



# NEW JERSEY DEVILS

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## GAME INFORMATION



New Jersey Devils (5-2-1) at Minnesota Wild (3-4-2) • 8:00 PM ET • Xcel Energy Center • MSGSN 2/MSG+//Listen: [DEVILS HOCKEY NET](#)

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### Last Game:

Minnesota Wild 3      New Jersey Devils 4  
(3-4-2 – 8 PTS)      (5-2-1 – 11 PTS)

Three Stars: **1. J. Bratt 2. L. Hughes 3. V. Vanecek**

SCORE	1 <sup>ST</sup>	2 <sup>ND</sup>	3 <sup>RD</sup>	OT	SO	FINAL
Minnesota	1	1	1	-	-	3
<b>DEVILS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>

### Goals:

MIN: P. Maroon, R. Hartman (PPG)

NJD: J. Bratt, T. Toffoli (PPG), E. Haula, J. Bratt (PPG)

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## CURRENT INJURIES/ILLNESS

PLAYER	INJURY/Illness	OUT SINCE	GAMES MISSED
Tomas Nosek	Lower-body	Oct. 13	6
Colin Miller	Lower-body	Oct. 20	5

2023-24 Total Man-Games Lost : 12

## TRANSACTIONS

DATE	PLAYER	ACTION
10/29	Colin Miller	Placed on I.R. (Lower-body)
	Justin Dowling	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
10/30	Justin Dowling	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)

### Pronunciation Guide

Kevin Bahl: (BAHL, KEH -vihn)

Michael McLeod: (muh-KLOWD, MIGH-kuhl)

Nathan Bastian: (bash-T'YEHN, NAY-thuhn)

Timo Meier: (MIGH-uhr, TEE-moh)

Jesper Bratt: (BRAHT, JEHS -puhr)

Dawson Mercer: (MUHR-suhr, DAW-suhn)

Cal Foote: KAL FUT

Dougie Hamilton: (HAM -ihl -tuhn, DUH -gee)

Colin Miller: (MIH -luhr, KAW -lihn)

Erik Haula: (HAWL-la, AIR -ihk)

Tomas Nosek: (NOH -shehk, toh -MAHSH)

Nico Hischier: (HEE -shuhr, NEE -koh)

Ondrej Palat: (pa -LAHT, AWN -dray)

Alexander Holtz: (HOHLTZ, al -ehx -AN -duhr)

Akira Schmid: (SHMIHD, a -KIHR -uh)

Jack Hughes: (HEWZ, JAK)

Jonas Siegenthaler: (SEE -gehn -thahl -uhr, YOH -nuhs)

Luke Hughes: (HEWZ, LEWK)

Brendan Smith: (SMIHTH, BREHN -duhn)

Curtis Lazar: (lah -ZAHR, KUHR -tihs)

Chris Tierney: (TEER -nee, KRIHS)

John Marino: (mah -REE -noh, JAWN)

Tyler Toffoli: (tuh -FOH -lee, TIGH -luhr)

Vitek Vanecek: VA -nih -chehk, VIH -tehk)

## WHAT TO KNOW

New Jersey opens its 41<sup>st</sup> season since relocating to the Garden State from Colorado in 1982-83.

New Jersey earned a franchise record 52 wins and 112 points in the standings last season.

The Devils open their third back-to-back set, and first road trip for the 2023-24 campaign (4 games).

Jersey's team tied a franchise record 28 road wins (28-9-4) last season. Prior to 2023-24, the team won 28 road games (28-10-3) in 1998-99.

Jersey's team did not suffer a shutout in 2022-23, and the last time the team was shutout was on Apr. 24, 2022, in a 3-0 loss to Detroit at the Rock.

The 82 games played last season marked the longest stretch in franchise history for a single season that the team didn't suffer a shutout.

Prior to 2022-23, the longest stretch in a single season that the Devils did not suffer a shutout was 80 games, which were played from Oct. 9, 1987, to Apr. 3, 1988.

The team's longest stretch in franchise history over multiple seasons without experiencing a shutout against were 111 games played from Jan. 5, 1999, to Feb. 29, 2000. The team enters Thursday's contest vs Minnesota with 93 consecutive regular-season games without being shut out, which is the fourth-longest stretch in franchise history:

Streak	Streak Started	Streak Ended	GP	W	L	T	OTL	G
111	1/5/1999	2/29/2000	111	64	28	14	5	342
106	2/25/1987	10/15/1988	106	46	53	7	0	401
94	12/9/1975	1/7/1977	94	15	64	15	0	247
93	4/26/2022	10/27/2023	92	56	26	0	10	328
92	1/13/1989	2/9/1990	92	36	45	11	0	341

Jersey's team allowed the first goal of the game in seven of the team's eight games. The Devils recorded the first goal of a game for the first time this season on Sun., Oct. 29, vs Minnesota (1<sup>st</sup> period, J. Bratt).

