



Lukas Review's NFL Playoff Primer

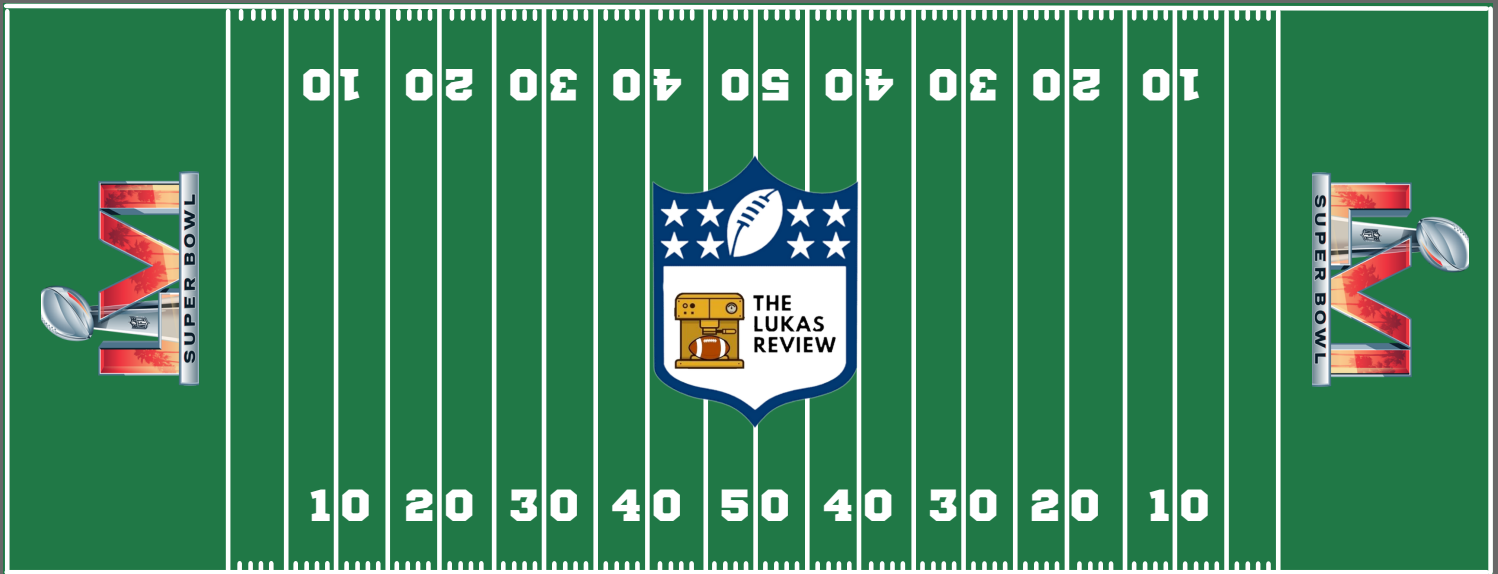


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Glossary

Average Depth of Target (aDOT)

Metric used to evaluate how many yards field a wideout receives targets.

Completion Percentage Over Expected (CPOE)

The difference between Actual Completion % - Expected Completion % (xCompletion %). XCompletion % is calculated using variables: field position, yards to go, air yards, pocket cleanliness, etc..

Defensive-adjusted Value Over Average (DVOA)

Uses every play from a team compared to baseline results to measure a team's efficiency.

EPA per Play (EPA)

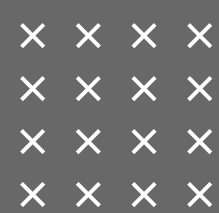
Measures the points a QB adds to their offense on a per play basis.

Pro Football Focus Rank (PFF Rank)

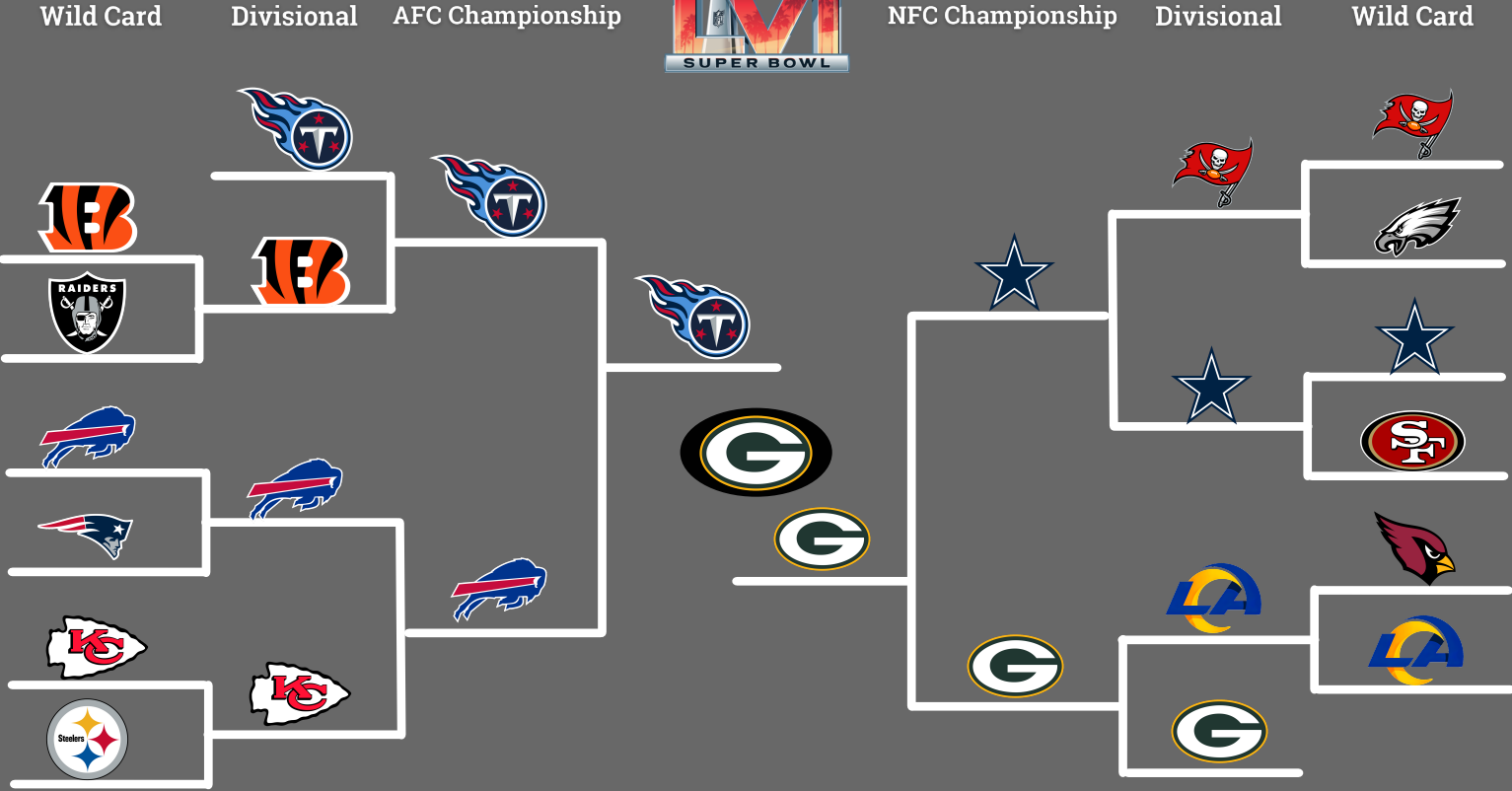
Each player is given a grade of -2 to +2 in 0.5 increments on a given play, with the +/- grades scaled to a 0-100 scale for comparisons across positions. For offensive players, their PFF-positional rank is provided, while defensive players include their grades for Defense, Pass Rush, Run Defense, & Coverage.

