



# NEW JERSEY DEVILS

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## GAME INFORMATION



Carolina Hurricanes (37-19-6) at New Jersey Devils (31-28-4) • 12:30 PM ET • Prudential Center • ABC/ESPN+/Listen: [DEVILS HOCKEY NET](#)

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~ 10:00 a.m. E.T. (approx.) – Media Availability for select players and Interim Head Coach Travis Green, please contact Devils PR for requests\* Subject to change\*

### Last Game:

St. Louis Blues 1  
(32-28-3–67 PTS)

New Jersey Devils 4  
(31-28-4– 66 PTS)

Three Stars: 1. T. Meier 2. N. Hischier 3. O. Palat

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

### Goals:

STL: B. Saad

NJD: T. Meier (PPG), T. Meier (GWG), T. Meier, E. Haula (ENG)

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## CURRENT INJURIES/ILLNESS

PLAYER	INJURY/Illness	OUT SINCE	GAMES MISSED
Dougie Hamilton	Upper-body	Nov. 30 (suffered 11/28)	43
Vitek Vanecek	Lower-body/illness	Feb. 12	13
Nathan Bastian	Lower-body	Feb. 24	7

2023-24 Total Man-Games Lost : 217

## TRANSACTIONS

DATE	PLAYER	ACTION
2/4	<b>Santeri Hatakka</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
2/6	<b>Tomas Nosek</b>	Activated off I.R. (lower-body)
2/8	<b>Jack Hughes</b>	Activated off I.R. (upper-body)
2/11	<b>Max Willman</b>	Placed on waivers (w/ intent for Utica – AHL)
2/12		Cleared waivers; reassigned to Utica (AHL)
	<b>Akira Schmid</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
2/13	<b>Santeri Hatakka</b>	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)
	<b>Brendan Smith</b>	Activated off I.R. (lower-body)
2/20	<b>Vitek Vanecek</b>	Placed on I.R. (lower-body) retroactive to to Feb. 10
	<b>Jonas Siegenthaler</b>	Activated off I.R. (lower-body)
2/21	<b>Akira Schmid</b>	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)
	<b>Isaac Poulter</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
2/23	<b>Nathan Bastian</b>	Placed on I.R. (Lower-body)
	<b>Brian Halonen</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
2/24	<b>Isaac Poulter</b>	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)
	<b>Akira Schmid</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
2/26	<b>Nolan Foote</b>	Assigned to Utica (AHL) for conditioning stint
2/28	<b>TRADE</b>	Received Dallas' 2026 4 <sup>th</sup> -round draft pick in exchange for goaltender Cole Brady's rights (unsigned draft pick) & agreed to retain 50% of all future obligations to defenseman Chris Tanev's contract for the 2023-24 season.
3/1	<b>TRADE</b>	Acquired forward Kurtis MacDermid from Colorado in exchange for a 2024 7 <sup>th</sup> -round draft pick & Zakhar Bardakov.
	<b>Brian Halonen</b>	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)
3/2	<b>Mikeal Diotte</b>	Signed to a three-year, entry level contract starting in 2024-25
3/8	<b>TRADE</b>	Acquired a 2025 second-round draft pick & 2024 third-round draft pick from WPG in exchange for Tyler Toffoli
		Acquired goaltender Jake Allen from MTL in exchange for a conditional 2025 third-round draft pick
		Acquired goaltender Kaapo Kahkonen from SJS in exchange for netminder Vitek Vanecek and New Jersey's 2025 seventh-round draft pick.
		Acquired 2026 fourth-round draft pick from WPG in exchange for Colin Miller.
	<b>Akira Schmid</b>	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)

### Pronunciation Guide

Kevin Bahl: (BAHL, KEH -vihn)

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

**Jesper Bratt: (BRAHT, JEHS -puhr)**

**Nico Daws (DAWS, NEE-koh)**

**Nick DiSimone (DEE-sihr-mohn, NIHK)**

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

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

**Tomas Nosek: (NOH -sehk, toh -MAHSH)**

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

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

**Jack Hughes: (HEWZ, JAK)**

**Luke Hughes: (HEWZ, LEWK)**

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

**Kurtis MacDermid: (mak-DUHR-mihd, KUHR-tis)**

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

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

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

**Simon Nemecek: (NHEM-etz, shee-MOHN)**

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

**Isaac Poulter (POHL-ter, IGH-zihk)**

**Brendan Smith (SMIHTH, BREHN-duhn)**

**Chris Tierney (TEER-nee, KRHIS)**

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

**Vitek Vanecek (va-NIH-chehk, VEE-tehk)**

**Max Willman (WIHL-muhn, MAX)**

## **WHAT TO KNOW**

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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.

The Devils won their first-ever NHL outdoor game, after the team defeated Philadelphia 6-3 in the 2024 Navy Federal Credit Union NHL Stadium Series contest on Sat., Feb. 17, at MetLife Stadium.

The Devils played in front of 70,328 fans at MetLife Stadium, which marked the franchise's highest attended game all-time. The team's attendance for the 2014 Stadium Series game against the New York Rangers at Yankee Stadium was 50,105.

Travis Green logged his head coaching (interim) debut with New Jersey on Mar. 5, 2024, after the team announced that Green was named Interim Head Coach on Mon., Mar. 4, 2024. Green is the 20<sup>th</sup> head coach in team history.

**The Devils executed four trades at the NHL Trade Deadline:**

**Acquired a 2025 second-round draft pick & 2024 third-round draft pick from WPG in exchange for Tyler Toffoli**

**Acquired goaltender Jake Allen from MTL in exchange for a conditional 2025 third-round draft pick**

Acquired goaltender Kaapo Kahkonen from SJS in exchange for netminder Vitek Vanecek and New Jersey's 2025 seventh-round draft pick.

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## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Mar. 11	At NYR	7:00 P.M. E.T.
Mar. 14	At DAL	8:00 P.M. E.T.
Mar. 16	At ARI	5:00 P.M. E.T.
Mar. 17	At VGK	3:30 P.M. E.T.

### The Week Ahead

The Devils opened a three-game homestand on Tue., Mar., 5, against Florida (5-3, L), and then hosted St. Louis on Thursday (4-1, W). The three-game homestand concludes on Sat., Mar. 9, against Carolina for a 12:30 P.M. E.T. puck drop, which is also televised on ABC.

