

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS PRESS RELEASE



SUPER BOWL CHAMPIONS
XXXVI, XXXVIII & XXXIX



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PATRIOTS RETURN HOME TO FACE THE DENVER BRONCOS

MEDIA SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

10:30-11:30 Media Check-In
11:10-11:20 Tom Brady Availability
(Visitor's Locker Room)
11:15-12:00 Open Locker Room
11:45-12:00 Chan Gailey Conference Call
12:40-12:55 Bill Belichick Press Conference
(Red Level Press Box)
Approx. 1:15 Local Media Access to Practice
3:15 Peyton Manning Conf. Call
3:20 John Fox Conference Call

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

10:45-11:30 Media Check-In
11:15-12:00 Open Locker Room
Approx. 1:15 Local Media Access to Practice

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

10:25-12:15 Media Check-In
10:55-11:40 Open Locker Room
11:30-11:40 Bill Belichick Press Conference
Approx. 11:55 Local Media Access to Practice

2012 PATRIOTS SCHEDULE

REGULAR SEASON (2-2)

Sun., Sept. 9 at Tennessee 34-13 W
Sun., Sept. 16 Arizona 18-20 L
Sun., Sept. 23 at Baltimore 30-31 L
Sun., Sept. 30 at Buffalo 52-28 W
Sun., Oct. 7 Denver 4:25 p.m. CBS
Sun., Oct. 14 at Seattle 4:05 p.m. CBS
Sun., Oct. 21 N.Y. Jets 4:25 p.m. CBS
Sun, Oct. 28 at St. Louis 1:00 p.m. CBS#
Sun., Nov. 4 BYE WEEK
Sun., Nov. 11 Buffalo 1:00 p.m. CBS
Sun., Nov. 18 Indianapolis 1:00 p.m. CBS*
Thurs., Nov. 22 at N.Y. Jets 8:20 p.m. NBC
Sun., Dec. 2 at Miami 1:00 p.m. CBS*
Mon., Dec. 10 Houston 8:30 p.m. ESPN
Sun., Dec. 16 San Francisco 8:20 p.m. NBC*
Sun., Dec. 23 at Jacksonville 1:00 p.m. CBS*
Sun., Dec. 30 Miami 1:00 p.m. CBS*

#Game played in London

*Game Time and Network subject to possible flexible scheduling adjustment.

PATRIOTS MEDIA WEBSITE

The Patriots' media website, located at <http://media.patriots.com>, will be updated for registered users throughout training camp with all the latest media information, schedules, rosters and press releases. In addition to up-to-date media information, the site's archives allow access to all of the Patriots media material dating back to the 2002 season.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (2-2) vs. DENVER BRONCOS (2-2)

Sunday, October 7, 2012 ★ Gillette Stadium (68,756) ★ 4:25 p.m. ET

The New England Patriots return to the confines of Gillette Stadium with a matchup against the Denver Broncos after opening the season playing three of the first four games on the road.

Sunday's game between the Patriots and the Broncos will mark the 13th time that Tom Brady and Peyton Manning have started opposite one another overall. The Patriots have won six of the nine regular season games in which the two quarterbacks have faced each other. Brady and Manning have also faced each other three times in the postseason. The Patriots are 2-1 in those three playoff games.

The Patriots played the Broncos two times last season and won both the regular season and postseason meeting. New England traveled to Denver on Dec. 18, 2011 and overcame a 16-7 deficit to beat Denver, 41-23. The Patriots and Broncos met in a rematch in the AFC Divisional Playoffs on Jan. 14, 2012 at Gillette Stadium with the Patriots taking a 45-10 victory.

BROADCAST INFORMATION

TELEVISION: This week's game will be broadcast to a national audience by **CBS** and can be seen in Boston on **WBZ-TV Channel 4**. **Jim Nantz** will handle play-by-play duties with **Phil Simms** providing color. The game will be produced by **Lance Barrow** and directed by **Mike Arnold**.

RADIO: 98.5 FM, The Sports Hub, is the flagship station for the **Patriots Radio Network**. A complete listing of the network's 40 stations can be found in this press release. Play-by-play broadcaster **Gil Santos** is in his 36th season as the voice of the Patriots and will call the action. Former Patriots quarterback **Scott Zolak** will handle the color commentary, taking over duties for Gino Cappelletti. Cappelletti, a member of the original Boston Patriots in 1960 and the all-time leading scorer in the American Football League's history, retired from the broadcast team after 31 years as the team's iconic color analyst.

NATIONAL RADIO: This week's game will be broadcast to a national audience by **Dial Global Sports**. **Kevin Kugler** and **Mark Malone** will call the game.

PATRIOTS WICKED GOOD IN OCTOBER

The Patriots are 32-6 in the month of October since the 2003 season and have won 23 out of their last 26 October games. The Patriots are 18-1 at home and 14-5 on the road during that time in October. The Patriots only home loss during that time was a 41-17 victory by the visiting San Diego Chargers on October 2, 2005.

NFL'S TOP OCTOBER RECORDS SINCE 2003

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England Patriots	32	6	0	.842
New York Giants	27	9	0	.750
Indianapolis Colts	22	11	0	.667
Pittsburgh Steelers	22	12	0	.647

PATRIOTS SCORE 40 TWICE AGAINST DENVER IN 2011

The Patriots became the 13th NFL team to score 40 or more points against the same team two times in a season and the first to do so since Philadelphia accomplished the feat in 2009 against the New York Giants. The Patriots are the first team to score 40 points two times in a season against a non-division opponent since the Oakland Raiders did so against Tennessee in the regular season and AFC Championship game in 2002.

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ROBERT 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 19th season of ownership, Kraft has transformed one of the league's least successful clubs into what many 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 recording 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 (11), 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 NFL franchise has earned more than four berths. In Kraft's first 18 seasons, the Patriots qualified for the playoffs 13 times, more than doubling the franchise's accomplishments during its first 34 seasons.



	Pre-Kraft 1960-93	1989-93	Kraft Era 1994-12
Overall Record	225-276-9	19-61	214-107
Winning Pct.	.450	.238	.667
Super Bowl Titles	0	0	3
Conference Titles	1	0	6
Division Titles	3	0	11
Playoff Seasons	6	0	13
Playoff Record	4-6	--	19-10
Home Playoff Games	1	0	15
Home Playoff Record	0-1	--	13-2

A CHAMPIONSHIP TRADITION

MULTIPLE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 2001

Team	League	Titles
Los Angeles Lakers.....	NBA.....	4
New England Patriots.....	NFL.....	3
San Antonio Spurs.....	NBA.....	3

HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE IN MAJOR PROFESSIONAL SPORTS SINCE 1994 (regular season)

Team	League	PCT
San Antonio Spurs.....	NBA.....	.680
New England Patriots.....	NFL.....	.668
Detroit Red Wings.....	NHL.....	.668
Los Angeles Lakers.....	NBA.....	.654
Green Bay Packers.....	NFL.....	.640
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	NFL.....	.637

196-GAME SELLOUT STREAK

In the early 1990s, 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 196 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.....	195
Green Bay Packers.....	187
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	185
Indianapolis Colts.....	173

TOTAL VICTORIES SINCE 1994 (Incl. Postseason)

New England Patriots.....	214
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	202
Green Bay Packers.....	202
Indianapolis Colts.....	184
Denver Broncos.....	176
Philadelphia Eagles.....	176

WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 1994 (Incl. Postseason)

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England Patriots.....	214	107	0	.667
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	202	115	1	.637
Green Bay Packers.....	202	116	0	.635
Indianapolis Colts.....	184	130	0	.586
Denver Broncos.....	176	131	0	.573
Philadelphia Eagles.....	176	136	2	.564
New York Giants.....	164	143	1	.534

SUPER BOWL CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994

New England Patriots.....	3
Green Bay.....	2
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	2
Denver Broncos.....	2
N.Y. Giants.....	2
7 Teams.....	1

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994

New England Patriots.....	6
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	4
Green Bay Packers.....	3
New York Giants.....	3
Denver Broncos.....	2
St. Louis Rams.....	2
Indianapolis Colts.....	2
14 Teams.....	1

DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994

New England Patriots.....	11
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	10
Green Bay Packers.....	8
Indianapolis Colts.....	8

PLAYOFF VICTORIES SINCE 1994

New England Patriots.....	19
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	17
Green Bay Packers.....	15
Philadelphia Eagles.....	11
Indianapolis Colts.....	11

PLAYOFF GAMES PLAYED SINCE 1994

New England Patriots.....	29
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	27
Green Bay Packers.....	26
Indianapolis Colts.....	23
Philadelphia Eagles.....	22
Baltimore Ravens.....	17

PLAYOFF SEASONS SINCE 1994

New England Patriots.....	13
Indianapolis Colts.....	13
Green Bay Packers.....	13
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	12
Philadelphia Eagles.....	11
Dallas Cowboys.....	9

PLAYOFF WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 1994

Team	W	L	Pct.
New England Patriots.....	19	10	.655
Pittsburgh Steelers.....	17	10	.630
New York Giants.....	10	6	.625
Arizona Cardinals.....	5	3	.625
Denver Broncos.....	9	6	.600
New Orleans Saints.....	6	4	.600
Carolina Panthers.....	6	4	.600
New Baltimore Ravens.....	10	7	.588

MOST PRO BOWLERS DRAFTED SINCE 1994

Since Robert Kraft's purchase of the Patriots in 1994, the team has drafted more Pro Bowl players than any other NFL team.

Rank	Team	Players
1.	New England	20
2.	Green Bay	19
3.	Pittsburgh	18
4.	Philadelphia	15
	Baltimore	15



PATRIOTS HOME DOMINANCE



Since the Patriots opened Gillette Stadium in 2002, they have celebrated more regular season and postseason wins than any other team in the NFL. The Patriots have the highest point differential at home in that time and are among the top three offensive and defensive leaders at home. The Patriots home dominance is especially strong against NFC teams.

REGULAR SEASON HOME RECORD SINCE 2002

Rank	Team	W	L	T	Pct.
1	New England	67	14	0	0.827
2	Baltimore	64	19	0	0.771
3	Pittsburgh	59	21	1	0.735
4	Indianapolis	60	22	0	0.732
5	Green Bay	57	26	0	0.687

HOME PLAYOFF RECORD SINCE 2002 (MIN. 5 GAMES)

Rank	Team	W	L	Pct
1	Seattle	5	1	0.833
2	New England	9	2	0.818
3t	Philadelphia	5	2	0.714
3t	Pittsburgh	5	2	0.714
5	Indianapolis	6	3	0.667

HOME RECORD SINCE 2002 (INCLUDING PLAYOFFS)

Rank	Team	W	L	T	Pct.
1	New England	76	16	0	0.826
2	Baltimore	65	21	0	0.756
3	Pittsburgh	65	23	1	0.736
4	Indianapolis	66	25	0	0.725
5	San Diego	58	28	0	0.674

HOME RECORD AFTER HALLOWEEN SINCE 2002

Rank	Team	W	L	T	Pct.
1	New England	35	8	0	0.814
2	Green Bay	34	10	0	0.773
3	Baltimore	36	11	0	0.766
4	Indianapolis	37	13	0	0.740
5	San Diego	32	14	0	0.696

HOME RECORD VS. NFC SINCE 2002

Rank	Team	W	L	T	Pct.
1	Pittsburgh	17	2	1	0.875
2t	New England	18	3	0	0.857
2t	Baltimore	18	3	0	0.857
4t	Jacksonville	15	6	0	0.714
4t	Indianapolis	15	6	0	0.715

HOME RECORD VS DIVISIONAL OPPONENTS SINCE 2002

Rank	Team	W	L	T	Pct.
1t	New England	25	5	0	0.833
2	Indianapolis	25	6	0	0.806
3	Green Bay	24	7	0	0.774
4t	Seattle	22	8	0	0.733
4t	Pittsburgh	22	8	0	0.733
6	San Diego	22	9	0	0.710
7	Minnesota	20	10	0	0.667

POINT DIFFERENTIAL AT HOME SINCE 2002

Rank	Team	Point Differential
1	New England	824
2	Baltimore	735
3	Green Bay	662
4	Pittsburgh	650
5	San Diego	628

POINTS ALLOWED PER GAME AT HOME SINCE 2002

Rank	Team	Points Allowed
1	Baltimore	15.7
2t	New England	16.7
2t	Pittsburgh	16.7
4	New York Jets	18.4
5	Seattle	18.6

POINTS SCORED PER GAME AT HOME SINCE 2002

Rank	Team	Points Scored
1	San Diego	27.6
2	New England	26.9
3	Green Bay	26.8
4	Indianapolis	26.0
5	New Orleans	25.8



PATRIOTS VS. BRONCOS

SERIES HISTORY

The Patriots and Broncos will meet for the 46th time in series history, including three postseason meetings.

The Patriots played the Broncos two times last season and won both the regular season and postseason meeting.

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Denver leads the all-time regular-season series with a 25-17 advantage and is 2-1 in the postseason against New England. In addition to the 2011 postseason game, New England lost a Divisional playoff game at Denver during the 1986 and 2005 playoffs. Both of those games were played in Denver.

Of the 45 previous games in the series, 27 have been played in Denver. The Patriots have played more games against the Broncos than any other team that has never been in New England's division. The Patriots are 9-9 all-time against Denver in home games, including 2-2 against Denver at Gillette Stadium.

The history between the teams dates back to the first days of the American Football League in 1960. The Patriots played the Broncos in the inaugural game of each franchise, a 13-10 Denver win on Sept. 9, 1960 at

B.U. Field. The teams squared off twice a year in the decade prior to the AFL-NFL merger, with the Patriots taking a 10-7 advantage out of those games.



Regular Season – Broncos 25, Patriots 17

Date	Result	Score	H/A	Stadium
09/09/60	L	10-13	H	B.U. Field
10/23/60	L	24-31	A	Bears Stadium
09/16/61	W	45-17	H	B.U. Field
12/03/61	W	28-24	A	Bears Stadium
09/21/62	W	41-16	H	B. U. Field
11/11/62	W	33-29	A	Bears Stadium
09/29/63	L	10-14	A	Bears Stadium
10/18/63	W	40-21	H	Fenway Park
10/04/64	W	39-10	A	Bears Stadium
11/20/64	W	12-7	H	Fenway Park
09/24/65	L	10-27	H	Fenway Park
12/12/65	W	28-20	A	Bears Stadium
09/18/66	W	24-10	A	Bears Stadium
11/06/66	L	10-17	H	Fenway Park
09/03/67	L	21-26	A	Bears Stadium
09/29/68	W	20-17	A	Bears Stadium
11/03/68	L	14-35	H	Fenway Park
09/14/69	L	7-35	A	Mile High Stadium
12/17/72	L	21-45	A	Mile High Stadium
11/28/76	W	38-14	H	Schaefer Stadium
11/11/79	L	10-45	A	Mile High Stadium
09/29/80	W	23-14	H	Schaefer Stadium
11/04/84	L	19-26	A	Mile High Stadium
09/28/86	L	20-27	A	Mile High Stadium
12/06/87	L	20-31	A	Mile High Stadium
12/17/88	L	10-21	A	Mile High Stadium
10/27/91	L	6-9	H	Foxboro Stadium
12/01/91	L	3-20	A	Mile High Stadium
10/08/95	L	3-37	H	Foxboro Stadium
11/17/96	L	8-34	H	Foxboro Stadium
10/06/97	L	13-34	A	Mile High Stadium
09/07/98	L	21-27	A	Mile High Stadium
10/24/99	W	24-23	H	Foxboro Stadium
10/01/00	W	28-19	A	Mile High Stadium
10/28/01	L	20-31	A	Invesco Field
10/27/02	L	16-24	H	Gillette Stadium
11/03/03	W	30-26	A	Invesco Field
10/16/05	L	20-28	A	Invesco Field
9/24/06	L	7-17	H	Gillette Stadium
10/20/08	W	41-7	H	Gillette Stadium
10/11/09	L	17-20 (OT)	A	Invesco Field
12/18/11	W	41-23	A	Sports Authority Field

SERIES HISTORY (continued)

Playoffs – Broncos 2, Patriots 1

Date	Result	Score	H/A	Stadium
01/04/87	L	17-22	A	Mile High Stadium
01/14/06	L	13-27	A	Invesco Field
01/14/12	W	45-10	H	Gillette Stadium

SERIES BREAKDOWN

(Including Playoffs)

Overall Record	18-27 (Including 1-2 in playoffs)
Record in New England	9-9
Record in Denver	9-18 (Including 0-2 in playoffs)
Total Points in the Series	Denver 1050, Patriots 950
Bill Belichick vs. Denver	5-10 (5-6 with New England)
John Fox vs. New England	1-4 overall

TALE OF THE TAPE

2012 Regular Season	New England	Denver
Record	2-2	2-2
Divisional Standings	1stT	2nd
Total Yards Gained	1,753	1,548
Total Offense (Rank)	438.3 (1)	387.0 (12)
Rush Offense	144.0 (8)	109.0 (14)
Pass Offense	294.3 (6)	278.0 (9)
Points Per Game	33.5 (1)	28.5 (7)
Total Yards Allowed	1,467	1,232
Total Defense (Rank)	366.8 (20)	308.0 (7)
Rush Defense	85.3 (7t)	87.5 (9)
Pass Defense	281.5 (25)	220.5 (13)
Points Allowed/Game	23.0 (15)	20.8 (10t)
Possession Avg.	31:08	29:30
Sacks Allowed/Yards Lost	8/50	8/50
Sacks Made/Yards	7/18	10/74
Total Touchdowns Scored	15	13
Penalties Against/Yards	22/173	27/250
Punts/Avg.	17/36.3	15/48.0
Turnover Differential	+8 (2)	-4 (25t)

QUICK HITS

- > In Belichick's first two wins at Denver (10/1/00 and 11/3/03), he took intentional safeties in the second half to help secure the win.
- > K Stephen Gostkowski's longest field goal was a 53-yarder at Denver on Oct. 11, 2009. He matched that mark with a 53-yarder vs. Arizona (9/16/12) in the 2012 home opener.

BRADY VS. DENVER

Tom Brady is 2-5 against the Broncos in the regular season and 1-1 against Denver in the postseason following a 2005 AFC Divisional playoff loss in Denver and last season's AFC Divisional victory at Gillette Stadium. Denver is the only team that Brady has a losing record against.

