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COLTS SEEK FIRST 7-0 START IN CLUB HISTORY; DIVISION-LEADING COWBOYS & SEAHAWKS CLASH

Indy is on the verge of history.

With a win this week against Houston, the Indianapolis Colts would be 7-0, a season's start they have never accomplished in their 52-year history.

That goes all the way back to their first year, 1953, when people like **ART DONOVAN**, **GINO MARCHETTI** and **DON SHULA** first wore the horseshoe. At 6-0, the Colts have matched their 1958 start when they won the NFL championship in the famous sudden-death overtime game against the New York Giants in "The Greatest Game Ever Played."

Indy is still perfect because it came back from a 17-0 first-quarter deficit Monday night against St. Louis. "A win like this builds character," says Colts defensive tackle **COREY SIMON**. "It will carry us a long way down the road this season."

That road to Super Bowl XL keeps winding in Week 7:

DALLAS COWBOYS (4-2) at SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (4-2)

STORYLINE: Stop Shaun!

Or is it, "Stop Drew"? This is a game between NFC division leaders packed with sub-plots.

A pivotal one for the Cowboys can be stated in two words: **SHAUN ALEXANDER**. The Seattle RB comes off a monster game Sunday night in which he ran for 141 yards against Houston with four rush TDs to tie his September 25 TD output against Arizona -- the highest point-production games (24) in the NFL this year. And for only the third time in Seahawks history, a second back added another 100 (**MAURICE MORRIS**, 104). "We are finally getting to where it should be," says Alexander. "We handle our business."

Can Alexander be corralled? The Cowboys have surrendered only 110 rushing yards in their consecutive wins over division rivals Philadelphia and New York. Dallas' 3-4 defense – No. 8 in the league against the rush -- utilizes the speed of rookie **LB DE MARCUS WARE** as a stand-up DE rather as a down lineman as he was at Troy State. Also key can be **S ROY WILLIAMS** coming up to aid the front seven in his all-out way. The NFL All-Star had six tackles, a defensed-pass, forced fumble and fumble recovery against the Giants on Sunday.

The Cowboys' leader is **QB DREW BLEDSOE** – accumulating a lot of early-season consideration for Comeback Player of the Year – who will be performing in front of the home-folk (born in Ellensburg, Washington/Washington State). Bledsoe, in his 13th year and first in Dallas, causes problems for defenses because he distributes the ball all over. The Cowboys are the only team with three receivers ranked in the NFC top 15 in catches -- **WRS TERRY GLENN** and **KEYSHAWN JOHNSON**, and **TE JASON WITTEN**.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (3-3) at PHILADELPHIA EAGLES (3-2)

STORYLINE: Watch out, San Diego. Philly comes off a bye!

And add to that the Eagles' estimable record after a loss (33-10 to Dallas in Week 5), and the Chargers indeed may have hold of an angry eagle.

Philadelphia enters the game with a flawless record the week after a bye under coach **ANDY REID** (6-0 since 1999). And

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THREE-WAY TOMLINSON: Only 11 times before in the 86-year history of the NFL has a player accomplished in a game what San Diego Chargers running back LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON did last Sunday – run for, catch and throw a touchdown. Since the Super Bowl era (1966), four players performed the feat before Tomlinson: DAN REEVES (1967), HARMON WAGES (1969), WALTER PAYTON (1979) and DAVID PATTEN (2001).

since 2000, Philly has compiled a 17-3 (.850) record in games after a loss, the best such mark in the league in that time.

So the Chargers should be wary. On top of the post-bye, post-loss juggernaut, they confront the NFL's No. 1 passing game (307.2 yards) led by **QB DONOVAN MC NABB** and **WR TERRELL OWENS**.

Of course, the Eagles are wise to be just as wary. For one main reason: **LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON**. The fleet RB was a whirlwind last Sunday, rushing 31 times for 140 yards and catching two passes for 39 (see "NFL Factoid" above). He can break his tie (18) with **LENNY MOORE** (1963-65) of most consecutive games with a TD.

"L.T. is fast," says new Eagles **LB ZEKE MORENO**, formerly of the Chargers. "It takes 11 players to stop him. If 11 players are on the same page, then it's cool. But it's going to be very hard."

PITTSBURGH STEELERS (3-2) at CINCINNATI BENGALS (5-1)

STORYLINE: The tables are switched, Steelers.

Usually it's Pittsburgh with the better record when these division rivals meet. In fact, this is the first time in 15 years that both teams will play each other with winning records (both 5-4 on November 18, 1990). Pittsburgh comes into the game with nine consecutive road wins, the best such mark in the league.

With Steelers **QB BEN ROETHLISBERGER** due back after a bruised knee, the game will feature the NFL's highest-rated QBs – Roethlisberger at 123.8 and the Bengals' **CARSON PALMER** at 113.6. Between them, they have thrown only two interceptions (Palmer). Roethlisberger and Palmer will look for their main wideouts. Pitt's **HINES WARD** (probably returning from injury) is considered by some coaches to be the best-blocking receiver in the NFL and ties for the second-most AFC TDs (4). Cincy's **CHAD JOHNSON** tops the AFC in receiving yards (561) and touchdowns (5, tie).

Cincy leads the NFL in perhaps the most important stat of all – takeaways (21). Fourteen of those are a league-leading interception total. So if the Bengals' pass defense inhibits Roethlisberger, the Steelers will – surprise! – go to the ground.

"Their offensive line is why they're there," says Bengals **LB BRIAN SIMMONS**. "Whoever they put back there, they're going to try to pound him. Whether Ben is quarterbacking or **TERRY BRADSHAW**, they're going to run the ball."

DENVER BRONCOS (5-1) at NEW YORK GIANTS (3-2)

STORYLINE: Tiki or Tatum?

Which running back will dominate? After his 100-yard games in each of the past two weeks, the Broncos' **TATUM BELL** has almost the same amount of yards (395) as the Giants' **TIKI BARBER** (397) but with 30 fewer carries (58 to 88).

Bell is not big on the Broncos' "RB by Committee" attack (**MIKE ANDERSON** and former Giant **RON DAYNE** join him). "I want to be the guy to carry the load and get those 25-30 carries," says Bell.

Barber is one of the most consistent backs in the league, not going below 60 yards in any of the team's five games.

If the clubs take to the air, they have ample support there. Giants **QB ELI MANNING** has formed a productive bond with newcomer **PLAXICO BURRESS**, who is ranked eighth in the NFC in receptions (30). Broncos **QB JAKE PLUMMER** has not thrown an interception in 17 quarters. And he is starting to throw the long ball. After only one pass of 30 or more yards this season, Plummer completed last Sunday a 72-yarder to his main receiver **ROD SMITH** (No. 4 in the AFC in catches with 34) and a 55-yarder to **ASHLEY LELIE**. Both tosses set up touchdowns.

NEW YORK JETS (2-4) at ATLANTA FALCONS (4-2) (Monday night, ABC, 9:00 PM ET)

STORYLINE: The DVDs vs. Vilma and the gang.

The Falcons – in their second of three *MNF* home games this season (only the third time this has happened – Miami: 1995, 1997) – trot out their "DVD" package that has produced the league's No. 1 rushing attack. The "DVD" tandem is **RB WARRICK** <u>DUNN</u>, **QB MICHAEL** <u>MCK</u>, and **RB T.J.** <u>D</u>UCKETT (ankle sprain). Together they comprise the only team trio ranked in the NFC's top 20 in rushing.

Keying on that onslaught will be a Jets' defense led by **LB JONATHAN VILMA**, last year's NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year, who leads the team in tackles with 75. The Jets' "D" has allowed the AFC's fourth-fewest yards per play (4.54).

<u>Vinny tidbit</u>: Monday night will mark five years and one day ago (10/23/00) that Jets **QB VINNY TESTAVERDE** directed the team to 30 fourth-quarter points in a 40-37 overtime victory over Miami in a game voted "The Greatest MNF Game Ever Played."

