

**VS**

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS

GAME DAY PREVIEW

Columbus Blue Jackets at Washington Capitals || Dec. 7, 2025 || Capital One Arena || 7:00 pm ET || Game 29 (Road 17)

GAME DAY SCHEDULE

No Morning Skate

4:30pm ET: Media Availability
7:00pm ET: Game at Washington
Post-Game: Locker room will open approximately five minutes after the game's conclusion. Head Coach Dean Evason will be available immediately after player availability.

BROADCAST INFO

TV: FANDUEL SPORTS NETWORK
 Steve Mears (play-by-play)
 Jody Shelley (analyst)
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Game Notes: Game Notes available at Media.NHL.com

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Dec. 8: To Be Determined
Dec. 9: 7:30pm ET at Carolina
Dec. 10: 11:00am ET practice (NWA)
Dec. 11: 7:00pm ET vs. Ottawa
Dec. 12: 11:00am ET practice (NWA)

OhioHEALTH INJURY REPORT

Erik Gudbranson (Upper Body) 20
 Boone Jenner (Upper Body) 12
 Mathieu Olivier (Upper Body) 5

TOTAL MAN GAMES LOST: 53

COLUMBUS

13-9-6 (32 pts.)
 6-3-3 (15 pts.)
 7-6-3 (17 pts.)
 8th, Metropolitan
 12th, Eastern
 3.07 (12th-T) / 3.43 (26th-T)
 19.1 (15th) / 70.7 (30th)
 30.4 (3rd-T) / 31.3 (30th)
 Dec. 6 at FLA 7, CBJ 6 (OT)
 Dec. 9 at Carolina

HEAD-TO-HEAD

Record
 At Home
 On the Road
 Division Rank
 Conference Rank
 GF / GA (NHL rank)
 PP / PK (NHL rank)
 SF / SA (NHL rank)
 Last Game
 Next Game

WASHINGTON

17-9-3 (37 pts.)
 9-5-1 (19 pts.)
 8-4-2 (18 pts.)
 1st, Metropolitan
 1st, Eastern
 3.48 (2nd) / 2.48 (2nd)
 16.7 (23rd) / 74.4 (28th)
 29.3 (8th-T) / 26.1 (5th)
 Dec. 5 at ANA 4, WSH 3 (SO)
 Dec. 11 vs. Carolina

ALL-TIME SERIES CBJ RECORD

21-28-1-10 (10-15-1-4 at Washington)

THIS SEASON (CBJ, 0-2-0)

Oct. 24, 2025 - WSH 5, at CBJ 1
 Nov. 24, 2025 - at WSH 5, CBJ 1
 Dec. 7, 2025 - at Washington (7 pm ET)
 Apr. 14, 2026 - at Columbus (7 pm ET)

2024-25 RECORD (CBJ, 2-1-1)

Nov. 02, 2024 - at WSH 7, CBJ 2
 Dec. 12, 2024 - WSH 2, at CBJ 1 (OT)
 Apr. 12, 2025 - at CBJ 7, WSH 0
 Apr. 13, 2025 - CBJ 4, at WSH 1

MATCHUP NOTES

- The Jackets have recorded a point in seven of their last 13 games at Capital One Arena since Nov. 9, 2018 (6-6-1).
- The road team has won nine of the last 15 games in the series since Feb. 8, 2022.
- The winning team has scored four-plus goals in 11 of the last 15 meetings of the all-time series, including eight instances with five or more goals.
- The teams have combined for six-plus goals in 10 of the last 15 games overall, with eight contests of seven-plus goals.
- Five of the last six games have seen the winning team win by three or more goals, including four-straight.
- CBJ have killed off 21-of-26 Washington power play chances in the past 12 contests overall (80.7 pct.), along with 13-of-14 opportunities in the seven meetings at Capital One Arena (92.9 pct.).



JACKET TO WATCH - D Denton Mateychuk

Has 2-1-3 on 20:00 TOI in four career games against the Capitals.
 Has scored in both games of the 2025-26 series and has 1-0-1 in 2 career GP at Capital One Arena.



CAPITAL TO WATCH - LW Alex Ovechkin

NHL's all-time goal leader has 28-18-46 with 14 multi-point efforts in 52 career GP against the Blue Jackets, including points in each of his last six contests (5-5-10, 3 multi-point GP).



TEAM NOTES

- Columbus stretched its point streak to five-straight games (2-0-3) in a 7-5 overtime loss at Florida on Saturday. The club has earned points in 12 of its last 14 contests since Nov. 10 (6-2-6).
- CBJ have scored five or more goals in three-straight games (2-0-1) for the first time since Feb. 22-Mar. 1, 2025 (4-straight).
- The Blue Jackets have played in 12 one-goal games (5-1-6) in their past 15 overall, including 10 decided after regulation, and have seen 16 of the last 21 contests dating back to Oct. 25 (8-2-6 in those games) decided by a single goal.
- Columbus completes its sixth of 15 back-to-back sets tonight at Washington. The club is 6-3-2 in back-to-backs this season (3-2-0 in 2nd game).
- Columbus finished 1-for-4 on the power play on Saturday and has scored a power play goal in three-straight games (4-for-10; 40.0 pct.). The team has converted on 8-of-32 opportunities over the last 13 contests since Nov. 11 (25.0 pct.).

PLAYER NOTES

- C Adam Fantilli has points in consecutive games (2-1-3) and has posted 9-5-14 in 15 games since Nov. 8.
- G Jet Greaves has earned points in each of his last nine starts (4-0-5), while G Elvis Merzlikins has earned points in three consecutive starts (2-0-1).
- D Denton Mateychuk (1-2-3) and D Ivan Provorov (1-3-4) have registered points in three-straight outings.
- C Sean Monahan has registered points in three of his last four contests (3-3-6).
- C Cole Sillinger, with 1-1-2 at Florida, has collected assists in a career-high three consecutive games (1-3-4).
- D Zach Werenski recorded an assist at Florida to stretch his points streak to five consecutive (2-7-9). He has also recorded points in 11 of the last 12 games overall (5-14-19). He ranks second in the NHL in TOI/GP as well as leads league blueliners in multi-point efforts and shots on goal and ranks second in goals (tied) and points with 9-21-30, 10 multi-point GP, 105 shots and 26:41 TOI in 28 contests.
- LW Miles Wood has tallied 1-1-2 in each of the last two road games for the Jackets and has posted 4-4-8 in the past nine contests overall since Nov. 18 (4-2-6 in 6 road contests).