Rushing Yards over Expected per Attempt (RYOE/ATT.)

The difference between Expected Rushing Yards (xRY) and Actual Rush, with xRY calculated as the average yards gained from all historical rushes in the same game situation.

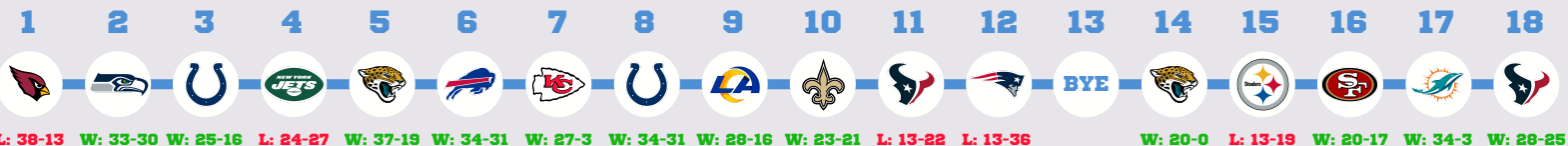


Projections





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Offensive Players to Watch



Ryan Tannehill (QB)
 Totals: 3,734 Yards, 21 TD, & 14 INT
 CPOE: 2.3 (10th)
 EPA per Play: 0.132 (13th)
 PFF Rank: 9th/39



Derrick Henry (HB)
 Totals: 937 Yards, 10 TD, & 4.3 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.26 Yards
 PFF Rank: 20th/61



A.J. Brown (WR)
 Totals: 63 Rec., 869 Yards, & 5 TD
 aDOT: 11.6 Yards
 PFF Rank: 9th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Kevin Byard (FS)

DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
90.3	90.8	81.9
1st / 94 S	1st / 96 S	7th / 87 S



Amani Hooker (SS)

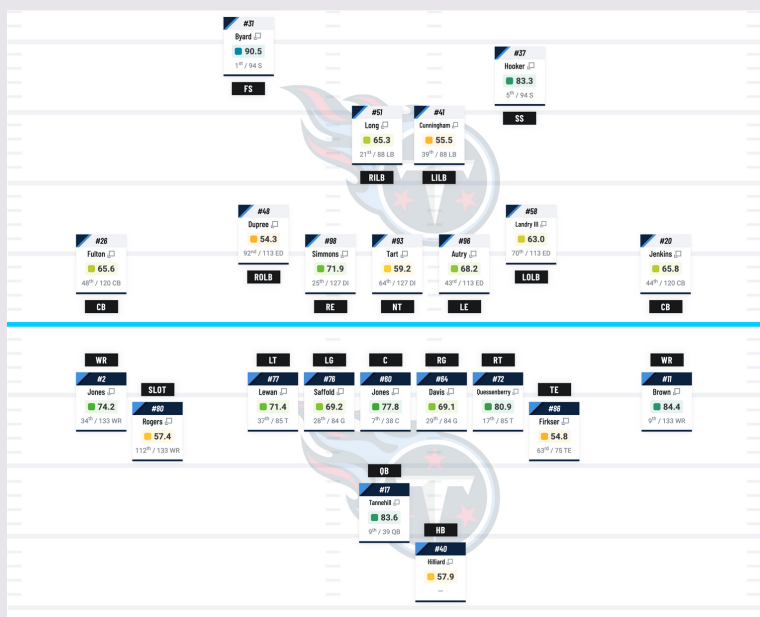
DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
84.8	85.1	74.5
3rd / 94 S	7th / 96 S	22nd / 87 S



Jeffrey Simmons (DT)

DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
71.6	73.1	64.8
26th / 127 DI	22nd / 114 DI	30th / 141 DI

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 12-5

Seed: 1st

Super Bowl Odds: +850

Wild Card Opponent: **BYE**

Offensive DVOA: 20th

Defensive DVOA: 12th

Special Teams DVOA: 22nd

Team DVOA: 20th



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Patrick Mahomes (QB)
 Totals: 4,839 Yards, 37 TD, & 13 INT
 CPOE: 2.3 (10th)
 EPA per Play: 0.132 (13th)
 PFF Rank: 13th/39



Darrel Williams (HB)
 Totals: 558 Yards, 6 TD, & 3.9 YPC
 RYOE/Att: -0.10 Yards
 PFF Rank: 37th/61



