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#### **GREEN BAY, NOV. 4, 2008**

WEEK 10

GREEN BAY (4-4) at MINNESOTA (4-4) Sunday, Nov. 9 ● HHH Metrodome ● 12 p.m. CST

#### PACKERS HEAD WEST FOR DIVISION SHOWDOWN

Green Bay makes its annual trip to the Metrodome Sunday to face the archrival Minnesota Vikings – the 96th meeting between the two clubs.

- ▶ Both teams come into the contest at 4-4, tied for second place in the NFC North behind division leader Chicago (5-3).
- ► Green Bay's bid to knock off the undefeated Titans in Nashville fell short in overtime last Sunday, losing 19-16. There won't be time to dwell on the loss, as the club now faces division rivals in back-to-back weeks, which could go a long way in determining the division champion.
- ► The first test will come on the road in Minneapolis, a place Head Coach Mike McCarthy (2-0) has not lost since arriving in Green Bay. In fact, McCarthy is 5-0 against the Vikings.
- ► Green Bay has won four of the last five in Minnesota, one of the league's loudest venues. It is 23-23-0 all-time in the state against the Vikings.
- ▶ One of the NFL's great border wars has been a traditionally tight series, with the Packers holding a slight all-time advantage (49-45-1, including playoffs). The Packers' current five-game winning streak is the longest in the series since 1983-85, when Green Bay won five

straight. A sixth consecutive win would be the longest in the series since its inception, when the Packers took six in a row from 1961-63 under **Vince Lombardi**.

- ► The two clubs met in Week 1 in primetime on Monday night, with the Packers winning a tight contest 24-19 at Lambeau Field. QB Aaron Rodgers was efficient (18-of-22, 178 yards, 1 TD passing, 1 TD rushing, 115.5 rating) in his first career start, while a late interception sealed the victory for Green Bay.
- ► This time Minnesota lines up with a different QB under center in veteran Gus Frerotte, who is 4-2 this season as the Minnesota starter.
- ▶ Behind three Frerotte touchdown passes, the Vikings defeated the Houston Texans, 28-21, Sunday at the Metrodome. Minnesota has won three of its last four games.

#### WITH THE CALL

FOX Sports enters its 15th season as an NFL network television partner and will air the contest to a regional audience.

- ▶ Play-by-play man Joe Buck joins color analyst Troy Aikman in the booth with Pam Oliver serving as the sideline reporter.
- ► Milwaukee's WTMJ (620 AM), airing Green Bay games since 1929, heads up the 56-station Packers Radio Network, with Wayne Larrivee (play-by-play) and two-time Packers Pro Bowler Larry McCarren (color) calling the action. The duo are in their 10th season of broadcasts together across the Packers Radio Network, which covers 47 markets in six states.
- ► Westwood One will air the game across the country. **Bill Rosinski** (play-by-play) and **Dan Reeves** (analyst) will call the action. **Tommy Tighe** hosts the pregame and halftime shows.
- ► For out-of-town listeners, the broadcast is available to NFL Field Pass subscribers on www.packers.com as well as on Sirius Satellite Radio (channel 127 WTMJ feed) as part of the network's NFL Sunday Drive.
- ▶ DIRECTV subscribers can watch the game in HD on channel 710.

#### THEY'RE ALWAYS CLOSE

Green Bay and Minnesota's meeting in Week 1 was decided in the last two minutes of the fourth quarter, the latest in a string of close finishes in the all-time series.

- ► Eleven of the last 12 regular season meetings have been decided by seven points or less, with the lone exception being the Packers' 34-0 victory last November. That game remains the lone shutout in the 95-game history of the rivalry.
- ► Green Bay S Atari Bigby sealed the season opener with an interception in the waning moments of the game as Minnesota was driving for a potential game-winning score. Another interception by Bigby, in the 2007 meeting at the Metrodome, also gave the Packers the win.
- ► Five out of the six meetings between 2004-06 were decided by a field goal at the end of the fourth quarter. Vikings K Ryan Longwell kicked two game-winning field goals for the Packers in the '04 meetings.

# PRESEASON Date Opponent Time TV Mon., Aug. 11 CINCINNATI BENGALS L, 17-20 (69,675) Sat., Aug. 16 at San Francisco 49ers L, 6-34 (67,230) Fri., Aug. 22 at Denver Broncos W, 27-24 (74,213) Thurs., Aug. 28 TENNESSEE TITANS (Gold Pkg.) L, 21-23 (69,744)

#### **REGULAR SEASON**

Date	Opponent	rime	<u> </u>
Mon., Sept. 8	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	.W, 24-19	(71,004)
Sun., Sept. 14	at Detroit Lions	.W, 48-25	(60,285)
Sun., Sept. 21	DALLAS COWBOYS (Gold Pkg.)	. L, 16-27	(71,113)
Sun., Sept. 28	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers	. L, 21-30	(64,122)
Sun., Oct. 5	ATLANTA FALCONS	. L, 24-27	(70,610)
Sun., Oct. 12	at Seattle Seahawks	.W, 27-17	(68,302)
Sun., Oct. 19	INDIANAPOLIS COLTS	.W, 34-14	(71,010)
Sun., Oct. 26	Open Date		
Sun., Nov. 2	at Tennessee Titans	L, 16-19+	(69,143)
Sun., Nov. 9	at Minnesota Vikings	. 12 noon	FOX
Sun., Nov. 16	CHICAGO BEARS (Gold Pkg.)	. 12 noon	FOX
Mon., Nov. 24	at New Orleans Saints	7:30 p.m.	ESPN
Sun., Nov. 30	CAROLINA PANTHERS	*12 noon	FOX
Sun., Dec. 7	HOUSTON TEXANS	*12 noon	CBS
Sun., Dec. 14	at Jacksonville Jaguars	*12 noon	FOX
Mon., Dec. 22	at Chicago Bears	7:30 p.m.	ESPN
Sun., Dec. 28	DETROIT LIONS	*12 noon	FOX
*Start time an	nd broadcast may shift due to NEL fl	evible sch	dulina

+ - overtime

#### **NFL POSTSEASON DATES**

Jan.	3-4	AFC and NFC Wild Card Playoffs
Jan.	10-11	AFC and NFC Divisional Playoffs
Jan.	18	AFC and NFC Championship Games
Feb.	1	Super Bowl XLIII at Raymond James Stadium, Tampa
Feb.	8	AFC-NFC Pro Bowl at Aloha Stadium, Honolulu





#### **ANOTHER VIKINGS GAME, ANOTHER QUARTERBACK**

Packers defensive coordinator **Bob Sanders** certainly has his hands full in trying to stop one of the game's more dynamic running backs in Adrian Peterson. But, it seems Sanders also must study a new QB each time Minnesota is on the schedule.

- ►In his sixth game against the Vikings as coordinator, Sanders will be prepping for his fifth different Vikings signal caller. In 2006, the team faced Brad Johnson and Tarvaris Jackson. Kelly Holcomb and Brooks Bollinger each got a start against Green Bay a season ago.
- ► Jackson started the season opener against the Packers, but the Vikings turned to veteran Gus Frerotte after an 0-2 start. In 88 career NFL starts, including previous stints in Minnesota and Detroit, Frerotte has only faced the Packers once.
- ►In 1999, he completed 20-of-39 passes for 225 yards and one TD against the Packers at Lambeau Field. Green Bay twice intercepted Frerotte passes en route to a 26-17 victory over Detroit.
- ►No matter who is under center, none of the Minnesota quarterbacks have had great success against Sanders and the Packers defense over the last five contests. A look at their numbers:

Starter	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	IN	RT
Brad Johnson	30	18	257	1	1	85.0
Tarvaris Jackson	20	10	50	0	1	35.4
Kelly Holcomb	39	21	258	1	1	72.4
Brooks Bollinger	26	16	176	0	1	65.5
Tarvaris Jackson	35	16	178	1	1	59.0

#### JENNINGS. WOODSON NAMED MIDSEASON ALL-PROS

*Pro Football Weekly* announced its midseason All-Pro team Monday, and Packers WR **Greg Jennings** and CB **Charles Woodson** were both named to the squad.

- ▶ Jennings is establishing himself as one of the league's top receivers after his breakout campaign in '07. He ranks second among all receivers with 764 yards to go along with four touchdowns.
- ▶Now in his 11th NFL season, Woodson is clearly at the top of his game. He is tied for the NFL lead with four interceptions, two of which he has returned for scores, and has shut down Pro Bowl receivers Terrell Owens and Reggie Wayne, among others, this season. Woodson was one of four unanimous choices on defense.

#### PACKERS SIGN RODGERS TO LONG-TERM EXTENSION

Last Friday, the Packers signed QB **Aaron Rodgers** to a contract extension through the 2014 season.

- ►Through his first eight starts, Rodgers' quarterback rating (95.3) ranks fifth among NFL QBs and could become one of the highest marks in team annals.
- ▶Rodgers' accuracy has helped minimize Green Bay's turnovers. His five interceptions account for just 1.9% of his attempts (262), a percentage that ranks tied for seventh in the NFL and tops among first-year QBs. He has not thrown an interception in five of the team's eight games.
- ► Rodgers has eclipsed a QB rating of 100.0 five times this season, tied for second among all NFL quarterbacks:

Player	<u>Team</u>	Games over 100.0
Philip Rivers	San Diego	6
Drew Brees	New Orleans	5
Aaron Rodgers	Green Bay	5
Seven tied	•	4

#### **PICK STREAK SNAPPED**

The defense was held without an interception for the first time this season at Tennessee, ending a streak of eight consecutive games with a pick.

▶The Packers are tied with the Titans for the NFL lead with 13 picks.

#### THIRD-DOWN SUCCESS

Green Bay's offense ranks eighth among NFL teams on third down. It has converted 49-of-111 (44.1%) opportunities.

- ► Green Bay's third-down defense is trying to return to the dominant unit it was a year ago. So far this season, the defense has allowed 43-of-111 (38.7%), 16th among NFL teams. Last season, the defense ranked third in the league on third down at 33.0%.
- ► The strength of the Packers offense on third down is thanks in large part to QB **Aaron Rodgers**, who seems to be at his strongest on third down. He is the NFL's top-rated passer on third down with a 126.7 QB rating (53-of-78, 67.9%, 731 yards).
- ►Ten of his 13 TD passes have come on third down. San Diego's Philip Rivers is the next closest passer with seven TDs on third down.



#### NOTE OF THE WEEK

The Green Bay Packers forced the undefeated Tennessee Titans into overtime but lost 19-16.

- ► Titans K Rob Bironas nailed a 41-yard attempt just over five minutes into overtime. Bironas had missed a 47-yard attempt wide right at the end of regulation.
- ►Tennessee was the third team to go to overtime with a perfect record of 6-0 or better.
- ► The 11-0 Dolphins lost to the Chargers in 1981, and the 8-0 Redskins defeated the Houston Oilers in 1991.



#### **TURNOVERS USUALLY TELL THE STORY**

The turnover statistic remains one of the most important in all of football, and it was evident Sunday in Tennessee. The Packers had two turnovers and did not record a takeaway for the first time this season.

- ►One of those turnovers, a sack-fumble in the second half, led directly to three Tennessee points in a game that was ultimately decided in OT.
- ► Green Bay has 14 takeaways (13 interceptions, one fumble recovery) on the season. Their plus-4 turnover margin is fourth among NFC clubs.
- ►The Packers have been able to turn takeaways into points better than any other team, scoring 69 points off turnovers thus far. Tampa Bay ranks No. 2 with 64 points off turnovers.
- ▶On the other side of the ball, things have not gone as well after turnovers. The team has surrendered 47 points off the 10 turnovers this year - 24 of which came at Tampa in Week 4. That point total off turnovers is the 10th highest in the NFL.
- ► Green Bay did not have a giveaway against Indianapolis, the second time the team has played turnover-free football this season. It also went without a turnover in the opener against the Vikings, a feat they accomplished four times last season. Not surprisingly, all six were victories.
- ▶ Over a longer stretch, the Packers have won 32 of 33 games playing turnover-free football, since a loss at Dallas, Nov. 18, 1996. Green Bay's only loss in such games during that stretch was a 23-20 defeat at Minnesota. Oct. 23, 2005.
- ►Including playoffs, the Packers have won 35 of their last 36 games without a giveaway.

### THE DOPE SHEET

# THE DOPE ON THIS WEEK'S OPPONENT:

Green Bay Packers vs. Minnesota Vikings:

All-time regular season: 49-44-1 All-time, postseason: 0-1

All-time, in Minnesota: 23-23-0 (12-13-0 at Metrodome)

**Streaks:** The Packers have won the last five meetings. A sixth straight win would mark the longest winning streak in the series since 1961-63 (Packers, first six games of the series).

Last meeting, regular season:

Sept. 8, 2008, at Lambeau Field; Packers won, 24-19 **Last meeting, regular season, at HHH Metrodome:** 

Sept. 30, 2007; Packers won, 23-16

#### **COACHES CAPSULES**

Mike McCarthy: 26-16-0, .619, (incl. 1-1 postseason); 3rd NFL season

Brad Childress: 18-22-0, .450; 3rd NFL season

Head to Head: McCarthy 5-0

vs. Opponent: McCarthy 5-0 vs. Vikings; Childress 0-5 vs. Packers

**MIKE McCarthy**...Is in third year as the Packers' 14th head coach.

- ► Was named Packers head coach on Jan. 12, 2006, his first head coaching job after 13 years as an NFL assistant.
- ► Honored as the 2007 Motorola NFL Coach of the Year and NFL Alumni Coach of the Year.
- ► Became the first Packers coach since Vince Lombardi to lead the team to a championship game in his second season.
- ►Tied franchise record for most victories by a coach in his first two seasons (21).

**BRAD CHILDRESS**...Is in third year as the Vikings' seventh head coach.

- ▶ In his 31st season of coaching and his 11th in the NFL. Broke in as Colts' quarterbacks coach (1985) and spent seven years (1999-2005) in Philadelphia, where he was offensive coordinator.
- ►Also coached at four colleges, including the University of Wisconsin (1991-98). The staff at Northern Arizona (1986-89) included future NFL head coaches Bill Callahan, Marty Mornhinweg and Andy Reid.
- ►In 2007, the Vikings became the first team in franchise history to rank No. 1 in the league in both rushing offense and rushing defense.
- ►The Vikings' seven Pro Bowlers last year were the team's most since 2000.

