



# NEW JERSEY DEVILS

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## GAME INFORMATION



Winnipeg Jets (44-19-5) at New Jersey Devils (33-32-4) • 7:00 PM ET • Prudential Center • MSGSN/MSG+/Listen: [DEVILS HOCKEY NET](#)

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### Last Game:

**Pittsburgh Penguins 2**  
(30-29-9–69 PTS)

**New Jersey Devils 5**  
(33-32-4–70 PTS)

Three Stars: 1. J. Allen 2. D. Mercer 3. T. Meier

SCORE	1 <sup>ST</sup>	2 <sup>ND</sup>	3 <sup>RD</sup>	OT	SO	FINAL
Pittsburgh	0	1	1	-	-	2
<b>DEVILS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	-	-	<b>5</b>

### Goals:

PIT: M. Pettersson

NJD: D. Mercer, T. Meier (PPG), A. Holtz (GWG), D. Mercer, T. Meier (PPG)

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## CURRENT INJURIES/ILLNESS

PLAYER	INJURY/Illness	OUT SINCE	GAMES MISSED
Dougie Hamilton	Upper-body	Nov. 30 (suffered 11/28)	49
Nathan Bastian	Lower-body	Feb. 24	13
Jonas Siegenthaler	Upper-body (concussion)	Mar. 14 (suffered 3/11)	4
John Marino	Upper-body	Mar. 19	1

2023-24 Total Man-Games Lost : 236

## TRANSACTIONS

DATE	PLAYER	ACTION
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)
3/9	<b>Akira Schmid</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
3/10	<b>Akira Schmid</b>	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)
	<b>Nolan Foote</b>	Recalled from conditioning loan in Utica (AHL)
3/13	<b>Santeri Hatakka</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
	<b>Tyler Wotherspoon</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
	<b>Max Willman</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)
3/18	<b>Nico Daws</b>	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)
	<b>Tyler Wotherspoon</b>	Reassigned to Utica (AHL)
3/19	<b>Tyler Wotherspoon</b>	Recalled from Utica (AHL)

### Pronunciation Guide

Jake Allen: (AL-luhn, JAYK)

Kevin Bahl: (BAHL, KEH -vihnn)

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

Jesper Bratt: (BRAHT, JEHS -puhr)

Nick DiSimone (DEE-sihr-mohn, NIHK)

Nolan Foote (FUT, NOH-luhn)

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

Santeri Hatakka (HAT-ah-kah, san-TEH-ree)

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)**

**Kaapo Kahkonen: (kakh-KOH-NIHN, KA-poh)**

**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)**

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

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

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

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

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

**Tyler Wotherspoon (WAH-thuhr-spoon, TIGH-luhr)**

## **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 Vanecsek and New Jersey's 2025 seventh-round draft pick.**

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## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Mar. 23	VS OTT	7:00 P.M. E.T.
Mar. 24	AT NYI	5:00 P.M. E.T.
Mar. 26	At TOR	7:30 P.M. E.T.
Mar. 29	AT BUF	7:00 P.M. E.T.
Apr. 2	Vs PIT	7:00 P.M. E.T.

### The Week Ahead

The Devils opened a three-game homestand, which began on Tue., Mar. 19 (5-2, W) and concludes on Sat., Mar. 23, against Ottawa. The Devils then travel to UBS Arena for a 5:00 P.M. E.T. puck drop against the New York Islanders on Sunday.

### LAST GAME IN DETAIL

- The Devils and Pittsburgh played in their second of three contests this season (2-0-0):
  - **Matchups:** Nov. 16 | 5-2 win| PPG Paints Arena
  
- The Devils have now won seven consecutive contests against Pittsburgh, which is the team's longest active winning streak against an opponent.
- The Devils opened a three-game homestand, which resumes on Thursday vs Winnipeg.
- Jersey's team improved to 13-5-2 when scoring first in a contest for 2023-24.
  
- The Devils are now 22-2-1 when leading after two periods of play this season.
- The Devils were even in shots with Pittsburgh at 38-38 and are now 1-0-1 when finishing a game tied in shots on goal.
- The Devils were 30/59 on face-offs (51%).
  
