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# PENGUINS



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## 71 WITHOUT 87

The Penguins will be without Captain Sidney Crosby for a minimum of four weeks due to a lower-body injury, it was announced on Wednesday.

- Evgeni Malkin, who had two assists on Thursday night, has historically risen to the occasion when his longtime teammate has missed significant time.
- In 149 career games without Crosby in the lineup, Malkin has a 1.35 points-per-game average compared to a 1.08 points-per-game average in 1,106 games alongside Crosby:

Malkin's Stats Breakdown		
Stat	With Crosby	Without Crosby
Games	1,106	149
Goals	450	77
Assists	741	124
Points	1,191	201
Points/GP	1.08	1.35

- Malkin enters today's game with 32 goals, 43 assists and 75 points in 80 games against the Rangers. His 75 points are the second most among active players:

### Points vs. NYR

#### Active Players

1. Sidney Crosby	110	4. Claude Giroux	64
2. <b>Evgeni Malkin</b>	<b>75</b>	5. John Tavares	53
3. Alex Ovechkin	74		

## ON A ROLL

The Penguins enter today's game with points in 18 of their last 21 games dating back to the NHL's holiday break concluding on December 27.

- Since the NHL's holiday break, the Penguins rank in the top-two in the league in several categories:

NHL Ranks Since Dec. 27		
Category	Stat	Rank
Wins	15	2nd
Win %	.786	2nd
Points	33	2nd
Goals For	86	2nd
Goals Against	49	1st
GAA	2.33	1st
Goal Differential	+37	1st
Penalty Kill %	90.3%	1st

- Pittsburgh won its 30th game of the season on Thursday in its 57th game of the season. Last season, it took the Penguins 77 games to record their 30th win.

## IN RUST WE TRUST

Bryan Rust enters today's game one goal away from joining Sidney Crosby and Anthony Mantha with 20 goals on the year.

- This would mark Rust's seventh season with 20 goals. Only six players in Penguins history have recorded more than seven 20-goal seasons with the team:

### 20-Goal Seasons

#### Penguins History

1. Sidney Crosby	18	5. Rick Kehoe	9
2. Evgeni Malkin	15	5. Jean Pronovost	9
3. Mario Lemieux	12	7. Jake Guentzel	7
4. Jaromir Jagr	11	8. <b>Bryan Rust</b>	<b>6</b>

- Rust is looking to become the sixth Penguin in franchise history to have seven-consecutive 20-goal seasons:

Consecutive 20-Goal Seasons in Franchise History			
Player	Seasons	Start Season	End Season
Jaromir Jagr	11	1990-91	2000-01
Rick Kehoe	9	1974-75	1982-83
Jean Pronovost	9	1969-70	1977-78
Evgeni Malkin	7	2013-14	2019-20
Jake Guentzel	7	2017-18	2023-24
<b>Bryan Rust</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2024-25</b>
Sidney Crosby	6	3 Instances	
Mario Lemieux	6	1984-85	1989-90

## GREAT ADDITION

Egor Chinakhov scored his ninth goal as a member of the Penguins on Thursday night against New Jersey, increasing his season total to 12 goals, seven assists and 19 points in 2025-26.

- Chinakhov has nine goals in 19 games with the Penguins after scoring three goals in 29 games with the Columbus Blue Jackets prior to his trade.
- Since his Penguins debut, no Penguin has more goals than Chinakhov's nine tallies, while his 13 points are the fourth most:

### Goals

#### Penguins Since Jan. 1

1. <b>Egor Chinakhov</b>	<b>9</b>
2. Connor Dewar	7
3. Sidney Crosby	6
3. Rickard Rakell	6
3. Anthony Mantha	6
3. Ben Kindel	6



- Since Chinakhov's debut, the Penguins have earned points in 16 of their 19 games, going 13-3-3.