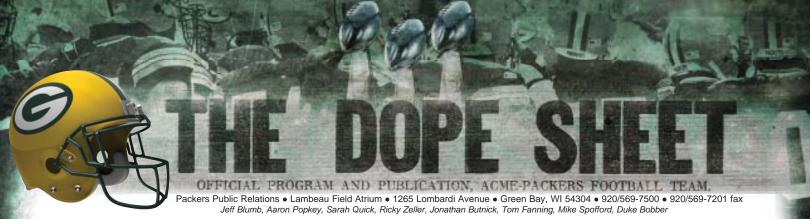


## PACKERS WEEKLY MEDIA INFORMATION PACKET

**GAME 2 - GREEN BAY PACKERS VS. BUFFALO BILLS** SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2010 @ 12:00 PM CDT - LAMBEAU FIELD

Packers second-year OLB Clay Matthews returned to action in the season-opener at Philadelphia, making his presence felt by leading the team with a career-high nine tackles, two sacks and a forced fumble en route to a 27-20 Green Bay win.

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WEEK 2

BUFFALO (0-1) at GREEN BAY (1-0) Sunday, Sept. 19 

Lambeau Field 

Noon CDT

#### PACKERS HOST BILLS IN 2010 HOME OPENER

Green Bay kicks off its 54th season at Lambeau Field by hosting the Buffalo Bills, who are making their first visit to Green Bay since 2002.

- ► The Packers return home after posting a 27-20 win in their season opener at the Eagles, Green Bay's first victory in Philadelphia since 1962.
- ▶ It will be only the fourth visit to Lambeau Field for the Bills in their franchise history, with the other two meetings in Green Bay coming in 1974 and 1997. The teams also met in Milwaukee in 1982
- and 1991. ▶ The Packers enter Sunday's contest having won three straight home openers under Head Coach Mike McCarthy, Green Bay's longest streak since it won three consecutive openers at
- Lambeau Field under Mike Holmgren from 1996-98. ► Green Bay is just one of six NFL teams to have won their home opener each year from 2007-09, and one of only two in the NFC along with Washington. Baltimore, Denver, New England and Pittsburgh are the other teams to win their first home contest each of the past three seasons.
- ► The Packers will be looking to join some elite company in franchise annals on Sunday. Only three other times in franchise history has Green Bay won four or more consecutive home openers, with all of them (1923-27, 1929-32, 1938-41) coming under the legendary Curly Lambeau.
- Sunday's contest will be the first time during McCarthy's tenure that the Packers open up their home slate with an AFC opponent. The last year Green Bay squared off against an inter-conference opponent to start the season at Lambeau was in 2005 when the Packers hosted the Cleveland Browns.
- ► Since 1986, only five of the Packers' 25 home openers have been against a team from the AFC.
- ► The Bills hold a 7-3 advantage over the Packers in the all-time regularseason series, with the teams splitting the last four meetings.
- ► Green Bay has a 3-1 mark against the Bills at Lambeau Field, with the lone loss coming in the first-ever meeting between the teams on Oct. 6, 1974, a 27-7 Buffalo victory. The teams split the two meetings at Milwaukee County Stadium. This is the earliest in the season that the teams have met in Green Bay.
- ►The last matchup between the teams at Lambeau Field came on Dec. 22, 2002, when the Packers blanked the Bills, 10-0. Green Bay didn't shut out another opponent at home until Nov. 11, 2007, a 34-0 win over Minnesota.
- ►The most recent meeting between the Packers and Bills came in McCarthy's first season at the helm, a 24-10 Buffalo win on Nov. 5, 2006, at Ralph Wilson Stadium.
- ► The Bills dropped their season opener on Sunday against Miami, 15-10, at Ralph Wilson Stadium. WR Roscoe Parrish posted the lone touchdown of the day for the Bills on a 31-yard reception from QB Trent
- Next week, Buffalo travels to New England to take on the Patriots in a noon (CT) contest.

#### WITH THE CALL

The Packers make their first of two appearances this season on CBS. The network will air the contest to a regional audience.

- ▶ Play-by-play man Spero Dedes and color analyst Randy Cross will have the call from the broadcast booth.
- ▶ In Wisconsin, CBS affiliates around the state, including WFRV (Ch. 5) in Green Bay and WDJT (Ch. 58) in Milwaukee, will carry the contest.
- ► Milwaukee's WTMJ (620 AM), airing Green Bay games since 1929, heads up the 53-station Packers Radio FOOTB@LL Network, with Wayne Larrivee

## **BACK TO**

(play-by-play) and two-time Packers Pro Bowler Larry McCarren (color) calling the action. The duo enters its 12th season of broadcasts together across the Packers Radio Network, which covers 43 markets in five states.

- ► 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 125 WTMJ feed) as part of the network's NFL Sunday Drive.
- ▶ DIRECTV subscribers can watch the game in HD on channel 706.

PRESEASON				
Date	Opponent	Time	TV	
Sat., Aug. 14	CLEVELAND BROWNS (Gold Pkg.) L,	24-27	(68,958)	
	(Midwest Shrine Game)			
Sat., Aug. 21	at Seattle SeahawksW,	27-24	(65,586)	
Thu., Aug. 26	INDIANAPOLIS COLTS			
	(Bishop's Charities Game)			
Thu., Sept. 2	at Kansas City ChiefsL,	13-17	(63,843)	

#### **REGULAR SEASON**

Date	Opponent	Time	<u>TV</u>
Sun., Sept. 12	at Philadelphia Eagles	W, 27-20	(69,144)
Sun., Sept. 19	BUFFALO BILLS	12 noon	CBS
Mon., Sept. 27	at Chicago Bears	. 7:30 p.m.	ESPN
Sun., Oct. 3	DETROIT LIONS (Gold Pkg.)	12 noon	FOX
Sun., Oct. 10	at Washington Redskins		FOX
Sun., Oct. 17	MIAMI DOLPHINS	12 noon	CBS
Sun., Oct. 24	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	. 7:20 p.m.	NBC
Sun., Oct. 31	at New York Jets	12 noon	FOX
Sun., Nov. 7	DALLAS COWBOYS (Gold Pkg.)	. 7:20 p.m.	NBC
Sun., Nov. 14	Open Date		
Sun., Nov. 21	at Minnesota Vikings	. *12 noon	FOX
Sun., Nov. 28	at Atlanta Falcons	. *12 noon	FOX
Sun., Dec. 5	SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS	. *12 noon	FOX
Sun., Dec. 12	at Detroit Lions		FOX
Sun., Dec. 19	at New England Patriots		NBC
Sun., Dec. 26	NEW YORK GIANTS	*3:15 p.m.	FOX
Sun., Jan. 2	CHICAGO BEARS	. *12 noon	FOX

<sup>\*—</sup>Start time and broadcast may shift due to NFL flexible scheduling

#### **NFL POSTSEASON DATES**

Jan. 8-9	AFC and NFC Wild Card Playoffs
	AFC and NFC Divisional Playoffs
Jan. 23	AFC and NFC Championship Games
Jan. 30	AFC-NFC Pro Bowl at Aloha Stadium, Honolulu
Feb. 6	Super Bowl XLV at Cowboys Stadium, Arlington, Texas



#### MATTHEWS MAKES UP FOR MISSED TIME

As a rookie in 2009, LB **Clay Matthews** was limited to just one preseason game after injuring his hamstring early in training camp. He posted a franchise rookie-record 10 sacks on his way to earning a Pro Bowl berth. After missing the entire preseason this year with the same injury, Matthews doesn't look like he has been affected much by the inactivity during camp.

- ▶In Green Bay's season opener at Philadelphia on Sunday, Matthews recorded a career-high nine tackles and matched his career best with two sacks. He added a team-high four QB hits along with a forced fumble and a pass defensed.
- ▶ Perhaps his biggest play of the afternoon came late in the game with the Packers protecting a 27-20 lead. The Eagles faced a fourth-and-1 at the Green Bay 42 with two minutes remaining and no timeouts left. Michael Vick kept the ball on a quarterback sneak, but Matthews fought off blocks by TE Brent Celek and RB LeSean McCoy to stop Vick for no gain and give the Packers the victory.
- ► "That's what we study for," Matthews said. "We had a high inclination that they were going to be running a quarterback sneak. We knew where we were filling, and fortunately a few guys won their one-on-one battles and we made a play to get off the field and win the game."
- ► Matthews' two-sack game puts him tied for No. 1 in the league rankings in that category after Week 1. It was the fourth two-sack performance for him in just 17 career games.
- ► He became the first Packer to post two sacks in a season opener since a trio of players, Jim Flanigan (2), Vonnie Holliday (2) and Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila (3), accomplishd the feat vs. Detroit on Sept. 9, 2001.
- ► "He is a beast," cornerback **Charles Woodson** said. "He is one of those guys that is never going to give up on a play, and it is hard to block him if you try to block him with one guy. If you have got a guy that doesn't have the speed of Michael Vick, he is going to hunt you down. He is a big part of this defense...We see it every day. He is a monster. He gives people fits."
- ► The Packers posted five sacks at Philadelphia, the most by any NFL team in Week 1.

#### **GETTING A RETURN**

After taking over the kickoff-return responsibilities last season following Will Blackmon's knee injury in Week 4, third-year WR **Jordy Nelson** got off to a fast start in Week 1 at Philadelphia.

- ▶ Nelson posted a career-best 31.2-yard average (min. three returns) on five kickoff returns Sunday afternoon, highlighted by a 51-yarder in the third quarter, the longest return in the NFL on Kickoff Weekend, that helped set up 32-yard TD pass from QB Aaron Rodgers to WR Greg Jennings just four plays later.
- ► That 31.2-yard average was the best by a Packer with five or more returns in a game since WR Roell Preston's 32.0-yard average on eight returns vs. Minnesota on Oct. 5, 1998.
- ► Nelson ranks second in the NFC and fourth in the NFL in kickoff return average after Week 1.
- ▶ Nelson's 51-yard return on Sunday at Philadelphia was the second-longest return of his career behind a 54-yard pickup in Week 17 at Arizona last season, the longest return by a Packer all season.
- ➤ Sunday was the first time in Nelson's career that he posted two kickoff returns of 40-plus yards, and he became the first Packer to accomplish that feat since WR Koren Robinson recorded returns of 43 and 66 yards at St. Louis on Dec. 16, 2007.
- ▶ Nelson has now posted a kickoff return of 45-plus yards in each of his three seasons in the league. He becomes the first Packer since Corey Harris (1992-94) to record a 45-yard kickoff return in three consecutive seasons.
- ▶ Nelson's 25.4-yard average last season ranked 11th in the NFL, and was the best mark by a Packer (min. 25 attempts) since Allen Rossum registered a 25.8-yard average in 2000.

#### **INJURY UPDATE**

**Ted Thompson** has continued to improve the roster each season since he took over as Green Bay's general manager in 2005, and that depth will be called upon early this season after the Packers saw a couple of players go down with season-ending injuries on Sunday in Philadelphia.

- ▶RB Ryan Grant sustained a right ankle injury at the end of a secondquarter run, while DE Justin Harrell suffered an ACL injury to his left knee as he was blocking on Mason Crosby's 49-yard field goal in the second quarter.
- ►"These are unfortunate injuries for our team," Thompson said on Tuesday, "but we all know football is a tough game. It's difficult when you lose players to injury. We felt like Justin was going to make a contribution to our team. The timing of his injury and the way it occurred was unfortunate.
- ▶ "When you lose a running back of Ryan's caliber, it's a big loss. But this is something we have to deal with and move forward from as a team. We have confidence that our other players will step up and meet the challenge of these losses."
- ► With Grant sidelined, the running-back responsibilities will go to fourthyear back **Brandon Jackson** and fifth-year man **John Kuhn**. Jackson rushed for 63 yards on 18 carries on Sunday, the second-most attempts of his career, while Kuhn added a 3-yard TD run in the third quarter.
- ■"Brandon Jackson played extremely well in both the run and the protection, and had the two catches," McCarthy said on Monday. "I thought it was a good solid performance for Brandon. Broke a lot of tackles. We had four explosive runs, which is outstanding and that's a big credit to Brandon.
- "I think there's a lot of evidence right there, recent evidence that he's able to play all three downs, and he will have that opportunity this week vs. Buffalo."
- ▶ Because of injuries during the preseason, Kuhn, who played fullback almost exclusively his first three seasons in Green Bay, got a chance to show off some of his abilities carrying the ball. He posted 53 yards and a TD on 13 carries, and tied for the team lead with two receiving TDs.
- ► "John's done a very good job with his limited opportunities," McCarthy said. "Every time you put the ball in John's hand he's been productive, and we feel very good about him."
- On Tuesday, the Packers signed DE Jarius Wynn, a sixth-round pick of the team in 2009 who played in 11 games last season. The Packers also signed rookie RB Dimitri Nance from Atlanta's practice squad.
- ▶DE Cullen Jenkins broke his left hand on the opening series Sunday, but he did return to the game with a club cast to protect the injury, which he will wear again this Sunday.

#### STAT OF THE WEEK

By leading the Packers to a win at Philadelphia on Sunday, **Mike McCarthy** became just the third head coach in franchise history to lead

Green Bay to four consecutive wins in season openers.

- ▶The last Green Bay head coach to guide the Packers to four straight wins in season openers was Bart Starr, who accomplished the feat from 1980-83.
- Curly Lambeau, who did it twice (1929-32, 1938-41), is the only other coach in franchise history to lead his team to four straight opening wins.
- ▶It was the first time in McCarthy's five-year tenure that the Packers opened their season on the road, but the team has had plenty of success under him at the start of the season away from Lambeau Field. With the win on Sunday, the Packers improved to 5-0 under McCarthy in the first road game of the season, and now have a 6-2 (.750) record in September away from home during his tenure.
- ►The Packers are the only NFC team to win its season opener each of the past four seasons, and one of just three NFL teams, joining New England and Pittsburgh.

# THE DOPE ON THIS WEEK'S OPPONENT:

Packers vs. Buffalo Bills:
All-time regular season:

3-7-0

All-time, in Green Bay: 2-1-0 Streaks: The two teams have

split the last four meetings. **Last meeting, regular season:** 

Nov. 5, 2006, in Buffalo; Bills won, 24-10

Last meeting, regular season, at Lambeau Field:

Dec. 22, 2002; Packers won, 10-0

#### **COACHES CAPSULES**

Mike McCarthy: 40-28-0, .588, (incl. 1-2 postseason); 5th NFL sea-

Chan Gailey: 18-17-0, .514 (incl. 0-2 postseason); 3rd NFL season

(1st with Bills)

Head to Head: Never met

vs. Opponent: McCarthy 0-1 vs. Bills; Gailey 1-0 vs. Packers

MIKE McCARTHY...Is in fifth year as the Packers' 14th head coach.

► Has led his team to the playoffs two of the past three years.

- ▶ One of only two coaches, along with New Orleans' Sean Payton, to have his offense ranked in the top 10 in total yardage each of the last four years.
- ► 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.

