NFL APPROACHES QUARTER MARK WITH KEY WEEK 4 GAMES

NFL returns to London as Jaguars face Colts on Sunday (9:30 AM ET)

Five teams – Baltimore, Denver, Minnesota, New England and Philadelphia – remain undefeated as the NFL enters Week 4.

"It's still a young season and only three games," says Eagles head coach **DOUG PEDERSON**, who joined Pittsburgh's **MIKE TOMLIN** (2007) as the only rookie head coaches to start 3-0 and win each game by at least 15 points. "We've got to continue to grind. We're only as good as the last game. Anything can happen in the National Football League. We just have to focus one game at a time. It's a one-game mentality."

The chances of making the playoffs after a 3-0 start are good but far from certain. Since 1990, when the current 12-team playoff format was adopted, 99 of the 131 teams (75.6 percent) to start 3-0 have qualified for the postseason.

"It's a testament to our team," says Broncos quarterback **TREVOR SIEMIAN** – who became the first player in NFL history to pass for at least 300 yards and four touchdowns without an interception in his first career road start – about Denver's 3-0 record. "We have a really good team, a really resilient group. I'm just really proud to be a part of the team."

Among the 3-0 teams are the Ravens and Eagles, who each missed the playoffs last season and are candidates to be turnaround teams in 2016. Since the 12-team playoff format began in 1990, at least four teams have qualified for the playoffs in every season that were not in the postseason the year before.

"We're always trying to get better and go 1-0 every week," says Philadelphia quarterback **CARSON WENTZ**, who is the only rookie in NFL history to throw at least one touchdown pass without an interception in each of his first three games of a season. "We're doing a great job of keeping it one play at a time. Everyone believes in each other and it's been three great team wins."

There are 15 teams with a 2-1 record or better – Atlanta (2-1), Baltimore (3-0), Dallas (2-1), Denver (3-0), Green Bay (2-1), Houston (2-1), Kansas City (2-1), Los Angeles (2-1), Minnesota (3-0), New England (3-0), New York Giants (2-1), Oakland (2-1), Philadelphia (3-0), Pittsburgh (2-1) and Seattle (2-1) – and seven of them did not make the playoffs in 2015 (Atlanta, Baltimore, Dallas, Los Angeles, New York Giants, Oakland and Philadelphia).

Don't count out any teams yet. Since 1990, 71 teams with a losing record after the first three games made the playoffs. That includes four teams last season – Houston, Kansas City, Seattle and Washington. So, entering Week 4, hope is still very much alive for everyone.

As the NFL approaches the quarter mark of the season, Week 4 kicks off with the Cincinnati Bengals hosting the Miami Dolphins on Thursday night (8:25 PM ET, NFLN).

Also this week, the NFL returns to London for the first of three games this season. On Sunday (9:30 AM ET, CBS), the Jacksonville Jaguars will face the Indianapolis Colts at Wembley Stadium.

Among the other key games on the schedule this week:

MIAMI DOLPHINS (1-2) at CINCINNATI BENGALS (1-2) (Thursday, NFLN, 8:25 PM ET)

- Miami head coach **ADAM GASE** earned his first career win last week as the Dolphins defeated Cleveland 30-24 in overtime. Miami running back **JAY AJAYI** scored on an 11-yard touchdown run in OT to seal the victory.
- In the last meeting, Dolphins defensive end **CAMERON WAKE** had three sacks, including the game-winning safety in overtime.

- Cincinnati quarterback **ANDY DALTON** leads the AFC with 938 passing yards.
- Bengals running back **JEREMY HILL** rushed for 97 yards and two touchdowns last week and has 10 rushing touchdowns in his last 11 games (including the postseason).

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (1-2) at JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (0-3) (Sunday, CBS, 9:30 AM ET)

- The first of three games played in the UK this season.

- Indianapolis quarterback **ANDREW LUCK** threw a game-winning 63-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver **T.Y. HILTON** with 1:17 remaining in the fourth quarter to give the Colts a 26-22 come-from-behind win over San Diego last week. It marked the longest game-winning TD pass that late in the fourth quarter of a game since October 21, 2012 when the Giants' **ELI MANNING** and **VICTOR CRUZ** connected on a 77-yard TD with 1:13 left in a win over Washington.

