Patriots paid a visit to the reeling 2-6 Bears, who had lost their previous six games. Following a rather dull first half that included a scoreless first quarter and a 6-6 tie at halftime, the Bears rattled off three straight third-quarter touchdowns to take a 27-6 lead. Brady and the Pats regrouped quickly, driving 75 yards for a score on the next series. Still, the Bears were in complete 1 control when Paul Edinger knocked through a 32-yard field goal to make it 3 30-19 with five minutes to play. The Patriots had one last effort, however, and Brady took advantage, finding Kevin Faulk for a 36-yard touchdown pass - Faulk's second of the day - with just under three minutes to play. The 3 two-point conversion attempt failed, leaving the Pats down 30-25. After 3 forcing a Bears punt, Brady led the Patriots on an effective two-minute drill before Brian Robinson stepped in front of his pass for an apparent game-sealing pick. Officials reviewed the play and ruled that it was an in- 3 complete pass. The Patriots capitalized on the break, moving the ball to the 6-Bears 20-yard line. Needing a touchdown, Brady dropped back on thirdand-three and lofted a pass to the back of the end zone to a diving David Patten, who made an incredible play by dragging his left foot inbounds to 3 secure the game-winner.

#### **KEY STATISTICS**



#### **NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS**

9	★ FIRST DOWNS ★	14
197	★ TOTAL NET YARDS ★	299
12	★ NET YARDS RUSHING★	125
115	★ NET YARDS PASSING★	174
6-55	★ COMPLETIONS-ATTEMPTS ★	16-30
	<b>★ INTERCEPTIONS★</b>	1
3 [1]	★ FUMBLES (LOST) ★	0 (0)
-65	★ PENALTIES-YARDS ★	5-30
i-45.8	★ PUNTS-AVERAGE ★	6-40.5
3	★ FINAL SCORE ★	30









SCORING SUMMARY				
<b>TEAM</b>	<b>PERIOD</b>	TIME	SCORING PLAY	<b>SCORE</b>
Bears	2	14:51	Edinger 39-yard field goal	0-3
Pats	2	10:15	Vinatieri 57-yard field goal	3-3
Bears	2	5:31	Edinger 40-yard field goal	3-6
Pats	2	0:04	Vinatieri 31-yard field goal	6-6
Bears	3	12:21	Pritchett 11-yard pass from Miller (Edinger kick)	6-13
Bears	3	10:09	Robinson 44-yard pass from Booker (Edinger kick	6-20
Bears	3	6:42	Thomas 2-yard run (Edinger kick)	6-27
Pats	3	3:04	Faulk 15-yard pass from Brady (Vinatieri kick)	13-27
Pats	3	1:50	Vinatieri 42-yard field goal	16-27
Pats	4	11:02	Vinatieri 25-yard field goal	19-27
Bears	4	5:22	Edinger 32-yard field goal	19-30
Pats	4	2:46	Faulk 36-yard pass from Brady (run failed)	25-30
Pats	4	0:21	Patten 20-yard pass from Brady (pass good)	33-30





#### **SERIES HISTORY**





The Patriots and Bears will meet for the 12th time in regular-season play and for the first time since the Patriots beat the Bears in Chicago, 36-7, on Dec. 12, 2010.

New England will host Chicago for the first time since a 17-13 Patriots win on Nov. 26, 2006 at Gillette Stadium. That game marked Chicago's first regular season visit to Gillette Stadium.

The Patriots hold an 8-3 overall lead in the regular-season series, but Chicago claimed a victory in the teams' only postseason matchup, taking a 46-10 decision in Super Bowl XX following the 1985 season. Since Super Bowl XX, the Patriots have recorded a 6-1 record against Chicago and held the Bears to a touchdown or less in four games.

The Patriots are 3-0 against the Bears in home games, winning 30-7 at Sullivan Stadium on Oct. 30, 1988, 31-3 at Foxboro Stadium on Sept. 21, 1997 and 17-13 on Nov. 26, 2006 at Gillette Stadium.

One of the more memorable games between the two teams was in 2002 when the Bears played their home games at the University of Illinois during the remodeling of Soldier Field.

The Patriots staged one of the most memorable comebacks in team history, rallying from a 27-6 deficit late in the third quarter to pull out a 33-30 win that was clinched on a 20-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady to David Patten with 21 seconds left in the game.

#### **REGULAR SEASON - PATRIOTS 8, BEARS 3**

<u>Date</u>	Result	Score	H/A	Stadium
10/21/73	W	13-10	Α	Soldier Field
10/14/79	W	27-7	Α	Soldier Field
12/05/82	L	13-26	Α	Soldier Field
09/15/85	L	7-20	Α	Soldier Field
10/30/88	W	30-7	Н	Sullivan Stadium
12/24/94	W	13-3	Α	Soldier Field
09/21/97	W	31-3	Н	Foxboro Stadium
12/10/00	L	17-24	Α	Soldier Field
11/10/02	W	33-30	Α	MemorialStadium(Champaign,III.)
11/26/06	W	17-13	Н	Gillette Stadium
12/12/10	W	36-7	Α	Soldier Field

#### PLAYOFFS - BEARS 1, PATRIOTS 0

<u>Date</u>	Result	Score	H/A	<u>Stadium</u>
01/26/86*	L	10-46	N	Louisiana Superdome

#### TALE OF THE TAPE

2014 Regular Season	New England	Chicago
Record	5-2	3-4
Divisional Standings	1st	3rd
Total Yards Gained	2,418	2,445
Total Offense (Rank)	345.4(18)	349.3 (17)
Rush Offense	103.3 (20)	95.3 (24)
Pass Offense	242.1 (15)	254.0 (10)
Points Per Game	26.7 (7)	22.4 (18)
Total Yards Allowed	2,340	2,492
Total Defense (Rank)	334.3(12)	356.0 (17)
Rush Defense	126.3 (24)	108.4 (14)
Pass Defense	208.0 (1)	247.6 (19t)
Points Allowed/Game	22.0 (12t)	24.4 (22)
Possession Avg.	29:14	30:39
Sacks Allowed/Yards Lost	14/80	17/97
Sacks Made/Yards	18/120	19/109
Total Touchdowns Scored	19	19
Penalties Against/Yards	63/590	48/384
Punts/Avg.	34/44.8	27/43.6
Turnover Differential	+9 (2nd)	-1 (19t)

#### **PATRIOTS VS. NFC NORTH**

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#### PATRIOTS VS. NFC

The Patriots have been successful against NFC teams in recent seasons, compiling a 43-10 (.811) record since 2001. The Patriots are 21-5 in home games against the NFC during that time frame, including 20-4 against NFC teams at Gillette Stadium.

#### BRADY UNDEFEATED AGAINST CHICAGO

This week's game will mark Tom Brady's fourth start against the Chicago Bears. Chicago (3-0) is one of the eight teams that Brady is undefeated against: Minnesota (4-0), Atlanta (4-0), Jacksonville (4-0), Dallas (3-0), Detroit (3-0), Philadelphia (3-0), and Tampa Bay (3-0) are the other seven teams Brady has never lost to

#### TOM BRADY VS. CHICAGO BEARS (3-0)

#### (Including Playoffs)

Date	W-L*	Α	` c	Ϋ́d	%	TD	- 1	Rating
11/10/02	W	55	36	328	65.5	3	1	92.1
11/26/06	W	33	22	267	66.7	1	2	76.2
12/12/10	W	40	27	369	67.5	2	0	113.4
Totals		128	85	964	66.4	6	3	94.7

<sup>\*-</sup>W/L record only includes games started

#### **BRADY VS. THE NFC**

Brady is 39-10 overall in the regular season against NFC opponents, including 19-5 against the NFC at home.

#### LAST MEETING: PATRIOTS 36, CHICAGO 7

#### December 10, 2010 ★ Soldier Field

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	7	26	3	0	- 36
Chicago Bears	0	0	7	0	- 7

Neither the snow or the third-ranked Chicago defense could stop Tom Brady and the New England Patriots in a 36-7 victory at Soldier Field in wintry conditions. The game-time temperature was 26 degrees with snow and 30-mile per hour winds. Brady threw for 369 yards and two touchdowns as the Patriots clinched a playoff berth for the 12th time in 17 years of ownership under Robert Kraft.

The win was the fifth straight for the Patriots, who improved to an 11-2 record. The Patriots wasted little time taking control of the game with a 26-point second quarter to jump to a 33-0 lead at the break. The win was the 174th for Bill Belichick, putting him in a tie for 10th place with Mike Holmgren.

Brady picked the Bears defense apart, completing 27-of-40 passes for 369 yards and improving to eight straight starts without an interception.

Deion Branch finished with eight receptions for a career-high 151 yards, including a 59-yard touchdown reception from Brady on the last play of the second quarter. Wes Welker added 115 yards receiving as the Patriots generated 27 first downs and 475 total yards while holding the Bears to 185 total yards.

Chicago QB Jay Cutler struggled, completing just 12 passes with two interceptions deep in New England territory and one fumble. The Patriots defense forced two fumbles in the second quarter, including one by CB Devin McCourty that resulted in a touchdown when LB Gary Guyton picked up the loose ball and returned it 35 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter.

Brady started the scoring by engineering an 85-yard scoring drive that ended in a 7-yard touchdown strike to TE Rob Gronkowski in the first quarter. RB Danny Woodhead then capped an 11-play, 87-yard drive in the second quarter with a 3-yard touchdown run. Twenty seconds later, the Patriots made it 21-0 after McCourty stripped the ball away from WR Johnny Knox, allowing Guyton to recover the ball and return it for the score.

Later in the period, WR Julian Edelman returned a punt 42 yards to set up a field goal for a 24-0 lead. On the next series, LB Eric Moore forced a fumble on a sack that was recovered by LB Jerod Mayo at the Chicago 9-yard line to set up another field goal for a 27-0 lead. The Brady-to-Branch touchdown pass at the end of the first half gave New England a commanding 33-0 halftime lead.





#### CONNECTIONS

#### **NEW ENGLAND TIES**

- ★ Bears President and CEO Ted Phillips grew up in Nashua, N.H.
- ★ Bears LS Jeremy Cain played collegiately at Massachusetts, where he was a two-time All-American and a two-time candidate for the Buck Buchanan Award, given annually to I-AA's top defensive player. Cain ranks fifth on the school's all-time list with 363 tackles.
- ★ Bears CB Al Louis-Jean attended Brockton (Mass.) HS, where he was selected to the 2010 Massachusetts High School Coaches Association Super 26 All-State team. He also earned Boston Globe and Boston Herald All-Scholastic honors as a senior.
- ★ Bears defensive line coach Paul Pasqualoni served as head coach of the University of Connecticut from 2011-13, and previously served as the head coach of Western Connecticut from 1982-86. He began his coaching career in 1972 at his high school alma mater, Cheshire (Conn.) HS. Pasqualoni got his first collegiate coaching experience at Southern Connecticut State, where he was an assistant coach from 1976-79 and defensive coordinator from 1980-81.
- ★ Bears strength and conditioning coach Jim Arthur is a native of Cheshire, Conn. and attended Springfield (Mass.) College, where he worked as a student and graduate assistant until 2002, when he interned at Boston College while finishing his master's degree.
- ★ Bears defensive quality control coach Sean Desai started his coaching career at his alma mater, Shelton (Conn.) HS, working in several positions for the freshman squad from 2001- 04. He later spent one season (2012) as the running backs coach/special teams coordinator for Boston College.

#### **CHICAGO TIES**

- ★ Patriots DE Rob Ninkovich was born in Blue Island, Ill., and attended Lincoln-Way Central HS in New Lenox, Ill., where he played defensive end and tight end in football and also lettered in baseball.
- ★ Patriots QB Jimmy Garoppolo played quarterback at Rolling Meadows (III.) HS, where he passed for 1,888 yards and 16 touchdowns as a senior, earning Northwest Suburban All-Area honors. He also rushed for 563 yards and seven touchdowns, helping lead his team to the Mid-Suburban East League championships and IHSA Class 7A playoff berth. Garoppolo played collegiately at Eastern Illinois, where he started all 45 games he appeared in, completing 1,047-of-1,668 passes (62.8%) for 13,151 yards, 118 touchdowns and 51 interceptions. The completions, yards and touchdowns are Ohio Valley Conference all-time records. As a senior in 2013, he earned several prestigious awards, including the Walter Payton Award, given to the top player in the FCS.
- ★ Patriots TE Michael Hoomanawanui was named first-team all-state as a tight end at Central Catholic HS in Bloomington, Ill. He played collegiately at Illinois, where he caught 40 passes for 490 yards and four touchdowns in 38 career games. Hoomanawanui was a candidate for the Mackey Award (nation's top tight end) in 2009. His father, lsy, played football at Illinois State.
- ★ Patriots DB Tavon Wilson played in the defensive backfield at Illinois, where he earned honorable mention All-Big Ten honors in 2010 and 2011.
- ★ Patriots DL Zach Moore attended Simeon Academy in Chicago, Ill., where he was a Chicago five-star recruit, earning all-city first team and all-state honors, as well as being named to the Illinois Prairie State Top Five. He also competed in track and field at Simeon.
- ★ Patriots defensive assistant Brendan Daly is a Springfield, III. native who also coached the tight ends at Illinois State in 2004.
- ★ Patriots linebackers coach Patrick Graham was born in Des Plaines, III.

#### **CONNECTIONS (CONT'D)**

#### FORMER PATRIOTS

- ★ Bears K Robbie Golud originally entered the NFL as a rookie free agent with New England in 2005. He was released at the end of training camp.
- ★ Bears DE Trevor Scott appeared in 14 games with two starts for the Patriots in 2012, totaling 14 tackles, three sacks and a forced fumble.
- ★ Bears quarterbacks coach Matt Cavanaugh was originally drafted by the Patriots in the second round (50th overall) in the 1978 NFL Draft, spending five seasons with the club (1978-82).

#### **FORMER BEARS**

★ Patriots running backs coach Ivan Fears served as the Bears' wide receivers coach from 1993-98.

#### **FAMILY TIES**

★ Patriots RB Shane Vereen is the older brother of Bears SBrock Vereen. This game will be the first time the two will play against each other.

#### FORMER COLLEGE TEAMMATES

- ★ Patriots CB Darrelle Revis, Bears WR Santonio Holmes and G Matt Slauson were teammates on the New York Jets from 2010-12. Slauson and Revis also played together in 2009.
- ★ Patriots CB Brandon Browner and Bears LB D.J. Williams played together on the Denver Broncos defense in 2005.
- ★ Patriots offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach Josh McDaniels coached Bears WR Brandon Marshall in his first season as head coach of the Denver Broncos in 2009. That season, Marshall caught 101 passes for 1,120 yards and a then-career-high 10 touchdowns en route to earning Pro Bowl honors. McDaniels also coached Bears LB D.J. Williams both years (2009-10) he was head coach of the Broncos.
- ★ Patriots defensive assistant Brendan Daly tutored Bears DE Jared Allen while serving as the Minnesota Vikings defensive line coach from 2012-13 and as a defensive assistant/defensive line coach in 2008.

#### FORMER COLLEGE TEAMMATES

- ★ Patriots WR Brandon LaFell, RB Stevan Ridley and Bears S Danny McCray played together at Louisiana State from 2007-09. LaFell and McCray also played together in 2006.
- ★ Patriots TE Rob Gronkowski and Bears G Eben Britton were teammates at Arizona from 2007-08.
- ★ Patriots CB Logan Ryan, S Duron Harmon, TE Tim Wright and Bears LB Khaseem Green were teammates for all four years of their collegiate careers at Rutgers from 2009-12. Patriots S Devin McCourty was also at Rutgers in 2009.
- ★ Patriots RB Shane Vereen and Bears S Chris Conte were teammates at California from 2007-10. Bears C Brian de la Puente was also at California in 2007.
- ★ Patriots DL Dominique Easley and Bears LB Jonathan Bostic were defensive teammates at Florida from 2010-12.
- ★ Patriots C Bryan Stork and Bears LB Christian Jones were college teammates at Florida State from 2010-13, winning the BCS National Championship together as seniors.
- ★ Patriots DL Casey Walker and Bears CB Demontre Hurst were defensive teammates at Oklahoma from 2009-12.
- ★ Patriots P Ryan Allen and Bears OL Jordan Mills were teammates at Louisiana Tech from 2010-12.





#### PATRIOTS 27, JETS 25

#### October 16, 2014 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
New York Jets	6	6	7	6	- 25
New England Patriots	7	10	3	7	- 27

Defensive lineman Chris Jones blocked K Nick Folk's 58-yard field goal attempt on the game's final play to help lead the Patriots to a 27-25 victory over the visiting New York Jets on Thursday Night Football.

Jones redeemed himself from a penalty on a field goal that led to a 30-27 overtime loss at the Jets in 2013. Last season, Folk was wide left on a 56-yard attempt in overtime, but Jones was penalized under a new rule against players pushing a teammate into the opponent's formation. Folk then connected from 42 yards, giving the Jets the win.

The Jets outgained the Patriots on the ground, 218 to 63, and held the ball for 40:54 while limiting the Patriots to just 19:06 time of possession. The Jets also scored on their first five possessions of the game with four field goals and a touchdown

The Patriots led 17-12 at halftime despite having the ball for just 7:57, while the Jets held it for 22:03.

The Jets got inside the New England 30-yard line on all four of their first half drives, but they managed just four field goals.

The Patriots went three-and-out on two of their four first half possessions, but made the most of the other two as QB Tom Brady connected with RB Shane Vereen for two touchdowns. On the fourth play of the game, Brady connected with Vereen for a 49-yard touchdown for a 7-0 lead. Folk had field goals on the Jets next three drives to take a 9-7 lead.

Brady, who finished 20-of-37 for 261 yards with three touchdowns, responded with a 10-play, 80-yard drive that ended with a 3-yard touchdown strike to Vereen to recapture the lead at 14-9. The Jets scored on their fourth straight drive of the game with a 27-yard field goal to make it 14-12 with 1:01 left to play int he first half.

A 20-yard pass from Brady to TE Rob Gronkowski helped get in position for a 39-yard field goal by K Stephen Gostkowski for a 17-12 halftime lead.

The Jets took the second half kickoff and marched 80 yards before RB Chris lvory scored on a 1-yard run to give New York a 19-17 lead. The Patriots recaptured the lead on the next series when Gostkowski connected on a 36-yard field goal for a 20-19 lead heading into the final quarter.

Midway through the fourth quarter, Brady finished a 7-play, 46-yard drive with a 19-yard touchdown pass to WR Danny Amendola on third-and-goal for a 27-19 lead with under eight minutes to play. The Jets answered that drive by going 86 yards on 12 plays before QB Geno Smith completed a 10-yard touchdown pass to TE Jeff Cumberland. A failed two-point play made it 27-25 with just over two minutes to play.

Amendola recovered an onside kick attempt by the Jets but the Patriots offense was held on three plays and was forced to punt. The Jets took over and drove to the New England 40-yard to get where they attempted a 58-yard game winner that was blocked by Jones.





#### OCTORER FEST

The Patriots are an NFL-best 40-9 in the month of October since 2003, including 24-1 in home games over that stretch. Their last home loss in October was on Oct. 2, 2005 (a 41-17 loss vs. San Diego).

#### MOST OCTOBER WINS SINCE 2003

<u>Team</u>	Wins	Losses	Pct.
New England	40	9	.816
N.Y. Giants	34	13	.733
Indianapolis	30	13	.698
Green Bay	30	15	.667
Pittsburgh	29	15	.659
BEST OCTOBER	R HOME RI	ECORD SIN	CE 2003
<u>Team</u>	Wins	Losses	Pct.
New England	24	1	.960
Indianapolis	15	3	.833
Pittsburgh	17	5	.773

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#### TAKING CARE OF BALL PAYS OFF

The Patriots have thrown just two interceptions in the first seven games of 2014. New England has not had an interception in October, as Tom Brady has nine touchdowns and no interceptions. Since 2002, the Patriots are an NFL-best 93-11 when throwing no interceptions.

TEAM G	AMES WITH 0 INTS	W-L-T	WIN PCT.
New Englar	nd 104	93-11-0	.894
Jacksonville	93	56-37-0	.602
Indianapolis	89	75-14-0	.843
Philadelphia	89	64-25-0	.719
Kansas City	89	54-35-0	.607
San Francis	co 86	67-18-1	.785
San Diego	86	67-19-0	.780
Baltimore	84	71-13-0	.845
Denver	83	65-18-0	.783
Tennessee	83	62-21-0	.747

#### **DIVISIONAL DOMINANCE**

The Patriots improved to a 65-18 [.783] record in regular season AFC East games since the beginning of the 2001 season with the win over New York. That is the best intra-division record in the NFL over that span [Indianapolis, 60-23].





## HOME COOKIN

The Patriots won their 16th consecutive home game against AFC East opposition. The last time the Patriots lost a home game against an AFC East opponent was on Nov. 13, 2008, when the New York Jets left Gillette Stadium with a 34-31 overtime win. The Patriots are now 32-5 against the AFC East in the regular season since Gillette Stadium opened in 2002.

#### THE MOST CONSECUTIVE HOME WINS AGAINST DIVISION OPPONENTS SINCE 1970:

Team	Years	Streak
Green Bay	1994-98	18
Buffalo	1988-92	17
New England	2009-present	16
Dallas	1991-95	16
Miami	1971-75	16

#### FEELING RIGHT AT HOME VS. AFC

The Patriots are 84-15 (.848) at Gillette Stadium in regular season games. With the victory over the New York Jets, New England has now won 33 straight games at home against AFC conference opponents. The Patriots' 33 straight home wins against a conference is the longest in NFL history (following the 1970 merger). The Miami Dolphins are second in NFL history with 21 straight home conference wins (1971-1974). The Patriots last loss at home against an AFC opponent was a 33-10 loss vs. Pittsburgh on Nov. 30, 2008.

#### HIGHEST WIN PCT. AT STADIUM SINCE 1970 (MIN. 25 GAMES)

<u>Team</u>	Stadium	W-L-T	Win Pct.
New England	Gillette Stadium	84-15-0	<mark>.848</mark>
Miami	Orange Bowl	101-22-1	.819

#### **HOME WIN STREAK LONGEST IN NFL**

The Patriots won their 12th consecutive home game, extending the longest current home winning streak in the NFL. The Patriots have not lost a regular-season home game since Dec. 16, 2012, when San Francisco left Foxborough with a 41-34 win.

#### MOST CONSECUTIVE HOME VICTORIES (CURRENT STREAKS)

New England	12
New Orleans	10
Philadelphia	8

#### **AIRING IT OUT**

The Patriots extended their streak to 44 straight home games with at least one touchdown pass in the win vs. Cincinnati, the longest streak in post-merger NFL history. The last time the Patriots did not have a touchdown pass in a home game was in a 33-10 loss vs. Pittsburgh on Nov. 30, 2008.

