# **NEW JERSEY DEVILS** GAME INFORMATION



### New York Islanders (8-6-6) at New Jersey Devils (9-9-1) • 7:00 PM ET • Prudential Center • MSGSN/MSGSN 2//MSG +/Listen: <u>DEVILS HOCKEY NET</u>

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Pre-Game Availability \*subject to change

~ 12::00 p.m. E.T.. (approx.) – Media Availability for select players and Head Coach Lindy Ruff, please contact Devils PR for requests\*

#### Last Game:

 Buffalo Sabres 2
 New Jersey Devils 7

 (9-10-2 - 20 PTS)
 (9-9-1 - 19 PTS)

Three Stars: 1. N. Hischier 2. T. Toffoli 3. A. Holtz

SCORE	1 <sup>ST</sup>	2 <sup>ND</sup>	3 <sup>RD</sup>	OT	SO	FINAL
Buffalo	0	1	1	-	-	2
DEVILS	4	1	2	-	-	7

Goals:

BUF: J. Skinner (PPG), K. Okposo (PPG)

NJD: A. Holtz, T. Toffoli, N. Hischier, O. Palat, T. Toffoli, D. Mercer, L. Hughes (PPG)

Game Summary | Event Summary

#### **CURRENT INJURIES/ILLNESS**

PLAYER	INJURY/IIIness	OUT SINCE	GAMES MISSED
Timo Meier	Lower-body	Nov. 16 (suffered 11/14)	5
Tomas Nosek	Upper-body	Nov. 22 (suffered 11/18)	3
Curtis Lazar	Lower-body	Nov. 25 (suffered Nov. 24)	1

2023-24 Total Man-Games Lost : 47

# TRANSACTIONS

DATE	PLAYER	ACTION
10/29	Colin Miller	Placed on I.R. (Lower-body)
	Justin Dowling	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
10/30	Justin Dowling	Reasssigned to Utica (AHL)
11/4	Max Willman	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
11/14	Colin Miller	Activated off I.R. (Lower-body)
11/14	Nico Hischier	Placed on I.R. retro-active to Oct. 27 (Upper-body)
11/15	Nico Hischier	Activated off I.R. (Upper-body)
	Tomas Nosek	Placed on I.R. (Upper-body)

#### **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)
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)
	Max Willman: MAX WIHL-muhn

# WHAT TO KNOW

New Jersey opened 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.

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.

#### **UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

Thu. Nov. 30, at PHI, 7:00 P.M. E.T.

Fri. Dec. 1, vs SJS, 7:00 P.M. E.T.

Tue. Dec. 5, at VAN, 10:00 P.M. E.T.

Thu. Nov. 7, at SEA, 10:30 P.M. E.t.

#### The Week

The Devils are scheduled to play in three games this week, while also visiting Philadelphia on Thursday and then hosting San Jose on Friday night.

#### Last Game

The Devils hosted the Sabres for the second time this season, and also snapped a three-game losing streak.

The Devils improved to 2-0-0 against Buffalo in 2023-24, after the team defeated the Sabres 5-4 on Oct. 27, at the Rock.

The Devils recorded the first goal in a game for the fourth time this season and improved to 3-1-0 when earning the contest's first goal.

New Jersey recorded four goals in the first period, which tied a season-high for the most goals scored in a single period. The last time that the Devils scored four goals in a period this season was on Oct. 25, vs Washington during the second period (6-4, L).

The Devils recorded a season-high seven goals in a game. The last time that the team scored seven, or more, goals in a game was Apr. 6, 2023, vs Columbus, after an 8-1 win.

New Jersey recorded seven, or more, goals in a game four times last season.

The Devils allowed three shots in both the first and second periods of play in the game. The three shots against mark the fewest that the team allowed in a game this season. Prior to tonight's contest, the fewest shots that the Devils allowed in a period was four (3<sup>rd</sup> per., Oct. 27, vs BUF, 5-4, W).

Buffalo experienced the last 12:07 of the first period without a shot on goal and didn't register its next shot until 1:53 into the second period (J. Skinner PPG). The Devils went 14:00 without allowing a shot against.

