

Week 4



Carolina Panthers (2-1) at New England Patriots (2-1)



Sunday, October 1, 2017 | 1:00 PM ET | Gillette Stadium | Referee: Jerome Boger

REGULAR-SEASON SERIES HISTORY

LEADER: Panthers lead all-time series, 3-2

STREAKS: Panthers have won 2 of past 3

LAST GAME: 11/18/13: Patriots 20 at Panthers 24

LAST GAME AT SITE: 12/13/09: Patriots 20, Panthers 10

CAROLINA PANTHERS

LAST WEEK	L 34-13 vs. New Orleans
COACH VS. OPP.	Ron Rivera: 1-0
PTS. FOR/AGAINST	15.0/13.3 (2L)
OFFENSE	276.7
PASSING	Cam Newton: 51-83-566-2-4-69.7
RUSHING	Jonathan Stewart: 45-162-3.6-0
RECEIVING	Christian McCaffrey (R) (RB): 18-173-9.6-0
DEFENSE	251.7 (1L)
SACKS	Julius Peppers: 2.5
INTs	Luke Kuechly: 1
TAKE/GIVE	-3 (2/5)
PUNTING (NET)	Michael Palardy: 44.4 (40.8)
KICKING	Graham Gano: 27 (3/3 PAT; 8/8 FG)

PANTHERS NOTES

- **QB CAM NEWTON** had 209 pass yards with 3 TDs & 0 INTs for 125.4 rating & added 62 rush yards in last meeting. Aims for 4th in row on road vs. AFC with rush TD. Is 1 of 2 in NFL history (HOFer **STEVE YOUNG**) with 20,000+ pass yards (22,338) & 3,500+ rush yards (3,612).
- **RB JONATHAN STEWART** has 3 TDs in past 3 vs. AFC. Aims for 3rd in row on road with TD. Has 6,800 career rush yards & needs 47 to become team's all-time leader (**DEANGELOWILLIAMS**, 6,846). Rookie **RB CHRISTIAN MC CAFFREY** led team with 9 receptions for 101 yards last week. Ranks 1st among NFL rookies in rec. yards (173), 2nd in catches (18) & 5th in scrimmage yards (246).
- **WR KELVIN BENJAMIN** has rec. TD in all 4 career road games vs. AFC. **WR DEVIN FUNCHESS** has 2 rec. TDs in past 4 vs. AFC.
- **LB JULIUS PEPPERS** ranks 5th in NFL history with 146 career sacks. Aims for 3rd in row vs. NE with 2+ PD. **LB LUKE KUECHLY** had 12 tackles in last meeting. Since 2012, leads NFL with 713 tackles & leads NFL LBs with 13 INTs. Aims for 3rd in row vs. AFC with FF. **LB THOMAS DAVIS** had career-high 17 tackles in last meeting. Since 2013, is 1 of 2 in NFL with 450+ tackles (455), 15+ sacks (15.5) & 9 INTs (9). **DE MARIO ADDISON** aims for 4th in row vs. AFC with sack. Has 10 sacks & FF in past 10. **S KURT COLEMAN** has 14 INTs since 2014, 2nd most in NFC. Led team with 9 tackles last week.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

LAST WEEK	W 36-33 vs. Houston
COACH VS. OPP.	Bill Belichick: 2-2
PTS. FOR/AGAINST	33.0 (2L)/31.7
OFFENSE	440.7 (1L)
PASSING	Tom Brady: 71-110-1092 (1L)-8 (1L)-0-121.5 (2L)
RUSHING	Mike Gillislee: 45-145-3.2-4 (T1L)
RECEIVING	Rob Gronkowski (TE): 16-238-14.9-2
DEFENSE	461.0
SACKS	Trey Flowers: 3
INTs	Stephon Gilmore, Duron Harmon: 1
TAKE/GIVE	+2 (3/1)
PUNTING (NET)	Ryan Allen: 41.7 (37.3)
KICKING	Stephen Gostkowski: 25 (10/11 PAT; 5/5 FG)

PATRIOTS NOTES

- **QB TOM BRADY** passed for 378 yards with 5 TDs vs. 0 INTs for 146.2 rating last week, his 6th career game with 5+ pass TDs & 0 INTs. Has 825 pass yards (412.5 per game) with 8 TDs vs. 0 INTs for 146.5 rating in past 2. Passed for 296 yards with TD in last meeting. In past 13 vs. NFC (incl. SB), has 4,274 pass yards (328.8 per game) with 32 TDs vs. 9 INTs for 103.7 rating.
- **RB MIKE GILLISLEE** ties for NFL lead with 4 rush TDs. Has rush TD in 7 of 8 career games vs. NFC. Since 2015, **RB JAMES WHITE** ranks 5th among NFL RBs with 1,087 rec. yards.
- **TE ROB GRONKOWSKI** has 14 catches for 205 yards (102.5 per game) & 2 TDs in past 2. Has 70 career TD catches & reached 70 rec. TDs in 5th fewest games (91) in NFL history. Ranks 3rd in league history among TEs with 70 TD catches. **WR CHRIS HOGAN** has 146 rec. yards (73 per game) & 3 TD catches in past 2. **WR BRANDIN COOKS** led team with 131 rec. yards & 2 TDs last week. Has 398 rec. yards (99.5 per game) with 2 TD catches in past 4 meetings. Has 30 catches of 25+ yards since 2015, 4th most in NFL.
- **LB KYLE VAN NOY** led team with 11 tackles in Week 3. Has 2 TFL, sack & INT in past 3 vs. NFC. **DE TREY FLOWERS** has 3 sacks in past 3. **CB STEPHON GILMORE** had 1st INT with NE last week. Has 6 INTs since 2016, tied for 3rd most in NFL. **DE CASSIUS MARSH** had sack & FF in Week 3. **S DURON HARMON** had INT last week.

ON THE AIRWAVES

TV: FOX (1:00 PM ET): Joe Buck, Troy Aikman, Erin Andrews (Field reporter)

SIRIUS: 112 (Car), 93 (NE) | **XM:** 383 (Car), 225 (NE)