### LAST GAME IN DETAIL

- The Devils and St. Louis concluded their 2023-24 regular-season series (1-1-0):
  - **Matchups: Nov. 3, 4-1, L | Enterprise Center**
- The team played in its second contest of a three-game homestand (1-1-0). The Devils will host Carolina for a matinee contest on Saturday at 12:30 P.M. E.T.
- The Devils snapped a three-game losing streak.
- Jersey's team improved to 12-4-2 when scoring first in a game this season.
- The Devils improved to 22-13-3 when outshooting an opponent in 2023-24. Jersey's team outshot St. Louis...
- The Devils allowed fewer than two goals in a game for the seventh time this season.
- Interim Head Coach Travis Green earned his first win as the team's bench boss since he was named to the position on Mon., Mar. 4.
- The Devils were 29/61 on face-offs (48%).

### Special Teams

PP: 1-2 | PK: 3-3

Attendance: 16,259

Duration: 7:08 P.M. E.T. to 9:37 P.M. E.T.

### DHN Quiz Question

Which former Devils player experienced the longest drought in Devils history without recording their first career NHL point?

**A:** Cam Janssen, who played in 81 games before tallying his first career point (goal on Feb. 24, 2007, at Washington).

## Man Advantage

Rank: 12<sup>th</sup>, 22.9%

PPG For Rank: (tied NSH & ARI) 12<sup>th</sup>, 44 PPG

New Jersey defensemen have combined for eight power-play goals this season, which ranks second in the NHL behind Edmonton (9), per Mar. 6.

The Devils have logged two, or more, power-play goals in a game 11 times this season.

Teams with the most multi power-play goal games in 2023-24 (Per Mar. 8):

Rk	Team	Season	Count
1	TBL	2023-24	14
2	DET	2023-24	14
3	FLA	2023-24	13
4	EDM	2023-24	12
5	CAR	2023-24	12
6	TOR	2023-24	11
7	NJD	2023-24	11
8	MIN	2023-24	11
9	VAN	2023-24	10
10	ARI	2023-24	10
11	COL	2023-24	10

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 nine 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 for a single season:

Team	Season	Count	W	L	T
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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

### **LET'S LIGHT UP THE ROCK**

The Devils have recorded 75 consecutive regular-season home games without an opponent shutting out the team. The marker is tied for fifth-longest stretch without being shut out in franchise history.

The last time that the Devils were shut out at the Rock dates to Apr. 24, 2022, after a 3-0 loss vs Detroit.

The longest non-shutout streak at home in franchise history:

Rk	Team	Streak	Streak Started	Streak Ended	Active	G
1	NJD	109	10/21/1988	2/16/1991		397
2	NJD	83	2/21/1985	2/18/1987		313
3	NJD	80	1/15/1994	3/22/1996		271
4	CLR	75	4/1/1979	3/6/1981		262
5	NJD	75	4/29/2022	PRESENT	*	248

Longest active home non-shutout streaks in NHL:

Rk	Team	Streak	Streak Started
1	TOR	101	12/1/2021
2	NJD	75	4/29/2022
3	DAL	59	12/8/2022
4	COL	57	12/21/2022
5	VAN	57	12/17/2022
6	NYR	51	1/3/2023
7	ARI	50	2/19/2023
8	NSH	48	2/18/2023
9	CAR	35	4/2/2023

### **IN THE DOTS**

- The Devils won 39 face-offs on in the Stadium Series contest vs Philadelphia on Sat., Feb. 17, which tied a season-high.
  - Also: Feb. 6, vs Colorado; Jan. 3, at Washington; Nov. 7, 2023, at COL.

- **Nico Hischier** won 18 face-offs for the third time this season after Fri., Mar. 1, contest at Anaheim, which tied his season/team-high for 2023-24.
  - Since Feb. 3, 2024, Hischier's face-off% (59.8%) ranks fifth in the NHL, while B. Horvat (65.3) ranks first for skaters who've taken 100, or more, face-offs.
- The Devils rank third (tied, DAL) in the NHL for overall face-off percentage (54.1%).
- Entering Saturday's contest, the Devils ranked first in the NHL for defensive-zone face-offs at 57.8%.

### LOOKING AHEAD

New Jersey is 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 team is scheduled for 15 games during the month of March, which marks New Jersey's highest total number of a games for a single month this season (2<sup>nd</sup>, December, 14 GP).

### 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 team's 20 comeback wins in 2023-24 were tied with Dallas and Edmonton for the most in the NHL, per Mar. 8.

### THE RANKS

#### NJD:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 3.48	26 <sup>th</sup>
GF/GP, 3.32	8 <sup>th</sup>
SA/GP, 29.6	11 <sup>th</sup>
SF/GP, 32.2	10 <sup>th</sup>

#### CAR:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 2.73	7 <sup>th</sup>
GF/GP, 3.29	11 <sup>th</sup>
SA/GP, 25.5	1 <sup>st</sup>
SF/GP, 32.8	7 <sup>th</sup>

(Per one day before game)

### 2023-24 TEAM STATS

#### RECORD ON DAYS OF THE WEEK

The Devils record on Saturday in **2023-24...7-5-1**

Record in night games in **2023-24...29-23-4...home: 14-14-2...road: 15-9-2**

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

## 2023-24 Alternate jersey record...2-4-0

### Alternate jersey schedule:

Fri., Oct. 27	Vs BUF	5-4, W
Fri., Nov. 24	Vs CBJ	2-1, L
Fri., Dec. 1	Vs SJS	6-3, L
Sun., Dec. 17	VS ANA	5-1, L
Sat., Dec. 23	VS DET	3-2, W
Sat., Jan. 6	VS VAN	6-4, L
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: 9-7-2**

**ATL: 9-8-1**

**CEN: 6-5-1**

**PAC: 6-9-0**

**EAST: 18-15-3**

**WEST: 13-13-1**

### RECORD WHEN SCORING FIRST

Scoring first...**12-4-2**...Trailing first...**19-24-2**

The team's 22 wins when trailing first in 2022-23 were the most in franchise history for a single season. The 19 wins when trailing first in a game this season mark the second most in franchise history.

### OVERTIME/SHOOTOUT

**OT: 5-3**

**SO: 0-1**

**OUTSHOOTING OPP: 22-13-3**

**OUTSHOT: 9-14-0**

**EVEN: 0-0-1**

**The longest duration of a game this season: 2:47, Feb. 17, 2024, vs PHI at MetLife Stadium (6-3, W)**

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



## GOALS BY PERIOD

PERIOD	GOALS FOR/AGAINST	DIFFERENTIAL
1	54-57	-3
2	68-79	-11
3	82-80	+2
OT	5-3	+2
SO	0-1	-1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>209-219*</b>	<b>-10</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 GAME

Overall: 13-10-1

First game: 11-1-0 | home: 4-1-0 | road: 7-0-0

Second game: 2-9-1 | home: 1-6-1 | road: 1-3-0

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.