Tyreek Hill (WR)
 Totals: 111 Rec., 1,239 Yards, & 9 TD
 aDOT: 10.4 Yards
 PFF Rank: 7th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Chris Jones (DT)
 DEFENSE GRADE: 84.4 (3rd / 127 DI)
 PASS RUSH GRADE: 89.9 (4th / 114 DI)
 RUN DEFENSE GRADE: 68.8 (18th / 141 DI)

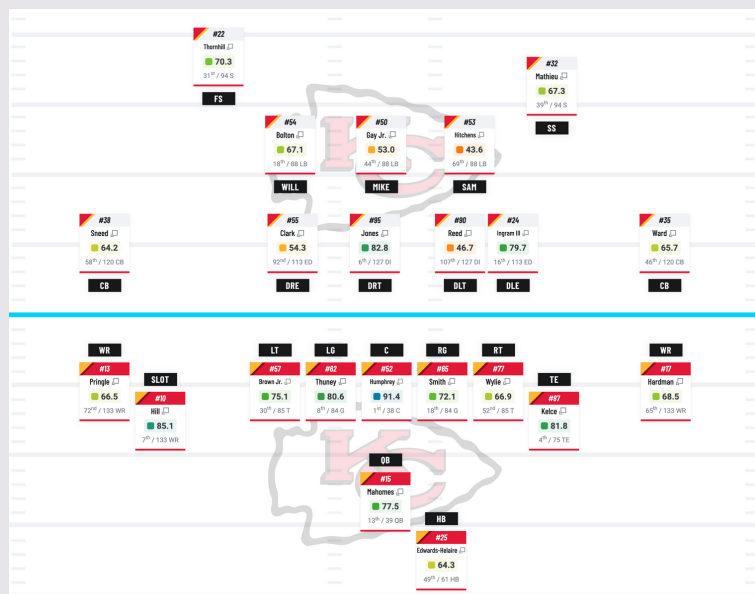


Juan Thornhill (FS)
 DEFENSE GRADE: 75.8 (18th / 94 S)
 COVERAGE GRADE: 73.5 (25th / 96 S)
 RUN DEFENSE GRADE: 76.4 (18th / 87 S)



Nick Bolton (LB)
 DEFENSE GRADE: 65.5 (20th / 86 LB)
 COVERAGE GRADE: 59.6 (32nd / 81 LB)
 RUN DEFENSE GRADE: 67.6 (17th / 87 LB)

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 12-5

Seed: 2nd

Super Bowl Odds: +450

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 3rd

Defensive DVOA: 24th

Special Teams DVOA: 3rd

Team DVOA: 7th



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Josh Allen (QB)
 Totals: 4,407 Yards, 36 TD, & 15 INT
 CPOE: 2.1 (12th)
 EPA per Play: 0.169 (8th)
 PFF Rank: 6th/39



Devin Singletary (HB)
 Totals: 870 Yards, 7 TD, & 4.6 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.44 Yards
 PFF Rank: 44th/61



Stefon Diggs (WR)
 Totals: 83 Rec., 866 Yards, & 2 TD
 aDOT: 11.2 Yards
 PFF Rank: 12th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Micah Hyde (FS)

DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
82.1	88.1	82.5
6th / 94 S	4th / 96 S	1st / 25 S



Jordan Poyer (SS)

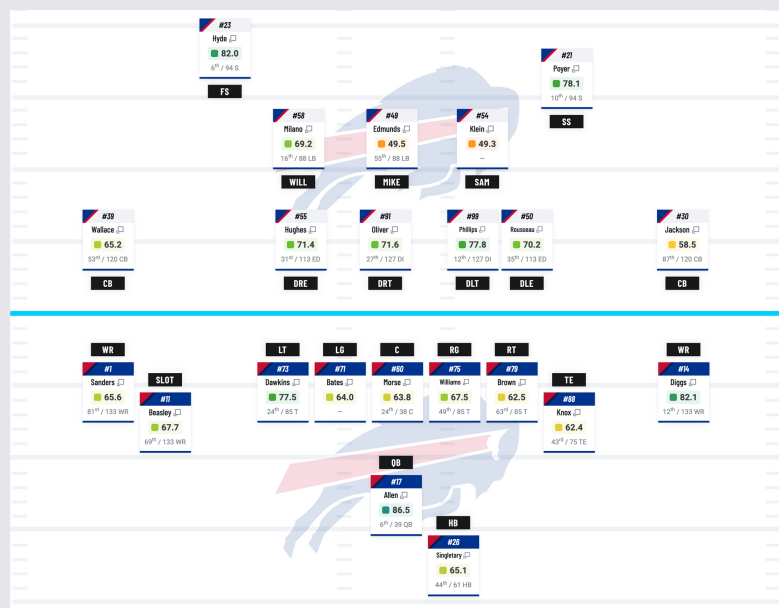
DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
77.2	89.5	71.7
13th / 94 S	2nd / 96 S	9th / 25 S



Matt Milano (LB)

DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
69.2	79.5	70.9
16th / 86 LB	2nd / 14 LB	11th / 87 LB

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 11-6

Seed: 3rd

Super Bowl Odds: +750

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 10th

Defensive DVOA: 1st

Special Teams DVOA: 19th

Team DVOA: 2nd



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Joe Burrow (QB)
 Totals: 4,611 Yards, 34 TD, & 14 INT
 CPOE: 6.7 (1st)
 EPA per Play: 0.186 (7th)
 PFF Rank: 2nd/39



Joe Mixon (HB)
 Totals: 1,205 Yards, 13 TD, & 4.1 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.24 Yards
 PFF Rank: 12th/61



Ja'Marr Chase (WR)
 Totals: 81 Rec., 1,455 Yards, & 13 TD
 aDOT: 12.6 Yards
 PFF Rank: 11th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Chidobe Awuzie (CB)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
83.4	66.3	84.2
3rd / 118 CB	43rd / 105 CB	3rd / 121 CB



D.J. Reader (DT)