- The Jaguars are hosting a game in London for the fourth consecutive season.
- Jacksonville wide receiver **ALLEN ROBINSON** had two touchdown receptions last week against Baltimore. Robinson has 14 receiving touchdowns in his past 15 games.

BUFFALO BILLS (1-2) at NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (3-0) (Sunday, CBS, 1:00 PM ET)

- The Bills defeated Arizona 33-18 last week to earn the team's first win of the season.
- Buffalo running back **LE SEAN MC COY** rushed for 110 yards and two touchdowns in the victory. Since 2010, McCoy is the only player in the NFL with at least 7,000 rushing yards (7,277) and 2,000 receiving yards (2,315).

- The Patriots improved to 3-0 with a 27-0 victory over Houston last Thursday night. New England has started two different quarterbacks this season – **JIMMY GAROPPOLO** (2-0) and rookie **JACOBY BRISSETT** (1-0). The two quarterbacks have combined for four passing touchdowns, one rushing touchdown and no interceptions.
- New England running back **LE GARRETTE BLOUNT** leads the NFL in rushing (298 yards) and is tied for the league lead with four rushing touchdowns, including at least one in all three games.

DALLAS COWBOYS (2-1) at SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS (1-2) (Sunday, FOX, 4:25 PM ET)

- The Cowboys have won two in a row, including last week's 31-17 win over Chicago.
- Rookie quarterback **DAK PRESCOTT** accounted for two touchdowns (one passing, one rushing) against the Bears and rookie running back **EZEKIEL ELLIOTT** recorded the first 100-yard rushing game (140 yards) of his career.

- San Francisco running back **CARLOS HYDE** is tied for the NFL lead with four rushing touchdowns. Last week against Seattle, he rushed for 103 yards with two touchdowns and added a two-point conversion run. Hyde is first in the NFL among non-kickers with 26 points scored.
- 49ers linebacker **NA VORRO BOWMAN** leads the team with 27 tackles.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS (2-1) at PITTSBURGH STEELERS (2-1) (Sunday, NBC, 8:30 PM ET)

- The Chiefs forced eight turnovers, including six interceptions in last week's 24-3 win over the New York Jets.
- Kansas City cornerback **MARCUS PETERS** had two interceptions for the second consecutive game. Since entering the NFL in 2015, Peters leads the league with 12 interceptions.

- Pittsburgh wide receiver **ANTONIO BROWN** has 24 catches for 305 yards this season. Since 2013, Brown leads the NFL with 399 catches, 5,336 receiving yards & 24 100-yard games.
- Steelers quarterback **BEN ROETHLISBERGER** has won four of his five career starts against the Chiefs – including the past three – and has posted a 106.8 passer rating.

NEW YORK GIANTS (2-1) at MINNESOTA VIKINGS (3-0) (Monday, ESPN, 8:30 PM ET)

- Giants wide receiver **ODELL BECKHAM, JR.** had seven catches for 121 yards last week. Playing in his 30th career game, he became the fastest player in NFL history to reach 200 catches (206) and 3,000 receiving yards (3,035).
- With 350 passing yards in Week 3, Giants quarterback **ELI MANNING** became the 10th player in NFL history to reach 45,000 career passing yards (45,112).

- Minnesota's defense had eight sacks – tied for the third-most in a road game in franchise history – in last week's 22-10 win at Carolina. The Vikings snapped the Panthers' 14-game home winning streak (including the playoffs).
- Vikings defensive end **EVERSON GRIFFEN** had three sacks against Carolina and defensive end **DANIELLE HUNTER** recorded a sack in the end zone that resulted in a safety.

2016 NFL STANDINGS

American Football Conference
East Division

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	Conf	Div	Streak
New England Patriots	3	0	0	1.000	81	45	2-0	1-0	2-0	1-0	3W
New York Jets	1	2	0	.333	62	78	0-1	1-1	1-2	1-0	1L
Miami Dolphins	1	2	0	.333	64	67	1-0	0-2	1-1	0-1	1W
Buffalo Bills	1	2	0	.333	71	68	1-1	0-1	0-2	0-1	1W

