



COLTS INSIDER

2025

WEEK 17



This week's opponent:

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

SCHEDULE

W	Week 1, vs. Miami Colts 33, Dolphins 8
W	Week 2, vs. Denver Colts 29, Broncos 28
W	Week 3, at Tennessee Colts 41, Rams 20
L	Week 4, at LA Rams Rams 27, Colts 20
W	Week 5, vs. Las Vegas Colts 40, Raiders 6
W	Week 6, vs. Arizona Colts 31, Cardinals 27
W	Week 7, at LA Chargers Colts 38, Chargers 24
W	Week 8, vs. Tennessee Colts 38, Titans 14
L	Week 9, at Pittsburgh Steelers 27, Colts 20
W	Week 10, vs. Atlanta (in Berlin) Colts 31, Falcons 25 (OT)
X	Week 11, bye
L	Week 12, at Kansas City Chiefs 23, Colts 20 (OT)
L	Week 13, vs. Houston Texans 20, Colts 16
L	Week 14, at Jacksonville Jaguars 36, Colts 19
L	Week 15, at Seattle Seahawks 18, Colts 16
L	Week 16, vs. San Francisco 49ers 48, Colts 27
U	Week 17, vs. Jacksonville Dec. 28, 1 p.m., FOX
	Week 18, at Houston TBD

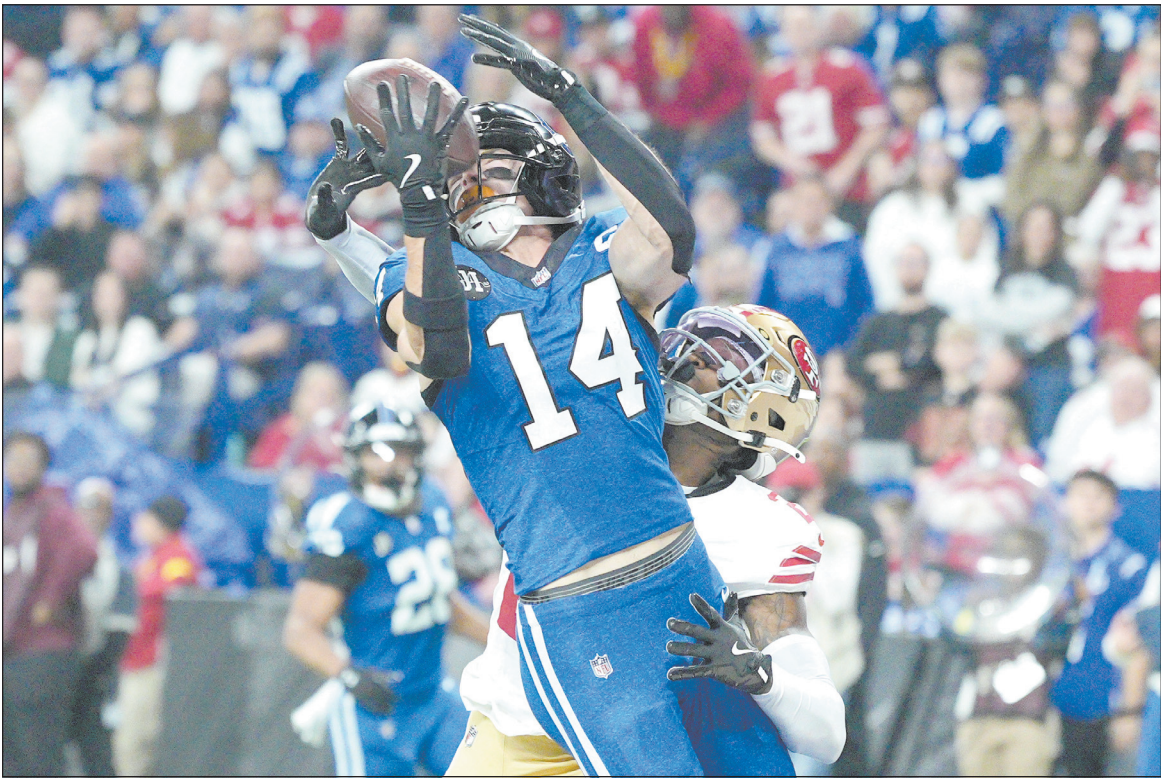
STANDINGS

	AFC SOUTH
	W L T Pct.
Jacksonville	11 4 0 .733
Houston	10 5 0 .667
Indianapolis	8 7 0 .533
Tennessee	3 12 0 .200

