

# **NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS**



## **2010 GAME SUMMARIES AND NOTES**

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# 2010 SEASON – GAME #1

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 38, CINCINNATI BENGALS 24

Sunday, Sept. 12, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. ★ 1:00 p.m. EDT  
 Att: 68,756 ★ Surface: Field Turf ★ Weather: Cloudy ★ Temp: 62°F ★ Wind: E 10 mph ★ Time of Game: 3:06



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
Cincinnati Bengals (0-1)	0	3	14	7	24
New England Patriots (1-0)	10	14	7	7	38

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: CIN	Home: NE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	26	20
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	8-15-53%	9-13-69%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	3-3-100%	0-1-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	428	376
Total Offensive Plays	76	58
NET YARDS RUSHING	87	118
NET YARDS PASSING	341	258
PUNTS Number and Average	3-46.3	1-43.0
PENALTIES Number and Yards	2/5	6/30
FUMBLES Number and Lost	3/1	0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	3/3	5/5
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	1/1	1/3
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	2-2-100%	3-5-60%
TIME OF POSSESSION	31:50	28:10

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Patriots	1	9:47	W.Welker 9 yd. pass from T.Brady (S. Gostkowski kick) (5-72, 2:51)	0	7
Patriots	1	2:29	S.Gostkowski 32 yd. Field Goal (11-56, 5:30)	0	10
Patriots	2	8:58	W.Welker 4 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (10-80, 4:01)	0	17
Patriots	2	5:38	G.Guyton 59 yd. interception return (S.Gostkowski kick)	0	24
Bengals	2	1:14	M.Nugent 54 yd. Field Goal (12-37, 4:24)	3	24
Patriots	3	14:48	B.Tate 97 yd. kickoff return (S. Gostkowski kick) (0-0, 0:12)	3	31
Bengals	3	7:54	J.Gresham 1 yd. pass from C.Palmer (M.Nugent kick) (12-80, 6:54)	10	31
Bengals	3	0:22	C.Ochocinco 28 yd. pass from C.Palmer (M.Nugent kick) (12-73, 4:51)	17	31
Patriots	4	7:41	R.Gronkowski 1 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (14-81, 7:41)	17	38
Bengals	4	3:57	C.Benson 1 yd. run (M.Nugent kick) (14-76, 3:44)	24	38

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### CINCINNATI BENGALS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
C.Benson	15	43	2.9	10	1
Be.Scott	6	35	5.8	9	0
C.Palmer	4	9	2.3	7	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
C.Palmer	50	34	345	1/4	2	51	1	92.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>1/4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>92.5</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
C.Ochocinco	12	159	13.3	28	1
T.Owens	7	53	7.6	14	0
J.Gresham	6	25	4.2	8	1
J.Shipley	5	82	16.4	51	0
Be.Scott	3	15	5.0	9	0
C.Benson	1	11	11.0	11	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
K.Huber	3	139	46.3	1	0	57
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>55</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
(DOWNED)						

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
A.Jones	2	37	18.5	0	19	0
Q.Cosby	1	18	18.0	0	18	0
Be.Scott	1	15	15.0	0	15	0
(TOUCHBACK)						

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
F.Taylor	14	71	5.1	24	0
K.Faulk	3	23	7.7	11	0
B.Green-Ellis	5	22	4.4	7	0
S.Morris	1	2	2.0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	35	25	258	0/10	3	45	0	120.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120.9</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
W.Welker	8	64	8.0	12	2
R.Moss	5	59	11.8	32	0
K.Faulk	4	47	11.8	21	0
B.Tate	4	36	9.0	20	0
F.Taylor	2	6	3.0	7	0
A.Hernandez	1	45	45.0	45	0
R.Gronkowski	1	1	1.0	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
G.Guyton	1	59	59.0	59	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>59.0</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	1	43	43.0	0	0	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	1	4	4.0	0	4	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)						
(TOUCHBACK)						

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	4	184	46.0	0	97	1
(DOWNED)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS VS. BENGALS

## PATRIOTS 38, CINCINNATI 24

September 12, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
Cincinnati Bengals	0	3	14	7	— 24
New England Patriots	10	14	7	7	— 38

The New England Patriots opened the 2010 season with a 38-24 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals. QB Tom Brady completed three touchdown passes, including two to WR Wes Welker. The Patriots dominance was complete as they scored on a 59-yard interception return by LB Gary Guyton and a 97-yard kickoff return by WR Brandon Tate.

New England took command early, taking a 24-3 halftime lead that was expanded to 31-3 when Tate returned the second half kickoff for a touchdown.

All five of New England's first half drives were scoring threats with two touchdowns, a field goal and two missed field goals. Brady ended a 5-play, 72-yard drive with a 9-yard touchdown pass to Welker. A 45-yard pass play from Brady to rookie TE Aaron Hernandez helped put the Patriots in scoring position. After stopping the Bengals on three straight plays on the next series, a 24-yard run by RB Fred Taylor helped set up a 32-yard field goal for a 10-0 first quarter lead.

After failing to take advantage of a fumble that positioned the Patriots at the Cincinnati 28-yard line with a missed field goal, the Patriots responded on their next drive with a 10-play, 80-yard drive that was culminated with a 4-yard touchdown pass from Brady to Welker for a 17-0 lead. On Cincinnati's ensuing drive, Guyton picked off a QB Carson Palmer pass and returned it 59 yards for a touchdown to put New England in front, 24-0. Cincinnati kicked a 54-yard field goal before the end of the half for a 24-3 Patriots advantage.

Tate, the NCAA record holder in combined kick and punt return yards, took the second half kickoff 97 yards for a touchdown to expand the Patriots lead to 31-3. Cincinnati cut the lead to 31-17 when Palmer connected on two touchdown passes in the third quarter. Then Brady took control again, engineering a 14-play, 81-yard drive that ended in a 1-yard touchdown pass to rookie TE Rob Gronkowski for a 38-17 lead early in the fourth quarter.

Brady completed 25 of 35 passes for 258 yards with three touchdowns, while Welker caught 8 passes for 64 yards with two touchdowns. Taylor averaged 5.1-yards per carry on 14 attempts for 71 yards.

## GOOD AT HOME

The Patriots improved to a perfect 9-0 at Gillette Stadium in home openers. New England has won its home opener in each season since moving into Gillette Stadium in 2002 and has won 14 of its last 16 home openers overall. The Patriots have also won seven straight times on Kickoff Weekend. New England is now 60-13 (.822) all-time at Gillette Stadium (including playoffs, the best home record in the NFL since the facility opened in 2002.

## NEW FACES

Of the 16 new Patriots on the 53-man opening day roster in 2010, 11 saw action in their first regular-season game as a member of the Patriots. Of that group, six players were 2010 draft picks. The new Patriots who made their New England debuts were: P Zoltan Mesko, CB Devin McCourty, S Jarrad Page, LB Brandon Spikes, LB Tracy White, TE Alge Crumpler, TE Aaron Hernandez, TE Rob Gronkowski, DL Gerard Warren, LB Marques Murrell and DL Jermaine Cunningham.

## WELKER HAS TWO TDS, TYING CAREER HIGH

Wes Welker tied his single-game career high with his fourth two-touchdown game after a 9-yard touchdown reception in the first quarter and a 4-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter. Welker also had two touchdown receptions in games at Miami (10/21/07), at Dallas (10/14/07) and vs. Tennessee (10/18/09).

## WELKER IS GOOD FOR AT LEAST SIX

After catching a team-high eight passes for a team-high 64 yards, Welker now has 6 or more catches in 27 of his last 31 games. Welker has caught at least one pass in each of his 50 games with the Patriots, including Sunday's game. He has a current streak of 64 straight games with at least one reception. The last time Welker did not catch a pass in a game was December 24, 2005 when he played for Miami.

## GUYTON SCORES ON HIS FIRST CAREER INT.

LB Gary Guyton picked off a Carson Palmer pass in the second quarter and returned it 59 yards for a touchdown. It marks his first NFL interception. Last season the Patriots returned three interceptions for a touchdown. Brandon Meriweather returned an interception 39 yards for a score at Tampa Bay (10/25/09), CB Leigh Bodden scored on a 53-yard return vs. NY Jets (11/22/09) and Darius Bulter returned an interception 91 yards for a touchdown at Houston (1/3/10). Guyton's return is the first interception returned for a touchdown by a New England linebacker since Adalius Thomas returned one 65 yards for a touchdown vs. San Diego (9/16/07).

## WR BRANDON TATE ON THE RETURN

Brandon Tate returned the second half kickoff 97 yards for a touchdown. It is his first NFL touchdown and the first kickoff returned for a touchdown by New England since Ellis Hobbs returned a kick 95 yards for a touchdown at Oakland (12/14/08). Tate's return was the ninth longest kickoff return for a touchdown in New England history and was the longest since Hobbs returned the second half kick for a team-record 108 yards at the New York Jets (9/9/07). Tate holds the NCAA record in combined kick and punt return yards with 3,523 yards and holds the ACC career records for kickoff returns (109) and kickoff return yardage (2,688).

## GRONKOWSKI SCORES ON HIS FIRST CATCH

Rookie TE Rob Gronkowski scored on a 1-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the fourth quarter. It was his first NFL reception. Gronkowski is the first Patriots rookie to score a touchdown on opening day since WR Deion Branch in 2002. Gronkowski was selected by the Patriots in the second round (42nd overall) of the 2010 NFL Draft out of Arizona.

## PATS RETURNED A KICKOFF AND INT FOR A TD

LB Gary Guyton scored on a 59-yard interception return and WR Brandon Tate returned a kickoff for a 97-yard touchdown. It is the first time since 2002 that the Patriots returned an interception and kickoff for a touchdown in the same game. On November 17, 2002 at Oakland Kevin Faulk returned a kickoff 86 yards for a touchdown and LB Tedy Bruschi scored on a 48-yard interception return.

## BRADY THROWS THREE TOUCHDOWNS

Tom Brady finished the game with three touchdown passes. It is the 70th time in his career that he has had two or more touchdowns in a game and the 24th time he has had three touchdowns in a game. The Patriots are 60-10 all-time when Brady throws two or more touchdowns and 21-3 when he throws for three touchdowns. It is the fourth time that he has thrown for three touchdowns in a season-opener. He also threw three touchdowns in season openers vs. Pittsburgh (9/9/02), vs. Indianapolis (9/9/04) and at New York Jets (9/9/07).

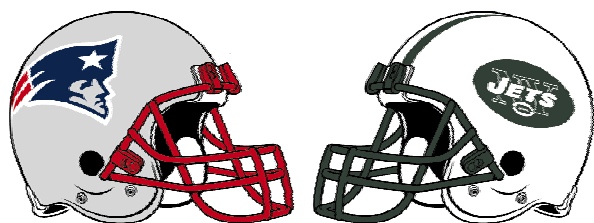
## HERNANDEZ STARTS BIG

Rookie TE Aaron Hernandez's first NFL reception was a 45-yard catch early in the first quarter from QB Tom Brady. It is the longest reception for a Patriots rookie on his first career catch since WR Tony Simmons had a 47-yard reception from QB Drew Bledsoe in Simmons's NFL debut (10/15/1998) at Miami. In 2009, the Patriots had 12 pass plays of 40 or more yards, including seven of 50 yards or more. Hernandez was drafted by the Patriots in the fourth round (113th overall) of the 2010 NFL Draft out of the University of Florida.

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #2

## NEW YORK JETS 28, NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 14

Sunday, Sept. 19, 2010 ★ New Meadowlands Stadium, East Rutherford, N.J. ★ 4:15 p.m. EDT  
 Att: 78,535 ★ Surface: FieldTurf ★ Weather: Clear ★ Temp: 81°F ★ Wind: NW 6 mph ★ Time of Game: 3:01



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New England Patriots (1-1)	0	14	0	0	14
New York Jets (1-1)	0	10	11	7	28

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NE	Home: NYJ
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	20	23
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	5-11-45%	6-13-46%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-1-0%	0-0-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	291	336
Total Offensive Plays	57	65
NET YARDS RUSHING	52	136
NET YARDS PASSING	239	200
PUNTS Number and Average	3-48.7	4-51.3
PENALTIES Number and Yards	6/79	6/58
FUMBLES Number and Lost	1/1	0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	2/2	3/3
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	0/1	2/2
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	1-3-33%	3-4-75%
TIME OF POSSESSION	27:28	32:32

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Patriots	2	13:17	W.Welker 6 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (15-75, 8:10)	7	0
Jets	2	6:22	B.Edwards 10 yd. pass from M.Sanchez (N.Folk kick) (12-77, 6:55)	7	7
Patriots	2	0:53	R.Moss 34 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (4-80, 0:48)	14	7
Jets	2	0:00	N.Folk 49 yd. Field Goal (7-49, 0:53)	14	10
Jets	3	4:53	N.Folk 36 yd. Field Goal (10-80, 4:47)	14	13
Jets	3	0:38	J.Cotchery 2 yd. pass from M.Sanchez (M.Sanchez-B.Edwards pass (6-70, 3:02)	14	21
Jets	4	6:09	D.Keller 1 yd. pass from M.Sanchez (N.Folk kick) (8-63, 4:59)	14	28

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS					
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
K.Faulk	5	22	4.4	8	0
B.Green-Ellis	10	19	1.9	7	0
F.Taylor	5	11	2.2	6	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	36	20	248	1/9	2	46	2	72.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>1/9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>72.5</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
A.Hernandez	6	101	16.8	46	0
W.Welker	6	38	6.3	11	1
R.Moss	2	38	19.0	34	1
K.Faulk	2	15	7.5	8	0
S.Morris	1	19	19.0	19	0
B.Tate	1	17	17.0	17	0
R.Gronkowski	1	14	14.0	14	0
J.Edelman	1	6	6.0	6	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	3	146	48.7	0	1	56
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>56</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	2	26	13.0	0	15	0
K.Faulk	0	0	0.0	1	0	0
TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Returns</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	5	123	24.6	0	31	0
<b>Returns</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0</b>

NEW YORK JETS					
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
L.Tomlinson	11	76	6.9	31	0
S.Greene	15	52	3.5	8	0
J.Cotchery	2	6	3.0	4	0
M.Sanchez	4	2	0.5	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
M.Sanchez	30	21	220	3/20	3	39	0	124.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>3/20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>124.3</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Keller	7	115	16.4	39	1
B.Edwards	5	45	9.0	13	1
J.Cotchery	4	26	6.5	11	1
L.Tomlinson	4	26	6.5	9	0
S.Greene	1	8	8.0	8	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
A.Cromartie	1	0	0.0	0	0
B.Pool	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
S.Weatherford	4	205	51.3	1	1	58
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>51.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>58</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Leonhard	2	11	5.5	1	7	0
<b>Returns</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Smith	1	15	15.0	0	15	0
K.Wilson	1	15	15.0	0	15	0
TOUCHBACK	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Returns</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS AT JETS

## NEW YORK JETS 28, PATRIOTS 14

September 19, 2010 ★ The New Meadowlands Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	0	14	0	0	— 14
New York Jets	0	10	11	7	— 28

Quarterback Mark Sanchez threw three touchdowns to lead the New York Jets to a 28-14 victory over the New England Patriots at The New Meadowlands Stadium. New England jumped in front 14-10 in the first half, but the Jets scored 18 points in the second half, forced three turnovers and held the Patriots to just 80 total yards and no points.

The Patriots dominated the start of the game with a 7:34 drive and an 8:10 drive but came away with just one touchdown on those two drives. New England opened the game with a 13-play drive that ended at the Jets 19-yard line with a missed field goal. After stopping the Jets on three straight plays on the next series, the Patriots went on a 15-play, 75-yard drive that ended with a 6-yard touchdown pass from QB Tom Brady to WR Wes Welker for a 7-0 lead early in the second quarter.

The Jets converted two third-down plays on the ensuing drive to get into position for Sanchez's first touchdown pass of the day, a 10-yard pass to WR Braylon Edwards, to tie the game at 7-7. New England took a 14-7 lead later in the second quarter following a 46-yard pass from Brady to rookie TE Aaron Hernandez on a third-and-ten play for a first down at the Jets 34-yard line. Hernandez finished the game with six receptions for 101 yards. On the next play, Brady went deep for WR Randy Moss for a 34-yard touchdown pass. The touchdown marked the 150<sup>th</sup> touchdown of Moss' career, as he became just the fourth NFL player to reach at least 150 touchdowns. Jets CB Darrelle Revis aggravated his hamstring on the play to Moss and did not return to the game.

The Jets got the ball back with 53 seconds left in the first half and Sanchez completed 3-of-4 passes for 41 yards to move to the 31-yard line where K Nick Folk connected on a 49-yard field goal to cut the New England lead to 14-10 at the break.

Brady threw two interceptions and lost a fumble on a sack in the second half. The first turnover came when Jets CB Antonio Cromartie intercepted a Brady pass at the New York three-yard line on a pass intended for Moss in the end zone. The Jets took over and engineered 10-play, 80-yard drive that ended in a field goal to cut the lead to, 14-13. A 31-yard run by RB LaDainian Tomlinson on the Jets next series helped set up a 2-yard touchdown pass from Sanchez to WR Jerricho Cotchery and a Sanchez 2-point play to Edwards put the Jets in front, 21-14.

Early in the fourth quarter Brady was intercepted by Jets S Brodney Pool on a deep pass to Moss. After two pass interference penalties against the Patriots aided a drive that ended in a 1-yard touchdown pass from Sanchez to TE Dustin Keller for a 28-14 lead, Brady moved the Patriots to the New York 16-yard line. A strip sack by LB Jason Taylor ended the scoring threat. New York ran out the final four minutes to win the game.

### MOSS AMONG THE BEST

Randy Moss registered his 150<sup>th</sup> overall touchdown to become just the fourth player in NFL history to reach 150 touchdowns on a 34-yard touchdown reception from Tom Brady in the second quarter. His 150 overall touchdowns are fourth in NFL history, behind Jerry Rice (208), Emmitt Smith (175) and LaDainian Tomlinson (153).

### ROOKIES GOOD IN NEW YORK

Rookie TE Aaron Hernandez registered six receptions for 101 yards. It is the first 100-yard receiving game by a New England tight end since Ben Watson had 107 yards receiving on Oct. 7, 2007 vs. Cleveland. Last season, WR Julian Edelman made his NFL debut at the Jets (9/20/09) and caught eight passes for 98 yards. Last season the Patriots had a player finish with 100 or yards receiving 12 times.

## HERNANDEZ HAS SECOND 40-PLUS RECEPTION

TE Aaron Hernandez caught a 46-yard reception from Tom Brady in the second quarter to help position the Patriots for a touchdown. It is his second 40-plus reception of the 2010 season after a 45-yard reception from Brady in the season-opener on his first ever NFL reception.

## DL GERARD WARREN REGISTERS TWO SACKS

DL Gerard Warren registered his second career two-sack game after a 10-yard sack of Jets QB Mark Sanchez in the second quarter and a six-yard sack in the third quarter. Warren's other two-sack game was December 14, 2003 at Denver while playing for Cleveland.

## WELKER IS GOOD FOR AT LEAST SIX

Welker now has six or more catches in 28 of his last 32 games after finishing with six against the Jets. Welker had a team-leading eight receptions in the season-opener vs. Cincinnati.

## WELKER EXTENDS STREAK

Welker extended his streak to 65 straight regular-season games with at least one reception. He has caught at least one pass in each of his 51 games with the Patriots, including three postseason games. The last time that Welker did not catch a pass in a game was December 24, 2005 when he was with the Dolphins.

## WELKER STARTS SEASON WITH THREE TOUCHDOWNS ON HIS FIRST 11 RECEPTIONS

Welker scored on a 6-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the second quarter for his third touchdown in his first 11 receptions of the 2010 season. He finished the 2009 season with four total touchdowns.

## TOM BRADY QUICK HITS

- Tom Brady (31,102) entered the Jets game 30<sup>th</sup> all-time in passing yards, 203 yards behind 29<sup>th</sup> place Steve McNair (31,304). He moved past McNair into 29<sup>th</sup> place on a 19-yard pass reception to RB Sammy Morris in the fourth quarter. Brady now has 31,350 career passing yards. John Brodie is in 28<sup>th</sup> place with 31,548 passing yards.
- Tom Brady (228) entered the Jets game 20<sup>th</sup> on the NFL's all-time list for touchdown passes with 228. He added two to push his total to 230, two behind Steve Young for 19<sup>th</sup> place.

## LB ROB NINKOVICH GETS HIS FIRST NFL START

LB Rob Ninkovich made his first NFL start when he lined up at outside linebacker.

## ROOKIE DL KYLE LOVE MAKES HIS NFL DEBUT

Rookie free agent DL Kyle Love made his NFL debut against the Jets as part of the defensive line rotation. He dressed but did not play in the season-opener.

## WR JULIAN EDELMAN MAKES HIS 2010 DEBUT

WR Julian Edelman made his 2010 debut after missing the opener due to injury and played as a third wide receiver and returned punts. Last season at the Jets (9/20/09), Edelman made his NFL debut, making his first start and finishing with eight receptions for 98 yards.

## PATRIOTS PLAY FIRST REGULAR SEASON GAME AT THE NEW MEADOWLANDS STADIUM

The Patriots played their first regular-season game at the New Meadowlands Stadium. The Patriots ended their history at Giants Stadium (1976-2009) with a 17-10 record overall against the New York Jets.

