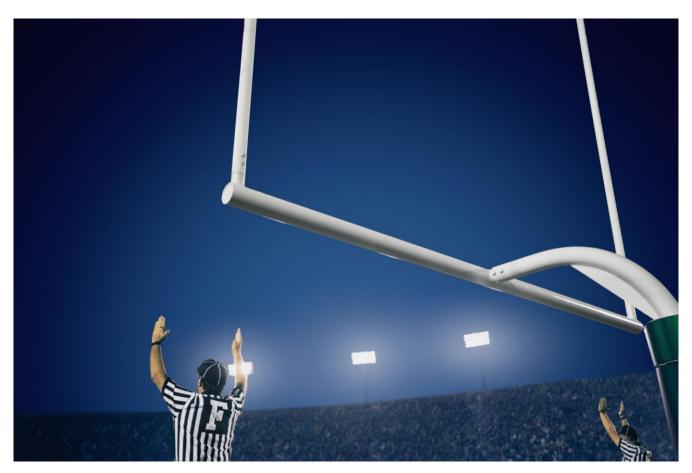
# **NEWSLETTER**

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# Week 9 NFL Top 5 Best Bets

Week 8 results 3-1-2 ATS, 17-9-2 for the season 65%

Arizona+8.5 W 24-31 Raiders+7 L 14-26

NY Giants+3 P 10-13 Washington+7 P 31-38

Carolina+3 W 15-13 Denver+8.5 W 24-9

# Mike's Top 5 Bets NFL Week 9

#### Sunday November 5, 2023

Kansas City-2.5 Cleveland-8 Baltimore-5.5 Las Vegas Raiders-1.5 Los Angeles Chargers-3

## Sunday

### Miami Dolphins vs Kansas City -2.5 (50.5)

Kansas City was waiting for this game as they have marketing rights in Germany. This should give them a home away from home, homefield advantage. Miami hasn't beaten a team with a winning record. My power ratings favor the Chiefs by 3 on a neutral field but I feel it may be stronger in this case. Kansas City-2.5\*\*\*

## Arizona Cardinals at Cleveland Browns-8 (43.5)

The Cardinals will start Clayton Tune. This is an early start time for Arizona. (0-1 ATS). Cleveland is coming off a close loss to Seattle and are now in a 3-way tie for second in the division. This is a must win since they already have two losses in the division. They are on the edge at #7 (best win-loss record), if the playoffs started today. They play Baltimore nest week. Power rating favor the Browns by 18. Cleveland-8\*\*\*

### Seattle Seahawks at Baltimore Ravens-5.5 (43)

The Seahawks have a couple of decent wins against Detroit and Cleveland, otherwise it has been a weak schedule. This is an early start time for Seattle. They are 1-1 ATS this year playing at 10:00 The Ravens were blowing out the Cardinals last week, but the score doesn't indicate the domination during the game.

My power ratings favor the Ravens by 7.5 points. Baltimore has two key division games coming up, they have beaten both Cincinnati and Cleveland so there shouldn't be a look ahead here. Baltimore-5.5\*\*\*

## New York Giants at Las Vegas Raiders-1.5 (37)

The Raiders finally fired McDaniels. Too many assistants coming from Belichick think they can run a football team. The Raiders are star due up this week. The firing should relieve some pressure in the organization as it looked like the locker room was lost last week. The Giants have a bad offense too, so the Raiders defense should keep them in the game and Garoppolo needs to use Adams a bunch this week. Raiders-1.5 \*\*\*

## Monday Night Football

### Los Angeles Chargers-3 at New York Jets (41.5)

The Jets are possibly due down. Teams are 1-3-1 ATS this year. Both teams would be out of the playoffs, with the Jets sitting 8<sup>th</sup> and the Chargers at 12. The more desperate team is definitely the Chargers but they can knock the Jets out of that 8 spot and be right in the thick of things with a win. Chargers-3\*\*\*

I didn't select too many games this week due to player trades. Some of my reasoning was Minnesota at Atlanta-4.5, Atlanta hasn't won by more than 3 points since week one and Ridder may be benched in this one which could be a positive, but Minnesota is starting rookie J. Hall until Dobbs, picked up from Arizona gets accustomed.

The Steelers will play Pickett hurt against Willis for Tennessee, which had a monster game last week. The power ratings show no edge either way and as much as I would like to jump on Tennessee, it is hard to bet against Pittsburgh at home and off a loss.