Tom Brady vs. Denver (2-5) (regular season)

Date	H/A	A	C	Yd	TD	I	W/L	Score
10/28/01	A	38	25	203	2	4	L	20-31
10/27/02	H	29	15	130	1	0	L	16-24
11/3/03	A	35	20	350	3	1	W	30-26
10/16/05	A	46	24	299	1	0	L	20-28
9/24/06	H	55	31	320	1	0	L	7-17
10/11/09	A	33	19	215	2	0	L	17-20 (OT)
12/18/11	A	34	23	320	2	0	W	41-23
Totals		270	157	1837	12	5		2-5

Tom Brady vs. Denver (1-1) (postseason)

Date	H/A	A	C	Yd	TD	I	W/L	Score
01/14/06	A	36	20	341	1	2	L	13-27
01/14/12	H	34	26	365	6	1	W	45-10
Totals		70	46	704	7	3	1-1	



PATRIOTS VS. BRONCOS

BRADY VS. MANNING

Tom Brady and Peyton Manning have had many epic games against each other over the course of their careers. This week's game will be the first Brady-Manning game that does not involve the Indianapolis Colts. Despite playing in separate divisions following the 2002 NFL division reformatting, the Patriots and the Colts played each other an astounding 14 times since 2001 overall. With the exception of the 2011 regular season matchup—a game which Peyton Manning missed due to a neck injury—and the 2008 regular season game that Tom Brady missed following an ACL tear, Brady and Manning have started at quarterback for their respective teams in every game dating back to September 30, 2001. Sunday's game between the Patriots and the Broncos will mark the 13th time that Brady and Manning have started opposite one another.

Although Manning holds a regular season advantage over Brady in touchdowns, yards and completions, the Patriots have won six of the nine regular season games in which the two quarterbacks have faced each other.

Brady and Manning have also faced each other three times in the postseason. The Patriots are 2-1 in those three playoff games with Brady posting a better passer rating (81.7) than Manning (61.0).

Brady vs. Indianapolis (Regular Season – 6-3 record)

Date	A	C	Yd	Pct.	TD	I	RT	W/L	Score
09/30/01	23	13	168	56.5	0	0	79.6	W	44-13
10/21/01	20	16	202	80.0	3	0	148.3	W	38-17
11/30/03	35	26	236	74.3	2	2	87.3	W	38-34
09/09/04	38	26	335	68.4	3	1	111.2	W	27-24
11/07/05	33	22	265	66.7	3	0	121.4	L	21-40
11/05/06	35	20	201	57.1	0	4	34.0	L	20-27
11/04/07	32	21	255	65.6	3	2	95.2	W	24-20
11/15/09	42	29	375	69.0	3	1	110.7	L	34-35
11/21/10	25	19	186	76.0	2	0	123.1	W	31-28
Totals	283	192	2,223	67.8	19	10	99.0	6-3	

Manning vs. New England (Regular Season – 3-6 record)

Date	A	C	Yd	Pct.	TD	I	RT	W/L	Score
09/30/01	34	20	196	58.8	1	3	48.2	L	13-44
10/21/01	34	22	335	64.7	1	0	106.9	L	17-38
11/30/03	48	29	278	60.4	4	1	95.7	L	34-38
09/09/04	29	16	256	55.2	2	1	93.5	L	24-27
11/07/05	37	28	321	75.7	3	1	117.1	W	40-21
11/05/06	36	20	326	55.6	2	1	93.1	W	27-20
11/04/07	27	16	225	59.3	1	1	83.1	L	20-24
11/15/09	44	28	327	63.6	4	2	97.4	W	35-34
11/21/10	52	28	396	73.1	4	3	96.3	L	28-31
Totals	341	207	2,660	60.7	22	13	90.8	3-6	

Brady vs. Indianapolis (Postseason – 2-1 record)

Date	A	C	Yd	Pct.	TD	I	RT	W/L	Score
01/18/04	37	22	237	59.5	1	1	76.1	W	24-14
01/16/05	27	18	144	66.7	1	0	92.2	W	20-3
01/21/07	34	21	232	61.8	1	1	79.5	L	34-38
Totals	98	61	613	62.2	3	2	81.7	2-1	

Manning vs. New England (Postseason – 1-2 record)

Date	A	C	Yd	Pct.	TD	I	RT	W/L	Score
01/18/04	47	23	237	48.9	1	4	35.5	L	14-24
01/16/05	42	27	238	64.3	0	1	69.3	L	3-20
01/21/07	47	27	349	57.4	1	3	79.1	W	38-34
Totals	136	77	824	56.6	2	6	61.0	1-2	

2011 REGULAR SEASON MEETING PATRIOTS 41, DENVER 23

December 18, 2011 ★ Sports Authority Field at Mile High

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	7	20	7	7	— 41
Denver Broncos	13	3	0	7	— 23

The New England Patriots won their sixth straight game and their third straight AFC East title by overcoming a 16-7 deficit and an awful first quarter to beat the Denver Broncos, 41-23.

The Patriots were outgained on the ground 167 to 4 in the first quarter. Denver scored on their first three drives before three second quarter turnovers turned things in the favor of New England, who improved to an 11-3 overall record.

Tom Brady completed 23-of-34 passes for 320 yards with two touchdowns, and TE Aaron Hernandez had a career day with 9 receptions for 129 yards and a touchdown.

After Denver took a 16-7 lead early in the second quarter, Brady methodically moved the Patriots to the Denver 1-yard line before completing a touchdown pass to Hernandez to make it 16-14. Denver fumbled on its next two possessions to lead to 10 New England points and a 24-16 Patriots lead. DT Ron Brace forced a fumble on a big hit on Denver RB Lance Ball and LB Rob Ninkovich recovered the ball at the Denver 19-yard line. The Patriots moved to the 3-yard line before settling for a field goal and a 17-16 lead. On the third play of Denver's ensuing drive, DE Mark Anderson forced and recovered a QB Tim Tebow fumble at the Denver 40-yard line. A 25-yard pass from Brady to Hernandez helped set up a 1-yard touchdown run by Brady to extend the New England lead to 24-16. Denver muffed a punt that was recovered by LB Dane Fletcher at the Denver 16-yard line with three seconds to play and New England added a field goal for a 20-point second quarter and a 27-16 halftime lead.

After RB Danny Woodhead scored on a 10-yard touchdown run in the third quarter for a 34-16 lead, Denver QB Tim Tebow scored on a 2-yard keeper with 8:41 left to play to pull the Broncos to 34-23. Brady responded in a big way, leading the Patriots on a 9-play, 80-yard scoring drive that ended with a 1-yard touchdown run by RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis.

Denver opened the game with an 80-yard drive that ended when Tebow scored on a 9-yard run into the end zone. The Broncos extra point attempt failed, and New England responded with a 5-play 80-yard drive that ended with a 33-yard touchdown pass from Brady to WR Chad Ochocinco. The drive was highlighted by a 46-yard pass from Brady to Hernandez.

Denver answered with a drive that ended with a 32-yard touchdown by Ball to recapture the lead at 13-7. Denver added a field goal early in the second quarter for a 16-7 lead before New England scored the next 27 points in the game to take command of the game.

2011 AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS PATRIOTS 45, DENVER 10

January 14, 2012 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
Denver Broncos	0	7	3	0	— 10
New England Patriots	14	21	7	3	— 45

The New England Patriots advanced to the AFC Championship game with a 45-10 rout of the Denver Broncos at Gillette Stadium. The Patriots 45 points and 509 yards gained against the Broncos are both single-game franchise postseason records.

The victory over Denver snapped a three-game postseason losing streak, two of those at Gillette Stadium, and lifted the team one step closer to their seventh Super Bowl.

Tom Brady was 26 for 34 for 363 yards and six touchdowns, while TE Rob Gronkowski made 10 catches for 145 yards and 3



PATRIOTS VS. BRONCOS

2011 AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS PATRIOTS 45, DENVER 10 (continued)

touchdowns. Denver QB Tim Tebow finished 9 for 26 for 136 yards. Brady's six touchdowns tied an NFL single-game playoff record and his 363 yards are a single-game franchise record in the postseason. Gronkowski tied an NFL record with his three touchdowns.

Brady hit his first eight passes for 79 yards and two touchdowns. On the first scoring drive, TE Aaron Hernandez was inserted as a running game and broke free for a 43-yard gain, the team's longest of the season. Hernandez finished the game with 5 rushing attempts for 61 yards. It is the highest rushing output by a tight end in Patriots history, tied for the ninth highest rushing total by a tight end in NFL history and the highest ever by a tight end in a postseason game.

After New England scored on its opening possession, LB Rob Ninkovich forced a fumble on a 4-yard sack of Tebow that was recovered by LB Brandon Spikes at the New England 41-yard line to get in position for a 10-yard touchdown pass from Brady to Gronkowski and a 14-0 lead.

Brady was 18 of 25 for 246 yards and 5 touchdowns in the first half with the Patriots building a 35-7 lead. Brady's touchdowns covered 10, 12 and 12 yards to Gronkowski, 7 yards to Wes Welker, 61 yards to Deion Branch and 17 yards to Aaron Hernandez.

GRONK ON GRONK

Sunday's game once again features a brother-vs.-brother matchup, as Patriots **TE Rob Gronkowski** and Broncos **FB Chris Gronkowski** will face each other for the first time in the NFL. Two other members of the Patriots have played against their siblings in 2012, with Patriots **CB Devin McCourty** playing his twin brother **CB Jason McCourty** in Tennessee and Patriots **DE Chandler Jones** squaring off against his older brother **DE Arthur Jones** in Baltimore.

CONNECTIONS

New England Ties

- **Broncos C Dan Koppen** played for Boston College from 1998-2002.
- Denver Offensive Line Coach **Dave Magazu** is a native of Taunton, Mass. and attended Taunton High School.

Denver Ties

- Patriots **T Nate Solder** is originally from Buena Vista, Colo. and attended the University of Colorado from 2006-10.

Former Patriots

- **C Dan Koppen** played for the Patriots from 2003-11 and went to training camp with New England in 2012. During his nine seasons with the Patriots, Koppen started 120 of 121 games and was a part of eight division championships, four conference titles and two Super Bowl crowns.
- **CB Tony Carter** played for New England in 2010 and appeared in two games. He spent the majority of the 2010 season on the Patriots' practice squad.
- Injured Reserve **DL Ty Warren** was drafted by the Patriots in the first round of the 2003 NFL Draft and played for New England until 2009. During his seven seasons with the Patriots, Warren started 92 of 105 games and recorded 496 tackles (292 solo) and 20.5 sacks.
- Denver Defensive Quality Control Coach **Cory Undlin** served as a Patriots' defensive assistant and worked with the secondary in 2004.

Former Broncos

- Head Coach **Bill Belichick** was the assistant special teams coach/assistant to the defensive coordinator for the Broncos during the 1978 season.
- Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks Coach **Josh McDaniels** was the head coach of the Broncos from 2009-10.
- Patriots special teams coach, **Scott O'Brien**, was the special teams coordinator for the Denver Broncos (2007-08).

CONNECTIONS (continued)

- **TE Daniel Fells** played for Denver in 2011 and started 15 of the 16 regular season games he played in.
- **WR Brandon Lloyd** played for the Broncos from 2009-11. Lloyd posted a career year in 2010 and finished the season with 77 receptions for 1,448 yards and 11 touchdowns.

Former Teammates

- Patriots players **TE Michael Hoomanawanui** and **WR Brandon Lloyd** played with Broncos **DT Justin Bannan** in St. Louis in 2011.
- **Lloyd** was teammates with Broncos **S Mike Adams** in San Francisco from 2004-05.
- **Adams** and Patriots **TE Kellen Winslow** were teammates with the Cleveland Browns from 2007-08.
- Patriots **CB Marquice Cole** played in the New York Jets secondary with Broncos **S Jim Leonhard** from 2009-11. Patriots **RB Danny Woodhead** also played for the Jets in 2009.
- Patriots **LB Tracy White** and Broncos **LB Joe Mays** played on the same side of the ball in Philadelphia from 2008-09.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR THIS WEEK VS. DENVER

TOM BRADY

- With one touchdown pass against Denver, Tom Brady will extend his streak to 37 straight games with at least one touchdown pass and break a tie with Brett Favre (36) for the third longest streak all time, behind Johnny Unitas (47) and Drew Brees (47-current).
- Brady has 48 career 300 yard games in the regular season and needs one more to tie Warren Moon (49) for 7th place all time.
- If Brady reaches 300 yards against Denver it will be the third time in his career that he has had at least a four-game stretch of 300 yard games. His career best is five straight 300-yard games in 2009. The NFL record is Drew Brees with nine consecutive 300 yard games (2011-12). Brady has thrown for 300 yards or more in 7 out of his last 8 regular season games.

STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI

- Stephen Gostkowski (7-of-10) needs one more 50-yard field goal to tie Adam Vinatieri (8-of-17) for most 50-yard field goals in Patriots history.
- Gostkowski has two 50 yarders so far in 2012 and can become the first Patriots player with three 50 yard field goals in a single season.

WES WELKER

- Wes Welker (31) needs one more touchdown reception to break out of a tie for seventh place with Troy Brown on the Patriots all-time touchdown reception list.
- Welker (14) needs one more 10-plus catch game to tie Andre Johnson (15) of Houston for the most 10-plus reception games among active players. Reggie Wayne also had 14 10-plus reception games.
- Welker needs one reception to extend his streak to 82 straight regular-season games with at least one reception as a member of the Patriots to extend his franchise record. Welker has an overall streak of 98 straight regular-season games with at least one reception, including his time with the Miami Dolphins.

TEAM

- The Patriots have had two straight games with two receivers reaching 100 yards. It is the fourth time in team history that the team has had back-to-back games with two receivers at 100 yards. The Patriots have never had three straight games with two 100-yard receivers.
- The Patriots will be looking for their first back-to-back games with a 100-yard rusher since Laurence Maroney in 2007.



LAST GAME: PATRIOTS AT BILLS

PATRIOTS 52, BUFFALO 28

September 30, 2012 ★ Ralph Wilson Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	7	0	14	31	— 52
Buffalo Bills	0	14	7	7	— 28

The New England Patriot scored six straight second half touchdowns en route to a 52-28 rout of the Buffalo Bills to even their record at 2-2.

The Patriots were down 21-7 midway through the third quarter after a 68-yard touchdown pass from QB Ryan Fitzpatrick to WR Donald Jones on Buffalo's first possession of the second half. The New England comeback began immediately after with the Patriots scoring 35 points in a span of 12:41 to build a 42-21 lead.

It was a game in which the Patriots produced 580 total yards of offense and forced six turnovers to avoid suffering their first three-game losing streak since the 2002 season.

The 45 points in the second half are the most in franchise history and tied for the most points in a half. The Patriots scored 45 first half points in a 2009 game vs. Tennessee.

Tom Brady finished 22 of 36 for 340 yards and three touchdowns and also added a touchdown run. Wes Welker had nine receptions for 129 yards and Rob Gronkowski had five catches for 104 yards and a touchdown. Rookie RB Brandon Bolden gained 137 yards on 16 carries for an 8.6-yard average, and RB Stevan Ridley added 106 yards on 22 carries. It is only the second time in NFL history that a team finished with a 300-yard passer, two 100-yard rushers and two 100-yard receivers.

After Buffalo extended their lead to 21-7 in the third quarter, Brady responded by leading the Patriots on an eight-play, 80-yard drive that culminated with a 17-yard touchdown pass to RB Danny Woodhead. After tying the game with a 4-yard touchdown, Brady capped a five-play, 63-yard drive when he connected with Gronkowski on a 28-yard touchdown pass for a 28-21 lead.

Buffalo had two turnovers on their next two drives that were converted into touchdown runs by Ridley and Bolden to extend the Patriots lead to 42-21.

Following a Buffalo fourth quarter touchdown, Brady methodically moved the Patriots inside Buffalo territory before connecting with WR Brandon Lloyd on a 25-yard touchdown pass for a 49-28 lead.

Fitzpatrick was intercepted for the fourth time on the ensuing drive, leading to a 30-yard field goal and a 52-28 New England victory.

New England took a 7-0 first quarter lead after Ridley scored his first touchdown on a 6-yard run. A 41-yard pass from Brady to Gronkowski helped set up that play. Buffalo answered with 14 points in the second quarter.

The Patriots overcame a first half where they had two missed field goals and two fumbles.

BELICHICK MOVES PAST CHUCK KNOX

The victory over Buffalo was the 194th of Bill Belichick's career, moving him into sole possession of 8th place and out of a tie with Chuck Knox (193). He needs eight more victories to move past Dan Reeves (201) into seventh place all-time. With six more wins, Belichick will become the 8th head coach in NFL history with at least 200 victories.

BOLDEN AND RIDLEY GO OVER 100 YARDS RUSHING

Rookie RB Brandon Bolden (137) and RB Stevan Ridley (106) both rushed for over 100 yards. It is the first time the Patriots had two 100-yard rushers in the same game since Nov. 23, 1980 at Baltimore Colts when Don Calhoun (106) and Vagas Ferguson (100) each had 100 yards rushing.

PATRIOTS RUSH FOR 200 YARDS

The Patriots gained 247 yards rushing, the first time they have gone over 200 yards rushing in a game since gaining 200 yards in both games against Buffalo in 2010. In 2010, the Patriots gained 200 yards rushing vs. Buffalo on Sept. 26, 2010 and 217 at Buffalo on Dec. 26, 2010. It is the 68th time in franchise history that they have rushed for 200 yards in a game. It is the most rushing yards in a game since gaining 277 at Oakland on Dec. 14, 2008.

SECOND TIME IN NFL HISTORY A TEAM HAS TWO 100-YARD RUSHERS, TWO 100-YARD RECEIVERS AND A 300-YARD PASSER

The Patriots had two 100-yard rushers (Brandon Bolden 137 and Stevan Ridley (106), two 100-yard receivers (Wes Welker 129 and Rob Gronkowski 104) and a 300-yard passer (Tom Brady 340) for the first time in team history. It is the second time in NFL history that that has happened. Green Bay was the first team to do so on Dec. 28, 2008 when Ryan Grant (106) and DeShawn Wynn (106) rushed for over 100 yards, Donald Driver (111) and Greg Jennings (101) went over 100 yards receiving and Aaron Rodgers (308) passed for over 300 yards.

PATRIOTS TIE A TEAM RECORD WITH FOUR RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

The Patriots tied a team record with four rushing touchdowns. It is the seventh time and the first time since Oct. 16, 1983 vs. San Diego that the Patriots scored on four rushing touchdowns in a game.