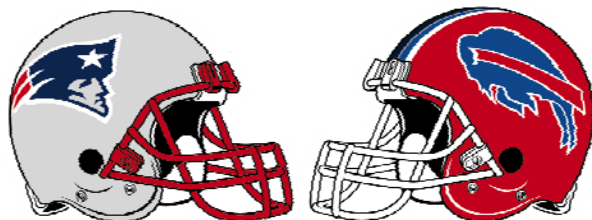




# 2010 SEASON – GAME #3

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 38, BUFFALO BILLS 30

Sunday, Sept. 26, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. ★ 1:00 p.m. EDT  
 Att: 68,756 ★ Surface: Field Turf ★ Weather: Partly Cloudy★ Temp: 68°F ★ Wind: ENE 11 mph ★ Time of Game: 3:03



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
Buffalo Bills (0-3)	3	13	7	7	30
New England Patriots (2-1)	7	10	14	7	38

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: BUF	Home: NE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	19	25
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	5-10-50%	7-12-58%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-0-0%	0-0-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	374	445
Total Offensive Plays	53	66
NET YARDS RUSHING	134	200
NET YARDS PASSING	240	245
PUNTS Number and Average	1-33.0	3-37.7
PENALTIES Number and Yards	6/45	4/35
FUMBLES Number and Lost	1/0	1/1
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	3/3	5/5
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	3/4	1/1
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	1-3-33%	3-3-100%
TIME OF POSSESSION	31:50	28:10

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Bills	1	9:48	R.Lindell 39 yd. Field Goal (10-59, 5:12)	3	0
Patriots	1	5:14	R.Moss 7 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (8-75, 4:34)	3	7
Bills	2	10:46	R.Lindell 39 yd. Field Goal (7-19, 4:01)	6	7
Bills	2	6:13	C.Spiller 5 yd. pass from R.Fitzpatrick (R.Lindell kick) (7-37, 3:23)	13	7
Patriots	2	2:58	D.Woodhead 22 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (6-76, 3:15)	13	14
Bills	2	0:24	R.Lindell 34 yd. Field Goal (9-55, 2:34)	16	14
Patriots	2	0:00	S.Gostkowski 43 yd. Field Goal (3-42, 0:24)	16	17
Patriots	3	13:11	R.Moss 35 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (5-74, 1:49)	16	24
Bills	3	12:58	C.Spiller 95 yd. kickoff return (R.Lindell kick) (0-0, 0:13)	23	24
Patriots	3	1:21	R.Gronkowski 5 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (13-59, 7:21)	23	31
Patriots	4	8:19	B.Green-Ellis 7 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (13-75, 6:26)	23	38
Bills	4	4:08	St. Johnson 37 yd. pass from R.Fitzpatrick (R.Lindell kick) (7-80, 4:11)	30	38

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### BUFFALO BILLS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
M.Lynch	13	79	6.1	17	0
C.Spiller	4	29	7.3	19	0
R.Fitzpatrick	3	18	6.0	10	0
F.Jackson	4	8	2.0	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
R.Fitzpatrick	28	20	247	1/7	2	37	2	92.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>1/7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>92.4</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
R.Parrish	5	83	16.6	31	0
L.Evans	5	54	10.8	17	0
St. Johnson	3	66	22.0	37	1
J.Stupar	3	27	9.0	15	0
C.Spiller	3	10	3.3	5	1
M.Lynch	1	7	7.0	7	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
B.Moorman	1	33	33.0	0	0	33
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D.Florence	1	6	6.0	0	6	0
R.Parrish	1	3	3.0	0	3	0
B. Scott	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
C.Spiller	5	189	37.8	0	95	1
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>37.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>1</b>

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	16	98	6.1	22	1
D.Woodhead	3	42	14.0	22	1
S.Morris	6	19	3.2	9	0
F.Taylor	6	16	2.7	5	0
A.Hernandez	1	13	13.0	13	0
T.Brady	4	6	1.5	9	0
B.Tate	1	5	5.0	5	0
J.Edelman	1	1	1.0	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	27	21	252	1/7	3	35	0	142.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>1/7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>142.6</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
A.Hernandez	6	65	10.8	25	0
W.Welker	4	45	11.3	27	0
R.Gronkowski	3	43	14.3	21	1
J.Edelman	3	8	2.7	6	0
B.Tate	2	43	21.5	29	0
R.Moss	2	42	21.0	35	2
B.Green-Ellis	1	6	6.0	6	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
P.Chung	1	26	26.0	26	0
B.Meriweather	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>26.0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	3	113	37.7	0	0	44
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>37.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>44</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
(DOWNED)						

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	6	141	23.5	0	32	0
B.Green-Ellis	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS VS. BILLS

## PATRIOTS 38, BUFFALO 30

September 26, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
Buffalo Bills	3	13	7	7	— 30
New England Patriots	7	10	14	7	— 38

Quarterback Tom Brady threw three touchdown passes, with two going to WR Randy Moss, as the Patriots beat Buffalo, 38-30, to extend their streak to 14 straight wins over the Bills.

The Patriots tied Miami for the third longest winning streak against an opponent. Miami beat the Colts 14 consecutive times from 1980 through 1987.

Buffalo managed 30 points, but Bills QB Ryan Fitzpatrick was intercepted twice in the fourth quarter. Early in the final period with the Patriots holding a 31-23 lead, Fitzpatrick led Buffalo to the New England 20-yard line where his pass was intercepted by S Patrick Chung in the end zone. The Patriots converted the turnover into a touchdown to take a 38-23 lead. After a touchdown pass from Fitzpatrick closed the gap to 38-30, Buffalo got the ball back with 3:04 remaining, but Fitzpatrick was intercepted by S Brandon Meriweather on a pass deep down the sideline. New England ran out the clock to preserve the win.

RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis gained 98 yards on 16 carries to help the Patriots chalk up 200 yards rushing. Brady finished 21-of-27 for 252 yards with the three touchdown passes.

Buffalo scored on four of their five first half possessions, while New England scored two touchdowns and a field goal to go in front 17-16 at halftime. After Buffalo took a 3-0 lead, rookie TE Aaron Hernandez produced 52 yards of offense on the Patriots' first offensive possession, which ended in a 7-yard touchdown reception by Moss. Hernandez had a 13-yard rush, a 25-yard catch and a 14-yard catch on the drive.

Sandwiched between three consecutive Buffalo scoring drives in the second quarter was a 22-yard touchdown run by newly acquired RB Danny Woodhead. K Stephen Gostkowski nailed a 43-yard field goal at the buzzer to secure the 17-16 lead at the half.

Brady hit Moss for a 35-yard touchdown to open the third quarter for a 24-16 lead. Buffalo returned the ensuing kickoff to close the gap to 24-23, but the Patriots came right back with a 5-yard touchdown pass from Brady to TE Rob Gronkowski to culminate a 13-play, 59-yard drive.

### MOSS AMONG THE BEST

Randy Moss registered his 150th career receiving touchdown on a 7-yard reception from QB Tom Brady in the first quarter. Moss joins Jerry Rice (197) as the only players in NFL history to reach 150 touchdown receptions. Moss added a 35-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter and finished the game with 151 career touchdown receptions.

### MOSS MOVED UP ON PATRIOTS ALL-TIME SCORING AND ALL-TIME TOUCHDOWN LIST

Randy Moss moved into a tie with Ben Coates for seventh place on the Patriots' all-time scoring list, bringing his scoring total as a member of the Patriots to 302 points (50 touchdowns, one 2-point conversion). Coates also totaled 302 points in a Patriots uniform. Moss moved past RB Sam Cunningham (294 points) with touchdown catches of seven yards and 35 yards. Moss is tied with Coates (50) for second on the Patriots' all-time touchdowns list, behind WR Stanley Morgan, who is first with 68 touchdowns.

### MOSS MOVING UP ALL-TIME LISTS

Randy Moss moved into fifth place on the NFL's all-time receiving yards list on a 35-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the third quarter, passing Marvin Harrison's career total of 14,580 yards. Moss finished the game with 14,604 career receiving yards.

### MOSS HAS HIS 36<sup>TH</sup> CAREER GAME WITH TWO OR MORE TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

Randy Moss recorded his 36th career two-plus touchdown reception game, second in NFL history to Jerry Rice who had 44 career two-plus touchdown reception games. Moss now has 15 two-plus touchdown reception games as a member of the Patriots. Moss' 15 two-plus touchdown reception games are the most in Patriots history. Stanley Morgan is second with 11 two-plus touchdown reception games.

### HERNANDEZ CAN RUSH

TE Aaron Hernandez had his first NFL rushing attempt with a 13-yard run in the first quarter. It is the longest rush by a tight end in Patriots history, besting an 11-yard run by TE Ben Watson vs. Cleveland on Oct. 7, 2007.

### WELKER MOVES PAST FRYAR INTO FIFTH PLACE ON THE PATRIOTS ALL-TIME RECEPTIONS LIST

Wes Welker recorded his 364th reception as a member of the Patriots, moving past Irving Fryar (363) into fifth place on New England's all-time reception list. Welker passed Fryar on an 8-yard reception from QB Tom Brady in the third quarter. RB Kevin Faulk is in fourth place with 424 receptions.

### BRADY MOVES PAST STEVE YOUNG ON THE ALL-TIME TOUCHDOWNS LIST

Tom Brady threw his third touchdown of the game and the 233rd touchdown of his career on a 5-yard pass to TE Rob Gronkowski. Brady's 233 career touchdown passes moves him past Hall of Fame QB Steve Young (232) into 19th place on the NFL's all-time touchdowns list. George Blanda is in 18th place with 236 career touchdown passes.

### BRADY MOVED PAST JOHN BRODIE ON THE ALL-TIME PASSING LIST

Tom Brady threw for 252 yards, raising his career passing yardage total to 31,602 yards. Brady moved into 28th place on the NFL's all-time passing yardage list, passing John Brodie (31,548 yards). Mark Brunell is 27th on the all-time passing list (31,928 yards).

### BRADY WINS 22<sup>ND</sup> STRAIGHT START AT GILLETTE

Tom Brady has now won 22 consecutive regular-season starts at Gillette Stadium. The last time the Patriots lost a regular-season home game in which Brady started was on Nov. 12, 2006 against the New York Jets. Brady's home winning streak is the longest streak since QB John Elway of the Denver Broncos won 22 consecutive regular-season starts at home from Sept. 1, 1996 through Dec. 27, 1998. The NFL record for most consecutive home wins by a starting quarterback since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger is held by Brett Favre, who won 25 straight home games for Green Bay from Sept. 17, 1995 through Oct. 5, 1998.

### RUSHING ATTACK TOTAL 200 YARDS

The Patriots ran the ball 38 times for 200 yards, marking New England's highest single-game team rushing total since Dec. 14, 2008, when the Patriots had 277 rushing yards on 38 carries at Oakland.

### RB DANNY WOODHEAD MAKES FIRST NFL START AND SCORES FIRST NFL TOUCHDOWN

Newly acquired RB Danny Woodhead made his first NFL start on offense and scored his first NFL touchdown on a 22-yard run in the second quarter. Woodhead finished the game with three rushes for 42 yards.

### BOUNCING BACK

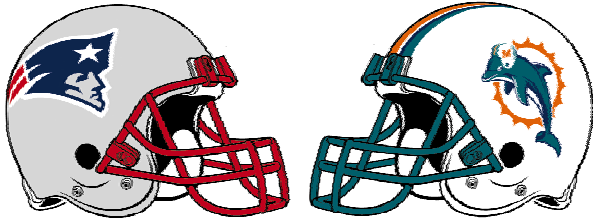
Since the beginning of the 2003 season, the Patriots are now 24-2 (.923) in games following a regular-season loss. Over the last six-plus seasons (2003-10), the Patriots have only lost back-to-back games on two occasions, once in 2006 and once in 2009.

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #4

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 41, MIAMI DOLPHINS 14

Monday, Oct. 4, 2010 ★ Sun Life Stadium, Miami Fl. ★ 8:30 p.m. EDT

Att: 69,090 ★ Surface: Natural Grass ★ Weather: Clear ★ Temp: 80°F ★ Wind: NE 15 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:51



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New England Patriots (3-1)	0	6	21	14	41
Miami Dolphins (2-2)	7	0	7	0	14

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NE	Home: MIA
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	19	23
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	5-11-45%	10-15-67%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	1-1-100%	0-1-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	265	400
Total Offensive Plays	59	67
NET YARDS RUSHING	119	95
NET YARDS PASSING	146	305
PUNTS Number and Average	3-41.0	2-13.5
PENALTIES Number and Yards	3/31	6/40
FUMBLES Number and Lost	1/0	0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	5/5	2/2
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	2/2	0/1
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	2-4-50%	1-1-100%
TIME OF POSSESSION	27:43	32:17

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Dolphins	1	5:48	D.Bess 19 yd. pass from C.Henne (D.Carpenter kick) (7-64, 4:02)	0	7
Patriots	2	7:13	S.Gostkowski 23 yd. Field Goal (16-55, 9:11)	3	7
Patriots	2	0:00	S.Gostkowski 30 yd. Field Goal (13-63, 2:47)	6	7
Patriots	3	14:46	B.Tate 103 yd. kickoff return (S.Gostkowski kick) (0-0,0:14)	13	7
Patriots	3	12:44	B.Green-Ellis 12 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (2-15,0:42)	20	7
Dolphins	3	8:56	R.Williams 28 yd. pass from C.Henne (D.Carpenter kick) (8-80,3:48)	20	14
Patriots	3	4:02	D.Woodhead 11 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (12-78, 4:54)	27	14
Patriots	4	14:05	K.Arrington 35 yd. return of blocked field goal (S.Gostkowski kick)	34	14
Patriots	4	6:30	P.Chung 51 yd. Interception return (S.Gostkowski kick)	41	14

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS						
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
B.Green-Ellis	16	76	4.8	12	1	
D.Woodhead	8	19	1.9	7	0	
T.Brady	5	6	1.2	5	0	
S.Morris	2	3	1.5	4	0	
B.Hoyer	1	-2	-2.0	-2	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T. Brady	24	19	153	3/7	1	17	0	107.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>3/7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>107.1</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
W.Welker	8	70	8.8	17	0
A.Hernandez	5	29	5.8	10	0
B.Tate	4	39	9.8	12	0
D.Woodhead	1	11	11.0	11	1
R.Gronkowski	1	4	4.0	4	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
R.Ninkovich	2	1	0.5	1	0
P.Chung	1	51	51.0	51	1
J.Page	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	3	123	41.0	0	1	60
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>41.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>60</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
W.Welker	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
Returns	0	0	0.0	1	0	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	3	153	51.0	0	103	1
Returns	3	153	51.0	0	103	1

MIAMI DOLPHINS						
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
R.Williams	8	56	7.0	16	0	
R.Brown	11	27	2.5	5	0	
T.Thigpen	1	12	12.0	12	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
C.Henne	39	29	302	2/12	2	28	3	81.4
T.Thigpen	6	2	15	0/0	0	11	1	2.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>2/12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>66.6</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Bess	9	93	10.3	21	1
A.Fasano	5	67	13.4	21	0
B.Marshall	5	50	10.0	19	0
R.Williams	4	45	11.3	28	1
R.Brown	4	29	7.3	12	0
B.Hartline	3	21	7.0	10	0
R. Wallace	1	12	12.0	12	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
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PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
B.Fields	1	27	27.0	0	1	58
(BLOCKED)	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>58</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D.Beas	2	23	11.5	1	13	0
Returns	2	23	11.5	1	13	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
N.Carroll	2	54	27.0	0	33	0
TOUCHBACK	5	0	0.0	0	0	0
Returns	2	54	27.0	0	33	0





# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS AT DOLPHINS

## PATRIOTS 41, MIAMI 14

October 4, 2010 ★ Sun Life Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	0	6	21	14	— 41
Miami Dolphins	7	0	7	0	— 14

Safety Patrick Chung blocked two kicks and returned an interception for a touchdown, and New England scored two times on special teams to help the Patriots to a 41-14 victory in a Monday Night Football game against AFC East Divisional rival Miami at Sun Life Stadium.

Chung blocked a punt in the third quarter to set up a touchdown and then blocked a field goal in the fourth quarter that was returned 35 yards for a touchdown by CB Kyle Arrington. Chung capped off his big day with an interception that he returned 51 yards for a touchdown later in the fourth quarter.

QB Tom Brady became the 11<sup>th</sup> NFL quarterback to register 100 wins as a starter. Brady reached the milestone in the fewest number of starts (131) among quarterbacks who began their careers in the Super Bowl era.

New England trailed 7-6 at halftime, but quickly took control in the second half. WR Brandon Tate returned the second half kickoff 103 yards for a touchdown, the second time in 2010 that he took the second half kickoff for a score. Two minutes later, the Patriots added to their lead after Chung blocked a punt to help set up a touchdown. After the Patriots' defense held Miami on three straight plays, Chung blocked a punt that was recovered by LB Brandon Spikes at the Miami 15-yard line. Two plays later, RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis scored on a 12-yard run for a 20-7 lead.

After Miami closed the gap to 20-14 with a 28-yard touchdown pass to RB Ricky Williams, Brady put together a 12-play, 78-yard drive that resulted in an 11-yard touchdown pass to RB Danny Woodhead for a 27-14 lead heading into the final quarter.

Early in the fourth quarter Miami lined up for a 53-yard field goal, but Chung blocked the kick and Arrington scooped up the loose football and ran 35 yards for a touchdown and a 24-14 New England lead. Midway through the final quarter, Chung intercepted a QB Chad Henne pass intended for WR Brandon Marshall and ran 51 yards for a touchdown and a 41-14 lead.

Another big contributor to the win was LB Ron Ninkovich, who had his first two NFL interceptions after picking off Henne in the first quarter and the second quarter inside New England territory.

The Patriots became the first team in NFL history to score a touchdown five different ways in a single game with a rushing touchdown, a receiving touchdown, a kickoff returned for a touchdown, a blocked field goal returned for a touchdown and an interception returned for a touchdown.

### TOM BRADY WINS HIS 100<sup>TH</sup> GAME

Tom Brady won his 100<sup>th</sup> game as a starter. He is the 11<sup>th</sup> NFL quarterback to register 100 wins as a starting quarterback. Brady reached the milestone in the fewest number of starts (131) among quarterbacks who began their careers in the Super Bowl era (since 1966).

### PATRICK CHUNG RECORDS HIS FIRST NFL BLOCKED PUNT AND BLOCKED FIELD GOAL

S Patrick Chung blocked a second half punt and field goal to become the first NFL player to do both in a single game since the CB Ramon Walker had a blocked field goal and punt vs. New England on Nov. 23, 2003. Chung blocked a second half punt to give the Patriots a first down at the Miami 15-yard line and set up a 12-yard touchdown run by RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis. Chung then blocked a 53-yard field goal attempt in the fourth quarter that was recovered by CB Kyle Arrington and returned for a touchdown. Chung was a two-time special teams player of the year during his college career at Oregon.

### CHUNG SCORES HIS FIRST NFL TOUCHDOWN ON A 51-YARD INTERCEPTION RETURN

Chung picked off a Chad Henne pass in the fourth quarter and returned it 51 yards for a touchdown. It marked his first interception returned for a touchdown and the second touchdown off an interception for the Patriots in 2010. Gary Guyton returned an interception 59 yards for a score in the season-opener vs. Cincinnati (9/12).

### WR BRANDON TATE SCORES ON HIS SECOND KICKOFF RETURN OF 2010

WR Brandon Tate returned the second half kickoff for a touchdown for the second time in 2010 when he scored on a 103-yard return. Tate took the second half kick 97 yards for a score in the season-opener vs. Cincinnati (9/12). Tate's 103-yard return is second in team history to the 108-yard return by Ellis Hobbs at NY Jets on Sept. 7, 2007. Tate is the first Patriots player to return two kicks for a touchdown in a season since Kevin Faulk returned two for a touchdown in 2002. The Patriots record for most kickoff returns for a touchdown in a season is three by Raymond Clayborn in 1977.

### PATRIOTS BECOME FIRST TEAM IN NFL HISTORY TO SCORE A TD FIVE DIFFERENT WAYS IN THE SAME GAME

The Patriots became the first team in NFL history to score a touchdown five different ways in the same game. The Patriots scored a rushing touchdown, a receiving touchdown, had a kickoff returned for a touchdown, blocked a field goal that was returned for a touchdown and returned an interception for a touchdown.

### LB ROB NINKOVICH MAKES HIS FIRST TWO NFL INTERCEPTIONS

LB Rob Ninkovich recorded his first two NFL interceptions. He picked off a QB Chad Henne in the first quarter for his first NFL interception. He registered his second interception in the second quarter. It is the first time that a Patriots player has registered at least two interceptions in a game since CB Leigh Bodden had three vs. NY Jets on Nov. 22, 2009. It is the first time that a Patriots linebacker has recorded two interceptions in a game since LB Junior Seau had two on Oct. 7, 2007 vs. Cleveland. Ninkovich added his second career sack in the fourth quarter. Only one NFL player had two interceptions and a sack in the same game last season. Green Bay's Charles Woodson recorded the feat Nov. 11, 2009 at Detroit.

### RB DANNY WOODHEAD RECORDS HIS FIRST NFL TOUCHDOWN RECEPTION

A week after making his Patriots debut with his first NFL start and first NFL touchdown on a 22-yard run vs. Buffalo (9/26), Danny Woodhead scored his first NFL touchdown reception on an 11-yard pass from QB Tom Brady in the third quarter.

### MAYO GETS CREDIT FOR 17 TOTAL TACKLES

LB Jerod Mayo was credited with 17 total tackles, his second highest output to the 23 tackles he had as a rookie vs. NY Jets (11/23/08). Mayo has 46 total tackles in 2010 and is on pace for a career high 184 total tackles.

### TWO ROOKIES MAKE THEIR NFL DEBUT

LB Dane Fletcher and DL Brandon Deaderick made their NFL debut against Miami after being inactive for the first three games of the season.

### PATRIOTS GOOD IN OCTOBER

The Patriots improved to 26-5 in the month of October since the 2003 season.

### PATRIOTS OFF TO A HOT START ONCE AGAIN

The Patriots have started the season with at least three wins in their first four games for the fifth straight season and are the only NFL team to begin each of the last five seasons with a record of 3-1 or better through their first four games.

