

# DALLAS

NFC EAST



**Head Coach: Wade Phillips (4th yr. in Dallas)**  
**Off. Coord: Jason Garrett; Def. Coord: Wade Phillips**  
**2009 Record: SUR 12-6, PSR 10-8, O-U 7-11**  
**Field: Cowboys Stadium (80,000) Artificial**



*Forgive us, but we just thought Dallas was a lot more interesting with the accompanying controversies of the previous few seasons than last year's relative calm.* Oh, sure, QB Tony Romo still seems to be at the center of a lot of tongue-wagging gossip in the Metroplex, but we're not talking about Ben Roethlisberger-type stuff with Romo, who just seems to be enjoying some of the perks of being the QB for the NFL's highest-profile team. *No harm showing up at The White House correspondent's dinner, or stopping by "Jimmy Kimmel Live" in the offseason, is there?* Although it was a bit more intriguing when Carrie Underwood and Jessica Simpson (especially Jessica Simpson) were around as distractions. Romo has yet another blonde *du jour* girlfriend these days, former Miss Missouri and local TV presenter Candice Crawford (*just trade 'em in for a new model, eh, Tony?*), but the days of jetting off to L.A. during off days and winging to Cabo before the playoffs with Jessica seem behind Romo, who kept his mind on football last fall.

Tony's relatively peaceful season coincided with other notable absences of drama (*no more Terrell Owens' circus or Pacman Jones' antics to worry about*) in Big D during a campaign that finally saw Romo and HC Wade Phillips notch a long-awaited playoff win for the first time in their respective careers. Still, there was a bitter taste left in owner Jerry Jones' mouth after a 34-3 loss at Minnesota in the Division Round that abruptly ended an otherwise-uplifting campaign. Phillips was spared, and even earned a two-year extension, although some believe after the beating administered by the Vikings was no time to promote who is believed to be Jerry J's hand-picked successor to Phillips, o.c. Jason Garrett, whose inability to make adjustments after LT Flozell Adams' injury opened the floodgates for Jared Allen and the Viking DL to terrorize Romo suggests he needs a bit more seasoning before assuming the top spot. *Nonetheless, the pressure remains on Phillips, with Jones hellbent to get the Cowboys to the Super Bowl that will be played in his magnificent Cowboys Stadium, which opened to rave reviews LY.*

While some expected Jones to go wild in the marketplace during this uncapped salary year, Jerry's early dealings were downright subtle, focused instead on re-signing some of the Cowboys' key components and using the draft to add any pieces to the Dallas puzzle, while releasing the aforementioned Adams and FS Ken Hamlin, whose inability to make many (*any?*) big plays made him expendable. The situation at Adams' old LT spot was the centerpiece of Jones' most significant offseason maneuvering along the OL, which enjoyed a relatively injury-free campaign as only 6 linemen started in '09. (*By comparison, 20 teams used 8 or more OL starters LY*). Doug Free, unable to handle the Vikings' Allen in the playoffs, nonetheless gets first crack at Adams' spot. But Jones, unconvinced he had enough depth along the OL, added some insurance, acquiring T Alex Barron from the Rams while making sure to re-sign Gs Montrae Holland & Cory Procter.

Jones' big splash, however, came late in the first round of the draft, when Oklahoma State's controversial homerun WR and local product Dez Bryant was falling down the board, prompting Jerry to trade up four spots to the 24th pick to nab him. Jones, *who apparently still rues missing out on Randy Moss twelve years ago*, was not about to pass up another potential gamebreaker and rolled the dice despite concerns that contributed to Bryant's suspension LY. Along with Miles Austin, who arrived as an explosive threat LY when catching 81 passes, Romo (4483 YP LY) might have another dangerous downfield weapon (instead of Roy Williams) to go with sure-handed TE Jason Witten (94 catches in '09) underneath. Meanwhile, electric Felix Jones (5.9 ypc LY) will likely supplant Marion Barber III as the featured RB.

Phillips is in his element while also doubling as the d.c., and Dallas responded with one of the league's most-dominant stop units. The front seven, featuring DeMarcus Ware and Anthony Spencer at OLB and NT Jay Ratliff anchoring the DL in Phillips' 3-4, could be the league's best, while Mike Jenkins has emerged as a bona fide shutdown CB. Upgrading Hamlin's old FS spot remains a priority, however, and Jones is likely to continue exploring the veteran FA market rather than gift the job to unproven Alan Ball.

