



**Head Coach: Lovie Smith (7th year)**  
**Off. Coord: Mike Martz; Def. Coord: Rod Marinelli**  
**2009 Record: SUR 7-9, PSR 6-10, O-U 6-10**  
**Field: Soldier Field (63,000) Grass**



*What kind of trick was it that Denver pulled on Chicago last season? Weren't the Broncos supposed to send electric-armed QB Jay Cutler, who passed for over 4500 yards in 2008, to the Bears? Did Denver think it could get away with sending the 1971 version of Don Horn instead?*

But the Broncos were involved in no such hocus-pocus. That was the same Cutler whom many believed had finally solved Chicago's decades-long dilemma at QB, and perhaps had given the Bears their first franchise QB since the distant days when Sid Luckman was taking snaps at Wrigley Field. *Forget Luckman; what Cutler gave Chicago for most of last season was merely an updated version of Bob Avellini or Vince Evans, tossing a staggering 26 interceptions in a maddening debut campaign at Soldier Field.*

In truth, however, the Bears had a lot of problems more damning than Cutler's spate of interceptions en route to a disappointing 7-9 campaign. The roster had flaws from the outset, as GM Jerry Angelo's failure to address legitimate concerns in pass coverage as well as some ill-advised supposed upgrades along the offensive line were apparent from the earliest days of training camp in Bourbonnais. Cutler's receivers were also mostly young and unproven. Then, the regular season began, and key defenders began to drop like flies. Star LB Brian Urlacher was KO'd for the entire season with a severely dislocated wrist suffered in the bitter opening-night loss at Green Bay. Ex-Ram LB Pisa Tinoisamoa, an inspired free-agent addition, was shelved for much of the campaign by a knee injury, while DT Tommie Harris was slowed by recurring knee problems.

And for a while it looked as if Angelo and HC Lovie Smith were going to be forced to walk the plank (rumors of a reunion with HC Mike Shanahan and Cutler were buzzing up and down Rush Street in December), but the McCaskeys, *who are not inclined to eat the remainders of multi-year contracts*, decided to give their braintrust one more year to figure things out. *Nonetheless, Chicago is only 23-25 since its Super Bowl season in 2006*, and Lovie's once-feared "D" has not approached that level since. Required staff changes included replacing Ron Turner as o.c. with the well-traveled and former Rams HC Mike Martz, while Lovie promoted DL guru and former Lions HC Rod Marinelli to d.c. after attempts to lure the Bills' Perry Fewell (who instead joined the Giants) failed. Meanwhile, Angelo, his hands somewhat tied in the draft with no picks until the 3rd round after dealing away so much in the Cutler trade, instead attacked the free-agent ranks with a vengeance in order to add immediate help that might keep Lovie and him employed at Halas Hall.

The biggest fish in this season's FA pond, ex-Carolina DE Julius Peppers, was inked to a 6-year, \$91 million deal by Angelo and figures to immediately upgrade the DL that was dealt a tragic blow in the offseason with the death of DE Gaines Adams, who flashed promise last fall. Peppers' presence should goose the pass rush simply by his ability to draw frequent double-teams, freeing linemates to wreak more havoc, and it's hoped the aforementioned Harris (off his first surgery-free offseason since 20'06) finally rediscovers his old form. Getting back Urlacher and Tinoisamoa in a LB crew that includes Lance Briggs (fifth straight Pro Bowl) will be a plus for Marinelli, but questions still abound in the secondary, where Lovie has made a total of 40 lineup changes at the safety spots since taking over in 2004. Florida rookie Major Wright (*Bears' top pick, though not until the 3rd round*) should get an immediate opportunity to win the FS position.

Meanwhile, Martz will try to resurrect his old Rams' "Greatest Show on Turf" offense (which hasn't really flown in his recent stops at Detroit and San Francisco) with Cutler. To be fair, Cutler was not helped much in '09 by inconsistencies along the OL, *which have not necessarily been addressed in the offseason*, and accompanying ground game, which has seemingly been bolstered by the addition of versatile FA Chester Taylor from the Vikings to share carries and catches with Matt Forte, who tailed off noticeably (from 1238 YR to 929) after a stellar '08 debut. Another FA, ex-Charger Brandon Manumaleuna, fits the mold of blocking TEs in the Martz offense better than holdover Greg Olsen (team-best 60 catches LY), although the Bears say there will be room for both in the new-look attack. Cutler should also be more comfy in his second year with WRs Devin Hester and Johnny Knox, both homerun threats, while Earl Bennett's production increased from 0 catches in '08 to 54 in '09 after his old Vanderbilt chum Cutler arrived on the scene.