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #5

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 23, BALTIMORE RAVENS 20, OT

Sunday, Oct. 17, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. ★ 1:02 p.m. EDT

Att: 68,756 ★ Surface: Field Turf ★ Weather: Sunny★ Temp: 57°F ★ Wind: WNW 14 mph ★ Time of Game: 3:41



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	OT	F
Baltimore Ravens (4-2)	3	7	7	3	0	20
New England Patriots (4-1)	7	0	3	10	3	23

### TEAM STATISTICS

Visitor: BAL Home: NE

TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	21	23
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	5-16-31%	4-14-29%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-0-0%	0-1-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	377	394
Total Offensive Plays	72	73
NET YARDS RUSHING	99	127
NET YARDS PASSING	278	267
PUNTS Number and Average	9-44.9	6-47.0
PENALTIES Number and Yards	8/67	9/78
FUMBLES Number and Lost	1/0	0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	2/2	2/2
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	2/2	3/3
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	1-3-33%	2-5-40%
TIME OF POSSESSION	40:14	32:50

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Ravens	1	6:28	B. Cundiff 26 yd. Field Goal (15-81, 8:32)	3	0
Patriots	1	0:25	B. Green-Ellis 2 yd. run (S. Gostkowski kick) (6-66, 3:08)	3	7
Ravens	2	11:47	T. Heap 16 yd. pass from J. Flacco (B. Cundiff kick) (9-73, 3:38)	10	7
Ravens	3	10:23	A. Boldin 25 yd. pass from J. Flacco (B. Cundiff kick) (3-36, 1:19)	17	7
Patriots	3	6:40	S. Gostkowski 38 yd. Field Goal (9-60, 3:43)	17	10
Ravens	4	14:53	B. Cundiff 25 yd. Field Goal (13-84, 6:47)	20	10
Patriots	4	11:02	D. Branch 5 yd. pass from T. Brady (S. Gostkowski kick) (8-60, 3:51)	20	17
Patriots	4	1:51	S. Gostkowski 24 yd. Field Goal (13-80, 6:50)	20	20
Patriots	5	1:56	S. Gostkowski 35 yd. Field Goal (7-45, 3:23)	20	23

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### BALTIMORE RAVENS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
R. Rice	28	88	3.1	8	0
L. McClain	3	7	2.3	3	0
J. Flacco	2	5	2.5	5	0
A. Boldin	1	-1	-1.0	-1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
J. Flacco	35	27	285	3/7	2	25	0	119.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>3/7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>119.3</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D. Mason	8	100	12.5	20	0
R. Rice	8	38	4.8	11	0
A. Boldin	4	63	15.8	25	1
T. Heap	3	49	16.3	17	1
T. Houshmandzadeh	2	24	12.0	15	0
E. Dickson	1	7	7.0	7	0
L. McClain	1	4	4.0	4	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
C. Carr	1	12	12.0	12	0
K. Hamlin	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
S. Koch	9	404	44.9	0	5	59
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>44.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>59</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
C. Carr	1	-1	-1.0	0	-1	0
T. Zbikowski	0	0	0.0	1	0	0
[DOWNED]	4	0	0.0	0	0	0

Total	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J. Parmele	2	36	18.0	0	21	0
T. Zbikowski	1	20	20.0	0	20	0
(TOUCHBACK)	3	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D. Woodhead	11	63	5.7	14	0
B. Tate	1	22	22.0	22	0
B. Green-Ellis	10	20	2.0	4	1
A. Hernandez	1	18	18.0	18	0
S. Morris	1	3	3.0	3	0
T. Brady	2	1	0.5	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T. Brady	44	27	292	3/25	1	30	2	69.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>3/25</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>69.5</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D. Branch	9	98	10.9	23	1
W. Welker	7	53	7.6	21	0
D. Woodhead	5	52	10.4	19	0
A. Hernandez	4	61	15.3	30	0
R. Gronkowski	1	24	24.0	24	0
A. Crumpler	1	4	4.0	4	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z. Mesko	6	282	47.0	0	2	65
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>47.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>65</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
W. Welker	3	27	9.0	2	22	0
J. Edelman	2	16	8.0	0	10	0
(DOWNED)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B. Tate	1	19	19.0	0	19	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
(TOUCHBACK)	3	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS VS. RAVENS

## PATRIOTS 23, BALTIMORE 20 (overtime)

October 17, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	OT	Final
<b>Baltimore Ravens</b>	3	7	7	3	0	<b>20</b>
<b>New England Patriots</b>	7	0	3	10	3	<b>23</b>

Kicker Stephen Gostkowski drilled a 35-yard field goal in overtime to give New England a 23-20 victory over the Baltimore Ravens. QB Tom Brady tallied his 30<sup>th</sup> career game-winning performance to lead his team to a victory from a fourth quarter deficit after the Patriots were behind 20-10 early in the fourth quarter.

Brady, who finished the game 27-of-44 for 292 yards, completed 16-of-24 passes for 156 yards with one touchdown during the rally as New England scored the final 13 points to get the win. WR Deion Branch, who made his return following four seasons in Seattle, caught a 5-yard touchdown pass from Brady to cap an 8-play, 60-yard drive that cut the deficit to 20-17 early in the fourth quarter. Branch recorded his second highest regular-season total with nine receptions for 98 yards and the touchdown. RB Danny Woodhead helped keep the touchdown drive alive with runs of 14 and 12 yards on back-to-back plays.

The Patriots defense came up big on the ensuing drive when Vince Wilfork and Gerard Warren combined to stop Baltimore QB Joe Flacco on a third-and-1 to force a punt. Brady took over and led a drive from the New England 14-yard line that was highlighted by a 22-yard pass to Branch and a 24-yard pass to TE Rob Gronkowski to help get into position for a 24-yard field goal by Gostkowski to tie the game at 20-20.

Rookie P Zoltan Mesko boomed a 65-yard punt in overtime to significantly change the field position, giving the Ravens possession at their own 19-yard line after the Patriots faced a fourth-and-6 from their own 16-yard line. The Patriots defense stopped Baltimore on three straight plays, and on the next series Brady completed a 23-yard pass to Branch to get into Baltimore territory and set up the game-winning field goal.

Baltimore scored on its opening drive when K Billy Cundiff capped a 15-play drive with a 26-yard field goal. After both teams exchanged punts, RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis put New England in front with a 2-yard touchdown run. The Ravens took a 10-7 halftime lead after a 16-yard touchdown pass from Flacco to TE Todd Heap and then made it 17-7 when Flacco connected on a 5-yard touchdown pass to WR Anquan Boldin on a play that was set by a Baltimore interception. A pair of field goals by each team left the Ravens with a 20-10 lead seven seconds into the final quarter.

### TOM BRADY TALLIES 30<sup>TH</sup> CAREER COMEBACK

Brady engineered his 30th career game-winning performance to lead his team to a victory from a fourth quarter deficit. The Patriots trailed 20-10 with 14:53 remaining in the game. From there, Brady completed 16-of-24 passes for 156 yards, one touchdown and one interception as New England scored the game's final 13 points in a 23-20 overtime win.

### BRADY WINS 23<sup>RD</sup> STRAIGHT START AT GILLETTE

Brady has now won 23 consecutive regular-season starts at Gillette Stadium, surpassing Pro Football Hall of Famer John Elway for the second-longest regular-season home winning streak as a starting quarterback. The last time the Patriots lost a regular-season home game in which Brady started was on Nov. 12, 2006 against the New York Jets. The NFL record for most consecutive home wins by a starting quarterback since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger is held by Brett Favre, who won 25 straight home games for Green Bay from (9/17/95) – (10/5/98).

### MESKO PUNT A GAME CHANGER

Zoltan Mesko boomed a 65-yard punt in overtime to significantly change field position, giving the Ravens possession at their own 19-yard line after the Patriots faced a fourth-and-6 from their own 16-yard line. Mesko's 65-yard punt was the longest in Patriots history in overtime, besting Mike Saxon's 46-yard punt in overtime on Nov. 7, 1993 in a 13-10 loss to the Buffalo Bills.

## GOSTKOWSKI NAILS CRUCIAL KICKS

Stephen Gostkowski nailed a game-winning 35-yard field goal with 1:56 remaining in overtime, marking his first career game-winning overtime field goal in his first career opportunity. Gostkowski also nailed a 24-yard field goal to tie the game at 20-20 with 1:51 remaining. Gostkowski improved to 17-for-18 in his career in close games in the fourth quarter or overtime (when the Patriots are trailing by seven or fewer points or leading by seven or fewer points). In the playoffs, Gostkowski has one game-winning field goal, a 31-yarder with 1:10 remaining in the game to give New England a 24-21 win at San Diego in the 2006 divisional playoffs (1/14/07).

## MAYO HIGH TACKLE PACE

LB Jerod Mayo was credited with 19 total tackles, his second highest career output, trailing only the 23 tackles he had as a rookie vs. NY Jets (11/23/08). Mayo has 65 total tackles in 2010 and is on pace for a career high 208 total tackles. That number will be the highest since LB Clayton Weishuhn had 229 tackles in 1983. Mayo had 139 tackles as a rookie in 2008 and 114 in 2009. If he reaches 100 tackles in 2010, he will be the first Patriots player to have three consecutive 100-tackle seasons since Lawyer Milloy registered five straight 100-tackle seasons from 1997 through 2001.

## BRANCH RETURNS HOME, RECORD 2<sup>ND</sup> HIGHEST REGULAR SEASON RECEPTION TOTAL

Deion Branch returned to the Patriots after spending four-plus seasons with the Seattle Seahawks and had nine receptions for 98 yards and a touchdown. Branch's nine receptions were the second highest single-game total of his career, dating back to his career-high 13-catch performance at San Diego as a rookie on Sept. 29, 2002. Prior to Baltimore, Branch's last appearance in a Patriots uniform was four years, nine months and three days ago. Branch's last appearance in a Patriots uniform was in the 2005 Divisional Playoffs at Denver (1/14/06), when he had eight receptions for 153 yards in the Patriots' 27-13 loss to the Broncos.

## HERNANDEZ MAKES BIG PLAYS

Rookie TE Aaron Hernandez had four receptions for 61 yards. Hernandez has had a reception of 20 or more yards in four of his five games in 2010. Against Baltimore, Hernandez had a 30-yard reception in the first quarter and a 21-yard reception in the third quarter. He had a 45-yard reception vs. Cincinnati (9/12), a 46-yarder at NY Jets (9/19) and a 25-yarder vs. Buffalo (9/26).

## HERNANDEZ BREAKS HIS OWN RECORD FOR LONGEST RUN BY A PATRIOTS TIGHT END

Hernandez had an 18-yard rush in the third quarter, which is the longest run by a tight end in Patriots history, besting the 13-yard he had vs. Buffalo (9/26). Prior to Hernandez, the longest run by a Patriots tight end was an 11-yard run by TE Ben Watson vs. Cleveland (10/7/07).

## TATE GAINS 22 YARDS ON AN END AROUND

WR Brandon Tate gained 22 yards on an end around, marking the longest run by a Patriots wide receiver since 2007, when Wes Welker had a 27-yard run at Cincinnati (10/1).

## WOODHEAD IS FIRST PATS PLAYER WITH 60+ RUSH YARDS AND 50+ RECEIVING YARDS IN THE SAME GAME SINCE 2006

Running back Danny Woodhead had 115 yards from scrimmage, totaling 63 rushing yards and 52 receiving yards. Woodhead is the first Patriots player to have 60 or more rushing yards and 50 or more receiving yards in the same game since Dec. 31, 2006, when Corey Dillon had 67 rushing yards and 59 receiving yards at Tennessee. Woodhead's 60+ rushing yards and 50+ receiving yards mark the sixth time that a Patriots player has achieved that feat in a game since Bill Belichick became Patriots head coach in 2000. The other players to achieve the feat for the Patriots since 2000 are Dillon, Patrick Pass (10/16/05), Kevin Faulk (10/26/03 and 11/23/03) and Antowain Smith (9/30/01).

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #6

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 23, SAN DIEGO CHARGERS 20

Sunday, Oct. 24, 2010 ★ Qualcomm Stadium, San Diego, CA. ★ 4:15 p.m. EDT  
 Att: 68,836 ★ Surface: Grass ★ Weather: Sunny ★ Temp: 69°F ★ Wind: W 7 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:57



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New England Patriots (5-1)	7	6	7	3	23
San Diego Chargers (2-5)	3	0	0	17	20

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NE	Home: SD
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	15	23
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	3-12-25%	7-15-47%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	1-2-50%	1-1-100%
TOTAL NET YARDS	179	363
Total Offensive Plays	58	71
NET YARDS RUSHING	51	38
NET YARDS PASSING	128	325
PUNTS Number and Average	4-38.3	2-48.0
PENALTIES Number and Yards	7/51	6/69
FUMBLES Number and Lost	0/0	4/3
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	2/2	2/2
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	3/3	2/3
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	2-5-40%	2-4-50%
TIME OF POSSESSION	25:35	34:25

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Chargers	1	5:23	K.Brown 32 yd. Field Goal (11-36, 5:37)	0	3
Patriots	1	1:00	R.Gronkowski 1 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (5-22, 2:24)	7	3
Patriots	2	6:51	S.Gostkowski 40 yd. Field Goal (4-14, 1:54)	10	3
Patriots	2	0:23	S.Gostkowski 35 yd. Field Goal (8-35, 1:36)	13	3
Patriots	3	6:25	B.Green-Ellis 1 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (17-79, 8:35)	20	3
Chargers	4	14:56	K.Brown 28 yd. Field Goal (12-64, 6:29)	20	6
Patriots	4	11:27	S.Gostkowski 35 yd. Field Goal (9-59, 3:29)	23	6
Chargers	4	7:21	A.Gates 4 yd. pass from R.Rivers (K.Brown kick) (11-67, 4:06)	23	13
Chargers	4	4:01	M.Tolbert 1 yd. run (K.Brown kick) (9-60, 3:20)	23	20

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	11	24	2.2	9	1
D. Woodhead	8	24	3.0	7	0
S. Morris	1	2	2.0	2	0
T. Brady	2	1	0.5	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T. Brady	32	19	159	4/31	1	24	0	82.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>82.7</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
A.Hernandez	5	54	10.8	24	0
D. Branch	4	39	9.8	17	0
W. Welker	4	25	6.3	12	0
D. Woodhead	3	28	9.3	16	0
R. Gronkowski	2	10	5.0	9	1
B. Tate	1	3	3.0	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D. McCourty	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	4	153	38.3	0	2	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>38.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>45</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	2	37	18.5	0	34	0
<b>Returns</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B. Tate	2	45	22.5	0	25	0
D. Fletcher	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
[OUT OF BOUNDS]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Returns</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>

#### SAN DIEGO CHARGERS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
R. Matthews	8	15	1.9	5	0
P. Rivers	6	9	1.5	5	0
D. Sproles	2	7	3.5	6	0
M. Tolbert	2	5	2.5	4	1
J. Hester	1	2	2.0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
P. Rivers	50	34	336	2/11	1	26	1	85.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>2/11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>85.1</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Sproles	9	70	7.8	14	0
P. Crayton	7	82	11.7	21	0
C. Davis	6	53	8.8	15	0
A. Gates	4	50	12.5	26	1
S.Ajirotutu	2	26	13.0	20	0
R. Matthews	2	7	3.5	4	0
R. Goodman	1	25	25.0	25	0
M. Tolbert	1	13	13.0	13	0
K. Wilson	1	9	9.0	9	0
R. McMichael	1	1	1.0	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
M. Scrifes	2	96	48.0	0	1	49
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>49</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D. Sproles	1	12	12.0	2	12	0
[DOWNED]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D. Sproles	5	136	27.2	0	39	0
[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Returns</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0</b>





# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS AT CHARGERS

## PATRIOTS 23, SAN DIEGO 20

October 24, 2010 ★ Qualcomm Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	7	6	7	3	20
San Diego Chargers	3	0	0	17	23

The New England Patriots survived a 17-point fourth quarter by the San Diego Chargers and held on for a 23-20 win at Qualcomm Stadium to improve to 5-1.

After San Diego rallied from a 23-3 deficit in the fourth quarter to pull within three, San Diego kicker Kris Brown missed a 50-yard field goal attempt with 23 seconds left and the Patriots took a knee to help secure the win. Brown lined up for a 45-yard field goal that would have forced overtime but a false start penalty forced the 50-yard attempt that smacked off the right upright. Brown was filling in for the Chargers regular kicker, Nate Kaeding, who did not dress for the game due to an injury.

Leading by three with two minutes to play, the Patriots attempted a fourth-and-one conversion from the New England 49-yard line, but RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis was stopped short. The Patriots challenged the spot of the ball but lost the challenge and their final timeout. San Diego took over and moved to the 27-yard line to set up the field goal attempt.

QB Tom Brady threw for one touchdown, Green-Ellis ran for one touchdown and K Stephen Gostkowski kicked field goals of 40, 35 and 35 for the Patriots.

San Diego fought back from the 20-3 deficit with two touchdowns in the final seven minutes of the game. The Chargers hurt themselves with four turnovers in the first half, including three in the second quarter, leading to 10 New England points.

Two of the turnovers were mental blunders. After going down untouched following a 25-yard gain in the second quarter, WR Richard Goodman left the ball on the ground and started to celebrate. S James Sanders scooped up the loose ball. The Patriots failed to convert on that turnover. San Diego drove to the New England 32-yard line on the ensuing drive, but Rivers threw a backwards pass that glanced off the hands of FB Jacob Hester. Hester did not realize it was a lateral. LB Rob Ninkovich picked up the ball and returned it 63 yards to the San Diego 8-yard line to set up a New England field goal.

In the first quarter LB Brandon Spikes forced a fumble that was recovered by LB Jerod Mayo at the 22-yard line to help the Patriots get in position for a 1-yard touchdown pass from Brady to TE Rob Gronkowski. Then in the second quarter, CB Devin McCourty intercepted a pass from Rivers inside New England territory.

The Patriots offense generated just 179 yards of total offense compared to 363 by San Diego.

### PATRIOTS OFF TO A HOT START ONCE AGAIN

The Patriots have started the season with at least five wins in their first six games for the fourth time under head coach Bill Belichick after improving to a 5-1 record with the win over San Diego. The Patriots' best records through six games under Belichick are 6-0 in 2004, 5-1 in 2006 and 6-0 in 2007.

### MAYO HAS THIRD STRAIGHT GAME WITH 10-PLUS TACKLES

LB Jerod Mayo had his third-straight game with 10-plus tackles after finishing with 12 against San Diego to become the first Patriots player to have three consecutive games with 10-plus tackles since Tedy Bruschi went three straight games with 10-plus tackles in 2006. Mayo had 17 at Miami (10/4) and 19 vs. Baltimore (10/17). It is his fourth game in 2010 with 10-plus tackles. He had 11 in the opener vs. Cincinnati (9/12).

### NINKOVICH'S 63-YARD FUMBLE RETURN IS SECOND LONGEST IN TEAM HISTORY

LB Rob Ninkovich returned a second quarter fumble 63 yards. It is the second longest fumble return in team history to the 68-yard touchdown return by Richard Seymour at Buffalo on Oct. 3, 2004.

## PATRIOTS FORCE FOUR FIRST HALF TURNOVERS

The Patriots forced four first half turnovers with a fumble recovery in the first quarter, and two fumble recoveries and an interception in the second quarter. Jerod Mayo recovered a Chargers fumble forced by LB Dane Fletcher at the San Diego 22-yard line in the first quarter. It is the second career fumble recovery for Mayo and the first career forced fumble by Spikes. That play helped set up a 1-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady to TE Rob Gronkowski for a 7-0 lead. S James Sanders recovered a San Diego fumble when WR Richard Goodman thought he was down by contact in the second quarter and returned the ball 25 yards. LB Rob Ninkovich picked up the ball on a backward pass in the second quarter that resulted in a fumble that was returned 63 yards to the San Diego 8-yard line to set up a 40-yard field goal by K Stephen Gostkowski. Rookie CB Devin McCourty registered his first NFL interception in the second quarter.

### MIKE WRIGHT HAS THREE STRAIGHT GAMES WITH A SACK

Mike Wright was credited with a 5-yard sack in the fourth quarter for his third straight game with a sack. The last Patriots player to go at least three consecutive games with a sack was in 2008 when Richard Seymour had 3.5 sacks in a four-game stretch.

### GREEN-ELLIS SCORES IN THE FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME

RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis scored on a 1-yard touchdown run for his fourth consecutive game with a rushing touchdown. He had a stretch of four straight games with a rushing touchdown as a rookie in 2008. The Patriots record for most consecutive games with a rushing touchdown is seven by Curtis Martin in 1996. Ellis converted a key fourth-and-one situation on the scoring drive to keep the 17-play, 79-yard drive alive.

### BRANDON DEADERICK MAKES HIS SECOND CONSECUTIVE START AND HAS A SACK IN EACH GAME

Rookie DL Brandon Deaderick made his second consecutive start and had his second straight game with a sack. He was credited with a 6-yard sack of QB Philip Rivers at the end of the third quarter to force San Diego into a third-and-long situation.

### SERGIO BROWN SEES FIRST NFL ACTION

Sergio Brown was signed from the practice squad to the 53-man roster on Saturday and played in his first NFL game as a reserve at safety and on special teams.

### QUINN OJINNAKA MAKES HIS PATRIOTS DEBUT

T Quinn Ojinnaka played in his first game as a member of the Patriots, seeing action on special teams.

### TOM BRADY MOVES UP ALL-TIME TOUCHDOWN LIST

Tom Brady entered the San Diego game in 19th place on the NFL's all-time touchdown list with 235. He moved into a tie for 18th place with George Blanda with a 1-yard touchdown pass to TE Rob Gronkowski in the first quarter. Jim Kelly is in 17th place with 237 touchdown passes.

