

OPENING GAME RECORDS OF NFL HEAD COACHES

AFC HEAD COACHES			NFC HEAD COACHES		
Team	Coach	W-L	Team	Coach	W-L
Baltimore	Brian Billick	2-4	Arizona	Dennis Green	6-5
Buffalo	Mike Mularkey	0-1	Atlanta	Jim Mora	1-0
Cincinnati	Marvin Lewis	0-2	Carolina	John Fox	2-1
Cleveland	Romeo Crennel	0-0	Chicago	Lovie Smith	0-1
Denver	Mike Shanahan	10-2	Dallas	Bill Parcells	7-10
Houston	Dom Capers	3-4	Detroit	Steve Mariucci	5-3
Indianapolis	Tony Dungy	5-4	Green Bay	Mike Sherman	3-2
Jacksonville	Jack Del Rio	1-1	Minnesota	Mike Tice	2-1
Kansas City	Dick Vermeil	8-6	New Orleans	Jim Haslett	2-3
Miami	Nick Saban	0-0	N.Y. Giants	Tom Coughlin	6-3
New England	Bill Belichick	4-6	Philadelphia	Andy Reid	2-4
N.Y. Jets	Herman Edwards	2-2	St. Louis	Mike Martz	3-2
Oakland	Norv Turner	3-5	San Francisco	Mike Nolan	0-0
Pittsburgh	Bill Cowher	6-7	Seattle	Mike Holmgren	8-5
San Diego	Marty Schottenheimer	11-7	Tampa Bay	Jon Gruden	3-4
Tennessee	Jeff Fisher	7-3	Washington	Joe Gibbs	6-7

BEST OPENING GAME PERFORMANCES, 1933-04

(2004 performances in italics)

MOST YARDS RUSHING	Yds.	Att.	LG	TD	
O.J. Simpson, Buffalo vs. New England, 9/16/73	250	29	80t	2	
Eddie George, Tennessee vs. Oakland, 8/31/97	216	35	29t	1	
George Rogers, New Orleans vs. St. Louis, 9/4/83	206	24	76t	2	
Gerald Riggs, Atlanta vs. New Orleans, 9/2/84	202	35	57	2	
Duce Staley, Philadelphia vs. Dallas, 9/3/00	201	26	60	1	
MOST YARDS PASSING	Yds.	Att.	Comp.	TD	INT
Norm Van Brocklin, L.A. Rams vs. N.Y. Yanks, 9/28/51	554	41	27	5	2
Dan Marino, Miami vs. New England, 9/4/94	473	42	23	5	1
Kurt Warner, St. Louis vs. Denver, 9/4/00	441	35	25	3	3
Drew Bledsoe, New England vs. Miami, 9/4/94	421	51	32	4	2
Glen Foley, N.Y. Jets vs. San Francisco, 9/6/98	415	30	58	3	1
Pete Beathard, Houston vs. Kansas City, 9/9/68	413	48	23	2	3
Phil Simms, N.Y. Giants vs. Philadelphia, 9/2/84	409	30	23	4	0
Johnny Unitas, Baltimore vs. Atlanta, 9/17/67	401	32	22	2	1
MOST YARDS RECEIVING	Yds.	No.	LG	TD	
Frank Clarke, Dallas vs. Washington, 9/16/62	241	10	58t	3	
Anquan Boldin, Arizona vs. Detroit, 9/7/03	217	10	71	2	
Hugh Taylor, Washington vs. Philadelphia, 9/28/47	212	8	62t	3	
Lance Alworth, San Diego vs. Denver, 9/11/65	211	7	48	1	
Irving Fryar, Miami vs. New England, 9/4/94	211	5	54t	3	
Wes Chandler, New Orleans vs. Atlanta, 9/2/79	205	6	42	1	
Don Maynard, N.Y. Jets vs. Kansas City, 9/15/68	203	8	57t	2	

BEST OPENING GAME PERFORMANCES, PAST 10 YEARS

(2004 performances in italics)

MOST RUSHING YARDS	Yds.	Att.	LG	TD	
Eddie George, Tennessee vs. Oakland, 8/31/97	216	35	29t	1	
Duce Staley, Philadelphia vs. Dallas, 9/3/00	201	26	60	1	
<i>Curtis Martin, N.Y. Jets vs. Cincinnati, 9/12/04</i>	196	29	24t	1	
Garrison Hearst, San Francisco vs. N.Y. Jets, 9/6/98	187	20	96t	2	
Robert Smith, Minnesota vs. Buffalo, 8/31/97	169	16	78t	1	
Barry Sanders, Detroit vs. Minnesota, 9/1/96	163	24	25	0	
Emmitt Smith, Dallas vs. N.Y. Giants, 9/4/95	163	21	60t	4	
Ahman Green, Green Bay vs. Atlanta, 9/8/02	155	27	38	0	
Travis Henry, Buffalo vs. N.Y. Jets, 9/8/02	149	31	14	3	
<i>Clinton Portis, Washington vs. Tampa Bay, 9/12/04</i>	148	29	64t	1	
MOST YARDS PASSING	Yds.	Att.	Comp.	TD	INT
Kurt Warner, St. Louis vs. Denver, 9/4/00	441	35	25	3	3
Glenn Foley, N.Y. Jets vs. San Francisco, 9/6/98	415	58	30	3	1
Brad Johnson, Washington vs. Dallas, 9/12/99	382	33	20	2	0
Steve Young, San Francisco vs. N.Y. Jets, 9/6/98	363	46	26	3	1
Troy Aikman, Dallas vs. Washington, 9/12/99	362	49	28	5	3
Jeff Blake, Arizona vs. Detroit, 9/7/03	358	46	28	3	1
<i>Vinny Testaverde, Dallas vs. Minnesota, 9/12/04</i>	355	50	29	1	0
Kerry Collins, N.Y. Giants vs. San Francisco, 9/5/02	342	45	28	0	3
Kurt Warner, St. Louis vs. N.Y. Giants, 9/7/03	342	54	34	1	1
MOST YARDS RECEIVING	Yds.	No.	LG	TD	
Anquan Boldin, Arizona vs. Detroit, 9/7/03	217	10	71t	2	
Marty Booker, Chicago vs. Minnesota, 9/8/02	198	8	54	1	
Keyshawn Johnson, N.Y. Jets vs. New England, 9/12/99	194	8	65	1	
Shannon Sharpe, Denver vs. Buffalo, 9/3/95	180	10	49	0	
Kevin Dyson, Tennessee vs. Cincinnati, 9/12/99	162	9	47t	2	
Michael Westbrook, Washington vs. Dallas, 9/12/99	159	5	59	1	
Tim Brown, Oakland vs. Tennessee, 8/31/97	158	8	59t	3	
Michael Jackson, Cleveland vs. New England, 9/3/95	157	7	70t	2	
Herman Moore, Detroit vs. Minnesota, 9/1/96	157	12	29	1	