Starting today, December 5, the St. Louis Blues play five games in seven nights including two sets of back to back games. The first three games are at home starting with the Flames and Coyotes in back-to-back games. They get one day's rest before the Predators visit and then they play back-to-back games on the road in Anaheim and Los Angeles. Playing five games in a one week time doesn't happen very often - only twelve times during the regular season although it happens to the Blues twice.

Injury Replacements

Looking at a team's schedule may help your chances of finding a good injury replacement. Here are some of the high and low ratings for teams over a two, three and four week period starting December 5. The rating is shown in brackets.

Two weeks

High ratings: Blues (7.81), Capitals (7.34)

Low ratings: Maple Leafs (5.15), Ducks (4.86)

Three weeks

High ratings: Blues (10.77), Kings (9.89)

Low ratings: Sharks (7.88), Ducks (7.71), Oilers (7.69)

Four weeks

High ratings: Capitals (13.76), Thrashers (13.74), Penguins (13.67)

Low ratings: Ducks (10.56), Rangers (10.01)

Best Bets
St. Louis 5.05 - FIVE games CGY, PHX, NAS, ANA, LA
Pittsburgh 4.21 - four games OTT, BUF, ANA, NYI
Los Angeles 4.21 - four games EDM, CBJ, COL, STL
NY Islanders 4.11 - four games ATL, TOR, PHI, PIT
Tampa Bay 4.10 - four games BUF, BOS, BUF, MTL
Steer Clear
New Jersey 1.90 - two games MTL, PIT
Atlanta 1.99 - two games NYI, NYR

San Jose 2.00 - two games EDM, ANA
Detroit 2.10 - two games CHI, CGY
Dallas 2.10 - two games COL, PHX

Best Bets
Buffalo 4.41 - four games TB, PIT, TB, TOR
Boston 4.30 - four games FLA, TB, WAS, ATL
Washington 4.30 - four games TOR< CAR, BOS, OTT
Pittsburgh 4.21 - four games OTT, BUF, ANA, NYI
NY Islanders 4.11 - four games ATL, TOR, PHI, PIT
Steer Clear
Edmonton 1.81 - two games SJ, FLA
Vancouver 1.90 - two games COL, NAS
Minnesota 1.90 - two games NAS, PHX
San Jose 2.00 - two games EDM, ANA
Dallas 2.00 - two games PHX, DET

Best Bets
Boston 4.61 - four games TB, WAS, ATL, ATL
Ottawa 4.21 - four games FLA, CHI, WAS, TB
NY Rangers 4.20 - four games CGY, ATL, NJ, CAR
Washington 4.20 - four games CAR, BOS, OTT, MTL
Buffalo 4.13 - four games PIT, TB, TOR, NJ
Steer Clear
San Jose 1.89 - two games ANA, STL
Edmonton 2.00 - two games FLA, VAN
Minnesota 2.09 - two games PHX, LA
Toronto 2.20 - two games NYI, BUF
Carolina 2.86 - three games WAS, PHI, NYR

Best Bets
Boston 4.61 - four games TB, WAS, ATL, ATL
Ottawa 4.21 - four games FLA, CHI, WAS, TB
Buffalo 4.13 - four games PIT, TB, TOR, NJ
Pittsburgh 4.12 - four games BUF, NJ, NYI, PHI
Tampa Bay 3.99 - four road games BOS, BUF, MTL, OTT
Steer Clear
Carolina 1.81 - two road games PHI, NYR
San Jose 1.89 - two games ANA, STL
Edmonton 2.00 - two games FLA, VAN
Toronto 2.20 - two games NYI, BUF
Colorado 2.31 - two games LA, CHI

Best Bets
Detroit 3.91 - four games CGY, DAL, PHX, COL
Montreal 3.36 - three home games CGY, TB, WAS

Boston 3.35 - three games WAS, ATL, ATL
Los Angeles 3.89 - four games COL, STL, MIN, SJ
Buffalo 3.27 - three games TB, TOR, NJ

Steer Clear

Toronto 1.05 - ONE game BUF
Carolina 1.81 - two games PHI, NYR
Edmonton 2.00 - two games FLA, VAN
St. Louis 2.66 - three road games ANA, LA, SJ
NY Islanders 2.76 - three road games PHI, PIT, CBJ

Best Bets

Ottawa 4.42 - four games CHI, WAS, TB, ATL
Washington 4.20 - four games BOS, OTT, MTL, NYI
Chicago 4.20 - four games OTT, COL, CBJ, EDM
Colorado 4.12 - four games LA, CHI, DET, PHI
New Jersey 4.09 - four games PIT, NYR, BUF, TOR

Steer Clear

Nashville 1.90 - two games CBJ, DAL
Toronto 1.99 - two games BUF, NJ
Vancouver 2.10 - two games EDM, FLA
Florida 2.85 - three road games EDM, CGY, VAN
Minnisota 2.85 - three road games PHX, LA, ANA

Best Bets

New Jersey 4.19 - four games NYR, BUF, TOR, BUF
Columbus 4.00 - four games NAS, NYI, CHI, SJ
San Jose 3.98 - four games ANA, STL, LA, CBJ
NY Rangers 3.91 - four games NJ, CAR, ANA, LA
Minnesota 3.90 - four games PHX, LA, ANA, CGY

Steer Clear

Nashville 1.90 - two games CBJ, DAL
Toronto 1.99 - two games BUF, NJ
Tampa Bay 2.00 - two games MTL, OTT
Pittsburgh 2.11 - two games NYI, PHI
Boston 2.40 - two games ATL, ATL

Best Bets

Washington 4.20 - four games OTT, MTL, NYI, STL
New Jersey 4.19 - four games NYR, BUF, TOR, BUF
Dallas 4.00 - four games DET, NAS, PHX, CBJ
San Jose 4.00 - four games STL, LA, CBJ, DET
Colorado 4.00 - four games CHI, DET, PHI, TB

Steer Clear

Nashville 1.90 - two games DAL, PHX
Anaheim 2.00 - two games MIN, NYR
NY Islanders 2.00 - two games CBJ, WAS

Pittsburgh 2.09 - two games PHI, ATL
Tampa Bay 2.10 - two games OTT, COL

Best Bets
New Jersey 4.40 - four games BUF, TOR, BUF, OTT
Minnesota 4.11 - four games LA, ANA, CGY, NYI
San Jose 4.00 - four games STL, LA, CBJ, DET
Los Angeles 3.88 - four games MIN, SJ, NYR, BUF
Columbus 3.80 - four games NYI, CHI, SJ, DAL
Steer Clear
Toronto 1.90 - two games NJ, BOS
Nashville 1.90 - two games DAL, PHX
Florida 1.90 - two games VAN, CAR
Pittsburgh 2.09 - two games PHI, ATL
Tampa Bay 2.10 - two games OTT, COL

Best Bets
Minnesota 3.92 - four games ANA, CGY, NYI, STL
Chicago 3.90 - four games CBJ, EDM, CGY, EDM
San Jose 3.89 - four games LA, CBJ, DET, NYR
Los Angeles 3.69 - four games SJ, NYR, BUF, DET
Columbus 3.60 - four games CHI, SJ, DAL, PHX
Steer Clear
Florida 1.90 - two games VAN, CAR
Nashville 2.11 - two games PHX, NYI
Tampa Bay 2.19 - two games COL, ATL
Pittsburgh 2.30 - two games ATL, TOR
Boston 2.31 - two games TOR, CAR