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DIVISION ROUND OF PLAYOFFS! WILD CARD ROUND 3 ★ WINNER!!!

PLAYOFF PLAY OF THE YEAR GOES THIS WEEK!!! See pg 4

HANDICAPPING NOTES FOR THIS WEEK'S NFL SEMI-FINAL GAMES

Here are some notes for the Semi-Final round of the playoff games. We tried to put as much information as possible in the write-ups but there was not room for all of it. Below are some questions you might have about this upcoming round and our researched answers. Not all of these will be in effect for this week's games. If one is not, we are including it so you can add it to your handicapping arsenal.

How do double digit favorites do in the Semi-Final round? Remember, teams in the Semi-Final round not only have the home field edge but had a bye the previous week. They catch their opponent off a big win in the playoffs and playing a second straight tough game. Since the playoffs were expanded in 1990 there have been 21 DD favs and they've gone 13-8 ATS and 14-7 O/U. However, since 2002 there have been 6 DD favs and they are 4-2 SU and 3-3 ATS but did cover the L/3 incl SEA in '15 (-13, 31-17 vs Carolina).

How do teams do that COVER by double digits in the Wild Card round? Since the 4 game Wild Card round was started in 1990, there have been 46 teams that COVERED by double digits. Of those, 21 were underdogs in the WC round that pulled upsets and those teams went 9-12 ATS in the next round. Favorites that cruised to big wins are 11-13 ATS in the next round for an overall record of 17-26 ATS. GB covered by DD against WAS LY and went on to nearly upset the Cardinals a week later as a 7 point dog (lost by 6 in OT).

How have #1 seeds fared? Up until 2009 Vegas had overcompensated and the #1 seeds in the Conf Semis were 7-5 SU but 2-10 ATS. After the #1 seeds went 2-0 SU/ATS in '09 they've gone 8-4 SU & 3-9 ATS the L6Y. Both #1 seeds have earned trips to the Super Bowl in each of the L2Y after a previous drought dating back to 1999.

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Play against a 10+ point
away dog after a home win
of 10+ points
11-3 79%
**THIS WEEKS PLAY:
NEW ENGLAND**

CONF SEMI-FINALS RESULTS L4Y

2015	2013
Conference Semi-Finals	Conference Semi-Finals
[2] NEW ENGLAND (-5/43) 27 Kansas City 20 [5]	[2] NEW ENGLAND 43 (-7/52) Indianapolis 22 [4]
[2] ARIZONA (-7/50) 26 Green Bay 20 [5]	[1] SEATTLE 23 (-8/44) New Orleans 15 [6]
[1] DENVER (-7/45) 23 Pittsburgh 16 [6]	[5] San Francisco 23 (-1/41) CAROLINA 10 [2]
[1] CAROLINA (-3/44) 31 Seattle 24 [6]	[1] DENVER 24 (-8/54) San Diego 17 [6]
2014	2012
Conference Semi-Finals	Conference Semi-Finals
[1] NEW ENGLAND 35 (-7/48) Baltimore 17 [6]	[1] ATLANTA (-3/46) 30 Seattle 28 [5]
[1] SEATTLE 31 (-11/40) Carolina 17 [4]	[2] NEW ENGLAND (-9/48) 41 Houston 28 [3]
[2] GREEN BAY 26 (-6/53) Dallas 21 [3]	[2] SAN FRANCISCO (-3/45) 45 Green Bay 31 [3]
[4] Indianapolis 24 (+7/53) DENVER 13 [2]	[4] Baltimore (+8/45) 38 DENVER 35 [1] - OT

2016 NFL POWER RATINGS

We grade each team position by position and list the 2016 Power Ratings. Each week we update these Power Ratings in our weekly Power Sweep editions.

TEAM	2016	TEAM	2016
1. NEW ENGLAND	106.7	17. TENNESSEE	98.4
2. DALLAS	105.1	18. ARIZONA	98.3
3. ATLANTA	102.9	19. INDIANAPOLIS	97.9
4. SEATTLE	102.2	20. MINNESOTA	97.4
5. KANSAS CITY	102.0	21. CINCINNATI	97.2
6. PITTSBURGH	101.4	22. PHILADELPHIA	96.9
7. GREEN BAY	101.0	23. BUFFALO	96.8
8. OAKLAND	100.7	24. NEW ORLEANS	96.0
9. NY GIANTS	100.2	25. CAROLINA	95.7
10. DETROIT	99.9	26. JACKSONVILLE	94.6
11. DENVER	99.7	27. SAN DIEGO	94.5
12. BALTIMORE	99.6	28. CHICAGO	92.7
13. HOUSTON	99.4	29. NY JETS	92.0
14. MIAMI	99.3	30. LOS ANGELES	90.4
15. WASHINGTON	99.0	31. SAN FRANCISCO	86.6
16. TAMPA BAY	98.9	32. CLEVELAND	85.9

