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PRESEASON GAME 1
 THURSDAY, AUG. 9
 AT PAUL BROWN STADIUM

NEXT WEEK: PRESEASON GAME 2
 AUG. 18 AT DALLAS

GAME NOTES

Kickoff: 7 p.m. Eastern.

Television: Live coverage on the Bengals Preseason Network with Mike Watts (play-by-play), Anthony Munoz (analyst) and Mike Valpredo (sideline reporter). The network is led by flagship WKRC-TV (CBS Channel 12) in Cincinnati. Also on the network are WKEF-TV (ABC Ch. 22) in Dayton, WSYX-TV (ABC Ch. 6) in Columbus, WLIO-TV (FOX Ch. 8.2) in Lima, WDKY-TV FOX Ch. 56) in Lexington, Ky. and WDRB-TV (FOX Ch. 41) in Louisville, Ky.

Radio: Coverage on the Bengals Radio Network, led by Cincinnati flagship stations WCKY-AM (ESPN 1530; all sports), WLW-AM (700) and WEBN-FM (102.7). Broadcasters are Dan Hoard (play-by-play) and Dave Lapham (analyst). Wayne Box Miller hosts the pregame and postgame shows.

Setting the scene: The Cincinnati Bengals make their 2018 debut on Thursday against the Chicago Bears at Paul Brown Stadium. It will be the first opportunity for fans to watch the new-look team perform in game after it conducted a large number of substantive offseason changes.

The last two Bengals seasons ended well below standards previously set by head coach Marvin Lewis, with both the 2016 and '17 squads falling short of the playoffs. Those setbacks came after Lewis led the team to a string of five straight playoff appearances from 2011-15, something only three other teams accomplished over that span.

Lewis, who is in his 16th season as head coach, began revamping his squad as soon as the 2017 season concluded. In January, the Bengals hired defensive coordinator Teryl Austin — an aggressive, turnover-minded coach who spent the last four seasons as defensive coordinator for the Detroit Lions. On offense, Lewis and his staff spent much of the offseason overhauling their offensive system and philosophy. Offensive coordinator Bill Lazor, who was elevated to coordinator in September last year, will call plays from a new system that is expected to feature a more emphasized rushing attack with increased importance placed on stretching the field through the air.

"There are things that Teryl did the last few seasons in Detroit that are very compatible with what we do," Lewis said. "He can shape (our defense) now with his hands, and with the rest of the coaches. On offense, we have to be better, no doubt about it. We have to get back to being a vertical-threat team. But we have to start the football season being able to run the football, and that's got to be more consistent."

In all, the Bengals added six new assistant coaches, the most year-to-year turnover for a staff in Lewis' 16 years in Cincinnati. Perhaps the most noteworthy of those additions, however, is offensive line coach Frank Pollack, who spent the last five seasons coaching the offensive line at Dallas. With the Cowboys, he developed a line which is was considered one of the most successful units in the NFL. That line featured three All-Pro performers (OT Tyron Smith, G Zack Martin and C Travis Frederick) and twice helped produce the league's leading rusher (DeMarco Murray in 2014, and Ezekiel Elliott in '16).

The offensive line has been central to Cincinnati's offseason overhaul. All eyes on Thursday will be on Pollack's new group, particularly two new, key additions. In March, the Bengals traded for OT Cordy Glenn, who spent all six of his previous NFL seasons with Buffalo. At 6-6, 345 pounds, Glenn is a large presence at left tackle and looks to bring stability and veteran presence to what is perhaps the most critical position. Then, in April, the Bengals used their first-round draft pick (No. 21 overall) on C Billy Price of Ohio State. Noted for his strength, intelligence and leadership, Price was a unanimous first-team All-

American last season for the Buckeyes and won the Rimington Trophy as college football's top center.

Price, however, was just the first of 11 Bengals draft picks. All but one — G Rod Taylor, who suffered a season-ending knee injury in practice — figure to see the field on Thursday. S Jessie Bates (second round), DE Sam Hubbard (third round) and LB Malik Jefferson (third round) are among the other picks who are expected to make their pro debut against the Bears. Bengals fans should have particular interest in seeing Hubbard, who is a Cincinnati native and former star at both Archbishop Moeller High School and Ohio State University.

But perhaps the most anticipated 2018 debut will be that of WR John Ross, the Bengals' 2017 first-round draft pick. After injuries limited his participation as a rookie last season, Ross is healthy and has been a full participant since the start of training camp. At the 2017 NFL Combine, he ran a blistering 4.22-second 40-yard dash, believed to be the fastest in the history of the Combine's marquee event. That speed has been on full display during the Bengals' practices, where his highlight-reel plays have made him the talk of camp.

The series: Though they are relatively close geographical neighbors, the Bengals and Bears have played infrequently, with Cincinnati holding a 6-5 regular-season series lead.

The Bengals and Bears have split their last four regular-season meetings, although the Bears have won the last two, including a 33-7 win at Paul Brown Stadium in 2017. Home-field advantage has not been a factor in the series — the Bengals lead 4-2 at Chicago and have a 2-3 record as the home team.

