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DALLAS COWBOYS AT OAKLAND RAIDERS
OAKLAND-ALEMEDA COUNTY COLISEUM – 7:30 P.M. (CST)

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QUICK FACTS:

DALLAS COWBOYS (7-6)
AT
OAKLAND RAIDERS (6-7)
Series Record:
Oakland leads the series 6-5



Last Meeting:
@ Dallas 31, Oakland 24, Nov. 28, 2013

Last Meeting in Oakland:
Oakland 19, Dallas 13, Oct. 2, 2005

Last Cowboys Win:
@ Dallas 31, Oakland 24, Nov. 28, 2013

Series Streak:
Dallas has won the last two.

COWBOYS & RAIDERS

Series Notables:

- * The Cowboys and Raiders have met 11 times with Oakland holding a 6-5 advantage.
- * Oakland is one-of-seven teams that Dallas does not hold a series advantage over, joining Baltimore, Cleveland, Denver, Green Bay, Jacksonville (series tied) and Miami (series tied).
- * Only Jacksonville (six), Baltimore (five) and Houston (four) have faced the Cowboys fewer than the 11 times Oakland has. Dallas has also faced Kansas City and the LA Chargers 11 times each.
- * Eight of the 11 games have been decided by seven points-or-less.

A Cowboys Win Would:

- * Up Dallas' win streak to three games - tied for the longest streak of the season.
- * Close out the Cowboys 2017 record against the AFC West at 2-2, and up it to 24-23 overall.
- * Snap a two-game losing streak in Oakland and serve as Dallas' first win there since the 1995 season (11/19).
- * Serve as Dallas' 32nd win on Sunday Night Football, most all-time.

RADIO & TELEVISION

RADIO

KRLD-FM - 105.3 The Fan

Play-by-Play: Brad Sham Analyst: Babe Laufenberg
Sideline Reporter: Kristi Scales

Tune into 105.3 The Fan for pregame and postgame coverage before and after every Dallas Cowboys game.

KMVK-FM 107.5 Mega (Spanish)

Play-by-Play: Victor Villalba Analyst: Luis Perez
Compass Media Network (National)
Play-by-Play: Kevin Ray Analyst: Danny White

TELEVISION

NBC Sports - KXAS NBC 5 in Dallas/Fort Worth

Play-by-Play: Al Michaels Analyst: Cris Collinsworth
Sideline Reporter: Michele Tafoya

Cowboys Special Edition

KTVT CBS11 in Dallas/Ft. Worth
11:00 p.m. Saturday night

The Jason Garrett Show

KTVT CBS11 in Dallas/Ft. Worth
Saturdays at 11:30 p.m.

Dallas Cowboys Postgame Show

KTVT CBS11 in Dallas/Ft. Worth
11:00 p.m. following every Cowboys game

Cowboys OT

TXA 21 in Dallas/Ft. Worth
7:00 p.m. Game days

Somos Cowboys

Telemundo 39 in Dallas/Ft. Worth
Saturday 10:30 p.m.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec. 12

4:00 p.m. Locker room open

Wednesday, Dec. 13

10:35 a.m. Coach Garrett press conference
11:15 a.m. Practice - first portion open to local media
12:30 p.m. Coach Del Rio conference call
1:45 p.m. Locker room open

Thursday, Dec. 14

10:35 a.m. Coach Garrett press conference
11:15 a.m. Practice - first portion open to local media
1:20 p.m. Coordinators available
1:35 p.m. Locker room open

Friday, Dec. 15

10:35 a.m. Coach Garrett press conference
11:25 a.m. Practice - first portion open to local media
12:45 p.m. Locker room open

Saturday, Dec. 16

1:00 p.m. Team travel to Oakland

Sunday, Dec. 17

7:30 p.m. Kickoff at Oakland

★ JERRY JONES ★ Owner/President/General Manager, 1989-Present 2017 Pro Football Hall of Fame Inductee

Recognized around the NFL as one of his era's most influential and passionate owners, Jerry Jones was selected for induction to the Pro Football Hall of Fame as a contributor in February of 2017 and completed his trek to Canton with the unveiling of his Hall of Fame bust and induction ceremony on August 5, 2017.

In addition to becoming the first NFL owner to lead his franchise to three Super Bowl titles (1992, 93 and 95) in a four year period of time, Jones' efforts in the areas of sports marketing, promotion, stadium development, and network television negotiations created a lasting imprint on the landscape of the NFL and the American sports culture.

Since his purchase of the Cowboys in 1989, the team has won 10 division titles, while advancing to the postseason 14 times and reaching the NFC Championship game four times.

As Dallas' general manager, Jones has overseen personnel efforts that include the acquisition of 47 different players who have combined for a collective total of 142 Pro Bowl appearances. Six Cowboys players from Jones' tenure of ownership have been inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame -- Troy Aikman, Michael Irvin, Emmitt Smith, Deion Sanders, Larry Allen and Charles Haley - while Jones has served as the presenter for three of those men: Irvin, Smith and Allen.

The lasting landmarks to Jones' legacy of promoting and protecting the future of the sport of football can be seen in the conception and construction of AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Texas and The Star in Frisco, Texas. The stadium, which opened in 2009, has a capacity of over 100,000 and is the largest and most technologically sound indoor/outdoor stadium in the world. The Star, which serves as the world training headquarters for the Dallas Cowboys, is a state-of-the-art venue that enjoys a first-of-its-kind partnership with its surrounding community in Frisco, Texas, and the young men and women who compete in athletics at the high school and youth sports levels.

On the league level, Jones has served lengthy stints on nearly every significant NFL ownership committee, including the Competition Committee, the Broadcast Committee, the Management Council's Executive Committee, the Health and Safety Advisory Committee, and he is currently the chairman of the NFL Network and Pro Football Hall of Fame Committees.

Born on October 13, 1942, Jones' connections to the game of football go back to his playing days at North Little Rock High School. He then earned a scholarship to play at the University of Arkansas where he was a co-captain of the 1964 Razorbacks' national championship team.

Jones, who became the 15th NFL owner to be selected for induction into the Hall of Fame, is the only man in football history to both play for a collegiate national championship football team and own a Super Bowl winning club.

Jones was born on Oct. 13, 1942 in Los Angeles, Calif.

JONES' ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- ★ Super Bowl XXVII, XXVIII and XXX Titles
- ★ A collective total of more than 100 years served on
- ★ 15 different NFL ownership committees (1989-present)
- ★ Opening of AT&T Stadium in Arlington, TX (2009)
- ★ Sports Executive of the Year, SBJ (2009)
- ★ AT&T Stadium, SBJ's Sports Facility of the Year (2009)
- ★ NFL Executive of the Year, PFWA (2014)
- ★ Opening of The Star in Frisco, TX (2016)
- ★ Lifetime Achievement Award Winner, SBJ (2017)
- ★ Partnership with Salvation Army (1997-present)





Round Up

A look at this week's top storylines



DALLAS COWBOYS (7-6) AT OAKLAND RAIDERS (6-7) ● SUNDAY, DEC. 17, 2017 7:30 P.M. CST

Player Spotlight

4 DAK PRESCOTT

★ Dak Prescott threw three touchdown passes on Sunday against the Giants, giving him eight career games with at least three touchdowns through the air. In his career, Prescott has posted 44 passing touchdowns to only 13 interceptions, a TD/INT ratio of 3.38, which ranks second all-time among quarterbacks with at least 500 pass attempts:



Rk	Player	Season	Att	Cmp	Pct	TD	Int	TD/Int %
1	Aaron Rodgers	2005-2017(13)	4850	3162	65.2	310	75	4.13
2	<i>Dak Prescott</i>	<i>2016-2017(2)</i>	<i>858</i>	<i>563</i>	<i>65.6</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>3.38</i>
3	Tom Brady	2000-2017(18)	8662	5544	64	482	156	3.09
4	Russell Wilson	2012-2017(6)	2754	1769	64.2	156	56	2.79
5	Tyrod Taylor	2011-2017(7)	1177	736	62.5	49	18	2.72
6	Derek Carr	2014-2017(4)	2152	1323	61.5	99	41	2.41
7	Colin Kaepernick	2011-2016(6)	1692	1011	59.8	72	30	2.4
8	Carson Wentz	2016-2017(2)	1047	644	61.5	49	21	2.33
9	Steve Young	1985-1999(15)	4149	2667	64.3	232	107	2.17
10	Peyton Manning	1998-2015(17)	9380	6125	65.3	539	251	2.15

★ Prescott completed three passes for 50-plus yards in New York (50t, 54, 81t), joining Seattle's Russell Wilson (51t, 54, 61 vs. HOU) as the only two quarterbacks in 2017 to complete three passes for 50-plus yards in the same game.

★ Prescott is only the eighth quarterback since the 1970 merger to post multiple games (2) with 300 passing yards, three scoring throws and no interceptions in his first two NFL seasons, joining Dan Marino (3), Derek Carr (2), Tony Eason (2), Jeff Garcia (2), Jared Goff (2), Trevor Siemian (2), and Kurt Warner (2).

BY THE NUMBERS



20 After scoring 21 points in the fourth quarter against Washington, and scoring 20 points in the fourth quarter against the N.Y. Giants, the Cowboys have scored 20-plus points in the fourth quarter of back-to-back games for the first time in franchise history.

113 Rod Smith became the first player in NFL history to have both an 80-plus yard touchdown reception and a rushing touchdown in the fourth quarter of a single game, taking a pass from Prescott 81 yards for a touchdown and then scoring on a 15-yard rush later in the final quarter at New York. Smith's 113 receiving yards in the game are the ninth most by a Cowboys running back.

222 The Cowboys offense recorded 222 yards after the catch in Sunday's win at the N.Y. Giants, the seventh-highest total league-wide in 2017 and the fourth-highest by a Cowboys offense since 1992 (265 - 11/22/12 vs. WAS; 251 - 10/6/13 vs. DEN; 231 - 12/29/13 vs. PHI).

500 The Cowboys earned their 500th regular season win at New York, becoming the second-fastest team to reach 500 wins in 879 games, trailing only Chicago's 863 games. The victory gave Jerry Jones his 250th regular season win as the Dallas Cowboys Owner, President and General Manager since purchasing the team in 1989.

2017 RANKINGS AND UPCOMING MILESTONES

With the 2017 season in its home stretch, the following information pertains to the most current team rankings, upcoming milestones, last week's notes and page location in the release for the remainder of the information:

2017 DALLAS COWBOYS CURRENT TEAM RANKINGS:

- * The Dallas rushing attack ranks third in the NFL with an average of 137.5 rushing yards-per-game. The Cowboys are also tops in the league with 105 rushing first downs and are third with 16 rushing touchdowns. (**RUSHING TO THE TOP - page 15**).
- * The Cowboys have 50 big-play runs of 10-or-more yards to tie for second in the league. Dallas also has 10 rushes of 20+ yards to tie for eighth (**RUSHING TO THE TOP - page 15**).
- * The Dallas offense boasts 23 drives of five-or-more minutes - tied for third in the NFL in 2017. The unit also has posted the most touchdowns (12) and second-most points (97) during drives of five-or-more minutes (**DRIVE FOR FIVE - page 15**).
- * The Cowboys offense has racked up 24 total drives of 10 plays-or-more - tied for 10th in the NFL. Additionally, the unit's 12 touchdowns on those drives are tied for the league lead, while their 100 total points are fourth (**TEN PLAYS-OR-MORE - page 15**).
- * The Dallas offense has scored on 53 of its 140 drives for a 37.9% scoring efficiency rate to place ninth in the NFL, while boasting the fourth-highest touchdown efficiency rate (26.4%) and boasts the third-most touchdown drives (37) (**FINISHING DRIVES WITH SCORES - page 15**).
- * The Cowboys have the fourth-highest red zone touchdown efficiency rate in the NFL (63.0), while their 29 touchdowns in the red zone are fourth and 230 total points rank sixth (**RED ALERT - page 15**).
- * Dallas' offense is fourth in the league with a 44.8 third down percentage (74-of-165) (**THIRD-AND-NO PROBLEM - page 15**).
- * The Cowboys defense has collected 32.0 sacks to tie for 13th in the league (**SACK ATTACK - page 21**).

2017 DALLAS COWBOYS CURRENT INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS:

- * QB Dak Prescott is tied for 10th in the NFL in passing touchdowns (21) (**DAKOTA THE DUDE - page 10**).
- * Prescott's five rushing touchdowns are tied for the most by a quarterback in the NFL in 2017 (**RAYNE MAN - page 11**).
- * DE DeMarcus Lawrence is second in the NFL with 13.5 sacks (**TANK ON A ROLL - page 21**).
- * P Chris Jones is tied for second in the NFL with 29 punts downed inside the opponent's 20-yard line (**THE PUNT-ISHER - page 23**).
- * KR Ryan Switzer ranks third in the NFL with a 26.0 average and is sixth with 519 kickoff return yards. He is also sixth overall in total return yardage (716) - all tops among rookies (**SWITZ BEATZ - page 23**).

2017 DALLAS COWBOYS UPCOMING MILESTONES - INDIVIDUAL:

Dez Bryant - WR

- * Dez Bryant (currently at 61) needs nine receptions to reach 70 catches on the season for the fourth time of his career - first since 2014 - and the third-most 70-reception seasons in team history.
- * Bryant (currently at 712) needs 88 yards to reach 800 receiving yards on the season for the fifth time of his career - first since 2014 - and tie the fifth-most seasons with 800 receiving yards by a Cowboy in franchise history.
- * Bryant (currently at 452) needs five points to top Bob Hayes (456) for fifth all-time in total points in team history.
- * Bryant (currently at 73) needs two touchdowns to become the 34th player in NFL history to reach 75 career receiving touchdowns.

Jeff Heath - S

- * Jeff Heath (currently at two) needs one interception to extend his career-long streak of consecutive games with a pick to three.

Chris Jones - P

- * Chris Jones (currently at 29) needs two punts downed inside the 20-yard line to surpass his own career-best of 30 set in 2013 and tie Toby Gowin (31 - 1998) for the second-best performance during a single season in team history.
- * Jones (currently at 142) needs three punts downed inside the opponents' 20-yard line to surpass Danny White (144) for third on the club's all-time career list.

DeMarcus Lawrence - DE

- * DeMarcus Lawrence (13.5) needs one sack to pass Jim Jeffcoat (1986) and DeMarcus Ware (2007) - both with 14.0 - for the fourth-most sacks in a single season in team history. With 2.0 sacks he ties Ware (15.5 - 2010) for third (**TANK ON A ROLL - page 21**).

Sean Lee - LB

- * Sean Lee (currently at 82) needs 18 tackles to reach 100 for the fifth time of his career - third consecutive (**FOLLOW THE LEE-DER - page 21**).

Dak Prescott - QB

- * Dak Prescott (currently at 6,419) needs 137 yards to surpass Steve Pelluer (6,555) for seventh on the club's all-time passing yards list (**THE DAK KNIGHT RISES - page 11**).
- * Prescott (currently at 2,752) needs 249 yards to reach 3,000 passing yards on the 2017 season. By doing so, he would become the fifth Dallas quarterback to pass for 3,000 yards in at least two seasons. He also would become the fifth quarterback - seventh time - to reach that mark in at least two consecutive seasons.
- * By reaching 3,000 yards on the season, he would also become the first quarterback in franchise history to pass for at least 3,000 yards in each of his first two seasons, and the 11th signal caller in NFL history to do so.
- * Prescott (currently at 44) needs two touchdowns to surpass Eddie LeBaron (45) for seventh on the club's all-time passing touchdowns list (**THE DAK KNIGHT RISES - page 11**).
- * Prescott (currently at 21) needs three touchdown passes to top his rookie total of 23 in 2016 and establish a career-high.
- * Prescott (currently at eight) needs one game with at least three touchdown passes and one-or-fewer interceptions to tie Dan Marino (nine) for the most by an NFL quarterback in his first two seasons.
- * Prescott (currently at five) needs two rushing touchdowns to surpass his 2016 total (six) for the most rushing scores by a Cowboys quarterback during a single season in franchise history (**RAYNE MAN - page 11**).
- * Prescott (currently at 288) needs 12 yards to become the fourth quarterback in team history - sixth time overall - to rush for 300 yards in a single season, and the first time since Troy Aikman (302) in 1989.
- * With 15 yards (currently at 288) he will pass Troy Aikman (302 - 1989) for fifth; with 27 he passes Steve Pelluer (314 - 1988) for fourth; with 29 yards he moves into third place over Roger Staubach (316 - 1975); with 33 he tops Staubach's 1974 total (320) for second; with 56 he overtakes Staubach's 1971 performance (343) for the most rushing yards by a Dallas quarterback in a single season.
- * Prescott (currently at 519) needs 51 rushing yards to pass Tony Romo (620) for the fifth-most career rushing yards by a Dallas quarterback (**RAYNE MAN - page 11**).

Jaylon Smith - LB

- * Jaylon Smith (currently at 94) needs six tackles to reach 100 for the season for the first time of his career (**JAYLON'S "CLEAR EYE VIEW" - page 21**).

Jason Witten - TE

- * Jason Witten (currently at 457) needs 43 receiving yards to reach 500 yards on the season for the 14th season of his career to become the 10th player - second tight end - in NFL history to reach that mark in at least 14 seasons. He would also become the fifth player - second tight end - to post at least 500 receiving yards in 14 consecutive seasons (**500x13 - page 18**).
- * Witten (currently at 52) needs eight receptions to give him 60 on the season for his 14th overall season to become the third player in NFL history - second tight end - to reach that mark in at least 14 seasons and serve as the third-most most seasons with 60-plus receptions in league history by any player. He would also become the second player - second tight end - to post 60 receptions in at least 14 consecutive seasons (**50x14 - page 17**).