WEEK 7 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 PITTSBURGH STEELERS (3-2) AT CINCINNATI BENGALS (5-1)

SERIES

	STEELERS	BENGALS
LEADER	41-28	
STREAKS	5 of past 6	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Cowher: 19-7	Lewis: 1-3
LAST WEEK	L 23-17 (OT) vs. Jaguars	W 31-23 at Titans
LAST GAME	11/21/04: Steelers 19 at Bengals 14. Pittsburgh RB Jerome Bettis rushes for 129 yards & Steelers' defense allows just 42 yards in 2nd half.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	11/21/04	
BROADCAST	CBS (1:00 PM ET): Kevin Harlan, Randy Cross	

STATS

PASSING	Roethlisberger: 52-86-913-7-0-123.8 (1L)	Palmer: 143-197-1,573 (2C)-13 (1L)-2-113.6 (2L)
RUSHING	Parker: 95-408-4.3-2	R. Johnson: 128-544-4.3-2
RECEIVING	Ward: 18-302-16.8-4 (T3C)	C. Johnson: 39 (1C)-561-14.4-5 (T1C)
OFFENSE	322.0	381.7 (1C)
TAKE/GIVE	+5	+16 (1L)
DEFENSE	295.0	317.5
SACKS	Porter: 4.0	J. Smith: 2.0
INTs	5 tied: 1	O'Neal: 4 (2L)
PUNTING	Gardocki: 40.4	Larson: 43.4
KICKING	Reed: 38 (14/14 PAT; 8/10 FG)	Graham: 53 (1C) (17/17 PAT; 12/14 FG)

NOTES

GAME FEATURES NFL's top 2 rated QBs: Steelers' BEN ROETHLISBERGER (123.8) & Bengals' CARSON PALMER (113.6)......<u>STEELERS</u>: With win Sunday, team would establish 10-game road win streak for club's longest road streak all-time..... In 2 gms vs. CIN, QB Roethlisberger is 2-0 & has 102.8 passer rating on 32 of 46 passing (69.6 pct.) for 312 yds with 2 TDs vs. 0 INTs. Roethlisberger has not thown INT this season.....RB WILLIE PARKER averaging 4.3 yds per carry on 95 rushes. In last mtg, RB DAN KREIDER caught 4 passes for 22 yds, including 8-yd TD......WR HINES WARD (374) needs 15 rush yds to surpass LOUIS LIPPS (388) for most by Steelers WR. Rookie TE HEATH MILLER has 3 TDs in 1st 5 games of career & 4 receptions in consecutive games......Club was last to deny QB Palmer 100.0+ passer rating (82.9, 11/21/04). In past 4 vs. division, LB JOEY PORTER has 1.0 sack, 1 INT & 6 PDs. LB JAMES FARRIOR had 14yd INT-TD in last mtg.....BENGALS: Club is 5-1 (.833) & is off to best start since 1988 when team began season 6-0 & advanced to Super Bowl XXIII. Team resides in 1st place in division for 4th consec. wk; longest stretch since '90 (Wks 2-8). In 38 games as head coach, **MARVIN LEWIS** is 21-17 (.553); in 38 games pre-Lewis, team was 10-28 (.263).....QB Palmer (9) needs passer rating of 100+ Sunday to surpass PEYTON MANNING (9, 2004) for most games in row w/100+ passer rating in NFL history, min. 15 atts. Has played 18 gtrs w/o INT (148 atts.). RB CHRIS PERRY leads NFL RBs w/27 catches. In past 6 vs. PITT, WR CHAD JOHNSON has 33 catches for 551 yds (16.7 avg.) & 2 TDs......Club leads NFL in takeaways (21) & is tied for 2nd-fewest giveaways (5) for NFL-best +16 differential......CB DELTHA O'NEAL 2nd in NFL with 4 INTs. Rookie LB ODELL THURMAN recorded 2nd INT of season last wk & returned it 30 yds for TD. In past 3 vs. Steelers, **DE JUSTIN SMITH** has 2.0 sacks, FR & PD. Club sacked QB Roethlisberger 7 times in last mtg.

DETROIT LIONS (2-3) AT CLEVELAND BROWNS (2-3)

SERIES

	<u>LIONS</u>	BROWNS
LEADER	12-4	
STREAKS	3 of past 4	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Mariucci: 0-0	Crennel: 0-0
LAST WEEK	L 21-20 vs. Panthers	L 16-3 at Ravens
LAST GAME	9/23/01: Lions 14 at Browns 24. Cleveland's Tim Couch passes for 3 TDs while Browns' defense records 7 INTs, including 3 by CB Anthony Henry.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	9/23/01	
BROADCAST	FOX (1:00 PM ET): Ron Pitts, Brian Baldinger	

STATS

PASSING	Harrington: 76-143-798-4-8-55.6	Dilfer: 108-168-1,187-6-5-84.6
RUSHING	Jones: 83-226-2.7-3	Droughns: 86-331-3.8-0
RECEIVING	K. Johnson: 17-133-7.8-0	Bryant: 25-289-11.6-2
OFFENSE	237.8	298.2
TAKE/GIVE	+3	+1
DEFENSE	321.8	365.6
SACKS	Edwards: 4.0	Crocker, McKinley, Thompson: 2.0
INTs	Bly: 3	Baxter, McCutcheon: 2
PUNTING	Harris: 43.1	Richardson: 44.7
KICKING	Hanson: 25 (10/10 PAT; 5/6 FG)	Dawson: 32 (5/6 PAT; 9/9 FG)

NOTES

HOME TEAM has won past 5 meetings. Clubs have met 4 times in NFL Championship Game: 1952 at Cle.; 1953 at Det.; 1954 at Cle.; 1957 at Det. Lions won all but 1954......LIONS: QB JOEY HARRINGTON has TD pass in 4 of 5 career road starts vs. AFC opponents......Second-year RB KEVIN JONES has played in 20 games, rushing for 1,359 yards, an avg. of 68 yards per game.....Second-year WR ROY WILLIAMS has started 15 career games, posting 57 catches for 916 yards & 9 TDs. WR KEVIN JOHNSON leads club with 17 receptions (133 yards). Drafted by Browns in 2nd round of '99 draft & spent '99-'03 with club, posting 84 catches (1,097 yards) in '01, 3rd-most in franchise history......TE MARCUS POLLARD had 86-yard catch last week, longest by TE in '05 & tied for career-high. Finished with 3 catches for 105 yards, his 3rd-career 100-yard receiving game.....Defense has 10 INTs, tied for 3rd-most in NFL. Club had INT return TDs last week from LB BOSS BAILEY & S KENOY KENNEDY, marking 1st time club had 2 INT TDs in same game since LEM BARNEY & LEVI JOHNSON on 10/24/76 vs. Sea.....LB EARL HOLMES started 16 games for '02 Browns & faces former club for 1st time......BROWNS: QB TRENT DILFER has career record of 36-17 (.679) as home starter, ranking him 5th among active QBs in home start winning pct., min. 30 home starts. Dilfer has 200+ passing yds & 60.0+ comp. pct. in 4 of 5 starts in '05......RB REUBEN DROUGHNS was 3rd round pick of Lions in '00. In past 16 games (since 10/17/04), Droughns has 321 carries; club record for most in season is 305 (JIM BROWN, 1961). Droughns has 1,348 rush yds in those past 16 (4.2 avg.).....In 1st 37 career gms (w/DAL), WR ANTONIO BRYANT averaged 2.7 catches & 41.9 yds/gm; in 15 games w/Browns, Bryant averages 4.5 catches & 55.7 yds/gm. TE STEVE HEIDEN has 6 TDs in past 11 gms......In past 2 gms, **DE ALVIN MC KINLEY** has 2.0 sacks & FF. When **CB GARY BAXTER** records INT, his club is 6-1 (.857). Defense has allowed only 318 pass yds (159.0/game avg.) in past 2......WR-PR DENNIS NORTHCUTT (1,543) needs 3 PR yds to surpass GERALD "ICE CUBE" MC NEIL (1,545) for most in franchise history.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (6-0) AT HOUSTON TEXANS (0-5)

SERIES

	COLTS	<u>TEXANS</u>
LEADER	6-0	
STREAKS	6-0	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Dungy: 6-0	Capers: 2-6
LAST WEEK	W 45-28 vs. Rams	L 42-10 at Seahawks
LAST GAME	12/12/04: Colts 23 at Texans 14. Indianapolis QB Peyton Manning passes for 298 yards & 2 TDs as Colts clinch AFC South.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/12/04	
BROADCAST	CBS (12:00 PM CT): Don Criqui, Steve Beuerlein	

STATS

PASSING	Manning: 118-177-1,314-9 (2C)-4-96.1	Carr: 79-133-721-4-4-71.7
RUSHING	James: 142-662 (1C)-4.7-5 (T2C)	Davis: 85-358-4.2-0
RECEIVING	Harrison: 30-323-10.8-4 (T3C)	Gaffney: 20-206-10.3-2
OFFENSE	339.8	215.8
TAKE/GIVE	+8 (T2C)	-7
DEFENSE	300.5	368.8
SACKS	Mathis: 7.0 (1L)	Peek: 2.0
INTs	June: 5 (1L)	T. Evans: 1
PUNTING	Smith: 43.1	Stanley: 40.5
KICKING	Vandgerjagt: 37 (19/19 PAT; 6/7 FG)	K. Brown: 22 (4/4 PAT; 6/7 FG)