## 2023-24: HIGHS & LOWS

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

Stat	HOME	AWAY
<b>Had a shootout</b>	3/12/23, 3-0, W, vs CAR, V. Vanecek, 32 saves	3/28/21, 1-0 at BOS, M. Blackwood, 40 saves
<b>Were shutout</b>	4/24/22, vs DET, 3-0, A. Nedeljickovic, 17 saves	2/10/24, 1-0, at CAR, P. Kochetkov, 34 saves
<b>Scored 10 goals</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>Scored 9 goals</b>	3/23/93, 9-3, vs TB	10/28/00, 9-0, at PIT
<b>Scored 8 goals</b>	4/6/23, 8-1, vs CBJ	3/14/18, 8-3, at VGK
<b>Allowed 10 goals</b>	10/25/84, 11-2, vs NYR	12/4/85, 10-7, at TOR
<b>Allowed 9 goals</b>	1/18/85, 9-6, vs NYR	3/12/19, 9-4, at CGY
<b>Allowed 8 goals</b>	11/11/92, 8-3, vs MTL	3/31/22, 8-1, at BOS
<b>Had 50 shots in a game</b>	10/30/22, 53, vs CBJ, 7-1 W	3/1/24, 55, at ANA, 4-3, L
<b>Allowed 50 shots</b>	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	3/1/24, J. Hughes, unsuccessful vs L. Dostal in 4-3 L at ANA
<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>	3/7/24 vs STL, T. Meier vs J. Binnington in 4-1 win	12/16/23 @ CBJ, J. Hughes vs D. Tarasov in 6-3 win
<b>Allowed a hat-trick</b>	12/17/23, A. Henrique, vs A. Schmid in a 5-1 loss,, vs ANA	3/3/24, P. Danault vs N. Daws in a 5-1 loss, at LAK

*(Excludes overtime)*

#### **TEAM:**

<b>LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY</b>	<b>5, twice</b>	<b>Last: 2/27/24, at SJS, 7-2, W</b>
<b>Largest margin of defeat</b>	<b>5, 6x</b>	<b>Last: 3/3/24, at LAK, 5-1, L</b>
<b>MOST GOALS, GAME</b>	<b>7, twice</b>	<b>Last: 2/27/24, at SJS, 7-2, W</b>
<b>Most goals allowed, game</b>	<b>6, 9x</b>	<b>Last: 2/20/24, at WSH, 6-2, L</b>
<b>MOST GOALS, PERIOD</b>	<b>4, 5x</b>	<b>Last: 2/27/24, at SJS, 3<sup>rd</sup> per., 7-2, W</b>
<b>Most goals allowed, period</b>	<b>4, 6x</b>	<b>Last: 2/20/24, at WSH, 6-2, L</b>
<b>FASTEST GOAL START GP</b>	<b>0:15</b>	<b>3/3/24, at LAK, T. Meier, 5-1, L</b>
<b>Fastest goal allowed, Start GP</b>	<b>0:24</b>	<b>12/21/23, vs EDM, R. McLeod, 6-3, L</b>
<b>FASTEST GOAL START OF A PERIOD</b>	<b>0:21</b>	<b>10/20/23, at NYI, 2<sup>nd</sup> per., T. Toffoli, 5-4, OT, W</b>
<b>Fastest Goal Allowed Start of a Period</b>	<b>0:17</b>	<b>12/16/23, at CBJ, 2<sup>nd</sup> per., K. Marchenkov, 6-3, W</b>
<b>MOST SHOTS IN A GAME</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>3/1/24, at ANA, 4-3, L</b>
<b>Most Shots Allowed in a Game</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>2/17/24, vs PHI, 6-3, W</b>
<b>MOST SHOTS IN A PERIOD</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12/1/23, vs SJS, 3<sup>rd</sup> per., 6-3, L</b>
<b>Most Shots Allowed in a Period</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2/17/24, vs PHI, 2<sup>nd</sup> per., 6-3, W</b>
<b>FEWEST SHOTS IN A GAME</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11/22/23, at DET, 4-0, L</b>
<b>Fewest Shots allowed in a Game</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11/25/23, vs BUF, 7-2, W</b>
<b>FEWEST SHOTS IN A PERIOD</b>	<b>2, 3x</b>	<b>Last: 11/22/23, at DET, 4-0, L</b>
<b>Fewest shots OPP, period</b>	<b>3, 3x</b>	<b>Last: 12/1/23, vs SJS, 2<sup>nd</sup> per., 6-3, L</b>
<b>MOST PIM IN A GAME</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1/5/24, vs CHI, 4-2, W</b>
<b>Most PIM Opp., Game</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1/5/24, vs CHI, 4-2, W</b>
<b>FEWEST PIM IN A GAME</b>	<b>0, 3x</b>	<b>Last: 2/24/24, vs MTL</b>
<b>Fewest PIM Opp, Game</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12/21/23, vs EDM</b>
<b>LONGEST WINNING STREAK</b>	<b>3, 4x</b>	<b>Last: 12/23/23-12/29/23</b>
<b>LONGEST POINTS STREAK</b>	<b>3 GP, 5x</b>	<b>Last: 2/10/24-2/13/24 (2-0-1)</b>
<b>LONGEST LOSING STREAK</b>	<b>3, 3x</b>	<b>Last: 3/1/24-3/5/24 (0-3-0)</b>
<b>LONGEST WINLESS STREAK</b>	<b>3 (0-2-1)</b>	<b>12/17/23-12/21/23</b>

#### **INDIVIDUAL**

<b>MOST GOALS, GAME</b>	<b>3, 4x</b>	<b>Last: 3/7/24, T. Meier vs STL</b>
<b>Most goals, game opponent</b>	<b>3, twice</b>	<b>Last: P. Danault, at LAK</b>
<b>MOST ASSISTS, GAME</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10/24/23, J. Hughes, at MTL</b>
<b>Most assists, game opponent</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11/14/23, J. Morrissey, WPG</b>
<b>MOST POINTS, GAME</b>	<b>4, 6x</b>	<b>Last: 3/7/24, T. Meier vs STL</b>
<b>Most Points, game opponent</b>	<b>4, twice</b>	<b>Last: 2/25/24, N. Kucherov, vs TBL</b>
<b>MOST SHOTS, GAME</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2/27/24, J. Hughes, at SJS</b>
<b>Most shots, game opponent</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2/17/24, O. Tippett, vs PHI</b>

<b>MOST PIM, GAME</b>	<b>17, twice</b>	<b>Last: 3/1/24, C. Lazar, at ANA</b>
<b>Most PIM, game opponent</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10/27/23, C. Clifton, BUF</b>

### VS THE 'CANES

The Devils and Carolina conclude their regular-season series (0-1-1):

**Matchups: Jan. 25, at CAR, 3-2, L**

**Feb. 10, at CAR, 1-0, Lot**

Last outing: The Devils suffered a 1-0 overtime loss at Carolina, while Carolina's Pyotr Kochetkov stopped all 34 of the Devils shots. Sebastian earned the overtime goal against V. Vanecek 3:40 into the frame.