BIG NUMBER

277

Quarterback Philip Rivers threw for 277 yards while completing 66% of his passes with two touchdowns, one interception and a passer rating of 97.0 as the Colts lost to the 49ers on Monday Night Football.



AJ Mast | Associated Press

Indianapolis Colts wide receiver Alec Pierce (14) catches a touchdown pass against San Francisco 49ers cornerback Darrell Luter Jr. during the first half of an NFL football game, Monday, Dec. 22, 2025, in Indianapolis.

HELP WANTED

Colts hoping to keep playoff hopes alive as Jags chase AFC South crown

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS – Faced with several scenarios that would have to fall their way in order to sneak into the NFL playoffs, the Colts host AFC South rival Jacksonville in a must-win contest Sunday.

The Jaguars (11-4), having already secured a playoff berth, can wrap up the division title with a win and a loss or tie by the Houston Texans.

Here are some key players and matchups to watch:

JAGUARS PLAYER TO WATCH

DE Josh Hines-Allen. In 11 matchups with Indy, Hines-Allen has 11½ sacks — his highest total against any opponent — including at least one in four straight games. He's also had 39 tackles, 20 quarterback hits, 10 tackles for loss and forced two fumbles against the Colts. The injuries to Indy's offensive line could lead to another big day from the Jaguars defense and top pass rusher.

COLTS PLAYER TO WATCH

RB Jonathan Taylor. The Pro Bowler looked as if he'd run away with his second NFL rushing title in Week 10. He'd had five 100-yard games with a season-high 244 yards in Berlin. Since then, he's averaging 70.0 yards per game, has two TD runs and is second in the league's rushing race. Indy needs more from Taylor against a team that held him to 74 yards on 21 carries in Week 14.

KEY MATCHUP

Jacksonville QB Trevor Lawrence vs. Indy's secondary. Lawrence was 17 of 30 with 244 yards and two TDs in the rain earlier in the month. But Brian Thomas Jr. has dominated the Colts — 15 catches for 312 yards in three games — and Jakobi Meyers has made a huge impact since being acquired in a trade. The Colts secondary must regroup after getting shredded by Brock Purdy and the 49ers last week, but it will be tough



Indianapolis Colts quarterback Philip Rivers (17) passes against the San Francisco 49ers during the first half of an NFL football game, Monday, Dec. 22, 2025, in Indianapolis.

for this injury-depleted group that ranks 31st in the league.

SERIES NOTES

Jacksonville has won four of the past five in the series and owns 11 straight wins as the home team. ... Indy has won five of the past six at Lucas Oil Stadium and is 18-6 all time at home. ... The Jags are seeking their fourth season sweep of the Colts, their third in the past nine years. ... The teams have split the season series in eight of the past 10 years. ... Indy won the first five games in the series, including the only two matchups when these teams were not division rivals.

STATS AND STUFF

Jacksonville and Indy will both be watching the Texans-Chargers game closely Saturday. Not only would a Texans loss keep the Colts playoff hopes alive, it would also give the Jags a pathway to clinch their first AFC South title since 2022. ... The Jags have won six straight and seven of their past eight and have allowed no sacks in a game a league-high five times this season — one short of the most in a single season in franchise history. ... Lawrence needs four TD passes to reach 30 in a sin-