#### THE PACKERS-VIKINGS SERIES

These two longtime divisional rivals – seperated by some 280 miles down Highway 29 – square off for the 96th time in the history of the rivalry.

- ► Few, if any, rivalries in sports have exhibited more parity. The Packers own a slight advantage over the Vikings (49-45-1, including playoffs) in the all-time series.
- ► Last season's 34-0 shutout by the Packers was the first blanking by either team in their 95 meetings.
- ► The Packers look for their first six-game winning streak in the series since the 1961-63 seasons.
- ► The series began when the Vikings entered the league in 1961, and Vince Lombardi's Packers won nine of the first 10.
- ► Over the last 14 seasons (1994-2007), these teams have accounted for 10 NFC Central/North division championships.

#### **NOTABLE CONNECTIONS**

Vikings K Ryan Longwell is Green Bay's all-time leading scorer, having racked up 1,054 points in nine seasons with the Packers (1997-2005)... Fifth in Packers history with 36 interceptions, Vikings S Darren Sharper spent his first eight NFL seasons (1997-2004) in Green Bay...The Vikings coaching staff has several ties to the University of Wisconsin, where Childress (1991-98) and offensive line coach Jim Hueber (1992-2005) worked together, and where offensive coordinator Darrell Bevell played quarterback (1992-95) and assistant special teams coach Brian Murphy (2000-05) held various recruiting and administrative roles...Bevell also was a Packers offensive assistant coach from 2000-05, including QB coach (2003-05)...Green Bay director of research and development Mike Eayrs (similar capacity, 1985-99) previously worked for the Vikings... Vikings WR Robert Ferguson spent the first six seasons (2001-06) of his NFL career in Green Bay...Packers DT Colin Cole originally signed with Minnesota as a rookie free agent in 2003 and spent separate one-week stints on the Vikings' 53-man roster that season...Packers staff writer Tom Fanning joined the front office in May after nine seasons (1999-2007) with the Vikings.

#### **INDIVIDUALLY VS. VIKINGS**

Greg Jennings' 16-yard TD reception at Minnesota last season (Sept. 30, 2007) was Brett Favre's 421st career TD pass, breaking Dan Marino's NFL record; the receiver has 16 catches for 237 yards and a score against the Vikings ... Donald Driver established a career high for receiving yards with 191 against the Vikings at Minnesota (Nov. 12, 2006), topping the 162 he had on Dec. 24, 2004, also at the Metrodome...Driver also had a career-high 11 receptions (tie) in that 2004 contest, as well as a careerlong 45-yard run on Nov. 2, 2003. His six TD catches against the Vikings are his most against any opponent, as are his 69 receptions and 1,059 receiving yards against Minnesota...James Jones has seven receptions for 111 yards and a TD in two meetings with the Vikings...Ruvell Martin had the first two-TD game of his career in the second meeting last season...Ryan Grant scored his first NFL TD against the Vikings last season... Aaron Kampman originally established his career high of three sacks against the Vikings (Nov. 21, 2005), and tied the mark against Minnesota (Dec. 21, 2006), giving him two of his four career three-sack games in this rivalry. Kampman has nine career sacks against Minnesota...Atari Bigby made his first NFL interception to seal victory at Minnesota in 2007; his interception in 2008 (9/8) clinched another victory.

#### **LAST MEETING. REGULAR SEASON**

Sept. 8, 2008, at Lambeau Field; Packers won, 24-19.

- ► Aaron Rodgers found FB Korey Hall in the end zone in the second quarter as the Packers raced out to a 10-3 halftime lead.
- ► Will Blackmon's 76-yard punt return gave Green Bay a 17-6 lead in the third quarter, but Minnesota answered with a TD drive of its own to cut the deficit to five early in the fourth quarter.
- ►A 57-yard Ryan Grant run set up a 1-yard plunge from Rodgers, but Minnesota answered again with Adrian Peterson capping off a long scoring drive.
- ► Green Bay's offense was held to a three-and-out on the ensuing series, but Minnesota squandered its opportunity to win the game as Tarvaris Jackson was intercepted with one minute to play.

#### LAST MEETING. REGULAR SEASON. AT HHH METRODOME

Sept. 30, 2007; Packers won, 23-16.

- ► Brett Favre threw for two touchdowns, becoming the all-time NFL leader in TD passes, as the Packers held off a late Minnesota rally.
- ► Favre hit Jennings for a first-quarter score, while three Mason Crosby field goals and another Favre TD pass made the score 23-9.
- ► Minnesota scored late in the fourth quarter and then almost immediately got the ball back off a Packers fumble, but Kelly Holcomb's pass found the hands of Atari Bigby for another Packers victory.

#### **TOUGH STRETCH BEGINS ON THE ROAD**

With two of the next three games on the road, Green Bay will look to continue the road success it has had under Head Coach Mike McCarthy.

- ►Where the Packers stand as a football team might well be determined after this stretch. After a trip to Minnesota (Week 10) and another division game at home (Chicago), Green Bay heads to New Orleans.
- ► Since McCarthy arrived in 2006, the Packers have been one of the league's toughest road teams. Green Bay has actually played better on the road (13-7) than at home (12-8) under McCarthy.
- ►The Packers have won 10 of their last 14 road games. A look at the top road teams in the NFL since McCarthy took over in 2006:

<u>Team</u>	W-L record	Pct.
New England	17-3	.850
N.Y. Giants	14-5	.737
Dallas	14-7	.700
Green Bay	13-7	.650
Indianapolis	13-7	.650
Chicago	11-8	.579
San Diego	11-9	.550

#### **TEAM RECORD IN DEFENSE'S SIGHTS**

Through eight games, Green Bay has five defensive touchdowns.

- ▶That's one away from the team record of six, most recently achieved by Vince Lombardi's 1966 championship team, winners of the first Super Bowl.
- ►Three of the TDs are interception returns of 60-plus yards, tying a team record established in '02.
- ► Green Bay has recorded five defensive scores three other times: 1997. 2004, and McCarthy's first season in 2006.

#### **FLAGS ON THE FIELD**

Coaches and players undoubtedly harped upon penalties in their self-scout during the bye week, and the Packers responded with season lows of four penalties and 41 penalty yards against the Titans.

- ►Seventy-one penalties have been called against the club third most among NFL teams - an area the team must improve on if it expects to be a viable postseason contender.
- ►Sixty-two of the Packers' penalties have been accepted, resulting in a league-high 575 penalty yards. Dallas (550) is the next closest team.
- ▶The Packers have been drawing penalties against their opponents, too. 51 opponent penalties have been accepted by Green Bay – tied for 13th most - resulting in 396 penalty yards.

#### **MANY HAPPY RETURNS**

The Packers are tied with the Bears for the NFL lead with six touchdowns on returns. Tampa Bay is next closest with five return scores.

- ▶Things got going in Week 1 with CB Will Blackmon's 76-yard punt return against Minnesota.
- ▶CB Charles Woodson and S Nick Collins both returned interceptions for touchdowns against Detroit in Week 2. Woodson returned another interception for a score at Tampa in Week 4.
- ► Collins and S Aaron Rouse returned Peyton Manning passes for TDs in Week 7, giving the Packers five scores on interceptions. The next closest team in the NFL has two TD returns on interceptions.
- ▶The Packers have allowed just one return TD this season a 38-vard fumble return by Tampa Bay.

#### **HOME SWEET DOME**

The Packers have won 10 of their last 12 games in domes, including seven in a row. Green Bay is 6-0 in domes under McCarthy.

#### **UPON A CLOSER LOOK AT THE STATS**

Some of the good, bad and strange statistics through eight games:

- ► Aaron Rodgers' three rushing scores are the most by a Packers QB since Brett Favre had three in 1995. A fourth rushing TD for Rodgers would mark the most for a Green Bay signal caller since Don Majkowski had five rushing scores in 1989.
- The Packers are the only NFL team that has three players with at least three interceptions (Collins 4, Woodson 4, Williams 3).
- ► Green Bay's offense has 17 drives of 10-or-more plays. That's tied for the third-highest total in the NFL.
- ▶ Opponents have surely noted the disparity in Green Bay's first-down defensive statistics. Against the run on first down, the Packers allow 5.10 yards per rush, sixth most in the NFL. When Green Bay defends the pass on first downs, it is holding opposing quarterbacks to a 50.9 rating. lowest in the NFL.
- ▶ Despite a rash of injuries, especially to core special teams players. Green Bay's coverage units have been solid no matter what personnel lines up. Its punt coverage ranks fifth best in the NFL, while its kick coverage ranks 14th.
- ►Its own return units could use a little boost. Green Bay's punt return average ranks ninth in the league, but its kickoff return unit ranks 27th.
- ► Minnesota's special teams have struggled, especially in punting situations. Their punt coverage ranks last among NFL teams, and they gave up a 76-yard punt return to CB Will Blackmon in Week 1. Their own punt return also ranks 32nd among NFL teams.
- ► Taking away kneeldowns. Green Bay has had 19 rushes for negative yardage, 13th most in the NFL. However, the stat can be deceiving. Minnesota, the No. 6 rushing offense in the NFL, has 20 rushes for negative yardage, which ranks tied for ninth most in the league.

### IN THE LEAGUE RANKINGS, 2008



nterceptions: Woodson (4) . . 1T

Collins (4).... 1T



K. Williams (7.0) . . . . . . 4T

1T Interceptions: Winfield (2) . . . 11T

**8T** 

GREEN BAY (Team)		MINNESOTA (Team)	
Category NFC	<u>NFL</u>	<u>Category</u> <u>NFC</u>	<u>NFL</u>
Turnover Margin (+4) 4	7T	Turnover Margin (-2) 11T	21T
Total Offense (336.5) 10	14	Total Offense (342.3) 9	13
Rushing (101.1)11	21	Rushing (134.5)4	6
Passing (235.4) 4	9	Passing (207.8) 10	17
Total Defense (330.3) 12	20	Total Defense (302.5) 7	11
vs. Rush (146.4) 14	27	vs. Rush (69.6) 1	2
vs. Pass (183.9)2	5	vs. Pass (232.9)11	23
Third-Down Offense (44.1%) 4	8	Third-Down Offense (34.2%) . 12	26
Third-Down Defense (38.7%). 10	16	Third-Down Defense (35.6%)5	9
Red-Zone Offense (52.2%)6	14	Red-Zone Offense (34.8%)16	31
Red-Zone Defense (40.7%)5	8	Red-Zone Defense (54.2%)11	18
GREEN BAY (Individual)		MINNESOTA (Individual)	
		<u>Category</u> <u>NFC</u>	<u>NFL</u>
Rushing: Grant (550) 9	12	Rushing: Peterson (823)2	2
Passing: Rodgers (95.3)4	5	Passing: Frerotte (77.6) 12	22
Receptions: Jennings (40) 9	21T	Receptions: Wade (33) 19T	38T
Rec. Yds.: Jennings (764) 1	2	Rec. Yds.: Berrian (621) 6	9

Sacks: Kampman (6.0) . . . . . . 7T 12T Sacks: Allen (7.0) . . . . . . . . 4T

#### WHEN THE PACKERS RUN

Minnesota possesses one of the toughest run defenses in the NFL, currently ranked second in the league, thanks to its talent-laden defensive line. Green Bay's run offense ranks 21st, averaging 101.1 yards per game.

- ► Yet Green Bay has managed to find some success on the ground against the Vikings, totaling 120 and 139 rushing yards in the last two games.
- ▶ RB Ryan Grant did find some holes against a stout Tennessee defense last week, even with a new-look offensive line to run behind. Veteran T Chad Clifton missed the contest after a reaction to medication, forcing LG Daryn Colledge to slide to the LT spot and RG Jason Spitz to move to the left side. Rookie G Josh Sitton filled in nicely on the

right side, though McCarthy seemed optimistic that Clifton would be back and ready to go for Wednesday's practice.

- ▶ Tennessee had allowed just 12 runs of 10-plus yards coming in, and Grant totaled three (13, 14, 13) on the day. Yet missing from the run game has been the big plays of 20-plus yards. The team has hit on just two all season, both coming against the Vikings in Week 1.
- ► That hasn't been symptomatic for the Vikings defense this season. Minnesota has given up just one run of 20-plus yards since Week 1.
- ▶ QB Aaron Rodgers found success with his feet against the Vikings in Week 1, in both his ability to scramble and create more time in the pocket. FB John Kuhn has been used as a short-yardage back of late, too.



opportunity and may challenge the same franchise rookie records that Jennings and **James Jones** did the previous two seasons. Jones has played in just three games this season, as Green Bay has had all five wideouts active just once this season (Week 5 vs. Atlanta).

- ► That has put a halt to the return of the 'Big 5' formation Green Bay ran with much success last season. The formation aims to create mismatches on linebackers or safeties and emphasize the Packers' runafter-the-catch ability.
- ► Green Bay will still go with the occassional five-wide set, spreading a tight end out wide, usually **Donald Lee**. Lee and RB **Brandon Jackson** are tied for third on the club with 22 catches each.
  - ▶Rodgers has limited his mistakes thus far and that will be key against an opportunistic Minnesota defense that has 14 takeaways on the season. The Vikings had three takeaways (two interceptions, one fumble recovery) against the Texans.
  - ► Ball security will be stressed with the Packers' skill players as it is every week in practice. The Vikings are tied for the NFC lead with eight fumble recoveries.

#### WHEN THE VIKINGS RUN

Few backs scare defenses like Adrian Peterson, and the Vikings will no doubt look to exploit what

has been the weakness of the Packers' defense thus far. Green Bay ranks 27th in the league against the run, while Peterson leads the NFL's sixth-best run offense.

