



NBA BASKETBALL

SPECIAL RELEASE

DR. ALAN'S GAME ANALYSIS



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MIAMI HEAT @ BOSTON CELTICS

Game Time: 8:30 PM EST

Broadcast: TNT

Game Pick: BOSTON CELTICS -9

Greetings friends !!! For our Dr. Alan 2023 NBA pro basketball playoff special release, we are going to back the home favorite, the Boston Celtics - 8 vs. the Miami Heat in this Game # 2 Eastern Conference Finals playoff game.

With the NBA playoffs, it's a brand-new season. However, we'll still look for VALUE in the point spread or the total line, and we'll still take into account & factor into our handicapping how a team played during the regular season, and at how the teams are playing in the post season. And of course, we'll look for elements of our 5 main criteria – fundamental match ups / head coaching match ups, schedule, historical / situational, public betting splits / line movement & Dr. Alan psychological motivation.

Let's take a look below at some of the " key points " that support a wager on the Celtics - 8 points in Game # 2

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- The Miami Heat had a 44-38 SU regular season record are the # 8 seed, and the Boston Celtics had a 57-25 SU regular season record and are the # 2 seed.
- The Celtics have a VERY STRONG home court advantage, where they had a STELLAR 32-9 SU regular season record (approx. 79 %) at home !!!
- This series has the Heat up 1-0 due to Heat winning Game # 1 by a final score of 123-116, pulling off the outright SU upset win as a + 8 road dog !!!
(much to our delight, as backed the Heat in Game # 1, and they came thru for us with flying colors !!!)
- As mentioned above, we backed the Heat and they easily covered & won SU in Game # 1 as a + 8-point road dog !!!
However, in Game # 2, we are going to " SWITCH SIDES and we are going to back the Celtics.
- In the NBA & NHL playoffs, each individual game must be evaluated ON A GAME-TO-GAME BASIS !!!
Thus, sometimes, we will " SWITH SIDES " from game to game and go back & forth like a ping pong ball !!!
Other times, we may continue to " RIDE " a certain squad for multiple games in a row.
- In sports handicapping, we have NO FAVORITE TEAM !!!
Our FAVORITE TEAM is whatever team that we are wagering on for that specific game !!!

- The Celtics, as a beaten Game # 1 home favorite are in a " SITUATIONAL SWEET SPOT " Historically, these squads have " BOUNCED BACK STRONG " in Game # 2 winning and covering on their home court approx. 60 % of the time !!!
And, so far this year, these squads are now a STELLAR 6-1 SU & ATS !!!
- The Heat have won 2 prior Game # 1's on the road this postseason - at Milwaukee & at New York, and they went 0-2 SU & 1-1 ATS in Game # 2
- The Celtics have responded well this post season when playing off a loss.
The Celtics have lost 5 prior games this postseason, they have " BOUNCED BACK STRONG " in the next game, going a STELLAR 4-1 SU & ATS !!!
- The Heat, as a winning team with a head coach in Erik Spoelstra with a winning head coaching career record do fit the handicapping criteria of being a " quality dog ".
However, I feel that will be overcome by the fundamental, situational & psychological aspects in this game that favor the Celtics.
- In Game # 1 Heat superstar Jimmy " JIMMY BUCKETS " Butler came thru " BIG TIME " (as he has done many times before) as he scored 35 points, he had 5 rebounds, 7 assists, & 6 steals.
We'll look for the Celtics head coach Joe Mazzulla & his staff to make some game-to-game defensive adjustments to limit " JIMMY BUCKETS " effectiveness tonight.
- On the flip side, in Game # 1, Celtics superstar duo of Jayson " TACO JAY " Tatum & Jaylen Brown scored 30 points & 22 points respectively, but we'll look for them (and the entire Celtics team) to " STEP UP THEIR GAMES " and perform even better in this " MUST WIN GAME # 2 " !!!
- In regard to my **Dr. Alan psychological handicapping**, this game sets up well for the Celtics. The Heat as the road team had 1 primary goal in mind in regard to the first 2 games being played in Boston i.e. - earn a split, win one game to take back home court advantage.
Mission accomplished for the Heat. Even thou this is the playoffs, there could be a slight let down for the Heat.
- On the flip side, the Celtics have been " STEWING " for 2 days about their Game # 1 loss on their home court, and they will be HIGHLY MOTIVATED to win Game # 2 to make amends for their poor play in Game # 1, and to avoid falling into an 0-2 series hole heading to Miami !!!
Thus, this is a " MUST WIN " game the Celtics !!! I expect to see the Celtics play with MAXIMUM EFFORT and URGENCY in Game # 2 !!!
- Lastly, this line opened up with the Celtics as a -8.5 point favorite.
The general betting public which won with the Heat in Game # 1, (as did we, as we will occasionally take a "PUBLIC DOG " under the right circumstances, such as we did with the Heat in Game # 1 !!!) has once again jumped on the Heat bandwagon, and they are POUNDING the Heat as approx. 75 % of the public bets are on the Heat taking the points.
To the general public this looks like easy money \$\$\$, like taking candy from a baby.
The Heat who did come thru in this role in Game # 1, are still the dreaded " PUBLIC DOG " (I say dreaded, because the general betting public's record when backing underdogs in the long term is far worse than when they back the favorites which is what occurs the overwhelming majority of the time)
- However, despite receiving only 25 % of the bets, the line moved from Celtics - 8.5 to Celtics - 9 Thus, a slight " REVERSE LINE MOVEMENT "

- The sportsbook's line on this game has been set by the SHARPEST oddsmakers in the world, and the sportsbooks a/k/a THE HOUSE have NOT adjusted the line to attract more Celtics \$\$\$ money.
In essence, they have " taken a position " on this game, and it is on the Celtics to win & cover.
Does this guarantee us a Celtics win and cover tonight ? No, of course not.
- However, we DO KNOW that will be on the SAME SIDE AS THE HOUSE in this game, and that is where we want to be the majority of the time, because as all know, THE HOUSE NVER LOSES LONG TERM !!!
- So tonight, we are going to take the risk, and we are going to lay the - 9 points with the contrarian home favorite Boston Celtics - 9 points vs. the Miami Heat to get a win and cover for us tonight in Beantown !!!

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