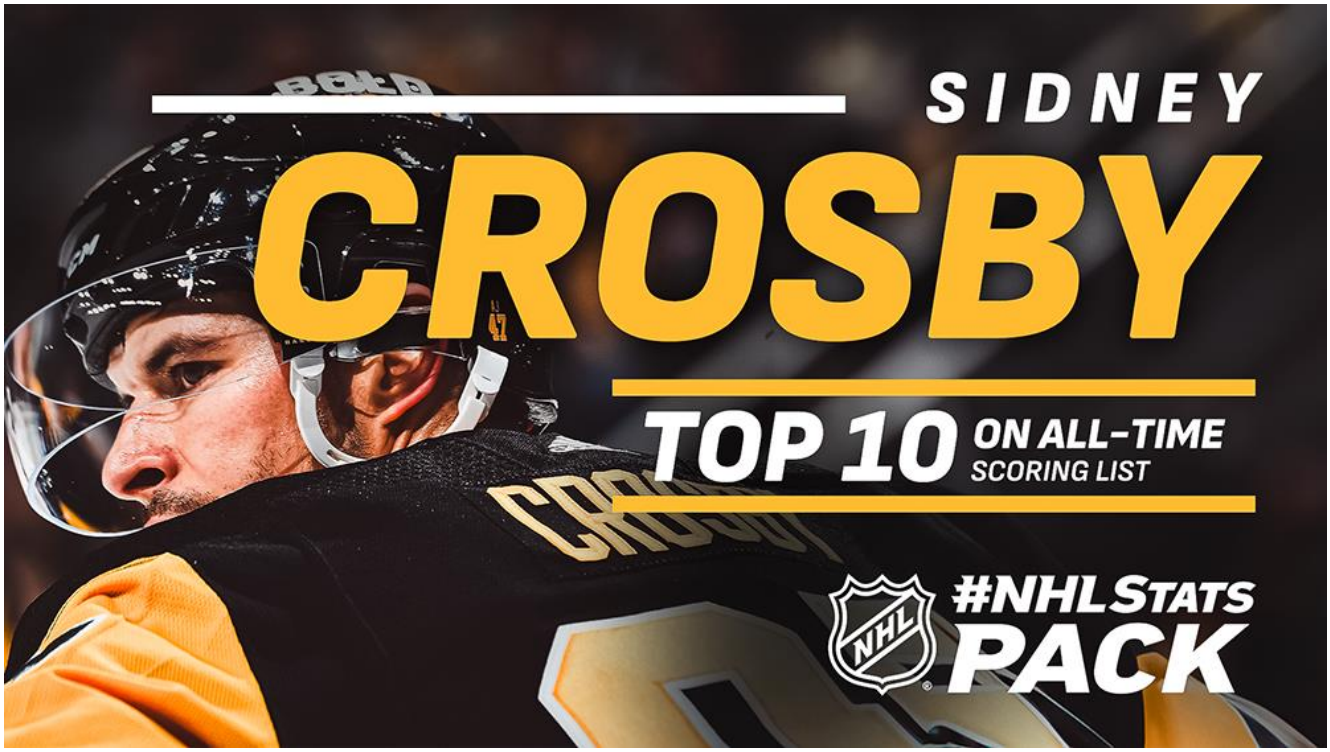
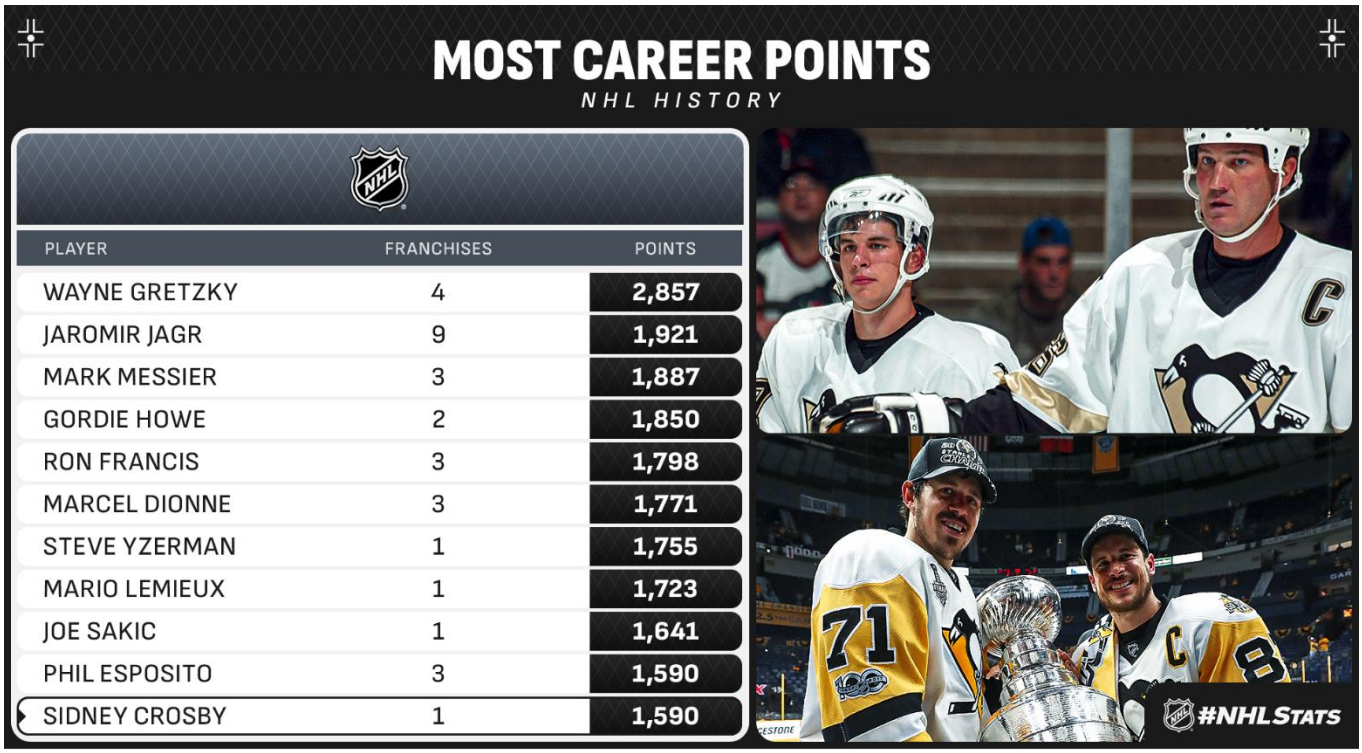