Jersey's team concluded its fourth back-to-back set for 2023-24 and improved to 4-3-1 overall in back-to-back games. The team is now 1-2-1 in the second half of a back-to-back set in 2023-24.

The team logged 34 hits, which marked a season-high (prior 32, twice, last: vs FLA, Oct. 16, 4-3, L).

The team outshot Buffalo 38-12, while the most shots that the team earned in a game this season was 41 (Nov. 5, at CHI, 4-2, W). The last time that the Devils allowed fewer than 12 shots on goal in a game was Apr. 12, 2013, vs Ottawa in a 2-0 loss, 11 shots against.

Eight different Devils players earned a multi-point game: D. Mercer, T. Toffoli, J. Bratt, L. Hughes, O. Palat, N. Hischier, A. Holtz, D. Hamilton).

Last season, the most amount of Devils players who earned a multi-point effort in a single game was six, which was logged on Apr. 6, 2023, vs Columbus in an 8-1 win.

It marked the first time since Mar. 10, 2010, vs the New York Rangers that the Devils witnessed eight different skaters earn a multipoint game in a contest. In 2023-24, Vancouver is the only NHL team who witnessed more multi-point efforts in a single game, after the team had nine different skaters recorded two, or more, points in a contest via Nov. 2, 2023, vs San Jose.

#### **Special Teams**

#### PP: 1-1 | PK: 0-2

#### Man Advantage

The teams own 24 power-play goals in 2023-24, after 19 games played. The 24 power-play goals are tied for the most in franchise history after the team's opening 19 games from the start of a season:

The most power-play goals in franchise history after the team's opening 18 games from the start of a season:

Rk	Team	Season	PPG	GP	W	L	Т	OTL	G
1		2023-							
T	NJD	24	24	19	9	9	0	1	67
2		1992-							
2	NJD	93	24	19	11	8	0	0	64
2		1987-							
3	NJD	88	24	19	12	5	2	0	71
4		1986-							
4	NJD	87	24	19	10	7	2	0	73
-		2005-							
5	NJD	06	23	19	9	8	0	2	56
6		1978-							
0	CLR	79	23	19	3	12	4	0	55

The team's 24 power-play goals this season were tied with Vancouver for the second most in the NHL, per Mon., Nov. 27, while Tampa's 25 power-play goals led the NHL.

New Jersey defensemen have combined for six power-play goals this season, which ranks first in the NHL, per Mon., Nov. 27.

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

The eight games which the Devils recorded two, or more, power-play goals rank first in the NHL (tied w/ DET).

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

Team	Season	Count	W	L	Т
	1987-				
NJD	88	30	20	10	0
	1980-				
CLR	81	23	9	9	5
	1992-				
NJD	93	22	16	4	2
	2005-				
NJD	06	22	18	4	0
	1986-				
NJD	87	21	10	9	2
	2000-				
NJD	01	20	16	2	2

#### LIGHTING THE LAMP/STREAK ENDED

The Devils streak without suffering a shutout of 101 consecutive games ended, after a 4-0 loss at Detroit on Wed., Nov. 22.

The streak dated back to Apr. 24, 2022, which was also a 3-0 loss to Detroit but at Prudential Center.

The 101 consecutive games without suffering a shutout over multiple seasons was the third-longest stretch in franchise history.

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 longest streaks in	franchise history	/ without suffering a	a shutout over	multiple seasons:

Streak	Streak Started	Streak Ended	GP	w	L	т	OTL	G	PPG
111	1/5/1999	2/29/2000	111	64	28	14	5	342	75
106	2/25/1987	10/15/1988	106	46	53	7	0	401	130
101	4/26/22	11/18/2023	101	60	31	0	10	358	72
94	12/9/1975	1/7/1977	94	15	64	15	0	247	50
92	1/13/1989	2/9/1990	92	36	45	11	0	341	87

New Jersey's 101 consecutive games without being shut out was the second-longest active streak currently in the NHL entering Wednesday, Nov. 22, contest at Detroit, while Toronto ranked first at 162 games.

The longest streak without experiencing a shutout all-time was Calgary - 264 consecutive games from Nov. 12, 1981, to Jan. 9, 1985.

