

# BUFFALO

AFC EAST



**Head Coach: Chan Gailey (1st year in Buffalo)**

**Off. Coord: Chan Gailey; Def. Coord: George Edwards**

**2009 Record: SUR 6-10, PSR 8-7-1, O-U 6-10**

**Field: Ralph Wilson Stadium (73,967) Artificial**



Let's face it. Head coach of the Buffalo Bills is *not* one of the glamour jobs in the NFL. That was proven beyond a doubt last January when the Bills went looking for a replacement for Dick Jauron (ousted at mid-season) and interim HC Perry Fewell. Ninety-one-year-old owner Ralph Wilson even promised to spend top dollar to land a premium coach who would give his team a chance to get back in the playoffs for the first time since 1999. However, Buffalo is not exactly a major market. No billion-dollar super stadiums. No monster, space-age scoreboards. No sprawling urban megalopolis as a fan base. Thus, fewer ancillary bucks flowing into the Bills' modest coffers than they do for rich franchises, say, in Dallas, D.C., and N.Y.C. But even with Wilson reportedly offering the coveted "total control" to some, the Bills' owner was rebuffed after offers to, interviews for, or overtures toward such as Bill Cowher, Mike Shanahan, Jon Gruden, Mike Holmgren, Jim Harbaugh, Charlie Weis, Brian Schottenheimer (Jets' offensive coordinator), and Leslie Frazier (Vikings' defensive coordinator).

That frustration perhaps explains Wilson's somewhat surprising hiring of the proven but unexciting (in terms of media pizzazz) Chan Gailey, whose record is better than many might believe. As the head man at Troy, Samford, Georgia Tech, Birmingham of the old WLAF, and Dallas, the gentlemanly Gailey is 98-62 with only one losing season (5-6 at Samford in 1993). He has also served as offensive coordinator for four different NFL teams (K.C. briefly LY). He will be working with new GM Buddy Nix, elevated from the Bills' scouting staff after eight years in San Diego that followed eight in Buffalo.

It could have been predicted that the Bills were in for another tough year when offensive coordinator Turk Schonert was fired after completion of the team's five preseason games, which Buffalo trailed by a combined score of 75-12 at halftime! And the Bills' excruciating season-opening 25-24 loss at New England (after Leodis McKelvin was stripped on a kickoff return in the closing minutes) was a harbinger of things to come. Already breaking in two rookies (Gs Eric Wood & Andy Levitre) in their OL, luckless Buffalo was then beset by a seemingly unending series of injuries that affected virtually every position. By the end of the season, the Bills led the league in players on injured reserve (20), the offensive line was Swiss cheese, Buffalo had used three QBs, the front seven was a sieve (the Bills were 30th vs. the run), and the secondary was down three starters, including glue-fingered rookie S Jairus Byrd (9 ints. in 14 games).

Not surprisingly, after 2009's 6-10 finish (the snowy 30-7 finale victory over the half-hearted Colts was a virtual walkover), there are changes galore to start the Gailey era. More than a dozen veterans, including Terrell Owens, have been released. Gailey himself will take over the offense, which was 30th in passing and 30th in scoring. With the starting spot unsettled, the new QB coach will be CFL veteran George Cortez, who once helped develop Kyle Boller & Aaron Rodgers at Cal. The defense, kept afloat LY by allowing only 14 TDP vs. 28 interceptions, will change from a Tampa Two base to a 3-4.

Gailey says he has been pleasantly surprised by his team's overall quickness and that young veteran QBs Trent Edwards (30 starts), Ryan Fitzpatrick (23 starts) and Brian Brohm (1 start; former No. 2 pick of Green Bay) will each have a chance to win the starting job. The team hopes its 2010 top pick, homerun-hitting RB C.J. Spiller from Clemson, will be the Bills' version of the Titans' Chris Johnson, joining RBs Fred Jackson (1062 YR in '09), Marshawn Lynch (trade bait?), WR Lee Evans, and TE Shawn Nelson to form the nucleus of the offense. Says Gailey, "I don't worry about people's feelings; I worry about scoring points." No. 5 pick T Ed Wang (Virginia Tech) is seeking to become the first full-blooded Chinese player (his father was a high jumper in China, his mother a hurdler; both have emigrated) to make the NFL, but he has a way to go.

