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## LONE-UNBEATEN COLTS GO FOR FIRST 6-0 START SINCE '58; TIGHT NFC EAST FEATURES GIANTS AT COWBOYS

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And this Monday night, the NFL's lone unbeaten team, the Indianapolis Colts, will attempt to start a season 6-0 for the first time in 47 years, since the **WEEB EWBANK-JOHNNY UNITAS** Colts of 1958. That team, of course, won the NFL championship in the first "sudden-death" overtime in NFL history in "The Greatest Game Ever Played."

The 2005 Colts are pleased to have matched their best starts ever (four times before), but don't think everything is perfect in Indy, even after a 25-point victory (28-3) in San Francisco.

"We're 5-0, which is good," says Colts wide receiver **BRANDON STOKLEY**. "But we have to do a lot better than we did."

Never get too confident. That's the NFL way. Things can be going smoothly...and then you miss the playoffs.

In this decade alone, two "perfect" teams through five weeks missed the playoffs that year (2000 New York Jets, 4-0; 2003 Minnesota, 5-0). In fact, since 2000, a surprising 28 clubs reached the sixth week of the season with winning records (seven at at least 4-1), yet failed to make the playoffs.

On the reverse side, nine teams entered Week 6 with losing records, turned their seasons around and reached the playoffs, including six division winners: New Orleans (1-3) in 2000; New England (2-3/Super Bowl winner) in 2001; New York Jets (1-4), Pittsburgh (1-3) and Tennessee (1-4) in 2002; and 1-4 Green Bay last year.

"You never know what you're going to get from week to week in the NFL," says New York Giants quarterback **ELI MANNING**.

### **NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (3-2) at DENVER BRONCOS (4-1)**

**STORYLINE:** The Patriots road tour continues!

The Super Bowl champs play their fourth road game in the past five weeks. They have won their past two roadies, against 2004 division winners (Pittsburgh and, last week, Atlanta).

The Broncos have their own streaks going. They have won four in a row, and for the seventh time in head coach **MIKE SHANAHAN**'s 11-year tenure, they have started the season at 4-1 or better.

The big question Sunday is will victory come on the ground or through the air? It will be the Broncs' No. 2 NFL rushing attack led by **TATUM BELL** -- 127 yards and 34- and 55-yard TDs in Week 5 -- and **MIKE ANDERSON** matched against the Patriots' No. 4 NFL passing game. New England QB **TOM BRADY** threw for big yards Sunday (350) and spread it around to nine different receivers. Whatever it takes, say the resilient Patriots. "We'll keep coming and doing the hard things every week," says Brady.

### **NEW YORK GIANTS (3-1) at DALLAS COWBOYS (3-2)**

**STORYLINE:** One game separates the entire division.

It will be like old times in one respect, unlike them in another. It will be a typical big game in the super competitive NFC

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**MOST 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES EVER:** The receiving game is hot! There have been 60 100-yard receiving games through five weeks of the season, the most ever at this point of an NFL season. To show the frequency of NFL teams going to the air, Arizona Cardinals wide receivers **ANQUAN BOLDIN** and **LARRY FITZGERALD** last week became the first teammates in four years to each post 100-yard performances in consecutive games (Tennessee's **KEVIN DYSON** and **DERRICK MASON** in 2001).  
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East. One game separates all four teams – the 3-1 Giants and Redskins and 3-2 Cowboys and Eagles. Haven't we been here before?

But these are the "Air Coughlin" Giants, who, even with a week off, rank second in the NFL in scoring with 136 points (San Diego, 149). That is the most for the team in its first four games since 154 in 1968 when **FRAN TARKENTON** was the quarterback. The Giants have twice broken 40 points this year. The last time they did that was in 1972 when **NORM SNEAD** was the quarterback.

The 'Boys? Their first four games were decided by 14 points, and then on Sunday they rang up a 33-10 win over the Eagles, who entered the game with the NFL's top offense. Usually conservative Dallas came out flying, scoring on six of its first seven drives.

"I'm glad they're playing well," says Giants center **SHAUN O'HARA**. "That's when you want to play people. We're playing well too, so it will be great timing for us."

#### JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (3-2) at PITTSBURGH STEELERS (3-1)

**STORYLINE: *An AFC Central throwback game.***

An old rivalry will be rekindled when these two meet as they did in the old AFC Central Division twice a year after the Jaguars entered the NFL in 1995. In the seven years of the series, the teams split their annual meetings six times and stand 8-8 lifetime against each other with only 12 points separating them all-time (Jaguars, 288; Steelers, 276).

There are many interesting scenarios in this one. Will Pittsburgh **QB BEN ROETHLISBERGER** (left knee) be able to play or will it be eight-year veteran **CHARLIE BATCH**? Does that possibility dictate that the Steelers will rely more on their running game, which, because they are the Steelers, they don't mind doing? Their rush attack just received more power with the return of "The Bus," **JEROME BETTIS**, to go along with the speed of **WILLIE PARKER**.

When things go to the air, two of the NFL's best receivers will be featured -- Jacksonville's **JIMMY SMITH** and Pittsburgh's **HINES WARD**.

#### WASHINGTON REDSKINS (3-1) at KANSAS CITY CHIEFS (2-2)

**STORYLINE: *Coaching legends.***

Two of the most successful coaches in NFL history meet for the first time since November 28, 1982. That day, the Redskins, led then as now by **JOE GIBBS**, defeated (13-9) the Philadelphia Eagles of **DICK VERMEIL**, now the Chiefs coach. Between them, the coaches have six Super Bowl appearances and four Super Bowl wins (Gibbs: 4/3; Vermeil: 2/1). Gibbs holds a 3-1 lifetime advantage over Vermeil. Gibbs is 149-76 (.662) in his career, Vermeil 118-110 (.518).

On the field, a mix of youth and experience prevails in the teams' offensive strength, the rushing game. The Chiefs' 32-year-old **PRIEST HOLMES** has run for 305 yards and three touchdowns. He is often spelled by 25-year-old **LARRY JOHNSON** (198 yards, 3 TDs). Redskins 24-year-old **RB CLINTON PORTIS** while with the Denver Broncos had three 100-yard rushing games in four outings against the AFC West Chiefs. He scored a career-high five TDs against KC on December 7, 2003.

#### ST. LOUIS RAMS (2-3) at INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (5-0) (Monday, ABC, 9:00 PM ET)

**STORYLINE: *Harrison vs. Holt.***

Let the fireworks begin! It's high-scoring offenses with outstanding passers (the Rams' **MARC BULGER** and Colts' **PEYTON MANNING**) and two of the top three receivers in 100-yard games since 1999 (Indy's **MARVIN HARRISON** and St. Louis' **TORRY HOLT**).

Harrison leads the league with 44 such games since '99 (Holt's first year). Next comes Oakland's **RANDY MOSS** (40), and then Holt (36). In the only other meeting between the two, Holt had a career yardage day with 203 yards (and two TDs) on December 30, 2001 in St. Louis. Harrison was "held" to 96 yards.

Outstanding stat: The Rams – now led by interim head coach **JOE VITT** -- lead the league in "big plays," those of 10 yards or more:

#### BIG PLAYS -- 2005

Team	Plays 10 Yards or More
St. Louis	95
Arizona	88
Seattle	76
Philadelphia	75
Cincinnati	72

**WEEK 6**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16**  
**CLEVELAND BROWNS (2-2) AT BALTIMORE RAVENS (1-3)**

**SERIES**

	<b><u>BROWNS</u></b>	<b><u>RAVENS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>		8-4
<b>STREAKS</b>		3 of past 4
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Crennel: 0-0	Billick: 8-4
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	W 20-10 vs. Bears	L 35-17 at Lions
<b>LAST GAME</b>	11/7/04: Browns 13 at Ravens 27. Baltimore S Ed Reed has NFL-record 106-yard INT-TD with 26 seconds remaining to seal victory.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	11/7/04	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS (1:00 PM ET): Spero Dedes, Rich Gannon	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Dilfer: 92-138-1,040-6-4-91.5	Wright: 79-129-800-4-6-69.9
<b>RUSHING</b>	Droughns: 71-276-3.9-0	J. Lewis: 74-233-3.1-1
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Bryant: 21-255-12.1-2	Mason: 27-278-10.3-1
<b>OFFENSE</b>	326.3	307.3
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	+3	-9
<b>DEFENSE</b>	369.3	262.0 (1C)
<b>SACKS</b>	Crocker, Thompson: 2.0	R. Green: 2.0
<b>INTs</b>	McCutcheon: 2	McAlister, Suggs: 1
<b>PUNTING</b>	Richardson: 42.7	Zastudil: 42.4
<b>KICKING</b>	P. Dawson: 29 (5/6 PAT; 8/8 FG)	Stover: 17 (5/5 PAT; 4/7 FG)

