

FANTASY INDEX CHEAT SHEET™

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QUARTERBACKS

Y	B	BYE	ST	RUN	TDR	PASS	TDP	
1	1	STL	8 Warner	15	3	.02	293	2.25
2	2	SF	4 Garcia	15	22	.25	240	1.91
3	3	IND	4 Manning	16	7	.08	271	2.00
4	4	MIN	5 Culpepper	15	33	.38	233	1.63
5	5	PHI	6 McNabb	15	29	.25	223	1.69
6	6	OAK	3 Gannon	15	16	.13	231	1.69
7	7	GB	8 Favre	16	5	.03	245	1.75
8	8	TEN	7 McNair	15	26	.28	221	1.40
9	9	NO	9 Brooks	15	24	.13	230	1.56
10	10	DEN	9 Griese	13	10	.09	240	1.69
11	11	BUF	10 Bledsoe	16	8	.03	235	1.50
12	12	PIT	3 Stewart	15	28	.25	203	1.13
13	13	NE	7 Brady	14	3	.06	215	1.38
14	14	NYG	7 Collins	15	5	.06	235	1.34
15	16	ARI	6 Plummer	15	11	.07	223	1.25
16	15	SEA	5 Dillier	12	6	.04	214	1.50
17	17	ATL	4 Vick	14	45	.41	175	.81
18	18	TB	10 B.Johnson	12	5	.09	220	1.41
19	19	WAS	4 Wuerffel	9	8	.06	250	1.75
20	20	MIA	8 Fiedler	14	14	.11	203	1.25
21	21	KC	9 Green	13	8	.04	234	1.25
22	22	CLE	10 Couch	14	9	.04	200	1.19
23	23	JAC	3 Brunell	13	15	.06	215	1.25
24	24	WAS	4 Matthews	6	7	.04	250	1.75
25	25	DEN	9 Beuerlein	3	3	.01	240	1.69
26	26	NYJ	6 Testaverde	13	2	.02	210	1.31
27	27	DAL	10 Carter	13	19	.21	195	1.00
28	28	HOU	5 Carr	14	9	.14	196	1.06
29	29	CHI	6 J.Miller	12	0	.01	190	1.25
30	30	CAR	9 Weinke	14	7	.16	195	1.00
31	31	DET	5 Harrington	11	11	.13	210	1.13
32	32	BAL	3 Redman	11	1	.01	190	1.00
33	33	TB	10 R.Johnson	4	25	.22	220	1.41
34	34	CIN	7 Kitna	8	7	.06	210	1.00
35	35	SD	8 Flutie	9	12	.09	195	1.00
36	36	STL	8 Bulger	2	6	.06	220	1.38
37	37	SD	8 Brees	7	9	.09	190	1.00
38	38	BAL	3 Blake	5	24	.16	213	1.31

OVERALL TOP 30 RANKINGS

(ASSUMING FANTASY TEAM IN LEAGUE WITH 12 TEAMS)

YARDAGE: Faulk, Alexander, A.Green, Owens, A.Thomas, Tomlinson, Moss, Harrison, R.Williams, Holmes, Warner, Garcia, Dillon, George, Martin, Taylor, James, Manning, S.Davis, Boston, Culpepper, Horn, R.Smith, Holt, Mason, K.Johnson, McAllister, McNabb, J.Smith, Pittman, Portis, Moulds.

BASIC: Faulk, Owens, Alexander, Moss, A.Thomas, Tomlinson, Harrison, R.Williams, Warner, Garcia, A.Green, Dillon, Martin, Taylor, George, James, A.Smith, Manning, S.Davis, Boston, Culpepper, Horn, R.Smith, Mason, Key.Johnson, McNabb, J.Smith, D.Jackson, Holt, Kev.Johnson, Moulds, Bruce, Burress.