PATRIOTS SCORE 45 SECOND HALF POINTS TO TIE A TEAM RECORD FOR MOST POINTS IN A HALF

The Patriots scored 45 points in the second half, including 31 points in the fourth quarter. It is tied for the highest total in a half. The Patriots scored 45 first half points vs. Tennessee on Oct. 18, 2009 in a 59-0 win. The 31 fourth quarter points are the most in a quarter since scoring 35 second quarter points in the Titans game. In addition, the 45 points are the most by a team that trailed after halftime since the Giants in 1950 had a 48 point second half vs. Baltimore on Nov. 19, 1950.

WELKER PASSES TROY BROWN TO MOVE INTO SECOND ON THE PATRIOTS RECEIVING LIST

Wes Welker (6,485 receiving yards) moved past Troy Brown (6,366) into second place on the New England all-time receiving yards list on a 9-yard reception from Tom Brady in the second quarter. Stanley Morgan is in first place with 10,352 yards. Welker entered the game needing 11 yards to move past Troy Brown.

PATRIOTS EXTEND STREAK TO 157 WITHOUT A THREE-GAME LOSING STREAK

The Patriots ended a two-game losing streak with the win over Buffalo to extend their streak to 157 games without a three-game losing streak. The Atlanta Falcons have the second longest streak with 68 games without a three-game losing streak. The Patriots last lost three games in a row in 2002.

WELKER HAS BACK-TO-BACK 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Welker finished the game with 129 yards receiving for his second straight 100-yard receiving game. He had 142 yards at Baltimore in the previous game. It is his seventh time with back-to-back weeks with 100-yards receiving. His career best is three straight games with 100 or more yards receiving, which he accomplished in 2008 and in 2011.

BRADY MOVES PAST KERRY COLLINS INTO 11TH PLACE ON THE PASSING YARDS LIST

Tom Brady (41,206 passing yards) moved past Kerry Collins (40,922) into 11th place on the NFL's all-time list for passing yards on a 41-yard pass to TE Rob Gronkowski in the first quarter. Drew Brees is in tenth place and entered this week's game with 41,646 passing yards. Brady entered the game needing 57 yards to pass Collins.



LAST GAME: PATRIOTS AT BILLS

PATRIOTS FORCE SIX TURNOVERS

The Patriots forced six turnovers against Buffalo with four interceptions and two fumble recoveries. It is the most since recording seven turnovers in a 34-3 win at Buffalo (four fumble recoveries and three interceptions) on Dec. 26, 2010. Last season the most turnovers the Patriots had in a game was four – vs. San Diego (9/18) and vs. Buffalo (1/1/12).

GRONKOWSKI HAS THIRD STRAIGHT 100-YARD GAME AGAINST BUFFALO

Rob Gronkowski finished with over 100 yards receiving against Buffalo for the third straight game after finishing with 104 yards. In the first matchup in 2011 against the Bills at Buffalo (9/25/11), Gronkowski had seven receptions for 109 yards and two touchdowns and then caught eight passes for 108 yards and two touchdowns in the rematch against Buffalo at Gillette Stadium (1/1/12).

TWO PLAYERS WITH 100 YARDS FOR THE SECOND STRAIGHT GAME

The Patriots had two players finish with 100 yards receiving with Wes Welker (129) and Rob Gronkowski (104). Last week at Baltimore, Brandon Lloyd had 108 yards receiving and Welker had 142 yards receiving. In 2011, the Patriots had five games with two players over 100 yards receiving.

MCCOURTY REGISTERS SECOND CAREER TWO-INTERCEPTION GAME

Devin McCourty had his first interception of the season when he picked off a Ryan Fitzpatrick pass at the Buffalo 42-yard line in the first quarter. He picked off his second pass in the fourth quarter. It is McCourty's second career two-interception game. He had his first two-interception game at Detroit on Nov. 25, 2010. The Patriots are 9-0 when McCourty has at least one interception in a game.

BRADY HAS HIS 48TH 300-YARD GAME

Brady had his 48th career 300-yard game after finishing with 340 yards at Buffalo. He is 8th all-time for most 300 yards game in a career. Hall of Famer Warren Moon is in seventh place with 49 300-yard games.

BRADY IS GOOD AGAINST BUFFALO

Brady had his third 300-yard game in a row against Buffalo. He passed for 387 and 338 yards in the Buffalo games in 2011. Brady had his fifth game in a row with three or more touchdowns against the Bills after passing for three against Buffalo.

BRADY MOVES INTO THE TOP 10 FOR MOST PASS COMPLETIONS

Tom Brady (3,498 completions) moved past Kerry Collins (3,387) into 10th place on the NFL's all-time list for pass completions list on an 11-yard pass to RB Brandon Bolden in the third quarter. Brady entered the game needing 12 completions. Fran Tarkenton is in ninth place with 3,686 career completions.

BRADY TIED BRETT FAVRE FOR THIRD LONGEST TD STREAK AT 36 GAMES

Tom Brady has now thrown at least one touchdown pass in 36 straight regular season games to tie Brett Favre (36) for the third longest streak all time.

PATRIOTS IMPROVE ON NFL-LEADING INTRA-DIVISION RECORD SINCE 2001

With the victory over Buffalo, the New England Patriots own a 54-15 (.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.

ROOKIE BOLDEN HAS FIRST 100-YARD DAY AND FINISHES WITH AN 8.6-YARD AVERAGE

Rookie RB Brandon Bolden finished with 16 carries for 137 yards and an 8.6-yard average. He also had runs of 20 and 27 yards. His 8.6-yard average is tied for the third highest ever in a single game for the Patriots among running backs with at least 15 rushing attempts.

Highest Rushing Average/Single Game (min. 15 rushing attempts)

Player	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)
Brandon Bolden	8.6 (16-137 at Buffalo, Sept. 30, 2012)
Sammy Morris	8.6 (16-138 vs. Denver, Oct. 20, 2008)
Jim Nance	8.6 (17-146 at Houston, Dec. 11, 1966)

PATRIOTS OFFENSE GAINS 580 YARDS

The Patriots chalked up 580 yards in total offense, the fourth most in team history. It is the 14th time in team history that the Patriots have recorded at least 500 total yards on offense. It is the ninth time under Bill Belichick that the Patriots have accomplished the feat.

MOST TOTAL NET YARDS/GAME

622	at Miami, Sept. 12, 2011
619	vs. Tennessee, Oct. 18, 2009
597	vs. N.Y. Jets, Sept. 9, 1979

580 at Buffalo, Sept. 30, 2012.

PATRIOTS REGISTER 33 FIRST DOWNS FOR THE SECOND STRAIGHT WEEK

The Patriots recorded 33 first downs for the second straight week after recording 33 at Baltimore (9/23). The 33 first downs against Buffalo are tied for the second most in team history to the 34 vs. Washington on Oct. 18, 2007.

DANIEL FELLS GETS SECOND STRAIGHT START AND FIRST RECEPTION AS A PATRIOT

Daniel Fells was in the starting lineup for the second straight week. On the game's first play, he lined up at fullback and caught his first pass as a Patriot, resulting in an 18-yard gain.

JEROD MAYO REGISTERS THIRD NFL INTERCEPTION

DL Vince Wilfork tipped a Ryan Fitzpatrick pass that was intercepted by LB Jerod Mayo to give the Patriots a first down at midfield in the first quarter. It is Mayo's third career interception. He had two in 2011, one vs. Indianapolis (12/4) and one at Washington (12/18).

ROOKIE LB DONT'A HIGHTOWER RECORDS FIRST NFL SACK

LB Dont'a Hightower recorded his first NFL sack when he dropped QB Ryan Fitzpatrick for zero yard sack in the first quarter.

PATRIOTS HAVE FIFTH STRAIGHT GAME AGAINST BUFFALO WITH 30 OR MORE POINTS

The Patriots scored over 30 points for the fifth straight game against Buffalo with 30 or more points. The Patriots scored 31 and 49 points against Buffalo in 2011.

ROOKIE DL CHANDLER JONES HAS THIRD SACK OF 2012

First round pick DL Chandler Jones registered his third sack of the 2012 season when he dropped Ryan Fitzpatrick for a 5-yard loss in the first quarter on a third down play to force Buffalo into a punting situation.



QUOTES AND NOTES

GIL SANTOS – THE VOICE OF THE PATRIOTS

For most Patriots fans, there has been but one "Voice of the New England Patriots" and it belongs to Gil Santos. Now in his 36 season, Santos has articulated the sights, sounds and all the play-by-play action for 731 games to millions of Patriots fans. Santos is tied with the Philadelphia Eagles' veteran play-by-play announcer, Merrill Reese, as the two most tenured radio broadcasters in the NFL. Santos began calling games for the Boston Patriots at Fenway Park in 1966. He was the voice of the Patriots for the next 14 seasons (1966-79). He returned to the booth in 1991 and has broadcast every Patriots game since then.



NEWLY ACQUIRED PATRIOTS

The Patriots acquired veteran free agnets S Steve Gregory, WR Brandon Lloyd and LB Trevor Scott this past offseason. Below are some of their thoughts on joining the Patriots:

From Steve Gregory: On playing with Patrick Chung: "He's a guy that's passionate about football like I am. It's good to have a guy out there that wants to make plays, and you start making plays and it's kind of like a competition. Who can make more? It's great to have him back there with me."

From Brandon Lloyd: "The coaching, the way that the message is delivered and the way that the coaches coach and the players all fall in line. It's been a good experience so far."

From Trevor Scott: "You just know what to expect when you come here. To come in here, I'm going to have big shoes to fill. When I came here, coach (Bill) Belichick said everyone is involved in special teams. I'm just doing whatever I can to help the team win."

AARON HERNANDEZ ON HOW BEING A PATRIOT HAS CHANGED HIM

"This is a place that not only did it change my future from them paying me, but it just changed me as a person," he said. "You can't come here and act reckless and do your own stuff, and [I] was one of the persons that when I came here, I might've acted the way I wanted to act, but you get changed by Bill Belichick's way. You get changed by the Patriots' way. Now that I'm a Patriot, I have to start living like one, and making the right decisions for them."

VINCE WILFORK: REASONS FOR PATRIOTS SUCCESS

Patriots Pro Bowl DL Vince Wilfork, who has served as a defensive captain for the Patriots for five 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."

PATRIOTS DEFENSE HOLDS TENNESSEE TO JUST 20 YARDS RUSHING IN 2012 OPENER

The Patriots defense held the Titans to just 20 yards rushing on 16 attempts for a 1.3-yard average in the 2012 season opener. The 20 yards rushing allowed are the fifth-lowest total in Patriots history and the lowest total since holding Buffalo to 14 yards rushing on Dec. 11, 2005 in Buffalo.

FEWEST YARDS ALLOWED RUSHING IN A GAME

- 2 at San Diego, Dec. 17, 2961
- 14 at Buffalo, Dec. 11, 2005
- 14 vs. Kansas City, Oct. 11, 1998
- 19 vs. Houston, Nov. 1, 1963.
- 20 at Tennessee, Sept. 9, 2012**
- 20 vs. Seattle, Dec. 4, 1988

ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

The Patriots won more than half of their games for the 11th straight year with a 13-3 record in 2011. They are the first team to win more than half of their games in 11 straight seasons since free agency began in 1993.

The Patriots are the fourth team to win more than half of their games in 11 straight seasons since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger, joining the 49ers (16 straight from 1983-1998), the Cowboys (16 straight from 1970-85) and the Raiders (11 straight from 1970-80).

The Patriots have now won nine or more games in 15 of the 18 seasons Robert Kraft has owned the team.

MOST CONSECUTIVE WINNING SEASONS (since 1970 merger)

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

PATRIOTS HAVE THE 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 11 seasons.

MOST SEASONS OF 9+ WINS SINCE 2001

- New England.....11**
- Pittsburgh.....9
- Indianapolis.....9
- Philadelphia.....8

PATRIOTS WIN 10+ FOR THE NINTH STRAIGHT YEAR

New England has reached at least 10 regular-season wins for nine consecutive seasons, joining San Francisco (16) and Indianapolis (9) as the only teams to accomplish the feat.

Team	Years	Consecutive Seasons with 10+ Wins
San Francisco	1983-1998	16
New England	2003-present	9
Indianapolis	2002-2010	9

PATRIOTS EARNED NUMBER ONE SEED IN AFC PLAYOFF FIELD FOR SECOND STRAIGHT SEASON

The Patriots were the number one seed in the AFC playoff field for the second straight season in 2011. The Patriots have now earned the number one seed four times (2011, 2010, 2007 and 2003) in the past nine seasons. New England is the first team since Philadelphia (2002, 2003 and 2004) to have the top seed in its conference in at least two straight years and is the first AFC team to have the first seed in two straight years since Buffalo in 1990 and 1991.

PATRIOTS HAVE THE NFL RECORD FOR MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES AT .500 OR BETTER

The loss to Baltimore on Sept. 23, 2012 ended the Patriots run of 145 consecutive games at .500 or better, the longest such streak in NFL history. Dallas had the second longest streak ever with 115 games at .500 or better (1965-1974). At 1-2, the Patriots are under .500 for the first time since starting the 2003 season with an 0-1 record. Baltimore now has the longest streak at .500 or better with 62 games.

PATRIOTS NAME 2012 TEAM CAPTAINS

The Patriots team captains are the same six who served as captains in 2011. The Patriots' 2012 captains were elected by their teammates. Quarterback Tom Brady and G Logan Mankins are the offensive captains. Nose tackle Vince Wilfork, LB Jerod Mayo and CB Devin McCourty are the defensive captains. Wide receiver Matthew Slater is the special teams captain. Brady has been chosen as a captain for the 11th straight season. Wilfork is a captain for the fifth straight season, while Mayo, is in his fourth season serving as a captain. Mankins, McCourty and Slater are captains for a second time.



PATRIOTS 2012 TEAM NOTES

2012 WHAT TO LOOK FOR

BILL BELICHICK

- Bill Belichick (194) needs eight more wins to move past Dan Reeves (201) into seventh place all-time.
- Belichick (17) needs one more postseason victory to move out of a tie with Joe Gibbs into sole possession of third place all-time in postseason wins. Tom Landry (20) is in first place followed by Don Shula (19).

TOM BRADY

- Tom Brady has 48 career 300-yard games. He is in eighth place all-time and needs one more 300-yard game to tie Hall of Famer Warren Moon for seventh place with 49 300-yard games.
- If Brady reaches 30 or more touchdowns passes in 2012 he will become just the fifth player in NFL history with at least 30 or more touchdown passes in four seasons.
- Brady needs one more postseason victory to set the NFL record for most career postseason wins by a starting quarterback. He enters 2012 tied with Joe Montana with 16 career postseason wins.
- Brady needs one more AFC Offensive Player of the Week honor to tie Peyton Manning (21) for the most player of the week honors in NFL history.
- If Brady reaches 4,000 passing yards in 2011, he will be just the fifth player in NFL history to reach 4,000 yards in five or more seasons: Peyton Manning (11), Dan Marino (6), Drew Brees (6) and Brett Favre (6).
- Brady has thrown at least one touchdown pass in 36 straight games. Brady's 36 straight games with at least one touchdown pass are tied with Brett Favre for third all-time, behind Johnny Unitas (47) and Drew Brees (47-current).
- Brady had at least one touchdown pass in all 16 games in each of the last two seasons and has thrown for at least one in each of the first four games of 2012. Brady and Brees are the first two quarterbacks to throw for at least one touchdown pass in all 16 games for two straight seasons.

ROB GRONKOWSKI

- Rob Gronkowski (10 touchdowns in 2010 and 18 in 2011) can become the first tight end in NFL history with three straight 10-plus touchdown seasons. Gronkowski and Antonio Gates (13 in 2004 and 10 in 2005) are the only tight ends to have back-to-back 10-plus touchdown seasons. Gronkowski has three touchdowns in the first four games of 2012.
- If Gronkowski has another 10-touchdown season in 2012, he will join 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 seasons overall.
- Gronkowski has 30 receiving touchdowns and 31 touchdowns overall (30 receiving and 1 rushing) since 2010. The NFL record for most receiving touchdown in a player's first three NFL seasons is 43 by Randy Moss and the NFL record for most touchdowns overall by a player in his first three NFL seasons is 47 by Barry Sanders (4 receiving and 43 rushing).

WES WELKER

- If Wes Welker reaches 100 receptions in 2012, he will become the first player in NFL history with five 100-catch seasons.
- Welker enters 2012 tied with Cris Carter and Reggie Wayne for fourth place all-time with 14 10-plus reception games. Jerry Rice is in first place with 17 10-reception games, followed by Marvin Harrison (16) and Andre Johnson (15).
- Welker is in fourth place all-time with 14 10-plus reception games. Jerry Rice in his first place with 17 10-receptions games, followed by Marvin Harrison (16) and Andre Johnson (15).
- Welker needs three games with 10 receptions and 100 receiving yards to become the NFL's all-time career leader. Welker has 13 games with at least 10 catches and 100 receiving yards in his career and can surpass Andre Johnson (14), Marvin Harrison (14) and Jerry Rice (15) for the most such games in NFL history.

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 67-14 (.827) at Gillette Stadium in regular season games and a 76-16 (.826) record including playoffs.

BEST HOME RECORDS SINCE 2002

(including playoffs)

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	76	16	0	.826
Baltimore	65	21	0	.756
Pittsburgh	65	23	1	.736
Indianapolis	66	25	0	.725
San Diego	58	29	0	.667
Green Bay	59	30	0	.663
Seattle	58	30	0	.659
Philadelphia	57	33	0	.633

PATRIOTS ARE 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 67-14 (.827) at Gillette Stadium in regular season games.

The teams with the highest winning percentage at a stadium since 1970 (minimum 25 games):

Team	Stadium	W-L-T	WIN PCT.
New England	Gillette Stadium	67-14	.827
Miami	Orange Bowl	101-22-1	.819
Pittsburgh	Heinz Field	66-22-1	.747
Minnesota	Metropolitan Stadium	64-23-1	.733
LA Rams	Memorial Coliseum	53-20-2	.726

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	Nov. 26, 2006	Sept. 7, 2008
10	Sept. 18, 1976	Oct. 30, 1977

NFL'S BEST ROAD WARRIORS

Since the start of the 2000 season, the Patriots have the best regular-season road record at 65-34 (.656).

TEAM RECORD PCT.