**Bottom line...**Other than a rash of injuries that might claim the indispensable Romo, there are no excuses Jones will accept for the Cowboys not making the Super Bowl in their home park next February. The pieces are in place, and the team ought to be comfortable with the offensive and defensive systems that will be in place for their fourth seasons. *That's a pretty high bar for Romo and Phillips to clear, but such is life this fall in Big D.*

**PRESEASON NOTES:** Home performances have been a priority for Phillips, whose Cowboy teams are 5-1 SU (4-2 vs. the spread) at home, but 1-5 SU vs. the spread on the road.

## 2009 DALLAS COWBOYS

### REGULAR-SEASON STAT LEADERS

PASSING	PA	PC	YDS	PCT	TD	INT	RAT
T. Romo	550	347	4483	63.1	26	9	97.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>4483</b>	<b>63.1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>97.6</b>

RUSHING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
M. Barber	214	932	4.4	35	7
F. Jones	116	685	5.9	56	3
T. Choice	64	349	5.5	66	3
T. Romo	35	105	3.0	17	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>436</b>	<b>2103</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>14</b>

RECEIVING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
M. Austin	81	1320	16.3	60	11
J. Witten	94	1030	11.0	69	2
P. Crayton	37	622	16.8	80	5
R. Williams	38	596	15.7	66	7
M. Barber	26	221	8.5	42	0
M. Bennett	15	159	10.6	21	0
T. Choice	15	132	8.8	28	0
S. Hurd	7	121	17.3	53	1
F. Jones	19	119	6.3	30	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>4483</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>26</b>

FIELD GOALS	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
S. Suisham	0/0	1/1	0/1	1/1	0/0
N. Folk	1/1	5/6	6/7	5/12	1/2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>6/7</b>	<b>6/8</b>	<b>6/13</b>	<b>1/2</b>

DEFENSE	Total	Tackles	Assists	Sacks	FR
B. James	113	80	33	2.0	1
K. Brooking	106	75	31	3.0	0
T. Newman	57	52	5	0.0	3
A. Spencer	67	50	17	6.0	2
O. Scandrick	51	48	3	1.0	2
G. Sensabaugh	66	47	19	0.0	0
D. Ware	57	45	12	11.0	5
M. Jenkins	49	45	4	0.0	0
K. Hamlin	52	40	12	0.0	0
B. Carpenter	46	37	9	2.0	0
I. Olschansky	40	29	11	1.5	0
J. Ratliff	40	29	11	6.0	2
A. Ball	31	26	5	0.0	0
P. Watkins	29	25	4	0.0	0
M. Spears	25	17	8	2.5	0
V. Butler	17	13	4	3.0	1
S. Bowen	18	12	6	3.0	1
S. Hurd	15	11	4	0.0	0
J. Hatcher	13	9	4	1.0	0
J. Siavii	11	9	2	0.0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>OPPONENTS</b>	<b>1029</b>	<b>819</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>8</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	No	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
M. Jenkins	5	0	0.0	0	0
T. Newman	3	36	12.0	27	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>OPPONENTS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1</b>