The 14 power-play goals that the Devils earned this season mark the most that the team recorded in the team's opening eight games from the start of the season for franchise history:

Team	Season	PPG	GP	W	L	T	OTL	G
NJD	2023-24	14	8	5	2	0	1	33
NJD	1992-93	12	8	5	3	0	0	29
CLR	1977-78	12	8	3	2	3	0	37

The Devils recorded four power-play goals in a game for the 17<sup>th</sup> time in franchise history, after the team's 5-4 overtime win vs NY Islanders on Oct. 20. The last time that the team scored four power-play goals in a game was March 1, 2014 at the New York Islanders in a 6-1 victory.

The most power-play goals that the franchise scored in a game was six, which was logged on Feb. 19, 1980, (CLR) vs Philadelphia in an 8-6 win at Colorado.

The most power-play goals earned in a game for Devils team history is five, which Jersey's team logged three times, last recorded: Jan. 22, 2008, at Philadelphia (7-3 win).

The Devils recorded two, or more, power-play goals in a game five times this season, while Jersey's team earned two, or more, power-play goals in a game four times last season.

The most games in franchise history when the team recorded two, or more, power-play goals in a game:

Team	Season	Count	W	L	T
NJD	1987-88	30	20	10	0
CLR	1980-81	23	9	9	5
NJD	1992-93	22	16	4	2

NJD	2005-06	22	18	4	0
NJD	1986-87	21	10	9	2
NJD	2000-01	20	16	2	2

### IN THE DOTS

New Jersey won a season-high 38 of 60 face-offs (63%) on Tue., Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> vs Montreal. The last time that the team won 38, or more, face-offs in a game was Mar. 25, 2023, vs Ottawa (39/68, 57.4%).

The most face-offs that a Devils player won in a game this season was 15, after Nico Hischier was 15/20 (75%) face-offs Oct. 16, vs FLA.

### JERSEY

New Jersey wore its black alternate jerseys for the first time this season, after a 5-4 win against Buffalo on Oct. 27 (5-4 win). The team logged a 6-3-1 record last season when donning the alternate sweater.

### COACH'S CORNER

Head Coach **Lindy Ruff** enters his fourth season with New Jersey, after he signed a multi-year contract extension on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.

Ruff owns 839 career regular season wins, which ranks fifth all-time for all NHL head coaches. He needs 11 wins to pass Ken Hitchcock (849 wins) for sole possession of fourth place for all-time wins that an NHL head coach earned.

Ruff earned his 100<sup>th</sup> career regular-season win with New Jersey, after Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>'s 5-4 overtime victory at the NY Islanders. His 100 career wins with New Jersey tied him with Doug Carpenter (1985-1988) for the fourth most wins that a head coach earned with the franchise.

Ruff now owns 103 career wins with New Jersey, which passed Doug Carpenter for fourth place all-time in franchise history for head coaches.

Ruff has coached 228 regular-season games with New Jersey, which are the fifth most for a head coach in franchise history. He'll pass Peter DeBoer for fourth place all-time in franchise history once he coaches in his 249<sup>th</sup> career regular-season game with New Jersey.

Devils All-Time Head Coaches: Leaderboard:

Jaques Lemaire	276 wins	1993-94-1997-98/ 2009-10/ 2010-11
John Hynes	150 wins	2015-16-2019-20
Peter Deboer	114 wins	2011-12-2014-15
<b>LINDY RUFF</b>	<b>103 wins</b>	<b>2020-21-PRESENT</b>
Doug Carpenter	100 wins	1984-85-1987-88

### LOOKING AHEAD

The Devils are scheduled to play in the 2024 Navy Federal Credit Union NHL Stadium Series game on Sat., Feb. 17, at MetLife Stadium vs the Philadelphia Flyers (8:00 P.M. E.T.). It marks the team's second Stadium Series contest (vs NYR, at Yankee Stadium, 7-3 loss).

New Jersey is also slated for 16 back-to-back sets this season, which are the most back-to-back games in the NHL for 2023-24. Washington and Minnesota rank second for this matter with 15 back-to-back sets during the 2023-24 campaign.

### THE SWISS CONNECTION

After road contest at Washington on March 9, 2023 for the first time in NHL history four Switzerland players on one team played in a game. New Jersey's **Nico Hischier**, **Timo Meier**, **Jonas Siegenthaler** and goaltender **Akira Schmid** played in the victory.