**NOTES**

**BROWNS:** Team aims for 2nd 3-2 start since return to NFL in 1999.....Sr. V.P. & GM **PHIL SAVAGE** spent past 9 seasons with Balt. & was Ravens' director of player personnel from 2003-04.....**QB TRENT DILFER** helped Ravens to Super Bowl XXXV victory in 2000 season, starting final 8 games of reg. season & all 4 playoff wins – was 11-1 (.917) in those games. Through 4 games, Dilfer has 6 TD passes (138 atts); threw total of 6 TDs from 2002-04 (234 atts). Club has 1,004 net passing yds through 4 games; had 576 through 4 in '04.....**RB REUBEN DROUGHNS** has rush of 10+ yds in 15 of past 16 games. In 6 career games w/ 20+ carries, **RB LEE SUGGS** has 5 100s & 715 total rush yds (119.2/gm avg.).....Last wk in 4th qtr, **WR ANTONIO BRYANT** caught TDs from 33 & 28 yds, respectively. **TE AARON SHEA** tied career-high w/ 6 catches last wk in his 1st game of '05.....**CB GARY BAXTER** was Raven from 2001-04 & tied for 6th on club in tackles (86) last season.....**K PHIL DAWSON** (156) needs 1 PAT to surpass current Raven **MATT STOVER** (156) for 4th most in team history.....**RAVENS:** **QB ANTHONY WRIGHT** has completed 60.0+ pct. of passes in 3 of past 4 starts.....**RB JAMAL LEWIS** has 8 career games vs. Cle. & has posted top 3 career rushing days vs. Browns, including NFL-record 295 yds on 9/14/03. Since 1970, Lewis' 147.6 yds/gm avg. vs. Cle. is best by any rusher vs. 1 team, min. 5 meetings.....**WR DERRICK MASON** ranks 4th in AFC w/ 27 receptions. Posted career-long 71-yd catch (TD) vs. Browns on 12/2/01 (w/Tenn.). **TE TODD HEAP** chalked-up career-high 9 catches vs. Cle. in Wk 1 last season (9/12/04). Heap has 4+ catches in 5 of past 7 games.....Defense (262.0) No. 2 in NFL in yds allowed/game. In last mtg, **S ED REED** recorded longest INT return in NFL history: 106-TD. Reed has 21 career INTs & averages 31.3 yds per INT return .....Left-footed **P DAVE ZASTUDIL** is native of Bay Village, OH, located 16 miles west of Cleveland Browns Stadium.

**MINNESOTA VIKINGS (1-3) AT CHICAGO BEARS (1-3)****SERIES**

	<b><u>VIKINGS</u></b>	<b><u>BEARS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>	47-38-2	
<b>STREAKS</b>		2 of past 3
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Tice: 3-3	Smith: 1-1
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	Bye (Wk. 4: L 30-10 at Falcons)	L 20-10 at Browns
<b>LAST GAME</b>	12/5/04: Vikings 14 at Bears 24. Chicago QB Chad Hutchinson throws 3 TDs in 1st start of season & Bears' defense forces 4 turnovers & records 5 sacks.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	12/5/04	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	FOX (12:00 PM CT): Sam Rosen, Bill Maas, Jay Glazer (Field reporter).	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Culpepper: 87-133-1019-4-10-67.2	Orton (R): 62-114-557-2-6-51.7
<b>RUSHING</b>	Moore: 45-187-4.2-0	Th. Jones: 86-413-4.8-4 (T3C)
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Taylor: 18-215-11.9-2	Muhammad: 22-250-11.4-1
<b>OFFENSE</b>	308.3	255.8
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	-8	0
<b>DEFENSE</b>	378.3	269.8 (3L)
<b>SACKS</b>	Johnstone: 2.0	Urlacher: 4.0
<b>INTs</b>	5 tied: 1	Vasher: 3 (T1C)
<b>PUNTING</b>	Kluwe (R): 48.8 (1L)	Maynard: 42.4
<b>KICKING</b>	Edinger: 26 (5/5 PAT; 7/8 FG)	Gould (R): 4 (1/1 PAT; 1/2 FG)

**NOTES**

**VIKINGS:** Since '90, club has NFL best 13-3 record (.813) following bye week.....**QB DAUNTE CULPEPPER** has 19 career 300-yard passing games & needs 1 to surpass **TOMMY KRAMER** for most in franchise history. Has 24-8 (.750) mark when posting 100.0+ passer rating, including 4-0 vs. Bears.....Second-year **RB MEWELDE MOORE** has multiple carries in 7 career games, rushing for 555 yards with 3 100-yard rushing games.....Rookie 1st-round **WR TROY WILLIAMSON** ties for 2nd among rookies with 166 receiving yards (9 catches) & avgs. 18.4 yards per catch. **WR MARCUS ROBINSON** spent '98-'02 with Bears setting franchise record with 1,400 receiving yards in '99.....**DT KEVIN WILLIAMS** has 4 sacks in last 3 vs. Bears & seeks sack in 4th in row vs. Chi.....Since entering NFL in '97, **S DARREN SHARPER** leads NFL with 8 defensive TDs.....**K PAUL EDINGER** has connected on 14 of 20 (.700) FGs from 50+ yards, 2nd-best pct. all-time w/ min. 20 atts (Tony Zendejas, 17-23, .739).....Rookie **P CHRIS KLUWE** leads NFL with 48.8 punting avg & 42.6-yard net avg. Has highest avg. after 1st 4 games since **STEVE O'NEAL** in '69 (50.1, NYJ).....

**BEARS:** Seek 5th consecutive win vs. Vikes at Soldier Field.....Rookie **QB KYLE ORTON** guides offense that has 71.4 red zone TD pct. (5 trips, 7 TDs), 3rd in NFL.....**RB THOMAS JONES** has 5 100-yard games in past 6 & has scored TD in 4 of past 5 games (6 TDs).....**WR MUHSIN MUHAMMAD** had 6 receptions (52 yards) vs. Browns, giving him 600 career. Rookie 2nd-round **WR MARK BRADLEY** had 4 catches for 33 yards last week. **WR-PR BOBBY WADE** leads NFL with 12.4-yard PR avg, including 73-yard TD.....Defense ranks 3rd overall (269.8), 4th vs. rush (88.0) & 7th vs. pass (181.8).....Bears holding opponents to 66.7 passer rating, 2nd in NFC..... Defense holds opponents to 11.1 red zone TD pct (9 trips, 1 TD), best in NFL.....**LB BRIAN URLACHER** has 4 sacks, most among NFL LBs.....**S MIKE BROWN** holds franchise record with 6 career defensive TDs. Second-year **CB NATHAN VASHER** has 3 INTs in 4 games this season & 8 in 20 career games.

**NEW YORK GIANTS (3-1) AT DALLAS COWBOYS (3-2)**

**SERIES**

	<b><u>GIANTS</u></b>	<b><u>COWBOYS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>		50-33-2
<b>STREAKS</b>	4 of past 6	
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Coughlin: 3-2	Parcells: 3-3
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	Bye (Wk 4: W 44-24 vs. Rams)	W 33-10 vs. Eagles
<b>LAST GAME</b>	1/2/05: Cowboys 24 at Giants 28. New York RB Tiki Barber scores game-winning TD with 11 seconds remaining as Giants snap eight-game losing streak.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	10/10/04: Giants 26, Cowboys 10. New York RB Tiki Barber rushes for 122 yards & 1 TD as Giants win 4th consecutive game.	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	FOX (12:00 PM CT): Dick Stockton, Troy Aikman & Pam Oliver (Field reporter)	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Manning: 66-123-985-9-2-97.8 (2C)	Bledsoe: 98-159-1351(3C)-10(T3C)-3-102.0 (3L)
<b>RUSHING</b>	Barber: 74-333-4.5-3	J. Jones: 112(2L)-407-3.6-3
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Burress: 25-396-15.8-4	T. Glenn: 23-518-22.5-3
<b>OFFENSE</b>	353.0	370.8
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	+10 (2L)	+1
<b>DEFENSE</b>	425.3	297.8
<b>SACKS</b>	Strahan: 3.5	Ware (R): 3.0
<b>INTs</b>	Williams: 2	5 tied: 1
<b>PUNTING</b>	Feagles: 43.9	McBriar: 44.5
<b>KICKING</b>	Feely: 40 (16/16 PAT; 8/8 FG)	Cortez: 35 (11/12 PAT; 8/9 FG)

**NOTES**

**GIANTS:** Scored 136 points in 1st 4 games, most by NYG since '68 (154).....**TOM COUGHLIN** coached WRs under **BILL PARCELLS** with Giants from '88-'90.....**QB ELI MANNING** has TD pass in 5 consecutive games (12 TDs) & 0 INT in last 110 att. Ranks 4th in NFL with 8.01 avg. per pass. Earned 1st NFL win in last meeting..... **RB TIKI BARBER** has 44 career rushing TDs & needs 5 to tie **RODNEY HAMPTON** for most in club history.....With 25 catches & 396 yards, **WR PLAXICO BURRESS** is off to best start of career. **WR AMANI TOOMER** has 38 career receiving TDs & needs 2 to become 4th player in team history with 40.....**JEREMY SHOCKEY** is 1 of 5 NFL TEs with 250+ receiving yards (251)... **DE MICHAEL STRAHAN** has 121.5 career sacks & needs 0.5 to pass **CLYDE SIMMONS** (121.5) for 11th all-time. Has 7.5 sacks in past 5 games at Dal.....Second-year **S GIBRIL WILSON** leads club with 31 tackles.....**KR WILLIE PONDER** ranks 2nd in NFL with 30.1-yard KR avg & club ranks 2nd with avg. drive start on KOs at 31.8 yard-line.....