On defense, CBs Terrence McGee & Leodis McKelvin are among the best, as is S Byrd, and there is veteran depth in the secondary. The main question is how the front seven takes to the new 3-4, where long-armed Marcus Stroud moves from DT to DE, and where No. 2 pick Torell Troup (his UCF team was fourth in the nation LY vs. the run) is being counted upon to rotate with Kyle Williams at NT. OLBs Aaron Schobel (10 sacks LY at DE), Aaron Maybin (No. 1 pick LY), and Arthur Moats (No. 6 TY) are expected to provide the pass rush.

**Bottom Line...** With a new coach, new schemes, and many players returning from injury, it's unlikely the Bills pass either the Pats, Jets or Dolphins in the AFC East.

**PRESEASON NOTES:** Gailey might indeed want to change the losing mentality in Buffalo. But in his two preseasons with Dallas in 1998-99, his Cowboys were 1-9 SU & 2-8 vs. the spread!

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### REGULAR-SEASON STAT LEADERS

PASSING	PA	PC	YDS	PCT	TD	INT	RAT
R. Fitzpatrick	227	127	1422	55.9	9	10	69.7
T. Edwards	183	110	1169	60.1	6	7	73.8
B. Brohm	29	17	146	58.6	0	2	43.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>2789</b>	<b>58.1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>71.7</b>

RUSHING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
F. Jackson	237	1062	4.5	43	2
M. Lynch	120	450	3.8	47	2
R. Fitzpatrick	31	141	4.5	31	1
T. Edwards	14	106	7.6	20	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>1867</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>6</b>

RECEIVING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
T. Owens	55	829	15.1	98	5
L. Evans	44	612	13.9	50	7
F. Jackson	46	371	8.1	21	2
J. Reed	27	291	10.8	29	1
M. Lynch	28	179	6.4	35	0
S. Nelson	18	157	8.7	25	1
D. Schouman	9	103	11.4	27	0
D. Fine	9	64	7.1	11	0
C. McIntyre	7	55	7.9	18	0
J. Stupar	5	39	7.8	17	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>2789</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>17</b>

FIELD GOALS	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
R. Lindell	0/0	12/12	9/9	6/9	1/3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>12/12</b>	<b>9/9</b>	<b>6/9</b>	<b>1/3</b>

DEFENSE	Total	Tackles	Assists	Sacks	FR
P. Posluszny	111	88	23	1.0	3
G. Wilson	103	70	33	2.0	1
B. Scott	81	58	23	2.0	1
R. Corner	67	52	15	0.0	0
D. Florence	60	49	11	0.0	0
D. Whitner	57	42	15	0.0	0
K. Williams	66	41	25	4.0	1
C. Kelsay	62	41	21	5.0	1
K. Ellison	68	40	28	0.0	0
Te. McGee	48	40	8	0.0	0
M. Stroud	56	38	18	2.0	0
A. Schobel	56	34	22	10.0	3
J. Byrd	45	33	12	0.0	0
S. Johnson	43	33	10	2.0	0
C. Draft	45	31	14	1.0	0
N. Harris	30	22	8	0.0	0
J. Wendling	26	19	7	0.0	0
A. Palmer	24	19	5	0.0	0
K. Mitchell	27	17	10	0.0	1
R. Denney	27	16	11	2.0	1
J. Corto	22	15	7	0.0	0
M. Buggs	21	14	7	0.0	0
A. Maybin	18	11	7	0.0	1
A. Youboty	12	10	2	0.0	0
C. McIntyre	10	10	0	0.0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1311</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>OPPONENTS</b>	<b>1164</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>16</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	No	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
J. Byrd	9	118	13.1	37	0
G. Wilson	4	23	5.8	27	0
P. Posluszny	3	20	6.7	17	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>OPPONENTS</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>3</b>