In preseason, the Bengals and Bears have played nine times, with Cincinnati holding a 6-3 advantage. The teams last played in preseason in 2015 at Paul Brown Stadium, with the Bengals winning 21-10. The Bengals are 3-0 in preseason at home against the Bears, including a 24-20 victory on Aug. 19, 2000 — the first Bengals preseason game at Paul Brown Stadium.

BENGALS-BEARS 2017 NFL RANKINGS

	BENGALS	BEARS
SCORING (AVERAGE POINTS):		
Points scored.....	26th (18.1)	29th (16.5)
Points allowed.....	18th (21.8)	9th (20.0)
NET OFFENSE (AVERAGE YARDS):		
Total.....	32nd (280.5)	30th (287.4)
Rushing.....	31st (85.4)	16th (111.8)
Passing.....	27th (195.1)	32nd (175.7)
NET DEFENSE (AVERAGE YARDS):		
Total.....	18th (339.1)	10th (319.1)
Rushing.....	30th (127.9)	11th (108.1)
Passing.....	8th (211.2)	7th (211.0)
TURNOVERS:		
Differential.....	27th (minus-9)	15th (even)

Bengals-Bears connections: Bengals WR Ka'Raun White and Bears WR Kevin White are brothers ... Bengals S Clayton Fejedelem is from Lemont, Illinois (Lemont High School), and played collegiately at both St. Xavier University (2011-12) and the University of Illinois ('14-15) ... Bears P Pat O'Donnell played at the University of Cincinnati from 2009-12 ... Bengals QB Matt Barkley was with the Bears in 2016 ... Bengals WR Kermit Whitfield entered the NFL as a college free agent signee of Chicago in 2017 ... Bengals DT Ryan

Glasgow is from Aurora, Illinois (Marmion Academy) ... Bengals CB Davontae Harris played at Illinois State University ... Bengals LB Hardy Nickerson played at the University of Illinois ... Bears DB Doran Grant played at Ohio State University ... Bears WR Garrett Johnson and LB Danny Trevathan played at the University of Kentucky ... Bears WR Joshua Bellamy played at the University of Louisville ... Bears TE Adam Shaheen is from Galena, Ohio ... Bengals assistant strength and conditioning coach Jeff Friday coached at Illinois State University from 1990-91 and Northwestern University from '92-95 ... Bears head coach Matt Nagy played for the Columbus Destroyers of the Arena Football League from 2007-08 ... Bears wide receivers coach Mike Furrey played at Ohio State in 1995 and coached at Kentucky Christian University from 2011-12 ... Bears offensive line coach Harry Hiestand coached at the University of Toledo from 1988-89 and the University of Cincinnati from 1989-93 ... Bears QBs coach Dave Ragone played for the University of Louisville from 1999-2002 ... Bears outside linebackers coach Brandon Staley played at the University of Dayton from 2003-04 ... Bears offensive assistant Shane Toub played at the University of Dayton from 2013-16.

BENGALS 2017 RED-ZONE REPORT	
OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Inside-20 possessions: 43	Inside-20 possessions: 56
Total scores: 37 (86.0%)	Total scores: 52 (92.9%)
TDs: 24 (55.8%)	TDs: 26 (46.4%)
FGs: 13 (30.2%)	FGs: 26 (46.4%)
TD% rank: 12th	TD% rank: 6th
No scores: 6 (14.0%)	No scores: 4 (7.1%)

BEARS 2017 RED-ZONE REPORT	
OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Inside-20 possessions: 33	Inside-20 possessions: 49
Total scores: 27 (81.8%)	Total scores: 42 (85.7%)
TDs: 20 (60.6%)	TDs: 24 (49.0%)
FGs: 7 (21.2%)	FGs: 18 (36.7%)
TD% rank: 4th	TD% rank: 12th
No scores: 6 (18.2%)	No scores: 7 (14.3%)

THE HEAD COACHES

Marvin Lewis in 2018 extends his Bengals-record head coaching tenure to 16 seasons, twice that of Paul Brown (1968-75) and Sam Wyche ('84-91), who are tied for second with eight seasons each.

Lewis opens the 2018 season with 125 career victories, the most in Bengals history by a margin of 61 over Wyche (64). His record is 125-112-3 in the regular season and 125-119-3 including postseason. The Bengals' 65-45-2 record over the last seven regular seasons gives the team a .589 winning percentage for the span, ranked sixth in the NFL.

Lewis has led his teams to the postseason seven times, including a five-year run from 2011-15. The total number of playoff trips and the five-year streak of consecutive appearances are Bengals records, and the Bengals were one of only four NFL teams to reach the playoffs every year from 2011-15.

Lewis in 2018 ranks second among NFL head coaches in longest current tenure with one team, trailing only Bill Belichick, who is in his 19th straight season with New England. In the category of most seasons as head coach with one or more teams, Lewis ranks third among active coaches, behind Belichick (24th season in '18) and Andy Reid (20).