I have a slight edge with Green Bay this week and Stafford is banged up for the Rams, but how much stock can we put into QB Love, which lost to the Raiders and the Broncos and are on a 4-game slide. The Packers had to come back for a 1-point win against New Orleans or

they would be on a 6-game slide.

I looked at Washington, but they just dumped two of their players before the trade deadline with a coach on the hot seat, so this may be the end of the line for Rivera.

The Saints-7.5 look probable to cover against the Bears. We are giving up some value and it falls over the key number 7. Carr is worth 1 interception a game, but this one was close to laying the 7.5 for me.

Houston probably lost some momentum off the bye week, but I trust their offense over Tampa's. The Buc's are averaging 12 ppg since their week 5 bye. This looks like a low scoring game and might as well play the money line. My numbers favor the Texans by 4.5 so there is value if you take them -2.5, but teams off Thursday night and on the road are 5-1 ATS.

Carolina is getting value at +2.5. I wouldn't hesitate to buy the half point for a little insurance, but I think they could put two in a row together here. I was going to put this one up as a top play as it is one of a few underdogs I like this week.

The Cowboys+3 have a couple of points of value, but they are coming off a rout win, (4-14-2), and playing the Eagles on the road made me step back on this one. Division dogs on the road have not fared well either. (2-8 ATS last two weeks).

The Bills have an extra 4 day's rest and are getting 5.5 points of line value which seems like a lot for this matchup. This was the game that was called early due to the heart attack incident last year. Buffalo may have more to prove here and it won't be easy with Burrow hitting his stride.

# Week 9 Power Ratings

#### AFC EAST

BUFFALO 29.5 MIAMI 26 ↑ NY JETS 18 NEW ENGLAND 13.5 ↓

#### **AFC SOUTH**

JACKSONVILLE 28 ↑
TENNESSEE 22 ↑
INDIANAPOLIS 18 ↓
HOUSTON 21 ↓

#### NFC EAST

PHILADELPHIA 27.5 DALLAS 29 ↑ N Y GIANTS 18 WASHINGTON 13

#### **NFC SOUTH**

ATLANTA 19.5 ↓
NEW ORLEANS 21.5 ↑
CAROLINA 17 ↑
TAMPA BAY 19

#### **AFC NORTH**

BALTIMORE 30.5 CINCINNATI 24.5 ↑ CLEVELAND 26.5 PITTSBURGH 21.5 ↓

#### **AFC WEST**

KANSAS CITY 28 ↓ L A CHARGERS 22 ↑ DENVER 17 ↑ LAS VEGAS RAIDERS 11 ↓

#### NFC NORTH

DETROIT 29 ↑ MINNESOTA 25.5 ↑ GREEN BAY 20 ↓ CHICAGO 17.5 ↓

#### **NFC WEST**

SAN FRANCISCO 27 ↓
SEATTLE 25.5
L A RAMS 18 ↓
ARIZONA 11



## SITUATIONAL PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

LINE VALUE FAVORITE 38-38-4\* LINE VALUE DOG 17-20-5 \* DUE UP 5-5\* DUE DOWN 5-1\*

EARLY START 5-5-1\*
OFF ROUT WIN 4-14-2 \*
OFF ROUT LOSS 10-7-2 \*
ROAD FAV LAYING 7.5 OR MORE 0-7\*
3<sup>RD</sup> ROAD GM IN 4 WEEKS 10-11-1 \*
HOME FAVORITES 35-27-4\*
DIVISON FAVORITE HOME 11-9\*
DIVISION FAVORITE ROAD 7-8-3\*
DIVISION DOG AT HOME 8-7-3\*
DIVISION DOG ON ROAD 10-10\*

POSSIBLY DUE UP 3-4\*
POSSIBLY DUE DOWN 1-3-1\*
SPREAD RANGE FAVORITE 5-2-1\*
SPREAD RANGE DOG 17-9-2\*

HOME DOG MON NIGHT 3-3-1\*
OFF THURSDAY AT HOME 5-5\*
OFF THURSDAY ON ROAD 5-1\*
OFF MONDAY NIGHT HOME 3-2\*
OFF MONDAY NIGHT ROAD 5-5\*
HOME DOGS 27-28-5\*
ROAD FAVORITES 25-25-5\*
ROAD DOGS 26-37-3\*
ROAD TEAMS 51-59-10\*