#### IN THE DOTS

New Jersey won a season-high 39 face-offs on Tue., November 7, at Colorado. The team's season-high face-off% in 2023-24 is 63.3%, which was earned on Oct. 24, at Montreal (38/60), and then also on Nov. 2 at Minnesota (31/49).

Keep an eye on...Michael McLeod ranks second in the NHL for overall face-off% (62.5.%).

McLeod's owns the highest face-off percentage that a Devils skater logged this season (10 or more face-offs in a GP) was 86.7%, after McLeod won 13 of 15 face-offs against Montreal on Oct. 24.

McLeod earned a career-high 16 face-off wins, after Tue., Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>'s contest at Winnipeg. The 16 face-off wins also marked the most that a Devils skater earned this season.

The Devils ranked fifth in the NHL for overall face-off percentage (52.8%), per Mon., Nov. 27.

Entering Tuesday's contest, the Devils ranked first in the NHL for defensive-zone face-offs at 58.8%.

#### 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 843 career regular season wins, which ranks fifth all-time for all NHL head coaches. He needs 7 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 owns 107 career wins with New Jersey, which passed Doug Carpenter for fourth place all-time in franchise history for head coaches.

Ruff has coached 239 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.

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
LINDY RUFF	107 wins	2020-21-PRESENT
Doug Carpenter	100 wins	1984-85-1987-88

Devils All-Time Head Coaches: Leaderboard:

#### 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:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 3.63	28 <sup>th</sup>

GF/G	P, 3.53	8 <sup>th</sup>
SA/G	P, 29.2	9 <sup>th</sup>
SF/G	P, 32.3	8 <sup>th</sup>

#### NYI:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 3.00	13 <sup>th</sup>
GF/GP, 2.55	30 <sup>th</sup>
SA/GP, 35.2	31 <sup>st</sup>
SF/GP, 30.2	19 <sup>th</sup>

(Per one day before game)

#### 2023-24 TEAM STATS

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

The Devils record on Tuesday in 2023-24...1-2-0

Record in night games in 2023-24...9-8-1...home: 4-4-1...road: 5-4-0

Record in day games in 2023-24...0-1-0...home: 0-1-0...road: 0-0-0

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

#### Alternate jersey schedule:

Fri., Oct. 27	Vs BUF	5-4, W	
Fri., Nov. 24	Vs CBJ	<u>2-, L</u>	
Fri., Dec. 1	Vs SJS		
Sun., Dec. 17	VS ANA		
Sat., Dec. 23	VS DET		
Sat., Jan. 6	VS VAN		
Sat., Mar. 9	VS CAR		
Sat., Mar. 23	Vs OTT		
Sun., Apr. 7	Vs NSH		
Mon., Apr. 15	Vs NYI (Home finale)		

#### **RECORD BY DIVISION/CONFERENCE:**

MET: 2-4-0

ATL: 4-2-0

CEN: 3-3-1

PAC: 0-0-0

EAST: 6-6-0

WEST: 3-3-1

#### **RECORD WHEN SCORING FIRST**

Scoring first...3-1-0...Trailing first...6-8-1

The team's six wins when trailing first ranked (tied DAL) second in the NHL, per Nov. 24. Colorado ranked for this matter with seven wins.

#### **OVERTIME/SHOOTOUT**

OT: 1-0

SO: 0-1

#### **OUTSHOOTING OPP: 6-3-1**

OUTSHOT: 2-6-0

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: 6'1" | W: 197 lbs | A: 27 years old