2017 MOST RECENT NOTES - AT N.Y. GIANTS (12/10)

2017 DALLAS COWBOYS MOST RECENT NOTES AT N.Y. GIANTS (12/10) - TEAM:

- * The Cowboys earned their 500th regular season win to become the 12th team to reach that number, and reached that mark in 879 games, trailing only Chicago's 863 games for the fastest. Overall, Dallas owns a 500-373-6 record (regular season) (**GETTING TO FIVE HUNDRED - page 6**).
- * The win also served as Dallas' 21st series sweep - most against any opponent, the first over the Giants since the 2014 season and the first time since the 2013 season the Cowboys swept two NFC East opponents in the same season (Washington).
- * It also ended a two-game losing streak in New York to mark the club's first win there since the 2014 season (11/23).
- * The Cowboys improved their record in the NFC East to 4-1, and 6-4 overall in the NFC.
- * Dallas' passing attack averaged 11.1 yards-per-attempt, the highest since at the N.Y. Giants (11/14/10).
- * The Cowboys posted 454 total net yards - the second-highest by the team in 2017.
- * Dallas had three plays of 50 yards-or-more - the most since 1994, the longest this stat can be researched at this time.

2017 DALLAS COWBOYS MOST RECENT NOTES AT N.Y. GIANTS (12/10) - INDIVIDUAL:

Jerry Jones - Owner, President & GM

- * The victory gave Jerry Jones his 250th regular season win as the Dallas Cowboys Owner, President and General Manager since purchasing the team in 1989. The Cowboys are now 250-211 under Jones' ownership in the regular season.

Dan Bailey - K

- * Dan Bailey's two field goal attempts allowed him to become the 102nd player in NFL history - second Dallas Cowboy (Rafael Septien - 226) - to attempt 200 for his career (201).

Cole Beasley - WR

- * Cole Beasley caught three passes for 59 yards, including a career-long catch of 54 yards in the fourth quarter that set up Dallas' go-ahead touchdown.

Dez Bryant - WR

- * Dez Bryant caught three passes for 73 yards and a touchdown.
- * Bryant's 73 receiving yards gave him 7,333 for his career to surpass Bob Hayes (7,295) for fifth all-time in team history (**BY DEZIGN - page 19**).
- * Bryant (1,000) became the fifth Cowboy to record 1,000 career receiving yards against the Giants.
- * Bryant's three receptions gave him 61 on the season to give him his fifth career season with at least 60 receptions - first since 2014 - and are good for the third-most all-time in team history (**88 GOOD FOR 60 - page 20**).
- * Bryant's 50-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter marked his 10th career score to travel over 50 yards. He is the fourth Cowboy to post 10-or-more receiving touchdowns over 50 yards, joining Frank Clarke, Bob Hayes and Michael Irvin. It was also his longest since he hauled in another 50-yarder at Pittsburgh (11/13/16) (**BRYANT GOES THE DISTANCE - page 20**).

Sean Lee

- * Sean Lee recorded his fifth career 20-tackle game with 20 stops (according to coaches film) against the Giants (**FOLLOW THE LEADER - page 21**).

Dak Prescott - QB

- * Dak Prescott completed 20-of-30 passes for a career-high 332 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions for a 137.1 rating - fourth-highest of his career.
- * It was Prescott's eighth career game with at least three touchdown passes - sixth-most in team history. It was also his 15th career game with at least two passing scores to break a tie with Eddie LeBaron for seventh (**QB'S MULTIPLE TDs - page 10**).
- * Prescott's three touchdown passes gave him 21 on the season to become the fifth quarterback in team history to post at least two 20-touchdown seasons, and he was also the fifth Cowboys signal caller - sixth time - to reach that mark in consecutive seasons (**IN HIS EARLY TWENTIES - page 12**).
- * Prescott rushed for 13 yards on six carries to top his 2016 rushing yards total (282) and establish a career-high (288) for the sixth-highest rushing output by a Cowboys quarterback in a single season (**RAYNE MAN - page 11**).

Rod Smith - RB

- * Rod Smith rushed six times for 47 yards and a touchdown, and caught five passes for 113 yards - both career-highs - and his first career receiving touchdown, a career-long 81-yard catch and score.
- * Smith caught only the fourth career touchdown pass from Prescott to a running back, and he became the first not named Ezekiel Elliott. Smith became the ninth Cowboy running back - 14th time - to notch a 100-yard receiving game, and the first since Lance Dunbar totaled 100 yards against Atlanta (9/27/15) (**LIGHTNING ROD - page 14**).

For breaking news, press releases, historical information, statistics and rosters, visit the official website of the Dallas Cowboys, www.dallascowboys.com. Updated daily, www.dallascowboys.com has the most extensive information on upcoming games, including video of weekly press conferences and audio of weekly conference calls. The Cowboys website is also a great place to find information on the players and coaches, order tickets for upcoming games and order merchandise from the Cowboys Pro Shop.

HEAD COACHES

JASON GARRETT (66-54, 7th Year)

Jason Garrett was named the eighth head coach in Dallas Cowboys history on January 5, 2011. Garrett became the first former Dallas Cowboys player to become the team's head coach. As a backup quarterback during his playing career in Dallas, he started nine-of-23 games played and was a member of teams that won six division titles and three Super Bowl championships.

Garrett was elevated to the Cowboys top job after taking over as the team's interim head coach midway through 2010. He guided the club to a 5-3 mark to finish the season after the team started 1-7. He led Dallas to an 8-8 record, narrowly missing the playoffs and an NFC East Division title in each his first three full seasons as head coach (2011-13). Garrett guided the 2014 squad to an NFL-best tying 12-4 record, the club's 22nd Division title - 18th NFC East title - 31st postseason appearance and 34th playoff win. His team fought through adversity in 2015, especially on the injury front where they endured injuries to Tony Romo, Dez Bryant and Orlando Scandrick amongst others, while slipping to 4-12 on the season. The team bounced back under Garrett in 2016, completing the club's largest one-season turnaround in franchise history with a nine-game difference, finishing with a 13-3 record in 2016. The record included beginning the season 0-1 and going on to win 11 straight games - the longest single-season win streak in team history. Garrett's Cowboys won their second division championship with him at the helm, while earning the NFC's top overall seed and hosting an NFC Divisional Playoff Game for the first time since 2007. He was named AP Coach of the Year for his team's 2016 accomplishments.

From 2007-13, when Garrett was brought on as the Cowboys offensive coordinator, the unit finished among the NFL's top-10 in total offense in five of his seven years at the helm: 2013 (10th), 2012 (6th), 2010 (10th), 2009 (2nd) and 2007 (2nd). The team has set single-season records in a handful of categories, including topping 6,000 net yards for the first four times in franchise history (2009- 6,390; 2011 - 6,008; 2014 - 6,138 and 2016 - 6,027). Since his arrival in 2007, not only has the team set single-season records in numerous offensive categories, but the club's cumulative numbers for gross passing yards (39,993) and total points (3,919) represent the best totals over a 10-year span in the history of the organization while the club's 58,567 total net yards are second.

JACK DEL RIO (97-95, 13th Year, 25-21 OAK)

Jack Del Rio was named the 19th head coach in Oakland Raiders history on January 15, 2015 and is in his 32nd year in the NFL, 21st season coaching and third season with the Raiders. Last year he led the Raiders to their first 12-win season since 2000 and first postseason berth since 2002. Following the team's appearance in the Wild Card Playoffs, an NFL-high seven Raiders were named to the AFC Pro Bowl squad, two earned spots on the Associated Press All-Pro First-Team and Khalil Mack was named Defensive Player of the Year. In Del Rio's first season with the Raiders in 2015, he helped the team more than double the previous year's win total. He joined the Raiders after spending three seasons (2012-14) as the Denver Broncos defensive coordinator. While with the Broncos, Del Rio was part of three-straight AFC West titles and helped lead Denver to an appearance in Super Bowl XLVIII following the 2013 campaign. Del Rio was interim head coach (weeks 10-13) in 2013 while John Fox underwent a heart procedure, posting a 3-1 record. Prior to joining the Broncos in 2012, Del Rio spent nine seasons at the helm in Jacksonville. During his head coaching tenure (2003-11), the Jaguars made two playoff appearances in 2005 and 2007, highlighted by the club's first postseason win in eight seasons with a victory against Pittsburgh in a 2007 AFC Wild Card Game. His defenses have ranked in the top-six in the NFL in yards-per-game allowed in 10 of his 20 seasons as a position coach, coordinator or head coach. During that time, Del Rio has coached 28 players to a total of 40 Pro Bowl selections. He served as Carolina's defensive coordinator in 2002, and as linebackers coach for Baltimore (1999-2001). Del Rio began his coaching career with the New Orleans Saints under Head Coach Mike Ditka, serving as an assistant strength coach in 1997 before moving on to coach the linebackers in 1998. A veteran of 11 seasons as an NFL linebacker, he was selected in the third round (68th overall) of the 1985 NFL Draft by New Orleans and went on to make the NFL's All-Rookie Team and earn the Saints Rookie of the Year award. Following two seasons in New Orleans (1985-86), he played for Kansas City (1987-88), Dallas (1989-91) and Minnesota (1992-95). He led the Vikings in tackles for three consecutive years and was selected to the Pro Bowl in 1994. For his career, he played 160 games in the regular season and totaled 1,078 tackles, 12.0 sacks and 13 interceptions.

ALL-TIME WINNING TRADITION

The Dallas Cowboys currently own the league's highest all-time regular season winning percentage by current NFL teams:

Highest Win Percentage - NFL Regular Season

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Dallas.....	500	373	6	.573
Green Bay.....	737	559	37	.568
Chicago.....	748	577	42	.564
Miami.....	445	348	4	.561
New England.....	486	386	9	.557

Dallas' combined winning percentage of .572 in both the regular and postseason is tops in the league:

Highest Win Percentage - NFL Regular Season & Postseason

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Dallas.....	534	400	6	.572
Green Bay.....	771	581	37	.570
Chicago.....	765	595	42	.562
New England.....	518	405	9	.561
Miami.....	465	369	4	.557

* Since 1972, ties have been calculated as half-win and half loss. Prior to 1972 tie games were ignored in calculating a team's winning percentage. Ties since 1972: Dallas (0), Miami (1) Chicago (1), Minnesota (3), Green Bay (7).

GETTING TO FIVE HUNDRED

The Dallas Cowboys notched the franchise's 500th regular season win after a victory at the N.Y. Giants (12/10/17). Dallas reached that mark in 879 games, second-fastest all-time in NFL history only to Chicago's league-best 863 games. The win also served as Jerry Jones' 250th regular season win as the Dallas Cowboys Owner, President and General Manager:

Fastest to 500 Wins (Regular Season) - NFL History

Team	Founded	500th Win	Gms	All-Time Win Total
Chicago.....	1920	11/17/85	863	748-577-42
Dallas.....	1960	9/28/14	879	500-373-6
San Francisco.....	1950	10/20/13	929	525-460-14
N.Y. Giants.....	1925	12/11/94	935	686-583-33
Indianapolis.....	1953	12/5/16	946	505-451-7
Green Bay.....	1921	11/13/94	962	737-559-37
LA Rams.....	1937	11/18/07	969	553-558-21
Washington.....	1932	9/12/04	979	591-580-28
Pittsburgh.....	1933	9/16/07	998	612-537-20
Philadelphia.....	1933	11/15/10	1,059	561-589-25
Detroit.....	1930	10/2/11	1,125	551-647-32
Arizona.....	1920	9/30/12	1,228	548-729-40

500 COMBINED WINS

With the win against New Orleans (9/28/14), the Dallas Cowboys earned their 500th team win (including postseason), becoming the 11th team in NFL history (now at 13 teams) to reach that mark. They did it in 880 games, the second-fastest team to reach that total:

Fastest to 500 Wins (Reg. & Postseason) - NFL History

Team	Founded	500th Win	Gms	All-Time Win Total
Chicago	1920	11/17/85	870	765-595-42
Dallas	1960	9/28/14	880	534-400-6
New England	1960	12/4/16	911	518-404-9
San Francisco	1950	10/9/11	937	555-480-14
N.Y. Giants	1925	10/17/93	941	710-608-33
Indianapolis	1953	9/28/14	951	527-474-7
Green Bay	1921	10/10/93	960	771-581-37
Washington	1932	11/20/00	962	614-599-28
LA Rams	1937	12/5/04	964	572-582-21
Pittsburgh	1933	12/18/04	1,002	648-561-20
Philadelphia	1933	12/28/04	1,068	580-610-25
Detroit	1930	12/12/10	1,135	558-660-32
Arizona	1920	12/11/11	1,234	555-738-40

A WINNING TREND

The Dallas Cowboys entered the 2017 season as one-of-12 teams in the league with at least 490 regular season wins. At the N.Y. Giants (12/10), Dallas became just the 12th team with 500 regular season wins with a victory over the Giants. Dallas is currently 12th on the NFL's all-time regular season wins list:

Chicago	748	LA Rams	553
Green Bay	737	Detroit	551
N.Y. Giants	686	Arizona	548
Pittsburgh	612	San Francisco	525
Washington	591	Indianapolis	505
Philadelphia	561	Dallas	500

WINNING HEAD COACH

Under Dallas Cowboys Head Coach Jason Garrett's direction, the team secured its second NFC East divisional title with a 13-3 record in 2016, and he was named AP Coach of the Year. He also had an 11-game win streak to establish the longest single-season win streak in franchise history. Garrett won his 50th regular season game at Green Bay (10/16/16) to become only the second head coach in franchise history to reach 50 wins. He tied his personal best with the club's 12th win of the season against Tampa Bay (12/18/16) - tied the second-most wins by a Cowboys head coach. It also marked Garrett's second 12-win season to give him the third-most 12-plus win seasons by a Dallas head coach. He then bettered his personal-best with his 13th win against Detroit (12/26/16), while tying Jimmy Johnson (1992) and Wade Phillips (2007) for the most wins by a Cowboys head coach in a single season.

Garrett wrapped up the 2014 regular season with a record of 12-4 - the fifth coach to reach 12 wins-or-better in a season in team history. He also secured his first NFC East Division title as the head coach. Against the N.Y. Giants (10/19/14), Garrett passed former head coaches Bill Parcells and Phillips (both with 34) with his 35th regular season win to place fourth in team history. He passed Barry Switzer (40) for third with his 41st victory at Washington (12/28/14), then tied Johnson (44) for the second-most victories at Miami (11/22/15), and passed Johnson at Washington (12/7/15).

Including his 7-6 record in the 2017 season, Garrett's current regular season record as the head coach of the Dallas Cowboys stands at 65-52, with the second-most wins all-time in team history:

Most Regular Season Wins by a Cowboys Head Coach

Coach	Years	Won	Loss	Tied	Pct
Tom Landry	1960-88	250	162	6	.605
Jason Garrett*	2010-17	65	52	0	.555
Jimmy Johnson	1989-93	44	36	0	.550
Barry Switzer	1994-97	40	24	0	.625
Bill Parcells	2003-06	34	30	0	.531
Wade Phillips	2007-10	34	22	0	.607
Chan Gailey	1998-99	18	14	0	.563
Dave Campo	2000-02	15	33	0	.313

*Record under Coach Garrett includes games as interim head coach in 2010 (5-3).

WAY OUT WEST

By virtue of the NFL schedule, the Dallas Cowboys faced the AFC West this season. The Cowboys last faced the AFC West in 2013 and finished 1-3 against the division. Following a 42-17 loss to Denver in Week 2, a 28-17 win over Kansas City in Week 9 and a 28-6 loss to the LA Chargers in Week 12, Dallas is 1-2 against the AFC West in 2017. The Cowboys will close out their AFC West schedule at the Oakland Raiders this week.

Dallas owns a 23-23 record against the AFC West:

Dallas vs. AFC West						
	W	L	T	Pct.	Long Win Str.	Long Loss Str.
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636	2	1
LA Chargers	6	5	0	.545	3	3
Oakland	5	6	0	.455	2	3
Denver	5	8	0	.454	3	5
Totals	23	23	0	.500	-	-

FIRST TIME...LAST TIME

The first time these two clubs met was the final game of the 1974 season. The Cowboys traveled to Oakland in their inaugural matchup and were defeated 27-23 by the Raiders on Dec. 14 in front of 45,850 to close the season at 8-6.

The last time these two clubs met was on Thanksgiving Day in 2013 - the second time the teams had met on Turkey Day. The Cowboys downed the Raiders 31-24 with 87,572 in attendance at AT&T Stadium.