New England	64-34	.656
Philadelphia	63-34-1	.647
Indianapolis	59-38	.608
Pittsburgh	58-40	.592

TOM BRADY AND WELKER SCORE ON A 99-YARD PASS

Tom Brady connected with Wes Welker on a 99-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter of the 2011 season-opener at Miami (9/12/11). The 99-yard play tied the NFL record for the longest offensive play, which has been accomplished 14 times.

(13) 99-YARD PASS PLAYS

Frank Filchock to Andy Farkas, Wash. vs. Pitt. – Oct. 15, 1939
 George Izo to Bobby Mitchell, Wash. vs. Clev. – Sept. 15, 1963
 Karl Sweetan to Pat Studstill, Det. vs. Balt. – Oct. 16, 1966
 Sonny Jurgensen to Gerry Allen, Wash. vs. Chic. – Sept. 15, 1968
 Jim Plunkett to Cliff Branch, LA Raiders vs. Wash. – Oct. 2, 1983
 Ron Jaworski to Mike Quick, Phil. vs. Atl. – Nov. 10, 1985
 Stan Humphries to Tony Martin, SD. vs. Sea.. -Sept. 18, 1994
 Brett Favre to Robert Brooks, GB vs. Chic. – Sept. 11, 1995
 Trent Green to Marc Boerigter, KC vs. SD. – Dec. 22, 2002
 Jeff Garcia to Andre Davis, Clev. vs. Cin. – Oct. 17, 2004
 Gus Ferrotte to Bernard Berrion, Minn. vs. Chi. – Nov. 30, 2008
Tom Brady to Wes Welker, NE at Mia. – Sept. 12, 2011
 Eli Manning to Victor Cruz, NY Giants at NY Jets – Dec. 24, 2011

(1) 99-YARD RUN PLAY

Tony Dorsett, Dal. vs. Minn.- Jan. 3, 1983



PATRIOTS SUSTAINING SUCCESS

PATRIOTS ARE MOST FREQUENT SUPER BOWL TEAM OVER LAST 30 YEARS

The Patriots won their seventh conference championship since the 1985 season, and have won more conference titles than any other team over the last 30 years (since 1982). Additionally, the Patriots' six conference titles over the last 25 years are two more than the next closest teams, 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) and over the last 10 years (4) than any other team. The Patriots' two conference titles in the last five years are tied with Pittsburgh and the New York Giants for the most over that span.

Most Conference Championships in Last 5 Years (2007-2011)

New England	2
Pittsburgh.....	2
N.Y. Giants.....	2
New Orleans.....	1
Indianapolis.....	1
Green Bay.....	1
Arizona.....	1

Most Conference Championships in Last 10 Years (2002-2011)

New England	4
Pittsburgh.....	3
Indianapolis.....	2
N.Y. Giants.....	2
9 Other Teams.....	1

*-Pending Results of 2011 NFC Championship Game

Most Conference Championships in Last 15 Years (1997-2011)

New England	5
Pittsburgh.....	3
N.Y. Giants.....	3
Denver.....	2
Green Bay.....	2
Indianapolis.....	2
St. Louis Rams.....	2

Most Conference Championships in Last 20 Years (1992-2011)

New England	6
Pittsburgh.....	4
Dallas.....	3
Green Bay.....	3
N.Y. Giants.....	3
Buffalo.....	2
Denver.....	2
Indianapolis.....	2
St. Louis.....	2

Most Conference Championships in Last 25 Years (1987-2011)

New England	6
Buffalo.....	4
Denver.....	4
Pittsburgh.....	4
N.Y. Giants.....	4
Dallas.....	3
Green Bay.....	3
San Francisco.....	3

Most Conference Championships in Last 30 Years (1982-2011)

New England	7
Denver.....	5
N.Y. Giants.....	5
Buffalo.....	4
Pittsburgh.....	4
San Francisco.....	4
Washington.....	4
Dallas.....	3
Green Bay.....	3

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR ME LATELY?

Since the 2009 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 2010 season, the Patriots have the NFL's highest winning percentage and have scored the most points in the NFL. Since 2011, the Patriots are tied for the third-best winning percentage and have scored the second-most points.

HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 2009

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
New England Patriots	39	13	0	.750	1592	1032
Green Bay Packers	38	14	0	.731	1494	977
New Orleans Saints	37	15	0	.712	1551	1117
Baltimore Ravens	36	16	0	.692	1247	880
Atlanta Falcons	36	16	0	.692	1303	1039
Pittsburgh Steelers	34	17	0	.667	1145	858
San Diego Chargers	33	19	0	.635	1401	1090
Philadelphia Eagles	32	20	0	.615	1330	1125

HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 2010

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
New England Patriots	29	7	0	.806	1165	747
Green Bay Packers	27	9	0	.750	1033	680
Baltimore Ravens	27	9	0	.750	856	619
Atlanta Falcons	27	9	0	.750	940	714
Pittsburgh Steelers	25	10	0	.714	777	534
New Orleans Saints	24	12	0	.667	1041	776
San Francisco 49ers	22	14	0	.611	789	640
Chicago Bears	22	14	0	.611	795	695

HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 2011

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
New England Patriots	15	5	0	.750	647	434
Green Bay Packers	17	3	0	.850	645	440
San Francisco 49ers	16	4	0	.800	484	294
Baltimore Ravens	15	5	0	.750	499	349
Houston Texans	14	6	0	.700	507	334
Atlanta Falcons	14	6	0	.700	526	426
Pittsburgh Steelers	13	6	0	.684	402	302
New Orleans Saints	13	7	0	.650	657	469

MOST POINTS SCORED SINCE 2009

Team	Points
New England Patriots	1592
New Orleans Saints.....	1551
Green Bay Packers.....	1494
San Diego Chargers.....	1401
Philadelphia Eagles.....	1330
Atlanta Falcons.....	1303
New York Giants.....	1301
Houston Texans.....	1285

MOST POINTS SCORED SINCE 2010

Team	Points
New England Patriots	1165
New Orleans Saints.....	1041
Green Bay Packers.....	1033
San Diego Chargers.....	947
Atlanta Falcons.....	940
Detroit Lions.....	936
Philadelphia Eagles.....	901
New York Giants.....	899

MOST POINTS SCORED SINCE 2011

Team	Points
New England Patriots	647
Green Bay Packers.....	645
Detroit Lions.....	574
Atlanta Falcons.....	526
Houston Texans.....	507
San Diego Chargers.....	506
New York Giants.....	505



INSIDE THE NUMBERS

BY THE NUMBERS

3

The number sacks in four games by first round pick DE Chandler Jones.

6

The number of 20-yard runs by RB Stevan Ridley. Since 2000, Corey Dillon and Antowain Smith are tied with 13 runs of 20 or more, followed by Laurence Maroney (11), Kevin Faulk (10) and Sammy Morris (9).

8.6

The average of rookie Brandon Bolden on 16 carries for 137 yards at Buffalo (9/30), tied for the third highest among Patriots players with at least 15 carries in a game.

12.5

Since the beginning of 2010, Rob Ninkovich leads the Patriots with a total of 12.5 sacks.

20

The number of rushing yards the Patriots defense held Tennessee to in the 2012 season opener – tied for fifth-lowest total in team history.

28

The number of receptions of 25 or more yards by WR Brandon Lloyd since 2010, tied with Calvin Johnson for third, behind Mike Wallace (30) and DeSean Jackson (31).

30

The number of touchdown receptions by TE Rob Gronkowski since he entered the NFL in 2010, the most in the NFL in that time span. The NFL record for most touchdown receptions in a player's first three NFL season is 43 by Randy Moss.

122

The number of receptions in 2011 by WR Wes Welker. With 122 in 2011 and 123 in 2009, Welker joins Cris Carter as the only two NFL players with at least 120-plus receptions twice in their careers.

145

The loss to Baltimore (9/23) ended the Patriots run of 145 consecutive games at .500 or better, the longest such streak in NFL history. Dallas had the second longest streak ever with 115 games at .500 or better (1965-1974).

157

The number of games the Patriots have gone without suffering a three-game losing streak, the longest in the NFL. Atlanta is second with 69 straight games.

580

The number of total yards in offense that the Patriots had at Buffalo (9/30/12), the fourth highest in team history and the ninth time under Bill Belichick that the Patriots offense had a game with at least 500 yards in total offense.

TOM BRADY BY THE NUMBERS

1

Tom Brady became the first player to follow a 500-yard performance with a 400-yard performance after Brady had back-to-back games with 517 yards and 423 yards to start 2011.

4

The number of seasons that Brady has reached 4,000 passing yards. His four 4,000-yard seasons are tied with Warren Moon and Philip Rivers for the fifth most in NFL history.

6

Brady became the sixth NFL quarterback in NFL history to have 30 or more touchdowns passes in at least three seasons after reaching 30 vs. Indianapolis (12/4) in 2011.

7

Brady has thrown for 300 yards in seven out of the last eight regular season games, dating back to the 2011 season.

13

Tom Brady is one of 13 quarterbacks in NFL history to throw for 500 or more yards after he passed for 517 in the 2011 opener at Miami.

TOM BRADY BY THE NUMBERS

14

Tom Brady (41,206) is one of 14 quarterbacks in NFL history to reach at least 40,000 passing yards.

20

The number of times Tom Brady has earned AFC Offensive Player of the Week honors. He earned the award in each of the first two weeks of the 2011 season and in Week 16.

36

The number of consecutive games that Brady has thrown at least one touchdown pass, tied with Brett Favre for third best behind 47 by Johnny Unitas and 47 by Drew Brees.

48

The number of regular season 300-yard passing games by Tom Brady, a team record.

98

The number of times that Brady has thrown two or more touchdowns in a game. The Patriots are 83-15 when he throws for two or more touchdowns.

126

The number of wins that Brady has as a starting quarterback for fifth place. Brady reached the 100-win milestone in the fewest number of starts (131) among all quarterbacks in the modern era and the 125 career wins in the fewest starts (160).

5,235

The number of passing yards by Brady in 2011, the second most in a season in NFL history.

THE KRAFT ERA

3

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. Only Denver (2; 1997 and 1998), Pittsburgh (2; 2005 and 2008) and the NY Giants (2; 2007 and 2011) have won multiple Super Bowl titles since 1994.

6

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.

11

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

13

The number of playoff seasons earned by the Patriots in the 18 seasons since Robert Kraft purchased the team.

19

The number of playoff games 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 ranks second with 17 playoff wins over that span.

29

The number of playoff games the Patriots have appeared in since 1994, the most in the NFL. Pittsburgh has the second most with 27.

196

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

THE BELICHICK ERA

4

Bill Belichick is one of just four coaches to win three championships since the Super Bowl era began. Belichick joins three members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame in the exclusive club (Chuck Noll 4, Joe Gibbs 3 and Bill Walsh 3). Belichick is the only coach to win three Super Bowls in the post-1993 salary cap era and the only one to ever win three in four years.

194

Bill Belichick has 194 career victories as a head coach, including playoff games for 8th place all-time.



BILL BELICHICK NEWS & NOTES

THE HEAD COACH

18th season as head coach • 38th NFL season

Overall Record: 194-106 (.647)

Regular Season: 177-99 (.641)

Postseason: 17-7 (.708)

With Patriots overall: 157-61 (.720)

Super Bowl Titles: 5 (86, 90, 01, 03, 04)

Conf. Titles: 8 (86, 90, 96, 01, 03, 04, 07, 11)

Division Titles: 16 (75, 78, 86, 89, 90, 96, 98, 01, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 09, 10, 11)



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 and the first since the NFL established a 16-game schedule in 1978.

BELICHICK LEADS TEAM TO 11TH STRAIGHT WINNING RECORD

Bill Belichick has led the Patriots to a winning record for 11 consecutive seasons (2001-2011). 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).

BELICHICK BECOMES FIRST COACH WITH NINE STRAIGHT SEASONS OF 10 WINS

Bill Belichick is the first coach in NFL history with nine straight seasons with at least 10 victories after guiding the Patriots to nine 10-plus seasons from 2003 through 2011.

BELICHICK FIRST IN NFL HISTORY WITH 13-PLUS WINS IN FIVE DIFFERENT SEASONS

Bill Belichick is the first head coach in NFL history with 13 or more wins in five different seasons.

2003	14-2
2004	14-2
2007	16-0
2010	14-2
2011	13-3

BELICHICK SIX WINS AWAY FROM 200

Bill Belichick needs six more wins to become the eighth NFL coach with 200 career victories. He is currently in eighth place. Dan Reeves is in seventh place with 201 career wins.

MOST WINS NFL COACHES

Head Coach	Team(s)	Years of service	Record
1. Don Shula	BAL, MIA	33	347-173-6
2. George Halas	Chicago	40	324-151-31
3. Tom Landry	Dallas	29	270-178-6
4. Curly Lambeau	GB,Cards, WAS	33	229-134-22
5. Chuck Noll	Pittsburgh	23	209-156-1
6. M. Schottenheimer	CLE,KC,WAS,SD	21	205-139-1
7. Dan Reeves	DEN,NYG,ATL	23	201-174-2
8. Bill Belichick	CLE, NE	18	194-106-0
9. Chuck Knox	LAR,BUF,SEA	22	193-158-1
10. Bill Parcells	NYG,NE,NYJ,DAL	19	183-138-1
11. Mike Holmgren	GB, SEA	17	174-122-0
12. Joe Gibbs	Washington	16	171-101-0
13. Paul Brown	CLE, CIN	21	170-108-6

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, New York 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 (Super Bowl IX, X, XIII, XIV)
Bill Walsh	San Francisco 49ers (Super Bowl 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	NE	152	50	0	.752
Tony Dungy	TB/IND	101	41	0	.711
John Harbaugh	BAL	52	25	0	.675
Mike Tomlin	PIT	61	30	0	.670

AMONG THE GREATS

Bill Belichick has recorded 194 career wins, which ranks 8th all-time in NFL history. Belichick owns a career winning percentage of .647, 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	1991-95,00-12	194	106	0	.647
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.

SUPER SUCCESS

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

MOST SUPER BOWL VICTORIES

Head Coach	Team	Titles	Seasons
Chuck Noll	PIT	4	1974, 1975, 1978, 1979
Bill Belichick	NE	3	2001, 2003, 2004
Joe Gibbs	WAS	3	1982, 1987, 1991
Bill Walsh	SF	3	1981, 1984, 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

Coach	Team(s)	Wins
Tom Landry	.....Dallas Cowboys	20
Don Shula	.....Baltimore Colts, Miami Dolphins	19
Bill Belichick	.....Cleveland Browns, New England Patriots	17
Joe Gibbs	.....Washington Redskins	17
Chuck Noll	.....Pittsburgh Steelers	16

POSTSEASON PROWESS

BEST POSTSEASON RECORDS IN NFL HISTORY (minimum of 10 games)

Head 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
Bill Belichick	CLE/NE	17	7	.708
Joe Gibbs	Washington	17	7	.708

BELICHICK IS GOOD IN DECEMBER

Bill Belichick is 43-7 (.860) 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).

BELICHICK NAMED COACH OF THE YEAR 3 TIMES

The Associated Press named Bill Belichick the NFL's Coach of the Year for 2010. It was the third time that Belichick earned the honor. He was also named Coach of the Year following the 2003 and 2007 seasons. Belichick joins Don Shula (4-time winner) and Chuck Knox as the only three-time winners.

BELICHICK FIRST WITH 14 WINS IN FOUR SEASONS

Bill Belichick guided the Patriots to an NFL-best 14-2 record in 2010. Belichick is 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.



TOM BRADY NEWS & NOTES

RECORDING SUCCESS

Tom Brady has quarterbacked the Patriots to victories in 126 of his 163 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.



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

Player	Team(s)	Years	W	L	T	Pct.
Tom Brady	NE	2000-12	126	37	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	126	37	0	.773
Matt Ryan	ATL	47	19	0	.712
Ben Roethlisberger	PIT	81	35	0	.698
Joe Flacco	BAL	47	21	0	.691
Peyton Manning	IND/DEN	143	69	0	.674
Philip Rivers	SD	66	34	0	.660
Aaron Rodgers	GB	43	23	0	.652

MOST CAREER WINS AS A STARTER

(Regular season only) Bold Indicates active players

Rk	Name	W	L	T	Pct.
1.	Brett Favre	186	112	0	.624
2.	John Elway	148	82	1	.643
3.	Dan Marino	147	93	0	.613
4.	Peyton Manning	143	69	0	.674
5.	Tom Brady	126	37	0	.773
6.	Fran Tarkenton	124	109	6	.531
7.	Johnny Unitas	119	64	4	.647
8.	Joe Montana	117	47	0	.713
9.	Terry Bradshaw	107	51	0	.677
10.	Warren Moon	102	101	0	.510

BRADY REACHES 5,000 YARDS IN 2011

Brady set a franchise record with 5,235 passing yards and joined Drew Brees (5,476 in 2011 and 5,069 in 2008), Dan Marino (5,084 in 1984) and Matthew Stafford (5,038 in 2011) as the only players in NFL history to reach 5,000 passing yards in a single season. Brady surpassed his previous career high of 4,806 passing yards in 2007.

Most Passing Yards in a season

5,476	Drew Brees, New Orleans in 2011
5,235	Tom Brady, Patriots in 2011
5,084	Dan Marino, Miami in 1984
5,069	Drew Brees, New Orleans in 2008
5,038	Matthew Stafford, Detroit in 2011

NFL RECORD FOR MOST PASSING YARDS PER GAME/SEASON

Player	Team	Year	Yards/Game
Drew Brees	New Orleans	2011	342.3
Tom Brady	Patriots	2011	332.8

BRADY BECOMES SECOND PLAYER WITH TWO OR MORE SEASONS OF 39-PLUS TDS

Brady finished the 2011 season with 39 touchdown passes, marking the second highest total of his career, trailing the NFL-record of 50 he had in 2007. Brady joins Dan Marino as the only players in NFL history with at least two different seasons with 39 or more touchdown passes.

The Players with the Most Touchdown Passes in a single season in NFL history

Player	Team	Season	TDs
Tom Brady	Patriots	2007	50
Peyton Manning	Indianapolis	2004	49
Dan Marino	Miami	1984	48
Drew Brees	New Orleans	2011	46
Aaron Rodgers	Green Bay	2011	45
Dan Marino	Miami	1986	44
Matthew Stafford	Detroit	2011	41
Kurt Warner	St. Louis	1999	41
Tom Brady	Patriots	2011	39
Daunte Culpepper	Minnesota	2004	39
Brett Favre	Green Bay	1996	39

BRADY TIED NFL MARK WITH 13 STRAIGHT GAMES WITH TWO OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS

Brady threw for one touchdown against the Jets (10/9/11), snapping his streak of 13 straight games with two or more touchdown passes. Brady's streak of 13 straight games with two or more touchdowns is tied with Peyton Manning's 2004 total and Aaron Rodgers' 2011 total for the longest such streak in NFL history.

