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# Team In Focus: Manchester City - By Rick Elliott

## Introduction

Here is the next in a weekly series in which we focus on one team and highlight the most relevant statistics for betting during that team's season to date. The starting point is the Premier League and we will work through the table so we feature MANCHESTER CITY today. After 20 weeks the four main teams in Spain, Italy, Germany and France will be covered. In time for the finals of the Nations League the feature will focus on the national teams of England Portugal, Switzerland, and Netherlands. From time to time the top 10 nations in the FIFA world rankings will be covered which makes this a 50 weeks series going through until the end of 2019.

So, to continue this feature here is an analysis of Manchester City's performance in the Premier League during the 2018/19 season.

## Statistics

All the statistics and records shown below are correct as January 18th 2019.

### Premier League

<b>Points</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Played	12	10	22
Won	11	6	17
Lost	1	2	3
Drawn	0	2	2
Points	33	20	53
Average	2.75	2.00	2.41

<b>Total Goals</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Goals For	40	19	59
Average	3.33	1.90	2.68
Goals Against	10	7	17
Average	0.83	0.79	0.77

<b>Bookings</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Points For	100	110	210
Average	8.33	11.00	9.55
Points Against	195	145	340
Average	16.25	14.50	15.45
Total	295	255	550
Average	24.58	25.50	25.00

<b>Over/Under</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
No goals	0 0.00%	1 1.00%	1 4.55%
Over 0.5 goals	12 100.00%	8 80.00%	20 90.91%
Over 1.5 goals	12 100.00%	7 70.00%	19 86.36%
Over 2.5 goals	11 91.67%	4 40.00%	15 68.18%
Over 3.5 goals	7 58.33%	3 30.00%	10 45.45%
Over 4.5 goals	4 33.33%	1 10.00%	5 22.73%

<b>Both Teams To Score</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Yes	9 75.00%	3 30.00%	12 54.55%
No	3 25.00%	7 70.00%	10 45.45%

<b>Match Goals</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
First Goal	12 100%	6 60.00%	18 81.82%
Last Goal	12 100.00%	6 60.00%	18 81.82%

### **Statistics Of Note**

Here are the five most significant Premier League trends that can be used when betting on Manchester City during the rest of the Premier League season:

- Average more than three goals at home.
- First scorer in all 12 home matches.
- Last scorer in all 12 home matches.
- More than one goal in all home matches.
- One goalless draw in 22 matches.

### **Prospects For The Rest Of The Season**

Manchester City got their challenge for the Premier League back on track by beating Liverpool. However, three defeats in the previous four matches could still be damaging at the end of the season. Liverpool's points gathering is relentless and they are now four points ahead of City. The Premier League might be beyond them

but this could be the season in which Manchester City become the champions of Europe for the first time in their history.

## Tip For The Season

**MANCHESTER CITY** to win the Champions League at 7/2 with **bet365**.

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## Today's Sports Betting Preview - By Rick Elliott

### Chelsea Can Be Top Dogs In London Derby

It's not too many weeks ago that today's televised fixture between the home team in Arsenal and Chelsea would be virtually a playoff match for the fourth Champions League place. While Chelsea are unbeaten in four fixtures Arsenal have lost two of their last three matches in the Premier League.

The Gunners are now only level on points with Manchester United who have come from well off the pace with five wins on the bounce. Today's London derby has almost become a match Arsenal cannot afford to lose but that could be the outcome. United play Brighton at Old Trafford and they must be home bankers.

Arsenal have only lost one league fixture at the Emirates and losing to Chelsea at home would be a huge blow for the new regime. The early season optimism of the Unai Emery era has taken some blows and another defeat would get the fans twitching. **CHELSEA** are the bet to pick up three points at 7/5 with **Betfair**.

Wolves' home fixture against Leicester is already looking like a relatively meaningless fixture. Both clubs are becalmed in mid-table safety, unlikely to be dragged into the relegation mire and too far off the pace to qualify for the Champions League or Europa League. Bookings are generally low in matches of this nature.

The Midlands outfits are in the second tier comfort zone so motivation will be key. On recent form Leicester have an edge and the sixth best away record in the Premier League. However, Wolves are the epitome of average at home and Leicester are on average team on league placings. In the best spirit of sitting on the fence the recommendation is betting on the **DRAW** at 21/10 with **Paddy Power**.

In racing Altior is the star of the show but only money buyers will be interested in backing the horse beat two rivals at Ascot. The Peter Marsh Chase at Haydock is far more competitive and 12 horses have been declared for the handicap chase over three miles and one and a half furlongs at 3.15. The field includes One For Arthur, the 2017 Grand National winner but **WAKANDA** is the tip at 13/2 with **Coral**.

## **Trackside In Ireland** - By Declan O'Donoghue

The Sky Bet Moscow Flyer Novice Hurdle at Punchestown has an illustrious recent roll of honour which includes Getabird, Min, Douvan and Vautour so there was considerable interest in the latest renewal at the south Kildare track last Sunday.

Gordon Elliott came up trumps, surprisingly for only the first time, when 11/4 chance Felix Desjy proved a plum spare ride for Sean Flanagan as Davy Russell had been stood down after a heavy fall from Ange D'Or Javilex in the opener.

Willie Mullins has dominated this contest, but while his Buildmeupbuttercup was sent off the 9/4 favourite, she didn't have quite the same high profile as many of his previous winners.

It was a big step up for the filly from an impressive Navan maiden hurdle win, and she never really figured, with her jumping a bit sketchy at times.

She was found to be "blowing hard" post race and a few runners from the Mullins yard have disappointed in recent weeks, though the Closutton outfit are still sending out plenty of winners.

The winner had disappointed a few times already this season, but Elliott felt being allowed to bowl along in front made all the difference, and that he jumped a lot better too under those circumstances.

He'll most likely appear next at the Dublin Festival in Leopardstown in two weeks time, and the Supreme Novices will be his Cheltenham target. Making all the running in that would be a tall order, though Ruby Walsh brilliantly managed it with Champagne Fever a few years back.

Elliott was later on target with Vision D'Honneur, a 5/4 market leader who scooted home for Jack Kennedy, and the popular Meath trainer made no secret of the fact that he rates this five year old very highly indeed.

"We fancied him big time first time out at Leopardstown at Christmas and he didn't do much wrong, but the three who finished in front of him all had previous racecourse experience."

"He was a bit green again today but learned a lot and will improve from it. He would have no problem going up in trip. He should be one for the Dublin Festival."

Stay at home punters must have been staggered at Winter Escape winning at 12/1 in the novice chase.

The Aidan Howard trained, J P McManus owned eight year old was completing a hat trick and looked way over priced when beating the younger and far less experienced 5/4 jolly A Plus Tard with the pair a mile clear of the rest.

Howard hadn't expected to beat the favourite to whom they had to concede a stone, and both horses must be followed for the rest of the season.

**Two gems from Declan in his Irish Racing Service this week, Numerian 11/1 (won 8/1) and Global Racing 9/1 (won 9/4 fav.) who was described as "gamble of the day, won with a bit to spare" by the Racing Post. Other winners French Made 3/1; Ifyoucatchmenow 9/4 (won 7/4); Getaway John 9/4 and Vision d'Honneur 5/4.**

**Why not sign up now in time for the Dublin Racing Festival in two weeks time?**

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