- ► Peterson has topped 100 yards in two of three career contests against Green Bay but has just one touchdown in those three games.
- ►The second-year pro is on pace for another banner season, having rushed for 823 yards and six TDs through eight games. Veteran backup Chester Taylor is a threat on the ground and in the passing game, where he is the team's third-leading receiver with 21 catches thus far.
- ► The Packers faced one of the league's top run offenses last weekend in Tennessee and surrendered more than 175 yards on the ground for the fifth time this season. Minnesota's 187 rushing yards in Week 1 marks the second-highest total by a Green Bay opponent this season.
- ▶ Green Bay's defense could expect a boost as a number of key players are working their way back into the rotation. DE **Michael Montgomery** played a fantastic game in Tennessee (career-high 15 tackles, one sack) upon his return from an ankle injury, while the activation of DT **Justin Harrell** from PUP provided a valuable fourth body to the rotation at defensive tackle. S **Atari Bigby**, a key against the run with his physical play near the line of scrimmage, also returned to action in Tennessee after missing five games with a hamstring strain.

### WHEN THE PACKERS PASS

Green Bay's passing unit, ranked ninth in the league, goes against a Minnesota defense ranked 23rd in the NFL against the pass.

- ▶ Big-play wideouts **Greg Jennings** and **Donald Driver** will look to continue their productive starts against the familiar Vikings secondary. Jennings (19.1 yards per catch) and Driver (12.9) represent two of the most elusive wideouts in the league after the catch.
- ▶ Rookie WR Jordy Nelson continues to impress when given the :

#### WHEN THE VIKINGS PASS

Gus Frerotte has shown a propensity for throwing interceptions (eight in 198 attempts), something the Green Bay defense takes advantage of as much as anyone.

- ► Its 13 interceptions all by the secondary are tied with Tennessee for the NFL lead.
- ► Green Bay's pass defense, ranked fifth in the league, can only benefit from the return of starters Bigby and CB **AI Harris**. In their absence, the

Packers learned they can rely on CBs **Will Blackmon** and **Tramon Williams**, as well as S **Aaron Rouse**, to continue the unit's playmaking ability.

► The Minnesota pass offense, ranked 17th in the NFL, is led by receivers Bobby Wade and Bernard Berrian. Berrian, a familiar face to the Packers from his days in Chicago, is averaging over 20 yards per catch.

#### **TOUGH AGAINST QUARTERBACKS**

The more they study the Packers' pass defense, the more opposing NFL quarterbacks learn about just how good they've played thus far.

- ▶Opposing signal callers have a 59.9 passer rating against Green Bay this season, the lowest rating in the NFL. It ranks just ahead of Tennessee's defense, which ranks No. 2 with an opposing QB rating of 62.3.
- ► Green Bay's defense has been able to smother potential receivers, allowing opposing signal callers to complete just 51.3% of their passes. That is the lowest opponent completion percentage in the league, slightly ahead of the Baltimore defense (52.4%) ranked No. 2.
- ► Green Bay has surrendered 1,555 yards through the air, third fewest among NFL defenses.

#### **LONG TD PASSES A STAPLE FOR McCARTHY**

QB **Aaron Rodgers** became the first Packers quarterback with a TD pass of 40 or more yards in three straight games (Weeks 4-6) since Lynn Dickey accomplished the feat in October 1976.

► With three on the season, the Packers seem poised to connect on a few more with a **Mike McCarthy** offense. In 2007, the team had eight TD passes of 40 yards or more. It connected on five in 2006.

### THE DOPE SHEET

#### **PACKERS NOTES - OFFENSE**

#### **MR. BIG PLAY**

Third-year pro **Greg Jennings** has been known as a big-play receiver since coming to Green Bay. Now, the rest of the league is catching on.

- ► Through Week 8, Jennings ranks No. 2 among all NFL receivers with 764 yards.
- ► Jennings' 14 catches of 20 yards-or-more ranks first among all NFL receivers. Minnesota's Bernard Berrian (11) and Philadelphia rookie WR DeSean Jackson (11) rank second.
- ► He has six catches of 40 or more yards this season, again tops in the league. Saints WR Devery Henderson is next closest with five.
- ► Among players with at least 30 receptions, Jennings' average of 19.1 yards per catch is third in the league. Only Berrian (20.7) and Buffalo's Lee Evans (19.4) average more yards per catch. Last season, Jennings' 17.4 yards per catch ranked fourth in the NFL.
- ► While he ranks second in NFL yardage, Jennings (40) only ranks in a tie for 21st among receptions leaders. Houston's Andre Johnson leads all NFL receivers in yardage (834) but has 20 more catches than Jennings. Johnson is second in the NFL with 60 catches.
- ► Jennings' long TD catch at Seattle was his 19th career TD and 10th of at least 40 yards in length.
- ► Jennings has a staggering average of 37.3 yards per TD reception for his career.

#### **RUN GAME PICKING UP STEAM**

The Packers topped 100 net rushing yards for the sixth time this season at Tennessee. Despite facing one of the league's top rush defenses, Green Bay managed to hit on its average and maintain its league ranking (21st).

- ► Slow starts have plagued the run game each of the last two years. Last season, it ranked last in the league through the season's first 10 weeks.
- ▶ RB Ryan Grant again got the bulk of the carries against the Titans. After recording back-to-back games with 30-plus carries, Grant carried 20 times against Tennessee. Grant's ability to pick up tough yardage helped the Packers control the time of possession in their previous two wins at Seattle and against Indianapolis. The Notre Dame product has 157 carries on the year, sixth-most among NFL backs.
- ►He is still looking to regain the form of his breakout season in 2007. Grant has just one 100-yard performance (105) and one rushing score, both of which came against the Colts.

#### **WANTED: MORE BIG PLAYS**

Green Bay's offense made six "big plays" against the Titans, all of which came through the air.

- ▶ Big plays served as the catalyst to Green Bay's high-octane offense last season, and all of those weapons at the skill positions return this season. Its production through the air is slightly off pace from a year ago, but the lack of big plays on the ground has the offense well behind last year's pace.
- ► Most troubling is the fact that the Packers have not had a big play on the ground since the opening game versus Minnesota.
- ►The Packers have 27 big plays (gains of 20 yards-or-more) thus far on the season. Two have come via the rush (Grant, Rodgers) and 25 through the air (Jennings 14, Driver 7, Nelson 2, Humphrey, D. Lee).
- ▶QB Aaron Rodgers is tied for second in the NFL with six TD passes

- of 20 yards or more. Drew Brees, Jake Delhomme, Gus Frerotte, Philip Rivers and Matt Ryan also have six, while Tony Romo leads all passers with seven.
- ▶Their current pace would put them at 54 big plays on the season, down from a year ago when the Packers finished the season with 67 plays of 20 yards or more, second only to Dallas (68). Fifteen of those big plays came on the ground, and 52 came through the air.
- ► Five touchdown runs were of 20 yards or more, while 11 touchdowns through the air were of 20 yards or more. Of those 11 TDs, eight were of 40 yards or more.
- ▶ There is no need to get too alarmed because the Packers are on pace to score a similar amount of points this season, thanks to a number of defensive scores and longer, time-consuming drives. The team put up 435 points in 2007, fourth in the league and third on the Packers' all-time single-season list. They are on pace for 420 points this season.

#### **DRIVER SET TO MAKE PACKERS HISTORY SUNDAY**

Pro Bowl wideout **Donald Driver** enjoyed his best game of the year last week, totaling 136 yards and a score.

- ►Now in his 10th season in Green Bay, Driver is about as consistent a receiver as there is the NFL. He has caught a pass in 103 consecutive games, tying the franchise mark established by Sterling Sharpe (1988-1994).
- ► He will get the chance to establish a new franchise record against the Vikings in the Metrodome, a place he has always found great success. His career high in catches (11), receiving yards (191) and longest rush (45) all came against the Vikings in the Metrodome.
- ►In the Colts game, Driver also became the all-time receiving leader in Lambeau Field history. He surpassed the stadium's all-time mark, held by Antonio Freeman (3,477 yards). Driver, who has 3,494

receiving yards at the stadium, became the stadium's all-time leader in receptions last season.



None of the offensive fireworks would be possible without the steady play Green Bay gets from its offensive line, led by its two bookends at tackles.

- While injuries have shuffled the interior line much like they did in 2007
   Chad Clifton and Mark Tauscher remain fixtures at tackle.
- ► Clifton should be back this week after suffering a reaction to medication in Tennessee, just in time to face one of the game's talented pass rushers in Jared Allen.
- ► Although not necessarily the sole forecaster of strength at the position, experience on the offensive line is often closely related to the ultimate success or failure of the collective unit.
- ► Clifton and Tauscher boast a combined 16 years and 233 career starts between them. All of that experience has come in a Packers uniform.
- ► A look at the longest-tenured tackle duos in the NFL :
- 1. Jon Runyan (184) and Tra Thomas (157)- Phi. 341 combined starts
- 2. Chad Clifton (117) and Mark Tauscher (114)- GB 233
- 3. Walter Jones (176) and Sean Locklear (47)- Sea. 223
- 4. Flozell Adams (155) and Marc Colombo (48)- Dal. 203
- 5. Alex Barron (51) and Orlando Pace (147)- StL 198



#### PACKERS NOTES - DEFENSE

#### **COLLINS PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER**

Now in his fourth year in the NFL, safety **Nick Collins** is off to the best start of his young career.

- ▶ Battling through an injured back, Collins tallied a career-high 13 tackles against the Falcons. He ranks second on the defense with 58 tackles and is tied for the NFL lead with four interceptions.
- ► Collins is on pace for a career year. His four interceptions already marks a career high. Coming into the season, he had four career picks in 45 games. He's also on pace to total almost 120 tackles which would easily surpass his previous career high of 102, set in '06.
- ▶ Drafted in the second round in 2005 out of Bethune-Cookman, Collins seems to be putting it all together. He has credited veteran teammate **Charles Woodson** with much of his success this season. Woodson spent time with Collins in the offseason, teaching the young safety the intricacies of reading a quarterback. The duo
- ►"I think Nick has kind of grown up in this defense, as far as the understanding of the scheme," McCarthy said. "The maturity of recognizing the opponent is definitely an asset that he's gained through film study. But I think Nick is off to a great start. The ability to fight through some nagging injuries too. He's really kind of come into his own this year."

stands tied atop the NFL's interception list.



Led by two-time Pro Bowl defensive end **Aaron Kampman**, the defense has generated 14 sacks on the season.

- ▶ Besides Kampman, Green Bay's pass rush has been inconsistent. Overall, the team has been shut out in three of the last five games, but has recorded multi-sack games four times this year.
- ► With DE **Cullen Jenkins** (2.5 sacks) out for the season, the Packers must count on younger ends like **Michael Montgomery** and **Jeremy Thompson** to help ease the pressure on Kampman.
- ► Sunday provides a matchup of two of the game's top pass rushers in Kampman and Jared Allen. With six sacks already this year, Kampman remains among the NFL leaders in sacks since 2006:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	Sacks since 2006
DeMarcus Ware	Dallas	35.5
Aaron Kampman	Green Bay	33.5
Jared Allen	Minn./K.C.	30.0
Shawne Merriman	San Diego	29.5
Mario Williams	Houston	26.5
Jason Taylor	Wash./Miam	i 25.5

#### STEADY LB PLAY LEADS DEFENSE

For the first time this season, the Packers did not have all six linebackers active at Tennessee, but no position has proved as deep thus far.

- ► Led by **Nick Barnett** and **A.J. Hawk**, the top tacklers the previous two seasons, the unit has been the only defensive position not ravaged by injuries thus far.
- ► Barnett (63 tackles, first) and Hawk (49, third) again are among the club's leading tacklers. SAM LB **Brady Poppinga**, who has started five games thus far, isn't far behind with 32.
- ► Free agent acquisition **Brandon Chillar** came in as a noted coverage specialist and hasn't disappointed. He tallied a season-high 12 tackles (10 solo) playing in the nickel coverage against the Colts and tied a career high with two passes defensed at Tennessee. Also, he leads the

- special teams coverage units with 11 special teams tackles.
- ▶ Backup MLB Desmond Bishop and LB Danny Lansanah, core members of the coverage units, both missed the Tennessee contest with hamstring injuries.
- ► "If you look at our depth chart the one thing that has been consistent for us as far as activating players is we have six linebackers up every week," McCarthy said. "It's a group that has really, really improved in our time here. I really like the depth of the linebacker group. We have the opportunity to play those guys more and just being smart with your reps."

#### **WOODSON CONTINUES TO AMAZE**

CB Charles Woodson will most likely not participate in practice this week to help ease the pain of a broken toe he suffered against Minnesota on Kickoff Weekend.

- ► Since suffering the injury, Woodson's level of play seems to have risen. In Week 2, his first game action without hitting the practice field, he responded with two fourth-quarter interceptions, one returned for a score, to seal the victory for Green Bay over Detroit.
- ► Against Dallas in Week 3, Woodson matched up against Pro Bowler Terrell Owens, limiting him to just 17 receiving yards on two catches. It was Owens' lowest output since joining the Cowboys in 2006.
- ►At Tampa, he picked off a Brian Griese pass in the fourth quarter and returned it for his sixth career touchdown on an interception return.
- ►In Seattle, he registered another interception and his first sack since Oct. 2006.
- ► Against the Colts, Woodson matched up in the slot against Pro Bowler Reggie Wayne, limiting the receiver to 24 yards on two catches.
- ►It's hard to imagine any NFL cornerback playing better than Woodson right now. The 11-year pro appears poised to make his fifth Pro Bowl appearance and first since 2001.
- ►Among active players, Woodson's six career interception returns for scores ranks near the top of the NFL. Four have come as a member of the Packers:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	TDs on INT return
Darren Sharper	Minnesota	8
Ronde Barber	Tampa Bay	6
Derrick Brooks	Tampa Bay	6
Aaron Glenn	New Orleans	6
Charles Woodson	Green Bay	6
Phillip Buchanon	Tampa Bay	5
Dré Bly	Denver	5
Nate Clements	San Francisco	5
Chris McAlister	Baltimore	5

#### **DIDN'T MISS A BEAT**

While **AI Harris** missed four games recovering from a spleen injury suffered in Week 3, the Packers got to see that third-year pro **Tramon Williams** was ready for the NFL stage.

- ► Williams picked off a pass in each of his first three starts for an injured Harris, including a highlight reel full-extension grab to save a touchdown against Atlanta.
- ►Williams is the latest example of a player who has risen from the Packers' practice squad where he spent the final five weeks of the '06 season to become a key contributor. He served as one of the team's return men on special teams a year ago and eventually worked his way up the depth chart at corner, solidifying his role as No. 3.