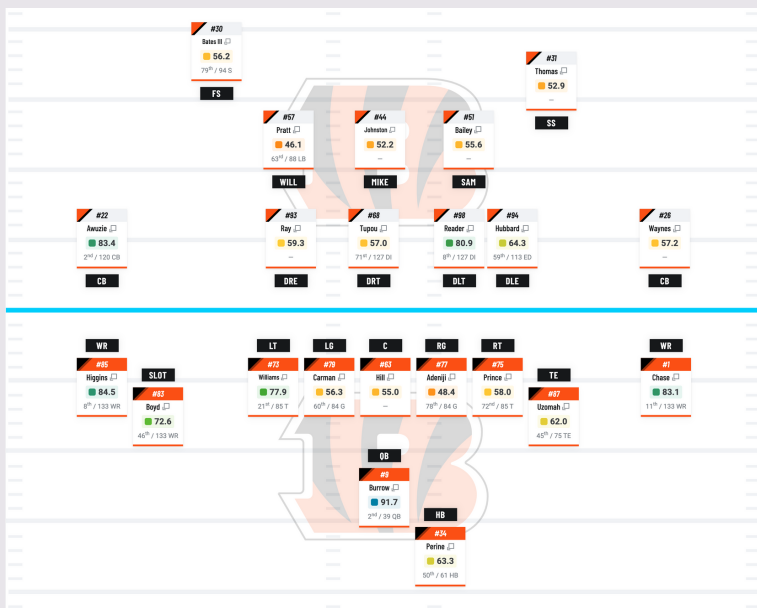
DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
81.3	78.9	69.4
9th / 127 DI	8th / 141 DI	36th / 114 DI



Trey Hendrickson (EDGE)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
72.4	45.1	83.9
30th / 111 ED	105th / 116 ED	11th / 109 ED

Starting Lineups and Grades



** Note that Joe Mixon is absent but will certainly play Sunday **

Team Stats

Record: 10-7

Seed: 4th

Super Bowl Odds: +1700

Wild Card Opponent:



Offensive DVOA: 11th

Defensive DVOA: 25th

Special Teams DVOA: 15th

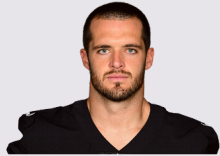
Team DVOA: 17th



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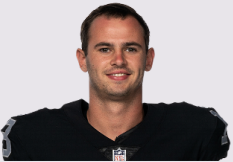
Offensive Players to Watch



Derek Carr (QB)
 Totals: 4,804 Yards, 23 TD, & 14 INT
 CPOE: 2.2 (11th)
 EPA per Play: 0.107 (15th)
 PFF Rank: 15th/39



Josh Jacobs (HB)
 Totals: 872 Yards, 9 TD, & 4.0 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.18 Yards
 PFF Rank: 16th/61



Hunter Renfrow (WR)
 Totals: 103 Rec., 1,038 Yards, & 9 TD
 aDOT: 6.5 Yards
 PFF Rank: 16th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Casey Hayward Jr. (CB)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
76.0	71.6	75.0
15th / 120 CB	26th / 108 CB	20th / 122 CB



Trevon Moehrig (FS)

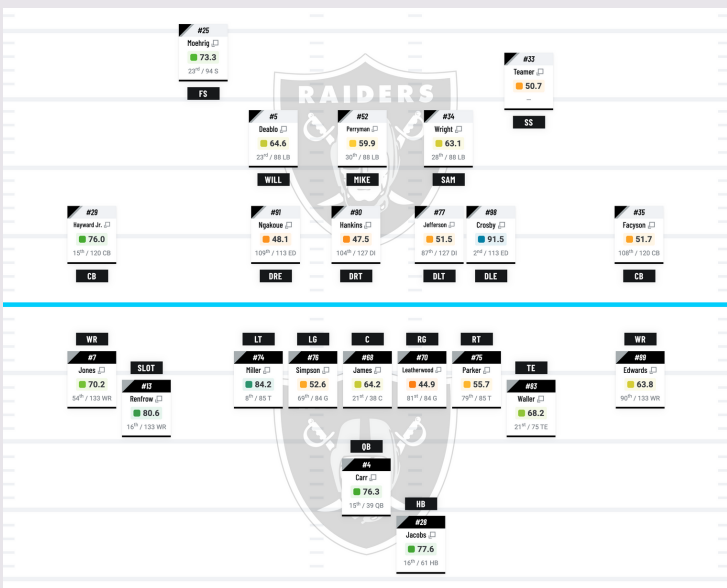
DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
73.3	59.9	77.7
23rd / 94 S	58th / 86 S	14th / 97 S



Maxx Crosby (EDGE)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
91.5	77.1	91.8
2nd / 113 ED	8th / 118 ED	2nd / 111 ED

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 10-7

Seed: 5th

Super Bowl Odds: +5500

Wild Card Opponent: **IND**

Offensive DVOA: 19th

Defensive DVOA: 17th

Special Teams DVOA: 21st

Team DVOA: 21st



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Mac Jones (QB)
 Totals: 3,801 Yards, 22 TD, & 13 INT
 CPOE: 2.4 (8th)
 EPA per Play: 0.114 (14th)
 PFF Rank: 12th/39



Damien Harris (HB)
 Totals: 929 Yards, 15 TD, & 4.6 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.80 Yards
 PFF Rank: 1st/61



Jakobi Meyers (WR)
 Totals: 83 Rec., 866 Yards, & 2 TD
 aDOT: 9.8 Yards
 PFF Rank: 29th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



J.C. Jackson (CB)

DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
81.7	82.2	74.7
4th / 118 CB	6th / 121 CB	19th / 105 CB



Adrian Phillips (SS)