2017 STATISTICAL COMPARISON

	(league ranking)	
	Cowboys	Raiders
Record	7-6	6-7
Scoring Avg. (NFL rank)	24.3 (10)	20.3 (21t)
Opp. Scoring Avg. (NFL rank)	22.6 (17t)	23.3 (20)
Total Off. (NFL rank)	338.3 (15t)	329.4 (19)
Rushing Off. (NFL rank)	137.5 (3)	91.5 (26t)
Passing Off. (NFL rank)	200.8 (25)	237.8 (15)
Total Def. (NFL rank)	341.6 (17)	350.8 (22)
Rushing Def. (NFL rank)	107.4 (11)	109.5 (16)
Passing Def. (NFL rank)	234.2 (23)	241.2 (25)
Kickoff Return Avg.	25.7 (3)	21.5 (14)
Punt Return Avg.	9.4 (10)	5.6 (27)
Turnover Margin	+2 (15t)	-10 (30)
Penalties	76	87
Penalty Yards	700	769
Opp. Penalties	75	80
Opp. Penalty Yards	584	719

ALL-TIME STAT COMPARISON

This week's game marks the 12th game between Dallas and Oakland. Below is a brief look into the stats of the series:

TEAM TOTALS			
	Cowboys		Raiders
Wins	5		6
Points	256		222
Total Net Yards	3,652		3,433
Net Rushing Yards	1,425		1,302
Net Passing Yards	2,227		2,131

SINGLE-GAME TEAM-HIGHS			
	Cowboys		Raiders
Points	38	10/23/83	40
Total Net Yards	494	11/26/09	519
Net Rushing Yards	195	11/26/09	219
Net Passing Yards	299	11/26/09	309

SINGLE-GAME INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

Cowboys		Raiders	
Passing Yards			
309 - T. Romo	11/26/09	318 - M. Wilson	10/23/83
Rushing Yards			
152 - E. Smith	10/25/92	126 - L. Jordan	10/2/05
Receiving Yards			
145 - M. Austin	11/26/09	161 - T. Brown	11/19/95

SERIES HISTORY

Dallas and Oakland have squared off 11 times, with Oakland holding a 6-5 advantage. Dallas lost the first-ever meeting, then took a win in the second. The Cowboys have taken the last two games of the series. Below is a look at the outcome of each of the 11 series games:

Date	Loc.	Dal W/L	Score	Date	Loc.	Dal W/L	Score
12/14/74	Oak	L	23-27	9/27/98	Dal	L	12-13
12/7/80	Oak	W	19-13	10/7/01	Oak	L	21-28
10/23/83	Dal	L	38-40	10/2/05	Oak	L	13-19
11/9/86	Dal	L	13-17	11/26/09	Dal	W	24-7
10/25/92	LA	W	28-13	11/28/13	Dal	W	31-24
11/19/95	Oak	W	34-21				

INSIDE THE SERIES HISTORY

Dallas and Oakland first met in 1974 and have played each other just 11 times in total.

In the 11 total games of the series there has been:

- * Three games decided by double-digits - all Cowboys wins
- * Eight games decided by a touchdown-or-less
- * A 17-point win by Dallas (11/26/09) - biggest Cowboys win
- * A seven-point loss by Dallas (10/7/01) - biggest Cowboys loss
- * One Sunday night game, one Saturday game, one season finale - all Dallas losses
- * Two Thanksgiving Day Games - both Dallas wins in 2009 & 2013
- * 256 points scored by Dallas, 222 allowed
- * A 2-3 home record for Dallas and 3-3 road record

SUNDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

This week's game against the Oakland Raiders is Dallas' last-of-three scheduled Sunday night contests in 2017.

No team in the NFL has played more Sunday Night games than Dallas' 62 (N.Y. Giants are closest with 52), and Dallas' 31 wins are the most on Sunday Night by any team.

The Cowboys had a six-game Sunday Night win streak - the longest Sunday night win streak in club history - snapped in 2009. Twice, Dallas won three straight - their first three Sunday Night games and three games spanning 1991-1995. The Cowboys lost eight consecutive Sunday Night games - six on the road - from 1999-2006 for their longest series losing streak. The Cowboys won three-of-four Sunday Night contests in 2016, and are 1-1 in 2017 on SNF.

Dallas has played 32 Sunday Night road games (14-18). This week's matchup marks the second time the Cowboys will meet the Raiders on Sunday night, and the first since the 1983 season.

Dallas has faced the N.Y. Giants (13 times) more than any other opponent.

Cowboys Top Sunday Night Opponents

Team	Games
N.Y. Giants.....	13
Philadelphia.....	11
Washington.....	8
New Orleans.....	5
Arizona (Phoenix).....	4
L.A./St. Louis Rams...4	

PICK A DAY, ANY DAY

This week's game is Dallas' fifth and final scheduled primetime game in 2017. This season is the 12th straight in which Dallas plays three-or-more primetime games.

In total, Dallas has played in 163 primetime kickoffs - 82 Monday night, five on Thursday, one each Wednesday and Friday, 12 Saturday and 62 on Sunday. The Cowboys hold an 89-74 record in primetime games. Dallas' longest primetime win streak was 11 games (2006-08) and its longest losing streak was six (2010-11). Dallas won 12 straight primetime road games from 2005-09. The Cowboys were 5-1 in 2016, and are 3-1 in 2017.

Cowboys Night Record

Monday.....	47-35
Wednesday.....	1-0
Thursday.....	4-1
Friday.....	0-1
Saturday.....	6-6
Sunday.....	31-31
Total.....	89-74

PLAYER HIGHLIGHTS VS. RAIDERS

Dan Bailey - K

In one game against Oakland (11/28/13) hit a 19-yard field goal and four PATs.

Dez Bryant - WR

Caught seven passes for 61 yards and a touchdown in one game against Oakland (11/28/13).

Brice Butler - WR

Entered the NFL as a 2013 seventh round draft pick by Oakland and made 30 receptions for 383 yards (12.8 avg.) and two touchdowns in two seasons (2013-14).

Justin Durant - LB

Totaled 28 tackles, a sack, a tackle for loss and a quarterback pressure in three games while with Jacksonville (two games) and Detroit.

Benson Mayowa - DE

Spent one season with the Raiders in 2014 and tallied 15 tackles, a sack, two tackles for loss, two quarterback pressures and a pass breakup.

Alfred Morris - RB

Rushed 16 times for 71 yards (4.4 avg.) in one game against Oakland (9/29/13) while with Washington.

Orlando Scandrick - CB

In two games made nine tackles and three pass breakups.

Jason Witten - TE

Caught 13 passes for 209 yards (16.1 avg.) in three games.

DATING GAME

This week's game at the Oakland Raiders is being played on Dec. 17. In the 57 years of Cowboys football, there have been seven Dec. 17 games. The Cowboys hold a 3-4 record when playing on Dec. 17. They have faced Washington, the New York Giants, the New York Jets, Miami and Tampa Bay. Dallas' first-ever Dec. 17 game came in 1961, a 34-24 loss to Washington. Its last Dec. 17 game was in 2011, a 31-15 victory over Tampa Bay:

Date	Opp/ Loc.	Dal W/L	Score	Date	Opp/ Loc.	Dal W/L	Score
12/17/61	@Was	L	24-34	12/17/95	NYG	W	21-20
12/17/72	NYG	L	3-23	12/17/00	NYG	L	13-17
12/17/78	@NYJ	W	30-7	12/17/11	@TB	W	31-15
12/17/84	@Mia	L	21-28				

DALLAS vs. AFC

The Dallas Cowboys record against opponents in the AFC is 100-75 since the NFL merger in 1970, the most wins and best win percentage (.571) by an NFC club. Dallas finished 4-0 against the AFC North in 2016, and is 1-2 in 2017:

NFC Team With Most Wins Vs. AFC - Since NFL Merger

Team	W	L	T	Win%
Dallas.....	100	75	0	.571
Philadelphia.....	97	77	2	.557
San Francisco....	97	84	0	.536
St. Louis/L.A.Rams.	90	90	0	.500
Chicago.....	88	90	0	.494
Minnesota.....	88	89	0	.497

AT&T STADIUM RECORD WHEN...

In 2017, the Dallas Cowboys hold a 3-4 record at home, and overall, boast a 37-34 regular season record, a 2-1 postseason record, and a 39-35 overall mark inside AT&T Stadium.

The Cowboys finished their eighth regular season in what is now AT&T Stadium with a 7-1 mark in 2016 - including a stadium-record seven-game win streak - to establish the best home record by a Cowboys team since the stadium opened in 2009:

Most Single Season Wins at AT&T Stadium – Dallas Cowboys

Season	Wins	Consec. Wins	Home Record
2016	7	7	7-1
2009	6	5	6-2
2011	5	4	5-3
2013	5	3	5-3

Dallas' first game at the venue was on Sept. 20, 2009 - a 31-33 loss to the N.Y. Giants. The club's first win came a week later with a 21-7 decision over Carolina. Overall, Dallas owns a 39-35 record - 2-1 postseason - in AT&T Stadium. Below is a breakdown of the club's record on their home turf:

Regular season	37-34
Postseason	2-1
Overall	39-35

	Regular	Post
September	9-5	
October	7-11	
November	13-9	
December	6-8	
January	2-1	2-1
Playing at noon	12-8	
Playing at 3:30	12-16	1-1
Playing in prime time	13-10	1-0
Thursday	5-5	
Saturday	0-2	1-0
Sunday	29-24	1-1
Monday	3-3	
Fully closed stadium	23-22	2-1
Fully open stadium	7-7	
Roof open, doors closed	2-4	
Roof closed, doors open	5-1	
Playing against the NFC East	13-14	1-0
Playing against the NFC (non-NFC East)	13-13	1-1
Playing against the AFC	11-7	

Team-by-team			
Team	W	L	Pct
Arizona	0	1	.000
Atlanta	1	1	.500
Baltimore	1	0	1.000
Buffalo	1	0	1.000
Carolina	1	1	.500
Chicago	1	2	.333
Cincinnati	1	0	1.000
Cleveland	1	0	1.000
Denver	0	1	.000
Detroit	2	1	.667
Green Bay	0	2	.000
Houston	1	0	1.000
Indianapolis	1	0	1.000
Jacksonville	0	1	.000
Kansas City	1	0	1.000
LA/SD Chargers	0	2	.000
LA/STL Rams	2	1	.667
Miami	1	0	1.000
Minnesota	1	0	1.000
New England	0	1	.000
New Orleans	1	2	.333
N.Y. Giants	4	5	.444
N.Y. Jets	0	1	.000
Oakland	2	0	1.000
Philadelphia	3	6	.333
Pittsburgh	1	0	1.000
San Francisco	0	1	.000
Seattle	2	1	.667
Tampa Bay	2	0	1.000
Tennessee	0	1	.000
Washington	6	3	.667
Postseason			
Detroit	1	0	1.000
Green Bay	0	1	.000
Philadelphia	1	0	1.000

Dallas recently had an eight-game home win streak from Sept. 25, 2016 through Sept. 10, 2017 that tied the fifth-longest home win streak in franchise history, longest at AT&T Stadium:

Most Consecutive Home Wins - Dallas Cowboys

Consec. Wins	Dates
18	12/20/98 - 12/12/99
11	9/29/91 - 11/1/92
10	10/11/71 - 11/12/72
9	11/23/75 - 11/25/76
8	11/18/96 - 11/16/97
8	12/20/98 - 12/12/99
8	9/25/16 - 9/10/17

ON THE ROAD TO SUCCESS

Since the AFC/NFC merger in 1970, the Dallas Cowboys boast the most road wins (192) and highest win percentage (.519) in the NFL. Dallas is 4-2 in road games in 2017:

Most Road Wins Since 1970

Team	W	L	T	Win%
Dallas	192	178	0	.519
Pittsburgh	188	182	1	.508
Miami	186	184	1	.504
New England	184	187	0	.496
San Francisco	183	187	1	.495

The Cowboys finished the 2014 regular season with an undefeated 8-0 record on the road - the only squad with a perfect mark away from home in the NFL. The Cowboys eight road wins were the most in team history during the regular season since the NFL began a 16-game schedule. They were the second team in franchise history to win all road games in a season, joining the 1968 team, which won all seven of its road games during a 14-game season. In NFL history, they were the sixth team since the 1970 NFL merger to form a perfect 8-0 record on the road, joining the 2007 New England Patriots, the 2001 St. Louis Rams, the 1984, 1989 and the 1990 San Francisco 49ers.

Dallas continued its road victory streak into 2015, winning the first contest away from home at Philadelphia (9/20) before falling to the Saints at New Orleans (10/4) in overtime, ending the road run. Dating back to the Cowboys final road game of the 2013 season at Washington (12/22), Dallas won 10 consecutive regular season road games to tie a franchise-high with both the 2006-07 and 1968-69 squads for the longest road win streak in team history.

On the league level, the 10-game road streak also tied the seventh-longest streak in NFL history:

Most Consecutive Road Wins - NFL History

Team	Consec. Road Wins
San Francisco	18, 1988-1990
New England	12, 2006-08
L.A./SD Chargers	11, 1960-61
San Francisco	11, 1987-88
Pittsburgh	11, 2004-05
Indianapolis	11, 2008-09
Chicago Bears	10, 1941-42
Dallas	10, 1968-69
New Orleans	10, 1987-88
Dallas	10, 2006-07
Dallas	10, 2013-15

SOLD OUT STADIUMS

The Cowboys have played in front of sold out stadiums in 452 of their last 454 games (including playoffs) and in 254 consecutive games. They played in front of sold out crowds in 153 consecutive games at Texas Stadium (including playoffs) - dating back to Dec. 16, 1990 against Phoenix, their last home non-sellout. Dallas opened what is now named AT&T Stadium with the largest crowd to witness a regular season NFL game with 105,121 tickets distributed and have 74 straight sellouts (including playoffs). The Cowboys have sold out each of their last 226 home games.

On the road, Dallas has played in front of sold out crowds in 126 straight games (including playoffs), dating back to its last road non-sellout - at Arizona (10/20/02).

DAK'S RECORD WHEN...

Since taking over as Dallas' starting quarterback in 2016, Dak Prescott has compiled a 20-9 regular season record in 29 career starts, and is 0-1 in the postseason.

Below is a look at Prescott's record under several different circumstances:

	Regular	Post
Playing at home:	10-5	0-1
Playing on the road:	10-4	
Playing indoors:	11-5	0-1
Playing outdoors:	9-4	
Playing against the NFC East:	7-4	
Playing against the NFC (non-NFC East):	8-3	0-1
Playing against the AFC:	5-2	
Playing on artificial turf:	12-7	0-1
Playing on natural grass:	8-2	
Offense totals over 300 yards:	17-3	0-1
Throws for over 300 yards:	3-0	0-1
Throws for 200-299 yards:	12-4	
Throws only one touchdown:	5-1	
Throws more than one touchdown:	12-3	0-1
Completes 60.0% or more of his passes:	17-4	0-1
Throws no interceptions:	18-3	
Throws one interception:	2-2	0-1
Throws more than one interception:	0-4	
Records at least 100.0 passer rating:	15-1	0-1
Sacked one time-or-less:	12-3	
Sacked more than once:	8-6	0-1
September:	4-2	
October:	6-2	
November:	6-3	
December:	4-1	
January:	0-1	0-1

Team-by-team							
Team	W	L	Pct	Team	W	L	Pct
Arizona	1	0	1.000	LA Rams	0	1	.000
Atlanta	0	1	.000	Minnesota	1	0	1.000
Baltimore	1	0	1.000	N.Y. Giants	2	2	.500
Chicago	1	0	1.000	Philadelphia	1	2	.333
Cincinnati	1	0	1.000	Pittsburgh	1	0	1.000
Cleveland	1	0	1.000	San Francisco	2	0	1.000
Denver	0	1	.000	Tampa Bay	1	0	1.000
Detroit	1	0	1.000	Washington	4	0	1.000
Green Bay	1	1	.500				
Kansas City	1	0	1.000	Postseason			
LA Chargers	0	1	.000	Green Bay	0	1	.000

DAKOTA THE DUDE

Dakota "Dak" Prescott's rookie season was an amazement to the league as the first-year NFL signal caller quickly proved that he belonged. At the conclusion of the regular season, he ranked in the top-five amongst league passers, as he was third in quarterback rating (104.9) and fourth in completion percentage (67.8) and yards-per-attempt (7.99).

In 2017 Prescott is currently tied for 10th in passing touchdowns (21), 15th in quarterback rating (91.6), tied for 15th in completion percentage (63.2), 16th in passing yards (2,752), 17th in completions (252) and 18th in attempts (399):

2017 NFL Passing Leaders - TDs							
Player	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	TD	Int	Rate
Carson Wentz, Phi	440	265	60.2	3,296	33	7	101.9
Russell Wilson, Sea	473	293	61.9	3,527	29	11	95.5
Tom Brady, NE	481	324	67.4	3,865	27	6	105.2
Ben Roethlisberger	502	318	63.3	3,744	24	13	91.1
Philip Rivers, LAC	462	290	62.8	3,611	23	7	97.2
Alex Smith, KC	436	293	67.2	3,507	23	5	104.4
Matt Stafford, Det	468	307	65.6	3,683	23	9	97.9
Kirk Cousins, Was	440	290	65.9	3,440	22	9	97.7
Jared Goff, LAR	418	260	62.2	3,383	22	6	99.2
Dak Prescott, Dal	399	252	63.2	2,752	21	9	91.6
Andy Dalton, Cin	389	236	60.7	2,747	21	9	90.4

PRESCOTT TARGETS

In the midst of his young career, Dak Prescott has completed 563-of-858 passes for 6,419 yards with 44 touchdowns in 29 regular season games played behind center. Below is a breakdown of Dak's targets by position and player:

Position Breakdown						
	Comp.	Yds	TD	Comp.	Yds	TD
WR	337	4,215	31	RB	86	4
TE	132	1,273	9	FB	8	0

Player Breakdown by Completions							
Player	Com	Yds	TD	Player	Com	Yds	TD
J. Witten	120	1,120	7	A. Morris	7	53	0
D. Bryant	111	1,508	14	K. Smith	7	34	0
C. Beasley	106	1,075	9	N. Brown	3	25	0
T. Williams	86	1,077	3	G. Escobar	3	23	1
E. Elliott	51	573	3	J. Hanna	2	44	1
B. Butler	28	483	5	L. Whitehead	2	40	0
L. Dunbar	13	103	0	D. McFadden	2	6	0
R. Smith	14	162	1	R. Switzer	1	7	0
G. Swaim	7	86	0				

Prescott has thrown 44 touchdown passes - eighth all-time in team history. Below is a look at his individual touchdown totals:

Player	TDs	Player	TDs
<i>Dez Bryant</i>	14	<i>Terrance Williams</i>	3
<i>Cole Beasley</i>	9	Gavin Escobar	1
<i>Jason Witten</i>	7	<i>James Hanna</i>	1
<i>Brice Butler</i>	5	<i>Rod Smith</i>	1
<i>Ezekiel Elliott</i>	3		

**italics indicate current Cowboy*

QB 1'S TOUCHDOWN BREAKDOWN

Dak Prescott has thrown 44 touchdown passes. Below is a look at Dak's touchdown totals by quarter, down and distance:

Quarter	Down	Distance
1st Quarter 7	1st Down 16	0-9 Yards 16
2nd Quarter 17	2nd Down 17	10-19 Yards 12
3rd Quarter 5	3rd Down 11	20-29 Yards 9
4th Quarter 14	4th Down 0	30-39 Yards 2
OT 1		40-49 Yards 0
		50+ Yards 5

QB'S MULTIPLE TDs

In seven games last season, Dak Prescott tossed at least two touchdown scores to tie for fourth by a rookie in NFL history. After eight multi-touchdown games in 2017, he currently ranks seventh in franchise history for the most career games with at least two touchdown passes:

Multiple-touchdown games - Cowboys Career			
Player	Games	Player	Games
Tony Romo	79	Craig Morton	21
Roger Staubach	48	Dak Prescott	15
Danny White	44	Eddie LeBaron	14
Troy Aikman	43	Drew Bledsoe	8
Don Meredith	41	Steve Pelluer	8

Prescott also notched four games with three-plus touchdown passes in 2016 that tied the most by a rookie quarterback in NFL history. It also tied the eighth-most in the NFL in 2016 by any league quarterback.