## **COMEBACK KIDS**

New Jersey led the NHL with 26 comeback wins last season, which set a new franchise record. The team passed the 2017-18 team's 23 comeback wins, which was the previous franchise record in a single season.

Per NHL Pr, the most comeback wins in a single season for NHL history is shared by the Panthers (29 in 2021-22) and Lightning (29 in 2018-19).

## **THE RANKS**

### **NJD:**

<b>STAT</b>	<b>NHL RANK</b>
GA/GP, 3.63	27 <sup>th</sup>
GF/GP, 4.13	2 <sup>nd</sup>
SA/GP, 30.6	19 <sup>th</sup>
SF/GP, 32.6	9 <sup>th</sup>

### **MIN:**

<b>STAT</b>	<b>NHL RANK</b>
GA/GP, 4.11	32 <sup>nd</sup>
GF/GP, 3.56	7 <sup>th</sup>
SA/GP, 34.3	28 <sup>th</sup>
SF/GP, 31.4	14 <sup>th</sup>

(Per one day before game)

## **2023-24 TEAM STATS**

### **RECORD ON DAYS OF THE WEEK**

The Devils record on Thursday in **2023-24...1-0-0**

Record in night games in **2023-24...5-2-1...home: 3-2-1...road: 2-0-0**

Record in day games in **2023-24...0-0-0...home: 0-0-0...road: 0-0-0**

### **2023-24 Alternate jersey record...1-0-0**

#### **Alternate jersey schedule:**

<b>Fri., Oct. 27</b>	<b>Vs BUF</b>	<b>5-4, W</b>
<b>Fri., Nov. 27</b>	<b>Vs CBJ</b>	
<b>Fri., Dec. 1</b>	<b>Vs SJS</b>	
<b>Sun., Dec. 17</b>	<b>VS ANA</b>	
<b>Sat., Dec. 23</b>	<b>VS DET</b>	
<b>Sat., Jan. 6</b>	<b>VS VAN</b>	
<b>Sat., Mar. 9</b>	<b>VS CAR</b>	
<b>Sat., Mar. 23</b>	<b>Vs OTT</b>	
<b>Sun., Apr. 7</b>	<b>Vs NSH</b>	
<b>Mon., Apr. 15</b>	<b>Vs NYI (Home finale)</b>	

**RECORD BY DIVISION/CONFERENCE:**

**MET: 1-1-0**

**ATL: 3-1-0**

**CEN: 1-0-1**

**PAC: 0-0-0**

**EAST: 4-2-0**

**WEST: 1-0-1**

**RECORD WHEN SCORING FIRST**

Scoring first...**1-0-0**...Trailing first...**4-2-1**

**OVERTIME/SHOOTOUT**

**OT: 1-0-0**

**SO: 0-0-1**

**OUTSHOOTING OPP: 3-1-1**

**OUTSHOT: 2-1-0**

**EVEN: 0-0-0**

**The longest duration of a game this season: 2:43, Oct. 13, vs ARI (4-3, SOL)**

**Team's average: H: 6'2" | W: 198 lbs | A: 27 years old**

**UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

Thu. Nov. 2, at MIN, 8:00 P.M. E.T.

Fri. Nov. 3, at STL, 8:00 P.M. E.T.

Sun. Nov. 5, at CHI, 7:00 P.M. E.T.

Tue. Nov. 7, at COL, 10:00 P.M. E.T.

**PLAYERS BY COUNTRY**

**CAN-10**

**CHE-4**

**USA-4**

**CZE-3**

**SWE-2**

**FIN-1**

## GOALS BY PERIOD

PERIOD	GOALS FOR/AGAINST	DIFFERENTIAL
1	5-11	-6
2	16-7	+9
3	11-11	0
OT	1-0	+1
SO	0-1	-1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33-29*</b>	<b>+4</b>

\*Does not include shootout

Note: The team's +65 goal differential in 2022-23 was the team's third highest in franchise history:

1. 2000-01: +100
2. 1993-94: +86

## BACK-TO-BACK GAMES

Overall: 2-1-1

First game: 2-0-0 | home: 1-0-0 | road: 1-0-0

Second game: 0-1-1 | home: 0-1-1 | road:

New Jersey logged a 15-8-1 record in back-to-back games last season. The Devils were 6-5-1 in first half games played and 9-3-0 in second half games played for this matter in 2022-23.

