Team: Philadelphia Eagles

Last season's record: 1-15

Quote from *Bleeding Green Nation.com*: "This team has holes everywhere and the talent on their roster can at best be described as marginal. Any pick would improve this team. At least the young QB looks like he can play".

Position group rankings	
10-9, elite 8-7, excellent	
6-5, above average 4-3, average	
3-2, below average 1, poor	
QB	8
RB	2
WR	4
OL	3
TE	4
DL	3
LB	3
DB	2

Notes: QB was drafted second overall the previous year and had a promising rookie season. Veteran RB was injured early and missed the rest of year; medical reports suggest he may not be ready for training camp. Weak offensive line led to numerous quarterback hits. The defense gave up the most points and total yards in the league.

Team: Cleveland Browns	Last season's record: 3-13

Quote from *Cleveland Plain Dealer*: "After another disastrous season, Brown's fans look again to the draft for salvation. The search for a quarterback continues".

Position group rankings	
10-9, elite 8-7, excellent	
6-5, above average 4-3, average	
3-2, below average 1, poor	
QB	1
RB	7
WR	4
OL	5
TE	4
DL	8
LB	6
DB	8

Notes: Team used 3 QBs during the previous season and the offense depended on an effective RB and competent OL. During the season, the team was divided between offense and defense, as the stronger defense accused the offense of letting the team down.

Team: Miami Dolphins   Last season's record: 3-13

Quote from *Phin Phanatic.com*: "Dan Marino, where are you? Can this team find a competent quarterback in the draft? Past history says no, but there's always hope. It's too bad the team can't draft a new owner".

Position group rankings	
10-9, elite 8-7, excellent	
6-5, above average 4-3, average	
3-2, below average 1, poor	
QB	2
RB	3
WR	8
OL	4
TE	4
DL	4
LB	4
DB	4

Notes: Team drafted a QB early two years ago, but his performance has been below average and fans are calling for a change. A rookie WR, drafted #1 the previous year, performed well. The talent level on the team is poor overall.

Team: Dallas Cowboys   Last season's record: 5-11

Quote from the *Dallas Morning Star*: "This group has enough talent to make the playoffs, but smart drafting is necessary. Unfortunately, smart drafting is not a typical characteristic of this underachieving, injury-prone team".

Position group rankings	
10-9, elite	8-7, excellent
6-5, above average	4-3, average
3-2, below average	1, poor
QB	6
RB	6
WR	5
OL	4
TE	3
DL	4
LB	4
DB	4

Notes: QB was drafted in the 6th round two years ago and has performed surprisingly well. RB is also above average. Defense is considered worse overall than the offense. The team's record is somewhat misleading in that injuries at key positions derailed the season.

Team: Buffalo Bills   Last season's record: 8-8

Quote from the *Buffalo News*: "As usual, Bills fans hope for the best in the draft, and as usual, they should expect to be disappointed by the teams' incompetent decision-makers. Expect this team to remain mired in mediocrity for the foreseeable future".

Position group rankings	
10-9, elite 8-7, excellent	
6-5, above average 4-3, average	
3-2, below average 1, poor	
QB	4
RB	2
WR	4
OL	7
TE	5
DL	6
LB	5
DB	5

Notes: QB was an expensive free agent signing who has disappointed. Despite free agent signings and high draft picks, the skill positions (RB and WR) are a weakness. Offense was saved by strong offensive line. Defense is considered league average overall. The general consensus is that this is a typical 8-8 team, not terrible, but in no way poised to make a playoff run.

Team: Indianapolis Colts   Last season's record: 8-8

Quote from *Stampede Blue.com*: "Last year's 8-8 season was a distinct improvement over past seasons. A good draft can solidify this team's status as a playoff contender".

Position group rankings	
10-9, elite 8-7, excellent	
6-5, above average 4-3, average	
3-2, below average 1, poor	
QB	6
RB	7
WR	8
OL	9
TE	6
DL	4
LB	4
DB	7

Notes: Team improved to 8-8 from a 4-12 season the year before. Offense is strong on the line and at the skill positions (both WRs had 1000 yards). QB is good, but injury prone, and his absence from four games last year were all losses. Defense was criticized for lack of pass rush.

Team: Green Bay Packers   Last season's record: 12-4

Quote from the *Dairyland express.com*: "Can the team maintain its high level of performance after the surprising retirement of the quarterback? Replacing a QB is never easy, so I guess we'll see".

Position group rankings	
10-9, elite	8-7, excellent
6-5, above average	4-3, average
3-2, below average	1, poor

QB	n/a (only backups on roster)
RB	7
WR	10
OL	9
TE	6
DL	7
LB	6
DB	7

Notes: Team lost in the NFC championship game last year. After the season, the quarterback surprisingly retired, citing age and injury concerns. The rest of the roster is considered well-above the league average. One WR is considered the best overall at the position in the league.

Team: New England Patriots   Last season's record: 14-2

Quote from the *Boston Globe*: "This team is loaded with talent on both sides of ball. Any draft pick should count on not playing for awhile."

Position group rankings	
10-9, elite 8-7, excellent	
6-5, above average 4-3, average	
3-2, below average 1, poor	
QB	9
RB	6
WR	9
OL	8
TE	10
DL	8
LB	8
DB	9

Notes: Team won the Super Bowl and will pick last in the first round. Both defense and offense played at an elite level last year. Only concerns were the QB getting old and some underproduction at the RB spot.