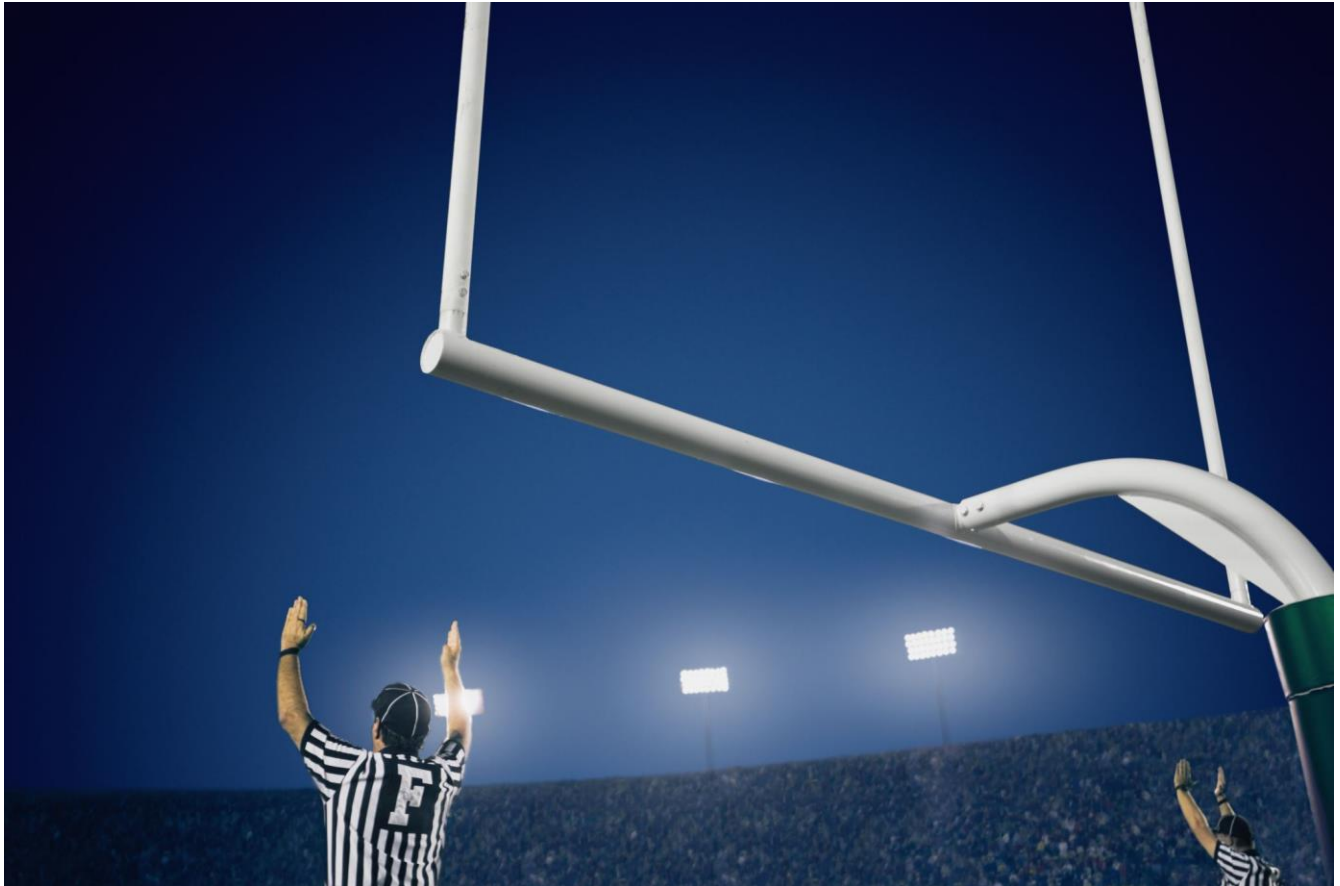


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Week one NFL Top 3 Best Bets
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Mike's Top 3 Bets NFL Week 1

Sunday Sept. 11, 10:00 AM

Atlanta Falcons-3

The Falcons have beat Carolina in 6 of the last 8 in Atlanta. My estimated line value is Atlanta+1. Atlanta did run 55% of the time and with the pick-up of B. Robinson may continue that trend. I like is the fact that Arthur Smith is 13-8 in one score games.

Atlanta faces a rookie QB on the road with a suspect O-line. Atlanta should be able to pound and ground to protect a lead in the later stages. I'm willing to lay up to -4.