Lewis has developed an impressive "coaching tree" during his Bengals tenure. Five of his former assistants have become NFL head coaches, and four of those are leading teams in 2018. The list, including their teams and head coaching tenures, includes former Bengals offensive coordinators Jay Gruden (Washington, 2014-18) and Hue Jackson (Cleveland, '16-18), former defensive coordinators Leslie Frazier (Minnesota, '10-13) and Mike Zimmer (Minnesota, '14-18), and former defensive backs coach Vance Joseph (Denver, '17-18).

Lewis was the consensus choice for NFL Coach of the Year in 2009, when the Bengals won the AFC North Division while sweeping all six division games. The Bengals also were AFC North champions under Lewis in 2005, '13 and '15.

Named the ninth head coach in Bengals history on Jan. 14, 2003, Lewis started quickly. His '03 club finished 8-8, six games better than the '02 club, good for the biggest improvement in the NFL.

Lewis came to the Bengals with credentials as a record-setting NFL defensive coordinator, having played a huge role in a championship season. His six seasons (1996-2001) as Baltimore Ravens coordinator included a Super Bowl victory in '00, when his defense set the NFL record for fewest points allowed in a 16-game campaign (165). That team clipped 22 points off the previous mark. The 2000 Ravens are always an entry in discussions regarding the best NFL defensive units of all time.

In 2002, the season before he joined the Bengals, Lewis led the Washington Redskins to a No. 5 NFL defensive ranking, serving as assistant head coach as well as defensive coordinator.

He had his first NFL assignment from 1992-95, as linebackers coach for the

Pittsburgh Steelers. He aided the development of four Pro Bowl players — Kevin Greene, Chad Brown, Levon Kirkland and Greg Lloyd. Greene has since been inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Lewis began his coaching career as linebackers coach at his alma mater Idaho State from 1981-84. ISU's team (also nicknamed the Bengals) finished 12-1 in Lewis' first season there and won the NCAA Division 1-AA championship.

Lewis played LB at Idaho State, earning All-Big Sky Conference honors for three consecutive years (1978-80). He also saw action at quarterback and free safety during his college career. He received his bachelor's degree in physical education from Idaho State in 1981, and earned his master's in athletic administration in '82. He was inducted into Idaho State's Hall of Fame in 2001.

Born Sept. 23, 1958, Lewis attended Fort Cherry High School in McDonald, Pa. (near Pittsburgh), where he was an all-conference quarterback and safety. He also earned high school letters in wrestling and baseball. He and his wife, Peggy, have a daughter, Whitney, and a son, Marcus. Marcus Lewis joined the Bengals' coaching staff for 2014 and remains on the staff for '18.

Matt Nagy, was named the 16th head coach in Chicago Bears history on Jan. 8, 2018. He joined the Bears with 10 seasons of coaching experience in the NFL, with the Kansas City Chiefs (2013-17) and Philadelphia Eagles ('08-12). He was promoted to Chiefs offensive coordinator in 2017, after spending '16 as co-offensive coordinator with Brad Childress, and after serving as Chiefs QBs coach from 2013-15. In Philadelphia, Nagy served as Eagles' offensive quality control coach (2011-12) and was a coaching assistant ('10). He started as a coaching intern with the Eagles from 2008-09.

Nagy played QB collegiately at Delaware (1997-2000), and played six seasons in the AFL for the New York Dragons (2002), Carolina Cobras ('04), Georgia Force ('05-06) and Columbus Destroyers ('07-08). He began coaching at the high school level, as an assistant coach at Manheim Central (2001), quarterbacks coach at Cedar Crest ('02-03) and offensive coordinator at Palmyra Area High School ('08-09).

Born April 24, 1978 in Plainfield, N.J., Nagy and his wife, Stacey, have four sons — Brayden, Tate, Jaxon and Jett.

Lewis vs. Bears: Tied, 2-2.

Lewis vs. Nagy: No previous meetings in preseason or regular season.

Nagy vs. Bengals: No previous meetings in preseason or regular season.

BENGALS NOTES

Six new coaches join Bengals: This season, head coach Marvin Lewis welcomes six new coaches to his staff. It marks the highest coaching turnover of Lewis' 16-year tenure at the helm in Cincinnati.

- Defensive coordinator Teryl Austin comes to Cincinnati after serving in the same role with the Detroit Lions from 2014-17. Prior to joining the Lions, he spent 10 seasons as a defensive backs coach in the NFL, including stints with the Seattle Seahawks (2003-06), Arizona Cardinals ('07-09) and the Baltimore Ravens ('11-13).

- Wide receivers coach Bob Bicknell comes to Cincinnati after spending last season (2017) as wide receivers coach at Baylor University. Bicknell has 25

years of professional and collegiate coaching experience. His pro experience includes a total of 10 seasons in the NFL as an offensive assistant coach with Kansas City (2007-09), Buffalo ('10-12), Philadelphia ('13-15) and San Francisco ('16). He also coached eight seasons in NFL Europe with Frankfurt ('98-99), Berlin ('00-03) and Cologne ('04-05). His previous collegiate experience includes seven seasons as an assistant coach at Boston University (1993-97), Temple University (2006) and Baylor ('17).