RUNNING BACKS

Y	B	BYE	ST	REC	RUN	TOT	TD	
1	1	STL	8 Faulk	14	55	97	152	1.19
2	2	SEA	5 Alexander	15	26	90	116	.84
3	6	GB	8 A.Green	15	39	86	125	.69
4	3	CHI	6 A.Thomas	15	23	90	113	.81
5	4	SD	8 Tomlinson	15	19	89	108	.81
6	5	MIA	8 R.Williams	14	22	85	107	.88
7	14	KC	9 Holmes	14	30	84	114	.50
8	7	CIN	7 Dillon	15	15	85	100	.63
9	10	TEN	7 George	15	24	78	102	.58
10	8	NYJ	6 Martin	14	20	82	102	.63
11	9	JAC	3 Taylor	13	20	90	110	.81
12	11	IND	4 James	13	29	83	112	.81
13	13	WAS	4 S.Davis	14	30	70	100	.58
14	16	NO	9 McAllister	13	38	66	104	.46
15	17	TB	10 Pittman	14	29	74	103	.48
16	15	DEN	9 Portis	12	15	83	98	.63
17	28	NYG	7 Barber	13	42	64	106	.41
18	20	SF	4 Hearst	14	21	74	95	.46
19	30	PHI	6 Staley	14	46	56	102	.38
20	12	NE	7 A.Smith	14	10	68	78	.63
21	19	CAR	9 Foster	13	20	70	90	.49
22	22	PIT	3 Bettis	14	4	83	87	.46
23	25	MIN	5 Bennett	14	20	65	85	.38
24	18	BUF	10 Henry	14	17	65	82	.47
25	24	ARI	6 T.Jones	14	19	60	79	.47
26	31	DET	5 Stewart	14	22	68	90	.38
27	27	BAL	3 J.Lewis	12	19	69	88	.47
28	23	CLE	10 W.Green	12	7	71	78	.46
29	26	DAL	10 E.Smith	13	9	67	76	.44
30	34	ATL	4 Dunn	13	35	53	88	.31
31	29	SF	4 Barlow	4	34	90	124	.75
32	37	OAK	3 Garner	13	33	55	88	.28
33	32	ATL	4 Duckett	11	8	59	67	.39
34	35	JAC	3 Mack	4	14	70	84	.63
35	36	HOU	5 Wells	10	14	61	75	.38
36	38	DEN	9 Gary	4	15	63	78	.56
37	39	CLE	10 White	4	35	65	100	.44
38	41	PIT	3 Zereoue	3	13	82	95	.44
39	42	DAL	10 Hambrick	3	14	80	94	.63
40	43	PHI	6 Levens	2	36	52	88	.38
41	44	HOU	5 Allen	5	18	64	82	.39
42	45	IND	4 Stith	3	24	65	89	.56
43	46	STL	8 Canidate	2	40	71	111	.88
44	47	UFA	X R.Watters	5	32	68	100	.50
45	48	OAK	3 Wheatley	5	10	70	80	.38
46	49	NYG	7 Dayne	6	3	65	68	.48
47	50	NYJ	6 Jordan	2	20	81	101	.69
48	33	KC	9 Richardson	15	16	21	37	.44
49	40	TB	10 Alstott	13	21	31	52	.34
50	52	SEA	5 Morris	1	25	55	80	.38
51	53	BUF	10 Bryson	2	13	59	72	.40
52	54	MIA	8 Minor	3	37	62	99	.50
53	57	BAL	3 C.Taylor	2	10	70	80	.38
54	58	STL	8 Gordon	0	20	80	100	.44
55	59	CAR	9 L.Smith	2	14	60	74	.46
56	56	MIN	5 M.Williams	2	12	56	68	.38
57	60	CHI	6 L.Johnson	1	25	65	90	.53
58	55	DEN	9 Anderson	1	4	76	80	.63
59	21	OAK	3 Crockett	13	1	9	10	.48
60	51	PIT	3 Ma'afala	0	18	68	86	.44
61	61	ARI	6 Shipp	3	16	55	71	.44
62	62	CIN	7 Johnson	1	16	69	85	.48
63	63	WAS	4 Betts	2	23	60	83	.44
64	64	NO	9 T.Allen	2	22	60	82	.38
65	65	NE	7 Redmond	2	16	59	75	.50
66	66	TEN	7 Holcombe	1	11	70	81	.44
67	67	CIN	7 Keaton	1	11	75	86	.48
68	68	SD	8 Fletcher	1	27	46	73	.25
69	69	DET	5 Cason	2	28	56	84	.31
70	70	GB	8 Mealey	1	20	65	85	.46