Tennessee Titans+3.5 10:00 AM

The Titans were on a 7-1 run before the injuries decimated this team. They will start the season healthy and they picked up Arizona's #1 WR, D. Hopkins. The Saints with the addition of QB Carr may help a little, but they are without Kamara and that leaves the Saints closer to a 1-point game in my book.

Los Angeles Chargers-2.5 1:25 PM

The Dolphins make their second longest road trip to start off the season with a prime-time division game against the Patriots the following week on Sunday night. My estimated line value is 0. I feel comfortable laying up to 3 in this one. The Chargers play a non-division game the following week and should be the more focused team.

Plays

Atlanta up to -4

Tennessee+1 or better

Chargers up to -3

Week One Starting Power Ratings

AFC EAST

BUFFALO 26.5
MIAMI 24
NY JETS 24
NEW ENGLAND 19.5

AFC SOUTH

JACKSONVILLE 24
TENNESSEE 21
INDIANAPOLIS 18
HOUSTON 18

NFC EAST

PHILADELPHIA 26.5
DALLAS 24
N Y GIANTS 21
WASHINGTON 18

NFC SOUTH

ATLANTA 22.5
NEW ORLEANS 22.5
CAROLINA 21
TAMPA BAY 18

AFC NORTH

BALTIMORE 26.5
CINCINNATI 26.5
CLEVELAND 22.5
PITTSBURGH 22.5

AFC WEST

KANSAS CITY 29
L A CHARGERS 24
DENVER 21
LAS VEGAS RAIDERS 18

NFC NORTH

DETROIT 24
MINNESOTA 22.5
GREEN BAY 21
CHICAGO 19.5

NFC WEST

SAN FRANCISCO 26.5
SEATTLE 22.5
L A RAMS 18
ARIZONA 13



SITUATIONAL PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

LINE VALUE FAVORITE 0-0
LINE VALUE DOG 0-0
DUE UP 0-0
DUE DOWN 0-0

POSSIBLY DUE UP 0-0
POSSIBLY DUE DOWN 0-0
SPREAD RANGE FAVORITE 0-0
SPREAD RANGE DOG 0-0

EARLY START 0-0
OFF ROUT WIN 0-0
OFF ROUT LOSS 0-0
ROAD FAV LAYING 7.5 OR MORE 0-0
3RD ROAD GM IN 4 WEEKS 0-0
HOME FAVORITES 0-0
DIVISION FAVORITE HOME 0-0
DIVISION FAVORITE ROAD 0-0
DIVISION DOG AT HOME 0-0
DIVISION DOG ON ROAD 0-0

VS 2022 PLOFF AT HOME 0-0
VS 2022 PLOFF ON ROAD 0-0
OFF THURSDAY AT HOME 0-0
OFF THURSDAY ON ROAD 0-0
OFF MONDAY NIGHT HOME 0-0
OFF MONDAY NIGHT ROAD 0-0
HOME DOGS 0-0
ROAD FAVORITES 0-0
ROAD DOGS 0-0

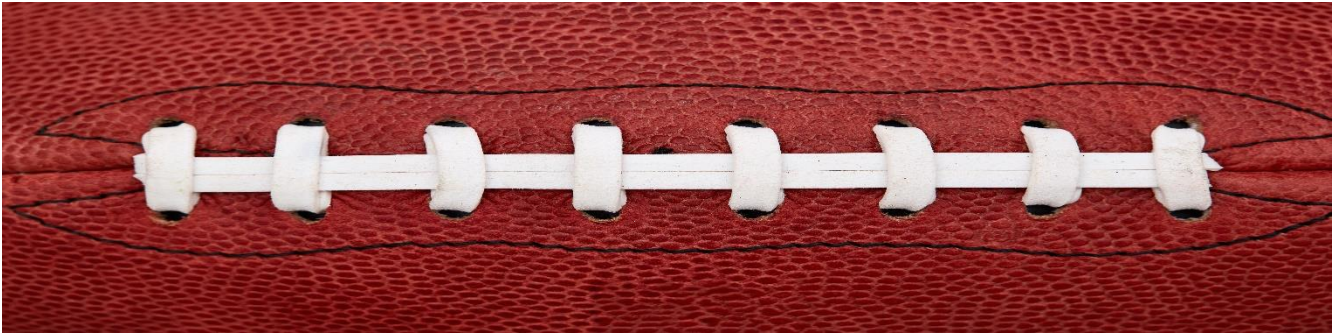
The orange situations are the ones I use the most and coincide with the book. Line value is the difference between your home power rating and the visiting team's power rating. I consider Atlanta in week one to have 1 point of line value since Atlanta's power rating difference is 4 points stronger than Carolina and Atlanta is laying 3 points.