- Offensive line coach Frank Pollack comes to the Bengals from the Dallas Cowboys, where he had been an assistant coach from 2013-17. He was the Cowboys' offensive line coach from '15-17 after being promoted from assistant

offensive line coach ('13-14). Prior to the Cowboys, Pollack spent one season with the Oakland Raiders as offensive line coach (2012) and five seasons with the Houston Texans as assistant offensive line coach ('07-11). Pollack began his coaching career at his alma mater Northern Arizona ('05-06). Former Bengals assistant head coach/offensive line coach Paul Alexander now is the Cowboys' offensive line coach.

- Quarterbacks coach Alex Van Pelt comes to Cincinnati from the Green Bay Packers, where he served as quarterbacks coach since 2014. He also coached wide receivers in '15, and he coached the Packers' running backs from '12-13. Prior to Green Bay, Van Pelt spent two seasons with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers as quarterbacks coach ('10-11) and four seasons on the offensive coaching staff of the Buffalo Bills ('06-09). Van Pelt started his coaching career in NFL Europe as the Frankfurt Galaxy's quarterbacks coach (2005). The Bengals quarterbacks finished 2017 being coached directly by offensive coordinator Bill Lazor.

- Secondary/cornerbacks coach Daronte Jones joins the Bengals from the Miami Dolphins, where he was assistant defensive backs coach from 2016-17. His previous collegiate experience includes assistant coaching roles at Wisconsin (2015), Hawaii ('12-14), UCLA ('10), Bowie State ('05-09), Nicholls State ('02) and Lenoir-Rhyne ('01). He also coached defensive backs for the Montreal Alouettes of the Canadian Football League (2011). He will work closely with Bengals secondary/safeties coach Robert Livingston, who served as one of two Bengals secondary coaches in 2017. Kevin Coyle, the other '17 secondary coach, is not returning for '18.

- Defensive assistant/assistant defensive line coach Matt Raich comes to Cincinnati from the Detroit Lions, where he was an assistant coach from 2014-17. While with the Lions, he served as assistant defensive line coach from '16-17, defensive assistant/defensive ends in '15 and defensive quality control in '14. Raich's NFL coaching experience also includes six seasons with the Arizona Cardinals as linebackers coach ('09-12) and defensive assistant ('07-08), as well as three seasons with the Pittsburgh Steelers as offensive assistant ('04-06). Raich previously held collegiate assistant coaching positions at Duquesne (2013), Robert Morris ('00-02; '96-98), Glenville State (1999) and Westminster (Pa.) College ('93-94).

It should also be noted that offensive coordinator Bill Lazor, who began 2017 as Bengals quarterbacks coach before being elevated to offensive coordinator following Week 2, spent the '18 offseason installing his own offensive system and philosophy. Team officials and coaches have frequently referred to Lazor as a "new" coach for 2018, despite his two previous years of experience in Cincinnati.

Bengals career records watch: Here is a look at potential upcoming movement in the Bengals' career records book (regular season) heading into the 2018 season:

- QB Andy Dalton has 22 career 300-yard passing games, one shy of QB Boomer Esiason for the Bengals' all-time lead.

- Dalton also has 3556 career passing attempts, eight shy of Esiason (3564) for second place all-time. QB Ken Anderson (4475) is the Bengals' all-time leader.

- Dalton also has 25,534 passing yards, 1615 short of Esiason (27,149) for second place all-time. Anderson (32,838) is the Bengals' all-time leader.

- Dalton also has 167 passing touchdowns, 20 shy of Esiason (187) for second place all-time. Anderson (197) is the Bengals' all-time leader.

- WR A.J. Green has 31 career 100-yard receiving games, tied with WR Chad Johnson for the Bengals' all-time lead.

- Green also has 57 career receiving TDs, six shy of WR Carl Pickens (63) for second place all-time. Johnson (66) is the Bengals' all-time leader.

- Green also has 57 career total TDs, seven shy of Pickens and RB James Brooks (64) for third place all-time. FB Pete Johnson (70) is the Bengals' all-time leader.

- DE Carlos Dunlap has 64.5 career sacks, 19 short of DE Eddie Edwards* (83.5) for the Bengals' all-time lead.

- DT Geno Atkins has 61 career sacks, 1.5 shy of LB Reggie Williams (62.5) for third place all-time. Edwards* (83.5) is the Bengals' all-time leader.

- P Kevin Huber has 697 career punts, three shy of P Pat McInally (700) for second place all-time. P Lee Johnson (746) is the Bengals' all-time leader.

- P Kevin Huber also has 31,499 punting yards, 697 shy of Johnson for the Bengals' all-time lead.

*NOTE: The NFL has counted sacks as official statistics since 1982. However, the Bengals have sack statistics compiled since 1976 and recognize those sacks recorded from '76-81 in its records. Thus, please note that, because

the NFL has sacks statistics for all teams only since 1982, the Bengals' sack statistics for players whose careers included seasons prior to '82 will not be included in league information.

Bengals in the Pro Bowl: The Bengals were credited with three selections for the 2017 season Pro Bowl game — DT Geno Atkins, WR A.J. Green and LS Clark Harris.