#### PLAYERS BY COUNTRY

CAN-10

USA-4

CHE-4

CZE-3

SWE-2

FIN-1

#### GOALS BY PERIOD

PERIOD	GOALS FOR/AGAINST	DIFFERENTIAL
1	18-23	-5
2	24-19	+5
3	24-27	-3
ОТ	1-0	+1
SO	0-1	-1
TOTAL	67-69*	-2

#### \*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 GAME

#### Overall: 4-3-1

First game: 3-1-0 | home: 1-1-0 | road: 2-0-0

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

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	НОМЕ	AWAY
Had a shutout	3/12/23, 3-0, W, vs CAR, V.	3/28/21, 1-0 at BOS, M.
	Vanecek, 32 saves	Blackwood, 40 saves
Were shutout	4/24/22, vs DET, 3-0, A.	11/22/23, 4-0, at DET, A. Lyon,
	Nedeljikovic,	16 saves
	17 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
Had no shots in a period	1/7/83, 3 <sup>rd</sup> per. Vs BOS, 2-2 T	N/A
Allowed no shots in a period	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
Allowed 1 shot in a period	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
Had 1 shot in a period	1/31/15, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per., vs FLA	1/15, 2015, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per. At ANA
Had a penalty shot	4/3/18, T. Hall, scored, vs H.	12/12/22, J. Hughes, denied, vs
	Lundqvist, 5-2 W vs NYR	I. Shesterkin, 4-3 Lo, at NYR
Faced a penalty shot	2/8/20, A. Kopitar, unsuccessful vs.	4/2/23, M. Barron, scored, vs V.
	M. Blackwood in 3-0 win vs. LAK	Vanecek in 6-1 L at WPG
Had a hat-trick	4/4/23, D. Mercer vs T. Jarry in a 5-1 win vs PIT	10/24/23, T. Toffoli vs C.
	V5 F11	Primeau in a 5-2 win at MTL
Allowed a hat-trick	4/3/22 J. Pageau vs.	1/31/22, A. Matthews vs.
	N. Daws in 4-3 loss vs. NYI	Akira Schmid in 6-4 loss @ TOR

(Excludes overtime)

# TEAM:

LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY	4,	11/25/23, vs BUF, 6-2, W
Largest margin of defeat	4	11/22/23 at DET, 4-0, L
MOST GOALS, GAME	6	11/25/23, vs BUF, 6-2, W
Most goals allowed, game	6, 3x	Last: 11/14/23, at WPG, 6-3, L
MOST GOALS, PERIOD	4, twice	Last: 11/25/23, vs BUF, 6-2, W
Most goals allowed, period	3, 6x	Last: 11/22/23, at DET, 4-0, L
FASTEST GOAL START GP	1:21	11/25/23, vs BUF, A. Holtz, 6-2, W
Fastest goal allowed, Start GP	1:51	11/5/23, at CHI, T. Hall, 4-2, W
FASTEST GOAL START OF A PERIOD	0:21	10/20/23, at NYI, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per., T. Toffoli, 5-4,
		OT, W
Fastest Goal Allowed Start of a Period	0:18	10/25/23 vs WSH, 3rd per., D. Strome, 6-
		4, L

MOST SHOTS IN A GAME	41	11/5/23, at CHI, 4-2, W
Most Shots Allowed in a Game	35, 3x	Last: 11/18/23, vs NYR, 5-3, L
MOST SHOTS IN A PERIOD	20	11/24/23, vs CBJ, 3 <sup>rd</sup> per., 2-1, L
Most Shots Allowed in a Period	17	10/29/23, vs MIN, 2 <sup>nd</sup> per., 4-3, W
FEWEST SHOTS IN A GAME	16	11/22/23, at DET, 4-0, L
Fewest Shots allowed in a Game	12	11/25/23, vs BUF, 6-2, W
FEWEST SHOTS IN A PERIOD	2, 3x	Last: 11/22/23, at DET, 4-0, L
Fewest shots OPP, period	3, twice	11/25/23, vs BUF, 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> per., 6-2, W
MOST PIM IN A GAME	21	10/27/23, vs BUF, 5-4, W
Most PIM Opp., Game	21	11/7/23, at COL, 6-3, L
FEWEST PIM IN A GAME	4	11/2/23, at MIN, 5-3, W
Fewest PIM Opp, Game	2, 3x	Last: 11/18/23, vs NYR, 5-3, L
LONGEST WINNING STREAK	3	10/27/23 to 11/2/23
LONGEST POINTS STREAK	3 GP, (3-0-0)	10/27/23 to 11/2/23
LONGEST LOSING STREAK	3, twice	Last: 11/18/23-11/25/23
LONGEST WINLESS STREAK	2 (0-1-1)	10/13-10/16/23

#### <u>VS NYI</u>

The Devils and New York face-off for the second of four matchups this season:

Mar. 24 at NYI, 5:00 P.M.