**CHAN GAILEY**...Is in first year as the Bills' 15th head coach.

- ► His previous NFL head-coaching stint was for two years with the Dallas Cowboys (1998-99), leading them to two straight playoff berths.
- ► Has served as an offensive coordinator with Denver (1989-90), Pittsburgh (1996-97), Miami (2000-01) and Kansas City (2008).
- ► Was head coach at Georgia Tech from 2002-07, leading the Yellow Jackets to six straight bowl appearances.
- ▶ Began his NFL career as an assistant under Denver head coach Dan Reeves in 1985, and has been to four Super Bowls as an assistant coach.

#### THE PACKERS-BILLS SERIES

- ▶ The two teams have met only 10 times, the first game coming in 1974, a 27-7 Bills victory at Lambeau Field. In that contest, the Packers actually "held" 0.J. Simpson to 62 yards on 16 carries, but Bills QB Joe Fergsuon gave the team a lead it would not relinquish with a first-quarter TD pass to Ahmad Rashad, and a back named Jim Braxton punched in three TD runs.
- ► Buffalo won five of the first six meetings. The teams have split their last four contests.
- ► Each team has recorded one shutout in the series, the Bills in 1988 at Buffalo (28-0) and the Packers in the teams' last meeting at Lambeau Field, in 2002 (10-0).
- Seven points is the closest margin of victory in any of the 10 meetings, a 19-12 Buffalo victory in 1979.

#### NOTABLE CONNECTIONS

Buffalo OLB coach Bob Sanders was the Packers' defensive coordinator for three years (2006-08) and spent four seasons total in Green Bay... Packers QB coach Tom Clements was Buffalo's offensive coordina-

tor from 2004-05...Packers S Morgan Burnett was a true freshman at Georgia Tech in 2007 when Bills head coach Chan Gailey held the same position for the Yellow Jackets...Bills TE coach Bob Bicknell was on the coaching staff of the Cologne Centurions in NFL Europe when Packers DE Cullen Jenkins played there in 2004 and was Packers TE Tom Crabtree's position coach with Kansas City last year...Bills defensive quality control coach Adrian White played safety for the Packers in 1992...Bills QB coach George Cortez tutored Packers QB Aaron Rodgers at California when he served as offensive coordinator/QB coach for the Golden Bears...Bills TE David Martin played for the Packers for six seasons (2001-06) and is a former college teammate of Packers T Chad Clifton and C Scott Wells (Tennessee)...Bills QB Brian Brohm (2008, 2nd round) and OL Jamon Meredith (2009, 5th round) are former Green Bay draft picks...Bills S Jairus Byrd is the son of Gill Byrd, a former director of player programs for the Packers (1999-2001). Jairus also began his prep football career at nearby Pulaski High School...Bills WR Lee Evans and G Kraig Urbik played collegiately at Wisconsin, and WR Paul Hubbard, who is on the Bills' practice squad, also played at Wisconsin...Packers LB Clay Matthews and Bills CB Cary Harris played on the same defense at USC and were both drafted in 2009...Former college teammates include Packers QB Aaron Rodgers, LB Desmond Bishop and Bills RB Marshawn Lynch (Cal), Packers LB A.J. Hawk, Bills S Donte Whitner and CB Ashton Youbouty (Ohio State), Bills DE Dwan Edwards and Packers LB Nick Barnett (Oregon State), Bills LB Antonio Coleman and Packers CB Pat Lee (Auburn), Bills OL Cordaro Howard and Packers S Morgan Burnett (Georgia Tech). Bills WR Steve Johnson and Packers P Tim Masthay (Kentucky), Bills LBs Aaron Maybin and Paul Posluszny and Packers TE Andrew Quarless (Penn State), Bills NT Kyle Williams and Packers QB Matt Flynn and FB Quinn Johnson (LSU), Bills S George Wilson and Packers LS Brett Goode (Arkansas), and Bills OL Eric Wood and Packers C/G Jason Spitz (Louisville).

#### **INDIVIDUALLY VS. BILLS**

In three career games against the Bills, WR Donald Driver has 16 receptions for 206 yards and two TDs.

#### LAST MEETING, REGULAR SEASON

Nov. 5. 2006. in Buffalo: Bills won. 24-10.

- ► The Packers outgained the Bills 427-184 and held the ball nine minutes longer, but four turnovers to Buffalo's none decided the game.
- ► The Packers rallied from an early 10-0 deficit to tie the game in the fourth quarter. But trailing 17-10 at the Buffalo 1-yard line with 5 minutes left, QB Brett Favre was intercepted in the end zone when a pass to WR Donald Driver was deflected to S Ko Simpson, who returned it 76 yards to set up the game-clinching points.
- ▶ Driver finished with nine receptions for 96 yards and a TD, while WR Greg Jennings added five receptions for 69 yards. WR Lee Evans had a 43-yard TD for Buffalo.
- ► The Packers recorded five sacks in the game, three by Corey Williams and one each by Aaron Kampman and Cullen Jenkins.

#### LAST MEETING, IN GREEN BAY

Dec. 22, 2002; Packers won, 10-0.

- ► Green Bay DE Vonnie Holliday set a franchise record with five sacks, forcing Buffalo QB Drew Bledsoe to fumble on three of them.
- ► The first fumble led to Green Bay's only TD, an 11-yard pass from Favre to Driver midway through the fourth quarter. The last fumble ended Buffalo's hopes with 1:13 left at the Green Bay 17-yard line.
- ►With winds at 25 mph and the wind chill at 13 degrees, neither team could sustain much offensively, though Green Bay RB Ahman Green had 26 carries for 116 yards.
- ►The Bills thought they had a go-ahead TD in the fourth quarter on CB Nate Clements' long fumble return, but the officials ruled that Green had dropped the pass.
- ► Holliday's five sacks topped Bryce Paup's mark of 4 1/2, set in 1991. Ezra Johnson (1978) and Dave Pureifory (1975) also had five sacks, but the stat didn't become official until 1982.

#### **ROOKIE D-BACK DUO MAKES DEBUT**

When the Packers lined up in their nickel formation to start the game on Sunday, the defensive backfield featured a pair of rookies for the first time in a Green Bay season opener since the AFL-NFL merger in 1970.

- ▶ Morgan Burnett, a third-round pick out of Georgia Tech, got the nod at strong safety next to veteran Nick Collins. CB Sam Shields, a non-drafted free agent out of Miami, opened up as the third corner with veteran corners Charles Woodson and Tramon Williams.
- ► Collins was part of the last rookie defensive-backfield tandem to start a game for the Packers. He and rookie nickel CB Mike Hawkins both started on Dec. 19, 2005, at Baltimore on *Monday Night Football*.
- ► With the start on Sunday afternoon, Burnett became only the second rookie safety since Chuck Cecil in 1988 to start a season opener for Green Bay. Collins, who started all 16 games as a rookie in '05 out of Bethune-Cookman, was the only other one.
- ►"It was a good start for them," said of the rookies after the game. "I don't think there'll be many people with more skill than those (Eagles) guys have. The two receivers (DeSean Jackson and Jeremy Maclin) are both first-round picks, and Jackson is a guy you certainly didn't want to be catching the ball over top and getting 50-yard touchdowns. There's a lot of corrections to make off of it, but we're off and running and off to a good start."
- ► Jackson, who caught 62 passes for 1,156 yards and nine TDs in 2009, was limited to just four grabs for 30 yards and no TDs.
  - Maclin caught only four passes for 38 yards, but did score on a 17-yard reception in the fourth quarter.
- ► "I think they played great," Woodson said. "They did what was asked of them. They continued to grow mentally in this scheme and as young players, we've got something good in those young guys."
- ► Shields, who played wide receiver in college before making the transition to the other side of the ball as a senior, led the Packers with two interceptions and five passes defensed in the preseason.

#### **ZOMBO NO. 58**

Shields wasn't the only rookie to make an impact on defense on Sunday afternoon. LB **Frank Zombo**, signed by the team in May as a non-drafted free agent out of Central Michigan, posted his first career sack in the season opener at Philadelphia, bringing down Michael Vick for an 8-yard loss in the fourth quarter.

- ► With the sack, Zombo became the first Packer rookie to record a sack in his first game since DE Jamal Reynolds did so in his debut on Dec. 3, 2001, at Jacksonville.
- ► Zombo was one of only five NFL rookies and one of just two rookie line-backers to register a sack on opening weekend. He was the only undrafted one out of the group, joining Jaguars DT Tyson Aloalu, Seahawks DE Dexter Davis, Dolphins LB Koa Misi and Lions DT Ndamukong Suh as the rookies to post a sack in Week 1.
- ► Zombo played defensive end in college, but made the transition to outside linebacker in Dom Capers' 3-4 scheme this offseason. During the preseason, he led the Packers in tackles (18) and sacks (two), and added a forced fumble.

#### **ETCHING HIS NAME**

Packers K **Mason Crosby** put his name into the franchise record book when he connected on a 56-yard field goal as time expired in the first half at Philadelphia on Sunday.

- ► Crosby's kick topped the previous team record of 54 yards held by Chris Jacke (at Det., Jan. 2, 1994), Ryan Longwell (at Ten., Dec. 16, 2001) and Dave Rayner (at Phi., Oct. 2, 2006).
- ► Crosby's 56-yarder ranks No. 2 in the history of Lincoln Financial Field behind David Akers' 57-yarder vs. New England on Sept. 14, 2003, the first year the stadium was open.
- ►It was the second long field goal of the afternoon from Crosby, as he drilled a 49-yarder early in the second quarter. It was the first time in his career that he made two field goals from 49 yards or more in the same game. He became the first Green Bay kicker to do so since Ryan Longwell posted field goals from 51 and 53 yards out at Atlanta on Nov. 13, 2005.
- ►Crosby's 49-yard field goal gave him 400 points for his career. By hit-

ting that mark in just 49 career games, he tied for the second-fewest games needed to reach 400 points in NFL history, behind Jan Stenerud (47) and tied with Gino Cappelletti (49). Crosby's total of 397 points from 2007-09 were the most in NFL history by a player in his first three seasons.



One of the areas the Packers were focused on improving this season was cutting down on penalties, and they couldn't have gotten off to a better start on Sunday in Philadelphia.

►The Packers were flagged for just two penalties on Sunday against the Eagles, which tied

Cincinnati for the fewest in the league on Kickoff Weekend.

- ► The two penalties called on the Packers were the fewest in an openingday contest for Green Bay since Sept. 7, 1986, vs. Houston at Lambeau Field, when they were also called for two penalties.
- ➤ Sunday's penalty number also was the fewest under Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** since Dec. 30, 2007, vs. Detroit, when the Packers were also flagged twice. The best mark under McCarthy came the week before on Dec. 23, 2007, at Chicago, when the Packers were called for just one penalty.
- ▶ Green Bay led the league in penalties last season with 118 while ranking second in penalty yardage with 1,057. There wasn't much of a correlation between penalties and wins in 2009, with six of the seven mostpenalized teams making the playoffs.

#### A LOOK AT THE 53

General Manager **Ted Thompson** and the football operations staff were faced with some of the toughest cuts of his tenure this year.

- ▶ Of the 53 players on Green Bay's roster, 36 of them (67.9 percent) were drafted by the Packers, and 39 of them (73.6 percent) played in a game for the Packers in 2009.
- ➤ Six of the team's seven draft picks from 2010 are on the 53-man roster. The only one that isn't, sixth-round RB James Starks, is on the reserve/physically unable to perform list due to a hamstring injury. Three non-drafted free agents (G Nick McDonald, CB Sam Shields and LB Frank Zombo) are on the roster.
- ▶11 players on the Week 1 roster had yet to play in an NFL regularseason game entering this season. That group was comprised of the nine rookies and two first-year players (P Tim Masthay and TE Tom Crabtree).



#### **PRODUCTION FROM BOTH SIDES IN 2009**

Green Bay was one of two teams in the NFL in 2009 to have both the offense (No. 6) and defense (No. 2) rank among the league's top 6. Division foe Minnesota (No. 5 offense, No. 6 defense) was the other.

- ▶The Packers offense ranked among the league's top 10 for the fourth consecutive season and was a unit that seemed nearly impossible to stop towards the latter part of the season. It topped the 30-point plateau in its last four contests and eight times overall in 2009.
- ► There was no shortage of statistical measures to show its strength, chief among them the 461 points scored, a new franchise record. The 1996 Super Bowl champion Packers had the previous team record at 456.
- ►It was just the third offense in franchise history to surpass 6,000 total net yards, finishing No. 3 in team annals with 6,065.
- ▶Though its perimeter players are as dangerous in big-play production as any group in the NFL, Green Bay dominated the ball and controlled the clock in its second-half run and finished No. 1 in the NFL with a time-of-possession average of 33:03, establishing a new franchise standard since the statistic began being recorded in 1977.
- ►Green Bay became the first team in NFL history to have a 4,000-yard passer (QB Aaron Rodgers), 1,200-yard rusher (RB Ryan Grant) and two 1,000-yard receivers (WRs Donald Driver and Greg Jennings) in back-to-back seasons.
- ▶On defense, veteran coordinator **Dom Capers** installed the 3-4 defense and led a unit that finished the year with the highest league ranking by a Packers defensive unit (No. 2) since the '96 Super Bowl team (No. 1).
- ► For the first time in team history, Green Bay ranked No. 1 in run defense. The unit allowed 83.3 rushing yards per game, the lowest average in franchise history.
- ▶ The Packers led the league with 40 takeaways and led the NFL with 30 interceptions, the first time the Packers led the league in interceptions since 1965 (tied with Washington for No. 1 that season with 27).
- ►Highlighting the defense's ability to take the ball away also brings the spotlight back onto the offense, which finished the season with 16 giveaways, fewest in the NFL.

#### IN THE FREE AGENCY ERA

Talk of unrestricted free agency in the early '90s led many to forecast tough times for the small-town Green Bay Packers.

- ► However, Green Bay has remained among the most successful teams since the advent of free agency in 1993. The Packers have won 10 or more games 10 times since '93 and captured seven division crowns.
- ► A look at the most successful teams in the free-agency era:

<u>Team</u>	W-L since '93	Pct.	Playoff berths
New England	172-101-0	.630	11
Pittsburgh	170-102-1	.625	11
Green Bay	170-103-0	.623	12
Indianapolis	164-109-0	.601	12
Denver	162-111-0	.593	8

#### **TURNOVER RATIO TOPS THE LEAGUE IN 2009**

While many football statistics don't have far-reaching implications through a sampling of the season, turnover ratio is always a telling statistic when it comes to a game's final outcome.