### THE DOPE SHEET YA

#### MIKE McCARTHY TRANSCRIPT

#### **EXCERPTS FROM THE COACH - MONDAY, NOV. 3**

### ► (At this stage of the season, how much importance do you place on looking at the standings?)

We're aware of the standings and where we are in the standings. Those are secondary focuses, is the way that I speak to the team. I can't speak for the players. I'm sure they're well aware of what everybody's record is, everything is so publicized. But we're more in tune with what our record is, 4-4, and the things we need to improve on to keep moving forward.

- ► (How important are these two division games coming up?)
  Division games are very important, no doubt about it. Division road games are probably the toughest road games that you play throughout the year, in my opinion. So this week's challenge will be big for us, no doubt.
- ► (Several times in the game, the defensive backs had the ball in their midst. How many did you feel were potential interceptions?)

I would say we had two or three legitimate opportunities for turnovers in the game, and we did not get any of them.

- ► (How much do you expect turnovers from this defense?)

  We practice turnovers every day. We have a drill, in our practice format that's ball security. It's based on taking the ball away, there's different types of drills that we do, and also on the other side of the ball, drills to make sure we take care of the football. We're counting on those opportunities. Those are opportunities in the football game that you have to make plays, and that's what it's all about.
- ► (The defense was so solid the second half. What happened those last two drives? Was it fatigue or something else?)

  I didn't see fatigue. I know someone asked me that yesterday. We didn't do the little things. I thought in the second half, the number of three-and-outs we were able to accomplish just kept giving the offense back the football. That's a big part of the reason why I punted in that situation. My heart wanted to kick the field goal, my head told me to punt. And we did not do the little things to get off the field, and they obviously had the field goal attempt there at the end of the game, and some of the similar problems happened on the drive in overtime. They made a couple plays. The back-shoulder throw on the fade-stop, or whatever you want to refer to it as, that's a good play by their offense, so give them some credit. But as far as the gap control and tackling, we need to do a better job.
- ► (What broke down in the red zone opportunities?)

  Red zone. Disappointed offensively with the red zone production. We had a number of minus decisions down there. We need to do a better job of taking what the defense gives us, staying within the offense. But our decision-making was poor as a whole in the red zone, and it factored in the outcome in a number of those series.
- ► (Was that a missed check, that fade to Greg?)
  Correct. That's one of the minus decision I'm referring to, yes.
- ► (What went into the decision not to have Jones up yesterday?)

Well, when you're healthy as a football team, there's a lot of tough decisions to make as far as putting inactives down. Those are good problems to have as a football team. James Jones' particular situation, probably like the other guys that were put down, usually it comes down to special teams responsibilities. You look at our roster, there aren't too many of our players that are just a one-dimensional type player. We put a big emphasis on special teams, and a lot of those decisions for the inactives are determined by their special teams.

► (Can you assess your defense halfway through the season, or are you just getting healthy now so it's tough to see what you've got?)

Health has nothing to do with it. We need to play better run defense. I think we're a physical defense, just the way we're structured. Schemewise dictates that. Bump-and-run, two-gap inside. I'm disappointed in

some of the continuous gap control problems that we've had. Floating to the gap instead of attacking the gap, just the fundamentals of football. You're probably tired of hearing about it. But there's a number of different fundamentals and techniques involved in gap control. And we do it as good as it can be done, and then we slip up and it costs us, and it's happened too much to us this year.

- ► (You keep going back to that. How can you change it?)
  It's part of football. That's why you have individual periods, and that's why we play the games. Technique. It's all about technique and the ability to do it right, play in, play out. That's the challenge every week.
- ► (What are your thoughts on how AI Harris performed?)
  I thought AI played very well. I thought AI coming off his injury had an excellent week of practice, and wasn't tested pretty much at all during the course of the game. I thought both Charles and AI played at a high level yesterday.
- ► (How about the job Daryn Colledge did, and do you think Clifton will be back this week?)

As far as injuries, we had no significant injuries come out of the football game. We had just a number of bumps and bruises. Chad, from what the doctors have said, has passed that situation of the reaction that he had, so I fully intend for him to practice Wednesday and be ready for (Minnesota). The first part of your question, Daryn Colledge played very well. It's a credit to him. I can't say enough about his flexibility. You watch him during the course of a week, the practice reps that he takes throughout the line, he is pretty much repping almost every position. On short notice he goes out there and we graded him out as a winning performance.

► (What does Mike Montgomery give you and how was his performance?)

Mike is a tough guy. Mike is a physical guy. He is a guy that plays with excellent leverage if you look at his body type and the way that he is built. He played pretty well yesterday. He had a couple of contain issues that he actually responded very well (on). His ability to drop into coverage and he had an excellent opportunity for an interception there says a lot about his ability as a defensive end.

► (With Montgomery and Hunter back, does that make it easier with the depth there?)

We feel we have good depth at the defensive end spot. They are young as a group, so the sights put on the ability to improve is important for that group. I think Jeremy Thompson just continues to improve with every rep that he gets. The coaches were real excited about the way he played in the Indianapolis game and progressed through the week of practice. He has shown improvement. It's good to have Jason Hunter back from the hamstring injury. It was a lot longer than we expected. I know it is good to have him back on special teams also. Pettway has done a really good job for us on special teams and also has the ability to be a speed rusher. Its' a group that we feel we can continue to develop.

- ► (Did you have a chance to watch, evaluate Harrell at all?)
  He was OK. The one big run, he gets cut off from his gap responsibility. I thought he played better in the pass than the run. That's really an indication of where he was last year and that's where he started off yesterday. It was good to have him out there. It was good to have a four-tackle rotation, so I think it definitely helped us.
- ► (On those sacks, could Rodgers have gotten rid of the ball or were there no real options?)

I'm trying to go through all four of them. The sack-fumble, we're in the pressure situation, the ball should be out. The one sack I know was on a seven-man protection and they brought four rushers. He should be able to hold the ball a little longer there than he did. They had an inside stunt that we didn't pick up where the back-side tackle came clean. That's the only one I can think of. The one where he was hot with the ball when we were in the empty formation, the ball needs to come out.



#### **TOPS IN THE FREE AGENCY ERA**

The Packers own more NFL championships (12) than any other franchise, but it's not all about past glory for the Green and Gold.

- ► Talk of unrestricted free agency in the early '90s led many to believe small-town Green Bay would be the first franchise to fold.
- ► Since the advent of free agency in 1993, the Packers own the best W-L record in the NFL. They have captured seven division titles in that time.
- ▶ The Packers have won 10 or more games in nine seasons since 1993.
- ► A look at the winningest teams in the free-agency era shows eight of the last 12 Super Bowl champions, starting with Green Bay's '96 title:

<u>Team</u>	W-L record	Pct.
Green Bay Packers	155-92-0	.628
New England Patriots	155-92-0	.628
Pittsburgh Steelers	154-93-1	.623
Denver Broncos	150-97-0	.607
Indianapolis Colts	141-106-0	.571
Philadelphia Eagles	136-110-1	.552
Kansas City Chiefs	136-112-0	.548



### PACKERS IN WEEKLY 2008 TEAM RANKINGS



Y		NF	L Offens	se	NF	L Defens	se
After Week	Орр.	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass
1	MIN	14T	12	17	25	30	13
2	at Det	6	11	9	22	22	20
3	DAL	8	15	7	: 27	26	22
4	at TB	15	23	10	26	26	15
5	ATL	11	23	8	26	27	13
6	at Sea	14	21T	10	20	27	7
7	IND	14	22	10	15	25	9
8	(bye)	16	23T	10	17	25	6
9	at Ten	14	21	9	20	27	5
10	at Min						
11	CHI				:		
12	at NO				:		
13	CAR				:		
14	HOU						
15	at Jax						
16	at Chi				:		
17	DET						
Packers i	in 2007	2	21	2	11	14	12
Packers i	in 2006	9	23	8	12	13	17
Packers i	in 2005	18	30	7	7	23	1
Packers i	in 2004	3	10	3	25	14	25
Packers i	in 2003	4	3	16	17	10	23
Packers i	in 2002	12	12	10	12	21	3
Packers i	in 2001	6	21	3	12	16	15
Packers i	in 2000	15	23	8	15	8	19
Packers i	in 1999	9	21	7	19	22	18
Packers i	in 1998	5	25	3	4	4	10
Packers i	in 1997	4	12	3	7	20	8
Packers i	in 1996	5	11	5	1	4	1
Packers i	in 1995	7	26	3	14	7	21
Packers i	in 1994	9	19	9	6	3	15
Packers i	in 1993	19	22	18	2	8	7
Packers i	in 1992	15	21	9	23	16	23

#### WHAT THE FIRST FOUR MEAN IN THE LONG RUN

It's no secret that early success dramatically increases a team's chances to make the postseason.

- ►After winning their first two games, the Packers dropped two in a row to end the first quarter of the season at 2-2.
- ► The Packers traditionally have done well in the first month of the season. Over the past 11 seasons (1998-2008), Green Bay's opening-month record stands at 24-15 (.615), fourth best in the NFL over that time.
- ▶ During that period, only Indianapolis (25-11, .694), Denver (26-13, .667) and Seattle (24-13, .648) have a better opening-month record.
- ►One only needs to look to 2007 to see what impact a fast start can and can't have. Of the four teams to reach the conference championship, only Green Bay and New England stood at 4-0.
- ►The eventual Super Bowl champion New York Giants were 2-2, while San Diego was just 1-3.
- ► A look at NFL teams' records through the first quarter of the year and the rate at which each got to the playoffs, compiled from 1990-2007:

Record through 4 games	% of teams in playoffs
0-4	1.7%
1-3	15.6%
2-2	34.0%
3-1	66.2%
4-0	84.9%

#### **YOUNG UNDER CENTER**

Packers quarterback **Aaron Rodgers** has been a mainstay in the headlines this offseason as he became the first quarterback not named Favre to start under center for Green Bay in nearly 16 years.

- ► Don Majkowski started for the Packers against the Bengals on Sept. 20, 1992, and 253 games later, Rodgers got the nod.
- ► While Rodgers is in his first year as a starter, it's not as if he's new to the NFL. Rodgers is now in his fourth year in the NFL his third in Mike McCarthy's West Coast offense and is already among the most tenured players in the locker room. Of the 53-man roster, only nine have been in Green Bay longer than Rodgers.
- Even with his seniority on the league's youngest club, Rodgers is still young among starting NFL guarterbacks.
- ►A look at the youngest quarterbacks to start a game in the NFC in '08:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Age</u>
Matt Ryan	Atlanta	23 (5/17/85)
Aaron Rodgers	Green Bay	24 (12/2/83)
Tarvaris Jackson	Minnesota	25 (4/21/83)
Kyle Orton	Chicago	25 (11/14/82)
Jason Campbell	Washington	26 (12/31/81)

#### IN THE 'BLACK AND BLUE' DIVISION

Two of the Packers early wins have come against division opponents.

- ► Since division play opened in 1967, the team has opened the season only one other time with two divisional wins: 1998.
- ► After this weekend's contest against the Vikings, the Packers will continue division play in Week 11, hosting the Bears, before stepping outside the NFC North for another month.
- ► In games that ultimately could decide playoff seeding and the division crown, Green Bay wraps up the regular season with a trip to Chicago and a home contest against the Lions.
- ► McCarthy's solid 11-3 record in the NFL's 'black and blue' division is noteworthy because he's undefeated against two of the division opponents: Detroit (5-0) and Minnesota (5-0). The Packers are just 1-3 against Chicago over the past two seasons.

### THE DOPE SHEET Y

#### PACKERS TEAM NOTES

#### **ROSTER MOVES**

Prior to the Tennessee contest, the Packers activated DT **Justin Harrell** and released veteran DE Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila.

- ► A 2007 first-round pick, the 6-foot-4, 320-pound Tennessee product was rehabbing from a back injury that was surgically repaired twice in the offseason.
- ▶ In his first game action since the NFC Championship Game, Harrell recorded four tackles (two solo), including a stop for loss.
- ▶ In nine seasons with the Packers, Gbaja-Biamila appeared in 124 career games, including 74 starts. He is the franchise's all-time sacks leader with 74.5, having passed Reggie White (68.5) in 2007.

#### **THREE AND OUT**

Thanks to a renewed running game, the Packers have been able to get in manageable third-down situations and have limited their drives of three-and-out, something that plagued them early on.

- ► Green Bay had just one three-and-out against Tennessee, the game's first possession. Out of 88 possessions, they have gone three-and-out 20 times (22.7%). That percentage ranks 16th among all teams. The New Orleans Saints lead the league with a three-and-out series on just 12.1% of their drives (11-for-91).
- ► The problems existed on defense, too. Through five games, Green Bay's defense forced the lowest percentage of three-and-outs in the league.
- ► Having forced a three-and-out 18 times on 95 series, their percentage (18.9%) now ranks tied for 27th in the league. Baltimore lead all teams by forcing a three-and-out on 34.7% of series.
- ► A season ago in the category, the Packers ranked 10th in offense (19.5%) and 16th (22.5%) on defense.
- ► The Vikings defense isn't much better, forcing opponents to three-andouts on 19.2% of possessions (19-of-99). They are slightly ahead of Green Bay on offense too, ranking 13th in the NFL at 21.2% (21-of-99).

#### IN THE RED ZONE

Green Bay's red-zone offense struggled in Tennessee, scoring a touchdown on just one of four opportunities.

- ► On offense, the Packers have scored TDs on 12 of 23 possessions (52.2%), 14th in the league.
- ► Its defense inside the 20-yard line has been better, allowing 11 TDs on 27 possessions (40.7%). That ranks eighth among NFL clubs.
- ► A side result of a big-play offense is not as many trips inside the opponent's 20-yard line. In fact, Green Bay has scored 57 points outside of the red zone (six TDs, five FGs), tied for eighth most in the NFL.
- ▶ The Packers defense has excelled in its takeaway ability thus far, and the red zone is no different. Of the 20 red-zone possessions, the Packers defense has come away with five takeaways. That ranks tied for first in the NFL with Kansas City. Its four interceptions in the red zone also ranks first in the league.
- ► Minnesota's red-zone offense ranks 31st in the league, converting just 34.8% of its opportunities. Its defense has allowed TDs on 54.2% of its possessions, 18th in the NFL.