### BRADY TID BITS

Brady has a 45-21 (.682) career record as a starter on the road. Including the postseason, it was his 4th consecutive win against San Diego.

### PATRIOTS DEFENSE HOLDS SAN DIEGO RUSHING GAME

The Patriots held the Chargers to just 38 yards rushing for a 2.3-yard average. It is the lowest output since holding Tampa Bay to 30 yards on 18 attempts on Dec. 17, 2005 in a 28-0 victory.



# 2010 SEASON – GAME #7

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 28, MINNESOTA VIKINGS 18

Sunday, Oct. 31, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. ★ 4:15 p.m. EDT

Att: 68,756 ★ Surface: Field Turf ★ Weather: Partly Cloudy★ Temp: 49°F ★ Wind: NW 16 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:58



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
Minnesota Vikings (2-5)	0	7	3	8	18
New England Patriots (6-1)	0	7	14	7	28

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: MIN	Home: NE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	23	18
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	4-11-36%	6-11-55%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	1-2-50%	0-0-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	410	362
Total Offensive Plays	67	54
NET YARDS RUSHING	125	122
NET YARDS PASSING	285	240
PUNTS Number and Average	4-47.3	5-47.4
PENALTIES Number and Yards	5/35	6/47
FUMBLES Number and Lost	0/0	0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	2/2	4/4
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	1/1	0/0
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	2-4-50%	3-3-100%
TIME OF POSSESSION	35:08	24:52

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Vikings	2	14:57	A.Peterson 1 yd. run (R.Longwell kick) (12-76, 6:09)	7	0
Patriots	2	10:25	D.Woodhead 3 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (8-75, 4:32)	7	7
Vikings	3	9:33	R.Longwell 24 yd. Field Goal (11-68, 5:27)	10	7
Patriots	3	7:59	B.Tate 65 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (4-80, 1:34)	10	14
Patriots	3	2:25	B.Green-Ellis 13 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (4-37, 1:48)	10	21
Vikings	4	7:26	N.Tahi 1 yd. pass from T.Jackson (T.Jackson-P.Harvin pass) (9-80, 3:34)	18	21
Patriots	4	1:56	B.Green-Ellis 2 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (13-80, 5:30)	18	28

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### MINNESOTA VIKINGS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
A.Peterson	25	92	3.7	9	1
T.Jackson	1	33	33.0	33	0
T.Gerhart	2	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
B.Favre	32	22	259	0/0	0	30	1	80.1
T.Jackson	6	4	36	1/10	1	23	0	122.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>1/10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>89.3</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
P.Harvin	6	104	17.3	30	0
T.Gerhart	5	67	13.4	23	0
A.Peterson	5	50	10.0	25	0
V.Shiancoe	4	38	9.5	17	0
B.Berrian	2	15	7.5	9	0
N.Tahi	2	9	4.5	8	1
R.Moss	1	8	8.0	8	0
G.Lewis	1	4	4.0	4	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
C.Kluwe	4	189	47.3	1	3	58
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>58</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
G.Camarillo	1	7	7.0	0	7	0
(DOWNED)	2	0	0.0	0	0	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
P.Harvin	2	31	15.5	0	19	0
J.Kleinsasser	0	0	0.0	1	0	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	17	112	6.6	26	2
D.Woodhead	6	13	2.2	5	1
T.Brady	4	-3	-0.8	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	27	16	240	0/0	1	65	0	100.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100.8</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Woodhead	5	45	9.0	16	0
B.Tate	3	101	33.7	65	1
W.Welker	3	24	8.0	12	0
A.Hernandez	2	33	16.5	27	0
D.Branch	1	21	21.0	21	0
B.Green-Ellis	1	11	11.0	11	0
R.Gronkowski	1	5	5.0	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>1</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.McCourt	1	37	37.0	37	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37.0</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	5	237	47.4	1	1	55
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>47.4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>55</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	1	4	4.0	0	4	0
W.Welker	0	0	0.0	2	0	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	4	58	14.5	0	18	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS VS. VIKINGS

## PATRIOTS 28, MINNESOTA 18

October 31, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
Minnesota Vikings	0	7	3	8	18
New England Patriots	0	7	14	7	28

A 65-yard touchdown pass from QB Tom Brady to WR Brandon Tate on a broken play and the first two-touchdown game by RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis helped push the Patriots to a 28-18 win at home against the visiting Minnesota Vikings.

Green-Ellis had a career day, finishing with 112 yards on 17 carries for a 6.6-yard average along with a 13-yard touchdown run in the third quarter and a 2-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter. Tate's 65-yard touchdown was his first NFL receiving touchdown. He registered his first 100-yard receiving day after finishing with three receptions for 101 yards.

After a scoreless first quarter, Minnesota took a 7-0 lead on the first play of the second quarter to complete a 12-play drive. New England responded with an 8-play, 75-yard drive that was culminated when RB Danny Woodhead took a direct snap and ran the ball in for a 3-yard touchdown. Rookies Brandon Spikes and Jermaine Cunningham combined to stop Minnesota RB Adrian Peterson on a fourth-and-goal situation from the New England 1-yard line with 1:07 left in the second quarter, keeping the Vikings from taking a lead and preserving a 7-7 halftime tie.

After Minnesota opened the second half with a drive that ended in a field goal for a 10-7 advantage, Brady scrambled following heavy pressure from the Vikings and connected with Tate on a play that resulted in a 65-yard touchdown to give the Patriots a 14-10 lead. Later in the third quarter, rookie CB Devin McCourty had a game-changing play when he intercepted a Brett Favre pass intended for WR Percy Harvin at the Patriots' 26-yard line and returned it 37 yards to the Vikings' 37-yard line. That play helped set up a 4-play, 37-yard drive that ended in a 13-yard touchdown run by Green-Ellis for a 21-10 lead.

Minnesota closed the Patriots lead to 21-18 with 7:34 left in regulation. Favre left the game with an injury after the Vikings reached the New England 3-yard line, and backup QB Tavaris Jackson threw a 1-yard touchdown pass on this first pass and a 2-point play on his second play, but he did not get the ball back until 1:56 left to play.

Green-Ellis gained 62 yards on seven carries on the Patriots' final fourth quarter drive that extended a 3-points lead to a 10-point lead when Green-Ellis scored on 2-yard run to give the Patriots a 28-18 lead.

### PATRIOTS OFF TO A HOT START ONCE AGAIN

The Patriots have started the season with at least six wins in their first seven games for the sixth time in team history and the fourth time under head coach Bill Belichick after improving to a 6-1 record with the win over the Vikings. The Patriots started the season 6-1 in 1974, 1980, 2004 and 2006. In 2007, New England started the season 7-0.

### GOOD AGAINST THE NFC, ESPECIALLY AT HOME

The Patriots have now won 16 straight games at Gillette Stadium against NFC opponents. The only time in Gillette Stadium history that the Patriots lost to an NFC team was in the very first game against an NFC opponent at the new stadium in 2002 when the visiting Green Bay Packers beat the Patriots, 28-10, on Oct. 13.

### GREEN-ELLIS SCORED 2 TDS, REACHES END ZONE IN FIFTH STRAIGHT GAME

RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis scored two touchdowns, hitting paydirt on a 13-yard TD run in the third quarter and a 2-yard TD run in the fourth quarter. It was the first multiple-touchdown game of Green-Ellis's career. He set a career-high after pushing his total to 6 TDs on the year. It was his fifth consecutive game with a rushing touchdown. He had a stretch of four straight games with a rushing touchdown as a rookie in 2008. The Patriots record for most consecutive games with a rushing touchdown is seven by Curtis Martin in 1996.

### GREEN-ELLIS HITS CAREER-HIGH TOTAL

Green-Ellis had a career-high 112 rushing yards on 17 carries (6.6-yard avg.) for his second 100-yard rushing game, joining his 105-yard effort (on 26 carries) against Buffalo on Nov. 9, 2008. Green-Ellis was the first Patriots player to break the 100-yard rushing plateau since Oct. 18, 2009, when Laurence Maroney had 123 yards on 16 carries in the Patriots' 59-0 win over Tennessee. Green-Ellis's yardage total against Minnesota included 62 yards on seven carries on the Patriots' final fourth quarter touchdown drive that extended a 3-point lead to a 10-point cushion late in the fourth quarter.

### MCCOURTY'S BIG PLAY MARKS HIS SECOND CONSECUTIVE GAME WITH AN INTERCEPTION

Rookie cornerback Devin McCourty had a game-changing play when he intercepted a Brett Favre pass intended for Percy Harvin at the Patriots' 26-yard line and returned it 37 yards to the Vikings' 37-yard line. The Patriots were clinging to a 14-10 third-quarter lead at the time of McCourty's interception, and the takeaway set up a 4-play, 37-yard drive that ended in a Patriots touchdown and a 21-10 lead with 2:25 left in the third quarter. The Vikings game was McCourty's second straight game with an interception.

### BRANDON TATE SETS CAREER-HIGH WITH A 65-YARD TD CATCH

Brandon Tate scored his first NFL receiving touchdown on a 65-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the third quarter. It is the longest reception of Tate's career and the seventh-longest completion of Brady's career. Tate also had a 32-yard reception from Brady in the second quarter, finishing with three catches for 103 yards, marking his first career 100-yard receiving game.

### BRADY-TO-TATE FOR LONGEST PLAY FROM SCRIMMAGE IN 2010

Brandon Tate's 65-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter was the Patriots' longest play from scrimmage in 2010 and was the team's longest play from scrimmage since Dec. 6, 2009, when Sam Aiken hauled in an 81-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady at Miami.

### MIKE WRIGHT HAS FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME WITH A SACK

Mike Wright was credited with a 10-yard sack in the fourth quarter for his fourth straight game with a sack. The last Patriots player to have four full sacks in four consecutive games was Roosevelt Colvin, who accomplished the task in 2005 with a four game streak beginning on 11/27 at Kansas City, and ending 12/17 against Tampa Bay. Colvin also recorded a half sack in the fifth game (12/26 at NYJ) giving him 4.5 sacks through five games.

### MAYO HAS FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME WITH 10-PLUS TACKLES

LB Jerod Mayo had his fourth-straight game with 10-plus tackles after finishing with 17 tackles against Minnesota. Mayo became the first Patriots player to go four consecutive games with 10-plus tackles since Teddy Bruschi had four straight games with 10-plus tackles in 2003. Mayo had 17 tackles at Miami (10/4), 19 vs. Baltimore (10/17) and 12 at San Diego (10/24). Sunday's game was Mayo's fifth game in 2010 with 10-plus tackles. He had 11 in the opener vs. Cincinnati (9/12). Bruschi was the last Patriot to record four consecutive games of at least 10-plus tackles. Bruschi accomplished the feat in 2003 starting 9/21/03 against the N.Y. Jets and ending 10/12/03 vs. the N.Y. Giants.

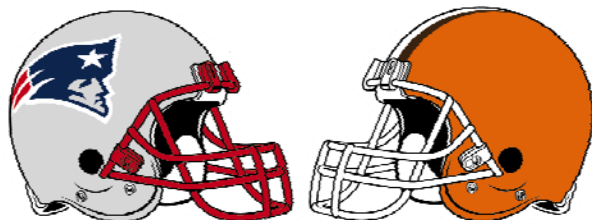
### PATRIOTS HAVE 100-YD RUSHER AND RECEIVER

BenJarvus Green-Ellis ran for 122 yards on 17 carries with two touchdowns, while Brandon Tate had three receptions for 101 yards and a touchdown. The Patriots had a 100-yard rusher and a 100-yard receiver in the same game for the first time since Oct. 18, 2009 vs. Tennessee, when Wes Welker had 10 catches for 150 yards and two touchdowns and Laurence Maroney had 16 rushes for 123 yards and a touchdown.

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #8

## CLEVELAND BROWNS 34, NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 14

Sunday, Nov. 7, 2010 ★ Cleveland Browns Stadium, Cleveland, OH. ★ 1:00 p.m. EST  
 Att: 66,292 ★ Surface: Grass ★ Weather: Sunny★ Temp: 43°F ★ Wind: NW 13 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:51



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New England Patriots (6-2)	0	7	0	7	14
Cleveland Browns (3-5)	10	7	7	10	34

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NE	Home: CLE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	19	22
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	3-11-27%	7-13-54%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	2-2-100%	1-1-100%
TOTAL NET YARDS	283	404
Total Offensive Plays	59	63
NET YARDS RUSHING	68	230
NET YARDS PASSING	215	174
PUNTS Number and Average	5-41.4	3-35.7
PENALTIES Number and Yards	3/20	4/28
FUMBLES Number and Lost	2/2	1/1
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	2/2	4/4
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	0/0	2/2
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	2-3-67%	3-4-75%
TIME OF POSSESSION	21:52	38:08

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Browns	1	11:49	P.Dawson 38 yd. Field Goal (6-42, 3:11)	0	3
Browns	1	11:11	P.Hillis 2 yd. run (P.Dawson kick) (2-19, 0:38)	0	10
Patriots	2	8:43	A.Hernandez 2 yd. run pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (11-79, 5:01)	7	10
Browns	2	3:23	C.Stuckey 11 yd. run (P.Dawson kick) (9-60, 5:30)	7	17
Browns	3	5:53	C.McCoy 16 yd. run (P.Dawson kick) (10-72, 7:00)	7	24
Browns	4	10:45	P.Dawson 37 yd. Field Goal (13-61, 7:48)	7	27
Patriots	4	6:37	A.Hernandez 1 yd. pass from T.Brady (W.Welker kick) (14-69, 4:08)	14	27
Browns	4	2:38	P.Hillis 35 yd. run (P.Dawson kick) (6-60, 3:59)	14	34

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Woodhead	9	54	6.0	12	0
B.Green-Ellis	9	14	1.6	5	0
T.Brady	1	1	1.0	1	0
B.Hoyer	1	-1	-1.0	-1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	36	19	224	1/9	2	26	0	90.5
B.Hoyer	2	0	0	0/0	0	0	1	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>1/9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>74.9</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
A.Hernandez	5	48	9.6	22	2
R.Gronkowski	4	47	11.8	22	0
W.Welker	4	36	9.0	11	0
D.Woodhead	2	38	19.0	26	0
D.Branch	2	21	10.5	11	0
S.Morris	1	22	22.0	22	0
B.Tate	1	12	12.0	12	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	5	207	41.4	1	1	51
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>51</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
W.Welker	0	0	0.0	2	0	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D.Connelly	2	19	9.5	0	11	0
S.Morris	2	4	2.0	0	4	0
B.Tate	1	28	28.0	0	28	0
A.Crumpler	1	5	5.0	1	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>

#### CLEVELAND BROWNS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
P.Hillis	29	184	6.3	35	2
C.McCoy	3	20	6.7	16	1
C.Stuckey	1	11	11.0	11	1
M.Bell	6	7	1.2	3	0
L.Vickers	3	6	2.0	2	0
J.Cribbs	2	2	1.0	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>4</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
C.McCoy	19	14	174	0/0	0	29	0	101.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101.6</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
M.Massaquoi	4	58	14.5	22	0
P.Hillis	3	36	12.0	29	0
J.Cribbs	2	13	6.5	7	0
C.Stuckey	2	6	3.0	4	0
B.Watson	1	24	24.0	24	0
B.Robiskie	1	20	20.0	20	0
E.Moore	1	17	17.0	17	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>0</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
E.Wright	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
R.Hodges	3	107	35.7	0	2	51
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>51</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Cribbs	2	18	9.0	1	13	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
(TOUHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Cribbs	2	51	25.5	0	36	0
M.Benard	1	10	10.0	0	10	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS AT BROWNS

## CLEVELAND 34, PATRIOTS 14

November 7, 2010 ★ Cleveland Browns Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	0	7	0	7	14
Cleveland Browns	10	7	7	10	34

Cleveland RB Peyton Hillis had a career-high 184 rushing yards to lift the Browns to a 34-14 victory over the New England Patriots. The Patriots were limited to just 14 points after entering the game with an NFL-leading 29.3 points per game. QB Tom Brady was 19-of-34 for 224 yards with two touchdown passes to rookie TE Aaron Hernandez but it was not enough as he lost for the first time to Cleveland.

The Browns jumped to a 10-0 lead before Brady and the offense ever reached the field. Cleveland started rookie QB Colt McCoy, who opened the game with a 21-yard pass that was followed by an 18-yard run by Hillis to move to the New England 24-yard line and set up a field goal. On the ensuing kick, there was miscommunication between RB Sammy Morris and TE Rob Gronkowski, resulting in a fumble that was recovered by the Browns at the New England 19-yard line. Two plays later, Hillis scored the first of his two touchdowns on a 2-yard run for a 10-0 lead.

New England mounted an 11-play, 79-yard drive in the beginning of the second quarter that ended when Brady completed a 2-yard touchdown pass to Hernandez to make it 10-7. Cleveland responded on the next series with a 60-yard drive that ended in an 11-yard touchdown run by WR Chansi Stuckey for a 17-7 lead. On that play, Cleveland RB Joshua Cribbs lined up at quarterback on a trick play that saw Cribbs get the snap and handoff to Stuckey.

The Patriots had a chance to cut the lead before the half, reaching the Cleveland nine-yard line with 30 seconds to play in the first half. Brady hit Gronkowski for a short gain, but while fighting for extra yards Gronkowski was stripped of the ball, allowing the Browns to recover at the two-yard line and secure the 17-7 halftime lead.

Cleveland added a touchdown in the third quarter on their only offensive drive of the quarter when McCoy scrambled for a 16-yard touchdown run following a 10-play, 72-yard drive. After extending their lead to 27-7 early in the fourth quarter, Brady converted a fourth-and-two situation from the Cleveland 25-yard line in a drive that ended when Brady connected with Hernandez for a 1-yard touchdown to make it 27-14. WR Wes Welker was pressed into action as a kicker for Stephen Gostkowski, who was forced out due to a thigh injury. Welker kicked the extra point following the Hernandez touchdown and also handled the ensuing kickoff.

Cleveland put the Patriots away when Hillis scored on a 35-yard touchdown run with under three minutes to play.

### G LOGAN MANKINS MAKES DEBUT

G Logan Mankins, who reported to the Patriots earlier in the week, made his 2010 debut with a start at left guard. Mankins has now started all 81 regular-season games that he has played.

### TE AARON HERNANDEZ RECORDS FIRST TWO NFL TOUCHDOWNS

Rookie TE Aaron Hernandez registered his first two NFL touchdowns. He scored his first NFL touchdown on a 2-yard reception in the second quarter and then had a 1-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter.

### HERNANDEZ MAKES BIG PLAYS

Hernandez had a 22-yard reception late in the second quarter and now has a reception of 20 or more yards in seven of eight games.

### HERNANDEZ ON GOOD PACE

Hernandez led the team with five receptions for 48 yards against Cleveland and now has 34 receptions in 2010 to go along with his 436 receiving yards. The Patriots franchise records for rookie tight ends are 37 receptions (by Greg Baty in 1986) and 636 receiving yards (by Russ Francis in 1975).

## WELKER EXTENDS STREAK

Wes Welker extended his streak to 71 straight regular-season games with at least one reception. He has caught at least one pass in each of his 57 games with the Patriots, including three postseason games. The last time that Welker did not catch a pass in a game was December 24, 2005 when he was with the Dolphins. He has caught at least one pass in 54 consecutive regular-season games as a member of the Patriots. The Patriots' record for most consecutive games with at least one pass is 63 by TE Ben Coates (12-17-92) to (12-15-96).

## WELKER PRESSED INTO SERVICE AS A KICKER

Welker was pressed into service as a kicker for the second time in his career and was successful on an extra point attempt and handled a kickoff both in the fourth quarter. Welker was filling in for the injured Stephen Gostkowski (thigh). While with Miami in 2004, he was pressed into action in a game at New England (10/10/04) and converted one extra point, a 29-yard field goal and also handled kickoff duties.

## LB BRANDON SPIKES LED TEAM WITH 10 TOTAL TACKLES; ON PACE TO FINISH WITH OVER 100 TACKLES

Rookie LB Brandon Spikes finished with a team-high 10 total tackles to push his season total to 56 tackles. He is on pace to finish the season with 112 total tackles. Spikes has had four 10-plus tackle games in 2010 with 10 at the New York Jets (9/19), 13 vs. Baltimore (10/17), 10 vs. Minnesota (10/31) and 10 at Cleveland (11/7).

## MAYO ON A HIGH TACKLE PACE AS HE GOES OVER 100 TACKLES FOR THE SEASON

LB Jerod Mayo finished with nine tackles to push his total to 103 tackles in 2010. He is on pace for a career high 206 total tackles. That number will be the highest since LB Steve Nelson had 207 tackles in 1984. Mayo had 139 tackles as a rookie in 2008 and 114 in 2009 and with 103 tackles in 2010 he is the first Patriots player to have three consecutive 100-tackle seasons since Lawyer Milloy registered five straight 100-tackle seasons from 1997 through 2001.

## WOODHEAD HAS A CAREER-HIGH 26-YARD RECEPTION

RB Danny Woodhead had a career-long 26 yard reception in the second quarter to help set up the Patriots first touchdown. His previous best was a 24-yard reception at Tampa Bay (12-13-09) when he was with the Jets. Woodhead finished the game with nine rushing attempts for 54 yards and a 6.0-yard average and two receptions for 38 yards.

## BRADY MOVES UP ALL-TIME TOUCHDOWNS LIST

Tom Brady entered the Cleveland game tied with Jim Kelly for 17th place on the NFL's All-Time Touchdown list with (237). His 2-yard touchdown pass to TE Aaron Hernandez moved him to sole possession of 17th place with 238 career touchdown passes and his 1-yard touchdown pass to Hernandez moved him into a 16th place tie with Len Dawson at 239 career touchdowns.

