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## WHAT TO LOOK FOR – A LOOK BACK

**VIEW FROM THE TOP:** Both number one seeds earned victories in the Divisional round for the first time since 2009. Seattle defeated New Orleans 23-15 and Denver defeated San Diego 24-17. Since the NFL moved to a 12-team playoff format in 1990, No. 1 seeds in the NFC are now 20-4 (.833) in the Divisional Playoffs. In the AFC, the No. 1 seed now has a 14-10 (.583) record.

The No. 1 seeds in Divisional-round play since 1990:

YEAR	AFC NO. 1 SEED	DIVISIONAL RESULT	NFC NO. 1 SEED	DIVISIONAL RESULT
1990	Buffalo	Defeated Miami 44-34	San Francisco	Defeated Washington 28-10
1991	Buffalo	Defeated Kansas City 37-14	Washington	Defeated Atlanta 24-7
1992	Pittsburgh	Lost to Buffalo 24-3	San Francisco	Defeated Washington 20-13
1993	Buffalo	Defeated L.A. Raiders 29-23	Dallas	Defeated Green Bay 27-17
1994	Pittsburgh	Defeated Cleveland 29-9	San Francisco	Defeated Chicago 44-15
1995	Kansas City	Lost to Indianapolis 10-7	Dallas	Defeated Philadelphia 30-11
1996	Denver	Lost to Jacksonville 30-27	Green Bay	Defeated San Francisco 35-14
1997	Kansas City	Lost to Denver 14-10	San Francisco	Defeated Minnesota 38-22
1998	Denver	Defeated Miami 38-3	Minnesota	Defeated Arizona 41-21
1999	Jacksonville	Defeated Miami 62-7	St. Louis	Defeated Minnesota 49-37
2000	Tennessee	Lost to Baltimore 24-10	N.Y. Giants	Defeated Philadelphia 20-10
2001	Pittsburgh	Defeated Baltimore 27-10	St. Louis	Defeated Green Bay 45-17
2002	Oakland	Defeated N.Y. Jets 30-10	Philadelphia	Defeated Atlanta 20-6
2003	New England	Defeated Tennessee 17-14	Philadelphia	Defeated Green Bay 20-17 (OT)
2004	Pittsburgh	Defeated N.Y. Jets 20-17 (OT)	Philadelphia	Defeated Minnesota 27-14
2005	Indianapolis	Lost to Pittsburgh 21-18	Seattle	Defeated Washington 20-10
2006	San Diego	Lost to New England 24-21	Chicago	Defeated Seattle 27-24 (OT)
2007	New England	Defeated Jacksonville 31-20	Dallas	Lost to N.Y. Giants 21-17
2008	Tennessee	Lost to Baltimore 13-10	N.Y. Giants	Lost to Philadelphia 23-11
2009	Indianapolis	Defeated Baltimore 20-3	New Orleans	Defeated Arizona 45-14
2010	New England	Lost to N.Y. Jets 28-21	Atlanta	Lost to Green Bay 48-21
2011	New England	Defeated Denver 45-10	Green Bay	Lost to N.Y. Giants 37-20
2012	Denver	Lost to Baltimore 38-35 (2OT)	Atlanta	Defeated Seattle 30-28
<b>2013</b>	<b>Denver</b>	<b>Defeated San Diego 24-17</b>	<b>Seattle</b>	<b>Defeated New Orleans 23-15</b>

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**CHAMPIONSHIP GOAL:** Last Saturday, **SAN FRANCISCO** defeated Carolina 23-10 and earned a trip to their third-consecutive Conference Championship Game.

With the victory over Carolina, San Francisco will be playing in its 15th NFC Championship Game, tying PITTSBURGH for the most appearances in a Conference Championship Game since 1970.

**NEW ENGLAND** defeated Indianapolis 43-22 and has the fifth-most appearance in Conference Championship Games. Sunday will mark the Patriots' 10th Conference Championship Game and third-consecutive appearance in the AFC Championship.

The teams with the most appearances in a Conference Championship Game since 1970:

TEAM	MOST APPEARANCES IN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP
<b>San Francisco 49ers*</b>	<b>15</b>

Pittsburgh Steelers	15
Dallas Cowboys	14
L.A./Oakland Raiders	11
<b>New England Patriots**</b>	<b>10</b>

\*Includes Sunday at Seattle

\*\*Includes Sunday at Denver

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**PASSING GREATS:** Denver quarterback **PEYTON MANNING** threw two touchdown passes in Denver's 24-17 victory over San Diego in the Divisional Round matchup. Manning (34) moved into fourth place alone on the all-time list surpassing Pro Football Hall of Famer **DAN MARINO** (32).

The starting quarterbacks with the most postseason TD passes in NFL history:

QUARTERBACK	CAREER	MOST POSTSEASON TD PASSES
Joe Montana	1979-1994	45
Brett Favre	1991-2010	44
Tom Brady*	2000-present	42
<b>Peyton Manning*</b>	<b>1998-present</b>	<b>34</b>
Dan Marino	1983-1999	32

\*Active

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**ROCKET MANNING:** Denver quarterback **PEYTON MANNING** threw for 230 yards in Denver's 24-17 victory over San Diego on Sunday.

Manning now has 5,909 career postseason passing yards and surpassed Pro Football Hall of Famer **JOE MONTANA** (5,772) and **BRETT FAVRE** (5,855) for the second-most passing yards in postseason history.

New England quarterback **TOM BRADY** threw for 198 yards in New England's 43-22 victory over Indianapolis on Saturday and now has 6,147 career postseason passing yards, the most in NFL history.

The players with the most postseason passing yards in NFL history:

QUARTERBACK	CAREER	MOST POSTSEASON PASSING YARDS
<b>Tom Brady*</b>	<b>2000-present</b>	<b>6,147</b>
<b>Peyton Manning*</b>	<b>1998-present</b>	<b>5,909</b>
Brett Favre	1991-2010	5,855
Joe Montana	1979-1994	5,772
John Elway	1983-1998	4,964

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**HEAD OF THE CLASS:** The New England Patriots defeated Indianapolis 43-22 on Saturday. With the win, head coach **BILL BELICHICK** earned his 19th career postseason victory (19-8, .704).

Belichick is now tied with Pro Football Hall of Famer **DON SHULA** (19) for the second-most playoff wins in NFL history, trailing Pro Football Hall of Famer **TOM LANDRY** (20) for most in NFL history.

The head coaches with the most playoff wins in NFL history:

HEAD COACH	TEAM(S)	MOST PLAYOFF WINS
Tom Landry	Dallas Cowboys	20
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>Cleveland Browns, New England Patriots</b>	<b>19*</b>
Don Shula	Baltimore Colts, Miami Dolphins	19
Joe Gibbs	Washington Redskins	17
Chuck Noll	Pittsburgh Steelers	16

\*Active

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