New Jersey's next back-to-back set is scheduled for Nov. 24-25, CBJ/BUF

## 2023-24: HIGHS & LOWS

### THE LAST TIME IN THE REGULAR SEASON THE DEVILS...

Stat	HOME	AWAY
Had a shutout	3/12/23, 3-0, W, vs CAR, V. Vanecek, 32 saves	3/28/21, 1-0 at BOS, M. Blackwood, 40 saves
Were shutout	4/24/22, vs DET, 3-0, A. Nedeljkovic, 17 saves	11/2/21, at ANA, 4-0, J. Gibson, 28 saves
Scored 10 goals	N/A	N/A
Scored 9 goals	3/23/93, 9-3, vs TB	10/28/00, 9-0, at PIT
Scored 8 goals	4/6/23, 8-1, vs CBJ	3/14/18, 8-3, at VGK
Allowed 10 goals	10/25/84, 11-2, vs NYR	12/4/85, 10-7, at TOR
Allowed 9 goals	1/18/85, 9-6, vs NYR	3/12/19, 9-4, at CGY
Allowed 8 goals	11/11/92, 8-3, vs MTL	3/31/22, 8-1, at BOS
Had 50 shots in a game	10/30/22, 53, vs CBJ, 7-1 W	3/3/23, 50, at VGK, 4-3, Lso
Allowed 50 shots	2/16/20, 55 vs CBJ, 4-3 Wso	1/19/21, 50 at NYR, 4-3 W

<b>Had no shots in a period</b>	1/7/83, 3 <sup>rd</sup> per. Vs BOS, 2-2 T	N/A
<b>Allowed no shots in a period</b>	1/6/17, 3 <sup>rd</sup> per. Vs TOR, 4-2 L	10/10/98, 1 <sup>st</sup> per. At CHI, 2-1 L
<b>Allowed 1 shot in a period</b>	4/5/22, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per. 3-1, L vs NYR	2/13/11, 3 <sup>rd</sup> per. 3-2 SO win @ FLA
<b>Had 1 shot in a period</b>	1/31/15, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per., vs FLA	1/15, 2015, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per. At ANA
<b>Had a penalty shot</b>	4/3/18, T. Hall, scored, vs H. Lundqvist, 5-2 W vs NYR	12/12/22, J. Hughes, denied, vs I. Shesterkin, 4-3 Lo, at NYR
<b>Faced a penalty shot</b>	2/8/20, A. Kopitar, unsuccessful vs. M. Blackwood in 3-0 win vs. LAK	4/2/23, M. Barron, scored, vs V. Vanecek in 6-1 L at WPG
<b>Had a hat-trick</b>	4/4/23, D. Mercer vs T. Jarry in a 5-1 win vs PIT	10/24/23, T. Toffoli vs C. Primeau in a 5-2 win at MTL
<b>Allowed a hat-trick</b>	4/3/22 J. Pageau vs. N. Daws in 4-3 loss vs. NYI	1/31/22, A. Matthews vs. Akira Schmid in 6-4 loss @ TOR

*(Excludes overtime)*

**TEAM:**

<b>LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY</b>	3	10/24/23, at MTL, 5-2, W
<b>Largest margin of defeat</b>	2,	10/25/23 vs WSH, 6-4, L
<b>MOST GOALS, GAME</b>	5, 3x	Last: 10/27/23 vs BUF, 5-4, W
<b>Most goals allowed, game</b>	6	10/25/23 vs WSH, 6-4, L
<b>MOST GOALS, PERIOD</b>	4	10/25/23 vs WSH, 6-4, L
<b>Most goals allowed, period</b>	3	10/25/23 vs WSH, 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> per., 6-4, L
<b>FASTEST GOAL START GP</b>	N/A	
<b>Fastest goal allowed, Start GP</b>	3:54	10/16/23 vs FLA, S. Reinhart, 4-3, L
<b>FASTEST GOAL START OF A PERIOD</b>	0:21	10/20/23, at NYI, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per., T. Toffoli, 5-4, OT, W
<b>Fastest Goal Allowed Start of a Period</b>	0:18	10/25/23 vs WSH, 3 <sup>rd</sup> per., D. Strome, 6-4, L
<b>MOST SHOTS IN A GAME</b>	39, 2x	Last: 10/27/23, vs BUF, 5-4, W
<b>Most Shots Allowed in a Game</b>	35	10/12/23, vs DET, 4-3, W
<b>MOST SHOTS IN A PERIOD</b>	17	10/27/23, vs BUF, 3 <sup>rd</sup> per., 5-4, W
<b>Most Shots Allowed in a Period</b>	17	10/29/23, vs MIN, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per., 4-3, W
<b>FEWEST SHOTS IN A GAME</b>	22	10/25/23 vs WSH, 6-4, L
<b>Fewest Shots allowed in a Game</b>	25	10/25/23 vs WSH, 6-4, L
<b>FEWEST SHOTS IN A PERIOD</b>	2	10/25/23 vs WSH, 1 <sup>st</sup> per., 6-4, L
<b>Fewest shots OPP, period</b>	4	10/27/23, vs BUF, 3 <sup>rd</sup> per., 5-4, W
<b>MOST PIM IN A GAME</b>	21	10/27/23, vs BUF, 5-4, W
<b>Most PIM Opp., Game</b>	16	10/27/23, vs BUF, 5-4, W
<b>FEWEST PIM IN A GAME</b>	6, 3x	Last: 10/25/23 vs WSH, 6-4, L
<b>Fewest PIM Opp, Game</b>	2	10/25/23 vs WSH, 6-4, L
<b>LONGEST WINNING STREAK</b>	2, twice	Last: 10/27/23 to 10/29/23
<b>LONGEST POINTS STREAK</b>	2 GP, 3x (2-0-0)	Last: 10/27/23 to 10/29/23
<b>LONGEST LOSING STREAK</b>	N/A	
<b>LONGEST WINLESS STREAK</b>	2 (0-1-1)	10/13-10/16/23



