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THE UNBEATENS TRY TO STAY UNBLEMISHED IN WEEK 5

One quarter of the way into the season, there's nothing in their loss columns but a big zero.

For the Bengals, Bucs, Colts and 'Skins, the wins may not have always been pretty and all weren't easy, but so far, 2005 has been one spotless season.

And they want to keep it that way.

"Hey, we're winning," says Cincinnati wide receiver T.J. HOUSHMANDZADEH. "I'm happy about that, just to be 4-0."

And what about the teams on the other end of the scale – those with a losing record as the NFL enters Week 5? Recent history proves that the race is far – far – from over.

Take a look at the past five seasons. In every year, there has been <u>at least one team with a losing record through four weeks of the season that finished as division champion</u>, with one winning the Super Bowl:

IT AIN'T OVER YET!

Season	Team(s)	Week 4	Season's End	Season	Team(s)	Week 4	Season's End
2000	New Orleans	1-3	Division champ	2002	Pittsburgh	1-2	Division champ
2001	New England	1-3	Division/Super Bowl champ		Tennessee	1-3	Division champ
2002	Atlanta	1-2	Made playoffs	2003	Philadelphia	1-2	Division champ
	NY Jets	1-3	Division champ	2004	Green Bay	1-3	Division champ

So here comes Week 5, with chances to keep things going or get things going:

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (2-2) at ATLANTA FALCONS (3-1)

STORYLINE: Star quarterbacks clash.

And will it be fun! "We are going to get it on," says one of them, Atlanta's **MICHAEL VICK**. "Two great coaching staffs, two great quarterbacks, two great teams. That's the way it should be."

For the Super Bowl-champ Patriots, things are not quite as they "should be" or have been. They are .500 now, wrestling with injuries, and just surrendered 40 points (41 to San Diego) for the first time since 1998 against – guess who? – Atlanta.

But these are, after all, the resourceful Patriots, whose leader, **QB TOM BRADY**, is not ready to panic. "We have to go back to work," he says. "We have a tough challenge against Atlanta. We have to improve in a short amount of time."

The Falcons, led by **DT ROD COLEMAN**, will be coming after Brady. They're hot off an NFL season-high nine-sack game against Minnesota and top the NFL in sacks (17). Their defense has allowed only one second-half TD this year.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS (3-0) at DENVER BRONCOS (3-1)

STORYLINE: Clinton comes home!

That will be the big story this week in Denver. The Broncos' leading rusher in his two years with the club (2002-03) until

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<u>TOP PICKS/4 TDs</u>: The Manning brothers – **ELI** and **PEYTON** – each threw four touchdowns in Week 4. It was only the fifth time in history that two No. 1 overall draft choices each passed for four TDs on the same day, following **JEFF GEORGE** and **STEVE YOUNG** on November 20, 1994; **DREW BLEDSOE** and **JOHN ELWAY** on October 6, 1996; **TROY AIKMAN** and Bledsoe on August 31, 1997; and Elway and **VINNY TESTAVERDE** on December 27, 1998.

he was traded to Washington, RB CLINTON PORTIS faces his old team for the first time, and in Denver, no less.

"Going into Denver, it's going to be a tough place to play," says Portis. "But we've got to go out there and play our hardest. This is a roadblock, a speed bump in our road. We've got to overcome it and find a way to win."

Portis and his old Broncos running mate **MIKE ANDERSON** (coming off a 115-yard day), will confront un-budging rush defenses. Denver allowed Jacksonville 12 ground yards on Sunday and ranks fourth in the league against the run.

The Redskins are fifth in the NFL versus the run and have not allowed a 100-yard rusher in eight games – the longest current streak in the NFL.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES (3-1) at DALLAS COWBOYS (2-2)

STORYLINE: Can the 'Boys break the Eagles' dominance?

Philadelphia has prevailed in this series recently, winning nine of the past 10 by an average of three touchdowns per game (22.1 points). But this is an NFC East game, only the second of the year, and we know what happened in the first (Dallas-Washington on Monday night, 9/19).

The matchup will be built around the top two third-down passing leaders in the NFC – Dallas' **DREW BLEDSOE** (120.6) and Philadelphia's **DONOVAN MC NABB** (113.0).

Both have made that success work for their teams. The Cowboys have lost their two games by a total of seven points. The Eagles pulled off the season's biggest comeback (18 points) last Sunday against Kansas City while scoring 31 unanswered points.

The Cowboys' 3-4 will have to pressure McNabb continually and not give him time to dump off to versatile RB **BRIAN WESTBROOK** or go long to **TERRELL OWENS**, the league leader in receptions (32).

CINCINNATI BENGALS (4-0) at JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (2-2) (Sunday night, ESPN, 8:30 PM ET)

STORYLINE: Cincy goes for 5-0 for first time since '88.

BOOMER ESIASON was the quarterback the last time the Bengals sought a 5-0 record as they do this week. They eventually went 6-0 and finished 12-4 with a berth in Super Bowl XXIII.

These teams have a history, even though they are not in the same division anymore. They *used* to be -- in the old AFC Central -- and in those days, the Jaguars dominated, winning seven of their last eight division meetings.

That was then. This is now, Sunday night, with the NFL's No. 3 offense of Cincy meeting the league's No. 3 defense of Jax. The Bengals have scored the most points (104) in their first four games in 20 years (129; 1985). That comes in large part because their QB, **CARSON PALMER**, has the highest completion percentage in the league (71.8).

Ol' defensive guru/now head coach **JACK DEL RIO** of the Jaguars will have to decide whether to double up on AFC catch-leader (tie, 26) **CHAD JOHNSON** (or sometimes triple-team him as Houston did last week) or go single coverage with his CBs, **RASHEAN MATHIS** and **KENNY WRIGHT**, against Johnson and T.J. Houshmandzadeh. The latter, freed up, led Cincy with eight catches for 105 yards in Week 4. "I play against good receivers every week," says a confident Mathis.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS (2-1) at SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (2-2) (Monday night, ABC, 9:00 PM ET)

STORYLINE: Ben vs. Brees.

Two of the surprise stories of last year, both quarterbacks, meet. Pittsburgh's **BEN ROETHLISBERGER** led the Steelers to 14 consecutive victories and the AFC Championship Game, winning the NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year Award. San Diego's **DREW BREES** took the Chargers from 4-12 to 12-4 and a division title while winning the NFL Comeback Player of the Year Award.

Now it's this year, and things are still humming. The Steelers sit fifth in the league in offense, the Chargers seventh.

Pittsburgh comes off a bye, after losing to Super Bowl-champ New England. San Diego is fresh from scoring 41 points against the Patriots.

If the defenses bottle up the receivers, it could come down to two speed-merchant RBs, **LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON** of the Chargers and **WILLIE PARKER** of the Steelers, the AFC's first- and fifth-leading rushers, respectively.

Sartorial note: the Chargers will wear their 1960s powder-blue jerseys.

<u>WEEK 5</u> <u>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9</u> NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (2-2) AT ATLANTA FALCONS (3-1)

SERIES

	<u>PATRIOTS</u>	FALCONS	
LEADER		6-4	
STREAKS		4 of past 5	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Belichick: 1-1	Mora: 0-0	
LAST WEEK	L 41-17 vs. Chargers	W 30-10 vs. Vikings	
LAST GAME	11/4/01: Patriots 24 at Falcons 10. New England QB Tom Brady passes for 3 TDs as Patriots come from behind for win.		
LAST GAME AT SITE	11/4/01		
BROADCAST	CBS (1:00 PM ET): Jim Nantz, Phil Simms, Bonnie Bernstein (Field reporter).		