## BRADY MOVES PAST UNITAS ON THE NFL'S ALL-TIME COMPLETIONS LIST

Tom Brady had 19 completions to move past Johnny Unitas (2,830) into 20th place on the NFL's All-Time completions list with 2,838 completions.

## BRADY THROWS FOR TWO TOUCHDOWNS

Tom Brady threw two touchdown passes to TE Aaron Hernandez. It is the fourth time in 2010 that Brady has thrown two or more touchdowns in game. He has thrown for at least one touchdown in every game in 2010.





# 2010 SEASON – GAME #9

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 39, PITTSBURGH STEELERS 26

Sunday, Nov. 14, 2010 ★ Heinz Field, Pittsburgh, PA. ★ 8:20 p.m. EST

Att: 64,359 ★ Surface: Grass ★ Weather: Cloudy★ Temp: 49°F ★ Wind: SW 8 mph ★ Time of Game: 3:28



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New England Patriots (7-2)	10	0	13	16	39
Pittsburgh Steelers (6-3)	0	3	0	23	26

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NE	Home: PIT
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	26	27
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	3-10-30%	5-12-42%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-0-0%	0-0-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	453	425
Total Offensive Plays	67	70
NET YARDS RUSHING	103	76
NET YARDS PASSING	350	347
PUNTS Number and Average	5-40.2	5-45.2
PENALTIES Number and Yards	10/113	6/45
FUMBLES Number and Lost	0/0	0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	3/5	3/3
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	2/2	1/2
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	3-5-60%	2-5-40%
TIME OF POSSESSION	31:28	28:32

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Patriots	1	9:48	R.Gronkowski 19 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (8-70, 4:07)	7	0
Patriots	1	1:03	S.Graham 31 yd. Field Goal (10-46, 5:26)	10	0
Steelers	2	5:08	J.Reed 22 yd. Field Goal (10-76, 5:22)	10	3
Patriots	3	9:48	R.Gronkowski 9 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (10-78, 5:12)	17	3
Patriots	3	0:22	T.Brady 3 yd. run (kick failed, wr) (7-80, 3:18)	23	3
Steelers	4	12:11	E.Sanders 6 yd. pass from B.Roethlisberger (J.Reed kick) (7-71, 3:11)	23	10
Patriots	4	8:32	J.Sanders 32 yd. interception return (pass failed)	29	10
Steelers	4	6:44	M.Wallace 15 yd. pass from B.Roethlisberger (M.Moore run ) (5-53, 1:48)	29	18
Patriots	4	4:23	R.Gronkowski 25 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (5-41, 2:21)	36	18
Steelers	4	2:59	M.Wallace 33 yd. pass from B.Roethlisberger (M.Moore run) (5-80, 1:24)	36	26
Patriots	4	1:53	S.Graham 36 yd. Field Goal (5-15, 1:06)	39	26

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	18	87	4.8	17	0
D.Woodhead	4	11	2.8	11	0
T.Brady	1	3	3.0	3	1
S.Morris	1	2	2.0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	43	30	350	0/0	3	45	0	117.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>117.4</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
W.Welker	8	89	11.1	26	0
D.Branch	7	71	10.1	17	0
R.Gronkowski	5	72	14.4	25	3
B.Green-Ellis	4	36	9.0	16	0
B.Tate	2	50	25.0	45	0
D.Woodhead	2	22	11.0	12	0
S.Morris	1	6	6.0	6	0
A.Crumpler	1	4	4.0	4	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
J.Sanders	1	32	32.0	32	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	5	201	40.2	1	3	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>40.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>53</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	1	12	12.0	2	12	0
(DOWNED)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	3	67	22.3	0	35	0
A.Crumpler	1	7	7.0	0	7	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>

#### PITTSBURGH STEELERS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
R.Mendenhall	11	50	4.5	34	0
M.Moore	4	14	3.5	5	0
B.Roethlisberger	1	12	12.0	12	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
B.Roethlisberger	49	30	387	5/38	3	33	1	97.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>5/38</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>97.9</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
M.Wallace	8	136	17.0	33	2
M.Moore	5	79	15.8	29	0
A.Randle El	5	66	13.2	20	0
H.Miller	5	60	12.0	18	0
E.Sanders	5	41	8.2	11	1
R.Mendenhall	2	5	2.5	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
D.Sepulveda	5	226	45.2	1	0	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>45.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>53</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
E.Sanders	2	22	11.0	0	12	0
A.Randle El	0	0	0.0	2	0	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
E.Sanders	6	156	26.0	0	34	0
I.Redman	1	20	20.0	0	20	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>





# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS AT STEELERS

## PATRIOTS 39, PITTSBURGH 26

November 14, 2010 ★ Heinz Field

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	10	0	13	16	39
Pittsburgh Steelers	0	3	0	23	26

Tom Brady threw for 350 yards with three touchdown passes to TE Rob Gronkowski and added a 3-yard touchdown run, as he led the Patriots to a 39-26 victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers at Heinz Field. Brady improved to a 6-1 record overall against Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh entered the game allowing an NFL-low 15.4 points per game and an NFL-low 58.3 rushing yards per game. New England scored 39 points and became the first team to gain 100 yards rushing against the Steelers with 103 yards for a 4.3-yard average.

In addition to the big day by Brady and Gronkowski, WR Wes Welker caught eight passes for 89 yards.

New England built a 23-3 lead heading into the final quarter and withstood a 23-point fourth quarter by Pittsburgh for the win.

New England took a 10-0 first quarter lead after scoring on their first two offensive possessions. Brady culminated an eight-play, 70-yard drive with a 19-yard touchdown pass to Gronkowski and newly acquired K Shayne Graham hit a 31-yard field goal after a drive stalled at the Pittsburgh 12-yard line.

The Patriots added 13 points in the third quarter to push in front 23-3. Brady opened the third quarter by engineering a 10-play, 78-yard drive that ended when he connected on his second touchdown pass to Gronkowski on a 9-yard scoring play. Later in the quarter, Brady ran up the middle for a 3-yard touchdown to finish a seven-play, 80-yard drive. That play was set up by a 45-yard pass from Brady to WR Brandon Tate.

After Pittsburgh cut the lead to 23-10 early in the fourth quarter, S James Sanders appeared to put the game out of reach when he intercepted a Ben Roethlisberger pass and returned it 32 yards for a touchdown for a 29-10 New England lead.

Pittsburgh responded on the ensuing drive with a touchdown drive and a two-point play to cut the lead to 29-18, but New England recovered the onside kick attempt and was able to get into position for Brady's third touchdown pass to Gronkowski with a 25-yard scoring pass to make it 36-18.

With under five minutes to play, Roethlisberger threw a 33-yard touchdown pass to make it 36-26. Again, Pittsburgh attempted an onside kick that was recovered by New England at the Pittsburgh 33-yard line to set up a field goal for a 39-26 final.

### BOUNCING BACK

Since the beginning of the 2003 season, the Patriots are 25-2 (.926) in games following a regular-season loss. Over the last seven seasons (2003-09), the Patriots have only lost back-to-back games on two occasions, once in 2006 and once in 2009.

### GRONKOWSKI SET A PATRIOTS RECORD

Rookie tight end Rob Gronkowski recorded his first NFL three-touchdown game. His three touchdowns increased his 2010 total to six touchdowns for the season. The six touchdowns are a record for most touchdown catches by a rookie tight end in Patriots history. The previous record was held by Russ Francis (four touchdowns in 1975) and Don Hasselbeck (four touchdowns in 1977). He scored on a 19-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the first quarter, a 9-yard touchdown in the third quarter and a 25-yarder in the fourth quarter. He is the first Patriots player to have three touchdowns in a game since Randy Moss had three vs. Jacksonville on Dec. 27, 2009.

### GRONKOWSKI IS FIRST PATS ROOKIE TO SCORE THREE TOUCHDOWNS

Gronkowski is the first Patriots rookie to ever score three touchdowns in a single game.

## WELKER HAS SEASON HIGHS

Wes Welker had a season high of 89 receiving yards. Welker's previous high was 70 yard receiving at Miami (10/4). His eight catches against Pittsburgh matched the eight catches he had in the season-opener vs. Cincinnati (9/12).

## BRADY REDCORDS HIS FIRST 300-YARD GAME OF 2010 AND 31ST OF HIS CAREER

Tom Brady registered his first 300-yard game of the 2010 season and the 31<sup>st</sup> of his career after finishing with 350 yards passing.

## BRADY COMPLETES 30 PASSES

Brady finished the game with 30 pass completions. It marks the 13<sup>th</sup> time in his career that he has recorded 30 completions or more in a regular-season game. It is his first time completing 30 or more passes since he had 39 completions in the 2009 season-opener vs. Buffalo (9/14/09).

## PATRIOTS RUSHING GAME DOES WELL

Pittsburgh entered the game first in the NFL, allowing teams an average of just 58.3 yards per game for a 2.6-yard average. The Patriots gained 103 yards rushing for a 4.3-yard average. They became the first team to have 100-yards rushing against the Pittsburgh defense.

## MIKE WRIGHT PUSHES HIS 2010 TOTAL TO A CAREER-HIGH 5.5 SACKS

DL Mike Wright combined on a 7-yard sack in the first quarter with LB Shawn Crable and then added a 10-yard sack in the third quarter to increase his season total to 5.5 sacks. The 5.5 sacks are a career high. Last season, he had 5.0 sacks.

## JAMES SANDERS SCORES ON A 32-YARD INTERCEPTION RETURNED FOR A TOUCHDOWN

James Sanders returned a fourth quarter interception 32 yards for a touchdown. It is the second time in his career that he has returned an interception for a touchdown. He returned an interception 39 yards for a score as a rookie at Buffalo on Dec. 11, 2005.

## PATRIOTS NOW HAVE THREE INTERCEPTIONS RETURNED FOR A SCORE IN 2010

Sanders' 32-yard interception returned for a touchdown is the third interception that was returned for a touchdown by the Patriots in 2010. LB Gary Guyton returned an interception 59 yards for a touchdown vs. Cincinnati and S Patrick Chung returned an interception 51 yards for a touchdown at Miami. It is the 12<sup>th</sup> time in team history that the team has had three or more interceptions returned for a touchdown in a season. The team has returned three interceptions for a score nine times, four one time in 1997 and five two times (2003 and 2001).

## HERNANDEZ ON DEFENSE

Rookie TE Aaron Hernandez got credit for a pass defensed when he lined up deep to knock down a Pittsburgh Hail Mary attempt at the end of the first half.

## PATRIOTS PRODUCE SEASON-HIGH 5.0 SACKS

The Patriots registered a season-high 5.0 sacks, the most since recording 6.0 sacks at Buffalo (12/20/09).

## BRADY IS GOOD AGAINST PITTSBURGH

Including the playoffs, Brady improved to a 6-1 record against Pittsburgh.

## PATRIOTS SCORE BIG AGAINST PITTSBURGH

The Patriots 39 points were the most scored against Pittsburgh in 2010. Pittsburgh entered the game allowing a league low 15.4 points per game. It marks the fourth time the Patriots have scored 38 or more points in a game in 2010.

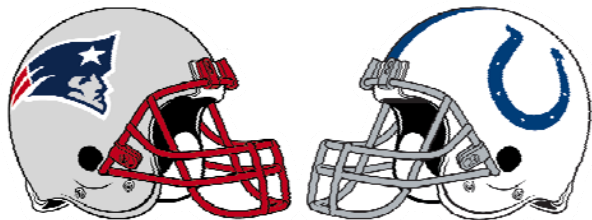
## BILL BELICHICK TIES PAUL BROWN FOR WINS

The Patriots 39-26 win over Pittsburgh was head coach Bill Belichick's 170th career victory. He is now tied with Paul Brown for 12<sup>th</sup> all-time with 170 career wins.

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #10

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 31, INDIANAPOLIS COLTS 28

Sunday, Nov. 21, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. ★ 4:15 p.m. EST  
 Att: 68,756 ★ Surface: Field Turf ★ Weather: Sunny and Cold ★ Temp: 37°F ★ Wind: E 6 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:51



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
Indianapolis Colts (6-4)	0	14	0	14	28
New England Patriots (8-2)	7	14	7	3	31

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: IND	Home: NE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	28	22
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	11-14-79%	7-11-64%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-0-0%	0-0-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	467	346
Total Offensive Plays	72	60
NET YARDS RUSHING	71	168
NET YARDS PASSING	396	178
PUNTS Number and Average	2-40.5	3-44.0
PENALTIES Number and Yards	6/48	1/15
FUMBLES Number and Lost	0/0	1/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	4/4	4/4
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	0/0	1/1
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	4-4-100%	2-3-67%
TIME OF POSSESSION	29:21	30:39

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Patriots	1	8:00	W.Welker 22 yd. pass from T.Brady (S. Graham kick) (4-32, 2:02)	0	7
Patriots	2	13:15	A.Hernandez 8 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (15-82, 7:46)	0	14
Colts	2	7:53	G.Robinson 1 yd. pass from P.Manning (A.Vinatieri kick) (11-69, 5:22)	7	14
Patriots	2	3:34	B.Green-Ellis 5 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (8-65, 4:19)	7	21
Colts	2	0:04	R.Wayne 11 yd. pass from P.Manning (A.Vinatieri kick) (12-85, 3:30)	14	21
Patriots	3	1:11	D.Woodhead 36 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (9-79, 4:42)	14	28
Patriots	4	10:23	S.Graham 25 yd. Field Goal (10-54, 4:55)	14	31
Colts	4	7:57	B.White 5 yd. pass from P.Manning (A.Vinatieri kick) (7-73, 2:26)	21	31
Colts	4	4:46	B.White 18 yd. pass from P.Manning (A. Vinatieri kick) (7-73, 2:18)	28	31

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Brown	17	68	4.0	36	0
J.James	3	3	1.0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
P.Manning	52	38	396	0/0	4	28	3	96.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>96.3</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
R.Wayne	8	107	13.4	28	1
J.Tamme	7	60	8.6	17	0
P.Garcon	5	62	12.4	17	0
A.Collie	5	60	12.0	28	0
B.White	5	42	8.4	18	2
J.James	4	24	6.0	11	0
D.Brown	3	40	13.3	25	0
G.Robinson	1	1	1.0	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>4</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
P.McAfee	2	81	40.5	0	1	46
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>46</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.James	2	1	0.5	1	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.James	5	79	15.8	0	26	0
J.James	1	16	16.0	0	16	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	21	96	4.6	16	1
D.Woodhead	7	69	9.9	36	1
S.Morris	2	5	2.5	4	0
T.Brady	4	-2	-0.5	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>2</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	25	19	186	1/8	2	25	0	123.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>1/8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>123.1</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D. Branch	7	70	10.0	18	0
W. Welker	5	58	11.6	22	1
D. Woodhead	4	21	5.3	9	0
R.Gronkowski	1	25	25.0	25	0
A.Hernandez	1	8	8.0	8	1
B.Green-Ellis	1	4	4.0	4	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Meriweather	1	39	39.0	39	0
D.McCourty	1	0	0.0	0	0
J.Sanders	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39.0</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	3	132	44.0	0	1	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>45</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
W. Welker	1	9	9.0	0	9	0
J. Edelman	0	0	0.0	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	3	69	23.0	0	32	0
S.Morris	1	21	21.0	0	21	0
A.Crumpler	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS VS. COLTS

## PATRIOTS 31, INDIANAPOLIS 28

November 21, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
Indianapolis Colts	0	14	0	14	28
New England Patriots	7	14	7	3	31

The New England Patriots beat the Indianapolis Colts 31-28 in their annual meeting to improve to an 8-2 record and remain tied for first place in the AFC East.

RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis ran for 96 yards with a touchdown, and RB Danny Woodhead gained 69 yards rushing, including a 36-yard touchdown run, to support a 2-touchdown effort by QB Tom Brady. Brady not only out-dueled a four-time MVP in QB Peyton Manning, but also won his 25<sup>th</sup> straight regular-season home start, equaling Brett Favre's record when he was with Green Bay. Brady finished 19-of-25 for 186 yards and two touchdowns. He completed 12 of 14 passes in the first half.

Despite a 31-14 fourth quarter lead, the Patriots let the game get close at the end. Manning completed 38 passes for 396 yards with four touchdown passes but threw his third interception of the game with the Colts in position for a game-tying field goal with 31 seconds to play.

Down three points with 2:25 left to play, Manning led the Colts to the New England 24-yard line with 37 seconds to play to get into field goal range. S James Sanders clinched the victory for the Patriots when he intercepted a Manning pass at the 6-yard line with 31 seconds to play. Brady took a knee on two straight plays to seal the victory.

Brady led the Patriots on touchdown drives on New England's first three offensive drives to jump to a 21-7 lead. The Patriots' first touchdown was set up when S Brandon Meriweather picked off Manning and returned the ball 39 yards to help the Patriots start their first drive at the Indianapolis 32-yard line. Four plays later, Brady connected on a 22-yard touchdown pass to WR Wes Welker. After stopping the Colts on the ensuing drive, Brady engineered a 15-play, 82-yard drive that ended with an 8-yard touchdown pass to TE Aaron Hernandez for a 14-0 lead early in the second quarter.

Indianapolis converted two third-down plays on the next series before culminating the drive with a 1-yard touchdown pass from Manning to make it 14-7. New England responded with an 8-play, 65-yard drive that ended with a 5-yard touchdown run by Green-Ellis for a 21-7 lead.

Manning cut the lead to 21-14 before the half with an 85-yard drive that ended when he hit WR Reggie Wayne for an 11-yard touchdown.

The Patriots took a 28-14 lead heading into the fourth quarter after Woodhead weaved in and out of traffic for a 36-yard touchdown run at the end of the third quarter. A 25-yard field goal by K Shayne Graham extended the lead 31-14 early in the fourth quarter to set the stage for Indianapolis' comeback attempt.

### SUSTAINED SUCCESS: PATRIOTS TO FINISH ABOVE .500 FOR THE 10<sup>TH</sup> STRAIGHT SEASON

With their eighth win of the 2010 season, the Patriots are guaranteed to finish the season with a record of .500 or better for the 10th consecutive year. At the conclusion of the 2010 season, the Patriots will be the only NFL team to finish with a record of .500 or better in each of the last 10 years (2001-2010). Each of the other 31 NFL teams had at least one losing season between 2001 and 2009.

### BRADY TIES FAVRE FOR MOST CONSECUTIVE HOME GAMES WON AS A STARTING QB

Tom Brady won his 25th consecutive regular-season start at Gillette Stadium, tying Brett Favre's post-merger NFL-record 25-game home winning streak. Favre won 25 home games in a row from 1995-98. The last time the Patriots lost a regular-season home game in which Brady started was on Nov. 12, 2006 against the New York Jets.

## BELICHICK TIES JOE GIBBS FOR 11<sup>TH</sup> PLACE IN NFL HISTORY WITH 171 WINS

With the victory against the Colts, Bill Belichick passed Paul Brown and tied Joe Gibbs with his 171st career victory as a head coach, including playoff games. Belichick and Gibbs are tied for 11th in NFL history with 171 career victories. Mike Holmgren ranks 10th with 174 career wins.

### SANDERS PICK ICES GAME

James Sanders clinched the victory for the Patriots when he intercepted a Peyton Manning pass at the Patriots' 6-yard line with 31 seconds left and New England holding a 3-point lead. Sanders' big play thwarted a potential game-tying field goal try or a potential game-winning touchdown. The interception was Sanders' second of the season and his second in as many weeks. The previous week at Pittsburgh, Sanders returned an interception 32 yards for a touchdown. The interception against the Colts was the seventh of Sanders' six-year career.

### GREEN-ELLIS SCORES SEVENTH RUSHING TOUCHDOWN OF THE SEASON

BenJarvus Green-Ellis scored his seventh rushing touchdown of 2010 on a 5-yard run in the second quarter. Green-Ellis has seven rushing touchdowns through the first 10 games of the year. It is the first time that a Patriots running back has had seven rushing touchdowns in the first 10 games since Corey Dillon had seven through the first 10 games in 2006. Dillon finished with 13 rushing touchdowns that season. Green-Ellis is on pace for 11 rushing touchdowns in 2010, which would make him just the eighth player in Patriots history to record double digit rushing touchdowns in a season and the first since Corey Dillon did it three years in a row between 2004 and 2006. Besides Dillon, the other Patriots with 10 or more rushing touchdowns in a season are Curtis Martin (2), Steve Grogan, Antowain Smith, Horace Ivory, Jim Nance and Tony Collins.

### GREEN-ELLIS HAS THIRD GAME OF THE SEASON WITH 95+ RUSHING YARDS

BenJarvus Green-Ellis had 96 rushing yards, marking the third time this season that he has topped the 95-yard rushing mark. In addition to his performance against the Colts, Green-Ellis had 112 rushing yards on 17 carries against Minnesota (10/31) and he had 16 rushes for 98 yards against Buffalo (9/26). Green-Ellis is the first Patriots player to have 95 rushing yards or more in three or more games in a season since Laurence Maroney had 95 or more yards in three games in 2007. The last time a Patriots player eclipsed the 95-yard rushing mark more than three times in a single season was in 2004, when Corey Dillon broke the mark 10 times.

### WOODHEAD SCORES ON A 36-YARD TD RUN

RB Danny Woodhead scored on a career-long 36-yard touchdown run in the third quarter to give the Patriots a 28-14 lead. It is the longest run of the season for New England, besting a 26-yard run by RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis' vs. Minnesota (10/31). It is Woodhead's second touchdown run of 20 or more yards. He had a 22-yard touchdown run vs. Buffalo (9/26). The 36-yard touchdown run was the longest scoring run for the Patriots since Laurence Maroney had a 45-yard touchdown in the Patriots' 59-0 win over Tennessee on Oct. 18, 2009.