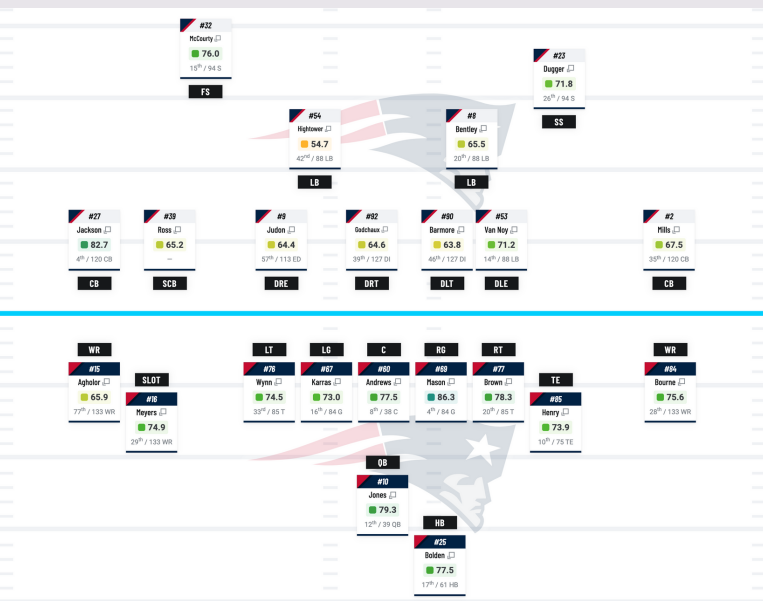
DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
81.6	86.2	74.7
7th / 94 S	6th / 96 S	19th / 105 CB



Kyle Van Noy (LB)

DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
71.0	85.2	57.0
13th / 86 LB	1st / 81 LB	31st / 87 LB

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 10-7

Seed: 6th

Super Bowl Odds: +2200

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 9th

Defensive DVOA: 4th

Special Teams DVOA: 18th

Team DVOA: 4th



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Ben Roethlisberger (QB)
 Totals: 3,740 Yards, 22 TD, & 10 INT
 CPOE: -2.4 (27th)
 EPA per Play: -0.017 (25th)
 PFF Rank: 37th/39

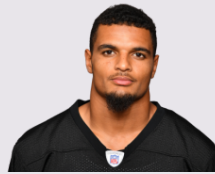


Najee Harris (HB)
 Totals: 1,200 Yards, 7 TD, & 3.9 YPC
 RYOE/Att: -0.26 Yards
 PFF Rank: 27th/61



Diontae Johnson (WR)
 Totals: 107 Rec., 1,161 Yards, & 8 TD
 aDOT: 8.5 Yards
 PFF Rank: 35th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Minkah Fitzpatrick (S)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
59.8	83.1	49.4
65th / 94 S	6th / 86 S	86th / 97 S



Cameron Heyward (DT)

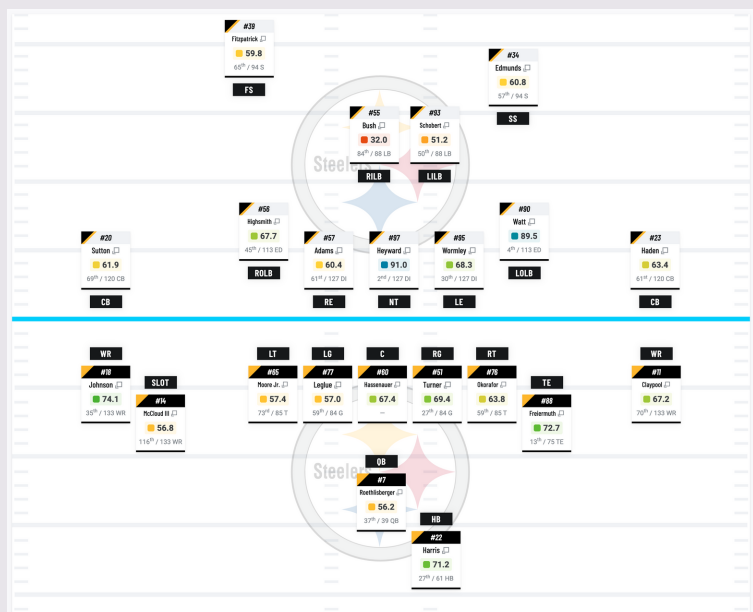
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91.0	89.9	85.8
2nd / 127 DI	2nd / 143 DI	5th / 112 DI



T.J. Watt (EDGE)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
89.5	70.1	90.6
4th / 113 ED	23rd / 118 ED	3rd / 111 ED

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 9-7-1

Seed: 7th

Super Bowl Odds: +9000

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 26th

Defensive DVOA: 13th

Special Teams DVOA: 7th

Team DVOA: 24th



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Aaron Rodgers (QB)
 Totals: 4,115 Yards, 37 TD, & 4 INT
 CPOE: 5.8 (2nd)
 EPA per Play: 0.257 (1st)
 PFF Rank: 1st/39



Aaron Jones (HB)
 Totals: 799 Yards, 4 TD, & 4.7 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.67 Yards
 PFF Rank: 6th/61



Davante Adams (WR)
 Totals: 145 Rec., 1,947 Yards, & 16 TD
 aDOT: 9.6 Yards
 PFF Rank: 1st/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Rashan Gary (LB)

DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
87.2	86.7	68.8
8th / 111 ED	8th / 109 ED	33rd / 116 ED



Kenny Clark (DT)

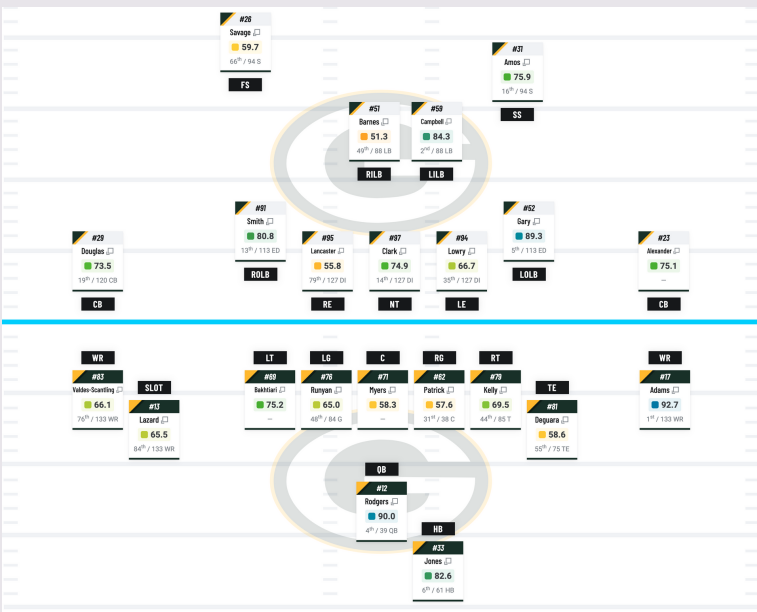
DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
74.3	76.4	56.7
19th / 127 DI	12th / 114 DI	60th / 141 DI