**COWBOYS:** Club converts 44.4 pct. on 3rd down (32 of 72), 5th best in NFL.....Head coach **BILL PARCELLS** has 168 career victories & needs 1 to pass **BUD GRANT** (168) for 10th-most in NFL history.....**QB DREW BLEDSOE** passed for 289 yards vs. Eagles, becoming 8th player all-time with 41,000 passing yards (41,159). Has wins in 9 of past 12 games with 21 TDs vs. 9 INTs.....**RB JULIUS JONES** rushed for 149 yards with 5.1 avg. per carry in last meeting. In 13 career games, has rushed for 1,226 yards.....**WR KEYSHAWN JOHNSON** has 692 career receptions & needs 8 to become 7th active WR with 700. **WR TERRY GLENN** averages 22.5 yards per catch (23 rec. for 518 yards), most in NFL (min. 20 catches).....**TE JASON WITTEN** ties for 3rd among NFL TEs with 23 receptions & ranks 3rd with 261 yards..... **DT LA'ROI GLOVER** (69.5) needs 0.5 sack for 70 career sacks, 2nd-most among current DTs (**WARREN SAPP**, 80.5).....**LB DE MARCUS WARE** leads NFL rookies with 3.0 sacks & seeks sack in 4th consecutive game.

**CAROLINA PANTHERS (3-2) AT DETROIT LIONS (2-2)**

**SERIES**

	<b><u>PANTHERS</u></b>	<b><u>LIONS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>	2-1	
<b>STREAKS</b>	Past 2	
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Fox: 2-0	Mariucci: 6-5
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	W 24-20 at Cardinals	W 35-17 vs. Ravens
<b>LAST GAME</b>	12/21/03: Lions 14 at Panthers 20. Carolina QB Jake Delhomme passes for 260 yards & 2 TDs in Panthers' win.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	--	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	FOX (1:00 PM ET): Ron Pitts, Tim Ryan	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Delhomme: 84-145-1100-8-5-86.0	Harrington: 59-115-597-4-7-52.7
<b>RUSHING</b>	S. Davis: 91-291-3.2-7 (3L)	Jones: 71-205-2.9-3
<b>RECEIVING</b>	S. Smith: 33-473-14.3-6 (1L)	K. Johnson: 13-110-8.5-0
<b>OFFENSE</b>	303.0	245.0
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	+1	+3
<b>DEFENSE</b>	342.0	323.0
<b>SACKS</b>	Rucker: 2.0	Edwards: 4.0
<b>INTs</b>	McCree: 2	Bly, Holt: 2
<b>PUNTING</b>	Baker: 42.9	Harris: 43.2
<b>KICKING</b>	Kasay: 37 (13/14 PAT; 8/10 FG)	Hanson: 17 (8/8 PAT; 3/3 FG)

**NOTES**

**PANTHERS:** Club has won 9 of past 13 games.....Offense ranks 1st in NFL with 80.0 red zone TD pct (12 of 15).....**QB JAKE DELHOMME** has 8,205 passing yards with club & needs 102 to pass **KERRY COLLINS** (8,306) for 2nd-most in franchise history. Posted career-high 82.9 comp. pct. (29 of 35) in last meeting.....**RB STEPHEN DAVIS** ranks 3rd in NFL with 7 rushing TDs. Needs 3 for 1st 10-TD season since '00 (11). **RB DE SHAUN FOSTER** avgs. 15.7 yards per catch (12-188).....**WR STEVE SMITH** leads NFL with 6 TD catches. Has 100-yard receiving games in 3 of past 5 & has 12 receptions on 3rd down (140 yards), tied for most in NFL. **WR RICKY PROEHL** has career-highs with 164 receiving yards & 78-yard TD catch vs. Det (11/27/97). Had 11 receiving yards last week (1 catch) to give him 8,500 career.....Defense allows 82.8 rushing yards per game, 3rd-best in NFL.....**DE JULIUS PEPPERS** has 4 sacks in 2 career games vs. Lions.....**S MARLON MC CREE** tied career high with 2 INT vs. Ariz. **CB-PR CHRIS GAMBLE** 21.0 PR avg.....**LIONS:** **QB JOEY HARRINGTON** seeks 4th consecutive win as starter at home. Directed offense that posted 35 points vs. Ravens, most vs. Balt since 11/23/03 (41, Sea).....Second-year **RB KEVIN JONES** avgs. 107 rushing yards in past 6 home games, posting 642 yards with 4.8 yards per carry avg. (133-642). Has played in 19 games with club & has rushed for 1,338 yards, an avg. of 70.4 yards per game. **RB SHAWN BYSON** had NFL '05 season & career-long 77 yard (TD) run vs. Ravens.....Second-year **WR ROY WILLIAMS** has started 15 career games, posting 57 catches for 916 yards & 9 TDs.....Defense allows 40.0 red zone TD pct (4 TDs, 10 trips), tied for 4th-best in NFL. Club posts 4.9 INT pct (7-142), 5th-highest in league.....**CB DRE BLY** had career high 2 FF in last meeting. Had 2 INT vs. Ravens, giving him 26 career. Bly is only active player with 7 years or less experience & 25+ career INT. Third-year **S TERENCE HOLT** has 2 INTs & needs 1 to tie career best. HS star at East Guilford (NC) & college standout at North Carolina State.

**WASHINGTON REDSKINS (3-1) AT KANSAS CITY CHIEFS (2-2)**

**SERIES**

	<b><u>REDSKINS</u></b>	<b><u>CHIEFS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>		5-1
<b>STREAKS</b>		Past 3
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Gibbs: 1-1	Vermeil: 7-9
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	L 21-19 at Broncos	Bye (Wk. 4: L 37-31 vs. Eagles)
<b>LAST GAME</b>	9/30/01: Chiefs 45 at Redskins 13. Kansas City RB Priest Holmes rushes for 147 yards & scores 3 TDs.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	11/5/95: Chiefs 24, Redskins 3. Kansas City's defense limits Washington to 201 total yards & 12 completions in 39 attempts.	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	FOX (12:00 PM CT): Kenny Albert, Daryl Johnston, Tony Siragusa (Field reporter).	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Brunell: 78-137-909-6-2-85.7	Green: 75-128-879-3-3-77.6
<b>RUSHING</b>	Portis: 83-366-4.4-0	Holmes: 73-305-4.2-3 (T3C)
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Moss: 23-458-19.9-2	Kennison: 23-349-15.2-1
<b>OFFENSE</b>	367.0	345.3
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	-5	0
<b>DEFENSE</b>	282.0 (3C)	367.8
<b>SACKS</b>	Evans, Griffin, Marshall: 1.0	Allen: 2.0
<b>INTs</b>	Marshall: 1	McCleon, Surtain: 1
<b>PUNTING</b>	Frost: 38.0	Colquitt (R): 42.4
<b>KICKING</b>	Novak (R): 17 (5/5 PAT; 4/6 FG)	Tynes: 31 (10/10 PAT; 7/9 FG)