#### **NEXT MAN UP**

Injuries are a part of the NFL, and Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** has steadfastly refused to use them as an excuse in any way.

- ▶ Being the youngest team in the NFL, the Packers naturally have been forced to play a number of young players in recent weeks. McCarthy noted their improvement, especially in recent weeks.
- ► Jeremy Thompson has been pressed into duty with the injuries to Cullen Jenkins, Michael Montgomery and Jason Hunter. His improvement from the Atlanta game his first on the active gameday

roster - to now has been apparent.

- ▶ "(Jeremy Thompson) played well. I thought he played with a lot more urgency, played with a lot more speed. I think that's something that you always look for in your younger players. Also Jordy Nelson; you see Jordy playing faster. I think Thompson definitely made a step in that direction. That's a common progression that younger players go through because the speed of the game in the NFL is so much faster than anything they have ever experienced. We thought he played with much better tempo and much better urgency."
- ▶ Nelson seems to be on the same path as a rookie receiver that **Greg Jennings** was on in 2006 and **James Jones** last season. Nelson has moved the chains a number of times and has 18 receptions for 211 yards thus far. He is on pace to challenge the same rookie receiver records that Jennings and Jones did the previous two years.
- ► Another rookie who has responded when pressed into playing time has been second-round pick **Pat Lee**. When active, Lee has been in on dime situations and has also made his presence felt as a gunner on the special teams coverage units.

#### **MORE FROM THE COACH**

► (How was Rodgers' shoulder this morning?)

Fine. He is sore, but I anticipate him practicing on Wednesday. As far as what his pitch count will be, that is something we'll determine Wednesday morning in the Wednesday medical meeting.

► (What was your evaluation of his two fourth-down throws?)
We were expecting man in that particular situation. It's a hot situation for that particular play. Jermichael had a poor release. He was too high, and Aaron was trying to back-shoulder him. It's a play that we practice all of the time. It's a common throw in our offense. That was the 4th-and-1, I can't recall the play on the second one...

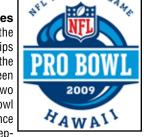
► (The slant to Jennings ...)

The slant, I didn't like the route. It was Tampa 2 versus the drag slant, and it was actually the look slant side. I would put them on execution. I'm fine with the calls.

#### **KEEP THE CALENDAR OPEN FOR EARLY FEBRUARY**

Pro Bowl voting began this week and a number of Packers should receive plenty of votes thanks to their early season performance.

- ►WR **Greg Jennings** is a bona fide NFL star as he ranks among the league leaders in a number of receiving categories. The third-year pro looks like he'll make the first trip of his career to Hawaii this February.
- ▶DE Aaron Kampman and CB Charles Woodson, two veteran leaders of the defense, look poised to make return trips to the Pro Bowl. Kampman is among the NFL leaders in sacks with 6.0 and has been voted to the Pro Bowl each of the last two seasons. Woodson is a four-time Pro Bowl selection but hasn't been to the game since 2001. Woodson already has four intercep-



tions, including two returned for scores, all the while playing with a broken toe.

- ► Both sides of the ball still have a number of candidates at this point, including Aaron Rodgers, Ryan Grant, Donald Driver, Chad Clifton, Mark Tauscher, Nick Barnett, A.J. Hawk and Nick Collins.
- ▶ Balloting will conclude at 12:00 p.m. (ET) on Tuesday, Dec. 9. The teams will be announced at 4 p.m. (ET) Tuesday, Dec. 16, on a special NFL Total Access 2009 NFL Pro Bowl Selection Show on NFL Network. The 2009 NFL Pro Bowl will be played at Aloha Stadium in Honolulu, Hawaii on Sunday, Feb. 8, and televised by NBC.



#### **GAME REVIEW - TITANS 19, PACKERS 16 (OT)**

#### PACKERS FALL SHORT IN DISAPPOINTING OVERTIME LOSS

The Packers had an opportunity to knock off the Tennessee Titans from their perch as the NFL's lone unbeaten team, but it was their struggles on offense in the red zone and the inability to come up with one more defensive stop when they needed it most that cost the Packers in a 19-16 overtime loss at Tennessee.

- ► "We didn't perform well enough at the end to win the game," Head Coach Mike McCarthy said. "I thought it was a hard-fought football game. They made some plays in the two-minute drill for the first attempt. The second attempt we didn't stop the run."
- ► The first attempt was Titans kicker Rob Bironas' 47-yard field goal try as time expired in regulation that went off of the right upright, giving the Packers new life as the game headed into overtime.
- ▶ Tennessee won the coin toss in overtime and took over at their 22-yard line. Facing a 3rd-and-6, quarterback Kerry Collins connected on a short pass with rookie running back Chris Johnson in the right flat, and

Johnson took the catch 16 yards for a first down out to Tennessee's 42.

- ▶Johnson picked up 14 yards off right guard on the next play to move the ball into Green Bay territory, and running back LenDale White converted a 3rd-and-4 on the Packers 38 with a seven-yard pickup. After two more runs from Johnson generated eight yards, Bironas didn't miss on his second chance, connecting on a 41-yarder to give the Titans the win.
- ▶The defense limited Collins to a 62.9 passer rating as he completed just 18-of-37 passes for 180 yards, but Johnson, who entered Sunday's game as the AFC's leading rusher,

posted 161 yards of total offense (89 rushing, 72 receiving).

- ►The Packers' opportunity to break the 16-16 tie came late in the fourth quarter. Taking over at their own 18 with 4:24 remaining, quarterback **Aaron Rodgers** connected with wide receiver **Donald Driver** twice for 31 yards, the second pass a 20-yarder down to Tennessee's 45.
- ► After incomplete passes on first and second down, Rodgers' short pass over the middle to running back **Brandon Jackson** went for just two yards, forcing the Packers to punt from the Tennessee 43 rather than go for it on 4th-and-8 with two minutes remaining.
- ► "The mark was the 40-yard line," McCarthy said. "I think we were at the 42-, 43-yard line. I was disappointed in the third-down production frankly based on the defense they had called and the play we had called."
- ► Green Bay had tied the game at 16 one possession earlier on a 38-yard field goal from **Mason Crosby** that capped a seven-play, 51-yard drive highlighted by a 29-yard Driver reception. Driver finished the day with a season-high seven grabs for 136 yards, including a 5-yard TD catch.
- ► Crosby's game-tying kick was his third field goal of the day, an all-too-familiar ending to Green Bay's drives against a physical Titans defense. The Packers entered the game ranked fifth in the NFC in red-zone efficiency with a 57.6 touchdown percentage, but got in the end zone only once on four trips inside the 20 on Sunday.
- ► Rodgers finished the afternoon with a 76.7 passer rating, his second lowest in a game this season, completing 22-of-41 passes for 314 yards and a touchdown.
- ▶ Rodgers' two turnovers came on back-to-back possessions in the third quarter, the first coming when he tried to hit wide receiver **Greg Jennings** for a 35-yard score but was picked off in the end zone by safety Chris Hope. On the next series Rodgers fumbled after being sacked by Titans DE Jacob Ford, a takeaway Tennessee turned into three points.

- ► Sitting at .500 at the season's midway point with divisional games the next two weeks at Minnesota and vs. Chicago, the Packers realize the sense of urgency that is needed if they hope to reach the goals set at the beginning of the season.
- ► "The reality of it is we are 4-4," cornerback **Charles Woodson** said. "We felt like we had some games early on that we could have won and didn't win. Today we had opportunities and didn't win, so what you take from that is that close ain't good enough and we've got to get better. This long stretch until the end of the season, being able to make the playoffs, we've got to come up with some wins late in the game."

#### **OFFENSIVE LINE DOES SOME SHUFFLING**

After battling injuries early this season and in the preseason, Green Bay's offensive line regained some stability the last four games as they opened with the same five players. On Sunday they were forced to adjust on short notice in Tennessee when starting left tackle **Chad Clifton** fell ill Sunday

morning.

- ► McCarthy said Clifton had a reaction to some medication, and **Daryn Colledge**, who started the first seven games at left guard, moved over to take Clifton's spot. Guard **Jason Spitz**, who has played primarily right guard this season, slid over to the opposite side to replace Colledge.
- ▶ Rookie **Josh Sitton**, who was making a push for the starting right guard spot in training camp before sustaining a knee injury in the preseason at Denver, got his first NFL start there in Spitz's place.

►The change on the offensive line came against a Titans defense that

entered Sunday's contest ranked No. 10 against the run and was allowing a league-low 12.4 points per game. Tennessee's defense entered Sunday having allowed just 12 runs of 10-plus yards in seven games this season, but Green Bay posted three with gains of 13, 14 and 13 yards by running back **Ryan Grant**.

▶Green Bay's line did allow four sacks for 26 yards, including one in the third quarter that resulted in an Aaron Rodgers fumble to give Tennessee the ball at the Packers 17.

#### **RETURNS AND A DEBUT**

Defensive tackle **Justin Harrell** took the field for the first time since last season's NFC Championship Game after missing the first seven games following two offseason back surgeries.

- ► Harrell, who was activated on Saturday from the physically unable to perform list, recorded four tackles, including one stop for a loss when he brought down RB Chris Johnson for a 1-yard loss in the fourth quarter.
- ►AI Harris, who missed the past four games with a spleen injury suffered in Week 3 vs. Dallas, returned to his customary starting spot at right cornerback and saw a normal workload. Atari Bigby, who was sidelined the past five games because of a hamstring injury suffered at Detroit in Week 2, started at strong safety.
- Other than Clifton (illness), the Packers did not have any other injuries to report from the game. Green Bay's gameday inactives were Brian Brohm (third quarterback), cornerback Pat Lee, running back DeShawn Wynn, linebackers Desmond Bishop and Danny Lansanah, tackle Breno Giacomini, guard Allen Barbre and wide receiver James Jones.



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#### PACKERS TEAM NOTES

#### **WHAT LIES AHEAD**

The second half of the Packers schedule begins Sunday afternoon at the Metrodome in Minneapolis.

- ►The remaining eight games will be split between four road and home games. Two of the next three are on the road.
- ▶ Four division games remain for Green Bay, including both contests against the Chicago Bears. No two NFL teams have met on the gridiron more than the Packers and Bears. The 2008 edition of the series marks the 176th and 177th overall meetings.
- ►The Packers will travel for their final two prime-time contests at New Orleans Nov. 24, and at Chicago Dec. 22, both on *Monday Night Football*. With the Packers and Bears currently battling for the division lead, that contest may well decide the NFC North title.
- ► The Houston Texans will make that franchise's first trip to Lambeau Field for a Dec. 7 matchup.

	Record	NFL R Offense	
at Minnesota Vikings	.(4-4)	13	11
Chicago Bears	.(5-3)	15	18
at New Orleans Saints	.(4-4)	1	24
Carolina Panthers	.(6-2)	16	8
Houston Texans	.(3-5)	4	17
at Jacksonville Jaguars .	.(3-5)	23	23
at Chicago Bears	.(5-3)	15	18
Detroit Lions	.(0-8)	27	32

#### **ARE YOU EXPERIENCED?**

The Green Bay Packers entered the 2008 season with three quarterbacks on the roster: **Aaron Rodgers**, **Matt Flynn** and **Brian Brohm**. Rookies Flynn (LSU) and Brohm (Louisville) serve as the backups.

- ► None of the three players had ever started an NFL game, but that's not necessarily rare in this day and age in the NFL.
- ▶In fact, it is the third time this decade that a team went into its opening game of a season without a quarterback on the roster who had ever started an NFL game. The two previous instances show decidedly different results.
- ▶In 2006, the San Diego Chargers began the season with two quarter-backs on the roster, neither of whom had started an NFL game: starter Philip Rivers and rookie backup Charlie Whitehurst. Rivers, a third-year pro in his first season as the starter, went to the Pro Bowl that season as the Chargers finished an NFL-best 14-2.
- ►In 2001, the Carolina Panthers had three quarterbacks on the opening-day roster who had never started a game before: Chris Weinke, Dameyune Craig and Matt Lytle. The team finished 1-15.

#### RETURN OF 'BIG 5' COULD MEAN MORE Y-A-C

Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** utilizes a number of four- and five-wide sets to take advantage of his receivers' abilities after the catch.

- ► Called the 'Big Five' or 'Fab Five' formation by McCarthy, it proved a nightmare for opposing defenses last year with its matchup problems.
- ►It was the matchups such as a wideout isolated on a linebacker that Green Bay utilized to its advantage.
- ► Battling through injuries early this season, the entire wideout group has only been active once against Atlanta this season.
- ►Led by wide receivers **Donald Driver**, **Greg Jennings**, **James Jones**, **Ruvell Martin** and tight end **Donald Lee**, Green Bay led the league in yards after the catch in 2007.
- ► The Packers amassed a league-best 2,294 yards after the catch, 51.4% of their total passing yards. The NFL average in 2007 was 1,596 yards.
- ►The only other teams to surpass 2,000 yards after the catch were New Orleans (2,112) and New England (2,052).
- ►The big-play ability of the group didn't come as a total surprise. Green Bay finished second in yards after the catch, behind New Orleans, in 2006.
- ► Added in the draft was All-America wideout **Jordy Nelson** from Kansas State, who was praised by scouts for his run-after-the-catch abilities.
- Nelson got his first chance to contribute on offense against Detroit, hauling in his first career catch for a 29-yard score, his first "big play" in Green Bay.

#### NFL'S YOUNGEST FOR THIRD STRAIGHT YEAR

Based on an analysis of Kickoff Weekend rosters done by the league office, the Green Bay Packers and Kansas City Chiefs tied for the youngest roster with an average age of 25.57 years. For the Packers, that makes three years in a row.

- ► Last season, Green Bay's average roster age of 25.72 years on Kickoff Weekend was the youngest in the NFL. Indianapolis placed second with an average roster age of 25.74 years.
- ►In 2006, the Packers' average roster age of 25.57 years was the youngest in the league. Tennessee, with an average roster age of 25.77 years, was second.
- ▶Despite being the league's yongest team for a third consecutive season, Green Bay has experienced NFL players at nearly every position. Only three rookies appear on the Week 10 two-deep – backup quarterback Matt Flynn, offensive guard Josh Sitton and defensive end Jeremy Thompson.