- The Devils wore their 2023-24 Stadium Series sweaters and for the first time since the outdoor game against Philadelphia on Feb. 17, at MetLife Stadium (6-3, W).
- The Devils scored two power-play goals, which marked the 12 time the team recorded multiple power-play goals in a contest this season.
- Entering the contest, six teams had recorded 12, or more, multi-power-play goal games (TBL, FLA, DET, EDM, CAR & COL).
  
- The Devils witnessed seven players who earned a multi-point effort in tonight's contest which is the second-highest total for the team in a contest this season (8 via Nov. 25, 2023 vs BUF).

### **Special Teams**

**PP: 2-3 | PK: 2-2**

**Attendance: 15,605**

**Duration: 7:08 P.M. E.T. to 9:35 P.M. E.T.**

### DHN Quiz Question

Which former Devil was one of two active NHL players all-time who officiated the team's game at Hartford on Jan. 15, 1983?

**A:** Gary Howatt. He and Hartford's Mickey Volcan were linesmen because a snow storm prevented the scheduled officials to arrive on time for the game.

## Man Advantage

**Rank: 13<sup>th</sup>, 22.2%**

**PPG For Rank: (tied, NSH & ARI) 14<sup>th</sup>, 46 PPG**

The Devils logged two power-play goals in the team's last game on Tue., Mar. 19, which marked the team's 12<sup>th</sup> multi-power-play goal game.

The most multi-power-play goal games this season:

Rk	Team	Season	Count
1	TBL	2023-24	15
2	FLA	2023-24	14
3	DET	2023-24	14
4	EDM	2023-24	13
5	CAR	2023-24	13
6	NJD	2023-24	12
7	COL	2023-24	12
8	TOR	2023-24	11
9	NYR	2023-24	11
10	MIN	2023-24	11

New Jersey defensemen have combined for eight power-play goals this season, which ranks second (tied, NSH) in the NHL behind Edmonton (9), per Mar. 20

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
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 77 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	NJD	77	4/29/2022	PRESENT	*	255
5	CLR	75	4/1/1979	3/6/1981		262

Longest active home non-shutout streaks in NHL:

Rk	Team	Streak	Streak Started
1	TOR	102	12/1/2021
2	NJD	77	4/29/2022
3	DAL	62	12/8/2022
4	VAN	61	12/17/2022
5	COL	58	12/21/2022
6	NYR	55	1/3/2023
7	ARI	52	2/19/2023
8	NSH	49	2/18/2023
9	EDM	30	10/29/2023
10	CBJ	30	11/2/2023

## 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.
- The Devils rank fourth in the NHL for overall face-off percentage (53.4%), per March 20.
- Entering Thursday's contest, the Devils ranked first in the NHL for defensive-zone face-offs at 56.5%.

## 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 Devils are one of three teams with 21, or more, comeback wins this season, while Dallas also has 21 comeback victories.

Colorado has earned 23 comeback victories this season (most in the NHL).

## THE RANKS

### NJD:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 3.43	27 <sup>th</sup>
GF/GP, 3.26	13 <sup>th</sup>
SA/GP, 29.9	14 <sup>th</sup>
SF/GP, 31.7	10 <sup>th</sup>

### WPG:

STAT	NHL RANK
GA/GP, 2.34	1 <sup>st</sup>
GF/GP, 3.15	15 <sup>th</sup>
SA/GP, 29.4	9 <sup>th</sup>
SF/GP, 30.7	17 <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...7-5-1

Record in night games in 2023-24...31-24-4...home: 15-14-2...road: 16-10-2

Record in day games in 2023-24...2-8-0...home: 1-3-0...road: 1-5-0

### 2023-24 Alternate jersey record...2-5-0

#### 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	4-2, L
Sat., Mar. 23	Vs OTT	
Sun., Apr. 7	Vs NSH	
Mon., Apr. 15	Vs NYI (Home finale)	