BRADY HAS 16 CAREER 4-TD GAMES AFTER GETTING TWO IN 2011

Brady's four touchdowns at Buffalo (9/25/11) marked his 12th game with four touchdown passes. He has thrown four or more touchdowns in a game 16 times with 12 four-touchdown games, two five-touchdown games and two six-touchdown games.

Most Games with 4+ Touchdown Passes

PLAYER	4+ TD Games
1. Brett Favre	23
2. Peyton Manning	22
3. Dan Marino	21
4. Johnny Unitas	17
5. Tom Brady	16
5. Drew Brees	16

CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH AT LEAST ONE TOUCHDOWN PASS CONTINUES FOR BRADY

Brady has now thrown at least one touchdown pass in 36 straight regular season games to extend a team mark. Brady's 36 straight games are tied with Brett Favre for third all-time, behind Johnny Unitas (47) and Drew Brees (47-current).

Most Consecutive Games, Touchdown Passes

Player	Games
Johnny Unitas (1956-60)	47
Drew Brees (2009-current)	47
Tom Brady (2010-current)	36
Brett Favre (2002-04)	36
Dan Marino (1985-87)	30

BRADY GOES OVER 300 YARDS FOR THE 48th TIME IN HIS CAREER

Brady had his 48th NFL game with 300 or more yards passing at Buffalo (9/30/12) and ranks third among active NFL quarterbacks, behind NFL-leader Peyton Manning (65) and Drew Brees (60). The Patriots are 40-8 when Brady throws for 300 or more yards.

NFL QUARTERBACK 300-YARD GAMES (*ACTIVE)

Player	300-Yard Games
Peyton Manning*	65
Dan Marino	63
Brett Favre	62
Drew Brees*	60
Kurt Warner	52
Dan Fouts	51
Warren Moon	49
Tom Brady*	48
Joe Montana	39

Brady had a career-best 11 300-yard games in the 2011 season which is the second most 300-yard games in a single season. The NFL record for most 300-yard games in a season was set by Drew Brees in 2011.

MOST CAREER TOUCHDOWN PASSES

MOST TOUCHDOWNS CAREER

(regular season only) Bold Indicates active players

Rank	Name	Touchdowns
1.	Brett Favre	508
2.	Dan Marino	420
3.	Peyton Manning	407
4.	Fran Tarkenton	342
5.	Tom Brady	307
6.	John Elway	300
7t.	Drew Brees	291
7t.	Warren Moon	291
9.	Johnny Unitas	290
10.	Vinny Testaverde	275



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TOM BRADY'S RECORD AS A STARTER

	Reg. Season	Playoffs	Total
Overall:	126-37	16-6	142-43
Home:	69-12	10-2	79-14
Road:	57-25	6-4*	63-29*

By Yardage Total

Less than 200:	29-13	3-1	32-14
200-299:	57-16	10-4	67-20
300 or more:	40-8	3-1	43-9

Other Records

On Artificial Turf:	66-9	6-4	72-13
Temp. Below 40:	28-3	10-2	38-5
Thanksgiving or later:	49-9	16-6	65-15
Leading at Halftime:	96-10	11-3	107-13
Leading after 3 Qtrs:	103-7	10-3	113-10
Overtime:	7-1	1-0	8-1
Passer rating >100.0:	73-5	7-0	80-5

*Includes five Super Bowls at neutral sites

BRADY SET NFL RECORD FOR LONGEST HOME WINNING STREAK

Tom Brady set an NFL record for most consecutive home wins as a starting quarterback with his 26th straight win in a regular-season home start following the 45-3 win against the Jets (12/06/10) and extended his streak to 31 before it ended with a 24-20 loss against the New York Giants (11/6/11).

MOST CONSECUTIVE REGULAR-SEASON HOME GAMES WON AS A STARTING QUARTERBACK:

Player	Team	Years	Streak
Tom Brady	NE	2006-11	31
Brett Favre	GB	1995-98	25
John Elway	DEN	1996-98	22
Bob Griese	MIA	1971-74	20
Randall Cunningham	PHI	1990-94	20

BRADY AT 30 TOUCHDOWNS...AGAIN

Brady is the second NFL player to have at least 35 touchdowns in three different seasons.

QBs with the most 35+ passing touchdowns in NFL history

Player	35+TD Pass Seasons
Tom Brady	3 (50 in 2007, 36 in 2010 and 39 in 2011)
Brett Favre	3

Brady finished 2011 with 39 touchdowns. He became the sixth quarterback in NFL history to have 30 or more touchdown passes in at least three seasons.

MOST SEASONS WITH 30-PLUS TOUCHDOWN PASSES

Brett Favre	9
Peyton Manning	6
Dan Marino	4
Drew Brees	4
Tom Brady	3
Kurt Warner	3

BRADY REACHES 30 TDS FOR THIRD TIME

Tom Brady (39) reached 30 touchdown passes in 2011. Brady now has three 30-touchdown seasons after throwing for an NFL-leading 36 in 2010 and an NFL-record 50 in 2007. He is one of just 13 NFL players since the 1970 merger to have at least two 30 touchdown seasons. The only other Patriots quarterback to have a 30-touchdown season was Vito Parilli in 1964 when he led the AFL with 31.

BRADY SETS FRANCHISE RECORD WITH 517 PASSING YARDS

Brady set a franchise record with 517 passing yards in the 2011 season-opener at Miami (9/12). The previous high was 426 yards by Drew Bledsoe vs. Minnesota on Nov. 13, 1994. Brady's previous best was 410 passing yards vs. Kansas City on Sept. 22, 2002. Brady is one of 13 NFL quarterbacks to throw for 500 yards or more. His 517 yards are the sixth highest in NFL history.

PLAYER	TEAM	500 YARD GAME
Norm Van Brocklin	LA Rams	554 yards in 1951
Warren Moon	Houston Oilers	527 yards in 1990
Boomer Esiason	Arizona	522 yards in 1996
Dan Marino	Miami	521 yards in 1988
Matthew Stafford	Detroit	520 yards in 2011
Tom Brady	Patriots	517 yards in 2011

BRADY'S COMEBACKS

Brady has engineered 34 career game-winning performances to lead his team to a victory from a fourth-quarter deficit or tie.

Date	Opp.	Score	in Reg.	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Final
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
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
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
02/03/02	STL**	17-17	1:21	8	5	53	0	0	20-17
01/19/02	OAK*	3-13	15:00	27	20	138	0	0	(ot) 16-13
12/16/01	at BUF	6-9	5:57	13	9	116	0	0	(ot) 12-9
12/02/01	at NYJ	14-16	15:00	7	6	56	0	0	17-16
10/14/01	SD	16-26	8:48	18	13	130	1	0	(ot) 29-26

^--Statistics are from the time noted until the end of the game * Divisional Playoffs ** Super Bowl

BRADY IN THE POSTSEASON

NFL ALL-TIME LEADERS / PLAYOFF VICTORIES AS STARTING QUARTERBACK

Player	Team(s)	Playoff Wins
Tom Brady	New England	16
Joe Montana	S.F./K.C.	16
Terry Bradshaw	Pittsburgh	14
John Elway	Denver	14
Brett Favre	Green Bay/Minnesota	12
Troy Aikman	Dallas	11
Roger Staubach	Dallas	11

QBs WITH 3 OR MORE SUPER BOWL VICTORIES

Quarterback	Team	Wins
Terry Bradshaw	PIT	4
Joe Montana	SF	4
Troy Aikman	DAL	3
Tom Brady	NE	3

PLAYERS WITH MULTIPLE SUPER BOWL MVP AWARDS

Player	Team	MVPs
Joe Montana	SF	3
Terry Bradshaw	PIT	2
Tom Brady	NE	2
Bart Starr	GB	2
Eli Manning	NYG	2

TOP QB HOME STARTING RECORDS SINCE 1970 MERGER (includes postseason)

Player	Team(s)	W	L	T	Pct.
Tom Brady	NE	79	14	0	.849
Terry Bradshaw	PIT	75	14	0	.843
John Elway	DEN	104	25	0	.806

BRADY HAD THREE STRAIGHT GAMES WITH 30 COMPLETIONS IN 2011

Brady tied an NFL record with three straight games with 30 completions after completing 32 at Miami (9/12), 31 vs. San Diego (9/18) and 30 at Buffalo (9/25). He shares the record with Drew Brees (2011), Steve Young (1995), Rich Gannon (2002), Kurt Warner (2008) and Peyton Manning (2010). The most 30 completion games Brady has had in a season is five in 2007.



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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 126 wins are the most wins by any coach-QB tandem since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger.

WINNINGEST COACH/QB TANDEM SINCE 1970

(Regular Season Only – by winning percentage)

Quarterback/Head Coach	Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Tom Brady/Bill Belichick	NE	126	37	0	.773
Ken Stabler/John Madden	OAK	60	19	1	.756
Jim McMahon/Mike Ditka	CHI	46	15	0	.754
Peyton Manning/Tony Dungy	IND	73	24	0	.753

WINNINGEST COACH/QB TANDEM SINCE 1970

(Regular Season Only – by victories)

Quarterback/Head Coach	Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Tom Brady/Bill Belichick	NE	126	37	0	.773
Dan Marino/Don Shula	MIA	116	68	0	.630
Terry Bradshaw/Chuck Noll	PIT	107	51	0	.601

TOM BRADY EARNS 20TH AFC OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK AWARD

Tom Brady was named the AFC Offensive Player of the Week after leading the Patriots on five straight second half scoring drives to help rally the Patriots from a 17-0 deficit to a 27-24 win vs. Miami (12/24/11). He also earned the award after throwing for 517 yards and four touchdowns, including a 99-yard touchdown pass to Wes Welker in Week 1 at Miami (9/12/11) and in Week 2 after a 423-yard effort with three touchdowns vs. San Diego (9/28/11). Brady has the second-most Player of the Week awards earned by a player since the accolade was instituted in 1984. He is the first player to earn AFC Offensive Player of the Week honors in back-to-back weeks to open a season. He joins Panthers kicker John Kasey (Special Teams, 1996) as the only players to garner consecutive Player of the Week laurels in Week 1 and Week 2 of the same year.

THE PLAYERS WITH THE MOST CAREER PLAYER OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Player	Career	Team	POW Awards
Peyton Manning	1998-present	Colts/Broncos	21
Tom Brady	2000-present	Patriots	20
Dan Marino	1983-1999	Dolphins	18
Brett Favre	1991-present	Packers, Jets, Vikings	16
John Elway	1983-1998	Broncos	15

BRADY SETS NFL RECORD FOR MOST PASS ATTEMPTS WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION

Tom Brady extended his streak to 358 consecutive regular season pass attempts without an interception in the season-opener before throwing his first interception since Oct. 17, 2010 in the 2011 opener at Miami game (9/12). 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
284	Alex Smith (San Francisco)	2011-present
279	Jeff George (IND/ATL)	1993-94
277	Rich Gannon (Oakland)	2001
271	Jason Campbell (Washington)	2007-08

BRADY HAD 11 STRAIGHT STARTS WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION

Brady finished the 2010 season with 11 straight starts without an interception. That is the most consecutive starts without an interception in the NFL since the 1970 merger. The previous best was nine straight starts by Jason Campbell (2007-08) and Bernie Kosar (1991).

BRADY IS PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LEADING PASSER

Tom Brady passed Drew Bledsoe at New Orleans (11/30/09) to become the Patriots all-time passing yardage leader and currently has 41,206 career passing yards.

PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LEADING PASSERS

Player	YEARS	ATT	COMP	YARDS
Tom Brady	2000-12	5,475	3,496	41,206
Drew Bledsoe	1993-01	4,518	2,544	29,657
Steve Grogan	1975-90	3,593	1,879	26,886

BRADY SETS NFL RECORD WITH AT LEAST TWO TOUCHDOWNS AND NO INTERCEPTIONS

Tom Brady set an NFL record by throwing at least two touchdowns without an interception in each of the final nine games of the 2010 season. Brady passed Don Meredith's previous record of six straight games with two or more touchdowns and no interceptions (1965-66).

BRADY REACHED 3,000 YARDS IN 2011 IN JUST NINE GAMES

Brady entered the Jets game on Nov. 13, 2011 with 2,703 yards and added 329 to set the NFL record for most yards through a team's first nine games with 3,032 yards. Brady joins Drew Brees (2011) as the only players to reach 3,000 yards passing in the first nine games of a season. It is Brady's ninth career 3,000-yard season.

Most passing yards through a team's first nine games of a season

Player	Team	Year	Passing Yards
Tom Brady	Patriots	2011	3,032
Drew Brees	Saints	2011	3,004
Phillip Rivers	Chargers	2010	2,944
Rich Gannon	Raiders	2002	2,898
Dan Fouts	Chargers	1982	2,883
Peyton Manning	Colts	2009	2,872

BRADY REACHED 4,000 YARDS IN 2011

Brady reached 4,000 yards passing for the fourth time in his career on an 11-yard touchdown pass to Rob Gronkowski in the first quarter at Washington (12/11). His four 4,000-yard seasons are tied with Warren Moon and Philip Rivers for the fifth most in NFL history. Brady had 4,110 yards in 2005, 4,806 in 2007, 4,398 in 2009 and 5,235 in 2011.

All-time 4,000-yard passing seasons

11	Peyton Manning
6	Dan Marino
6	Drew Brees
6	Brett Favre
4	Tom Brady
4	Warren Moon
4	Philip Rivers

BRADY HAD 423 YARDS AS A FOLLOW-UP TO HIS 517 YARD PERFORMANCE IN MIAMI IN 2011

In the 2011 season opener in Miami (9/12), Brady threw for 517 yards, becoming one of 11 passers in NFL history to break the 500-yard mark. In Week 2 against San Diego (9/18), Brady became the first of those 11 500-yard passers to follow up his 500-yard performance by throwing for 400 or more yards. Before Brady's performance against the Chargers, only Drew Brees (2006) had followed-up a 500-yard game with 300 or more passing yards.

BRADY HAS 8TH GAME WITH 300 YDS AND 4 TDS

Tom Brady had his 8th game with 300 yards or more (326) and 4 TDs (and no interceptions) in a win against the Jets (12/6/10) last season. He became the first quarterback since the 1970 merger has accomplished that feat. Drew Brees has nine such games in his career.

BRADY HAD 14 GAMES IN 2011 WITH 2 OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS

Brady had 14 games in 2011 with two or more touchdowns, tying his franchise record for most games with two or more touchdowns in a season. Brady had 14 such games in 2007. The NFL record for most games with two or more touchdown passes in a season is 15 by Dan Marino in 1984.

BRADY HAS THIRD BEST QB RATING IN NFL HISTORY

Quarterback	Years	Team(s)	Rating
Aaron Rodgers	2005-2012	Green Bay	103.5
Steve Young	1985-99	TB/SF	96.8
Tom Brady	1998-2012	Patriots	96.5
Tony Romo	2004-2012	Dallas	95.9



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BRADY THREW AT LEAST ONE TOUCHDOWN PASS IN ALL 16 GAMES IN 2011 FOR THE SECOND STRAIGHT SEASON

Brady had at least one touchdown pass in all 16 games of the 2011 season. Since the NFL went to a 16-game season in 1978, only seven quarterbacks have thrown for at least one touchdown in each game. Tom Brady and Drew Brees are the first to do so in two straight seasons (2010, 2011).

QBS WITH A LEAST ONE TD PASS IN ALL 16 GAMES IN A SEASON

Tom Brady (New England)	2010, 2011
Drew Brees (New Orleans)	2010, 2011
Daunte Culpepper (Minnesota)	2004
Brett Favre (Green Bay)	2003
Kurt Warner (St. Louis)	1999
Dan Marino (Miami)	1984, 1986
Dave Kreig (Seattle)	1984

*16-game schedule was instituted in 1978

BRADY IS ONE OF SEVEN TO THROW FOR CONSECUTIVE 400 YARD GAMES

Brady is one of just seven NFL quarterbacks to have back-to-back games with 400 or more passing yards.

NFL RECORD FOR MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH 400 OR MORE YARDS PASSING

2 Tom Brady, 2011

- 2 Cam Newton, Carolina, 2011
- 2 Matt Cassel, New England, 2008
- 2 Billy Volek, Tennessee, 2004
- 2 Phil Simms, N.Y. Giants, 1985
- 2 Dan Marino, Miami, 1984
- 2 Dan Fouts, San Diego, 1982

CLASS OF 2000

Tom Brady was the seventh quarterback selected in the 2000 NFL Draft. The Patriots selected him in the sixth round with the 199th overall pick.

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	Sperguson Wynn	Cleveland
6	199	Tom Brady	New England

BRADY BECOMES THE 14TH PLAYER IN NFL HISTORY WITH 40,000 CAREER YARDS

Tom Brady (41,206 passing yards) entered the game at Tennessee needing 21 yards to become the 14th player in NFL history with 40,000 career passing yards and reached the feat on a 28-yard pass to TE Rob Gronkowski in the first quarter.

DEION BRANCH – SUPER BOWL XXXIX MVP

Deion Branch was awarded the Pete Rozelle Trophy as the Most Valuable Player of Super Bowl XXXIX. His 11 receptions in the game tied the Super Bowl record, also achieved by Jerry Rice, Dan Ross and Wes Welker. On the day of Super Bowl XXXIX, Deion called a dozen of his former football coaches to thank them for the support that they gave him throughout his high school, junior college and college careers. Hours after talking to his coaches, he tied the Super Bowl record with 11 receptions and was named MVP of the game. Branch has turned in his biggest performances on the greatest stage in sports, leading all receivers in Super Bowls XXXVIII and XXXIX. He recorded a combined 24 receptions in three games and owns two of the top seven receiving performances in Super Bowl history. His career reception total in the Super Bowl ranks third all-time, trailing only Jerry Rice (33) and Andre Reed (27).

DAN CONNOLLY HAS THE LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN EVER BY AN OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

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 on Dec. 19, 2010. 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 on Nov. 30, 2008 vs. Pittsburgh. Connolly's previous best was a 16-yard return vs. Miami on Nov. 8, 2009.