## VS MIN

The Devils and Minnesota conclude their 2023-24 season series.

New Jersey was 0-0-2 vs Minnesota last season, and hasn't won a season series against the Wild since 2016-17 (2-0-0). The last time that the Devils won a game at Minnesota was on Feb. 15, 2019, after a 5-4 victory.

### ALL-TIME vs THE STATE OF HOCKEY (Wild)

**Record: 16-9-2-3**

**Home: 9-4-1-2**

**Road: 7-5-1-1**

### DID YOU KNOW...

The most goals in franchise history earned in a single game vs Minnesota is seven, which was logged on Mar. 17, 2016, in a 7-4 win at the Rock.

The most goals that the franchise allowed in a single game vs Minnesota is six, which was recorded on Mar. 10, 2015, in a 6-2 loss at 'Sota.

The most shots that the franchise earned in a single game vs Minnesota is 48, which was earned in a 2-1 overtime loss on Mar. 21, 2023, at the Rock.

The most shots that the franchise allowed in a single game vs Minnesota is 39, which was logged on Dec. 3, 2005, in a 2-2 shootout win at Continental Airlines Arena.

The last, and only, time that the Devils shut out Minnesota was on Mar. 20, 2009, in a 4-0 win at the Rock (M. Brodeur, 35 saves).

The last time that Minnesota shut out the Devils was on Mar. 26, 2011, in a 2-0 loss at Buffalo (R. Miller, 28 saves).

The Devils and Wild's first-ever matchup was on Jan. 21, 2001, at Minnesota, after a 4-2 win.

## **PLAYER NOTES**

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**Jack Hughes** was named the NHL's First Star of the Month for October, after the 22-year-old recorded 18 points (5g-13a) in eight games.

The feat marked the second time in Hughes' career that he was named the NHL's First Star of the Month, after he earned the nod in January of 2023.

Hughes' 18 points are the most that a player earned in the team's first eight games from the start of a season:

The most points that a Devils player earned in the team's opening eight games from the start of a season:

Player	Season	Team	GP	G	A	PTS
Jack Hughes	2023-24	NJD	8	5	13	18
Paul Gardner	1977-78	CLR	8	9	6	15
Jesper Bratt	2023-24	NJD	8	6	8	14
Patrik Eliáš	2001-02	NJD	8	5	9	14
Jesper Bratt	2022-23	NJD	8	3	10	13
Kyle Palmieri	2018-19	NJD	8	8	5	13

John MacLean	1988-89	NJD	8	5	8	13
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The most points earned that a Devils player earned in the team's opening nine games from the start of a season:

Player	Season	Lg	Team	GP	G	A	PTS ▼
Jack Hughes	2023-24	NHL	NJD	8	5	13	18
Paul Gardner	1977-78	NHL	CLR	9	11	7	18
Jesper Bratt	2022-23	NHL	NJD	9	4	11	15
Kirk Muller	1986-87	NHL	NJD	9	8	7	15
Pat Verbeek	1986-87	NHL	NJD	9	9	6	15
Jesper Bratt	2023-24	NHL	NJD	8	6	8	14
Kyle Palmieri	2018-19	NHL	NJD	9	9	5	14
Patrik Eliáš	2001-02	NHL	NJD	9	5	9	14
John MacLean	1988-89	NHL	NJD	9	6	8	14
Wilf Paiement	1977-78	NHL	CLR	9	6	8	14

Hughes is one seven NHL skaters this season who've earned five, or more, multi-point games. Elias Pettersson (VAN) leads the NHL with six multi-point games in 2023-24, per Nov. 1.