#### MOST CONSECUTIVE HOME GAMES WITH A TOUCHDOWN PASS SINCE 1970

Team	Gm	Start	End	Record
New England Patriots	44	12/21/08	Current	41-3
New Orleans Saints	40	10/18/09	Current	31-9
Green Bay Packers	36	10/05/08	12/02/12	29-7
Miami Dolphins	32	09/11/83	12/22/86	26-6
Green Bay Packers	29	11/03/96	09/03/00	24-5

#### PRESERVING THE LEAD

The Patriots have now won 70 straight home games when leading at half-time, adding to their NFL record. The last time the Patriots lost at home after leading at halftime was on Dec. 24, 2000 (vs. Miami) when they Patriots lost 27-24 after leading 21-17 at halftime. Last week, the Patriots lead 17-12 at halftime and won the game, 27-25.

#### DEFENSE GETS KEY 2ND HALF CONTRIBUTIONS

The Patriots defense forced three consecutive New York punts to preserve a 20-19 New England lead in the third and fourth quarters. Casey Walker, Chandler Jones, and Darrelle Revis each came up with big third-down plays to end New York drives and keep the Jets from taking the lead. After the third straight Jets punt, the Patriots put together a touchdown drive that ended in a 19-yard touchdown catch by Danny Amendola that gave the Patriots a 27-19 lead.

#### **DEFENSE LIMITING BIG PLAYS**

The Patriots defense is the only one in the NFL that has not allowed a pass play of over 40 yards. The longest pass the Patriots have allowed was when Cincinnati QB Jason Campbell completed a 38-yard pass to RB Jeremy Hill on Oct. 5.

#### RARE FINAL SCORE

Last week's game was only the fifth game in NFL history to end with a final score of 27-25, and it was the first time a Patriots game ended with that score. The last time an NFL game ended in a 27-25 score was on Nov. 20, 2005, when Seattle scored a 27-25 win at San Francisco.

#### STRONG START CONTINUES

The Patriots have won five of their first seven games to start the 2014 season. It is the 10th time in the last 12 years and eighth time in the last nine years that the Patriots have started the season with at least five wins in their first seven games.





#### **BRADY THIRD PATRIOT TO PLAY 200 GAMES**

Tom Brady played in his 200th NFL regular season game and joined Bruce Armstrong (212) and Julius Adams (206) as the only Patriots players to play in at least 200 games with the Patriots.

#### MOST GAMES PLAYED IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

<u>Player</u>	Games Played
Bruce Armstrong	212
Julius Adams	206
Tom Brady	200

#### 41ST STRAIGHT W AT HOME VS. AFC

Tom Brady won his 41st straight regular season home game as a starting quarterback against an AFC opponent. Brady is now 67-8 in his career as a starting quarterback against AFC teams. The last time that Brady lost a home regular season game to an AFC opponent was on Nov. 12, 2006, when the Patriots lost to the New York Jets, 17-14.

#### BRADY FIFTH QB TO THROW 370 TDS

Tom Brady's 49-yard touchdown pass to RB Shane Vereen was his 370th career touchdown pass. He is now one of just five NFL players with at least 370 career touchdown passes. He added a 3-yard touchdown to Vereen in the second quarter and a 19-yard touchdown pass to WR Danny Amendola in the fourth quarter.

#### MOST TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN NFL HISTORY

<u>Name</u>	Touchdowns
Peyton Manning	510
Brett Favre	508
Dan Marino	420
Drew Brees	374
Tom Brady	372

#### **BRADY UNDEFEATED ON TNF**

Tom Brady improved to a 7-0 record as a starter in Thursday games, including 3-0 on Thursday against the Jets. In his career on Thursdays, Brady has thrown 16 touchdowns and two interceptions. In his last five Thursday games, Brady has 13 touchdowns and no interceptions.

#### BRADY IMPROVES CAREER RECORD VS. NYJ

Brady is now 19-5 all-time against the Jets as a starter, including 10-2 in home games following the win. It was his seventh straight home win against the Jets in the regular season.

#### **VEREEN GOES LONG**

RB Shane Vereen scored on a 49-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady on the game's fourth play. It was the second longest touchdown reception of his career. His career best was an 83-yard touchdown pass from Brady at the New York Jets on Nov. 22, 2012. Vereen's 49-yard touchdown reception is the longest by a Patriots running back in Gillette Stadium history. The previous best was a 43-yard touchdown by RB Kevin Faulk from Tom Brady vs. Houston on Dec. 17, 2006.

#### **VEREEN DOUBLES DOWN**

Vereen caught a 49-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter and a 3-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter for his first NFL two-touchdown regular season game. He had two receiving touchdowns in the 2012 AFC Divisional Playoff game vs. Houston on Jan. 13, 2013.

#### KEY THIRD DOWN STOPS

- ★ Casey Walker sacked Geno Smith for a 5-yard loss in the third quarter, setting up a third-and-long that the Jets did not convert, helping to force the first New York punt of the night and preserve the Patriots' 20-19 lead.
- ★ Chandler Jones sacked Smith for a 15-yard loss on third-and-5 in the fourth quarter to force a New York punt. The sack raised Jones' season sack total to a team-high 4½ sacks and ended a New York drive with the Patriots holding a 20-19 advantage.
- ★ Darrelle Revis broke up a Smith pass intended for Eric Decker on thirdand-5 to force New York to punt for the third consecutive drive and help preserve the Patriots' 20-19 lead.

#### **JONES SAVES THE DAY**

Chris Jones blocked a 58-yard field goal attempt by the Jets on the final play of the game to preserve New England's 27-25 win. It was the first blocked field goal for the Patriots since Chandler Jones blocked a 48-yard try by Minnesota's Blair Walsh earlier this season.

#### **AMENDOLA PRODUCES RETURNS**

Danny Amendola returned a first quarter kick 27 yards for his first kickoff return as a member of the Patriots. He had four returns for 105 yards, including a 31-yard return.

#### WALKER RECORDS FIRST NFL SACK

Casey Walker dropped Jets QB Geno Smith for a 5-yard loss in the third quarter for his first NFL sack.

#### STARTING BLOCKS

- ★ CB Brandon Browner made his Patriots regular season debut with a start at cornerback.
- ★ First-year RB Jonas Gray was signed from the practice squad to the practice squad prior to the game and saw action in his first regular season game.
- **★ T Jordan Devey**, who started the first three games of 2014 at right guard, made his first start at left guard against the Jets.





#### PATRIOTS 2014 CAPTAINS

The Patriots 2014 team captains were elected by their teammates.

#### **OFFENSE**

★ QB Tom Brady and C Dan Connolly

#### DEFENSE

★ DL Vince Wilfork, LB Jerod Mayo and S Devin McCourty

#### **SPECIAL TEAMS**

★ Matthew Slater

Brady has been chosen as a captain for the 13th straight season. Wilfork is a captain for the seventh straight season, Mayo is in his sixth season serving as a captain. McCourty and Slater are captains for a fourth time, and Connolly is a captain for the first time.

#### THE GREAT EIGHT

The Patriots have the most overall wins among the original eight AFL teams.

#### OVERALL VICTORY TOTAL OF ORIGINAL AFL TEAMS (REGULAR AND POSTSEASON)

TEAM	W	L	<u> </u>
New England Patriots	468	393	9
Oakland Raiders	459	399	11
Denver Broncos	457	397	10

#### **DECADE OF DOMINANCE**

The Patriots record of 129-38 (.772) over the past 10 seasons is the best in the NFL. Over the past 10 years, only five NFL teams have posted a winning percentage of .600 or better.

#### **BEST RECORDS SINCE 2004**

<u>Team</u>	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	129	38	0	.772
Indianapolis	116	51	0	.695
Pittsburgh	109	58	0	.653
San Diego	105	62	0	.629
Green Bay	101	65	1	.608

#### **BEST INTERCONFERENCE RECORD**

Since realignment in 2002, the Patriots are now 40-9 vs. NFC clubs, the best inter-conference record in the NFL.

Team	Record
New England	40-9
Pittsburgh	34-15-1
Indianapolis	32-17
Baltimore	32-19
Tennessee	30-20
Atlanta	29-20-1

#### **DIVISIONAL DOMINANCE**

The New England Patriots own a 65-18 (.783) record in regular-season AFC East games since the beginning of the 2001 season, compiling the best intra-division record of any team in the NFL.

#### NFL'S TOP DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England Patriots	65	18	0	.783
Indianapolis Colts	60	23	0	.723
Green Bay Packers	58	24	1	.705
Pittsburgh Steelers	58	27	0	.682

#### **AFC EAST DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001**

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	Div. Titles	Years
New England	65	18	0	.783	11	2001, 03-07, 09-13
New York Jets	39	42	0	.481	1	2002
Miami	34	48	0	.415	1	2008
Buffalo	27	55	0	.329	0	_

#### **BOUNCE BACK PATS**

Since the beginning of 2003, the Patriots are 36-4 (.900) in regular-season games following a loss, including nine straight following a defeat. The Patriots have dropped back-to-back regular season games just four times since 2003 (2006, 2009, 2011 and 2012). As a starter, Tom Brady is 37-8 in games following a loss.



### **PLAYING KEEP AWAY**

The Patriots are tied for first in the NFL with Houston and Green Bay with 14 takeaways and are second to Green Bay [+10] with a +9 turnover differential.

#### **NFL LEADERS – TURNOVER DIFFERENTIAL**

		TA	KE-AV	VAYS	GI\	/E-AW	AYS	NET
Rank	Team	Int	Fum	Total	Int	Fum	Total	Diff
1)	Green Bay	10	4	14	2	2	4	= +10
2)	<b>New England</b>	7	7	14	2	3	5	= +9
3)	Arizona	8	3	11	1	3	4	= +7
4)	San Diego	4	5	9	3	0	3	= +6

#### **TURNOVERS A PLUS**

The Patriots led the AFC in turnover ratio and total takeaways for three straight seasons (2010-2012). The Patriots led the NFL in turnover ratio in 2010 and 2012 and finished second in the NFL in total takeaways in 2012 and 2010. The Patriots finished third in the AFC with +9 turnover ratio in 2013. The Patriots enter this week's game second to Green Bay (+10) with a turnover ratio of +9 and tied for first with Houston and Green Bay in the NFL with 14 total takeaways

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Year	Turnover Ratio	Total Takeaways
2012	+28	38
2011	+17	34
2010	+25	41





#### PICKS & SACKS

The Patriots defense forced four interceptions and registered six sacks at Minnesota (09/14/14). It is the fifth time in team history that the team has achieved that feat.

DATE	GAME	SACKS	INTERCEPTIONS
09/14/14	at Minnesota	6.0	4
12/01/96	at San Diego	6.0	4
12/04/77	at Atlanta	8.0	4
11/29/64	at Houston	7.0	4

## RUSH TO



Since 2000, New England is 39-1 when a Patriot eclipses 100 yards rushing after Stevan Ridley gained 113 yards rushing vs. Cincinnati (10/05/14). The only loss during the Bill Belichick

era came at Miami on Dec. 20, 2004, when Corey Dillon rushed for 121 yards on 26 carries and the Patriots lost to the Dolphins, 29-28. Since then, New England is 26-0 with a 100-yard rusher.

#### SECOND-HALF LOCKDOWN

The Patriots have now won 70 straight home games when leading at halftime, adding to their NFL record. The last Patriots loss at home after leading at halftime was on Dec. 24, 2000 (vs. Miami), when the Patriots lost 27-24 after leading 21-17 at halftime. New England has never lost a game at Gillette Stadium when trailing at halftime, going 63-0 since 2002.

#### **GROUND CONTROL**

The Patriots had 220 rushing yards as a team against Cincinnati on Oct. 5, 2014. Stevan Ridley led the way with 113 rushing yards, while Shane Vereen added 90 rushing yards. It was the first time this season the Patriots broke the 200-yard rushing mark. In 2013, the Patriots achieved the feat once, totaling 267 rushing yards in the regular-season finale against Buffalo (12/29/13). The Patriots improved to 64-7 all-time when rushing for 200 or more yards in a game.

#### **SEASON-HIGH OUTPUT**

The Patriots scored 43 points vs. the Bengals, marking a season-high output and totaling the most points in a game team since a 55-31 win over Pittsburgh on Nov. 3, 2013. Cincinnati entered the game ranked first in the NFL in allowing just 11 points per game. The Bengals had allowed only 33 total points in three games meeting the Patriots.

#### **NOTES OF INTEREST**

#### **BILL BELICHICK**

- ★ Bill Belichick (223) is in fifth place all time on the NFL wins list. He needs seven more wins to move past Curly Lambeau (229) into fourth place.
- ★ Belichick (19) needs one more postseason victory to break a tie with Don Shula (19) for second place in postseason wins, behind Tom Landry (20) for most playoff wins by a head coach.
- ★ Belichick has five conference titles and needs one more to match Don Shula, who led his teams to six Super Bowls.
- ★ Belichick has led the Patriots to 13 consecutive winning records (2001-13), third all time behind 20 by Tom Landry (1966-85) followed by 14 by Curly Lambeau (1934-47).

#### **TOM BRADY**

- ★ Tom Brady has 60 career 300-yard games and ranks fifth all-time for most 300-yard games, third among active players. He is one of five players with at least 60 300-yard passing games.
- ★ Brady (4,343) reached 4,000 passing yards in 2013 for the sixth time in his career. He joins Dan Marino (6), Brett Favre (6), Drew Brees (8) and Peyton Manning (13) as the only players to have at least five seasons with 4,000 passing yards.
- ★ Brady (153) led the Patriots to his 150th career regular-season win, joining Brett Favre (186) and Peyton Manning (172) as the only NFL quarterbacks with at least 150 career wins as a starter.

#### **JULIAN EDELMAN**

- ★ Julian Edelman finished with 105 receptions in 2013 to join Wes Welker (2007-09, 11-12) and Troy Brown (2001) as the only Patriots players to reach 100 receptions in a season. Edelman averaged 6.4 receptions per game in 2013
- ★ Edelman finished with 1,056 receiving yards in 2013 to become the 10th Patriots player to register a 1,000-yard season.

#### **ROB NINKOVICH**

- ★ Rob Ninkovich has 11 fumble recoveries since 2010, the most of any player in the NFL over that time. Vince Wilfork is second with seven.
- ★ Ninkovich is the first Patriots player with back-to-back seasons with at least eight sacks (8 in 2012 and 8 in 2013) since Willie McGinest in 1995 [11] and 1996 [9½]. He is the only player to accomplish the feat during Belichick's tenure as head coach in New England.

#### STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI

- ★ Stephen Gostkowski set the franchise record for most points in a season with 158 total points in 2013.
- ★ Gostkowski broke his own franchise record with 38 field goals in 2013. He originally set the record with 36 field goals in 2008.



#### **BILL BELICHICK**

#### WINNING SEASONS

Belichick (13 straight winning seasons) needs one more winning season to tie Curly Lambeau (14) for the second-most consecutive winning seasons all time, trailing only Tom Landry with 20.

#### **MOVING ON UP**

Belichick (223 overall career wins) needs 7 wins to move past Curly Lambeau (229) and move into fourth place on the NFL's all-time list.

#### **POSTSEASON SUCCESS**

Belichick (19 playoff wins) needs one more playoff win as a head coach to break a tie with Don Shula (19) and move into a first-place tie with Tom Landry (20) for most postseason wins as a head coach.

#### SUPER STATUS

Bill Belichick needs to reach one more Super Bowl as a head coach to tie Don Shula for the most conference title, with six.

#### CAREER WINS

Bill Belichick now has 204 career regular season wins, fifth all-time in NFL history.

HEAD COACH	CAREER WINS
Don Shula	328
George Halas	318
Tom Landry	250
Curly Lambeau	226
Bill Belichick	204

#### **TOM BRADY**

#### TOUCHDOWN TOM

Brady currently sits in fifth place for most career touchdown passes with 372 and is one of five NFL players with at least 370 career touchdown passes.

#### **300-YARD GAMES**

Brady currently sits in fifth place all-time with 60 career 300-yard passing games. Brett Fave (62), Dan Marino (63), Drew Brees (82) and Peyton Manning (87) are the only quarterbacks in front of him.

#### **30 TD PASSES**

If Brady reaches 30 or more touchdowns passes in 2014, he will become just the fourth player in NFL history with at least 30 or more touchdown passes in five seasons.

#### 4.000-YARD PASSING SEASON

If Brady reaches 4,000 passing yards in 2014, he will be just the third player in NFL history with at least seven 4,000-yard passing seasons.

#### **PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Brady [24] needs two more AFC Offensive Player of the Week honors to tie Peyton Manning [26] for the most player of the week honors in NFL history.

#### **LEAGUE LEADER**

Brady has led the league in touchdown passes three times in his career and can tie Drew Brees, Len Dawson, Brett Favre, Johnny Unitas and Steve Young [4] for the most seasons leading the league in touchdown passes.

## SPECIAL CONNECTION

Rob Gronkowski and Tom Brady connected on their 45th touchdown pass vs. Cincinnati (10/5/14), tying Drew Bledsoe and Ben Coates for the most touchdown connections in Patriots history.

#### THE MOST TD CONNECTIONS IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

Quarterback	Player	TD Connections
Drew Bledsoe	Ben Coates	45
Tom Brady	Rob Gronkowski	<b>45</b>
Tom Brady	Randy Moss	39
Steve Grogan	Stanley Morgan	39



#### STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI

#### **NFL SCORING LEADER #1**

Stephen Gostkowski has led the NFL in scoring in each of the last two seasons (2012-13). He can become just the fifth NFL player to lead the NFL in scoring in at least three consecutive seasons, joining Don Hutson (1940-44), and Gino Cappelletti (1963-66), Pat Harder (1947-49) and Paul Hornung (1959-61). Gostkowski leads the NFL with 73 points so far in 2014.

#### **NFL SCORING LEADER #2**

If Stephen Gostkowski leads the NFL in scoring in 2014, he will join Don Hutson (5) and Gino Cappelletti (5) as the only NFL players to lead the NFL in scoring in at least four seasons. Gostkowski has led the NFL in scoring in 2008, 2012 and 2013.

#### **KICKING INTO THE RECORD BOOKS**

Gostkowski (1,096) needs 63 points to become the Patriots all-time leader and move past Adam Vinatieri (1,158). He needs 35 points to pass Gino Cappelletti (1,130) for second all-time.

### **ROB GRONKOWSKI**

#### **TOP-10 IN POINTS SCORED**

Gronkowski (282 points scored) moved into the top 10 for most points scored in Patriots history and needs 13 points to move past Sam Cunningham (294) into ninth place all-time.

#### **ALL-TIME TDS**

Gronkowski (47 touchdowns) moved past Jim Nance (46) into sole possession of fifth all-time in Patriots touchdowns. He needs three more TDs to move past Sam Cunningham (49) into fourth place all-time in team history.

## PROLIFIC

#### COMBINATION

45

Rob Gronkowski and Tom Brady tied former Patriots Drew Bledsoe and Ben Coates for the second-most QB to TE touchdowns in NFL history after a 16-yard TD vs. Cincinnati.

Quarterback	Tilght End	Team TD Conna	ctions
Philip Rivers	Antonio Gates	San Diego	67
Tom Brady	Rob Gronkowski	New England	45
Drew Bledsoe	Ben Coates	New England	45
Drew Brees	Jimmy Graham	New Orleans	44
Peyton Manning	Dallas Clark	Indianapolis	44
Sonny Jurgensen	Jerry Smith	Washington	43
Dan Éouts	Kellen Winslow	San Diego	41
John Elway	Shannon Sharpe	Denver	41

#### RECEPTIONS STREAK

Gronkowski enters this week with a streak of 57 consecutive regular-season games with a reception - every regular season game of his career since 2010. LONGEST CURRENT STREAKS OF CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RECEP-

#### TION BY TIGHT ENDS

95 Owen Daniels (Houston/Baltimore)

94 Jason Witten (Dallas)

88 Heath Miller (Pittsburgh)

57 Rob Gronkowski

#### **TEAM**

#### **SEEKING A SIXTH**

The Patriots have won five straight AFC East titles. If they win the division for the sixth straight season in 2014, they will join the Los Angeles Rams (7-1973-79), Pittsburgh Steelers (6-1974-79) and the Minnesota Vikings (6-1973-78) as the only teams since the merger with at least six straight division titles.

#### MOST CONSECUTIVE DIVISION TITLES

IVICOT CONTOLOG	TIVE DIVISIO	NA TITLES		
Team	Divis	ion	Titles	Years
Los Angeles Ram	s NFC	West	7	1973-79
Pittsburgh Steele	rs AFC	Central	6	1974-79
Minnesota Vikings	s NFC	Central	6	1973-78
Dallas Cowboys	NFL 0	Capitol/NFC East	6	1966-71
Cleveland Browns	s Ameri	can/Eastern Conf.	6	1950-55
New England Pat	triots AFC	East	5	2009-13
New England Pat	triots AFC	East	5	2003-07
Indianapolis Colts	AFC	South	5	2003-07
Dallas Cowboys	NFC	East	5	1992-96
San Francisco 49	ers NFC	West	5	1986-90
Chicago Bears	NFC	Central	5	1984-88
Oakland Raiders	AFC '	West	5	1972-76



#### PATRIOTS ARE MOST FREQUENT SUPER BOWL TEAM OVER LAST 30 YEARS

The Patriots have won seven conference championships since the 1985 season and have more conference titles than any other team over the last 30 years (since 1983). Additionally, the Patriots' six conference titles over the last 25 years are two more than the next closest team and New England's six conference championships in the last 20 years are also more than any other team. New England also has more conference titles over the last 15 years (5) than any other team and is tied with Pittsburgh (3) for the most conference titles over the last 10 years of any NFL team.

in Last 7 Years (2007-2013)	
New England	2
Pittsburgh	2
N.Y. Giants	2
8 Other Teams	1
Most Conference Championships in Last 10 Years (2004-2013)  New England  Pittsburgh Indianapolis  N.Y. Giants  Seattle  8 Other Teams	3 2 2

Most Conference Championships in Last 15 Years (1999-2013)												
New England												
Pittsburgh												
N.Y. Giants												
Seattle												
Indianapolis												
St. Louis Rams												
Baltimore												
Most Conference Championships in Last 20 Years (1994-2013)												
New England												
Pittsburgh												
Green Bay												
N.Y. Giants												
5 Other Teams												

Most Conference Championships in Last 25 Years (1989-2013)	
New England	6
Buffalo	. 4
N.Y. Giants	. 4
Pittsburgh	. 4
San Francisco	. 4
Dallas	. З
Green Bay	. З
Green bay	
Most Conference Championships in Last 30 Years (1984-2013)	
Most Conference Championships	
Most Conference Championships in Last 30 Years (1984-2013)	7
Most Conference Championships in Last 30 Years (1984-2013)  New England	.6
Most Conference Championships in Last 30 Years (1984-2013)  New England  Denver	.6
Most Conference Championships in Last 30 Years (1984-2013)  New England  Denver  N.Y. Giants	.6 .5
Most Conference Championships in Last 30 Years (1984-2013)  New England Denver N.Y. Giants San Francisco	.6 .5

#### WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR ME LATELY?

Since the 2011 season, the Patriots have maintained their spot atop the NFL in terms of regular season winning percentage and regular season points scored. Since the beginning of the 2011 season, the Patriots have the NFL's highest winning percentage and have scored the most points in the NFL. The Patriots also have the NFL's second highest winning percentage since 2012 and have scored the second-most points since 2012.