2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
S.12 MIAMI	(SUR: 6-10 PSR: 8-7-1 O-U: 6-10)	(SUR: 7-9 PSR: 7-9 O-U: 9-7)	(SUR: 7-9 PSR: 9-6-1 O-U: 7-9)	(SUR: 7-9 PSR: 10-6 O-U: 7-9)
S.19 Green Bay	S.14* New England W+10' 24-25 o47'	S.07 SEATTLE W -1' 34-10 o38'	S.09 DENVER W +3' 14-15 u37	S.10 New England W +9' 17-19 u41
S.26 New England	S.20 TAMPA BAY W -4' 33-20 o42	S.14 Jacksonville W +4' 20-16 u37	S.16 Pittsburgh L +9' 3-26 u38'	S.17 Miami W +6' 16-16 u37
O.03 NY JETS	S.27 NEW ORLEANS L +6' 7-27 u51'	S.21 OAKLAND L -9' 24-23 o36'	S.23 New England L+16' 7-38 o41'	S.24 NY JETS L -5' 20-28 o34'
O.10 JACKSONVILLE	O.04 Miami L +1' 10-38 o37	S.28 St. Louis W -8' 31-14 o43	S.30 NY JETS W +3' 17-14 u37'	O.01 MINNESOTA W -1' 17-12 u34'
O.17 Bye	O.11 CLEVELAND L -6' 3-6 u41'	O.05 Arizona L +2' 17-41 o45	O.08* DALLAS W+10' 24-25 o45	O.08 Chicago L +9' 7-40 o34'
O.24 Baltimore	O.18 Ny Jets-OT W +9' 16-13 u36'	O.12 Bye	O.14 Bye	O.15 Detroit L -1' 17-20 u40'
O.31 Kansas City	O.25 Carolina W +7' 20-9 u47'	O.19 SAN DIEGO W P 23-14 u44'	O.21 BALTIMORE W +3' 19-14 u33'	O.22 NEW ENGLAND L +5' 6-28 u37
N.07 CHICAGO	N.01 HOUSTON L +3' 10-31 u41'	O.26 Miami L -1' 16-25 u42	O.28 NY Jets W +3' 13-3 u38'	O.29 Bye
N.14 DETROIT	N.08 Open Week	N.02 NY JETS L -5' 17-26 o42'	N.04 CINCINNATI W +1' 33-21 o43'	N.05 GREEN BAY W -3' 24-10 u41
N.21 Cincinnati	N.15 Tennessee L +7' 17-41 o41	N.09 New England L +3' 10-20 u41'	N.11 Miami W -2' 13-10 u41	N.12 Indianapolis W+12' 16-17 u45
N.28 PITTSBURGH	N.22 Jacksonville W +8' 15-18 u42	N.17* CLEVELAND L -5' 27-29 o41	N.18* NEW ENGLAND L+15' 10-56 o46'	N.19 Houston W +2' 24-21 o36'
D.05 Minnesota	N.29 MIAMI W +3' 31-14 o39	N.23 Kansas City W -3' 54-31 o43	N.25 Jacksonville L +8' 14-36 o37	N.26 JACKSONVILLE W +3' 27-24 o35
D.12 CLEVELAND	D.03 NY JETS L +3' 13-19 u37	N.30 S. FRANCISCO L -6' 3-10 u42	D.02 Washington W +6' 17-16 u37	D.03 SAN DIEGO W +6' 21-24 o41
D.19 Miami	(at Toronto)	D.07 MIAMI L -1' 3-16 u42'	D.09 MIAMI W -7' 38-17 o35	D.10 NY Jets W +4' 31-13 o37
D.26 NEW ENGLAND	D.13 Kansas City W -1' 16-10 u37'	(at Toronto, Canada)	D.16 Cleveland L +5' 0-8 u37'	D.17 MIAMI W -1' 21-0 u34
J.02 NY Jets	D.20 NEW ENGLAND N +7' 10-17 u41	D.14 NY Jets W +7' 27-31 o41	D.23 NY GIANTS L +2' 21-38 o32	D.24 TENNESSEE L -5' 29-30 o37
	D.27 Atlanta L +8' 3-31 u41	D.21 Denver W +6' 30-23 o45	D.30 Philadelphia N +8' 9-17 u38'	D.31 Baltimore L +9' 7-19 u36
	J.03 INDY W -8' 30-7 o32'	D.28 NEW ENGLAND L +6' 0-13 u38		

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## BUFFALO 2008 REGULAR SEASON TEAM STATS

	BILLS	OPPONENTS
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	233	310
FIRST DOWNS (Rushing-passing-by penalty)	81-126-26	134-157-19
THIRD DOWN CONVERSIONS	51/198	97/240
FOURTH DOWN CONVERSIONS	7/15	14/26
TOTAL OFFENSIVE YARDS	4382	5449
OFFENSE (Plays-Average Yards)	911-4.8	1086-5.0
TOTAL RUSHING YARDS	1867	2501
RUSHING (Plays-Average Yards)	424-4.4	535-4.7
TOTAL PASSING YARDS	2515	2948
PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-Avg)	256-441-19-6.3	295-519-28-6.0
SACKS	32	46
FIELD GOALS	28/33	22/28
TOUCHDOWNS	25	37
(Rushing-Passing>Returns-Defensive)	6-17-0-2	19-14-0-4
TIME OF POSSESSION	28:11	32:34