WIDE RECEIVERS

Y	B	BYE	START	REC	TD	
1	1	SF	4 Owens	16	95	.98
2	2	MIN	5 Moss	16	91	.92
3	3	IND	4 Harrison	16	93	.88
4	4	ARI	6 Boston	16	88	.57
5	5	NO	9 Horn	16	80	.58
6	6	DEN	9 R.Smith	16	78	.57
7	11	STL	8 Holt	16	83	.55
8	7	TEN	7 Mason	16	71	.56
9	8	TB	10 K.Johnson	16	70	.56
10	9	JAC	3 J.Smith	15	86	.56
11	13	BUF	10 Moulds	16	67	.54
12	10	SEA	5 D.Jackson	16	65	.55
13	15	PIT	3 Burress	16	68	.53
14	12	CLE	10 K.Johnson	16	68	.53
15	19	KC	9 Morton	16	72	.53
16	14	STL	8 Bruce	14	74	.54
17	16	OAK	3 Brown	15	67	.53
18	17	MIA	8 Chambers	15	66	.51
19	20	OAK	3 Rice	15	66	.53
20	18	PHI	6 Thrash	16	57	.51
21	22	NE	7 Brown	16	64	.43
22	21	GB	8 Glenn	14	66	.56
23	23	TB	10 McCardell	16	63	.43
24	28	NYG	7 Toomer	16	65	.42
25	30	BUF	10 Price	16	58	.48
26	26	DEN	9 McCaffrey	14	64	.50
27	29	CHI	6 Booker	16	66	.41
28	25	WAS	4 Gardner	14	63	.47
29	32	CIN	7 Warrick	16	58	.41
30	24	NYG	7 Hilliard	15	57	.44
31	27	NYJ	6 Coles	16	59	.41
32	36	CHI	6 D.White	14	65	.40
33	34	DET	5 Schroeder	15	62	.38
34	35	DAL	10 Galloway	15	57	.38
35	43	PIT	3 Ward	16	58	.33
36	37	TEN	7 Dyson	14	53	.38
37	42	SD	8 Conway	14	53	.38
38	33	SEA	5 K.Robinson	15	53	.38
39	39	BAL	3 T.Taylor	16	53	.38
40	31	SF	4 Stokes	16	45	.46
41	40	CAR	9 Muhammad	15	53	.36
42	38	WAS	4 J.Green	13	63	.47
43	48	JAC	3 Shaw	14	51	.34
44	44	IND	4 Wayne	16	53	.39
45	45	CLE	10 Morgan	14	51	.36
46	41	MIA	8 Gadsden	16	48	.36
47	50	NYJ	6 Moss	9	50	.39
48	47	DET	5 Hakim	13	57	.38
49	46	ATL	4 W.Jackson	14	50	.36
50	49	MIN	5 Bates	14	50	.31
51	51	HOU	5 Bradford	15	45	.34
52	52	GB	8 Driver	11	55	.44
53	53	PHI	6 Pinkston	10	48	.38
54	54	IND	4 Q.Ismail	11	45	.31
55	55	NO	9 Stallworth	7	55	.38
56	56	KC	9 Kennison	12	46	.31
57	57	SD	8 Dwight	14	51	.38
58	58	STL	8 Proehl	15	44	.34
59	59	DAL	10 R.Ismail	14	52	.26
60	60	ATL	4 Finneran	13	49	.27
61	61	NO	9 Pathon	9	58	.46
62	62	BAL	3 Stokley	12	49	.34
63	63	NYJ	6 Chrebet	11	51	.25
64	64	NE	7 Patten	14	45	.25
65	65	CAR	9 S.Smith	13	42	.26
66	66	GB	8 Ferguson	5	62	.50
67	67	OAK	3 Porter	3	70	.50
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26 NYJ	6 Testaverde	13	2	.02	210	1.31
27 DAL	10 Carter	13	19	.21	195	1.00
28 HOU	5 Carr	14	9	.14	196	1.06
29 CHI	6 J.Miller	12	0	.01	190	1.25
30 CAR	9 Weinke	14	7	.16	195	1.00
31 DET	5 Harrington	11	11	.13	210	1.13
32 BAL	3 Redman	11	1	.01	190	1.00
33 TB	10 R.Johnson	4	25	.22	220	1.41
34 CIN	7 Kitna	8	7	.06	210	1.00
35 SD	8 Flutie	9	12	.09	195	1.00
36 STL	8 Bulger	2	6	.06	220	1.38
37 SD	8 Brees	7	9	.09	190	1.00
38 BAL	3 Blake	5	24	.16	213	1.31
39 CHI	6 Chandler	4	5	.02	203	1.25
40 DET	5 McMahon	5	25	.25	205	1.13
41 SF	4 Rattay	1	12	.13	215	1.63
42 CIN	7 A.Smith	5	22	.19	200	.88
43 SEA	5 Hasselbeck	4	11	.11	205	1.19
44 NYJ	6 Pennington	3	10	.13	183	1.09
45 KC	9 Collins	3	10	.06	210	1.13
46 CIN	7 Fretotte	3	4	.06	210	1.00
47 TB	10 King	0	22	.19	220	1.41
48 MIA	8 Lucas	2	19	.19	195	1.13
49 MIN	5 Bouman	1	25	.23	225	1.59