#### Apr. 15 vs NYI, 7:00 P.M.

The Devils defeated the Islanders in the first matchup, after a 5-4 overtime win on Oct. 20, 2023, at UBS Arena. Jack Hughes recorded a four-point (2g-2a) effort, and earned the overtime game-winnig goal.

#### ALL-TIME vs NYI

Record: 96-131-22-16

Home: 56-53-11-10

#### Road: 40-78-11-6

#### **DID YOU KNOW...**

The most goals in franchise history earned in a single game vs New York is nine goals, which was earned in a 9-7 win on Apr. 6, 1986, at New Jersey.

The most goals that the franchise allowed in a single game vs New York is nine (4 times), which was last logged on Mar. 17, 1983, in a 9-5 loss at New Jersey.

The most shots that Jersey earned in a single game vs the Isles is 57, which was recorded on Apr., 12, 1999, in a 4-2 loss at New Jersey.

The most shots that the franchise allowed in a single game vs New York is 51, which was logged on Feb., 22, 1977, in a 2-1 loss at New York (CLR).

The last time that the Devils shut out New York was on Nov. 11, 2021, in a 3-0 win at the Rock (M. Blackwood, 37 saves)

The last time New York shut out the Devils was on Nov. 3rd, 2018, after a 3-0 loss at the Isles.

The Devils and Isles met in the Stanley Cup Playoffs once, which was in the 1987-88 Division Semi-Finals (Round 1). New Jersey eliminated the Isles in six games.

# **PLAYER NOTES**

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.

Where Hughes' 23 points, and Jesper Bratt's 25 points, rank in franchise history after the team's first 19 games from the start of a season:

The most points that a player earned for franchise history after the team's opening 19 games from the start of a season:

Rk	Player	PTS ▼	Season	Lg	Team	GP	G	Α	PTS
	Paul		1977-						
1	Gardner	28	78	NHL	CLR	19	17	11	28
2	Wilf		1977-						
2	Paiement	27	78	NHL	CLR	19	12	15	27
	Jesper		2023-						
	Bratt	25	24	NHL	NJD	19	8	17	25
3	Jesper		2022-						
Ľ	Bratt	24	23	NHL	NJD	19	8	16	24
4	Zach		2009-						
-	Parise	24	10	NHL	NJD	19	11	13	24
5	Patrik		2001-						
	Eliáš	24	02	NHL	NJD	19	13	11	24
6	Peter		1991-						
	Šťastný	24	92	NHL	NJD	19	10	14	24
8	Zach		2008-						
	Parise	23	09	NHL	NJD	19	12	11	23
9	Kirk		1987-						
	Muller	23	88	NHL	NJD	19	5	18	23
10	Kirk		1986-						
	Muller	23	87	NHL	NJD	19	8	15	23
11	Jack		2023-						
	Hughes	23	24	NHL	NJD	14	6	17	23

Hughes' seven-game point streak from the start of the season ended after Sunday, Oct. 29th's contest vs Minnesota. 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

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			
1	Paiement	CLR	1976-77	4
2	John			
2	MacLean	NJD	1990-91	4
3	Aaron			
3	Broten	NJD	1986-87	3
4	John			
4	MacLean	NJD	1988-89	3
5	Scott			
5	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 18 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 DeCrincat 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. Hischier	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
Nico Hischier	6
John Moore	6

Jack Hughes	5
Taylor Hall	5
Brian Gionta	5
Ilya Kovalchuk	5
Stephen Richer	5

Hughes recorded his seventh multi-point game (1g-1a) for 2023-24 on Nov. 18, vs the New York Rangers, which ranks first on New Jersey this season.

NJD Multi-point game leaderboard:

Player	Team	Season	Count
		2023-	
Jack Hughes	NJD	24	7
		2023-	
Jesper Bratt	NJD	24	7
		2023-	
Tyler Toffoli	NJD	24	4
		2023-	
Luke Hughes	NJD	24	4
Dougie		2023-	
Hamilton	NJD	24	4
		2023-	
Erik Haula	NJD	24	3
		2023-	
Timo Meier	NJD	24	2
Jonas		2023-	
Siegenthaler	NJD	24	1
Ondřej		2023-	
PalÃjt	NJD	24	1
Dawson		2023-	
Mercer	NJD	24	1
		2023-	
Curtis Lazar	NJD	24	1
Alexander		2023-	
Holtz	NJD	24	1
		2023-	
Nico Hischier	NJD	24	1

Jesper Bratt ranks second in the NHL behind N. Kucherov (18) with 16 power-play points (4g-12a).