De'vondre Campbell (LB)

DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE
84.5	83.1	78.7
2nd / 86 LB	2nd / 81 LB	4th / 87 LB

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 13-4

Seed: 1st

Super Bowl Odds: +380

Wild Card Opponent: BYE

Offensive DVOA: 2nd

Defensive DVOA: 22nd

Special Teams DVOA: 32nd

Team DVOA: 9th



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Offensive Players to Watch



Tom Brady (QB)
 Totals: 5,316 Yards, 43 TD, & 12 INT
 CPOE: 1.7 (15th)
 EPA per Play: 0.217 (3rd)
 PFF Rank: 1st/39



Leonard Fournette (HB)
 Totals: 812 Yards, 8 TD, & 4.5 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.48 Yards
 PFF Rank: 22nd/61



Mike Evans (WR)
 Totals: 74 Rec., 1,035 Yards, & 14 TD
 aDOT: 13.0 Yards
 PFF Rank: 42nd/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Antoine Winfield (FS)

DEFENSE GRADE 86.9 2nd / 94 S	COVERAGE GRADE 89.0 3rd / 96 S	RUN DEFENSE GRADE 73.9 24th / 87 S
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Lavonte David (LB)

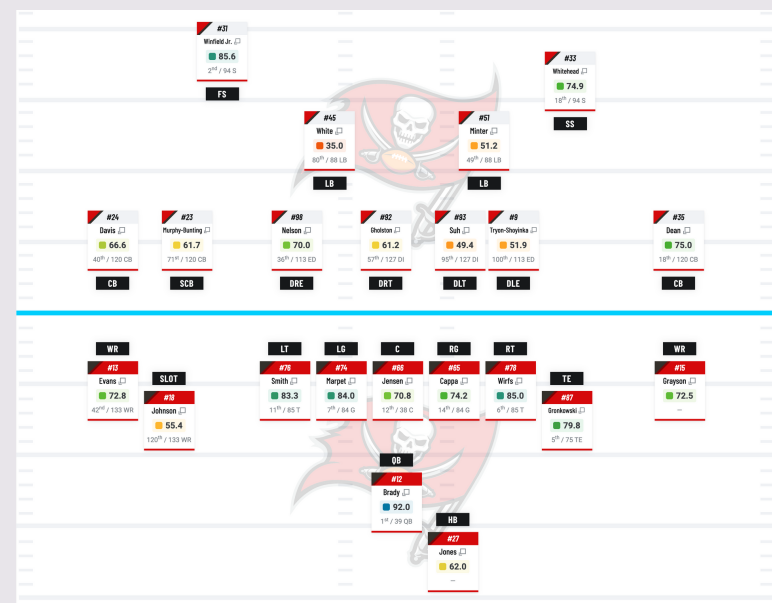
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Vita Vea (DT)

DEFENSE GRADE 74.7 17th / 127 DI	PASS RUSH GRADE 78.0 8th / 114 DI	RUN DEFENSE GRADE 64.3 32nd / 141 DI
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Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 13-4

Seed: 2nd

Super Bowl Odds: +750

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 1st

Defensive DVOA: 9th

Special Teams DVOA: 27th

Team DVOA: 3rd



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Dak Prescott (QB)
 Totals: 4,449 Yards, 37 TD, & 10 INT
 CPOE: 2.3 (9th)
 EPA per Play: 0.137 (11th)
 PFF Rank: 8th/39



Ezekiel Elliott (HB)
 Totals: 1,002 Yards, 10 TD, & 4.2 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.19 Yards
 PFF Rank: 33rd/61



CeeDee Lamb (WR)
 Totals: 77 Rec., 982 Yards, & 5 TD
 aDOT: 11.6 Yards
 PFF Rank: 10th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Micah Parsons (LB)

DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
88.7	69.4	93.0
1st / 86 LB	14th / 81 LB	1st / 14 LB



Demarcus Lawrence (EDGE)

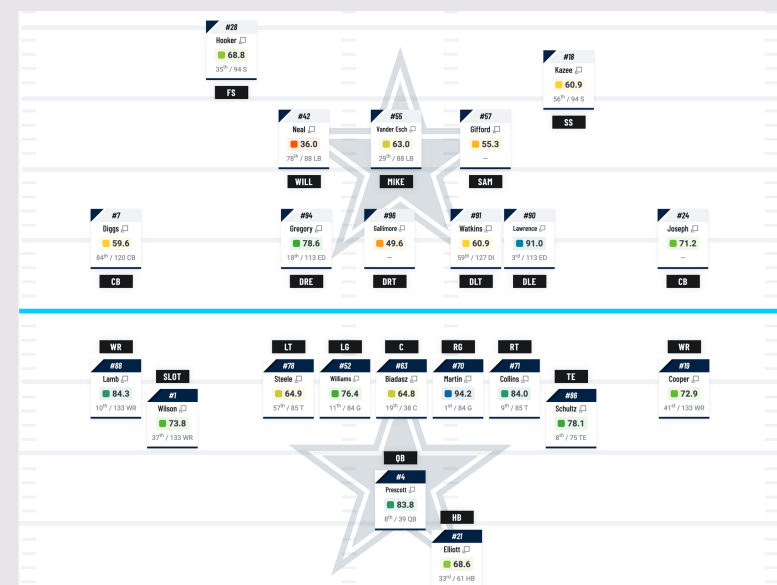
DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
91.2	94.3	81.5
2nd / 111 ED		14th / 109 ED



