

PHILADELPHIA



EAGLES

13-3 • 2-0

OFFENSE

Total yards (avg.)
Regular season: 365.8

233.6	132.2
Passing	Rushing

Postseason: 395.0

292.0	103.0
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First downs
Regular season: 338

108	193	37
Rushing	Passing	Penalty

Postseason: 49

3	15	31
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DEFENSE
Yards allowed (avg.)
Regular season: 306.5

227.3	79.2
Passing	Rushing

Postseason: 307.0

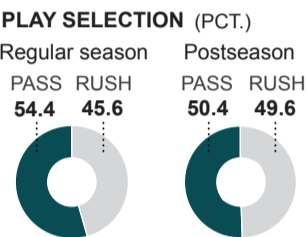
229.0	78.0
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SCORING (PPG)
Regular season

28.6	18.4
Points for	Points allowed

Postseason

26.5	8.5
Points for	Points allowed



COACHES CORNER

Doug Pederson

Philly was in attack mode from the outset against the Vikings, and that's a good reflection of Pederson and his staff. Pederson knows he can't back off against the Pats, and defensive coordinator Jim Schwartz is known for being aggressive.

Career record: 22-12 .647

Reg. season	Postseason
W L PCT	W L PCT
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All aboard the Jay Train

Acquired from Miami at the trade deadline. Became first player in NFL history to produce at least 400 rushing yards with two teams (465 yards, Miami, 408 yards, Philadelphia) in the same season.

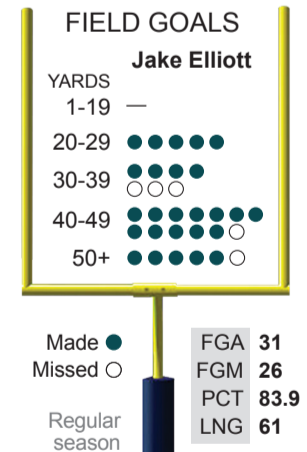
Jay Ajayi

RUSHING
Regular season (Mia./Phi.)

ATT	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD
208	873	4.2	71	1

Postseason

33	127	3.8	16	0
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Nick has the knack

FOLES STATS
Pass yds: 537 (reg.) • 598 (postseason)
TDs: 5 (reg.) • 3 (postseason)

WEEK	TDs	YARDS
1	—	—
2	—	—
3	—	—
4	—	—
5	—	—
6	—	—
7	—	—
8	—	—
9	—	35
10	BYE	—
11	—	—
12	—	21
13	—	—
14	—	42
15	●●●●	237
16	●●●●	163
17	●●●●	39

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Eagles look to thwart Patriots shot at a record sixth championship in a ...

Super showdown

Tom Brady and the New England Patriots will try to match the Pittsburgh Steelers' six Super Bowl trophies when they face the Eagles in Minneapolis. They'll face a Philadelphia Eagles team looking for their first Lombardi Trophy.

Nick Foles, the backup QB who was thrust into the starting role when Carson Wentz blew out his left knee last month, led the Eagles to a 38-7 rout of the Minnesota Vikings in the NFC championship game.

The Eagles, who last won an NFL title in 1960, several years before the first Super Bowl, met the Patriots in the Super Bowl after the 2004 season with New England prevailing 24-21. It's the eighth Super Bowl appearance for Brady and coach Bill Belichick, who have won five times — including last year's 34-28 overtime rally against the Atlanta Falcons.

The Patriots clearly have the edge when it comes to experience — 32 players have a combined 60 games in the title game. The Eagles have just seven players on the active roster who've won a Super Bowl. The Patriots believe what's important is this: Philadelphia is playing its best football.

U.S. Bank Stadium, Minneapolis • Sunday • 3:30 p.m. PST (NBC)

PATRIOTS

PROJECTED STARTERS

SPECIAL TEAMS

- S. Gostkowski 3 • K
- R. Allen 6 • P
- D. Amendola 80 • PR
- D. Lewis 33 • KR

OFFENSE

- D. Lewis 33 • RB
- T. Brady 12 • QB
- J. White 28 • RB
- R. Gronkowski 87 • TE
- C. Hogan 15 • WR
- C. Fleming 71 • RT
- S. Mason 69 • RG
- D. Andrews 60 • C
- J. Thuney 62 • LG
- N. Solder 77 • LT
- B. Cooks 14 • WR
- V. Curry 75 • DE
- T. Jernigan 93 • DT
- F. Cox 91 • DT
- B. Graham 55 • DE

DEFENSE

- J. Mills 31 • CB
- M. Kendrick 95 • LB
- D. Ellerbe 57 • LB
- N. Bradham 53 • LB
- R. Darby 41 • CB
- R. McLeod 23 • S
- M. Jenkins 27 • S

WHEN PATRIOTS HAVE THE BALL

Never mind that Brady is 40, he's playing as if he's in his prime and will test Philadelphia's versatile defense from the outset. If the Eagles don't bring pressure, he will pick them apart. Philly must be alert not only for all of Brady's targets — WRs Brandin Cooks, Danny Amendola, Chris Hogan, RBs James White and Dion Lewis — but for Lewis and White in the running game. Both are shifty and flexible and have Brady's trust. Perhaps most critical among all matchups is All-Pro TE Rob Gronkowski, who exited the AFC title game following a concussion. His confrontations with veteran S Malcolm Jenkins could be telling.