#### RECORD BY DIVISION/CONFERENCE:

MET: 10-9-2

ATL: 9-8-1

CEN: 8-5-1

PAC: 6-10-0

EAST: 19-17-3

WEST: 14-15-1

#### RECORD WHEN SCORING FIRST

Scoring first...13-5-2...Trailing first...20-27-2

The team's 22 wins when trailing first in 2022-23 were the most in franchise history for a single season. The 20 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: 22-14-3

OUTSHOT: 10-18-0

EVEN: 1-0-1

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



## PLAYERS BY COUNTRY

CAN – 10

USA – 6

CHE- 3

FIN – 3

SWE -2

CZE – 2

SVK – 1

## GOALS BY PERIOD

PERIOD	GOALS FOR/AGAINST	DIFFERENTIAL
1	57-63	-6
2	74-82	-8
3	89-89	0
OT	5-3	+2
SO	0-1	-1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>225-237*</b>	<b>-12</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: 13-12-1

First game: 11-2-0 | home: 4-1-0 | road: 7-1-0

Second game: 2-10-1 | home: 1-6-1 | road: 1-4-0

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
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	2/10/24, 1-0, at CAR, P. Kochetkov, 34 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

<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. Danuall 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>0:15</b>	<b>3/14/24 at DAL, W. Johnston, 6-2, W</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, 4-3, W</b>
<b>Fewest PIM Opp, Game</b>	<b>0, twice</b>	<b>Last: 3/14/24, at DAL, 6-2, W</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 WINNIPEG

The Devils and Winnipeg conclude their 2023-24 regular-season series (0-1-0):

**Matchups: Nov. 14, at WPG, 6-3, L**

**Last outing:** The Devils dropped a 6-3 contest at Winnipeg, and witnessed goals from **Timo Meier** (PPG), **John Marino** and **Dawson Mercer** (PPG)

## ALL-TIME vs WPG/ATL

**Record: 34-25-3-8**

**Home: 17-11-1-6**

**Road: 17-13-2-2**

## DID YOU KNOW...

- The most goals in franchise history earned in a single game vs WPG/ATL is nine, which the team earned on Mar. 10, 2000, in a 9-0 win at Atlanta.
- The most goals that the franchise allowed in a single game vs WPG/ATL was eight, which was recorded on Dec. 3, 2021, at Winnipeg in an 8-4 loss.
- The most shots that the franchise earned in a single game vs WPG/ATL was 49, which was recorded on Jan. 24, 2022, at Atlanta after a 4-2 loss.
- The most shots that the franchise allowed in a single game vs WPG/ATL was 40, twice, and last logged on Dec. 3, 2021, in an 8-4 loss at Winnipeg.
- The last time that the Devils shut out WPG/ATL was Apr. 6, 2010, after a 3-0 win at Atlanta (M. Brodeur, 19 saves). The team has never shut out the opponent since the move to Winnipeg in 2011-12.
- The last time that Winnipeg shut out the Devils was on Oct. 13, 2013, after a 3-0 loss at Winnipeg (A. Montoya, 24 saves).

# PLAYER NOTES

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## NJD multi-point game leaderboard:

Rk	Player	Team	Season	Count
1	Jack Hughes	NJD	2023-24	17
2	Jesper Bratt	NJD	2023-24	16
3	Nico Hischier	NJD	2023-24	13
4	Tyler Toffoli	NJD	2023-24	10
5	Timo Meier	NJD	2023-24	8
6	Luke Hughes	NJD	2023-24	7
7	Ondrej Palat	NJD	2023-24	6
8	Dawson Mercer	NJD	2023-24	6
9	Erik Haula	NJD	2023-24	6
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	John Marino	NJD	2023-24	2
17	Nathan Bastian	NJD	2023-24	2
18	Chris Tierney	NJD	2023-24	1
19	Jonas Siegenthaler	NJD	2023-24	1
20	Tomáš Nosek	NJD	2023-24	1
21	Colin Miller	NJD	2023-24	1
22	Kevin Bahl	NJD	2023-24	1

## JACK

- **Jack 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 Thursday's game with 10 PTS (2g-8a) in his last 10 games played dating to Mar. 1, at Anaheim.
- 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 Thu., Mar. 7, 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)."
- Hughes is fresh off recording his 17<sup>th</sup> multi-point game, which also marked the 11<sup>th</sup> time he earned two assists in a game.
  - Hughes' career-high for multi-assists games in a single season is 15, which he logged in 2022-23.