Penguins captain **Sidney Crosby** collected his 1,590th career point Thursday – 6,763 days after his highly-anticipated NHL debut Oct. 5, 2005 – to match **Phil Esposito** for 10th place on the NHL's all-time points list. **All stats are at the time of Crosby's second point Thursday, April 11.**

* The last player to enter the top 10 was **Jaromir Jagr** more than 16 years ago, when he potted 0-4—4 with the Rangers at Bell Centre in Montreal on Feb. 19, 2008, to boost his career totals to 636-945—1,581 (1,253 GP) and overtake defenseman **Ray Bourque** (410-1,169—1,579 in 1,612 GP). Jagr's point to pass Bourque came on a goal by **Brendan Shanahan**, who reached a milestone himself in that contest by hitting the 20-goal mark for the 19th and final time in his career. The game also was memorable in that the Canadiens rallied from a five-goal deficit to win – one of 10 such comebacks in NHL regular-season history (achieved only once since). Flyers defenseman **Marc Staal** and Rangers GM **Chris Drury** were Jagr's teammates, as were ESPN analyst **Ryan Callahan** and Hockey Hall of Fame member/NHL on TNT broadcaster **Henrik Lundqvist**.

* Crosby, 20 years old but injured at the time, had 285 career points in 206 games (95-190—285) when Jagr moved into the top 10, which placed him 809th in League history. Only 27 currently active NHL players had played in the League at the time Jagr made his move into the top 10 and Crosby's point total was the highest among them – ahead of **Alex Ovechkin** (146-130—276 in 223 GP), who now ranks 13th place on the all-time points list and second in goals.

* Crosby's climb up the NHL's all-time list has been a product of 19 consecutive seasons averaging at least a point per game, which ties him with **Wayne Gretzky** for the most such campaigns in League history (career and/or consecutive).



THE EARLY YEARS: SID THE KID

After being selected first overall in the 2005 NHL Draft, held in Ottawa, **Sidney Crosby** made his NHL debut Oct. 5, 2005, less than two months after his 18th birthday. Crosby suited up alongside two future Hockey Hall of Fame members that night, **Mario Lemieux** and **Mark Recchi**, and faced off against another in Devils goaltender **Martin Brodeur**. He notched his first career point that night with an assist on a goal by Recchi, one of four players he has already passed on the all-time points list this season.

* Crosby's pursuit of becoming one of the highest-scoring players in NHL history began with a career-opening six-game point streak (2-7—9 in 6 GP from Oct. 5-15, 2005) in 2005-06. Before that season, only 14 players in League history had started their NHL career with a point streak of at least six games – Crosby and longtime rival **Alex Ovechkin** (6-4—10 in 8 GP) both achieved the feat in 2005-06 to bump the total to 16 and it has been accomplished only twice since (by Crosby's teammate **Evgeni Malkin** in 2006-07 and by **Jonathan Toews** in 2007-08).