### ALL-TIME vs CAR/HFD

**Record: 81-58-12-6**

**Home: 46-23-4-3**

**Road: 35-35-8-3**

### SINCE 1982-83...

- The most goals that the Devils earned in a single game vs CAR/HAR is eight, which was recorded vs Hartford on Nov. 22, 1991, in a 8-2 win at the Meadowlands.
- The most goals that the Devils allowed in a single game vs CAR/HAR is eight, which was recorded vs Hartford on Jan. 27, 1989, in an 8-6 loss at the Meadowlands.
  
- The most shots that Jersey earned in a single game vs CAR/HAR was 54 on Jan. 27, 1996, in a 4-4 tie at Hartford.
- The most shots that the Devils surrendered against was 48 via Mar. 28, 2009, vs Carolina in a 2-1 loss.
  
- The last time that the Devils shut out Carolina was on Mar. 12, 2023, at the Rock in a 3-0 win.
- The last time that Carolina shut out the Devils was on Mar. 21, 2000, at the Meadowlands in a 5-0 win.

## **PLAYER NOTES**

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### **NJD multi-point game leaderboard:**

<b>Rk</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Season</b>	<b>Count</b>
<b>1</b>	Jack Hughes	NJD	2023-24	16
<b>2</b>	Jesper Bratt	NJD	2023-24	15
<b>3</b>	Nico Hischier	NJD	2023-24	12
<b>4</b>	Tyler Toffoli	NJD	2023-24	10
<b>5</b>	Timo Meier	NJD	2023-24	6
<b>6</b>	Luke Hughes	NJD	2023-24	6
<b>7</b>	Erik Haula	NJD	2023-24	6

8	Ondrej Palat	NJD	2023-24	5
9	Dawson Mercer	NJD	2023-24	5
10	Curtis Lazar	NJD	2023-24	4
11	Dougie Hamilton	NJD	2023-24	4
12	Simon Nemec	NJD	2023-24	3
13	Michael McLeod	NJD	2023-24	3
14	Alexander Holtz	NJD	2023-24	3
15	Brendan Smith	NJD	2023-24	2
16	Nathan Bastian	NJD	2023-24	2
17	Jonas Siegenthaler	NJD	2023-24	1
18	Colin Miller	NJD	2023-24	1
19	John Marino	NJD	2023-24	1
20	Kevin Bahl	NJD	2023-24	1

## JACK

- **Jack Hughes** returned to the lineup on Thu., Feb. 8, vs Calgary (20:24 TOI), after missing 11 consecutive games due to an upper-body injury.
- Hughes has recorded 10 games with three, or more, points this season, while Kirk Muller owns the franchise record with 11 games in a single season for this matter:

Rk	Player	Team	Season	Count
1	Kirk Muller	NJD	1987-88	11
2	Aaron Broten	NJD	1987-88	10
3	John MacLean	NJD	1988-89	10
4	Jack Hughes	NJD	2023-24	10
5	Claude Lemieux	NJD	1992-93	9
6	Patrik Elias	NJD	2000-01	9
7	Scott Gomez	NJD	2005-06	9
8	Ilya Kovalchuk	NJD	2011-12	9

- Hughes owns four game-winning goals, which ranks second on New Jersey behind J. Bratt's six GWG.
- Hughes enters Saturday's game with 11 PTS (4g-7a) in his last 10 games played dating to Feb. 17, vs Philadelphia.
- Hughes recorded a career-high 11 shots on goal via Tue., Feb. 27, at San Jose.
  - The 11 shots mark the most that a Devils skater earned in a game this season.
  - Since 1982-83, the most shots that a Devils player earned in a game was Claude Lemieux, who recorded 14 at Ottawa on Dec. 3, 1992.
- Per NHL Pr, "Jack Hughes recorded his third straight 20-goal campaign, joining Jesper Bratt and Nico Hischier who also achieved the feat earlier this season. The last time the Devils had three players each score 20 goals in at least three consecutive seasons simultaneously was from 2006-07 to 2008-09 (Zach Parise, Brian Gionta & Patrik Elias)."
- Hughes experienced his second-career regular-season penalty shot on Fri., Mar. at ANA (L. dostal), but was unsuccessful.
  - Hughes' first-career penalty shot was at the New York Rangers (I. Shesterkin), unsuccessful, on Dec. 12, 2022.
    - Keep in mind that Hughes also logged one career penalty shot in the Stanley Cup Playoffs, after he scored against New York's I. Shesterkin in Round 1, Game 1, of the 2022-23 postseason (Prudential Center).
- Hughes logged 26:42 TOI on Mar. 1, at Anaheim which ranks second in his career for TOI in a single game (27:16, Dec. 1, 2023, vs SJS).
- Hughes earned his 60<sup>th</sup> point for 2023-24 after Thursday's contest vs St. Louis.
  - Per NHL Pr, "tied the franchise mark for the fewest games to 60 points in a season – which he established in 2022-23 (47 GP)."

## THE BRATT-MAN

- **Jesper Bratt** (6g-17a) ranks second on New Jersey with 23 power-play points.
  - Bratt's 23 power-play points mark a new career-high for a single 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.

## WINNA', WINNA'

- Bratt's six game-winning goals lead New Jersey this season.
  - Bratt's career-high is six game-winning goals in a season, which was earned prior in 2021-22.
- Bratt recorded a career-high 10 shots on goal via Jan. 22, vs Vegas.
- *Side note*...Bratt has played in 149 consecutive games which ranks 35<sup>th</sup> in the NHL for all active skaters.
- -Bratt earned his 200<sup>th</sup> career assist, after Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>'s win at Ottawa.
  - Bratt is tied with Zach Parise for 14<sup>th</sup> all-time in franchise history with 216 career helpers
- The Swedish forward also owns seven games with three, or more, points in 2023-24.
  - That marker noted above also marks his most three-point games in a single season (prior, 5 GP, 2021-22).
- **Jack Hughes** and **Jesper Bratt** have 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

- Bratt witnessed a six-game point streak (4g-5a) end, after Sat. Feb. 10, contest at Carolina.
  - His season-high point streak is eight games, which the forward earned Oct. 13, 2023, to Nov. 2 (5g-12a).
- The Swedish forward is also owns 15 multi-point games, which ranks second on New Jersey ( J. Hughes)
  - Bratt's career-high for multi-point games in a single season is 18, which he recorded in 2021-22.
  - Bratt earned three assists in a game for the sixth time in his career, after Thu., Feb. 8, effort vs Calgary. It also marked his fifth contest this season with 3 assists in a game.
  - Per NHL Pr, "He became the fifth player in franchise history with as many in a single campaign following Aaron Broten (7 in 1987-88), Scott Gomez (5 in 2003-04), Scott Stevens (5 in 1993-94) and Kirk Muller (5 in 1989-90)."
- Per NHL Pr, "Jesper Bratt scored to register his third consecutive 20-goal season. The most seasons 20-goal seasons by a player age 25 or younger in franchise history is shared between Wilf Paiement, John MacLean, Kirk Muller and Pat Verbeek (all w/ 5)."
- Bratt was one of 11 different Devils skaters who earned a point in the Stadium Series contest vs Philadelphia on Feb. 17.
- Bratt has recorded 60, or more, points in three consecutive seasons.
- The forward owns 42 assists this season, while his career-high for a single season is 47 via 2021-22.