2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
S.12* Washington	(SUR: 12-6 PSR: 10-8 O-U: 7-11)	(SUR: 9-7 PSR: 7-9 O-U: 9-7)	(SUR: 13-4 PSR: 9-8 O-U: 10-7)	(SUR: 9-8 PSR: 9-8 O-U: 9-6-2)
S.19 CHICAGO	S.13 Tampa Bay W -5 34-21 o39*	S.07 Cleveland W -6 28-10 u49	S.09* NY GIANTS W -6 45-35 o44	S.10 Jacksonville L +1* 17-24 o36*
S.26 Houston	S.20* NY GIANTS L -2* 31-33 o44*	S.15* PHILADELPHIA L -7 41-37 o46*	S.16 Miami W -3* 37-20 o40	S.17* WASHINGTON W -6* 21-21 n37
O.03 Bye	S.28* CAROLINA W -8* 21-7 u47	S.21* Green Bay W -3 27-16 u51	S.23* Chicago W +3 34-10 o41	S.24 Bye
O.10 TENNESSEE	O.04 Denver L -2* 10-17 u42*	S.28 WASHINGTON L -10* 24-26 o46*	S.30 ST. LOUIS W -13 35-7 u46*	O.01 Tennessee W -9* 45-14 o37
O.17 Minnesota	O.11 Kansas City-OT L -8 26-20 o43	O.05 CINCINNATI L -16* 31-22 o45	O.08* Buffalo L -10 25-24 o45	O.08 Philadelphia L -1 24-38 o43*
O.25* NY GIANTS	O.18 Open Week	O.12 Arizona-OT L -5 24-30 o52	O.14 NEW ENGLAND L +5* 27-48 o53	O.15 HOUSTON W -13 34-6 u43
O.31 JACKSONVILLE	O.25 ATLANTA W -4* 37-21 o47*	O.19 St. Louis L -7* 14-34 o44*	O.21 MINNESOTA W -9* 24-14 u46	O.23* NY GIANTS L -3* 22-36 o44*
N.07* Green Bay	N.01 SEATTLE W -9* 38-17 o46	O.26 TAMPA BAY W -2 13-9 u40	O.28 Bye	O.29* Carolina W +4 35-14 o41
N.14 NY Giants	N.08* Philadelphia W +3 20-16 u50	N.02 NY Giants L +8* 14-35 o41*	N.04* Philadelphia W -3 38-17 o46*	N.05 Washington L -3 19-22 n41
N.21 DETROIT	N.15 Green Bay L -3 7-17 u47*	N.09 Bye	N.11 NY Giants W -2 31-20 o48	N.12 Arizona W -6* 27-10 u43
N.25 NEW ORLEANS	N.22 WASHINGTON L -11 7-6 u41*	N.16* Washington W -1* 14-10 u43	N.18 WASHINGTON L -10* 28-23 o47	N.19 INDIANAPOLIS W P 21-14 u49
D.05 Indianapolis	N.26 OAKLAND W -13* 24-7 u40	N.23 S. FRANCISCO W -10 35-22 o46	N.22 NY JETS W -14 34-3 u47*	N.23 TAMPA BAY W -11 38-10 o39
D.12* PHILADELPHIA	D.06 NY Giants L -1* 24-31 o45*	N.27 SEATTLE W -12 34-9 u46	N.29* GREEN BAY W -7 37-27 o51	D.03 NY Giants L -3* 23-20 u43*
D.19 WASHINGTON	D.13 SAN DIEGO L -3 17-20 u48*	D.07 Pittsburgh L +3* 13-20 u38*	D.09 Detroit L -10* 28-27 o50*	D.10* NEW ORLEANS L -7* 17-42 o47*
D.25* Arizona	D.19* New Orleans W +7* 24-17 u53*	D.14* NY GIANTS W -3 20-8 u45	D.16 PHILADELPHIA L -10 6-10 u48*	D.16* Atlanta W -3* 38-28 o44*
J.02 Philadelphia	D.27* Washington W -7 17-0 u42	D.20* BALTIMORE L -5 24-33 o39*	D.22* Carolina L -10* 20-13 u42*	D.25* PHILLY L -7 7-23 u47*
	J.03 PHILADELPHIA W -3 24-0 u47	D.28 Philadelphia L +2 6-44 o41*	D.30 Washington L +9 6-27 u38*	D.31 DETROIT L -13* 31-39 o45
	J.09* PHILA.-P W -4 34-14 o45		J.13 NY GIANTS-P L -7* 17-21 u46*	J.06* Seattle-P W +2 20-21 u48
	J.17 Minnesota-P L +3 3-34 u45*			

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## DALLAS 2009 REGULAR SEASON TEAM STATS

	COWBOYS	OPPONENTS
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	335	286
FIRST DOWNS (Rushing-passing-by penalty)	110-203-22	74-186-26
THIRD DOWN CONVERSIONS	82/202	70/200
FOURTH DOWN CONVERSIONS	4/11	6/12
TOTAL OFFENSIVE YARDS	6390	5054
OFFENSE (Plays-Average Yards)	1020-6.3	979-5.2
TOTAL RUSHING YARDS	2103	1448
RUSHING (Plays-Average Yards)	436-4.8	365-4.0
TOTAL PASSING YARDS	4287	3606
PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-Avg)	347-550-9-8.2	344-572-11-6.8
SACKS	42	34
FIELD GOALS	20/31	18/26
TOUCHDOWNS	43	28
(Rushing-Passing>Returns-Defensive)	14-26-2-1	7-19-1-1
TIME OF POSSESSION	32:16	28:08