Trevon Diggs (CB)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
59.6	32.4	66.7
80th / 118 CB	102nd / 105 CB	46th / 121 CB

Starting Lineups and Grades



** Note that Micah Parsons is absent but will certainly play Sunday **

Team Stats

Record: 12-5

Seed: 3rd

Super Bowl Odds: +1100

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 6th

Defensive DVOA: 2nd

Special Teams DVOA: 6th

Team DVOA: 1st



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Matthew Stafford (QB)
 Totals: 4,886 Yards, 41 TD, & 17 INT
 CPOE: -0.1 (21st)
 EPA per Play: 0.203 (4th)
 PFF Rank: 1st/39



Sony Michel (HB)
 Totals: 845 Yards, 4 TD, & 4.1 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.21 Yards
 PFF Rank: 40th/61



Cooper Cupp (WR)
 Totals: 145 Rec., 1,947 Yards, & 16 TD
 aDOT: 8.6 Yards
 PFF Rank: 2nd/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Aaron Donald (DT)

DEFENSE GRADE 94.1 1st / 127 DT	RUN DEFENSE GRADE 90.9 1st / 141 DT	PASS RUSH GRADE 92.9 1st / 114 DT
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Jalen Ramsey (CB)

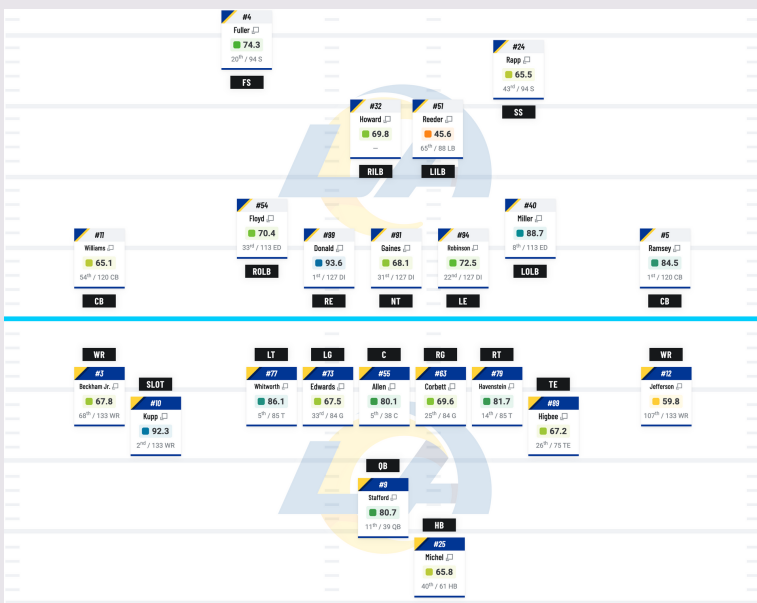
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Von Miller (EDGE)

DEFENSE GRADE 87.5 7th / 111 ED	RUN DEFENSE GRADE 86.9 2nd / 116 ED	PASS RUSH GRADE 74.4 26th / 109 ED
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Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 12-5

Seed: 4th

Super Bowl Odds: +950

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 8th

Defensive DVOA: 5th

Special Teams DVOA: 4th

Team DVOA: 5th



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Kyle Murray (QB)
 Totals: 3,787 Yards, 24 TD, & 10 INT
 CPOE: 4.3 (3rd)
 EPA per Play: 0.132 (12th)
 PFF Rank: 7th/39

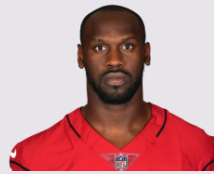


James Connor (HB)
 Totals: 752 Yards, 15 TD, & 3.7 YPC
 RYOE/Att: -0.2 Yards
 PFF Rank: 5th/61



Christian Kirk (WR)
 Totals: 77 Rec., 982 Yards, & 5 TD
 aDOT: 11.6 Yards
 PFF Rank: 45th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Chandler Jones (DE)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
73.5	45.0	88.2
27th / 111 ED	106th / 116 ED	7th / 109 ED



Jordan Hicks (LB)

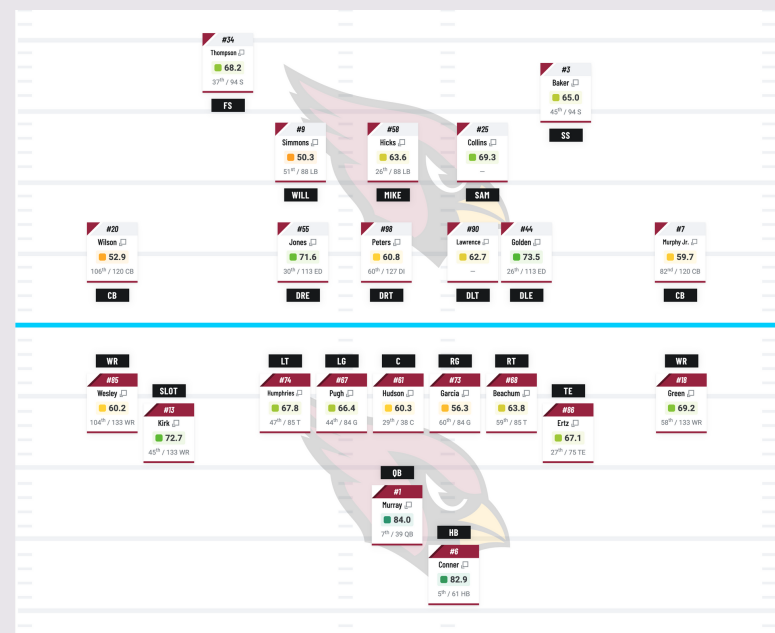
DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
63.2	60.8	73.9
24th / 86 LB	27th / 87 LB	4th / 14 LB



Budda Baker (SS)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
64.4	64.2	64.6
44th / 94 S	49th / 87 S	43rd / 96 S