## THE BRATT-MAN

- **Jesper Bratt** (6g-19a) ranks second on New Jersey with 25 power-play points.
  - Bratt's 25 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 155 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 passed Zach Parise for 14<sup>th</sup> all-time in franchise history with 219 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 16 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 45 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, Nemecek is averaging 20:01 TOI per game, which ranks fourth on New Jersey since that date (Min. 10 GP).

- o Nemecek logged a career-high 25:28 TOI on Sat., Mar. 16, at Arizona.
- o The blueliner's 20:01 ATOI ranks third for all NHL rookie skaters who've played in 10, or more, games in 2023-24 (B. Faber, 25:06 ATOI)
  - **L. Hughes** ranks second at 21:18 ATOI for all rookie skaters.



- *Fun fact...*Nemec is the first defenseman in franchise history who dons No. 17 (21 skaters).
- Nemec logged seven blocked shots on Dec. 27, 2023, vs Columbus, which marked a season-high for all Devils skaters.
- Nemec recorded his third-career multi-point game (0g-2a), after Mon., Jan. 22, contest vs Vegas.
- Nemec did not dress for the first time this season on Tue., Mar., 5, but returned on Thu., Mar. 7.
- The youngster earned his third-career goal on Mon., Mar. 11, against the Rangers, which also snapped a 26-game skid without finding the back of the net.
  - Nemec is the first rookie blueliner for New Jersey who scored a goal against the Rangers since Will Butcher in 2017-18.

## THE FORCE IS STRONG WITH LUKE

- **Luke Hughes'** 35 points (8g-27a) are ranked second for the most points that a rookie blueliner earned this season (B. Faber, 38 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' 18 power-play points (4g-18a) ranks tied for first among all NHL rookie skaters this season (C. Bedard, 1<sup>st</sup>, 18 PP PTS).

Rookie leaders for multi-point games in 2023-24:

Rk	Player	Team	Season	Count
1	Connor Bedard	CHI	2023-24	12
2	Brock Faber	MIN	2023-24	8
3	Luke Hughes	NJD	2023-24	7
4	Connor Zary	CGY	2023-24	6
5	Matthew Knies	TOR	2023-24	6
6	Zach Benson	BUF	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	Luke Hughes	NJD	2023-24	7
5	Tom Edur	CLR	1976-77	6
6	Rob Ramage	CLR	1979-80	6
7	Tapio Levo	CLR	1981-82	6
8	Scott Niedermayer	NJD	1992-93	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. Gelinas, - 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 Gelinas 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
  - L. Hughes, 18 | 2023-24
  - E. Gelinas, 17 | 2013-14
- 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
  - **L. Hughes: 35 – 2023-24**
  - B. Rafalski: 32 – 1999-00
  - B. Driver: 32 – 1984-85

## 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 was the fourth time in his career that he recorded three assists in a game.
  - Hischier owns 14 points (4g-10a) in his last 15 games played dating to Feb. 20, which ranks third on New Jersey since that date (J. Hughes w/ 15 PTS, T. Meier w/ 16 PTS).
- 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 338 career points ranks 15<sup>th</sup> all-time for franchise history.
- Hischier's third-period goal via Sat., Feb. 24, also noded 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.

## 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 21 points (6g-15a) in 63 games played this season, which marks career-highs for points & assists in a single season; last: 20 PTS/ 14 assists (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 is fresh off earning his sixth multi-point game (0g-2a), after he and **Tomas Nosek** both contributed towards **Dawson Mercer's** multi-goal game on Tuesday vs Pittsburgh.
- Seventeen of Palat's 28 points this season were recorded on home ice.