NOTES

BOTH TEAMS coming off primetime games in Week 6 – Houston at Seattle on Sunday night & Indianapolis vs. St. Louis on Monday night.....COLTS: Club is NFL's lone unbeaten team & seeks 1st 7-0 start in franchise history. Team is 16-4 (.800) vs. AFC South rivals......Head coach TONY DUNGY (99-63) seeks 100th NFL victory. Dungy is 43-17 (.717) in leading Colts & has never lost to Texans (6-0).....In 6 career games vs. HOU, QB PEYTON MANNING has 114.2 passer rating with 14 TDs vs. 3 INTs on 128 of 184 passing (69.6 pct.).....RB EDGERRIN JAMES leads NFL in scrimmage yds (826) & is tied (4) for NFL lead in 100-yd rush games (SHAUN ALEXANDER, SEA),.....QB Manning & WR MARVIN HARRISON compose NFL's all-time leading tandem in passing yds (9,733) & TDs (86) in 113 games played......Club is least-penalized in NFL w/5.0 per game avg.....DE ROBERT MATHIS leads NFL w/7.0 sacks & has sack in 6 consecutive games, tying club record for longest such streak (DE DAN FOOTMAN, 1997). LB CATO JUNE leads NFL in INTs (5) & is 2nd player in club history to post 2 INTs in consecutive games (LB STAN WHITE, 1977). Defense has 7 INTs in past 2 games......TEXANS: In 13 career Oct. starts, QB DAVID CARR has TD pass in 12 of those games & owns career Oct. passer rating of 96.4. Carr has 94.0+ passer rating at home vs. division foes in 3 of past 4 games.....In 2 games vs. Colts last season, RB DOMANICK DAVIS totaled 353 scrimmage yards: 226 rushing (54 carries, 4.2 avg.) & 127 receiving (13 receptions, 9.8 avg.) & 3 TDs. In 4 career games vs. Colts, Davis has rushed for at least 98 yards and caught at least 6 passes in each contest. Among AFC players with 80+ rushes, Davis stands 6th in avg. per carry (4.21). Offense stands No. 5 in NFL in avg. yds per carry (4.64)..... WR COREY BRADFORD has 5 TDs in past 16 divisional games......Offense has scored TD in 57.1 pct. of red zone trips for 5th-best pct. in AFC (4 of 7)......CB DUNTA ROBINSON notched career-best 2.0 sacks in last meeting (12/12/04). LB ANTWAN PEEK posted 1st career INT vs. Colts last season (11/14/04).....K KRIS BROWN is 6 of 6 in FGs within 50 yds on season.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS (3-2) AT MIAMI DOLPHINS (2-3)

SERIES

	CHIEFS	<u>DOLPHINS</u>
LEADER	11-10	
STREAKS		4 of past 5
COACHES VS. OPP.	Vermeil: 2-2	Saban: 0-0
LAST WEEK	W 28-21 vs. Redskins	L 27-13 at Buccaneers
LAST GAME	9/29/02: Dolphins 30 at Chiefs 48. Kansas City QB Trent Green passes for career-best 5	
	TDs. Chiefs TE Tony Gonzalez has 9 catches for 140 yards & 3 TDs.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	10/5/97: Dolphins 17, Chiefs 14. Miami's Olindo Mare kicks 26-yard FG in 4th quarter as	
	Dolphins win 300th game in franchise history.	
BROADCAST	CBS (1:00 PM ET): Gus Johnson, Steve Tasker	

STATS

PASSING	Green: 90-153-1,060-4-3-80.5	Frerotte: 100-188-1,116-7-6-70.3
RUSHING	Holmes: 87-323-3.7-4	Brown (R): 83-343-4.1-2
RECEIVING	Kennison: 23-349-15.2-1	Chambers: 21-264-12.6-1
OFFENSE	331.0	321.2
TAKE/GIVE	+3	-4
DEFENSE	373.8	292.0 (3C)
SACKS	Allen: 5.0	Carter, J.Taylor: 3.0
INTs	McCleon, Surtain: 1	Schulters: 2
PUNTING	Colquitt (R): 40.2	D. Jones: 43.4
KICKING	Tynes: 39 (12/12 PAT; 9/11 FG)	Mare: 29 (11/11 PAT; 6/7 FG)

NOTES

CHIEFS: In only mtg vs. Miami, QB TRENT GREEN completed 24 of 34 passes (70.6 pct.) for 328 yds with career-best 5 TDs vs. 0 INTs for 140.7 passer rating; was last time QB threw for 5 TDs vs. Dolphins. Green to start in 70th consecutive game, longest start streak by QB in KC history......RB PRIEST HOLMES aims for 7th consecutive game vs. AFC East with TD. Has rushed for 656 yards (109.3 per game) & 9 TDs in past 6 vs. AFC East. RB LARRY JOHNSON has 14 TDs (12 rush, 2 rec.) in past 11 games.....TE TONY GONZALEZ had career-high 3 TDs in last game vs. Dolphins, catching 7 passes for 140 yards. Aims for 3rd game in row vs. Miami with TD.....DE JARED ALLEN has 5.0 sacks, 4 FFs & 2 FRs in '05. CB PATRICK SURTAIN was Dolphin from 1998-2004. Registered 29 INTs (2 TDs) in 108 games & was selected to 2 Pro Bowls. S SAMMY KNIGHT was Dolphin from 2003-04 & posted 7 INTs in 32 games. Since entering league in 1997, has 47 takeaways (35 INTs, 12 FRs), most in NFL. S GREG WESLEY recorded career-high 3 INTs in last mtg. Chiefs are 4-0 vs. Dolphins QB Frerotte......DOLPHINS: QB DAN MARINO to be presented HOF ring at halftime......Team has won 4 in row at home......QB GUS FREROTTE had 112.1 passer rating in last game vs. KC (12/16/01 w/DEN) with 2 TDs (1 pass, 1 rush).....RB RICKY WILLIAMS has 100+ rush yards in 5 of past 8. Had 126 scrimmage yards (66 rush, 60 rec.) & 1 TD in last meeting vs. KC. RB RONNIE BROWN ranks 2nd among rookies with 343 rush yards......WR CHRIS CHAMBERS had 6 catches (all for 1st downs) & 102 yards (17.0 avg.) in only mtg. TE RANDY MC MICHAEL has TD reception in 4 of 5 games in '05. McMichael (14) needs 2 TDs to tie DAN JOHNSON for 4th-most career TDs by TE in club history......In 2 career meetings, defense has held Chiefs RB Holmes to 77 rush yards (38.5 per game) & 2.7 avg. DE KEVIN CARTER (89.0) needs 1.0 sack to be 3rd active player with 90.0 (Strahan, NYG, 123.5; Rice, TB, 110.0). LB ZACH THOMAS has sack in 2 of past 3 gms. Club has disallowed 300-yd passer in 35 gms.

GREEN BAY PACKERS (1-4) AT MINNESOTA VIKINGS (1-4)

SERIES

	PACKERS PACKERS	<u>VIKINGS</u>
LEADER	44-42-1	
STREAKS	Past 3	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Sherman: 7-4	Tice: 3-4
LAST WEEK	Bye (Wk. 5: W 52-3 vs. Saints)	L 28-3 at Bears
LAST GAME	12/24/04: Packers 34 at Vikings 31. Green Bay wins 3rd consecutive NFC North title as K Ryan Longwell connects on 29-yard FG as time expires.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/24/04	
BROADCAST	FOX (12:00 PM CT): Sam Rosen, Bill Maas, Jay Glazer (Field reporter)	

STATS

PASSING	Favre: 120-186-1,256-12(2L)-8-87.6	Culpepper: 113-181-1,256-4-12-62.8
RUSHING	Green: 61-206-3.4-0	Moore: 59-244-4.1-0
RECEIVING	Driver: 23-342-14.9-2	Wiggins (TE): 26-203-7.8-0
OFFENSE	317.8	303.2
TAKE/GIVE	-4	-7
DEFENSE	295.6	341.0
SACKS	Gbaja-Biamila: 2.5	Johnstone: 3.0
INTs	Harris: 2	6 tied: 1
PUNTING	Sander: 41.0	Kluwe (R): 47.6 (3L)
KICKING	Longwell: 24 (12/13 PAT; 4/5 FG)	Edinger: 29 (5/5 PAT; 8/11 FG)