* Crosby scored his first career goal in his third game (1-2—3 on Oct. 8, 2005), with the primary assist going to Recchi (who later coached Crosby). At the time, Crosby was the sixth-youngest player in the NHL's expansion era (since 1967-68) to score his first career goal (noted in the graphic below) – and one of the youngest in NHL history. He also joined **Jaromir Jagr** (2 GP in 1990-91), **Doug Bodger** (2 GP in 1984-85) and **Pierre Larouche** (1 GP in 1974-75) as the fourth 18-year-old in Penguins history to net his first goal within his first three contests.



* Crosby's rookie campaign concluded with 102 points in 81 games (39-63—102), which also included a 10-game point streak from Dec. 16, 2005 to Jan. 7, 2006 (8-9—17). He joined **Wayne Gretzky** (12 GP in 1979-80) and **Steve Yzerman** (10 GP in 1983-84) as the third 18-year-old in NHL history with a point streak of at least 10 contests.

* In his sophomore season of 2006-07, now playing alongside longtime teammates Malkin (80 GP together that season) and **Kris Letang** (7 GP together that season), Crosby put up 120 points (36-84—120 in 79 GP). To this day, Crosby remains the only teenager in NHL history with multiple 100-point seasons – Gretzky (137 in 1979-80), **Jimmy Carson** (107 in 1987-88), **Dale Hawerchuk** (103 in 1981-82) and **Mario Lemieux** (100 in 1984-85) each hit 100 points as a teenager once.

CROSBY'S ACCOLADE-FILLED CAREER SHOWS NO SIGNS OF SLOWING DOWN

* Crosby is set to become the 14th player in League history to accumulate 1,000 career assists and first to hit the milestone since **Joe Thornton** on March 6, 2017. Crosby has assisted on goals by 108 different players in his career, a list topped by **Evgeni Malkin** (138).

* Crosby is one of three players in NHL history to record 100-point seasons as a teenager *and* in his 30s, along with **Wayne Gretzky** and **Mario Lemieux.**

* Crosby is one of seven players in NHL history to record a 40-goal season at age 36 or older, following **Alex Ovechkin** (2x; 2022-23 & 2021-22), **Teemu Selanne** (2006-07), **Brendan Shanahan** (2005-06), **Phil Esposito** (1978-79), **Johnny Bucyk** (1972-73) and **Gordie Howe** (1968-69).

* Crosby has factored on a goal on with 153 different teammates in his career, the fifth most with a single franchise in NHL history behind **Shane Doan** (192 w/ ARI/WIN), **Joe Sakic** (182 w/ COL/QUE), Lemieux (170 w/ PIT) and **Steve Yzerman** (165 w/ DET). Crosby has scored a goal against 149 different netminders.

* Crosby's 468 multi-point games in his career are the 10th most in NHL history and his 177 three-point games are the seventh most behind Gretzky (459), Lemieux (272), **Marcel Dionne** (202), **Jaromir Jagr** (195), Esposito (183) and **Mark Messier** (183).

* Crosby's 40 career four-point games are the most among active players and his six five-point games trail only

Connor McDavid (11), **Evgeni Malkin** (8), **Nathan MacKinnon** (7) for the most among active players.

* Crosby's point-per-game pace in 2023-24 has bolstered the 36-year-old into elite company in NHL history following a 93-point campaign in 2022-23 (33-60—93 in 82 GP). He can become the fifth player in League history with multiple 90-point seasons at age 35 or older (age at start of season), after Gretzky (1996-97 & 1997-98), Selanne (2006-07 & 2005-06), **Jean Ratelle** (1975-76 & 1976-77) and Bucyk (1970-71 & 1972-73).

* Earlier this season, Crosby recorded an 11-game point streak that spanned from Oct. 24 to Nov. 18, 2023 (9-8—17 in 11 GP) – his 11th career point streak to reach double digits. That string of success played a part in helping Crosby move into sixth all-time in points with one franchise and seventh in goals with one franchise.



* Crosby has won three Stanley Cups in his career as well as two Conn Smythe trophies in 2016 and 2017. The only other players in NHL history to achieve this feat are Gretzky and **Patrick Roy**.

* Crosby's resume includes two Maurice "Rocket" Richard Trophies (2009-10 & 2016-17) and two Art Ross Trophies (2006-07 & 2013-14). *Among the 10-highest scorers in NHL history*, the Penguins captain is one of five to capture the Art Ross multiple times (also Gretzky: 10, Howe: 6, Lemieux: 6 & Jagr: 5).

* His Art Ross Trophy-winning seasons include two of his six career 100-point campaigns (also 109 in 2009-10, 103 in 2008-09, 102 in 2005-06 & 100 in 2018-19). Overall, Crosby is among a handful of players in League history with at least six such seasons – a feat that includes McDavid (7) as the only other active player. McDavid currently sits 104th on the all-time points list, 12 points from tying Crosby's former teammate **Phil Kessel** for 100th place, and based on his career points-per-game rate would be on track to record his 1,591st career point late in the 2028-29 season.

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