- ►The Packers' 40 takeaways in 2009 led the NFL, while their 16 giveaways also led the league and established a new franchise record.
- ►The 1997 New York Giants were the last team to lead the league in most takeaways and fewest giveaways.
- ► While Rodgers has always been careful with the ball in the passing game, credit must be given to the running backs, who carried the ball 374 times with one fumble, which was recovered by Green Bay, in '09.
- ► With a defense that excels at the takeaway and an offense that protects

- the football as well as it does, it was no surprise that Green Bay's plus-24 turnover ratio topped the league.
- ▶ Of the Packers' takeaways, 30 came via the interception, most in the NFL. It was the most for the Packers since 1981, when the team also had 30. In 2009, Green Bay also had 10 fumble recoveries.
- ► Every single Packers practice, be it during OTAs, training camp or the regular season, has a period devoted to ball security.
- ▶ Headed by assistant head coach/inside linebackers **Winston Moss**, the drill has offensive skill players carry the ball while two defenders (linebackers and defensive backs) try to strip the ball. Once free, the offensive player then must run through a gauntlet of offensive and defensive linemen attempting to strip the ball loose.
- ►The drill puts an emphasis on ball security for offensive players. For defensive players, the drill keeps the focus on stripping the ball from opposing players.
- ▶Overall, the team had 11 forced fumbles on the year (one on special teams), 10 of which it recovered.
- ►While the Packers can be proud of their place atop the league in turnover margin, it is a statistic that has trended upwards in each of McCarthy's four seasons.
- ►In 2006, the team finished at even in the category but improved to plusfour in 2007. In 2008, a plus-seven margin, No. 6 among NFL teams, had been the franchise's best mark since 2002 (+17).
- ► Prior to McCarthy's arrival, the team had a franchise-worst turnover ratio (-24) in 2005.

#### PACKERS IN WEEKLY **2010 TEAM RANKINGS NFL Offense NFL Defense** After Total Week. Opp. **Total** Rush **Pass** Rush at Phi 30 2 BUF 3 at Chi 4 DET 5 at Was 6 MIA MIN 8 at NYJ 9 DAI 10 (bye) 11 at Min 12 at Atl 13 SF 14 at Det 15 at NE 16 NYG CHI Packers in 2009 5 Packers in 2008 8 17 8 20 26 12 Packers in 2007 2 21 2 11 14 12 13 17 Packers in 2006 9 23 8 12 Packers in 2005 18 30 7 7 23 1 14 10 3 25 25 Packers in 2004 3 Packers in 2003 4 3 16 17 10 23

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#### ON THE ROAD AGAIN

Green Bay finished 5-3 on the road in 2009, the third time in four seasons it had finished above .500 under Head Coach **Mike McCarthy**.

- ►The Packers have been able to stay above the .500 mark on the road during McCarthy's tenure, a notable achievement in the National Football League.
- ► Since 2006, McCarthy's first season as the head coach in Green Bay, only nine of 32 NFL teams have road records over .500.

<u>Team</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	I	Pct.
Indianapolis	24	9	0	.727
New England	23	9	0	.719
New York Giants	21	11	0	.656
Dallas	20	13	0	.606
San Diego	20	12	0	.625
New Orleans	19	13	0	.594
Philadelphia	18	13	1	.578
Green Bay	19	14	0	.576
Tennessee	18	14	0	.563

#### **285 AND COUNTING**

Another packed house at Lambeau Field against the Seahawks in the 2009 regular-season home finale brought the stadium's consecutive sellouts streak to 285 games (269 regular season, 16 playoffs).

- ►The 2009 home game against Minnesota saw the largest regular-season crowd in Lambeau Field history (71,213).
- ▶The league's longest-tenured stadium, Lambeau Field will host its 54th season of football starting on Sunday. A total of 565,666 fans made their way through the turnstiles in the eight home contests in 2009.
- ► Across American professional sports, only Boston's Fenway Park (1912) and Chicago's Wrigley Field (1914) have longer tenures.

#### THE LAMBEAU ADVANTAGE

The crown jewel of the National Football League, Lambeau Field has long been known as one of the tougher venues to play in, particularly during the harsh Wisconsin winter.

- ► Re-establishing home-field advantage after a 4-4 mark in 2008 was one of the goals of 2009, and with the Packers finishing at 6-2 at home, they accomplished that goal.
- ► Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** stated consistently upon his arrival in Green Bay that one of the team's goals would be to reclaim the mystique of playing at Lambeau Field. Mission accomplished. The team is 19-7 at home since 2007, a marked improvement over the prior three seasons (10-14 combined).
- Since Ron Wolf and Mike Holmgren began the revitalization of the franchise in 1992, Green Bay owns the best home record in the NFL. A look at the top home W-L records since the '92 season:

<u>Team</u>	W-L record	Pct.
Green Bay	107-37-0	.743
Pittsburgh	105-39-1	.728
Denver	103-41-0	.715
Minnesota	100-44-0	.694
Dallas	97-47-0	.674

#### **DOMINATING TIME OF POSSESSION**

Time of possession is a seldom-quoted statistic, but one that easily can underscore how a football game played out.

► The Packers' final ranking at the top of the time-of-possession chart in '09 should have been a sign the team was due to make the postseason.

- ►Of the teams that finished the season in the Top 3 in the category from 2000-09, 24 of those 30 teams made the playoffs.
- ►Of the six that didn't qualify for the postseason, only one, the 2004 Kansas City Chiefs (7-9), finished with a record below .500.
- ▶In Green Bay's 30-24 win over San Francisco in Week 11, it controlled the ball for 41 minutes, 39 seconds. According to the Elias Sports Bureau, time-of-possession statistics have only been kept since 1977, but that mark for the Packers was a franchise record.
- ► Combined with the Packers' 40:48 time of possession against the Lions in Week 6, it gave the team two games with 40-plus minutes of controlling the ball, which was also a single-season franchise record.
- ► Green Bay won the time-of-possession battle against the Cardinals in Week 17, helping it achieve the league's No. 1 ranking in the category and a new franchise record.
- ▶The Packers ranked No. 1 in the league with a time-of-possession average of 33:03, ahead of No. 2 New England (32:55) and No. 3 Minnesota (32:40). Pittsburgh (32:13) and Dallas (32:04) rounded out the league's top 5, with Pittsburgh being the only team not to make the postseason.
- ► Green Bay's previous best single-season mark came in 1992, when it posted an average of 32:30 per game.
- ►In the first nine games of the season, the Packers had just nine drives of 10 plays or more. Over their last seven games, they had 14 drives of 10 or more plays.
- ►As the weather turns, Green Bay has traditionally become a more ground-oriented team. Though the nature of a "big-play" offense suggests quick strikes, the Packers' offense seemed more suited to a controlled offense led by a ground attack, capable of producing multiple 10-play drives in a game.

### IN THE LEAGUE RANKINGS, 2010



Interceptions: (none) ....--





GREEN BAY (Team)		BUFFALO (Team)	
<u>Category</u> <u>NFC</u>	<u>NFL</u>	<u>Category</u> <u>AFC</u>	<u>NFL</u>
Turnover Margin (-1) 11T	21T	Turnover Margin (0) 6T	13T
Total Offense (299.0) 8	17T	Total Offense (166.0) 16	32
Rushing (132.0)2	8T	Rushing (50.0) 14	28
Passing (167.0) 11	19	Passing (116.0) 13	29
Total Defense (321.0) 9	18	Total Defense (296.0) 8	14
vs. Rush (150.0) 16	30	vs. Rush (132.0)11	24T
vs. Pass (171.0)7	16	vs. Pass (164.0)7	11
Third-Down Offense (45.7%) 3	5	Third-Down Offense (41.8%) 5	10
Third-Down Defense (33.3%)3	4	Third-Down Defense (36.1%)4	11
Red-Zone Offense (100.0%)1T	1T	Red-Zone Offense ()	
Red-Zone Defense (66.7%) 12	21T	Red-Zone Defense (50.0%)5T	12T
GREEN BAY (Individual)		BUFFALO (Individual)	
<u>Category</u> <u>NFC</u>	<u>NFL</u>	<u>Category</u> <u>AFC</u>	<u>NFL</u>
Rushing: Jackson (63) 7T	16T	Rushing: F. Jackson (19) 29T	53
Passing: Rodgers (73.1)10	19	Passing: Edwards (73.0)10	20
Receptions: Driver/Jennings (5) .13T	29T	Receptions: Evans/Spiller (4). 22T	44T
Rec. Yds.: Jennings (82) 7	18T	Rec. Yds.: St. Johnson (40) . 30T	N/A
Sacks: Matthews (2.0) 1T	1T	Sacks: Three players (1)4T	7T

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

#### TAKING HIS PLACE AMONG THE GAME'S BEST

Now firmly entrenched in his role as the face of the franchise, QB **Aaron Rodgers** went from solid first-year starter to one of the game's top young signal callers in 2009.

- ▶ Rodgers ranked near the top of the NFL in most passing categories in 2009 and was honored as the NFC Offensive Player of the Month for October, the first such award of his career. He was the youngest of the six quarterbacks named to the Pro Bowl last season.
- ▶In 2009, he engineered one of the NFL's most potent offenses, ranked
- No. 6 overall, and avoided costly mistakes, spear-heading a team that had a league-low 16 giveaways (15 on offense).
- ► His 103.2 passer rating ranked fourth in the NFL. In addition, he was the game's top-ranked passer on third downs (133.5).
- ►The fourth-year pro threw for 4,434 yards, fourth most in the league. That total finished just shy of Lynn Dickey's franchise record (4,458, 1983) for passing yards in a single season.
- ►In addition to QB rating and passing yards, Rodgers ranked fourth in TD passes (30) and first in interception percentage (1.3).
- ►And just for good measure, he ranked second among QBs with 316 rushing yards on 58 carries (5.4 avg.), and added five rushing TDs.
- ► Rodgers joined Steve Young (San Francisco, 1998) as the only quarter-backs in NFL history to throw for 4,000 yards and 30 TDs and rush for 300 yards and five TDs in the same season.
- ► The Elias Sports Bureau never intended for passer rating to measure the effectiveness of a signal caller in one game, but rather over the course of a group of games or an entire season.
- ► Having said that, Rodgers' performance in Week 7 last year in Cleveland (15-of-20, 246 yards, 3 TDs) earned him a passer rating of 155.4, the highest single-game rating (minimum 20 attempts) in the history of the franchise. It bested the previous high, Brett Favre's 154.9 rating set in Oakland on Dec. 22, 2003.
- ▶It was Rodgers' fourth consecutive game with a passer rating over 110.0, becoming only the second signal caller in team history to eclipse the mark four straight times in a single season. The legendary Bart Starr accomplished the feat four straight weeks during the 1966 season (Sept. 18-Oct. 9) en route to an NFL Championship and Super Bowl title.
- ► Rodgers just missed becoming the first to do it in five straight games, registering a 108.5 rating against Minnesota the following week.
- ► Not only did the statistic explain his play last season, but just how efficient he has been since becoming a starter. In 33 career starts, Rodgers has eclipsed the century mark in passer rating 18 times.

#### THE BIG PLAY RETURNS

Thanks to a bevy of talent around him at the skill positions, QB **Aaron Rodgers** did plenty of damage through the air in 2009 in his second season as the quarterback in Green Bay.

- ► When it comes to the long ball, few are as accurate as Rodgers. His 17 completions of 40-plus yards tied for the NFL lead in 2009 with Dallas QB Tony Romo and then-Philadelphia QB Donovan McNabb.
- ▶In terms of what coaches often classify as 'big plays' (gains of 20-plus yards), Rodgers had 55 completions, tied for the ninth-best total in the league and surpassing his 2008 total.
- ►The big plays have always been a staple of the offense under Head Coach Mike McCarthy, as the team ranked second in the NFL in gains of 20-plus yards when it went to the NFC Championship in 2007. That year, the team racked up 67 such plays, 52 of which came through the air.
  - ►In 2008 when it went 6-10, the team had 58 plays of 20-plus yards, 12th best in the NFL, and 48 came via the pass last season.
  - ►In 2009, the Packers finished 10th overall with 66 plays of 20-plus yards.



Green Bay remained one of the league's most dangerous teams in yards after the catch in 2009, ranking in the top five for the fourth time in five seasons. Its consistent standing near the top of those rankings is due in large part to WRs Greg Jennings and Donald Driver.

► Jennings is one of the league's top deep threats, with his 83-yard score against Pittsburgh last sea-

son in Week 15 marking a career long for both him and QB Aaron Rodgers.

- ▶When it comes to scoring passes, Jennings has an eye-popping average during his career. Of his 29 career touchdown catches, 13 (44.8 percent) have been at least 40 yards in length. He has a staggering average of 34.1 yards per TD catch, which ranks first among current players with at least 20 career touchdown catches.
- ▶ Jennings continued his big-play ways with a 32-yard touchdown catch in the season opener at Philadelphia on Sunday, part of his team-leading 82-yard day on five receptions (16.4 avg.).
- ► It was the second straight year that Jennings came up with a big scoring grab in the season opener. Last year vs. the division-rival Chicago Bears in Week 1, Jennings scored on a 50-yard TD with just over a minute remaining to give the Packers a 21-15 win.
- ► Week 1 has been good to Jennings over the past three seasons as he has posted 16 receptions for 279 yards (17.4 avg.), including two 50-yard receptions, and two touchdowns.
- ► While Jennings had six catches of 40-plus yards in 2009, Driver wasn't far behind with five. When it comes to the 40-plus yard plays, there is no doubting the Driver-Jennings duo is the most potent deep-threat combo in the NFL. A look at the league numbers since 2007:

<u>Player</u>	40-plus-yard catches
Greg Jennings, GB	21
Randy Moss, NE	19
Terrell Owens, BUF	17
Steve Smith, CAR	17
Donald Driver, GB	15
Andre Johnson, HOU	15



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

#### **EXCELLING ON THIRD DOWN IN 2009**

Part of Green Bay's success winning seven of its last eight games in 2009 was due in part to its ability to win the third-down battle on both sides of the ball. The third-down offense topped the NFC final rankings and was No. 3 overall, while the defense ranked No. 9 overall in the category.

- ►It would be hard to imagine a better performance on third down than what QB **Aaron Rodgers** did in Detroit on Thanksgiving.
- ► He finished 11-of-13 passing, good for eight first downs and two touchdowns for a perfect 158.3 passer rating.
- ▶ That's not all that surprising when you consider Rodgers was the league's top-ranked passer (133.5) on third down. No other quarterback threw for as many yards (1,710) or touchdowns (14) on third down as Rodgers, who threw all three of his scores on third down in Pittsburgh. In 157 third-down attempts, he had a 67.5% completion rate and did not throw an interception. Tom Brady was the only other quarterback to not throw an interception on third down (min. 100 attempts).
- ► Rodgers' third-down rating was the best in the NFL since Kurt Warner's 137.3 rating in 1999 with St. Louis.
- ▶Now after two seasons as a starter, his third-down success is becoming a trend. He finished 2008 as the league's third-ranked passer on third down with a rating of 105.8. Of his 28 TD passes in 2008, 14 came on third down.

#### ANOTHER FRANCHISE MARK

WR **Donald Driver**, now in his 12th season, established yet another team mark last year in Week 13. Last season, it seemed as though franchise records fell on a weekly basis for Driver.