## Dallas 2010 Draft Picks

Rd	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	School
1 (24)	Dez Bryant	WR	6'2"	225	Oklahoma State
2 (55)	Sean Lee	LB	6'2"	236	Penn State
4 (126)	Akwasi Owusu-Ansah	CB	6'0"	207	Indiana (PA)
6 (179)	Sam Young	OT	6'8"	316	Notre Dame
6 (196)	Jamar Wall	CB	5'10"	204	Texas Tech
7 (234)	Sean Lissemore	DT	6'4"	298	William & Mary

## PROJECTED OFFENSE

QB	9	Tony Romo	3	Jon Kitna
			7	Stephen McGee
RB	28	Felix Jones	24	Marion Barber
		23 Tashard Choice	35	Lonyae Miller
FB	34	Deon Anderson	44	Chris Gronkowski
WR	11	Roy Williams	88	Dez Bryant (1st Rd)
		17 Sam Hurd	85	Kevin Ogletree
WR	19	Miles Austin	84	Patrick Crayton
			15	Manuel Johnson
TE	82	Jason Witten	80	Martellus Bennett
			89	John Phillips
LT	78	Alex Barron	68	Doug Free
LG	63	Kyle Kosier	60	Travis Bright
C	65	Andre Gurode	67	Phil Costa
RG	70	Leonard Davis	64	Montrae Holland
RT	75	Marc Colombo	77	Pat McQuistan

## PROJECTED DEFENSE

DE	96	Marcus Spears	97	Jason Hatcher
NT	90	Jay Ratliff	95	Junior Siavii
DE	99	Igor Olshansky	69	Sean Lissemore (7th Rd)
OLB	93	Anthony Spencer	57	Victor Butler
ILB	56	Bradie James	58	Jason Williams
ILB	51	Keith Brooking	45	Sean Lee (2nd Rd)
OLB	94	Demarcus Ware	53	Steve Octavien
CB	41	Terence Newman	32	Orlando Scandrick
S	43	Gerald Sensabaugh	25	Patrick Watkins
S	20	Alan Ball	36	Michael Hamlin
			27	A. Owusu-Ansah (4th Rd)
CB	21	Mike Jenkins	29	Maquis Floyd
			30	Jamar Wall (6th Rd)

## PROJECTED SPECIALISTS

K	18	David Buehler	5	Connor Hughes
P	1	Mat McBriar	4	Delbert Alvarado

## DALLAS COWBOYS POINTSPREAD BREAKDOWN (INCLUDING PLAYOFFS)

	SUR	Spread	Home	Home	Road	Road	SB	Fav	Fav>3	Dog	After
			SUR	Spnd	SUR	Spnd	Spnd	Spnd	Spnd	Spnd	SUL
2009	12-6	10-8	7-2	6-3	5-4	4-5	---	8-7	7-2	2-1	2-3
2008	9-7	7-9	6-2	4-4	3-5	3-5	---	7-6	3-6	0-3	3-3
2007	13-4	9-8	6-3	5-4	7-1	4-4	---	8-6	6-6	1-2	1-2
2006	9-8	9-8	4-4	4-4	5-4	5-4	---	6-6	6-5	2-2	6-1
2005	9-7	7-8-1	5-3	3-4-1	4-4	4-4	---	2-4-1	2-4	5-4	3-2-1
L5 Years	52-32	42-41-1	28-14	22-19-1	24-18	20-22	---	31-29-1	24-23	10-12	15-11-1

