

1978 ★ DALLAS COWBOYS STATISTICS ★ 1978

FIRST PLACE, NFC EAST HEAD COACH: TOM LANDRY			
PRESEASON (3-1)			
Date	W/L	Score	Opponent
8/5	W	41-24	SAN FRANCISCO
8/12	W	21-14	@ Denver
8/19	L	13-27	HOUSTON
8/26	W	16-13	PITTSBURGH
REGULAR SEASON (12-4)			
9/4	W	38-0	BALTIMORE
9/10	W	34-24	@ N.Y. Giants
9/17	L	14-27	@ Los Angeles
9/24	W	21-12	ST. LOUIS
10/2	L	5-9	@ Washington
10/8	W	24-3	N. Y. GIANTS
10/15	W	24-21	@ St. Louis (OT)
10/22	W	14-7	PHILADELPHIA
10/26	L	10-21	MINNESOTA
11/5	L	16-23	@ Miami
11/12	W	42-14	@ Green Bay
11/19	W	27-7	NEW ORLEANS
11/23	W	37-10	WASHINGTON
12/3	W	17-10	NEW ENGLAND
12/10	W	31-13	@ Philadelphia
12/17	W	30-7	@ N.Y. Jets
1978 DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF			
12/30	W	27-20	ATLANTA
1978 NFC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME			
1/7/79	W	28-0	@ L.A. Rams
SUPER BOWL XIII (MIAMI)			
1/21/79	L	31-35	Pittsburgh

TEAM STATISTICS	DALLAS	OPP
FIRST DOWNS.....	342.....	232
Rushing.....	146.....	83
Passing.....	167.....	128
Penalty.....	29.....	21
Third Down-Made/Att.....	118/235.....	78/220
Third Down Efficiency.....	50.2.....	35.5
Fourth Down-Made/Att.....	4/8.....	8/13
TOTAL NET YARDS.....	5,959.....	4,009
Avg. Per Game.....	372.4.....	250.6
Total Plays.....	1,107.....	967
Avg. Per Play.....	5.4.....	4.1
NET YARDS RUSHING.....	2,783.....	1,721
Avg. Per Game.....	173.9.....	107.6
Total Rushes.....	625.....	477
Avg. Per Rush.....	4.5.....	3.6
NET YARDS PASSING.....	3,176.....	2,288
Sacked/Yards Lost.....	33/229.....	58/442
Gross Yards.....	3,405.....	2,730
Attempts/Completions.....	449/251.....	432/202
Pct. of Completions.....	55.9.....	46.8
Had Intercepted.....	17.....	23
PUNTS/AVERAGE.....	77/39.9.....	108/39.2
Net Punting Average.....	33.1.....	32.4
PUNT RET./AVG.....	63/8.0.....	40/7.8
KICKOFF RET./AVG.....	47/19.1.....	73/23.4
INT./AVG. RET.....	23/13.7.....	17/10.4
PENALTIES/YARDS.....	96/816.....	95/783
FUMBLES/BALL LOST.....	36/18.....	27/13
TOUCHDOWNS.....	48.....	25
Rushing.....	22.....	13
Passing.....	25.....	11
Returns.....	1.....	1
EXTRA POINTS/ATTEMPTS.....	46/48.....	23/25
FIELD GOALS/ATTEMPTS.....	16/26.....	11/22
AVG. TIME OF POSS.....	32:24.....	27:36

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Dorsett	290	1,325	4.6	63	7
Newhouse	140	584	4.2	24	8
Laidlaw	75	312	4.2	59	3
Staubach	42	182	4.3	23	1
P. Pearson	25	104	4.2	18	0
Brinson	18	96	5.3	39	2
Dennison	14	75	5.4	23	1
Blackwell	9	37	4.1	13	0
D. Pearson	3	29	9.7	33	0
Hill	3	17	5.7	14	0
DuPree	1	15	15.0	15	0
D. White	5	7	1.4	4	0
Cowboys	625	2,783	4.5	63	22
Opponents	477	1,721	3.6	52	13

RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
P. Pearson	47	526	11.2	34	0
Hill	46	823	17.9	54	6
D. Pearson	44	714	16.2	53	3
Dorsett	37	378	10.2	91	2
DuPree	34	509	15.0	38	9
Newhouse	20	176	8.8	24	2
Johnson	12	155	12.9	23	0
Laidlaw	6	108	18.0	44	1
Saldi	3	8	2.7	5	2
Dennison	1	6	6.0	6	0
Richards	1	2	2.0	2	0
Cowboys	251	3,405	13.6	91	25
Opponents	202	2,730	13.5	51	11