JULIAN EDELMAN SETS FRANCHISE RECORD WITH A 94-YARD PUNT RETURN FOR A TOUCHDOWN

WR Julian Edelman set a franchise record with a 94-yard punt return for a touchdown in the second quarter vs. Miami (01/02/11). The Patriots' previous longest punt return was an 89-yard touchdown return by Mike Haynes vs. Buffalo on Nov. 7, 1976. Edelman returned his second career punt for a touchdown vs. Kansas City on Nov. 21, 2011 with a 72-yard return. He is the fourth Patriots player with two or more punt returns for a touchdown. He was named AFC Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance against Kansas City.



Most Punt Return Touchdowns/Patriots Career

- 3 Troy Brown
- 3 Irving Fryar
- 2 Julian Edelman**
- 2 Mike Haynes

EDELMAN SETS PATRIOTS RECORD FOR BEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE IN A SEASON

Edelman set a franchise record for the best punt return average in a single season with a 15.3-yard punt return average in 2010. The previous best was a 14.8 punt return average by Mack Herron in 1974. 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

Player	Punt Rt Avg.	Year
Julian Edelman	15.3	2010
Mack Herron	14.8	1974
Troy Brown	14.2	2001

EDELMAN HAS HIGHEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE IN TEAM HISTORY

Edelman has returned 61 punts for 743 yards during his Patriots' career and leads the franchise with a 12.2-yard average.

HIGHEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE, PATRIOTS CAREER (20 Returns)

Player	Punt Rt Avg.	Year
Julian Edelman	12.2	2009-12(61-743)
Mack Herron	12.0	1973-75 (74-888)
Carl Garrett	11.3	1969-72 (43-487)
Wes Welker	10.6	2007-12 (90-956)

EDELMAN GOES 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% 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.



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EDELMAN GOES ON DEFENSE

Late in the fourth quarter of the Patriots' 37-16 win at the Jets (11/13) last season, Edelman was pressed into service on defense and registered his first NFL tackle when he laid a hard hit on RB LaDainian Tomlinson. He continued to see action on defense throughout the season and finished the year with 14 total tackles.

GRONKOWSKI SETS NFL RECORD FOR RECEIVING YARDS BY A TIGHT END

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. New Orleans' Jimmy Graham also broke Winslow's old record, but finished with 1,310 receiving yards, 17 shy of Gronkowski's new record.



Most Receiving Yards by Tight End in the NFL

Player	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 (Raiders)	1,247	1983
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 Receptions by a Patriots Tight End

Player	Rec.	Year
Ben Coates	96	1994
Rob Gronkowski	90	2011
Ben Coates	84	1995
Marv Cook	82	1991
Aaron Hernandez	79	2011

GRONKOWSKI SETS NFL MARK FOR TOUCHDOWNS BY A TIGHT END IN A SEASON

Gronkowski set an NFL record for most touchdowns by a tight end with 18 over all touchdowns (17 receiving and 1 rushing). Gronkowski passed the old mark of 13 receiving touchdowns by Vernon Davis (SF in 2009) and Antonio Gates (SD in 2004). In addition to his 17 touchdown receptions, Gronkowski scored on a lateral in the third quarter vs. Indianapolis (12/4/11) on his first career rushing play.

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

18	Rob Gronkowski	NE	2011	(17 pass, 1 rush)
13	Vernon Davis	SF	2009	(13 pass)
13	Antonio Gates	SD	2004	(13 pass)

MOST TD RECEPTIONS BY A TIGHT END IN A SINGLE NFL SEASON

17	Rob Gronkowski	NE	2011
13	Vernon Davis	SF	2009
13	Antonio Gates	SD	2004

GRONKOWSKI SECOND PATRIOTS TIGHT END TO REACH 1,000 YARDS

Gronkowski became the second tight end in New England Patriots history to go over 1,000 receiving yards in 2011. He moved past TE Ben Coates (1,174 yards in 1994) to set the franchise record for most receiving yards by a Patriots tight end with 1,327 yards. He is the seventh tight end in NFL history to reach 1,200 yards.

GRONKOWSKI BECOMES FIRST PATRIOTS TIGHT END TO RECORD A RUSHING TOUCHDOWN

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.

LEADS AFC IN SCORING; FIRST TIME THAT A TIGHT END HAS LED A CONFERENCE IN SCORING

Gronkowski led the AFC in scoring among non-kickers with 108 points in 2011 and finished second in the NFL to Philadelphia's LeSean McCoy, who had 120 points. It is the first time in NFL history that a tight end has led his conference in scoring and the first time a tight end has led the NFL in touchdown receptions (17).

BACK-TO-BACK 10 TOUCHDOWN SEASONS

Gronkowski scored 10 touchdowns in 2010 and then scored 18 touchdowns in 2011. With back-to-back 10 touchdown seasons (10 in 2010 and 18 in 2011), Gronkowski is the second Patriots player to have back-to-back seasons with 10 or more touchdown reception seasons. Randy Moss had three straight from 2007-09.

CONSECUTIVE 10-PLUS TOUCHDOWN SEASONS / PATRIOTS HISTORY

3 Randy Moss – 2007, 2008, 2009

3 Corey Dillon – 2004, 2005, 2006

2 Rob Gronkowski - 2010, 2011

2 BenJarvus Green-Ellis – 2010, 2011

2 Curtis Martin – 1995, 1996

MOST 10-PLUS TOUCHDOWN SEASONS / PATRIOTS HISTORY

3 Randy Moss – 2007, 2008, 2009

3 Corey Dillon – 2004, 2005, 2006

2 Rob Gronkowski – 2001, 2011

2 BenJarvus Green-Ellis – 2010, 2011

2 Curtis Martin – 1995, 1996

2 Stanley Morgan – 1979, 1986

GRONKOWSKI IS SECOND TE IN NFL HISTORY WITH BACK-TO-BACK 10-PLUS TD SEASONS

Gronkowski is the second tight end ever to have back to back 10-plus touchdown seasons, joining Antonio Gates (2004-05).

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

Rob Gronkowski 10 in 2010 and 18 in 2011

Antonio Gates 13 in 2004 and 10 in 2005

GRONKOWSKI IS SECOND IN NFL HISTORY TO RUSH FOR A TD, CATCH A TD, RECORD A TACKLE AND RETURN A KICKOFF IN THE SAME SEASON

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.

GRONKOWSKI REACHED 20 TDs IN FEWEST GAMES AMONG TEs IN NFL HISTORY

With his two touchdowns vs. Kansas City (11/21), Gronkowski reached the 20 touchdown mark in just 26 career games, the fewest games among tight ends in NFL history.

THE TIGHT ENDS TO REACH 20 TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS 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



PATRIOTS OFFENSIVE NOTES

GRONKOWSKI IS SECOND ON PATRIOTS LIST FOR TOUCHDOWNS BY A TIGHT END

Most Receiving Touchdowns by a Patriots Tight End

Player	TD	Years
Ben Coates	50	1991-99
Rob Gronkowski	30	2010-Present
Russ Francis	28	1975-80, 87-88
Ben Watson	20	2004-09

MOST TD CATCHES BY A PATS TIGHT END

MOST TOUCHDOWN CATCHES IN A SEASON BY A PATRIOTS TIGHT END

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'S 18 OVERALL TDS ARE SECOND MOST BY A PATRIOT IN A SEASON

Gronkowski finished the 2011 season with 18 overall touchdowns (17 receiving, 1 rushing). His 18 overall touchdowns passed Curtis Martin (17 overall in 1996) for the second highest single season total in Patriots history. Randy Moss had a franchise record 23 total touchdowns in 2007.

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Player	Season	TDs
Randy Moss	2007	23
Rob Gronkowski	2011	18
Curtis Martin	1996	17

GRONKOWSKI: NFL TIGHT END RECORD OF SEVEN GAMES OF TWO OR MORE TDS IN 2011

Gronkowski had his ninth game overall with two or more touchdowns and his seventh game in 2011 with two or more touchdowns in the season-finale vs. Buffalo (1/1/12). The seven games with two or more touchdowns extends his NFL record for a tight end. Antonio Gates (San Diego in 2004) and Jerry Smith (Washington in 1967) each had four two-touchdown games. The NFL record for most two-plus touchdown reception games in a season is eight by Randy Moss with the Patriots in 2007. Gronkowski's is tied with Cris Carter (1995) and Jerry Rice (1987) for the second most games with two or more touchdowns in a single season.

MOST GAMES WITH 2+ TD RECEPTIONS/SEASON

8	Randy Moss (Patriots)	2007
7	Rob Gronkowski (Patriots)	2011
7	Cris Carter (Minnesota)	1995
7	Jerry Rice (San Francisco)	1987

GRONKOWSKI LEADS ALL NFL PLAYERS WITH 30 TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS SINCE 2010

Gronkowski's 30 touchdown receptions since the start of the 2010 season are the most among all NFL players during that span. Gronkowski's 31 overall touchdowns since 2010 are second behind Arian Foster's 35 touchdowns.

Most Touchdowns Receptions by a Tight End Since 2010

Player	Touchdowns
Rob Gronkowski	30
Jimmy Graham	19
Antonio Gates	17
Vernon Davis	17
Tony Gonzalez	16
Jason Witten	15
Aaron Hernandez	14

Most Touchdown Receptions Since 2010

Player	Touchdowns
Rob Gronkowski	30
Calvin Johnson	29

GRONKOWSKI SETS TEAM MARK WITH A TD REC. IN SIX STRAIGHT GAMES

Gronkowski set a franchise record with a touchdown reception in six straight games at Washington (12/11/11). The Patriots record for most consecutive games with at least one touchdown overall is seven by Curtis Martin.

GRONKOWSKI HAS 7 CAREER 100-YARD GAMES

Gronkowski registered his seventh career 100-yard game and his first of the 2012 season after finishing with 104 yards on five receptions at Buffalo (9/30/12). In 2011, Gronkowski tied a team mark with five 100-yard games. Ben Coates had five 100-yard games in 1994.

Most 100-yard Games by a patriots Tight End

Player 100-Yard Games

Ben Coates	9
Rob Gronkowski	7

13TH TIME AN NFL TIGHT END HAS 90 RECEPTIONS

Gronkowski finished the 2011 season with 90 receptions, posting the 13th season with 90 or more receptions by a tight end. New Orleans' Jimmy Graham (99) also eclipsed the 90- reception plateau last season.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Rob 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 is currently playing for Denver after spending 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. (Dan is currently out of the NFL).

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

GRONKOWSKI'S 27 TDS ARE SECOND MOST IN FIRST TWO NFL SEASONS

Most Touchdown Catches First Two NFL seasons

No.	Player
28	Randy Moss (Minnesota – 17 and 11)
27	Rob Gronkowski (10 and 17)
25	Bob Hayes (Dallas – 12 and 13)

Gronkowski has 30 touchdown receptions and 31 touchdowns overall since entering the NFL in 2010. The NFL record for most overall touchdowns in a player's first three NFL seasons is 47 by Barry Sanders and the record for most touchdown reception in a player's first three NFL season is 43 by Randy Moss.

GRONKOWSKI IS ONE OF FIVE NFL TIGHT ENDS WITH 90-PLUS RECEPTIONS, 1000-PLUS YARDS AND 10-PLUS TOUCHDOWNS IN A SINGLE SEASON

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

Player	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 (LAR)	92	1,247	12	1983



PATRIOTS OFFENSIVE NOTES

TIGHT END TANDEM

Ron Gronkowski (90) and Aaron Hernandez (79) combined for 169 receptions in 2011, the most by a pair of tight ends in the same season in NFL history. Jason Witten (94) and Martellus Bennett (33) combined for 127 in 2010 with Dallas for the second most. Gronkowski and Hernandez combined yardage total of 2,237 in 2011 is the most by any tight end pair in NFL history.

Most Receptions by Tight Ends, NFL History

Year	Team	Receptions
2011	Patriots	169
1984	San Diego	163
2005	Tennessee	149

Most Receiving Yards by Tight Ends, NFL History

Year	Team	Yards
2011	Patriots	2,237
1984	San Diego	1,927
1983	San Diego	1,886

TIGHT ENDS COMBINE FOR 24 TDs IN 2011

Gronkowski (17) and Hernandez (7) combined for 24 touchdown receptions. In 2010, Gronkowski had 10 touchdown catches, while Hernandez had six. It is the first time in NFL history a tight end tandem has had five or more touchdowns in consecutive seasons.

AARON HERNANDEZ LEARNS FROM HIS BROTHER

The relationship between Aaron Hernandez and his older brother D.J. has taken on many roles over the years: sibling, teammate, role model and surrogate father. They played high school football together – D.J. the star senior quarterback and Aaron, the athletic, but not quite ready, freshman. When their father passed away when Aaron was 17, he relied on his brother even more. "I just followed my brother's footsteps," he told the Providence Journal. "I just tried to follow his work ethic because he did everything the right way. He was always successful." D.J., now a graduate assistant at the University of Miami, has tried to instill hard work and perseverance in his younger brother. It's paying off, as Aaron continues to thrive in the Patriots offense.



HERNANDEZ PUTS UP BIG NUMBERS IN 2011

Hernandez finished the 2011 season with 79 receptions for 910 yards and seven touchdowns. The 910 yards are the fourth best in Patriots history for a tight end and the 79 receptions fifth best in a single season.

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

BRANDON LLOYD OWNS THIRD-HIGHEST SINGLE SEASON RECEIVING AVG.

Brandon Lloyd finished the 2010 season with an 18.8-yard average on 77 receptions for 1,448 yards, the third-highest single season receiving average in NFL history.

HIGHEST RECEIVING AVERAGE SINGLE SEASON (Min. 75 receptions)

Since 1970 NFL Merger			
Player	Team	Year	Avg.
Torry Holt	St. Louis	2000	19.9 (82-1,635)
Roy Green	St. Louis	1984	19.9 (78-1,555)
Brandon Lloyd	Denver	2010	18.8 (77-1,448)

LLOYD WAS BUSY AS A SALESMAN DURING THE NFL LOCKOUT

During the NFL lockout in 2011, Lloyd worked as a sales rep for Re-Steel in Commerce City, Colo., a company that sells specialty metals to the aerospace industry.

STEVAN RIDLEY HAS TWO 100-YARD RUSHING DAYS IN 2012

Stevan Ridley had his first career 100-yard day in the 2012 season opener at Tennessee (9/9) with 125 yards rushing on 21 carries for a 6.0-yard average. He finished with 106 yards rushing on 22 carries for a 4.8-yard average at Buffalo (9/30).

RIDLEY GOES LONG

In the season opener at Tennessee (9/9/12), Ridley had five runs of 15 or more yards (17, 17, 16, 15, 15). No Patriots running back in at least the past 25 years has done that in a single game, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. It is the first time under Bill Belichick that a Patriots running back had five runs of 15 or more yards rushing in the same game. Ridley was the first under Belichick to have four runs of 15 or more yards in the same game when he had runs of 33, 25, 20, an 18 at Oakland on Oct. 2, 2011. Tennessee's Chris Johnson was the last NFL player to have five runs of 15 or more yards in a game (Nov. 27, 11 vs. Tampa Bay).

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.

MATTHEW SLATER: LIKE FATHER LIKE SON

Matthew Slater is one of seven 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)
- Howie Long (class of 2000) – son, Chris Long (STL)
- 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)
- Kellen Winslow (class of 1995) – son, Kellen Winslow (CLE)

DONALD THOMAS: FROM NO HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TO THE NFL

Donald Thomas found football while playing basketball. A former high school baseball and basketball player who had never played football at any level, Thomas often played pickup basketball at the student gymnasium and one day found himself playing with several members of the UConn football team who convinced him to try out for the team. After meeting with coaches, Thomas walked on to the team as a defensive lineman for the scout team in 2003. He red-shirted a year before contributing on special teams. In 2007, he got his chance to play offensive guard, earning All-Big East honors before being selected in the sixth round of the 2008 draft by the Miami Dolphins.

SEBASTIAN VOLLMER MAKES HIS MARK

A native of Kaarst, Germany, Vollmer did not begin playing football until the age of 14 when he started playing for the Dusseldorf club team. Vollmer helped lead his German prep school team to two national football championships. His early football success landed him an appearance in the 2004 Global Junior Championships in San Diego, which led him to a scholarship at Houston. He spoke almost no English when he signed with Houston, but he became fluent in the language as he developed from a 250-pound tight end into a 315-pound lineman who started his final 25 games at tackle for the Cougars. Vollmer's collegiate career created interest from the NFL where the Patriots drafted him in the second round of the 2009 draft. Nicknamed "Seabass" during his playing days at Houston, a nickname that has carried over to the NFL.



WR WES WELKER NEWS & NOTES

WELKER LEADS NFL IN RECEPTIONS SINCE 2007

Wes Welker leads the NFL with 579 receptions since the start of 2007. Welker led the NFL in 2011 with 122 receptions and led the AFC and finished second in the NFL with 1,569 receiving yards. He had 22 more receptions than the next wide receiver (Roddy White (ATL) with 100).



2007-PRESENT NFL REC. LEADERS

Player	Team	Rec.	Yds	TD
Wes Welker	NE	579	6,485	31
Roddy White	ATL	498	6,835	45
Brandon Marshall	DEN/MIA/CHI	497	6,290	34
Reggie Wayne	IND	495	6,528	37

WELKER BECOMES PATRIOTS ALL-TIME RECEPTION LEADER

Welker became the Patriots' all-time leader in receptions on a 25-yard pass from Tom Brady vs. Arizona (9/16/12) in the second quarter. The catch was the 558th of Welker's Patriots career, moving him past Troy Brown (557). Welker now has 579 receptions as a member of the Patriots. On Nov. 13, 2011 vs. the New York Jets, Welker became the third Patriots player to reach 500 receptions as a member of the Patriots, joining Troy Brown (557) and Stanley Morgan (534).

WELKER REACHED 1,000 YARDS FOR A PATRIOTS RECORD FOURTH TIME IN 2011

Welker reached 1,000 yards for the fourth time as a member of the Patriots in a win at the New York Jets on Nov. 13, 2011. He finished the 2011 season with a franchise record 1,569 yards. The four 1,000-yard seasons are the most by a Patriots receiver.

MOST 1,000-YARD RECEIVING SEASONS IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

- 4 Wes Welker (2007-09, 11)**
- 3 Randy Moss (2007-09)
- 3 Stanley Morgan (1979, 1981, 1986)

WELKER SETS FRANCHISE RECORD IN 2011

Wes Welker had a career-high of 1,569 receiving yards in 2011 for a new franchise record. He surpassed Randy Moss, who had 1,493 yards in 2007.