#### **HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 2011**

TEAM	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	<u>PA</u>
New England	42	13	0	.764	1701	1165
San Francisco	40	14	1	.736	1341	939
Denver	39	15	0	.722	1585	1199
Green Bay	39	15	1	.718	1609	1270
Baltimore	35	20	0	.636	1289	1066
Seattle	34	20	0	.630	1309	932
Cincinnati	33	20	1	.620	1299	1088
New Orleans	33	21	0	.611	1577	1262

#### HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 2012

TEAM	<u> </u>	L_	<u> </u>	PCT.	PF	<u> </u>
Denver	31	7	0	.816	1278	809
New England	29	10	0	.744	1188	823
Seattle	27	11	0	.711	988	617
San Francisco	27	11	1	.705	961	710
Indianapolis	27	12	0	.692	964	859
Cincinnati	24	13	1	.645	955	765
Green Bay	24	14	1	.628	1049	911
Baltimore	23	16	0	.590	911	800
Carolina	22	16	1	.577	881	799

#### **HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 2013**

TEAM	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA
Denver	18	4	0	.818	795	520
New England	17	6	0	.739	631	492
Seattle	16	6	0	.727	576	372
Indianapolis	16	7	0	.696	607	472
San Francisco	16	7	0	.696	564	437
Arizona	15	7	0	.682	519	443
Philadelphia	15	7	0	.682	625	514
Carolina	15	7	1	.674	524	436
Cincinnati	14	7	1	.659	564	445

#### **MOST POINTS SCORED SINCE 2011**

	<b>Points</b>
New England	. 1701
Green Bay	. 1609
Denver	. 1585
New Orleans	. 1577
Detroit	. 1381
Dallas	. 1380
Atlanta	. 1345
San Francisco	. 1341
San Diego	. 1336

#### **MOST POINTS SCORED SINCE 2012**

l eam																nts
Denver															12	1/6
New England											·		·		11	88
Green Bay																
New Orleans.																
Dallas																
Seattle																
Chicago																
Indianapolis .																
San Francisco															. 5	161

#### **MOST POINTS SCORED SINCE 2013**

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Denver																		.795
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Indianapolis							0	2										.607
Chicago													Ÿ	Ü		1		.602
San Diego .																		



#### THE NUMBERS

Stephen Gostkowski executed a successful onside kick in a victory vs. Cleveland [12/8/13] for only the second time in team history. The first came when Jim Lee Hunt recovered a Gino Cappelletti kick at the end of the first half in a 26-10 win vs. the NY Jets [9/27/64.]

Tom Brady, Rob Gronkowski and Stevan Ridley have produced three games with a 300+yard passing/100+yards rushing/100+receiving yards performance together, second in NFL history to the 4 produced by Peyton Manning/ Edgerrin James/Marvin Harrison, Jim Kelly/Thurman Thomas/Andre Reed and Kurt Warner/Marshall Faulk/Isaac Bruce.

The Patriots have three players who have brothers that also play in the NFL - Chandler Jones (Arthur Jones/Indianapolis), Devin McCourty (Jason Mc-Courty/Tennessee) and Shane Vereen (Brock Vereen/Chicago).

The Patriots recorded four interceptions and six sacks at Minnesota (9/14/14). It is the fifth time in team history and the first time since a 1996 game at San Diego (12/1) that the team has had at least six sacks and four interceptions in a single game.

11

Vince Wilfork is in his 11th season with the Patriots under Bill Belichick. It is the longest a defensive player has played under Belichick in New England. Tedy Bruschi played nine seasons under Belichick.

The Patriots have won 12 straight games against NFC North teams. It is the longest current streak any NFL team has against another division.

<u>16</u>

The number of consecutive home wins against AFC East opponents after a 27-25 win vs. NY Jets (10/16/13).

Stephen Gostkowski has converted 30 straight fourth-quarter field goals.

31

Stevan Ridley (113 rushing) and Rob Gronkowski (100 receiving) each went over 100 yards in the win vs. Cincinnati (10/05/14), marking the 31st time in team history that the team had a 100 yard rusher and receiver in the same game.

The number of consecutive home wins against AFC opponents in the regular season. The Patriots last home loss against the AFC was a 33-10 loss vs. Pittsburgh on Nov. 30, 2008..

36-4

Since the beginning of 2003, the Patriots are 36-4 (.900) in regular season games following a loss, dropping back-to-back games just four times.

39-1

Since 2000, the Patriots are 39-1 when a Patriots player eclipses 100 yards rushing. The only loss during the Bill Belichick era was on Dec. 20, 2004 in a 29-28 Miami win. Since then, the Patriots are 26-0 with a 100-yard rusher.

40-9

Since realignment in 2002, the Patriots have the best inter-conference record in the NFI

<u>44</u>

The Patriots have thrown for at least one touchdown pass in 44 straight home games, the longest streak in post-merger NFL history. New Orleans is second with a current streak of 40 straight home games with at least one touchdown

Rob Gronkowski and Tom Brady have connected on 45 touchdown passes. It is tied for the second-most connections between a quarterback and a tight end in NFL history.

<u>70</u>

The Patriots have won 70 straight home games when leading at halftime, adding to their NFL record. The last time the Patriots lost at home after leading at halftime was on Dec. 24, 2000 vs. Miami when they lost 27-24 after leading 21-17 at halftime.

#### TOM BRADY BY THE NUMBERS

5

Brady is tied with John Elway as the only quarterback to lead his team to five conference titles. Brady needs to play in one more Super Bowl to match DL Mike Lodish for the most Super Bowls played. Lodish played in six (four with Buffalo and two with Denver).

#### TOM BRADY BY THE NUMBERS (continued)

Brady tied an NFL record with his eighth start in a Conference Championship Game in 2013, joining Charlie Waters and Jack Reynolds.

11

The number of division championships by Tom Brady, the most division titles ever by a quarterback. Peyton Manning is second with 10.

<u>14</u>

The longest streak of consecutive pass completions by Brady in a regular season game (Dec. 27, 2009 vs. Jacksonville).

Brady set a Super Bowl record with 16 straight pass completions in Super Bowl XLVI vs. the New York Giants.

Tom Brady has won 41 straight regular season home games as a starting quarterback against AFC opponents.

43

The number of times Brady has led his team to victory following a fourth-quarter deficit or tie, including five times in 2013 when he led the team to a win at Buffalo, vs. New Orleans, vs. Denver, at Houston and vs. Cleveland.

86.5

Brady is 45-7 in his career in December and has the best win percentage in December for any quarterback since the merger in 1970.

<u>93.9</u>

The percent of quarterback keepers converted by Brady (93 of 99) for first downs (68-of-71 on third-and-2 or less and 25 of 28 on fourth-and-2 or less).

#### THE KRAFT ERA

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The number of Super Bowl championships the Patriots have won since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994. That mark is the highest total in the NFL over that span.

The number of conference championships the Patriots have won since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994. That mark is the highest total in the NFL over that span. Pittsburgh is second with four conference titles since 1994.

<u>13</u>

The number of division championships won by the Patriots since Kraft purchased the team in 1994.

The number of playoff seasons earned by the Patriots in the 20 seasons since Robert Kraft purchased the team.

The number of playoff games the Patriots have appeared in since 1994, the most in the NFL. Green Bay has the second most with 29.

221

The number of consecutive home games that have been sold out, including all playoff and preseason games dating back to the 1994 season opener.

<u> 243</u>

The number of games the Patriots have won since Robert Kraft purchased the franchise in 1994. Prior to Kraft's ownership, the team had won 225 total games in its entire history from 1960-93.

#### THE BELICHICK ERA

Bill Belichick is the first coach to lead his team to four 500-point seasons [2007, 2010, 2011, 2012].

Bill Belichick is fifth all-time in wins with 223. Curly Lambeau is fourth with 229 career wins.

Bill Belichick (204) is one of six NFL coaches with at least 200 regular season

Belichick has been a part of eight Super Bowls overall, including five as a head coach and three as an assistant coach.

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The number of 11-win seasons by Bill Belichick, second to Don Shula's 13.



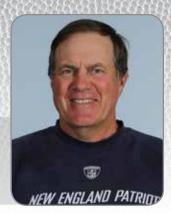
## BELICHICK NEWS & NOTES

#### 20TH SEASON AS HEAD COACH • 40TH NFL SEASON

 $\textbf{Overall Record: } \textbf{223-116 [.658] \bullet Regular Season: } \textbf{204-107 [.656] \bullet Postseason: } \textbf{19-9 [.679]}$ 

With Patriots overall (2000-14): 186-71 [.723]

**Super Bowl Titles:** 5 [86, 90, 01, 03, 04] • **Conf. Titles:** 8 [86, 90, 96, 01, 03, 04, 07, 11] **Division Titles:** 18 [75, 78, 86, 89, 90, 96, 98, 01, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13]



Bill Belichick is the only head coach in NFL history to win three Super Bowl titles in a four-year span. He has won more regular season games (123) and more games overall (136) during a 10-year stretch (2002-2011) than any other coach in NFL history. In the 2007 season, Belichick led the Patriots to the fourth undefeated and untied regular season in NFL history and the first since the NFL established a 16-game schedule in 1978. His 40 consecutive years as an NFL coach are second in NFL history to 42 by Pittsburgh defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau.



#### AMONG THE GREATS

Bill Belichick has recorded 223 career wins, which is fifth all-time in NFL history. Belichick owns a career winning percentage of .658, which is third all-time, behind George Halas (.682) and Don Shula (.667).

## TOP WINNING PERCENTAGE AMONG HEAD COACHES WITH AT LEAST 160 WINS (INCL. POSTSEASON)

HEAD COACH	TEAM(S)	YEARS	W	L	T	PCT.
George Halas	CHI	1920-29,33-41,46-55,58-67	324	151	31	.682
Don Shula	BAL/MIA	1963-95	347	173	6	.667
BILL BELICHICK	CLE/NE	1991-95,00-14	223	116	0	<mark>.658</mark>
Curly Lambeau	GB/CHI/WAS	1921-53	229	134	22	.630

NOTE: Winning percentage calculated using current NFL rules, counting a tie as a half-win, half-loss.

#### MOVING ON UP

Bill Belichick is in fifth place on the NFL wins list with 222 career wins.

#### MOST WINS NFL COACHES

HEAD COACH	TEAM(S)	YEARS	W	L	T
Don Shula	BAL/MIA	1963-95	347	173	6
George Halas	CHI	1920-29, 33-41, 46-55, 58-67	324	151	31
Tom Landry	DAL	1960-88	270	178	6
Curly Lambeau	GB/CHI/WA	S1921-53	229	134	22
<b>BILL BELICHICK</b>	CLE/NE	1991-95,00-14	223	116	0

NOTE: Winning percentage calculated using current NFL rules, counting a tie as a half-win, half-loss.

#### A WINNING EXTENSION

Bill Belichick has led the Patriots to a winning record for 13 consecutive seasons (2001-2013). The only other NFL coach to have at least 10 consecutive winning seasons with one team since the 1970 merger was Tom Landry, who led the Dallas Cowboys to 16 consecutive winning seasons (1970-1985).

#### **BETTER THAN AVERAGE**

Bill Belichick has led the Patriots to 13 straight winning seasons (2001-2013). Belichick's 13 straight winning seasons are third all-time, behind 20 by Landry [1966-85] and 14 by Curly Lambeau with Green Bay [1934-47].

#### MOST CONSECUTIVE SEASONS WITH A WINNING RECORD

HEAD COACH	TEAM	YEARS
Tom Landry	Dallas	20 - 1966-1985
Curly Lambeau	Green Bay	14 - 1934-1947
Bill Belichick	New England	13 - 2001-2013
Curly Lambeau	Green Bay	12 - 1921-1932
George Halas	Chicago	10 - 1933-1942
John Madden	Oakland	10 - 1969-1978

#### CAREER MILESTONE FOR BELICHICK

Belichick (204) reached 200 career regular-season wins with the victory over Minnesota (9/14/14) to become just the sixth NFL head coach to achieve that feat, joining Don Shula (328), George Halas (318), Tom Landry (250), Curly Lambeau (226) and Marty Schottenheimer (200).

#### NUMBER OF GAMES TO 200 WINS

282 Don Shula

288 George Halas

300 Curly Lambeau

#### 306 Bill Belichick

319 Tom Landry

327 Marty Schottenheimer

Head Coach	Teams W	'-L-T (regular season)
Don Shula	Colts/Dolphins	328-156-6
George Halas	Bears	318-148-6
Tom Landry	Cowboys	250-162-6
Curly Lambeau	Packers/Cardinals/Redski	ns 226-132-22
Bill Belichick	Browns/Patriots	204-107-0





#### MANNING ON BELICHICK

#### Peyton Manning on Bill Belichick

"Coach Belichick is the best coach that I've ever competed against. I think it's safe to say he'll go down as the greatest NFL coach of all-time. His teams are always well-coached, always well-disciplined, and you know it's going to be a 60-minute fight. To me, that speaks to his coaching."

#### **ELITE COMPANY**

Bill Belichick is one of nine NFL head coaches to win three or more championships since the league began postseason play in 1933, but the only one to win three in four years. Belichick joined an exclusive club in which each of the eight other members has been enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

#### HEAD COACHES WITH THREE OR MORE NFL TITLES (Listed alphabetically)

HEAD COACH	CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM(S)
Bill Belichick	Patriots (SB XXXVI, XXXVIII, XXXIX)
Paul Brown	Cleveland Browns (1950, 54, 55)
Weeb Ewbank	Baltimore Colts, N.Y. Jets (1958, 59, SB III)
Joe Gibbs	Washington Redskins (SB XVII, XXII, XXVI)
George Halas	Chicago Bears (1921, 33, 40, 41, 46, 63)
Curly Lambeau	Green Bay Packers (1929, 30, 31, 36, 39, 44)
Vince Lombardi	Green Bay Packers (1961, 62, 65, SB I, II)
Chuck Noll	Pittsburgh Steelers (SB IX, X, XIII, XIV)
Bill Walsh	San Francisco 49ers (SB XVI, XIX, XXIII)

#### BELICHICK'S PATRIOTS RENAISSANCE

Once head coach Bill Belichick implemented his coaching design on the Patriots, his approach has given him the best record of any NFL head coach who has coached over 40 games since 2001 (including the postseason).

#### **NFL COACHES' RECORDS SINCE 2001**

COACH	TEAM	W	L	T	PCT.
Bill Belichick	New England	181	60	0	.751
Jim Harbaugh	San Francisco	45	17	1	.722
Tony Dungy	Tampa Bay/Indianapolis	101	41	0	.711
Bill Cowher	Pittsburgh	70	35	1	.665
John Harbaugh	Baltimore	76	40	0	.655
Sean Payton	New Orleans	81	47	0	.633
Mike McCarthy	Green Bay	93	52	1	.640
Mike Tomlin	Pittsburgh	80	47	0	.630

#### **ABOVE THE CENTURY MARK**

Bill Belichick has an overall record of 223-116. He joins Don Shula and George Halas as the only coaches with 100 more wins than losses.

#### MOST WINS NFL COACHES

HEAD COACH	TEAM(S)	RECORD
Don Shula	BAL, MIA	347-173-6
George Halas	Chicago	324-151-31
Bill Belichick	CLE, NE	223-116-0

#### 500+ FOR THREE STRAIGHT YEARS

Bill Belichick is the first head coach in NFL history to lead a team to three straight 500-point seasons (2010-2012). The Patriots are the first franchise in NFL history to score 500 or more points in four seasons (2007-589, 2010-518, 2011-513 and 2012-557). St. Louis is the only other team to have done it three times (1999-526, 2000-540, 2001-503).

#### SUPER SUCCESS

Bill Belichick is one of just four head coaches to win three Super Bowl championships and the only coach to win three Super Bowls in the post-1993 salary cap era.

#### MOST SUPER BOWL VICTORIES

<u>S</u>
75, 1978, 1979
<mark>003, 2004</mark>
987, 1991
984, 1988

NOTE: Sorted by most recent championship. Super Bowls have determined NFL champion since 1966.

#### **PLAYOFF SUCCESS**

#### MOST PLAYOFF WINS BY AN NFL HEAD COACH

HEAD COACH	TEAM(S)	WINS
	Dallas Cowboys	20
Bill Belichick	Cleveland Browns, NE Patriots	<mark>19</mark>
Don Shula	Baltimore Colts, Miami Dolphins	19
Joe Gibbs	Washington Redskins	17
Chuck Noll	Pittshurgh Steelers	16

#### 11 ON 11

Bill Belichick now has eleven 11-win seasons, including 10 with the Patriots. He moved out of a tie with Tom Landry for sole possession of second place, behind Don Shula, who had thirteen 11-win seasons.

#### NFL HEAD COACHES WITH THE MOST 11-WIN SEASONS

Don Shula	13
Bill Belichick	11
Tom Landry	10





#### POSTSEASON PROWESS

### BEST POSTSEASON RECORDS IN NFL HISTORY

(minimum of 10 games)

COACH	TEAM(S)	W	L	PCT.
Vince Lombardi	GB/WAS	9	1	.900
Tom Flores	Oakland	8	3	.727
Bill Walsh	San Francisco	10	4	.714
Joe Gibbs	Washington	17	7	.708
Jimmy Johnson	DAL/MIA	9	4	.692
John Harbaugh	Baltimore	9	4	.692
Bill Belichick	CLE/NE	19	9	.678

#### MOST POSTSEASON GAMES AS A HEAD COACH

 HEAD COACH
 GAMES

 Tom Landry [Dallas]
 36

 Don Shula [Baltimore/Miami]
 36

 Bill Belichick [Cleveland/New England]
 28

#### **3X COACH OF THE YEAR**

The Associated Press named Bill Belichick the NFL's Coach of the Year in 2010, the third time that Belichick earned the honor. He was also named Coach of the Year following the 2003 and 2007 seasons, joining Don Shula [4-time winner] and Chuck Knox as the only three-time winners.

#### **BELICHICK ADDED TO HIS RECORD IN 2013**

Bill Belichick has coached the Patriots to 11 straight seasons with 10 or more wins after reaching his 10th win of the 2013 season vs. Cleveland on Dec. 8, adding to his NFL record streak. In 2011, Belichick became the first coach in NFL history with nine straight seasons with at least 10 victories. George Seifert has the second most consecutive 10-win seasons with eight from 1989-1996 for San Francisco.

#### **DIVISION TITLES RECORD**

Belichick guided the Patriots to the AFC East Title in 2013. It is the 11th division title of his career, tying him with Don Shula for the most division titles since the 1970 NFL merger.

#### **FIRST WITH 14 WINS IN 4 SEASONS**

Bill Belichick guided the Patriots to an NFL-best 14-2 record in 2010, becoming the first head coach ever to win at least 14 regular-season games in four separate seasons. Only four other coaches — San Francisco's George Seifert [3], Washington's Joe Gibbs [2], Chicago's Mike Ditka [2] and Miami's Don Shula [2] — have more than one 14-win season.

#### **EIGHT SB APPEARANCES ARE A RECORD**

Belichick has been a part of eight Super Bowls during his coaching career, the most in NFL history.

#### MOST SUPER BOWL APPEARANCES AS A HEAD COACH OR ASSISTANT

HEAD CUACH	SUPER BUWLS
Bill Belichick	8 (five as a head coach)
Dan Reeves	7 (four as a head coach)
Don Shula	6 (six as head coach)
Tom Landry	5 (five as a head coach)
Chuck Noll	5 (four as a head coach)
Marv Levy	5 (four as a head coach)

#### **GOOD IN DECEMBER**

Bill Belichick is 51-9 (.850) in December with New England, the best record in December among head coaches with one team in NFL history (min. 25 games). George Seifert is second (27-6, .818).

#### **8 CONFERENCE CHAMPIOSNHIP GAMES**

Bill Belichick reached his eighth conference championship game as a head coach in 2013, second to the 10 by Tom Landry.

Head Coach	Conference Championships
Tom Landry	10
Bill Belichick	8
Don Shula	7
Chuck Noll	7
John Madden	6
Bill Cowher	6

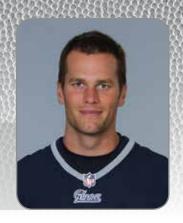




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#### CAREER NOTES

Tom Brady has guarterbacked the Patriots to victories in 153 of his 198 career regular season starts, compiling a .773 winning percentage and giving him the best record of any quarterback in the Super Bowl era (since 1966). Brady reached 125 career wins in the fewest starts among quarterbacks in NFL history.





#### RECORDING SUCCESS

#### TOP WINNING PERCENTAGE IN SUPER BOWL ERA (Since 1966, Minimum 50 Starts, Regular Season Only)

PLAYER	TEAM(S)	YEARS	w	L		PC1.
TOM BRADY	NE	2000-14	153	45	0	.773
Roger Staubach	DAL	1969-79	85	29	0	.746
Joe Montana	SF/KC	1979-94	117	47	0	.713

#### **ACTIVE QUARTERBACKS WINNING PERCENTAGE**

Minimum 32 Starts (two full seasons), Regular Season Only

QUARTERBACK	TEAM(S)	W	L	T	PCT.
TOM BRADY	NE	153	45	0	.773
Russell Wilson	SEA	27	11	0	.711
Peyton Manning	IND/DEN	172	74	0	.699
Andrew Luck	IND	27	12	0	.692
Aaron Rodgers	GB	63	31	0	.670
Ben Roethlisberger	PIT	99	50	0	.664
Joe Flacco	BAL	67	36	0	.650
Andy Dalton	CIN	33	20	1	.620
Matt Ryan	ATL	62	39	0	.614

#### EIGHT AFC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME APPEARANCES

The Patriots secured their eighth conference championship appearance in the Tom Brady - Bill Belichick era (since 2001 with Brady starting at QB) in 2013. By omitting the season Brady missed due to injury in 2008, the Patriots have made eight title games in 12 seasons with Brady as the starter.