NOTES

FIVE CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS decided by 5 points or less.....PACKERS: Club has won 4 games in row & 8 of past 9 following bye week......QB BRETT FAVRE has 50,990 career passing yards & needs 10 to join DAN MARINO (61,361) & JOHN ELWAY (51,475) as only players in NFL history with 51,000. Has 12 TD passes in past 4 games & has started 210 consecutive games.....RB AHMAN GREEN avgs. 89.2 rushing yards per game in 9 career games vs. Vikes, avging. 4.8 yards per rush......WR DONALD DRIVER had career-best 162 yards & career-high tying 11 catches in last meeting. Has catch in 53 consecutive games, 4th-longest streak in club history. WR ROBERT FERGUSON has TD catch in 3 of past 4 games......TE BUBBA FRANKS needs 5 receptions to become 3rd Packer TE with 200......Defense ranks 10th in NFL, allowing 295.6 yards per game, marking 1st time club ranks in top 10 since earning 10-0 win vs. Buf in Week 16 of '02......DE KABEER GBAJA-BIAMILA (53) needs 2.5 sacks to pass TIM HARRIS (55) for 2nd most in team history. Has 6 sacks vs. Daunte Culpepper, his most vs. any QB......VIKINGS: Including playoffs, QB DAUNTE CULPEPPER has totaled 16 TD passes vs. 0 INT in past 5 games vs. GB, posting 100.0+ passer rating in 4 of 5. Has 25 career TD passes vs. Pack, including playoffs, his most vs. any club......RB MEWELDE MOORE has 2 100-yard rushing games in 6 career starts. RB MICHAEL BENNETT was a high school standout at Milwaukee Tech HS & college star at Wisconsin. Has 3 career 100-yard rushing games vs. Pack, his most vs. any team.....Rookie 1st-round WR TROY WILLIAMSON ranks 3rd among rookies with 201 receiving yards (13 catches). WR TRAVIS TAYLOR leads club WRs with 20 catches & 252 yards......TE JERMAINE WIGGINS had career-best 94 yards receiving (6 catches, TD) vs. GB on 11/14/04. Had career high 10 catches vs. Bears last week.....S DARREN SHARPER spent 1st 8 seasons with GB & faces former club for 1st time. Ranks 5th in Packers history with 36 INT......Rookie P CHRIS KLUWE ranks 3rd in NFL with 47.6-yard avg. & 40.3-yard net punting avg.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (3-3) AT PHILADELPHIA EAGLES (3-2)

SERIES

	CHARGERS	<u>EAGLES</u>
LEADER	5-3	
STREAKS	3 of past 4	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Schottenheimer: 4-1	Reid: 1-0
LAST WEEK	W 27-14 at Raiders	Bye (Wk. 5: L 33-10 at Cowboys)
LAST GAME	12/9/01: Chargers 14 at Eagles 24. Philadelphia S Brian Dawkins returns fumble 49 yards	
	for TD in Eagles' victory.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/9/01	
BROADCAST	CBS (1:00 PM ET): Dick Enberg, Dan Dierdorf, Armen Keteyian (Field reporter)	

STATS

PASSING	Brees: 105-159-1,206-8 (T3C)-4-95.0	McNabb: 123-200-1,464-11(T3L)-3-95.9 (3C)
RUSHING	Tomlinson: 133-652 (2C)-4.9-10 (1C)	Westbrook: 55-231-4.2-1
RECEIVING	Gates (TE): 25-358-14.3-2	Owens: 37(3C)-556-15.0-4
OFFENSE	340.8 (3C)	371.4
TAKE/GIVE	+1	+3
DEFENSE	330.0	327.0
SACKS	Foley, Scott: 2.5	Dawkins, Walker: 2.5
INTs	Jue: 3 (T3L)	S. Brown: 2
PUNTING	Scifres: 44.4	Johnson: 41.2
KICKING	Kaeding: 50 (2C) (20/20 PAT; 10/10 FG)	France: 15 (3/3 PAT; 4/5 FG)

NOTES

SIX OF 8 MEETINGS all-time decided by 6 points or less......CHARGERS: In 2 career starts vs. NFC East, QB DREW BREES has completed 37 of 57 (64.9 pct.) for 400 yds w/4 TDs vs. 2 INTs for 94.2 passer rating. In past 4 games, Brees has 6 TDs vs. 1 INT.....RB LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON has scored TD in 18 consecutive games, tied with HOFer LENNY MOORE (1963-65) for longest streak in NFL history. Has 130+ rush yds in 3 of past 4 games. Last wk at OAK, became 5th player in Super Bowl era (since 1966) to rush, receive & pass for TD in same game; last to do it was WR DAVID PATTEN (w/NE) on 10/21/01. FB LORENZO NEAL caught 4 passes last wk, his most since catching 5 on 10/27/02 (w/CIN) vs. TENN.....DE IGOR OLSHANSKY notched career-high 2.0 sacks last wk. Olshansky 1 of 5 Chargers w/2.0+ sacks. **S BHAWOH JUE** has 3 INTs in past 5 gms. Jue (w/GB) had 1.0 sack vs. PHIL in '03 NFC Divisional Playoff..... EAGLES: Club has 12-4 (.750) record after bye since '90 & perfect 6-0 mark under head coach ANDY REID......Club avgs. 307.2 pass yards per game, tops in NFL.....QB DONOVAN MC NABB has 14 career 300-yard passing games & needs 300-yard game to become 1st Eagle with 15. In past 5 games vs. AFC, led club to 4 wins with 10 TDs vs. 4 INTs & 3 300-yard passing games.....RB BRIAN WESTBROOK is only NFL player with 10+ 1st downs rushing (11) & receiving (14). Leads NFL RBs with 292 rec. yards (25 catches) & 3 TD catches......In 3 career games vs. SD, WR TERRELL OWENS avgs. 5 catches & 116 yards (15-348) with 3 TD receptions & 23.2 yards per catch avg. Third-year WR GREG LEWIS has career highs with 21 receptions & 239 yards.....L.J. SMITH ties for 2nd among NFL TEs with 28 receptions & ranks 3rd avging, 57.4 receiving yards per game (287 yards). Needs 7 receptions for career high (34) & 11 for 100 career......Defense holds foes to 31.3 3rd down conversion rate (21 of 67), 4th in NFL......S BRIAN DAWKINS ties for 2nd among NFL DBs with 2.5 sacks. CB SHELDON BROWN has defensive TD in each of past 2 games.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS (2-4) AT ST. LOUIS RAMS (2-4)

SERIES

	SAINTS	RAMS
LEADER		36-29
STREAKS	2 of past 3	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Haslett: 4-2	Vitt: 0-0
LAST WEEK	L 34-31 vs. Falcons (San Antonio)	L 45-28 at Colts
LAST GAME	9/26/04: Saints 28 at Rams 25 (OT). New Orleans K John Carney connects on 5 FGs, including 38-yard OT game-winner.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	9/26/04	
BROADCAST	FOX (12:00 PM CT): Curt Menefee, JC Pearson	

STATS

PASSING	Brooks: 103-182-1,343-4-8-69.0	Martin: 17-21-134-1-2-69.5
RUSHING	Brooks (QB): 21-164-7.8-1	S. Jackson: 93-383-4.1-4
RECEIVING	Stallworth: 28-406-14.5-1	Holt: 44-638 (1L)-14.5-4
OFFENSE	342.0	378.3 (3C)
TAKE/GIVE	-11	-9
DEFENSE	301.7	363.8
SACKS	W. Smith: 3.0	Little: 4.0
INTs	Craft: 2	Archuleta, Groce: 1
PUNTING	Berger: 42.4	Barker: 43.0
KICKING	Carney: 42 (9/9 PAT; 11/16 FG)	Wilkins: 46 (16/16 PAT; 10/11 FG)