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 11-6

Seed: 5th

Super Bowl Odds: +2100

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 15th

Defensive DVOA: 6th

Special Teams DVOA: 20th

Team DVOA: 10th



Schedule



Offensive Players to Watch



Jimmy Garoppolo (QB)
 Totals: 3,810 Yards, 20 TD, & 12 INT
 CPOE: 2.7 (7th)
 EPA per Play: 0.203 (5th)
 PFF Rank: 17th/39



Elijah Mitchell (HB)
 Totals: 963 Yards, 5 TD, & 4.7 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 0.64 Yards
 PFF Rank: 18th/61



Deebo Samuel (WR)
 Totals: 77 Rec., 1,405 Yards, & 6 TD
 aDOT: 8.5 Yards
 PFF Rank: 6th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Nick Bosa (EDGE)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
89.2	63.3	89.8
7th / 113 ED	52nd / 118 ED	5th / 111 ED



Arik Armstead (DE)

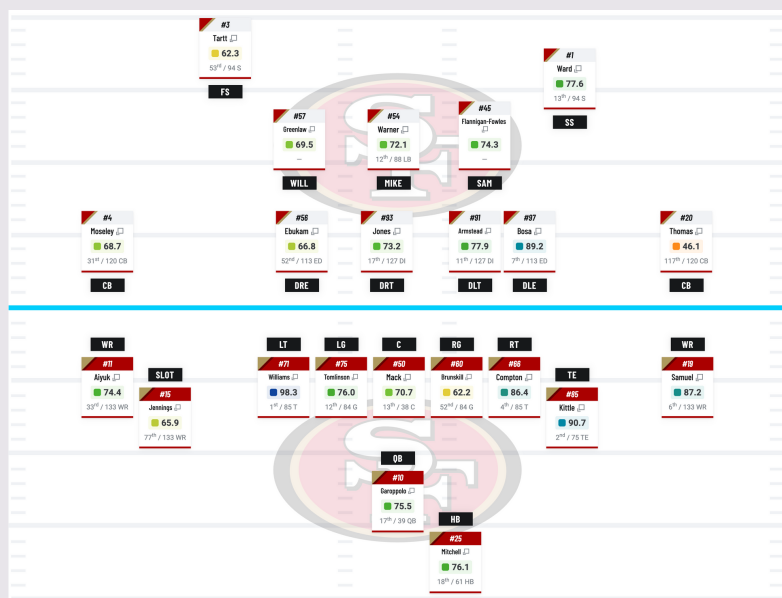
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77.9	67.4	78.0
11th / 127 DI	20th / 143 DI	9th / 112 DI



Fred Warner (LB)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
72.1	67.1	72.4
12th / 88 LB	17th / 85 LB	9th / 84 LB

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 10-7

Seed: 6th

Super Bowl ODDS: +2100

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 5th

Defensive DVOA: 7th

Special Teams DVOA: 26th

Team DVOA: 6th



Schedule



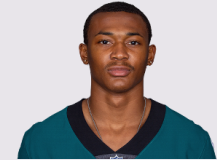
Offensive Players to Watch



Jalen Hurts (QB)
 Totals: 3,144 Yards, 16 TD, & 9 INT
 CPOE: 0.10 (20th)
 EPA per Play: 0.101 (16th)
 PFF Rank: 10th/39



Miles Sanders (HB)
 Totals: 754 Yards, 0 TD, & 5.5 YPC
 RYOE/Att: 1.39 Yards
 PFF Rank: 25th/61



DeVonta Smith (WR)
 Totals: 64 Rec., 916 Yards, & 5 TD
 aDOT: 13.9 Yards
 PFF Rank: 25th/133

Defensive Players to Watch



Darius Slay (CB)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
81.3	60.8	83.9
5th / 118 CB	55th / 105 CB	4th / 121 CB



TJ Edwards (LB)

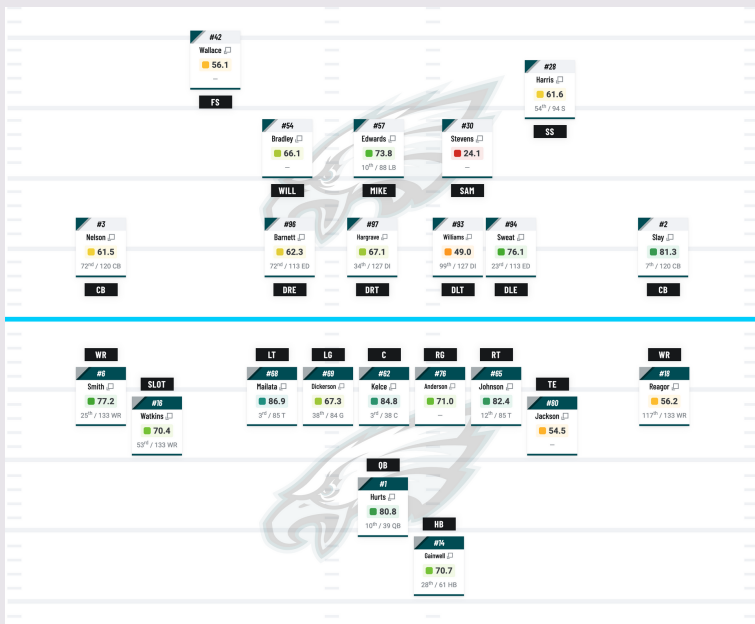
DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	COVERAGE GRADE
75.2	74.2	70.2
8th / 86 LB	8th / 87 LB	11th / 81 LB



Josh Sweat (EDGE)

DEFENSE GRADE	RUN DEFENSE GRADE	PASS RUSH GRADE
77.2	66.2	76.0
22nd / 111 ED	39th / 116 ED	23rd / 109 ED

Starting Lineups and Grades



Team Stats

Record: 9-8

Seed: 7th

Super Bowl Odds: +5500

Wild Card Opponent:

Offensive DVOA: 11th

Defensive DVOA: 25th

Special Teams DVOA: 15th

Team DVOA: 15th



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