After four more in 2017, his total currently places him sixth on the team's all-time three-touchdown games list:

Three-touchdown games - Cowboys Career			
Player	Games	Player	Games
Tony Romo	40	Don Meredith	14
Danny White	20	Troy Aikman	10
Roger Staubach	17	Dak Prescott	8

This season Prescott had a streak of three consecutive games with at least three touchdowns to tie the longest in team history:

Consecutive Games With 3-plus TD Passes - Dallas Cowboys		
Player	Consec. Games	Dates
Don Meredith	3	10/27/63-11/10/63
Don Meredith	3	12/11/65-9/18/66
Tony Romo	3	11/4/07-11/18/07
Tony Romo	3	9/28/08-10/12/08
Tony Romo	3	12/4/14-12/21/14
Dak Prescott	3	10/1/17-10/22/17

PRESCOTT RATINGS AT 100.0

Dak Prescott turned in not only one of the finest seasons by an NFL rookie quarterback in 2016, but also by any Dallas Cowboy in franchise history. His 104.9 rating was the second-highest in a single season by a Cowboys signal caller:

Highest QB Rating by a Dallas Cowboy - Single Season

Player	Att	Com	Pct	Yds	TD	Int	Rate
Tony Romo (2014).....	435	304	69.9	3,705	34	9	113.2
Dak Prescott (2016)...	459	311	67.8	3,667	23	4	104.9
Roger Staubach (1971)...	211	126	59.7	1,882	15	4	104.8

He established the most games with a 100.0 rating by any Cowboys quarterback in a single season in team history following his 11th game with a 100.0 rating against Detroit (12/26/16):

Most Games with 100.0 QB Rating - Dallas Cowboys Season

Player	Games	Season
Dak Prescott*	11	2016
Tony Romo.....	10	2007
Tony Romo.....	10	2014

*denotes rookie

Prescott has posted five games in 2017, and his 16 career games with at least a 100.0 rating are seventh all-time in team history:

Games with 100.0 QB Rating - Cowboys Career

Player	Games	Player	Games
Tony Romo.....	67	Craig Morton.....	24
Troy Aikman.....	44	Don Meredith.....	23
Roger Staubach.....	37	Dak Prescott.....	16
Danny White.....	33		

THE DAK KNIGHT RISES

In his second pro season, Dak Prescott continues to ascend the Dallas Cowboys passing charts. All-time he ranks seventh in wins (20) and completions (563), eighth in passing touchdowns (44) and passing yards (6,419) and ninth in attempts (858):

Dallas Cowboys All-Time QB Chart

WINS AS STARTER

Troy Aikman.....	94
Roger Staubach.....	85
Tony Romo.....	78
Danny White.....	62
Don Meredith.....	47
Craig Morton.....	32
Dak Prescott.....	20

ATTEMPTS

Troy Aikman.....	4,715
Tony Romo.....	4,335
Roger Staubach.....	2,958
Danny White.....	2,950
Don Meredith.....	2,308
Craig Morton.....	1,308
Steve Pelluer.....	922
Quincy Carter.....	902
Dak Prescott.....	858

COMPLETIONS

Troy Aikman.....	2,898
Tony Romo.....	2,829
Danny White.....	1,761
Roger Staubach.....	1,685
Don Meredith.....	1,170
Craig Morton.....	685
Dak Prescott.....	563

PASSING YARDS

Tony Romo.....	34,183
Troy Aikman.....	32,942
Roger Staubach.....	22,700
Danny White.....	21,959
Don Meredith.....	17,199
Craig Morton.....	10,279
Steve Pelluer.....	6,555
Dak Prescott.....	6,419

PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

Tony Romo.....	247
Troy Aikman.....	165
Danny White.....	155
Roger Staubach.....	153
Don Meredith.....	135
Craig Morton.....	80
Eddie LeBaron.....	45
Dak Prescott.....	44

RAYNE MAN

Rayne Dakota "Dak" Prescott has proven to be a threat with his feet during his young career, and in his second pro season his five rushing scores are tied for the most by any league quarterback in 2017. Additionally, his 24 first downs are fourth and his career-high 288 rushing yards are seventh:

2017 NFL Rushing TD Leaders - QB

Player	Att	Yards	Avg	Long	TD	1st
D. Prescott, Dal.....	45	288	6.4	21	5	24
C. Newton, Car.....	100	585	5.8	69	5	35
D. Kizer, Cle.....	61	315	5.1	20	5	23
M. Mariota, Ten.....	45	224	4.9	34t	5	16
J. McCown, NYJ.....	37	124	3.3	22	5	14

Prescott's five rushing touchdowns in 2017 are tied for the second-most by a Dallas quarterback during a single season. Prescott notched six rushing touchdowns as a rookie to top Don Meredith (5 - 1966) for the most by a Cowboys quarterback in a single season in franchise history:

Most Rushing TDs By a Dallas Cowboys QB - Single Season

Player	Att	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Dak Prescott, 2016.....	57	282	4.9	18	6
Don Meredith, 1966.....	38	242	6.3	22	5
Dak Prescott, 2017.....	39	275	7.0	21	5

Prescott has scored 11 rushing touchdowns to become only the third Cowboys quarterback - 21st player overall - to top that mark in a career, joining Don Meredith (15) and Roger Staubach (20). He ranks third in rushing touchdowns (11), sixth in rushing yards (570) and eighth in carries (102) amongst Cowboys quarterbacks all-time:

All-Time Dallas Cowboys QB Career Rushing Leaders - Yards

Player	Att	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Roger Staubach.....	410	2,264	5.5	33	20
Don Meredith.....	242	1,216	5.0	28	15
Troy Aikman.....	327	1,016	3.1	25	9
Steve Pelluer.....	120	709	5.9	27	4
Tony Romo.....	238	620	2.6	21	5
Dak Prescott.....	102	570	5.6	21	11

He topped his 2016 total and established a single-season career best in rushing yards at the N.Y. Giants (12/10/17) and now owns the sixth-highest rushing output by a Cowboys quarterback in a single season in team history:

Most Rushing Yds By a Dallas Cowboys QB - Single Season

Player	Att	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Roger Staubach, 1971...	41	343	8.3	31	2
Roger Staubach, 1974...	47	320	6.8	29	3
Roger Staubach, 1975...	55	316	5.7	17	4
Steve Pelluer, 1988...	51	314	6.1	27	2
Troy Aikman, 1989...	38	302	7.9	25	0
Dak Prescott, 2017.....	45	288	6.4	21	5
Dak Prescott, 2016.....	57	282	4.9	18	6

As a threat with his arm and his legs, Prescott has posted five career games with at least two passing touchdowns and one rushing touchdown for the second-most such games in team history by a Dallas signal caller:

Most Games w/2-Plus Pass TDs & 1 Rush TD - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Roger Staubach.....	6
Dak Prescott.....	5
Don Meredith.....	4

On the league level, Prescott's five games with at least two passing scores and at least one rushing score are the most by any quarterback over the last two seasons:

Most Games w/2-Plus Pass TDs & 1 Rush TD - NFL 2016-17

Player	Games
Dak Prescott, Dal.....	5
Russell Wilson, Sea.....	4
Cam Newton, Car.....	3
Aaron Rodgers, GB.....	3
Three players.....	2

For his career, Prescott joins Cam Newton as the only two quarterbacks in NFL history to pass for at least 40 touchdowns and rush for at least 10 rushing touchdowns through a player's first two seasons:

QBs w/40 Pass TDs & 10 Rush TDs - 1st 2 NFL Seasons

Player	Pass TDs	Rush TDs
C. Newton, Car 2011-12.....	40	22
D. Prescott, Dal 2016-17.....	44	11

IN HIS EARLY TWENTIES

At the N.Y. Giants (12/10/17), Dak Prescott topped 20 touchdowns on the season. By doing so, he became the fifth quarterback in team history to post at least two 20-touchdown seasons, and also the fifth - sixth time - to reach that mark in consecutive seasons:

Most Seasons with at least 20 Passing TDs - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Total	Consec.
Tony Romo	7	4 (2011-14), 3 (07-09)
Danny White	4	2 (1980-81)
Don Meredith	3	2 (1965-66)
Roger Staubach	3	2 (1978-79)
Dak Prescott	2*	2 (2016-17)
Troy Aikman	1	
Drew Bledsoe	1	
Craig Morton	1	

*indicates current streak

DAK TO THE FUTURE

The Dallas Cowboys selected Rayne Dakota "Dak" Prescott in the fourth round of the 2016 NFL Draft (135th overall). Following injuries at the quarterback position during the preseason to Kellen Moore and Tony Romo that opened the way for him to start, Prescott never looked back, setting multiple franchise rookie quarterback records along the way. He started all 16 games of the 2016 season for Dallas to become the first rookie quarterback drafted in the fourth round-or-later in NFL history to accomplish that feat, while his 13-3 record is the best in franchise history by a rookie and tied the most wins by an NFL rookie in league history.

Amongst league quarterbacks in 2016, Prescott finished the regular season ranked third in quarterback rating (104.9) and fourth in completion percentage (67.8) and yards-per-attempt (7.99), while completing 311-of-459 passes for 3,667 yards with 23 touchdowns and four interceptions. He led all NFL rookies in wins (13), completion percentage, passing touchdowns, rating, rushing touchdowns (six) and rushing yards (282) en route to becoming the first Cowboys quarterback to be named the Associated Press Offensive Rookie of the Year.

Dallas Cowboys Rookie Season Records Established - Dak Prescott

Team Record Set	Total
Total QB Wins	13 [^]
Consec. QB Wins	11 [^]
Passing Yards	3,667
Attempts	459
Completions	311
Completion %	67.8*
Passing TDs	23
Fewest INTs Thrown	4* [^]
QB Rating	104.9*
Most Pass Attempts. w/o INT	176*
Most Games w/300-plus Pass Yds	2
Consec. Games w/225+ Pass Yds	10*
Games w/100.0 QB Rating	11* [^]
Consec. Games w/100.0 QB Rating	5*
Games w/70.0 Completion %	9* [^]
Consec. Games w/70.0 Completion %	4*
Most Games w/2-plus Pass TDs	7
Consec. Games w/2-plus Pass TDs	5*
Most Games w/3-plus Pass TDs	4
Consec. Games w/1 TD pass and no INTs	5*
Consec. Games w/300+ Pass Yds, 2 TDs, 0 INTs	2*
Rushing TDs by QB	6 [^]
Rushing Attempts by QB	57

*indicates NFL rookie record
[^]indicates overall team record

Dallas Cowboys Rookie Records Established - Single Game

Record Set	Record/Opp./Date
Completions	32, vs. TB, 12/18/16
Attempts	45, vs. NYG, 9/11/16
Long Pass	83t, @ Pit, 11/13/16
Cmp. %	88.9*, vs. TB, 12/18/16
Pass TDs	3, 4 times, last vs. Det, 12/26/16
QB Rating	148.3, vs. Det, 12/26/16

PASS NO PICK NFL RECORDS

Dak Prescott's 3.38 touchdown/interception ratio over the last two seasons (2016-17) is the fifth-best by any NFL quarterback:

NFL Passing Leaders, TD/INT Ratio - 2016-17

Player	TD	INT	TD/INT
Tom Brady, NE	55	8	6.88
Aaron Rodgers, GB	53	10	5.30
Sam Bradford, Min	23	5	4.60
Colin Kaepernick, SF	16	4	4.00
Dak Prescott, Dal	44	13	3.38

Prescott established numerous records as a rookie last season, including the fewest interceptions thrown to begin a career (176) in NFL history. He has continued as a record-setter during his second pro season, and thus far in 2017 Prescott has set the following records:

Dak Prescott QB Records Set - 2017

Team Record Set	Total
Fewest INTs First 17 games	4*
Five-or-Fewer INTs in 1st 500 Attempts	4*
QB To Reach 25 TDs w/Fewest INTs	4*
Consec. Games w/3-Plus Pass TDs & Rush TD	2 [^]

*indicates NFL record
[^]indicates team record

Earlier this season Prescott threw an interception in the third quarter at Denver (9/17) to end his streak of passes without an interception at 136 attempts. That was Prescott's third streak of 100-plus attempts without an interception, and the third-longest of his career (176, 171, 136, 126). He then went on a streak of 126 passes without an interception, his fourth such streak, until it ended on his eighth pass against Philadelphia (11/19).

In total, Prescott owns two of the top-five longest streaks in team history:

Most Pass Attempts w/o INT - Dallas Cowboys QB

Player	Attempts	Season
Troy Aikman	216	1999
Troy Aikman	184	1995
Dak Prescott*	176	2016
Tony Romo	174	2013
Dak Prescott*	171	2016

*indicates rookie

DAK ATTACK

Dallas Cowboys fourth round pick Dak Prescott commenced his assault on the Dallas Cowboys rookie record books in 2016. Starting each of the club's 16 games - the only Dallas rookie quarterback to do so - he completed 311-of-459 passes (67.8%) for 3,667 yards with 23 touchdowns and four interceptions for a 104.9 rating while boasting a 13-3 record, allowing him to make his mark as the best performance by a Cowboys rookie quarterback:

Dallas Cowboys Rookie QB Chart

ATTEMPTS	QB RATING AS STARTER
Dak Prescott, 2016 459	Dak Prescott, 2016 .. 104.9
Troy Aikman, 1989	C. Hutchinson, 2002
293	66.3
Chad Hutchinson, 2002	Quincy Carter, 2001
250	63.0
Steve Walsh, 1989	Steve Walsh, 1989
219	60.5
Quincy Carter, 2001	Troy Aikman, 1989
176	55.7

COMPLETIONS	COMPLETION PCT.
Dak Prescott, 2016 311	Dak Prescott, 2016 67.8
Troy Aikman, 1989	Troy Aikman, 1989
155	52.9
Chad Hutchinson, 2002	Quincy Carter, 2001
127	51.4
Steve Walsh, 1989	Chad Hutchinson, 2002
110	50.8
Quincy Carter, 2001	Steve Walsh, 1989
90	50.2

PASSING YARDS	TOTAL QB GP/GS
Dak Prescott, 2016 .. 3,667	Dak Prescott, 2016 .. 16/16
Troy Aikman, 1989	Troy Aikman, 1989
1,749	11/11
C. Hutchinson, 2002	Chad Hutchinson, 2002
1,555	9/9
Steve Walsh, 1989	Quincy Carter, 2001
1,371	8/8
Quincy Carter, 2001	Steve Walsh, 1989
1,072	8/5

PASSING TOUCHDOWNS	WINS AS STARTER
Dak Prescott, 2016 23	D. Prescott, 2016 13 (13-3)
Troy Aikman, 1989	Q. Carter, 2001
9	3 (3-5)
Chad Hutchinson, 2002	C. Hutchinson, 2002
7	2 (2-7)
Steve Walsh, 1989	K. Sweeney, 1987
5	2 (2-0)
Quincy Carter, 2001	R. Staubach, 1969
5	1 (1-0)
Kevin Sweeney, 1987	Steve Walsh, 1989
4	1 (1-4)

THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL

For only the second time in franchise history, the Dallas Cowboys used a top-five pick on a running back when they chose Ezekiel Elliott out of Ohio State with the fourth overall selection in the 2016 NFL Draft. Dallas selected Tony Dorsett with the second pick in the 1977 NFL Draft.

Elliott led the NFL in yards (1,631), attempts (322) and runs of 10-plus (48), was third in rushing touchdowns (15) - all tops by a rookie rusher - and was sixth in rushing average (5.1) in 2016.

In 2017 Elliott has 191 carries for 783 yards and eight touchdowns.

In his first season, Elliott produced seven 100-yard rushing games - most by a Cowboys rookie, tied for seventh by a league rookie all-time and tied for the most in the NFL in 2016.

In 2017 he has added four more 100-yard outings to give him 11 for his career for fifth all-time in team history.