PATRIOTS SINGLE-SEASON RECEIVING YARD LEADERS

Player	Season	Yds	Rec.	TD
Wes Welker	2011	1569	122	9
Randy Moss	2007	1493	98	23
Stanley Morgan	1986	1491	84	10
Wes Welker	2009	1348	123	4
Rob Gronkowski	2011	1327	90	17

WELKER BECOMES 2ND PLAYER IN NFL HISTORY WITH TWO 120-CATCH SEASONS

Welker led the NFL with 122 receptions in 2011, a total that is tied for the fourth-highest single-season total in NFL history. The 120-plus catch season was the second time in Welker's career he has passed the 120-reception mark (123 in 2009 and 122 in 2011), joining Cris Carter (122 in 1995 and 122 in 1994) as the only players to have 120-plus receptions twice in a career.

MOST RECEPTIONS IN A SEASON

Player	Team	Year	Receptions
Marvin Harrison	Indianapolis	2002	143
Wes Welker	New England	2009	123
Herman Moore	Detroit	1995	123
Wes Welker	New England	2011	122
Cris Carter	Minnesota	1995	122
Cris Carter	Minnesota	1994	122
Jerry Rice	San Francisco	1995	122

Most receptions in a season by a Patriots Player

Player	Year	Receptions
Wes Welker	2009	123
Wes Welker	2011	122
Wes Welker	2007	112
Wes Welker	2008	111
Troy Brown	2001	101

WELKER SETS PERSONAL BEST WITH NINE TOUCHDOWNS IN 2011

Welker caught a 24-yard touchdown in the third quarter at Washington (12/11/11) for his personal-best ninth touchdown of the season. His previous best was eight touchdowns in 2007.

WELKER TIED FOR 7TH ON PATS LIST WITH 31 TOUCHDOWNS

Welker (31) is tied with Troy Brown for seventh on the Patriots' all-time receiving list for touchdowns. Irving Fryar is in sixth place with 38 receiving touchdowns.

WELKER FINISHED WITH JUST UNDER 8 RECEPTIONS PER GAME IN 2011

Welker averaged 7.6 receptions per game in 2011, totaling 122 receptions in 16 games. The NFL record for highest average per game in a season is 8.9 by Marvin Harrison in 2002. Harrison in 2002 and Welker in 2009 with 8.8 are the only NFL players to average 8.0 or more receptions per game.

NFL Highest Average Per Game/Season

Player	Season	Average
Marvin Harrison (Indianapolis)	2002	8.9
Wes Welker (Patriots)	2009	8.8
Herman Moore (Detroit)	1995	7.7
Lionel Taylor (Denver)	1960	7.7
Wes Welker (Patriots)	2011	7.6
Cris Carter (Minnesota)	1994	7.6
Cris Carter (Minnesota)	1995	7.6
Jerry Rice (San Francisco)	1995	7.6

EIGHTH TIME IN NFL HISTORY A PLAYER REACHES 1,000 YARDS IN THE NINTH GAME

Welker reached 1,000 yards in the ninth game of the 2011 season. It is an accomplishment that has happened just eight times in NFL history since the 1970 merger and for the first time since Torry Holt accomplished the feat with St. Louis in 2003. Isaac Bruce accomplished the feat two times. All eight times the accomplishment was reached in the ninth game of the season.

PLAYERS WHO REACHED 1,000 RECEIVING YARDS BY TEAMS NINTH GAME OF THE SEASON

Player	Team	Year
Wes Welker	Patriots	2011
Torry Holt	St. Louis	2003
Isaac Bruce	St. Louis	2000
Marvin Harrison	Indianapolis	2000
Isaac Bruce	St. Louis	1995
Michael Irvin	Dallas	1995
Jerry Rice	San Francisco	1990
Wes Chandler	San Diego	1982

WELKER BECOMES FASTEST PLAYER IN NFL HISTORY TO REACH 500 RECEPTIONS WITH ONE TEAM

Welker reached 500 receptions as a member of the Patriots in his 70th game with the team and became the fastest player to record 500 receptions with one team, surpassing Anquan Boldin (80 games with Arizona). He is the fourth player in NFL history with at least 500 catches in a five-year span. Only Marvin Harrison (five times), Cris Carter (twice) and Pro Football Hall of Famer Jerry Rice (once) have accomplished the feat.

THE PLAYERS TO REACH 500 RECEPTIONS WITH ONE TEAM IN THE FEWEST GAMES

Player	Team	Games
Wes Welker	New England	70
Anquan Boldin	Arizona	80

WELKER LED TEAM IN RECEPTIONS FOR FIFTH STRAIGHT YEAR

Wes Welker became the first Patriots player to lead the team in receiving in four straight years after finishing 2010 with 86 receptions. He led the team for a fifth straight season with 122 receptions in 2011. He has now led the team in receiving yards four straight seasons.



WR WES WELKER/OFFENSIVE NOTES

WELKER HAD THREE STRAIGHT 100 CATCH AND 1,000 YARD SEASONS

Welker registered his third straight season with at least 100 receptions (123) and 1,000 receiving yards (1,348) in 2009. Only four other NFL players have had three consecutive seasons of at least 100 receptions and 1,000 yards receiving: Marvin Harrison (4, 1999-02), Brandon Marshall (3, 2007-09), Herman Moore (3, 1995-97) and Jerry Rice (3, 1994-96).

WELKER JOINS RICE AND HARRISON WITH FOURTH 100-RECEPTION SEASON

Welker added seven receptions at Washington (12/11/11) to reach 100 receptions for the season and become the third player in NFL history with four 100-catch seasons. Welker joins Marvin Harrison and Jerry Rice as the only players with four 100-reception seasons.

MOST 100-RECEPTIONS SEASON IN NFL HISTORY

Player	100-reception seasons
Wes Welker	4
Marvin Harrison	4
Jerry Rice	4
Brandon Marshall	3
Herman Moore	3
Andre Johnson	3
Reggie Wayne	3

WELKER: 7.1 CATCHES PER GAME SINCE 2007

Wes Welker is averaging 7.1 receptions per game since joining New England in 2007. His 7.1 average is the highest in the NFL during that time.

MOST RECEPTIONS PER GAME SINCE 2007

(Minimum-20 games)		
Player	Team	Average
Wes Welker	New England Patriots	7.1
Andre Johnson	Houston Texans	6.3
Brandon Marshall	Denver/Miami/Chicago	6.2

WELKER TIES NFL RECORD FOR 10-PLUS CATCH GAMES IN A SEASON WITH SEVEN IN 2009

Welker had seven 10-plus reception games in 2009 season to tie the NFL record for most 10-plus reception games in a single season. Andre Johnson of Houston had seven 10-plus reception games in 2008.

PATRIOTS MOST GAMES WITH 10-PLUS CATCHES

No. of 10-plus reception games for the Patriots

Wes Welker	14
Ben Coates	5
Troy Brown	5

WELKER TIES NFL RECORD WITH THREE GAMES OF 8 RECEPTIONS, 150 YARDS AND A TD

Welker is already tied with six other players as the only players in NFL history to have at least eight receptions, 150 receiving yards and at least one touchdown three times in a single season with three such games in 2011.

PLAYERS TIED FOR NFL RECORD OF THREE GAMES WITH 8+ REC, 150+ YDS, AND 1+ TD IN A SINGLE SEASON

Wes Welker	2011
Randy Moss	2003
Tim Brown	1995
Isaac Bruce	1995
Jerry Rice	1993
Sterling Sharpe	1989
Roy Green	1984

WELKER SETS FRANCHISE RECORDS

Welker had a career-high 217 receiving yards to set a franchise record at Buffalo (9/25/11). The previous record was set by Terry Glenn when he had 214 at Cleveland on Oct. 3, 1999. It is the second 200-yard performance in franchise history. Welker's previous best was 192 yards vs. the New York Jets (11/22/09). Welker's 16 receptions at Buffalo are also a personal best and are tied with Troy Brown for the franchise mark. Brown had 16 vs. Kansas City on Sept. 22, 2001. Welker's previous best were the 15 he had vs. the New York Jets (11/22/09)

WELKER TIED FOR THIRD AMONG ACTIVE PLAYERS WITH 14 10-PLUS RECEPTION GAMES

Welker now has 14 10-plus reception games in his career.

Most Games with 10+ receptions/Active Players

15 Andre Johnson	12 Anquan Boldin
14 Wes Welker	12 Brandon Marshall
14 Reggie Wayne	

MOST GAMES WITH 10+ RECEPTIONS IN NFL HISTORY

17 Jerry Rice	13 Tim Brown
16 Marvin Harrison	12 Anquan Boldin
15 Andre Johnson	12 Brandon Marshall
14 Wes Welker	
14 Cris Carter	
14 Reggie Wayne	

WELKER IS STREAKING

Welker has a streak of 98 straight regular-season games with at least one reception. He has caught at least one pass in each of his 88 games with the Patriots, including seven postseason games. The last time that Welker did not catch a pass in a game was December 24, 2005 when he was with Miami. He has caught at least one pass in 81 consecutive regular-season games with the Patriots to extend a franchise record. TE Ben Coates originally set the record with 63.

WELKER IS NFL LEADER IN YARDS AFTER THE CATCH SINCE 2007

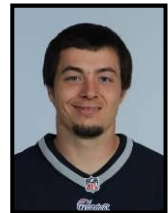
Wes Welker leads the NFL with 3,460 yards after the catch since 2007, 912 yards ahead of second place player, Ray Rice of Baltimore with 2,548 yards.

2007-PRESENT NFL REC. LEADERS

Player	Team	Yards After the Catch
Wes Welker	NE	3,460
Ray Rice	Baltimore	2,548
Darren Sproles	San Diego/New Orleans	2,363

WOODHEAD GOES FROM DIVISION II TO THE NFL

Danny Woodhead was a standout at Division II Chadron State in Nebraska. He averaged 178.9 yards per game and totaled 101 rushing touchdowns during his collegiate career. Woodhead's outstanding junior and senior seasons earned him two Harlon Hill Trophies, the Division II equivalent to the Heisman Trophy. He is one of just three players to ever win two or more Harlon Hill Trophies, joining Texas A&M University-Kingsville running back Johnny Bailey, who won it three times (1987-89) before playing six seasons in the NFL for the Bears, Cardinals, and Rams. Valdosta State University's Dusty Bonner was the only other player to win the Harlon Hill Trophy multiple times (2000 and 2001).



DANNY WOODHEAD SET TEAM MARK FOR RUSHING AVERAGE IN 2010

Danny Woodhead finished the 2010 season with 97 rushes for 547 yards, with his average of 5.64 yards per carry setting a new team record (minimum 90 rushing attempts). Woodhead topped Don Calhoun's previous team mark of 5.59 yards per carry in 1976 (129 attempts for 721 yards).

MOST YARDS PER CARRY / SINGLE SEASON PATRIOTS HISTORY

(Minimum 90 rushes)

Player	Year	Gm	Rush	Yds	Avg.	Lg
D. Woodhead	2010	14	97	547	5.64	36t
Don Calhoun	1976	14	129	721	5.59	54
Mosi Tatupu	1983	16	106	578	5.45	55



PATRIOTS DEFENSIVE NOTES

KYLE ARRINGTON TIED FOR NFL LEAD WITH SEVEN INTERCEPTIONS IN 2011

Kyle Arrington, who had just two interceptions during his entire college career at Hofstra, tied for the NFL lead with a career-high seven interceptions in 2011. The last Patriots player to lead the league in interceptions was Asante Samuel with 10 in 2006. Arrington had two games in 2011 with two picks: at Buffalo on Sept. 25 and vs. Kansas City on Nov. 21.

2011 NFL INTERCEPTION LEADERS

Player	Team	Int	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
Kyle Arrington	NE	7	92	13.1	28	0
Eric Weddle	SD	7	89	12.7	26	0
Charles Woodson	GB	7	63	9.0	30t	1

PATRICK CHUNG'S JOURNEY TO THE NFL

Long before S Patrick Chung picked up flag football as a teen, his mother, Jamaican recording artist Sophia George, had preached about being a tough man in a song. Her hit single, "Girlie Girlie" – a traditional reggae song which pokes fun at a boy who was not man enough – topped the charts in 1985. Chung is aware that among his talents he was born with, such as speed and agility, singing is not one of them. Chung possesses a great sense of pride in his unique heritage – his mother is Jamaican and his father is half Jamaican and half Chinese, was born in Jamaica and moved to California at age 12 where he started to play football as a freshman in high school. Chung went on to star at Oregon, where he holds the distinction of starting more games than any other defensive player in school history with 51 starts. He originally entered the draft as a junior, but ultimately decided to return for his senior season. Pinned to the back of his locker is a reminder of the support he has gotten - a Jamaican flag that represents his family's heritage.



STEVE GREGORY WAS ABOUT TO ENTER THE POLICE ACADEMY UNTIL SAN DIEGO CALLED

Steve Gregory's father and stepmother are New York City police officers and both were on duty during the events of September 11, 2001. Following his college career at Syracuse, Gregory took the test to enter the police academy. He found out he passed the test on the same day that the San Diego Chargers called him to offer him a free agent contract.

DONT'A HIGHTOWER WEARS TEDY 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 the regular season. 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. I'm not too big on fueling the hype, but hopefully I'll be able to go out and play and have as much success as he did."

2012 FIRST ROUND PICK CHANDLER JONES FOLLOWS IN BROTEHRS' FOOTSTEPS

Chandler Jones has two brothers, including Arthur, a fifth-round NFL Draft selection by the Baltimore Ravens in 2010, who was a Syracuse defensive tackle, and John "Bones" Jones, a UFC fighter and the reigning Light Weight Champion.

CHANDLER'S PERK OF BEING IN THE NFL

Chandler Jones was excited to get the Madden football game and play himself: "I've always put myself in Madden Manually, but now that I can actually buy the game and see myself already installed in the game, it's great."

FIRST ROUND PICKS MAKE IMPACT IN 2012 OPENER

Chandler Jones forced a fumble on a 1-yard sack of Tennessee QB Jake Locker in the first quarter and Dont'a Hightower recovered the ball and ran 6-yards for a touchdown in the season opener at Tennessee (9/9/12). It is the first fumble returned for a touchdown for the Patriots since Gary Guyton returned a fumble 35 yards for a touchdown at Chicago on Dec. 12, 2010. It is the first defensive touchdown for the Patriots since Sterling Moore returned an interception 21 yards for a score vs. Buffalo on Jan. 1, 2012. Jones caused an opponent turnover for the second time this season vs. Arizona. Against Arizona, Jones forced Kevin Kolb to fumble on a sack in the second quarter and Tavon Wilson recovered the ball to give the Patriots possession. Jones picked up his third sack in four games in Buffalo when he dropped Ryan Fitzpatrick for a 5-yard loss in the first quarter.

STILL RECEIVING THE LOVE

Kyle Love continues to receive motivation from his father, retired Army colonel Anthony Love. Every game day, his father sends him a text message with words of encouragement to get him excited. His dad has been motivating him since middle school and the message has always remained the same: "Give the coaches a reason to keep you."

KYLE LOVE 'MINI-V' FOLLOWS WILFORK

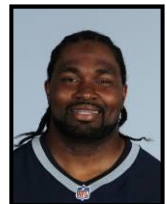
Kyle Love has been looking up to Vince Wilfork since his days at Mississippi State, when his teammates dubbed him "Mini-V" for his resemblance to the Patriots defensive tackle. The nickname led Love to closely monitor Wilfork as he finished his playing days with the Bulldogs. Little did he know that he would get the chance to watch Wilfork from an even closer perspective – lined up next to him on the Patriots defensive line. "I stay close to that guy always. Watch me out here, I'm right beside him, no matter what," Love told the *Boston Globe*. Now that they're on the same team, Wilfork has become an even bigger influence, like a big brother, according to Love.

STERLING MOORE RECORDS FIRST CAREER INTERCEPTIONS

Rookie Sterling Moore intercepted his first pass of his career at the Buffalo 25-yard line in the third quarter in the season-finale (1/1/12). The Patriots converted the turnover into a touchdown to give the Patriots their first lead of the game. He intercepted his second pass in the fourth quarter and returned it 21 yards for a touchdown.

MAYO OVER 100 TACKLES FOR THE FOURTH STRAIGHT YEAR

LB Jerod Mayo finished the 2011 season with 103 tackles, registering 100 tackles for the fourth straight year. He is the first player in New England history to register 100 tackles in his first four NFL seasons. He is the fifth Patriots player to register at least four consecutive 100 tackle seasons.



100 Tackles in at least four consecutive seasons/Patriots

- 6 Fred Marion (1985-1990)
- 5 Lawyer Milloy (1997-2001)
- 5 Vincent Brown (1991-1995)
- 4 Jerod Mayo (2008-2011)**
- 4 Steve Nelson (1979-82)



DEFENSIVE NOTES/SPECIAL TEAMS

MAYO LED NFL WITH 193 TOTAL TACKLES IN 2010

Mayo finished first in the NFL with a career-high 193 total tackles in 2010 with two 19-tackle games: vs. BLT (10/17) and vs. GB (12/19). His 193 tackles are the highest since LB Steve Nelson had 207 tackles in 1984 and are the third highest in team history. Mayo had 10 games in 2010 with 10-plus tackles.

Patriots Single Season Tackle Leaders All-Time

Year	Player	Tackles
1983	LB Clayton Weishuhn	229
1984	LB Steve Nelson	207
2010	LB Jerod Mayo	193
1980	LB Steve Nelson	186

MAYO IS A YOUNG LEADER

Jerod Mayo learned knowledge and discipline are the keys to success while spending afternoons with his three brothers under the supervision of their grandfather, Walter Johnson, a retired Air Force veteran of 30 years. While Mayo's mother worked two jobs, Johnson taught the boys discipline, responsibility and the value of life. Those lessons helped Mayo develop a work ethic and demeanor that has earned him the nickname of "Old Soul" from his teammates. His leadership skills and talent helped him become only the second Patriot to be named AFC Rookie of the Year, earning that title in 2008 to join Michael Haynes (1976)

DOUBLE TROUBLE: CB DEVIN MCCOURTY

After being selected by the Patriots in the first round of the 2010 NFL Draft, CB Devin McCourty became part of a select group in league history. McCourty'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 three active sets of twins playing in the NFL.