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8 NYJ	6 Martin	14	20	82	102	.63
9 JAC	3 Taylor	13	20	90	110	.81
10 TEN	7 George	15	24	78	102	.58
11 IND	4 James	13	29	83	112	.81
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13 WAS	4 S.Davis	14	30	70	100	.58
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15 DEN	9 Portis	12	15	83	98	.63
16 NO	9 McAllister	13	38	66	104	.46
17 TB	10 Pittman	14	29	74	103	.48
18 BUF	10 Henry	14	17	65	82	.47
19 CAR	9 Foster	13	20	70	90	.49
20 SF	4 Hearst	14	21	74	95	.46
21 OAK	3 Crockett	13	1	9	10	.48
22 PIT	3 Bettis	14	4	83	87	.46
23 CLE	10 W.Green	12	7	71	78	.46
24 ARI	6 T.Jones	14	19	60	79	.47
25 MIN	5 Bennett	14	20	65	85	.38
26 DAL	10 E.Smith	13	9	67	76	.44
27 BAL	3 J.Lewis	13	19	69	88	.47
28 NYG	7 Barber	12	42	64	106	.41
29 SF	4 Barlow	4	34	90	124	.75
30 PHI	6 Staley	14	46	56	102	.38
31 DET	5 Stewart	14	22	68	90	.38
32 ATL	4 Duckett	11	8	59	67	.39
33 KC	9 Richardson	15	16	21	37	.44
34 ATL	4 Dunn	13	35	53	88	.31
35 JAC	3 Mack	4	14	70	84	.63
36 HOU	5 Wells	10	14	61	75	.38
37 OAK	3 Garner	13	33	55	88	.28
38 DEN	9 Gary	4	15	63	78	.56
39 CLE	10 White	4	35	65	100	.44
40 TB	10 Alstott	13	21	31	52	.34
41 PIT	3 Zereoue	3	13	82	95	.44
42 DAL	10 Hambrick	3	14	80	94	.63
43 PHI	6 Levens	2	36	52	88	.38
44 HOU	5 Allen	5	18	64	82	.39
45 IND	4 Stith	3	24	65	89	.56
46 STL	8 Canidate	2	40	71	111	.88
47 UFA	X R.Watters	5	32	68	100	.50
48 OAK	3 Wheatley	5	10	70	80	.38
49 NYG	7 Dayne	6	3	65	68	.49
50 NYJ	6 Jordan	2	20	81	101	.69
51 PIT	3 Ma'afala	0	18	68	86	.44
52 SEA	5 Morris	1	25	55	80	.38
53 BUF	10 Bryson	2	13	59	72	.44
54 MIA	8 Minor	3	37	62	99	.50
55 DEN	9 Anderson	1	4	76	80	.63
56 MIN	5 M.Williams	2	12	56	68	.38
57 BAL	3 C.Taylor	2	10	70	80	.38
58 STL	8 Gordon	0	20	80	100	.44
59 CAR	9 L.Smith	2	14	60	74	.46
60 CHI	6 L.Johnson	1	25	65	90	.53
61 ARI	6 Shipp	3	16	55	71	.44
62 CIN	7 Johnson	1	16	69	85	.48
63 WAS	4 Betts	2	23	60	83	.44
64 NO	9 T.Allen	2	22	60	82	.38
65 NE	7 Redmond	2	16	59	75	.50
66 TEN	7 Holcombe	1	11	70	81	.44
67 CIN	7 Keaton	1	11	75	86	.48
68 SD	8 Fletcher	1	27	46	73	.25
69 DET	5 Cason	2	28	56	84	.31
70 GB	8 Mealey	1	20	65	85	.46
71 TEN	7 Hicks	1	13	77	90	.51
72 BUF	10 Huntley	1	18	60	78	.44
73 NYG	7 Warren	2	10	65	75	.50

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BYE	START	REC	TD	
1 SF	4 Owens	16	95	.98
2 MIN	5 Moss	16	91	.92
3 IND	4 Harrison	16	93	.88
4 ARI	6 Boston	16	88	.57
5 NO	9 Horn	16	80	.58
6 DEN	9 R.Smith	16	78	.57
7 TEN	7 Mason	16	71	.56
8 TB	10 K.Johnson	16	70	.56
9 JAC	3 J.Smith	15	86	.56
10 SEA	5 D.Jackson	16	65	.55
11 STL	8 Holt	16	83	.55
12 CLE	10 K.Johnson	16	68	.53
13 BUF	10 Moulds	16	67	.54
14 STL	8 Bruce	14	74	.54
15 PIT	3 Burrell	16	68	.53
16 OAK	3 Brown	15	67	.53
17 MIA	8 Chambers	15	66	.51
18 PHI	6 Thrash	16	57	.51
19 KC	9 Morton	16	72	.53
20 OAK	3 Rice	15	66	.53
21 GB	8 Glenn	14	66	.56
22 NE	7 Brown	16	64	.43
23 TB	10 McCardell	16	63	.43
24 NYG	7 Hilliard	15	57	.44
25 WAS	4 Gardner	14	63	.47
26 DEN	9 McCaffrey	14	64	.50
27 NYJ	6 Coles	16	59	.41
28 NYG	7 Toomer	16	65	.42
29 CHI	6 Booker	16	66	.41
30 BUF	10 Price	16	58	.48
31 SF	4 Stokes	16	45	.46
32 CIN	7 Warrick	16	58	.41
33 SEA	5 K.Robinson	15	53	.38
34 DET	5 Schroeder	15	62	.38
35 DAL	10 Galloway	15	57	.38
36 CHI	6 D.White	14	65	.40
37 TEN	7 Dyson	14	53	.38
38 WAS	4 J.Green	13	63	.47
39 BAL	3 T.Taylor	16	53	.38
40 CAR	9 Muhammad	15	53	.36
41 MIA	8 Gadsden	16	48	.36
42 SD	8 Conway	14	53	.38
43 PIT	3 Ward	16	58	.33
44 IND	4 Wayne	16	53	.39
45 CLE	10 Morgan	14	51	.36
46 ATL	4 W.Jackson	14	50	.36
47 DET	5 Hakim	13	57	.38
48 JAC	3 Shaw	14	51	.34
49 MIN	5 Bates	14	50	.31
50 NYJ	6 Moss	9	50	.39
51 HOU	5 Bradford	15	45	.34
52 GB	8 Driver	11	55	.44
53 PHI	6 Pinkston	10	48	.38
54 IND	4 Q.Ismail	11	45	.31
55 NO	9 Stallworth	7	55	.38
56 KC	9 Kennison	12	46	.31
57 SD	8 Dwight	14	51	.38
58 STL	8 Proehl	15	44	.34
59 DAL	10 R.Ismail	14	52	.26
60 ATL	4 Finneran	13	49	.27
61 NO	9 Pathon	9	58	.46
62 BAL	3 Stokley	12	49	.34
63 NYJ	6 Chrebet	11	51	.25
64 NE	7 Patten	14	45	.25
65 CAR	9 S.Smith	13	42	.26
66 GB	8 Ferguson	5	62	.50
67 OAK	3 Porter	3	70	.50
68 HOU	5 Gaffney	13	46	.35
69 ARI	6 F.Sanders	13	48	.25
70 CIN	7 Westbrook	11	53	.31
71 CHI	6 Terrell	3	59	.40
72 STL	8 Wilkins	13	30	.25
73 CHI	6 M.Robinson	5	64	.44