Line value can change teams depending on where the money is going. If Atlanta's point spread moved to -4.5, then Carolina would have a half point of line value. It is important to know your numbers when making a wager. In this case I would see that I missed the better number and would look for another game or tease it down with another team.



KEY PLAYER ADJUSTMENTS

ARIZONA – **K MURRAY** (3), C MCCOY, J CONNER (3)
ATLANTA- D RIDDER, T HEINICKE, B ROBINSON, T ALLGEIER, D LONDON, M HOLLINS
BALTIMORE- L JACKSON (10), JK DOBBINS, G EDWARDS, R BATEMAN, O BECKHAM
BUFFALO- J ALLEN (10), J COOK, S DIGGS (3)
CAROLINA- **B YOUNG**, A DALTON, M SANDERS, C HUBBARD, A THIELEN (3), DJ CHARK
CHICAGO- J FIELDS (7) PJ WALKER, K HERBERT, D FOREMAN, D J MOORE (3),
CINCINNATI- J BURROW (10), T SIEMIAN, J MIXON, T WILLIAMS, J CHASE (4), T HIGGINS
CLEVELAND- D WATSON, J DOBBS, N CHUBB (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- **A RICHARDSON**, G MISHEW, **J TAYLOR** (4), Z MOSS, M PITTMAN, PIERCE
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, C AKERS (3) C KUPP (4), V JEFFERSON
MIAMI- T TAGOVAILOA (7), M WHITE, R MOSTERT, J WILSON, T HILL (3), J WADDLE
MINNESOTA- K COUSINS (7), N MULLINS, A MATTISON, T CHANDLER, J JEFFERSON (4)
NEW ENGLAND- M JONES, B ZAPPE, STEVENSON, ELLIOTT, SMITH-SCHUSTER, PARKER
NEW ORLEANS- D CARR, J WINSTON, **KAMARA** (3), WILLIAMS, C OLAVE, M THOMAS
NY GIANTS- D JONES (7), T TAYLOR, S BARKLEY (3), BRIEDA, HODGINS, SLAYTON
NY JETS- A RODGERS (10), Z WILSON, B HALL, D COOK (3), G WILSON, A LAZARD
PHILADELPHIA- J HURTS (10), M MARIOTA, D SWIFT, R PENNY, AJ BROWN, D SMITH
PITTSBURGH- K PICKETT, M TRUBISKY, N HARRIS, J WARREN, D JOHNSON, G PICKENS
SAN FRANCISCO- B PURDY, C MCCAFFERY (4), E MITCHELL, D SAMUEL (3), B AIYUK (3)
SEATTLE- G SMITH (7), D LOCK, K WALKER (3), DK METCALF, T LOCKETT (3)
TAMPA BAY- B MAYFIELD (7), K TRASK, R WHITE, C EDMUNDS, 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



Notes:

4 non-conference games

Detroit at Kansas City, Chiefs were 5-0 last year in NC

Tennessee at New Orleans

San Francisco at Pittsburgh, Steelers were 4-1 last year in NC

Philadelphia at New England, Eagles were 5-0 last year in NC

8 Division games:

Carolina at Atlanta

Cincinnati at Cleveland, Bengals and Browns were 3-3 vs division last year

Jacksonville at Indianapolis, Colts 1-4-1 vs division last year

Green Bay at Chicago, Bears 0-6 vs division last year

Las Vegas at Denver, Broncos 1-5 vs division last year

LA Rams at Seattle, Rams 1-5 vs division last year

Dallas at NY Giants, Giants 1-4-1 vs division last year

Buffalo at NY Jets

Home Teams- 10 favorites, 6 dogs

Early Starts West-East 2

San Francisco at Pittsburgh

Arizona at Washington

It usually takes until week 3 to start getting some accuracy with the power ratings so I'll limit my risk to 3 games a week until we get some solidification in each team's strength. Week 1 usually falls 50/50 plus or minus a game, but once we get to week 3, we should be ready to roll. I tried to paste an excel sheet into word and the headings dropped a letter. I'll e-mail the results separately which should come out fine. I also included some player adjustments in case of injury, I'll refine these as the season goes on. Good luck to everyone and let's have a great season.

Mike H.