**Bottom line...**Chicago looms as a curious NFC X-factor, especially with the chance Cutler (who began to settle late LY) flourishes under Martz' watch. *Lovie Smith and Jerry Angelo better hope so, because the McCaskeys are unlikely to continue to stay patient if the Bears miss the playoffs again.*

**PRESEASON NOTES:** Lovie is a better exhibition dog (7-4) than a favorite (5-8-1; 1-5 laying more than 3). Chicago is "over" 9-3 the L3Ys.

### 2009 CHICAGO BEARS

#### REGULAR-SEASON STAT LEADERS

PASSING	PA	PC	YDS	PCT	TD	INT	RAT
J. Cutler	336	555	3666	60.5	27	26	76.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>3677</b>	<b>60.4</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>75.6</b>

RUSHING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
M. Forte	258	929	3.6	61	4
K. Bell	40	220	5.5	72	0
J. Cutler	40	173	4.3	30	1
G. Wolfe	22	120	5.5	36	1
A. Peterson	7	51	7.3	15	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>1492</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>6</b>

RECEIVING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
D. Hester	57	757	13.3	48	3
E. Bennett	54	717	13.3	71	2
G. Olsen	60	612	10.2	41	8
J. Knox	45	527	11.7	68	5
M. Forte	57	471	8.3	37	0
D. Aromashodu	24	298	12.4	39	4
D. Clark	19	145	7.6	26	2
K. Davis	9	75	8.3	18	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>3677</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>27</b>

FIELD GOALS	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
R. Gould	0/0	9/9	6/6	7/10	2/3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>9/9</b>	<b>6/6</b>	<b>7/10</b>	<b>2/3</b>

DEFENSE	Total	Tackles	Assists	Sacks	FR
L. Briggs	118	93	25	2.5	0
D. Manning	92	72	20	1.0	2
H. Hillenmeyer	90	65	25	2.5	4
C. Tillman	77	65	12	0.0	6
Z. Bowman	66	59	7	0.0	1
N. Roach	75	54	21	2.0	3
A. Afalava	53	43	10	2.0	1
K. Payne	46	39	7	0.0	0
A. Brown	48	36	12	6.0	0
A. Adams	44	36	8	2.0	0
J. Williams	43	35	8	0.0	1
C. Graham	35	31	4	0.0	0
A. Ogunleye	38	25	13	6.5	1
M. Anderson	28	22	6	3.5	0
T. Shaw	24	21	3	0.0	1
T. Harris	24	19	5	2.5	0
J. Bullocks	23	19	4	0.0	0
M. Harrison	24	16	8	1.0	0
I. Idonije	18	13	5	2.5	1
N. Vasher	15	10	5	0.0	0
C. Steltz	11	8	3	0.0	0
R. Davis	10	8	2	0.0	0
G. Wolfe	10	8	2	0.0	0
D. McClover	10	8	2	0.0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1119</b>	<b>894</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>OPPONENTS</b>	<b>1025</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>17</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	No	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
Z. Bowman	6	67	11.2	39	0
C. Tillman	2	35	17.5	21	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>OPPONENTS</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>0</b>