TIGHT ENDS

BYE	START	REC	TD	
1 GB	8 Franks	16	34	.41
2 KC	9 Gonzalez	15	52	.40
3 SF	4 E.Johnson	16	38	.36
4 NYG	7 Shockey	16	41	.35
5 IND	4 Pollard	16	36	.30
6 MIN	5 Chamberlain	16	46	.28
7 PHI	6 Lewis	16	32	.32
8 DEN	9 Sharpe	15	48	.28
9 STL	8 Conwell	15	27	.29
10 NYJ	6 Becht	16	22	.27
11 ATL	4 Crumpler	16	34	.27
12 BUF	10 Riemersma	15	32	.28
13 ARI	6 F.Jones	15	40	.27
14 NO	9 Sloan	14	24	.27
15 DET	5 Ricks	14	34	.26
16 BAL	3 Heap	15	35	.25
17 TEN	7 Wychek	16	39	.25
18 TB	10 Dilger	16	27	.23
19 JAC	3 Brady	16	29	.23
20 CAR	9 Walls	12	31	.22
21 SEA	5 Stevens	11	29	.25

KICKERS

BYE	START	PTS	
1 IND	4 Vanderjagt	16	7.8
2 DEN	9 Elam	16	7.6
3 STL	8 Wilkins	15	7.8
4 PHI	6 Akers	16	

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Arizona: He's gained weight. He's running behind a better line. And he promises he'll be much better. But we're not banking on a breakout year for Thomas Jones. He appears to be only nominally improved — an average runner at best. In two exhibitions, he's picked up 20 yards on 12 carries. Before the year is through, you could see backup Marcel Shipp in the starting lineup. ... David Boston sat out some workouts early in camp because of tendinitis in his knee. He also must appear in court late in the month to face charges he drove while under the influence of drugs, a case that potentially could cause him to be suspended for a game or two. But he's still a difference-maker receiver. Atlanta: Michael Vick won't put up big passing numbers this year. Those who select him are hoping that he'll supplement his stats by running for about 800 yards and 7 TDs. In the preseason games, however, Vick has been reluctant to run. He's quarterbacked the team for four quarters, and he's run only 3 times for 30 yards. If he doesn't run more often in the real games, he'll be of no fantasy value. Vick has put up modest passing stats in the exhibitions, completing 15 of 27 for 123 yards. Baltimore: Hold off on those Jamal Lewis obituaries. He looked pretty good against the Jets, breaking some tackles and finishing with 24 yards on 4 carries in a brief appearance. Coming off major knee surgery, Lewis has limped his way through camp, and he ran tentatively when he was returning from a similar injury at the University of Tennessee. But maybe, just maybe, he can stay healthy and pound out about 1,000 yards and 7 TDs. Buffalo: Drew Bledsoe looks comfortable. He's completed 15 of 19 in two exhibitions. He'll put up nice passing stats. He's not among our top 10 quarterbacks, however, because Bledsoe won't produce any stats as a runner. ... Travis Henry had a good rookie year, and now he looks even better. He's running with authority, and he's catching the ball better. He had 50 yards on 7 carries against Minnesota. The Bills have a lot of other good runners — Shawn Bryson, Richard Huntley, Sammy Morris — but Henry is their guy. Carolina: DeShaun Foster is on the verge of taking the starting tailback job away from Lamar Smith. Foster ran 61 yards for a touchdown the first time he carried the ball. He got substantial work with the first-team offense Saturday and was impressive again, picking up 36 yards on 7 carries. Foster has the breakaway speed that Smith no longer possesses. The only things standing between Foster and a 1,000-yard season are injuries and fumbles. Foster had problems with both at UCLA. And during a goal-line drill with the Panthers, he fumbled 3 times. Chicago: Marty Booker emerged in his third season for the Bears. Now another former third-round pick looks like he could do the same thing. Dez White is a clone of Booker: a big 220-pounder who'll run over defensive backs after the catch. White had a great offseason, and he's miles ahead of last year's first-round pick, David Terrell. White has gotten all of the playing time with the first unit in the exhibitions, and he looks like he could be just as productive as Booker, who's the go-to guy of the unit after signing a \$28 million extension in July. "That's Dez' job," Jim Miller says. Cincinnati: Akili Smith has played his way back into the quarterbacking picture. He's outperformed Jon Kitna and Gus Frerotte in both exhibitions. Dick