**NOTES**

**REDSKINS:** Have had 6 consecutive games decided by 3 points or less – the longest such streak in NFL history – winning 4 of 6.....Head coach **JOE GIBBS** has 149 career wins & needs 1 to become 3rd active & 14th coach all-time with 150.....**QB MARK BRUNELL** has thrown 2 INTs in '05, tied for 3rd-fewest in NFL. His 93.5 4th quarter passer rating is 3rd in NFC. Has won 3 of 4 career starts vs. Chiefs, tossing 1 INT in 111 attempts with 5 TD passes.....**RB CLINTON PORTIS** seeks 4th consecutive 100-yard rushing game vs. Chiefs. In 4 games vs. KC, avgs. 139.8 rushing yards (81-559) with 6.9 yards per carry avg. & 10 rushing TDs.....**WR SANTANA MOSS** ties for 1st in NFL with 12 3rd down receptions (186 yards). Among players with 20+ catches, Moss ranks 2nd in NFL with 19.9 yards per catch avg.....Second-year **TE CHRIS COOLEY** posted career highs with 8 catches & 82 yards vs. Broncos.....Defense has allowed NFL low 6 red zone possessions & ranks 2nd surrendering 14.3 1st downs per game.....**CHIEFS:** Since 1990, club is 90-32 (.738) at home, outscoring opponents 3,060-2,073 & is 10-6 (.625) following bye week.....**QB TRENT GREEN** was Redskin from 1995-98. Made 1st career appearance (12/21/97) & start (9/14/98) with Washington. In 2 games vs. Redskins, Green has 2 300-yard games (673 yards), 5 TDs vs. 1 INT and 122.7 rating. Chiefs are 15-6 (.714) when Green has 100.0+ rating.....In last meeting, **RB PRIEST HOLMES** had 225 scrimmage yards (147 rush, 78 rec.) & 3 TDs. In past 18 home games Holmes has started, Chiefs are 15-3 (.833). Has 2,519 scrimmage yards (1,805 rush, 714 rec.) & 32 TDs in those 18.....**TE TONY GONZALEZ** (54) needs 1 TD to pass **WESLEY WALLS** (54) for 3rd-most all time by TE. **WR EDDIE KENNISON** aims for 3rd 100-yard game in row. Would be 1st time in career with 3 consecutive 100-yard games.....**LB SHAWN BARBER** was Redskin from 1998-01, playing in 49 games & making 34 starts. **DE JARED ALLEN** has 11.0 sacks in 19 career games.....**WR-KR-PR DANTE HALL** (28.1) stands 4th in AFC KR avg.

**ATLANTA FALCONS (3-2) AT NEW ORLEANS SAINTS (2-3) (San Antonio, Texas)****SERIES**

	<b><u>FALCONS</u></b>	<b><u>SAINTS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>	41-30	
<b>STREAKS</b>		3 of past 4
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Mora: 1-1	Haslett: 6-4
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	L 31-28 vs. Patriots	L 52-3 at Packers
<b>LAST GAME</b>	12/26/04: Falcons 13 at Saints 26. New Orleans QB Aaron Brooks passes for 227 yards & Michael Lewis returns Kickoff 96 yards for TD.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	12/26/04	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	FOX (12:00 PM CT): Curt Menefee, Brian Baldinger	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Vick: 44-77-495-4-2-83.0	Brooks: 81-149-1084-2-7-62.6
<b>RUSHING</b>	Dunn: 89-477(2C)-5.4-1	A. Smith: 26-73-2.8-0
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Crumpler (TE): 19-257-13.5-2	Stallworth: 21-323-15.4-0
<b>OFFENSE</b>	342.6	319.2
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	+5 (T2C)	-10
<b>DEFENSE</b>	336.2	308.8
<b>SACKS</b>	Coleman: 5.0 (T2C)	Bryant, Howard: 2.5
<b>INTs</b>	D. Hall: 3 (T1C)	Craft: 2
<b>PUNTING</b>	Koenen (R): 42.7	Berger: 43.0
<b>KICKING</b>	Peterson: 29 (11/11 PAT; 6/6 FG)	Carney: 35 (5/5 PAT; 10/14 FG)

**NOTES**

**FALCONS:** Since **JIM MORA** became head coach in '04, club has 9-1 mark, including playoffs, when rushing for 200+ yards, outscoring opponents 282-163 in those games. His father, **JIM MORA**, is Saints all-time winningest coach (93-78, '86-'96).....**QB MICHAEL VICK** has 19-6 (.760) record as starter indoors.....Baton Rouge, LA native **RB WARRICK DUNN** avgs. 6.1 yards per carry in past 4 games vs. Saints (58-355). Is 5th player in club history with 3,000 rushing yards (3,182). Among RBs with 50+ carries, ranks 1st with 5.4 yards per carry avg. **RB T.J. DUCKETT** has rushing TD in 4 of past 5 games & his 4 rushing TDs, tie for 5th in NFL. Club is only team with 3 players with 150+ rushing yards: Dunn (477), Vick (233) & Duckett (178).....**WR BRIAN FINNERAN** has 154 receptions as Falcon with 79.9 pct. (123) resulting in 1st down or TD. Second-year **WR MICHAEL JENKINS** avgs. team-leading 18.1 yards per catch (12-217).....**TE ALGE CRUMPLER** has catch in 36 consecutive games.....Defense ranks 2nd in NFL with 18 sacks.....**ROD COLEMAN** leads NFL DTs with 5 sacks.....**CB DE ANGELO HALL** has INT in 3 of past 5 games.....**SAINTS:** Head coach **JIM HASLETT** is 1 of 2 head coaches (Jim Mora, 93) in club history with 45 wins (45-42).....**QB AARON BROOKS** faces his cousin, Michael Vick. Has 9 career 300-yard passing games & needs 1 to pass **ARCHIE MANNING** (9) for most in club history.....**RB ANTOWAIN SMITH** may make 1st start of season. Had season-high 12 carries vs. GB (36 yards). Nine-year veteran joined club as free agent in offseason. Has rushed for 1,000 yards twice & earned 2 Super Bowl rings as member of Patriots from '01-'03.....**WR JOE HORN** has 100+ receiving yards in 4 of past 7 games vs. Falcons. Has 46 receiving TDs & needs 3 to pass **ERIC MARTIN** for (48) for most by Saint. **WR DONTE STALLWORTH** avgs. 15.4 yards per catch (21-323).....**TE ERNIE CONWELL** has 195 career receptions & needs 5 for 200.....**DE DARREN HOWARD** has 14 sacks in 17 career games in October.....**CB JASON CRAFT** has 2 INTs & needs 1 to tie career high ('02).

**JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (3-2) AT PITTSBURGH STEELERS (3-1)****SERIES**

	<b><u>JAGUARS</u></b>	<b><u>STEELERS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>	Series tied, 8-8	
<b>STREAKS</b>		Past 3
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Del Rio: 0-1	Cowher: 8-8
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	W 23-20 vs. Bengals	W 24-22 at Chargers
<b>LAST GAME</b>	12/5/04: Steelers 17 at Jaguars 16. Pittsburgh's Jeff Reed kicks game-winning 37-yard FG with 18 seconds remaining as Steelers win Sunday night matchup.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	11/18/01: Steelers 20, Jaguars 7. Pittsburgh QB Kordell Stewart passes for 1 TD & runs for another as Steelers win for 6th time in 7 games.	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS (1:00 PM ET): Dick Enberg, Dan Dierdorf, Armen Keteyian (Field reporter).	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Leftwich: 79-141-1,028-7 (T2C)-3	Roethlisberger: 52-86-913-7 (T2C)-0-123.8 (1L) <b><u>OR</u></b> Batch (Pre.): 27-49-326-1-1-74.0
<b>RUSHING</b>	Taylor: 105-401-3.8-1	Parker: 74-353-4.8-2
<b>RECEIVING</b>	J. Smith: 20-372 (3C)-18.6-4 (T2C)	Ward: 18-302-16.8-4 (T2C)
<b>OFFENSE</b>	311.2	348.0 (3C)
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	+2	+8 (2C)
<b>DEFENSE</b>	285.6 (3C)	307.3
<b>SACKS</b>	Hayward, Spicer: 3.5	Haggans, Polamalu, Porter: 3.0
<b>INTs</b>	5 tied: 1	4 tied: 1
<b>PUNTING</b>	Hanson: 44.5	Gardocki: 43.9
<b>KICKING</b>	Scobee: 37 (7/7 PAT; 10/12 FG)	Reed: 33 (12/12 PAT; 7/8 FG)

**NOTES**

**JAGUARS:** Under head coach **JACK DEL RIO**, team has won 9 games in row when leading at halftime.....In 1 career mtg vs. Steelers, **QB BYRON LEFTWICH** posted 105.2 passer rating on 16 of 27 passing for 268 yards w/ 1 TD vs. 0 INTs.....**RB FRED TAYLOR** rushed for career-high & club-record 234 yards vs. Steelers (11/19/00) & had 4 TDs (3 rush, 1 rec.) in that meeting.....**WR JIMMY SMITH** has TD catch in 3 of 5 games & is tied (8) for 4th-most 20+ yd catches in NFL among WRs. In 16 games vs. Steelers, Smith has 75 catches for 1,005 yards. Steelers 1 of 4 teams Smith has 1,000+ rec. yards against. Smith has 2 career 10-catch games vs. Pittsburgh, tied for his most vs. 1 team (Balt.). Including TD catch last wk, team is 4-0 when **WR ERNEST WILFORD** makes TD reception.....Through 5 wks, defense ranks 6th in NFL & 3rd in AFC, allowing 285.6 yards/game. In past 3 games, **S DEKE COOPER** has 23 tackles & 4 PDs, including 1 INT. Defense has allowed 2 rush plays of 20+ yds thru 5 wks.....**STEELERS:** Club has won 11 of past 12 at home.....In last mtg (12/5/04), **QB BEN ROETHLISBERGER** completed 14 of 17 (82.4 pct.) for 221 yards with 2 TDs vs. 0 INTs for 158.0 passer rating. **QB CHARLIE BATCH** is 12-12 (.500) as career home starter. Made last start on 12/2/01 (w/Det.).....In 2 home games, **RB WILLIE PARKER** is averaging 5.5 yds per carry on 39 rushes. In his 1st game of '05 last wk, **RB JEROME BETTIS** ran for 54 yds & TD on 17 carries; was 2-for-2 on 3rd & 1 rushes for 1st downs.....In past 3 games, **WR HINES WARD** has 16 catches for 277 yards & 4 TDs. Ward (523) needs 15 catches to surpass HOFer **JOHN STALLWORTH** (537) for most catches in franchise history.....Club has only 2 giveaways through 4 games. Club (+8) owns NFL's 3rd-best turnover differential.....Club averaging 1 sack every 9.6 pass plays, 3rd-best ratio in NFL. **LB JAMES HARRISON** has either sack or INT in 3 games in row. **S MIKE LOGAN** is former Jaguar (1997-2000).