- ▶ Driver became the 10th player in franchise history to reach the 50-touchdown plateau. No other NFL franchise has 10 players with 50-plus TDs.
- ► Earlier, Driver topped the 50-catch plateau for an eighth straight season (2002-09), a new franchise record.
- ▶Though he was the oldest player on the active roster at age 34, Driver showed no signs of slowing down in 2009. He led the team in catches (70), ranked second in receiving yards (1,061) and first in touchdown catches (6).
- ▶ Driver also extended his own franchise record by recording a seventh overall season and sixth straight with 1,000 yards.
- ►The most significant record still within Driver's grasp is career receiving yards. James Lofton ranks No. 1 with 9,656 yards. Driver is No. 2 with 9,080. Driver should surpass the mark sometime this season.
- ► At Philadelphia on Sunday, Driver scored on a 6-yard TD pass, the 50th receiving TD of his career. That moves him into a tie for No. 4 in franchise annals with Max McGee.
- ▶ Driver has been the model of consistency for the Packers, catching at least one pass in 128 consecutive games (134 including playoffs), also a franchise record. His consistency also serves as a great example for younger teammates, as Driver has rarely missed a practice in his NFL career
- ► While his reputation is as a slot guy who will make the tough catch over the middle, Driver made his share of big plays in 2009. His five catches of 40-plus yards tied for ninth in the NFL.

#### FINLEY BREAKS OUT IN YEAR TWO

Anyone needing to know how much the Packers missed TE **Jermichael Finley** in his three-game absence in 2009, which really should be considered a four-game streak because his injury occurred on the first series in Cleveland, need only to watch the game tape from the last seven contests.

▶Over the last seven games in '09, he caught a team-high 38 passes for

- 416 yards and four TDs. His reception total over that time was third among tight ends, trailing only Jason Witten (45) and Tony Gonzalez (39).
- ► His nine catches at Pittsburgh matched the single-game team record for receptions by a tight end, and Finley finished tied for the No. 2 spot for catches in a single season by a Packers tight end with 55.
- ▶ Rodgers clearly loves Finley's athletic ability down the middle of the field, as evidenced by his nine catches of 20-plus yards. And in goal-line situations, as was seen against the Ravens, Steelers and Cardinals, Rodgers is confident in Finley's ability to win a one-on-one battle.
- ▶In a season in which he set career highs in every statistical category, Finley's coming-out party came on the team's first appearance on Monday Night Football at Minnesota in front of the largest television audience in cable history. That game, he set a new regular-season career high in receiving yards (128), highlighted by his 62-yard catch-and-run TD. The catch marked the longest reception by a Green Bay tight end

since Jackie Harris caught a 66-yard scoring pass against Denver on Oct. 10, 1993.

- ▶ Finley's day also stands tied for the most productive day by a tight end in team history. His 128 yards matched Harris' output from that Broncos contest, tying the franchise high for receiving yards by a tight end in a regular-season contest.
- ▶ And if the Week 4 game at Minnesota served as a coming-out party, the Wild Card playoff game at Arizona showed Finley's potential to take over a game. His 159 receiving yards set a new franchise postseason record and ranked second in NFL postseason history for a tight end.



The offense registered over 400 yards against Seattle in Week 16, the ninth time in '09 it went over the mark. That ranked as the second-best

single-season mark in franchise history (2004, 10 games). The unit found its stride toward the end of the year and again ranked among the NFL's top-10 offenses, a familiar place under play caller and Head Coach **Mike McCarthy**.

- ► Each year under McCarthy, it has finished among the league's top 10 offenses. Since 2006, New Orleans is the only other NFL team to have ranked in the top 10 each of the last four seasons. In 2009, the Packers averaged 379.1 yards per contest, its top average under McCarthy.
- ► In 2008, the Packers finished No. 8 overall with an average of 351.1 yards per contest. The unit finished No. 2 in 2007 (370.7 yards per game) and No. 9 in 2006 (341.1) under McCarthy.
- McCarthy spent six seasons as an offensive coordinator and play caller prior to his arrival in Green Bay (New Orleans 2000-04, San Francisco 2005). Twice the Saints ranked among the NFL's top 10 offenses.

#### **COACH LOCATIONS**

- ► Coaches' Box: Dom Capers (defensive coordinator), Jerry Fontenot (asst. offensive line), Scott McCurley (defensive quality control), Curtis Fuller (administrator), Joe Philbin (offensive coordinator), John Rushing (offensive quality control), and Joe Whitt Jr. (secondary cornerbacks).
- ➤ Sideline: Edgar Bennett (running backs), James Campen (offensive line), Tom Clements (quarterbacks), Mike Eayrs (research and development), Chad Morton (special teams asst.), Kevin Greene (outside linebackers), Ben McAdoo (tight ends), Winston Moss (inside linebackers/asst. head coach), Darren Perry (secondary safeties), Jimmy Robinson (wide receivers), Shawn Slocum (special teams coordinator) and Mike Trgovac (defensive line).



#### PACKERS TEAM NOTES - DEFENSE

#### **DEFENSE GETS THE JOB DONE**

The Green Bay defense finished No. 2 in the league's final overall defensive rankings in 2009. Not since 1996, when it finished the year No. 1 overall and went on to win Super Bowl XXXI, had the Packers' defense ranked among the league's top units.

- ▶ Behind new defensive coordinator **Dom Capers** and all-everything CB **Charles Woodson**, the Packers thrived in their new 3-4 scheme. The team finished the season ranked No. 1 against the run, a first in team history, and No. 5 against the pass.
- ►The previous top ranking in franchise history in run defense came in 1972, when the team finished No. 2.
- ► Green Bay allowed an average of 284.4 total yards per game, second behind the N.Y. Jets (252.3) and ahead of No. 3 Baltimore (300.5).
- ▶ Green Bay's improved defense against the run kept opponents in long downand-distances, enhancing the defense's ability to get off the field on third down. Through the first four games, the unit ranked No. 28. As soon as Green Bay began to stop the run, it shot up the league rankings in third-down defense, finishing the year at No. 9.
- ►One constant for the defense was its ability to take the ball away, registering 39 of the team's 40 takeaways. That takeaway total led the NFL in 2009, and it's something
  - that has become a habit for the defense. It has registered at least one takeaway in 18 of its last 19 games.
- ►Whether they be caused by pressure from a deep and talented front seven, or a fantastic read by a ball-hawking secondary led by Pro Bowlers **Nick Collins** (six INTs) and **Woodson** (nine), those 40 turnovers led to 141 points, tied with New Orleans for the most points-off-turnovers total in the NFL.
- ►In the first two years of the **Mike McCarthy** tenure, Green Bay's defense was close to being a top-10 unit, finishing at No. 12 in 2006 and No. 11 in 2007. In 2008, it slipped to No. 20 before making the jump up to No. 2 last year.
- ▶In Capers' previous stints as a coordinator, his units made a jump in the rankings in his first season. In Pittsburgh, the defense went from No. 22 to No. 13 in '92 under Capers, then continued to rise to No. 3 in '93 and No. 2 in '94. In Jacksonville, the defense climbed to No. 4 under Capers in '99 after ranking 25th the previous season. The Dolphins ranked No. 4 in 2006, Capers' first year, after ranking No. 18 in '05.

#### **AS GOOD AS HE'S EVER BEEN**

At age 33, CB **Charles Woodson** enjoyed the finest season of his career in 2009, his first year in the 3-4 scheme.

- ► Woodson achieved the highest individual honor bestowed upon a defensive player, taking home *The Associated Press* Defensive Player of the Year award. He also was named an *AP* first-team All-Pro.
- ► Woodson became the fourth player in NFL history since sacks became an official statistic to record at least nine interceptions and two sacks in a single season. One of the players who previously accomplished the feat (Ed Reed 2004) also went on to win Defensive Player of the Year. Woodson also led the Packers with four forced fumbles.
- ►Against Dallas, Woodson became the first NFL player to record two forced fumbles, an interception and a sack in a game since Steelers linebacker James Harrison accomplished the feat two years prior to the day vs. Baltimore on Nov. 15, 2007. In that contest, Harrison posted

three forced fumbles, 3½ sacks and an interception.

- ► Against the Lions in Week 12, Woodson tallied two interceptions, including one he returned for a score, a sack, forced fumble and fumble recovery, and held Calvin Johnson to two catches for 10 yards.
- ► Woodson was named NFC Defensive Player of the Week for both his Dallas (Week 10) and Detroit (Week 12) performances, and naturally won NFC Defensive Player of the Month for November. Woodson also was honored as the NFC Defensive Player of the Month for September and December, becoming the first NFC player to win the award multiple times.
- ► His Detroit performance marked the fifth multi-interception game of his career, and his fourth since coming to Green Bay.
- ► Woodson's INT return for a score against Arizona in Week 17 was his

seventh with Green Bay, giving him eight defensive touchdowns with the Packers to establish a new franchise record. The seven INT returns for scores with Green Bay ties him for first on the franchise's all-time list with Hall of Famer Herb Adderlev.

- ▶In addition to his team-high and career-best nine interceptions, he established a new career high with 81 tackles, third most on the team. His previous career high had been 79, a total he accomplished twice before (OAK, 2000; GB, 2008).
- ► A skilled blitzer, he had two sacks on the year. His five sacks since 2008 is tied for the NFL lead among defensive backs (safeties and corners).
- ►His four forced fumbles tied for second among NFL defensive backs in 2009.
- ▶ There's no doubt Woodson's career has undergone a revitalization since coming to Green Bay. He now has 45 career interceptions, fifth among active NFL players. Of his interceptions, 28 have come in 63 games with Green Bay. In 106 games with the Raiders, he had 17.

#### **SECONDARY BRINGS SOME PASS RUSH, TOO**

Part of the reason Capers was able to trust in his defense as the Packers made the transition to the 3-4 in 2009 was his ability to rely on a secondary that included three Pro Bowl players.

- ►The team had to play its last stretch without CB AI Harris (knee injury), a physical corner who routinely lined up against the opposing team's top wide receiver. Harris was a Pro Bowl honoree in 2007-08.
- ► The team leaned on the all-around skill of CB Charles Woodson, who enjoyed a career year in the new defense.
- ▶The team also relied heavily on CB **Tramon Williams**, who filled in with the No. 1 defense when Harris went down with a spleen injury in 2008 for four games. Williams, whose five interceptions in '08 highlighted a breakout season, finished 2009 with four interceptions and led the team with 22 passes defensed, a new career high.
- ▶ Capers and the defense also were able to rely on Pro Bowl S **Nick Collins**, who intercepted six passes on the season. His 13 interceptions over the last two seasons are tied for second most in the NFL behind Woodson's 16. In addition to consecutive Pro Bowl selections, Collins' inclusion on the *AP* second-team All-Pro list for the second straight year solidifies his place as one of the game's best young safeties.
- ► Collins, Williams and Woodson all notched sacks last season, which for Collins and Williams were the first of their careers.
- ► Harris notched one earlier in the year, giving the Packers four defensive backs with sacks in the same season for the first time since 2003, when it also had four members of the secondary record sacks.



#### **PACKERS TEAM NOTES - DEFENSE**

#### **CAPERS' INSTANT IMPACT**

Charged with orchestrating the Packers' new 3-4 defense last season was veteran coach **Dom Capers**, who is in his 25th season on the NFL level in 2010, his 18th as a defensive coordinator or head coach.

▶ Noted around the league as one of the game's best defensive minds, Capers used many of the same personnel and transitioned the Packers into one of the league's most effective units. From a unit that ranked No. 20 overall in 2008, Capers brought the defense up to the No. 2 ranking in 2009, the franchise's highest defensive ranking in over a decade.

► In addition to serving as the head coach of two different expansion franchises (Carolina and Houston), Capers brought an impressive résumé as a coordinator. Green Bay's rise in the defensive ranks this season was

typical of Capers' instant impact over the course of his NFL career. Pittsburgh ranked No. 22 in overall defense in 1991, the year before Capers' arrival. The Steelers' defense rose up in the defensive rankings to 13th in 1992, Capers' first season as a defensive coordinator in the NFL. The unit rose to No. 3 in 1993 and No. 2 in 1994, earning the moniker "Blitzburgh" with one of the decade's most feared defenses.

► Capers' impact also was seen in his stint as defensive coordinator with Jacksonville (1999-00) and Miami (2006-07). Ranking 25th in overall defense in 1998, the Jaguars' unit rose immediately under Capers in '99 to No. 4 overall in addition to allowing the fewest points in the NFL. The Dolphins ranked No. 18 in overall defense in 2005 but rose to No. 4 in 2006 under Capers, with DE Jason

Taylor earning Defensive Player of the Year honors that season as well.



with four interceptions against the Seahawks and three against the Cardinals in Weeks 16-17. The Seattle game marked the third time last season that the team recorded four interceptions, which it also did against Chicago (Week 1) and at Detroit (Week 12).

► Green Bay surpassed its 2008 total of 124 points off takeaways, which led the NFL in '08.

►It also eclipsed its '08 total in interceptions (22) and fumble recoveries (six) while at the same time protecting the ball at a better clip. Green Bay's 16 giveaways was the lowest total in the NFL.

►If the Packers don't commit a turnover, like they didn't against Seattle in Week 16, they're almost guaranteed to win. They have now won 38 of 42 games playing turnover-free football, since a loss at Dallas, Nov.

18, 1996. Green Bay's only losses in such games during that stretch came three times against Minnesota, twice in Minneapolis (2005, '08) and once at home (2009), and in Week 15 last year in Pittsburgh against the Steelers.

▶ Including playoffs, the Packers have won 41 of their last 45 games without a giveaway.

#### INT RETURN YARDAGE A BRIGHT SPOT

Three interception returns against Arizona in Week 17 helped add to what was an already impressive team yardage total on interceptions. Over the last two seasons, Green Bay defenders proved to be among the most dangerous when the ball was in their hands.

► With 477 yards on a league-best 30 interceptions, Green Bay finished second in the category in 2009 behind New Orleans (652).

► The Packers finished 2008 with an astounding 685 interception return yards, tops in the NFL and a new franchise standard.

► Combined with the 685 return yards in '08, it is just the second time in franchise history that the Packers have posted back-to-back seasons of 475-plus INT return yards. The only other time was 1965 (561) and 1966 (547).

►The Packers led the NFL in interceptions (52), interception yards (1,162), and interception TDs (nine) from 2008-09.

McCarthy has said his team's ability to make a play after an interception is something the team has repped after every turnover in practice since he arrived in 2006. Every offensive player, whether part of the 11 on the play or the group on the sidelines, attempts to catch the defender before he can advance up the field.

#### GETTING AFTER THE QUARTERBACK

The Packers' defense finished the 2009 season with 37 sacks, tied for 11th best in the league.