Atkins and Green were selected in December's initial voting. Harris was added in January when he was chosen by Pittsburgh Steelers head coach Mike Tomlin as a "need" player. The NFL stipulates that the head coach of each Pro Bowl team chooses a "need" player, and those players must be long snappers.

Atkins and Green were no strangers to the Pro Bowl — Atkins now has been selected to and played in six games, while Green has been selected to seven games and has played in five. For Harris, however, it was his first selection. Harris also became the first-ever Bengals LS to earn a Pro Bowl nod.

In 2017 season game at Orlando, Atkins started the contest and had two tackles (both solos), helping the AFC to post a narrow 24-23 victory. Harris had four long snaps in the game (one FG and three PATs), including one for the game-winning point. Green did not play due to lingering soreness.

Harris, who was named one of the AFC's team captains, also had another noteworthy accomplishment. During a Pro Bowl practice prior to the game, he set a new Guinness World Record for the longest recorded snap ever recorded at 36 yards, eight inches, shattering the previous record of 34 yards, set by Jase Whitner in Perrysburg, Ohio in 2017.

Only A.J.: Cincinnati's A.J. Green was selected in 2017 to his seventh Pro Bowl in seven seasons, making him the only NFL receiver since the 1970 merger to start his career with seven consecutive Pro Bowl nominations. He is also the only Bengal at any position to make the Pro Bowl in each of his first seven seasons. Only one other Bengal, WR Isaac Curtis, made it for as many as his first four seasons (1973-76).

In total Pro Bowl selections, Green's seven selections move him ahead of WR Chad Johnson and CB Lemar Parrish (each with six) for second-most in Bengals history, behind Hall of Fame OT Anthony Munoz, who had 11.

Although he was selected, Green opted not to play in the Pro Bowl due to an injury. He also opted not to play in 2016, due to a hamstring injury that cut his season short after 10 games.

Geno earns another crown: For the fifth time in in his eight-year career, Bengals DT Geno Atkins finished atop all NFL interior defensive linemen in sacks (9.0). Atkins finished with a narrow edge over Jacksonville DT Malik Jackson (8.0), with Carolina DT Kawann Short (7.5) and Dallas DT David Irvin (7.0) also within shouting distance.

Last year marked the third straight season Atkins finished in at least a tie for the top spot. In 2016, he claimed the honor outright with nine sacks, besting DT Aaron Donald of the Los Angeles Rams, who was second with eight. No other interior lineman had more than seven.

He also was the outright winner in 2012, when he had a career-best 12.5 sacks. He tied for the league lead in 2011 (7.5 sacks) and 2015 (11).

Atkins battled through a toe injury the last three weeks of 2017. The injury limited him to a season-low 12 snaps on Dec. 10 vs Chicago, and 29 on Dec. 17 at Minnesota.

Late in the season, Atkins was selected to his sixth Pro Bowl in eight seasons. His six selections are the most of any Bengals defensive lineman in team history — no other DL has had more than two — and he's now tied with CB Lemar Parrish for the most selections by a Bengals defensive player (six). He has 61 career sacks through 2017, the most by a Bengals interior lineman and fourth overall.

Bengals D spreads the INT love: Ten different Bengals recorded an INT in 2017, marking the fourth time in five seasons that at least 10 Bengals have recorded a pick. And until the season's final game, that stat came with a twist.

Prior to Game 16 at Baltimore, no Bengal had more than one INT. Had that stood through one more game, the 2017 Bengals would have been the first team since the 1944 Brooklyn Tigers to have 10 players record an INT in a season without anyone having more than one pick.

But that statistic didn't hold, and the Bengals ended up being quite happy it didn't. In the third quarter of the season finale at Baltimore, CB Darqueze Dennard picked off a Joe Flacco pass and returned it 89 yards for a score. It was Dennard's second INT of the season.

And although the play put the Bengals up 24-10, it ended up being critical to the Bengals' 31-27 victory, after Baltimore staged a second-half comeback. The

Ravens ultimately fell short though, thanks to a dramatic 49-yard Andy Dalton TD pass to Tyler Boyd on fourth-and-12 with 44 seconds remaining, putting the Bengals ahead to stay.

While Dennard finished the season with two INTs, nine other Bengals finished in a tie for second with one: CB Dre Kirkpatrick, CB William Jackson, DE Carlos Dunlap, S George Iloka, LB Vincent Rey, S Shawn Williams, S Clayton Fejedelem, CB Adam Jones and LB Nick Vigil.

Lawson tops rookies in sacks: Bengals LB Carl Lawson proved as a rookie to not only be one of the most promising young defensive players on the Bengals' roster, but also across the entire NFL. Lawson ended his first NFL season with 8.5 sacks, the most among all rookies, topping Cleveland DL Myles Garrett and Pittsburgh LB T.J. Watt, who had 7.0 apiece. Among all players, Lawson finished in a tie for 25th, with Arizona LB Chandler Jones leading the way at 17.0.

Lawson finished his rookie season with at least a shared sack in seven games, including two multi-sack efforts. The highlight of his stellar rookie season came in Game 3 at Green Bay, when he registered 2.5 sacks, the most by a Bengals rookie in a game since Justin Smith on Dec. 9, 2001 vs. Jacksonville (three).