#### FOUR 30-TD SEASONS

Brady has four 30-touchdown seasons overall after throwing for 34 in 2012, an NFL-leading 36 in 2010, 39 in 2011 and a then NFL-record 50 in 2007. The only other Patriots quarterback to have a 30-touchdown season was Vito "Babe" Parilli in 1964 when he led the AFL with 31. Brady is the fifth quarterback in NFL history to have 30 or more touchdown passes in at least four seasons and the fifth quarterback in NFL history with three or more straight seasons with 30 or more touchdowns.

#### **MOST SEASONS WITH 30-PLUS TOUCHDOWN PASSES**

Brett Favre	9
Peyton Manning	8
Drew Brees	6
TOM BRADY	4
Dan Marino	4
Aaron Rodgers	3
Kurt Warner	3
Tony Romo	3
Philip Rivers	

#### THREE OR MORE STRAIGHT 30 TOUCHDOWN SEASONS

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	6 (2008-2013)
Brett Favre	5 (1994-98)
Peyton Manning	4 (2009-10, 12-13)
TOM BRADY	<u> 3 (2010-2012)</u>
Dan Marino	3 (1984-86)

#### 300-YARD AVG. IN THREE SEASONS

Brady averaged 301.7 yards per game in 2012. Brady (300.4 in 2007 and 327.2 in 2011) joins Drew Brees as the first NFL players to average 300 yards per game in at least three seasons.

#### MOST SEASONS AVERAGING 300 OR MORE YARDS PER GAME

• 4 Drew Brees (2013, 2012, 2011, 2008) • 3 Tom Brady (2012, 2011, 2007] • 2 Dan Fouts [1982, 1981]

#### PILING UP THE WINS

Brady earned his 150th career win vs. Oakland (09/21/14) and is one of three NFL quarterbacks with at least 150 wins as a starter.

#### **MOST CAREER WINS AS A STARTER**

(Regular season only)

RK	NAME	W	L	T	PCT.
1.	Brett Favre	186	112	0	.624
2.	Peyton Manning	172	74	0	.699
3.	Tom Brady	153	45	0	.773
4.	John Elway	148	82	1	.643
5.	Dan Marino	147	93	0.	613
6.	Fran Tarkenton	124	109	6	.531
7.	Johnny Unitas	119	64	4	.647
8.	Joe Montana	117	47	0	.713
9.	Drew Brees	112	79	0	.586
10.	Terry Bradshaw	107	51	0	.677
11.	Warren Moon	102	101	0	.510
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#### **BRADY ONE OF SEVEN**

#### NFL RECORD FOR MOST PASSING YARDS PER GAME

PLAYER	TEAM	YARDS/GAME
Drew Brees	SD/NO	276.0
Peyton Manning	IND/DEN	271.6
Kurt Warner	STL/ARI	260.8
Aaron Rodgers	GB	256.1
Tom Brady	NE	254.3
Dan Marino	Miami	253.6
Matt Ryan	ATL	253.0





#### THREE 35-TD SEASONS

Brady is one of four NFL players to have at least 35 touchdown passes in three different seasons.

#### QBS WITH THE MOST 35+ PASSING TOUCHDOWNS IN NFL HISTORY

PLAYER	35+ TD SEASONS

 Tom Brady
 3 (50 in 2007, 36 in 2010 and 39 in 2011)

 Brett Favre
 3 (38 in 1995, 39 in 1996 and 35 in 1997)

 Peyton Manning
 3 (49 in 2004, 37 in 2012 and 55 in 2013)

 Drew Brees
 3 (46 in 2011, 43 in 2012 and 39 in 2013)

#### **ECLIPSING 3K**

Brady (4,343) reached 3,000 passing yards for the 11th time in his career in 2013 to become one of just six players with at least 11 3,000-yard seasons.

#### NFL RECORD FOR MOST 3,000-YARD SEASONS

- 18 Brett Favre
- 15 Peyton Manning
- 13 Dan Marino
- 12 John Elway
- 11 Tom Brady
- 11 Drew Brees

#### SIXTH 4,000-YARD SEASON

Brady finished the 2013 season with 4,343 passing yards, marking the sixth time in his career that he has reached 4,000 passing yards.

#### **ALL-TIME 4,000 YARD PASSING SEASONS**

13 Peyton Manning
8 Drew Brees
6 Tom Brady
6 Dan Marino
6 Brett Favre
5 Philip Rivers
4 Warren Moon
7 Tony Romo

#### **20 CAREER 4-TD GAMES**

Aaron Rodgers

Brady has thrown four or more touchdowns in a game 20 times with 16 four-touchdown games, two five-touchdown games and two six-touchdown games. The Patriots are 19-1 when Brady throws four or more TD passes.

#### MOST GAMES WITH 4+ TOUCHDOWN PASSES

PLAYER	4+ TD GAMES
1. Peyton Manning	33
2. Drew Brees	25
3. Brett Favre	23
4. Dan Marino	21
5. Tom Brady	20
6. Johnny Unitas	17

#### MOST GAMES WITH 4+ TDS AND NO INTERCEPTIONS

PLAYER	GAME
1. Drew Brees	17
1. Peyton Manning	17
3. Tom Brady	16
4. Brett Favre	12

#### SIX FOR SIX-PLUS

Brady has thrown six touchdowns in a game two times and is one of five NFL players to have thrown at least six touchdowns in a game two times. Brady threw six touchdowns at Miami (10/21/07) and vs. Tennessee (10/18/09).

#### NFL PLAYERS WITH AT LEAST TWO 6+TD GAMES

<u>PLAYER</u>	6+ TD GAMES
Peyton Manning	3 (2 6 TD games and 1 7 TD Game)
George Blanda	2 games with 7 touchdowns
Y.A. Tittle	2 (1 game with 7 and 1 with 6 TDs)
Tom Brady	2 games with 6 touchdowns
Charley Johnson	2 games with 6 touchdowns



## **50,000 YARDS**

Tom Brady (50,854) became the sixth NFL quarterback to reach 50,000 passing yards in the win vs. Cincinnati on Oct. 5, 2014.

Player	Passing yards
1. Brett Favre	71,838
2. Peyton Manning	66,812
3. Dan Marino	61,361
4. Drew Brees	52,997
5. John Elway	51,475
6. Tom Brady	50,854
7. Warren Moon	49,325
8. Fran Tarkenton	47,003
9. Vinny Testaverde	46,233
10.Drew Bledsoe	44,611

#### FRANCHISE LEADING PASSER

#### PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LEADING PASSERS

PLAYER	YEARS	ATT	COMP	YARDS
Tom Brady	2000-14	6,832	4,329	50,854
Drew Bledsoe	1993-01	4,518	2,544	29,657
Steve Grogan	1975-90	3,593	1,879	26,886

#### **MOST CAREER TOUCHDOWN PASSES**

Brady needs one more TD to become the ifth player with at least 370 tds..

MOST CAREER TOUCHDOWN PASSES

(regular season only) Bold indicates active players

RANK	NAME	TOUCHDOWNS
1.	Peyton Manning	510
2.	Brett Favre	508
3.	Dan Marino	420
4.	Drew Brees	374
5.	Tom Brady	372
6.	Fran Tarkenton	342
7.	John Elway	300
8.	Warren Moon	291
9.	Johnny Unitas	290
10.	Vinny Testaverde	275





#### **BRADY RACKS UP PASSING YARDS**

Brady has 60 NFL games with 300 or more yards passing and the Patriots are 49-11 in those games. He is one of five players with 60 300-yard games.

#### NFL QUARTERBACK 300-YARD GAMES (\*ACTIVE)

PLAYER	300-YARD GAME
Peyton Manning*	87
Drew Brees*	82
Dan Marino	63
Brett Favre	62
Tom Brady*	60
Kurt Warner	52
Dan Fouts	51
Warren Moon	49
Tony Romo*	45

Brady had a career-best 11 300-yard games in the 2011 season, tied for third in NFL history behind Drew Brees (13 in 2011) and Peyton Manning (12 in 2013).

#### TOM BRADY'S RECORD AS A STARTER

	REG. SEASON	PLAYOFFS	TOTAL
Overall	153-45	18-8	171-53
Home:		12-3.	
Road:		6-5*.	73-37
By Yardage Tota	ıl		
Less than 200:.	34-14	4-1.	38-15
200-299:	70-20	10-5.	80-25
300 or more:		4-2.	53-13
Other Records			
On Artificial Turf:	90-13	8-5.	
Temp Below 40:		10-2.	42-6
Thanksgiving or la	ater: 58-11	18-8.	76-19
Leading at Halftir	ne: 117-14	13-4.	130-18
Leading after 3 G	itrs:126-8	12-3.	138-11
Overtime:	9-2	1-0.	
Passer rating >1	00.0: 87-5	8-0.	

<sup>\*-</sup>Includes five Super Bowls at neutral sites

## TOP QB HOME STARTING RECORDS (MIN. 50 STARTS) SINCE 1970 MERGER (INCLUDES POSTSEASON)

PLAYER	TEAM(S)	W	L	Т	PCT.
Tom Brady	NE	98	16	0	.860
Terry Bradshaw	PIT	<i>7</i> 5	14	0	.843
John Elway	DEN	104	25	0	.806

#### 35 GAME-WINNING DRIVES

Brady has 35 game-winning drives in the fourth quarter or overtime in the regular season.

## MOST GAME WINNING DRIVES IN THE FOURTH QUARTER OR OVERTIME (Regular Season)

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PLAYER	TEAMS	4TH QTR GAME-WINNING DRIVES
1. Peyton Manning	IND/DEN	50
2. Dan Marino	Miami	47
3. Brett Favre	GB/NYJ/MIN	43
4. John Elway	Denver	40
5t. Tom Brady	New England	35
5t. Warren Moon	HOU/MIN/SE	A/KC 35

#### **BRADY'S COMEBACKS**

Brady has engineered 43 career game-winning performances to lead his team to a victory from a fourth-quarter deficit or tie, including five times in 2013.

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DATE		OPP.	SCORE	IN REG.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD	INT	FINAL
12/08/13		CLE	3-19	15:00	20	16	142	2	0	27-26
12/01/13	at	HOU	21-24	15:00	12	8	87	0	0	34-31
11/24/13		DEN	21-24	15:00	19	12	100	1	0	(ot) 34-31
10/13/13		NO	23-27	1:13	5	7	70	1	0	30-27
09/08/13	at	BUF	20-21	4:31	7	7	36	0	0	23-21
10/21/12		NYJ	23-26	1:37	9	13	95	0	0	(ot) 29-26
09/30/12	at	BUF	21-21	15:00	7	4	78	2	0	52-28
01/22/12		BAL*	16-20	15:00	6	3	20	0	1	23-20
12/24/11		MIA	17-17	15:00	11	8	120	0	0	27-24
10/16/11		DAL	13-16	5:13	9	11	87	1	0	20-16
12/19/10		GB	21-27	13:49	6	5	82	1	0	31-27
11/25/10	at	DET	24-24	15:00	5	5	86	2	0	45-24
10/17/10		BAL	10-20	14:53	24	16	156	1	1	(ot) 23-20
09/14/09		BUF	13-24	5:32	13	11	112	2	0	25-24
12/29/07	at	NYG	23-28	15:00	12	8	130	1	0	38-35
12/03/07	at	BAL	17-24	14:25	17	7	113	1	0	27-24
11/25/07		PHI	24-28	15:00	16	11	109	0	0	31-28
11/04/07	at	IND	10-20	9:42	10	8	144	2	0	24-20
01/14/07	at	SD*	13-21	8:35	14	9	122	1	1	24-21
12/03/06		DET	13-21	13:07	15	14	101	0	0	28-21
11/26/06		CHI	10-10	14:46	7	6	98	1	0	17-13
09/10/06		BUF	14-17	15:00	6	3	58	0	1	19-17
11/13/05	at	MIA	15-16	2:53	2	2	76	1	0	23-16
10/30/05		BUF	7-16	10:07	4	4	69	0	0	21-16
10/09/05	at	ATL	28-28	3:52	2	2	17	0	0	31-28
09/25/05	at	PIT	10-13	14:19	12	12	167	0	0	23-20
02/06/05		PHI**	14-14	15:00	4	2	33	0	0	24-21
10/03/04	at	BUF	17-17	15:00	4	2	8	1	0	31-17
02/01/04		CAR**	29-29	1:08	5	4	47	0	0	32-29
01/10/04		TEN*	14-14	15:00	11	6	27	0	0	17-14
11/30/03	at	IND	31-31	10:21	6	3	31	1	0	38-34
11/23/03	at	HST	13-20	3:11	14	10	133	1	0	(ot) 23-20
11/03/03	at	DEN	23-26	2:51	4	5	58	1	0	30-26
10/19/03	at	MIA	13-13	15:00	10	7	147	1	0	(ot) 19-13
10/05/03		TEN	24-27	4:40	1	1	15	0	0	38-30
12/29/02		MIA	13-24	4:59	13	8	69	1	0	(ot) 27-24
11/10/02	at	CHI	19-30	5:16	14	9	116	2	0	33-30
09/22/02		KC	38-38	0:00	5	4	46	0	0	(ot) 41-38
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 $^{\sim}$ Statistics are from the time noted until the end of the game  $^{*}$  Divisional Playoffs  $^{**}$  Super Bowl

#### **BRADY IN POSTSEASON**

NFL ALL-TIME LEADERS/PLAYOFF VICTORIES AS STARTING QUARTERBACK

PLAYER	TEAM(S)	PLAYOFF WINS
Tom Brady	New England	18
Joe Montana	S.F./K.C.	16
Terry Bradshav	v Pittsburgh	14
John Elway	Denver	14
Brett Favre	GB/MIN	13

#### QBs WITH 3 OR MORE SUPER BOWL VICTORIES

PLAYER	TEAM(S)	WINS
Terry Bradsha	w PIT	4
Joe Montana	SF	4
Troy Aikman	DAL	3
Tom Brady	NE	3

#### PLAYERS WITH MULTIPLE SUPER BOWL MVP AWARDS

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PLAYER	TEAM(S)	MVPS
Joe Montana	SF	3
Terry Bradshaw	PIT	2
Tom Brady	NE	2
Bart Starr	GB	2
Eli Manning	NYG	2





#### LATE GAME WINNER

Brady now has six career games in which he threw a game-winning touchdown pass in the final minute of the game to turn a Patriots deficit into a Patriots win.

#### 11/10/02 at Chicago\* W 33-30

The Patriots trailed 30-25 when Brady threw a 20-yard touchdown to David Patten with 21 seconds left to give the Patriots a 33-30 win.

\*-Champaign, III.

#### 11/3/03 at Denver W 30-26

The Patriots trailed 26-23 when Brady threw an 18-yard touchdown to David Givens with 30 seconds left to give the Patriots a 30-26 win.

#### 12/3/07 at Baltimore W 27-24

The Patriots trailed 24-20 when Brady threw an 8-yard touchdown to Jabar Gaffney with 44 seconds left to give the Patriots a 27-24 win.

#### 10/16/11 vs. Dallas W 20-16

The Patriots trailed 16-13 when Brady threw an 8-yard touchdown pass to Aaron Hernandez with 22 seconds left to give the Patriots a 20-16 win.

#### 10/13/13 vs. New Orleans W 30-27

The Patriots trailed 27-23 when Brady threw a 17-yard touchdown pass to Kenbrell Thompkins with five seconds left to give the Patriots a 30-27 win.

#### 12/08/13 vs. Cleveland W 27-26

The Patriots trailed 26-21 when Brady threw a 1-yard touchdown pass to Danny Amendola with 31 seconds left to give the Patriots a 27-26 win.

#### RECORD TITLE HOLDER

Tom Brady earned his NFL record 11th division championship in 2013.

QUARTERBACK

CAREER DIVISION TITLES

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Tom Brady	11
Peyton Manning	10
Joe Montana	9

#### **12-WIN SEASONS**

Since entering the NFL in 2000, Tom Brady's teams have reached 12 regular-season wins in eight different seasons, second all-time, behind Peyton Manning.

#### STARTING QBS WITH THE MOST 12-WIN REGULAR SEASONS IN NFL HISTORY

PLAYER	SEASONS
Peyton Manning	10
Tom Brady	8
Brett Favre	6
John Elway	4
Jim Kelly	4

#### SIXTH TO REACH 4.000 COMPLETIONS

Tom Brady  $\{4,329\}$  is one of six players in NFL history to reach 4,000 completions.

#### MOST PASS COMPLETIONS IN NFL HISTORY

1. Brett Favre	6,300
2. Peyton Manning	5,681
3. Dan Marino	4,967
4. Drew Brees	4,659
5. Tom Brady	4,329
6. John Elway	4,123
7. Warren Moon	3,988

#### THIRD FASTEST TO 4,000 COMPLETIONS

Tom Brady has now completed 4,329 passes over his career in the regular season, becoming just the sixth player [third fastest] in NFL history to achieve the feat.

#### **GAMES PLAYED TO 4,000 CAREER COMPLETIONS**

Drew Brees	169
Peyton Manning	183
Tom Brady	187
Dan Marino	193
Brett Favre	196
John Elway	227

#### BRADY HAS SIXTH-BEST QB RATING

PLAYER	YEARS	TEAM	RATING
Aaron Rodgers	2005-14	Green Bay	105.8
Peyton Manning	1998-14	IND/DEN	97.7
Philip Rivers	2004-14	San Diego	96.9
Steve Young	1985-99	TB/SF	96.8
Tony Romo	2004-14	Dallas	96.3
Tom Brady	2000-14	Patriots	95.8

#### MOST TO THROWS COACH/QB TANDEM

Tom Brady has thrown 372 career touchdowns under head coach Bill Belichick, the most touchdowns among any head coach/starting quarterback tandem.

#### MOST TDS/QB TANDEMS

(Regular Season Only)

Quarterback/Head Coach	Team	Touchdowns
Tom Brady/Bill Belichick	NE	<mark>372</mark>
Dan Marino/Don Shula	MIA	352
Drew Brees/Sean Payton	NO	251
Len Dawson/Hank Stram	KC	232

#### **BRADY UNBEATEN VS. 8 TEAMS**

Tom Brady improved to a 4-0 record against the Vikings (09/14/14) and is undefeated against eight NFL teams: Minnesota (4-0), Atlanta (4-0), Jacksonville (4-0), Chicago (3-0), Dallas (3-0), Detroit (3-0), Philadelphia (3-0) and Tampa Bay (3-0).





#### WINNINGEST COACH/QB TANDEM

Bill Belichick and Tom Brady have the best winning percentage among a head coach/starting quarterback tandem since the 1970 merger. The tandem's 153 wins are the most wins by any coach-QB tandem since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger.

#### WINNINGEST COACH/QB TANDEMS SINCE 1970

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Terry Bradshaw/Chuck Noll	PIT	107	51	0	.601

#### MOST STARTS UNDER ONE HC

Tom Brady made his 185th career start at Carolina on Nov. 18, 2013, all under Bill Belichick. It is the most starts by a quarterback under one head coach in NFL history. Brady surpassed Dan Marino, who had 184 career starts under head coach Don Shula. Brady now has 198 career starts under Belichick.

#### NFL RECORD FOR ATTEMPTS BETWEEN INTS

Tom Brady attempted 358 consecutive regular season passes without an interception, a streak spanning from Oct. 17, 2010-Sept. 1, 2011. Brady eclipsed Bernie Kosar's record of 308 pass attempts on Dec. 26, 2010 at Buffalo

#### MOST CONSECUTIVE PASS ATTEMPTS WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION

358	Tom Brady (Patriots)	2010-11
308	Bernie Kosar (Cleveland)	1990-91
294	Bart Starr (Green Bay)	1964-65
279	Jeff George (IND/ATL)	1993-94
277	Rich Gannon (Oakland)	2001
271	Jason Campbell (Washington)	2007-08

#### 10 GAMES WITH 300 YARDS, 4 TDS & 0 INTS

Tom Brady had his 11th NFL game with 300 yards, four touchdowns and no interceptions at Buffalo (10/12/14), second in NFL history to the 15 such games by Drew Brees.

#### SECOND IN DISTINCT HONOR

Tom Brady was named AFC Offensive Player of the Week by the National Football League for his performance in the Patriots' come-from-behind 34-31 overtime victory vs. Denver on Nov. 24, 2013. It is the 24th time in Brady's career that he has received the AFC Offensive Player of the Week honor.

#### CAREER PLAYER OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Player	Career	Team I	POW Awards
Peyton Manning	1998-present	Colts/Broncos	26
Tom Brady	2000-present	Patriots	24
Dan Marino	1983-1999	Dolphins	18
Brett Favre	1991-2010	Packers, Jets, Vikin	gs 16
John Elway	1983-1998	Broncos	15

#### **BRADY SHINES ON MONDAY NIGHT**

Brady has thrown 43 touchdown passes on Monday Night Football, the third-most in NFL history.

#### CAREER TOUCHDOWN PASSES ON MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

TD Passes on MNF	Games
74	38
69	38
43	19
42	25
36	17
36	20
	74 69 <b>43</b> 42 36

#### THREE TD; NO INT.

Tom Brady is second in NFL history with 40 games with three or more touchdowns and no interceptions. The Patriots are 39-1 (.975) in such games.

#### PLAYER MOST GAMES WITH 3+ TD PASSES AND 0 INT.

Peyton Manning	49
Tom Brady	40
Brett Favre	36
Drew Brees	32
Aaron Rodgers	27

#### **GREAT WHEN IT'S LATE**

Tom Brady has the best record among any starting quarterback in the final four games of the regular season since the 1970 merger.

QUARTERBACK	W-L RECORD	WIN PCT.
Tom Brady	43-9	.827
Philip Rivers	30-6	.833
Roger Staubach	24-6	.800
Joe Montana	35-12	.745
Steve McNair	28-10	.737

#### 200 GAME CLUB

Tom Brady played has played in 200 NFL games for the Patriots in the win vs. the N.Y. Jets  $\{10/16\}$  and is one of three Patriots with 200 games played.

Player	Games Played
Bruce Armstrong	212
Julius Adams	206
Tom Brady	200

#### MANNING ON BRADY

#### Peyton Manning on Tom Brady

"I think the one thing that jumps out about Tom is just his consistency. I feel like he's been a better player each year than he was the year before, and that, to me speaks to his work ethic in the offseason, his refusal to be complacent or satisfied. He always feels like he can step his game up one level higher, which in some if the seasons he's had you say, 'How can you get better than that?' But I think he has done that."