PRO STATISTICS

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2016 NFL TEAM RANKINGS

AFC	SU	DIV SU	PPG	YPG	ATS	O/U	TTL OFF	RUSH	RUSH	PASS	PASS	SK	TTL DEF	RUSH	RUSH	PASS	PASS	SK	TO
								OFF	YPC	OFF	PCT			DEF	YPC	DEF	PCT		
New England	14-2	5-1	11.9	59.9	13-3	6-9-1	4	7	3.9	4	66.6	5	8	3	3.9	12	61.7	17	+12
Miami	10-6	4-2	-1.1	-49.9	8-7-1	12-4	24	9	4.5	26	66.2	10	29	30	4.8	15	66.1	19	+2
Buffalo	7-9	1-5	1.3	-3.0	7-9	12-4	16	1	5.3	30	65.5	29	19	29	4.6	6	60.0	8	+7
NY Jets	5-11	2-4	-8.4	-12.9	7-8-1	7-8-1	26	12	4.3	27	56.6	16	11	11	3.7	17	63.7	29	-21
Pittsburgh	11-5	5-1	4.5	29.7	9-7	6-10	7	14	4.3	8	63.9	2	12	13	4.3	16	64.6	9	+5
Baltimore	8-8	4-2	1.4	25.6	7-9	7-7-2	17	28	4.0	12	64.7	11	7	5	3.7	9	63.8	24	+5
Cincinnati	6-9-1	3-3	0.6	6.2	5-11	6-10	14	13	4.0	15	64.7	25	17	21	4.4	11	62.6	19	+3
Cleveland	1-15	0-6	-11.8	-81.4	4-12	8-8	30	19	4.9	28	59.6	32	31	31	4.6	21	64.1	29	-12
Houston	9-7	5-1	-3.1	13.5	7-8-1	6-9-1	29	8	4.1	29	59.5	11	1	12	4.0	2	61.1	24	-7
Tennessee	9-7	2-4	0.2	0.4	7-8-1	10-5-1	11	3	4.6	25	60.9	9	20	2	4.0	31	61.1	7	0
Indianapolis	8-8	3-3	1.2	-18.4	7-8-1	9-7	10	23	4.0	5	63.4	28	30	25	4.7	27	64.9	19	-3
Jacksonville	3-13	2-4	-5.1	13.3	8-8	10-6	23	22	4.2	20	58.9	15	6	18	3.8	5	62.6	19	-16
Kansas City	12-4	6-0	4.9	-25.5	9-7	6-10	20	16	4.2	19	66.8	11	24	26	4.4	18	58.5	28	+16
Oakland	12-4	3-3	1.9	-2.1	10-6	11-5	6	6	4.4	13	63.5	1	26	23	4.5	24	60.6	32	+16
Denver	9-7	2-4	2.3	7.0	9-7	6-10	27	27	3.6	21	59.5	24	4	28	4.3	1	55.4	3	+2
San Diego	5-11	1-5	-0.8	9.9	7-9	9-6-1	13	26	3.8	5	60.2	18	16	10	3.8	20	62.8	13	-7
NFC	SU	DIV SU	PPG	YPG	ATS	O/U	TTL OFF	RUSH	RUSH	PASS	PASS	SK	TTL DEF	RUSH	RUSH	PASS	PASS	SK	TO
DEF	YPC	OFF	PCT	DEF	YPC	DEF	PCT	BY	EDG										
Dallas	13-3	3-3	7.2	32.8	10-5-1	6-9-1	5	2	4.8	23	67.3	8	14	1	3.9	26	66.8	13	+5
NY Giants	11-5	4-2	1.6	-9.1	8-6-2	4-12	25	29	3.5	17	63.0	3	10	3	3.6	23	58.1	13	-3
Washington	8-7-1	3-3	0.8	25.9	10-6	12-4	3	21	4.5	2	66.7	4	28	24	4.5	25	65.7	9	0
Philadelphia	7-9	2-4	2.3	-5.4	8-8	9-7	22	11	4.1	24	62.4	14	13	15	4.2	13	60.2	17	+6
Green Bay	10-6	5-1	2.8	4.9	9-6-1	10-6	8	20	4.5	7	64.8	16	22	9	4.1	30	64.8	5	+8
Detroit	9-7	3-3	-0.8	-16.2	7-8-1	6-10	21	30	3.7	11	65.5	21	18	19	4.4	19	72.5	29	-1
Minnesota	8-8	2-4	1.3	0.2	9-7	7-9	28	32	3.2	18	70.8	23	3	20	4.2	3	60.6	5	+11
Chicago	3-13	2-4	-7.5	9.6	6-9-1	7-8-1	15	18	4.5	14	62.1	6	15	27	4.4	7	64.2	12	-20
Atlanta	11-5	5-1	8.4	44.6	10-6	13-3	2	5	4.6	3	69.6	21	25	17	4.5	28	64.3	13	+11
Tampa Bay	9-7	4-2	-0.9	-21.6	9-7	6-8-2	18	24	3.6	16	61.8	18	23	22	4.4	22	63.4	9	+2
New Orleans	7-9	2-4	0.9	50.6	11-5	9-7	1	17	4.3	1	70.0	6	27	14	4.1	32	64.9	27	-3
Carolina	6-10	1-5	-2.1	-16.0	6-9-1	6-10	19	10	4.0	21	54.4	18	21	6	3.9	29	67.2	1	-2
Seattle	10-5-1	3-2-1	3.9	38.5	7-9	9-7	12	25	3.9	9	64.9	27	5	7	3.4	8	61.8	3	+1
Arizona	7-8-1	4-1-1	3.5	61.6	6-10	10-5-1	9	15	4.4	10	59.4	25	2	8	3.6	4	61.1	1	0
Los Angeles	4-12	2-4	-10.6	-74.4	4-10-2	7-9	32	31	3.4	31	58.4	31	9	16	3.9	10	64.8	24	-10
San Francisco	2-14	2-4	-10.7	-98.2	5-11	10-6	31	4	4.4	32	58.3	30	32	32	4.8	14	61.9	19	-5

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