STATS

PASSING	Brady: 97-115-1,172 (3L)-4-3-86.3	Vick: 44-77-495-4-2-83.0
RUSHING	Dillon: 73-223-3.1-5 (2C)	Dunn: 70-394 (3C)-5.6-1
RECEIVING	Givens: 22-283-12.9-0	Finneran: 14-135-9.6-1
OFFENSE	349.3	328.3
TAKE/GIVE	-5	+4
DEFENSE	322.0	299.5
SACKS	McGinest, Seymour: 2.0	Coleman: 5.0 (T2L)
INTs	Vrabel: 1	D. Hall: 3 (T2L)
PUNTING	Miller: 46.1 (2C)	Koenen (R): 41.8
KICKING	Vinatieri: 27 (9/10 PAT; 6/8 FG;)	Peterson: 24 (9/9 PAT; 5/5 FG)

NOTES

PATRIOTS: Have won 10 of past 11 vs. NFC. Since 2003, are 21-1 vs. teams with winning record, including playoffsIn lone start vs. Atl. (11/4/01), QB TOM BRADY threw 3 TDs vs. 0 INTs on 21 of 31 (67.7 pct.) passing for 250 yards and 124.4 rating. In past 2, Brady has passed for 596 yards.....RB COREY DILLON (9,919) needs 81 rush yds to become 18th player in NFL history to reach 10,000. RB KEVIN FAULK (217) has 2nd-most catches by RB in club history (TONY COLLINS, 261). RB PATRICK PASS led team w/ career-high 8 catches last wk for 55 yds......In past 2, WR DAVID GIVENS has 15 receptions for 196 yards. WR TROY BROWN (490) needs 10 catches to become 2nd player in team history to reach 500 receptions (STANLEY MORGAN, 534)..... LB ROSEVELT COLVIN (w/Chi.) reached careerhigh 2.5 sacks vs. Falcons on 10/7/01......Offense taking possession after kickoffs with 2nd-best average drive start in AFC (30.8), tied with Oakland (KC, 30.9)......FALCONS: Have won 4 of past 5 in series, outscoring NE 131-66. Under head coach **JIM MORA**, Atlanta is 10-1 (.909) at home..... **QB MICHAEL VICK** has won 17 of past 20 starts in domes. In Vick's starts with 150+ passing yards & 50+ rush yards, Falcons are 12-2 (.857)...... Rush offense (209.0) is tops in NFL & led league last year (167.0). Club is only team with 3 players with 100+ rush yards: RB WARRICK DUNN (394), QB Vick (233) & RB T.J. DUCKETT (148). Dunn has rushed for 209 yards & 3 TDs in past 2 at home vs. AFC with 15+ carries. Has 97+ rush yards in 6 of past 8. Duckett has 8 rush TDs in past 5 at home & has rush TD in 4 games in row......TE ALGE CRUMPLER has catch in 34 games in row. WR BRIAN FINNERAN has 1st down on 108 of 151 career catches (71.5 pct.).....Defense posted 9 sacks last week, most since 1997. DT ROD COLEMAN has 33.0 sacks since 2002, most among DTs. Has 12.5 sacks in past 12. CB DE ANGELO HALL has INT in 4 of past 5.

MIAMI DOLPHINS (2-1) AT BUFFALO BILLS (1-3)

SERIES

	<u>DOLPHINS</u>	BILLS	
LEADER	48-29-1		
STREAKS		Past 2	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Saban: 0-0	Mularkey: 2-0	
LAST WEEK	Bye (Wk. 3: W 27-24 vs. Panthers)	L 19-7 at Saints	
LAST GAME	12/5/04: Bills 42 at Dolphins 32. Buffalo QB Drew Bledsoe passes for 4 TDs & Bills' defense forces 7 turnovers.		
	10.000		
LAST GAME AT SITE	10/17/04: Bills 20, Dolphins 13. Buffalo LB Takeo Spikes returns INT for TD as Bills' defense		
	records 5 sacks & allows 212 yards.		
BROADCAST	CBS (1:00 PM ET): Kevin Harlan, Randy Cross		

STATS

PASSING	Frerotte: 58-112-623-5-3-72.1	Losman: 45-94-433-1-2-55.9
RUSHING	Brown (R): 57-224-3.9-1	McGahee: 78-375-4.8-2
RECEIVING	McMichael (TE): 15-150-10.0-3	Reed: 10-115-11.5-0
OFFENSE	325.3	219.8
TAKE/GIVE	+1	+3
DEFENSE	294.0	293.5
SACKS	Carter: 2	Schobel: 1
INTs	Schulters: 2	Vincent: 2
PUNTING	Jones: 43.4	Moorman: 45.8
KICKING	Mare: 20 (8/8 PAT; 4/5 FG)	Lindell: 30 (3/3 PAT; 9/10 FG)

NOTES

SERIES BETWEEN these AFC East foes has resulted in season sweep 6 years in row. Each team has swept the other 3 times in past 6 years......DOLPHINS: Since 1990, team is 10-6 (.625) after bye week. Club aims for 7th 3-1 start in past 8 seasons......In 4 career games vs. AFC East, QB GUS FREROTTE has 4 TDs vs. 1 INT......RB RONNIE BROWN aims to be 2nd rookie in team history to reach 100 rush yds in consecutive games (BENNY MALONE, 1974).....WR CHRIS CHAMBERS (247) needs 3 catches to be 8th Dolphin to reach 250 & needs 1 TD catch to surpass O.J. MC **DUFFIE** (29) for 5th-most in club history. **TE RANDY MC MICHAEL** has TD catch in each of 1st 3 games. McMichael can become 1st Dolphin since MARK DUPER (1984) to record TD catch in 1st 4 games of season......In 15 career games vs. Bills, **DE JASON TAYLOR** has 13.0 sacks, 5 PDs, & 3 FFs. Taylor & **DE VONNIE HOLLIDAY** lead club with 3 tackles for loss. Opponents have 9 carries inside team's 5-yd line, longest run is 1 yd; no TDs allowed......K OLINDO MARE (198) needs 2 FGs to become 1st Dolphin to reach 200 in career......BILLS: J.P. LOSMAN has led club to scores on opening drives in 3 of 1st 4 games......In 2 games vs. Miami in '04, RB WILLIS MC GAHEE rushed for 202 yds on 49 carries (4.1 avg.). McGahee (111) recorded 1st career 100-yd game on 10/17/04 vs. Miami. McGahee has run of 10+ yards in 17 consecutive games......WR ERIC MOULDS has 5 of 15 career receptions of 50+ yds vs. Miami – his most vs. any team. WR LEE EVANS (957) needs 43 rec. yards to reach 1,000 in career......Defense leads NFL in passing net yards per game (121.3). LB ANGELO CROWELL has 4 tackles for losses in past 2 games. In last mtg at Buffalo, DE AARON SCHOBEL notched 2.5 sacks & DT RON EDWARDS posted career-high 2.0 sacks. Five Bills recorded INT in last mtg (12/5/04).....CB-KR TERRENCE MC GEE recorded 104 KR-TD in last mtg for longest KR in club history. McGee leads NFL with 33.5 KR avg. P BRIAN MOORMAN has 50+ yd punt in 53 of 68 career games.

CHICAGO BEARS (1-2) AT CLEVELAND BROWNS (1-2)

SERIES

	BEARS	BROWNS
LEADER		8-4
STREAKS		2 of past 3
COACHES VS. OPP.	Smith: 0-0	Crennel: 0-0
LAST WEEK	Bye (Wk. 3: L 24-7 vs. Bengals)	Bye (Wk 3. : L 13-6 at Colts)
LAST GAME	11/04/01: Browns 21 at Bears 27 (OT). Chicago S Mike Brown returns an INT 16 yards for TD in OT as Bears win.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	AST GAME AT SITE 11/29/92: Browns 27, Bears 14. Cleveland LB David Brandon returns INT 92 yards for	
BROADCAST FOX (1:00 PM ET): Ron Pitts, Tim Ryan, Jay Glazer (Field reporter).		Glazer (Field reporter).