- ▶Three times in '09 the Packers had five or more sacks, and Green Bay posted five in the season opener at Philadelphia this past Sunday. The last time Green Bay had five or more sacks in three games was '02. The team record is four games, a number that was hit in three separate seasons (1985, 2000, 2001).
- ►LB Brad Jones, who filled in following a season-ending knee injury to Aaron Kampman, recorded the first multi-sack game of his career against Pittsburgh, joining LB Clay Matthews (three multi-sack games) as the first rookie duo to post multi-sack games in a season.
- ▶Jones became the third Packers rookie to collect a sack last season, joining first-round picks NT **B.J. Raji** (1.0) and Matthews (franchise rookie-record 10.0). The last time three Packers rookies recorded sacks was 1987.
- ►For the first time in franchise history, two rookies had four or more sacks.
- ► With another sack against the Bears in Week 15, Matthews became the first rookie in Packers history to record a sack in three consecutive games. His team rookie record ultimately rose to four after a two-sack effort against Pittsburgh.

#### MATTHEWS BURSTS ONTO NFL STAGE IN '09

Rookie LB **Clay Matthews** seems to have a knack for the football, leading all rookies and tying for third in the NFL with three fumble recoveries in 2009, including two against Dallas in Week 10.

- ►According to the Elias Sports Bureau, the last Green Bay rookie to recover two opponents' fumbles in a game was DB Val Joe Walker on Nov. 26, 1953, against the Detroit Lions.
- ► He just missed tying the the franchise's rookie record held by S Johnnie Gray (4, 1975). Matthews had a strip-sack and recovery of Steelers QB Ben Roethlisberger that was overturned after a Pittsburgh challenge.
- ►The first recovery of his career was in Week 4, when he forced a fumble on Vikings RB Adian Peterson and raced the ball 42 yards for a touchdown, the longest fumble return for a TD by a rookie in team history.
- ► Matthews recorded the third multi-sack game of his career against the Steelers and had 10 sacks on the season, a new Green Bay rookie record. In addition to leading the Packers, his 10 sacks ranked second behind Washington's Brian Orakpo (11) for the lead among all rookies.
- ►LB Tim Harris was the only other rookie to finish as the Packers' team leader in sacks. Harris (8, 1986) and Vonnie Holliday (8, '98) had shared the team rookie record for sacks since the stat became official in 1982.
- ► Matthews was also one of three rookie linebackers selected to the Pro Bowl and joined his father Clay Jr. (four Pro Bowls) and uncle Bruce (14 Pro Bowls) as family members to be selected.

#### TAKEAWAY POINTS KEY FOR PACKERS

Even with a new defensive scheme, Green Bay continued to show its knack for the takeaways with 30 interceptions and 10 fumble recoveries in 2009, which it turned into 141 points.

- ►The 30 interceptions led the league and was the team's highest singleseason total since 1981, when it also had 30.
- ► Green Bay's 40 takeaways also led the NFL, and its 141 points scored off those 40 takeaways tied New Orleans for most in the league.
- ►Green Bay did not register a takeaway against the Steelers, snapping a streak of 16 straight games with at least one takeaway, but responded

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#### **FINALLY A WIN IN PHILLY**

The city of Philadelphia hasn't been kind to the Green Bay Packers, and with all the nutty, unpredictable things happening on Sunday, it looked as though this town might get the last laugh again.

- ▶ But the Packers overcame a handful of injuries, a sub-par day from their Pro Bowl quarterback, and an unexpected change under center for the Eagles that almost led to a stunning comeback. Ultimately, Green Bay held on for a 27-20 season-opening victory at Lincoln Financial Field when the defense stopped Eagles backup quarterback Michael Vick on fourth-and-1 from the Green Bay 42-yard line with under two minutes left.
- ► "Finally," linebacker **Nick Barnett** said of getting a win in Philadelphia. "We've had a lot of heartbreaks on this field. Fourth-and-26, a lot of other different situations. It feels good to leave this field, finally, with a win."
- ▶The Packers not only erased 48 years of bad history nine straight losses in Philly since 1962, including that infamous 2003 playoff game with the fourth-and-26 conversion but proved at least for now they have what it takes to pull a game out when things start to go a little haywire.
- ▶Running back Ryan Grant left the game with an ankle injury, the defensive line was down to two healthy members and a third in Cullen Jenkins playing with a broken hand, and Vick suddenly reverted to prime form when pressed into duty, running for 103

yards, throwing for 175 and nearly bringing the Eagles back from a 17-point hole in the fourth quarter.

- ▶ "It was gutty," receiver **Donald Driver** said, echoing a comment made by Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** after the game as well. "It wasn't one of those things where we went out on offense and put up 45 points and made it look easy. It was a tough one. We knew it was going to be tough."
- ► For a while it didn't look like it would be that stressful.
- ▶After a slow start that included an interception and three sacks on the Packers' first three drives, the offense found its rhythm by scoring on four straight possessions spanning the end of the first half and start of the second. In the final two minutes of the second quarter, the Packers put up 10 points, as Driver caught a 6-yard touchdown pass and Mason Crosby set a franchise record with a 56-yard field goal as the clock expired for a 13-3 halftime lead.
- ▶The Packers carried that momentum into the second half when **Charles Woodson** forced a fumble from Eagles running back Eldra Buckley on the opening possession of the third quarter. **Tramon Williams** recovered, and the offense capitalized with a 62-yard TD march. Stepping in for Grant, **Brandon Jackson** (18 carries, 63 yards) and **John Kuhn** combined to rush for 35 yards on the drive, with Kuhn scoring from 3 yards out to make it 20-3.
- ► The teams then traded touchdowns on the next two possessions. Vick, taking over in the second half for starter Kevin Kolb (concussion), showed what was to come in the fourth quarter by scrambling for 31 yards to set up a 12-yard TD run by LeSean McCoy.

- "It threw a curveball in the game with him coming out there," Barnett said.
- ▶It certainly did, because Kolb had managed to produce just 49 yards of offense for the Eagles in the first half. He was sacked twice and nearly intercepted twice before linebacker Clay Matthews caught him from behind late in the first half and his head hit the turf hard. Even with Vick's first full possession ending in the fumble, the Eagles offense put up 124 yards on its first two drives of the second half, more than doubling the first-half total.
- ▶But the Packers quickly restored their margin to 17 as **Jordy Nelson** returned the ensuing kickoff out to midfield and the offense needed just four plays to score. **Greg Jennings** hauled in a perfectly thrown 32-yard TD for a 27-10 lead with 1:56 left in the third.
- ▶That was the last hurrah for the offense, however. On their next three

possessions, the Packers gained a measly 11 yards with a three-andout, a third-down interception by **Aaron Rodgers**, and a drive that picked up just one first down before ending in a punt.

- ►"I played terrible," Rodgers said.
  "Probably about as bad as I can
  play, so that's a good thing (that we
  still won). Gotta get better. Missed
  a lot of throws ... that I make in my
  sleep, so I'm disappointed about
- ►"It's disappointing as a quarterback playing the way I did because I felt like we could have put a lot more points on the board and given our defense more of a break."
- ▶ Rodgers finished 19-of-31 for 188 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions for a 73.1 rating. That efficiency rating is the second-lowest for Rodgers in his last 21 regular-season starts. The struggles late were especially costly on third down, as on Rodgers' last three third-down throws he was incomplete twice and picked off once.
- ► "We have to extend series in the football game, especially at that particular time," McCarthy said. "Our defense was on the field way too much in the second half. We're short defensive linemen and we're playing against a very mobile quarterback. That was a tough, gutty performance by our football team."
- ► With Rodgers sputtering, Vick was bringing the Eagles back, scrambling and throwing his way to a 72-yard touchdown drive. He hit Jeremy Maclin for a sliding 17-yard TD catch to make it 27-17, and then, after the turnover, he drove the Eagles to the Green Bay 5. But the defense stopped a shovel pass cold and Vick threw incomplete on third down, leading to a field goal and a 27-20 score with 5:43 left.
- ▶That proved to be a big stop, as the Eagles got one final chance with 4:13 left but needed a touchdown. Vick overcame two sacks to set up the fateful fourth-and-1 from the Green Bay 42, and out of the shotgun he ran a quarterback draw. The Packers were prepared for it, and Matthews stuffed Vick in the hole for no gain, sealing the victory.
- "To end the game on fourth-and-1 with a quarterback in the backfield who has a number of different options, that's a big play by our defense," McCarthy said.
- ►And a big win, all things considered, to start the season.
- ► "You can always build on wins," Woodson said. "We showed some toughness."



#### **2010 SCHEDULE NOTES**

2010 OPPONENTS				
	Doe		NFL R Offense	
	at Atlanta Falcons(0-			22
	Buffalo Bills(0-	1)	32	14
	Chicago Bears(1-0	<b>)</b>	1	2
	Dallas Cowboys(0-	1)	5	7
	Detroit Lions(0-	1)	31	31T
	Miami Dolphins(1-0	<b>)</b>	19	1
	Minnesota Vikings(0-	1)	25	17
	at New England Patriots(1-0	<b>)</b>	7T	30
THE STATE OF THE S	New York Giants(1-0	<b>)</b>	7T	5
	at New York Jets(0-	1)	30	10
	at Philadelphia Eagles(0-	1)	15	15T
	San Francisco 49ers(0-	1)	24	6
	at Washington Redskins(1-0	<b>)</b>	26	28

#### A LOOK AT THE SCHEDULE

The Green Bay Packers' 90th NFL regular-season schedule – headlined by six nationally televised games – was released in late April.

- ► Though the 2010 opponents have been known since the end of last season, the arrival of the complete NFL schedule is a day circled on the calendar of all football fans.
- ▶ Green Bay opened the 2010 slate on the road at Philadelphia before kicking off the home schedule with the Buffalo Bills in Week 2.
- ▶ Its first prime-time appearance against the rival Bears in Chicago on *Monday Night Football* will come in Week 3. The NFL's oldest rivalry will be on display in prime time for a fifth straight season, with this first meeting of the year marking game No. 180 in the all-time series.
- ► 2010 marks the 18th consecutive season the Packers have appeared on *Monday Night Football*. the NFC's longest streak.
- ► Three games are slated for Sunday night on NBC, including home games against the Minnesota Vikings (Week 7) and Dallas Cowboys (Week 9). In Week 15, the Packers are scheduled to take on the Patriots on Sunday night in Foxborough, though the game is subject to the NFL's flex scheduling.
- ►The Packers will get their first look at the new stadium in New Jersey in Week 8 against the Jets, where they may experience some cool fall temperatures. While games at Lambeau Field later in the season always provide a home-field advantage for the Packers, the 2010 schedule is nearly void of cold-weather road games. After the Jets, three consecutive road contests will be played in domes (Minnesota, Atlanta, Detroit).
- ► That's good news for a Green Bay offense that seems to thrive in domes. Including playoffs, the Packers played in a dome five times last season, exceeding 400 total net yards in four of those games.
- ► A number of games on the Packers' 2010 schedule namely those on national TV are beginning to have a familiar feel. In addition to taking on the Bears for a fifth consecutive year in prime time, Green Bay will take on Minnesota in prime time for a third straight season. The Packers and Cowboys will meet on national TV for the fourth straight season.
- ▶ The schedule concludes with two home games for the first time since 2005. One of the NFL's best teams in regular-season games played in December and January, Green Bay may need to call upon that previous success for what could prove to be two very important contests surrounding the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Games against the Giants (Week 16) and Bears (Week 17) could determine not only the NFC North Division crown but conference playoff seeding.

#### **2010 SCHEDULE NUGGETS**

Green Bay's bye week comes in Week 10, the latest possible week for NFL teams. It marks the latest time in which the Packers have had a bye in franchise history, besting the Week 9 bye in 2004. The Packers will play nine games before the bye and seven after the open date.

- ► Three of four games before the bye come at Lambeau Field, while four of five games after the bye are road contests.
- ▶ Immediately following the bye comes an important division game against Minnesota, the first of three straight road games played in domes. Under McCarthy, the team has won three of four games after the bye week and 10 of its last 14 after the bye dating back further.
- ► Green Bay has always been a successful team after the bye and 2009 was no different, as the team compiled a 9-3 (.750) mark after the bye week. Since 2000, the team is 61-36 (.629) overall after the bye.
- ► Fifteen games are slated for Sunday, the most since 1993 (also 15).
- ► Seven of the final eight games are against NFC opponents.
- ▶ The Packers have six games on the schedule against 2009 playoff teams, including Week 1 at Philadelphia. Beginning in Week 7 vs. Minnesota, Green Bay has a stretch of four straight games against playoff teams from a year ago. The team will travel east to take on the Jets in Week 8 and host the Cowboys in Week 9 before the bye. The stretch concludes in Minnesota in Week 11.
- ► The NFL's oldest rivalry will see a first in 2010. For the first time in series history, Green Bay will host Chicago in the regular-season finale, set to be game No. 181 between the Packers and Bears.

#### STREAKS & MILESTONES

#### **56 NICK BARNETT**

- ▶ Ranks third on the franchise's all-time list in tackles with 992 career, behind No. 1 John Anderson (1,020) and No. 2 Johnnie Gray (1,001).
- Established a new career high with four sacks in 2009.
- ► Finished last season as the team's leading tackler for a franchise-record fifth time in his seven seasons.

#### **76 CHAD CLIFTON**

- ► Has played in 144 career games, including 139 starts.
- ► Has started 107 of the last 113 games since returning from a serious pelvic injury that ended his 2002 season.

#### **36 NICK COLLINS**

- ► In 2009, became the first Packers player to record an interception in four consecutive games (Weeks 11-14) since 1961 (John Symank).
- ►With 13 interceptions since 2008, is tied for second with Philadelphia's Asante Samuel among all NFL players behind Charles Woodson (16).
- ► Leads all NFL players with 405 interception return yards since 2008.
- ►With four interception returns for scores in his career, matches No. 5 Johnny (Blood) McNally on Green Bay's all-time career list. With another, would match No. 3 Bobby Dillon and Darren Sharper, each of whom returned five.

#### **2 MASON CROSBY**

- ► Established a new NFL record for most points scored by a player in his first three seasons (397), breaking the record held by New England's Stephen Gostkowski (388, 2006-08). Crosby now has 406 career points.
- ► Set a franchise record with a 56-yard field goal in Week 1 at Philadelphia, eclipsing the mark of 54 previously held by three kickers (Chris Jacke, Rvan Longwell and Dave Ravner).
- ► For his career, has hit 59-of-65 field goals from 39 yards and closer.
- ► Has hit 19-of-28 field goals from 40-49 yards.
- ► Has hit 9-of-18 field goals from 50-plus yards.

#### **80 DONALD DRIVER**

- ► Topped the 1,000-yard receiving mark for a seventh overall season and sixth consecutive in 2009, extending his own team record in each category.
- ► Has 9,080 career receiving yards, No. 2 on the franchise's all-time receiving yards list behind No. 1 James Lofton (9,656).
- ► Surpassed Sterling Sharpe (595) in 2009 to become the franchise's all-time leader in receptions. Driver has 652 career catches.
- ► Has a reception in 128 consecutive games, besting the franchise's previous long streak of Sharpe's 103 (1988-94).