Hughes earned 32 multi-point games last season, which set a new franchise record:

Rk	Player	Team	Season	Count
1	Jack Hughes	NJD	2022-23	32
2	Taylor Hall	NJD	2017-18	27
3	Kirk Muller	NJD	1987-88	26
4	Scott Gomez	NJD	2005-06	26
5	Brian Gionta	NJD	2005-06	26
6	Zach Parise	NJD	2008-09	26
7	Patrik Eliáš	NJD	2000-01	25
8	Zach Parise	NJD	2009-10	25

The longest point streaks from the start of a season in franchise history:

PLAYER	POS	SEASON	START DATE	END DATE	STREAK
Jesper Bratt	F	2022-23	Oct. 13, 2022	Nov. 3, 2022	11
Tim Higgins	F	1984-85	Oct. 12, 1984	Nov. 2, 1984	10
Jack Hughes	F	2023-24	Oct. 12, 2023	Oct. 29, 2023	7
Claude Lemieux	F	1992-93	Oct. 6, 1992	Oct. 17, 1992	6
David Clarkson	F	2012-13	Jan. 19, 2013	Jan. 31, 2013	6
Mel Bridgeman	F	1986-87	Oct. 9, 1986	Oct. 18, 1986	5
Brendan Shanahan	F	1990-91	Oct. 4, 1990	Oct. 11, 1990	5
Bobby Holik	F	1992-93	Oct. 6, 1992	Oct. 14, 1992	5
Valeri Zelepukin	F	1993-94	Oct. 6, 1993	Oct. 16, 1993	5
Michael Cammalleri	F	2014-15	Oct. 9, 2014	Oct. 18, 2014	5
Kyle Palmieri	F	2018-19	Oct. 6, 2018	Oct. 18, 2018	5
Ty Smith	D	2020-21	Jan. 14, 2021	Jan. 24, 2021	5
Dougie Hamilton	D	2023-24	Oct. 12, 2023	Oct. 24, 2023	5

Hughes' seven-game point streak from the start of the season ended after Sunday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>'s contest vs Minnesota. It marked the only game in October that Hughes did not register a point in a game.

J. Hughes has recorded two four-point games this season, while the most four-point games earned in a single season for franchise history is four:

Rk	Player	Team	Season	Count
1	Wilf Paiement	CLR	1976-77	4
2	John MacLean	NJD	1990-91	4
3	Aaron Broten	NJD	1986-87	3
4	John MacLean	NJD	1988-89	3
5	Scott Stevens	NJD	1993-94	3
6	Patrik Elias	NJD	2000-01	3
7	Zach Parise	NJD	2008-09	3

Hughes recorded his fifth-career overtime game-winning goal after defeating the Islanders on Fri., Oct. 20.

There are 15 other NHL skaters who have recorded more overtime goals than Hughes since his rookie season in 2019-20 – one of which is **Dougie Hamilton** who has six overtime winners since that time. Alex DeCincat ranks first for this matter with 10 overtime goals since 2019-20, while Connor McDavid ranks second with eight.

Hughes' five overtime goals since 2019-20 also lead all skaters who've played for the Devils since that time:

PLAYER	OVERTIME GOALS
J. Hughes	5
N. Hirschier	3
P. Zacha	3
D. Hamilton	3

The most overtime goals all-time in franchise history: Leaderboard:

Player	OTG
Patrik Elias	16
Scott Niedermayer	8
Zach Parise	7
<b>Nico Hirschier</b>	<b>6</b>
John Moore	6
<b>Jack Hughes</b>	<b>5</b>
Taylor Hall	5
Brian Gionta	5
Ilya Kovalchuk	5
Stephen Richer	5

The 2019 No. 1 overall draft selection has scored at least one-career goal against 29 of the NHL's 32 teams. Hughes has yet to snipe Los Angeles, Seattle and Minnesota.

**Tyler Toffoli** made headlines across the league, after the veteran forward was named the NHL's First Star of the Week for the week ending on Oct. 29.

Toffoli netted his fifth career hat-trick on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Montreal, and then followed up the performance with a three-point night (2g-1a) against Washington on Oct. 25.

Toffoli recorded his seventh goal for the season on Sun. Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, vs Minnesota, which also leads all Devils skaters.

**Timo Meier** enters Thursday's contest riding a five-game point streak (1g-6a), and also tied a career-high five-game assist streak – which he last earned on Nov. 5, 2019, to November 14 (3g-6a).

