



NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

Won 16, Lost 2

- Sept 11**
W 23-21
at Arizona
- Sept 18**
W 31-24
Miami
- Sept 22**
W 27- 0
Houston
- Oct 2**
L 16-0
Buffalo
- Oct 9**
W 33-13
at Cleveland
- Oct 16**
W 35-17
Cincinnati
- Oct 23**
W 27-16
at Pittsburgh
- Oct 30**
W 41-25
at Buffalo
- Nov 13**
L 31-24
Seattle
- Nov 20**
W 30-17
at San Francisco
- Nov 27**
W 22-17
at N.Y. Jets
- Dec 4**
W 26-10
Los Angeles
- Dec 12**
W 30-23
Baltimore
- Dec 18**
W 16- 3
at Denver
- Dec 24**
W 41- 3
N.Y. Jets
- Jan 1**
W 35-14
at Miami

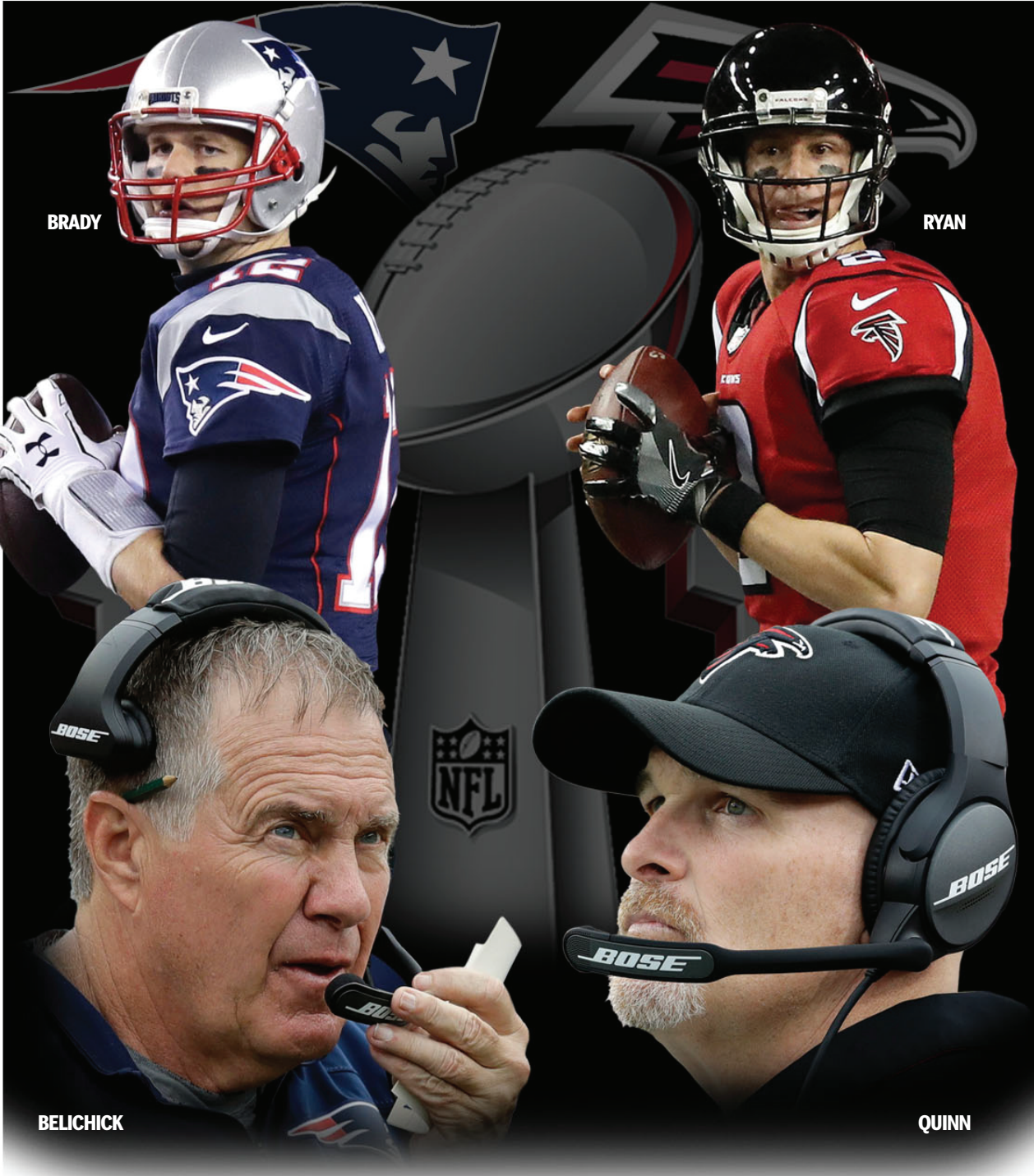
PLAYOFFS

- Jan 14**
W 34-16
Houston
- Jan 22**
W 36-17
Pittsburgh

STATS

(Regular season)