## DALLAS COWBOYS 2009

### REGULAR SEASON STAT RANKINGS

OFFENSE	TOTAL RANK
TOTAL OFFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	399.4 2
FIRST DOWNS (Per Game)	20.9 T-6
POINTS PER GAME	22.6 14
RUSHING (Yds. Per Game)	131.4 7
RUSHING TDS	14 T-15
PASSING OFFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	267.9 6
PASSING COMPLETION %	63.1 11
PASSING TDS	26 T-13
FIELD GOALS	20 25
TIME OF POSSESSION	32:17 6
DEFENSE	TOTAL RANK
TOTAL DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	315.9 9
SCORING DEFENSE	15.6 2
RUSHING DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	90.5 4
PASSING DEFENSE (Yds. Per Game)	225.4 20
PASS COMPLETION%	60.1 15
INTERCEPTIONS	11 T-26
SACKS	42 7
TOTAL TEAM PENALTIES	115 T-3
TURNOVER MARGIN	+2 T-13

## DALLAS—2009 Game-by-Game Statistics, including playoffs

OPPONENT	PF	PA	RA-YR	PC-PA-I-YR	SK	F-FL	RA-YR	PC-PA-I-YR	SK	F-FR
Tampa Bay	34	21	24/118	16/27/0/344	1	2-0	31/174	25/42/0/276	0	2-0
NY Giants	31	33	29/251	13/29/3/127	0	1-1	26/97	25/38/0/330	0	0-0
Carolina	21	7	32/212	22/33/0/237	2	0-0	16/73	22/33/2/198	3	2-1
Denver	10	17	25/74	25/42/1/241	5	2-1	25/116	20/29/0/221	3	2-1
Kansas City	26	20	26/150	20/34/0/348	1	4-2	29/72	23/41/0/232	4	0-0
Atlanta	37	21	28/115	21/29/0/299	2	2-1	26/124	19/35/2/174	4	3-1
Seattle	38	17	29/113	21/36/0/249	2	3-1	22/79	22/39/0/229	3	2-2
Philadelphia	20	16	23/76	21/34/1/282	4	0-0	23/89	16/30/2/208	4	0-0
Green Bay	7	17	14/61	24/39/1/217	5	3-2	28/105	25/36/0/178	4	2-0
Washington	7	6	33/153	15/27/1/152	1	1-1	20/78	24/37/1/246	1	0-0
Oakland	24	7	25/195	18/29/0/299	2	1-0	24/124	18/35/0/181	3	1-1
NY Giants	24	31	23/45	41/55/0/379	2	1-1	23/100	11/25/1/237	1	2-1
San Diego	17	20	27/108	19/30/0/239	1	1-0	31/73	21/32/1/268	1	0-0
New Orleans	24	17	36/145	22/34/0/294	3	0-0	13/65	29/45/1/271	4	2-2
Washington	17	0	30/108	25/38/1/285	1	0-0	18/43	24/39/1/175	3	3-0
Philadelphia	24	0	32/179	24/34/1/295	2	0-0	10/37	20/36/0/191	4	2-1
Philadelphia	34	14	35/198	23/35/0/228	2	1-1	13/56	20/39/1/284	4	3-3
Minnesota	3	34	25/92	22/35/1/156	6	4-2	33/109	15/24/0/214	3	0-0

## DALLAS 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	FD	RA	RY	YPC	F-FR	T-R-P	PC	PA	PI	SK	YP	YPP	YPT	DIF	APR	OPR	TM	TO
2009	12-6	10-8	22	17	21	28	133	4.8	26-13	47-16-28	22	34	10	42	260	7.5	17.7	18	23	90	3.9	26-13	34-7-25	21	35	12	49	229	6.5	19.2	1.5	1.1	3.8	32	+2
2008	9-7	7-9	23	23	18	25	108	4.3	29-13	43-12-29	21	34	20	31	237	6.9	15.2	17	25	106	4.2	28-14	36-11-19	19	32	8	59	188	5.9	12.9	-2.3	.6	4.4	30	-11
2007	13-4	9-8	28	20	20	26	112	4.2	20-5	56-15-37	21	33	20	28	252	7.6	13.1	19	24	94	4.0	26-10	39-13-21	21	35	19	49	209	5.9	14.9	1.8	-1.0	5.9	31	+4
2006	9-8	9-8	26	22	21	29	121	4.1	25-10	54-21-27	19	31	21	39	236	7.5	13.6	18	27	103	3.8	26-13	42-12-27	19	32	20	34	220	6.8	14.8	1.2	1.6	5.7	31	+2