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PHILADELPHIA EAGLES AT WASHINGTON REDSKINS • GAME PREVIEW • OCTOBER 16, 2016



Rodney McLeod 23

[EAGLE IN FOCUS]

SECONDARY STRENGTH EAGLES DEFENSIVE LEADERS

McLeod leads the Eagles in both tackles (27) and INTs (2) this season. His 2 INTs rank 1st among NFL safeties.

FORCING THE ISSUE NFL DEFENSIVE BACKS SINCE 2013

Only three NFL DBs have registered 7+ INTs and 7+ FFs since 2013:

Rodney McLeod (7 INTs, 7 FFs)
James Ihedigbo (8 INTs, 7 FFs)
Earl Thomas (12 INTs, 7 FFs)

HOME ON THE ROAD LAST TWO GAMES AT WASHINGTON

A native of Hyattsville, MD, McLeod has combined for 9 tackles (8 solo), 1 INT and 1 FF in his last two games at Washington.

NOTES TO KNOW

- According to *Stats LLC*, **Carson Wentz** leads the NFL with an **83.8%** (31-of-37) completion percentage against the blitz this season.
- Wentz leads all NFL QBs in 3rd-quarter passing TD percentage (12.9%, 4 TDs on 31 attempts) in 2016. The rookie also ranks 2nd in the NFL in 3rd-quarter passer rating (144.0), trailing only **Matt Ryan** (144.6).
- **Jordan Matthews** has posted receiving TDs in five of his last seven games dating back to 2015. During that span (since Week 15 in 2015), Matthews ranks T-4th in the NFL with 6 receiving TDs, trailing only **Antonio Brown** (8), **Michael Crabtree** (7) and **Larry Fitzgerald** (7).
- **Fletcher Cox** ranks 2nd among NFL defensive tackles in sacks (4.0), trailing only **Leonard Williams** (5.0). Cox's 26.0 career QB takedowns rank 6th among all-time Eagles interior defensive linemen.
- **Brandon Graham** ranks T-2nd among NFL defensive linemen with 6 tackles for loss in 2016, trailing only **Jadeveon Clowney** (8).

WHAT TO WATCH FOR

- **Carson Wentz** (7) needs 2 passing TDs to set the Eagles single-season rookie record, which is currently held by **Donovan McNabb** (8 in 1999).
- Wentz (1,007) needs 318 passing yards to move past **Davey O'Brien** (1,324 in 1939) for the 3rd-most single-season passing yards by an Eagles rookie.
- **Darren Sproles** (18,282) needs only 27 yards to surpass **Barry Sanders** (18,308 from 1989-98) for the 9th-most all-purpose yards in NFL history.
- Sproles is 1 punt return TD away from claiming sole possession of 1st place on the Eagles' all-time list (4, currently tied with **DeSean Jackson**) ... Sproles (1,033) needs 54 punt return yards to surpass **Larry Marshall** (1,086) for the 4th-most in franchise history.
- **Zach Ertz** has 30 catches for 248 yards in his last three games vs. Washington (13 rec., 122 yards vs. WAS on 12/26/15; 15 rec., 115 yards at WAS on 12/20/14).
- **Malcolm Jenkins** is expected to make his 100th career start in what will be his 108th career NFL game.

BY THE NUMBERS

266.8

The Eagles rank 2nd in the NFL in total defense (266.8 yards per game), trailing only the Seahawks (264.0).

51

The last time Philadelphia allowed 51-or-fewer points in the first four games of the season was in 1992 (34 points).

34:59

The Eagles have dominated the clock in 2016, ranking 1st among NFL teams in average time of possession (34:59).

+16.0

Philadelphia ranks 1st in the NFL in average point differential (+16.0) after outscoring its opponents, 115-51 (+64), through four games.

11.3%

The Eagles, who have totaled 14.0 sacks this season, lead the NFL in sacks per opponent pass attempt ratio (11.3%).

11.0

Philadelphia leads the NFL in offensive points allowed per game (11.0) and ranks 2nd overall in points allowed per game (12.8).

1.0

The Eagles are allowing 1.0 point per drive through the first four games of the season (44 opponent drives resulting in 44 points).