North Division

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	Conf	Div	Streak
Baltimore Ravens	3	0	0	1.000	57	44	1-0	2-0	3-0	1-0	3W
Pittsburgh Steelers	2	1	0	.667	65	66	1-0	1-1	1-0	1-0	1L
Cincinnati Bengals	1	2	0	.333	56	75	0-1	1-1	1-2	0-1	2L
Cleveland Browns	0	3	0	.000	54	84	0-1	0-2	0-2	0-1	3L

South Division

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	Conf	Div	Streak
Houston Texans	2	1	0	.667	42	53	2-0-0	0-1-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	1L
Tennessee Titans	1	2	0	.333	42	57	0-2-0	1-0-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	1L
Indianapolis Colts	1	2	0	.333	81	95	1-1-0	0-1-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	1W
Jacksonville Jaguars	0	3	0	.000	54	84	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	3L

West Division

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	Conf	Div	Streak
Denver Broncos	3	0	0	1.000	84	57	2-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	3W
Kansas City Chiefs	2	1	0	.667	69	49	2-0-0	0-1-0	2-1-0	1-0-0	1W
Oakland Raiders	2	1	0	.667	80	79	0-1-0	2-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	1W
San Diego Chargers	1	2	0	.333	87	73	1-0-0	0-2-0	1-2-0	0-1-0	1L

National Football Conference
East Division

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	Conf	Div	Streak
Philadelphia Eagles	3	0	0	1.000	92	27	2-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	3W
New York Giants	2	1	0	.667	63	61	1-1-0	1-0-0	2-1-0	1-1-0	1L
Dallas Cowboys	2	1	0	.667	77	60	1-1-0	1-0-0	2-1-0	1-1-0	2W
Washington Redskins	1	2	0	.333	68	92	0-2-0	1-0-0	1-1-0	1-1-0	1W

North Division

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	Conf	Div	Streak
Minnesota Vikings	3	0	0	1.000	64	40	1-0-0	2-0-0	2-0-0	1-0-0	3W
Green Bay Packers	2	1	0	.667	75	67	1-0-0	1-1-0	1-1-0	1-1-0	1W
Detroit Lions	1	2	0	.333	81	85	0-1-0	1-1-0	0-1-0	0-1-0	2L
Chicago Bears	0	3	0	.000	45	83	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-2-0	0-0-0	3L

South Division

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	Conf	Div	Streak
Atlanta Falcons	2	1	0	.667	104	91	0-1-0	2-0-0	1-1-0	1-1-0	2W
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	1	2	0	.333	70	101	0-1-0	1-1-0	1-2-0	1-0-0	2L
Carolina Panthers	1	2	0	.333	76	70	1-1-0	0-1-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	1L
New Orleans Saints	0	3	0	.000	79	96	0-2-0	0-1-0	0-2-0	0-1-0	3L

West Division

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	Conf	Div	Streak
Los Angeles Rams	2	1	0	.667	46	63	1-0-0	1-1-0	2-1-0	1-1-0	2W
Seattle Seahawks	2	1	0	.667	52	37	2-0-0	0-1-0	1-1-0	1-1-0	1W
San Francisco 49ers	1	2	0	.333	73	83	1-0-0	0-2-0	1-2-0	1-1-0	2L
Arizona Cardinals	1	2	0	.333	79	63	1-1-0	0-1-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	1L

NFL WEEK 4 SCHEDULE
THURSDAY, SUNDAY & MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, OCTOBER 2-3

(All times local)
Byes: Green Bay, Philadelphia

Thursday, September 29
Miami at Cincinnati, 8:25 PM (NFLN)

Sunday, October 2
Indianapolis at Jacksonville (London), 2:30 PM
Carolina at Atlanta, 1:00 PM
Oakland at Baltimore, 1:00 PM
Detroit at Chicago, 12:00 PM
Tennessee at Houston, 12:00 PM
Buffalo at New England, 1:00 PM
Seattle at New York Jets, 1:00 PM

Sunday, October 2 (cont'd)
Cleveland at Washington, 1:00 PM
Denver at Tampa Bay, 4:05 PM
Los Angeles at Tampa Bay, 4:05 PM
Los Angeles at Arizona, 1:25 PM
New Orleans at San Diego, 1:25 PM
Dallas at San Francisco, 1:25 PM
Kansas City at Pittsburgh, 8:30 PM (NBC)

Monday, October 3
New York Giants at Minnesota, 7:30 PM
(ESPN)