Week 4 Detroit Lions (2-1) <u>at Minnesota Viking</u>s (2-1)



Sunday, October 1, 2017 1:00 PM ET U.S. Bank Stadium Referee: Bill Vinovich

## **REGULAR-SEASON SERIES HISTORY**

**LEADER:** Vikings lead all-time series, 71-38-2 **STREAKS:** Lions have won past 2

### **DETROIT LIONS**

LAST WEEK	L 30-26 vs. Atlanta
COACH VS. OPP.	Jim Caldwell: 4-2
PTS. FOR/AGAINST	28.3/21.0
OFFENSE	316.0
PASSING	Matthew Stafford: 69-107-678-7 (T2L)-1-100.1
RUSHING	Ameer Abdullah: 46-163-3.5-0
RECEIVING	Golden Tate: 21 (T3L)-190-9.0-1
DEFENSE	335.3
SACKS	Ezekiel Ansah: 3
INTs	Glover Quin, Darius Slay: 2 (T1L)
TAKE/GIVE	+6 (1L) (8/2)
PUNTING (NET)	Jeff Locke: 44.8 (40.1)
KICKING	Matt Prater: 25 (7/7 PAT; 6/6 FG)

#### LIONS NOTES

- **QB MATTHEW STAFFORD** has 9 TDs & 2 INTs for 99.1 rating in past 4. In past 11 meetings, has 17 TDs vs. 4 INTs for 92.1 rating. Has 2+ TD passes in 6 of past 7 on road vs. NFC North.
- **RB AMEER ABDULLAH** has 346 scrimmage yards (86.5 per game) & 2 TDs (1 rush, 1 rec.) in past 4 on road. **RB THEO RIDDICK** leads NFL RBs in receptions (146) & ties for lead in rec. TDs (9) since 2015.
- WR GOLDEN TATE had TD catch last week. In past 2 meetings, has 16 receptions for 156 yards (78 per game) & TD. Has 365 catches since 2013, 5th most in NFL. WR MARVIN JONES, JR. has rec. TD in 2 of past 3. In past 3 on road vs. NFC North, has 284 rec. yards (94.7 per game) & 2 TDs. TE ERIC EBRON has 2 TD catches in past 4 meetings.
- S GLOVER QUIN had 37-yard INT-TD in Week 3, his 2nd career INT-TD. Has 3 PD in past 4 on road. CB DARIUS SLAY had 2 INTs last week, his 1st career multi-INT game. Has 2 INTs in past 4 meetings. Has 6 PD & INT in past 4 vs. NFC North. DE EZEKIEL ANSAH has 4.5 sacks & 2 FFs in past 6 meetings. Has 5 sacks & FF in past 3 on road. Aims for 4th in row on road with sack. LB TAHIR WHITEHEAD aims for 3rd in row vs. Min. with 12+ tackles. Since 2016, ranks 7th in NFL with 152 tackles. DE ANTHONY ZETTEL has sack in 2 of past 3. S MILES KILLEBREW led team with career-high 8 tackles last week. Rookie DE JEREMIAH VALOAGA had 1st career sack in Week 3.

LAST GAME: 11/24/16: Vikings 13 at Lions 16	
LAST GAME AT SITE: 11/6/16: Lions 22, Vikings 16	

#### MINNESOTA VIKINGS EK W 34-17 vs. Tampa Bay

LAST WEEK	W 34-17 vs. Tampa Bay
COACH VS. OPP.	Mike Zimmer: 2-4
PTS. FOR/AGAINST	24.0/20.7
OFFENSE	400.3 (2L)
PASSING	Case Keenum: 45-70-536-3-0-101.8 <u>OR</u> Sam Bradford: 27-32-346-3-0-143.0
RUSHING	Dalvin Cook (R): 61-288 (2L)-4.7-1
RECEIVING	Adam Thielen: 19-299 (2L)-15.7-0
DEFENSE	340.3
SACKS	Everson Griffen: 4
INTs	Many tied: 1
TAKE/GIVE	+2 (3/1)
PUNTING (NET)	Ryan Quigley: 42.9 (43.0)
KICKING	Kai Forbath: 24 (6/8 PAT; 6/6 FG)

## **VIKINGS NOTES**

- **QB CASE KEENUM** passed for career-high 369 yards with 3 TDs & 0 INTs for 142.1 rating last week. Passed for 321 yards, 3 TDs & 1 INT for 126.7 rating in last meeting (10/16/16 with LAR). **QB SAM BRADFORD** has 100+ rating in 2 of past 3 meetings. In 6 games vs. division with Min., has 1,643 pass yards (273.8 per game), 10 TDs & 2 INTs for 103.7 rating.
- **RB DALVIN COOK** (rookie) had 169 scrimmage yards (97 rush, 72 rec.) & 1st career rush TD in Week 3. Leads NFC with 288 rush yards.
- WR STEFON DIGGS had 8 receptions for 173 yards & 2 TDs last week, his 3rd career multi-TD game. In 2 career meetings, has 19 receptions (9.5 per game) for 188 yards (94 per game) & TD. WR ADAM THIELEN had 5 catches for 98 yards last week. Has 14 receptions for 255 yards (127.5 per game) in past 2 at home. Thielen (299) & Diggs (293) rank 2nd & 3rd in NFL in rec. yards. TE KYLE RUDOLPH aims for 4th in row at home vs. Det. with TD catch. Ties for 2nd among NFL TEs with 8 rec. TDs since 2016. WR JARIUS WRIGHT had rec. TD last week.
- DE EVERSON GRIFFEN has 4 sacks in past 3. Aims for 6th in row at home vs. Det. with sack. DE DANIELLE HUNTER has 3 sacks & FF in past 4 at home vs. division. S HARRISON SMITH aims for 6th in row vs. Det. with 6+ tackles. Led team with 8 tackles & had INT last week. Rookie DT SHAMAR STEPHEN had 1st career sack in Week 3.

# **ON THE AIRWAVES**

TV: FOX (1:00 PM ET): Thom Brennaman, Chris Spielman, Peter Schrager (Field reporter) SIRIUS: 135 (Det), 81 (Min) | XM: 384 (Det), 81 (Min)