Dallas is 9-2 when Elliott tops 100 yards on the ground:

Ezekiel Elliott 100-yard Rush Games (11 total)

Yds	Opp	W/L	Date	Yds	Opp	W/L	Date
159	TB	W	12/18/16	134	CIN	W	10/9/16
157	@GB	W	10/16/16	116	GB	L	10/8/17
150	@Was	W	10/29/17	114	@Pit	W	11/13/16
147	@SF	W	10/22/17	107	@NYG	L	12/11/16
140	CHI	W	9/25/16	104	NYG	W	9/10/17
138	@SF	W	10/2/16				

Most Career 100-Yard Rushing Games - Dallas Cowboys Player 100-Yard Games

Emmitt Smith	76
Tony Dorsett	43
DeMarco Murray	19
Calvin Hill	16
Ezekiel Elliott	11

Elliott also set a franchise rookie record with 12 games with 20-plus carries, which was also the most by any NFL rusher in 2016.

He now has 19 career games with 20-plus carries - including seven games in 2017 - and the Cowboys are 15-4 during those contests:

Ezekiel Elliott 20-plus Carry Games (19 total)

Opp	Date	Att	Yds	W/L	Opp	Date	Att	Yds	W/L
@Was	10/19/17	33	150	W	TB	12/18/16	23	159	W
CHI	9/25/16	30	140	W	PHI	10/30/16	22	96	W
GB	10/8/17	29	116	L	@Ari	9/25/17	22	80	W
@GB	10/16/16	28	157	W	@Was	9/18/16	21	83	W
@SF	10/22/17	26	147	W	@Pit	11/13/16	21	114	W
KC	11/5/17	27	93	W	LAR	10/1/17	21	85	L
BAL	11/20/16	25	97	W	NYG	9/11/16	20	51	L
@NYG	12/11/16	24	107	L	WAS	11/20/16	20	97	W
NYG	9/10/17	24	104	W	@Min	12/1/16	20	86	W
@SF	10/2/16	23	138	W					

KEEP IT '100'

Ezekiel Elliott has topped the 100-yard rushing mark four times in 2017 to tie the second-most by an NFL rusher this season:

Most 100-Yard Rushing Games - NFL 2017

Player	Games
Leonard Fournette, Jac	5
Jordan Howard, Chi	5
Kareem Hunt, KC	5
Ezekiel Elliott, Dal	4
Todd Gurley, LAR	4
Mark Ingram, NO	4
LeSean McCoy, Buf	4

Elliott had seven 100-yard rushing games in 2016, and collectively, his 11 over the past two seasons are tied for the second-most in the NFL:

Most 100-Yard Rushing Games - NFL, 2016-17

Player	Games
Jordan Howard, Chi	12
Ezekiel Elliott, Dal	11
LeSean McCoy, Buf	11

KING ZEKE

Ezekiel Elliott won the NFL's rushing title in 2016 despite only playing in 15 games. Elliott rushed for 1,631 yards and outpaced the second-place rusher, Chicago's Jordan Howard (1,313), by 318 yards. It marked the sixth time that a Cowboy has led the league in rushing, the third overall rusher from Dallas, joining Emmitt Smith (1991-93, 95) and DeMarco Murray (2014), and the first rookie in franchise history to win the NFL rushing title. In NFL history, Elliott became the 16th rookie, sixth in the Super Bowl era - fifth since the NFL merger - and first since Edgerrin James in 1999, to win the league's rushing title:

Dallas Cowboys To Win NFL Rushing Title

Player	Games	Att	Yards	Avg	TD
Emmitt Smith, 1991	16	365	1,563	4.3	12
Emmitt Smith, 1992	16	373	1,713	4.6	18
Emmitt Smith, 1993	14	283	1,486	5.3	9
Emmitt Smith, 1995	16	377	1,773	4.7	25
DeMarco Murray, 2014	16	392	1,845	4.7	13
Ezekiel Elliott*, 2016	15	322	1,631	5.1	15

*indicates rookie

On the league level, Elliott came close to challenging Eric Dickerson's 33-year old NFL rookie rushing record, but ultimately fell short, finishing with the third-highest total in league history:

Most Yards by an NFL Rookie RB - Single Season

Player	Season	Atts	Yards	Avg	TD
Eric Dickerson, LAR	1983	390	1,808	4.6	18
George Rogers, NO	1981	378	1,674	4.4	13
Ezekiel Elliott, Dal	2016	322	1,631	5.1	15

Elliott's totals in 2016 - 322 rushing attempts for 1,631 yards and 15 touchdowns - also placed him amongst the franchise's top-10 rushing season performances. He finished fourth in rushing touchdowns, fifth in rushing yards and 10th in rush attempts - all tops by a rookie:

Most Rush Yards by a Dallas Cowboys RB - Single Season

Player	Games	Atts	Yards	Avg
DeMarco Murray, 2014	16	392	1,845	4.7
Emmitt Smith, 1995	16	377	1,773	4.7
Emmitt Smith, 1992	16	373	1,713	4.5
Tony Dorsett, 1981	16	342	1,646	4.8
Ezekiel Elliott*, 2016	15	322	1,631	5.1

*indicates rookie

Along the way, Elliott set numerous team - and league - rookie records:

Dallas Cowboys Rookie Season Records Established - Ezekiel Elliott

Team Record Set	Total
Rushing Yards	1,631
Most 100-Yard Rushing Games	7
Consec. 100-Yard Rushing Games	4
Most Games w/130-plus Rushing Yards	5*
Consec. Games w/130-plus Rushing Yards	4*
Most Yards From Scrimmage	1,994
Most Games w/100-plus Yds From Scrimmage	11
Carries	322
Most Games w/20-plus Carries	12
Rushing TDs	15
Total TDs	16
Most Multi-TD Games	5

*indicates NFL rookie record

^indicates overall team record

ZEKE & DESTROY

Ezekiel Elliott is a focal point of the Dallas Cowboys offense. His 993 total scrimmage yards (783 rush; 210 rec.) and 49 total first downs are currently tops on the team.

Elliott established a career-high with 219 total scrimmage yards (147 rush; 72 receiving) at San Francisco (10/22/17). It was the most yards from scrimmage since DeMarco Murray logged 228 at Chicago (12/4/14). It was Elliott's second game with at least 200 yards from scrimmage to tie the fourth-most by a player in team history:

Most Games With 200-Plus Scrimmage Yards - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Emmitt Smith	4
DeMarco Murray	4
Herschel Walker	3
Tony Dorsett	2
Julius Jones	2
Ezekiel Elliott	2

On the league level, Elliott is tied for the second-most games with 200-plus scrimmage yards over the last two seasons:

Most Games With 200-Plus Scrimmage Yards - NFL, 2016-17

Player	Games
Jay Ajayi, Mia/Phi	3
Ezekiel Elliott, Dal	2
Le'Veon Bell, Pit	2
Julio Jones, Atl	2

Elliott compiled 11 games with 100-plus yards from scrimmage in 2016 - tied for third by a rookie in NFL history - and his 16 total games over the last two seasons are the third-most in the NFL during that span:

Most 100-Yard Games from Scrimmage - NFL, 2016-17

Player	Games
Le'Veon Bell, Pit	19
LeSean McCoy, Buf	17
Ezekiel Elliott, Dal	16
Jordan Howard, Chi	15
David Johnson, Ari	15

In total, Elliott's 1,994 yards from scrimmage were the third-highest by a rookie in NFL history:

Most Yards From Scrimmage by a Rookie - NFL

Player	Season	Rush	Rec	Total
Eric Dickerson, LA Rams	1983	1,808	404	2,212
Edgerrin James, Ind	1999	1,553	586	2,139
Ezekiel Elliott, Dal	2016	1,631	363	1,994

It was also the fifth-highest by any Dallas Cowboy in a single season in franchise history:

Most Yards From Scrimmage by a Cowboy - Single Season

Player	Season	Rush	Rec	Total
DeMarco Murray	2014	1,845	416	2,261
Emmitt Smith	1995	1,773	375	2,148
Emmitt Smith	1992	1,713	335	2,048
Herschel Walker	1988	1,514	505	2,019
Ezekiel Elliott*, Dal	2016	1,631	363	1,994

*denotes rookie

LIGHTNING ROD

Rod Smith has begun to show sparks of his big-play ability for Dallas in 2017 at the running back position. The third-year veteran had his biggest impact yet in a game at the N.Y. Giants (12/10), rushing six times for 47 yards while also catching five passes for 113 yards - both career-highs - and his first career receiving touchdown on a career-long 81-yard catch-and-run. Both of his scores came in the fourth quarter as he became the first player in NFL history to have both an 80-plus yard touchdown reception and a rushing score in the fourth quarter of a single game.

Smith became the ninth Cowboys running back - 14th time - to notch a 100-yard receiving game, first since Lance Dunbar against Atlanta (9/27/15), and the ninth-highest tally in team history:

Most Rec. Yards by a RB - Dallas Cowboys, Single Game

Running Back	Yds	Opp/Date
Herschel Walker	170	vs Phi, 12/14/86
Herschel Walker	155	vs Was, 10/12/86
Herschel Walker	148	@ NYG, 11/2/86
Marion Barber	128	@ Ari, 10/12/08
Ron Springs	126	vs TB, 10/9/83
Dan Reeves	120	vs NYG, 9/18/66
Emmitt Smith	117	@ LAR, 11/18/90
Dan Reeves	114	vs Atl, 11/5/67
Rod Smith	113	@ NYG, 12/10/17

EAT, ZEKE, EAT

In 2016 Ezekiel Elliott posted five multi-touchdown games for the Cowboys, the most by a rookie in team history, and tied for second overall by an NFL rookie rusher.

With three multi-touchdown games in 2017 thus far, his eight games are tied for the most multi-score games - most multi-rushing touchdown games (seven) - in the league since last season:

Most Multi-Touchdown Games - NFL, 2016-17

Player	Games
Ezekiel Elliott, Dal	8
David Johnson, Ari	8
LeSean McCoy, Buf	6

Elliott has two multi-rushing touchdown games in 2017 to give him seven total for his career for fifth all-time in team history:

Most Multi-Rushing TD Games - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Emmitt Smith	35
Tony Dorsett	14
Marion Barber III	10
Don Perkins	8
Ezekiel Elliott	7

At San Francisco (10/22) he recorded his second career game with at least three touchdowns (two rushing; one receiving) to become the 12th player in team history to record at least two career games with at least three touchdowns:

Most Games With 3-Plus TDs - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Emmitt Smith	10
Bob Hayes	3
Calvin Hill	3
<i>Dez Bryant</i>	2
Frank Clarke	2
Michael Irvin	2
Terrell Owens	2
Drew Pearson	2
Dan Reeves	2
Ron Springs	2
Duane Thomas	2
Ezekiel Elliott	2

His two games with at least three scores are tied for the most in the league over the last two seasons (2016-17):

Most Games With 3-Plus TDs - NFL, 2016-17

Player	Games
Ezekiel Elliott, Dal	2
Antonio Brown, Pit	2
Michael Crabtree, Oak	2
David Johnson, Ari	2

CHOOSE YOUR RUNNER

One of the strengths of the Dallas Cowboys is its depth at the running back position. In Dallas' stable of rushers behind 2016 league rushing champion Ezekiel Elliott are a strong mix, with veteran rusher Alfred Morris, and youth and upside with Rod Smith and Trey Williams.

Morris was signed away from divisional rival Washington in 2016 and has served as Elliott's primary back up this season. For his career, he has posted three 1,000-yard seasons, including a Redskins rookie record 1,613 rushing yards in 2012. Smith, the brother of Cowboys linebacker Jaylon Smith, was acquired off waivers from Seattle in 2015 and has seen action mainly on special teams in the last three seasons while flashing as a runner in the preseason and limited snaps in 2017. Williams is in his second stint with the Cowboys, having previously spent time on the club's roster during the 2015 season but didn't play in a game.

Below is the 2017 season and career breakdown of each player in the Cowboys group of runners behind Elliott:

2017 Dallas Cowboys Rushing Leaders - RBs behind Elliott

Player	GP	GS	Atts	Yards	Avg	Lng	TD
A. Morris	12	4	97	485	5.0	70	1
R. Smith	13	1	46	209	4.5	45	3
T. Williams	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Career Rushing - Current Dallas Cowboys RBs

Player	GP	GS	Atts	Yards	Avg	Lng	TD
A. Morris	90	68	1,244	5,441	4.4	70	32
R. Smith	31	1	48	214	4.5	45	3
T. Williams	2	0	2	12	6.0	12	0

RUSHING TO THE TOP

Over the last few seasons, the Dallas Cowboys have established an identity on offense with their rushing attack, finishing each of the previous three seasons (2014-2nd; 2015-9th; 2016-2nd) in the top-10 in the NFL in rushing. The Cowboys accomplished the same feat in 2016, finishing second in the league by averaging 149.8 yards-per-game.

Dallas continues to turn to its offensive strength in 2017, as the unit is third in the league in rushing yards-per-game:

2017 NFL Team Rushing Leaders - Yards-Per-Game

Team	Att	Yards	Avg	TD	1st	Yds/Gm
Jacksonville	436	1,950	4.4	13	83	150.0
Philadelphia	407	1,859	4.5	9	94	143.0
Dallas	387	1,787	4.6	16	105	137.5
New Orleans	359	1,761	4.9	19	91	135.5
Carolina	397	1,749	4.4	14	97	134.5

Dallas leads the league in rushing first downs (105):

2017 NFL Team Rushing Leaders - 1st Downs

Team	1st
Dallas	105
Carolina	97
Philadelphia	94
New Orleans	91
Baltimore	86

The Cowboys also boast the third-most rushing touchdowns (16) in the NFL:

2017 NFL Team Rushing Leaders - Touchdowns

Team	TDs
New Orleans	19
Tennessee	17
Dallas	16

The Cowboys 50 runs of 10-plus yards are tied for second in the NFL, and their 10 runs of 20-plus yards are tied for eighth:

2017 Big Rush Plays, 10+ Yards - NFL

Team	10+ Yd Runs
Philadelphia	57
Dallas	50
Seattle	50

2017 Big Rush Plays, 20+ Yards - NFL

Team	20+ Yd Runs
Philadelphia	17
Buffalo	16
New Orleans	15
Minnesota	13
Jacksonville	12
Tennessee	12
Kansas City	11
Dallas	10
Carolina	10
Chicago	10
LA Chargers	10
Seattle	10

DRIVE FOR FIVE

Dallas currently is tied for third with 23 total drives of five-or-more minutes. The Cowboys have also posted the most touchdowns (12) and second-most points (97) during drives of five-or-more minutes:

Team	Off Poss.	5 Min Drives	5 Min Scores	5 Min TDs	5 Min Points
Carolina	146	25	19	8	88
Philadelphia	153	24	16	7	75
Dallas	140	23	17	12	97
Atlanta	130	23	20	10	100
Jacksonville	158	22	17	6	73

TEN PLAYS-OR-MORE

Along with the timing of their drives, the Dallas Cowboys offense also consistently put together drives of 10-or-more plays, as the unit's 12 touchdowns on 10-play drives is tied for the league lead, while their 100 total points are fourth and their 24 total drives are tied for 10th in the NFL in 2017:

Team	Off Poss.	10-Play Drives	10-Play Scores	10-Play TDs	10-Play Points
San Francisco	152	27	24	8	104
Tampa Bay	145	27	21	9	97
Atlanta	130	26	19	9	93
Denver	160	26	20	12	107
Philadelphia	153	26	22	9	101
Carolina	146	25	20	9	95
Cleveland	150	25	15	8	77
Green Bay	138	25	19	10	95
New Orleans	141	25	20	7	88
Dallas	140	24	18	12	100
Three teams		22			

FINISHING DRIVES WITH SCORES

The Dallas offense has scored on 53-of-140 drives for a 37.9% scoring efficiency rate to place ninth in the league in 2017:

Highest Scoring Efficiency Rate - NFL 2017

Team	Poss.	Scores	Score%
New England	141	69	48.9
LA Rams	149	71	47.7
New Orleans	141	64	45.4
Philadelphia	153	68	44.4
Pittsburgh	146	63	43.2
Kansas City	144	62	43.1
Atlanta	130	55	42.3
Minnesota	147	60	42.3
Dallas	140	53	37.9

Dallas has also produced the fourth-highest touchdown efficiency rate in the NFL, finishing drives with a touchdown 26.4% of the time, and also boasts the third-most touchdown drives (37):

Highest TD Efficiency Rate - NFL 2017

Team	Poss.	TD	TD%
Philadelphia	153	43	28.1
New England	141	38	27.0
New Orleans	141	38	27.0
Dallas	140	37	26.4

RED ALERT

The Cowboys have made the most of their opportunities in the redzone in 2017, scoring a touchdown on 29-of-46 trips (63.0%) to place fourth in the league. Additionally, Dallas' 29 touchdowns in the red zone are fourth and 230 points are tied for sixth in the NFL:

Red Zone TD Efficiency Rate - NFL Offense 2017

Team	Poss.	Pts	TD	TD%	FG	Scores Pct	
Philadelphia	46	242	31	67.4	9	40	87.0
Oakland	27	145	18	66.7	6	24	88.9
Green Bay	37	193	24	64.9	9	33	89.2
Dallas	46	230	29	63.0	10	39	84.8

3RD-AND-NO PROBLEM

The Cowboys offense has been successful on 74-of-165 third downs (44.8%), good for fourth in the NFL in 2017:

Third Down Conversions - NFL Offense 2017

Team	3rd Down Att	3rd Down Conv.	3rd Down Pct.
Atlanta	153	71	46.4
Minnesota	176	81	46.0
Philadelphia	192	87	45.3
Dallas	165	74	44.8
Carolina	182	78	42.9

WITTEN IN HISTORY

After being selected in the third round of the 2003 NFL Draft by the Dallas Cowboys, Jason Witten steadily climbed Dallas' all-time receiving yards charts and is now the club's all-time leader in receptions (1,141) and receiving yards (12,345).