#### **BRADY GOES LONG**

2013 marked Tom Brady's third straight 4,000-yard season and the sixth of his career. Brady owns six of the eight 4,000-yard passing seasons in Patriots history.

#### PATRIOTS TOP PASSING YARDS/SEASON

YARDS	PLAYER	YEAR
5,235	Tom Brady	2011
4,827	Tom Brady	2012
4,806	Tom Brady	2007
4,555	Drew Bledsoe	1994
4,398	Tom Brady	2009
4,343	Tom Brady	2013
4,110	Tom Brady	2005
4,086	Drew Bledsoe	1996



#### **BRADY THROWS FOR THIRD-HIGHEST TOTAL**

Tom Brady threw for 432 yards vs. Pittsburgh (11/03/13), marking the fifth time in Brady's career that he has eclipsed the 400-yard mark, the third-highest single-game mark of his career.

#### MOST PASSING YARDS IN A GAME IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

Player	Date	Орр	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int
Tom Brady	9/12/11	MIA	48	32	517	4	1
Tom Brady	12/16/12	SF	65	36	443	1	2
Tom Brady	11/03/13	PITT	33	23	432	4	0
Drew Bledsoe	11/13/94	MIN	70	45	426	3	0
Drew Bledsoe	11/23/98	MIA	54	28	423	2	2
Tom Brady	9/18/11	SD	40	31	423	3	0

#### 300 IN A HALF

Brady had his fourth 300-yard half and his third 300-yard second half after throwing for 323 yards in the second half vs. Cleveland on Dec. 8, 2013.

YARDS	GAME	HALF
367	vs. San Francisco (12-16-12)	2nd half
345	vs. Tennessee (10-18-09)	1st half
323	vs. Cleveland (12-08-13)	2nd half
306	at Miami (9-12-11)	2nd half

#### SPREADING THE WEALTH

Brady completed passes to 10 different receivers in the win at Buffalo (10/5/14). It was the 10th time in his career he has completed passes to 10 different receivers in a game and the first time since 12/8/13 vs. Cleveland.

#### THE BRADY SIX

Tom Brady was the seventh quarterback selected in the 2000 NFL Draft

#### QUARTERBACKS TAKEN IN THE 2000 NFL DRAFT

Rd	Pick	Player	Taken By
1	18	Chad Pennington	NY Jets
3	65	Giovanni Carmazzi	San Francisco
3	75	Chris Redman	Baltimore
5	163	Tee Martin	Pittsburgh
6	168	Marc Bulger	New Orleans
6	183	Spergon Wynn	Cleveland
6	199	Tom Brady	New England

#### **BRADY HANGS 50**

Brady and the Patriots knocked off Pittsburgh, 55-31 on Nov. 3, 2013, the sixth time that New England scored at least 50 points in a game started by Brady, tying Pro Football Hall of Famer Len Dawson.

Date	Opponent	Score
10/28/07	vs. Washington	52-7
11/18/07	at Buffalo	56-10
10/18/09	vs. Tennessee	59-0
9/30/12	at Buffalo	52-28
11/18/12	vs. Indianapolis	59-24
11/03/13	vs. Pittsburgh	55-31

#### **50-YARD DOUBLE DOWN**

Brady has thrown at least two 50-yard passes in the same game eight times in his career. His career best came in 2009 with three 50-yard strikes in one game

#### BRADY'S GAMES WITH AT LEAST TWO 50-YARD PASSES

10/9/05 @ Atlanta

-55t (3Q) Bethel Johnson -51 (1Q) Deion Branch

#### 1/14/06 @ Denver \*AFC Divisional Playoff Round

-73 (4Q) Deion Branch -51 (2Q) Andre' Davis

#### 12/31/06 @ Tennessee

-62t (3Q) Reche Caldwell -52 (1Q) Corey Dillon

#### 12/9/07 vs. Pittsburgh

-63t (2Q) Randy Moss

-56t (3Q) Jabar Gaffney >Flea-flicker w/R. Moss

#### 11/15/09 @ Indianapolis

-63t (2Q) Randy Moss -55 (1Q) Randy Moss

#### 12/06/09 @ Miami

-58t (1Q) Randy Moss -58 (2Q) Wes Welker -81t (3Q) Sam Aiken

#### 11/22/12 @ NY Jets

-83t (2Q) Shane Vereen -56t (2Q) Julian Edelman

#### 11/03/13 vs. Pittsburgh

-57 (2Q) Danny Amendola -81t(4Q) Aaron Dobson







#### **WEARING TROY BROWN'S #80 JERSEY**

When Danny Amendola joined the Patriots in the 2013 offseason, he was assigned jersey #80, the same number worn by Patriots' Hall of Famer Troy Brown, who finished his career as the team's all-time leading receiver and is punt returner.

Said Amendola on wearing Brown's jersey #80: "I talked to (Troy Brown) a little bit before I came here. I told him he's one of the greatest ever, and it's an honor to wear No. 80. I'm going to try to represent it the best I can."



#### **BETTER THAN AVERAGE**

RB Brandon Bolden's 8.6-yard average at Buffalo (9/30/12) is tied for the third highest ever in a single game for the Patriots among running backs with at least 15 rushing attempts. Bolden earned the FedEx Ground Player of the Week for his performance.

## HIGHEST RUSHING AVERAGE/SINGLE GAME (MIN. 15 RUSHING ATTEMPTS)

<u>Player</u>	Average
Curtis Martin	9.6 (17-164 vs. Washington, Oct. 13, 1996)
Tony Collins	9.2 (23-212 vs. N.Y. Jets, Sept. 18, 1983)
Sammy Morris	8.6 (16-138 vs. Denver, Oct. 20, 2008)
Jim Nance	8.6 (17-146 at Houston, Dec. 11, 1966)
Brandon Bolden	8.6 (16-137 at Buffalo, Sept. 30, 2012)
Stevan Ridley	8.5 (15-127 at St. Louis, Oct. 28, 2012)

#### **FOOTBALL FAMILY TRADITION**

Bolden's grandfather, Frank Pitts, played 10 years in the NFL (1965-74) as a receiver for Kansas City, Cleveland and Oakland. He was with Kansas City for two Super Bowls, losing Super Bowl I and winning Super Bowl IV. Said Bolden about his grandfather, "I remember being 6 years old, him popping in a highlight film of Super Bowl I and IV. I've seen that tape at least 500 times."



#### **CONNOLLY SETS NFL RECORD**

Dan Connolly was named AFC Special Teams Player of the Week after he returned a kickoff 71 yards to the 4-yard line in the second quarter of the Patriots win vs. Green Bay (12/19/10) According to the Elias Sports Bureau, it is the longest kickoff return by an offensive lineman in NFL history. The run by Connolly topped the 48-yard touchdown return by Atlanta's Mal Snider in 1969. Previously, the longest kickoff return for a Patriots offensive lineman was a 27-yard return by G Stephen Neal vs. Pittsburgh (11/30/08). Connolly's previous best was a 16-yard return vs. Miami (11/8/09).



#### **IVY LEAGUE JOURNEY**

An ly League defensive lineman standout at Brown, James Develin graduated in 2010 with a degree in chemical engineering and began lining up interviews with companies he felt might be best suited for the technical skills. However, Develin wanted to give football one last shot, and play in the NFL.

"Football is something that is not around your entire life," Develin told *The Boston Globe.* "I knew if I didn't give it my best shot to play football as a career, that I'd always regret it." Develin made the most of his opportunity by switching positions to fullback. Following stints in the Arena Football League and the now defunct United Football League, Develin caught on with the Cincinnati Bengals practice squad and eventually worked his way to the Patriots 53-man roster full-time in 2013.



#### **RECORD RETURNER**

WR Julian Edelman set a franchise record with a 94-yard punt return touchdown vs. Miami [1/2/11]. The previous longest punt return was an 89-yard touchdown return by Mike Haynes vs. Buffalo [11/7/76]. Edelman returned his second career punt for a touchdown vs. Kansas City [11/21/11] with a 72-yard return. He was named AFC Special Teams Player of the Week for his efforts. He scored his third punt return for a touchdown with a 68-yarder vs. Indianapolis [11/18/12] to tie a franchise record.



## Most Punt Return Touchdowns/Patriots Career 3 Julian Edelman

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3 Troy Brown

3 Irving Fryar 2 Mike Haynes

NOT YOUR AVERAGE RETURNER

Edelman has returned 123 punts for 1,442 yards during his career and is second in team history with an 11.8 average.

#### HIGHEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE, PATRIOTS CAREER

	(20 Returns)	
<u>Player</u>	Punt Rt Avg.	<u>Year</u>
Mack Herron	12.0	1973-75 (74-888)
Julian Edelman	11.7	2009-14 (123-1,442)
Carl Garrett	11.3	1969-72 (43-487)
Wes Welker	10.4	2007-12 (114-1,185)
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(75 Returns)			
Player	Punt Rt Avg.	Year	
George McAfee (Chicago)	12.8 (112-1,431)	[1940-41, 1945-1950]	
Jack Christiansen (Detroit)	12.8 (85-1,084)	(1951-58)	
Claude Gibson (SD/OAK)	12.6 (110-1,381)	(1961-65)	
Devin Hester (Chicago/Atlanta)	12.3 (275-3,372)	(2006-present)	
Bill Dudley (PITT/DEN/WAS)	12.2 (124-1,515)	(1942-53)	
Rick Upchurch (DEN)	12.1 (248-3,008)	(1975-83)	
Desmond Howard (WAS/JAC/GB/OAK/DET)	11.9 (244-2,895)	(1992-2002)	
Billy Johnson (HOU/ATL/WAS)	11.8 (282-3,317)	(1974-88)	
Julian Edelman (NE)	11.7 (123-1,442)	(2009-present)	
Mack Herron (NE/ATL)	11.7 (84-982)	(1973-75)	





#### **ANOTHER TEAM RECORD**

Edelman had a 47-yard run in the fourth quarter vs. Indianapolis (11/18/12). It is the longest run ever by a Patriots receiver, topping Troy Brown's 35-yard run vs. Tampa Bay on (9/3/00).

#### FROM STANDOUT QB TO WR

Edelman began his college football career with a year at the College of San Mateo (Calif.) before transferring to Kent State where as a senior he completed 56 percent of his passes (153 of 275 passes for 1,820 yards) with 13 touchdowns. He was also the leading rusher, gaining 1,551 yards on 215 attempts (an average of 7.5 yards per carry) and scoring 13 touchdowns. His offensive numbers broke Kent State's single-season record for total offense set by Joshua Cribbs in 2003. Said head coach Bill Belichick on the versatility of Edelman: "He played the quarterback position in college at Kent State and all the positions really that he's played in the NFL – covering kicks, returning and kistory coutside receiver, slot defender – he didn't do any of those things in college. I think that really speaks to his versatility and how much he's grown as a player and how many things he's learned how to do that he really didn't have much experience with in college. I'd say that's pretty unusual, especially to be as competent in them as he is."

#### RETURNS PILING UP

Julian Edelman is in fourth place in team history with 123 punt returns.

#### MOST PUNT RETURNS IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

Edelman is in third place in team history with 1,442 punt return yards.

#### MOST PUNT RETURN YARDS IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

Player	Punt Return Yards
1. Troy Brown	2,625
2. Irving Fryar	2,055
3. Julian Edelman	1,442
3. David Meggett	1,438
5. Wes Welker	1,185

#### BEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE IN A SEASON

Edelman has the two best punt return averages in a single season in New England history. In 2010, Edelman led the AFC and finished second in the NFL with a 15.3 punt return average. Chicago's Devin Hester led the NFL with a 17.1-yard average.

## PATRIOTS BEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE/SEASON (MIN. 15 RETURNS)

PLAYER	PR AVG.	YEAR
Julian Edelman	15.5	2012
Julian Edelman	15.3	2010
Mack Herron	14.8	1974
Troy Brown	142	2001

#### **EDELMAN TAKES HIS FATHER'S ADVICE**

If there is one thing Julian Edelman has never lacked, it's athletic ability. A dual-threat quarterback at Kent State and former baseball standout in high school, Edelman once wowed Toronto Blue Jays players with his impressive footwork while fielding ground balls in an appearance at batting practice in 2011.

This natural ability may have been overlooked by NFL scouts, who let him fall to the Patriots in the seventh round of the 2009 NFL Draft. Edelman remains focused on the lessons his father, Frank Edelman, taught him at a young age. "I'm still constantly trying to learn," Edelman told the *Boston Herald*. "My dad always put it in my head, when you're green, you're growing, when you're ripe, you're lost. When you're done learning, you're done."

#### **EDELMAN ECLIPSES 1,000-YARDS**

Edelman finished the 2013 season with 1,056 receiving yards to become the 10th Patriots player to register a 1,000-yard season.

#### 1,000-YARD RECEIVING SEASONS IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

<u>Player</u>	Yards	Season
Wes Welker	1,569	2011
Randy Moss	1,493	2007
Stanley Morgan	1,491	1986
Wes Welker	1,354	2012
Wes Welker	1,348	2009
Rob Gronkowski	1,327	2011
Randy Moss	1,264	2009
Troy Brown	1,199	2001
Wes Welker	1,175	2007
Ben Coates	1,174	1994
Wes Welker	1,165	2008
Terry Glenn	1,147	1999
Terry Glenn	1,132	1996
Julian Edelman	1,056	2013
Stanley Morgan	1,029	1981
Irving Fryar	1,014	1991
Harold Jackson	1,013	1979
Randy Moss	1,008	2008
Stanley Morgan	1,002	1979

#### **EDELMAN HITS THE CENTURY MARK**

Edelman finished the 2013 season fourth in the NFL with 105 receptions to join Wes Welker (2007-09, 11-12) and Troy Brown (2001) as the only Patriots to reach 100 receptions in a season. Edelman averaged 6.4 receptions per game in 2013.

#### PATRIOTS PLAYERS WITH 100 RECEPTIONS

Player	Receptions	Season
Wes Welker	123	2009
Wes Welker	122	2011
Wes Welker	118	2012
Wes Welker	112	2007
Wes Welker	111	2008
Julian Edelman	105	2013
Troy Brown	101	2001



# OFFENSIVE



#### **GAROPPOLO FIRSTS**

Jimmy Garoppolo saw his first game action at Kansas City [9/29/14] and engineered a 7-play, 81-yard drive that included a 37-yard pass to WR Brandon LaFell before he culminated the drive with a 13-yard touchdown pass to TE Rob Gronkowski.



#### RECEIVING YARDS RECORD

Rob Gronkowski finished the 2011 season with 1,327 receiving yards, surpassing San Diego's Kellen Winslow's 1980 record of 1,290 receiving yards for most receiving yards in a season by a tight end.



#### MOST RECEIVING YARDS BY TIGHT END IN THE NFL

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<u>Player</u>	Yards	Year	
Rob Gronkowski	1,327	2011	
Jimmy Graham (NO)	1,310	2011	
Kellen Winslow (SD)	1,290	1980	
Tony Gonzalez (KC)	1,258	2004	
Todd Christensen (Rai	ders)1,247	1983	
Jimmy Graham (NO)	1,215	2013	
Jackie Smith (STL)	1,205	1967	
Tony Gonzalez (KC)	1,203	2000	
Pete Retzlaff (PHI)	1,190	1965	
Ben Coates (NE)	1,174	1994	



#### MOST RECEIVING YARDS BY A PATRIOTS TIGHT END

Player	Yards	Year
Rob Gronkowski	1,327	2011
Ben Coates	1,174	1994
Ben Coates	915	1995
Aaron Hernandez	910	2011
Marv Cook	808	1991
Don Hasselbeck	808	1981
MOST RECEPTION	S BY A PATRIOT	S TIGHT END
<u>Player</u>	Yards	Year
Ben Coates	96	1994
Rob Gronkowski	90	2011
Ben Coates	84	1995
Marv Cook	82	1991
Aaron Hernandez	79	2011

#### BRADY TO GRONK ON REPEAT

#### THE MOST TD CONNECTIONS BETWEEN A QB AND A TE IN NFL HISTORY

Quarterback	Tight End	Team	TD Connections
Phillip Rivers	Antonio Gates	San Diego	67
Tom Brady	Rob Gronkowski	New England	45
Drew Bledsoe	Ben Coates	New England	45
Drew Brees	Jimmy Graham	New Orleans	44
Peyton Manning	Dallas Clark	Indianapolis	44
Sonny Jurgensen	Jerry Smith	Washington	43
Dan Fouts	Kellen Winslow	San Diego	41
John Elway	Shannon Sharpe	Denver	41

#### **GRONKOWSKI IS STREAKING**

Gronkowski has caught at least one pass in all 57 regular season games that he has played in his career. The only game that Gronkowski has played in at the NFL level where he did not have at least one reception was the 2012 AFC Divisional Playoff game vs. Houston when he left the game in the first quarter with an injury.

#### LONGEST CURRENT STREAKS OF CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RECEPTION BY TIGHT ENDS

95 Owen Daniels (Houston/Baltimore)

94 Jason Witten (Dallas)

88 Heath Miller (Pittsburgh)

57 Rob Gronkowski (New England)

#### TIGHT END TD RECORD

Gronkowski set an NFL record for most touchdowns by a tight end with 18 overall touchdowns in 2011 (17 receiving and 1 rushing). In addition to his 17 touchdown receptions, Gronkowski scored on a lateral in the third quarter vs. Indianapolis (12/4/11), credited as his first career rushing play.

#### MOST TOTAL TDs BY A TIGHT END IN A SINGLE NFL SEASON

10	Rob Gronkowski	INE	2011	(17 pass, 1 rush)
16	Jimmy Graham	NO	2013	(16 pass)
13	Vernon Davis	SF	2013	(13 pass)
13	Vernon Davis	SF	2009	(13 pass)
13	Antonio Gates	SD	2004	(13 pass)
MOST	TD RECEPTIONS BY	A TIGHT ENI	DINAS	INGLE NFL SEASON
17	Rob Gronkowski	NE	2011	
<b>17</b> 16	<b>Rob Gronkowski</b> Jimmy Graham	<b>NE</b> NO	<b>2011</b> 2013	
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16	Jimmy Graham	NO	2013	
16 13	Jimmy Graham Vernon Davis	NO SF	2013 2013	

#### FIRST TIGHT END TO SCORE A RUSH TD

Gronkowski scored a 2-yard touchdown on a lateral from Tom Brady in the third quarter vs. Indianapolis (12/4/11), becoming the first tight end in Patriots history to score a rushing touchdown. Gronkowski is the first NFL tight end to score a rushing touchdown since Tennessee's Bo Scaife had a 31-yard scoring run against Baltimore on Nov. 12, 2006. He is the first tight end since the 1970 merger to have two receiving touchdowns and a rushing touchdown in the same game.





#### THREE STRAIGHT 10-TD SEASONS

Gronkowski had three straight 10 touchdown seasons [10 in 2010, 18 in 2011 and 11 in 2012]. Gronkowski joins Randy Moss (2007, 2008 and 2009) and Corey Dillon (2004, 2005, 2006) as the only Patriots with three straight 10-plus touchdown seasons and three 10-plus touchdown seasons overall.

#### CONSECUTIVE 10-PLUS TD SEASONS / PATRIOTS HISTORY

#### 3 Rob Gronkowski - 2010, 2011, 2012

- 3 Randy Moss 2007, 2008, 2009
- 3 Corey Dillon 2004, 2005, 2006
- 2 BenJarvus Green-Ellis 2010, 2011
- 2 Curtis Martin 1995, 1996

#### MOST 10-PLUS TOUCHDOWN SEASONS / PATRIOTS HISTORY

#### 3 Rob Gronkowski - 2010, 2011, 2012

- 3 Randy Moss 2007, 2008, 2009
- 3 Corey Dillon 2004, 2005, 2006
- 2 BenJarvus Green-Ellis 2010, 2011
- 2 Curtis Martin 1995, 1996
- 2 Stanley Morgan 1979, 1986

#### FASTEST TO 20 TDS

Gronkowski reached the 20-touchdown mark in just 26 career games, the fewest games among tight ends in NFL history.

#### TEs TO REACH 20 TD REC. IN THE FEWEST GAMES

Player	Team	Games to 20 TD catches
Rob Gronkowski	Patriots	26
Mike Ditka	Chicago	31
Kellen Winslow	San Diego	35
Antonio Gates	San Diego	37

#### **NFL TOUCHDOWN RECORD**

Gronkowski had 11 touchdowns in 2012 and is the first tight end in NFL history to have three straight 10-plus touchdown seasons.

CONSECUTIVE 10-PLUS TD SEASON BY A TE/NFL HISTORY

3 Rob Gronkowski	10 in 2010, 18 in 2011, 11 in 2012
2 Antonio Gates	13 in 2004 and 10 in 2005

#### SECOND ON PATRIOTS TEAM LIST

#### MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS BY A PATRIOTS TIGHT END

Player	TD	Years Years
Ben Coates	50	1991-99
Rob Gronkowski	46	2010-Present
Russ Francis	28	1975-80, 87-88
Ben Watson	20	2004-09

#### **PATRIOTS TOUCHDOWN LIST**

Rob Gronkowski is fifth in Patriots history with 47 career touchdowns and needs three more to tie Ben Coates and Randy Moss (50 each) for second all-time, behind team leader Stanley Morgan with 68 career touchdowns.

#### MOST CAREER TOUCHDOWNS IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

<u>Player</u>	Touchdowns
Stanley Morgan	68 (67 rec, 1 ret.)
Ben Coates	50 (50 rec.)
Randy Moss	50 (50 rec.)
Sam Cunningham	49 (43 rush, 6 rec.)
Rob Gronkowski	47 (46 rec, 1 rush)

#### MOST TD CATCHES BY A PATS TE

#### MOST TD CATCHES IN A SEASON BY A PATRIOTS TE

Player	Year	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
Rob Gronkowski	2011	90	1327	14.7	52t	17
Rob Gronkowski	2010	42	546	13	28	10
Ben Coates	1996	62	682	11	84t	9

Gronkowski finished the 2011 season with 90 receptions, posting the 15th season with 90 or more receptions by a tight end.

#### SECOND TO ONE

Gronkowski finished the 2011 season with 18 overall touchdowns [17 receiving, 1 rushing], passing Curtis Martin [17 overall in 1996] for the second highest single-season total in Patriots history.

#### PATRIOTS RECORD BOOK / MOST TOUCHDOWNS IN A SEASON

<u>Player</u>	Season	TDs
Randy Moss	2007	23
Rob Gronkowski	2011	18
Curtis Martin	1996	17

#### FINDING A WAY TO SCORE

Since Rob Gronkowski entered the league in 2010, he has the highest touchdown reception percentage among players with at least 100 receptions and 15 touchdowns.