NOTES

SAINTS: Club seeks 4th consecutive win vs. Rams at Edward Jones Dome......JIM HASLETT has 25-18 (.581) career road record as head coach.....QB AARON BROOKS has 111 career TD passes & needs 5 to pass ARCHIE MANNING (115) for most in franchise history. With 300-yard passing game, Brooks will surpass Manning (9) for most all-time by Saint.....RB ANTOWAIN SMITH rushed for 88 yards last week, avging. 7.3 yards per carry with 2 TDs (24, 1). His teams have 12-1 (.923) record when Smith rushes for 100 yards. RB AARON STECKER added personal season-high 86 yards as club rushed for its season best with 211 yards......WR JOE HORN has 46 receiving TDs & needs 3 to pass ERIC MARTIN (48) for most by Saint. In past 2 games, WR AZ-ZAHIR HAKIM has 11 catches for 193 yards. Spent '98-'01 with Rams.....TE ERNIE CONWELL has 195 career receptions & needs 5 for 200. Totaled 146 catches for 1,574 yards in 1st 7 NFL seasons with Rams ('96-'02)......Second-year **DE WILL SMITH** has 10.5 sacks in 22 career games......**P** games.....QB MARC BULGER has 28-14 (.667) career record as starter. Leads NFL in completions (145) & ranks 2nd in passing yards (1,769) & attempts (223). QB JAMIE MARTIN completed 81.0 pct. of pass attempts last week (17 of 21) for 134 yards.....STEVEN JACKSON has 1,056 career rushing yards in 20 games. Ranks 4th among NFL RBs with 22 receptions (178 yards). RB MARSHALL FAULK has 12,097 career rushing yards & needs 24 to pass FRANCO HARRIS (12,120) for 10th-all-time.....WR TORRY HOLT has 36 career 100-yard games & needs 100-yard game to tie LANCE ALWORTH & MARVIN HARRISON for 2nd-most in 1st 7 seasons all-time. Has 100-yard games in 5 of past 9. Thirdyear WR KEVIN CURTIS has 28 catches (362 yards, 3 TDs) & needs 5 for career high......Defense holds opponents to 34.3 conversion rate on 3rd downs (23 of 67), 8th-best in NFL.....Special teams hold opponents to avg. drive start on KOs at 23.7 yard-line, 4th in NFL.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS (1-4) AT WASHINGTON REDSKINS (3-2)

SERIES

	49ERS	<u>REDSKINS</u>
LEADER	13-8-1	
STREAKS		2 of past 3
COACHES VS. OPP.	Nolan: 0-0	Gibbs: 3-7
LAST WEEK	Bye (Wk. 5: L 28-3 vs. Colts)	L 28-21 at Chiefs
LAST GAME	12/18/04: Redskins 26 at 49ers 16. Washington RB Clinton Portis rushes for 110 yards as Redskins remain in playoff hunt.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	9/14/98: 49ers 45, Redskins 10. San Francisco QB Steve Young passes for 303 yards & 3	
	TDs to defeat Washington for 7th consecutive time.	
BROADCAST	FOX (1:00 PM ET): Kenny Albert, Daryl Johnston, Tony Siragusa (Field reporter)	

STATS

PASSING	Smith (R): 15-34-108-0-4-12.5	Brunell: 103-178-1,240-9-2-91.5
RUSHING	Barlow: 64-265-4.1-1	Portis: 104-443-4.3-0
RECEIVING	Lloyd: 17-326-19.2-3	Moss: 33-631(2L)-19.1-4
OFFENSE	218.8	373.2
TAKE/GIVE	-6	-8
DEFENSE	451.8	280.4 (3C)
SACKS	Young: 6.0 (T3L)	Griffin: 2.0
INTs	Parrish: 2	Marshall: 1
PUNTING	Lee: 42.9	Frost: 41.2
KICKING	Nedney: 19 (10/10 PAT; 3/3 FG)	Novak (R): 20 (8/8 PAT; 4/6 FG)

NOTES

49ERS: Seek 4th consecutive win vs. Redskins in Wash......Head coach MIKE NOLAN spent '97-'99 as defensive coordinator with Redskins.....Rookie QB ALEX SMITH will make 2nd career start & seeks 1st win.....RB KEVAN BARLOW has avgd. 90.8 yards from scrimmage in past 4 games vs. NFC East opponents. Rookie 3rd-round RB FRANK GORE avgs. 4.4 yards per carry, rushing for 109 yards on 25 carries......Third-year WR BRANDON LLOYD has TD catch in 8 of past 16 games. Avgs. 19.2 yards per catch (17-326), 3rd-most in NFL, min. 15 catches. Third-year WR ARNAZ BATTLE has career highs with 15 receptions, 171 yards & 2 TDs.....DE BRYANT YOUNG ties for 3rd in NFL with 6 sacks & seeks 3rd-career 10-sack season ('96, '99).....LB DEREK SMITH spent 1st 4 NFL seasons with Wash, posting 100+ tackles & playing in every game from '97-'00......KO coverage unit holds opponents to NFL-low 17.5-yard KR avg......REDSKINS: Head coach JOE GIBBS has 149 career wins & needs 1 to become 3rd active & 14th coach alltime with 150.....QB MARK BRUNELL has started 4 games in '05, tossing 2+ TDs in each start. Has 2 INTs, tied for 3rd-fewest in NFL.....RB CLINTON PORTIS has 4,857 career rushing yards in 49 games & needs 143 to tie for 4th fastest player to 5,000 in NFL history. Portis' teams have 18-7 (.720) record when he rushes for 100 yards. Has avgd. 141 rushing yards in past 4 games vs. NFC West opponents, with 5.3 yards per carry avg. & 3 100-yard games..... WR SANTANA MOSS has 4 receptions of 40+ yards, 2nd-most in NFL. Ties for 1st in league with 15 3rd down receptions (211 yards). Among players with 20+ catches, Moss ranks 2nd in NFL with 19.1 yards per catch avg. WR DAVID PATTEN ranks 3rd on club with 16 catches (131 yards)......Second-year TE CHRIS COOLEY is 1 of 7 NFL TEs avging. 50+ receiving yards per game (50.2).....Defense has allowed NFL low 9 red zone possessions & ranks 4th surrendering 15 1st downs per game......Special teams holds opponents to 2.8-yard PR avg, best in NFL.

DALLAS COWBOYS (4-2) AT SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (4-2)

SERIES

	COWBOYS	<u>SEAHAWKS</u>
LEADER	6-3	
STREAKS		2 of past 3
COACHES VS. OPP.	Parcells: 5-4	Holmgren: 3-8
LAST WEEK	W 16-13 (OT) vs. Giants	W 42-10 vs. Texans
LAST GAME	12/6/04: Cowboys 43 at Seahawks 39. Dallas RB Julius Jones scores on 17-yard run with 32 seconds to play as Cowboys overcome 10-point deficit in final 2 minutes to win.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/6/04	
BROADCAST	FOX (1:05 PM PT): Dick Stockton, Troy Aikman, Pam Oliver (Field reporter)	

STATS

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PASSING	Bledsoe: 124-196-1,663 (3L)-11(T3L)-4-100.4(3L)	Hasselbeck: 128-194-1,495(3C)-8-3-96.5 (2C)
RUSHING	J. Jones: 112-407-3.6-3	Alexander: 131-715-5.5-12 (1L)
RECEIVING	T. Glenn: 29-582-20.1-3	Jackson: 29-376-13.0-2
OFFENSE	373.2	407.2 (1L)
TAKE/GIVE	+1	-2
DEFENSE	293.2	302.7
SACKS	Ware (R): 4.0	Bernard: 4.5
INTs	Henry: 2	Babineaux, Herndon, Tatupu (R): 1
PUNTING	McBriar: 43.9	Rouen: 40.4
KICKING	Cortez: 45 (12/13 PAT; 11/14 FG)	J. Brown: 42 (21/21 PAT; 7/9 FG)

