

COUNTDOWN TO KICKOFF (7 DAYS)

SCORING REACHED RECORD HIGHS IN 2013

A record 11,985 points were scored in 2013, with games averaging 46.81 points, the highest average in NFL history (46.48 in 1948).

The seasons with the most points scored and highest per-game scoring average in NFL history:

YEAR	TOTAL POINTS	YEAR	POINTS PER GAME
2013	11,985	2013	46.81
2012	11,651	1948	46.48
2011	11,356	1950	45.88
2010	11,283	1960	45.29
2008	11,279	1962	45.21

“This is an offensive league,” says Tampa Bay Buccaneers defensive coordinator **LESLIE FRAZIER**. “People like to see points scored, although defensive coaches don’t. You have to try to find a way to slow those offenses down. You have a mindset that you’ve got to score ‘X’ number of points, and then on defense you’ve got to hold a team to ‘X’ number of points to have a chance. But that number, it is rising.”

Defensive coaches aren’t the only ones feeling the pressure. Regardless of the score, offenses know they have to aggressively aim for the end zone on each possession.

“It’s starting to feel like if you don’t score a touchdown every time you get the ball, you’re losing serve,” says Minnesota Vikings guard **CHARLIE JOHNSON**.

In all, 1,338 total touchdowns were scored, surpassing the league-wide record of 1,297, which occurred in 2012.

YEAR	TOUCHDOWNS
2013	1,338
2012	1,297
2002	1,270
2010	1,270
2004	1,268



Led by the AFC champion Denver Broncos, who finished 13-3 and scored an NFL-record 606 points in 2013, many of the NFL’s top-scoring offenses translated those points into wins.

Eleven teams (above) scored at least 400 points – topping the previous record of nine in 2008 and 2012. Those 11 teams combined for a .668 winning percentage and nine qualified for the playoffs.

TEAM	POINTS	W-L-T	WIN PCT.
Denver*	606	13-3-0	.813
Chicago	445	8-8-0	.500
New England*	444	12-4-0	.750
Philadelphia*	442	10-6-0	.625
Dallas	439	8-8-0	.500
Cincinnati*	430	11-5-0	.688
Kansas City*	430	11-5-0	.688
Green Bay*	417	8-7-1	.531
Seattle*	417	13-3-0	.813

New Orleans*	414	11-5-0	.688
San Francisco*	406	12-4-0	.750

*Playoff team



2014 NFL STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE

<u>Team</u>	<u>Opponents' 2013 Pct. & Record</u>				<u>Games vs. teams .500 or better</u>	<u>Games vs. 2013 playoff teams</u>
Oakland Raiders	.578	148	108	0	12	9
Denver Broncos	.570	146	110	0	12	9
St. Louis Rams	.564	144	111	1	11	8
San Diego Chargers	.563	144	112	0	11	7
San Francisco 49ers	.563	144	112	0	11	7
Seattle Seahawks	.561	143	112	1	11	8
Kansas City Chiefs	.559	143	113	0	11	7
Arizona Cardinals	.547	140	116	0	9	8
New York Jets	.520	132	122	2	10	6
New England Patriots	.516	131	123	2	11	6
Atlanta Falcons	.512	130	124	2	10	6
Miami Dolphins	.508	129	125	2	10	6
Green Bay Packers	.504	128	126	2	9	5
Buffalo Bills	.500	127	127	2	11	6
Chicago Bears	.496	125	127	4	9	6
Detroit Lions	.492	124	128	4	10	5
Washington Redskins	.490	125	130	1	8	5
Dallas Cowboys	.488	125	131	0	8	6
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	.484	123	131	2	9	6
Philadelphia Eagles	.479	122	133	1	8	5
Minnesota Vikings	.477	121	133	2	9	5
Carolina Panthers	.473	120	134	2	9	6
Cincinnati Bengals	.469	120	136	0	9	5
Pittsburgh Steelers	.469	120	136	0	9	6
New Orleans Saints	.469	119	135	2	9	5
Cleveland Browns	.465	119	137	0	9	5
New York Giants	.465	119	137	0	8	5
Baltimore Ravens	.461	118	138	0	9	6
Jacksonville Jaguars	.453	116	140	0	9	5
Houston Texans	.441	113	143	0	7	4
Tennessee Titans	.438	112	144	0	9	5
Indianapolis Colts	.430	110	146	0	7	4