

DETROIT LIONS VS. ATLANTA FALCONS

Ford Field

Sunday, October 23, 2011; 1 P.M. ET

POST-GAME NOTES

WR CALVIN JOHNSON

- Lions WR **Calvin Johnson** caught his 10th touchdown pass on the season with a 57-yard TD reception in the third quarter. Johnson is now the first player in Lions history with 10 touchdown catches in three different seasons. He also caught 12 touchdowns in 2008 and 2010.
- Johnson joins WR Herman Moore as the only players in team history with 10 touchdown catches in back-to-back seasons. Moore had 11 TDs in 1994 and 14 in 1995.
- He is now the sixth player in NFL history with 10 touchdown receptions through the first 7 games of the season and first since WR Randy Moss had 10 through 7 games for New England in 2007.
- Johnson finished the game with 5 receptions for 115 yards. His 115-yard outing today moved him into fifth place on the Lions all-time receiving yards list surpassing Hall of Fame TE Charlie Sanders (4,817, 1968-77).
- By recording 115 receiving yards today, Johnson now has 17 career 100-yard games. He has gone over 100 receiving yards in each of the past three games and four of the seven games the Lions have played this year.
- Johnson becomes the first Lions receiving with three-straight 100-yard games since WR German Crowell in 1999.
- It is the first time in Johnson's career that he has registered 100 receiving yards in three-straight games.
- Johnson has scored a touchdown in six of the Lions seven games thus far in 2011.

K JASON HANSON

- Lions K **Jason Hanson** has now played in 302 career games. He is now tied with QB Brett Favre and K Matt Stover for sixth place on the NFL's career games played list.
- Hanson finished the game with 10 points (3 FG, 1 PAT) and now has scored 68 points on the season. He has scored 10 points in four of the team's seven games this season.

T JEFF BACKUS

- Today's game marked T **Jeff Backus'** 167th consecutive start. He currently has the most consecutive starts by any lineman (offense or defense) in the NFL and the most among offensive players. He has the eighth-most consecutive starts by an offensive lineman since 1970.

LIONS INTERCEPTIONS

- The Lions defense intercepted two passes today to move their season total to 10 in the season's first seven games.
- CB **Eric Wright** picked off his second pass of the season on the Falcons' opening drive and returned it 22 yards to the Atlanta 15-yard line, setting up a Lions field goal.
- S **Amari Spivey** recorded his third interception of the season on the first play of the fourth quarter. Three interceptions on the season is a career high for the second-year safety.

FALCONS GAME NOTE

- With 5 receptions today, Falcons TE **Tony Gonzalez** passed WR Marvin Harrison into second place on the NFL's all-time receptions list with 1,103.