### WOODHEAD HAS A CAREER-HIGH 69 YARDS RUSHING

Woodhead had a career-high 69 yards rushing, topping the 63 yards he had vs. Baltimore (10/17).

### PRODUCTIVE RUNNING TANDEM

BenJarvus Green-Ellis ran 21 times for 96 yards and Danny Woodhead ran seven times for 69 yards. Today's game marked the first time the Patriots have had two players rush for 69 or more yards in nearly two full years, dating back to a Dec. 21, 2008 game against Arizona where Sammy Morris had 88 yards and LaMont Jordan had 78 yards.

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #11

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 45, DETROIT LIONS 24

Thursday, Nov. 25, 2010 ★ Ford Field, Detroit, MI. ★ 12:38 p.m. EST

Att: 64,359 ★ Surface: Turf ★ Weather: Controlled Climate★ Temp: 68°F ★ Wind: Indoors ★ Time of Game: 3:08



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New England Patriots (9-2)	3	7	14	21	45
Detroit Lions (2-9)	7	10	7	0	24

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NE	Home: DET
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	20	25
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	4-8-50%	7-14-50%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-0-0%	2-3-67%
TOTAL NET YARDS	447	406
Total Offensive Plays	53	75
NET YARDS RUSHING	109	129
NET YARDS PASSING	338	277
PUNTS Number and Average	3-51.0	3-47.0
PENALTIES Number and Yards	5/50	8/66
FUMBLES Number and Lost	0/0	0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	6/6	3/3
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	1/1	1/2
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	4-5-80%	3-4-75%
TIME OF POSSESSION	28:55	31:05

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Patriots	1	5:00	S.Graham 19 yd. Field Goal (8-41, 3:59)	3	0
Lions	1	0:00	C.Johnson 19 yd. pass from Sh.Hill (D.Rayner kick) (11-71, 5:00)	3	7
Lions	2	5:58	M.Morris 1 yd. run (D.Rayner kick) (13-63, 6:24)	3	14
Patriots	2	0:45	B.Green-Ellis 15 yd. Run (S.Graham kick) (10-83, 5:13)	10	14
Lions	2	0:00	D.Rayner 44 yd. Field Goal (7-41, 0:45)	10	17
Patriots	3	10:58	W.Welker 5 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (4-26, 2:08)	17	17
Lions	3	6:50	M.Morris 1 yd. run (D.Rayner kick) (9-58, 4:08)	17	24
Patriots	3	5:12	D.Branch 79 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (3-87 1:38)	24	24
Patriots	4	13:45	D.Branch 22 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (5-64, 2:15)	31	24
Patriots	4	6:42	W.Welker 16 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (7-84, 4:25)	38	24
Patriots	4	3:14	B.Green-Ellis 1 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (4-12, 2:29)	45	24

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	12	59	4.9	15	2
D.Woodhead	8	32	4.0	9	0
B.Tate	1	17	17.0	17	0
T.Brady	4	1	0.3	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	27	21	341	1/3	4	79	0	158.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>1/3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>158.3</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
W.Welker	8	90	11.3	19	2
R.Gronkowski	5	65	13.0	26	0
D.Branch	3	113	37.7	79	2
D.Woodhead	2	13	6.5	8	0
A.Crumpler	1	27	27.0	27	0
A.Hernandez	1	18	18.0	18	0
S.Morris	1	15	15.0	15	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>4</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.McCourtney	2	73	36.5	50	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>36.5</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	3	153	51.0	1	1	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>51.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>53</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	3	47	15.7	0	28	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	3	69	17.3	0	26	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>

#### DETROIT LIONS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
M.Morris	9	55	6.1	17	2
A.Brown	13	36	2.8	7	0
Sh.Hill	4	23	5.8	13	0
C.Johnson	1	15	15.0	15	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
Sh.Hill	46	27	285	2/8	1	34	2	65.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>2/8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>65.9</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Pettigrew	5	67	13.4	24	0
M.Morris	5	20	4.0	6	0
C.Johnson	4	81	20.3	34	1
A.Brown	4	29	7.3	10	0
N.Burleson	3	35	11.7	20	0
B.Johnson	2	26	13.0	14	0
J.Felton	2	7	3.5	6	0
W.Heller	1	13	13.0	13	0
D.Williams	1	7	7.0	7	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
N.Harris	3	141	47.0	0	1	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>47.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>48</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
S.Logan	1	8	8.0	0	8	0
(DOWNED)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
(TOUHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
S.Logan	7	194	27.7	0	42	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>27.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>





# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS AT LIONS

## PATRIOTS 45, DETROIT 24

November 25, 2010 ★ Ford Field

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	3	7	14	21	45
Detroit Lions	7	10	7	0	24

The New England Patriots offense was too much for the Detroit Lions in a 45-24 victory in a Thanksgiving matchup that guaranteed the Patriots a winning record for the tenth consecutive season. The Patriots improved to a 9-2 record with the victory.

QB Tom Brady threw a season-high four touchdowns, all in the second half, and finished 21-of-27 for 341 yards for his second career perfect passer rating at 158.3.

Brady connected on two touchdown passes each to WR Wes Welker and WR Deion Branch, and RB BenJarvus Green Ellis scored on touchdowns runs of 15 yards and 1 yard to lift the offense to a season-high 45 points. On defense, LB Jerod Mayo led the team with 14 total tackles, and rookie CB Devin McCourty had his first two-interception game. Both of McCourty's interceptions were followed by long returns that helped set up touchdowns.

New England fell behind, 14-3, early in the first half and was behind, 17-10, at the break. After Green-Ellis scored on the 15-yard run to make it 14-10 with 53 seconds to play in the first half, Detroit managed to drive for a field goal to extend the lead.

After being stopped on their first drive of the second half, the Patriots rallied for five straight touchdown drives and outscored Detroit 35-7 in the second half.

In the third quarter, McCourty picked off a pass from QB Shaun Hill and returned it 23 yards to give the Patriots a first down at the Detroit 26-yard line. Two plays later, Brady connected with Welker on a 5-yard touchdown to tie the game at 17-17. Detroit responded with a touchdown drive to re-take the lead. But on the ensuing drive, Brady went deep to Branch for a 79-yard touchdown that tied the game at 24-24 heading into the fourth quarter.

Early in the final quarter, Brady threw the go-ahead touchdown on a 22-yarder to Branch for a 31-24 lead. The Patriots padded their lead with a 7-play, 84-yard drive that finished in a 16-yard touchdown pass from Brady to Welker.

The Patriots final touchdown was set up when McCourty returned his second interception 50 yards to the Detroit 20-yard line to set up a 1-yard scoring run by Green-Ellis.

### SUSTAINED SUCCESS: PATRIOTS TO HAVE WINNING RECORD FOR 10<sup>TH</sup> STRAIGHT SEASON

With their ninth win of the 2010 season, the Patriots guaranteed a winning record for the 10th straight season. The Patriots have now won nine or more games in 14 of the 17 seasons that Robert Kraft has owned the team. They are the first team to win more than half of their games in 10 straight seasons since free agency began in 1993. The Patriots are the fourth team to win more than half of their games in 10 straight seasons since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger, joining the 49ers (16 straight from 1983-1998), the Cowboys (16 straight from 1970-85), and the Raiders (11 straight from 1970-80). At the conclusion of the 2010 season, the Patriots will be the only NFL team to finish with a record of .500 or better in each of the last 10 years (2001-2010). Each of the other 31 NFL teams had at least one losing season between 2001 and 2009.

### BELICHICK LEADS TEAM TO 10<sup>TH</sup> STRAIGHT WINNING RECORD

Bill Belichick has led the Patriots to a winning record for 10 consecutive seasons. The only other NFL coach to have at least 10 consecutive winning seasons with one team since the 1970 merger was Tom Landry, who led the Dallas Cowboys to 16 consecutive winning seasons (1970-1985).

### BRADY SETS TEAM RECORD FOR MOST CONSECUTIVE PASS ATTEMPTS WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION

Tom Brady extended his streak to 199 consecutive pass attempts without an interception to break his old record of 183 consecutive pass attempts without an interception set in 2009. He entered the Detroit game with 172 consecutive pass attempts without an interception. His 199 pass attempts without an interception stretches from the overtime period vs. Baltimore (10/17) through the Detroit game. His last interception was on the last play of regulation vs. Baltimore (10/17). He broke the record with an 18-yard pass to TE Aaron Hernandez on a third-and-one play in the second quarter. Brady had previous streaks with 183, 175 and 173 consecutive pass attempts without an interception.

### BRADY HAS SIX STRAIGHT STARTS WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION TO TIE FRANCHISE RECORD

QB Tom Brady has now gone six straight starts without an interception, tying the franchise record for most consecutive starts without an interception. Tony Eason also had six straight starts without an interception in 1986.

### BRADY HAS HIS SECOND CAREER PERFECT PASSER RATING

Brady finished with a perfect rating after finishing 21-of-27 for 341 yards with four touchdowns and no interceptions for a 158.3 rating. It is the second time in his career that he has finished with a perfect rating. He also had a perfect rating on Oct. 21, 2007 at Miami. He is the sixth player ever to have more than one game with a perfect rating, joining Ben Roethlisberger (3), Peyton Manning (3), Kurt Warner (3), Ken O'Brien (2) and Craig Morton (2).

### DEION BRANCH HAS CAREER LONG

The 79-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady to Deion Branch is the longest reception of Branch's career. His previous best was a 66-yard touchdown pass from Brady at Denver on Nov. 3, 2003.

### BRANCH FINISHED WITH FOURTH CAREER 2-TD GAME

Branch scored on a 79-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter and a 22-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter. It is his fourth two-touchdown game of his career and second as a member of the Patriots. His last time with two-touchdowns in a game was Dec. 28, 2008 at Arizona while with Seattle. It is his first two-touchdown game as a member of the Patriots.

### BRANCH REGISTERS EIGHTH CAREER 100-YARD GAME

Branch finished the game with three receptions for 113 yards and two touchdowns for his eighth career 100-yard game and first of the season. It was his fifth 100-yard game as a member of the Patriots.

### DEVIN MCCOURTY RECORDS FIRST CAREER 2-INT. GAME AND INCREASES TOTAL TO FIVE

Rookie CB Devin McCourty registered his first career two-interception game and now has five interceptions for the season. The five interceptions are tied for the second most by a Patriots rookie. McCourty is the first Patriots rookie to have a two-interception game since Mike Haynes had three in a game on Nov. 21 1976 at the New York Jets.

### THREE WITH TWO-TDS, QB WITH 4 TDS AND A PERFECT RATING

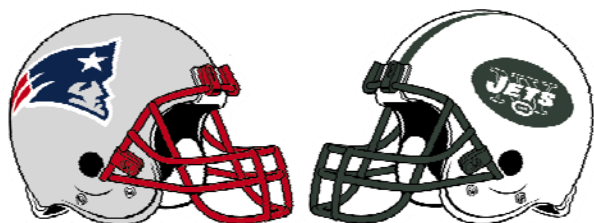
For the second time in team history the Patriots had three players finish with two touchdowns and a four-touchdown effort by the quarterback with a perfect rating. Wes Welker, Deion Branch and BenJarvus Green-Ellis each had two touchdowns and Tom Brady had four touchdowns with a perfect rating. On Oct. 29, 1978 the Patriots defeated the Jets 55-21. Harold Jackson, Horace Ivory and James McAlister each had two touchdowns in the win. Steve Grogan threw four touchdowns in the game and finished with a perfect rating.



# 2010 SEASON – GAME #12

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 45, NEW YORK JETS 3

Monday, Dec. 6, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. ★ 8:30 p.m. EST  
 Att: 68,756 ★ Surface: Field Turf ★ Weather: Cloudy and Cold ★ Temp: 27°F ★ Wind: W 16 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:54



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New York Jets (9-3)	0	3	0	0	3
New England Patriots (10-2)	17	7	7	14	45

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NYJ	Home: NE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	18	23
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	3-12-25%	4-10-40%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	2-3-67%	2-2-100%
TOTAL NET YARDS	301	405
Total Offensive Plays	65	58
NET YARDS RUSHING	152	101
NET YARDS PASSING	149	304
PUNTS Number and Average	3-30.7	3-46.7
PENALTIES Number and Yards	4/56	1/10
FUMBLES Number and Lost	1/0	0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	0/0	6/6
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	1/2	1/1
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	0-2-0%	5-5-100%
TIME OF POSSESSION	28:59	31:01

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Patriots	1	10:57	S.Graham 41 yd. Field Goal (9-52, 4:03)	0	3
Patriots	1	4:02	B.Green-Ellis 1 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (6-57, 2:48)	0	10
Patriots	1	1:01	D.Branch 25 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (4-32, 1:30)	0	17
Jets	2	12:14	N.Folk 39 yd. Field Goal (8-46, 3:47)	3	17
Patriots	2	8:15	B.Tate 4 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (7-67, 3:59)	3	24
Patriots	3	4:40	W.Welker 18 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (8-93, 4:35)	3	31
Patriots	4	14:57	A.Hernandez 1 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (8-94, 3:53)	3	38
Patriots	4	9:20	B.Green-Ellis 5 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (6-28, 3:26)	3	45

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### NEW YORK JETS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
S.Green	13	64	4.9	13	0
L.Tomlinson	10	47	4.7	14	0
M.Sanchez	4	20	5.0	11	0
J. McKnight	3	19	6.3	11	0
B.Smith	1	2	2.0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
M.Sanchez	33	17	164	1/15	0	24	3	27.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>1/15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>27.8</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
S.Holmes	7	72	10.3	22	0
D.Keller	3	27	9.0	15	0
B.Edwards	2	39	19.5	24	0
L.Tomlinson	2	14	7.0	8	0
J.Cotchery	2	9	4.5	7	0
S.Green	1	3	3.0	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
S.Weatherford	3	92	30.7	0	0	42
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>30.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.McKnight	1	18	18.0	0	18	0
S.Holmes	1	8	8.0	0	8	0
J.Cotchery	0	0	0.0	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Smith	7	140	20.0	0	29	0
J.Conner	1	18	18.0	0	18	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>0</b>

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	18	72	4.0	13	2
D.Woodhead	2	11	5.5	7	0
F.Taylor	4	9	2.3	6	0
B.Tate	1	6	6.0	6	0
T.Brady	1	3	3.0	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	29	21	326	3/22	4	50	0	148.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>3/22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>148.9</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
W.Welker	7	80	11.4	18	1
D.Woodhead	4	104	26.0	50	0
D.Branch	3	64	21.3	25	1
A.Hernandez	3	51	17.0	35	1
R.Gronkowski	1	12	12.0	12	0
B.Green-Ellis	1	7	7.0	7	0
S.Morris	1	4	4.0	4	0
B.Tate	1	4	4.0	4	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
J.Sanders	1	28	28.0	28	0
B.Spikes	1	5	5.0	5	0
D.McCourty	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	3	140	46.7	0	1	52
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>52</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	1	13	13.0	0	13	0
(DOWNED)	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	2	42	21.0	0	21	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS VS. JETS

## PATRIOTS 45, NEW YORK JETS 3

December 6, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
New York Jets	0	3	0	0	3
New England Patriots	17	7	7	14	45

The New England Patriots moved into sole possession of first place in the AFC East with a 45-3 romp over the New York Jets at Gillette stadium on Monday Night Football.

QB Tom Brady threw four touchdown passes and 326 yards in his NFL-record 26<sup>th</sup> straight regular-season home victory.

When Brady was not doing the damage, RB Danny Woodhead was. He registered his first 100-yard receiving game after finishing with four receptions for 104 yards. He turned a shuffle pass at the end of the third quarter into a 50-yard gain to help set up a fourth quarter touchdown. In the second quarter he turned a short pass into a 35-yard gain to get into Jets territory to set up a touchdown that gave New England a 24-3 lead.

The Patriots defense intercepted Jets QB Mark Sanchez on three straight series to start the second half, including two deep in New England territory. The Patriots converted all three turnovers into touchdown drives to take a commanding 45-3 lead in the fourth quarter.

The Jets opened the second half with a 10-play, 59-yard drive to the New England 9-yard line before rookie LB Brandon Spikes intercepted Sanchez to end the drive. On the ensuing drive, a 35-yard pass play from Brady to TE Aaron Hernandez helped position the Patriots for an 18-yard touchdown pass from Brady to WR Wes Welker. On the next series, Sanchez went deep, but rookie CB Devin McCourty intercepted the ball at the 6-yard line. The Patriots responded to that turnover with an 8-play, 94-yard drive that ended with a 1-yard touchdown pass from Brady to Hernandez early in the fourth quarter.

S James Sanders picked off a Sanchez pass on the next series and returned it 28 yards to the Jets' 28-yard line to help set up a 5-yard touchdown run by RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis for a 45-3 final.

The Patriots scored on their first four offensive drives to take a 24-3 halftime lead. After jumping to a 10-0 first quarter lead, the patriots faced a fourth-and-three situation from the New York 25-yard line. Head coach Bill Belichick elected to go for it and Brady responded with a 25-yard touchdown pass to WR Deion Branch for a 17-0 first quarter lead.

### BRADY HAS BACK-TO-BACK 4-TD GAMES

Tom Brady finished with four touchdown tosses for the second straight game, marking the second time in his career he has had four or more touchdown passes in consecutive games. Brady's only other back-to-back 4-plus touchdown games were in 2007, when he threw five touchdowns at Dallas (10/14/07) followed by six scores at Miami (10/21/07). Brady's four touchdown passes against the Jets marks the eighth time he has had two or more touchdown passes in 2010, including two or more touchdown tosses in five straight games. Brady is now 66-12 as a starter when throwing two or more touchdown passes in a game. The Patriots are now 14-0 when Brady throws for four or more touchdowns.

### BRADY BECOMES ONE OF JUST 14 NFL PLAYERS TO REACH 250 TOUCHDOWNS

Tom Brady's 4-yard touchdown to WR Brandon Tate in the second quarter was his 250th career touchdown pass. Brady became one of just 14 players in NFL history to throw for 250 or more touchdowns in a season.

### BRADY TIES BRADSHAW WITH HIS 107<sup>TH</sup> CAREER WIN

Tom Brady recorded his 107th career victory as a starting quarterback, tying Terry Bradshaw for 8th place all-time.

### STREAK GOES TO 4 WITHOUT A TURNOVER

The Patriots extended their streak to four straight games without a turnover, a Patriots single-season record.

## BRADY MOVES UP ON ALL-TIME TOUCHDOWN LIST WITH 252<sup>ND</sup> CAREER TD TOSS

Brady finished the game with 252 career touchdown passes, moving into 13th place on the all-time list. Brady passed Drew Bledsoe's career total of 251 touchdowns to move into 13th place. Brady took over sole possession of 13th place on a 1-yard touchdown pass to TE Aaron Hernandez in the fourth quarter. Dan Fouts ranks 12th all-time with 254 touchdown passes.

## GREEN-ELLIS SCORES 10<sup>TH</sup> AND 11<sup>TH</sup> RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS OF 2010

BenJarvus Green-Ellis scored his 10th rushing touchdown in 2010 on 1-yard run in the first quarter. He became the eighth player in Patriots history to record double digit rushing touchdowns and the first since Corey Dillon (13) in 2006. He added his 11<sup>th</sup> rushing touchdown of the season on a 5-yard run in the fourth quarter. Green-Ellis is the first undrafted rookie to score 10 or more rushing touchdowns in a season for the Patriots.

## MCCOURTY REGISTERS AN INTERCEPTION IN THIRD STRAIGHT GAME

Devin McCourty intercepted a pass for the third straight game. McCourty is the first Patriots player to intercept a pass in three straight games since Asante Samuel did it during a three-game stretch in 2007. Ty Law (1995) and Myron Guyton (1995) also had three straight games with an interception. The Patriots record for most consecutive games with an interception is four by Mike Haynes (1976).

## MCCOURTY IMPROVES HIS TOTAL TO SIX INTERCEPTIONS

Rookie CB Devin McCourty improved to six interceptions on the season. The six interceptions by a Patriots rookie are second to the eight by Mike Haynes in 1976.

## WOODHEAD HAS CAREER DAY WITH FIRST 100-YARD GAME

Danny Woodhead registered his first career 100-yard game after finishing with four receptions for 104 yards. Woodhead is the first New England running back to have a 100-yard receiving game since Kevin Faulk finished with eight receptions for 108 yards on Nov. 23, 2003 at Houston.

## WOODHEAD HAS TWO LONGEST RECEPTIONS OF HIS CAREER

Danny Woodhead had the two longest pass receptions of his career. He had a 35-yard reception in the second quarter and a 50-yard reception in the third quarter. His previous best was a 26-yard reception at Cleveland on Nov. 7, 2010. Woodhead's 50-yard reception is the longest by a Patriots running back since Corey Dillon had a 52-yard reception at Tennessee on Dec. 31, 2006.

## BRANDON SPIKES RECORDS HIS FIRST NFL INTERCEPTION

Brandon Spikes registered his first NFL interception when he picked off a Mark Sanchez pass at the New England 2-yard line in the third quarter to end a New York scoring threat. Spikes had six interceptions in college at Florida and set a school record by returning four of those for a touchdown.

## PATRIOTS HAVE BACK-TO-BACK 45-POINT GAMES

The Patriots had back-to-back 45-point games after finishing with 45 points against the Jets and 45 points last week at Detroit. The last time the Patriots had back-to-back 45-point games was in 2008 when they won 49-26 at Oakland (12/14) followed by a 47-7 win vs. Arizona (12/21). The Patriots' total of 90 points in the last two games is the fourth-highest point total for any two-game span in team history. The Patriots' team record for most points in a two-game span is 101, set in 2007 (a 49-point output at Miami was followed by a 52-point total against Washington).