## FINDING NEMO

**Simon Nemeč** logged his NHL debut on Fri., Dec. 1, vs San Jose and wasted no time inking his name onto an NHL score sheet. Nemeč collected two assists in his debut, which marked the ninth instance in franchise history that a player earned a multi-point game in their NHL debut:

Rk	Player	PTS	Date ▼	Age	Team		Opp	Result	G	A	PTS
1	Will Butcher	3	10/7/2017	22-274	NJD		COL	W 4-1	0	3	3
2	Jesper Bratt	2	10/7/2017	19-069	NJD		COL	W 4-1	1	1	2
3	Pavel Zacha	2	4/9/2016	19-003	NJD		TOR	W 5-1	0	2	2
4	Zach Parise	2	10/5/2005	21-069	NJD		PIT	W 5-1	1	1	2
5	Mike Rupp	2	1/13/2003	23-000	NJD		FLA	W 6-2	2	0	2
6	Scott Pellerin	2	12/6/1992	22-332	NJD	@	BUF	W 7-3	1	1	2
7	Mitch Wilson	2	10/12/1984	22-240	NJD		NYI	W 7-2	0	2	2
8	Doug Buhr	2	2/6/1975	25-222	KCS		TOR	W 3-2	0	2	2

- The 2022 second-overall draft selection also logged 22:38 TOI in his NHL debut, which ranks second in franchise history for players logging their NHL debut with the team (since TOI was documented). Scott Gomez logged the highest total TOI for any player in franchise history during their NHL debut (Oct. 2, 1999, at ATL, 23:30).
- Nemeč earned his first-career NHL goal on Thu., Dec. 7, at Seattle.
- Nemeč became the first *rookie defenseman* who was also Slovakian-born and earned a goal in a game for the Devils.
- Per NHL dot com, the other Slovakian-born natives who were rookies and earned a goal in a game for the Devils all-time:
- **Jiri Bicek: 2001-02-2002-03**
- **Zdeno Ciger: 1990-91**
- **Marian Studenic: 2020-21-2021-22**
- Per NHL PR, Nemeč "became the second-youngest Slovakian-born defenseman to score an NHL goal, behind Kristian Kudroc (19 years, 256 days on Feb. 1, 2001 w/ TBL)."

- Per NHL PR, Nemeč “became the seventh-youngest defenseman in Devils/Rockies/Scouts history at the time of his first NHL goal behind **Craig Wolanin** (18 years, 135 days), **Joe Cirella** (18 years, 160 days), **Adam Larsson** (18 years, 364 days), **Scott Niedermayer** (19 years, 68 days), **Ken Daneyko** (19 years, 196 days) and **Luke Hughes** (19 years, 216 days).”

Nemeč became the 22<sup>nd</sup> player in franchise history whose first-career NHL goal was also a game-winning tally:

DATE	Tm		Opp		Scorer	Age	Cr. Goal #
4/13/2023	NJD	@	WSH	OT	Luke Hughes	19-216	1
1/16/2021	NJD		BOS	OT	Yegor Sharangovich	22-224	1
10/19/2019	NJD		VAN		Jack Hughes	18-158	1
1/14/2019	NJD		CHI		Kevin Rooney	25-238	1
11/15/2018	NJD	@	PHI		Joey Anderson	20-149	1
2/7/2014	NJD		EDM	OT	Jonathon Merrill	22-004	1
4/10/2011	NJD		BOS		Alexander Urbom	20-111	1
10/5/2005	NJD		PIT		Zach Parise	21-069	1
3/7/1998	NJD		NYR		Krzysztof Oliwa	24-329	1
12/16/1997	NJD		NYR		Sheldon Souray	21-156	1
10/12/1995	NJD		WIN		Denis Pederson	20-032	1
2/27/1995	NJD		MTL		Brian Rolston	22-006	1
3/4/1992	NJD	@	NYR		Jarrod Skalde	21-007	1
3/25/1990	NJD	@	BUF		Eric Weinrich	23-096	1
10/5/1989	NJD	@	PHI		Janne Ojanen	21-179	1
11/10/1987	NJD	@	NYR		Brendan Shanahan	18-291	1
12/9/1985	NJD	@	MNS		Craig Wolanin	18-135	1
10/31/1981	CLR		WSH		Aaron Broten	20-351	1
2/6/1977	CLR		PIT		Ron Delorme	21-156	1

2/23/1975	KCS		MNS		Claude Houde	27-107	1
2/6/1975	KCS		TOR		Gary Coalter	24-213	1

- Since logging his NHL debut, Nemeč is averaging 19:44 TOI per game, which ranks fourth on New Jersey since that date.
  - o Nemeč logged a career-high 25:26 TOI on Mon., Jan. 15, at Boston.
  - o The blueliner's 19:44 ATOI ranks seventh for all NHL rookie skaters who've played in 10, or more, games in 2023-24 (B. Faber, 26:04 ATOI)
    - **L. Hughes** ranks second at 21:14 ATOI for all rookie skaters.
    - **Nemeč's** 16 PTS (2g-14a) rank ninth in the NHL for all rookie skaters since Dec. 1, 2023 (NHL debut).

- *Fun fact...*Nemeč is the first defenseman in franchise history who dons No. 17 (21 skaters).
- Nemeč logged seven blocked shots on Dec. 27, 2023, vs Columbus, which marked a season-high for all Devils skaters.
- Nemeč recorded his third-career multi-point game (0g-2a), after Mon., Jan. 22, contest vs Vegas.
- Nemeč earned one helper on Tue., Feb. 6, vs Colorado, which also marked the second time this season that the Slovak-born defenseman earned points in consecutive games (career-high) – also logged on Jan. 17, to Jan. 19, 0g-2a).
- Per NHL PR, "**Simon Nemeč** (0-1—1) boosted his career totals to 2-12—14 with an assist on New Jersey's first goal. He is one of five teenage defensemen in franchise history with at least a dozen career helpers, joining **Scott Niedermayer** (30), **Craig Wolanin** (22), **Adam Larsson** (16) and **Joe Cirella** (13)."
- Nemeč did not dress for the first time this season on Tue., Mar., 5, but returned on Thu., Mar. 7.