LeBeau says he'll let Smith start Saturday's exhibition before naming a starter. All of these guys could start games before the year is through, and they'll throw lots of passes. Only Detroit attempted more passes than Cincinnati last year. Cleveland: William Green hasn't distinguished himself yet, but he's the back the Browns appear to want on the field. They gave him virtually all the work with the first-unit offense in their game Saturday. Green has been set back by a holdout and a shoulder injury, but he played better against Detroit, picking up 28 yards on 8 carries. It's still unclear, however, whether Green will play full-time or even start. Jamel White bulked up 218 pounds in the offseason; he's faster than Green and a much better receiver. The Browns probably will use White on at least passing downs, and perhaps even more often. He had 45- and 28-yard receptions at Minnesota. Dallas: Quincy Carter won't be drafted in most fantasy leagues, but maybe he should be. He'll run some, and he looks dramatically improved as a passer. In two exhibitions, he's completed 21 of 27 passes. ... Troy Hambrick is ready to be a starter, but he'll play only part-time as long as Emmitt Smith stays healthy. The Cowboys are basing their entire marketing campaign around Smith's pursuit of the all-time rushing record. And Smith might still be better than Hambrick, who finished with -2 yards on 7 carries Saturday against Carolina. Denver: Terrell Davis is now officially done, so it's a three-back race in Denver. Olandis Gary is the official No. 1 for now. Mike Anderson could be shifted from fullback back to tailback. But chances are Clinton Portis will be their back. Mike Shanahan said in April that Portis was the top back on the Broncos' draft board, and it looks like they scouted him properly. Portis weighs only 205 pounds (and looks like he might be 10 pounds lighter) but he runs like a young Charlie Garner; he has game-breaker speed and runs inside with surprising power. He'll probably score a couple of TDs from 50-plus yards this year. Detroit: Luke Staley (knee surgery) is out for the year, so it looks like James Stewart will be the featured back as long as he stays healthy. We're not particularly high on Stewart because the Lions won't score many rushing touchdowns, and fullback Cory Schlesinger probably will score most of the goal-line TDs. Also, Lamont Warren could replace Stewart again this season on passing downs. Green Bay: Brett Favre could have an off year, or at least start slowly. He's working with a completely new receiving corps, and most of them are missing a lot of training camp with injuries. Terry Glenn (injuries to both knees) won't be healthy until late August. He'll be the go-to guy if he can avoid injuries, but he always had problems staying healthy in New England. Javon Walker has missed some time with an ankle injury. And Robert Ferguson has been slowed by a pulled groin. Ferguson hasn't made much of an impact and could lose his starting job to Donald Driver. Driver caught a TD at Arizona but has had huge drops in both exhibitions. Rookie receivers generally need a year of studying before they're able to play in the West Coast offense, but Javon Walker has exceeded expectations. He'll be a good No. 3 receiver right away, and he could emerge as a star next year. Walker is huge and fast; he seems destined to play in Pro Bowls. The winner in this receiving mess could be Bubba Franks. Entering his third year, he seems to finally be putting

everything together. And Favre is going to look for him a lot. The Packers have been using Franks as a wide receiver often, in the same way the Colts used Marcus Pollard last year. Houston: Jonathan Wells looks like he'll become Houston's starting tailback before opening day. He's outplayed James Allen in every exhibition, and he got a lot of time with the first unit in Saturday's game. Wells is a 240-pound banger with decent speed. Allen could be relegated to playing in passing situations. Both of these backs will play behind a line that will be the league's worst for at least the first month of the season. Both tackles, Tony Boselli and Ryan Young, could be out until October. Indianapolis: It looks like the Colts won't have the option of easing Edgerrin James back into action. Dominic Rhodes (torn ACL) is out for the year, meaning James should be pretty much a full-time back. If the Colts want to spell him, their best options are Shyrone Stith and Ben Gay. The Colts will hold out James until the final exhibition, but they're pleased with his progress. He says he'll be 100 percent for the opener. ... The Colts have been talking up Reggie Wayne during camp, and he looked vastly improved in the team's exhibition opener. He's listed as the starting receiver opposite Marvin Harrison, with Qadry Ismail slated to play only in three-receiver sets. Against Cincinnati, however, Ismail played in two-receiver formations, with Wayne in the No. 3 role. So it's unclear which of these guys will finish with better numbers. They'll both play a lot. Jacksonville: Fred Taylor is in top form. He's run for 67 yards on 12 carries in the two exhibitions. And the Jaguars play an easy schedule which includes two games against the expansion Texans. Seemingly the only thing that will keep him out of the Pro Bowl is another injury. He's gotten hurt every year in the past, missing at least part of 30 of 64 games as a pro. Taylor doesn't like playing hurt, so those who select him will have to utilize a middle-round pick on Stacey Mack to protect their investment. ... Bobby Shaw has been the offensive star of training camp. He'll start in the spot where Keenan McCardell caught 93 passes last year. It's a leap of faith, however, for those who want to use a sleeper pick on Shaw, because he's done nothing in the exhibitions. Kansas City: Johnnie Morton seems sure to catch at least 80 passes. The team doesn't have anyone else. Holdout Tony Gonzalez will sign eventually, but he'll be rusty after missing all of camp and the offseason workouts. Eddie Kennison will start, but he's not a big-time receiver; and he lacks the cutting ability and toughness to run the important routes in the red zone. And with Marvin Minnis (foot) missing all of camp, the No. 3 receiver projects to be converted running back Dante Hall. Clearly, Morton's the guy. And with a suspect cast of receivers, don't look for a good year from Trent Green. Miami: Maybe it's time to start getting concerned about Ricky Williams. In two preseason games, he's carried 13 times for only 26 yards. Sure it's only the preseason, but Williams is similar in value to a lot of other backs. Right now, we're more comfortable with Shaun Alexander, Ahman Green and LaDainian Tomlinson. ... Chris Chambers and Oronde Gadsden are the starters at wide receivers. James McKnight will be strictly a No. 3 guy. Minnesota: The Vikings won only 5 games last year and might not be much better this season. Their defense will be awful. Their