2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
S.12 DETROIT	(SUR: 7-9 PSR: 6-10 O-U: 6-10)	(SUR: 9-7 PSR: 6-8-2 O-U: 7-8-1)	(SUR: 7-9 PSR: 7-9 O-U: 9-7)	(SUR: 15-4 PSR: 10-8-1 O-U: 13-5-1)
S.19 Dallas	S.13* Green Bay L +4* 15-21 u46*	S.07* Indianapolis W +9* 29-13 u44	S.09 San Diego L +6* 3-14 u42*	S.10 Green Bay W -3* 26-0 u35
S.27* GREEN BAY	S.20 PITTSBURGH W +2* 17-14 u38	S.14 Carolina N +3* 17-20 n37	S.16 KANSAS CITY L -11* 20-10 u34*	S.17 DETROIT W -8 34-7 o32
O.03* NY Giants	S.27 Seattle W -2* 25-19 o37*	S.21 TAMPA BAY-OT L -3 24-27 o35	S.23* DALLAS L -3 10-34 o41	S.24 Minnesota L -3* 19-16 n35
O.10 Carolina	O.04 DETROIT W -10 48-24 o41*	S.28* PHILADELPHIA W +3 24-20 o39	S.30 Detroit L -2* 27-37 o45*	O.01* SEATTLE W -3* 37-6 o35*
O.17 SEATTLE	O.11 Open Week	O.05 Detroit W -3* 34-7 u45*	O.07* Green Bay W +3 27-20 o40*	O.08 BUFFALO W -9* 40-7 o34*
O.24 WASHINGTON	O.18* Atlanta L +3* 14-21 u45*	O.12 Atlanta L -3 20-22 u43*	O.14 MINNESOTA L -5 31-34 o37*	O.16* Arizona L -11 24-23 o40
O.31 Bye	O.25 Cincinnati L -1 10-45 o42*	O.19 MINNESOTA W -3 48-41 o38	O.21 Philadelphia W +5* 19-16 u42*	O.22 Bye
N.07 Buffalo	N.01 CLEVELAND W -13 30-6 u40	O.26 Bye	O.28 DETROIT L -5 7-16 u45	O.29 S. FRANCISCO W -16 41-10 o42
N.14 MINNESOTA	N.08 ARIZONA L -2* 21-41 o44*	N.02 DETROIT L -12* 27-23 o43	N.04 Bye	N.05 MIAMI L -13 33-31 o37
N.18* Miami	N.12* San Francisco L +3 6-10 u43	N.09 TENNESSEE L +3 14-21 u38	N.11 Oakland W -3* 17-6 u38	N.12* NY Giants W +1 38-20 o37*
N.28 PHILADELPHIA	N.22* PHILADELPHIA L +3 20-24 u45	N.16 Green Bay L +3* 3-37 u43	N.18 Seattle L +5* 23-30 o37*	N.19 NY Jets W -6* 10-0 u38*
D.05 Detroit	N.29 Minnesota L +10* 10-36 u47	N.23 St. Louis W -7* 27-3 u44	N.25 DENVER-OT W -1* 37-34 o41*	N.26 New England N +4 13-17 u37*
D.12 NEW ENGLAND	D.06 ST. LOUIS L -9 17-9 u41	N.30* Minnesota L +3* 14-34 o42	D.02 NY GIANTS L +1* 16-21 u40	D.03 MINNESOTA W -9 23-13 o34
D.20* Minnesota	D.13 GREEN BAY L +4 14-21 u41	D.07 JACKSONVILLE W -6* 23-10 u40	D.06* Washington L +3 16-24 o38	D.11* St. Louis W -6* 42-27 o40*
D.26 NY JETS	D.20 Baltimore L +11 7-31 u39*	D.11* N. ORLEANS-OT N -3 27-24 o45	D.17* Minnesota W +10* 13-20 u43	D.17 TAMPA BAY-OT L -13* 34-31 o34*
J.02 Green Bay	D.28* MINNESOTA-OT W +7* 36-30 o41*	D.22* GREEN BAY-OT L -4 20-17 u40*	D.23 GREEN BAY W +8 35-7 o33	D.24 Detroit L -5* 26-21 u42*
	J.03 Detroit W -4 37-23 o44*	D.28 Houston L +3 24-31 o46	D.30 NEW ORLEANS W +1 33-25 o41*	D.31* GREEN BAY L -3 7-26 u36
				J.14 SEATTLE (OT)-P L -9 27-24 o37*
				J.21 N. ORLEANS-P W -2* 39-14 o43
				F.04 Indianapolis-P L +7 17-29 u48
				(Super Bowl XLI @ Miami, FL)

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## CHICAGO 2009 REGULAR SEASON TEAM STATS

	BEARS	OPPONENTS
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	262	312
FIRST DOWNS (Rushing-passing-by penalty)	71-170-21	105-186-21
THIRD DOWN CONVERSIONS	81/217	93/226
FOURTH DOWN CONVERSIONS	7/18	6/13
TOTAL OFFENSIVE YARDS	4965	5404
OFFENSE (Plays-Average Yards)	971-5.1	1033-5.2
TOTAL RUSHING YARDS	1492	2022
RUSHING (Plays-Average Yards)	373-4.0	467-4.3
TOTAL PASSING YARDS	3473	3382
PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-Avg)	340-563-27-6.5	341-531-13-6.9
SACKS	35	35
FIELD GOALS	24/28	25/33
TOUCHDOWNS	36	43
(Rushing-Passing>Returns-Defensive)	6-27-2-1	14-29-0-0
TIME OF POSSESSION	28:36	31:44