STATS

PASSING	Orton (R): 46-88-440-1-6-41.9	Dilfer: 69-104-822-4-2-95.1
RUSHING	Th. Jones: 62-276-4.5-4	Droughns: 54-204-3.8-0
RECEIVING	Muhammad: 16-198-12.4-1	Bryant: 15-172-11.5-0
OFFENSE	252.3	342.3
TAKE/GIVE	+1	+2
DEFENSE	267.0 (2C)	403.7
SACKS	Urlacher: 3.0	Crocker, Roye, Thompson: 1.0
INTs	Vasher: 3.0 (T2L)	McCutcheon: 2
PUNTING	Maynard: 41.9	Richardson: 43.5
KICKING	Brien: 10 (7/7 PAT; 1/4 FG)	Dawson: 21 (3/4 PAT; 6/6 FG)

NOTES

BEARS: Are 10-6 (.625) after bye. Head coach LOVIE SMITH was def. coordinator for Rams in Super Bowl XXXVI when Browns' Crennel was def. coordinator for Patriots. Bears are best in redzone on offense (80.0 TD pct.) & defense (12.5 TD pct.).....Rookie QB KYLE ORTON aims for 1st career road win.....RB THOMAS JONES has 4 100-yard games in past 5 & has scored TD in each of past 4 games (6 TDs)......In past 6 on road, WR MUHSIN MUHAMMAD has 5 100-yard games, 717 yards (119.5 per game) & 9 TDs. Has 594 career receptions & needs 6 to become 11th active WR with 600. With 51 rec. yards, will reach 8,000 for career. WR-PR BOBBY WADE is 3rd in NFL with 14.1 PR avg., including 73-yard TD..... Overall defense (267.0) & pass defense (175.0) both rank 2nd in NFC. Bears holding opponents to 61.6 passer rating. In last meeting, **S MIKE BROWN** had 16-yard INT-TD in OT to win game. Brown owns franchise mark with 6 defensive TDs. CB NATHAN VASHER has 3 INTs in 3 games this season & 8 in 19 career games. LB BRIAN URLACHER has 3.0 sacks, tied for most among NFL LBs.....BROWNS: Club has not lost consecutive games to Bears in 12 all-time mtgs......In 4 career home starts vs. Chi., QB TRENT DILFER is 4-0. In those 4 gms, Dilfer has 5 TDs vs. 0 INTs. Entering '05, Dilfer owned career passer rating of 70.6; thru 3 games in '05, has 95.1 passer rating. Dilfer & DE KENARD LANG make 100th career NFL starts SundayRB REUBEN DROUGHNS has 204 rush yds in 3 gms & is on pace for 1,088 yds......WR ANTONIO BRYANT (4) & TE STEVE HEIDEN (4) tie for club-high in 3rd down catches. Rookie WR BRAYLON EDWARDS averaging 18.4 yds on 9 catches......Club (1) is 1 of 5 NFL teams with 1 or 0 fumbles. Team tied for NFL-high 16 consecutive games w/ forced turnover (SD).....LB ANDRA DAVIS leads club with 48 tackles. DT ORPHEUS ROYE leads D-line w/ 21 tackles, 3rd on team. In past 2 gms, CB DAYLON MC CUTCHEON has INT in each with 12 tackles & 1 FF......K PHIL DAWSON (6 for 6) is 1 of 4 kickers in NFL w/ 6+ FG tries w/o miss.

BALTIMORE RAVENS (1-2) AT DETROIT LIONS (1-2)

SERIES

	RAVENS	<u>LIONS</u>	
LEADER	1-0		
STREAKS	1-0		
COACHES VS. OPP.	Billick: 0-0	Mariucci: 0-0	
LAST WEEK	W 13-3 vs. Jets	L 17-13 at Buccaneers	
LAST GAME	12/27/98: Lions 10 at Ravens 19. Baltimore RE Ravens' defense limits Lions to just 236 total y	·	
LAST GAME AT SITE			
BROADCAST CBS (1:00 PM ET): Gus Johnson, TBA			

STATS

PASSING	Wright: 59-92-570-2-4-70.5	Harrington: 49-92-500-3-5-57.3
RUSHING	J. Lewis: 55-138-2.5-1	Jones: 45-147-3.3-1
RECEIVING	Mason: 21-213-10.1-1	R. Williams: 10-163-16.3-1
OFFENSE	280.7	238.0
TAKE/GIVE	-7	+1
DEFENSE	260.7	301.7
SACKS	Green: 2.0	Edwards: 3.0
INTs	0	Holt: 2
PUNTING	Zastudil: 42.7	Harris: 42.5
KICKING	Stover: 12 (3/3 PAT; 3/6 FG)	Hanson: 12 (3/3 PAT; 3/3 FG)

NOTES

RAVENS: Team is 6-2 (.750) in past 8 games vs. NFC & has outscored those NFC foes 230-137......Under head coach **BRIAN BILLICK**, team is 45-3 (.938) when possessing positive turnover mark......In past 2 starts vs. NFC (both wins), QB ANTHONY WRIGHT has 6 TDs vs. 2 INTs, completing 34 of 62 (54.8 pct.) for 496 yds & 99.9 passer rating. In past 2 starts, Wright has completed 65.6 pct. (40 of 61).....RB JAMAL LEWIS (6,996) needs 4 scrimmage yds to become 2nd Raven to amass 7,000 in career (JERMAINE LEWIS, 8,001). Club is 20-6 when Lewis rushes for 100+ yds.....TE TODD HEAP (165) has 4th-most catches by TE since '02. Heap has 4+ catches in 7 of 11 games vs. NFC. WR DERRICK MASON has TD catch in 6 of past 8 road games. Mason is Detroit native; attended Mumford (MI) H.S. & Michigan State. Offense possessed ball for 38:01 last wk vs. NYJ.....LB RODERICK GREEN has sack in consecutive games. CB CHRIS MC ALISTER has 3+ PDs in 18 career games. Defense ranks 2nd in NFL inside 20, allowing 1 TD in 5 trips (20.0 pct.). Club has allowed only 15 rush TDs in past 35 games – tied for fewest in NFL in that span (Tampa Bay)......LIONS: **QB JOEY HARRINGTON** has won 3 of past 4 home starts. In last home start, posted 95.4 passer rating. In 10 career games with 90.0+ rating, Lions are 7-3 (.700). Harrington has started 35 consecutive games......RB KEVIN JONES has rushed for 950 yards in past 9 games with 10+ carries (105.6 per game). Has 584 rushing yards in past 5 at home (116.8 per game).....WR ROY WILLIAMS has 15.3 yards per catch avg. in career (64 catches for 980 yards). TE MARCUS POLLARD has 13 catches for 177 yards (13.6 avg.) & 2 TDs in career vs. Ravens. WR KEVIN JOHNSON had 35 catches for 373 yards & 1 TD last year with Ravens. KR-PR EDDIE DRUMMOND in past 3 vs. AFC has 199 PR yards (28.4 avg.) with 2 TDs (83, 55 yards) & 272 KR yards (30.2 avg.) with 1 TD (99).....CB DRE' BLY has 24 career INTs. Since entering league in 1999, his 24 INTs tie for 7th most. Defense forced 4 turnovers in Week 4 (3 INTs, 1 FF). DT **SHAUN ROGERS** has sack in 2 of past 3. **DE KALIMBA EDWARDS** tied career high with 2.0 sacks last week.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS (2-2) AT GREEN BAY PACKERS (0-4)

SERIES

	SAINTS	PACKERS	
LEADER		13-5	
STREAKS		3 of past 4	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Haslett: 1-0	Sherman: 0-1	
LAST WEEK	W 19-7 vs. Bills (San Antonio)	L 32-29 at Panthers	
LAST GAME	9/15/02: Packers 20 at Saints 35. New Orleans QB Aaron Brooks passes for 2 TDs & RB		
	Deuce McAllister rushes for 2 more in Saints victory.		
LAST GAME AT SITE	9/17/89: Packers 35, Saints 34. Green Bay QB Don Majkowski's 3-yard TD pass to WR		
	Sterling Sharpe with 1:26 remaining lifts Packers over Saints.		
BROADCAST	FOX (12:00 PM CT): Kenny Albert, Brian Baldi	inger	

STATS

PASSING	Brooks: 72-127-938-2-5-68.9	Favre: 101-159-1041-9 (T2L)-8-80.2
RUSHING	McAllister: 82-304-3.7-3	Green: 61-206-3.4-0
RECEIVING	Stallworth: 20-317-15.9-0	Driver: 18-294-16.3-2
OFFENSE	335.5	320.0
TAKE/GIVE	-5	-9
DEFENSE	308.8	306.0
SACKS	Bryant, Howard: 2.5	Gjaba-Biamila: 2.5
INTs	Craft: 2	Carroll: 1
PUNTING	Berger: 41.1	Sander: 42.3
KICKING	Carney: 32 (5/5 PAT; 9/11 FG)	Longwell: 14 (5/6 PAT; 3/4 FG)