PAGE 3 of 3 offensive line should be lousy (holdout LOT Bryant McKinnie probably won't help much until next year). As a result, Daunte Culpepper and Michael Bennett are high-risk picks. Culpepper, in this kind of environment, could get frustrated and start throwing interceptions. He'll have off games, just like he did last year. He holds the No. 4 spot at quarterback only because he'll run so much. Bennett probably isn't going to have a breakout year. He'd be at his best on a spread offense that gave him big holes to run through. He won't get that here. And it will be tough for him to score more than 6 TDs because he'll probably be replaced by Moe Williams when the Vikings are inside the 5. New England: It doesn't look like first-rounder Daniel Graham is going to make much of an impact this year. He's had a poor camp (in part because of a knee injury) and Christian Fauria has a firm hold on the starting job. Graham probably will be only a role player, posting good stats in perhaps a handful of games. ... Second-rounder Deion Branch appears to have beaten out free agent pickup Donald Hayes for the No. 3 job. Branch will play a lot, perhaps catching 40 balls. New Orleans: Deuce McAllister has done nothing to improve or deflate his stock in the exhibitions. As we expected when we prepared the magazine in the spring, he looks like an average runner. He doesn't break many tackles or look like he'll ever be a great inside runner. He's averaging 3.6 yards per carry. McAllister will be a good receiver. He's caught 5 passes in three quarters of preseason work. The team will use him on screens and line him up as a wide receiver often as well. If he stays healthy, he'll catch 60-70 passes. Durability, though, was always an issue with McAllister at Mississippi, which is why he's down around 15th on our board. N.Y. Giants: Jeremy Shockey is going to be a top 5 tight end right away. He's a terrific receiver, he'll break tackles in the open field, and the Giants are going to feature him. In five quarters of work, he's caught 8 passes for 146 yards and 2 TDs. He's also had a reception of at least 26 yards in every game. Shockey left Saturday's game with a sprained ankle, but it's not serious. ... Ron Dayne looks like the same back who's struggled the last two years. He can't play. He's slow to the hole and doesn't break tackles. In his last two games, he's gained only 56 yards on 22 carries. The Giants probably won't even use him as their goal-line back. Tiki Barber is the back here. N.Y. Jets: Santana Moss held out and got hurt as a rookie. Now he's healthy, he's confident, and he knows what he's doing. He's going to make an impact, either as an often-used No. 3 receiver or perhaps even as a starter ahead of Wayne Chrebet. Moss has seen time in the exhibitions with the first unit in two-receiver sets. Moss has phenomenal speed and cutting ability. He'll score 1-2 TDs on kick returns. He'll get behind defenses for about 2 TDs. And he'll turn a couple of short catches into long touchdowns. He might even outscore Laveranues Coles, who looks like the team's No. 1 receiver. Chrebet probably will catch more passes than Moss, but whatever TDs he scores will come on short passes in the red zone. Oakland: Tim Brown and Jerry Rice combined for 174 catches last year, 2nd-most in the league by a tandem. No. 3 receiver Jerry Porter, meanwhile, caught only 19 passes, including none for touchdowns. Things will be different this year. Porter seems to have finally