Player, Team	Rec	TD	Pct
Rob Gronkowski, New England	257	46	17.9
Eric Decker, Denver/N.Y. Jets	246	36	14.6
Vernon Davis, San Francisco	230	33	14.3

#### **ALL-PURPOSE PLAYER**

In 2011, Gronkowski became the second tight end in NFL history to rush for a touchdown, catch a touchdown, record a tackle and return a kickoff in the same season. Bo Scaife was the first to accomplish the feat in 2006 with Tennessee.





#### **FASTEST TO 40 TOUCHDOWNS**

Gronkowski scored his 40th touchdown reception on a 9-yard pass from Tom Brady at Carolina on Nov. 18, 2013 in his 47th NFL game, becoming the fastest tight end to reach 40 touchdowns.

#### FASTEST TO 40 TOUCHDOWNS RECEIVING/ TIGHT END

<u>Player</u>	Games to 40 touchdown receptions
Rob Gronkowski (NE)	47 Games
Jimmy Graham (NO)	61 Games
Antonio Gates (SD)	71 Games
Jerry Smith (WAS)	76 Games
Kellen Winslow SR. (SD)	92 Games
Dallas Clark (IND)	96 Games
Tony Gonzalez (KC)	101 Games

#### **END ZONE DOUBLE DOWN**

Gronkowski's seven games with two or more touchdowns in 2011 are an NFL record for a tight end. Antonio Gates (San Diego in 2004) and Jerry Smith (Washington in 1967) each had four two-touchdown games. Gronkowski has 12 such games in his NFL career.

#### MOST GAMES WITH 2+ TD RECEPTIONS/SEASON

<b>011</b>
995
987

#### **SECOND-MOST TDS SINCE 2010**

Gronkowski's 46 touchdown receptions since the start of the 2010 season are second, behind Calvin Johnson's 47. Gronkowski's 47 overall touchdowns are tied for fourth with Calvin Johnson, behind Arian Foster [55], Marshawn Lynch [51] and Adrian Peterson [50].

#### MOST TOUCHDOWNS RECEPTIONS BY A TIGHT END SINCE 2010

Player	Touchdowns
Rob Gronkowski	46
Jimmy Graham	44
Antonio Gates	35
Vernon Davis	33
Tony Gonzalez	29
Jason Witten	26
Greg Olsen	26

#### MOST TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS SINCE 2010

Player	Touchdowns
Calvin Johnson	47
Rob Gronkowski	46
Jimmy Graham	44
Dez Bryant	44

#### GRONKOWSKI HAS 13 CAREER 100-YARD GAMES

Gronkowski registered his 13th career-100-yard game and his first of the 2014 season in the win vs. Cincinnati (10/05/14). He has the team mark for the most 100-yard games by a tight end.

#### MOST 100-YARD GAMES BY A PATRIOTS TIGHT END

<u>Player</u>	100-Yard Games
Rob Gronkowski	13
Ben Coates	9

#### **ALL IN THE FAMILY**

Gronkowski grew up playing football against his brothers in the backyard. Two of his brothers have NFL playing experience. Dan Gronkowski, finished the 2011 season with Cleveland after spending part of the season with the Patriots. He also spent time with Detroit (2009) and Denver (2010). Chris was with San Diego in 2013 after spending 2012 with Denver, 2010 with Dallas and 2011 with Indianapolis. The Gronkowskis are among 23 different sets of three brothers to have played in the NFL and join nine other families with at least three brothers in the NFL playing at the same time.

Family	Brothers	Yr. in NFL at Same Time
Gronkowski	Rob, Dan, Chris	2010- 2011
Baldinger	Brian, Gary, Rich	1986-88, 90-92
Browner	Joey, Keith, Ross	1984-87
Olsen	Merlin, Phil, Orrin	1976
Saul	Rich, Bill, Ron	1970
Richardson	Gloster, Tom, Willie	1969
Rooney	Bill, Cobb, Joe	1924-27
Kinderdine	Hobby, Shine, Walt	1924
Nesser	Al, Frank, Fred, John,	, Phil, Ted 1921

#### IN GOOD COMPANY

In 2011, Rob Gronkowski joined Dallas Clark, Jimmy Graham, Tony Gonzalez and Todd Christiansen, as the only tight ends in NFL history with 90-plus receptions, 1,000-plus yards and 10-plus touchdown receptions in a single season.

TIGHT ENDS WITH 90-PLUS RECEPTIONS, 1000-PLUS YARDS AND 10-

#### PLUS TOUCHDOWNS IN A SEASON

<u>Player</u>	Rec.	Yards	TDs	Year
Rob Gronkowski (NE)	90	1,327	17	2011
Jimmy Graham (NO)	99	1,310	11	2011
Dallas Clark (IND)	100	1,106	10	2009
Tony Gonzalez (KC)	96	1,058	10	2008
Todd Christensen (LA	R) 92	1,247	12	1983

#### MOVING ON UP

Gronkowski has 46 touchdown receptions and needs four more to tie Ben Coates and Randy Moss for second all-time on the Patriots list, behind team-leader Stanley Morgan (67).

#### MOST PATRIOTS TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS/CAREER

Wieer i Airne	TO TOOOTIDOTTICTICOL
67	Stanley Morgan
50	Ben Coates
	Randy Moss
<mark>46</mark>	Rob Gronkowski
42	Gino Cappelletti
39	Jim Colclough
38	Irving Fryar







#### LAFELL FINDS THE END ZONE

WR Brandon LaFell scored his first touchdown with the Patriots on a 44-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the third quarter at Kansas City [09/29/14].

#### HITTING THE CENTURY MARK

LaFell finished the game against Kansas City with six receptions for 119 yards for his first 100-yard day as a Patriot and the third 100-yard day of his career.

#### TWICE AS NICE

WR Brandon LaFell scored two touchdowns on a 18 yard pass and a 56-yard pass in the fourth quarter at Buffalo on Oct. 12, 2014. It s his second two-touchdown game of his career. He had two touchdowns with Carolina vs. the New York Giants on Sept. 22, 2013.



#### LIKE FATHER LIKE SON

Matthew Slater is one of 10 sons of Hall of Fame members to be drafted in NFL history.

#### HALL OF FAME FATHERS WITH SONS DRAFTED IN THE NFL

#### Jackie Slater (class of 2001) - son, Matthew Slater (NE)

Bobby Bell (class of 1983) - son, Bobby Bell (NYJ)

Tony Dorsett (class of 1994) - son, Anthony Dorsett (HOU)

Bob Griese (class of 1990) - son, Brian Griese (DEN)

Russ Grimm (class of 2010) – son, Cody Grimm (TB)

Howie Long (class of 2000) - son, Chris Long (STL)

son, Kyle Long (CHI)

Bruce Matthews (class of 2007) - son, Jake Matthews (ATL)

Don Shula (class of 1997) - son, Mike Shula (TB)

Kellen Winslow (class of 1995) - son, Kellen Winslow (CLE)

#### ALL-STAR COMBINATION

Matthew Slater was voted to his third straight Pro Bowl in 2013. His father, Jackie Slater, went to seven Pro Bowls. The Slater family's 10 combined Pro Bowls are the second most among father-son contingents to have been voted to at least one Pro Bowl each.

#### MOST FATHER AND SON PRO BOWL SELECTIONS

<u>Players</u>	Pro Bowls
Archie (2), Peyton (13) and Eli Manning (3)	18
Jackie (7) and Matthew Slater (3)	10

#### SLATER'S EMERGENCE WAS SPECIAL

Bill Belichick acknowledged Matthew Slater's role as a gunner on special teams: "Matt is one of the best in the league," Belichick said. "Any time the punt return team has to double somebody, that makes it one less guy they can use somewhere else in the return. He almost always draws two guys out there unless they're in an eight-man rush. Most of the time, there's two guys out there — fourth-and-short, where they're trying to protect the box — but he draws a lot of double teams, and deservedly so. He does an outstanding job of covering punts."



#### FIRST NFL TD

WR Brian Tyms scored his first NFL toucdown on a 43-yard reception from Tom Brady in the win at Buffalo (10/12). He entered the game with two career receptions for 12 yards in seven games.





#### **ELECTED TEAM LEADER**

Patriots wide receiver Matthew Slater has been named to three straight Pro Bowls (2011-13) for his special teams work, but perhaps more revealing of his value to New England is the fact that he has been elected a captain by his teammates for the fourth straight season in 2014.

The special teams ace was willing to share his advice on being a great captain with high school football players in a story published by *The Boston Globe*. "I think first and foremost, you have to be able to put others before yourself. Being a captain and leadership is about serving, and to me, that means a great deal of sacrifice – putting aside personal agendas for the greater common goal. Leadership is equated with sacrifice. I think you have to be willing to do whatever it takes for the unit to succeed. I think you need to lead by example. A lot of times, it's about what you do, not what you say."

#### SLATER ON BILL BELICHICK

"Guys have really bought into what we're trying to do here and believing in the goals that we've set to accomplish. We try not to acknowledge all the noise and hype surrounding ballgames. We prepare ourselves to have success by the way we work day-in and day-out on the field and in the meeting room, but it definitely starts with our leadership on this team."



#### 2011 FIRST ROUND PICK NATE SOLDER

It only took a day for Nate Solder to decide to change from his lifelong position of tight end to tackle after playing his freshman year at Colorado as a tight end. "My coaches came to me and said, 'You'd be an all right tight end, but you'd be an even better tackle," he told the *Boston Globe*. "I've always wanted to be great, so that's why I moved to tackle."

He added over 30 pounds after his redshirt freshman season and was named the team's starting left tackle. He played in 2,540 of 2,542 offensive plays over the next three seasons at Colorado and became an immediate contributor on the Patriots offensive line at right tackle as a rookie before moving to left tackle.



#### **VEREEN SETS TWO RECORDS IN ONE GAME**

Shane Vereen had 12 receptions for 153 yards vs. Cleveland on Dec. 8, 2013, setting a single-game franchise record for most receptions and most receiving yards by a running back.

#### MOST RECEIVING YARDS BY A PATRIOTS RUNNING BACK/SINGLE GAME

Game	Y ara:
vs. Cleveland (12/08/13)	153
vs. Oakland (11/04/60)	124
vs. Houston (11/25/60)	123
	vs. Cleveland (12/08/13) vs. Oakland (11/04/60)

MOST RECEPTIONS BY A PATRIOTS RUNNING BACK/ SINGLE GAME

<u>Player</u>	Game	Rec
Shane Vereen	vs. Cleveland (12/08/13)	12
Kevin Faulk	vs. Tampa Bay (09/03/00)	11
Leroy Thompson	vs. Minnesota (11/13/94)	11
Tony Collins	vs. Philadelphia (11/29/87)	11

#### SIXTH NFL RUNNING BACK TO POST 150 YARDS RE-CEIVING IN A SINGLE GAME IN THE LAST 10 SEASONS

<u>Player</u>	Team	Yards
Jamaal Charles (2013)	Kansas City	195
Brain Westbrook (2004)	Philadelphia	156
Jahvid Best (2010)	Detroit	154
Shane Vereen (2013)	Patriots	153
Darren Sproles (2014)	Philadelphia	152
Matt Forte (2010)	Chicago	151



#### RYAN WENDELL LEADS THE NFL IN PLAY SNAPS IN 2012

Ryan Wendell played a league-high 1,249 snaps in 2012 and it helped earn him a spot on the *USA Today* All-Joe team. Said Wendell: "I think first it says a lot about the organization, our training staff and our strength training coaches, that they do everything they can all season and all off-season and during the spring to keep us healthy throughout the whole season. I think it says more about them than it does about me individually."







#### WHAT'S IN A NUMBER?

When Arrington was first making the transition from Hofstra to the NFL in 2008, he was assigned jersey No. 42. At that point in his career, he was cut by both the Eagles and Buccaneers. When Arrington first arrived in New England as a practice squad player in 2009, he initially donned No. 27. But when No. 24 became available, a result of Jonathan Wilhite leaving in free agency after the 2010 season, Arrington pounced on it.

The reason is that it reflects how he's flipped his NFL fortunes – from a No. 42 struggling to hang on to a No. 24 who has carved out a role on a winning team. Arrington moved from 24 to 25 in an agreement with Adrian Wilson in 2013 to accommodate the veteran's desire to keep the same jersey he had worn during his 12-year NFL career.

#### **ARRINGTON SCORES AGAIN**

DB Kyle Arrington returned a Cincinnati (10/5/14) fumble forced by Brandon Bolden on a third-quarter kickoff 9 yards for a touchdown. It marked his third career touchdown. He returned a blocked field goal 35 yards for a touchdown at Miami (10/4/10) and returned his first career interception 36 yards for a touchdown vs. Green Bay (12/19/10).



#### **JAMIE COLLINS' JOURNEY**

The road to the NFL has been anything but easy for linebacker and 2013 second-round draft pick Jamie Collins. The youngest of five siblings growing up in Meadville, Miss., Collins lost both of his parents when he was six years old and was raised by one of his sisters, who was in her mid 20s.

Collins turned to football as an outlet to help him through the tough times. "It means a lot. It's my living," Collins told *The Boston Herald.* "It kept me on track." Collins' resiliency in dealing with adversity has made a lasting impact on fellow Mississippi native Stevan Ridley, who grew up 30 miles west of Meadville in Natchez, Miss., and got to know Collins through a family friend. "What I've known about him, he really has been a strong person," Ridley told the Herald. "Anybody that's gone through the things that he's gone through and can still find a way to be successful on the football field, you have to be mentally tough. That's what he's kind of done as a teammate here. He's come in here and accepted his role and did a pretty good job as a rookie."

#### COLLINS RECORDS FIRST INT

LB Jamie Collins intercepted a Kyle Orton pass in the win at Buffalo (10/12), marking his first regular-season interception. His first career pick came last year in the AFC Divisional Playoff vs. Indianapolis (1/11/14).



#### EASLEY REGISTERS FIRST INT

2014 first round draft pick Dominique Easley registered his first NFL interception in the fourth quarter off QB Matt Cassel at Minnesota (09/14/14). It was his first interception since high school.



#### **WEARING BRUSCHI'S JERSEY #54**

As a first round draft pick, Dont'a Hightower is used to high expectations. Hightower went to training camp with jersey #45 but was switched to jersey #54 prior to the start of his rookie year in 2012. Former LB Tedy Bruschi wore #54 for 13 seasons

Hightower understands the importance of the number and hopes to live up to its legacy. "I definitely feel honored to be able to wear this number," Hightower said. "I've read that Tedy didn't want it to be retired and he hoped another linebacker would come in and be able to wear this number and be able to play as well. I feel honored. Tedy was a great player, and he means a lot to this organization. I'm definitely proud to be able to wear this number."

#### HIGHTOWER HAS A CAREER FIRST

LB Dont'a Hightower registered his first career two-sack game at Minnesota [09/14/14].







#### **FOLLOWING IN BROTHERS' FOOTSTEPS**

Chandler Jones has two brothers, Arthur, a fifth-round NFL Draft selection by the Baltimore Ravens in 2010 (currently with the Indianapolis Colts), who was a Syracuse defensive tackle, and Jon "Bones" Jones, a UFC fighter and the reigning Lightweight Champion.

#### **RACKING UP SACKS**

Chandler Jones reached a career high with 11% sacks in 2013. He had six sacks as a rookie in 2012 and has 4% sacks so far in 2014.

#### MOST SACKS IN THE FIRST THREE SEASONS/PATRIOTS HISTORY

<u>Player</u>	Seasons	Sacks Sacks
Garin Veris	1985-87	28.0 (10.0,11.0, 7.0)
Andre Tippett	1982-84	27 (0, 8.5, 18.5)
Willie McGinest	1994-96	25 (4.5, 11, 9.5)
Chris Slade	1993-95	22.5 (9.0, 9.5, 4.0)
Chandler Jones	2012-14	22 (6.0, 11.5, 4.5)
Brent Williams	1993-95	20 (7.0, 5.0, 8.0)

#### **JONES PILED UP SACKS IN 2013**

Jones finished the 2013 season with  $11\frac{1}{2}$  sacks on the year. The Patriots have now had a player finish with 10 or more sacks in a season 15 times in team history.

#### **PATRIOTS 10-PLUS SACK SEASONS**

Sacks	Player	Year
12.0	Tony McGee	1977
10.0	Bobby Hamilton	1977
11.5	Tony McGee	1978
10.5	Tony McGee	1979
18.5	Andre Tippett	1984
16.5	Andre Tippett	1985
10.0	Garin Veris	1985
11.0	Garin Veris	1986
12.5	Andre Tippett	1987
11.0	Willie McGinest	1995
12.5	Mike Vrabel	2007
10.0	Tully Banta-Cain	2009
10.0	Mark Anderson	2011
10.0	Andre Carter	2011
11.5	Chandler Jones	2013

#### **DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Chandler Jones was named AFC Defensive Player of the Week for his performance in the Patriots' 30-7 victory at Minnesota on Sept. 14, 2014. It is the first time in Jones' career that he has received an AFC Player of the Week honor. He was named AFC Defensive Player of the Month for November last season and NFL Defensive Rookie of the Month in September 2012.

Jones blocked a 48-yard field goal attempt and returned it 58 yards for a touchdown to give New England a 24-7 halftime lead. He also finished the game with eight total tackles and his fifth career two-sack game.

The last time the Patriots earned an AFC Defensive Player of the Week honor was Week 10 of the 2011 season when Andre Carter tied a team record with four sacks at N.Y. Jets (11/13/11).

#### **JONES ACHIEVES TRIFECTA**

DL Chandler Jones blocked a second-quarter Minnesota 48-yard field goal attempt, recovered the loose ball and returned it 58 yards for a touchdown. It is the fifth blocked field goal returned for a touchdown in Patriots history and the first returned for a touchdown since S Patrick Chung blocked a field goal attempt that was returned 35 yards for a touchdown by DB Kyle Arrington at Miami on Oct. 4, 2010. It is the second field goal block by Jones. He blocked a 39-yard attempt vs. Miami on Oct. 27, 2013. It is Jones' second career touchdown. He recovered an errant shotgun snap squibbed into the end zone at Baltimore on Dec. 22, 2013.

#### **MULTIPLE SACKS FOR JONES**

Jones finished with his fifth career two-sack game at Minnesota (09/14/14). He had three two-sack games in 2013.



#### THIRD TEAM'S A CHARM

Chris Jones had an early introduction to failure in the NFL. Taken behind 37 other defensive linemen in the 2013 NFL Draft, the defensive tackle was cut by two teams over a span of just 11 days. After selecting him in the sixth round with the 198th overall pick, the Houston Texans cut Jones on Aug. 31. Jones signed with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Sept. 1, but lasted only 10 days, as the Buccaneers released him on Sept., 10. Rather than be deterred by these early disappointments, however, Jones maintained a positive outlook when he signed with the Patriots on Sept. 11, and it has paid off in a big way. Thrust into a starting role after key injuries to the defensive line, Jones finished his rookie season with six sacks.

Jones' sudden success may have come as a surprise to some, but not to Dave Clawson, Jones' college coach at Bowling Green. Jones was part of Clawson's first recruiting class and blossomed into an All-American and two-two time captain for the Falcons. "It's hard to talk about Chris without getting a little bit emotional," Clawson told the *The Boston Herald*, "because he was that special of a player and person in our program."







#### DOUBLE TROUBLE: DB DEVIN McCOURTY

After being selected by the Patriots in the first round of the 2010 NFL Draft, DB Devin McCourty became part of a select group in league history. Mc-Courty's identical twin brother, Jason, is a cornerback with Tennessee, selected in the sixth round of the 2009 NFL Draft. The two are the 12th set of twins to play in the NFL. Devin redshirted for the 2005 season and therefore was a year behind his brother in eligibility. McCourty is the second twin to suit up for the Patriots, after CB Kato Serwanga was a member of the team from 1998-2000. His twin brother, Wasswa, played for San Francisco and Minnesota from 1999-2001. According to McCourty's mother, the two can only be told apart by tiny scars on their faces left by chickenpox. The McCourty twins are one of two active sets of twins playing in the NFL.

Current Twins Playing in the NFL

Devin (NE) and Jason McCourty (TEN)

Maurkice (PIT) and Mike Pouncey (MIA)

#### McCOURTY GOES LONG

Devin McCourty had a 104-yard kickoff return for a touchdown vs. N.Y. Jets [10/21/12], the second longest kickoff return in team history. Ellis Hobbs has the longest in team history with a 108-yard return for a touchdown at N.Y. Jets on Sept. 9, 2007. He was named AFC Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance.

Longest Kickoff return in Patriots History

Ellis Hobbs 108TD at New York Jets (9-9-07)

104TD vs. New York Jets (10-21-12) Devin McCourty

#### IN GOOD COMPANY

Devin McCourty earned Associated Press All-Pro Second Team honors at safety in 2013. He also earned Second Team All-Pro Honors as a rookie in 2010 when he played cornerback. McCourty joins Pro Football Hall of Famers Rod Woodson and Ronnie Lott as the only NFL players to earn All-Pro honors at both safety and cornerback.

#### McCOURTY REGISTERS CAREER LONG

DB Devin McCourty returned a first quarter interception 60 yards to the Minnesota [09/14/14] 1-yard line to set up a Patriots touchdown. It is the Iongest interception return of his career. He had a 50-yard return as a rookie in 2010 at Detroit (11/25) on Thanksgiving Day.



#### A NOSE FOR THE FOOTBALL

Ninkovich has more opponent fumble recoveries (11) over the last five seasons (2010-2014) than any other NFL player. Chicago's Brian Urlacher (retired) and Vince Wilfork are second during that time with seven opponent fumble recoveries.



#### CAREER DAY IN BUFFALO

Ninkovich finished with a three-sack game for the first time in his career in the win at Buffalo (10/12), to add to two two-sack performances vs. Miami [1/2/11] and at Carolina [11/18/13].

#### WHERE DID HE COME FROM?

Rob Ninkovich's journey to the Patriots was not easy. He entered the league as a fifth-round pick by the Saints in 2006 and was waived four times by New Orleans and Miami before landing in New England on Aug. 2, 2009. He spent the 2009 offseason trying to make the New Orleans team as a long snapper. Before coming to the Patriots, he had appeared in just eight games over three seasons. He doubled that total in his first year in New England, appearing in 15 games in 2009 and his role on the team has grown since, earning a starting role at linebacker in 2010 and 2011 before moving to a starting role on the defensive line in 2011.

#### CRAZY EIGHTS

Ninkovich tied a career-high with eight sacks in 2013. He also had eight sacks in 2012. Ninkovich is the first Patriots player with back-to-back seasons with at least eight sacks since Willie McGinest in 1995 [11] and 1996 [9.5]. He is the only player to accomplish the feat during Belichick's tenure as head coach in New England.