## Chicago 2010 Draft Picks

Rd	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	School
3 (75)	Major Wright	FS	5'11"	206	Florida
4 (109)	Corey Wootton	DE	6'6"	270	Northwestern
5 (141)	Joshua Moore	DB	5'11"	188	Kansas State
6 (181)	Dan LeFevour	QB	6'3"	230	Central Michigan
7 (218)	J'Marcus Webb	OT	6'8"	328	West Texas A&M

## PROJECTED OFFENSE

QB	6 Jay Cutler	12 Caleb Hanie
	14 Brett Basanez	15 Dan LeFevour (6th Rd)
RB	22 Matt Forte	29 Chester Taylor
	25 Garrett Wolfe	32 Kahlil Bell
FB	45 Will Ta'ufou'u	43 Eddie Williams
WR	80 Earl Bennett	13 Johnny Knox
		19 Devin Aromashodu
WR	23 Devin Hester	81 Rashed Davis
	17 Juaquin Iglesias	83 Freddie Barnes
TE	82 Greg Olsen	86 Brandon Manumaleuna
	88 Desmond Clark	87 Kellen Davis
LT	74 Chris Williams	60 Lance Louis
		73 J'Marcus Webb (7th Rd)
LG	68 Frank Omiyale	67 Josh Beekman
C	57 Olin Kreutz	64 Tim Waller
RG	63 Roberto Garza	62 Johan Asiata
RT	78 Kevin Shaffer	72 James Marten

## PROJECTED DEFENSE

DE	97 Mark Anderson	71 Isreal Idonije
		98 Corey Wootton (4th Rd)
DT	91 Tommie Harris	93 Jarron Gilbert
NT	95 Anthony Adams	99 Marcus Harrison
DE	90 Julius Peppers	69 Henry Melton
OLB	92 Hunter Hillenmeyer	53 Nick Roach
MLB	54 Brian Urlacher	58 Tim Shaw
OLB	55 Lance Briggs	59 Pisa Tinoisamoa
CB	33 Charles Tillman	21 Corey Graham
S	46 Chris Harris	36 Josh Bullocks
S	24 Al Afalava	27 Major Wright (3rd Rd)
CB	35 Zackary Bowman	38 Danieal Manning
	26 Tim Jennings	31 Joshua Moore (5th Rd)

## PROJECTED SPECIALISTS

K	9 Robbie Gould	
P	4 Brad Maynard	10 Richmond McGee

## CHICAGO BEARS POINTSPREAD BREAKDOWN (INCLUDING PLAYOFFS)

	SUR	Spread	Home	Home	Road	Road	SB	Fav	Fav>3	Dog	After
			SUR	Sprd	SUR	Sprd	Sprd	Sprd	Sprd	Sprd	SUL
2009	7-9	6-10	5-3	4-4	2-6	2-6	---	4-3	3-1	2-7	3-6
2008	9-7	6-8-2	6-2	3-4-1	3-5	3-4-1	---	4-4-1	3-2	2-4-1	4-2
2007	7-9	7-9	4-4	3-5	3-5	4-4	---	2-5	1-3	5-4	6-3
2006	15-4	10-8-1	8-2	6-4	7-1	4-3-1	0-1	9-7	8-6	1-1-1	2-1
2005	11-6	10-6-1	7-2	6-3	4-4	4-3-1	---	5-2-1	3-1	5-4	3-2
<b>L5 Years</b>	<b>49-35</b>	<b>39-41-4</b>	<b>30-13</b>	<b>22-20-1</b>	<b>19-21</b>	<b>17-20-3</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>24-21-2</b>	<b>18-13</b>	<b>15-20-2</b>	<b>18-14</b>