- ▶In 2009, had 50-plus receptions for the eighth time, a new franchise record. Lofton and Sharpe each had seven seasons with 50-plus catches.
- ► Is the all-time leading receiver at Lambeau Field, with 4,285 career receiving yards at the stadium.
- ► Also is Lambeau Field's all-time leader in receptions with 311.
- ►Stands at No. 3 with 19 TD catches at Lambeau Field. Antonio Freeman
  - (36) ranks first in the stadium's history, while Sharpe (20) is No. 2.
  - ► Has 22 career 100-yard receiving games, No. 4 in team history. Needs two more games to equal No. 3 Don Hutson (24) on the all-time list.
  - ► With 50 career TD receptions, joins Hutson (99), Sharpe (65), Freeman (57) and Max McGee (50) as the only Packers with 50 career TD catches.
  - ► Ranks fourth all-time in yards from scrimmage with 9,297. Driver needs 416 yards to move past No. 3 Jim Taylor (9,712).

#### **88 JERMICHAEL FINLEY**

- ► His 55 catches in 2009 tied for the second-best mark in team history by a tight end in a single season behind only Paul Coffman's 56 in 1979.
- ► Had eight 50-yard games on the season, a team record for tight ends.
- ► Had career highs in catches (55), receiving yards (676) and TDs (5).
- ►Tied a franchise record for receiving yards by a tight end (Jackie Harris, 128, Oct. 10, 1993, vs. Denver) with 128 receiving yards in Week 4.
- ► His 62-yard touchdown in Minnesota was the longest reception by a tight end since 1993 (Jackie Harris, 66t, Oct. 10, 1993).

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

- ► Has played in all 65 games in his career, including 62 starts.
- ►Tied a career high with two interceptions in 2009.
- ► In 2009, was one of only 10 NFL linebackers to record at least 85 tackles, two interceptions and a sack.

#### **85 GREG JENNINGS**

- ► Led the team in receiving yards (1,113) in 2009 for the second straight season.
- ▶ Became the fifth player in team history to post back-to-back 1,000-yard receiving seasons, joining Lofton, Sharpe, Freeman and Driver.
- ► His 21 catches of 40-plus yards since 2007 leads all NFL players.
- ► Had 111 receiving yards in Week 16 last year vs. Seattle, his 14th career 100-yard game.
- ►In Week 1 at Philadelphia, surpassed 4,000 career receiving yards in his 60th career game. He now has 4,039 career yards.



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.

#### **STREAKS & MILESTONES**

#### **86 DONALD LEE**

- ► With 14 touchdowns while with the Packers, needs one more to match No. 5 Ron Kramer (15) on the franchise's all-time tight ends list.
- ► Needs four receptions to move past No. 6 Ron Kramer (170) on the team's all-time tight ends list.

#### **12 AARON RODGERS**

- ▶ Became the first player in NFL history to post 4,000 yards passing in each of his first two seasons as a starter.
- ► Finished the '09 season with 4,434 passing yards, No. 2 on the franchise's single-season list behind Lynn Dickey (4,458, 1983).
- ► Finished the '09 season fourth in the NFL in passing yards (career-high 4,434), fourth in touchdown passes (career-high 30), fourth in QB rating (103.2), ninth in completion percentage (64.7%), first in interception percentage (1.3%), tied for ninth in 20-plus yard completions (55) and tied for first in 40-plus yard passes (17).
- ► His passer rating of 103.2 was the second-best single-season mark in franchise history, behind Bart Starr's 105.0 in 1966 (min. 200 attempts).
- ► Is one of only two QBs in NFL history (Brett Favre, 2009) to post 30-plus passing TDs and seven or fewer interceptions in the same season.
- ► Joined Steve Young (San Francisco, 1998) as the only quarterbacks in NFL history to throw for 4,000 yards and 30 TDs and rush for 300 yards and five TDs in the same season.
- ► His third-down passer rating of 133.5 led the league and was the best mark in the NFL since Kurt Warner's 137.3 in 1999 with St. Louis.
- ► His 316 rushing yards ranked second among quarterbacks, and his five rushing TDs were the most by a Packers quarterback since 1989, when Don Majkowski also had five.
- ► Has nine career 300-yard games and nine 3-TD games.
- ▶In 33 career starts, has eclipsed a 100.0-plus passer rating 18 times.
- ►His 155.4 passer rating at Cleveland in Week 7 in 2009 was the franchise's highest single-game total (min. 20 attempts), besting Brett Favre's 154.9 rating set in Oakland on Dec. 22, 2003.
- ▶ Registered a passer rating over 110.0 in four consecutive games (Weeks 3-7), becoming just the second quarterback in franchise history (Bart Starr, 1966) to accomplish the feat in a single season.
- ► Is the fourth player in Packers history to surpass the 4,000-yard mark, joining Lynn Dickey (1), Brett Favre (5) and Don Majkowski (1).

#### **38 TRAMON WILLIAMS**

- ►Led the team with a career-high 22 passes defensed in 2009.
- ► Starting with his first career interception in the 2007 regular-season finale, has 10 interceptions in the last 33 games.
- ► Was the only non-drafted free agent in the NFL to post four or more interceptions in both 2008 and 2009.

#### 21 CHARLES WOODSON

- ▶In 2009, established new career highs in tackles (81), interceptions (9, tied league lead), and interception returns for TDs (3, tied league lead and team record), and matched a career high with four forced fumbles.
- ► Has 45 career interceptions, 28 in 63 games since coming to Green Bay in 2006. Woodson had 17 interceptions in 106 games with Oakland.
- ►Woodson's 16 interceptions since 2008 leads all NFL players.
- ▶ Became the fourth player in NFL history since sacks became an official statistic in 1982 to record at least nine interceptions and two sacks in a single season. Is the only player in NFL history to post at least seven interceptions and two sacks in back-to-back seasons.
- ►His eight defensive touchdowns with Green Bay (seven interceptions, one fumble recovery) is a team record.
- ► With seven interception returns for scores, is tied at No. 1 on Green Bay's all-time list with Herb Adderley (1961-69).
- ► For his career, has nine INT-return TDs, tying him at No. 3 on the NFL's all-time list with Ken Houston, Deion Sanders and Aeneas Williams.
- ►In 2009, became the first NFC player to win the conference's Defensive Player of the Month award multiple times in one season (Sept., Nov., Dec).
- ►With nine interceptions in 2009, became only the second player in franchise history to post at least seven interceptions in three different seasons (Bobby Dillon, 1953-57).
- ► With two interceptions against Detroit on Thanksgiving in 2009, recorded the fifth multi-interception game of his career. Four of those games have come with Green Bay.
- ▶ His five sacks since 2008 is tied for the most among defensive backs.
- ▶ Became the first NFL player since sacks became an official statistic in 1982 to record two interceptions, an interception for a touchdown, a sack and a fumble recovery in the same game when he posted all of those statistics at Detroit on Thanksgiving.

### **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

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Bryan Bulagabuh-LAH-gah
Brandon Chillar
Brett GoodeGEWD
Justin HarrellHAIR-uhl
Cullen Jenkins KULL-en
John Kuhn KOON
Tim Masthay MAS-tay
Ryan Pickett
Brady Poppingapuh-PING-ah
Andrew QuarlessQUAR-less
B.J. Raji

Josh Sitton	ΓT-en
Jason Spitz	PITTS
Mark Tauscher	
Tramon Williamstrah-M	/IAHN

### **COACHES**

James Campen	 	 	KAMP-er
Tom Clements	 	 	KLEMM-ints
Jerry Fontenot	 	 	FON-tin-oh
Ben McAdoo .	 	 M	ACK-ah-doo
Shawn Slocum	 	 S	LOW-kumm
Mike Trgovac .	 	 	TUR-go-vac

### **PACKERS PROJECTED STARTERS - OFFENSE**

#### WR Greg Jennings, 5-11, 198, 5th Year, Western Michigan

- One of just five receivers in team history to post back-to-back 1,000yard seasons.
- Leads the NFL with 21 catches of 40-plus yards since 2007, and his career 34.1-yard average per TD reception is tops among active players.
- ► Has caught a pass in 59 of 60 games played for the Packers (62 of 63 including playoffs).

#### LT Chad Clifton, 6-5, 320, 11th Year, Tennessee

- ► Has blocked for five of the top eight single-season rushers in team history, and has helped pave the way for a 1,000-yard rusher in eight of his 10 seasons in Green Bay.
- ► Has started 107 of 113 games (113 of 119 including playoffs) at LT since returning to the field in 2003 from the serious pelvic injury that ended his '02 season.
- ► As an unrestricted free agent, re-signed with the team in early March for an 11th season in which he could play in his 150th regular-season game with Green Bay, a mark reached by only 18 others in team history.

#### LG Daryn Colledge, 6-4, 308, 5th Year, Boise State

- ► Has shown his durability by never missing a game in the NFL or in college, a combined total of 117 games (120 including playoffs).
- ▶ Played 97.4 percent of the offensive snaps in 2009, second on the team for any player on either side of the ball behind fellow G Josh Sitton. In 2008, joined Jason Spitz as the only offensive players to play every snap.
- ▶ Named Packers' 2009 Walter Payton Man of the Year, the only league award that recognizes player off-the-field community service as well as playing excellence.

#### C Scott Wells, 6-2, 300, 7th Year, Tennessee

- ▶ Began 2009 season as backup at center but reclaimed starting role early due to injury reshuffling and didn't relinquish it.
- ► Has played in 80 games with 69 starts during his first six-plus seasons in Green Bay, with 57 starts at center since 2006.
- ► A key blocker in Ryan Grant's back-to-back 1,200-yard rushing seasons, making Grant only the third running back in team history to accomplish that feat.

#### RG Josh Sitton, 6-3, 318, 3rd Year, Central Florida

- ► Was the only Packers offensive lineman to open every game at one position in 2009. Also played all 1,093 snaps on offense, the only player on either side of the ball to not miss a snap with his unit.
- ► Known best for his run blocking, was a key cog in Ryan Grant's careerbest 1,253-yard season in 2009, the sixth-best single-season rushing total in franchise annals.
- ► Was slated to start at RG as a rookie in 2008 if not for a preseason knee injury. Went on to play in 11 games with two starts.

#### RT Mark Tauscher, 6-3, 320, 11th Year, Wisconsin

- ► Was out of football for the first half of the 2009 season after the second season-ending knee injury of his career came in the final month of '08, but re-signed Oct. 12 and went on to start eight games in '09.
- ► Helped solidify the line during the second half of the year, as the offense allowed only 10 sacks over the final seven games after allowing 41 in the first nine.
- ▶ Originally a seventh-round selection by the Packers in 2000, has gone on to play in 131 games with 129 starts during his career.

#### TE Jermichael Finley, 6-5, 247, 3rd Year, Texas

- ▶ Posted second-most catches in a single season by a Green Bay tight end (55) and fifth-most yards (676) despite missing three games with a knee injury.
- ► Finished season with Green Bay playoff-record 159 receiving yards in NFC Wild Card loss at Arizona, the second-most productive game by a TE in NFL postseason history behind San Diego's Kellen Winslow (166 yards, Jan. 2, 1982, vs. Miami).
- ► Upon returning from knee injury in Week 11, ranked third in the league among tight ends with 37 receptions, trailing only Dallas' Jason Witten (45) and Atlanta's Tony Gonzalez (39).

#### WR Donald Driver, 6-0, 194, 12th Year, Alcorn State

- ► Ranks first on the franchise's all-time list for receptions with 652 and ranks second in team history with 9,080 career yards, trailing only James Lofton (9,656).
- ► Extended two team records in 2009 with his seventh 1,000-yard season and sixth straight. Indianapolis' Reggie Wayne was the only player in the NFL to have a 1,000-yard season each year from 2004-09.
- ► Has a current streak of 128 games with at least one reception (134 including postseason), the longest streak in franchise history.
- Signed two-year contract extension with the team through 2012 on Aug. 6.

#### QB Aaron Rodgers, 6-2, 225, 6th Year, California

- ► Last season, became the first quarterback in NFL history to throw for 4,000 yards in each of his first two seasons as a starter.
- ▶ In 2009, nearly broke the franchise's single-season record with 4,434 passing yards, falling just short of Lynn Dickey's mark of 4,458 in 1984 on the way to his first Pro Bowl selection.
- ► In 33 regular-season starts, has posted nine 300-yard passing games, 19 games without an interception and 18 with a 100-plus passer rating.

#### RB Brandon Jackson, 5-10, 216, 4th Year, Nebraska

- ▶ With starter Ryan Grant out for the season with an ankle injury, is expected to be in the starting lineup for the first time since Sept. 23, 2007, vs. San Diego, Jackson's rookie season.
- ► Has developed into one of the team's most reliable pass protectors in the backfield, handling the third-down role in 2008-09.
- ► His 5.5 yards-per-carry average in 2008 tied for fifth in the NFL among players with at least 45 carries.

#### FB Korey Hall, 6-0, 236, 4th Year, Boise State

- ► Converted from linebacker to fullback upon arriving in Green Bay as a sixth-round pick in 2007, playing in 36 games with 20 starts over his first three seasons.
- ► Helped clear the way for RB Ryan Grant to post back-to-back 1,200-yard seasons, making Grant just the third back in team annals to accomplish the feat.
- ► Posted 37 special teams tackles from 2007-09, third most on the team over that span.

#### **2009 OFFENSE - TEAM NOTES**

- ► Posted franchise-record 461 points, topping the mark of 456 set by the 1996 Super Bowl champion Packers.
- ► Led the league with just 16 giveaways, the fewest in franchise history, surpassing the previous low of 19 in 1972.
- ► Finished with 6,065 total net yards, the third-best mark in team history behind only the 6,357 yards in 2004 and the 6,172 in 1983.
- ▶ Became first team in NFL history to have a 4,000-yard passer (Rodgers), two 1,000-yard receivers (Driver and Jennings) and a 1,200-yard rusher (Grant) in back-to-back seasons.
- ► Led the NFL in time-of-possession average at 33:03, the best mark in team history since stat began to be recorded in 1977.
- Outscored opponents by 164 points, good for the No. 2 scoring differential in the league behind only New Orleans (plus-169).
- ► Had six different players (Driver, Jennings, J. Jones, Nelson, Finley, Havner) post 45-yard receptions, which matched the franchise record set in 1951 and 1983.



#### PACKERS PROJECTED STARTERS - DEFENSE

#### LDE Ryan Pickett, 6-2, 340, 10th Year, Ohio State

- ► Key component of Packers' No. 1-ranked rushing defense in 2009 (franchise-record 83.3 yards allowed per game), the first time in team history that Green Bay led the league in that category.
- ► Has played in 135 of a possible 145 regular-season games during his nine-year career, missing just five contests due to injury.
- ► Signed four-year contract extension with the team through 2013 in March, and made the move from NT to LDE this offseason.