He most recently topped the club's all-time receiving yards list in the 2017 season opener against the N.Y. Giants (9/10), surpassing Michael Irvin (11,904) at home:

All-Time Cowboys Receiving Yards List

1. **Jason Witten** 12,345 (2003-17)
2. Michael Irvin 11,904 (1988-99)
3. Tony Hill 7,988 (1977-86)
4. Drew Pearson 7,822 (1973-83)
5. Dez Bryant 7,333 (2010-17)

Among his 12,345 yards are 21 games in which he reached 100 yards - a club tight end record. His 21 100-yard outings are tied for fourth all-time among league tight ends since 1970:

Cowboys Tight End	100-yard Games	NFL Tight End	100-yard Games
1. Jason Witten	21	1. Tony Gonzalez.....	31
2. Doug Cosbie.....	4	2. Rob Gronkowski.....	25
Jay Novacek.....	4	3. Kellen Winslow, Sr.....	24
		4. Jason Witten	21
		Antonio Gates.....	21

In 2012 at Atlanta (11/4) Witten surpassed Michael Irvin for the top spot on Dallas' all-time receptions chart:

All-Time Cowboys Receptions List

1. **Jason Witten** ... 1,141 (2003-17)
2. Michael Irvin 750 (1988-99)
3. Dez Bryant 523 (2010-17)
4. Drew Pearson 489 (1973-83)
5. Emmitt Smith 486 (1990-02)

Among all active NFL tight ends, Witten has caught the most passes (1,141) for the most yards (12,345):

All Active Tight Ends - NFL

Player	Rec.	Player	Yards
Jason Witten ...	1,141	Jason Witten	12,345
Antonio Gates.....	916	Antonio Gates ...	11,371
Greg Olsen.....	626	Greg Olsen.....	7,403
Jimmy Graham.....	551	Vernon Davis.....	6,992
Vernon Davis.....	542	Rob Gronkowski..	6,944

LEADING MAN

Already placing in the top-two in career receptions and receiving yards all-time among league tight ends, Jason Witten is moving up the NFL's all-time receptions and receiving yards charts among all position players. Witten opened 2017 ranked seventh in receptions (1,089) and 27th in receiving yards (11,888).

He surpassed Tim Brown (1,094) for sixth on the league's all-time receptions list against the N.Y. Giants (9/10). At Denver (9/17) Witten moved up to fourth past Cris Carter (1,101) and Marvin Harrison (1,102).

Amongst league receiving yards leaders, Witten topped Derrick Mason (12,061) and Hines Ward (12,083) for 24th against Green Bay (10/8), Charlie Joiner (12,146) for 23rd at San Francisco (10/22), Brandon Marshall (12,215) for 22nd at Atlanta (11/12) and Jimmy Smith (12,287) for 21st against the LA Chargers (11/23):

NFL Career Receptions Leaders	NFL Career Receiving Yards Leaders
1. Jerry Rice 1,549	1. Jerry Rice..... 22,895
2. Tony Gonzalez..... 1,325	2. Terrell Owens..... 15,934
3. Larry Fitzgerald* ... 1,212	3. Larry Fitzgerald* .. 15,311
4. Jason Witten *..... 1,141	19. Irving Fryar..... 12,785
	20. Art Monk 12,721
	21. Jason Witten *.... 12,345

* indicates active players

CLIMBING THE TE CHARTS

Since entering the league in 2003, Jason Witten has provided Dallas with the full package at tight end. In his 15th season, Witten has caught 1,141 passes for 12,345 yards - both franchise bests - and 68 touchdowns. He is the NFL's second all-time leading tight end in career receptions and receiving yards:

NFL Career Receptions Leaders (TEs)

1. Tony Gonzalez.... 1,325
2. **Jason Witten***.... 1,141
3. Antonio Gates*..... 916
4. Shannon Sharpe.... 815
5. Ozzie Newsome..... 662

* indicates active players

NFL Career Receiving Yards Leaders (TEs)

1. Tony Gonzalez..... 15,127
2. **Jason Witten***..... 12,345
3. Antonio Gates* 11,371
4. Shannon Sharpe.. 10,060
5. Ozzie Newsome 7,980

TE's TDs

Jason Witten topped Billy Joe DuPree (41) for the most receiving touchdowns by a Dallas Cowboys tight end against Chicago (10/1) in 2012:

All-Time Cowboys Receiving Touchdown List - Tight Ends

1. **Jason Witten** 68 (2003-17)
2. Billy Joe DuPree ... 41 (1973-83)
3. Doug Cosbie 30 (1979-88)
4. Jay Novacek 22 (1990-95)
5. Pettis Norman 14 (1962-70)

Since then, he has moved up Dallas' all-time receiving touchdowns chart, and he recently surpassed Michael Irvin (65) at San Francisco (10/22) for third amongst all Cowboys receivers:

All-Time Cowboys Receiving Touchdown List

1. Dez Bryant 73 (2010-17)
2. Bob Hayes 71 (1965-74)
3. **Jason Witten** 68 (2003-17)
4. Michael Irvin..... 65 (1988-99)
5. Tony Hill 51 (1977-86)

MORE TE's TDs

Amongst all NFL tight ends, Jason Witten is currently tied for fourth on the league's all-time receiving touchdowns list at the position, third amongst active tight ends:

Tight End	TDs	Years	Tight End	TDs	Years
Antonio Gates* ..	112	2003-17	Vernon Davis*.....	59	2006-17
Tony Gonzalez...	111	1997-13	Wesley Walls.....	54	1989-03
R.Gronkowski* ..	75	2010-17	Dallas Clark.....	53	2003-13
Jason Witten *.....	68	2003-17	Dave Casper.....	52	1974-84
Jimmy Graham*...	68	2010-17	Greg Olsen*.....	52	2007-17
Shannon Sharpe..	62	1990-03	Ben Coates.....	50	1991-00
Jerry Smith	60	1965-77			

* indicates active player

JASON WITTEN VS. THE AFC WEST

This week the Dallas Cowboys take on the Oakland Raiders as the team closes out play against the entire AFC West division in 2017. Veteran Jason Witten has faced the Raiders three times during his career and has tallied 13 receptions for 209 yards.

Below are Witten's totals against all AFC West foes:

Team	GP	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
Denver.....	4	30	331	11.0	3
Kansas City.....	4	16	157	9.8	1
LA Chargers.....	4	17	148	8.7	0
Oakland	3	13	209	16.1	0
Totals	15	76	845	11.1	4

THAT'S A BUNCH OF WITT

After coming into the league as Dallas' third round draft pick in 2003, Jason Witten has strung together a Hall of Fame career. He has appeared in the most Pro Bowls by a Cowboys tight end (10, seven consecutive - 2004-10 and three consecutive 2012-14), and is tied for the second-most by any Dallas player in team history, is tops on the club's all-time receptions and receiving yards charts. In 2012 he took the top spot on the club's receptions chart from Michael Irvin at Atlanta (11/4). Witten took 151 games to reach the top of the team's receptions chart which was faster than Irvin (159). When compared to the two other NFL tight ends with at least 750 catches - Tony Gonzalez and Shannon Sharpe - Witten also reached the mark faster - Gonzalez (163 games), Sharpe (169).

He surpassed 1,000 career receptions at Washington (12/7/15) with five catches against the Redskins, reaching that mark in his 203rd game to become the sixth-fastest NFL player to do so, and the fastest tight end.

In 2012 Witten notched a club-record 18-catch game against the N.Y. Giants (10/28). His 18 receptions tied for third in a game in NFL history and were the most by a tight end in league history:

Single-Game Cowboys Receptions

Player	No.	Opp (Date)
Jason Witten	18	NYG (10/28/12)
Jason Witten	15	@ Det (12/9/07)
Jason Witten	14	@ NYG (12/6/09)
Lance Rentzel	13	Was (11/19/67)
Jason Witten	13	Chi (10/1/12)
Dez Bryant	13	@ Bal (10/14/12)

Single-Game Receptions

NFL History		NFL History (TEs)	
Player	Rec.	Player	Rec.
Brandon Marshall	21	Jason Witten	18
Terrell Owens	20	Jason Witten	15
Brandon Marshall	18	Zach Ertz	15
Jason Witten	18	Kellen Winslow	15

Witten hauled in 10 passes at Denver (9/17) to mark his 11th career game with 10-or-more receptions - most by a Dallas Cowboy and the second-most by any NFL tight end:

Most Career Games w/10-plus Receptions - NFL TEs

Tight End	Games
Tony Gonzalez	15
Jason Witten	11
Zach Ertz	5
Jimmy Graham	5
Jeremy Shockey	5
Kellen Winslow, Jr.	5

Most Career Games w/10-plus Receptions - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Jason Witten	11
Michael Irvin	7
Miles Austin	5
Dez Bryant	4

40x14

Jason Witten is known to be a reliable source for receptions for a quarterback. Nine games into the 2017 season Witten once again hit the 40-catch mark after seven receptions at Atlanta (11/12). He became the eighth player to post 14 seasons with at least 40 receptions, and with 14 consecutive seasons, he is one of five players - second tight end - to reach that milestone:

Most Consecutive 40-plus Catch Seasons - NFL

Player	Total	Consec.	Years
Tony Gonzalez (TE)	16	16	1998-13
Terrell Owens (WR)	14	14	1997-10
Anquan Boldin* (WR)	14	14	2003-16
Larry Fitzgerald* (WR)	14	14	2004-17
Jason Witten* (TE)	14	14	2004-17

*indicates current streak

50x14

With seven catches against the LA Chargers (11/23), Jason Witten topped 50 catches for the 14th season to become the fifth player in NFL history to do so. He also became the fourth player - second tight end (Tony Gonzalez) - in NFL history to post 14 consecutive seasons with 50-or-more receptions:

Most Consecutive 50-Plus Catch Seasons - NFL

Player	Total	Consec.
Tony Gonzalez (TE)	16	16
Anquan Boldin	14	14
Larry Fitzgerald	14	14
Jason Witten (TE)	14	14

60x13

Against Tampa Bay (12/18/16), Jason Witten caught 10 passes to allow him to surpass 60 catches for the year - his 13th overall and 13th consecutive season with 60 receptions.

Witten became the third NFL player - second tight end - in league history with at least 13 60-plus catch seasons. He is also only the second player - second tight end - with 13 straight. Witten is the only Dallas Cowboy with 13 60-catch seasons:

60-Plus Catch Seasons - NFL

Player	Total	Consec.
Jerry Rice	17	11
Tony Gonzalez	15	15
Jason Witten	13	13

70x9

Jason Witten topped 70 catches against the N.Y. Jets (12/19/15). Witten has nine overall and seven consecutive 70-catch season - both second all-time among league tight ends:

70-Plus Catch Seasons by a Tight End

Tight End	Total	Consec.
Tony Gonzalez	14	11
Jason Witten	9	7
Antonio Gates	6	4
Shannon Sharpe	5	2

80x6

With his nine catches on Thanksgiving Day against Washington (11/22/12), Jason Witten passed 80 catches for the sixth time in his career. Witten's six 80+ catch seasons are second to Tony Gonzalez (eight) for the most by a tight end in league history.

80+ Catch Seasons

Tight End	Seasons
Tony Gonzalez	8
Jason Witten	6
Todd Christensen	4
Jimmy Graham	4
Kellen Winslow, Sr.	3
Shannon Sharpe	3

90x4

Jason Witten reached 90 catches in 2012 for the fourth time in his career. Witten's four 90-catch seasons are second to Tony Gonzalez (five) for the most 90-catch seasons by a tight end in league history. Witten had 90-plus catches in 2009 and 2010 to join Gonzalez as the only tight ends with consecutive 90-catch seasons.

90-Catch Seasons (Tight Ends)

Tight End	Rec	Year	Tight End	Rec	Year
Jason Witten	110	2012	Jason Witten	94	2009
Tony Gonzalez	102	2004	Jason Witten	94	2010
Dallas Clark	100	2009	Delanie Walker	94	2015
Tony Gonzalez	99	2007	Tony Gonzalez	93	2000
Jimmy Graham	99	2011	Tony Gonzalez	93	2012
Ben Coates	96	1994	T. Christensen	92	1983
Tony Gonzalez	96	2008	Rob Gronkowski	90	2011
Jason Witten	96	2007	Martellus Bennett	90	2014
T.Christensen	95	1986			

100x21

Jason Witten holds the club tight end record with 21 career 100-yard games:

Witten's 100-yard games

Yds	Opp	Date	Yds	Opp	Date	Yds	Opp	Date
167	NYG	10/28/12	121	DEN	10/6/13	110	PHI	9/15/08
156	@NYG	12/6/09	117	@Was	12/27/09	110	@NYJ	9/11/11
140	WAS	12/19/10	116	NYG	9/9/07	108	PHI	12/2/12
138	@Det	12/9/07	115	Sea	11/27/08	107	Oak	11/26/09
135	PHI	12/29/13	113	PHI	12/16/07	103	@Buf	10/8/07
134	@Cle	11/6/16	112	@GB	10/24/04	102	@SF	9/18/11
133	PHI	11/15/04	112	CHI	10/1/12	102	MIN	11/3/13

Top-Five Dallas Cowboys Tight End Receiving Days

Player	Yards	Opp	Date
Jason Witten.....	167	NYG	10/28/12
Doug Cosbie.....	159	@Det	9/15/85
Jason Witten.....	156	@NYG	12/6/09
Jason Witten.....	140	WAS	12/19/10
Jason Witten.....	138	@Det	12/9/07

500x13

Jason Witten's 37 yards against Baltimore (11/20/16) put him over the 500-yard mark. The 2016 season was Witten's 13th career and 13th consecutive 500-yard season. He is the eighth NFL player - third tight end - with 13 career and 13 straight. He is the only player in team history with 13 500-yard seasons.

500-plus yard seasons

NFL Tight End			Cowboys History		
Player	Tot	Consec.	Player	Tot	Consec.
Tony Gonzalez....	16	16	Jason Witten..	13	13
Jason Witten.....	13	13	Tony Hill.....	9	9
Antonio Gates.....	13	13	Drew Pearson...	9	8
			Michael Irvin.....	9	8

600x13

Jason Witten topped 600 yards for the 2016 season with a 51-yard performance against Tampa Bay (12/18/16). Witten has reached the 600-yard mark 13 times overall and consecutively. His 13 overall are second all-time among league tight ends and second for consecutive seasons among the same group. His 13 are the most in team history:

600-plus yard seasons

NFL Tight End			Cowboys History		
Player	Tot	Consec.	Player	Tot	Consec.
Tony Gonzalez.....	16	16	Jason Witten..	13	13
Jason Witten.....	13	13	Michael Irvin.....	9	8
			Tony Hill.....	8	4
			Bob Hayes.....	7	7
			Drew Pearson....	7	6

700x12

Jason Witten had 58 yards against Washington (1/3/16) to put him over 700 yards for the 12th time in his career and 12th consecutive season. He is the second tight end in NFL history to reach 12 seasons, and the first to do it in 12 straight. He also has the most overall and most consecutive 700-plus yard seasons in team history:

700-plus yard seasons

NFL Tight End			Cowboys History		
Player	Tot	Consec.	Player	Tot	Consec.
Tony Gonzalez....	14	11	Jason Witten..	12	12
Jason Witten.....	12	12	Michael Irvin.....	8	8
			Tony Hill.....	8	4
			Drew Pearson....	6	6
			Dez Bryant.....	6	4

800x7

With a 135-yard game against Philadelphia (12/29/13), Jason Witten reached the 800-yard mark for the season for the eighth time in his career. He had a streak of seven consecutive 800-plus yard seasons, tying Tony Gonzalez for the most all-time among tight ends. His eight total is good for second:

800-plus yard seasons (NFL tight end)

Tight End	Total	Consec.
Tony Gonzalez.....	13	7
Jason Witten.....	8	7
Antonio Gates.....	7	4
Shannon Sharpe.....	6	2

900x6

Jason Witten reached the 900-yard mark in 2012 during Week 15. He has topped 900 yards seven times in his career and in six straight seasons. His seven are second to Tony Gonzalez (nine) while his six straight are tied with Gonzalez:

900-plus yard seasons (NFL tight end)

Player	Total	Consec.
Tony Gonzalez.....	9	6
Jason Witten.....	7	6
Antonio Gates.....	5	4

1,000x4

Jason Witten closed out the 2012 season with 1,039 yards - second on the team and tops among league tight ends. It was his fourth career 1,000-yard season. Witten tied Tony Gonzalez for the most 1,000-yard seasons by a tight end in league history:

1,000-plus yard seasons (NFL tight end)

Tight End	Seasons
Tony Gonzalez.....	4
Jason Witten.....	4
Five players.....	3

CATCH STREAK COMES TO AN END

Dating back to Nov. 16, 2008, Jason Witten made at least one catch in 130 consecutive games, most in franchise history. He passed Michael Irvin (117) with one catch at Buffalo (12/27/15) for the all-time record. The last game that Witten did not have a catch was at the N.Y. Giants (11/2/08), and during that time he posted 678 receptions for 7,236 yards (10.7 avg.) and 39 touchdowns until that streak came to an end at Minnesota (12/1/16) when he failed to make a reception for the first time in 130 games. Dez Bryant also had an 85-game streak that ended at Philadelphia (1/1/17):

Most Consecutive Games, Pass Reception - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games	Years
Jason Witten.....	130	2008-16
Michael Irvin.....	117	1990-98
Dez Bryant.....	85	2010-16

I AM IRON MAN

Jason Witten is in his 15th season - all with the Cowboys - to tie Ed Jones (1974-78, 1980-89), Bill Bates (1983-97) and Mark Tuinei (1983-97) for the most seasons played in team history. He has played in a team-record 232 consecutive games out of a possible 236 games in his career, missing just one game due to a broken jaw against Arizona (10/5/03), and it is currently the second-longest streak amongst all active NFL players:

Most Consecutive Games Played - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Jason Witten, 2003-17*	232
Bob Lilly, 1961-74.....	196
Dale Hellestrae, 1990-02.....	176

*indicates current streak

Witten overtook Ed Jones (224) for the most career games played in team history at Denver (9/17/17) and is now at 236:

Most Games Played - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Jason Witten, 2003-17.....	236
Ed Jones, 1974-78, 1980-89..	224
Bill Bates, 1983-97.....	217

Witten also has a current streak of 176 consecutive games started, and it is the second-longest active streak in the NFL:

Most Consecutive Games Started - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Starts
Jason Witten, 2006-17*	176
Lee Roy Jordan, 1966-76.....	154
Cornell Green, 1964-74.....	145

*indicates current streak

He has made 226 career starts for the most in team history:

Most Games Started - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Starts
Jason Witten, 2003-17.....	226
Ed Jones, 1974-78, 1980-89..	203
Emmitt Smith, 1990-2002....	199

WITTEN AT 700 AND 8,000

In 2012 Jason Witten became the third tight end in league history to reach 700 career receptions (9/16). He did it in 145 career games - the fastest of the previous two.