## Buffalo 2010 Draft Picks

Rd	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	School
1 (9)	C.J. Spiller	RB	5'11"	196	Clemson
2 (41)	Torell Troup	DT	6'3"	314	Central Florida
3 (72)	Alex Carrington	DE	6'5"	285	Arkansas State
4 (107)	Marcus Easley	WR	6'3"	210	Connecticut
5 (140)	Ed Wang	OT	6'5"	314	Virginia Tech
6 (178)	Arthur Moats	DE	6'0"	246	James Madison
6 (192)	Danny Batten	DE	6'3"	250	South Dakota State
7 (209)	Levi Brown	QB	6'3"	229	Troy
7 (216)	Kyle Calloway	OT	6'6"	323	Iowa

## PROJECTED OFFENSE

QB	5 Trent Edwards	14 Ryan Fitzpatrick
	4 Brian Brohm	10 Levi Brown (7th Rd)
RB	22 Fred Jackson	23 Marshawn Lynch
	21 C.J. Spiller (1st Rd)	N/A Chad Simpson
FB	38 Corey McIntyre	
WR	83 Lee Evans	11 Roscoe Parrish
		81 Marcus Easley (4th Rd)
WR	84 James Hardy	17 Chad Jackson
	13 Steve Johnson	18 Naaman Roosevelt
TE	80 Derek Schouman	89 Shawn Nelson
	82 Michael Matthews	88 Jonathan Stupar
LT	77 Demetrius Bell	69 Jamon Meredith
		71 Ed Wang (5th Rd)
LG	67 Andy Levitre	76 Andre Ramsey
C	63 Geoff Hangartner	61 Christian Gaddis
RG	70 Eric Wood	60 Kyle Calloway (7th Rd)
RT	74 Cornell Green	73 Kirk Chambers

## PROJECTED DEFENSE

DE	99 Marcus Stroud	91 Spencer Stroud
NT	95 Kyle Williams	96 Torell Troup (2nd Rd)
DE	98 Dwan Edwards	92 Alex Carrington (3rd Rd)
		97 John McCargo
OLB	90 Chris Kelsay	93 Chris Ellis
		53 Arthur Moats (6th Rd)
ILB	55 Kawika Mitchell	54 Andra Davis
ILB	51 Paul Posluszny	56 Keith Ellison
OLB	94 Aaron Schobel	58 Aaron Maybin
CB	24 Terrence McGee	26 Ashton Youboty
		27 Reggie Corner
S	43 Bryan Scott	37 George Wilson
S	31 Jairus Byrd	20 Donte Whitner
CB	28 Leodis McKelvin	29 Drayton Florence

## PROJECTED SPECIALISTS

K	9 Rian Lindell
P	8 Brian Moorman

## BUFFALO BILLS POINTSPREAD BREAKDOWN (INCLUDING PLAYOFFS)

	SUR	Spread	Home	Home	Road	Road	SB	Fav	Fav>3	Dog	After
			SUR	Spd	SUR	Spd	Spd	Spd	Spd	Spd	SUL
2009	6-10	8-7-1	3-5	3-4-1	3-5	5-3	---	3-1	2-1	5-6-1	6-4
2008	7-9	7-9	3-5	2-6	4-4	5-3	---	3-6	1-4	3-3	4-4
2007	7-9	9-6-1	4-4	6-2	3-5	3-4-1	---	2-0	1-0	7-6-1	3-4-1
2006	7-9	10-6	4-4	5-3	3-5	5-3	---	3-3	1-2	7-3	5-3
2005	5-11	7-9	4-4	4-4	1-7	3-5	---	4-2	1-0	3-7	5-5
L5Ys	32-48	41-37-2	18-22	20-19-1	14-26	21-18-1	---	15-12	6-7	25-25-2	23-20-1