Keep in mind that Bratt earned a career-high 22 power-play points (8g-14a) 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.

Bratt's three game-winning goals lead New Jersey this season.

Bratt recorded a season-high five shots on goal vs. Columbus on Fri., Nov. 24.

Bratt earned his 300<sup>th</sup> career point, after earning two assists on Sat., Nov. 25, vs Buffalo.

Bratt became one of 43 players all-time who were drafted in the sixth round (exactly) and earn 300 career points. Brett Hull's 1,391 points are the most earned by an NHL player who was selected in the sixth round of the NHL draft.

Bratt became the third player in franchise history who was drafted by the franchise in the sixth-round and earned 300 career points with the team:

Aaron Broten: 469 PTS, drafted by CLR in 1980

Bruce Driver: 399 PTS, draft by CLR in 1981

The trio of players are the only three draft picks in franchise history who were drafted in the sixth-round or later and earned 300 career points with the organization.

The fewest games required for players in franchise history to reach 300 career points:

PLAYE <mark>R NAME</mark>	SEASONS	TEAMS	START DATE	CHECKPOINT DATE	PLAYER GP	G	Α	Ρ
Kirk Muller	1984-85 to 1988-89	New Jersey Devils	10/12/1984	11/11/1988	332	111	189	300
		Kansas City Scouts, Colorado						
Wilf Paiement	1974-75 to 1978-79	Rockies	10/9/1974	3/13/1979	347	141	160	301
Patrik Elias	1995-96 to 2001-02	New Jersey Devils	10/7/1995	1/23/2002	364	131	169	300
Zach Parise	2005-06 to 2009-10	New Jersey Devils	10/5/2005	1/14/2010	371	142	158	300
Petr Sykora	1995-96 to 2000-01	New Jersey Devils	10/7/1995	4/6/2001	371	124	178	302
Scott Gomez	1999-00 to 2003-04	New Jersey Devils	10/2/1999	3/28/2004	391	68	234	302
John MacLean	1983-84 to 1989-90	New Jersey Devils	10/5/1983	11/1/1989	401	138	162	300
Pat Verbeek	1982-83 to 1988-89	New Jersey Devils	10/5/1982	1/23/1989	432	159	141	300

Bratt earned his 300 career points in 408 career games which required the eighth fewest games played in franchise history.

**Dougie Hamilton** earned his 36<sup>th</sup> career goal with New Jersey on Tue., Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, at Colorado, which tied him for 10<sup>th</sup> place all-time in franchise history for goals scored by a defenseman.

### Franchise All-Time Goal-Scoring Leaders for Defensemen:

Player	G	A	Р
Scott Niedermayer	112	364	476
Scott Stevens	93	337	430
Bruce Driver	83	316	399
Damon Severson	58	205	263
Joe Cirella	50	159	209
Andy Greene	49	197	246
Brian Rafalski	44	267	311
Rob Ramage	41	91	132
Barry Beck	37	71	108
Ken Daneyko	36	142	178
Dougie Hamilton	36	84	120

Hamilton recorded his fourth multi-point game (0g-2a) for 2023-24 on Sat., Nov. 25.. The tallies marked his 120<sup>th</sup> career points with New Jersey, which passed Alexei Kasatonov (118 PTS) for the 14<sup>th</sup> most earned in franchise history for defensemen. Colin White is next at 125 career points.

**Nico Hischier** inked his return on Sat., Nov. 25, vs Buffalo, after missing the team's last 11 games played dating to Oct. 27 (vs BUF). Hischier earned the team's third goal of the game, which also stood as the game-winning goal. Hischier logged 14:55 TOI in the contest.

Hischier earned his first multi-point game for 2023-24 (1g-1a) on Sat., Nov. 25.

**Tyler Toffoli** earned his fourth multi-point game (2g-0a) for the 2023-24 campaign via Sat., Nov. 25, which also marked his third multigoal game for the season. Toffoli's three multi-goal games this season lead the Devils, while J. Hughes and Bratt are second on the team with two multi-goal games this season.