NOTES

SAINTS: Are 41-15 (.732) when scoring 20+ points under head coach JIM HASLETT......QB AARON BROOKS was 4th round draft choice (No. 131) by Packers in 1999 & makes 1st career start at GB. Threw for 2 TDs as Saints won 35-20 in only start vs. former team (9/15/02). Has 9 career 300-yard passing games & needs 1 to pass ARCHIE MANNING (9) for most in club history.....RB DEUCE MC ALLISTER rushed for 123 yards & 2 TDs in only meeting (9/15/02). Had teamrecord 23rd 100-yard game last week (130 yards) & team is 15-8 (.652) in those 23WR JOE HORN has 46 receiving TDs with NO & needs 3 to pass ERIC MARTIN (48) for most by Saint. Had 6 catches for 120 yards in last meeting. WR DONTE' STALLWORTH has 11 career TDs of 25+ yards......DE DARREN HOWARD has 14.0 sacks in 16 October games. CB MIKE MC KENZIE played 70 games for Packers (1999-2004) & had 15 INTs. Has 6 INTs in 14 games with NO.....K JOHN CARNEY had 4 FGs last week & passed Pro Football HOFer JAN STENERUD (373) to move into 4th all time with 374......PACKERS: Club has won 15 of past 20 October home games. Under head coach MIKE SHERMAN, Packers are 39-4 (.907) when leading at half.....QB BRETT FAVRE has career home record of 83-21 (.798). Has TD pass in 23 consecutive home games, longest current streak in NFL. In 3 meetings vs. NO, Favre has 2 wins & 102.2 passer rating.....RB AHMAN GREEN has 566 rushing yards & 8 TDs in past 5 October home games with 15+ carries. Has 48 rush TDs as Packer & needs 3 to pass Pro Football HOFer PAUL HORNUNG (50) for 2nd in club annals...... Team has 6 different players with TD reception, tied for most in NFL (Cin & StL). WR DONALD DRIVER has catch in 52 games in row. TE BUBBA FRANKS has 3 TDs in past 2 October home games. Needs 5 receptions to become 3rd Packer TE with 200......DE KABEER GBAJA-BIAMILA (53.0) needs 2.5 sacks to pass TIM HARRIS (55.0) for 2nd most in team history. Had 2.0 last week at Carolina. Defense allowing 3.68 yards per 1st down play, 2nd-best in NFL.

TENNESSEE TITANS (1-3) AT HOUSTON TEXANS (0-3)

SERIES

	<u>TITANS</u>	<u>TEXANS</u>	
LEADER	4-2		
STREAKS		Past 2	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Fisher: 4-2	Capers: 3-4	
LAST WEEK	L 31-10 vs. Colts	L 16-10 at Bengals	
LAST GAME 11/28/04: Titans 21 at Texans 31. Houston RB Domani carries as Texans score 21 2nd-half points.		Domanick Davis rushes for 129 yards on 16	
LAST GAME AT SITE	11/28/04		
BROADCAST	CBS (12:00 PM CT): Ian Eagle, Solomon Wilcots		

STATS

PASSING	McNair: 89-138-895-5-4-82.9	Carr: 42-73-411-2-3-65.5
RUSHING	Brown: 49-210-4.3-0	Davis: 48-188-3.9-0
RECEIVING	Bennett: 14-247-17.6-0	Johnson: 10-76-7.6-0
OFFENSE	310.3	198.3
TAKE/GIVE	-3	-7
DEFENSE	332.5	358.3
SACKS	Vanden Bosch: 5.0 (T2L)	4 Tied: 1.0
INTs	Kassell, Williams: 1	0
PUNTING	Hentrich: 43.3	Stanley: 39.9
KICKING	Bironas: 25 (7/7 PAT; 6/8 FG)	Brown: 6 (3/3 PAT; 1/1 FG)

NOTES

TITANS: Head coach JEFF FISHER aims for 100th career victory. Earned 1st career win in Houston with Oilers on 12/24/94.....QB STEVE MC NAIR (24,875) needs 125 passing yards to be 49th QB in NFL history to reach 25,000 in career......Since 2004, RB CHRIS BROWN averages 4.8 yds/carry vs. AFC South (91 for 440) with 2 TDs. Brown has 13 rushes of 10+ yards in those 9 games. In 1st NFL game last wk, RB JARRETT PAYTON had 4 carries for 37 yards (9.3 avg.).....Rookie WR BRANDON JONES has 11 catches for 121 yards & 1 TD. In last meeting, TE ERRON KINNEY caught career-high 2 TDs on 6 passes for 53 yards......Only BRUCE MATTHEWS (19) & HOF ELVIN BETHEA (16) have played more seasons for franchise than T BRAD HOPKINS (13). Offense had 5 drives reach into Indy territory last weekIn past 3 games in 1st qtr, defense has allowed 115 total yards, 5 1st downs & 7 pts. DE KYLE VANDEN BOSCH leads AFC w/ 5.0 sacks & is 3rd on club w/ 24 tackles.....LB ROCKY BOIMAN leads club with 5 special teams tackles. K RON BIRONAS has 5 TBs on kickoffs; team had 3 TBs on kickoffs in '04...... TEXANS: Club swept Titans in '04...... Last season vs. Titans, QB DAVID CARR posted 2-game passer rating of 94.9 on 37 of 56 (66.1 pct.) passing for 467 yards with 3 TDs vs. 2 INTs. QB Carr has rushed for 9 1st downs, 2nd-most by QB in NFL (MICHAEL VICK, Atl., 14)...... In 4 career games vs. Titans, RB DOMANICK DAVIS has 5.6-yard/carry avg. w/ 2 rush TDs & 16 catches for 131 yards (8.2-yd avg.). Last wk Davis (1,012) became 1st Texans RB to reach 1,000 career rec. yds & has 4+ catches in 6 of past 7 games. FB MORAN NORRIS scored 1st TD in 5-year career last week at Cincy on 4-yd reception.....WR ANDRE JOHNSON has catch in all 35 career gms. Last wk at Cin., WR JABAR GAFFNEY tied 2nd-most rec. yds in game with 88 on 6 catches (14.7 avg.).....Defense has allowed 1 TD in past 5 qtrs. LB KAILEE WONG posted 1st sack of season last week. Defense (1 rush TD) is 1 of 4 in AFC to allow 1 or 0 rush TDs (Balt, Ind. & Mia. have yet to allow).....Rookie WR-KR JEROME MATHIS averaging 26.0 yards on 5 KRs. K KRIS BROWN has scored in 23 consecutive games.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS (4-0) AT NEW YORK JETS (1-3)

SERIES

	BUCCANEERS	<u>JETS</u>
LEADER		7-1
STREAKS		Past 5
COACHES VS. OPP.	Gruden: 3-1	Edwards: 0-0
LAST WEEK	W 17-13 vs. Lions	L 13-3 at Ravens
LAST GAME	9/24/00: Jets 21 at Buccaneers 17. Jets RB Curtis Martin finds WR Wayne Chrebet for an	
	18-yard TD pass on RB option with 52 seconds left for win.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/14/97: Jets 31, Buccaneers 0. Jets CB Otis Smith returns 2 INTs for TDs in 5-minute	
	span.	
BROADCAST	FOX (1:00 PM ET): Dick Stockton, Daryl Johnston, Tony Siragusa	

STATS

PASSING	Griese: 73-116-790-6-6-78.6	Bollinger: 14-28-149-0-0-65.9
		Testaverde ('04 DAL): 297-495-3,532-17-20-76.4
RUSHING	Williams (R): 99(1L)-447 (3L)-4.5-2	Martin: 82-226-2.8-0
RECEIVING	Galloway: 17-316-18.6-3	Coles: 16-168-10.4-1
OFFENSE	327.3	297.8
TAKE/GIVE	+3	-1
DEFENSE	220.3 (1L)	245.3
SACKS	Rice: 3.0	Abraham: 3.0
INTs	Kelly: 3 (T2L)	4Tied: 1
PUNTING	Bidwell: 46.8 (2L)	Graham (R): 44.7
KICKING	M. Bryant: 21 (9/9 PAT; 4/5 FG)	Nugent (R): 17 (5/5 PAT; 4/5 FG)