#### NINKOVICH SCORED AS A TE IN COLLEGE

Ninkovich played some at tight end in college at Purdue and caught two touchdown passes with a 2-yard touchdown pass from Buffalo QB Kyle Orton and a 1-yard touchdown pass from former New York Giants and Indianapolis QB Curtis Painter.







#### **HOMETOWN PATRIOTS CONNECTION**

Revis and former Patriots CB Ty Law are close friends, having both grown up in Aliquippa, Pa., Revis considers Law a close family friend. He sees Law as somewhat of an adviser.

"Ty has been a mentor through my whole life. He's a very close friend to my family. I talk to Ty all the time – about life and football. I'm just happy he's on my side and I can bounce questions off of him and ask him certain things because he has a lot of experience. Ty's always there in my corner to help me whether it's football or life. I thank Ty for that."

#### **LEAGUE LEADER**

Darrelle Revis leads the NFL in passes defensed since entering the league in 2007.

RANK	PLAYER	PD
1	Darrelle Revis	113
2	Tramon Williams	109
3	DeAngelo Hall	105
3	Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie	105

#### **GAME CHANGER**

Darrelle Revis has 22 career regular-season interceptions - four of which have either sealed a win or led to a game-winning score.

#### **GAME SAVING INTERCEPTIONS**

<u>9/7/08 at Miami W 20-14</u>
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The Dolphins were driving deep into Jets territory late in the fourth quarter when Revis intercepted Miami QB Chad Pennington in the end zone with :10 left to secure the win.

#### 12/3/09 at Buffalo W 19-13

The Bills had possession down by six points with 2:32 left when Revis picked off Bills QB Ryan Fitzpatrick on a deep pass intended for WR Terrell Owens. New York ran out the clock with four kneel downs.

#### 9/11/11 Dallas W 27-24

With the score tied at 24 with under one minute in the fourth quarter, Revis intercepted a Tony Romo pass intended for Dez Bryant and returned the pick 20 yards into Dallas territory to set up the game-winning field goal.

#### 11/11/13 vs. Miami W 22-19

With 1:44 remaining, Dolphins QB Ryan Tannehill threw a deep pass intended for WR Mike Wallace that was picked off by Revis in Buccaneers territory. Tampa Bay took possession and ran out the clock for the victory.

# DB LOGAN RYAN AND DB DURON HARMON

#### **CLASSMATES REUNITE IN NEW ENGLAND**

Defensive backs Logan Ryan and Duron Harmon are used to working together. Ryan and Harmon began their college football careers together as members of the same recruiting class at Rutgers University and developed a close friendship during their four years in Piscataway, N.J. As fate would have it, Ryan and Harmon would begin their NFL journeys together as well when the Patriots selected the two defensive backs just eight picks apart in the third round of the 2013 NFL Draft.

Reunited once again, the former Scarlet Knights are excited and eager to make their mark, just as they did at Rutgers. "We talked before the draft and said how good it would be to play on the same team again, and for it to happen again, it's exciting and it's a blessing," Harmon told *The Boston Globe.* "It's great [we're contributing], because at the end of the day you want to play, and to contribute to a team like this, it's fun."

#### RYAN'S FIRST PICK FOR SIX

Ryan returned his first NFL interception 79 yards for a touchdown N.Y. Jets on Oct. 20, 2013. The last Patriots player to return their first career interception for a touchdown was Kyle Arrington in 2010. The last rookie Patriots player to return their first career interception for a touchdown was James Sanders in 2005:

#### PATRIOTS PLAYERS TO RETURN THEIR FIRST CAREER INT FOR A TD

Player	INT TD Y
Logan Ryan	<mark>79</mark>
Gary Guyton	59
Kyle Arrington	36
James Sanders	39
Asante Samuel	55
Andy Katzenmoyer	59
Willie McGinest	46
Chris Singleton	82
John Charles	35
Jim Hunt	78
Don Webb	27
	Logan Ryan Gary Guyton Kyle Arrington James Sanders Asante Samuel Andy Katzenmoyer Willie McGinest Chris Singleton John Charles Jim Hunt

#### **RYAN RETURNS... TO SCHOOL**

When Logan Ryan decided to leave Rutgers and enter the NFL Draft after his redshirt junior season in 2012, he made a promise to his parents that after his rookie year, he would return to school and earn his degree.

Ryan kept his promise and graduated in the spring of 2014 with a degree in labor relations and a minor in psychology.

"I committed to Rutgers, not only as a football player, but as a student, so I was going to make sure I finished that end too," Ryan told NJ.com.

"It's a big accomplishment in my life. I held my word to my parents and stuck with it and I'm fortunate. It took a lot of work, but I was able to go back and finish and walk in graduation."





#### FIRST NFL SACK RESULTS IN TURNOVER

Ryan forced a fumble on his first NFL sack vs. Miami (10/27/13), a week after returning his first career interception for a touchdown. Ryan strip-sacked Ryan Tannehill, forcing a fumble recovered by Rob Ninkovich that led in to a touchdown. The play marked the second time in as many weeks that a Ryan turnover led to Patriots points.



#### **REASONS FOR TEAM SUCCESS**

Patriots Pro Bowl DL Vince Wilfork, who has served as a defensive captain for the Patriots for seven straight seasons, says the team's continued success is a result of the entire organization working towards one common goal:

"The Patriots are all about team, family and smart football players. They try to get good people here from coaches to guys who work in the front office to guys who put on this uniform. I think everybody has to have one goal in mind, and that's to be together. When you get an organization together that is seeking one goal, you can be pretty successful."

#### SEALED WITH A PICK

Vince Wilfork notched his third career interception (second vs. Oakland) when he snared a pass that had been deflected in the final minute of the game. The play came with the Raiders having gained a first-and-goal and with Oakland trailing by seven points. Wilfork's last interception was also against Oakland, coming in a 31-19 New England victory in Oakland on Oct. 2, 2011.

#### THIRD TIME'S A CHARM

Vince Wilfork became the franchise's all-time leader in interceptions by a defensive lineman following his INT vs. Oakland. Wilfork became the first Patriots defensive lineman to have three interceptions.

#### PATRIOTS RECORD BOOK / MOST INTERCEPTIONS BY A DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Player	Yrs	Int	Yds
Vince Wilfork	2004-2014	3	48
Anthony Pleasant	2001-2003	2	0
Richard Seymour	2001-2008	2	6
Henry Thomas	1997-2000	2	40

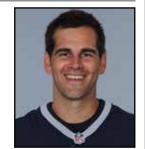






#### **NFL POINTS LEADER IN 2013**

Stephen Gostkowski finished first in the NFL in 2013 with 158 total points, a single-season career-high and a Patriots team record. His previous best was 153 points in 2012. Gostkowski surpassed the 155 total points scored by Gino Cappelletti in 1964.



#### Patriots Record for Most Points in a Season

158 Stephen Gostkowski, 2013

155 Gino Cappelletti, 1964 (includes 7 TDs)

153 Stephen Gostkowski, 2012

148 Stephen Gostkowski, 2008

147 Gino Cappelletti, 1961

143 Stephen Gostkowski, 2011

#### NFL Record for Most Points by a Kicker

166 David Akers (SF) in 2011

164 Gary Anderson (MIN) in 1998

163 Jeff Wilkins (STL in 2003

161 Mark Moseley (WAS) in 1983

158 Stephen Gostkowski (NE) in 2013

157 Mike Vanderjagt (Indianapolis) in 2003

153 Stephen Gostkowski (NE) in 2012

#### THREE-TIME LEAGUE LEADER

Gostkowski led the NFL with 158 total points in 2013, in 2008 with 148 points and in 2012 with 153 points. He is one of six players to lead the NFL in scoring for at least three seasons. He enters this week with an NFL-leading 73 points. in 2014.

#### NFL Record for Most Seasons Leading the League in Scoring

5 Don Hutson Green Bay (1940-44)

5 Gino Cappelletti Patriots (1961, 1963-66)

#### 3 Stephen Gostkowski (2008, 2012, 2013)

- 3 Earl Clark, Portsmouth (1932), Detroit (1935-36)
- 3 Pat Harder, Chicago Cardinals (1947-49)
- 3 Paul Hornung, Green Bay (1959-61)

#### **GOSTKOWSKI BREAKS HIS OWN TEAM RECORD**

Gostkowski tied for the NFL lead with Baltimore's Justin Tucker with 38 field goals in 2013, breaking his own franchise record for most field goals in a season. He originally set the franchise record with 36 field goals in 2008. Gostkowski has kicked 18 field goals in 2014 and is on pace to finish with 41 field goals. MOST FIELD GOALS MADE IN A SEASON/PATRIOTS

Player	Field Goals	Year
Stephen Gostkowski	38	2013
Stephen Gostkowski	36	2008
Tony Franklin	32	1986
Adam Vinatieri	31	2004
Adam Vinatieri	31	1998

#### ON THE MARK IN 2013

Gostkowski made 38-of-41 field goal attempts for a 92.7 field goal percentage in 2013, the second-best percentage for a single season in team history.

#### PATRIOTS BEST FIELD GOAL PCT./SEASON

	(IVIInimum 3	U Attemptsj		
Player	Years	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Adam Vinatieri	2004	31	33	.939
Stephen Gostkowski	2013	38	41	.927
Stephen Gostkowski	2008	36	40	.900
Adam Vinatieri	2002	27	30	.900

#### FIFTH-MOST FGS IN A SEASON

#### MOST FIELD GOALS MADE IN A SEASON/NFL

Player	Field Goals	Year
David Akers (San Francisco)	44	2011
Neil Rackers (Arizona)	40	2005
Olindo Mare (Miami)	39	1999
Jeff Wilkins (St. Louis)	39	2003
Stephen Gostkowski (Patriots)	38	2013
Justin Tucker (Baltimore)	38	2013

#### **EVEN STEPHEN**

Since joining the Patriots as a fourth-round draft choice in 2006, Gostkowski has connected on 86.3 percent of his regular-season field goal attempts, the best field goal percentage in Patriots history.

#### PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LEADERS / FIELD GOAL PCT.

#### (Minimum 50 Attempts)

<u>Player</u>	Years	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Stephen Gostkowski	2006-14	226	262	.863
Adam Vinatieri	1996-05	263	321	.819
Matt Bahr	1993-95	55	72	.764

#### THIRD PATRIOT TO REACH 1,000

Gostkowski became the third Patriots player to reach 1,000 points when he reached the milestone at Baltimore on Dec. 22, 2013.

#### MOST POINTS/ PATRIOTS HISTORY

<u>Player</u>	Points
Adam Vinatieri (1996-05)	1,158
Gino Cappelletti (1960-70)	1,130
Stephen Gostkowski (2006-14)	1,096
John Smith (1974-83)	692

#### 1,000-POINT BENCHMARK

Stephen Gostkowski (1,096) reached the 1,000 point mark in only his 119th career game. He is the only kicker in NFL history to reach 1,000 career points in less than 120 career games played.

#### KICKERS TO REACH 1,000 POINTS IN FEWEST GAMES:

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Player	Points	Game		
Stephen Gostkowski	1,009	119		
Mike Vanderjagt	1,004	126		
Jason Elam	1,003	132		
Ryan Longwell	1,002	136		
Jan Stenerud	1 002	136		



#### ON THE MARK

Stephen Gostkowski's 86.3 field goal percentage is fourth-best among NFL kickers all-time.

<u>Player</u>	Years	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Dan Bailey	2011-14	103	113	91.2
Steven Hauschka	2008-14	109	126	86.5
Mike Vanderjagt	1998-06	230	266	86.5
Stephen Gostkowski	2006-14	226	262	86.3
Nate Kaeding	2004-12	181	210	86.2
Robbie Gould	2005-14	242	281	86.1
Rob Bironas	2005-13	239	279	85.7
Shayne Graham	2001-14	257	300	85.7
Matt Bryant	2002-14	265	313	84.7
Phil Dawson	1999-14	350	415	84.3

#### MOST 50-YARD FIELD GOALS IN TEAM HISTORY

Gostkowski is 13-of-17 from 50 yards or more as a member of the Patriots and has the most 50-yard field goals in New England history.

#### PATRIOTS RECORD FOR MOST 50 YARD FIELD GOALS

<u>Player</u>	Years	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Stephen Gostkov	vski 2006-14	13	17	76.5
Adam Vinatieri	1996-2005	8	17	47.1
Tony Franklin	1984-87	3	6	50.0

#### TWO FROM 50-PLUS

Gostkowski drilled a 51-yard field goal and a 53-yarder vs. Arizona (9/16/12) and connected on two 53-yard field goals at Houston on (12/1/13). He is the first Patriots player to have two 50-yard field goals in the same game.

#### **GOSTKOWSKI KICKS CAREER-LONG FG**

Gostkowski connected on a career-long 54-yard field goal vs. New Orleans (10/13/13). His previous long was a 53-yard field goal, which he has done six times – at Buffalo (10/12/14), vs. Tampa Bay (9/22/13), vs. Arizona (9/16/12), at Denver (10/11/09) and twice at Houston (12/01/13).

#### **MOST 50-YARD FGS IN A SEASON**

Gostkowski was 5-of-6 on 50 yard field goals in 2013, the most by a Patriots player in a single season. Matt Bahr (2 in 1995), Greg Davis (2 in 1989), Tony Franklin (2 in 1985), Adam Vinatieri (2 in 1998) and Gostkowski (2 in 2009 and 2012) had two in a season. The NFL record for most successful 50 yard field goals in a season is 10 by Blair Walsh in 2012 with Minnesota.

#### 200 FIELD GOAL PLATEAU

Stephen Gostkowski's 50-yard field goal in the fourth quarter vs. Cleveland (12/8/13) was his 200th field goal for the Patriots, joining Adam Vinatieri (262) as the only players in Patriots history with 200 or more field goals. Gostkowski now has 226 career field goals.

#### AFC SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Gostkowski was named AFC Special Teams Player of the Month for October by the National Football League in 2013. It is the second time in his career that he has received the AFC Special Teams Player of the Month honor, including October 2008. Gostkowski was a perfect 9-of-9 on field goal attempts in the month of October, including a career-long of 54 yarder in the 30-27 win vs. New Orleans [10/13/13] He totaled 36 of the Patriots' 90 points for the month.

#### **CLUTCH IN THE FOURTH**

Gostkowski has converted 30 straight fourth-quarter field goals. For his career, Gostkowski is 69-of-71 on field goals in the fourth quarter.

#### **GOSTKOWSKI EXTENDS TEAM MARK**

Gostkowski has now scored at least one point in 114 games, a franchise record. He broke a tie with Adam Vinatieri and John Smith for the all-time lead with 102 consecutive games scoring in the win vs. Denver on Nov. 24, 2013.

Patriots Record for Most Consecutive Games Scored

#### 114 Stephen Gostkowski (12/17/06- present) 101 Adam Vinatieri (11/24/96-12/29/02) 101 John Smith (09/28/75-10/02/80)

#### **GOSTKOWSKI GAME WINNERS**

Gostkowski has four career regular-season game-winning kicks and one in the playoffs.

#### GOSTKOWSKI'S CAREER GAME-WINNING FIELD GOALS

TIME LEFT	DISTANC	FINAL SCORE	OPP	DATE
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
1:10, 4th	31	24-21	SD	01/14/2007*
*Postseason				

#### KICKING A CAREER HIGH

Stephen Gostkowski made five field goals vs. Cincinnati (10/5/14), setting a new career high for most field goals in a game. His previous career high was four field goals, achieved on Sept. 16, 2012, vs. Arizona. Gostkowski's five field goals tie the second highest single-game total in Patriots history, trailing only Gino Cappelletti's six successful field goals on Oct. 4, 1964. The last time a Patriots player had five field goals in a game was on Nov.14, 2004, when Adam Vinatieri had five field goals vs. Buffalo.

#### **CONSECUTIVE EXTRA POINTS**

Stephen Gostkowski is second in NFL history for most consecutive extra points made.

Most Consecutive (Kicking) Points After Touchdown

Matt Stover, Baltimore, 1996-2008; Indianapolis, 2009
 Stephen Gostkowski, New England, 2006-present

371 Jason Elam, Denver, 1993-2002
 371 Jeff Wilkins, St. Louis, 1999-2007

359 Jay Feely, Atlanta, 2002-04; N.Y. Giants, 2005-06; Miami, 2007;

N.Y. Jets. 2008-09: Arizona. 2010-2013





#### IN A RUSH FOR THE END ZONE

Since 2003, the Patriots are one of only two teams (San Diego) to average more than one rushing touchdown per game, with 201 scores in 183 games. The ground game kept up its torrid pace in 2013, finishing first in the AFC with 19 rushing touchdowns in 16 games.

### RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS SINCE 2003 (REGULAR SEASON)

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New England	201
San Diego	193
Minnesota	180
Kansas City	180
N.Y. Giants	171
Carolina	170
Philadelphia	169

#### **ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT**

The Patriots won more than half of their games for the 13th straight year in 2013. They are the first team to win more than half of their games in 13 straight seasons since free agency began in 1993.

#### MOST CONSECUTIVE WINNING SEASONS (since 1970 merger)

San Francisco (1983-98)	16
Dallas (1970-85)	16
New England (2001-13)	13
Oakland (1970-80)	11

#### MOST CONSECUTIVE WINNING SEASONS ALL-TIME

Dallas (1966-85)	20
San Francisco (1983-98)	16
Oakland (1965-80)	16
Chicago (1930-44)	15
Green Bay (1934-47)	14
New England (2001-13)	13
Cleveland (1957-69)	13

#### TO THE NINES

The Patriots are the only team in the NFL to have recorded nine or more wins in each of the last 13 seasons.

#### MOST SEASONS OF 9+ WINS SINCE 2001

New England	13
Indianapolis	11
Baltimore	9
Green Bay	9
Pittsburgh	9
Philadelphia	9

#### **PATRIOTS WIN 10 AGAIN**

New England has reached at least 10 regular-season wins for 11 consecutive seasons, joining San Francisco (16) as the only teams to accomplish the feat.

Team	Years I	Consecutive Seasons with 10+ Wins
San Francisco	1983-199	16
New England	2003-pre	sent 11
Indianapolis	2002-201	0 9

#### **FORCING THE ISSUE**

The Patriots lead the NFL with a +166 turnover margin since the 1994 season.

#### **NFL TURNOVER MARGIN SINCE 1994**

Rank	Team	Turnover Margin
1.	New England	+166
2.	Kansas City	+94
3.	Green Bay	+84

#### WHAT'S THE POINT?

During the past 14 seasons, the Patriots defense has always ranked higher in points allowed than in yards allowed except for 2007 when both ranked fourth.

	Avg. Points Allowed	Avg. Yds Allowed
2014	22.0 (12t)	334.3. (12)
2013	21.1 (10)	373.1 (26)
2012	20.7 (9t)	373.3 (25)
2011	21.4 (15)	411.1 (31)
2010	19.6 (8)	365.5 (25)
2009	17.8 (5)	320.2 (11)
2008	19.3 (8)	309.0 (10)
2007	17.1 (4)	288.3 (4)
2006	14.8 (2)	294.4 (6)
2005	21.1 (17)	330.2 (26)
2004	16.3 (2t)	310.6 (9)
2003	14.9 (1)	291.6 (7)
2002	21.6 (17)	336.1 (23)
2001	17.0 (6)	334.5 (24)
2000	21.1 (17)	334.6 (20)

#### **NFL'S ROAD WARRIORS**

Since the start of the 2000 season, the Patriots have the best regular-season road record.

<u>TEAM</u>	RECORD	PCT.
New England	75-41	.647
Philadelphia	71-42-1	.623
Indianapolis	70-45	.608
Pittsburgh	66-50	.569

#### **DIVISIONAL DOMINANCE I**

The Patriots have the highest winning percentage vs. division opponents from November until the end of the season since 2002.

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Team	W	L	Т	Pct.			
New England	32	8	0	.800			
Indianapolis	33	10	0	.767			
San Diego	31	11	0	.738			
Pittsburgh	33	14	0	.702			
Green Bay	32	14	1	.691			







#### **DIVISIONAL DOMINANCE II**

The New England Patriots own a 65-18 (.783) record in regular season AFC East games since the beginning of the 2001 season, compiling the best intra-division record of any team in the NFL.

#### NFL'S TOP DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England Patriots	65	18	0	.783
Indianapolis Colts	60	23	0	.723
Green Bay Packers	58	24	1	.705
Pittsburgh Steelers	58	27	0	.682

#### **AFC EAST DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001**

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	Div. Titles	<u>Years</u>
New England	65	18	0	.783	11	2001, 03-07, 09-13
New York Jets	39	42	0	.481	1	2002
Miami	34	48	0	.415	1	2008
Buffalo	27	55	0	.329	0	

NOTES: The Indianapolis Colts were members of the AFC East in 2001 and compiled a 3-5 divisional record that season. In 2002, the Patriots and Jets both finished with a 9-7 overall record and a 4-2 divisional record, but the Jets claimed the division title by virtue of having a better record against common opponents. In 2008, the Patriots and Dolphins both finished with an 11-5 overall record and a 4-2 divisional record, but Miami qualified for the playoffs due to a better conference record (8-4 to 7-5).

#### STRONG IN THE SECOND HALF

Since 2001, the Patriots have done a remarkable job of finishing the season strong, compiling an NFL-best 80-20 (.800) record in games on or after Thanksgiving.

#### PATRIOTS BEFORE AND AFTER THANKSGIVING SINCE 2001

Season	Pre-Thanksgiving	Post-Thanksgiving	Overall
2001	5-5 (.500)	9-0 (1.000)	14-5*
2002	6-5 (.545)	3-2 (.600)^	9-7
2003	9-2 (818)	8-0 (1.000)	17-2*
2004	9-1 (.900)	8-1 (.889)	17-2*
2005	6-4 (.600)	5-3 (.625)	11-7*
2006	7-3 (.700)	7-2 (.777)	14-5*
2007	10-0 (1.000)	8-1 (.889)	18-1*
2008	7-4 (.636)	4-1 (.800)	11-5
2009	7-3 (.700)	3-4 (.429)	10-7*
2010	8-2 (.800)	6-1 (.857)^	14-3*
2011	7-3 (.700)	8-1 (.889)	15-4*
2012	7-3 (.700)	6-2 (.750)^	13-5*
2013	8-3 (.727)	5-2 (.833)	13-5*
Totals	96-38 (.716)	80-20 (.800)	176-58

<sup>\*-</sup>Includes playoffs ^Includes games played on Thanksgiving

### BEST RECORDS IN GAMES PLAYED ON OR AFTER THANKSGIVING SINCE 2001

#### (Includes regular-season and playoff games)

Team	W	L	<u> T</u>	Pct.
New England	80	20	0	.800
Pittsburgh	63	30	0	.677
San Diego	53	31	0	.631
Philadelphia	57	35	0	.619
Green Bay	57	35	0	.619

#### **NFL'S BEST AT HOME**

Since their state-of-the-art facility opened at the beginning of the 2002 season, the Patriots own the NFL's best record at home overall. The Patriots own an overall record of 84-15 (.848) at Gillette Stadium in regular season games and a 95-18 (.841) record including playoffs.