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #13

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 36, CHICAGO BEARS 7

Sunday, Dec. 12, 2010 ★ Soldier Field, Chicago, IL. ★ 4:15 p.m. EST  
 Att: 62,347 ★ Surface: Grass ★ Weather: snow and windy ★ Temp: 26°F ★ Wind: NNW 53 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:50



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New England Patriots (11-2)	7	26	3	0	36
Chicago Bears (9-4)	0	0	7	0	7

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NE	Home: CHI
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	27	12
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	12-19-63%	3-8-38%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-1-0%	0-0-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	475	185
Total Offensive Plays	78	42
NET YARDS RUSHING	124	47
NET YARDS PASSING	351	138
PUNTS Number and Average	2-35.5	5-32.2
PENALTIES Number and Yards	4/43	4/30
FUMBLES Number and Lost	0/0	4/2
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	3/4	1/1
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	3/3	0/0
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	2-5-40%	1-2-50%
TIME OF POSSESSION	39:41	20:19

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Patriots	1	5:47	R.Gronkowski 7 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (12-85, 5:16)	7	0
Patriots	2	10:16	D.Woodhead 3 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (11-87, 4:44)	14	0
Patriots	2	9:56	G.Guyton 35 yd. fumble return (S.Graham kick)	21	0
Patriots	2	4:36	S.Graham 30 yd. Field Goal (7-18, 3:33)	24	0
Patriots	2	3:20	S.Graham 25 yd. Field Goal (4-2, 1:01)	27	0
Patriots	2	0:00	D.Branch 59 yd. pass from T.Brady (kick failed, wr) (5-80, 1:38)	33	0
Patriots	3	10:56	S.Graham 29 yd. Field Goal (7-52, 2:55)	36	0
Bears	3	8:43	C.Taylor 1 yd. run (R.Gould kick) (6-35, 2:13)	36	7

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	21	87	4.1	17	0
D.Woodhead	7	21	3.0	5	1
F.Taylor	3	16	5.3	10	0
S.Morris	1	2	2.0	2	0
B.Hoyer	3	-2	-0.7	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	40	27	369	3/18	2	59	0	113.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>3/18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>113.4</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Branch	8	151	18.9	59	1
W.Welker	8	115	14.4	24	0
R.Gronkowski	5	43	8.6	15	1
B.Tate	2	40	20.0	28	0
A.Hernandez	2	19	9.5	14	0
D.Woodhead	2	1	0.5	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
G.Guyton	1	13	13.0	13	0
B.Merliweather	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	2	71	35.5	1	0	38
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>35.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>38</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	2	43	21.5	0	42	0
(DOWNED)	3	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
S.Morris	1	18	18.0	0	18	0
(Touchback)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>

#### CHICAGO BEARS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
M.Forte	9	25	2.8	9	0
J.Cutler	2	21	10.5	14	0
C.Taylor	3	1	0.3	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
J.Cutler	26	12	152	2/14	0	33	2	32.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>2/14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>32.9</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
E.Bennett	3	53	17.7	33	0
M.Forte	2	36	18.0	30	0
D.Hester	2	17	8.5	12	0
J.Knox	2	16	8.0	19	0
D.Aromashodu	1	16	16.0	16	0
C.Taylor	1	8	8.0	8	0
G.Olsen	1	6	6.0	6	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
B.Maynard	5	161	32.2	0	2	38
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>32.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>38</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D.Hester	1	17	17.0	0	17	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D.Manning	4	124	31.0	0	40	0
D.Hester	2	74	37.0	0	61	0
R.Davis	1	-2	-2.0	0	-2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS AT BEARS

## PATRIOTS 36, CHICAGO 7

December 12, 2010 ★ Soldier Field

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	7	26	3	0	36
Chicago Bears	0	0	7	0	7

Neither the snow or the third-ranked Chicago defense could stop Tom Brady and the New England Patriots in a 36-7 victory at Soldier Field in wintery conditions. The game-time temperature was 26 degrees with snow and a 30-mile per hour wind. Brady threw for 369 yards and two touchdowns as the Patriots clinched a playoff berth for the 12<sup>th</sup> time in 17 years of ownership under Robert Kraft.

The win was the fifth straight for the Patriots, who improved to an 11-2 record. The Patriots wasted little time taking control of the game with a 26-point second quarter to jump to a 33-0 lead at the break. The win was the 174<sup>th</sup> for Bill Belichick, putting him in a tie for 10<sup>th</sup> place with Mike Holmgren.

Brady picked the Bears defense apart, completing 27-of-40 passes for 369 yards and improving to eight straight starts without an interception.

Deion Branch finished with eight receptions for a career-high 151 yards receiving, including a 59-yard touchdown reception from Brady on the last play of the second quarter. Wes Welker added 115 yards receiving as the Patriots generated 27 first downs and 475 total yards while holding the Bears to 185 total yards.

Chicago QB Jay Cutler struggled, completing just 12 completions with two interceptions deep in New England territory and one fumble. The Patriots defense forced two fumbles in the second quarter, including one by CB Devin McCourty that resulted in a touchdown when LB Gary Guyton picked up the loose ball and returned it 35 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter.

Brady engineered an 85-yard scoring drive that ended in a 7-yard touchdown strike to TE Rob Gronkowski in the first quarter. RB Danny Woodhead capped an 11-play, 87-yard drive in the second quarter with a 3-yard touchdown run. Twenty seconds later the Patriots made it 21-0 after McCourty stripped the ball away from WR Johnny Knox, allowing Guyton to recover the ball and run it 35 yards for a touchdown.

Later in the period, WR Julian Edelman returned a punt 42 yards to set up a field goal for a 24-0 lead. On the next series, LB Eric Moore forced a fumble on a sack that was recovered by LB Jerod Mayo at the Chicago 9-yard line to set up another field goal for a 27-0 lead. The Brady-to-Branch touchdown pass at the end of the first half gave New England a commanding 33-0 halftime lead.

### PATRIOTS CLINCH PLAYOFF BERTH

New England has now qualified for the playoffs 18 times in its 51-year history. The Patriots have earned 12 playoff berths in the 17 seasons since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994, a dramatic contrast to the six total playoff berths that the team earned in its first 34 years of existence.

### PATRIOTS ARE GOOD IN THE SNOW

The Patriots played the Bears under snowy conditions and improved to an 11-0 record under head coach Bill Belichick when playing in the snow. In the last three games played in the snow, the Patriots have outscored their opponents 142-14.

### GRONKOWSKI SCORES HIS SEVENTH TD OF 2010

Patriots rookie tight end Rob Gronkowski caught his seventh touchdown reception of the season on a 7-yard pass from QB Tom Brady in the first quarter. Gronkowski is chasing down WR Jim Colclough and WR Randy Vataha for the Patriots rookie receiving touchdown record of 9 touchdowns. Gronkowski ranks in the top five for total touchdowns among all Patriots rookies. He ranks third in NFL history for touchdowns by a rookie tight end. Only Mike Ditka (12) and Junior Miller (9) had more touchdowns as rookies.

### PATRIOTS EXTEND STREAK TO FIVE GAMES WITH 30 POINTS AND NO TURNOVERS

The Patriots have scored at least 30 points without committing a turnover in each of their past five games to extend their NFL record. Last week they became the first team to have at least 30 points without committing a turnover in four straight games.

### BRADY EXTENDS STREAK WITH AT LEAST TWO TOUCHDOWNS AND NO INTERCEPTIONS TO SIX TO TIE THE NFL MARK

Quarterback Tom Brady has thrown at least two touchdowns without an interception in each of his past six games to tie Don Meredith (1965-66) for the longest streak in league annals.

### GUYTON SCORES ON A 35-YARD FUMBLE RETURN

LB Gary Guyton returned a fumble 35 yards for a touchdown after CB Devin McCourty forced a fumble on a tackle in the second quarter. It is Guyton's second touchdown of the season. Guyton returned an interception 59 yards for a touchdown in the season-opening victory vs. Cincinnati (9/12). It is the first fumble returned for a touchdown by a New England player since Ellis Hobbs scored on a 35-yard fumble return at Buffalo on Nov. 18, 2007. It is the fourth defensive touchdown of the season for the Patriots. Guyton is the first Patriots player to score two defensive touchdowns in a season since LB Tedy Bruschi returned two interceptions for touchdowns in 2003.

### PATRIOTS HAVE SEVEN NON-OFFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS IN 2007

The Patriots have scored on seven touchdowns that were not offensive touchdowns in 2010. The Patriots returned three interceptions for a touchdown, returned two kickoffs for touchdowns, scored on one fumble return and one blocked field goal that was returned for a touchdown. The seven non-offensive touchdowns are second in the NFL to Arizona who has scored on nine non-offensive touchdowns.

### PATRIOTS SET NFL RECORD WITH FIVE GAMES WITHOUT A TURNOVER

The Patriots extended their streak to five straight games without a turnover to establish an NFL record. Last week, the Patriots established the team mark with their fourth straight game without a turnover.

### EDELMAN HAS CAREER-LONG 42-YARD PUNT RETURN

Julian Edelman had a career-long 42-yard punt return in the second quarter. His previous best was a 35-yarder vs. Tennessee on Oct. 18, 2009. Both of those punt returns were in snow games.

### ERIC MOORE FORCES A FUMBLE ON A SACK IN HIS DEBUT

Eric Moore forced a fumble on a 10-yard sack that was recovered by LB Jerod Mayo at the Chicago 9-yard line in the second quarter. Moore was playing in his first game as a member of the Patriots.

### BRANCH HAS NINTH 100-YARD GAME

Deion Branch scored on a 59-yard touchdown pass prior to the end of the first half to push him over 100 yards receiving for the day. He finished the game with 151 receiving yards. He had his first 100-yard day of 2010 at Detroit (11/25) with three receptions for 113 yards. It is his sixth 100-yard game as a member of the Patriots.

### BRANCH HAS CAREER-HIGH IN RECEIVING YARDS

Branch set a personal best with 151 receiving yards. His previous best was a 130-yard performance on Sept. 30, 2007 at San Francisco while he was with Seattle.

### PATRIOTS HAVE TWO PLAYERS REACH 100 YARDS RECEIVING

Wes Welker (115) and Deion Branch (151) both finished with over 100 yards receiving. It is the first time the Patriots have had a game with two 100-yard receivers since the game in the snow last season vs. Tennessee on Oct. 18, 2009.

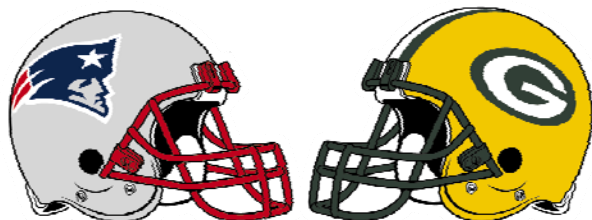


# 2010 SEASON – GAME #14

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 31, GREEN BAY PACKERS 27

Sunday, Dec. 19, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. ★ 8:20 p.m. EST

Att: 68,756 ★ Surface: Field Turf ★ Weather: Cloudy and Cold ★ Temp: 32°F ★ Wind: N 8 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:57



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
Green Bay Packers (8-6)	3	14	7	3	27
New England Patriots (12-2)	7	7	7	10	31

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: GB	Home: NE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	26	14
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	11-19-58%	4-10-40%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-1-0%	0-0-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	369	249
Total Offensive Plays	80	43
NET YARDS RUSHING	143	112
NET YARDS PASSING	226	136
PUNTS Number and Average	4-41.3	5-40.4
PENALTIES Number and Yards	2/15	7/52
FUMBLES Number and Lost	1/1	2/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	3/3	4/4
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	2/2	1/1
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	2-5-40%	2-2-100%
TIME OF POSSESSION	40:48	19:12

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Packers	1	8:45	M.Crosby 31 yd. Field Goal (11-40, 6:15)	3	0
Patriots	1	6:19	B.Green-Ellis 33 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (7-73, 2:36)	3	7
Packers	2	14:51	J.Jones 66 yd. pass from M.Flynn (M.Crosby kick) (3-69, 1:01)	10	7
Packers	2	2:17	G.Jennings 1 yd. pass from M.Flynn (M.Crosby kick) (13-82, 6:26)	17	7
Patriots	2	1:08	A.Hernandez 2 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (3-4, 1:09)	17	14
Patriots	3	12:04	K.Arrington 36 yd. interception return (S.Graham kick)	17	21
Packers	3	5:08	J.Kuhn 6 yd. pass from M.Flynn (M.Crosby kick) (13-69, 6:56)	24	21
Packers	4	13:49	M.Crosby 19 yd. Field Goal (11-53, 5:05)	27	21
Patriots	4	11:05	S.Graham 38 yd. Field Goal (7-53, 2:44)	27	24
Patriots	4	7:14	A.Hernandez 10 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (6-63, 2:24)	27	31

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### GREEN BAY PACKERS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Jackson	22	99	4.5	12	0
J.Kuhn	6	21	3.5	7	0
M.Flynn	3	13	4.3	9	0
D.Nance	6	11	1.8	4	0
G.Jennings	1	-1	-1.0	-1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
M.Flynn	37	24	251	5/25	3	66	1	100.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>5/25</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100.2</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
J.Jones	5	95	19.0	66	1
G.Jennings	4	30	7.5	16	1
D.Driver	3	31	10.3	16	0
J.Kuhn	3	27	9.0	12	1
D.Nance	2	16	8.0	11	0
Q.Johnson	2	15	7.5	11	0
A.Quarless	2	12	6.0	10	0
J.Nelson	1	16	16.0	16	0
B.Swain	1	6	6.0	6	0
B.Jackson	1	3	3.0	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
T.Masthay	4	165	41.3	0	2	58
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>41.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>58</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
T.Williams	4	26	6.5	0	14	0
(DOWNED)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
S.Shields	6	128	21.3	0	45	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>21.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0</b>

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Woodhead	9	59	6.6	14	0
B.Green-Ellis	6	38	6.3	33	1
A.Hernandez	1	16	16.0	16	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	24	15	163	3/27	2	35	0	110.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>3/27</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110.2</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
A.Hernandez	4	31	7.8	13	2
W.Welker	3	42	14.0	35	0
D.Branch	2	33	16.5	17	0
B.Green-Ellis	2	12	6.0	9	0
R.Gronkowski	1	25	25.0	25	0
D.Woodhead	1	12	12.0	12	0
B.Tate	1	5	5.0	5	0
A.Crumpler	1	3	3.0	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
K.Arrington	1	36	36.0	36	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	5	202	40.4	0	1	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>40.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>48</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	3	11	3.7	0	7	0
W.Welker	0	0	0.0	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
A.Crumpler	2	6	3.0	0	4	0
D.Connolly	1	71	71.0	0	71	0
B.Tate	1	20	20.0	0	20	0
(TOUCHBACK)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>0</b>





# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS VS. PACKERS

## PATRIOTS 31, GREEN BAY 27

December 19, 2010 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
Green Bay Packers	3	14	7	3	27
New England Patriots	7	7	7	10	31

The New England Patriots increased their winning streak to six straight wins with a 31-27 victory over the Green Bay Packers on Sunday Night Football to improve to a 12-2 record.

QB Tom Brady threw two touchdown passes and G Dan Connolly set an NFL record with the longest kickoff return by an offensive lineman with a 71-yard return at the end of the first half to set up a touchdown.

The Patriots defense had their hands full with Packers backup quarterback Matt Flynn, who filled in for an injured Aaron Rodgers. Flynn finished 24-of-37 passes for 251 yards and three touchdown passes.

With 1:05 left in the game, Green Bay had a 1st-and-10 situation from the Patriots' 24-yard line trailing, 31-27. The Patriots defense then came up with two sacks on the game's final four plays to put the game away. Rookie LB Dane Fletcher sacked Flynn for an 8-yard loss on first down. Two plays later, LB Tully Banta-Cain sacked Flynn for a 2-yard loss on fourth-down, the final play of the game.

The game got off to an inauspicious start for the Patriots. Green Bay recovered an onside kick on the opening kick of the game to set up a field goal. The Patriots responded with a 73-yard drive that ended in a 33-yard touchdown run by RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis to take a 7-3 first quarter lead.

Green Bay took a 17-7 lead in the second quarter on a 66-yard touchdown pass from Flynn to WR James Jones and a 1-yard touchdown pass from Flynn to Greg Jennings.

In an effort to avoid kicking to Brandon Tate, the Packers tried a squib kick on the ensuing kickoff. Connolly picked up the ball and ran 71 yards to the Green Bay 4-yard line. Three plays later, Brady connected with TE Aaron Hernandez on a 2-yard touchdown to close the Green Bay lead to 17-14 at the break.

CB Kyle Arrington picked off a Flynn pass on the first series in the third quarter and returned the interception 36 yards for a touchdown to give the Patriots a 21-17 lead. The lead was short lived with Green Bay responding with a 13-play, 69-yard drive that ended with a 6-yard touchdown pass from Flynn to RB John Kuhn to reclaim the lead at 24-21 heading into the fourth quarter.

After both teams exchanged field goals in the fourth quarter for a 27-24 Green Bay lead, the Patriots took a 31-27 lead with Brady's second touchdown pass of the day to Hernandez on a 10-yard scoring pass with 7:14 to play.

### DAN CONNOLLY HAS THE LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN EVER BY AN OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Dan Connolly returned a kickoff 71 yards to the 4-yard line in the second quarter. According to Elias Sports Bureau, it is the longest kickoff return by an offensive lineman in NFL history. The run by Connolly topped the 48-yard touchdown return by Atlanta's Mal Snyder in 1969. The previous longest kickoff return for a Patriots offensive lineman was a 27-yard return by G Stephen Neal on Nov. 30, 2008 vs. Pittsburgh. Connolly's previous best was a 16-yard return vs. Miami on Nov. 8, 2009. Connolly's return set up a 2-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady to Aaron Hernandez that cut the Packers' lead to 17-14.

### GREEN-ELLIS HAS LONGEST RUN OF HIS CAREER

BenJarvus Green-Ellis' 33-yard touchdown run in the first quarter was the longest run of his career. His previous best was a 29-yard run vs. Tennessee (10/18/09). His previous longest touchdown run was a 15-yard touchdown run at Detroit (11/25/10).

## PATRIOTS HAVE NOW DEFEATED EVERY NFL TEAM AT GILLETTE STADIUM

With the Patriots' win over the Packers, New England has now defeated all 31 other NFL teams at Gillette Stadium since the venue opened in 2002. In their only previous visit to Gillette Stadium, on Oct. 13, 2002, the Packers defeated the Patriots, 28-10.

## BRADY SETS NFL RECORD WITH AT LEAST TWO TOUCHDOWNS AND NO INTERCEPTIONS IN SEVENTH STRAIGHT GAME

Quarterback Tom Brady has set an NFL record by throwing at least two touchdowns without an interception in each of his past seven games. Brady passed Don Meredith's previous record of six straight games with two or more touchdowns and no interceptions (1965-66).

## KYLE ARRINGTON SCORES ON A 36-YARD INTERCEPTION RETURN

Kyle Arrington registered his first NFL interception and returned it 36 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter. Arrington's interception return was his second touchdown of 2010. He scored when he returned a blocked field goal 35 yards for a touchdown at Miami on Oct. 4.

## TWO SACKS IN TWO GAMES FOR MOORE

DL Eric Moore was credited with a 6-yard sack in the first quarter. Last week at Chicago, Moore made his Patriots debut and forced a fumble on a 10-yard sack in the third quarter.

## BRADY REACHES 30 TOUCHDOWNS FOR SECOND TIME IN HIS CAREER

Brady reached 30 touchdown passes for the year on a 2-yard touchdown pass to TE Aaron Hernandez in the second quarter. Brady now has two 30-touchdown seasons. He set an NFL record with 50 touchdown passes in 2007. He is one of just 12 NFL players since the 1970 merger to have at least two 30-touchdown seasons. The only other Patriot quarterback to have a 30-touchdown season was Vito (Babe) Parilli in 1964 with 31 touchdown passes.

## ROOKIE TIGHT ENDS MAKE AN IMPACT

Rob Gronkowski leads all rookie tight ends with seven touchdown catches, while Aaron Hernandez ranks second with six after catching a 2-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady against Green Bay in the second quarter and a 10-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter. Hernandez and Gronkowski are the first pair of rookie tight end teammates with at least five touchdown receptions in the same season in NFL history.

## HERNANDEZ HAS HIS SECOND TWO-TD GAME

Hernandez recorded his second two-touchdown game with a 2-yard touchdown pass from Brady in the second quarter and a 10-yard touchdown pass from Brady in the fourth quarter. He also had a two-touchdown game at Cleveland on Nov. 7.

## BRADY TALLIES 31<sup>ST</sup> CAREER COMEBACK

Brady engineered his 31st career game-winning performance to lead his team to a victory from a fourth quarter deficit. The Patriots trailed Green Bay 27-21 following Mason Crosby's 19-yard field goal with 13:49 left in the game. From there, Brady completed five of six passes for 82 yards and a touchdown in leading the Patriots on a field goal drive and a touchdown drive that produced a 31-27 New England lead with 7:14 remaining in the game. From there, the Patriots defense kept the Packers off of the scoreboard to preserve the 31-27 victory.

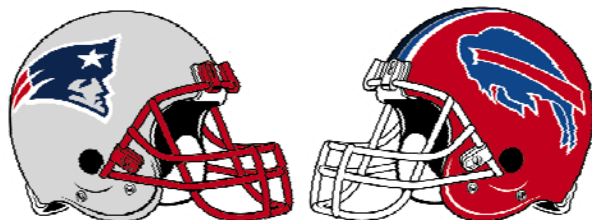
## MCCOURTY RECORDS FIRST NFL SACK

Devin McCourty recorded his first career sack, bringing down Matt Flynn for a 4-yard loss on first down in the fourth quarter, starting off a defensive series in which the Patriots forced a key three-and-out while trailing 27-24.