Lawson has also showed a knack for making sacks in key moments. In Game 7 vs. Indianapolis, his seven-yard sack of Jacoby Brissett on the Colts' final drive, as they were looking to get into range for a potential game-winning FG, helped secure a Bengals victory. And on Dec. 24 vs. Detroit, Lawson's nine-yard sack of Matthew Stafford on fourth-and-15 with one minute remaining in the game ended the Lions' comeback hopes and turned the ball back over to the Bengals.

Carl falls short of Carlos' rookie record: LB Carl Lawson's impressive rookie campaign entered rare Bengals air late in the season. Going into the final game, Dec. 31 at Baltimore, his 8.5 sacks stood just one shy of DE Carlos Dunlap's rookie record of 9.5, set in 2010.

But after being held without a sack in the finale, Lawson finished in a tie for second on the Bengals' rookie sack list, matching DE Justin Smith's 8.5 in 2001.

In 2010, Dunlap played in only 12 games — inactive for four of the first five contests — and didn't record a sack until the team's ninth game (Nov. 14 at Indianapolis). He finished the season on a tear though, recording at least a half sack in seven of the last eight games, including four multi-sack efforts.

Lawson, on the other hand, started hot, with a 2.5-sack effort in just his third game. He maintained a steady pace thereafter, with at least a shared sack in seven of his 16 games.

Lawson led all NFL rookies in sacks, by a margin of 1.5 over Pittsburgh LB T.J. Watt and Cleveland DL Myles Garrett (each with 7.0). In 2010, Dunlap narrowly missed out on the rookie sack crown when Detroit's Ndamukong Suh logged his 10th sack late in the fourth quarter of the Lions' finale.

As far as quarterback pressures, Lawson's 21 QB hits in '17 topped Dunlap's rookie season total of 14.

Andy and A.J. stretch the field: Since entering the NFL together in 2011, QB Andy Dalton and WR A.J. Green have connected on more passes of 50 yards or longer (21) than any other QB-WR tandem in the league.

Dalton and Green connected on three passes of 50 yards or longer in 2017 — a 50-yarder vs. Houston, a 77-yard TD vs. Buffalo and a 70-yard TD at Tennessee.

Through 2017, the duo has started 99 of a possible 112 regular-season games together over their seven seasons.

Here's a look at QB-WR duos with the most pass plays of 50 or more yards since 2011 (regular season only).

QB	WR	TEAM	NO. OF 50+ PASS PLAYS
Andy Dalton	A.J. Green	Cincinnati	21
Aaron Rodgers	Jordy Nelson	Green Bay	19
Matthew Stafford	Calvin Johnson	Detroit	15
Matt Ryan	Julio Jones	Atlanta	14
Eli Manning	Odell Beckham	N.Y. Giants	12

Defense's 30-point streak ends at 22: Entering Game 13 vs. Chicago, the Bengals' defense had held opponents under 30 points in 22 consecutive games. It was the longest such streak in team history, and at the time had been the longest active streak in the NFL. But the Bears scored 33 points in a winning effort, marking the first time since Game 6 of 2016 (a 35-17

loss at New England) that the Bengals had relinquished more than 30 points.

Cincinnati continued its 30-point skid the next week, allowing 34 points in a loss at Minnesota. The Chicago and Minnesota losses were the only two games of the season in which the Bengals allowed at least 30 points.

The Bengals' previous record streak was 20 consecutive games, which was accomplished twice. The first began in Game 3 of 1981, a 20-17 loss vs. Cleveland, and lasted through Game 5 of '82, a 23-10 win vs. Cleveland. The second instance started in Game 16 of 1988, a 20-17 OT win vs. Washington, and lasted through Game 3 of '90, a 41-7 win vs. New England. The Bengals went to the Super Bowl in both 1981 and '88.

The Bengals' 22-game streak had been the longest in the NFL since the N.Y. Giants' streak of 23 was snapped in a 51-17 loss vs. the L.A. Rams earlier this season. The Bengals also had been one of three teams, along with the Eagles and Chargers, to hold each of their 2017 opponents to fewer than 30 points. Both of those other streaks, however, ended by the completion of the regular season.

Down as many as six starters at times over the last few weeks of the 2017 season, the Bengals slipped to 16th in scoring defense at the end of the season (21.8 points per game), after ranking as high as second earlier in the year (16.6 through Week 6). In 2016, Cincinnati finished eighth in scoring defense (19.7), thanks in large part to a seven-game stretch to close the year in which they held opponents under 20 points six times while allowing a scoring average of 15.0. That followed a 2015 campaign in which they ranked second in scoring defense (17.4). In 2014, Cincinnati ranked 12th in scoring defense.

Andy's blemish-free run ends at six: Bengals QB Andy Dalton entered Game 13 vs. Chicago riding a streak of six straight games played (Games 7-12) without an INT. But an interception on a tipped pass midway through the third quarter vs. the Bears ended his run, marking his first INT since the third quarter of Game 6, Oct. 22 at Pittsburgh.