#### NT B.J. Raji, 6-2, 337, 2nd Year, Boston College

- ► Named to the *Pro Football Weekly*/PFWA All-Rookie team, the first Packers defensive lineman to be selected since DE Vonnie Holliday in 1998.
- ▶ Played in 14 games with one start as a rookie in 2009, seeing most of his time at both end spots and as a down lineman in the nickel package, but is taking over starting nose tackle spot this season.
- ► Part of top-ranked rushing defense in the NFL in 2009 (team-record 83.3 yards allowed per game).

#### RDE Cullen Jenkins, 6-2, 305, 7th Year, Central Michigan

- ► Started all 16 games for the first time in his career in 2009, and posted career highs in both tackles (50) and forced fumbles (three).
- ► One of only eight NFL defensive linemen to post at least 50 tackles, four sacks and three forced fumbles in 2009.
- ▶ Batted down nine passes in 2007, at the time the most by a Packers defensive lineman since the team began recording the statistic in 1980. Teammate Johnny Jolly eclipsed the mark in 2009 with 11.

#### LOLB Clay Matthews, 6-3, 255, 2nd Year, Southern California

- ➤ Set a Packers rookie record with 10 sacks in 2009 on his way to earning Pro Bowl honors, the first Green Bay rookie to be named to the all-star game since WR James Lofton in 1978.
- ► Selected to the *Pro Football Weekly*/PFWA All-Rookie team, earned 'Pepsi NFL Rookie of the Week' honors twice (Weeks 6 and 10), and was named NFC Defensive Player of the Week once (Week 13).
- ► Was sidelined for all four preseason games this season after injuring hamstring in annual Family Night scrimmage on Aug. 7.

#### BLB A.J. Hawk, 6-1, 247, 5th Year, Ohio State

- ► Has either led the team or finished second in tackles each of his four seasons in Green Bay.
- One of only 10 NFL linebackers to record at least 85 tackles, two interceptions and a sack in 2009.
- ► Hasn't missed a game in his career, playing in all 65 games with 62 starts, with the only non-starts coming in both Minnesota games in 2009 and at Philadelphia in Week 1 this season when the Packers opened in their nickel defense.

#### MLB Nick Barnett, 6-2, 236, 8th Year, Oregon State

- ► Ranks third in franchise annals (stat kept since 1975) with 992 career tackles, trailing only John Anderson (1,020) and Johnnie Gray (1,001).
- ► In 2009, led the team in tackles (122) for the fifth time in his career, a franchise record.
- ► Has surpassed the 120-tackle total in every season besides 2008, when he missed the final seven games with a torn ACL.

#### ROLB Brad Jones, 6-3, 242, 2nd Year, Colorado

- ► Played in 14 games with seven starts as a rookie, taking over the starting LOLB position in Week 12 at Detroit after Aaron Kampman sustained a season-ending knee injury in the previous game.
- ► Became only the fifth Packer (since 1982) to record four sacks as a rookie.
- ► Was one of only six NFL rookies in 2009 to post four or more sacks, and was joined in that group by teammate Clay Matthews.

#### LCB Charles Woodson, 6-1, 202, 13th Year, Michigan

- ► Named NFL Defensive Player of the Year by *The Associated Press* last season, becoming only the second Packer to win the award (DE Reggie White, 1998) and the oldest defensive back to earn the honor.
- ► Earned his sixth Pro Bowl bid in '09 by posting career-high nine interceptions, and earned NFC Defensive Player of the Month honors three times. Became first defensive player in the NFL to win a monthly award three times in the same season.
- ► Holds the franchise record with eight defensive TDs (seven INTs, one fumble return), eclipsing CB Herb Adderley and S Darren Sharper in 2009 (seven each) for the team mark.

#### RCB Tramon Williams, 5-11, 191, 4th Year, Louisiana Tech

- ► Led the team with a career-high 22 passes defensed in 2009, and added a career-best 11 tackles on special teams.
- ► Was the only non-drafted free agent in the NFL to post four or more interceptions in both 2008 and 2009.
- ► In 2009, became the first player in franchise history to post a 65-yard interception return (67 vs. Chicago, Sept. 13) and a 45-yard punt return (45 vs. Detroit, Oct. 18) in the same season.

#### SS Morgan Burnett, 6-1, 209, Rookie, Georgia Tech

- ▶ With his start in Week 1, became only the second Packers rookie safety since Chuck Cecil in 1988 to start a regular-season opener (Nick Collins in 2005 was the other).
- ► Worked with the No. 1 defense throughout camp with incumbent starting SS Atari Bigby sidelined with an ankle injury that required surgery on Aug. 6.
- ► A third-round pick that the Packers moved up 15 spots to select, Burnett intercepted 14 passes in just three seasons at Georgia Tech, two shy of the school's career record.

#### FS Nick Collins, 5-11, 207, 6th Year, Bethune-Cookman

- ➤ Selected to the Pro Bowl for the second straight season in 2009, becoming the first Packers safety to earn the honor in back-to-back seasons since LeRoy Butler (1996-98).
- Leads all NFL safeties with 13 interceptions since 2008, and leads the league with 405 interception return yards over that span.
- ▶ Returned three INTs for TDs in 2008, becoming the first NFL safety to do so since Kansas City's Lloyd Burruss in 1986. His 295 INT return yards in '08 led the NFL and broke the franchise record (Bobby Dillon, 244 in 1956).

#### **2009 DEFENSE - TEAM NOTES**

- ▶ Led the NFL in rushing defense (a franchise-record 83.3 yards per game), the first time in team history that the Packers had the top run defense in the league.
- ► Finished season as the No. 2 overall defense, the highest ranking since the 1996 Packers finished as the No. 1 defense.
- ► Moved up 25 spots in the league rushing defense rankings from 2008, the biggest one-year improvement in the history of the franchise.
- ► Led the league with 40 takeaways and led the NFL with 30 interceptions, the first time the Packers led the league in interceptions since 1965 (tied with Washington for No. 1 that season with 27).
- ► Held opponents to less than 90 net yards rushing in 12 games, breaking the previous franchise record of 11 games set in 1996.
- ► Posted 141 points off of takeaways, tied for the No. 1 ranking in the league with New Orleans.



### **OFFENSE**

				OI I LITOL		
WR:	85	Greg Jennings	87	Jordy Nelson	16	Brett Swain
LT:	76	Chad Clifton	<u>75</u>	Bryan Bulaga	<u>74</u>	Marshall Newhouse
LG:	73	Daryn Colledge	<u>75</u>	Bryan Bulaga	<u>74</u>	Marshall Newhouse
C:	63	Scott Wells	72	Jason Spitz	<u>67</u>	Nick McDonald
RG:	71	Josh Sitton	70	T.J. Lang	<u>67</u>	Nick McDonald
RT:	65	Mark Tauscher	70	T.J. Lang		
TE:	88	Jermichael Finley	86	Donald Lee	<u>83</u>	Tom Crabtree
					<u>81</u>	Andrew Quarless
WR:	80	Donald Driver	89	James Jones		
QB:	12	Aaron Rodgers	10	Matt Flynn		
RB:	32	Brandon Jackson	30	John Kuhn	<u>23</u>	<u>Dimitri Nance</u>
FB:	35	Korey Hall	30	John Kuhn	45	Quinn Johnson
				<u>DEFENSE</u>		
LDE:	79	Ryan Pickett	<u>98</u>	C.J. Wilson	94	Jarius Wynn
NT:	90	B.J. Raji	79	Ryan Pickett		
RDE:	77	Cullen Jenkins	<u>96</u>	Mike Neal		
LOLB:	52	Clay Matthews	51	Brady Poppinga		
BLB:	50	A.J. Hawk	55	Desmond Bishop		
MLB:	56	Nick Barnett	54	Brandon Chillar		
ROLB:	59	Brad Jones	<u>58</u>	Frank Zombo		
LCB:	21	Charles Woodson	<u>37</u>	Sam Shields	22	Pat Lee
RCB:	38	Tramon Williams	33	Brandon Underwood	24	Jarrett Bush
SS:	<u>42</u>	<u>Morgan Burnett</u>	26	Charlie Peprah		
FS:	36	Nick Collins	29	Derrick Martin		
			<u>S</u> I	PECIAL TEAMS		
K:	2	Mason Crosby	<u>8</u>	Tim Masthay		
P:	<u>8</u>	Tim Masthay				
H:	<u>8</u>	Tim Masthay	10	Matt Flynn		

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

Tramon Williams

Jordy Nelson

Brett Goode

**Brett Goode** 

PR:

KR:

PC:

KC:

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**Greg Jennings** 

Pat Lee

Josh Sitton

Josh Sitton

Jordy Nelson

Tramon Williams

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### HOW THE PACKERS WERE BUILT

Year	Record	Draft (36)	Trades (1)	Free Agents (14)
1999	8-8-0	WR Donald Driver D7b		
2000	9-7-0	T Chad Clifton D2		
		T Mark Tauscher D7a (FA-09)		
2001	12-4-0			
2002	12-4-0			
2003	10-6-0	LB Nick Barnett D1		
2004	10-6-0	C Scott Wells D7 (FA-04)		DE Cullen Jenkins
2005	4-12-0	QB Aaron Rodgers D1		TE Donald Lee
		S Nick Collins D2a		
		LB Brady Poppinga D4b		
2006	8-8-0	LB A.J. Hawk D1		DE/NT Ryan Pickett (UFA)
		G Daryn Colledge D2a		CB Tramon Williams
		WR Greg Jennings D2b		CB Charles Woodson (UFA)
		C/G Jason Spitz D3b		
2007	13-3-0	RB Brandon Jackson D2		
		WR James Jones D3a		
		FB Korey Hall D6a		
		LB Desmond Bishop D6b		
		K Mason Crosby D6c		
2008	6-10-0	WR Jordy Nelson D2a		LB Brandon Chillar (UFA)
		CB Pat Lee D2c		LS Brett Goode
		TE Jermichael Finley D3		
		G Josh Sitton D4b		
		QB Matt Flynn D7a		
		WR Brett Swain D7b (FA-08)		
2009	11-5-0	NT B.J. Raji D1a	S Derrick Martin (Bal)	
		LB Clay Matthews D1b		
		T/G T.J. Lang D4		
		FB Quinn Johnson D5a		
		DE Jarius Wynn D6a (FA-10)		
		CB Brandon Underwood D6b		
		LB Brad Jones D7		
2010	1-0-0	T/G Bryan Bulaga D1		TE Tom Crabtree
		DE Mike Neal D2		P Tim Masthay
		S Morgan Burnett D3		G Nick McDonald
		TE Andrew Quarless D5a		RB Dimitri Nance (PS-Atl)
		G/T Marshall Newhouse D5b		S Charlie Peprah
		DE C.J. Wilson D7		CB Sam Shields
				LB Frank Zombo

Waivers (2): CB Jarrett Bush (from Carolina), 2006; RB John Kuhn (from Pittsburgh), 2007

Players on Reserve/PUP (3): S Atari Bigby (FA-05), CB Al Harris (T-03, Phi), RB James Starks (D6-10)

### **2010 REGULAR-SEASON STATISTICS**

	Packers	Opponent
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	22	16
RUSHING	8	7
PASSING	13	8
PENALTY	1	1
3RD DOWN: MADE/ATT	6/14	5/13
3RD DOWN PCT	42.9	38.5
4TH DOWN: MADE/ATT	0/0	0/1
4TH DOWN PCT	0.0	0.0
POSSESSION AVG	31:55	28:05
TOTAL NET YARDS	299	321
AVG. PER GAME	299.0	321.0
TOTAL PLAYS	67	60
AVG. PER PLAY	4.5	5.4
NET YARDS RUSHING	132	150
AVG. PER GAME	132.0	150.0
TOTAL RUSHES	33	21
NET YARDS PASSING	167	171
AVG. PER GAME	167.0	171.0
SACKED/YARDS LOST	3/21	5/28
GROSS YARDS	188	199
ATT./COMPLETIONS	31/19	34/21
COMPLETION PCT	61.3	61.8
HAD INTERCEPTED	2	0
PUNTS/AVERAGE	4/41.5	5/49.6
NET PUNTING AVG	4/38.0	5/47.6
PENALTIES/YARDS	2/15	10/80
FUMBLES/BALL LOST	0/0	3/1
TOUCHDOWNS	3	2
RUSHING	1	1
PASSING	2	1
RETURNS	0	0

SCORE BY PERIODS PACKERS OPPONENTS		(	<b>Q1</b> 0 3	<b>Q2</b> 13 0	<b>Q3</b> 14 7	<b>Q4</b> 0 10	<b>OT</b> 0 0	<b>PTS</b> 27 20
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**SACKS:** Clay Matthews 2, Cullen Jenkins 1, B.J. Raji 1, Frank Zombo 1, PACKERS 5, OPPONENTS 3

RUSHING	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Brandon Jackson	18	63	3.5	18	0
Ryan Grant	8	45	5.6	18	0
John Kuhn	2	15	7.5	12	1
Aaron Rodgers	5	9	1.8	7	0
PACKERS	33	132	4.0	18	1
OPPONENTS	21	150	7.1	31	1

RECEIVING Greg Jennings. Donald Driver Jermichael Finley Brandon Jackson James Jones Jordy Nelson. PACKERS OPPONENTS		No 5 4 2 2 1 19 21	Yds 82 30 47 12 10 7 188 199	Avg 16.4 6.0 11.8 6.0 5.0 7.0 9.9 9.5	32t 7 20 13 7 7 7 32t 27	TD 1 1 0 0 0 2 1
INTERCEPTIONS PACKERS OPPONENTS		No 0 2	Yds 0 28	Avg 0.0 14.0	Long 0 17	TD 0 0
PUNTING         No           Tim Masthay         4           PACKERS         4           OPPONENTS         5	Yds 166 <b>166</b> <b>248</b>	Avg 41.5 41.5 49.6	Net 38.0 38.0 47.6	TB I 0 0 0	n 20 LG 0 48 0 48 0 57	0 0 0
PUNT RETURNS Tramon Williams. PACKERS. OPPONENTS.	Ret 1 1 2	FC 4 4 2	Yds 10 10 14	Avg 10.0 <b>10.0</b> <b>7.0</b>	Long 10 10 10	TD 0 0
KICKOFF RETURNS  Jordy Nelson.  PACKERS.  OPPONENTS.		No 5 <b>5</b> 4	Yds 156 <b>156</b> <b>93</b>	Avg 31.2 31.2 23.3	51 51 33	TD 0 0
FIELD GOALS  Mason Crosby.  PACKERS	1-19 0/0 0/0 0/0	<b>20-2</b> 0/ <b>0/</b> 1/	/0 <b>/0</b>	0-39 0/0 <b>0/0</b> <b>0/0</b>	40-49 1/1 1/1 1/1	50+ 1/1 1/1 0/0

Crosby: (49G, 56G) Opponents: (45G, 24G)

<u>PASSING</u>	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
Aaron Rodgers	31	19	188	61.3	6.06	2	6.5	2	6.5	32t	3/21	73.1
PACKERS	31	19	188	61.3	6.06	2	6.5	2	6.5	32t	3/21	73.1
OPPONENTS	34	21	199	61.8	5.85	1	2.9	0	0.0	27	5/28	87.7