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#### 2008 HONOR ROLL



#### **CB Will Blackmon**

Week 1 - NFC 'Special Teams Player of the Week'

#### **QB Aaron Rodgers**

Week 2 - FedEx Air NFL Player of the Week

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Week 7 - NFC 'Defensive Player of the Week'

#### **CB Charles Woodson**

September - NFC Defensive Player of the Month

#### **2008 STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE**

Though it faces six playoff teams from a year ago – the same number of playoff teams on the '07 schedule – Green Bay's 2008 schedule appears tougher on the surface than last year's slate.

- ▶ This season's schedule rotation matches up arguably the strongest division in the AFC, the South, against the NFC North. The AFC South sent three teams to the postseason in '07 (Colts, Jaguars and Titans), and its teams finished a combined 42-22 (.656) last season. By virtue of its first-place finish last season, Green Bay has played division winners Dallas and Seattle.
- ▶ By the strength of schedule statistic, Green Bay's schedule ranks tied for the 11th toughest (with Chicago) among NFL teams.
- Strength of schedule is a subjective statistic because as coaches often say, it's not *who* you play, but *when* you play them.
- ► The overall schedule this season shows opposing teams with a combined mark of 136-120 (.531) from last season. That's up from last year, when opponents had a 126-130 (.492) record the previous season.
- ▶ In that same vein, the eight opponents coming to Lambeau Field (67-61, .523) have a stronger record than last year's home opponents (61-67, .477). So too are Green Bay's road contests, where the opponents appear stronger this year (69-59, .539) than last (65-63, .508).

#### **SUCCESS WITH YOUNG QUARTERBACKS**

Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** is known around the league as one of the preeminent teachers of quarterbacks.

- ► McCarthy now has two new pupils in **Matt Flynn** and **Brian Brohm**, rookie draft picks who will serve as the No. 2 and No. 3 backup quarter-backs, respectively, to starter **Aaron Rodgers**.
- ► Flynn, a three-year backup at LSU, led the Tigers to the BCS National Championship in 2007. Brohm finished his career at Louisville as the Big East's all-time leader in passing yards (10,775) and completions (780).
- ► While his work with starting QBs with names like Favre and Montana is well-documented, McCarthy's work with some of the backup QBs in his various coaching stops around the NFL is just as impressive.
- ▶ During his stint in K.C. (1993-98), McCarthy worked with backup Rich Gannon. Gannon said of his time with McCarthy: "He's the guy that really helped catapult my career. He was the guy who really taught me the West Coast system of football. He really taught me how to prepare for a game, taught me how to watch film, how to break down an opponent, how to study. It was really those things I took with me to Oakland."
- ► In Oakland, Gannon was a four-time Pro Bowler, two-time first-team All-Pro and 2002 NFL MVP.
- ► As quarterbacks coach for the Packers in 1999, McCarthy worked with Matt Hasselbeck in his first season on the Packers' active roster.

- Hasselbeck is a three-time Pro Bowler.
- ▶ During his time as offensive coordinator in New Orleans (2000-05), McCarthy tutored young quarterbacks Marc Bulger and Jake Delhomme. Bulger has been to two Pro Bowls with the St. Louis Rams, while Delhomme was a Pro Bowler in 2005 with Carolina.

#### **SOME GOOD COMPANY**

Through his first three career starts, **Aaron Rodgers** totaled 796 passing yards and no interceptions.

- ► Rodgers became the third NFL quarterback since 1970 with 500-or-more passing yards and no interceptions over his first three career starts.
- ►The others were **Warren Moon** with Houston in 1984 (778 passing yards) and **Tom Brady** with New England in 2001 (618 passing yards).
- Moon, an NFL rookie in 1984, led the Oilers to a 3-13 mark in his first season as a starter. The nine-time Pro Bowler was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2006.
- ▶ Brady's first start came in Week 3 of the 2001 season. That season, he led the Patriots to an 11-5 regular-season mark and victory in Super Bowl XXXVI. A four-time Pro Bowl selection, he is a three-time Super Bowl champion.





#### **RIGHT ON TARGET**

Quarterback **Aaron Rodgers** completed 18 of 22 passes (81.8 percent) in the Packers' win over the Vikings. It was his first career NFL start.

- ► According to Elias Sports Bureau, only one quarterback completed a higher percentage of his passes in his first NFL start (minimum 20 attempts) since 1950. Rob Johnson was 20 for 24 (83 percent) in his first NFL start for the 1997 Jaguars.
- ► Additionally, Rodgers' completion percentage ranked fourth all-time in Packers history for a single game (minimum 20 attempts).
- Quarterback Lynn Dickey (1976-77, 79-85) owns the top two spots on the franchise list. He completed 19-of-21 (90.5 percent) at New Orleans on Dec. 13, 1981, and was 27-for-31 (87.1 percent) at Houston on Sept. 4, 1983.
- ▶Brett Favre (1992-2007) stands at No. 3 on the list. He connected on 23-of-28 passes (82.1 percent) at Cleveland on Nov. 19, 1995.

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#### **INDIVIDUAL NOTES & STREAKS**

#### **56 NICK BARNETT**

- ► Has tallied over 130 tackles in each of his first five NFL seasons.
- ► Currently leads the Packers in tackles. If Barnett finishes as the team's leading tackler, he will pass Brian Noble and Bernardo Harris (4 each) for the franchise lead for most seasons leading the team in tackles (stat began in 1975). Barnett has led the Packers in tackles four times in his first five seasons.

#### **20 ATARI BIGBY**

► Has five interceptions in his last seven regular-season games played. Four came in the final month of 2007, when he was named 'NFC Defensive Player of the Month' for December.

#### **76 CHAD CLIFTON**

- ► A first-time Pro Bowler last year, has played in 123 career games, including 118 starts.
- ► Has started 86 of last 88 games since returning from a serious pelvic injury that ended his 2002 season. Has missed two games due to illness ('06 at Miami, '08 at Tennessee).

#### **36 NICK COLLINS**

- ► Has four interceptions on the season, a new career high. Heading into the season, Collins had four interceptions in 45 career games.
- ► Tied with Charley Brock, Doug Hart and Ken Ellis (all with three) for No. 5 on the Packers' all-time list for interception returns for touchdowns. With one more, Collins would match No. 4 Johnny (Blood) McNally and Charles Woodson.

#### **2 MASON CROSBY**

- ► For his career, has hit 30-of-33 field goals from 39 yards and closer.
- ► Has hit 10-of-15 field goals from 40-49 yards.
- ► Has hit 5-of-8 field goals form 50-plus yards.

#### **80 DONALD DRIVER**

- ► Against Indianapolis, surpassed James Lofton (530) to move into second place on the team's all-time receptions list. Sterling Sharpe (595) stands at No. 1. Driver has 539.
- ► Has a reception in 103 consecutive games, tying the franchise's longest streak of Sharpe's 103 (1988-94).
- ► Became only the fourth player in Packers history to reach 7,000 career yards, joining Lofton (9,656), Sharpe (8,134) and Don Hutson (7,991). Driver (7,443) stands at No. 4 in team history.
- ►Also against Indianapolis, became the all-time leading receiver at Lambeau Field, surpassing Freeman (3,477 yards). Driver has 3,494 career receiving yards at the stadium.
- ► Became Lambeau Field's all-time leader in receptions, surpassing Freeman (213) last season. Driver has 255 receptions at Lambeau.

- ► His 15 touchdown receptions at Lambeau Field rank fourth in the stadium's history. He needs three to surpass No. 3 Robert Brooks (17).
- ► Recorded his 19th 100-yard receiving game at Tennessee to match No. 5 Boyd Dowler (19). Needs one to reach No. 4 Freeman (20) and five to equal No. 3 Hutson (24) on the team's all-time list.
- ► With 41 career TD receptions, joins Hutson (99), Sharpe (65), Freeman (57), McGee (50), Lofton (49) and Billy Howton (43) and Dowler (40) as the only players with 40 career TD catches.
- ► Established a Packers record with four consecutive seasons with 1,000 receiving yards. Freeman, Lofton and Sharpe each had three.
- ►Tied a franchise record with 1,000 receiving yards in a fifth overall season. Lofton and Sharpe also have five 1,000-yard campaigns.
- ►Is one of four players in team annals to produce as many as six seasons with 50 receptions, joining Lofton and Sharpe (both seven) and Freeman (six).
  - ► Also became only the second Packers player with four 80-catch seasons, joining Sharpe (four).

#### **25 RYAN GRANT**

- ► When he carries the ball 19-or-more times, the Packers are 8-1.
- ► Surpassed 1,000 career rushing yards in Week 1. Grant enters with 1,506.
- ► Registered his first 100-yard performance of the season in Week 7. He has six career 100-yard games.

#### 31 AL HARRIS

- ► Saw his consecutive games played streak end at 175 games (163 regular season, 12 playoffs), a streak that began in Philadelphia in 1998.
- ► Also saw his consecutive starts streak come to an end in Week 4. Harris had started all 83 regular-season games since coming to Green Bay in 2003.
- ► Has 105 career starts.
- ► Needs to return one interception for a touchdown to tie No. 5 Charley Brock, Doug Hart, Ken Ellis and Nick Collins (all with three) on Green Bay's all-time career list. With a second TD on an interception, would match No. 4 Johnny (Blood) McNally and Charles Woodson (4).

#### **50 A.J. HAWK**

- ►Surpassed 300 career tackles in Week 2. Hawk enters with 333.
- ►Also in Week 2, set career high with two sacks.
- ► Has started every game (40 regular season, 2 playoffs) since arriving in Green Bay as the No. 5 overall pick in the 2006 NFL Draft.



Two years after he co-founded the Packers with Curly Lambeau, George Calhoun began writing a piece called The Dope Sheet, which served as the official press release and game program from 1921-24.

#### **INDIVIDUAL NOTES & STREAKS**

#### **85 GREG JENNINGS**

- ► Has caught a pass in 35 consecutive games.
- ► Established a career high with 167 receiving yards in Week 2.
- ►With three straight 100-yard games (Weeks 2-5), set a career high.
- ► Surpassed 2,000 career receiving yards in Week 4 at Tampa Bay, his 31st career game. Jennings now has 2,316.
- ► Surpassed 1,000 career receiving yards on the 82-yard, game-winning touchdown catch in OT vs. Denver last season, his 19th career game.
- ► His 12 touchdown receptions last season were the most by a Packers player since Javon Walker had 12 TD catches in 2004.
- ► His average of 17.4 yards per catch last year ranked fourth in the NFL.

#### **89 JAMES JONES**

► Last year, his 47 catches ranked third on the team's list of receptions by a rookie. His yardage total (676) ranked fourth on the team's all-time rookies list. His receptions and yardage ranked third among NFL rookies.

#### **74 AARON KAMPMAN**

- ► His 33½ sacks since 2006 ranks second among all NFL players.
- ► Surpassed Ezra Johnson (41½) on the team's all-time sack list. Kampman (47) is at No. 4.
- ▶ Became just the fifth player to record 40 sacks in a Packers uniform, joining Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila (74½), Reggie White (68½), Tim Harris (55) and Ezra Johnson (41½).
- ► Tallied over 90 tackles for the third consecutive season.
- ►Has started 81 of the last 82 games. Kampman had his consecutive starts streak stopped at 73 as he was held out of the 2007 regularseason finale vs. Detroit.

#### **86 DONALD LEE**

► Last season, set career highs in receptions (48), receiving yards (575) and touchdown receptions (6).

#### **12 AARON RODGERS**

- ▶ Became the first quarterback other than Brett Favre to start a Packers game since Don Majkowski, Sept. 20, 1992.
- ► Has three career 300-yard games and two 3-TD games.
- ► Has five games with a passer rating over 100.0 this season.

#### **65 MARK TAUSCHER**

► Has played in 117 career games, including 115 starts.

#### **38 TRAMON WILLIAMS**

► Already established career highs in nearly every statistical category, including interceptions (3).

#### **21 CHARLES WOODSON**

- ► Enters with 33 career interceptions (16 in Green Bay).
- ► With four interception returns for scores, matches No. 4 Johnny (Blood) McNally on Green Bay's all-time career list. With another, would match No. 2 Bobby Dillon and Darren Sharper, each of whom returned five.
- ►With five defensive touchdowns as a member of the Packers (four interceptions, one fumble return), ties No. 4 Dillon and Doug Hart on the team's all-time list.