NOTES

COWBOYS: Offense ranks 7th overall (373.2) & 6th in passing (261.7)......Head coach BILL PARCELLS has 169 career wins & needs 1 to tie PAUL BROWN (170) for 9th-most in NFL history.....QB DREW BLEDSOE has 232 career TD passes & needs 1 to surpass STEVE YOUNG for 17th place all-time. Avgs. 8.48 yards per pass attempt, 2nd-most in NFL. Has led his club to victory in 10 of past 13 starts. High school star at Walla Walla (WA) High & college standout at Wash State......In 13 career games, 2nd-year **RB JULIUS JONES** has rushed for 1,226 yards. Rushed for career-best 198 yards in last meeting...... WR TERRY GLENN leads NFL players with 20+ receptions with 20.1-yard avg. per catch. Has 490 career receptions & needs 10 for 500. WR KEYSHAWN JOHNSON posted personal season highs with 8 catches for 120 yards vs. NYG......JASON WITTEN ties for 2nd among NFL TEs with 28 catches & ranks 3rd with 317 receiving yards. Leads TEs with 12 catches & 112 yards on 3rd downs.....Defense has 20.0 sacks after posting 33.0 in all of '04.....LB DE MARCUS WARE leads NFL rookies with 4.0 sacks & seeks sack in 5th game in row...... SEAHAWKS: Offense avgs. 407.2 yards per game, 25.2 1st downs & 6.2 yards per play, all tops in NFL.....In 2 career games vs. Dal, QB MATT HASSELBECK has 106.3 passer rating, completing 63.1 pct. (41-65) for 566 yards, 3 TDs & 0 INTs. Directs NFL's 9th-ranked pass offense, avging. 241.2 yards per game. Completes 66.0 pct. (128 of 194) of pass attempts, 4th in NFL......Club rushed for franchise record 320 yards vs. Hou......RB SHAUN ALEXANDER has 6,652 career rushing yards & needs 55 to pass CHRIS WARREN (6,706) for franchise record. Leads NFL with 12 TDs & needs 3 to become 1st player in NFL history with 15 TDs in 5 consecutive seasons. Rushed for 5 TDs in 3 career games vs. Dal. Has converted NFL best 7 of 7 3rd & 1 rushing attempts.....WR JOE JUREVICIUS leads club with 4 TD catches & has TD catch in 4 of 6 games......DT ROCKY BERNARD ranks 2nd among NFL DTs with career high 4.5 sacks. Rookie LBs LOFA TATUPU & LB LE ROY HILL give club only NFL rookie tandem each with 2 sacks.

TENNESSEE TITANS (2-4) AT ARIZONA CARDINALS (1-4)

SERIES

	<u>TITANS</u>	CARDINALS
LEADER		4-3
STREAKS	3 of past 4	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Fisher: 1-1	Green: 3-1
LAST WEEK	L 31-23 vs. Bengals	Bye (Wk. 5: L 24-20 vs. Panthers)
LAST GAME	10/26/97: Oilers 41 at Cardinals 14. Tennessee QB Steve McNair throws 2 TD passes & runs for 2 more in Oilers' victory.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	10/26/97	
BROADCAST	CBS (1:15 PM PT): Craig Bolerjack, Richard Baldinger	

STATS

PASSING	McNair: 137-210-1,374-7-6-82.9	McCown: 64-101-696-1-2-78.7
RUSHING	Brown: 89-372-4.2-2	Shipp: 58-169-2.9-0
RECEIVING	Kinney (TE): 29-256-8.8-0	Boldin: 36-547-15.2-2
OFFENSE	321.3	378.8 (3L)
TAKE/GIVE	-5	-4
DEFENSE	329.0	303.4
SACKS	Vanden Bosch: 6.5 (2L)	Berry: 5.0
INTs	Kassell, Ta. Williams, Woolfolk: 1	Dansby, Tate: 2
PUNTING	Hentrich: 43.6	Player: 45.7
KICKING	Bironas: 46 (13/13 PAT; 11/14 FG)	Rackers: 58 (4/4 PAT; 18/18 FG)

NOTES

TITANS: Have won 18 of past 25 interconference games under head coach JEFF FISHER. Offensive coordinator NORM CHOW's offense at USC racked up 37 points, 529 yards (331 pass, 198 rush) in last game at Sun Devil Stadium (10/4/03 vs. Arizona St.).....QB STEVE MC NAIR won only career start vs. ARZ, scoring 4 TDs (2 pass, 2 rush) & compiling 121.2 passer rating. In 33 games vs. NFC, McNair has 88.7 rating with 38 TDs vs. 18 INTs & has added 11 rush TDs......RB CHRIS BROWN tied career-high w/2 rush TDs last wk vs. CIN......Rookie WR BRANDON JONES caught 5 passes for 2nd time last wk & gained season-high 85 rec. yds. TEs ERRON KINNEY (29), BEN TROUPE (23) & rookie BO SCAIFE (10) combine for 62 receptions, 504 rec. yds & 4 TDs......DE KYLE VANDEN BOSCH was 2nd round draft pick (No. 34) by ARZ in '01 Draft. Was Card from '01-'04, totaling 93 tackles & 5 sacks in 35 games. Stands 2nd in NFL with 6.5 sacks. Club's 18 sacks tie for 4th-most in NFL; +10 sack differential is 2nd in league (IND, 19)..... CARDINALS: Club avgs. 378.8 yards per game, 3rd-most in NFL, & 304.4 passing yards per game, 2nd best in league. Offense outscores opponents 51-13 in 2nd quarter.....QB JOSH MC COWN has passed for 375+ yards in 2 consecutive games & seeks to become 2nd NFL player to accomplish feat in 3 games in row (KURT WARNER, '00). Has 2+ TD passes in 4 of past 5 starts.....WRs ANQUAN BOLDIN (36 catches, 547 yards) & LARRY FITZGERALD (36 catches, 504 yards) are NFL's only teammates with 35+ catches, 500+ receiving yards. Boldin & Fitzgerald have each posted 100yard receiving games in past 2 & seek to become 1st teammates to accomplish feat in 3 games in row since **DERRICK** ALEXANDER & TONY GONZALEZ from 10/22 to 11/5/00. Boldin has 193 career receptions in 31 career games & needs 7 catches to become fastest to 200 all-time......Defense avgs. sack every 8.3 pass attempts, 9th in NFL......DE BERTRAND BERRY has multi-sack games in 2 of past 4......KARLOS DANSBY is 1 of 2 NFL LBs (KEITH BROOKING) with 2 sacks & 2 INTs.....K NEIL RACKERS has hit club record 18 consecutive FGs & leads NFL with 16 TBs on KOs.

BALTIMORE RAVENS (2-3) AT CHICAGO BEARS (2-3)

SERIES

	<u>RAVENS</u>	BEARS
LEADER	Series tied, 1-1	
STREAKS	Past 1	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Billick: 1-0	Smith: 0-0
LAST WEEK	W 16-3 vs. Browns	W 28-3 vs. Vikings
LAST GAME	9/9/01: Bears 6 at Ravens 17. Super Bowl XXXV-champion Ravens have strong defensive	
	performance to start season, allowing just 2 FGs.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/20/98: Bears 24, Ravens 3. Chicago rookie RB James Allen rushes for 163 yards in 1st	
	career start.	
BROADCAST	CBS (3:15 PM CT): Ian Eagle, Solomon Wilcots	

STATS

PASSING	Wright: 102-160-1,013-5-7-73.8	Orton (R): 78-139-674-4-7-57.7
RUSHING	J. Lewis: 98-292-3.0-1	Jones: 109-502-4.6-6 (3C)
RECEIVING	Mason: 35 (3C)-363-10.4-1	Muhammad: 27-298-11.0-1
OFFENSE	316.0	243.0
TAKE/GIVE	-7	-1
DEFENSE	246.8 (1C)	272.4 (3L)
SACKS	R. Green, Polley, Thomas: 2.0	Urlacher: 6.0 (T3L)
INTs	R. Lewis, McAlister, Suggs: 1	Vasher: 3
PUNTING	Zastudil: 43.4	Maynard: 41.7
KICKING	Stover: 27 (6/6 PAT; 7/10 FG)	Gould (R): 8 (5/5 PAT; 1/2 FG)

NOTES

RAVENS: Have won 4 of past 5 vs. NFC & have allowed 15 points or less 4 times in those 5......Under head coach BRIAN BILLICK, club is 46-3 (.939) w/ positive turnover mark.....QB ANTHONY WRIGHT has thrown TD pass in 4 consecutive road starts & is 8-4 (.667) in past 12 starts......Club is 30-8 (.789) when RB JAMAL LEWIS has at least 20 carries. In past 6 Oct. road games, Lewis has 705 rush yds on 134 carries (117.5 per game avg.). In past 2 games, RB CHESTER TAYLOR has 138 rush yds on 17 carries (8.1 avg.) & 8 receptions for 32 yds. Had career-long 52-yd run last wk vs. CLE.....In last game at CHI (11/14/04 w/ Tenn), WR DERRICK MASON had 7 receptions for 91 yds & 1 TD. In 2 career games vs. CHI, 6 of Mason's 9 catches have resulted in 1st downs......In past 3 games, defense has only yielded 337 net passing yds (112.3 avg.). LB RAY LEWIS leads club w/ 64 tackles. CBs CHRIS MC ALISTER (7) & SAMARI ROLLE (4) combine for 11 PDs on season.....BEARS: Offense ranks 2nd in NFL with 72.7 redzone TD pct. (8 TDs, 11 trips) while defense ranks 1st, holding opponents to 8.3 redzone TD pct (1 TD, 12 trips)......Rookie QB KYLE ORTON passed for 2 TDs last week, his 1st multi-TD pass game......RB THOMAS JONES ranks 4th in NFL with 6 rushing TDs & needs 2 for career high. Avgs. 100.4 rushing yards per game in '05......WR MUHSIN MUHAMMAD has 4+ receptions in each of 1st 5 games. Rookie 2nd-round WR MARK BRADLEY has 9 catches for 105 yards......TE DESMOND CLARK had career high 2 TD catches (3, 2) vs. Vikings......Club is only NFL defense to have not allowed rushing TD in '05. Club allows 272.4 yards per game, 3rd in NFL, & 4.3 yards per play, 2nd-best in league.....LB BRIAN URLACHER has sack in 4 of 5 games & leads NFL LBs with 6 sacks. Needs 2.5 sacks for career high......PR BOBBY WADE has 14.7-yard PR avg, tops in NFL.....P BRAD MAYNARD punted Super Bowl record 11 times vs. Bal (with Giants) in SB XXXV, averaging 38.4 yards per punt.