Current Twins Playing in the NFL

Devin (NE) and Jason McCourty (TEN)

Pat (ARI) and Paul McQuistan (SEA)
Maurkice (PIT) and Mike Pouncey (MIA)

ROB NINKOVICH: 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 years. 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. He finished with 58 total tackles, four sacks, broke up three passes and had 11 special teams stops in 2010. He also had two interceptions, both against his former team, the Miami Dolphins. He tied for the AFC lead in fumble recoveries with three, with the most notable coming at San Diego on Oct. 24, 2010, when he returned a fumble 63 yards, marking the second longest fumble return in team history. He had his second 2-interception game at the New York Jets on Nov. 13, 2011 and returned his second pick 12 yards for a touchdown. Despite his success, Ninkovich told the Brockton Enterprise, "I don't want to get comfortable. You can't get comfortable because the first time you get comfortable, you're out of a job. I'm always uneasy. That keeps you going."



NINKOVICH SCORED AS A TE IN COLLEGE

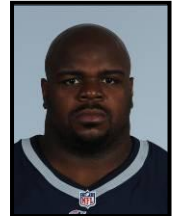
Ninkovich played some at tight end in college at Purdue and caught two touchdown passes with a 2-yard touchdown pass from Dallas QB Kyle Orton and a 1-yard touchdown pass from former Indianapolis QB Curtis Painter.

NINKOVICH SACKS

Since the beginning of the 2010 season, Ninkovich leads the team with a total of 12.5 sacks over that span

VINCE WILFORK REGISTERS FIRST CAREER INTERCEPTIONS IN 2011

Vince Wilfork recorded his first career interception when he picked off QB Philip Rivers in the second quarter vs. San Diego (9/18). He had his second interception at Oakland (10/2) to join Anthony Pleasant (2001) as the only other Patriots defensive lineman to ever record two interceptions in the same season. Wilfork is one of four Patriots defensive lineman to ever record two interceptions overall, joining Pleasant, Richard Seymour and Henry Thomas.



WILFORK SCORES FIRST NFL TOUCHDOWN IN 2011

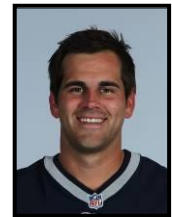
Wilfork recovered a fumble in the end zone at Washington (12/11) for his first touchdown. DE Andre Carter sacked QB Rex Grossman in the end zone and forced a fumble and Wilfork recovered the ball for the Patriots first points in their 34-27 victory.

WILFORK WEARS HIS HEART ON HIS NECK

Wilfork wears No. 75 over his shoulder pads. Underneath hangs a gold chain locket for those who were number one in his heart: his parents. In 2002, parents David and Barbara Wilfork both passed away within five months of each other, leaving the then University of Miami star without his greatest support system. Wilfork, who lost his father to diabetes, has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for diabetes-related causes. His annual draft day fundraiser, a bowling event he has held for eight years, is one of the longest running fundraising events held by a pro athlete in New England. For his charity work, Wilfork was awarded the 2010 New England Patriots Ron Burton Community Service Award. While he will always cherish his National Championship and Super Bowl rings, his constant reminder lies closest to his heart, a picture of his late parents at their high school prom. "I carry them with me wherever I go," Wilfork said of his parents' keepsake. "My parents pushed me to be the best I could be. The things I do and my wife does, we do out of the kindness of our heart, and we do it for the community. I never look for anything in return. My teammates are my second family. My kids, my wife, the New England Patriots – that's all I have."

EVEN STEPHEN

Since joining the Patriots as a fourth-round draft choice in 2006, Stephen Gostkowski has connected on 83.9 percent of his regular-season field goal attempts (151-for-180), achieving the best field goal percentage in Patriots history.



PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LEADERS / FIELD GOAL PCT.

(Minimum 50 Attempts)

Player	Years	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Stephen Gostkowski	2006-12	151	180	.839
Adam Vinatieri	1996-05	263	321	.819
Matt Bahr	1993-95	55	72	.764
Tony Franklin	1984-87	93	125	.744
Jason Staurovsky	1988-91	50	69	.724



PATRIOTS SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

GOSTKOWSKI THIRD IN POINTS

Gostkowski led the AFC and finished third in the NFL with 143 points in 2011. The 143 points are second to the 148 he had in 2008 and the fourth highest in team history. He is third all-time in Patriots history with 756 total points

Most Points/ Patriots History

Player	Points
Adam Vinatieri (1996-05)	1,158
Gino Cappelletti (1960-70)	1,130
Stephen Gostkowski (2006-12)	756
John Smith (1974-83)	69

GOSTKOWSKI SEVENTH BEST EVER IN FG PCT.

Stephen Gostkowski's 83.9 field goal percentage is the seventh-best among NFL kickers all-time.

Player	Years	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Nate Kaeding	2004-12	180	207	87.0
Mike Vanderjagt	1998-06	230	266	86.5
Robbie Gould	2005-12	193	224	86.2
Shayne Graham	2001-12	221	257	86.0
Rob Bironas	2005-12	195	227	85.9
Matt Bryant	2002-12	209	247	84.6
Stephen Gostkowski	2006-12	150	177	84.7

GOSTKOWSKI IS FIRST PATRIOTS PLAYER TO KICK TWO 50-YARD FIELD GOALS IN THE SAME GAME

Gostkowski drilled a 51-yard field goal in the third quarter and a 53-yarder in the fourth quarter vs. Arizona on Sept. 16, 2012. The 53-yarder ties a career-long mark. He also had a 53-yarder at Denver on Nov. 11, 2009. It is the first time in Patriots history that a player has connected on two 50-yard field goals in the same game.

GOSTKOWSKI ONE 50-YARD FIELD GOAL AWAY FROM TYING FOR THE FRANCHISE LEAD

Gostkowski is now 7-of-10 from 50 yards or more as member of the Patriots and needs one more 50-yard field goal to tie Adam Vinatieri for most 50-yard field goals in New England history.

Patriots Record for Most 50 Yard Field Goals

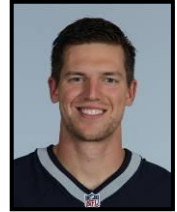
Player	Years	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Adam Vinatieri	1996-2005	8	17	47.1
Stephen Gostkowski	2006-12	7	10	70.0
Tony Franklin	1984-87	3	6	50.0

ZOLTAN MESKO: COMING TO AMERICA

P Zoltan Mesko was born in Timisoara, Romania on the Romania-Hungary border. On Many occasions in 1989, during the communist revolutions, his family was forced to take cover to avoid gun shots from the armies. Even after the fall of the Berlin Wall, his family lived in poverty. His family left Romania when his father won a United States Permanent Resident Card (green card) in the Diversity Immigrant Visa Lottery in 1997 when Mesko was 11. "I survived a war," he noted. "I was coming from a really low point growing up, with communism and a very adverse economic situation. Coming over here, I'm very grateful for where I am. It happens by luck that I am here," he said. "When my dad applied for the green card lottery, there were 20 million applicants and 55,000 winners. That's a percentage in itself that tells you I am lucky to be here."

MESKO DISCOVERS FOOTBALL

An avid soccer player from his days in Romania, Mesko had a strong leg. It was only when he came to America that he discovered his leg could take him places. In eighth grade, Mesko was playing kickball in the gym when he kicked the ball so high that he broke a light fixture. He was given a choice: pay for the light fixture or play football. The choice was an easy one—Mesko decided to play football. His leg would land him numerous Division I scholarships and admission offers from Ivy League schools. From those, Mesko chose to play football at Michigan.



MESKO SETS FRANCHISE RECORD WITH A 46.5 AVERAGE IN 2011

Mesko led the AFC and finished third in the NFL in 2011 with a 41.5 net average. His 46.5 average overall in 2011 is the best in team history, topping the 45.8 average by Tom Tupa in 1997.

MESKO HAS SIXTH-BEST NET AVERAGE IN NFL HISTORY IN 2011

Mesko finished the 2011 season with a 41.5 net average, the sixth-best net average in NFL history. It marked just the 24th time in NFL history that a player finished a season with a net average over 40 yard.

BEST NET AVERAGE IN NFL HISTORY/SEASON

Player	Year	Net Average
Andy Lee (San Francisco)	2011	44.0
Shane Lechler (Oakland)	2009	43.9
Thomas Morstead (New Orleans)	2011	43.1
Donnie Jones (St. Louis)	2009	41.7
Matt McBriar (Dallas)	2010	41.7
Zoltan Mesko (Patriots)	2011	41.5





TEAM NOTES

PATRIOTS SET FRANCHISE RECORD WITH 622 TOTAL YARDS IN 2011 OPENER

The Patriots 622 total yards at Miami (9/12/11) in the 2011 season opener is a franchise record. The previous high was 619 yards vs. Tennessee on Oct. 18, 2009. The Patriots now have two games in their history with 600 or more total yards.

PATRIOTS FORCE TURNOVERS

The Patriots lead the NFL with a +131 turnover margin since the 1994 season, including a league-leading and franchise record +28 in 2010 and an AFC leading +17 in 2011 that was third to San Francisco's +28 and Green Bay's +24. The Patriots +17 was 10 more than the second place AFC team (Houston at +7)

NFL TURNOVER MARGIN SINCE 1994

Rank	Team	Turnover Margin
1.	New England	+131
2.	Kansas City	+90
3.	Green Bay	+69

PATRIOTS SCORE TOUCHDOWNS

The Patriots scored 61 total touchdowns in 2011. That number is third in team history to the 75 scored in 2007 and the 65 scored in 2010. The Patriots have scored 15 games in the first four games of 2012, putting them on pace for 60 touchdowns.

MOST TOUCHDOWNS IN A SEASON / PATRIOTS

75 in 2007
65 in 2010
61 in 2011
52 in 1961 and 1980

PATRIOTS REACHED 400 POINTS FOR THE FIFTH STRAIGHT YEAR

The Patriots finished the 2011 season with 513 points for their fifth straight season of 400 or more points and their second straight season with over 500 points. The 513 points are third in team history. The Patriots are the third team to ever have at least five straight 400-point seasons. Indianapolis had five straight (2003-07) and San Diego has a current streak of eight straight 400 point seasons (2004-11). The Patriots have 134 points so far in 2012, putting them on pace for 536 points.

MOST POINTS SCORED IN A SEASON BY THE PATRIOTS

589 in 2007
518 in 2010
513 in 2011
441 in 1980

PATRIOTS ON POINT

The Patriots averaged 32.1 points per game in 2011. That average ranks third all-time in team history. The Patriots are averaging 33.5 points through four games in 2012.

HIGHEST AVG. POINTS PER GAME BY THE PATRIOTS

36.8 in 2007
32.4 in 2010
32.1 in 2011
29.5 in 1961

PATRIOTS SET FRANCHISE RECORD FOR MOST TOTAL NET YARDS IN 2011

The Patriots finished the 2011 season with 6,848 total net yards, setting a new franchise record for most total net yards in a season. That total is fourth all-time in NFL history.

MOST TOTAL NET YARDS/SEASON PATRIOTS

6,848 in 2011
6,580 in 2007
6,357 in 2009

MOST TOTAL NET YARDS/ NFL

7,474	New Orleans in 2011
7,075	St. Louis in 2000
6,936	Miami in 1984
6,848	Patriots in 2011

WHAT'S THE POINT?

During the past 12 seasons, the Patriots defense has always ranked higher in fewest points allowed than in yards allowed except for 2007 when both ranked fourth. The Patriots finished 15th in the NFL on defense by allowing an average of 21.4 points per game in 2011.

Avg. Points Allowed

2012	23.0 (18)
2011	21.4 (15)
2010	19.6 (8)
2009	17.8 (5)
2008	19.3 (8)
2007	17.1 (4)
2006	14.8 (2)
2005	21.1 (17)
2004	16.3 (2t)
2003	14.9 (1)
2002	21.6 (17)
2001	17.0 (6)
2000	21.1 (17)

Avg. Yds Allowed

2012	366.8 (20)
2011	411.1 (31)
2010	365.5 (25)
2009	320.2 (11)
2008	309.0 (10)
2007	288.3 (4)
2006	294.4 (6)
2005	330.2 (26)
2004	310.6 (9)
2003	291.6 (7)
2002	336.1 (23)
2001	334.5 (24)
2000	334.6 (20)

TOP OFFENSE

The Patriots offense finished second in the NFL in total yards. The Patriots offense has finished in the top 10 five straight seasons. Since the 1970 merger, the Patriots offense has finished in the top 10 a total of 16 times, including seven times under Bill Belichick.

Year Rank

2011	2 (428.0)
2010	8 (363.8)
2009	3 (397.3)
2008	5 (365.4)
2007	1 (411.3)

WELKER AND GRONKOWSKI ARE THE TOP TWO IN THE AFC

Wes Welker (1,569) and Rob Gronkowski (1,327) finished first and second respectively in the AFC in receiving yards IN 2011. They became the first teammates to finish 1-2 in a conference in receiving yards since Torry Holt and Isaac Bruce in 2000 (St. Louis).

TEAMMATES TO FINISH FIRST AND SECOND IN A CONFERENCE

2011	New England	Wes Welker/Rob Gronkowski
2000	St. Louis	Torry Holt/Isaac Bruce
1982	San Diego	Wes Chandler/Kellen Winslow
1980	San Diego	John Jefferson/Kellen Winslow

DIVISIONAL DOMINANCE I

The New England Patriots own a 54-15 (.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	54	15	0	.783
Pittsburgh Steelers	50	20	0	.714
Green Bay Packers	49	20	0	.710
Indianapolis Colts	47	22	0	.681

AFC EAST DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	Div. Titles	Years
New England	54	15	0	.783	9	2001, 03-07, 09-11
New York Jets	36	34	0	.514	1	2002
Miami	29	40	0	.420	1	2008
Buffalo	21	49	0	.300	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).

DIVISIONAL DOMINANCE II

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

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	27	7	0	.794
Indianapolis	25	9	0	.735
San Diego	25	9	0	.735
Green Bay	27	10	0	.730
Pittsburgh	27	11	0	.710



TEAM NOTES

HOME RECORD IN DECEMBER SINCE 2002

With a 20-1 record, the New England Patriots have the best home record in December in the NFL since Gillette Stadium opened in 2002. The Patriots have won 19 straight at home in December. This year the Patriots will play three of their final four regular season games at home.

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	20	1	0	.952
Green Bay	18	4	0	.818
Indianapolis	19	6	0	.760
Denver	13	5	0	.722
Philadelphia	14	6	0	.700

NFL'S TOP DECEMBER RECORD SINCE 2001

The Patriots have an NFL-best 41-5 record in the month of December since the 2001 season, including a 4-0 record in 2011.

Rk	Team	Record
1	New England Patriots	41-5
2	Philadelphia Eagles	35-12
3	Pittsburgh Steelers	34-14
4	Indianapolis Colts	31-17
5	San Diego Chargers	31-18

The Patriots have finished undefeated in December seven times since 2001: (2001 - 4-0), (2003 - 4-0), (2005 - 4-0), (2007 - 5-0), (2008 - 4-0), (2010 - 4-0) and (4-0-211).

BEST RECORDS IN THE FINAL FOUR GAMES OF THE SEASON SINCE 2006

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	22	2	0	.917
San Diego	22	2	0	.917
Philadelphia	19	5	0	.792
Baltimore	18	6	0	.750

STRONG IN THE SECOND HALF

Since 2001, the Patriots have done a remarkable job of finishing the season strong, compiling an NFL-best 69-16 (.812) 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*
Totals	81-32 (.717)	69-16 (.812)	150-48

*-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	T	Pct.
New England	69	16	0	.812
Pittsburgh	58	24	0	.707
Philadelphia	52	29	0	.642
San Diego	45	26	0	.634
Green Bay	49	29	0	.628

PATRIOTS TIE THE NFL RECORD FOR MOST 30-POINT GAMES IN A SINGLE SEASON

The Patriots scored 30 points 12 times in 2011 to tie the NFL record for most 30-point games in a single season. The 2007 Patriots and the 1999 St. Louis Rams also had a dozen 30 point games. The NFL record for most consecutive 30-point games in a single season is eight by the 2007 and 2010 Patriots and the 2000 St. Louis Rams.

TWO PLAYERS WITH 10 OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS FOR SECOND STRAIGHT SEASON

RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis (11) and TE Rob Gronkowski (18) reached 10 or more touchdowns in 2011. It is the second straight season and fourth time in team history that the Patriots have had two players finish with 10 or more touchdowns in a season. In 2010, Gronkowski (10) and Green-Ellis (13) had 10 touchdown seasons. In 1976, Steve Grogan had 12 touchdowns (12 rushing) and Andy Johnson had 10 touchdowns (6 rushing, 4 receiving). In 1974, Mack Herron had 12 touchdowns (7 rushing, 5 receiving) and Sam Cunningham had 11 (9 rushing, 2 receiving).

18 100-YARD RECEIVING PERFORMANCES IN 2011 SET FRANCHISE RECORD

New England had 18 individual 100-yard receiving performances in 2011. That number set a new franchise record, topping the 16 100-yard performances in 2007.

TWO PATRIOTS REACH 1,000 YARDS IN 2011

Wes Welker (1,569) and Rob Gronkowski (1,327) both finished with over 1,000 yards receiving in 2011. It is the fifth time in team history that New England had two players with over 1,000 receiving yards. Welker and Randy Moss had three straight seasons with 1,000 yards (2007-09). Welker and Moss became the sixth group of NFL teammates to have three straight 1,000 yard seasons. The Patriots also had two receivers reach 1,000 yards in 1979.

TWO PLAYERS WITH 100 YARDS FOR THE FIFTH TIME IN 2011

The Patriots had five games with two players over 100 yards receiving in 2011.

2011 games with two receivers reaching 100 yards

- Wes Welker (160) and Aaron Hernandez (103) at Miami (9/12/11)
- Welker (217) and Rob Gronkowski (109) at Buffalo (9/25/11)
- Welker (136) and Gronkowski (101) vs. NY Giants (11/6/11)
- Welker (115) and Deion Branch (125) at Philadelphia (11/27/11)
- Gronkowski (108) and Hernandez (138) vs. Buffalo (1/1/12).

The Patriots have had back-to-back weeks with two receivers over 100 yards so far in 2012 - at Baltimore (9/23) (Wes Welker 142 and Brandon Lloyd 108) and at Buffalo (9/30) (Welker 129 and Rob Gronkowski 106). The Patriots have had back-to-back games with two receivers reaching 100 yards four times in team history.