NOTES

BUCCANEERS: Aim for 1st 5-0 start since 1997. Last time Bucs had 4-game winning streak was 2002 when team won Super Bowl XXXVII. Head coach JON GRUDEN has defeated Jets in 3 of 4 meetings.....QB BRIAN GRIESE has 96.6 rating in 2 starts at NYJ (w/Den).....RB CARNELL "CADILLAC" WILLIAMS is 2nd in NFC rushing & aims to be 1st rookie to win NFC title since Pro Football HOFer BARRY SANDERS in 1989.....WR MICHAEL CLAYTON has 24 catches for 410 yards & 2 TDs in past 4 vs. AFC. TE ANTHONY BECHT was drafted by Jets in 1st round (No. 27) in 2000. Had 133 catches for 1,164 yards & 17 TDs in 78 games for NY (2000-04)......Defense (220.3) & rush defense (61.5) are best in NFL. Opponents have 57.0 passer rating. In only meeting, CB RONDE BARBER had 37-yard INT-TD. LB DERRICK BROOKS has started 148 games in row, most among active NFL defensive players. DEs SIMEON RICE (45.5) & GREG SPIRES (16.0) have 61.5 sacks since 2002, most by NFC duo......JETS: Head coach HERMAN EDWARDS was TB ass't coach from 1996-2000In 1st career start, QB BROOKS BOLLINGER completed 14 of 28 attempts w/o INT. QB VINNY TESTAVERDE was drafted No. 1 overall by TB in 1987......In past 6 vs. NFC, RB CURTIS MARTIN has 5 games of 100+ rush yds & 4 rush TDs, averaging 4.8 yards/game. Has not lost fumble since 11/2/03 (652 carries, 72 receptions)......Club 1 of 6 in AFC with 2 players with 200+ rec. yards: WR JUSTIN MC CAREINS (201) & TE CHRIS BAKER (201). TE Baker has 2nd-most rec. yards among AFC TEs......Defense ranks 6th in NFL in yards allowed per play (4.5) & ranks No. 1 in AFC in yards allowed per 1st down play (3.83). LB ERIC BARTON (w/ Oak.) played against TB in Super Bowl XXXVII. Barton is 4th on team with 25 tackles (JONATHAN VILMA, 57). In past 3, CB DAVID BARRETT has 2 PDs, INT, 2 FFs & FR. CB DERRICK STRAIT has team-high 7 special teams tackles.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (2-2) AT ST. LOUIS RAMS (2-2)

SERIES

	<u>SEAHAWKS</u>	RAMS
LEADER		9-4
STREAKS		Past 3
COACHES VS. OPP.	Holmgren: 7-7	Martz: 6-2
LAST WEEK	L 20-17 (OT) at Redskins	L 44-24 at Giants
LAST GAME	11/14/04: Seahawks 12 at Rams 23. St. Louis RB Marshall Faulk rushes for 139 yards & Jeff	
	Wilkins kicks 3 FGs as Rams sweep Seattle series.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	10/10/04: Rams 33, Seahawks 27 (OT). St. Louis WR Shaun McDonald catches 52-yard TD	
	pass from QB Marc Bulger in OT as Rams overcome 17-point deficit.	
BROADCAST	FOX (12:00 PM CT): Curt Menefee, JC Pearson	

STATS

PASSING	Hasselbeck: 87-136-1011-5-2-92.5	Bulger: 113-175-1,312(2L)-8-6-88.1
RUSHING	Alexander: 84-455 (1L)-5.4-6 (T1C)	S. Jackson: 59-218-3.7-2
RECEIVING	D. Jackson: 29 (3L)-376 (3C)-13.0-2	Holt: 30 (2L)-442 (3L)-14.7-3
OFFENSE	387.8 (2L)	384.5 (3C)
TAKE/GIVE	-3	-4
DEFENSE	300.8	346.8
SACKS	Fisher: 3.0	Little: 3.5
INTs	Babineaux, Herndon: 1	Archuleta, Groce, Hawthorne: 1
PUNTING	Araguz: 40.2	Hodges (R): 39.4
KICKING	J. Brown: 23 (11/11 PAT; 4/6 FG)	Wilkins: 31 (10/10 PAT; 7/8 FG)

NOTES

GAME FEATURES past 2 NFC West champs (Sea. '05, StL '04). Both enter Week 5 tied for 1st place...... SEAHAWKS: Head coach MIKE HOLMGREN boasts 60-39 (.606) record in division games.....QB MATT HASSELBECK has 11 career 300-yard passing games & needs 1 to pass DAVE KRIEG (11) for most in franchise history. Since becoming starter in '01, Hasselbeck has 50 redzone TDs vs. 2 INTs.....RB SHAUN ALEXANDER aims for 4th consecutive game vs. StL with 125+ rush yards. Has 452 yards in those 3 (150.7 per game). Has 24 career 100yard rushing games & needs 1 to pass CHRIS WARREN (24) for most in club history.....WR DARRELL JACKSON has 36 career TD catches, tied with DARYL TURNER (36) & JOEY GALLOWAY (36) for 2nd in club history (STEVE LARGENT, 100). Jackson (29) & WR BOBBY ENGRAM (27) lead NFL with most receptions by WR duo (56).....DE BRYCE FISHER has sack in 5 of past 6 (6.0 sacks). Was member of Rams from 2002-04 & had career-best 8.5 sacks last year with StL......RAMS: Won all 3 meetings in 2004, including Wild Card playoff. Head coach MIKE MARTZ is 26-10 (722) in division games.....QB MARC BULGER is 28-12 (.700) as starter. In playoff, passed for 313 yards & 2 TDs, including game-winning 17-yarder with 2:11 left. Had career-best 40 comp. & 62 att. last week for NFL season-high 442 yards.....RB STEVEN JACKSON has 111 yards on 15 carries for 7.4 avg. in 2 meetings. RB MARSHALL FAULK has 12,080 career rush yards & needs 41 to pass THURMAN THOMAS (12,074) & FRANCO HARRIS (12,120) for 10thmost in NFL history. As Ram, Faulk has 493 scrimmage yards (407 rush, 86 rec) & 5 TDs in 3 home games vs. Seattle (164.3 per game).....WR TORRY HOLT has 70+ receiving yards in past 9, including 5 100+ games. WR ISAAC BRUCE has 11,889 career rec. yards & needs 111 to become only active player with 12,000. Has 786 career receptions & needs 14 to become 13th player all-time with 800......In past 3 meetings incl. playoff, CB TRAVIS FISHER has 2 INTs & 1 FF.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (4-0) AT SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS (1-3)

SERIES

	COLTS	49ERS
LEADER	22-18	
STREAKS		Past 2
COACHES VS. OPP.	Dungy: 1-0	Nolan: 0-0
LAST WEEK	W 31-10 at Titans	L 31-14 at Cardinals (Mexico City)
LAST GAME	11/25/01: 49ers 40 at Colts 21. San Francisco QB Jeff Garcia passes for 2 TDs & RB	
	Garrison Hearst rushes for 2 more to give 49ers 4th consecutive win.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	10/18/98: 49ers 34, Colts 31. San Francisco QB Steve Young throws 2 TD passes & runs for	
	2 more as 49ers defeat Colts.	
BROADCAST	CBS (1:05 PM PT): Dick Enberg, Dan Dierdorf, Armen Keteyian (Field reporter).	

STATS

PASSING	Manning: 73-114-868-6 (T2L)-2-97.4	Rattay: 56-97-667-5-6-70.3
RUSHING	James: 98-414 (2C)-4.2-1	Barlow: 46-166-3.6-1
RECEIVING	Harrison: 24-267-11.1-3 (T3C)	Lloyd: 17-326-19.2-3
OFFENSE	327.8	229.3
TAKE/GIVE	+3	-4
DEFENSE	320.0	473.5
SACKS	Freeney, Mathis: 4.0 (T2C)	Young: 6.0 (1L)
INTs	Brackett: 2	Parrish: 2
PUNTING	Smith: 43.6	Lee: 43.1
KICKING	Vanderjagt: 24 (9/9 PAT; 5/5 FG)	Nedney: 16 (10/10 PAT; 2/2 FG)