Alexander Holtz earned his second career multi-point game after recording one goal and one assist (Jan. 4, 2023, at DET, 1g-1a) on Sat., Nov. 25.

The outing also marked Holtz' first career point streak at two games, and goal-scoring streak. The youngster earned a career-high five shots on goal in the team's last outing on Fri., Nov. 24, vs Columbus, yet he set a new career-high – six shots on goal tonight.

Luke Hughes' 12 points (2g-10a) are ranked tied for first withAnaheim's Pavel Mintyukov (1g-11a) for the most points that a rookie defenseman earned this season.

Hughes season-high/career-high TOI in a game this season was logged on Oct. 25, 2023, vs WSH (23:56 TOI). The youngster logged 22:33 TOI on Fri., Nov. 24, vs Buffalo which is his third-highest for the season.

Hughes' six power-play points (2g-4a) lead all NHL rookie defensemen for 2023-24.

Blueliner Luke Hughes earned his second power-play goal for the season, and earned his fourth multi-point game for the season (1g-1a).

Hughes' four multi-point games lead all NHL rookies this season, while two others earned three multi-point games in 2023-24.

Michael McLeod recorded a career-high seven hits in a game, after Sat., Nov. 25 contest vs Buffalo.

McLeod was 15/20 on face-offs (75%) on Thu. Nov. 16, while his 15 face-off wins led all skaters from the contest. The effort marked the second time this season, and in consecutive games, that McLeod won 15, or more, face-offs in a contest. His 16 face-off wins in the team's contest on Nov. 14, at Winnipeg marked a career-high for a single game played.

**Dawson Mercer** logged his second goal for the season on Fri., Nov. 10, vs Washington, which also marked his 100<sup>th</sup> career point. At age 22, 14 days, Mercer became the 14<sup>th</sup> youngest Devil in franchise history who earned his 100<sup>th</sup> career point.

Kirk Muller, 20 years, 12 days, was the youngest Devil who earned all 100 of his career points (34g-66a) with the franchise.

Mercer owns four points (3g-1a) in his last five games played dating to Nov. 5 at Chicago.

Mercer also led the team with 22:00 TO on Thu., Nov. 16,, which marked a season-high and career-high. Mercer's prior career-high for TOI in a single game was logged on Dec. 9, 2022, at NYI (21:55 TOI).

Mercer wasn't a stranger to the score sheet on Sat., Nov. 25. Mercer earned his first multi-point game (1g-1a) for 2023-24.

Jonas Siegenthaler logged a season-high five blocked shots via Fri., Nov. 24, vs Columbus. Siegenthaler's career-high is seven blocked shots, which he earned with Washington on Jan. 15, 2019, at Nashville.

#### **QUICK HITS**

Tyler Toffoli leads New Jersey with 66 shots on goal in 2023-24.

Kevini Bahl leads Jersey with 41 hits this season.

He recorded a career-high eight hits on Sat., Nov. 18, while his prior career-high was seven hits: May 8, 2021, at NY Islanders. The eight hits are the most that a Devils skater earned this season (B. Smith, 6, Nov. 10, vs WSH), and marks the most hits that a New Jersey skater earned in a game since N. Okhotiuk on Jan. 13, 2023, at Anaheim.

Jonas Siegenthaler leads New Jersey with 33 blocks in 2023-24. John Marino rank second with 25 blocked shots this season.

Defenseman **Colin Miller** logged his season debut on Thu., Nov. 16 at Pittsburgh (17:30 TOI). Miller has played in the team's last five games and logged 14:57 ATOI.

Alexander Holtz logged a career-high four hits in a game, after Wed., Nov. 22, contest at Detroit. His prior career-high for hits in a single game was two, logged twice, last earned: Dec. 20, 2022, at Carolina.

**Tomas Nosek** left the game in the first period on Sat., Nov. 18, and did not return after suffering a hit from Jacbo Trouba in the offensive zone (2:55 TOI). Nosek did not play in the team's last game on Nov. 22, at Detroit.

Dougie Hamilton leads the team in TOI/GP (21:22) in 2023-24.