**MIAMI DOLPHINS (2-2) AT TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS (4-1)****SERIES**

	<b><u>DOLPHINS</u></b>	<b><u>BUCCANEERS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>	4-3	
<b>STREAKS</b>		Past 2
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Saban: 0-0	Gruden: 1-3
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	L 20-14 at Bills	L 14-12 at Jets
<b>LAST GAME</b>	12/10/00: Buccaneers 16 at Dolphins 13. Tampa Bay K Martin Gramatica connects on 2 FGs in 4th quarter to lift Buccaneers to victory.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	9/21/97: Buccaneers 31, Dolphins 21. Tampa Bay QB Trent Dilfer throws 4 TDs as Buccaneers improve to 4-0.	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS (1:00 PM ET): Kevin Harlan, Randy Cross	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Frerotte: 79-145-849-7 (T2C)-6-70.7	Griese: 100-158-1016-6-7-75.8
<b>RUSHING</b>	Brown (R): 74-321-4.3-1	Williams (R): 99(3C)-447(3C)-4.5-2
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Chambers: 18-214-11.9-1	Galloway: 22-403-18.3-3
<b>OFFENSE</b>	324.8	318.8
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	-3	+5 (T2C)
<b>DEFENSE</b>	279.5 (2C)	218.6 (1L)
<b>SACKS</b>	J. Taylor: 3.0	Rice: 4.0
<b>INTs</b>	Schulters: 2	Kelly: 3 (T1C)
<b>PUNTING</b>	D. Jones: 42.9	Bidwell: 47.7 (2L)
<b>KICKING</b>	Mare: 22 (10/10 PAT; 4/5 FG)	M. Bryant: 33 (9/9 PAT; 8/9 FG)

**NOTES**

**ROOKIE RBs RONNIE BROWN** (No. 2 overall) of Miami & Tampa Bay's **CARNELL "CADILLAC" WILLIAMS** (No. 5) played together at Auburn.....**DOLPHINS:** **QB GUS FREROTTE** has won 5 of past 7 games when throwing 19 or more pass attempts.....In past 2 games, rookie RB Brown has posted 2-game club rookie rush record of 229 yds, besting old mark of 228 (**KARIM ABDUL-JABBAR**, 1996). **RB RICKY WILLIAMS** returns to field for 1st time since '03 season. Offense averaging 118.5 rush yds/game; in '04 after 4 games, team averaged 59.8.....**WR CHRIS CHAMBERS** (251) needs 6 catches to surpass **BRUCE HARDY** (256) for 7th-most receptions in club history.....**TE RANDY MC MICHAEL** is 1st Dolphin since **MARK DUPER** (1984) to post TD catch in each of 1st 4 games of season & can become 1st player in club history with TD catch in 1st 5 games of season.....**DE KEVIN CARTER** to play in 165th NFL game in row – has not missed game in his 11 NFL seasons. Carter (88.0) & **DE JASON TAYLOR** (83.5) stand 3rd & 4th among active players in sacks.....**BUCCANEERS:** **QB BRIAN GRIESE** spent '03 season with Dolphins, posting 3-2 record as starter. His father, **BOB**, enjoyed Hall of Fame career as Miami QB from '67-'80, helping club to wins in SB VII & VIII.....RB Williams leads NFL rookies with 447 rushing yards & ranks 3rd in NFC. Aims to be 1st rookie to lead NFC in rushing since since Pro Football HOFer **BARRY SANDERS** in '89.....**WR JOEY GALLOWAY** has 489 career receptions & needs 11 for 500. His 18.3 yards per catch avg. ranks 4th in NFL, min. 20 catches. Second-year **WR MICHAEL CLAYTON** has 24 catches for 410 yards & 2 TDs in past 5 vs. AFC.....**TE ALEX SMITH** ties for NFL rookie lead with 2 TDs & leads rookie TEs with 12 receptions (93 yards).....Defense ranks 1st in NFL overall (218.6), 1st vs. run (61.6) & 3rd vs. pas(157.0).....**RONDE BARBER** has 24 career INTs & 19 sacks. Needs 1 sack to become 1st CB in NFL history with 20 INT & sacks. **CB BRIAN KELLY** has 19 career INTs & needs 1 to become 7th player in club history with 20.

**CINCINNATI BENGALS (4-1) AT TENNESSEE TITANS (2-3)****SERIES**

	<b><u>BENGALS</u></b>	<b><u>TITANS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>		38-29-1
<b>STREAKS</b>		9 of past 10
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Lewis: 0-1	Fisher: 12-4
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	L 23-20 at Jaguars	W 34-20 at Texans
<b>LAST GAME</b>	10/31/04: Bengals 20 at Titans 27. Tennessee RB Chris Brown rushes for 147 yards & 1 TD while Titans QB Steve McNair passes for 2 scores.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	10/31/04	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS (12:00 PM CT): Don Criqui, Steve Beuerlein	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Palmer: 116-164-1,301 (2C)-11 (1C)-2-111.4 (2L)	McNair: 111-169-1,115-7 (T2C)-4-88.3
<b>RUSHING</b>	R. Johnson: 110-464 (3C)-4.2-1	Brown: 71-288-4.1-0
<b>RECEIVING</b>	C. Johnson: 31 (1C)-426 (2C)-13.7-4 (T2C)	Kinney (TE): 25-204-8.2-0
<b>OFFENSE</b>	380.6 (1C)	310.2
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	+13 (1L)	-2
<b>DEFENSE</b>	305.6	317.4
<b>SACKS</b>	J. Smith: 2.0	Vanden Bosch: 6.0 (T1L)
<b>INTs</b>	O'Neal: 4 (1L)	Kassell, Ta. Williams, Woolfork: 1
<b>PUNTING</b>	Larson: 42.6	Hentrich: 43.9
<b>KICKING</b>	Graham: 46 (1C) (13/13 PAT; 11/12 FG)	Bironas: 35 (11/11 PAT; 8/11 FG)

**NOTES**

**BENGALS**: Team has won 6 of past 7 games. Under head coach **MARVIN LEWIS**, club is 13-1 (.929) with positive turnover ratio.....**QB CARSON PALMER** has 100.0+ passer rating in 8 consecutive starts. Palmer (111.4) is NFL's No. 2 rated passer (Roethlisberger, Pitt., 123.8). Earned 2002 Heisman Trophy under direction of former USC O-Coord. **NORM CHOW**, currently Titans' O-Coord.....**RB RUDI JOHNSON** has 474 rush yards in past 5 road games (94.8 avg.) .....**WR CHAD JOHNSON** (313) needs 6 catches to surpass **TE RODNEY HOLMAN** (318) for 6th-most receptions in club history. Rookie **WR CHRIS HENRY** has 13 catches for 215 yards. Has TD catch in each of 1st 2 road games.....Club owns NFL's top turnover differential (+13).....**DT JOHN THORNTON** played for Titans from 1999-2002, helping team advance to Super Bowl XXXIV. Thornton leads team with 2 FFs. Rookie **LB ODELL THURMAN** leads team with 45 tackles. **CB DELTA O'NEAL** has 8 INTs in 17 games as Bengal. **DE JUSTIN SMITH** leads D-line & is 3 rd on team with 27 tackles

.....**TITANS**: Under head coach **JEFF FISHER**, club is 39-1 (.975) when entering 4th qtr with lead.....**QB STEVE MC NAIR** has 8-3 (.727) career record vs. Bengals. In 12 meetings (11 starts), McNair has 20 TDs vs. 3 INTs & 103.1 passer rating. McNair has 100.0+ passer rating in all 6 home games vs. Bengals & has 119.8 rating in those 6. Passed for 2 TDs last wk vs. Texans. Since 2003, McNair has 2+ TD passes in 13 of 27 games.....In last meeting, **RB CHRIS BROWN** rushed for 147 yards on 32 carries (4.6 avg.) & 1 TD. **RB JARRETT PAYTON** scored 1st career TD last wk on 5-yd rush.....**TE ERRON KINNEY** (25) leads team & ranks 1st among AFC TEs in receptions & has 6th-most catches in AFC overall. **TE BEN TROUPE** (19) is tied for 2nd on team in catches. Last TE to lead team in catches was **FRANK WYCHECK** (70, 2000).....Offensive line did not surrender sack last week.....In last meeting (10/31/04), defense limited Cincy RB R. Johnson to 57 rush yds on 17 carries (3.4 avg.). **DE KYLE VANDEN BOSCH** stands tied for 1st in NFL w/ 6.0 sacks (Mathis, Ind.).....Opponents' avg. drive start after kickoff is 23.4 – 2nd-worst field position in AFC (Cincinnati).