## CHICAGO BEARS 2009

### REGULAR SEASON STAT RANKINGS

OFFENSE	TOTAL	RANK
TOTAL OFFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	310.3	23
FIRST DOWNS (Per Game)	16.4	25
POINTS PER GAME	20.4	19
RUSHING (Yds. Per Game)	93.2	29
RUSHING TDS	6	T-29
PASSING OFFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	217.1	17
PASSING COMPLETION %	60.4	19
PASSING TDS	27	T-10
FIELD GOALS	24	T-15
TIME OF POSSESSION	28:37	26
DEFENSE	TOTAL	RANK
TOTAL DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	337.8	17
SCORING DEFENSE	23.4	T-21
RUSHING DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	126.4	23
PASSING DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	211.4	13
PASS COMPLETION%	64.2	T-27
INTERCEPTIONS	13	T-22
SACKS	35	T-13
TOTAL TEAM PENALTIES	100	T-10
TURNOVER MARGIN	-6	23

### CHICAGO—2009 Game-by-Game Statistics

OPPONENT	PF	PA	RA-YR	PC-PA-I-YR	SK	F-FL	RA-YR	PC-PA-I-YR	SK	F-FR
Green Bay	15	21	31/86	17/36/4/266	2	0-0	22/76	17/28/0/150	4	0-0
Pittsburgh	17	14	18/43	27/38/0/232	1	1-0	22/105	23/35/1/203	2	1-1
Seattle	25	19	28/85	21/27/1/233	2	3-1	28/103	26/44/1/243	3	2-1
Detroit	48	24	20/151	18/28/0/125	2	2-0	26/90	30/47/1/308	5	1-1
Atlanta	14	21	23/83	27/43/2/290	2	3-1	23/68	19/33/2/185	0	1-0
Cincinnati	10	45	12/35	27/39/3/244	1	3-1	45/215	20/24/0/233	0	0-0
Cleveland	30	6	37/170	17/30/1/199	4	0-0	29/117	7/20/2/74	1	4-3
Arizona	21	41	12/70	29/47/1/347	4	0-0	31/182	22/32/1/256	2	2-0
San Francisco	6	10	21/43	29/52/5/307	0	1-0	28/110	16/23/1/106	2	1-0
Philadelphia	20	24	20/126	24/43/1/158	1	0-0	30/157	24/33/1/220	3	3-2
Minnesota	10	36	11/43	18/23/2/126	4	2-1	34/159	32/48/0/378	1	2-1
St. Louis	17	9	38/120	9/18/0/128	2	6-1	30/135	17/32/1/98	3	2-1
Green Bay	14	21	17/59	23/36/2/195	3	1-0	31/146	16/24/0/169	2	3-2
Baltimore	7	31	30/122	12/32/4/98	2	3-2	31/124	23/33/1/222	2	1-0
Minnesota	36	30	28/105	20/35/1/258	2	0-0	33/123	26/40/0/300	3	2-2
Detroit	37	23	28/150	22/36/0/268	2	1-0	25/100	23/34/1/249	2	2-1

## CHICAGO TEAM STATISTICS 2006-2009 (INCLUDING ALL PLAYOFFS GAMES)

YEAR	OFFENSE													DEFENSE																					
	SUR	PSR	PF	PA	FD	RA	RY	YPC	F-FL	T-R-P	PC	PA	PI	SK	YP	YPP	YPT	FD	RA	RY	YPC	F-FR	T-R-P	PC	PA	PI	SK	YP	YPP	YPT	DIF	APR	OPR	TM	TO
2009	7-9	6-10	20	23	16	23	93	4.0	26-7	36-6-27	21	35	27	34	217	6.2	15.2	20	29	126	4.3	27-15	43-14-29	21	33	13	35	212	6.4	14.4	-8	5.4	4.8	28	-6
2008	9-7	6-8	23	22	17	27	104	3.9	19-13	42-15-20	19	33	14	29	192	5.8	12.6	20	27	94	3.4	17-10	39-16-21	24	39	22	28	241	6.2	15.3	2.7	4.6	5.8	28	+5
2007	7-9	7-9	21	22	17	27	83	3.1	33-13	34-8-18	20	36	21	43	210	5.9	14.0	19	28	123	4.4	33-17	39-17-19	21	34	16	42	231	6.8	16.3	2.3	6.3	5.6	28	-1
2006	15-4	10-8	27	17	18	32	123	3.9	35-18	56-19-27	18	32	25	28	202	6.3	12.1	17	26	104	4.0	39-26	37-10-22	21	37	26	45	203	5.5	18.1	6.0	.6	7.2	31	+9