	Team	Opponents
PASSING		
Attempts	550	596
Completions	368	368
Percentage	66.9	61.7
Yards	4456	4033
TD	32	21
Interceptions	2	13
RUSHING		
Attempts	482	368
Yards	1872	1417
Average	3.9	3.9
Long	44	45
TD	19	6
PUNT RETURNS		
No.	45	27
Yards	309	134
Average	6.9	5
TD	0	0
KICKOFF RETURNS		
No.	29	40
Yards	542	771
Average	18.7	19.3
TD	0	0
KICKING		
XP	46	23
XPA	49	24
FG	27	21
FGA	32	29
Points	127	86



Super Stories

Dynasty vs. titleless. Brady vs. Ryan. Belichick vs. Quinn.
Lady Gaga’s halftime show. There is no shortage
of narratives to follow in Super Bowl LI.

THE COACHES

New England’s Bill Belichick has led seven Super Bowl teams, more than any coach in NFL history, while Atlanta’s Dan Quinn is leading his first as head coach. They were on opposite sides in the game two years ago as Quinn, then defensive coordinator at Seattle, watched his Seahawks give up a 10-point lead in the 4th quarter and lose 28-24 as Belichick won his fourth ring. The next day, Quinn was hired to lead the Falcons.

THE FANS

New England has been known for its sports-crazed fans for decades, while Atlanta’s fan base has been a bit more fair weather considering the franchise’s lack of championship teams with only six divisional titles in 51 seasons. However, that’s not to say the Falcons faithful won’t be well represented in Houston.

THE STADIUM

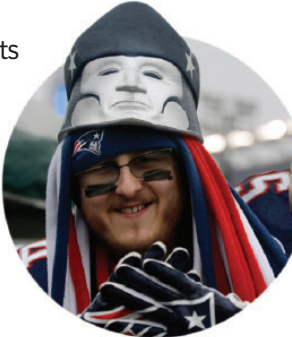
Houston’s NRG Stadium is home to the NFL’s Texans and last hosted the Super Bowl in 2004, where most memorably singer Janet Jackson had her wardrobe malfunction during her halftime performance with Justin Timberlake. The 71,795-seat stadium was the first in the NFL with a retractable roof when it opened in 2002. NRG Stadium played host to last year’s NCAA Men’s Final Four where Villanova won with a buzzer-beater over North Carolina.

SUPER BOWL HISTORIES

The city of Atlanta is hoping to win its first pro sports crown since the Braves won the World Series in 1995. The Falcons have played in the Super Bowl only once before, losing to John Elway and Denver 18 years ago. New England is playing in an NFL-record ninth Super Bowl, going for its fifth franchise title and third in six seasons. Belichick and quarterback Tom Brady are behind the Pats’ four other wins, the most of any QB-coach combo.

THE QUARTERBACKS

One is a lock for the Hall of Fame. The other is making his case. New England’s Tom Brady is set to start an NFL-record seventh Super Bowl. The game’s three-time MVP also is going for his fifth win, which would also be a first for any QB. Meanwhile, Matt Ryan is finally playing in his first Super Bowl after nine seasons in Atlanta.



ATLANTA FALCONS

Won 13, Lost 5

- Sept 11**
L 31-24
Tampa Bay
- Sept 18**
W 35-28
at Oakland
- Sept 26**
W 45-32
at New Orleans
- Oct 2**
W 48-33
Carolina
- Oct 9**
W 23-16
at Denver
- Oct 16**
L 26-24
at Seattle
- Oct 23**
L 33-30 OT
San Diego
- Oct 30**
W 33-32
Green Bay
- Nov 3**
W 43-28
at Tampa Bay
- Nov 13**
L 15-24
at Philadelphia
- Nov 27**
W 38-19
Arizona
- Dec 4**
L 28-29
Kansas City
- Dec 11**
W 42-14
at Los Angeles
- Dec 18**
W 41-13
San Francisco
- Dec 24**
W 33-16
at Carolina
- Jan 1**
W 38-32
New Orleans

PLAYOFFS

- Jan 14**
W 36-20
Seattle
- Jan 22**
W 44-21
Green Bay

STATS

(Regular season)

	Team	Opponent
PASSING		
Attempts	537	655
Completions	374	422
Percentage	69.6	64.4
Yards	4960	4495
TD	38	31
Interceptions	7	12
RUSHING		
Attempts	421	370
Yards	1928	1672
Average	4.6	4.5
Long	75t	55t
TD	20	15
PUNT RETURNS		
No.	24	23
Yards	273	221
Average	11.4	9.6
TD	0	0
KICKOFF RETURNS		
No.	23	40
Yards	484	905
Average	21	22.6
TD	0	0
KICKING		
XP	56	35
XPA	57	38
FG	34	23
FGA	37	27
Points	158	104