# KEY PLAYER ADJUSTMENTS

ARIZONA – K MURRAY (3), C TUNE, J CONNER (3) M BROWN, R MOORE ATLANTA- D RIDDER, T HEINICKE, B ROBINSON, T ALLGEIER, D LONDON, M HOLLINS BALTIMORE- L JACKSON (10), T HUNTLEY, G EDWARDS, R BATEMAN, O BECKHAM BUFFALO- J ALLEN (10), K ALLEN, J COOK, DAVIS, S DIGGS (3), VON MILLER 3 CAROLINA- B YOUNG, A DALTON+, M SANDERS, C HUBBARD, A THIELEN (3), DJ CHARK CHICAGO- J FIELDS (7), BAGENT, K HERBERT, D FOREMAN, D J MOORE (3), CINCINNATI- J BURROW (10), BROWNING, J MIXON, T WILLIAMS, J CHASE (4), T HIGGINS CLEVELAND- D WATSON, (7) THOMP-ROBINSON, J FORD, HUNT (3), A COOPER, E MOORE DALLAS- D PRESCOTT (7), C RUSH, T POLLARD (3), CD LAMB (4), B COOKS (3) M GALLUP DENVER- R WILSON, (3), J STIDHAM, J WILLIAMS, J JEUDY (3), C SUTTON DETROIT- J GOFF (7) T BRIDGEWATER, J GIBBS, D MONTGOMERY, A ST. BROWN (3) GREEN BAY- J LOVE, S CLIFFORD, A JONES (3), A J DILLON, C WATSON, R DOUBS HOUSTON- CJ STROUD, D MILLS, D PIERCE, D SINGLETARY, N COLLINS, R WOODS INDIANAPOLIS- G MINSHEW, J TAYLOR (4), Z MOSS, M PITTMAN, PIERCE, DOWNS JACKSONVILLE- T LAWRENCE (7), CJ BEATHARD, T ETIENNE (3) C KIRK, Z JONES KANSAS CITY- P MAHOMES (10), B GABBERT, PACHECO (3) KELSEY (4), K TONEY LAS VEGAS J GAROPPOLO, B HOYER, J JACOBS (3), Z WHITE, D ADAMS (4) J MEYERS LA CHARGERS- J HERBERT (7), E STICK, A EKELER (3), J KELLY, K ALLEN (4) WILLIAMS LA RAMS- M STAFFORD (7), B RYPIEN, RIVERS (3) C KUPP (4), V JEFFERSON, NACUA MIAMI- T TAGOVAILOA (7), M WHITE, R MOSTERT, ACHANE, T HILL (3), J WADDLE MINNESOTA- K COUSINS (7), J DOBBS, J HALL, A MATTISON, AKERS, J JEFFERSON (4) NEW ENGLAND- M JONES, B ZAPPE, STEVENSON, ELLIOTT, SMITH-SCHUSTER, PARKER NEW ORLEANS- D CARR, J WINSTON, KAMARA (3), THOMAS, C OLAVE, M THOMAS NY GIANTS- D JONES (7), T TAYLOR, S BARKLEY (4), BRIEDA, HODGINS, SLAYTON NY JETS- Z WILSON, T SIEMIAN, B HALL, D COOK (3), G WILSON, A LAZARD PHILADELPHIA- J HURTS (10), M MARIOTA, D SWIFT, GAINWELL, AJ BROWN, D SMITH PITTSBURGH- K PICKETT, M TRUBISKY, N HARRIS, J WARREN, D JOHNSON, G PICKENS SAN FRANCISCO- B PURDY, (10) C MCCAFFERY (4), E MITCHELL, D SAMUEL (3), AIYUK SEATTLE-G SMITH (7), D LOCK, K WALKER (3), DK METCALF, T LOCKETT (3) TAMPA BAY- B MAYFIELD (7), K TRASK, R WHITE, TUCKER, M EVANS (3) C GODWIN TENNESSEE-R TANNEHILL (7), M WILLIS, D HENRY (4), D HOPKINS (3), T BURKS WASHINGTON- S HOWELL, J BRISSETT, B ROBINSON, A GIBSON, MCLAURIN (3) DOTSON



# **Team Situations Hottest Stats**

Off Thursday on road 5-1 ATS Tampa Bay, Buffalo Spread Range dog 16-9-2 ATS Chargers Division Favorite Home 11-9 ATS Philadelphia Off a rout loss (10-7-2) LA Rams

# **Coldest Stats**

Division dogs on the road 10-10, 2-8 last two weeks. **Dallas**Line value dogs 17-20-5 (2-2-2 last week)
Teams off a rout win (4-14-2) Bet against **Dallas Road Favorite laying 7.5 or more.** (0-7 ATS) (bet against) none this week
Possibly Due Down (1-3-1) Bet Against **Jets**