#### **BEST HOME RECORDS SINCE 2002**

(incl	luding	playoffs)	
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Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	95	18	0	.841
Baltimore	78	26	0	.750
Indianapolis	82	28	0	.745
Pittsburgh	76	30	1	.715
Seattle	75	32	0	.700
Green Bay	72	34	1	.678
Denver	70	36	0	.660
San Diego	68	37	0	.648
Atlanta	64	39	0	.621

#### SHARP AT GILLETTE

The Patriots concluded a 20-game home winning streak with a 24-20 loss to the New York Giants on Nov. 6, 2011. It was the longest home win streak in team history. The Patriots own an overall record of 84-15 [.848] at Gillette Stadium in regular season games.

#### HIGHEST HOME WINNING PCT. SINCE 1970 (MINIMUM 25 GAMES):

<u>Team</u>	Stadium	W-L-T	WIN PCT.
New England	Gillette Stadium	84-15-0	.848
Miami	Orange Bowl	101-22-1	.819
Minnesota	Metropolitan Stadium	64-23-1	.733
LA Rams	Memorial Coliseum	53-20-2	.726
Pittsburgh	Heinz Field	76-29-1	.722

#### LONGEST HOME WINNING STREAK/PATRIOTS HISTORY (REG. SEASON)

Streak	First Win	Last Win
20	Dec. 12, 2008	Oct. 16, 2011
18	Dec. 29, 2002	Sept. 8, 2005
12	Dec. 30, 2012	Present
12	Nov. 26, 2006	Sept. 7, 2008
10	Sept. 18, 1976	Oct. 30, 1977





#### **TOP 10 OFFENSE IN 2013**

The Patriots offense finished seventh in the NFL with 384.5 yards per game in 2013. The Patriots offense has finished in the top 10 for seven straight seasons. Since the 1970 merger, the Patriots offense has finished in the top 10 a total of 17 times, including eight times under Bill Belichick.

Year	Rank Rank
2013	7 (384.5)
2012	1 (427.9)
2011	2 (428.0)
2010	8 (363.8)
2009	3 (397.3)
2008	5 (365.4)
2007	1 (411.3)

#### **TOP OFFENSE**

The Patriots have finished in the top-10 in offense for seven straight seasons (2007-13), second only to the eight straight by New Orleans (2006-13). The last team to finish in the top-10 for nine straight seasons was Indianapolis (1999-2007).

The NFL record for the most consecutive seasons finishing in the top-10 in offense since the merger in 1970 is the San Francisco 49ers with 15 (1982-96).

#### **MODEL OF CONSISTENCY**

The Patriots have 28 winning seasons since the 1970 merger.

MOST WINNING SEASONS SINCE THE 1970 MERGER

1. Pittsburgh	31
2. Dallas	29
3. Miami	29
4. New England	28
5. Minnesota	27
6. Denver	26
San Francisco	26

#### PATRIOTS REACH 6,000 TOTAL YARDS

The Patriots finished seventh in the NFL with 6,152 total yards in 2013. It is the fifth time in team history and third straight season that the Patriots reached 6,000 yards in a season.

#### Patriots Most Total Net Yards/Season

6,848 in 2011 6,846 in 2012 6,580 in 2007 6,357 in 2009 **6,152 in 2013** 

### A COMEBACK FOR THE AGES

The Patriots came back from a 24-point deficit to defeat the Broncos, 34-31, in overtime in a Sunday Night Football matchup on Nov. 24, 2013, marking the largest comeback win in team history, after trailing 24-0 at halftime.

New England's previous best comeback win was from a 23-0 deficit to win, 38-23, vs. Seattle [9/16/84]. The Patriots also came back from 22 points down to win at the New York Giants, 23-22 [12/21/96]. The Patriots have come from 21 points down to win four times, most recently vs. Buffalo [1/1/12].







# PATRIOTS CLINCH PLAYOFF SPOT FOR 15th TIME IN KRAFT'S 20 YEARS OF OWNERSHIP

New England has qualified for the playoffs 21 times in its 54-year history. The Patriots have earned 15 of those playoff berths in the 20 seasons since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994. New England has won 13 AFC East crowns under Kraft's leadership. The franchise has 16 division crowns overall (15 AFC East crowns) and has qualified as a Wild Card team on four occasions (1998, 1994, 1985 and 1976). The Patriots also qualified for the playoffs in 1982 as part of a 16-team tournament following a players' strike.



#### PATRIOTS PLAYOFF TRENDS

Patriots Playoff Trends (Since NFL Merger in 1970)

All Time (24-17)	
vs. AFC	. 21-13
vs. NFC	3-4
Home	15-4
Away	
Leading at Halftime	
Trailing at Halftime	
Tied at Halftime	
Leading After 3 Quarters	
Tied After 3 Quarters	
Trailing After 3 Quarters	
Decided by 7 Points or Less	
Decided By 3 Points or Less	
When Scoring First	
When Not Scoring First	
Positive Turnover Ratio	
Even Turnover Ratio	
Negative Turnover Ratio	
Winning or Even Penalty Ratio	
Losing Penalty Ratio	
With a 100-Yard Rusher	
Without a 100-Yard Rusher	
With a 100-Yard Receiver	
Without a 100-Yard Receiver	. 14-12
When Allowing a 100-Yard Rusher	
When Not Allowing a 100-Yard Rusher	. 22-12
When Allowing a 100-Yard Receiver	6-8
When Not Allowing a 100-Yard Receiver	18-9
With a 300-Yard Passer	4-2
Without a 300-Yard Passer	. 20-15
Allowing a 300-Yard (net) Passer	6-2
Not Allowing a 300-Yard (net) Passer	. 18-15

#### **ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENTS**

The Patriots won more than half of their games for the 13th straight year with a 12-4 record in 2013. They are the first team to win more than half of their games in 13 straight seasons since free agency began in 1993.

The Patriots are the third team to win more than half of their games in 13 straight seasons since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger, joining the 49ers (16 straight from 1983-1998) and the Cowboys (16 straight from 1970-85).

The Patriots have now won nine or more games in 17 of the 20 seasons Robert Kraft has owned the team.

VIC	DST CONSECUTIVE WINNING SEASONS	(Since 1970 merger)
	San Francisco 49ers (1983-98)	
	Dallas (1970-85)	16
	New England (2001-13)	
	Oakland (1970-80)	,,,,,, <u>11</u>

#### MOST 9-WIN SEASONS SINCE 2001

The Patriots are the only team in the NFL to have recorded nine or more wins in each of the last 13 seasons.

#### MOST SEASONS OF 9+ WINS SINCE 2001

New England	3
Indianapolis	1
Baltimore	9
Green Bay	9
Philadelphia	9
Pittsburgh	9

#### PATRIOTS WIN 10+ FOR THE 11th STRAIGHT YEAR

New England reached at least 10 regular-season wins for the 11th consecutive season in 2013. San Francisco [16] is the only other team to accomplish the feat.

#### MOST SEASONS OF 10+ WINS SINCE 2001

Team	Years	Consecutive Sea	sons With	10+ Wins
San Francisco	1983-19	98	16	
New England	2003-13		11	

# PATRIOTS NEAR THE TOP WITH 28 WINNING SEASONS SINCE THE NFL MERGER

The Patriots have 28 winning seasons since the 1970 merger.

#### MOST WINNING SEASONS THE 1970 MERGER

1. Pittsburgh	31
2. Dallas	29
Miami	29
4. New England	28
5. Minnesota	27
6. Denver	26
San Francisco	26

#### PATRIOTS EARN THE TWO SEED IN AFC

With the New England Patriots' 34-20 victory over Buffalo [12/29/13] in the 2013 season finale, the Patriots earned the number two seed in the AFC playoff field. The Patriots have advanced to the Super Bowl in four of the six seasons [1978, 1996, 2001, 2004, 2011] and 2013] that they have earned the two seed, winning in two [2001] and 2004] of those three appearances.

#### NFL MARK FOR MOST FIRST-ROUND BYES

The Patriots earned a first-round bye in the 2013 NFL playoffs and lead the NFL with nine first-round byes since the current NFL playoff format was instituted in 1990. The Patriots earned a first-round bye for the fourth consecutive season, becoming the third NFL team to record four straight byes and the first AFC team to do so, joining Dallas and San Francisco, who did so from 1992 through 1995.

### MOST SEASONS EARNING A BYE SINCE 12-TEAM PLAYOFF FORMAT IN 1990

New England	.9
Pittsburgh	.8
San Francisco	.8
Denver	.6

#### **PATRIOTS EARNED ANOTHER BYE**

The Patriots secured a first round playoff bye for the eighth time since 2001—a quantity unmatched by any team in the NFL in the last 13 years. During that time, the Chicago Bears and Pittsburgh Steelers have locked up a bye four times and the Indianapolis Colts and Philadelphia Eagles have earned a first-round pass three times.

#### MOST SEASONS EARNING A BYE SINCE 2001

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#### PATRIOTS ALL ACCESS

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Patriots All-Access airs Fridays from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. on WBZ-TV and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. on TV 38 - Boston, MA; WWLP in Springfield, MA; WCAX in Burlington, VT; WVII in Bangor, ME; WMTW in Portland, ME; WCTX in Hartford, CT and WPRI in Providence, RI. Check your local listings for airtime.



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#### PATRIOTS.COM

#### NEWS

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WEEl Sports Radio broadcasts Patriots Monday each week, offering fans unique insight and analysis from Coach Belichick and Tom Brady in addition to other Patriots players. WEEI will broadcast Patriots Monday live from Gillette Stadium each Monday, kicking off with Dennis & Callahan at 6:00 a.m.

#### PATRIOTS FRIDAY ON WAAF

WAAF broadcasts Patriots Friday each week, offering fans a look ahead at the weekend's game, match ups and rivalries. Various Patriots players will be featured on air.WAAF will broadcast Patriots Fridays each week throughout the season with Greg Hill from the Hill-Man Morning Radio Show.

### 98.5 THE SPORTS HUB PATRIOTS **RADIO NETWORK**

A new era in Patriots Radio history began in 2009, with the move of the game broadcasts to 98.5 FM, Boston's Sports Hub. The transition to Boston's new all-sports radio station insures that Patriots fans will continue to hear every kick, block and tackle in stereo, and without static, in crystal-clear FM quality. Fans all over New England will be able to listen in to any of 37 stations on the Safety Insurance 98.5 The Sports Hub Patriots Radio Network, starting with Patriots Preview three hours before kickoff, and capped off with Patriots Postgame for three hours after the final gun.
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WBSM New Bedford	1420 AM
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#### **QB TOM BRADY**

Brady threw for over 300 yards for the first time this season and added four touchdown passes in the win at Buffalo [10/12] ... He became just the sixth player in NFL history to eclipse 50,000 career passing yards in the win vs. Cincinnati [10/5] ... He has thrown a touchdown pass in each of the first seven games of the season and now has 372 for his career.

#### BEST WINNING PERCENTAGES OF ACTIVE NFL QUARTERBACKS

Rank	Player	W-L	Pct.
1	Tom Brady	153-45	.773
2	Russell Wilson	27-11	.711
3	Colin Kaepernick	21-9	.700
4	Peyton Manning	172-74	.699
5	Andrew Luck	27-12	.692

#### **OL NATE SOLDER**

Solder started the first seven games of the season at left tackle  $\dots$  Started 15 regular season games and two playoff games at left tackle for New England in 2013.





#### **OL BRYAN STORK**

.Stork has started two games at center, and with his start at Kansas City (9/29), he became the first Patriots rookie to start at center since Dan Koppen in 2003.

#### **OL DAN CONNOLLY**

Connolly has been one of the most versatile Patriots over the past six seasons, having started at center and both guard positions ... He has started six of seven games this season - three at center and three at left guard.

#### **OL SEBASTIAN VOLLMER**

Vollmer constitutes the right side of New England's 6-8 tackle bookends (along with LT Nate Solder) and has started at right tackle in the first seven games of the 2014 season.

#### **OL RYAN WENDELL**

Wendell has started the past two games at center in place of injured Bryan Stork and has helped limit the opposing pass rush to just one sack in each of those two games.

#### TE ROB GRONKOWSKI

Gronkowski had his first 100-yard receviing game of the season vs. Cincinnati, finishing with 100 yards and one touchdown on six catches ... He has caught a touchdown pass in four of the first seven games of the season.





#### WR BRANDON LaFELL

LaFell caught four passes for 94 yards and two touchdowns in the win at Buffalo (10/12) ... Had his first 100-yard receiving game and his first touchdown as a Patriot at Kansas City (9/29), finishing with six receptions for 119 yards and one touchdown. It was the third 100-yard receiving game of LaFell's career.

#### **TE TIM WRIGHT**

Wright had his second striaght game with a touchdown catch at Buffalo (10/12) ... He caught his first touchdown as a Patriot vs. Cincinnati (10/5), finishing with season highs of five catches, 85 yards and a touchdown ... Was traded to New England along with a 2015 fourth-round draft pick in exchange for G Logan Mankins.

#### **RB SHANE VEREEN**

Vereen exploded for a team-high 114 yards of total offense and two receiving touchdowns in the win vs. N.Y. Jets [10/16], including a 49-yard touchdown catch on the fourth play of the game to open up the scoring ... Racked up a season-high 90 rushing yards on only nine carries in the win vs. Cincinnati [10/5] ... Threat in the passing game who is third on the team with 23 catches for 185 yards and two touchdowns.

#### **WR JULIAN EDELMAN**

Edelman leads the Patriots and is seventh in the NFL with 44 receptions for 453 yards and one touchdown ... Has caught six or more passes in four of the first seven games of the season.





#### **DE ROB NINKOVICH**

Ninkovich recorded his first career three-sack game in the win at Buffalo [10/12], taking down his college teammate Kyle Orton for a loss of 19 yards.





#### **DT VINCE WILFORK**

Wilfork was named a defensive co-captain for the seventh straight season in 2014, and he has started up front in the first seven games ... Sealed the win vs. Oakland [9/21] by intercepting a deflected Derek Carr pass on the Patriots 12-yard line with less than a minute to play.

#### **FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED SINCE 2004**

Rank	Team	Pts/G
1	Pittsburgh Steelers	17.6
2	Baltimore Ravens	17.9
3	New England Patriots	19.0
4	San Diego Chargers	20.3
5	Chicago Bears	20.4

#### **DT CHRIS JONES**

Jones blocked a 58-yard field goal attempt on the final play of the game to preserve the 27-25 win vs. N.Y. Jets (10/16) ... Has started five of the first seven games of the season at defensive tackle ... Recorded the first sack of Bengals quarterback Andy Dalton in the win vs. Cincinnati (10/5).

#### **DE CHANDLER JONES**

Jones sacked Geno Smith for a loss of 15 yards in the win vs. N.Y. Jets [10/16] ... Forced and recovered a fumble on his sack of Kyle Orton in the win at Buffalo [10/12] ... Earned AFC Defensive Player of the Week honors after recording his fifth career two-sack game and blocking a field goal that he returned 58 yards for a touchdown in the win at Minnesota [9/14] ... The block, which is the second of Jones' career, came in the second quarter on a 48-yard attempt and is the fifth blocked field goal returned for a touchdown in Patriots history.





#### LB DONT'A HIGHTOWER

Hightower started at linebacker in the five of seven games ... Had a game-high 13 tackles and one sack in the win vs. N.Y. Jets [10/16] ... Posted his first career two-sack game at Minnesota [9/14].

#### LB JAMIE COLLINS

Collins had a game-high 13 tackles in the win vs. N.Y. Jets [10/16] ... Recorded his first regular season interception off Kyle Orton in the win at Buffalo [10/12] ... Started at linebacker in six of the first seven games, totaling 39 tackles, two passes defensed, a forced fumble and an interception.

#### **CB ALFONZO DENNARD**

Has started the past three games at cornerback after missing three games due to injury ... Started in the season opener at Miami (9/7) and recorded two tackles, and one pass defensed ... Intercepted Ryan Tannehill deep in Patriots territory in the second quarter, leading to a touchdown.

#### **S PATRICK CHUNG**

Chung started at safety opposite Devin McCourty in the first seven games of the season  $\dots$  Led the team with nine tackles in the win at Buffalo [10/12]  $\dots$  Also has returned five kickoffs for 111 yards.

#### S DEVIN MCCOURTY

McCourty returned a first-quarter interception 60 yards to the 1-yard line to set up a Patriots touchdown in the win at Minnesota (9/14) ... Started at safety in Week 1 at Miami, posting seven tackles. ... For his NFL career, he has started every game he has played in.





#### **CB DARRELLE REVIS**

Revis recorded his first interception as a Patriot in the win at Minnesota (9/14), picking off Matt Cassel in the second quarter, and also limiting Greg Jennings to just one catch for four yards ... Made his Patriots debut Week 1 at Miami, recording two passes defensed and also recovering a fumble.

Since entering the NFL in 2007, Revis has 22 interceptions and leads the league with 113 passes defensed.

#### **PASSES DEFENSED SINCE 2007**

Rank	Player	PD
1	Darrelle Revis	113
2	Tramon WIlliams	109
3t	DeAngelo Hall	105
3t	D. Rodgers-Cromartie	105
5	Asante Samuel	103
6	Jonathan Joseph	100



# SECOND WINNINGEST PRO SPORTS TEAM SINCE 1994

#### PATRIOTS ARE SECOND WINNINGEST PRO SPORTS FRANCHISE SINCE 1994

Since the 1994 season, the Patriots have won 67.9 percent of their regular season games (222-105), compiling the second-highest winning percentage in major American professional sports over that period. Since 1994, there have been 143 franchises that have fielded teams in the five major American sports leagues (NFL, MLB, NBA, NHL and MLS).

#### HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE IN MAJOR AMERICAN PROFESSIONAL SPORTS, 1994-PRESENT

(Regular Season – Includes National Football League, Major League Baseball, National Basketball Association, National Hockey League and Major League Soccer)

Records updated through games of October 20, 2014

Rk	Team	Lg	w	L	T/OTL	Pct.
1	San Antonio Spurs	NBA	1091	500	0	0.686
2	New England Patriots	NFL	222	105	0	0.679
3	Detroit Red Wings	NHL	882	404	209	0.660
4	Green Bay Packers	NFL	209	117	1	0.641
5	Los Angeles Lakers	NBA	1006	586	0	0.632
6	Pittsburgh Steelers	NFL	204	122	1	0.625
7	Indianapolis Colts	NFL	199	128	0	0.609
8	New Jersey Devils	NHL	805	488	202	0.606
9	Denver Broncos	NFL	196	130	0	0.601
10	Seattle Sounders FC	MLS	93	54	48	0.600
11	New York Yankees	MLB	1970	1361	0	0.591
12	Dallas Stars	NHL	774	512	209	0.588
13	Utah Jazz	NBA	935	657	0	0.587
14	Philadelphia Flyers	NHL	755	502	225	0.585
15	Colorado Avalanche/Quebec Nordiques	NHL	776	526	194	0.584
16	Phoenix Suns	NBA	914	678	0	0.574
17	Dallas Mavericks	NBA	913	679	0	0.573
17	Miami Heat	NBA	912	680	0	0.573
19	Atlanta Braves	MLB	1905	1429	0	0.571
20	Los Angeles Galaxy	MLS	281	198	114	0.570
20	Oklahoma City/Seattle Thunder	NBA	907	685	0	0.570
22	San Jose Sharks	NHL	740	547	209	0.565
23	St. Louis Blues	NHL	734	543	217	0.564
24	Boston Bruins	NHL	728	540	229	0.563
25	Pittsburgh Penguins	NHL	748	566	179	0.561
26	Indiana Pacers	NBA	890	701	0	0.559
27	Philadelphia Eagles	NFL	181	143	1	0.558
28	Vancouver Canucks	NHL	723	555	216	0.556
29	Baltimore Ravens	NFL	163	131	1	0.554
29	Houston Rockets	NBA	882	710	0	0.554
31	Ottawa Senators	NHL	721	569	205	0.551
32	San Francisco 49ers	NFL	179	147	1	0.549
33	Boston Red Sox	MLB	1825	1511	0	0.547
34	Washington Capitals	NHL	710	577	207	0.545
35	Houston Dynamo	MLS	112	89	86	0.540
36	St. Louis Cardinals	MLB	1798	1535	0	0.539
36	Chicago Fire	MLS	221	180	129	0.539
38	Dallas Cowboys	NFL	176	151	0	0.538
38	Nashville Predators	NHL	560	469	162	0.538
38	Buffalo Sabres	NHL	703	590	203	0.538
41	Portland TrailBlazers	NBA	855	737	0	0.537
42	Anaheim Ducks	NHL	694	592	210	0.534
42	Montreal Canadiens	NHL	694	593	209	0.534
44	Chicago Blackhawks	NHL	679	581	225	0.533
45	Minnesota Wild	NHL	476	410	150	0.532
46	Los Angeles Dodgers	MLB	1770	1565	0	0.531
47	Toronto Maple Leafs	NHL	693	604	199	0.530
48	Los Angeles/Anaheim/CA Angels	MLB	1765	1572	0	0.529
49	Orlando Magic	NBA	841	751	0	0.528
49	New York Rangers	NHL	694	611	191	0.528

**NOTES:** This analysis uses NFL rules when calculating winning percentage, counting ties as a half-win and a half-loss. For NHL teams, overtime losses (OTL) and ties from 2001-2004 (the NHL abolished ties in 2005-2006 and instituted a shootout system) are counted as ties when calculating winning percentage.

## HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE AMONG BOSTON-AREA MAJOR PROFESSIONAL SPORTS TEAMS, 1994-PRESENT (Rankings listed below are each team's overall ranking among the 143 major American pro sports teams)

Records updated through games of October 20, 2014

Rank	Team	Lg.	W	L	T/OTL	Pct.
2	New England Patriots	NFL	222	105	0	0.679
24	Boston Bruins	NHL	728	540	229	0.563
33	Boston Red Sox	MLB	1825	1511	0	0.547
87	Boston Celtics	NBA	779	812	0	0.490
100	New England Revolution	MLS	224	255	115	0.474