gle season for the first time and five for No. 100 in his career. ... Thomas has had 85 yards receiving or more in three straight games. ... RB Travis Etienne Jr. has scored in each of his past three games. He needs 1 yard to join the 1,000-yard club and two TDs to surpass Marcedes Lewis (33) for No. 5 in franchise history. ... Meyers has 31 catches, 400 yards and three TD catches in the past six games. ... Only three players from the 2022 have had 10 or more quarterback hits in each of their first four NFL seasons and Jags DE Travon Walker is one of them. ... LB Foyesade Oluokun has had 100 or more tackles in six straight seasons. ... Devin Lloyd's nine interceptions rank second among the league's linebackers since 2022. ... Indy has lost five straight and six of its past seven, sliding into the No. 8 slot in the AFC playoff race. ... The Colts are one of four teams in the league with no turnovers in the red zone. ... QB Philip Rivers is chasing career win No. 135 and needs 251 yards to pass Ben Roethlisberger, who starts this week ranked No. 6 all time. Rams QB Matthew Stafford is seventh at 63, 988 and Rivers is eighth. ... Taylor needs one TD run to tie his own franchise record of 18. He also needs two total TDs to break his own franchise record for TDs from scrimmage in one season (20). He set both marks in 2021. ... Tyler Warren ranks fourth among NFL tight ends with 748 yards receiving this season. That's a Colts single-season record for a rookie TE. ... DE Laiatu Latu has had 10 1/2 sacks and three interceptions in his first 30 games. Only three other players (Aidan Hutchinson, Detroit; Shaquille Leonard, Indy; and Brian Urlacher, Chicago) have achieved that feat since 2000. ... DeForest Buckner has 43 sacks since joining Indy, the most in franchise history by a defensive tackle. ... Indy has had at least one takeaway in a league-best 14 games this season.

STATISTICS

THROUGH 16 GAMES

	PASSING					
	ATT	COM	PCT	YDS	TD	INT
Jones	384	261	68.0	3,101	4.9	8
Rivers	62	41	66.1	397	3	2
Leonard	31	18	56.2	145	0	1
TEAM	481	321	66.7	3,994	22	11
OPP	558	357	64.0	3,994	23	13

	RUSHING				
	ATT	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD
Taylor	288	1,489	5.17	83	17
Jones	45	164	3.64	12.60	19
Giddens	18	66	3.67	12	0
TEAM	392	1,862	4.75	83	25
OPP.	387	1,477	3.82	41	13

	RECEIVING				
	REC	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD
Pittman	76	757	9.96	27	7
Warren	66	748	11.33	41	4
Downs	52	471	9.06	34	4
Pierce	43	871	20.26	50	4
Taylor	41	351	8.56	43	2
TEAM	321	3,652	11.38	75	22
OPP.	357	3,994	11.19	88	23

	INTERCEPTIONS			
	INT	YDS	TD	
Bynum	4	22	0	
Latu	3	9	0	
Blackmon	2	41	0	
TEAM	13	107	1	
OPP.	11	113	1	

	SACKS
Latu	7.5
Buckner	4.0
Paye	4.0
Gallimore	3.5
Adebawore	3.0
TEAM	37
OPP.	26

	TACKLES		
	SOLO	ASST	COMB
Franklin	54	54	108
Cross	60	42	102
Pratt	50	39	89

	PUNT RETURNS		
	RET	AVG	TD
Gould	13	10.08	0
Downs	6	9.17	0
TEAM	188	9.40	0
OPP.	104	6.93	0

	SCORING					
	RUSH	REC	RET	TD	FG	PAT
Taylor	17	2	0	19	0	116
D. Jones	5	0	0	5	0	32
TEAM	25	22	0	48	30	478
OPP	13	23	0	37	57	341

WHO'S HOT



Alec Pierce: The speedy Colts wide receiver is having his best season. For the first time in his career, he scored two touchdowns in Monday night's loss to the 49ers. He leads Indy with 871 receiving yards on 43 catches.

WHO'S NOT



Chris Ballard: The Colts general manager was looking pretty good when the Colts started the season hot. But they've swooned in November and December, in part because Ballard declined to sign a top-flight backup quarterback to the roster after Anthony Richardson went down with an injury.