

Week 3 New Orleans Saints (0-2) at Carolina Panthers (2-0)



Sunday, September 24, 2017 1:00 PM ET Bank of America Stadium Referee: Bill Vinovich

REGULAR-SEASON SERIES HISTORY

LEADER: Panthers lead all-time series, 24-20 **STREAKS:** Panthers have won 4 of past 5

NEI	N ORLEANS SAINTS
LAST WEEK	L 36-20 vs. New England
COACH VS. OPP.	Sean Payton: 9-13
PTS. FOR/AGAINST	19.5/32.5
OFFENSE	386.5 (3L)
PASSING	Drew Brees: 54-82-647 (3L)-3-0-102.0
RUSHING	Mark Ingram: 14-69-4.9-0
RECEIVING	Michael Thomas: 10-134-13.4-0
DEFENSE	512.5
SACKS	Many tied: 1
INTs	-
TAKE/GIVE	0 (0/0)
PUNTING (NET)	Thomas Morstead: 48.7 (46.8) (2L)
KICKING	Wil Lutz: 21 (3/3 PAT; 6/7 FG)

SAINTS NOTES

- **QB DREW BREES** passed for 356 yards & 2 TDs for 99.9 rating in Week 2. In past 3 vs. Car., has 1,032 pass yards (344 per game), 9 TDs & 3 INTs for 104.3 rating. Ranks 3rd in NFL history in career pass yards (66,758) & TD passes (468).
- RB MARK INGRAM has 7 TDs in past 7 on road vs. NFC South. Has 5 TDs in 6 career meetings at Car. RB ADRIAN PETERSON has 3 TDs (2 rush, 1 rec.) in past 3 meetings.
- WR MICHAEL THOMAS led team with 5 receptions & 89 rec. yards last week. Has 10 catches for 146 yards & TD in past 2 meetings. Has 471 rec. yards (94.2 per game) & 3 TDs in 5 career games vs. division. WR BRANDON COLEMAN had 82 rec. yards & TD in Week 2. Has TD catch in 2 of past 3 meetings. TE COBY FLEENER aims for 4th in row with rec. TD vs. Car. Aims for 3rd in row with TD catch. WR TED GINN, JR. spent 3 seasons with Car. (2013, 2015-16) & had 19 TDs.
- DE CAMERON JORDAN has 7 sacks, FF & 4 PD in past 10 vs. NFC South. Has 38.5 sacks since 2013, 4th most in NFC. In 3 career meetings, LB CRAIG ROBERTSON has 28 tackles (9.3 per game) & FR. LB HAU'OLI KIKAHA had sack in Week 2. Rookie LB ALEX ANZALONE had 1st career sack last week. S VONN BELL aims for 3rd in row vs. Car. with 7+ tackles. CB P.J. WILLIAMS led team with career-high 10 tackles in Week 2. Rookie CB MARSHON LATTIMORE had 7 tackles & 2 PD last week.

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CAROLINA PANTHERS	
LAST WEEK	W 9-3 vs. Buffalo
COACH VS. OPP.	Ron Rivera: 7-5
PTS. FOR/AGAINST	16.0/3.0 (1L)
OFFENSE	271.0
PASSING	Cam Newton: 34-57-399-2-1-85.3
RUSHING	Jonathan Stewart: 33-105-3.2-0
RECEIVING	Christian McCaffrey (R) (RB): 9-72-8.0-0
DEFENSE	196.5 (1L)
SACKS	Julius Peppers: 2.5
INTs	Luke Kuechly: 1 (T3L)
TAKE/GIVE	0 (2/2)
PUNTING (NET)	Michael Palardy: 44.9 (43.7)
KICKING	Graham Gano: 20 (2/2 PAT; 6/6 FG)

PANTHERS NOTES

- OB CAM NEWTON has passed for 507 yards with 3 TDs vs. 0 INTs for 95 rating in past 2 home meetings. Has 4 rush TDs in past 6 vs. NO. Is 1 of 2 in NFL history (HOFer STEVE YOUNG) with 20,000+ career pass yards (22,171) & 3,500+ rush yards (3,596).
- RB JONATHAN STEWART has 4 rush TDs in past 3 meetings. Has 6,743 career rush yards & needs 104 to become team's all-time leader (DE ANGELO WILLIAMS, 6,846). Rookie RB CHRISTIAN MC CAFFREY leads team with 9 catches & 129 scrimmage yards.
- WR KELVIN BENJAMIN led team with 6 receptions & 77 rec. yards last week. Aims for 3rd in row vs. division with TD catch.
 WR DEVIN FUNCHESS has rec. TD in 2 of past 3 meetings.
- DE JULIUS PEPPERS had 2 sacks last week, his 28th career 2+ sack game. Ranks 5th in NFL history with 146 sacks. LB LUKE KUECHLY had FF in Week 2. Has 99 tackles (11 per game) & INT in 9 career meetings. Since 2012, leads NFL with 705 tackles & leads NFL LBs with 13 INTs. LB THOMAS DAVIS has 23 tackles, sack & FF in past 3 vs. NO. Is 1 of 2 in NFL with 120+ tackles (120), 3+ sacks (3.5) & 3+ INTs (3) since 2016 (LANDON COLLINS). DE MARIO ADDISON had sack in Week 2. Had 2 sacks & FF in last meeting. Aims for 6th in row at home with sack. S KURT COLEMAN had 9 tackles, FF & INT in last meeting. Has 2 INTs, sack & FF in past 4 at home vs. NFC South. Has 14 INTs since 2014, tied for 2nd most in NFL.