**NEW YORK JETS (2-3) AT BUFFALO BILLS (2-3)**

**SERIES**

	<b><u>JETS</u></b>	<b><u>BILLS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>		48-40
<b>STREAKS</b>		Past 2 at home
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Edwards: 5-3	Mularkey: 1-1
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	W 14-12 vs. Buccaneers	W 20-14 vs. Dolphins
<b>LAST GAME</b>	11/7/04: Jets 17 at Bills 22. Buffalo RB Willis McGahee rushes for 132 yards & 1 TD while Bills control ball for 37:28.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	11/7/04	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS (4:15 PM ET): Ian Eagle, Solomon Wilcotts	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Testaverde: 13-19-163-0-1-72.9	Holcomb: 25-35-196-1-0-94.5 <b><u>OR</u></b> Losman: 45-94-433-1-2-55.9
<b>RUSHING</b>	Martin: 105-285-2.7-2	McGahee: 109-461-4.2-3 (T3C)
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Coles: 22-256-11.6-1	Moulds: 17-139-8.2-1
<b>OFFENSE</b>	238.6	223.0
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	-1	+7 (3C)
<b>DEFENSE</b>	295.2	299.4
<b>SACKS</b>	Abraham: 3.0	Kelsay, Schobel: 2.0
<b>INTs</b>	Law: 2	Vincent: 3 (T2L)
<b>PUNTING</b>	Graham (R): 44.5	Moorman: 46.8 (2C)
<b>KICKING</b>	Nugent (R): 19 (7/7 PAT; 4/7 FG)	Lindell: 38 (3C) (5/5 PAT; 11/12 FG)

**NOTES**

**JETS**: Have won 9 of past 14 in series.....**QB VINNY TESTAVERDE** has won 6 of past 8 starts vs. Bills. Has 15 TDs vs. 6 INTs & 95.4 rating in those 8. In 1st start of season last wk, Testeverde completed 13 of 19 (68.4 pct.) vs. Bucs.....**RB CURTIS MARTIN** averaging 89.2 rush yards per division game in career (6,604 yards in 74 games). When Martin has more than 20 carries, Jets are 43-16 (.729). Has rushed for 6,383 yards (108.2 per game) & 38 TDs in those games .....**WR LAVERANUES COLES** had 1st career 100-yard game (131 yards) vs. Buffalo (10/29/00). Coles caught 6 passes from Testaverde last wk, 4 resulting in 1st downs. **TE DOUG JOLLEY** caught 3 passes in game last wk for 1st time in 13 games.....**LB-DE JOHN ABRAHAM** has 4.0 sacks in past 4 starts vs. Buffalo. Has 46.0 sacks in 53 career starts. **LB JONATHAN VILMA** had 1st career sack vs. Bills (10/10/04). Played at Miami with Bills RB McGahee. **DT DEWAYNE ROBERTSON** had career-high 2.0 sacks last week & was part of defense that limited Bucs to 2 of 14 (14.3 pct.) on 3rd down conversion tries.....**BILLS**: Club has won 6 of past 8 at home vs. AFC East.....**QB J.P. LOSMAN** has completed 27 of 51 (52.9 pct.) passes at home. In 1st start for Bills last wk, **QB KELLY HOLCOMB** completed 20 of 26 (76.9 pct.) for 169 yards & 1 TD vs. 0 INTs for 106.1 passer rating.....In last meeting, **RB WILLIS MC GAHEE** had career-best 37 attempts for 132 yards & 1 TD. Has 9 100-yd rush gms in 1st 15 starts to begin career. In 10 gms with 20+ carries, McGahee has 8 100s & 1,100 yards (110.0/gm). Bills are 9-1 (.900) in those 10.....**WR ERIC MOULDS** has 68 catches for 971 yards & 3 TDs in career vs. Jets. **WR LEE EVANS** aims for 3rd game in row with TD against NYJ..... Defense has held Jets RB Martin under 100 yds in 8 of 10 career mtgs in Buffalo.....Last week vs. Mia, Bills had ball for 35:12. Defense forced 5 turnovers last wk, 2 by **CB NATE CLEMENTS** (INT, FF). **S TROY VINCENT** leads club with 3 INTs, his most since '03 (w/Phil., 3).....**CB-KR TERENCE MC GEE** has 50+ yd KR in consecutive games.

**NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (3-2) AT DENVER BRONCOS (4-1)**

**SERIES**

	<b><u>PATRIOTS</u></b>	<b><u>BRONCOS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>		22-15
<b>STREAKS</b>		2 of past 3
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Belichick: 3-6	Shanahan: 6-3
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	W 31-28 at Falcons	W 21-19 vs. Redskins
<b>LAST GAME</b>	11/3/03: Patriots 30 at Broncos 26. New England QB Tom Brady throws 18-yard TD pass to WR David Givens with 30 seconds remaining to lead Patriots past Broncos on Monday night.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	11/3/03	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS (2:15 PM MT): Jim Nantz, Phil Simms, Bonnie Bernstein (Field reporter).	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Brady: 119-182-1,522 (1C)-7 (T2C)-4-95.1 (3C)	Plummer: 87-154-879-5-3-75.6
<b>RUSHING</b>	Dillon: 96-329-3.4-5 (2C)	Mi. Anderson: 73-301-4.1-1
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Branch: 30 (2C)-350-11.7-1	Smith: 28 (3C)-309-11.0-1
<b>OFFENSE</b>	375.8 (2C)	312.8
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	-6	+6
<b>DEFENSE</b>	337.6	322.4
<b>SACKS</b>	McGinest: 3.0	Warren: 2.0
<b>INTs</b>	Vrabel: 1	Bailey: 2
<b>PUNTING</b>	Miller: 45.6	Sauerbrun: 46.8 (1C)
<b>KICKING</b>	Vinatieri: 34 (13/14 PAT; 7/9 FG)	Elam: 35 (11/11 PAT; 8/13 FG)

**NOTES**

**AT LEAST ONE** of these teams has advanced to playoffs in 7 of past 9 seasons (since 1996).....**PATRIOTS**: Since 2003, club is 22-1 (.957) vs. teams with plus-.500 record.....In last mtg at Denver, **QB TOM BRADY** completed 20 of 35 passes for 350 yards & 3 TDs vs. 1 INT for 108.0 passer rating in victory. In past 36 games, Brady has thrown more or as many TDs vs. INTs in 33 contests.....**RB COREY DILLON** (w/Cin.) recorded career-high 278 rush yds vs. Denver, was NFL record at time (10/22/00).....**WR TROY BROWN** (5,724) needs 3 rec. yds to surpass **IRVING FRYAR** (5,726) for 2nd-most in club history (**STANLEY MORGAN**, 10,352). In past 3 on road, Branch has 22 receptions for 245 yds. **TE DAVID GRAHAM** registered career-high 119 rec. yds last week, including 2 catches for 45 yards w/ 1 TD. Graham's father, **TOM**, was Bronco LB from 1972-74.....**LB MONTY BEISEL** made 1st NFL start vs. Denver on 9/12/04 (w/KC) & recorded 1st career INT in that game. **CB DUANE STARKS** notched 3 PDs last wk.....**K ADAM VINATIERI** has GW FG in final 2:00 in each of team's past 2 wins.....**BRONCOS**: Team is 4-0 when scoring 1st. Under head coach **MIKE SHANAHAN**, team is 65-18 (.783) at home. Club is 4-1 (.800) for 4th consecutive season..... Since joining club in '03, **QB JAKE PLUMMER** is 14-3 (.824) at home w/ 93.3 passer rating. Plummer makes 1st career start vs. NE.....In past 4 gms with 20 or more carries, **RB MIKE ANDERSON** has 3 100s & total of 486 yds (121.5/gm). Last wk, **RB TATUM BELL** posted career-long 34-yd TD run in 1st qtr & added new career-best 55-yd TD run in 3rd qtr. Club is No. 2 in NFL in rush yds/gm (148.4).....**WR ROD SMITH** (63) needs 2 TDs to tie **TERRELL DAVIS** (65) for most TDs in club history. Smith caught 13 passes vs. NE on 10/1/00, 2nd-most of his career, for 160 yds. Has 100+ rec. yds in 2 of past 4 meetings.....Since 1995, club ranks No. 1 in NFL in rush yds allowed per game at home: 87.4. Defense has held NE below 200 pass yds in 3 of past 5 mtgs. **DT GERARD WARREN** forced fumble from NE RB Dillon on 12/5/04 (w/Cle.). **CB CHAMP BAILEY**, **CB LENNY WALLS** & rookie **CB DOMONIQUE FOXWORTH** share team lead w/ 5 PDs.

**SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (2-3) AT OAKLAND RAIDERS (1-3)**

**SERIES**

	<b><u>CHARGERS</u></b>	<b><u>RAIDERS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>		54-34-2
<b>STREAKS</b>	Past 3	
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Schottenheimer: 23-7	Turner: 1-2
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	L 24-22 vs. Steelers	Bye (Wk. 4: W 19-13 vs. Cowboys)
<b>LAST GAME</b>	11/21/04: Chargers 23 at Raiders 17. San Diego RB LaDainian Tomlinson rushes for 164 yards & 1 TD as Chargers win 4th game in row.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	11/21/04	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS (1:15 PM PT): Gus Johnson, Steve Tasker	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Brees: 91-139-1,042-7 (T2C)-4-92.7	Collins: 76-139-1,091-6-0-94.7
<b>RUSHING</b>	Tomlinson: 102-512 (2C)-5.0-9 (1L)	Jordan: 75-274-3.7-2
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Gates (TE): 23-341-14.8-2	Jordan (RB): 20-147-7.4-1
<b>OFFENSE</b>	339.8	340.8
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	0	+1
<b>DEFENSE</b>	334.0	371.0
<b>SACKS</b>	Foley: 2.5	Burgess: 3.0
<b>INTs</b>	Jue: 2	Sapp, Woodson: 1
<b>PUNTING</b>	Scifres: 45.1	Lechler: 45.9 (3C)
<b>KICKING</b>	Kaeding: 41 (2C) (17/17 PAT; 8/8 FG)	Janikowski: 28 (7/7 PAT; 7/11 FG)

**NOTES**

**CHARGERS:** Club swept Raiders in 2004 for 1st time since 1992.....Head coach **MARTY SCHOTTENHEIMER** has more reg. season wins over Raiders (22) than any other head coach in NFL history.....In past 3 starts vs. Oak., **QB DREW BREES** has 7 TDs vs. 0 INTs & has won all 3. Brees completed career-high 5 TDs vs. Oak. on 10/31/04, tied for 2nd-most TD passes vs. Raiders in single game since 1970 (HOFer **DAN FOUTS**, 6, 11/22/81).....**RB LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON** rushed for his 2004-high mark of 164 yds & 1 TD on 37 carries (4.4-yd avg.) in last gm at Oak. Tomlinson has TD in 17 consecutive games, NFL record is 18 (HOFer **LENNY MOORE**, 18, 1963-65).....**WR KEENAN MC CARDELL** (w/TB) caught 2 TDs vs. Raiders in Super Bowl XXXVII. Was TB teammate of Oak DT Sapp ('02-03).....In last mtg at Oak., SD possessed ball for 38:26.....In 2 mtgs last yr, defense limited Raiders to 75 total rush yads (37.5 per game/avg.).....Last wk vs. Pitt., rookie **LB SHAWNE MERRIMAN** had 1st career sack w/ FF & PD. Led by starting 3-4 D-line of rookie **DE LUIS CASTILLO**, **NT JAMAL WILLIAMS**, & **DE JACQUES CESAIRE**, team owns NFL's 7th-best rush defense: 93.8 yds/game.....**RAIDERS:** Head coach **NORV TURNER** was SD's offensive coordinator in '01. Team aims for consecutive home wins for 1st time since Wks 2 & 3 of '04.....In past 8 home games vs. divisional foes, **QB KERRY COLLINS** has 11 TDs vs. 5 INTs. In 17 games as Raiders starter, Collins has 2+ TD passes in 8 games & has 300+ passing yards in 5 of those 17.....In Wk. 4 win vs. Dallas, **RB LA MONT JORDAN** rushed for career-high 126 yards with 1 TD & caught 4 passes for 22 yards. In '04 AFC Divisional Playoff vs. SD, Jordan (w/NYJ) rushed 7 times for 50 yds (7.1 avg.).....In 2 career mtgs vs. SD, **WR RANDY MOSS** has 18 catches for 247 yards (13.7 avg.) & 1 TD in each. In past 2 games, **TE COURTNEY ANDERSON** has 7 catches for 132 yards. In 9 games last season, caught 13 passes for 175 yards.....In Wk. 4 vs. Dallas, **DE DERRICK BURGESS** equaled career-high 2.0 sacks, which he had reached once before – vs. SD (w/Phil.) on 12/9/01. In past 2 games, **DT WARREN SAPP** has 1.0 sack & 3 PDs, including 1 INT.

## HOUSTON TEXANS (0-4) AT SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (3-2)

### SERIES

	<u>TEXANS</u>	<u>SEAHAWKS</u>
<b>LEADER</b>	0-0	
<b>STREAKS</b>	--	
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Capers: 0-0	Holmgren: 0-0
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	L 34-20 vs. Titans	W 37-31 at Rams
<b>LAST GAME</b>	--	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	--	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	ESPN (5:30 PM PT): Mike Patrick, Paul Maguire, Joe Theismann, Suzy Kolber (Field reporter). CBS Radio: Joel Meyers, John Riggins, Rick Walker (Field reporter).	

### STATS

<b>PASSING</b>	Carr: 60-100-542-3-4-68.0	Hasselbeck: 114-174-1327-7-2-97.1 (3C)
<b>RUSHING</b>	D. Davis: 67-318-4.7-0	Alexander: 109(1C)-574(1L)-5.3-8 (2L)
<b>RECEIVING</b>	D. Davis (RB): 18-116-6.4-1	Jackson: 29-376-13.0-2
<b>OFFENSE</b>	213.0	396.8 (1L)
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	-8	-1
<b>DEFENSE</b>	346.3	317.8
<b>SACKS</b>	4 tied: 1.0	Bernard: 3.5
<b>INTs</b>	0	Babineaux, Herndon, Tatupu (R): 1
<b>PUNTING</b>	Stanley: 41.4	Rouen: 40.3
<b>KICKING</b>	K. Brown: 18 (3/3 PAT; 5/5 FG)	Brown: 36 (15/15 PAT; 7/9 FG)

### NOTES

**TEXANS:** Club plays 1st primetime road game in team history. Team won franchise's 1st ever game on Sunday night: 9/8/02, 19-10, vs. Dallas.....**QB DAVID CARR** has registered passer rating of 90.0+ in 6 of past 7 Oct. starts. In past 4 starts vs. NFC, Carr has 99.1 passer rating w/ 7 TDs vs. 1 INT, completing 76 of 131 (58.0 pct.) for 1,069 yds.....**RB DOMANICK DAVIS** has 475 scrimmage yds in past 4 road games (118.8/game) & has 4 or more catches in past 3 games overall.....In past 2 gms, **WR JABAR GAFFNEY** has 8 catches for 112 yds.....**C STEVE MC KINNEY** (52), **G CHESTER PITTS** (52), & **LB KAILEE WONG** (52) have started every game in Texans history. Offense has scored 4 TDs in 7 (57.1 pct.) red zone trips, 3rd-highest pct. in AFC.....**LB MORLON GREENWOOD** stands 2nd on club with 39 tackles. Also has 3 PDs & 1 FF. **CB DUNTA ROBINSON** has 4.0 sacks in 20 career gms. Defense 3rd in AFC in allowing opponents to convert only 32.6 pct. of 3rd downs.....**SEAHAWKS:** **QB MATT HASSELBECK** passed for 316 yards vs. Rams, surpassing **DAVE KRIEG** for most 300-yard passing games in franchise history (12). Has 146 consecutive pass attempts without INT & needs 8 for club record (**JIM ZORN**, 153). Has 100.0+ passer rating in 3 of last 4 home games, tossing 7 TDs vs. 1 INT.....**RB SHAUN ALEXANDER** has 6,511 career rushing yards & needs 196 to pass **CHRIS WARREN** (6,706) for franchise record. In 5 career Sat/Sun prime-time games, avgs. 110.4 rushing yards & 5.6 yards per carry (98-552) with 7 rushing TDs. Rushed for 119 yards vs. Rams, his 25th career 100-yard game, passing Warren for most in club history.....**WR JOE JUREVICIUS** had career highs with 9 catches & 137 yards vs. StL. Has TD catch in 3 of 5 games with club.....**JERRAMY STEVENS** ranks 3rd among NFL TEs with 14.7 yards per catch avg. (15-220), min. 15 catches.....**ROCKY BERNARD** ranks 3rd among NFL DTs with 3.5 sacks. Needs 1 for career high.....Rookie 2nd-round **LB LOFA TATUPU** & 3rd-round **LB LE ROY HILL** give club only NFL rookie tandem each with 2 sacks. **LB JAMIE SHARPER** started every game for Texans from '02-'04, posting 550 tackles & 11.5 sacks.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 17**  
**ST. LOUIS RAMS (2-3) AT INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (5-0)**

