



## NFL POWER RANKINGS

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RANK	TEAM	COMMENT
1	NEW ENGLAND	In a rare plot twist, a weird sequence of events at the end of a game went the Pats' way. First time for everything.
2	PHILADELPHIA	Didn't exactly look lost without Wentz.
3	LA RAMS	So apparently this is the Rams' division now. With emphasis.
4	PITTSBURGH	Losing a game that way is frustrating. Losing Antonio Brown for any length of time would be devastating.
5	MINNESOTA	They've lost once since October 1st.
6	NEW ORLEANS	Crazy to think they started this season 0-2.
7	CAROLINA	On the short list of teams that might actually be able to beat the Pats if they get to the Super Bowl.
8	JACKSONVILLE	December 17, 2017: the day Blake Bortles became unstoppable.
9	ATLANTA	Devonta Freeman just took over on Monday night.
10	KANSAS CITY	Now that you're out of your fantasy playoffs, Kareem Hunt is back!
11	SEATTLE	Remember when the Seahawks didn't lose home games by 35 points?
12	DALLAS	Sunday's contest with Seattle is basically a playoff game.
13	BALTIMORE	This is a good time to have the Colts and Bengals left on the schedule.
14	DETROIT	They've beaten one team with a winning record all year. But they're still hanging around anyway.
15	LA CHARGERS	Really had to have that game in Arrowhead on Saturday. Now they need outside help to have a shot.
16	TENNESSEE	You lose to the 49ers, it's hard to take you seriously as a playoff team. That's just the way it is.
17	BUFFALO	If the season ended today, the Bills' playoff drought would be over.
18	GREEN BAY	Probably worth the risk to run Rodgers out there in Week 15. Maybe not in Week 16 though.
19	OAKLAND	Did the Raiders just get eliminated by a piece of paper?
20	WASHINGTON	Never even had the ball, yet they somehow beat the Cards.
21	ARIZONA	Apparently you have to score touchdowns to win games in today's NFL.
22	MIAMI	The Jay Cutler hat trick: an interception, two more interceptions and no touchdowns.
23	DENVER	See? All the Broncos needed were a couple games against the Jets and Colts. They're fine.
24	NY JETS	It still feels like they've overachieved this year.
25	CINCINNATI	Can't figure out why Marvin Lewis would ever want to leave...
26	TAMPA BAY	They keep most of these games close. They just don't... win any of them.
27	SAN FRANCISCO	Remind me why nobody else traded for Garoppolo sooner?
28	CHICAGO	The more Trubisky throws, the less they win. That can't be good.
29	HOUSTON	Outscored 74-14 by Jacksonville in two meetings this season.
30	INDIANAPOLIS	Gotta give it to the Colts - they keep dressing a full roster for games.
31	NY GIANTS	Eli only threw for 434 yards and three scores. Bench him. Again.
32	CLEVELAND	If losing every week is wrong, they don't want to be right.