TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING POST-GAME NOTES Lightning 8 vs. Hurricanes 2 from PNC Arena

	1ST	2ND	3RD	FINAL	PP
Tampa Bay	0	3	5	8	4-5
Carolina	1	1	0	2	1-5

Post-game audio from Nikita Kucherov, Brayden Point, Andrei Vasilevskiy and head coach Jon Cooper can be found here: Box.com

Post-Game Notes

The Tampa Bay Lightning defeated the Carolina Hurricanes 8-2 on Friday night at PNC Arena in Raleigh.
Tampa Bay improved to 10-6-5 overall this season and to 4-4-2 on the road.
The Lightning extended their point streak to five games (4-0-1).
The Bolts moved to 4-5-5 in games in which their opponent scores first and to 3-5-3 when trailing after the first period.
Tampa Bay improved to 5-4-3 against Eastern Conference opponents and to 2-2 0 against Metropolitan Division opponents.
The Lightning were outshot by Carolina 24-14, including an 8-1 deficit in the first period and a 12-6 deficit in the second period.
For just the third time in franchise history, the Lightning won a game with 14 shots or fewer.
The Lightning became the first team in NHL history to score eight or more goals on 14 or fewer shots in a win.
Tampa Bay's shooting percentage of 57.1% is the highest recorded in NHL history since the league started tracking the stat in 1959-60.
The Last time the Lightning scored eight goals in a game was April 24, 2022 at Florida.
The Lightning matched the franchise record for goals in a road game, equaling a mark set March 1, 2009 at CGY (8-6 W) and also achieved Nov. 18, 2010 at PHI (8-7 W), Oct. 30, 2017 at FLA (8-5 W) and April 24, 2022 at FLA (8-4 W).

	Nikita Kucherov (2-4—6) and Brayden Point (3-2—5) each recorded five points in the Lightning's 8-2 victory. The only other time Tampa Bay had multiple players record as many points in the same game was December 7, 2006, when Martin St. Louis (1-4—5) and Vincent Lecavalier (3-2—5) both did so against Atlanta.
	Nikita Kucherov (2-4—6) became the first player this season with a six-point showing and moved into the League lead with 35 points overall (15-20—35 in 20 GP). He is the fourth player in the past 18 seasons with 35-plus point through his first 20 games played in a season, following Connor McDavid (3x), Leon Draisaitl (2x) and Steven Stamkos.
	Lightning goaltender Andrei Vasilevskiy made his return between the pipes for the Bolts, stopping 22 of 24 shots to earn the win.
	Vasilevskiy improved to 8-2-0 in his first game of a season.
	Tampa Bay's power play went 4/5, improving to 34.7% this season, the second-best power-play percentage in the NHL behind the New Jersey Devils (36.5%).
	Stefan Noesen scored at 18:12 of the first period to give the Hurricanes a 1-0 lead.
	Steven Stamkos scored on the Bolts' second shot of the game at 1:34 of the second period.
	Stamkos recorded his 22 nd point of the season (9-13—22) and his 13 th on the power play (4-9—13).
	Stamkos' power-play goal was the 199 th of his career, passing Brian Bellows (198) for sole possession of 20 th on the league's all-time list.
	Stamkos moved within one of becoming the seventh player in NHL history to record 200 power-play goals with a single franchise. The others: Alex Ovechkin (300), Mario Lemieux (236), Luc Robitaille (210), Gordie Howe (209), Joe Sakic (205) and Steve Yzerman (202).
	Brayden Point recorded his 25 th point of the season (8-17—25) and his 11 th on the power play (4-7—11) with the primary assist on Stamkos' goal.
	Nikita Kucherov picked up his 30 th point of the season (13-17—30) and his 15 th power-play point (5-10—15) with the secondary helper on Stamkos' goal.
	Kucherov became the third player in franchise history with at least 200 power-