#### **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

#### **PLAYERS** Allen Barbre ......BAR-ber Atari Bigby ......ah-TARR-ee BIG-bee Daryn Colledge . . . . . College Breno Giacomini . . . . . . . . Breh-NO GEE-ah-coh-MEE-knee Justin Harrell Cullen Jenkins ..... KULL-en Danny Lansanah . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . lan-SAN-ah Ruvell Martin .....roo-VELL

Charlie Peprah	PEP-rah
Ryan Pickett	PICK-ett
Brady Poppinga	puh-PING-gah
Aaron Rouse	ROWSE
Josh Sitton	SITT-en
Jason Spitz	SPITTS
Mark Tauscher	TAU-sher
Tramon Williams	trah-MAHN

#### **COACHES**

James Campen			KAMP-en
Tom Clements .			KLEMM-ints
Jerry Fontenot .			FON-tin-oh
Ben McAdoo			MACK-ah-doo
Kurt Schottenheir	mer	SH	lOTT-in-hyme-err
Shawn Slocum			SI OW-kumm

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### **DEPTH CHART**

Unofficial, Nov. 4, 2008

				OFFENSE		
WR:	85	Greg Jennings	82	Ruvell Martin		
LT:	76	Chad Clifton	73	Daryn Colledge		
LG:	73	Daryn Colledge	78	Allen Barbre		
C:	63	Scott Wells	72	Jason Spitz		
RG:	72	Jason Spitz	<u>71</u>	Josh Sitton		
RT:	65	Mark Tauscher	75	Tony Moll	<u>68</u>	Breno Giacomini
TE:	86	Donald Lee	84	Tory Humphrey	<u>88</u>	Jermichael Finley
WR:	80	Donald Driver	89	James Jones	<u>87</u>	<u>Jordy Nelson</u>
QB:	12	Aaron Rodgers	<u>10</u>	<u>Matt Flynn</u>	<u>11</u>	Brian Brohm
RB:	25	Ryan Grant	32	Brandon Jackson	42	DeShawn Wynn
FB:	35	Korey Hall	30	John Kuhn		
				<u>DEFENSE</u>		
LDE:	74	Aaron Kampman	57	Jason Hunter	93	Kenny Pettway
LDT:	79	Ryan Pickett	90	Colin Cole		
RDT:	97	Johnny Jolly	91	Justin Harrell		
RDE:	<u>99</u>	<u>Jeremy Thompson</u>	96	Michael Montgomery		
SAM:	51	Brady Poppinga	54	Brandon Chillar	<u>58</u>	<u>Danny Lansanah</u>
MIKE:	56	Nick Barnett	55	Desmond Bishop		
WILL:	50	A.J. Hawk	54	Brandon Chillar		
LCB:	21	Charles Woodson	27	Will Blackmon	<u>22</u>	Pat Lee
RCB:	31	Al Harris	38	Tramon Williams	24	Jarrett Bush
SS:	20	Atari Bigby	37	Aaron Rouse	24	Jarrett Bush
FS:	36	Nick Collins	26	Charlie Peprah		
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	•		<u>S</u>	PECIAL TEAMS		
K:	2	Mason Crosby				
P:	6	Derrick Frost				
H:	6	Derrick Frost	<u>10</u>	Matt Flynn	82	Ruvell Martin
PR:	27	Will Blackmon	38	Tramon Williams	<u>87</u>	Jordy Nelson
KR:	27	Will Blackmon	<u>87</u>	<u>Jordy Nelson</u>	38	Tramon Williams
					42	DeShawn Wynn
PC:	<u>61</u>	Brett Goode	75	Tony Moll	<u>71</u>	<u>Josh Sitton</u>
KC:	<u>61</u>	Brett Goode	75	Tony Moll	<u>71</u>	Josh Sitton

## Rookies and first-year players are underlined ##



### HOW THE PACKERS WERE BUILT

#### **Active Roster Players Only**

Year	Record	Draft (32)	Trades (2)	Free Agents (16)
1999	8-8-0	WR Donald Driver D7b		
2000	9-7-0	T Chad Clifton D2		
		T Mark Tauscher D7a		
2001	12-4-0			
2002	12-4-0	DE Aaron Kampman D5a		
2003	10-6-0	LB Nick Barnett D1	CB Al Harris (Phi)	
2004				DT Colin Cole
				C Scott Wells (D7-04)
2005	4-12-0	QB Aaron Rodgers D1		S Atari Bigby
		S Nick Collins D2a		TE Tory Humphrey
		LB Brady Poppinga D4b		TE Donald Lee
		DE Michael Montgomery D6a		
2006	8-8-0	LB A.J. Hawk D1		DE Jason Hunter
		G/T Daryn Colledge D2a		WR Ruvell Martin
		WR Greg Jennings D2b		DT Ryan Pickett (UFA)
		G Jason Spitz D3b		CB Tramon Williams
		CB Will Blackmon D4b		CB Charles Woodson (UFA)
		T Tony Moll D5b		
		DT Johnny Jolly D6a		
2007	13-3-0	DT Justin Harrell D1	RB Ryan Grant (NYG)	
		RB Brandon Jackson D2		
		WR James Jones D3a		
		S Aaron Rouse D3b		
		G Allen Barbre D4		
		FB Korey Hall D6a		
		LB Desmond Bishop D6b		
		K Mason Crosby D6c		
2008		WR Jordy Nelson D2a		LB Brandon Chillar (UFA)
		QB Brian Brohm D2b		P Derrick Frost
		CB Pat Lee D2c		LS Brett Goode
		TE Jermichael Finley D3		LB Danny Lansanah
		DE Jeremy Thompson D4a		DE Kenny Pettway
		G Josh Sitton D4b		RB DeShawn Wynn (D7a-07)
		T Breno Giacomini D5		
		QB Matt Flynn D7a		

Waivers (3): CB/S Jarrett Bush (from Carolina), 2006; S Charlie Peprah (from N.Y. Giants), 2006; FB John Kuhn (from Pittsburgh), 2007

### 2008 REGULAR-SEASON STATISTICS

	·		<u>Packers</u>	Opponent
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS			142	154
Rushing			45	68
Passing			86	65
Penalty			11	21
3rd Down: Made/Att			49/111	43/111
3rd Down Pct			44.1	38.7
4th Down: Made/Att			3/9	8/10
4th Down Pct			33.3	80.0
POSSESSION AVG			31:01	28:59
TOTAL NET YARDS			2692	2642
Avg. Per Game			336.5	330.3
Total Plays			501	522
Avg. Per Play			5.4	5.1
NET YARDS RUSHING			809	1171
Avg. Per Game			101.1	146.4
Total Rushes			217	239
NET YARDS PASSING			1883	1471
Avg. Per Game			235.4	183.9
Sacked/Yards Lost			17/105	14/84
Gross Yards			1988	1555
Att./Completions			267/169	269/138
Completion Pct			63.3	51.3
Had Intercepted			5	13
PUNTS/AVERAGE			31/43.9	36/43.9
Net Punting Avg			31/37.8	36/37.0
PENALTIES/YARDS			62/575	51/396
FUMBLES/BALL LOST			13/5	7/1
TOUCHDOWNS			24	18
Rushing			5	8
Passing			13	9
Returns			6	1
SCORE BY PERIODS Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT PTS

PACKERS OPPONENTS			21 23 23	<b>Q2</b> 65 56	<b>Q3</b> 43 26	<b>Q4</b> 79 70	0 3	210 178
SCORING  Mason Crosby. Greg Jennings. Donald Driver Aaron Rodgers Nick Collins. Donald Lee Charles Woodson Will Blackmon Ryan Grant Korey Hall Brandon Jackson James Jones John Kuhn Jordy Nelson Aaron Rouse	0 4 3 3 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1	0 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0	- <b>Pa</b> 0 4 3 0 0 2 0 0 1 1 1 1 0	0 0 0 0 2 0 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	<b>K-PAT</b> 24/24	<b>FG</b> 14/17	\$ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	PTS 666 24 18 18 12 12 66 66 66 66 66 66
PACKERS	24 18	5 8	13 9	6	24/24 17/17	14/17 17/19	0 1	210 178
2-Point Conversions: PAC				PPONE		17/19	•	170

**SACKS:** Aaron Kampman 6, Cullen Jenkins 2.5, A.J. Hawk 2, Michael Montgomery 1, Ryan Pickett 1, Charles Woodson 1, Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila 0.5, PACKERS 14, OPPONENTS 17

RUSHING	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Ryan Grant	157	550	3.5	57	1
Aaron Rodgers	32	124	3.9	21	3
Brandon Jackson	21	107	5.1	19t	1
Kregg Lumpkin	1	19	19.0	19	0
Donald Driver	1	6	6.0	6	0
John Kuhn	2	5	2.5	3	0
Derrick Frost	1	0	0.0	0	0
Matt Flynn	2	-2	-1.0	-1	0
PACKERS	217	809	3.7	57	5
OPPONENTS	239	1171	4.9	60t	8

RECEIVING		No	Yds	A	1	TD
				Avg	Long	
Greg Jennings		40	764	19.1	62	4
Donald Driver		36	466	12.9	50	3
Donald Lee		22	163	7.4	26	2
: Brandon Jackson		22	136	6.2	18	0
Jordy Nelson		18	211	11.7	29t	1
Tory Humphrey		5	74	14.8	37	0
Ruvell Martin		5	61	12.2	17	0
James Jones		5	38	7.6	9t	1
		5	29	7.0 5.8	11	1
Korey Hall		-				-
Ryan Grant		4	8	2.0	8	0
Kregg Lumpkin		3	22	7.3	12	0
: John Kuhn		2	3	1.5	2	1
DeShawn Wynn		1	7	7.0	7	0
Jermichael Finley		1	6	6.0	6	0
PACKERS		169	1988	11.8	62	13
OPPONENTS		138	1555	11.3	63	9
. OFF CIRCLETTS		130	1333	11.5	00	3
INTERCEPTIONS		No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Nick Collins		4	171	42.8	62t	2
Charles Woodson		4	115	28.8	62t	2
Tramon Williams		3	54	18.0	39	0
Aaron Rouse		1	99	99.0	99t	1
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Atari Bigby		1	7	7.0	7	0
PACKERS		13	446	34.3	99t	5
OPPONENTS		5	30	6.0	16	0
<b>PUNTING</b> N	o Yds	Avq	Net	тв	In 20 LG	Blk
	31 1361	43.9		5	5 65	0
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OPPONENTS 3	6 1579	43.9	37.0	2	11 65	0
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	Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Will Blackmon	19	3	207	10.9	76t	1
PACKERS	19	3	207	10.9	76t	1
OPPONENTS	14	5	89	6.4	20	0
KICKOFF RETURNS			v. i .			
		No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Will Blackmon		26	584	22.5	45	0
Jordy Nelson		5	86	17.2	40	0
Charles Woodson		1	-2	-2.0	-2	0
PACKERS		32	668	20.9	45	0
OPPONENTS		35	788	22.5	54	0
FIELD GOALS	1-19	20-2	20 2	30-39	40-49	50+
Mason Crosby	0/0		2 <b>9</b> 3	6/8	1/1	2/3
PACKERS	0/0		/5	6/8	1/1	2/3
OPPONENTS	0/0	6	/6	5/5	4/6	2/2
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Crosby: (42G,33B) (25G,39G) (36G,38G,33G) ( ) (53N, 50G) (29G,51G) (31G,36N,29G) (23G,25G,38G)

Opponents: (37G,27G) (38G,49G,53G) (25G,39G) (23G,36G,24G) (42G,41G) (50G) (45B) (31G,25G,22G, 47N,41G)

<u>Passing</u>	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
Aaron Rodgers	262	167	1982	63.7	7.56	13	5.0	5	1.9	62	17/105	95.3
Matt Flynn	5	2	6	40.0	1.20	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0/0	47.9
PACKERS	267	169	1988	63.3	7.45	13	4.9	5	1.9	62	17/105	94.3
OPPONENTS	269	138	1555	51.3	5.78	9	3.3	13	4.8	63	14/84	59.9



### **2008 REGULAR-SEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

Official totals - based on coaches' film review, through November 2 at Tennessee

<u>Player</u>	Total Tackles	Solo	Asst	Sacks/ Yards	Int/ Yards	Fum Rec	For Fum	Pass Def
Nick Barnett	. 63	46	17	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	1	<u></u>
Nick Collins		44	14	0.0/0.0	4/171	0	0	9
A.J. Hawk	. 49	38	11	2.0/8.0	0/0	0	0	2
Aaron Rouse	. 41	25	16	0.0/0.0	1/99	0	0	2
Ryan Pickett	. 39	20	19	1.0/4.0	0/0	0	0	2
Aaron Kampman	. 38	28	10	6.0/34.5	0/0	0	0	1
Johnny Jolly		21	12	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	2
Brady Poppinga	. 32	22	10	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	1
Tramon Williams		26	3	0.0/0.0	3/54	0	1	6
Colin Cole	. 29	17	12	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	2
Charles Woodson	. 28	24	4	1.0/5.0	4/115	0	0	14
Michael Montgomery	. 27	20	7	1.0/7.0	0/0	0	0	1
Brandon Chillar		23	3	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	1	4
Cullen Jenkins	. 18	13	5	2.5/25.5	0/0	0	1	1
Charlie Peprah	. 15	7	8	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	1
Atari Bigby	. 14	9	5	0.0/0.0	1/7	0	0	2
Will Blackmon		13	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	1	1	1
Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila	. 13	8	5	0.5/0.0	0/0	0	0	1
Jeremy Thompson	. 11	7	4	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Al Harris		6	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	5
Jason Hunter	. 5	4	1	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Justin Harrell	. 4	2	2	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Desmond Bishop	. 3	2	1	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Pat Lee		1	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	1
Totals	595	426	169	14 0/84 0	13/446	1	5	59

#### **SPECIAL TEAMS**

<u>Player</u>	TT	FR	FF
Brandon Chillar	11	0	0
Jarrett Bush	8	0	0
Will Blackmon	7	0	0
Korey Hall	6	0	0
Tracy White	6	0	0
Desmond Bishop	5	0	0
Aaron Rouse	4	0	0
Mason Crosby	3	0	0
John Kuhn	3	0	0
Michael Montgomery	3	0	0
Tramon Williams	3	0	0
Tory Humphrey	2	0	0
Pat Lee	2	0	0
Charlie Peprah	2	0	0
Kenny Pettway	2	0	0
Brady Poppinga	2	0	0
Jermichael Finley	1	0	0
Brett Goode	1	0	0
Jason Hunter	1	0	0
Brandon Jackson	1	0	0
DeShawn Wynn	1	0	0
Totals	74	0	0

#### **BLOCKED KICKS**

<u>Player</u>	<u>PAT</u>	FG	<u>P</u>
Johnny Jolly	0	1	0
Totals	n	1	U

#### Special teams touchdowns (1):

Blackmon — 76-yard punt return vs. Minnesota (9/8)

#### **DEFENSIVE SCORING**

	Int Fum				
<u>Player</u>	TD	Ret	Ret	<b>Safeties</b>	
Nick Collins	2	2	0	0	
Charles Woodson	2	2	0	0	
Aaron Rouse	1	1	0	0	
Totals	5	5	0	0	

#### **Defensive touchdowns (5):**

Collins — 42-yard interception return at Detroit (9/14); 62-yard interception return vs. Indianapolis (10/19) Rouse — 99-yard interception return vs. Indianapolis (10/19) Woodson — 41-yard interception return at Detroit (9/14); 62-yard interception return at Tampa Bay (9/28)

<u>Player</u> <u>T</u>	<u>ackles</u>
Jordy Nelson	2
Scott Wells	2
Chad Clifton	1
Brandon Jackson	1
Aaron Rodgers	1
Mark Tauscher	_1
Totals	8