Meier's longest career point-streak for a single season is nine games (8g-5a), which he earned from Oct. 9, 2018, to Oct. 30.

The current five-game point-streak marks Meier's longest stretch with New Jersey.

**Jesper Bratt** is riding a seven-game point-streak (6g-8a), which marks the fifth time in his career that the Swedish forward earned a point-streak of seven, or more, games. The seven game point-streak is his second longest stretch for Bratt's career.

Bratt's longest career point-streak is 11 games (5g-12a), which he earned from Oct. 13, 2022, to Nov. 3, 2022. His second longest point-streak is seven games, which he earned three times and last logged from Apr. 1, 2023, to Apr. 13 (1g-6a).

Bratt (3g-7a) and J. Hughes (3g-7a) are tied with D. Larkin (DET) for the most power-play points in the NHL, per Nov. 1.

Keep in mind that Bratt earned a career-high 22 power-play points (8g-22a) last season.

The most power-play points that a player earned in a single season for franchise history is 39, which Rob Ramage earned with Colorado in 1980-81. The most power-play points earned in Devils team history for a single season is 37, which Taylor Hall earned in 2017-18 and then Kirk Muller recorded in 1987-88.

**Erik Haula** recorded his eighth-career shorthanded goal on Oct. 27 (Friday) vs Buffalo, and earned his first career multi-goal game (regular-season) with New Jersey. Haula's three shorthanded goals since last season are tied with Hischier for the most on the Devils.

Haula owns two-game winning goals, while the Finnish native did not record a GWG last season with the Devils.

Haula earned his fifth goal of the season on Sun., Oct. 29, which was against his former team (MIN). Haula owns goals (3g-0a) in consecutive games, while his longest goal-scoring streak for his career is five games. Haula logged a five-game goal-scoring streak from Jan. 23, 2018, to Feb. 2, with Vegas.

### **QUICK HITS**

**Nico Hischier** suffered a high hit from Buffalo blueliner Connor Clifton in the first period on Friday, and then left the game and returned after the second period started. Yet, Hischier did not return for the third period, nor game.

The NHL suspended Clifton two games – announced on Saturday (Illegal check to the head).

**Luke Hughes** enters Thursday's contest riding a career-high three-game point streak (0g-5a).

**John Marino** owns a three-game point, and assist, streak (0g-3a). The blueliner's longest-career point streak is six games (1g-6a), which he logged from Nov. 16, 2019, to Nov. 27. The streak also tied his career-high assist streak, which he's logged six times.

**Kevin Bahl** is riding a two-game point streak, after collecting one assist in consecutive games played. The two-game streak tied a career-high for Bahl, which he's earned four times in his career. He leads Devils defensemen with 16 hits for 2023-24, while **Curtis Lazar** leads the team with 17 hits this season.

**Jonas Siegenthaler** leads the Devils with 15 blocks.

### **EVERYBODY'S TALKING 'BOUT THE NEW KIDS IN TOWN**

**Timo Meier** enters his first full season with New Jersey, after the forward earned a career-high 40 goals in 2022-23. Meier earned nine goals and five assists for 14 points in 21 regular-season contests with the Devils last season.

Meier also changed his number from 96 to 28, and became the 28<sup>th</sup> player in franchise history to wear the number.

**Luke Hughes** made his NHL debut late last season (Apr. 11 vs BUF), and enters his official rookie campaign. Hughes netted the overtime-winning goal in his second career game (Apr. 13, at WSH), and became the third player in franchise history whose first career NHL goal was earned in overtime (Y. Sharangovich & J. Merrill).

**Tyler Toffoli** was acquired in an offseason trade from Calgary and is fresh off career-highs for goals (34), assists (39) and points (73). Additionally, the forward netted a career-high 10 PPG in 2022-23, and also netted four game-winning goals. Toffoli is the first player in franchise history to wear No. 73.

Veteran skaters **Tomas Nosek**, **Chris Tierney** and **Colin Miller** also joined the fold. Miller and Nosek were teammates together in 2017-18 with Vegas – which advanced to the 2017-18 Stanley Cup Final.

### **TIMELESS...**

**Dawson Mercer** has played in 172 consecutive games since he began his NHL career in 2021-22. Mercer owns the franchise record for the most consecutive games played to start an NHL career, after he passed Scott Gomez 140 consecutive games played from the start of an NHL career.

Mercer's 172 consecutive games played currently ranks (tied, B. Coleman) 16<sup>th</sup> in the NHL for all active skaters, per Nov. 1.