NOTES

COLTS: Club has won 7 of past 8 vs. NFC. Head coach TONY DUNGY was 49ers DB in 1979. O-line coach HOWARD MUDD was SF guard (1964-69) & named to 49ers' All-Golden Era Team (1946-70)......QB PEYTON MANNING had 1st career 3-TD game on 10/18/98 at SF. Will start 117th game in row to surpass RON JAWORSKI (116) for 2nd-longest such streak by QB in NFL history (BRETT FAVRE, 209). SF 1 of 5 teams Manning has not defeated (0-2).....RB EDGERRIN JAMES leads NFL with 520 scrimmage yards (404 rush, 106 rec.).....Last wk, Manning & WR MARVIN HARRISON (85) tied STEVE YOUNG & JERRY RICE (85) for most TD receptions by duo in NFL history. Reached 85 TDs in 111 games; Young-Rice in 137. Harrison (101) has 3rd-most TD catches in NFL history, trailing only **JERRY RICE** (197) & CRIS CARTER (130).....O-line hasn't allowed sack in 1st 4 games – only team w/o sack allowed.....DE ROBERT MATHIS has sack in 4 games in row. Defense has not allowed TD in 1st 55:00 of game. Club has committed only 17 penalties......49ERS: Have won 7 of past 8 meetings. Last home loss in series was to Baltimore Colts in 1968 when head coach MIKE NOLAN's father DICK coached SF. As def. coordinator for Balt. (2002-04), Nolan's unit held Colts QB Manning to 2 TDs while registering 5 sacks & 1 INT in 2 meetings. Are 75-56 (.573) vs. AFC......QB TIM RATTAY has 21 TDs in 16 starts with 60.6 comp. pct. (308 of 508).....In 4 starts vs. AFC with 15+ carries, RB KEVAN BARLOW has 339 rush yards & 4 TDs.....WR BRANDON LLOYD has 5 TDs in past 7, including NFL 2005-long 89yarder. Aims for 3rd game in row with 100+ yards. Rookie WR-PR FRED AMEY is 2nd in NFL with 18.4 PR avg., including 75-yard TD......S TONY PARRISH has started all 116 games to begin career, longest streak by DB since HERMAN EDWARDS (135). LB DEREK SMITH scored defensive TD last week. Led team w/ 12 tackles in last meeting. Rookie CB DERRICK JOHNSON had 78-yard FR-TD last week. DE BRYANT YOUNG leads NFL with 6.0 sacks.

CAROLINA PANTHERS (2-2) AT ARIZONA CARDINALS (1-3)

SERIES

	PANTHERS	CARDINALS
LEADER	3-2	
STREAKS	Past 2	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Fox: 2-1	Green: 3-2
LAST WEEK	W 32-29 vs. Packers	W 31-14 vs. 49ers (Mexico City)
LAST GAME	11/21/04: Cardinals 10 at Panthers 35. Carolina RB Nick Goings rushes for 121 yards & 3	
	first-half TDs as Panthers post back-to-back victories.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/14/03: Panthers 20, Cardinals 17. Carolina K John Kasay completes 49-yard FG with 4	
	seconds remaining as Panthers clinch 1st division title since '96.	
BROADCAST	FOX (1:15 PM PT): Matt Vasgersian, Erik Kramer	

STATS

PASSING	Delhomme: 66-116-857-6-4-83.2	McCown: 47-79-534-2-2-77.7
RUSHING	S. Davis: 73-245-3.4-6 (T1C)	Shipp: 45-147-3.3-0
RECEIVING	S. Smith: 25-354-14.2-4 (T1C)	Fitzgerald: 27-368-13.6-2
OFFENSE	296.3	356.5
TAKE/GIVE	-1	-2
DEFENSE	311.5	296.8
SACKS	Rucker: 2.0	Berry: 4.5 (3C)
INTs	Gamble, Lucas, Witherspoon: 1	Dansby: 2
PUNTING	Baker: 38.9	Player: 46.2 (3C)
KICKING	Kasay: 31 (10/11 PAT; 7/7 FG)	Rackers: 50 (1L) (2/2 PAT; 16/16 FG)

NOTES

PANTHERS: Club has won 8 of past 12.....QB JAKE DELHOMME has completed 103 of 157 passes (65.6 pct.) for 1,436 yards (287.2 per game) & 13 TDs vs. 2 INTs in past 5 on road for 117.2 rating. Has thrown 142 consecutive passes in redzone without INT, longest active streak......In 8 career games vs. Cardinals with 15+ carries, RB STEPHEN DAVIS has 978 rush yards (122.3 per game), 6 100-yard games & has 91+ yards in all 8WR STEVE SMITH has 100+ receiving yards in 3 of past 4 in October. In last road game, Smith set career highs in catches (11), yards (170) & TDs (3). Has 10 receptions on 3rd down (128 yards), tied for most in NFL.....DE JULIUS PEPPERS aims for 4th game in row vs. Arizona with forced fumble. Has 3.0 sacks in each of past 2 meetings. DE MIKE RUCKER (42.0) had 1.0 sack last week to pass KEVIN GREENE (41.5) for team record. CB-PR CHRIS GAMBLE leads NFL with 21.0 PR avg. Was member of Ohio State's national championship team that won 2003 Fiesta Bowl at Sun Devil Stadium. CB RICKY MANNING JR. has 7 career INTs, 3 in October......CARDINALS: Defeated SF in Mexico City last week in 1st ever regular-season game outside of US. Game set regular-season single-game attendance record with 103,467 fans.....QB JOSH MC COWN has won 5 of past 7 starts & has 10 TDs (8 pass, 2 rush). Threw for career-best 385 yards & posted 109.4 rating last week. Offense is outscoring opponents 34-6 in 2nd quarter......When RB MARCEL SHIPP has 25+ carries, Cards are 3-1 (.750). Shipp has 470 yards in those 4 (117.5 per game)......WRs ANQUAN BOLDIN (385 yards) & LARRY FITZGERALD (368) are NFL's only set of teammates with 350+ receiving yards. Boldin (116) & Fitzgerald (102) each had 100 yards last week, 1st time duo has accomplished feat..... DE BERTRAND BERRY has sack in 4 of past 5 (6.5 sacks). LB KARLOS DANSBY is only LB in NFL with at least 2.0 sacks & 2 INTs......K NEIL RACKERS had career-best 6 FGs last week & his 16 FGs are most in NFL history for 1st 4 games of season. Leads NFL with 14 touchbacks.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES (3-1) AT DALLAS COWBOYS (2-2)

SERIES

	<u>EAGLES</u>	<u>COWBOYS</u>
LEADER		49-39
STREAKS	Past 3	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Reid: 10-2	Parcells: 10-10
LAST WEEK	W 37-31 at Chiefs	L 19-13 at Raiders
LAST GAME	12/19/04: Cowboys 7 at Eagles 12. Philadelphia QB Donovan McNabb has 2 big runs in final	
	minutes to set up winning TD.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	11/15/04: Eagles 49, Cowboys 21. Philadelphia QB Donovan McNabb passes for 345 yards &	
	4 TDs, including 3 to WR Terrell Owens.	
BROADCAST	FOX (3:15 PM CT): Joe Buck, Troy Aikman, Pam Oliver (Field reporter)	

STATS

PASSING	McNabb: 110-174-1,333(1L)-11(1L)-3-100.6 (3L)	Bledsoe: 74-124-1,062 (3C)-7-3-96.2 (3C)
RUSHING	Westbrook: 49-219-4.5-1	J. Jones: 96-335-3.5-3
RECEIVING	Owens: 32 (1L)-506 (1L)-15.8-4 (T1C)	T. Glenn: 16-400-25.0-1
OFFENSE	432.0 (1L)	349.5
TAKE/GIVE	+2	+2
DEFENSE	294.8	340.0
SACKS	Dawkins, Walker: 2.5	Ellis, Ware (R): 2.0
INTs	S. Brown: 2	5 tied: 1
PUNTING	Johnson: 38.4	McBriar: 44.9
KICKING	France: 11 (2/2 PAT; 3/4 FG)	Cortez: 20 (8/9 PAT; 4/5 FG)

NOTES

EAGLES: Have won 25 of past 29 in division. Head coach **ANDY REID** is 10-2 (.833) vs. Dallas, outscoring Cowboys 345-155 in those 12.....Offense (432.0) & pass offense (356.5) are tops in NFL. Versus NFC East, QB DONOVAN MC **NABB** has won past 10, 16 of last 17 & 23 of past 26. In those 26, McNabb has 54 TDs (47 pass, 7 rush) vs. 19 INTs. Is 1st Eagle with 3 consecutive 300-yard games......Team has NFL leader in receptions for WR (TERRELL OWENS, 32), TE (L.J. SMITH, 26) & RB (BRIAN WESTBROOK, 22). RB Westbrook is only player in NFL with 10+ rush (11) & 10+ rec. (14) 1st downs. In 4 games at Dallas, WR Owens has 28 catches for 401 yards & 7 TDs. Has 99 rec. TDs & needs 1 to be 6th player with 100..... Under def. coordinator **JIM JOHNSON**, club has allowed 17 points or less 61 times in 100 games (61.0 pct.) & club is 54-7 (.885). CB LITO SHEPPARD aims for 3rd game in row vs. Cowboys with INT. Had team-record 101-yard INT-TD in last game at Dallas...... COWBOYS: Team is last NFC East club to beat Eagles (10/12/03). Head coach BILL PARCELLS has 76-56-1 (.571) division record. Has 167 career victories & needs 1 to tie BUD GRANT (168) for 10th-most in NFL history.....QB DREW BLEDSOE has passed for 627 yards in 2 starts vs. Eagles. (313.5 per game). Has won 8 of past 11 with 18 TDs vs. 9 INTs.....RB JULIUS JONES has rushed for 75+ yards in 10 of 11 career starts & has 1,138 yards in those 11 (103.5 per game)......WR KEYSHAWN JOHNSON averaging 14.2 yards per catch in 5 meetings. TE JASON WITTEN had career highs in yards (133) & TDs (2) while tying career best with 9 receptions in last home game. WR TERRY GLENN averaging 25.0 yards per catch (16 rec. for 400 yards), most in NFL (min. 10 catches)......In 19 games against NFC East, S ROY WILLIAMS has 4.0 sacks, 4 INTs, 2 TDs, 2 FR & 1 FF. DT LA'ROI GLOVER (69.5) needs 0.5 sack for 70.0 career sacks, 3rd-most among active DTs.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS (3-0) AT DENVER BRONCOS (3-1)

