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Erik Karlsson scored his 15th goal of the season in yet another multi-point game on Thursday in New Jersey. (1G-1A).

- Karlsson's 15 goals are the most he has scored as a Penguin. Only six defensemen in Penguins history have scored more goals in a single season than Karlsson's 15.
- Karlsson has 10 multi-point games over his last 17 outings dating back to March 8. Overall this season, Karlsson has 20 multi-point games, which ranks fourth in the league among defensemen:

### Multi-Point Games

Defensemen in 2025-26

1. Zach Werenski	26	4. Erik Karlsson	20
2. Evan Bouchard	23	5. Lane Hutson	19
3. Darren Raddysh	21		

- The last time a Penguins defenseman had more multi-point games in the regular season than Karlsson's 20 was Sergei Gonchar's 22 in 2006-07.
- Karlsson became the fifth defenseman in Penguins history to record 20 multi-point games in a single season:

### Multi-Point Games in a Single Season

Defensemen in Penguins History

1. Paul Coffey	1988-89	31	6. Larry Murphy	1991-92	23
2. Paul Coffey	1989-90	28	7. Sergei Gonchar	2006-07	22
2. Paul Coffey	1990-91	28	8. Paul Coffey	1991-92	21
4. Randy Carlyle	1980-81	26	9. Erik Karlsson	2025-26	20
5. Larry Murphy	1992-93	24	9. Larry Murphy	1993-94	20

- Since March 1, Karlsson leads all defensemen in goals [11], assists [19] and points [30], while ranking third across the entire league in assists and points:

### Points

Since March 1

1. Jack Hughes	34	3. Connor McDavid	30
2. Nikita Kucherov	33	3. Nick Suzuki	30
3. Erik Karlsson	30		

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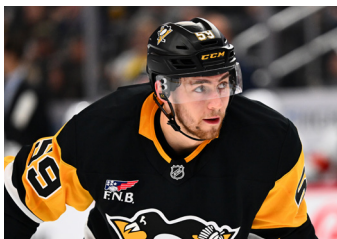
Pittsburgh has scored three-plus goals in each of their last eight games played and 12 of their last 14 games overall.

- Pittsburgh has scored 282 goals this season, a mark that ranks third in the league behind each conference's first-place team:

### Goals

2025-26

1. Colorado	290
2. Carolina	283
3. Pittsburgh	282
4. Tampa Bay	278
5. Edmonton	275



## SID THE KID VS. THE GREAT 8

Tonight will mark the 100th career matchup between Sidney Crosby and Alex Ovechkin, including regular season and playoffs, since the two players each made their NHL debuts during the 2005-06 season.

- Crosby and the Penguins have gone 56-39-4 through the first 99 head-to-head matchups:

Crosby & Ovechkin's Head-to-Head Stats		
Category	Crosby	Ovechkin
Team Record	56-39-4	43-46-10
Goals	48	53
Assists	79	50
Points	127	103
Points Per Game	1.28	1.04

- Crosby and Ovechkin, the NHL's top-two point leaders among active players, have the fifth and ninth-most combined regular-season and playoff points in NHL history:

### NHL's All-Time Points List

Regular Season + Playoffs

1. Wayne Gretzky	3,239	6. Ron Francis	1,941
2. Mark Messier	2,182	7. Steve Yzerman	1,940
3. Jaromir Jagr	2,122	8. Mario Lemieux	1,895
4. Gordie Howe	2,010	9. Alex Ovechkin	1,831
5. Sidney Crosby	1,962	10. Joe Sakic	1,829

## PLAYOFF BOUND

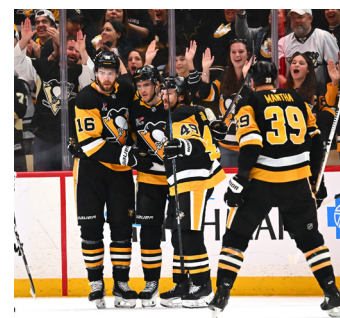
The Penuins clinched their trip to the 2026 Stanley Cup Playoffs with a win in New Jersey on Thursday night and secured home ice advantage for the First Round of the postseason.

- The Penguins clinched their 17th playoff appearance since the beginning of the Sidney Crosby-Evgeni Malkin Era (since 2006-07). In that span, no team has more berths than Pittsburgh:

### Playoff Appearances

Since 2006-07

1. Pittsburgh	17
2. Washington	16
3. Boston	15
4. Minnesota	14
4. Nashville	14
4. NY Rangers	14
4. Tampa Bay	14



- The Penguins' 20-year run of success has come with four trips to the Stanley Cup Final and three Stanley Cup Championships (2009, '16, '17). Since 2006-07, no NHL team has more playoff victories than the Penguins' 103.