

POST-GAME NOTES PHILADELPHIA EAGLES at DENVER BRONCOS November 14, 2021

DeVONTA SMITH NOTES

- Philadelphia's defense forced a three-and-out on Denver's first possession, paving the way for a 9-play, 80-yard drive that finished with a 36-yard TD pass from **Jalen Hurts** to **DeVonta Smith**.
 - Smith's 36-yard TD, which gave Philadelphia a 10-0 lead in the first quarter, marked the longest receiving TD by an Eagles rookie since Mack Hollins' 64-yard TD on 10/23/17 vs. Washington. It was also the longest receiving TD by an Eagles rookie in a road game since Jordan Matthews' 44-yard TD on 12/28/14 at N.Y. Giants.
- **DeVonta Smith** caught his second TD of the game on a 5-yard pass from **Jalen Hurts**, which completed a 12-play, 75-yard drive to make it a 17-10 score in the second quarter.
 - According to Sportradar, Smith became just the third Eagle to post multiple TDs on their birthday, joining **Tom Woodeshick** (12/3/67 at Washington) and **Bobby Walston** (10/17/54 at Washington).
 - Smith became the first Eagles rookie to record multiple receiving TDs in a single game since Jordan Matthews on 11/10/14 vs. Carolina (2 TDs). He also became the first Eagles rookie to do so in a road game since Fred Barnett on 12/29/90 at Phoenix (2 TDs).
 - o On the drive, Hurts registered a career-long 31-yard carry.

JALEN HURTS NOTES

- **Jalen Hurts** went 16-of-23 for 178 passing yards and 2 TDs, in addition to gaining 53 yards on the ground.
 - Hurts is tied for the second-most multi-passing TD games through his first 14 career starts in Eagles history (6), behind only **Sonny Jurgensen** (8).
 - Hurts has recorded 50+ rushing yards in four consecutive games, marking the first time an Eagles QB has done so since **Michael Vick** from 10/2/11-10/30/11.

RUSHING/TOTAL OFFENSE NOTES

- Philadelphia jumped out to an early 3-0 advantage following a 30-yard FG by **Jake Elliott** that capped a 10-play, 63-yard drive on the team's opening possession. The Eagles have scored on 3 of their previous 5 game-opening drives dating back to Week 6 (including TDs in Weeks 6-7).
- Following Derek Barnett's second-quarter sack, Philadelphia drove 51 yards on 9 plays, resulting
 in a 52-yard FG by Jake Elliott, which pushed the Eagles' lead to 20-10 at the end of the first half.
 - Elliott, who improved to 2-of-2 from 50+ yards this season (58 yards in Week 5 at Carolina), has produced the second-most 50+ yard FGs (14) in franchise history (including playoffs), trailing only **David Akers** (16, 1999-2010) in that category.
- The Eagles rushed for 214 yards against the Broncos, marking the third-straight game in which the team has recorded 175+ rushing yards. Philadelphia has also rushed for 200+ yards in 2 of their last 3 games (236 yards in Week 8 at Detroit).
 - This marks the first time the Eagles have recorded 175+ rushing yards in three consecutive games since 11/5/17-11/26/17 and is just the ninth time ever the Eagles have recorded 175+ rushing yards in three straight games.
 - Philadelphia has also recorded 100+ yards rushing in five consecutive games, dating back to Week 6 vs. Tampa Bay.

DEFENSIVE NOTES

Derek Barnett posted his second sack of the season when he brought down Broncos QB Teddy
Bridgewater for a 14-yard loss on third-and-11 in the second quarter to force a punt. Barnett has
recorded sacks in 2 of his last 3 games dating back to Week 8 at Detroit.

- Darius Slay recovered a fumble by Broncos RB Melvin Gordon and returned it 82 yards for a TD to give the Eagles a 27-13 advantage in the third quarter.
 - Slay became just the fourth player in franchise history to record 2 fumble recovery TDs in a single season (also 33-yard fumble recovery TD in Week 8 at Detroit), joining Juqua Parker (2011), Kevin Curtis (2007, after completed passes) and Seth Joyner (1991).
 - Overall, it was the eighth-longest fumble recovery TD in Eagles history (longest since **Walter Thurmond**'s 83-yard fumble recovery TD on 1/3/16 at N.Y. Giants).

SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

- K'Von Wallace kept Denver off the board following their first possession of the third quarter when
 he blocked a 22-yard FG attempt by Broncos K Brandon McManus. He became the first Eagle to
 register a blocked FG since Derek Barnett on 11/22/20 at Cleveland (Browns K Cody Parkey).
 - The 22-yard FG was the shortest attempt blocked by the Eagles since 10/6/74 at San Diego (22-yard FG attempt by Chargers K Dennis Partee).
- Philadelphia increased its lead to 30-13 during the fourth quarter following a 23-yard FG by Jake
 Elliott (3-of-3 FGs on the day), capping a 10-play, 60-yard scoring drive.

MORE FROM THE GAME

- With their 30-13 win, the Eagles now own a 9-5 record against the Broncos all time and have won 8 of their last 12 games facing Denver.
 - The Eagles now own a 49-37-2 (.568 winning percentage) record against AFC opponents, the second-highest out-of-conference winning percentage among NFC teams, behind only Green Bay (.575, 50-37).