**MISCELLANEOUS TACKLES** 

-	ALPHABETICAL ROST	ED	el Chinada	144	Districts.	NFL	O-U	Wate Oak and Hamadania
<b>No</b> 78	Barbre, Allen	ER Pos	Ht 6-4	Wt 305	Birthdate 6/22/84	<b>Exp</b> 2	College Missouri Southern St.	High School Hometown Granby, Mo.
56	Barnett, Nick	LB	6-2	236	5/27/81	6	Oregon State	Fontana, Calif.
20	Bigby, Atari	S	5-11	213	9/19/81	3	Central Florida	Miami, Fla.
55	Bishop, Desmond	LB	6-2	238	7/24/84	2	California	Fairfield, Calif.
27	Blackmon, Will	CB	6-0	206	10/27/84	3	Boston College	Warwick, R.I.
11	Brohm, Brian	QB	6-3	223	9/23/85	R	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.
24	Bush, Jarrett	CB/S	6-0	200	5/21/84	3	Utah State	Vacaville, Calif.
54	Chillar, Brandon	LB	6-3	243	10/21/82	5	UCLA	Carlsbad, Calif.
76	Clifton, Chad		6-5	320	6/26/76	9	Tennessee	Martin, Tenn.
90	Cole, Colin		6-1	330	6/24/80	4	lowa	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
73	Colledge, Daryn	G/T	6-4	308	2/11/82	3	Boise State	North Pole, Alaska
36	Collins, Nick	§	5-11	207	8/16/83	4	Bethune-Cookman	Cross City, Fla.
22	Crosby, Mason	K	6-1	207	9/3/84	2	Colorado	Georgetown, Texas
80	Driver, Donald.	WR TE	6-0 6-5	194	2/2/75	10 R	Alcorn State	Houston, Texas
<u>88</u> 6	Finley, Jermichael	P	6-2	247 210	3/26/87 11/25/80	ĸ 5	Texas Northern Iowa	<u>Diboll, Texas</u> St. Louis, Mo.
10	Flynn, Matt	QB	6-2	222	6/20/85	 R	Louisiana State	Tyler, Texas
68	Giacomini, Breno	T	6-7	311	9/27/85	R	Louisville	Malden, Mass.
61	Goode, Brett	LS	6-1	261	11/2/84	1	Arkansas	Fort Smith, Ark.
25	Grant. Rvan	RB	6-1	226	12/9/82	2	Notre Dame	Ramsey, N.J.
35	Hall, Korey		6-0	243	8/5/83	2	Boise State	Glenns Ferry, Idaho
91	Harrell, Justin	DT	6-4	320	2/14/84	2	Tennessee	Aug. 25 (back)
31	Harris, Al	CB	6-1	190	12/7/74	11	Texas A&M-Kingsville	Pompano Beach, Fla.
50	Hawk, A.J	LB	6-1	248	1/6/84	3	Ohio State	Centerville, Ohio
84	Humphrey, Tory		6-2	255	1/20/83	3	Central Michigan	Saginaw, Mich.
57	Hunter, Jason	DE	6-4	271	8/28/83	3	Appalachian State	Fayetteville, N.C.
32	Jackson, Brandon	RB	5-10	220	10/2/85	2	Nebraska	Horn Lake, Miss.
85	Jennings, Greg	WR	5-11	198	9/21/83	3	Western Michigan	Kalamazoo, Mich.
97	Jolly, Johnny	DT	6-3	320	2/21/83	3	Texas A&M	Houston, Texas
89	Jones, James	WR	6-1	218	3/31/84	<u>2</u> 7	San Jose State	San Jose, Calif.
74	Kampman, Aaron	DE FB	6-4	265	11/30/79	3	lowa	Parkersburg, Iowa
30 58	Kuhn, John		6-0 6-1	259 248	9/9/82 8/28/85	R	Shippensburg Connecticut	York, Pa.  Harrisburg, Pa.
86	Lee, Donald	TE	6-4	248	8/31/80	6	Mississippi State	Maben, Miss.
22	Lee, Pat.	CB	6-0	194	2/20/84	R	Auburn	Miami, Fla.
82	Martin, Ruvell	WR	6-4	220	8/10/82	3	Saginaw Valley State	Muskegon, Mich.
75	Moll, Tony		6-5	306	8/23/83	3	Nevada	Sonoma, Calif.
96	Montgomery, Michael	DE	6-5	273	8/18/83	4	Texas A&M	Center, Texas
87	Nelson, Jordy	WR	6-3	217	5/31/85	R	Kansas State	Riley, Kan.
26	Peprah, Charlie	s	5-11	203	2/24/83	3	Alabama	Plano, Texas
93	Pettway, Kenny	DE	6-3	248	11/13/82	3	Grambling State	Gilmer, Texas
79	Pickett, Ryan	DT	6-2	330	10/8/79	8	Ohio State	Zephyrhills, Fla.
51	Poppinga, Brady		6-3	247	9/21/79	4	Brigham Young	Evanston, Wyo.
12	Rodgers, Aaron		6-2	220	12/2/83	4	California	Chico, Calif.
37	Rouse, Aaron		6-4	223	1/8/84	2	Virginia Tech	Virginia Beach, Va.
71	Sitton, Josh.		6-3	317	6/6/86	R	Central Florida	Pensacola, Fla.
72	Spitz, Jason		6-3	302	12/19/82	<u>3</u> 9	Louisville	Jacksonville, Fla.
65 99	Thompson, Jeremy		6-3 6-4	316 270	6/17/77 10/9/85	<del>9</del> R	Wisconsin Wake Forest	Auburndale, Wis. Charlotte, N.C.
63	Wells, Scott.		6-2	303	1/7/81	5	Tennessee	Brentwood, Tenn.
38	Williams, Tramon		5-11	191	3/16/83	2	Louisiana Tech	Napoleonville, La.
21	Woodson, Charles		6-1	202	10/7/76	11	Michigan	Fremont, Ohio
42	Wynn, DeShawn	RB	5-10	238	10/9/83	2	Florida	Cincinnati, Ohio
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ractice S	Squad							
13	Allen, Jake	WR	6-4	196	1/18/85	R	Mississippi College	Waynesboro, Miss.
95	Bledsoe, Fred	DT	6-3	329	4/7/86	R	Arkansas	Little Rock, Ark.
64	Carvalho, Brennen	C	6-1	300	12/8/86	R	Portland State	Honolulu, Hawaii
45	Cox, Kennard	CB	6-0	200	8/17/85	R	Pittsburgh	Miami, Fla.
53	Havner, Spencer	LB	6-3	248	2/2/83	11	UCLA	Grass Valley, Calif.
98	Malone, Alfred	DT	6-4	312	2/21/82	1	Troy	Frisco City, Ala.
	Porter, Joe		5-10	203	11/27/85	1	Rutgers	Franklin, N.J.
40		WD	6-0	203	6/21/85	R	San Diego State	Carlsbad, Calif.
40 16	Swain, Brett	WR						
16		wĸ						
16 njured Re	eserve			400	E/A/00	2	Dortlord Chat-	E1 00 (F. 12)
16 njured Re	eserve Bodiford, Shaun	WR	5-11	196	5/4/82	3	Portland State	July 28 (back)
16 njured Re 19 46	eserve Bodiford, Shaun Jansen, J.J.	WR	5-11 6-2	256	1/20/86	R	Notre Dame	Aug. 31 (knee)
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No	NUMERICAL ROSTER	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	NFL Exp	College	How Acquired	Reg. season GP/GS/DNP/IA		
2	Mason Crosby	F0s K	6-1	207	24	2	Colorado	D6c-07	8/0/0/0		
6	•		6-2	210	27	<u>2</u> 5	Northern Iowa	FA-08	8/0/0/0		
10	Derrick Frost	QB	6-2	222	23	 R	Louisiana State	D7a-08	2/0/6/0		
	B: B:					R R		D2b-08			
11			6-3	223	23		Louisville		0/0/0/8		
12	Aaron Rodgers		6-2	220	24	4	California	D1-05	8/8/0/0		
20	Atari Bigby		5-11	213	27	3	Central Florida	FA-05	3/3/0/5		
21	Charles Woodson	CB	6-1	202	32	11	Michigan	UFA-06 (Oak)	8/8/0/0		
22	Pat Lee		6-0	194	24	R	Auburn	D2c-08	4/0/0/4		
24	Jarrett Bush	CB/S	6-0	200	24	3	Utah State	W-06 (Car)	8/0/0/0		
25	Ryan Grant	RB	6-1	226	25	2	Notre Dame	T-07 (NYG)	8/8/0/0		
26	Charlie Peprah	S	5-11	203	25	3	Alabama	W-06 (NYG)	6/2/0/2		
27	Will Blackmon	CB	6-0	206	24	3	Boston College	D4b-06	8/1/0/0		
30	John Kuhn	FB	6-0	259	26	3	Shippensburg	W-07 (Pitt)	8/0/0/0		
31	Al Harris	CB	6-1	190	33	11	Texas A&M-Kingsville	T-03 (Phil)	4/4/0/4		
32	Brandon Jackson	RB	5-10	220	22	2	Nebraska	D2-07	8/0/0/0		
35	Korey Hall	FB	6-0	243	25	2	Boise State	D6a-07	5/3/0/3		
36	Nick Collins	S	5-11	207	25	4	Bethune-Cookman	D2a-05	8/8/0/0		
37	Aaron Rouse		6-4	223	24	2	Virginia Tech	D3b-07	7/4/0/1		
38	Tramon Williams.		5-11	191	25	2	Louisiana Tech	FA-06	8/4/0/0		
42	DeShawn Wynn		5-10	238	25	2	Florida	D7a-07	2/0/0/1		
50	•	LB	6-1	248	24	3		D1-06			
	A.J. Hawk						Ohio State		8/8/0/0		
51	Brady Poppinga	LB	6-3	247	29	4	Brigham Young	D4b-05	8/6/0/0		
54	Brandon Chillar		6-3	243	26	5	UCLA	FA-08	8/1/0/0		
55	Desmond Bishop		6-2	238	24	2	California	D6b-07	7/0/0/1		
56	Nick Barnett	LB	6-2	236	27	6	Oregon State	D1-03	8/8/0/0		
57	Jason Hunter	DE	6-4	271	25	3	Appalachian State	FA-06	6/0/0/2		
58	Danny Lansanah	LB	6-1	248	23	R	Connecticut	FA-08	2/0/0/1		
61	Brett Goode	LS	6-1	261	24	1	Arkansas	FA-08	8/0/0/0		
63	Scott Wells	C	6-2	303	27	5	Tennessee	FA-04 (D7-04)	5/5/1/2		
65	Mark Tauscher		6-3	316	31	9	Wisconsin	D7a-00	8/8/0/0		
68	Breno Giacomini	т	6-7	311	23	R	Louisville	D5-08	1/0/1/6		
71	Josh Sitton	G	6-3	317	22	R	Central Florida	D4b-08	3/1/2/3		
72	Jason Spitz		6-3	302	25	3	Louisville	D3b-06	8/8/0/0		
73	Daryn Colledge	G/T	6-4	308	26	3	Boise State	D2a-06	8/8/0/0		
74			6-4		28	7		D5a-02	8/8/0/0		
	Aaron Kampman			265			lowa				
75	Tony Moll	G/T	6-5	306	25	3	Nevada	D5b-06	7/3/1/0		
76	Chad Clifton		6-5	320	32	9	Tennessee	D2-00	7/7/1/0		
78	Allen Barbre	G	6-4	305	24	2	Missouri Southern State	D4-07	5/0/1/2		
79	Ryan Pickett	DT	6-2	330	29	88	Ohio State	UFA-06 (StL)	8/8/0/0		
80	Donald Driver	WR	6-0	194	33	10	Alcorn State	D7b-99	8/8/0/0		
82	Ruvell Martin	WR	6-4	220	26	3	Saginaw Valley State	FA-06	6/1/0/2		
84	Tory Humphrey	ТЕ	6-2	255	25	3	Central Michigan	FA-05	8/1/0/0		
85	Greg Jennings	WR	5-11	198	25	3	Western Michigan	D2b-06	8/8/0/0		
86	Donald Lee	TE	6-4	248	28	6	Mississippi State	FA-05	8/7/0/0		
87	Jordy Nelson	WR	6-3	217	23	R	Kansas State	D2a-08	8/1/0/0		
88	Jermichael Finley		6-5	247	21	R	Texas	D3-08	6/0/0/2		
89	James Jones		6-1	218	24	2	San Jose State	D3a-07	3/2/0/5		
90	Colin Cole	DT	6-1	330	28	4	lowa	FA-04	8/0/0/0		
91	Justin Harrell		6-4	320	24	2	Tennessee	D1-07	1/0/0/0		
						3		FA-08			
93	Kenny Pettway		6-3	248	25		Grambling State		4/0/0/0		
96	Michael Montgomery		6-5	273	25	4	Texas A&M	D6a-05	6/1/0/2		
97	Johnny Jolly		6-3	320	25	3	Texas A&M	D6a-06	8/8/0/0		
99	Jeremy Thompson	DE	6-4	270	23	R	Wake Forest	D4a-08	4/2/0/4		
Practice S	Squad										
13	Jake Allen	WR	6-4	196	23	R	Mississippi College	FA-08	0/0/0/0		
16	Brett Swain	WR	6-0	203	23	R	San Diego State	D7b-08	0/0/0/0		
40	Joe Porter	CB	5-10	203	22	1	Rutgers	FA-07	0/0/0/0		
45	Kennard Cox	CB	6-0	200	23	R	Pittsburgh	FA-08	0/0/0/0		
53	Spencer Havner	LB	6-3	248	25	1	UCLA	FA-08	0/0/0/0		
64	Brennen Carvalho		6-1	300	21	R	Portland State	FA-08	0/0/0/0		
95	Fred Bledsoe		6-3	329	22	R	Arkansas	FA-08	0/0/0/0		
98	Alfred Malone	DT	6-4	312	26	1	Troy	FA-07	0/0/0/0		
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		WD	E 11	100	oc.	2	Portland Ctata	EA 07	July 00 /513		
19	Shaun Bodiford		5-11	196	26	3	Portland State	FA-07	July 28 (back)		
28	Kregg Lumpkin		5-11	228	24	R	Georgia	FA-08	Oct. 11 (hamstring)		
44	Evan Moore		6-6	247	23	R	Stanford	FA-08	Aug. 19 (knee)		
46	J.J. Jansen	LS	6-2	256	22	R	Notre Dame	FA-08	Aug. 31 (knee)		
77	Cullen Jenkins	DE	6-2	305	27	5	Central Michigan	FA-04	Oct. 1 (pectoral)		