## THE FORCE IS STRONG WITH LUKE

- **Luke Hughes'** 32 points (8g-24a) are ranked second for the most points that a rookie blueliner earned this season (B. Faber, 36 PTS).
- Hughes' season-high/career-high TOI in a game this season was logged on Mon., Jan. 15, at Boston (28:10 TOI).
- The 28:10 TOI was also the most ice-time that a Devils player logged this season (prior, J. Hughes, 27:16, Dec. 1, 2023, vs SJS).
- The most ice-time that a rookie skater logged in franchise history was Johnny Oduya, who inked 31:02 TOI on Jan. 1, 2007, vs the New York Rangers.

### Most TOI/GP that a rookie skater logged in franchise history (prior to Jan. 15):

Rk	Player	TOI	Date	Age	Team		Opp
1	Johnny Oduya	31:02:00	1/2/2007	25-093	NJD		NYR
2	Paul Martin	29:32:00	3/23/2004	23-018	NJD	@	FLA
3	Johnny Oduya	29:20:00	11/18/2006	25-048	NJD	@	TOR
4	Paul Martin	29:11:00	3/19/2004	23-014	NJD		MTL
5	Johnny Oduya	27:52:00	11/9/2006	25-039	NJD		CHI
6	Damon Severson	27:31:00	10/25/2014	20-079	NJD	@	OTT
7	Damon Severson	27:22:00	11/22/2014	20-107	NJD	@	CGY



8	Adam Larsson	26:31:00	1/31/2012	19-080	NJD		NYR
9	Damon Severson	26:26:00	11/28/2014	20-113	NJD		DET
10	Paul Martin	26:25:00	3/13/2004	23-008	NJD	@	PHI

- Hughes' 17 power-play points (4g-17a) ranks first for all NHL rookie skaters this season (C. Bedard, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 13 PP PTS).
- Where Hughes' six multi-point games rank for rookie skaters in 2023-24:

Rk	Player	Team	Season	Count
1	Connor Bedard	CHI	2023-24	9
2	Brock Faber	MIN	2023-24	8
3	Connor Zary	CGY	2023-24	6
4	Matthew Knies	TOR	2023-24	6
5	Luke Hughes	NJD	2023-24	6

The most multi-point games that a rookie blueliner earned in a single season for franchise history:

Rk	Player	Team	Season	Count
1	Barry Beck	CLR	1977-78	13
2	Viacheslav Fetisov	NJD	1989-90	10
3	Will Butcher	NJD	2017-18	9
4	Tom Edur	CLR	1976-77	6
5	Rob Ramage	CLR	1979-80	6
6	Tapio Levo	CLR	1981-82	6
7	Scott Niedermayer	NJD	1992-93	6
8	Luke Hughes	NJD	2023-24	6

#### NIEDERMAYER-LIKE

- Hughes skated coast-to-coast in Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>'s contest vs Columbus and tied the game at 3-3 and at 18:35 into the third period. Per NHL Pr, "Only one Devils defenseman has scored a later game-tying goal in the past 10 years: **Dougie Hamilton** (58:50 on Jan. 24, 2023)."

- L. Hughes' eight goals are now tied with Viacheslav Fetisov for the third-most goals that a rookie defenseman earned in a single season for Devils' team history (1982-83).
- Most goals earned by a rookie defenseman in team history:
  - S. Niedermayer – 11, 1992-93
  - B. Driver – 9, 1984-85
  - V. Fetisov – 8, 1989-90
  - L. Hughes – 8, 2023-24
  - E. Gelinac, - 7, 2013-14

*-Most in franchise history: Barry Beck: 22 goals in 1977-78 w/ CLR*
- Keep in mind that the most power-play goals that a Devils defenseman earned in a single season (team history) is five, which S. Niedermayer earned in 1992-93 and Eric Gelinac in 2013-14. L. Hughes' four power-play goals now rank as the second most all-time for this matter in Devils team history. Barry Beck owns the franchise record with six power-play goals (CLR).
- The most power-play points that a rookie defenseman earned in Devils team history since 1982-83 for a single season:
  - W. Butcher, 23 | 2017-18
  - S. Niedermayer, 19 | 1992-93
  - E. Gelinac, 17 | 2013-14
  - L. Hughes, 17 | 2023-24
- L. Hughes' 32nd point tied Bruce Driver (1984-85) and Brian Rafalski (1999-00) for the fifth-most points that a rookie blueliner earned in a single season for Devils' team history (since 1982-83).
- Most Points earned by a rookie in a single season for team history:
  - W. Butcher: 44 – 2017-18
  - V. Fetisov: 42 – 1989-90
  - S. Niedermayer: 40 – 1992-93
  - Eric Weinrich: 38 – 1990-91
  - B. Rafalski: 32 – 1999-00
  - B. Driver: 32 – 1984-85
  - L. Hughes: 32 – 2023-24

## No. 13, The Captain

- **Nico Hischier** earned his 13<sup>th</sup> career multi-goal game, after netting two goals and one assist in the Stadium series contest on Feb/ 17.
  - The Devils are 4-0-0 when Hischier records a multi-goal game this season.
  - Hischier's first goal in the Stadium Series was scored 0:32 into the contest, which marked the team's fastest goal from the start of a game this season.
    - It also marked the second-fastest goal scored from the start of an NHL outdoor game (C. Armstrong, 0:21, Jan. 1, 2008, w/ PIT, at BUF).
  - Hischier recorded and tied a career-high four points (1g-3a) via Tue., Feb. 27, at San Jose, which marked the second time in his career that he earned the feat (last: Feb. 18, 2023, at PIT).
    - The three helpers also tied a career-high in a game played, which also nodded the fourth time in his career that he recorded three assists in a game.
  - Hischier owns 17 points (7g-10a) in his last 15 games played dating to Feb. 6, vs Colorado, which leads all Devils skaters since that date.
- Hischier earned his first shorthanded goal for 2023-24 via Thu., Feb. 8, against Calgary. It also marked his sixth career shorthanded goal.