## TIMO TIME

- **Timo Meier** returned to San Jose on Feb. 27, and for the first time since New Jersey acquired him via trade last season.
  - The veteran forward earned two helpers in the return back to the Shark Tank.
- 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 Sun., Mar. 3, 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's** five game goal-scoring streak, and points streak, ended after Mon., Mar. 11, game at the Rangers.
- The five-game goal-scoring streak tied a career-high, which he's earned three times.
  - The last time Meier earned a five-game goal-scoring streak was Dec. 17, 2022, to Dec. 27 (6g-3a).
- Meier became the third different Devils player who earned a hat-trick in 2023-24, after Thu., Mar. 7 contest vs St. Louis:
  - 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 Elias	3	12/5/2000	24-236	NJD		COL
2	Patrik Elias	3	3/17/2001	24-338	NJD	@	EDM
3	Patrik Elias	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 Thu., Mar. 7, 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).
- Meier earned his third multi-goal game for 2023-24, after Tuesday’s contest vs Pittsburgh (2g-0a).
- Meier is now of four current Devils with 20, or more, goals this season (J. Bratt, N. Hischier, J. Hughes).
  - New Jersey is one of 11 NHL teams with four, or more, players who’ve earned 20 goals this season.
- Per NHL Pr, “Timo Meier scored and became the third Swiss-born player to record at least six 20-goal seasons. The others: Nino Niederreiter (7x) and Kevin Fiala (6x).”
- Meier’s multi-goal effort on Tue., Mar. 19, marked his third-career multi-power-play goal game (last: Feb. 17, 2022, vs VAN).

## MERC-DAWG

- Dawson Mercer recorded his second multi-goal after Tuesday win vs Pittsburgh (2g-0a).
  - Since Mercer recorded his first-career multi-goal game in 2022-23, the Devils are 6-0-0 when the youngster earns a multi-goal effort.
- Per NHL Pr, “**Dawson Mercer** opened the scoring with his 62nd career goal; he is one of eight player in Devils *team history* with 60-plus career goals before their 23rd birthday. The others: **Kirk Muller** (128), **Jack Hughes** (108), **Pat Verbeek** (98), **Brendan Shanahan** (88), **John MacLean** (70), **Petr Sykora** (68) and **Nico Hischier** (63).”

## QUICK HITS

**Tomas Nosek** not only earned his first assist in a Devils sweater on Tue., Mar. 19,, but his first multi-point game since joining the Devils in 2023-24. The effort marked Nosek’s first muti-point game since Apr. 11, 2023, as a member of Boston against Washington (1g-1a).

**Brendan Smith** logged a career-high 27:00 TOI, after Tue., Mar. 19, contest vs Pittsburgh, while his prior career-high was 26:14 against Pittsburgh in 2013-2014 with Detroit.

**Nick DeSimone** logged his Devils debut on Thursday at Dallas, after he was claimed off waivers from Calgary on Jan. 25. He also inked his name onto the score sheet and earned his first point in a Devils sweater.

DeSimone became the 115<sup>th</sup> player in Devils team history since 1982-83 who earned a point in their debut with the team. Before tonight’s contest, the last Devils player who scored in their debut with the team was Justin Dowling on Jan. 25, 2024, at Carolina.

Additionally, DeSimone logged a career-high 24:57 TOI in a game, while his prior career-high was 15:37 TOI via Nov. 16, 2023, vs Vancouver.

DeSimone then earned is first goal in a Devils sweater on Sat., Mar. 16, at Arizona. ). The effort marked the second time in the blueliner’s career that he earned points in consecutive games (last: Nov. 23, 2023, to Nov. 7, 0g-3a, w/ CGY).

**Chris Tierney** earned his second goal of the season on Thur., Mar. 14 at Dallas.

Tierney earned his first multi-point effort (1g-1a) in a Devils sweater via Thursday at Dallas, and his first multi-point game since Mar. 7, 2023, with Montreal against Carolina (0g-2a).

**Kurtis MacDermid** earned his first helper, and third point, for the 2023-24 season after he was credited with the primary assist on Tierney's first-period goal on Thu., Mar. 14, at Dallas. The helper also marked his first point with the Devils since he was acquired via trade from Colorado on Mar. 1.