SERIES

	<u>REDSKINS</u>	BRONCOS
LEADER		5-4
STREAKS		2 of past 3
COACHES VS. OPP.	Gibbs: 2-2	Shanahan: 2-1
LAST WEEK	W 20-17 (OT) vs. Seahawks	W 20-7 at Jaguars
LAST GAME	11/15/01: Redskins 17, Denver 10. Redskins backup QB Kent Graham throws 2 4th quarter TD passes to help Redskins erase 10-point deficit.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	11/15/01	
BROADCAST	FOX (2:15 PM MT): Sam Rosen, Bill Maas	

STATS

PASSING	Brunell: 48-84-587-4-2-84.8	Plummer: 77-129-787-4-3-77.9					
RUSHING	Portis: 63-263-4.2-0	Mi. Anderson: 62-267-4.3-1					
RECEIVING	Moss: 15-342-22.8-2	Smith: 26-286-11.0-1					
OFFENSE	340.3	326.8					
TAKE/GIVE	-4	+5					
DEFENSE	290.3 (3C)	291.3					
SACKS	Evans, Griffin, Marshall: 1.0	Warren: 2.0					
INTs	Marshall: 1	Bailey: 2					
PUNTING	Frost: 41.0	Sauerbrun: 46.6 (3L)					
KICKING	Novak (R): 10 (4/4 PAT; 2/3 FG)	Elam: 32 (8/8 PAT; 8/13 FG)					

NOTES

REDSKINS: Aim for 1st 4-0 start since head coach JOE GIBBS' 1991 team started 11-0, finished 14-2 & won Super Bowl XXVI. All 3 wins by 3 points or less (6 total points).....QB MARK BRUNELL is 2nd in NFC with 101.4 passer rating in 4th quarter & ranks 3rd with 102.4 rating on 3rd down. Has 1 career start against Denver (10/25/98 w/Jax) & passed for 353 yards & 3 TDs vs. 0 INTs for 106.5 rating......RB CLINTON PORTIS was 2nd round pick (No. 51) by Broncos in 2002. In 29 games with Denver, Portis rushed for 3,099 yards & 29 TDs, earning 2002 NFL Offensive Rookie of Year award & Pro Bowl berth after 2003 season. In 27 career games vs. AFC, Portis has 2,616 rush yards (96.9 per game) & 27 TDs.....WR SANTANA MOSS ties for 1st in NFL with 10 catches on 3rd down. Averaging 22.8 yards per catch this year (15 catches for 342 yards). 14 of his 15 catches have resulted in 1st down (93.3 pct.).....Defense has allowed NFClow 37 points. Redskins have held opponents to 18 points or less in 9 consecutive games, longest active streak in NFL.....CB SHAWN SPRINGS has INT in 4 of past 5 games vs. Denver.....BRONCOS: Under head coach MIKE SHANAHAN, team is 16-4 (.800) at home vs. NFC. Club has won 3 games in row & leads AFC West......Since joining Denver in 2003, QB JAKE PLUMMER, in 16 home games, has 94.8 passer rating, completing 313 of 500 (62.6 pct.) for 4,003 yds w/ 27 TDs vs. 13 INTs......In past 2 games, RBs MIKE ANDERSON (213) & TATUM BELL (107) have 320 rush yds combined......WR ASHLEY LELIE (17.2) is tied for 4th-highest per-catch avg. in club history, minimum 60 receptions.....T DWAYNE CARSWELL caught career-high 2 TDs last week at Jax. Converted TE, Carswell has 15 career TD catches. Carswell has missed 1 game in past 9 years......Club has had possession for 37:00+ in 3 of past 6 games......CB CHAMP BAILEY spent '99-03 with Redskins & was named to Pro Bowl in 4 of 5 years. Bailey's teams are 14-7 (.667) when he records INT. Last wk at Jax, LB AL WILSON notched 6 tackles, 1.0 sack, 2 FFs & 1 PD. DT GERARD WARREN has 1.0 sack in each of past 2 games. Club has 15 sacks vs. Wash QB Brunell in 4 career mtgs.

SUNDAY NIGHT CINCINNATI BENGALS (4-0) AT JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (2-2) SERIES

	BENGALS	<u>JAGUARS</u>					
LEADER		10-5					
STREAKS		Past 3					
COACHES VS. OPP.	Lewis: 0-0	Del Rio: 0-0					
LAST WEEK	W 16-10 vs. Texans	L 20-7 vs. Broncos					
LAST GAME	12/15/02: Jaguars 29, Bengals 15. Jacksonville QB Mark Brunell passes for 3 TDs, ending 3-game losing streak for Jacksonville.						
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/9/01: Jaguars 30, Bengals 13. Jacksonville QB Mark Brunell passes for 2 TDs, including 11-yarder to WR Keenan McCardell early in 4 th quarter.						
BROADCAST	ESPN (8:30 PM ET): Mike Patrick, Paul Maguire, Joe Theismann, Suzy Kolber (Field reporter).						
	CBS Radio: Joel Meyers, John Riggins, Rick Walker (Field reporter).						

STATS

PASSING	Palmer: 94-131-1,062 (3C)-9 (T2L)-2-112.2	Leftwich: 69-117-867-5-3-85.7		
	(2L)			
RUSHING	R. Johnson: 92-388 (3C)-4.2-1	Taylor: 81-269-3.3-1		
RECEIVING	C. Johnson: 36 (1C)-374 (2C)-14.4-3 (T3C)	Smith: 17-329-19.4-4 (T2L)		
OFFENSE	384.8	303.5		
TAKE/GIVE	+13	+2		
DEFENSE	296.5	266.0		
SACKS	Smith: 2.0	Hayward, Spicer: 3.5		
INTs	O'Neal: 4 (1L)	5 Tied : 1		
PUNTING	Larson: 42.5	Hanson: 45.5		
KICKING	Graham: 38 (11/11 PAT; 9/10 FG)	Scobee: 26 (5/5 PAT; 7/9 FG;)		

NOTES

HEAD COACHES MARVIN LEWIS of Cincinnati and JACK DEL RIO of Jacksonville worked together as Ravens assistant coaches from 1999-2001 under BRIAN BILLICK. Ravens won SB in 2000 season......BENGALS: Club is 4-0 for 1st time since 1988 when team advanced to SB XXIII......Bengals are 20-16 (.556) under Lewis. QB CARSON PALMER is only QB in NFL to post 100.0+ passer rating in every start on season. Team No. 1 in AFC in yds/game (384.8) & No. 2 in AFC in points/game (26.0).....RB RUDI JOHNSON has 20+ carries in 7 of past 10 games & averaged 98.6 yards per game in those past 10.....In his past 8 road games, WR CHAD JOHNSON has made 1st downs on 35 of his 44 receptions (79.5 pct.). Johnson (26) & WR T.J. HOUSHMANDZADEH (20) 1 of 2 pair of AFC teammates with 20+ catches apiece.....T WILLIE ANDERSON aims to start 85th game in row.....Club No. 5 in NFL in pts allowed (9.5/gm). **DE JUSTIN SMITH** recorded sack & FF last wk......<u>JAGUARS</u>: Under Del Rio, club is 11-2 (.846) when scoring 20+ points.....QB BYRON LEFTWICH makes 1st career start vs. Bengals. Leftwich averages 8.88 yards per att. on 3rd down, best in AFC.....In 6 career games vs. Cincy, RB FRED TAYLOR has 5 rush TDs & 528 rush yds......In 8 career games vs. Bengals, WR JIMMY SMITH averages 6.3 catches for 80.9 yards & has 9 TDs in those 15. Smith has TD catch of 30 yds or more in 5 of past 8 games & has 5+ catches in 86 of 166 career games (51.8 pct.).....Defense stands No. 3 in NFL (266.0 yds/game). In past 2 games, defense has limited top opposing WRs LAVERANUES COLES to 17 rec. yds & ROD SMITH to 33 rec. yds. DT JOHN HENDERSON (4) tied for 2nd-most PDs on team. DEs PAUL SPICER & **REGGIE HAYWARD** lead team with 3.5 sacks apiece. In past 3 games, opponents have totaled 353 passing yards.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10 PITTSBURGH STEELERS (2-1) AT SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (2-2)