DENVER BRONCOS (5-1) AT NEW YORK GIANTS (3-2)

SERIES

	BRONCOS	GIANTS
LEADER	Series tied, 4-4	
STREAKS	2 of past 3	
COACHES VS. OPP.	Shanahan: 1-1	Coughlin: 2-3
LAST WEEK	W 28-20 vs. Patriots	L 16-13 (OT) at Cowboys
LAST GAME	9/10/01: Giants 20 at Broncos 31. Denver QB Brian Griese passes for 330 yards & 3 TDs	
	while Broncos RB Terrell Davis rushes for 101 yards as Broncos defeat Giants.	
LAST GAME AT SITE	12/13/98: Giants 20, Broncos 16. New York QB Kent Graham completes 37-yard TD pass to	
	WR Amani Toomer with 48 seconds remaining to hand Broncos 1st loss of season.	
BROADCAST	CBS (4:15 PM ET): Jim Nantz, Phil Simms, Bonnie Bernstein (Field reporter)	

STATS

PASSING	Plummer: 104-178-1,141-7-3-83.6	Manning: 80-153-1,200-10-3-92.0
RUSHING	Bell: 58-395-6.8-3	Barber: 88-397-4.5-3
RECEIVING	Smith: 34-432-12.7-2	Burress: 30-451-15.0-4
OFFENSE	332.7	336.4
TAKE/GIVE	+6	+10 (2L)
DEFENSE	333.3	417.2
SACKS	Warren: 2.0	Strahan: 5.5
INTs	Bailey: 2	Williams: 2
PUNTING	Sauerbrun: 48.1 (1L)	Feagles: 43.5
KICKING	Elam: 39 (15/15 PAT; 8/13 FG)	Feely: 47 (17/17 PAT; 10/10 FG)

NOTES

LAST MEETING between clubs was 1st game played in newly constructed Invesco Field at Mile High......Giants ended Broncos 14-game regular season win-streak when Denver last traveled to New York.....BRONCOS: Club has won 5 in row......Since joining Broncos in '03, QB JAKE PLUMMER is 5-2 vs. NFC with 13 TDs vs. 5 INTs with passer rating of 87.4. Makes 1st start vs. NYG as Bronco......Club is 11-1 (.917) when RB MIKE ANDERSON has 20 or more carries. In 7 career games with 12 or more carries, **RB TATUM BELL** has 606 rush yds on 98 rushes (6.2 avg.) w/5 TDs. Club is 6-1 (.857) in those games. Has posted new career-long run 3 times in past 2 games (34, 55, 68 yds)......In last meeting (9/10/01), WR ROD SMITH caught 9 passes for 115 yards & 1 TD. WR ASHLEY LELIE has rushed ball 2 times for runs of 39 & 17 yards......Is 1 of 3 teams in top 5 in both rush offense (No. 3, 153.3) & rush defense (No. 5, 88.3), w/ SD & TB. Club has not turned ball over in 4 games: 264 minutes & 31 seconds......In last mtg, LB AL WILSON posted 8 tackles. S JOHN LYNCH had INT and FR in last game vs. NYG (11/24/04 w/TB)......GIANTS: Earned 1st Super Bowl victory with 39-20 win vs. Broncos in SB XXI......Club avgs. 29.8 points per game, most in NFL.....QB ELI MANNING has TD pass in 6 consecutive games, tossing 13 TDs vs. 4 INTs in that span.....RB TIKI BARBER has 44 career rushing TDs & needs 5 to tie RODNEY HAMPTON for most in club history......WR PLAXICO BURRESS has 291 career receptions & needs 9 for 300. WR AMANI TOOMER has 38 career receiving TDs & needs 2 to become 4th player in team history with 40.....TE JEREMY SHOCKEY has 100+ receiving yards in 2 of past 3 games. Leads NFL TEs with 380 receiving yards (22 catches) & 17.3 yards per catch (min. 10 catches) & ties for 1st with 7 receptions of 20+ yards......DE MICHAEL STRAHAN has 123.5 career sacks & needs 3.5 to pass DERRICK THOMAS (126.5) for 10th in NFL history......KR WILLIE PONDER avgs. 27.8 yards per KR, 1st in NFC & 4th in NFL.

BUFFALO BILLS (3-3) AT OAKLAND RAIDERS (1-4)

SERIES

	BILLS	RAIDERS					
LEADER		18-15					
STREAKS		Past 3					
COACHES VS. OPP.	Mularkey: 0-0	Turner: 1-2					
LAST WEEK	W 27-17 vs. Jets	L 27-14 vs. Chargers					
LAST GAME	9/19/04: Bills 10 at Raiders 13. Oakland QB Rich Gannon throws for 1 TD while Raiders' Sebastian Janikowski kicks 2 FGs.						
LAST GAME AT SITE	9/19/04						
BROADCAST	CBS (1:15 PM PT): Bill Macatee, Rich Gannon						

STATS

PASSING	Holcomb: 43-61-368-3-2-88.7	Collins: 100-187-1,383 (3C)-6-1-85.9					
RUSHING	McGahee: 138-604 (3C)-4.4-4	Jordan: 87-310-3.6-4					
RECEIVING	Moulds: 24-202-8.4-2	Jordan (RB): 26-205-7.9-1					
OFFENSE	242.7	334.6					
TAKE/GIVE	+8 (T2C)	0					
DEFENSE	295.3	366.0					
SACKS	Denney: 3.0	Burgess: 5.0					
INTs	Vincent: 3 (T3L)	Sapp, Woodson: 1					
PUNTING	Moorman: 46.3 (3C)	Lechler: 46.1					
KICKING	Lindell: 47 (3C) (8/8 PAT; 13/14 FG)	Janikowski: 30 (9/9 PAT; 7/11 FG)					

NOTES

CLUBS MEET in Oakland for 2nd consecutive season. Prior to '04, Bills had not traveled to Raiders since 1992...... BILLS: In 6 career road starts, QB KELLY HOLCOMB has 10 TD passes & has completed 133 of 201 attempts (66.2 pct.). Holcomb has won 3 consecutive starts dating back to '04......RB WILLIS MC GAHEE has rush TD in 4 consecutive games. McGahee (10) tied w/ COOKIE GILCHRIST for 5th-most 100-yd rush games in club history. Bills are 9-1 (.900) when McGahee rushes for 100 yds.....WR ERIC MOULDS has 14 catches in past 2 games; best two-game total since Wks. 4-5, '04......Defense No. 1 in NFL in pass yds per game (136.8)......In past 2 games, CB NATE CLEMENTS has 17 tackles, 3 PDs & 1 INT. DE AARON SCHOBEL (36.5) needs 1.0 sack to surpass SHERMAN WHITE (37.0) for 6th-most in club history. LB ANGELO CROWELL recorded 1st career sack & INT last wk vs. NYJ. DT SAM ADAMS was Raider in '02, helped team reach SB XXXVII......CB-KR TERRENCE MC GEE leads NFL w/ 34.6 KR avg. McGee recorded 1.0 sack vs. Oak. in last mtg. Bills own NFL's best drive start after kickoff (33.2)......RAIDERS: Club has scored on opening drive in 3 of 5 games.....QB KERRY COLLINS stands 3rd in AFC w/ 1,383 pass yds & has 6 TDs vs. 1 INT on seasonRB LA MONT JORDAN leads team in receptions with 26, 2nd-most by NFL RB; has reached career-best 6 catches twice this season. Jordan (205) needs 9 receiving yds to top season totals for past 2 yrs combined (213)...... In 2 career mtgs vs. BUF ('00 & '02), WR RANDY MOSS has 100-yds & TD in each: 16 receptions, 221 yds & 2 TDs. WR DOUG GABRIEL established career-bests in catches (5) & rec. yds (84) last wk vs. SD. TE COURTNEY ANDERSON (12) needs 2 catches to surpass '04 rookie season total (13)......DE DERRICK BURGESS leads club w/ 5.0 sacks & is tied for 4th-most in AFC; 5-yr pro's career-high is 6.0 (2001 w/PHIL). Through 5 games, defense has yielded only 5 drives of 5:00+.....K SEBASTIAN JANIKOWSKI (581) needs 8 points to surpass HOFer MARCUS ALLEN (588) for 5th-place on team's all-time scoring list. Janikowski is 2 of 2 beyond 50 yds vs. SD. P SHANE LECHLER (40.9) tops NFL in net avg.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24 NEW YORK JETS (2-4) AT ATLANTA FALCONS (4-2)