Dalton's streak was only the fourth in Bengals history, and the first since 1998, to reach at least six full regular-season games without an INT. Neil O'Donnell has the most consecutive regular-season games in club history without an INT, with seven in 1998.

Here's a full list of Bengals QBs to go six full games without an INT, along with their yards per attempt and number of TD passes during their streaks:

PLAYER	YEAR(S)	GAMES	YDS/ATT	TD
Neil O'Donnell	1998	7	7.3	11
Ken Anderson	1973-74	6	8.7	13
Ken Anderson	1979-80	6	6.8	5
Andy Dalton	2017	6	7.3	11

The Bengals managed a 3-3 record during Dalton's streak. The team had a losing record during O'Donnell's streak (2-5). The Bengals went 6-0 during Anderson's first streak and 2-4 in his second.

Dalton completed 101 of 171 passes (59.1 percent) for 1246 yards and 11 TDs during his six game stretch. He had a 103.1 passer rating over that span, compared to 102.8 for O'Donnell in his seven-game streak, 123.9 for Anderson in his first six-gamer and 93.1 in his second six-gamer. Dalton topped a passer rating of 100 in four of the six contests, compared to O'Donnell's two of seven and Anderson's five of six (first streak) and one of six (second).

Dalton and Kansas City QB Alex Smith, whose streak of eight games without an INT was snapped in Week 9 at Dallas earlier in the year, were the only QBs to go at least six consecutive games without an INT in 2017.

Marvin's youth movement: The addition of 11 picks in April's draft, coupled with the departures of CB Adam Jones and WR Brandon LaFell, both of whom are over 30 years old, have both played roles in a Bengals youth movement of sorts for 2018. It also means Cincinnati has a chance on opening day to be even younger than they were at the same point last season, which at an average age of 25.45 years old was the youngest opening-day roster in Marvin Lewis' tenure. (Opening-week roster information, released each year by the NFL, is considered the baseline for comparing year-to-year roster information.)

Prior to 2017, Lewis' next-youngest opening-day rosters were in 2004 (25.7) and '11 (25.74). The Bengals' opening-week roster also ranked as the third-youngest in the NFL in '17, behind Cleveland (24.17) and the L.A. Rams (25.11). The average age league-wide was 26.05.

The Bengals' 14 rookie or first-year players on the 2017 Week 1 roster were the most ever for an opening week in the Marvin Lewis era, edging out the 2004 season (13). The total ranked as the third-highest in the NFL, behind Cleveland (16) and Detroit (15). League-wide, teams averaged 10.53 rookie or first-year players.

In terms of NFL experience, the Bengals' average of 3.75 years was the fourth-lowest in the Marvin Lewis era, behind the 2004 (3.57), '06 (3.6) and '08 (3.67) seasons. The Bengals in 2017 tied for the seventh least-experienced roster in the league, with Cleveland leading the way at 2.55 years of experience. The average level of experience across the league was 4.10 years.

The Bengals also totaled only seven players aged 30 or older, which tied for the fourth-fewest in Lewis' tenure, behind the 2011 (two), '04 (six) and '12 (six) seasons. The 2009 roster also had seven players 30 or older. The Bengals' 2015 roster had the most players (11) aged 30 or older.

Eleven of the 44 players to see action in Week 1 last season (two were active/DNP) were making their Bengals debut, and nine of those players were making their NFL debut.

As the Bengals enter 2018, perhaps the most telling sign of the youth movement is this — QB Andy Dalton and WR A.J. Green, who just a few short years ago were the faces of the Bengals' young offensive core, figure to enter the regular season as the oldest players on the Bengals' offense (both 30 years old).

Defense leans on the 'kids': The core of the Cincinnati's 2017 defense was no doubt recognizable, with veteran stalwarts like Geno Atkins, Vontaze Burfict and Carlos Dunlap filling up the stat sheets. But last year's defense sported an unusually young surrounding cast and leaned heavily upon the 'kids,' a nickname coined by several analysts for the wave of young Bengals. The results were impressive.

Fourteen of the 30 Bengals players to see time on defense last season were either rookies, first- or second-year players, including eight who were on the field for more than a quarter of the team's 1146 defensive snaps.

Bengal rookie and second-year players combined to play 4001 out of an available 12,606 snaps (1146 plays, multiplied by 11 players on the field at a time) in 2017, which works out to 31.7 percent. And from a production standpoint, they didn't disappoint, accounting for 11.5 of the team's 41 sacks, three of its 11 INTs, 24 of its 74 passes defended, and 286 of its 986 total tackles (29 percent). And on special teams, rookie DE Jordan Willis had a blocked punt, and second-year CB KeiVarae Russell had a blocked FG.

Nine of the Bengals' 18 draft choices over from 2016-17 were used on defenders, and eight of those players saw action on defense in '17, combining for 3726 snaps. The lone defensive draft selection to not appear on defense, rookie sixth-round pick Brandon Wilson, contributed on special teams (133 snaps).