SERIES

	STEELERS	CHARGERS						
LEADER	18-5							
STREAKS	Past 4							
COACHES VS. OPP.	Cowher: 6-2	Schottenheimer: 9-7						
LAST WEEK	Bye (Wk 3: L 23-20 vs. Patriots)	W 41-17 at Patriots						
LAST GAME	12/21/03: Steelers 40, Chargers 24. Steelers RB Jerome Bettis passed Marcus Allen on the NFL's all-time rushing list, racking up 115 against the Chargers in the win.							
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/23/00: Steelers 34 at Chargers 21. Steelers QB Kordell Stewart contributed three multipurpose TDs, rushing for two second-half scores.							
BROADCAST	ABC (6:00 PM PT): Al Michaels, John Madden, Samantha Ryan (Field reporter). CBS Radio: Marv Albert, Boomer Esiason, John Dockery (Field reporter).							

STATS

PASSING	Roethlisberger: 35-60-688-6-0-131.8 (1L)	Brees: 71-104-823-6 (T2L)-3-99.2 (2L)					
RUSHING	Parker: 64-327-5.1-2	Tomlinson: 84-450-5.4-8 (1L)					
RECEIVING	Ward: 12-219-18.3-4 (T2C)	Gates (TE): 18-280-15.6-1					
OFFENSE	360.3	355.0					
TAKE/GIVE	+7	+1					
DEFENSE	316.7	340.0					
SACKS	Haggans, Polamalu: 3.0	Foley, Leber: 2.0					
INTs	Coclough, Hope, Polamalu: 1	Jue: 2					
PUNTING	Gardocki: 44.7	Scifres: 44.2					
KICKING Reed: 18 (9/9 PAT; 6/7 FG) Kaeding: 31 (16/16 PAT; 5/5 FC							

NOTES

SAN DIEGO HEAD COACH MARTY SCHOTTENHEIMER hired Pittsburgh head coach BILL COWHER for his 1st NFL coaching position in 1985 (Cleveland). Cowher coached under Schottenheimer in Cle. (1985-88) & KC (1989-91). Both are Pittsburgh-area natives......STEELERS: Head coach Cowher is 6-1 (.857) vs. Chargers. Since 1995, team is NFL's best in October: 29-10 (.744).....QB BEN ROETHLISBERGER has not thrown INT in '05 (60 atts.) & is NFL's highestrated passer (131.8).....Among NFL rushers with 60+ carries, RB WILLIE PARKER ranks 4th with 5.1-yd avg. Parker has 3 100s in past 4 games......WR HINES WARD has 2 TDs in each of past 2 games. In 2 career games vs. SD, Ward has 10 catches for 130 yards & 1 TD. WR CEDRICK WILSON is averaging 19.7 yds/catch on 6 receptions with long of 40......Club stands 3rd in NFL w/ +7 turnover differential.....LB JAMES FARRIOR & CB IKE TAYLOR share team tackle lead w/ 30 each......CHARGERS: Head coach Schottenheimer has defeated 5 teams 10+ times; win over Pittsburgh would be his 10th vs. Steelers......QB DREW BREES has 2 TD passes in 4 home gms in row......RB LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON leads NFL with 8 TDs & ranks 2nd (48) in NFL scoring (NEIL RACKERS, Ariz., 50). Tomlinson (68) needs 2 TDs Monday to reach 70 career TDs in 68th career game, tying fewest games played to 70 TDs (HOF RB STEVE VAN BUREN, Phil.)WR KEENAN MC CARDELL (11) posted 2nd-most catches in game vs. Steelers on 10/1/00 w/Jax.....T LEANDER JORDAN is Pittsburgh native, attended Brashear H.S. Offense has scored rushing TD in 22 games in row – longest active streak in league......In past 2 games, LB DONNIE EDWARDS has team-high 24 tackles, INT, 1.0 sack & FF.....Last wk on special teams, LB SHAUN PHILLIPS posted team-high 3 tackles & FF.

LAST WEEK'S NFL RESULTS (OCT. 2-3)

Byes: Chicago, Cleveland, Miami, Pittsburgh (Home team in CAPS)

Sunday, October 2

CINCINNATI 16, Houston 10
Denver 20, JACKSONVILLE 7
San Diego 41, NEW ENGLAND 17
NEW ORLEANS 19, Buffalo 7 (San Antonio)
N.Y. GIANTS 44, St. Louis 24
TAMPA BAY 17, Detroit 13
Indianapolis 31, TENNESSEE 10

Sunday, October 2, cont.'d

Philadelphia 37, KANSAS CITY 31 WASHINGTON 20, Seattle 17 (OT) BALTIMORE 13, N.Y. Jets 3 ATLANTA 30, Minnesota 10 OAKLAND 19, Dallas 13 ARIZONA 31, San Francisco 14 (Mexico City)

Monday, October 3

CAROLINA 32, Green Bay 29

2005 NFL STANDINGS

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE						NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE							
East Division							East Division						
	W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Miami	2	1	0	.667	68	51	Washington	3	0	0	1.000	43	37
New England	2	2	0	.500	87	108	N.Y. Giants	3	1	0	.750	136	98
Buffalo	1	3	0	.250	48	69	Philadelphia	3	1	0	.750	112	68
N.Y. Jets	1	3	0	.250	47	73	Dallas	2	2	0	.500	88	88
North Division							North Division						
	W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Cincinnati	4	0	0	1.000	104	38	Chicago	1	2	0	.333	52	39
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	.667	81	37	Detroit	1	2	0	.333	36	58
Baltimore	1	2	0	.333	30	52	Minnesota	1	3	0	.250	64	107
Cleveland	1	2	0	.333	45	64	Green Bay	0	4	0	.000	72	92
South Division							South Division						
	W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Indianapolis	4	0	0	1.000	78	26	Tampa Bay	4	0	0	1.000	77	45
Jacksonville	2	2	0	.500	62	64	Atlanta	3	1	0	.750	86	57
Tennessee	1	2 3 3	0	.250	69	106	Carolina	2	2 2	0	.500	103	96
Houston	0	3	0	.000	24	65	New Orleans	2 2	2	0	.500	68	87
West Division							West Division						
	W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Denver	3	1	0	.750	80	68	St. Louis	2	2	0	.500	97	111
Kansas City	2	2	0	.500	91	91	Seattle	2	2	0	.500	89	76
San Diego	2	2	0	.500	127	88	Arizona	1	3	0	.250	74	110
Oakland	1	3	0	.250	76	89	San Francisco	1	3	0	.250	76	132

WEEK 5 NFL SCHEDULE - OCTOBER 9-10

Byes: Kansas City, Minnesota, N.Y. Giants, Oakland (All times local)

Sunday, October 9

New England at Atlanta, 1:00 PM Miami at Buffalo, 1:00 PM Chicago at Cleveland, 1:00 PM Baltimore at Detroit, 1:00 PM New Orleans at Green Bay, 12:00 PM Tennessee at Houston, 12:00 PM Tampa Bay at N.Y. Jets, 1:00 PM Seattle at St. Louis, 12:00 PM Indianapolis at San Francisco, 1:05 PM

Sunday, October 9, cont'd.

Carolina at Arizona, 1:15 PM Philadelphia at Dallas, 3:15 PM Washington at Denver, 2:15 PM Cincinnati at Jacksonville, 8:30 PM (ESPN)

Monday, October 10

Pittsburgh at San Diego, 6:00 PM (ABC)