Tight Ends games to 700 career receptions

Player	Games
Jason Witten	145
Tony Gonzalez.....	154
Shannon Sharpe.....	178

Witten then topped 8,000 career yards (10/1) to become the third tight end to reach the mark. He did it in 147 games - the fastest of the previous two. Antonio Gates then bettered Witten's speed to 8,000 yards, reaching the mark in his 137th game on Oct. 15:

Tight Ends games to 8,000 career receiving yards

Player	Games
Antonio Gates.....	137
Jason Witten	147
Tony Gonzalez.....	149

WITTEN AT 800 AND 9,000

In the 2012 season finale, Jason Witten caught his 800th career pass. He became just the third tight end in league history to reach that figure. He reached 800 in 159 games - faster than the previous two. Witten entered 2013 52 yards shy of 9,000 career yards, and he became the third tight end in NFL history to reach the mark with a touchdown catch in the second quarter of the opener. He again did it faster than the previous two:

Tight Ends games to 800 receptions and 9,000 yards

Player	Games	Player	Games
Jason Witten	159	Jason Witten	160
Tony Gonzalez.....	171	Tony Gonzalez.....	163
Shannon Sharpe.....	202	Shannon Sharpe.....	183

WITTEN AT 900 AND 10,000

On a 34-yard catch in the third quarter against Houston (10/5/14), Jason Witten hit 10,000 career receiving yards. By reaching that milestone, he became the third tight end in NFL history, the 41st overall player in league history and the second Dallas Cowboy (Michael Irvin) to reach that mark. Witten reached the 10,000-yard plateau in his 180th career game to become the second-fastest tight end to get to that point. The very next week at Seattle (10/12), Witten caught two passes to up his career total receptions to 900, becoming only the second tight end in NFL history, first Dallas Cowboy and 16th overall player to do so. He reached that mark in his 181st game, the fastest tight end - and eighth-fastest player overall - in NFL history to reach that mark. Witten also became only the 16th player in NFL history to reach both 900 career receptions and 10,000 career receiving yards:

Tight Ends games to 900 receptions and 10,000 yards

Player	Games	Player	Games
Jason Witten	181	Tony Gonzalez.....	177
Tony Gonzalez.....	188	Jason Witten	180
Shannon Sharpe.....	203		

WITTEN AT 1,000 AND 11,000

Jason Witten reached 11,000 career receiving yards after posting 36 yards against Carolina (11/26/15). He became only the second tight end in NFL history, 32nd overall player in league history and the second Cowboy (Michael Irvin) to reach that plateau. Witten reached 11,000 career yards in his 202nd game to serve as the second-fastest tight end to get to that mark. In his next game at Washington (12/7/15), Witten crossed the 1,000 career reception mark after hauling in five passes. By doing so, he became the 12th player in NFL history, second tight end and first Cowboy, while becoming the sixth-fastest player - fastest tight end - to reach that mark. He also became the 12th player in NFL history to reach both 1,000 career receptions and 11,000 career receiving yards:

Tight Ends games to 1,000 receptions and 11,000 yards

Player	Games	Player	Games
Jason Witten	203	Tony Gonzalez.....	191
Tony Gonzalez.....	207	Jason Witten	202

WITTEN AT 1,100 AND 12,000

Jason Witten hit more career receiving marks at Denver (9/17/17) with his 1,100 reception and 12,000 receiving yards. He became only the second NFL tight end (Tony Gonzalez - 15,127) to reach 12,000 career receiving yards, the first Dallas Cowboy and the 26th overall player in NFL history. He reached 12,000 career receiving yards in his 225th game - second-fastest by a tight end in NFL history (Gonzalez - 210). He became the fastest tight end in NFL history - second overall to hit that mark - to reach 1,100 receptions - doing it in 225 games compared to Gonzalez's 229 games:

Tight Ends games to 1,100 receptions and 12,000 yards

Player	1,100 Rec.	Games	Player	12,000 yards	Games
Jason Witten	225		Tony Gonzalez.....	210	
Tony Gonzalez.....	229		Jason Witten	225	

BY DEZIGN

Dallas traded up in the 2010 NFL Draft to select Dez Bryant in the first round with the 24th overall pick, the Dallas Cowboys have seen nothing but production from the wide receiver. Bryant has steadily improved in each season of his career while earning three Pro Bowl nods (2013-14, 16).

His most successful seasons came in 2012-14. In 2012 he led the team with 1,382 yards (fourth in club history) and 12 touchdowns (tied for fifth) on 92 catches (seventh), then in 2013 was the team leader in receptions (93 yards (1,233) and touchdowns (13). He continued in 2014 where he left off, leading the team with 88 receptions for 1,320 yards and a franchise-best 16 touchdowns.

Bryant leads the team with 61 catches for 712 yards and six scores in 2017. This season he established a franchise record after hauling in his 72nd touchdown against Washington (11/30).

In his eighth season, Bryant's totals place him in the top-five of the team's career receiving charts with 523 receptions for 7,333 yards and a franchise-record 73 touchdowns:

Dallas Cowboys All-Time Receiving Leaders

Player (Years)	Receptions	Rec	Player (Years)	Yds	Yds
Jason Witten (2003-17)	523	1,141	Jason Witten (2003-17)	7,333	12,345
Michael Irvin (1988-99)	750	1,141	Michael Irvin (1988-99)	11,904	11,904
Dez Bryant (2010-17)	523	523	Tony Hill (1977-86)	7,988	7,988
Drew Pearson (1973-83)	489	489	Drew Pearson (1973-83)	7,822	7,822
Emmitt Smith (1990-02)	486	486	Dez Bryant (2010-17)	7,333	7,333

Touchdowns

Player (Years)	TDs
Dez Bryant (2010-17)	73
Bob Hayes (1965-74)	71
Jason Witten (2003-17)	68
Michael Irvin (1988-99)	65
Tony Hill (1977-86)	51

88, 88, 88

With the selection of Dez Bryant in the first round of the 2010 NFL Draft, the Dallas Cowboys added to their lineage of home-grown talent at wide receiver. Bryant was issued the jersey number 88 to follow in the footsteps of two of the previous 88s in club history - Drew Pearson (1973-83) and Michael Irvin (1988-99).

In Dallas, Bryant has looked to follow in the footsteps of two former great 88's who finished their careers ranking atop the all-time career receiving lists for the Cowboys. Pearson made 489 receptions (fourth) for 7,822 yards (fourth) and 48 touchdowns (seventh) in 156 career games, while Irvin played in 159 games and caught 750 passes (second) for 11,904 yards (second) and 65 touchdowns (fourth).

In the 2017 season, Bryant has made 61 receptions for 712 yards and six touchdowns. He has 523 receptions (third) for 7,333 yards (fifth) and 73 touchdowns (first) during 110 career games.

Below is a comparison between the Cowboys 88s after 110 games:

	GP	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
Drew Pearson....	110	360	6,062	16.8	35
Michael Irvin.....	110	517	8,366	16.2	50
Dez Bryant	110	523	7,333	14.0	73

DEZ-STRUCTIVE

Since entering the league as the Dallas Cowboys first round draft choice in 2010, Dez Bryant has continued his rise each season as arguably one of the league's best receivers. He has reached the century mark in 18 career games, and has steadily improved his output in each season of his early pro career.

He added three 100-yard outings in 2016. To date, Bryant's 18 career 100-yard outings are good for sixth in team history:

Career 100-Yard Receiving Games - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Michael Irvin	47
Tony Hill	26
Bob Hayes	23
Jason Witten	21
Drew Pearson	19
Dez Bryant.....	18

Dez Bryant 100-yard Games (18 total)

Yds	Opp	Date	Yds	Opp	Date
224	NO	12/23/12	114	@Phi	12/14/14
158	@Jac	11/9/14	113	PHI	10/30/16
153	GB	12/15/13	110	NYG	10/28/12
151	NYG	10/19/14	110	@Phi	10/20/13
145	CLE	11/18/12	105	CHI	10/1/12
145	WAS	11/22/12	104	@NYG	11/14/10
141	@KC	9/15/13	104	PHI	11/8/15
141	DEN	10/6/13	103	@Ten	9/14/14
116	@Pit	11/13/16	102	@Was	9/18/16

A GRAND FOR DEZ

With six catches for 82 yards at Chicago (12/4/14), Dez Bryant topped 1,000 yards on the season for the third time in his career. He accomplished the feat in 2012 with 1,382 yards, and had 1,233 in 2013. Bryant's 1,000-yard season in 2014 marked the 31st in franchise history, and he became the 12th different Cowboy to top 1,000 yards in a season. His mark of 1,320 yards in 2014 tied for seventh in a season in team history:

Dallas Cowboys 1,000-yard Seasons

Player	Yards	Year	Player	Yards	Year
Michael Irvin	1,603	1995	Raghib Ismail....	1,097	1999
Michael Irvin	1,523	1991	Drew Pearson....	1,087	1974
Michael Irvin	1,396	1992	Tony Hill	1,062	1979
Dez Bryant.....	1,382	2012	Michael Irvin	1,057	1998
Terrell Owens	1,355	2007	Tony Hill	1,055	1980
Michael Irvin	1,330	1993	Terrell Owens	1,052	2008
Miles Austin	1,320	2009	Terry Glenn	1,047	2006
Dez Bryant.....	1,320	2014	Frank Clarke	1,043	1962
Michael Irvin	1,241	1994	Miles Austin	1,041	2009
Dez Bryant.....	1,233	2013	Jason Witten.....	1,039	2012
Bob Hayes	1,232	1966	Jason Witten.....	1,030	2009
Michael Irvin	1,180	1997	Drew Pearson....	1,026	1979
Terrell Owens	1,180	2006	Lance Rentzel ..	1,009	1968
Jason Witten.....	1,145	2007	Bob Hayes.....	1,003	1965
Terry Glenn.....	1,136	2005	Jason Witten.....	1,002	2010
Tony Hill.....	1,113	1985			

FASTEST TO 500

After hauling in six passes against Kansas City (11/5), Dez Bryant moved past the 500 career receptions plateau. By doing so, he became the third player in team history to reach that mark and by doing it in his 105th career game, he became the fastest player in team history to get there:

Fastest to 500 Career Receptions - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Games
Dez Bryant.....	105
Jason Witten.....	107
Michael Irvin.....	108

88 GOOD FOR 50

Dez Bryant reached 50 receptions on the season for the sixth time of his career against the LA Chargers (11/23). His six seasons with 50 catches ranks third all-time in team history:

Most Seasons With 50 Receptions - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Seasons
Jason Witten.....	14
Michael Irvin.....	8
Dez Bryant.....	6

88 GOOD FOR 60

Dez Bryant reached 60 receptions on the 2017 season for the fifth time of his career - first since 2014 - at the N.Y. Giants (12/10). His five seasons with 60 catches ranks third all-time in team history:

Most Seasons With 60 Receptions - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Seasons
Jason Witten.....	13
Michael Irvin.....	8
Dez Bryant.....	5

'X' MARKS THE SPOT

At Arizona (9/25) Bryant played in his 100th career game and caught his 69th career touchdown - sixth-most by any NFL receiver all-time during their first 100 games:

Most Receiving TDs at 100 Games Played - NFL

Player	TDs
Jerry Rice	87
Don Hutson.....	86
Randy Moss.....	84
Lance Alworth.....	78
Rob Gronkowski*	75
Dez Bryant*	69

*Indicates current player

In 2014 Dez Bryant found the endzone a franchise-high 16 times to lead the NFL. He finished the 2013 season with 13 scores to tie for third in the league, was third in 2012 with 12 touchdowns, tied for sixth in 2011 with nine and logged six scores in 2010 - third amongst rookies. Bryant led the team in 2016 with eight touchdowns, and he has six in 2017.

Since entering the league in 2010, Bryant's 73 scores are the second-most receiving touchdowns - most by a wide receiver - in the NFL during that timespan:

Most Receiving TDs since 2010 - NFL

Player	TDs
Rob Gronkowski, NE (TE)	75
Dez Bryant, Dal	73

DEZZLING PERFORMANCES

Dez Bryant has recorded the most multi-touchdown receiving games in a single season in franchise history with four in both the 2012 and 2014 seasons, while also recording three games in 2013.

In 2016 Bryant notched two multi-score games, including the 15th of his career that tied Bob Hayes (15) for the most in franchise history after hauling in two more against Detroit (12/26):

Dallas Cowboys Multi-TD Rec Games

Player	Cowboys Season	Games	Year	Player	Cowboys Career	Games
Dez Bryant.....	4	2012		Bob Hayes	15	
Dez Bryant.....	4	2014		Dez Bryant.....	15	
Frank Clarke.....	3	1961		Frank Clarke	9	
Frank Clarke.....	3	1962		Tony Hill	9	
Bob Hayes.....	3	1965		Michael Irvin	9	
Bob Hayes.....	3	1966		Drew Pearson	7	
Bob Hayes.....	3	1967		Lance Rentzel	6	
Bob Hayes.....	3	1970		Terrell Owens	6	
Terrell Owens	3	2007				
L. Robinson.....	3	2011				
Dez Bryant.....	3	2013				

BRYANT GOES THE DISTANCE

Dez Bryant hauled in a 50-yard touchdown in the second quarter at the N.Y. Giants (12/10/17) to notch his 10th career score to travel over 50 yards. With that catch, he became the fourth Cowboy - tied for the third-most - to post 10-or-more receiving touchdowns over 50 yards in a career:

Most 50-Plus Yard TD Receptions - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Seasons
Bob Hayes	19
Frank Clarke	13
Michael Irvin.....	10
Dez Bryant.....	10

FOLLOW THE LEE-DER

Dallas Cowboys linebacker Sean Lee returned to the field in 2015, this time coming back from a torn ACL he suffered in a spring practice that took away his 2014 season. Before that, Lee had bounced back in 2013 to tally a team-best 123 tackles after landing on Reserve/Injured with a toe injury in 2012.

Having manned the middle linebacker spot since his rookie season, Lee moved to a new position in 2015 with a shift over to the weakside spot to further utilize his speed and playmaking ability in the Cowboys 4-3 defense. Lee led the squad with a 156 tackles along with his first career sacks (2.5), a team-high 11 tackles for loss, six pressures, an interception and five pass breakups. He was named to his first Pro Bowl as an injury replacement for Justin Houston (Kansas City).

Lee led the 2016 team with 174 tackles and 12 tackles for loss - both career-highs - along with four quarterback pressures, two pass breakups and a fumble recovery. In 2017 he is currently second on the team with 82 tackles along with a team-high tying eight tackles for loss with two pressures.

Lee notched his fifth career game with at least 20 tackles with 20 stops at the N.Y. Giants (12/10):

Sean Lee 20-plus Tackle Games - Cowboys (coaches film)

Game	ST	AT	TT
@ Sea, 9/16/12	15	6	21
@ SD, 9/29/13	16	5	21
vs Was, 11/24/16	12	8	20
@ NYG, 12/11/16	17	5	22
@ NYG, 12/10/17 ...	15	5	20

For his career, he has posted four seasons - two consecutive - with 100-plus tackles:

Sean Lee 100-plus Tackle Seasons - Dallas Cowboys

Year	ST	AT	TT
2011	91	40	131
2013	95	28	123
2015	109	47	156
2016	120	54	174

**Lee missed the 2014 season with a knee injury*

Known to always be around the ball, Lee has collected 13 interceptions since entering the league as Dallas' 2010 second round draft choice to mark the most on the team and second amongst league linebackers in the NFL during that span. His 13 are also tied for fourth among linebackers in team history. Lee has intercepted a career-high four passes twice in a season during his career - leading the team in 2013 and tying for the team lead in 2011 - to tie for sixth in a single-season in team history:

Most INTs by a Cowboys Linebacker - Career

Player	INTs
Lee Roy Jordan, 1963-76	32
Chuck Howley, 1961-73	24
Jerry Tubbs, 1960-66	15
Dave Edwards, 1963-75	13
Sean Lee, 2010-17	13

Most INTs by an NFL Linebacker - 2010-17

Player	INTs
Luke Kuechly, Car	15
Sean Lee, Dal	13

JAYLON'S "CLEAR EYE VIEW"

The Dallas Cowboys took a leap of faith when they drafted Notre Dame linebacker Jaylon Smith with their second round selection (34th overall) of the 2017 NFL Draft. The All-American and Butkus award winner suffered a knee injury in the Fiesta Bowl in his final collegiate game, and subsequently missed his entire rookie season rehabbing the injury on Dallas' Reserve/NFI list.