NEW ENGLAND



PATRIOTS

13-3 • 2-0

OFFENSE

Total yards (avg.)
Regular season: 394.2

276.1	118.1
Passing	Rushing

Postseason: 391.0

317.5	73.5
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First downs
Regular season: 389

107	232	50
Rushing	Passing	Penalty

Postseason: 53

6	11	36
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DEFENSE
Yards allowed (avg.)
Regular season: 366.0

251.2	114.8
Passing	Rushing

Postseason: 320.5

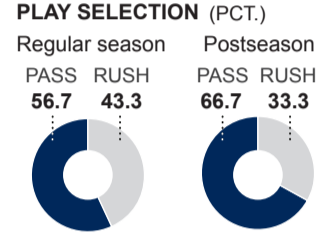
237.5	83.0
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SCORING (PPG)
Regular season

28.6	18.5
Points for	Points allowed

Postseason

29.5	17.0
Points for	Points allowed



COACHES CORNER

Bill Belichick

One win away from a sixth Super Bowl title with the Patriots. Has shaped the roster in New England to build the strongest dynasty in the history of the NFL.

Career record: 278-128 .685

Reg. season	Postseason
W L PCT	W L PCT
250 118 .679	28 10 .737

Carrying the load

Emerged as one of the most reliable playmakers in the league over the back half of the season, carving out his role as New England's backfield leader. Also, the only player in this game to have returned a kickoff for a TD this season. Ranked fourth in the NFL with 24.8 yards per return.

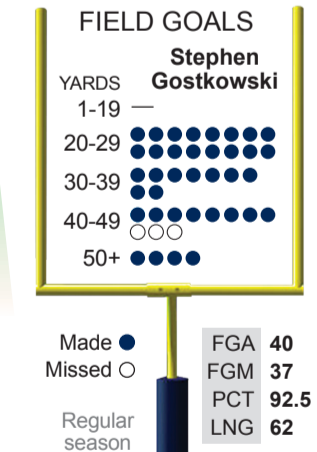
Dion Lewis

RUSHING
Regular season

ATT	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD
180	896	5.0	44	6

Postseason

24	96	4.0	18	0
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EAGLES

PROJECTED STARTERS

SPECIAL TEAMS

- J. Elliott 4 • K
- D. Jones 8 • P
- K. Barner 38 • PR/KR

OFFENSE

- N. Agholor 13 • WR
- J. Ajayi 36 • RB
- Z. Ertz 86 • TE
- A. Jeffery 17 • WR
- L. Johnson 65 • RT
- B. Brooks 79 • RG
- J. Kelce 62 • C
- S. Wisniewski 61 • LG
- H. Vaitai 72 • LT
- T. Smith 82 • WR
- E. Lee 55 • LDE
- L. Guy 93 • DT
- M. Brown 90 • DT
- T. Flowers 98 • RDE
- M. Butler 21 • LCB
- E. Roberts 52 • LB
- K. Van Noy 53 • LB
- J. Harrison 92 • LB
- S. Gilmore 24 • RCB

DEFENSE

- P. Chung 23 • S
- D. McCourty 32 • S

WHEN EAGLES HAVE THE BALL

The Patriots must be wary of a balanced offense that tore apart Minnesota, which has a better overall defense than New England. Foles will try to get TE Zach Ertz involved early; he was unstoppable against the Vikings. Wideout Alshon Jeffery is a clear target with excellent hands and the ability to get open all over the field, freeing up Nelson Agholor and veteran Torrey Smith. The Eagles will try to keep New England's offense on the sideline, and create space for RBs Jay Ajayi, former Patriot LeGarrette Blount and rookie Corey Clement. New England LB Kyle Van Noy figures to have a busy day unless Philly falls behind.

Go-to guys
Favorite targets of Foles and Brady

Zach Ertz TE	Nelson Agholor WR	Alshon Jeffery WR	Danny Amendola WR	Brandin Cooks WR	Rob Gronkowski TE
74	62	57	61	65	69

RECEPTIONS
Regular season

Battle tested

BRADY'S STATS
Pass yds: 4,577 (reg.) • 627 (post)
TDs: 32 (reg.) • 5 (post)

WEEK	TDs	YARDS
1	—	267
2	●●●●	447
3	●●●●●	378
4	●●●●	307
5	●●●●	303
6	●●●●	257
7	●●●●	249
8	●●●●	333
9	BYE	—
10	●●●●	266
11	●●●●	340
12	●●●●	227
13	●●●●	258
14	●●●●	233
15	●●●●	298
16	●●●●	224
17	●●●●	190

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Passes by field position

REGULAR SEASON

Pct	FOLES			BRADY		
	Comp	Att	Yard line	Att	Comp	Pct
60.0	15	25	OPP 19-1	102	66	64.7
74.0	37	50	OPP 49-20	194	131	67.5
57.1	8	14	OWN 1-20	84	58	69.0
61.3	46	75	OWN 21-50	292	191	65.4

Nick Foles
Forget about Foles being a backup quarterback; his post-season performances, particularly in the NFC title game, have been strong.

Tom Brady
Has won five Super Bowls, four times as game MVP. Led the NFL with 4,577 passing yards. Will be making his 37th postseason start.