Kucherov notched his 30th point in his 20th game of the season, the seventh time a Lightning player has reached the benchmark that quickly and third time Kucherov has done so (also 18 GP in 2017-18 & 20 GP in 2022-23). He is the first Tampa Bay player to reach the mark in 20 games or fewer in consecutive seasons.
Nikita Kucherov scored a power-play goal of his own to give the Lightning a 2-1 lead at 5:40 of the second period. The goal marked Kucherov's 31 st point of the season (14-17—31) and his 16 th on the power play (6-10—16).
Brandon Hagel notched his 20 th point of the season (9-11—20) and his fourth power-play point (0-4—4) with the primary assist on Kucherov's go-ahead goal.
With Hagel's assist, the Lightning became the first team in the NHL this season to feature five 20-point scorers.
Mikey Eyssimont registered his eighth point of the season (4-4—8) and his first power-play point (0-1—1) with the secondary helper on Kucherov's goal.
Brayden Point scored a power-play goal at 5:54 of the second period, extending the Bolts' lead to 3-1. The goal marked Point's 26 th point of the season (9-17—26) and his 12 th power-play point (5-7—12).
The Lightning scored three power-play goals, taking only three shots over a span of four minutes and 20 seconds.
Tampa Bay tied the franchise record for most power-play goals in one period, notching three in one frame for the 15th time and first since March 7, 2021 at Chicago (3 PPG in P2).
Nikita Kucherov tallied his third point of the night (1-2—3) with the primary assist. Kucherov notched his fifth three-point game of the season and the 72 nd of his career, the third-most in Lightning history behind Marty St. Louis (73) and Steven Stamkos (97).
Nikita Kucherov recorded three-plus points in period for the 17th time in his NHL career, surpassing Martin St. Louis (16x) for the most three-point periods in Lightning history.
Kucherov's assist pushed him into sole possession of the most points (14-18—32) and power-play points (6-11—17) in the NHL this season.
Victor Hedman picked up the secondary assist, tallying his 22 nd point of the season (4-18—22) and his eighth power-play point (1-7—8).

Hedman extended his point streak to three games (0-3—3).
Brandon Hagel stretched Tampa Bay's lead to 4-2 at 5:33 of the third period. The goal marked Hagel's 21 st point of the season (10-11—21).
Brayden Point logged the primary assist to pick up his third point of the night (1-2—3). Point notched his fourth three-point game of the season and the 38 th of his career.
With his third point of the night, Brayden Point (490) passed Brad Richards (489) for sole possession of the sixth-most points in franchise history.
Nikita Kucherov tallied his fourth point of the game with the secondary assist on Hagel's goal. Kucherov picked up his 33 rd point of the season (14-19—33).
Kucherov recorded the 24th four-point game of his career and his third this season. Each of Kucherov's four-point games this season have come in the month of November (11/4 at OTT $-$ 1G, 4A & 11/6 at TOR $-$ 2G, 2A).
Luke Glendening scored on a wraparound, unassisted at 6:53 of the third period, extending the Bolts' lead to 5-2. The goal marked Glendening's third point of the season (3-0—3).
Brayden Point tallied his fourth point of the night with a goal at 10:41 of the third period, extending Tampa Bay's lead to 6-2. Point tallied his second four-point game of the season and the 7 th of his career.
Nick Perbix (0-5—5) and Cole Koepke (0-2—2) each picked up an assist on Point's second goal of the night.
Nikita Kucherov notched his fifth point of the game (2-3—5) to make the score 7-2 Lightning at 16:45 of the third period.
Kucherov recorded the fifth five-point game of his career, the most in Lightning history.
Brandon Hagel notched his third point of the night (1-2—3) and 22 nd point of the season (10-12—22) with the primary assist on Kucherov's goal.
Hagel recorded the ninth three-point game of his career.
Hagel extended his point streak to three games (2-4—6).
Mikhail Sergachev notched the secondary assist to tally his 15 th point of the season (2-13—15).

Brayden Point completed his second hat-trick of the season and third of his career with a power-play goal at 18:08 of the third period, pushing the Bolts' lead to 8-2. The goal marked Point's 29 th point of the season (11-18—29) and his 13 th power-play point (6-7—13).
Point recorded just the second five-point game of his career (other: Oct. 30, 2018 vs NJD).
Nikita Kucherov set a career high with his sixth point of the night (2-4—6), picking up the primary assist on Point's third goal. Kucherov posted his 35 th point of the season (15-20—35) and his 18 th power-play point (6-12—18).
Nikita Kucherov matched the franchise record for points in a game, tallying 2-4—6 to equal the mark set by Doug Crossman (3-3—6 on Nov. 7, 1992 at NYI). Kucherov is the first Lightning forward with a six-point showing. Kucherov recorded all six of his points in regulation time while Crossman recorded his sixth point in overtime.
Kucherov tied the Lightning franchise record for power-play points in a game with four. Doug Crossman is the only other Lightning skater to complete the feat, doing so in the Bolts' 16 th game ever on November 7, 1992.
Kucherov extended his point streak to five games (4-8—12).
Steven Stamkos notched the secondary assist on the goal and tallied his 23 rd point of the season (9-14—23).
Stamkos extended his point streak to five games (4-4—8).
The Lightning will travel to Colorado on Monday night to take on the Avalanche at Ball Arena (9:00pm puck drop).
The Lightning are 23-20-5 with 3 ties all-time against the Avalanche, including a road record of 9-13-2 with two ties.