After Sat., Mar. 16, contest at Arizona, he logged his first fighting major (J. Brown) since joining New Jersey on Mar. 1. The effort also marked MacDermid's second fighting major for the 2023-24 campaign, after he dropped the gloves with Seattle's Jamie Oleksiak, while he was playing with Colorado on Nov. 13, 2023.

**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 defenseman score in the same game.

The last time that the Devils witnessed three defensemen score in the same game 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 Mon., Mar. 1, at Anaheim.

**Jack Hughes** ranks first on New Jersey with 237 shots (2<sup>nd</sup>, J. Bratt, 217 SOG).

**Kevin Bahl** leads all Jersey blueliners with 137 hits, while **Curtis Lazar** (165) 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 92 blocks this season, while **Simon Nemec** ranks second with 86 blocks.

Nemec's 5.48 blocks, per 60:00 ranks first in franchise history for all rookie blueliners in a single season (since 2005-06).

**Keep in mind...**The most blocks that a rookie skater earned in team history for a single season is Johnny Oduya who earned 119 in 2006-07.

**John Marino** ranks second on New Jersey for ATOI (21:13), while **Luke Hughes** ranks first on New Jersey for ATOI (21:18).

## **TIMELESS...**

**Dawson Mercer** has played in 233 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 233 consecutive games played currently ranks (tied) 11<sup>th</sup> in the NHL for all active skaters.

Mercer's 233j 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** recorded four consecutive starts, 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).”

**Kaapo Kahkonen** became the third Finnish netminder who played in a game in franchise history:

**Jari Kaarela: Colorado Rockies: 1980-81: 5 GP**

**Hannu Kamppuri: New Jersey Devils: 1984-85: 13 GP**

**Jake Allen** logged his Devils debut on Thu., Mar. 14, at Dallas, and logged 35 saves on 37 shots against. He also turned away all six shots he faced on the team's penalty-kill.

Per NHL Pr, “Allen became the fifth (Devils) goaltender in the past 10 years to record a win in their team debut, joining **Nico Daws** (Oct. 23, 2021 vs BUF), **Jonathan Bernier** (Oct. 15, 2021 vs CHI), **Eric Comrie** (Jan. 31, 2021 at BUF) and **Scott Wedgewood** (March 20, 2016 vs CBJ).”

Allen logged his second start with New Jersey on Sun., Mar. 17, at Vegas.

Allen denied all 14 shots that he faced in the first period and then all 11 shots against in the second period at Vegas. Allen recorded 58 consecutive saves dating to the first period against Dallas before allowing a goal 2:57 into the third period against Vegas today. The veteran netminder logged a shutout sequence of 90:53 dating to the Dallas game on Thu., Mar. 14.

The longest shutout sequence that a Devils netminder recorded this season was **Akira Schmid**, who logged a shutout sequence of 99:21 from Nov. 24, 2023, to Nov 30, 2023, and over the span of three games played (52 saves).

Allen's longest career shutout sequence is 184:38 via Oct. 23, 2014, to Nov. 6, 2014.

Allen owns a .946 save percentage in his first three games with the team, which is the fourth-highest save percentage of any goalie through their first three appearances with the Devils franchise (at any point in their career).

Allen's 105 saves since joining the Devils are the most for any goaltender after their first three appearances with the franchise.

### **UPCOMING MILESTONES**

<b>Player</b>	<b>Current Status</b>	<b>Potential Milestone</b>
Alexander Holtz	97 career/NJD GP	100 career/NJD GP
Jack Hughes	297 career/NJD GP	300 career/NJD GP
	272 career/NJD points	300 career/NJD points
John Marino	87 career assists	100 career assists
Timo Meier	184 career goals	200 career goals
	184 career assists	200 career assists
	368 career points	400 career points
Brendan Smith	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
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
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

**Trade:** Jake Allen, Kevin Bahl, Nolan Foote, 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, M. Willman, T. Wotherspoon

**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 26-24-4-4 this season. The team earned a 4-2 win at Hartford on Sat., Mar. 16. Utica plays next on Fri., Mar. 22 against Bridgeport at home.

Ryan Schmelzer (16g-28a=44PTS) & Graeme Clarke (21g-22a=43 PTS) lead the team.