#### TIMELESS...

**Dawson Mercer** has played in 183 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 183 consecutive games played currently ranks 15th in the NHL for all active skaters.

Mercer's 183 consecutive games played rank 18<sup>th</sup> all-time in franchise history. His next game played will tie Danius Zubrus (184) for 17<sup>th</sup> all-time in franchise history for this matter.

Tyler Toffoli has played in 149 consecutive games, which ranks 24th for all active skaters in the NHL..

# 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 owns 41 career wins with New Jersey, which ranks 10<sup>th</sup> all-time in franchise history. Craig Billington ranks ninth for this matter with 43 career wins.

Schmid owns two assists for the season and his career. His two assists this season lead all NHL netminders.

## **UPCOMING MILESTONES**

Player	Current Status	Potential Milestone
Kevin Bahl	85 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Nathan Bastian	181 career GP	200 career GP
Jesper Bratt	191 career/NJD assists	200 career/NJD assists
Dougie Hamilton	770 career GP	800 career GP
	461 career points	500 career points
	163 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
	84 career NJD assists	100 career NJD assists
Erik Haula	293 career points	300 career points
Nico Hischier	389 career/NJD GP	400 career/NJD GP
	178 career/NJD assists	200 career/NJD assists
	290 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Alexander Holtz	47 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Jack Hughes	258 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	93 career/NJD goals	100 career/NJD goals
	230 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
Curtis Lazar	470 career GP	500 career GP
John Marino	272 career GP	300 career GP
	92 career points	100 career points
	77 career assists	100 career assists
Michael McLeod	261 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	72 career/NJD points	100 career/NJD points
Timo Meier	486 career GP	500 career GP
	168 career goals	200 career goals
	173 career assists	200 career assists
	341 career points	400 career points
	35 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Dawson Mercer	183 career/NJD GP	200 career/NJD GP
	48 career/NJD goals	100 career/NJD goals
	56 career/NJD assists	100 career/NJD assists
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Colin Miller	471 career GP	500 career GP
Ondrej Palat	696 career GP	700 career GP
	456 career points	500 career points
	68 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Jonas Siegenthaler	274 career GP	300 career GP
	177 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
Brendan Smith	650 career GP	700 career GP
Brendun Smith	91 career assists	100 career assists
	76 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP

Tyler Toffoli	752 career GP	800 career GP
	246 career assists	300 career assists
	484 career points	500 career points
Vitek Vanecek	82 career wins	100 career wins

#### **Accomplished Milestones**

Tomas Nosek	400 career NHL GP	10/13/23 vs ARI
HC Lindy Ruff	100 career NJD wins	10/20/23 at NYI
Chris Tierney	600 <sup>th</sup> career NHL GP	11/2/23 at MIN
Jesper Bratt	400 <sup>th</sup> career NHL GP	11/5/23 at CHI
Dawson Mercer	100 <sup>th</sup> career NHL PTS	11/10/23 vs WSH
Ondrej Palat	300 career NHL assists	11/14/23 at WPG
Curtis Lazar	100 <sup>th</sup> career NHL PTS	11/16/23 at PIT
Jesper Bratt	300 career NHL PTS	11/25/23 vs BUF

#### HOW THEY WERE BUILT

2016, NJD, 2 <sup>ND</sup> ROUND, 41 <sup>ST</sup> OVERALL
2016, NJD, 6 <sup>TH</sup> ROUND, 162 <sup>ND</sup> OVERALL
2017, NJD, <b>1ST OVERALL</b>
2020, NJD, 1 <sup>St</sup> ROUND, 7 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL
2019, NJD 1 <sup>ST</sup> OVERALL
2021, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND, 4 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL
2016, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND, 12 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL
2020, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND, 18 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL
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: Dougie Hamilton, Tomas Nosek, Ondrej Palat, Brendan Smith , Chris Tierney & Max Willman

**UTICA REPORT:** Utica began its third season as the Devils AHL affiliate since 2021-22 and with head coach Kevin Dineen. Utica is 6-6-3-0 this season. The team dropped its last contest to Springfield, 4-0. Utica plays next on Wed., Nov. 29, vs Belleville. Xavier Parent (6g-7a) and Kyle Criscuolo (4g-9a) lead Utica with 13 PTS.