Smith, through his "Clear Eye View" motto, stayed determined and made a miraculous return to the field during the Cowboys 2017 offseason activities, to his first game action in the preseason and finally making his much anticipated debut during the regular season.

Smith currently leads the Dallas defense with 94 tackles - from coaches film - on the 2017 season:

2017 Dallas Cowboys Defensive Leaders - Tackles

Player	ST	AT	TT
Jaylon Smith	71	23	94
Sean Lee	65	17	82
Anthony Hitchens	63	16	79
Jeff Heath	52	16	68
Byron Jones	48	17	65

TANK ON A ROLL

Defensive end DeMarcus "Tank" Lawrence opened the 2017 season on an absolute tear and is currently second in the NFL with a career-best 13.5 sacks:

2017 NFL Sack Leaders

Player	Sacks
Chandler Jones, Ari	14.0
DeMarcus Lawrence, Dal	13.5
Everson Griffen, Min	13.0
Calais Campbell, Jac	12.5
Joey Bosa, LAC	11.5

Lawrence's career-high 13.5 sacks are the sixth-most by a Dallas defender during a single season:

Most Sacks in Single Season, Since 1982 - Dallas Cowboys

Player	Season	Sacks
DeMarcus Ware	2008	20.0
DeMarcus Ware	2011	19.5
DeMarcus Ware	2010	15.5
Jim Jeffcoat	1986	14.0
DeMarcus Ware	2007	14.0
DeMarcus Lawrence	2017	13.5

With at least one sack in the first seven games of the Cowboys 2017 season to establish a career-long streak, Lawrence became the seventh player, second Dallas Cowboy (DeMarcus Ware - 2008), to post a sack in his team's first seven games of a season in NFL history since sacks became official in 1982. It was also the seventh-longest in league history:

Most Consecutive Games With A Sack - NFL, Since 1982

Player	Seasons	Games
Simon Fletcher, Den	1992-93	10
DeMarcus Ware, Dal	2007-08	10
Bruce Smith, Buf	1986-87	9
Kevin Greene, SF/Car	1997-98	9
Dwight Freeney, Ind	2008-09	9
Everson Griffen, Min	2017	8
DeMarcus Lawrence	2017	7

SACK ATTACK

Fueled by DeMarcus Lawrence, who leads the NFL in sacks (13.5), the Dallas Cowboys defense is currently tied for 13th with 32.0 quarterback takedowns in 2017:

NFL Team Sack Leaders - 2017

Team	Sacks
Jacksonville	47.0
Pittsburgh	41.0
Carolina	40.0
LA Rams	40.0
LA Chargers	37.0
Tennessee	37.0
Baltimore	36.0
Cincinnati	36.0
Chicago	35.0
Philadelphia	35.0
Atlanta	34.0
New Orleans	34.0
Dallas	32.0
Minnesota	32.0
Seattle	32.0

DAN THE MAN

Dan Bailey came to Dallas in 2011 as a rookie free agent and immediately earned his spot as the club's place kicker, finishing the season 32-of-37 (86.5%) on field goals for the second-best field goal percentage by a rookie in franchise history. His 32 field goals made were also a club rookie record. He had a streak of 26 consecutive made which were the most by a rookie in NFL history.

In 2017, Bailey is nine-of-11 on field goals and has made 24 PATs for 51 total points.

For his career, Bailey has converted 180-of-202 tries (89.1%), and his field goals made are the most in team history. Bailey has also hit 274 PAT tries - second in franchise history:

Dallas Cowboys Career Kicking Chart

Field Goals Made		PATs MADE	
Dan Bailey	180	Rafael Septien.....	388
Rafael Septien.....	162	Dan Bailey	274
Chris Boniol.....	81	Mike Clark.....	180
Richie Cunningham.....	75	Nick Folk.....	131
Mike Clark.....	69	Danny Villanueva.....	125
		Toni Fritsch.....	119
		Chris Boniol.....	118
		Efren Herrera.....	106
		Billy Cundiff.....	100
Field Goal Percentage			
Dan Bailey	89.1		
Chris Boniol.....	87.1		
Eddie Murray.....	83.3		
Richie Cunningham.....	79.8		
Nick Folk.....	79.0		

MAKING THE POINT

Dan Bailey has been a scoring machine since entering the league in 2011 as the former undrafted free agent has totaled 814 points to rank third in team history:

All-Time Cowboys Points Leaders

1. Emmitt Smith, RB..... 986 (1990-02)
2. Rafael Septien, K..... 874 (1978-86)
3. **Dan Bailey, K..... 814 (2011-17)**
4. Tony Dorsett, RB..... 516 (1977-87)
5. Bob Hayes, WR..... 456 (1965-74)

BAILEY'S BOOTS

For his career, Dan Bailey has recorded 27 games with three-or-more field goals - the most in team history. He also has nine-games with four-or-more field goals - tops in team history.

Dallas Cowboys Career

Games with 3+ FGs Made		Games with 4+ FGs Made	
Players	Games	Players	Games
Dan Bailey	27	Dan Bailey	9
Rafael Septien.....	21	Chris Boniol.....	4
Richie Cunningham.....	11	Richie Cunningham.....	3
Chris Boniol.....	10	Eddie Murray.....	3
Eddie Murray.....	7	Five others.....	2
Toni Fritsch.....	7		

He opened 2017 with four field goals against the N.Y. Giants (9/10), and since 2011 has posted the seventh-most games with three-plus field goals and is tied for the seventh-most games with four-plus field goals:

Since 2011 - NFL

Most Games with 3+ FGs		Most Games with 4+ FGs	
Players	Games	Players	Games
S. Gostkowski, NE.....	37	S. Janikowski, Oak.....	12
J. Tucker, Bal.....	34	J. Tucker, Bal.....	12
M. Bryant, Atl.....	32	N. Novak, SD/Hou/LAC.....	11
G. Gano, Was/Car.....	30	G. Zuerlein, LAR.....	11
S. Hauschka, Sea/Buf.....	28	P. Dawson, Cle/SF/Ari.....	11
A. Vinatieri, Ind.....	28	S. Hauschka, Sea/Buf.....	10
D. Bailey, Dal.....	27	D. Bailey, Dal.....	9
		S. Gostkowski, NE.....	9
		R. Succop, KC/Ten.....	9
		B. Walsh, Min/Sea.....	9

BAILEY FROM 50

For his career, Dan Bailey is 25-of-38 (65.8) from 50-plus yards, and sits atop the club's charts for 50-yarders in a season (six - 2013) and career, while he also boasts a franchise-long 56-yard field goal that he's hit three times, but most recently at Denver (9/17/17). He also boasts the 11th-highest percentage of field goals from this range in NFL history.

Bailey has hit two 50+ field goals in a game four times (three times in 2013), including most recently in the 2016 season opener against the N.Y. Giants (9/11/16), to tie Eddie Murray (at Minnesota, 12/12/93) for the most in a single game.

Bailey was three-of-six in 2016 from 50 yards. He tied his career-long with a 56-yarder at Denver (9/17) for the 2017 season.

GAME-WINNING KICKS

In his rookie season, Dan Bailey was called upon six times to win or tie the game with his foot. Four times he came through for Dallas. Bailey's four game-winning field goals were the most by a Dallas Cowboy in a single season and the most by a rookie in NFL history.

In 2012 Bailey had four opportunities to do the same, and he came through in three games including two in overtime. He added one game-winner in 2013 with a 35-yarder at the N.Y. Giants (11/24).

Bailey was one-of-two during the 2014 season.

His only game-winner of the 2015 season came at Washington (12/7) where he nailed a 54-yarder - tied for the second-longest kick of his career, and the longest game-winner of his career.

In team history, there have now been 39 instances in which a kicker was true on a game-winning field goal with 2:00-or-less left in the fourth quarter or in overtime.

Bailey has rang true with 10 game-winners - and a franchise-best five in overtime - to serve as the most in team history:

Dallas Cowboys Game-Winning Field Goals

Player	Opp, Date	Yards	Score	Time Left
Greene	PIT, 9/17/61	27	27-24	0:00
Greene	@NYG, 10/29/61	32	17-16	1:23
Villanueva	@Was, 11/13/66	37	31-30	0:19
Fritsch	@StL, 11/7/71	26	16-13	1:53
Fritsch	@Chi, 9/16/73	11	20-17	1:26
Herrera	STL, 11/13/74	20	17-14	0:04
Fritsch	@Phi, 10/26/75	42	20-17	0:01
Herrera	BAL, 9/26/76	32	30-27	0:03
Septien	@StL, 10/15/78	47	24-21	3:28-OT
Septien	@StL, 9/2/79	27	22-21	1:16
Septien	@NYG, 11/4/79	22	16-14	0:03
Septien	TB, 10/9/81	42	27-24	4:38-OT
Septien	NO, 10/21/84	41	30-27	3:42-OT
Septien	NE, 11/22/84	23	20-17	0:04
Septien	@Phi, 10/19/86	38	17-14	0:02
Murray	@NYG, 1/2/94	41	16-13	4:16-OT
Boniol	NYG, 12/17/95	35	21-20	0:00
Boniol	@SF, 11/10/96	29	20-17	0:00
Cunningham	WAS, 11/16/97	42	17-14	0:04
Seder	@Car, 10/1/00	24	16-13	11:08-OT
Seder	WAS, 10/15/01	26	9-7	0:00
Cundiff	@StL, 9/29/02	48	13-10	0:00
Cundiff	@NYG, 9/15/03	25	35-32	9:04-OT
Cundiff	PHI, 10/12/03	28	23-21	1:11
Cortez	NYG, 10/16/05	45	16-13	3:47-OT
Gramatica	@NYG, 12/2/06	46	23-20	0:06
Folk	@Buf, 10/8/07	53	25-24	0:02
Buehler	@Ind, 12/5/10	38	38-35	8:01-OT
Buehler	WAS, 12/19/10	39	33-30	0:55
Bailey	@SF, 9/18/11	19	27-24	12:10-OT
Bailey	WAS, 9/26/11	40	18-16	1:52
Bailey	@Was, 11/20/11	39	27-24	5:47-OT
Bailey	MIA, 11/24/11	28	20-19	0:00
Bailey	CLE, 11/18/12	38	23-20	6:07-OT
Bailey	@Cin, 12/9/12	40	20-19	0:00
Bailey	PIT, 12/16/12	21	27-24	13:36-OT
Bailey	@NYG, 11/24/13	35	24-21	0:00
Bailey	HOU, 10/5/14	49	20-17	7:45-OT
Bailey	@Was, 12/7/15	54	19-16	0:09

ACCURATE & DEADLY

After connecting on his first field goal at Seattle (10/12/14), Dan Bailey reached 100 career field goals made. His trek to 100 was made during his 54th career game, allowing him to become the third-fastest kicker in NFL history to get to that milestone:

Fastest to 100 Career Field Goals Made - NFL

Player	Games
Justin Tucker	50
Jan Stenerud	53
Dan Bailey	54

By reaching 100 career field goals made, Bailey's stats qualified amongst league record books for accuracy. He is now 180-of-202 on field goals for a connection percentage of 89.1 that makes him the second-most accurate kicker in NFL history:

Player	Years	GP	FGM	FGA	PCT
J. Tucker [^] , Bal	2012-17	93	195	217	89.9
D. Bailey[^], Dal	2011-17	105	180	202	89.1
S. Gostkowski [^] , NE	2006-17	181	334	382	87.4
S. Hauschka [^] , Buf	2008-17	130	213	244	87.3
R. Gould [^] , SF	2005-17	189	316	365	86.6

[^]indicates active player

Against the LA Rams (10/1/17), Bailey played in his 100th game and hit a field goal to give him 177 at the century mark of games played to tie for the third-most field goals made:

Most Field Goals Made in First 100 Games Played - NFL

Player	FGM
Jan Stenerud	180
Mike Vanderjagt	179
Dan Carpenter	177
Dan Bailey	177

THE PUNT-ISHER

Dallas Cowboys punter Chris Jones serves as a weapon in the kicking game, and for his career he boasts a 45.0 gross average and a net average of 40.6, with 141 punts downed inside the 20-yard line - good for fourth all-time in team history.

In 2017 Jones is tied for second in the league with 29 punts downed inside the opponent's 20-yard line:

2017 NFL Punting Leaders - In 20

Player	Punt	TB	In20
Sam Koch, Bal	69	3	33
Chris Jones, Dal	54	3	29
Kevin Huber, Cin	68	3	29
Bradley Pinion, SF	69	1	29
Matt Haack, Mia	73	4	28

Jones is tops all-time amongst NFL punters in percentage of punts downed inside the 20-yard line (min. 100 punts) with a 42.14 mark:

Punts Downed Inside the Opp 20-Yard Line - NFL History

Player	Years	Punts	In20	In20%
Chris Jones[^], Dal	2011-17	337	142	42.14
Jordan Berry [^] , Pit	2015-17	180	75	41.67
Dustin Colquitt [^] , KC	2005-17	1,022	417	40.80
Matt Bosher [^] , Atl	2011-17	406	161	39.66
Johnny Hekker [^] , LAR	2012-17	483	191	39.54

[^] indicates active player
% Min. 100 punts

SWITZ BEATZ

Rookie Ryan Switzer was drafted in the fourth round (133rd overall) of the 2017 NFL Draft to help improve Dallas' return game. Entering Week 15, Switzer is third in the NFL with a 26.0 kickoff return average, is sixth with 519 kickoff return yards - tops amongst all rookies - and 14th with 197 punt return yards. Overall, his 716 total return yards place him sixth in the league, most amongst rookies:

2017 NFL Kick/Punt Return Leaders - Total Yards

Player	PR	Yds	Avg	TD	KR	Yds	Avg	TD	TotYds
Cooper, LAR	22	262	11.9	0	28	793	28.3	1	1,055
Lockett, Sea	29	171	5.9	0	27	675	25.0	0	846
Roberts, Atl	18	137	7.6	0	32	707	22.1	0	844
Erickson, Cin	32	238	7.4	0	27	575	21.3	0	813
Davis, GB	17	199	11.7	0	25	601	24.0	0	800
Switzer, Dal[*]	21	197	9.4	1	20	519	26.0	0	716

^{*}indicates rookie

OH CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAIN

As voted on by the team, the following players were named captains for the 2017 season:

2017 Dallas Cowboys Captains

Player	Position
Dan Bailey	Kicker
Tyrone Crawford	Defensive End
Sean Lee	Linebacker
Dak Prescott	Quarterback
Orlando Scandrick	Cornerback
Jason Witten	Tight End

2017 DRAFT CLASS

The Dallas Cowboys drafted nine players - seven defensive, two offensive - in the 2017 NFL Draft. It was the fourth consecutive season the team leaned more towards defense, as 24 of the last 35 picks by Dallas in the last four drafts (2014-17) have been on that side of the ball. The new class started off with Dallas' first round choice - defensive end Taco Charlton - who was selected with the 28th overall pick out of Michigan.

Of the nine players chosen by Dallas, six made the final roster entering Week One while one (Marquez White) was signed to the club's practice squad and two released (Jordan Carrell, Joey Ivie).

Below is a look at each of Dallas' picks in the 2017 Draft:

Round	#	Player	Position	College
First	28	Taco Charlton	DE	Michigan
Second	60	Chidobe Awuzie	CB	Colorado
Third	92	Jourdan Lewis	CB	Michigan
Fourth	133	Ryan Switzer	WR	North Carolina
Sixth	191	Xavier Woods	S	Louisiana Tech
Sixth	216	Marquez White	CB	Florida State
Seventh	228	Joey Ivie	DT	Florida
Seventh	239	Noah Brown	WR	Ohio State
Seventh	246	Jordan Carrell	DT	Colorado

**Bold indicates made final roster*

WELCOME TO DALLAS

Beginning with the start of free agency, Dallas added their share of new faces to compete for a chance to become a Cowboy in 2017. The following players mark the new additions and subtractions during the 2017 season:

PLAYERS SIGNED

Player	Position	Ex-Team	2016 GP/GS
Byron Bell	T	Tennessee	16/16%
Bene' Benwikere	CB	Carolina	4/4+@
Datone Jones	DE	San Francisco	15/4+ [^]
Justin March-Lillard	LB	Kansas City	5/5+\$
Brian Price	DT	Green Bay	1/0+&
Daniel Ross	DT	Kansas City	0/0+!
Trey Williams	RB	Indianapolis	0/0+@

PLAYERS LOST

Player	Position	New Team	2016 GP/GS
Brandon Carr	CB	Baltimore	16/16
Barry Church	S	Jacksonville	12/12
Morris Claiborne	CB	N.Y. Jets	7/7
Jack Crawford	DE	Atlanta	16/10
Ryan Davis	DE	Buffalo	9/0
Lance Dunbar	RB	L.A. Rams	13/0
Gavin Escobar	TE	Kansas City	16/1
Ronald Leary	G	Denver	13/12
Terrell McClain	DT	Washington	15/15
Mark Sanchez	QB	Chicago	2/0
J.J. Wilcox	S	Tampa Bay	13/4

⁺ Indicates players acquired after final cuts.

[%] Byron Bell played in 16 games with Tennessee in 2015 but spent the 2016 season on Reserve/Injured with an ankle injury.

[^] Datone Jones played in three games with San Francisco in 2017, but played in 15 games with four starts for Green Bay in 2016.

^{\$} March-Lillard played in two games with Miami and one with Seattle in 2017.

[&] Brian Price played one game with Green Bay in 2016.

[!] Daniel Ross was signed off Kansas City's practice squad as a rookie free agent.

[@] Trey Williams did not play in 2016, but played in 2 games with Indianapolis in 2015.