## BUFFALO BILLS 2009

### REGULAR SEASON STAT RANKINGS

OFFENSE	TOTAL RANK
TOTAL OFFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	273.9 30
FIRST DOWNS (Per Game)	14.6 32
POINTS PER GAME	16.1 28
RUSHING (Yds. Per Game)	116.7 16
RUSHING TDS	6 T-29
PASSING OFFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	157.2 30
PASSING COMPLETION %	58.0 23
PASSING TDS	17 23
FIELD GOALS	28 5
TIME OF POSSESSION	28:12 29
DEFENSE	TOTAL RANK
TOTAL DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	340.6 19
SCORING DEFENSE	20.4 16
RUSHING DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	156.3 30
PASSING DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	184.2 2
PASS COMPLETION%	56.8 3
INTERCEPTIONS	28 2
SACKS	32 T-18
TOTAL TEAM PENALTIES	107 8
TURNOVER MARGIN	+3 T-11

## BUFFALO—2009 Game-by-Game Statistics

	OFFENSE					DEFENSE				
OPPONENT	PF	PA	RA-YR	PC-PA-I-YR	SK F-FL	RA-YR	PC-PA-I-YR	SK	F-FR	
New England	24	25	19/90	15/25/0/186	4 3-1	23/73	39/53/1/368	1	0-0	
Tampa Bay	33	20	35/218	21/31/1/220	2 1-1	19/57	26/50/2/296	2	1-0	
New Orleans	7	27	21/89	21/36/1/154	4 1-1	38/222	16/29/0/156	2	1-1	
Miami	10	38	17/46	14/26/3/160	6 1-0	45/250	14/22/0/86	6	3-0	
Cleveland	3	6	35/145	16/31/1/143	2 2-2	41/171	2/17/1/22	1	0-0	
NY Jets	16	13	42/142	15/30/1/154	1 1-1	40/318	10/30/6/96	2	1-0	
Carolina	20	9	30/53	11/22/0/114	2 0-0	25/116	27/44/3/309	2	1-1	
Houston	10	31	20/97	15/23/2/107	2 0-0	40/186	25/34/2/253	2	1-1	
Tennessee	17	41	20/89	21/36/2/207	2 1-0	35/168	17/25/1/210	0	2-0	
Jacksonville	15	18	19/53	18/31/2/290	2 2-1	34/102	21/30/1/208	2	3-1	
Miami	31	14	25/129	17/26/1/207	6 1-0	37/157	17/32/4/168	1	0-0	
NY Jets	13	19	24/123	9/23/1/71	3 3-1	43/249	8/17/0/82	5	2-0	
Kansas City	16	10	35/200	12/20/1/73	2 2-2	26/152	26/43/4/202	4	2-0	
New England	10	17	23/105	18/27/1/136	6 3-0	34/109	11/23/1/115	0	0-0	
Atlanta	3	31	18/40	17/29/2/138	2 1-1	37/157	18/35/0/234	3	2-0	
Indianapolis	30	7	42/248	16/25/0/155	0 1-0	16/25	18/35/2/132	1	1-1	

## BUFFALO TEAM STATISTICS 2006-2009 (INCLUDING ALL PLAYOFF GAMES)

	OFFENSE										DEFENSE																								
YEAR	SUR	PSR	PF	PA	FD	RA	RY	YPC	F-FL	T-R-P	PC	PA	PI	SK	YP	YPP	YPT	FDRA	RY	YPC	F-FR	T-R-P	PC	PA	PI	SK	YP	YPP	YPT	DIF	APR	OPRTM	TO		
2009	6-10	8-7	16	20	15	27	117	4.4	23-11	25-6-18	16	28	19	46	157	5.7	17.0	19	33	157	4.7	20-5	37-19-14	18	32	28	34	184	5.7	16.7	-.3	8.9	5.3	28	+3
2008	7-9	7-9	21	21	18	27	115	4.2	33-15	35-16-14	19	30	15	38	190	6.3	14.5	18	28	122	4.3	21-13	34-18-14	19	31	10	24	204	6.6	15.3	.7	5.7	6.3	30	-8
2007	7-9	9-6	16	22	16	28	113	4.0	20-7	25-8-12	16	28	14	26	165	5.9	17.6	20	28	125	4.4	29-12	39-15-19	22	35	18	25	238	6.7	16.4	-1.2	8.1	4.3	29	+9
2006	7-9	10-6	19	19	15	26	97	3.7	27-14	33-9-19	17	27	14	47	170	6.3	14.2	19	30	141	4.7	28-11	35-14-18	20	32	13	37	189	5.9	17.0	2.7	7.4	4.1	28	-4