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #15

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 34, BUFFALO BILLS 3

Sunday, Dec. 26, 2010 ★ Ralph Wilson Stadium, Orchard Park, NY. ★ 1:00 p.m. EST  
 Att: 68,281 ★ Surface: Turf ★ Weather: cloudy and snow flurries ★ Temp: 22°F ★ Wind: NE 16 mph ★ Time of Game: 3:00



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
New England Patriots (13-2)	7	17	7	3	34
Buffalo Bills (4-11)	3	0	0	0	3

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: NE	Home: BUF
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	20	16
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	8-17-47%	3-10-30%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-1-0%	1-3-33%
TOTAL NET YARDS	348	369
Total Offensive Plays	69	60
NET YARDS RUSHING	217	125
NET YARDS PASSING	131	244
PUNTS Number and Average	5-41.2	2-34.0
PENALTIES Number and Yards	6/40	6/40
FUMBLES Number and Lost	0/0	4/4
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	4/4	0/0
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	2/2	1/1
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	3-5-60%	0-3-0%
TIME OF POSSESSION	32:30	27:30

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Bills	1	10:08	R.Lindell 26 yd. Field Goal (10-64, 4:52)	0	3
Patriots	1	3:46	D.Woodhead 29 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (4-48, 1:47)	7	3
Patriots	2	12:27	R.Gronkowski 8 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (9-80, 4:25)	14	3
Patriots	2	3:57	S.Graham 34 yd. Field Goal (10-52, 3:35)	17	3
Patriots	2	0:33	A.Crumpler 4 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (7-27, 1:51)	24	3
Patriots	3	11:27	R.Gronkowski 8 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (3-11, 0:44)	31	3
Patriots	4	10:15	S.Graham 26 yd. Field Goal (11-47, 5:53)	34	3

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	19	104	5.5	15	0
D.Woodhead	13	93	7.2	29	1
T.Brady	3	13	4.3	7	0
B.Tate	1	12	12.0	12	0
B.Hoyer	4	-2	-0.5	1	0
F.Taylor	1	-3	-3.0	-3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	27	15	140	1/9	3	23	0	107.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>1/9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>107.0</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
R.Gronkowski	4	54	13.5	23	2
D.Woodhead	3	32	10.7	15	0
W.Welker	3	19	6.3	9	0
D.Branch	2	25	12.5	15	0
A.Crumpler	1	4	4.0	4	1
S.Morris	1	3	3.0	3	0
B.Green-Ellis	1	3	3.0	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
P.Chung	1	19	19.0	19	0
J.Page	1	0	0.0	0	0
D.Fletcher	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	5	206	41.2	0	3	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>41.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>48</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	0	0	0.0	1	0	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
S.Morris	1	23	23.0	0	23	0
B.Tate	1	16	16.0	0	16	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>

#### BUFFALO BILLS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
F.Jackson	13	81	6.2	27	0
C.Spiller	6	30	5.0	7	0
R.Fitzpatrick	2	14	7.0	14	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
R.Fitzpatrick	37	18	251	2/7	0	41	3	37.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>2/7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>37.1</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
St.Johnson	5	58	11.6	16	0
D.Jones	5	54	10.8	40	0
N.Roosevelt	4	74	18.5	30	0
C.Spiller	2	54	27.0	41	0
F.Jackson	2	11	5.5	8	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
B.Moorman	2	68	34.0	0	0	36
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>34.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
C.Spiller	1	0	0.0	2	0	0
(DOWNED)	2	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
C.Spiller	5	84	16.8	0	22	0
N.Roosevelt	2	31	15.5	0	16	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>



# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS AT BILLS

## PATRIOTS 34, BUFFALO 3

December 26, 2010 ★ Ralph Wilson Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	7	17	7	3	34
Buffalo Bills	3	0	0	0	3

The New England Patriots clinched the AFC East Championship and the AFC's top seed, including home-field advantage throughout the playoffs, with a 34-3 victory over the Buffalo Bills.

Tom Brady threw three touchdowns, including two to rookie TE Rob Gronkowski, and extended his streak of pass attempts without an interception to an NFL-record 319. Brady finished 15 of 27 for 140 yards and had his eighth straight game with two or more scores.

Alge Crumpler scored on a 4-yard pass from Brady, and RB Danny Woodhead scored on a 29-yard touchdown run. K Shayne Graham connected on two field goals as the Patriots won their seventh straight and had their seventh straight game with 30 or more points.

After taking a 3-0 lead, Buffalo's next 11 drives ended with four fumbles, three interceptions and two failed fourth-down attempts. The four fumble recoveries tied a Patriots record, and the seven total turnovers are tied for the third-best in team history.

Later in the first quarter, LB Gary Guyton forced a fumble on a 3-yard sack that was recovered by LB Jerod Mayo at the New England 17-yard line. A 23-yard pass from Brady to Gronkowski helped set up an 8-yard touchdown pass from Brady to Gronkowski for a 14-3 lead in the second quarter. After a 34-yard field goal by Graham put the Patriots in front, 17-3, S Patrick Chung picked off a Buffalo pass and returned it 19 yards to give the Patriots a first down at the Buffalo 27-yard line. Brady connected with Crumpler on a 4-yard touchdown to end that drive and make it 24-3 at the break.

S Jarrad Page ended Buffalo's first drive in the second half when he picked off a pass at the Buffalo 21-yard line. The Patriots converted the turnover into an 8-yard touchdown pass from Brady to Gronkowski to extend their lead to 31-3. Buffalo

Rookie LB Dane Fletcher was credited with two turnovers. He recovered a Buffalo fumble at the Buffalo 34-yard line in the third quarter and then intercepted a Buffalo pass in the end zone in the fourth quarter.

## GRONKOWSKI SCORED HIS 8<sup>TH</sup> AND 9<sup>TH</sup> TOUCHDOWN OF THE SEASON

Patriots rookie tight end Rob Gronkowski caught his eighth touchdown reception of the season on a 8-yard pass from QB Tom Brady in the second quarter and his ninth touchdown on an 8-yard touchdown pass from Brady in the third quarter. Gronkowski tied WR Jim Colclough and WR Randy Vataha for the Patriots rookie receiving touchdown record of 9 touchdowns. Gronkowski ranks tied for third in total touchdowns among all Patriots rookies. He ranks tied for second in NFL history for touchdowns by a rookie tight end with Junior Miller. Only Mike Ditka (12) had more touchdowns as rookies.

## BRADY SETS NFL RECORD FOR MOST CONSECUTIVE ATTEMPTS WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION

Tom Brady extended his interception-free streak to 319 consecutive pass attempts without an interception, setting an NFL record for the most consecutive pass attempts without an interception. Brady passed Bernie Kosar, who had 308 attempts.

## PATRIOTS FINISH 6-2 ON THE ROAD

With the win over Buffalo, the Patriots closed out the 2010 season with a 6-2 road record. Last season, the Patriots were 2-6 on the road.

## SERIES SUCCESS

The Patriots extended their win streak to 15 games over the Buffalo Bills. It is the third longest in NFL history against a series opponent.

## DANNY WOODHEAD HAS THIRD 20-YARD TOUCHDOWN RUN OF 2010

RB Danny Woodhead scored on a 29-yard touchdown run in the first quarter, marking his third touchdown run of 20 or more yards. He had a career-high 36-yard touchdown run vs. Indianapolis (11/21) and scored his first NFL touchdown on a 22-yard run vs. Buffalo (9/26). It is his fifth rushing touchdown of 2010 and sixth touchdown of 2010 overall.

## WOODHEAD SET CAREER-HIGH IN RUSHING YARDS

Woodhead finished with a career-high 93 yards rushing on 13 attempts for a 7.2-yard average. His previous best was 69 yards rushing vs. Indianapolis (11/21).

## WOODHEAD SET CAREER-HIGH IN TOTAL OFFENSIVE YARDS

Woodhead set a career-high with 125 yards of total offense (93 rushing and 32 receiving). His previous best was 115 vs. Baltimore (10/17) (63 rushing and 52 receiving) and 115 vs. NY Jets (12/6) (11 rushing and 104 receiving).

## PATRIOTS RUSH FOR 200 YARDS IN BOTH GAMES AGAINST BUFFALO

The Patriots finished with 217 yards rushing against Buffalo and have now rushed for over 200 yards in both games against Buffalo in 2010. In the first meeting on Sept. 26, the Patriots gained exactly 200 yards rushing. In 2008 the Patriots had two games with 200 or more rushing yards with 257 vs. Denver (10/20/08) and 277 at Oakland (12/14/08). New England has rushed for 200 or more yards in a game twice or more in a single season 14 times in team history.

## THE PATRIOTS FORCE SEVEN TURNOVERS

The seven turnovers are tied for the third most in a game by the Patriots. The Patriots record for most turnovers in a game is 10 at the New York Jets (11/21/76). The Patriots had eight turnovers vs. Houston (11/1/63) and vs. Buffalo (11/7/76) and also had seven vs. NY Jets (9/27/64), vs. Denver (11/6/66) and at LA Rams (12/11/83).

## PATRIOTS RECOVER FOUR FUMBLES TO TIE TEAM RECORD

The Patriots recorded four fumbles in the win against Buffalo to tie a team record. It is the third time that the Patriots have recovered four fumbles in a game. The last time the Patriots recovered four fumbles was on Sept. 14, 2003 against Philadelphia. The Patriots also recovered four fumbles on Oct. 20, 1996 against Indianapolis.

## GREEN-ELLIS GOES OVER 100 YARDS

RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis registered his third career 100-yard rushing game and the second of the 2010 season when he gained 104 yards rushing against Buffalo. His other 100-yard game in 2010 was 112 yards rushing vs. Minnesota (10/31). His first career 100-yard game was 105 yards vs. Buffalo on Nov. 9, 2008 during his rookie season.

## ROOKIE DANE FLETCHER RECORDS FIRST NFL INTERCEPTION

Dane Fletcher recorded his first career interception when he picked off a Buffalo pass in the end zone in the fourth quarter. Fletcher also recovered a fumble in the third quarter.

## RYAN WENDELL MAKES FIRST CAREER START

Ryan Wendell made his first NFL start when he lined up at right guard in place of the injured Dan Connolly.

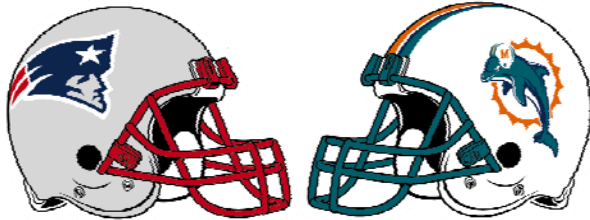
## PATRIOTS EXTEND STREAK TO SEVEN STRAIGHT GAMES WITH 30+ POINTS AND NO TURNOVERS

The Patriots have scored at least 30 points without committing a turnover in each of their past seven games to extend their NFL record. No other team in NFL history has had 30+ points and no turnovers in more than three straight games.

# 2010 SEASON – GAME #16

## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS 38, MIAMI DOLPHINS 7

Sunday, Jan. 2, 2011 ★ Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. ★ 1:00 p.m. EST  
 Att: 68,756 ★ Surface: Field Turf ★ Weather: Cloudy and Rain ★ Temp: 47°F ★ Wind: W 5 mph ★ Time of Game: 2:56



### SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	F
Miami Dolphins (7-9)	0	0	0	7	7
New England Patriots (14-2)	14	10	14	0	38

### TEAM STATISTICS

	Visitor: MIA	Home: NE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	16	24
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	4-13-31%	11-17-65%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-1-0%	0-2-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	250	502
Total Offensive Plays	58	74
NET YARDS RUSHING	44	181
NET YARDS PASSING	206	321
PUNTS Number and Average	6-48.0	2-48.0
PENALTIES Number and Yards	5/40	5/72
FUMBLES Number and Lost	1/1	1/1
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	1/1	5/5
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	0/1	1/1
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	0-0-0%	3-6-50%
TIME OF POSSESSION	23:41	36:19

### SCORING PLAYS

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Patriots	1	10:36	R.Gronkowski 13 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (6-47, 2:29)	0	7
Patriots	1	4:12	B.Green-Ellis 1 yd. run (S.Graham kick) (4-70, 1:51)	0	14
Patriots	2	1:41	S.Graham 28 yd. Field Goal (8-49, 2:48)	0	17
Patriots	2	0:18	J.Edelman 94 yd. punt return (S.Graham kick)	0	24
Patriots	3	11:30	A.Crumpler 10 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Graham kick) (7-78, 3:30)	0	31
Patriots	3	6:33	B.Tate 42 yd. pass from B.Hoyer (S.Graham kick) (8-85, 3:42)	0	38
Dolphins	4	2:11	D.Bess 21 yd. pass from T.Thigpen (D.Carpenter kick) (5-80, 0:37)	7	38

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### MIAMI DOLPHINS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
T.Thigpen	3	21	7.0	9	0
R.Brown	6	14	2.3	10	0
R.Williams	6	5	0.8	3	0
L.Polite	1	4	4.0	4	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Thigpen	21	10	169	2/11	1	35	0	91.2
C.Henne	16	6	71	3/23	0	20	1	25.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>5/34</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>62.9</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Marshall	5	97	19.4	35	0
R.Brown	3	39	13.0	20	0
D.Bess	3	35	11.7	21	1
M.Moore	2	46	23.0	29	0
R.Wallace	2	16	8.0	9	0
L.Polite	1	7	7.0	7	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>1</b>
J.Nelson	1	16	16.0	16	0
B.Swain	1	6	6.0	6	0
B.Jackson	1	3	3.0	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
NONE					

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
B.Fields	6	288	48.0	0	4	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>61</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D.Bess	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
P.Cobbs	6	103	17.2	0	23	0
M.Moore	1	34	34.0	0	34	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>19.6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>

#### NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	20	80	4.0	11	1
F.Taylor	10	35	3.5	8	0
D.Woodhead	2	19	9.5	19	0
S.Morris	5	18	3.6	7	0
T.Clayton	6	17	2.8	5	0
J.Edelman	1	13	13.0	13	0
B.Hoyer	1	-1	-1.0	-1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
T.Brady	16	10	199	0/0	2	40	0	145.6
B.Hoyer	13	7	122	0/0	1	42	0	111.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>131.5</b>

PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
R.Gronkowski	6	102	17.0	28	1
J.Edelman	3	72	24.0	40	0
T.Price	3	41	13.7	18	0
B.Tate	2	82	41.0	42	1
A.Crumpler	1	10	10.0	10	1
S.Morris	1	8	8.0	8	0
B.Green-Ellis	1	6	6.0	6	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>3</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.McCourt	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG
Z.Mesko	2	96	48.0	0	1	49
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>49</b>

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
J.Edelman	4	112	28.0	2	94	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
B.Tate	1	23	23.0	0	23	0
(OUT OF BOUNDS)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>





# GAME NOTES: PATRIOTS VS. DOLPHINS

## PATRIOTS 38, MIAMI 7

January 2, 2011 ★ Gillette Stadium

	1	2	3	4	Final
<b>Miami Dolphins</b>	0	0	0	7	7
<b>New England Patriots</b>	14	10	14	0	38

Quarterback Tom Brady threw two touchdown passes as the Patriots won their eighth straight game with a 38-7 victory over the Miami Dolphins. It also marked the eighth straight game that the Patriots scored over 30 points to tie an NFL record set by St. Louis in 2000 and the Patriots in 2007. Brady extended his record to nine straight games with two touchdowns and no interceptions.

The game meant nothing in the standings since the Patriots had already locked up the top seed in the AFC Playoff Field. Still, Brady played into the third quarter and finished the season with 36 touchdowns passing and just four interceptions. He extended his NFL records to 335 straight passes without an interception and 28 consecutive regular-season wins as a starter at home.

The Patriots jumped out to a 14-0 first quarter lead, a 24-0 lead at halftime and were in front 38-0 before Miami finally got on the board with just over two minutes to play.

Rookie CB Devin McCourty intercepted Miami on the first series at the Dolphins' 47-yard line to help position the Patriots for a 13-yard touchdown pass from Brady to TE Rob Gronkowski. McCourty finished his rookie season seven interceptions, while Gronkowski finished with ten receiving touchdowns.

Brady connected with WR Julian Edelman on passes of 22 yards and 40 yards to help get in position for a 1-yard touchdown run by RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis for a 14-0 first quarter lead. Green-Ellis finished with 80 yards to give him his first 1,000-yard season with 1,008.

Shayne Graham, who finished the 2010 regular season a perfect 12-for-12 on field goals, drilled a 28-yarder in the second quarter to extend the Patriots lead to 17-0. Graham became the first player in Patriots history who attempted 10 or more field goals to be successful on all of his field goal attempts.

Edelman set a franchise record with a 94-yard punt return prior to the half to give New England a 24-0 first half lead.

Brady opened the third quarter with a 7-play, 78-yard drive that ended in a 10-yard touchdown pass to TE Alge Crumpler before backup QB Brian Hoyer entered the game. Hoyer culminated his first drive with his first touchdown pass, a 44-yarder to WR Brandon Tate for a 38-0 lead.

### BILL BELICHICK'S WINNING WAYS

New England head coach Bill Belichick has guided the Patriots to an NFL-best 14-2 record this season. Belichick is the first head coach ever to win at least 14 regular-season games in four separate seasons. Only four other coaches — San Francisco's George Seifert (3), Washington's Joe Gibbs (2), Chicago's Mike Ditka (2) and Miami's Don Shula (2) — have more than one 14-win season.

### PATRIOTS SET NFL RECORD FOR FEWEST TURNOVERS IN A 16-GAME SEASON

The Patriots had just 10 turnovers in 2010 (5 interceptions and 5 fumbles), setting an NFL record for fewest turnovers in a season. The previous NFL record for fewest turnovers in a season was 12 by Kansas City in the strike-shortened 1982 season. The previous record for fewest turnovers in a 16-game season was 13 by the Giants and Dolphins in 2008. The former Patriots record for fewest turnovers in a season was 15 in 2007 (9 interceptions and 6 fumbles).

### PATRIOTS FINISH EIGHT IN NFL HISTORY WITH 65 TOUCHDOWNS

The Patriots scored 65 touchdowns in 2010, a total that ranks as the eighth-highest total in NFL history. New England set the league record with 75 touchdowns in 2007.

### PATRIOTS TIE NFL RECORD FOR FEWEST INTERCEPTIONS IN A SEASON

The Patriots had just five passes intercepted in 2010, tying the NFL mark for fewest interceptions in a single season. New England attempted 507 passes in 2010, with just five resulting in interceptions. The other teams to have only five interceptions in a season were the 1960 Cleveland Browns, the 1966 Green Bay Packers, the 1990 Kansas City Chiefs and the 1990 New York Giants.

### PATRIOTS CLOSE OUT THE 2010 SEASON PERFECT AT HOME

The Patriots finished with a perfect 8-0 regular-season record at Gillette Stadium for the second consecutive season. New England has now finished perfect at home five times in team history (2003, 2004, 2007, 2009 and 2010). The Patriots are the only team in the NFL to finish undefeated at home in 2010. New England has won 17 straight regular-season home games, with its last home loss coming on Nov. 30, 2008 against Pittsburgh. The Patriots' 17 straight home wins marks the longest current streak in the NFL and the second longest in franchise history, trailing only the Patriots' 18 straight home wins from 2002-2005. The Patriots own a 60-12 regular-season record at Gillette Stadium since the facility opened in 2002.

### EDELMAN SETS FRANCHISE RECORD WITH A 94-YARD PUNT RETURN FOR A TOUCHDOWN

WR Julian Edelman set a franchise record with a 94-yard punt return for a touchdown in the second quarter. The Patriots' previous longest punt return was an 89-yard touchdown return by Mike Haynes vs. Buffalo on Nov. 7, 1976. It is the first punt return for a touchdown by the Patriots since Troy Brown had a 68-yard return at Carolina on Jan. 6, 2002.

### GREEN-ELLIS GOES OVER 1,000 YARDS

RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis finished the 2010 season with 1,008 rushing yards, becoming the first Patriots player to top the 1,000-yard rushing mark since Corey Dillon had a team-record 1,635 rushing yards in 2004. Green-Ellis is the 11th New England player to record a 1,000-yard rushing season. Green-Ellis recorded his 1,000 yard season without fumbling the ball all year, joining Ray Rice as the only NFL backs with at least 175 rushing attempts and no fumbles this season. Green-Ellis and Rice are the first running backs to have a 1,000-yard season without a fumble since DeAngelo Williams had a 1,000-yard season without a fumble in 2008.

### GRONKOWSKI SCORED HIS 10<sup>TH</sup> TOUCHDOWN OF THE SEASON

Patriots rookie tight end Rob Gronkowski caught his 10th touchdown reception of the season on a 13-yard pass from QB Tom Brady in the first quarter. Gronkowski set a Patriots rookie record for receiving touchdowns in a season, moving past WR Jim Colclough and WR Randy Vataha, who each had nine. Gronkowski ranks second in NFL history for touchdowns by a rookie tight end. Only Mike Ditka (12) had more touchdowns as a rookie tight end. Gronkowski's 10 touchdowns are the highest single-season total by a Patriots tight end in franchise history. Gronkowski is only the fourth Patriots player to record 10 or more touchdown receptions in a season, joining Randy Moss (3 times), Stanley Morgan (2) and Jim Colclough (1).

### WOODHEAD SET TEAM MARK FOR RUSHING AVERAGE

Danny Woodhead finished the season with 97 rushes for 551 yards, with his average of 5.68 yards per carry setting a new team record (minimum 90 rushing attempts). Woodhead topped Don Calhoun's previous team mark of 5.59 yards per carry in 1976 (129 attempts for 721 yards).

### WILFORK CREDITED WITH TWO SACKS

Wilfork had his first NFL two-sack game. Wilfork sacked Chad Henne for losses of nine yards and six yards in third-quarter possession.