- Since Hischier's rookie season in 2017-18, only B. Coleman earned more shorthanded goals (9) in a Devils sweater than the captain.
- Hischier's 333 career points rank 16<sup>th</sup> all-time for franchise history
- Hischier's third-period goal via Sat., Feb. 24, also nodded the captain's fifth power-play goal for the 2023-24 campaign. Hischier's career-high is seven power-play goals, which he earned in 2022-23.
- Hischier logged a season-high 23:09 TOI, which also led the team in the contest on Sat., Feb. 24, vs Montreal.
- Hischier tied a season-high 18 face-off wins on Fri., Mar. 1, at Anaheim.
  - The captain has 17, or more, face-off wins five times this season.
- The captain is fresh off earning his 12<sup>th</sup> multi-point game for 2023-24 (0g-2a)

## LASER

- **Curtis Lazar** earned his fourth-career multi-goal game and first since joining the Devils in 2022-23, after Mon. Jan. 22's victory against Vegas at the Rock.
- Lazar now owns 19 points (6g-13a) in 50 games played this season, while his career-high for points in a single season is 20 (6g-14a) with Ottawa in 2015-16.
- Keep in mind that Lazar's career-high for goals scored in a single season is eight, which he logged with Boston in 2021-22.
- Curtis Lazar won a season-high 10 face-offs (10/11, 90.9%) on Tue., Feb. 6, vs Colorado. Lazar's career-high for face-offs wins in a single game is 14 (Feb. 16, 2020, vs TOR).
  - Yet, Lazar's 90.9 face-off% is his highest for his career when taking 10 or more face-offs in a contest.
  - Lazar later tied his season-high 10 face-off wins on Feb. 12, vs Seattle.
- The Veteran forward earned his fourth multi-point game for 2023-24, after he logged two assists in the Stadium Series contest.
- Lazar's four multi-point games are a career-high (prior: 2, 2021-22) for a single season.
- Lazar logged his first fighting major for 2023-24 on Mar. 1, at Anaheim.
  - He also logged his first career misconduct penalty (instigator)

## PALLY

- **Ondrej Palat's** three-game point streak (3g-2a) ended, after Sat., Feb. 10, contest at Carolina.
  - Palat netted his first multi-goal game for 2023-24 on Thu., Feb. 8, vs Calgary.
  - The three-game point streak also Palat's season-high stretch (Nov. 16, to Nov. 18, 1g-2a).
  - Palat's longest point streak since joining the Devils last season is four games (Feb. 6, 2023, to Feb. 14, 2g-4a).
  - Palat earned his fourth multi-point game for 2023-24, after collecting two assists in the stadium Series contest.
  - Palat did not play in the team's game (lower-body inj.) on Tue., Mar. 5, but returned on Mar. 7.
    - Palat is fresh off earning his fifth multi-point game for 2023-24 (0g-2a)

## TIMO TIME

- **Timo Meier** returned to San Jose for the first time since New Jersey acquired him via trade last season.
  - The veteran forward earned two helpers, which marked his fifth multi-point effort for 2023-24.
- Meier recorded a season-high nine shots on goal via Fri., Mar. 1, at Anaheim.
  - Meier's career-high for shots on goal in a single game is 10, which he recorded at Anaheim on Jan. 6, 2023.
- Meier scored 0:15 into Sunday's contest at Los Angeles, which is tied for the 12th fastest goal from the start of a game in franchise history.
  - The fastest goal scored from the start of a game in franchise history is 0:08, which occurred three times, but last happened on March 9, 1993 – Alexander Semak at Vancouver.
- **Timo Meier** lit the lamp in four consecutive games, after netting a power-play goal 13:24 into the first period on Thursday.
- The effort also extended the veteran forward's point streak to five games, which marks a season-high (6g-3a).
- The Switzerland native's season-high point streak is six games, which he earned from Oct. 20, 2023, to Nov. 2 (2g-6a).

- Meier earned his second goal of the game and 16:04 into the first period, which marked the left-handed shot's second multi-goal game for 2023-24 (Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, vs DET).
- Meier later netted his third goal of the game in the second period, which marked his fifth career hat-trick. It also nodded his first hat-trick with New Jersey.
  
- Meier became the third different Devils player who earned a hat-trick in 2023-24:
  - Tyler Toffoli, Oct. 24, 2023, at MTL
  - Jack Hughes, Dec. 16, 2023, at CBJ
  - Tyler Toffoli, Jan. 22, 2024, vs VGK
  
- The four hat-tricks in 2023-24 are the most that the Devils have earned in a single season since 2000-01 when the team recorded six hat-tricks. The six hat-tricks that season are tied (1987-88) for the most in franchise history for a single campaign.

2000-01:

Rk	Player▲	G	Date	Age	Team		Opp
1	Patrik Eliáš	3	12/5/2000	24-236	NJD		COL
2	Patrik Eliáš	3	3/17/2001	24-338	NJD	@	EDM
3	Patrik Eliáš	3	4/3/2001	24-355	NJD	@	WSH
4	John Madden	4	10/28/2000	27-177	NJD	@	PIT
5	Randy McKay	4	10/28/2000	33-277	NJD	@	PIT
6	Alexander Mogilny	3	1/4/2001	31-321	NJD		NYI

- Per NHL Pr “**Timo Meier** became the first Devils player to score each of the team’s first three goals in a game since **Blake Coleman** ([Jan. 14, 2020](#)).”
- Meier later earned an assist on **Erik Haula’s** empty-net goal 19:01 into the third period on Thursday, which marked his first four-point game for the 2023-24 season.
  - The effort also nodded the second time in Meier’s career that he earned four, or more, points in a game (last: 5 goals/PTS on Jan. 17, 2022, vs LAK).

## QUICK HITS

**Curtis Lazar** played in his 500<sup>th</sup> career NHL game on Tue., Feb. 13, at Nashville.

**Jonas Siegenthaler** played in his 300<sup>th</sup> career NHL game on Sun., Mar. 3, at Los Angeles.

**John Marino** earned his 100<sup>th</sup> career point, after collecting an assist on N. Hischier’s third-period goal on Feb. 17.

Marino earned his first game-winning goal of the season (17:43, 3<sup>rd</sup> period) on Tues., Feb. 6, vs Colorado, which also marked the blueliner’s second-career game-winning goal.

The Devils witnessed three defensemen score against San Jose on Feb. 27, at San Jose: **Kevin Bahl, Brendan Smith & Colin Miller**, which marked the 10<sup>th</sup> time in franchise history that three defensemen scored in the same game. The franchise has never witnessed four different defensemen score in the same game.

The last time that the Devils witnessed three defensemen score in the same gam was Oct. 30, 2022, vs Columbus: R. Graves, **John Marino & Jonas Siegenthaler**.

**Erik Haula** was 15/19 on face-offs (79%) on Tue., Feb. 6, vs Colorado, yet Haula's career-high is 19 face-offs which were earned on Oct. 13, 2022, at Philadelphia (82.6%).