### **2010** REGULAR-SEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Official totals - based on coaches' film review, through Sept. 12 at Philadelphia

	Total			Sacks/	Int/	Fum	For	Pass
<u>Player</u>	<b>Tackles</b>	Solo	<u>Asst</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<b>Yards</b>	Rec	<u>Fum</u>	Def
Clay Matthews	. 9	8	1_	2.0/11.0	0/0	0	1	1
Brandon Chillar	. 7	6	1	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Nick Barnett	. 6	5	1_	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Brad Jones	. 5	4	1	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Charles Woodson	. 5	4	1_	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	1	1
Nick Collins	. 4	4	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Morgan Burnett	. 4	3	1_	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Ryan Pickett	. 4	2	2	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
B.J. Raji	. 3	3	0	1.0/9.0	0/0	0	0	0
Sam Shields		1_	2	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Cullen Jenkins	. 2	1	1	1.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Tramon Williams	. 2	1_	1_	0.0/0.0	0/0	1_	0	3
Jarrett Bush	. 1	1	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Brady Poppinga	. 1	1_	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Frank Zombo	. 1	1_	0	1.0/8.0	0/0	0	0	0
Totals	57	45	12	5.0/28.0	0/0	1	2	5

### **SPECIAL TEAMS**

<u>Player</u>	TT	FR	FF
Tom Crabtree	2	0	0
Korey Hall		0	0
Desmond Bishop	1	0	0
A.J. Hawk		0	0
Derrick Martin	1	0	0
Charlie Peprah	1	0	0
Totals	8	0	0

### **MISCELLANEOUS TACKLES**

<u>Player</u> <u>T</u>	<u>ackles</u>
Donald Driver	1
Jermichael Finley	1
Totals	2

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No	ALPHABETICAL ROSTER	Pos	Ht	Wt	Birthdate	Exp	College	High School Hometown
56	Barnett, Nick	LB	6-2	236	5/27/81	8	Oregon State	Fontana, Calif.
55	Bishop, Desmond	LB	6-2	238	7/24/84	4	California	Fairfield, Calif.
75	Bulaga, Bryan	T/G	6-5	314	3/21/89	R	lowa	Woodstock, III.
42	Burnett, Morgan	S	6-1	209	1/13/89	R	Georgia Tech	College Park, Ga.
24	Bush, Jarrett	CB	6-0	200	5/21/84	5	Utah State	Vacaville, Calif.
54	Chillar, Brandon	LB	6-3	237	10/21/82	7	UCLA	Carlsbad, Calif.
76	Clifton, Chad	T	6-5	320	6/26/76	11	Tennessee	Martin, Tenn.
73	Colledge, Daryn	G	6-4	308	2/11/82	5	Boise State	North Pole, Alaska
36	Collins, Nick	S	5-11	207	8/16/83	6	Bethune-Cookman	Cross City, Fla.
83	Crabtree, Tom	TE	6-4	245	11/4/85	1	Miami (Ohio)	Carroll, Ohio
2	Crosby, Mason	K	6-1	207	9/3/84	4	Colorado	Georgetown, Texas
80	Driver, Donald	WR	6-0	194	2/2/75	12	Alcorn State	Houston, Texas
88	Finley, Jermichael	TE	6-5	247	3/26/87	3	Texas	Diboll, Texas
10	Flynn, Matt	QB	6-2	225	6/20/85	3 3	Louisiana State	Tyler, Texas
61 35	Goode, Brett	FB	6-1 6-0	255 236	11/2/84	4	Arkansas Boise State	Fort Smith, Ark.
50	Hawk, A.J.	гв LB	6-1	230	8/5/83 1/6/84	5	Ohio State	Glenns Ferry, Idaho Centerville, Ohio
32	Jackson, Brandon	RB	5-10	216	10/2/85	4	Nebraska	Horn Lake, Miss.
77	Jenkins, Cullen	DE	6-2	305	1/20/81	7	Central Michigan	Belleville, Mich.
85	Jennings, Greg	WR	5-11	198	9/21/83	5	Western Michigan	Kalamazoo, Mich.
45	Johnson, Quinn.	FB	6-1	263	9/30/86	2	Louisiana State	Edgard, La.
59	Jones, Brad.	LB	6-3	242	4/1/86	2	Colorado	East Lansing, Mich.
89	Jones, James	WR	6-1	208	3/31/84	4	San Jose State	San Jose, Calif.
30	Kuhn, John	RB	6-0	250	9/9/82	5	Shippensburg	York, Pa.
70	Lang, T.J.	T/G	6-4	318	9/20/87	2	Eastern Michigan	Birmingham, Mich.
86	Lee, Donald.	TE	6-4	248	8/31/80	8	Mississippi State	Maben, Miss.
22	Lee, Pat.	CB	6-0	196	2/20/84	3	Auburn	Miami, Fla.
29	Martin, Derrick	S	5-10	198	5/16/85	5	Wyoming	Denver, Colo.
8	Masthay, Tim	P	6-1	200	3/16/87	1	Kentucky	Murray, Ky.
52	Matthews, Clay	LB	6-3	255	5/14/86	2	Southern California	Agoura Hills, Calif.
67	McDonald, Nick	G	6-4	316	6/27/87	R	Grand Valley State	Ster <mark>lin</mark> g Heights, Mich.
23	Nance, Dimitri	RB	5-10	219	2/18/88	R	Arizona State	Euless, Texas
96	Neal, Mike	DE	6-3	294	6/26/87	R	Purdue	Merrillville, Ind.
87	Nelson, Jordy	WR	6-3	217	5/31/85	3	Kansas State	Riley, Kan.
74	Newhouse, Mars <mark>hall</mark>	G/T	6-4	319	9/29/88	R	Texas Christian	Dallas, Texas
26	Peprah, Charlie	S	5-11	203	2/24/83	5	Alabama	Plano, Texas
79	Pickett, Ryan	.DE/NT	6-2	340	10/8/79	10	Ohio State	Zephyrhills, Fla.
51	Poppinga, Brady	LB	6-3	250	9/21/79	6	Brigham Young	Evanston, Wyo.
81	Quarless, Andrew	TE	6-4	252	10/6/88	R	Penn State	Uniondale, N.Y.
90	Raji, B.J	NT	6-2	337	7/11/86	2	Boston College	Washington Township, N.J.
12	Rodgers, Aaron	QB	6-2	225	12/2/83	6	California	Chico, Calif.
37	Shields, Sam	CB	5-11	184	12/8/87	R	Miami	Sarasota, Fla.
71	Sitton, Josh.	G	6-3	318	6/6/86	3	Central Florida	Pensacola, Fla.
72	Spitz, Jason	C/G	6-3	305	12/19/82	5	Louisville	Jacksonville, Fla.
16	Swain, Brett		6-0	200	6/21/85	2	San Diego State	Carlsbad, Calif.
65	Tauscher, Mark		6-3	320	6/17/77	11	Wisconsin	Auburndale, Wis.
28	Underwood, Brandon		6-1	191	6/24/86	2	Cincinnati	Hamilton, Ohio
63	Wells, Scott.	CB	6-2	300	1/7/81	7 4	Tennessee	Brentwood, Tenn.
38 98	Williams, Tramon		5-11 6-3	191 290	3/16/83 3/30/87	4 R	Louisiana Tech  East Carolina	Napoleonville, La. Pinetown, N.C.
21	Wilson, C.J	CB	6-1	202	10/7/76	13	Michigan	Fremont, Ohio
94	Wynn, Jarius.		6-3	285	8/29/86	2	Georgia	Lincolnton, Ga.
58	Zombo, Frank	LB	6-3	254	3/5/87	R	Central Michigan	Sterling Heights, Mich.
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69	Campbell, Chris	Т	6-5	328	9/22/86	R	Eastern Illinois	Chicago, III.
49	François, Robert		6-2	255	5/14/85	1	Boston College	Byfield, Mass.
68	Giacomini, Breno		6-7	318	9/27/85	3	Louisville	Malden, Mass.
6	Harrell, Graham.		6-2	215	5/22/85	1	Texas Tech	Ennis, Texas
39	Johnson, James		5-11	207	9/6/84	1	Kansas State	Port Arthur, Texas
34	Levine, Anthony		5-11	199	3/27/87	R	Tennessee State	Winston-Salem, N.C.
53	Simpkins, Maurice		6-0	236	4/29/83	1	Coastal Carolina	Leesville, S.C.
11	West, Chastin	WR	6-1	216	5/1/87	R	Fresno State	Moorpark, Calif.
Reserve/F	Physically Unable To Perform							
20	Bigby, Atari	S	5-11	213	9/19/81	5	Central Florida	Miami, Fla.
31	Harris, Al	CB	6-1	190	12/7/74	13	Texas A&M-Kingsville	Pompano Beach, Fla.
44	Starks, James	RB	6-2	218	2/25/86	R	Buffalo	Niagara Falls, N.Y.
Injured Re	<u>eserve</u>							
	Bell, Josh		5-11	177	1/8/85	3	Baylor	Aug. 12 (foot)
25	Grant, Ryan		6-1	222	12/9/82	4	Notre Dame	Sept. 14 (ankle)
91	Harrell, Justin	DE	6-4	315	2/14/84	4	Tennessee	Sept. 14 (knee)

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2	Mason Crosby	K	6-1	207	26	4	Colorado	D6c-07	1/0/0/0
8	Tim Masthay		6-1	200	23	11	Kentucky	FA-10	1/0/0/0
10	Matt Flynn	QB	6-2	225	25	3	Louisiana State	D7a-08	0/0/1/0
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	225	26	<u>6</u> 2	California	D1-05	1/1/0/0
16	Brett Swain	WR	6-0	200	25		San Diego State	D7b-08 (FA-08)	1/0/0/0
<u>21</u> 22	Charles Woodson	CB	6-1	202	33 26	13 3	Michigan	UFA-06 (Oak)	1/1/0/0
	Pat Lee		6-0	196	20		Auburn	D2c-08	1/0/0/0
23	Dimitri Nance	RB	5-10	219		R 5	Arizona State	PS-10 (Atl)	0/0/0/0
24	Jarrett Bush	CB	6-0	200	26 27	5 5	Utah State	W-06 (Car)	1/0/0/0
26	Charlie Peprah		5-11 6-1	203 191	24	2	Alabama	FA-10	1/0/0/0
<u>28</u> 	Derrick Martin	S	5-10		25	5	Cincinnati	D6b-09	0/0/0/1
30	John Kuhn	RB	6-0	198 250	28	5	Wyoming Shippensburg	T-09 (Bal) W-07 (Pitt)	1/0/0/0 1/0/0/0
32		RB	5-10		24	4		D2-07	-
35	Brandon Jackson	FB	6-0	216 236	27	4	Nebraska Reine State		1/0/0/0
36	Korey Hall	S	5-11	207	27	6	Boise State  Bethune-Cookman	D6a-07 D2a-05	1/1/0/0 1/1/0/0
37	Sam Shields	CB	5-11	184	22	R	Miami	FA-10	1/1/0/0
38	Tramon Williams	CB	5-11	191	27	4	Louisiana Tech	FA-10	1/1/0/0
42	Morgan Burnett	S	6-1	209	21	R R	Georgia Tech	D3-10	1/1/0/0
45	Quinn Johnson	FB	6-1	263	23	2	Louisiana State	D5a-09	0/0/0/1
50	A.J. Hawk	LB	6-1	247	26	5	Ohio State	D1-06	1/0/0/0
51	Brady Poppinga	LB	6-3	250	30	6	Brigham Young	D4b-05	1/0/0/0
52	Clay Matthews	LB	6-3	255	24	2	Southern California	D1b-09	1/1/0/0
54	Brandon Chillar	LB	6-3	237	27	7	UCLA	UFA-08 (StL)	1/1/0/0
55	Desmond Bishop	LB	6-2	238	26	4	California	D6b-07	1/0/0/0
56	Nick Barnett	LB	6-2	236	29	8	Oregon State	D1-03	1/1/0/0
58	Frank Zombo.	LB	6-3	254	23	R	Central Michigan	FA-10	1/0/0/0
59	Brad Jones	LB	6-3	242	24	2	Colorado	D7-09	1/1/0/0
61	Brett Goode	LS	6-1	255	25	3	Arkansas	FA-08	1/0/0/0
63	Scott Wells	C	6-2	300	29		Tennessee	D7-04 (FA-04)	1/1/0/0
65	Mark Tauscher	T	6-3	320	33	11	Wisconsin	D7a-00 (FA-09)	1/1/0/0
67	Nick McDonald	G	6-4	316	23	R	Grand Valley State	FA-10	0/0/0/1
70	T.J. Lang.	T/G	6-4	318	22	2	Eastern Michigan	D4-09	0/0/0/1
71	Josh Sitton		6-3	318	24	3	Central Florida	D4b-08	1/1/0/0
72	Jason Spitz		6-3	305	27	5	Louisville	D3b-06	1/0/0/0
73	Daryn Colledge	G	6-4	308	28	5	Boise State	D2a-06	1/1/0/0
74	Marshall Newhouse		6-4	319	21	R	Texas Christian	D5b-10	0/0/0/1
75	Bryan Bulaga.	T/G	6-5	314	21	R	lowa	D1-10	1/0/0/0
76	Chad Clifton	T	6-5	320	34	11	Tennessee	D2-00	1/1/0/0
77	Cullen Jenkins.	DE	6-2	305	29	7	Central Michigan	FA-04	1/1/0/0
79	Ryan Pickett	DE/NT	6-2	340	30	10	Ohio State	UFA-06 (StL)	1/0/0/0
80	Donald Driver	WR	6-0	194	35	12	Alcorn State	D7b-99	1/1/0/0
81	Andrew Quarless.	TE	6-4	252	21	R	Penn State	D5a-10	0/0/0/1
83	Tom Crahtree	TF	6-4	245	24	- 1	Miami (Ohio)	FA-09	1/0/0/0
85	Greg Jennings.	WR	5-11	198	26	5	Western Michigan	D2b-06	1/1/0/0
86	Donald Lee	TE	6-4	248	29	8	Mississippi State	FA-05	1/0/0/0
87	Jordy Nelson.	WR	6-3	217	25	3	Kansas State	D2a-08	1/0/0/0
88	Jermichael Finley		6-5	247	23	3	Texas	D3-08	1/1/0/0
89	James Jones	WR	6-1	208	26	4	San Jose State	D3a-07	1/0/0/0
90	B.J. Raji		6-2	337	24	2	Boston College	D1a-09	1/1/0/0
94	Jarius Wynn	DE	6-3	285	24	2	Georgia	D6a-09 (FA-10)	0/0/0/0
96	Mike Neal	DE	6-3	294	23	R	Purdue	D2-10	0/0/0/1
98	C.J. Wilson	DE	6-3	290	23	R	East Carolina	D7-10	0/0/0/1
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