## **BETWEEN THE PIPES**

**Vitek Vanecek** recorded 33 wins last season and become the second netminder in franchise history who earned 30, or more, wins in a single season. Prior to 2022-23, Martin Brodeur was the only netminder in franchise history who earned 30-or-more wins in a single season with the Devils, which he logged 14 times.

**Akira Schmid** shined in the 2022-23 playoffs, and earned his first-career postseason shutout (vs NYR) and became the third rookie netminder in franchise history who earned a shutout in the Stanley Cup Playoffs. The Swiss native was the first rookie netminder in franchise history who earned two shutouts in a single postseason.

Vanecek has started the last two contests for New Jersey and collected consecutive wins. Vanecek's next win will tie Johan Hedberg (38 wins) for the 10<sup>th</sup> most wins that a goaltender earned in franchise history.

Craig Billington ranks ninth for this matter with 43 career regular-season wins in franchise history.

### **UPCOMING MILESTONES**

<b>Player</b>	<b>Current Status</b>	<b>Potential Milestone</b>
Kevin Bahl	74 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Nathan Bastian	170 career GP	200 career GP
Jesper Bratt	397 career/NJD GP	400 career/NJD GP
	182 career/NJD assists	200 career/NJD assists
	290 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Dougie Hamilton	759 career GP	800 career GP
	451 career points	500 career points
	152 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
	76 career NJD assists	100 career NJD assists
Erik Haula	287 career points	300 career points
Nico Hischier	388 career/NJD GP	400 career/NJD GP
	177 career/NJD assists	200 career/NJD assists
	288 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Alexander Holtz	36 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Jack Hughes	252 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	92 career/NJD goals	100 career/NJD goals
	225 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Curtis Lazar	459 career GP	500 career GP
	95 career goals	100 career goals
John Marino	261 career GP	300 career GP
	87 career points	100 career points
	73 career assists	100 career assists
Michael McLeod	250 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	68 career/NJD points	100 career/NJD points

Timo Meier	480 career GP	500 career GP
	164 career goals	200 career goals
	173 career assists	200 career assists
	337 career points	400 career points
	29 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Dawson Mercer	172 career/NJD GP	200 career/NJD GP
	44 career/NJD goals	100 career/NJD goals
	54 career/NJD assists	100 career/NJD assists
	98 career/NJD points	100 career/NJD points
Colin Miller	466 career GP	500 career GP
Ondrej Palat	685 career GP	700 career GP
Palat	297 career assists	300 career assists
	448 career points	500 career points
	57 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Jonas Siegenthaler	263 career GP	300 career GP
	166 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
Brendan Smith	639 career GP	700 career GP
	90 career assists	100 career assists
	68 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Chris Tierney	599 career GP	600 career GP
Tyler Toffoli	741 career GP	800 career GP
	242 career assists	300 career assists
	476 career points	500 career points
Vitek Vanecek	78 career wins	100 career wins

#### Accomplished Milestones

<b>Tomas Nosek</b>	<b>400 career NHL GP</b>	<b>10/13/23 vs ARI</b>
<b>HC Lindy Ruff</b>	<b>100 career NJD wins</b>	<b>10/20/23 at NYI</b>

#### HOW THEY WERE BUILT

NATE BASTIAN	2016, NJD, 2 <sup>ND</sup> ROUND, 41 <sup>ST</sup> OVERALL
JESPER BRATT	2016, NJD, 6 <sup>TH</sup> ROUND, 162 <sup>ND</sup> OVERALL
NICO HISCHIER	2017, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> OVERALL
ALEXANDER HOLTZ	2020, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND, 7 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL
JACK HUGHES	2019, NJD 1 <sup>ST</sup> OVERALL
LUKE HUGHES	2021, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND, 4 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL

MICHAEL MCLEOD	2016, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND, 12 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL
DAWSON MERCER	2020, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND, 18 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL
AKIRA SCHMID	2018, NJD, 5 <sup>TH</sup> ROUND, 136 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL

**Trade:** Kevin Bahl, Erik Haula, Curtis Lazar, John Marino, T. Meier, Colin Miller, Jonas Siegenthaler, Tyler Toffoli & Vitek Vanecek

**UFA:** Cal Foote, Dougie Hamilton, Tomas Nosek, Ondrej Palat, Brendan Smith & Chris Tierney

**UTICA REPORT:** Utica began its third season as the Devils AHL affiliate since 2021-22 and with head coach Kevin Dineen. Utica is 1-2-2-0 this season, and is scheduled for a road contest at Laval on Wed., Nov. 1. Max Willman leads the team with six points (3g-3a), while Xavier Parent ranks second on the team with five points (1g-4a).