Haula recorded a career-high eight hits via Tue., Dec. 19, vs Philadelphia. His prior career-high for hits in a single game was four (12 times).

Haula tied a season-high six shots on goal in a game via Sat., Jan. 20 contest vs Dallas.

**Jack Hughes** ranks first with 223 shots (2<sup>nd</sup>, J. Bratt, 197 SOG).

**Kevin Bahl** leads all Jersey blueliners with 125 hits, while **Curtis Lazar** (151) leads all Devils skaters this season.

Bahl recorded a career-high 10 hits on Nov. 18, 2023, vs the NY Rangers.

Bahl logged a career-high 23:37 TOI on Jan. 11, at Tampa, which led all Devils skaters in the contest.

Bahl leads Jersey with 83 blocks this season.

**John Marino** ranks second New Jersey with 76 blocked shots this season, while the most blocked shots that a Devils skater earned in a single season was Andy Greene in 2018-19 with 208.

Marino also ranks second on New Jersey for ATOI (21:06), while **Luke Hughes** ranks first on New Jersey for ATOI (21:14).

## TIMELESS...

**Dawson Mercer** has played in 227 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 227 consecutive games played currently ranks 11<sup>th</sup> in the NHL for all active skaters.

Mercer's 227 consecutive games played ranks ninth all-time in franchise history and passed Damon Severson's 208 consecutive games played (4/7/18 – 5/10/21).

## **BETWEEN THE PIPES**

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**Nico Daws** earned his first-career NHL point, after he was credited with the secondary assist on N. Hischier's first goal of the game on Jan. 3. Daws is the third different Devils netminder who earned a points/assist this season: **A. Schmid** (0g-2a) and **V. Vanecek** (0g-1a).

The 2023-24 campaign marks the fourth time in franchise history that three, or more, netminders recorded a point in a single season for the Devils:

**1987-88: A. Chevrier, S. Burke, B. Suave**

**1982-83: G. Resch, R. Low, L. Middlebrook, S. MacKenzie**

**1974-75: P. McDuffe, D. Herron, M. Plasse**

**Nico Daws** recorded his fourth consecutive start, after earning the win against Philadelphia at MetLife on Saturday. Not only did Daws face the most shots against (48) for any NHL outdoor game, but the youngster also recorded the most saves (45) for any goaltender in an NHL outdoor game (Prior: D. Rittich, 43 saves).

Per NHL Pr, "Nico Daws became the third rookie netminder to earn an NHL outdoor game win joining **Matt Murray** (2017 SS w/ PIT) and **Mike Condon** (2016 WC w/ MTL)."

**Jake Allen** will wear No. 34 and is the 15<sup>th</sup> player in franchise history who will don the number. Kaapo Kahkonen will wear No. 31 and becomes the 12<sup>th</sup> player in franchise history who will wear the number.

## UPCOMING MILESTONES

Player	Current Status	Potential Milestone
Dougie Hamilton	771 career GP	800 career GP
	461 career points	500 career points
	164 career NJD GP	200 career NJD GP
	84 career NJD assists	100 career NJD assists
Alexander Holtz	90 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Jack Hughes	291 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	267 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
John Marino	84 career assists	100 career assists
Timo Meier	180 career goals	200 career goals
	183 career assists	200 career assists
	363 career points	400 career points
	71 career NJD GP	100 career NJD GP
Dawson Mercer	60 career/NJD goals	100 career/NJD goals
	65 career/NJD assists	100 career/NJD assists
Ondrej Palat	472 career points	500 career points
Brendan Smith	675 career GP	700 career GP
	96 career assists	100 career assists

## Accomplished Milestones By Date:

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
Ondrej Palat	700 career NHL GP	12/5/23 at VAN
Nico Hischier	300 <sup>th</sup> career NHL PTS	12/16/23 at CBJ
Jack Hughes	100 <sup>th</sup> career NHL goal	12/16/23 at CBJ
HC Lindy Ruff	850 <sup>th</sup> career NHL win (4 <sup>th</sup> all-time)	12/16/23 at CBJ
Nico Hischier	400 <sup>th</sup> career NHL GP	12/19/23 vs PHI
Kevin Bahl	100 <sup>th</sup> career NHL GP	12/29/23 at OTT
Jesper Bratt	200 <sup>th</sup> career NHL assist	12/29/23 at OTT
Timo Meier	500 <sup>th</sup> career NHL GP	12/30/23 at BOS
Dawson Mercer	200 <sup>th</sup> career NHL GP	1/3/24 at WSH

Erik Haula	300 <sup>th</sup> career NHL PTS	1/6/24 vs VAN
Nathan Bastian	200 career NHL GP	1/11/24 at TBL
John Marino	300 career NHL GP	1/27/24 at TBL
Tyler Toffoli	500 career NHL PTS	1/27/24 at TBL
Nathan Bastian	200 career NJD GP	2/12/24 vs SEA
Curtis Lazar	500 career NHL GP	2/13/24 at NSH
John Marino	100 career NHL PTS	2/17/24 vs PHI
Colin Miller	500 career NHL GP	2/17/24 vs PHI
Brendan Smith	100 career NJD GP	2/24/24 vs MTL
Jonas Siegenthlaer	200 career NJD GP	2/25/24 vs TBL
Nico Hischier	200 career assists	2/27/24 at SJS
Ondrej Palat	100 career NJD GP	3/3/24 at LAK

### 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
GRAEME CLARKE	2019, NJD, 3 <sup>RD</sup> ROUND, 80 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL
NICO DAWS	2020, NJD, 3 <sup>RD</sup> ROUND, 84 <sup>TH</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
SIMON NEMEC	2022, NJD, 1 <sup>ST</sup> ROUND, 2 <sup>ND</sup> OVERALL
AKIRA SCHMID	2018, NJD, 5 <sup>TH</sup> ROUND, 136 <sup>TH</sup> OVERALL

**Trade:** Jake Allen, Kevin Bahl, Erik Haula, Curtis Lazar, Kappo Kahkonen, Kurtis MacDermid, John Marino, T. Meier, Jonas Siegenthaler,

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

Waivers: Nick DeSimone

**UTICA REPORT:** Utica began its third season as the Devils AHL affiliate since 2021-22 and with head coach Kevin Dineen. Utica is 23-22-4-3 this season. The team earned a 3-0 win at home against Lehigh Valley on Mar. 1, while netminder Erik Kallgren earned the 28-save shutout. The team then earned another shutout on Sun., Mar. 3, in a 1-0 win against Hershey. Isaac Poulter earned the 27 saves shutout on Sunday. The team plays next on Fri., Mar. 8, against Toronto.

Graeme Clarke (19g-19a=38 PTS) & Ryan Schmelzer (12g-25a=37PTS) lead the team.