figured out what's going on. He's the team's most improved player. And new coach Bill Callahan wants to put Porter to work. The youngster has the speed to score long touchdowns, something that Brown and Rice (the league's two oldest receivers) no longer have. When Porter catches around 40 passes and 4 TDs this year, it probably means Brown and Rice won't be as productive. And if Brown or Rice pulls a hamstring or blows out a knee, Porter will be a star. Philadelphia: Dorsey Levens has had a terrific preseason. He's carried 10 times for 74 yards in the exhibitions. He's also a great receiver. Andy Reid says Duce Staley will remain the team's primary back. Staley hasn't played much in the exhibitions because the team wants to keep him healthy. Reid says Levens will spell Staley. If the former Packer continues to play well, however, he could work his way into a time-share situation. Pittsburgh: Hines Ward caught 94 passes last season. He might not catch 70 this year. Ward's production dipped during the second half of last year, when Plaxico Burress emerged, and the Steelers are excited to get explosive second-rounder Antwaan Randle El involved as their No. 3. Last year the Steelers essentially ignored their backup receivers. Ward's role has fluctuated during camp. Initially he was penciled in to shift into the slot on third downs, with Troy Edwards playing on the outside. But Randle El, a college quarterback, is making terrific progress (he scored 2 TDs vs. Wash.) is ready to handle that slot role. That means Ward will play outside; he hasn't been practicing there much, which could hurt his chemistry with Kordell Stewart. St. Louis: The Rams plan to start John St. Clair at right tackle, and that makes it risky selecting Kurt Warner. St. Clair can't play, and that means the somewhat-fragile Warner is going to take some wicked shots this year. Unless the Rams either shore up or successfully hide their deficiency at that position, it's going to be hard for Warner to last 16 games. Marshall Faulk's numbers could be down a little as well. ... Maybe the Rams are ready to start using Torry Holt in the red zone a little more this year. Mike Martz said in the offseason that he wanted Holt to improve this year, then named him the team's offensive captain. And against the Bears, Warner tried to connect with Holt when the team was down at the 5-yard line. ... Lamar Gordon is giving Trung Canidate a good run for the backup tailback job. San Diego: Will Doug Flutie or Drew Brees begin the season as the team's starting quarterback? The race is too close to call, but it's fairly certain that neither will be of much value to fantasy teams. In Marty Schottenheimer's conservative offense, the Chargers simply aren't going to pass often enough. San Francisco: Jeff Garcia finished with under 200 passing yards four times late last season when the team opted to simply maul opponents on the ground rather than emphasizing the pass. There will be some more of those games this year. The 49ers have a terrific offensive line, and they have two tailbacks (Garrison Hearst and Kevan Barlow) capable of rushing for 1,400 yards if not for the presence of the other. Hearst will start, but Barlow will spell him and the pair will play together at times — which might be effective since both backs are also good receivers. Even in a reserve role, Barlow will be valuable; he'll get at least a third of the carries, and he'll probably get more goal-line carries than Hearst. Against Kansas City, the team had a

fourth-and-one and replaced Hearst with Barlow. That's the package we expect the team will use at the goal line: Barlow and Fred Beasley in a split backfield, with Barlow getting about 70 percent of those carries. Coaches and players are talking about trying to get both Hearst and Barlow over 1,000 yards. The team ranked 2nd in rushing last year. Seattle: Trent Dilfer (knee) will miss up to three games, but he could be worth selecting anyway. He looked terrific in his one quarter of preseason action, zipping the ball quickly and accurately. He could post the best numbers of his career. The offense could be lost until he returns. Matt Hasselbeck's confidence appears to be shot after his disastrous 2001 season. In 11 preseason drives, he hasn't led the team to a single point. He's thrown 3 interceptions and lost a fumble. ... Seattle has huge offensive line problems. RT Chris McIntosh (neck) might miss the entire year. And there's no sign LT Walter Jones will be in camp any time soon. Tampa Bay: Michael Pittman looks ready to post big numbers for the first time in his career. He'll be Tampa Bay's featured runner and also should catch 45-plus passes. Pittman burst loose for a 38-yard gain in his first carry as a Buc. He'd be much higher on our board if not for our concern that Jon Gruden will use Mike Alstott in goal-line situations, in the same way Gruden utilized Zack Crockett in Oakland. In the exhibition game against Miami, Alstott lined up at tailback behind Jameel Cook in a jumbo formation and converted a third-and-inches late in the first quarter. Pittman had headed to the sidelines by that time, but we think that's the package the Bucs will use at the goal line. Tennessee: Derrick Mason led all receivers (league-wide) during the second half of last season with 825 yards and 8 TDs, and he looks ready to pick up where he left off. He's fast, has terrific moves, and has a good rapport with Steve McNair. Mason is going to have a big year. ... In the three seasons prior to last year, Eddie George averaged 1,369 rushing yards, 407 receiving yards and 12 TDs. George is healthy after the toe and ankle injuries that plagued him all of last season. He's been bursting through holes and running over tacklers in the exhibitions. He'll also face the expansion Texans' defense twice. Washington: Steve Spurrier's wide-open offense is going to work — at least on some level. Washington's offense will post at least average passing numbers. It may even rank in the top 5. The starting receivers at this point are Rod Gardner and Jacquez Green. Others, however, may take those jobs later. Gardner hasn't proven that he's comfortable in this offense. Green weighs only 170 pounds, so it will be tough to keep him healthy — he's already out with bruised ribs. Green has had a miserable preseason, catching 2 passes for 14 yards in two games and dropping a TD. ... Danny Wuerffel or Shane Matthews will start at quarterback. They may both start 5-plus games before the year is through. Wuerffel was the best in the first two exhibitions, but Matthews got the better of him against Pittsburgh Sunday.