**SERIES**

	<b><u>RAMS</u></b>	<b><u>COLTS</u></b>
<b>LEADER</b>		21-17-2
<b>STREAKS</b>	4 of past 5	
<b>COACHES VS. OPP.</b>	Vitt: 0-0	Dungy: 2-1
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	L 37-31 vs. Seahawks	W 28-3 at 49ers
<b>LAST GAME</b>	12/30/01: Colts 17 at Rams 42. St. Louis RB Marshall Faulk scores 4 TDs & Rams WR Torry Holt has 7 catches for 203 yards & 2 TDs as St. Louis wins NFC West.	
<b>LAST GAME AT SITE</b>	10/1/95: Colts 21, Rams 18. Indianapolis RB Marshall Faulk rushes for 177 yards, has 45 receiving yards & scores 3 TDs.	
<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC (8:00 PM CT): Al Michaels, John Madden, Samantha Ryan (Field reporter). CBS Radio: Marv Albert, Boomer Esiason, John Dockery (Field reporter).	

**STATS**

<b>PASSING</b>	Bulger: 139(1L)-215(1L)-1648(1L)-10(T3C)-7-89.8	Manning: 96-145-1,123 (3C)-7 (T2C)-4-94.1
<b>RUSHING</b>	S. Jackson: 76-295-3.9-3	James: 119-519 (1C)-4.4-2
<b>RECEIVING</b>	Holt: 38(1L)-568(1L)-14.9-4	Harrison: 26-284-10.9-3
<b>OFFENSE</b>	384.8 (2L)	335.2
<b>TAKE/GIVE</b>	-6	+5
<b>DEFENSE</b>	364.0	291.4
<b>SACKS</b>	Little: 4.0	Mathis: 6.0 (T1L)
<b>INTs</b>	Archuleta, Groce, Hawthorne: 1	June: 3 (T2L)
<b>PUNTING</b>	Barker (GB '04): 40.1	Smith: 43.4
<b>KICKING</b>	Wilkins: 38 (14/14 PAT; 8/9 FG)	Vanderjagt: 28 (13/13 PAT; 5/5 FG)

**NOTES**

**RAMS AND COLTS** are 2 of 3 teams to make playoffs 5 times in past 6 seasons (Phil.).....**RAMS: JOE VITT** makes debut as interim head coach.....**QB MARC BULGER** passed for 336 yards last week, topping 11,000 career (11,283) in 41 games, 2nd fastest all-time (**KURT WARNER**).....**STEVEN JACKSON** ties for 5th among NFL RBs with 17 rec. (139 yards). **RB MARSHALL FAULK** has 12,080 career rush yards & needs 41 to pass **FRANCO HARRIS** (12,120) for 10th-all-time. Spent '94-'98 with Colts, rushing for 5,320 yards, 3rd in Colts history.....**WR TORRY HOLT** has 36 career 100-yard games, tied for 4th most all-time in 1st 7 seasons. Has 100-yard games in 5 of past 8. **WR ISAAC BRUCE** has 11,889 career rec. yards & needs 111 to become only active player with 12,000. Has 786 career rec. & needs 14 to become 13th player all-time with 800.....**DT TYOKA JACKSON** tied career high with 2 sacks vs. Sea.....**COLTS: Only undefeated NFL team (5-0)**.....Head coach **TONY DUNGY** (39-14, .736) aims for 40th win w/ Colts in 54th game.....**QB PEYTON MANNING** has won 8 of past 9 vs. NFC & has career passer rating of 104.8 in 29 games vs. NFC clubs.....**RB EDGERRIN JAMES** has rushed for 100 yds in 43 of 86 career games (50.0 pct.) & Colts are 37-6 (.860) in those 43.....**WR MARVIN HARRISON** & QB Manning (85) need 1 TD completion to surpass HOFer **STEVE YOUNG** & **JERRY RICE** (85) for most TD completions between teammates.....**LB CATO JUNE** has 2 INT-TDs & needs 1 more to tie **RAY BUCHANAN** (3, 1996) for most in season. **DE ROBERT MATHIS** has at least 1.0 sack in 1st 5 games & needs 1 vs. StL to tie club record for longest such streak (**DAN FOOTMAN**, 6, 1997).

## LAST WEEK'S NFL RESULTS (OCT. 9-10)

Byes: Kansas City, Minnesota, N.Y. Giants, Oakland  
(Home team in CAPS)

### Sunday, October 9

New England 31, ATLANTA 28  
BUFFALO 20, Miami 14  
CLEVELAND 20, Chicago 10  
DETROIT 35, Baltimore 17  
GREEN BAY 52, New Orleans 3  
Tennessee 34, HOUSTON 20  
N.Y. JETS 14, Tampa Bay 12  
Seattle 37, ST. LOUIS 31

### Sunday, October 9, cont.'d

Indianapolis 28, SAN FRANCISCO 3  
Carolina 24, ARIZONA 20  
DALLAS 33, Philadelphia 10  
DENVER 21, Washington 19  
JACKSONVILLE 23, Cincinnati 20

### Monday, October 10

Pittsburgh 24, SAN DIEGO 22

## 2005 NFL STANDINGS

<u>AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE</u>							<u>NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE</u>						
<u>East Division</u>							<u>East Division</u>						
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>OP</u>		<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>OP</u>
New England	3	2	0	.600	118	136	N.Y. Giants	3	1	0	.750	136	98
Miami	2	2	0	.500	82	71	Washington	3	1	0	.750	62	58
Buffalo	2	3	0	.400	68	83	Dallas	3	2	0	.600	121	98
N.Y. Jets	2	3	0	.400	61	85	Philadelphia	3	2	0	.600	122	101
<u>North Division</u>							<u>North Division</u>						
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>OP</u>		<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>OP</u>
Cincinnati	4	1	0	.800	124	61	Detroit	2	2	0	.500	71	75
Pittsburgh	3	1	0	.750	105	59	Chicago	1	3	0	.250	62	59
Cleveland	2	2	0	.500	65	74	Minnesota	1	3	0	.250	64	107
Baltimore	1	3	0	.250	47	87	Green Bay	1	4	0	.200	124	95
<u>South Division</u>							<u>South Division</u>						
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>OP</u>		<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>OP</u>
Indianapolis	5	0	0	1.000	106	29	Tampa Bay	4	1	0	.800	89	59
Jacksonville	3	2	0	.600	85	84	Atlanta	3	2	0	.600	114	88
Tennessee	2	3	0	.400	103	126	Carolina	3	2	0	.600	127	116
Houston	0	4	0	.000	44	99	New Orleans	2	3	0	.400	71	139
<u>West Division</u>							<u>West Division</u>						
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>OP</u>		<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>OP</u>
Denver	4	1	0	.800	101	87	Seattle	3	2	0	.600	126	107
Kansas City	2	2	0	.500	91	91	St. Louis	2	3	0	.400	128	148
San Diego	2	3	0	.400	149	112	Arizona	1	4	0	.200	94	134
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	76	89	San Francisco	1	4	0	.200	79	160

## WEEK 6 NFL SCHEDULE – OCTOBER 16-17

Byes: Arizona, Green Bay, Philadelphia, San Francisco  
(All times local)

### Sunday, October 16

Cleveland at Baltimore, 1:00 PM  
Minnesota at Chicago, 12:00 PM  
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 12:00 PM  
Carolina at Detroit, 1:00 PM  
Washington at Kansas City, 12:00 PM  
Atlanta at New Orleans (San Antonio), 12:00 PM  
Jacksonville at Pittsburgh, 1:00 PM  
Miami at Tampa Bay, 1:00 PM  
Cincinnati at Tennessee, 12:00 PM

### Sunday, October 16, cont'd.

N.Y. Jets at Buffalo, 4:15 PM  
New England at Denver, 2:15 PM  
San Diego at Oakland, 1:15 PM  
Houston at Seattle, 5:30 PM (ESPN)

### Monday, October 17

St. Louis at Indianapolis, 8:00 PM (ABC)