SERIES

	<u>JETS</u>	FALCONS					
LEADER	Series tied, 4-4						
STREAKS		2 of past 3					
COACHES VS. OPP.	Edwards: 0-0	Mora: 0-0					
LAST WEEK	L 27-17 at Bills	W 34-31 at Saints (San Antonio)					
LAST GAME	10/25/98: Falcons 3 at Jets 28. New York RB Curtis Martin rushes for 101 yards & 1 TD while QB Vinny Testaverde passes for 2 TDs as Jets defeat Falcons.						
LAST GAME AT SITE	9/24/95: Falcons 13, Jets 3. Atlanta RB Craig Heyward rushes for 120 yards on 19 carries & QB Jeff George passes for 1 TD.						
BROADCAST	ABC (9:00 PM ET): Al Michaels, John Madden, Samantha Ryan (Field reporter). CBS Radio: Marv Albert, Boomer Esiason, John Dockery (Field reporter).						

STATS

PASSING	Testaverde: 25-45-324-0-3-50.6	Vick: 55-100-607-5-3-77.4					
RUSHING	Martin:123-433-3.5-3	Dunn: 111-577(2C)-5.2-2					
RECEIVING	Coles: 26-289-11.1-1	Crumpler (TE): 23-309-13.4-2					
OFFENSE	244.7	329.8					
TAKE/GIVE	-2	+6					
DEFENSE	302.8	356.2					
SACKS	Abraham: 3.0	Coleman: 6.0 (T3L)					
INTs	Law: 3 (T3L)	D. Hall: 3					
PUNTING	Graham (R): 43.8	Koenen (R): 43.3					
KICKING	Nugent (R): 24 (9/9 PAT; 5/8 FG)	Peterson: 39 (15/15 PAT; 8/8 FG)					

NOTES

JETS: Club has won 7 of past 10 on Monday night......QB VINNY TESTAVERDE has won 5 of his past 7 MNF games with 16 TDs vs. 7 INTs. Through 219 career games, Testaverde threw for career-best 5 TDs on MNF in win vs. Miami on 10/23/00: completed 36 of 59 for 378 with 5 TDs vs. 3 INTs in come-from-behind win......In 10 career games vs. NFC South, RB CURTIS MARTIN has 10 rush TDs & 852 yds on 212 carries for 4.0-yd avg......Since Testaverde became starter, WR LAVERANUES COLES has 10 rec. for 122 yds. Coles posted career-best 180 rec. yards on 11 catches vs. Falcons (9/14/03 w/WASH). In past 2 MNF games, WR JUSTIN MC CAREINS has 8 rec. for 148 yds (18.5 avg.) & 2 TDs......DT DEWAYNE ROBERTSON has 14 tackles in past 2 games. In 3 career games vs. ATL, CB TY LAW has 5 PDs, including 2 INTs. Defense has denied TD on 9 of 17 opponents' red zone trips......After 28 KRs, club has only begun 1 drive inside own 20, fewest in AFC...... FALCONS: Offense avgs. 185.3 rushing yards per game, tops in NFL.....QB MICHAEL VICK has 20-6 (.769) record as starter indoors. Leads QBs with 284 rushing yards & his 7.1-yard avg. per attempt ranks 1st in NFL (min. 20 carries)......RB WARRICK DUNN is 1 of 2 RBs (SHAUN ALEXANDER) with 100+ carries & 5.0-yard avg. per rushing attempt (5.2). Has rushed for 100+ yards in 6 of past 10 games......Second-year WR MICHAEL JENKINS avgs. team-leading 17.2-yards per receptions (14 catches for 241 yards). WR BRIAN FINNERAN has 19 receptions (238 yards), 11 for 1st downs...TE ALGE CRUMPLER has catch in 37 consecutive games & his 7 catches of 20+ yards tie for most among NFL TEs.....DT ROD COLEMAN leads NFL DTs & ties for 3rd in NFL overall with 6 sacks.....CB DE ANGELO HALL ties for 3rd in NFL & 1st in NFC with 3 INT.

LAST WEEK'S NFL RESULTS (OCT. 16-17)

Byes: Arizona, Green Bay, Philadelphia, San Francisco (Home team in CAPS)

Sunday, October 16

BALTIMORE 16, Cleveland 3 CHICAGO 28, Minnesota 3 DALLAS 16, N.Y. Giants 13 (OT) Carolina 21, DETROIT 20 KANSAS CITY 28, Washington 21 Atlanta 34, NEW ORLEANS 31 (San Antonio) Jacksonville 23, PITTSBURGH 17 (OT) TAMPA BAY 27, Miami 13 Sunday, October 16, cont.'d

Cincinnati 31, TENNESSEE 23 BUFFALO 27, N.Y. Jets 17 DENVER 28, New England 20 San Diego 27, OAKLAND 14 SEATTLE 42, Houston 10

Monday, October 17

INDIANAPOLIS 45, St. Louis 28

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
Buffalo	3	3	0	.500	95	100	Dallas	4	2	0	.667	137	111
New England	3	3 3	0	.500	138	164	N.Y. Giants	3	2	0	.600	149	114
Miami	2	3	0	.400	95	98	Philadelphia	3	2	0	.600	122	101
N.Y. Jets	2	4	0	.333	78	112	Washington	3	2	0	.600	83	86
North Division							North Division						
	W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Cincinnati	5	1	0	.833	155	84	Chicago	2	3	0	.400	90	62
Pittsburgh	3	2	0	.600	122	82	Detroit	2	3	0	.400	91	96
Baltimore	2	2 3 3	0	.400	63	90	Green Bay	1	4	0	.200	124	95
Cleveland	2	3	0	.400	68	90	Minnesota	1	4	0	.200	67	135
South Division							South Division						
	W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Indianapolis	6	0	0	1.000	151	57	Tampa Bay	5	1	0	.833	116	72
Jacksonville	4	2	0	.667	108	101	Atlanta	4	2	0	.667	148	119
Tennessee	2	4	0	.333	126	157	Carolina	4	2 4	0	.667	148	136
Houston	0	5	0	.000	54	141	New Orleans	2	4	0	.333	102	173
West Division							West Division						
	W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	Т	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Denver	5	1	0	.833	129	107	Seattle	4	2	0	.667	168	117
Kansas City	3 3	2	0	.600	119	112	St. Louis	2	4	0	.333	156	193
San Diego	3	2	0	.500	176	126	Arizona	1	4	0	.200	94	134
Oakland	1	4	0	.200	90	116	San Francisco	1	4	0	.200	79	160

WEEK 7 NFL SCHEDULE - OCTOBER 23-24

<u>Byes</u>: Carolina, Jacksonville, New England, Tampa Bay (All times local)

Sunday, October 23

Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 1:00 PM
Detroit at Cleveland, 1:00 PM
Indianapolis at Houston, 12:00 PM
Kansas City at Miami, 1:00 PM
Green Bay at Minnesota, 12:00 PM
San Diego at Philadelphia, 1:00 PM
New Orleans at St. Louis, 12:00 PM
San Francisco at Washington, 1:00 PM
Dallas at Seattle, 1:05 PM

Sunday, October 23, cont'd.

Tennessee at Arizona, 1:15 PM Baltimore at Chicago, 3:15 PM Denver at N.Y. Giants, 4:15 PM Buffalo at Oakland, 1:15 PM

Monday, October 24

N.Y. Jets at Atlanta, 9:00 PM (ABC)