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Barnes	5	72	14.4	38	0
Waters	4	61	15.3	22	0
Harris	4	26	6.5	23	0
Kyle	3	20	6.7	17	0
Hughes	2	80	40.0	56	0
Thurman	2	35	17.5	23	0
Cole	1	13	13.0	13	0
Martin	1	7	7.0	7	0
Breung	1	2	2.0	2	0
Cowboys	23	316	13.7	56	0
Opponents	17	176	10.4	43	1

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	IN20	LG	BL	NET
D. White	77	3,076	39.9	11	16	56	1	33.1
Cowboys	77	3,076	39.9	11	16	56	1	33.1
Opp.	108	4,257	39.4	13	16	61	0	32.4

PUNT RETURNS	NO	FC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Johnson	51	12	401	7.9	23	0
Hill	11	0	101	9.2	20	0
Thurman	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
Cowboys	63	12	502	8.0	23	0
Opponents	40	13	311	7.8	38	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Johnson	29	603	20.8	56	0
Brinson	6	93	15.5	31	0
Blackwell	3	70	23.3	31	0
Dennison	3	63	21.0	24	0
Thurman	3	42	14.0	20	0
R. White	1	15	15.0	15	0
Lawless	1	10	10.0	10	0
Saldi	1	0	0.0	0	0
Cowboys	47	896	19.1	56	0
Opponents	73	1,709	23.4	57	0

PASSING	ATT	COMP	YDS	PCT	AVG	TD	INT	PCT	PCT	LG	SKS/YDS	RATING
Staubach	413	231	3,190	55.9	7.7	25	6.1	16	3.9	91t	32/219	84.9
D. White	34	20	215	58.8	6.3	0	0.0	1	2.9	35t	1/10	65.3
Hill	1	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0/0	39.6
Dorsett	1	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0/0	42.3
Cowboys	449	251	3,405	55.9	7.6	25	5.6	17	3.8	91t	33/229	83.1
Opponents	432	202	2,730	46.8	6.3	11	2.5	23	5.3	51	58/442	53.7

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	T
Cowboys	58	121	118	84	3	384
Opponents	83	43	25	57	0	208

FIELD GOALS	11-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59
Septien	2-3	8-8	3-5	6-11	0-0
Cowboys	2-3	8-8	3-5	6-11	0-0
Opponents	0-0	3-3	3-7	4-10	1-2

Septien: (18M,45M,48),(0,49M),(0,19),(22), (49M,47),(40M),(25),(30,39,24),(33M), (47M,24,26),(33,21,38M,44),(26), (44M,18,43M),(22)
Opponents: (37M),(42),(47M),(23,47M,44B,42M), (52,42,27),(37),(33M),(0,47M),(45,23,33),(0),(0),(48,53B),(46B,30,36B,39M),(0,0)

SCORING	TDR	TD	TDR	FG	PAT	S	P
Septien	0	0	0	16/26	46/47	0	94
Dorsett	7	2	1a	0/0	0/0	0	60
Newhouse	8	2	0	0/0	0/0	0	60
DuPree	0	9	0	0/0	0/0	0	54
Hill	0	6	0	0/0	0/0	0	36
Laidlaw	3	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	24
D. Pearson	0	3	0	0/0	0/0	0	18
Brinson	2	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	12
Saldi	0	2	0	0/0	0/0	0	12
Dennison	1	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
Staubach	1	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	6
Waters	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	1+	2
Cowboys	22	25	1	16/26	46/48	1	384
Opponents	13	11	1*	11/22	23/25	1#	282

- a 54 fumble return vs. N. Y. Jets (11/7)
- + sacked in end zone vs. Washington (10/2)
- * Perry 43 int. return vs. Los Angeles (9/17)
- # Thaxton block punt out end zone vs. St. Louis (9/24)
- \$ fumbled snap on PAT @ N.Y. Jets (12/17)

USUAL STARTERS

WR	Tony Hill	LE	Ed Jones
LT	Pat Donovan	LT	Jethro Pugh (13)
LG	Herb Scott		Larry Cole (3)
C	John Fitzgerald	RT	Randy White
RG	Tom Raftery	RE	Harvey Martin
RT	Rayfield Wright (11)	LLB	Thomas Henderson
	Andy Frederick (3)	MLB	Bob Breung
TE	Billy Joe DuPree	RLB	D.D. Lewis
WR	Drew Pearson	LCB	Benny Barnes
QB	Roger Staubach	RCB	Aaron Kyle
RB	Tony Dorsett	SS	Charlie Waters
FB	Robert Newhouse (12)	FS	Cliff Harris
	Scott Laidlaw (4)	P	Danny White
K	Raphael Septien		

Pro Bowlers in Bold