Here are the Bengals' rookie and second-year players who saw time on defense in 2017: Vigil (759 snaps), CB William Jackson (697), LB Carl Lawson (477), DT Ryan Glasgow (412), S Clayton Fejedelem (376), DE Jordan Willis (360), DT Andrew Billings (334), LB Jordan Evans (311), LB Hardy Nickerson (158), CB KeiVarae Russell (46), LB Brandon Bell (36), Josh Tupou (19), CB Tony McRae (16) and G Alex Redmond (five). Redmond was called into action on defense in Game 13 vs. Chicago and Game 15 vs. Detroit, due to injuries along the defensive line.

Dunlap the playmaker: Bengals DE Carlos Dunlap's playmaking ability was on full display in 2017. The eighth-year pro finished the season with 7.5 sacks, an INT, a FF and seven PDs. And to close observers, it seemed like a majority of those entries in the stat column came at critical points in games. Here are a few highlights from Dunlap's impressive 2017 season:

In the season finale at Baltimore, he had a key sack of Joe Flacco on Baltimore's final drive. The Ravens were facing a second-and-five on their own 32-yard line with 32 seconds remaining in the Game. The Bengals were protecting a four-point lead, after having just scored a dramatic 49-yard TD.

In Game 15 vs. Detroit, he recorded a five-yard sack on Detroit's final drive, helping snuff out the Lions' last-ditch comeback effort. He also recorded a pass defended (batted pass) earlier in the game.

In Game 12 vs. Pittsburgh, he recorded a sack, a pass defended (batted pass) and a QB hit.

In Game 11 vs. Cleveland, he had a half sack and an additional QB hit.

In Game 10 at Denver, he recorded two sacks of Brock Osweiler, including a seven-yarder on Denver's final drive as they were driving for a potential game-tying FG attempt. Two plays later, the Bengals forced the Broncos into a turnover on downs.

In Game 7 vs. Indianapolis, Dunlap made perhaps the defensive play of the year for Cincinnati, when he tipped a Jacoby Brissett pass in the fourth quarter, hauled it in and returned it 16 yards for a touchdown. The score, which came with 6:58 remaining in the game and the Bengals trailing by six, put Cincinnati on

top to stay, 24-23. It was Dunlap's third career TD and second pick-six. Dunlap also recorded a sack of Brissett earlier in the contest.

Entering 2018, Dunlap has 64.5 sacks for his career, second in team history behind DE Eddie Edwards (83.5). Last year, he passed both DE Ross Browner (59 sacks) for third place and LB Reggie Williams (62.5) for second place.

And at 29 years old Edwards' record is beginning to come into focus. Dunlap, who will play his ninth season in 2018, has averaged 8.1 sacks over his first eight seasons in stripes, while Edwards averaged seven sacks over 12 seasons (1977-88).

In 2016, Dunlap earned his second Pro Bowl nod, after after filling up the stat sheet with eight sacks, a team-leading 15 PDs and three FFs. In 2015, he had 13.5 sacks, second-most in Bengals history.

Besides his 64.5 sacks, Dunlap's career totals include 16 FFs, eight FRs, 48 PDs, four blocked FGs and three TDs scored.

Dalton goes seven-for-3000: A season passing total of 3000 yards is not in itself a stupendous NFL feat — 22 passers reached it in 2017, and 25 reached it the previous season. But hitting 3000 in the first seven seasons of an NFL career still is an event worth noting. Bengals QB Andy Dalton achieved just that last season, when in Game 16 vs. Detroit he broke the 3000-yard barrier for the seventh time in seven seasons (ended the season with 3320 yards). Incidentally, Panthers QB Cam Newton, who was selected first overall in the same draft the Bengals took Dalton at No. 35, also achieved the feat in the same week (Newton totaled 3302 yards).

Dalton and Newton now join cinch NFL Hall-of-Famer Peyton Manning as the only QBs in NFL history to go seven-for-3000. Manning reeled off 13 straight 3000-yarders before missing the 2011 season due to injury.

Dalton chasing Kenny in TDs: Although he was held out of the end zone in 2017, QB Andy Dalton still stands at 19 total TDs for his career, just one short of the franchise record for touchdowns by a QB, held at 20 by Ken Anderson. Dalton played his seventh season in 2017, while Anderson played 16 Bengals seasons (1971-86).

All of Anderson's 20 TDs were rushing scores. Dalton has 18 rushing TDs, and he has 19 total by virtue of being the only Bengals QB ever to catch a touchdown pass. He scored on an 18-yard gadget connection from WR Mohamed Sanu vs. Tennessee in 2014.

The next-most TDs by a Bengals QB is 10, by Jeff Blake.

Dalton and Jack Thompson share the Bengals season record for touchdowns by a QB, at five. Dalton had five in 2014, tying the record first set by Thompson in 1979.

'Crazy Legs' Andy: QB Andy Dalton's 18 career rushing TDs not only puts him in rare company in team history, he's also among the best when compared to his current NFL peers. In the category of rushing TDs by a QB, only Carolina's Cam Newton, whose 54 rushing TDs are beyond similarity, ranks higher than Dalton since 2011. Dalton and Newton both entered the NFL in '11.

Russell Wilson (16), Tyrod Taylor (15) and Andrew Luck (14) round out the top five.

Dalton's INT-free run a career-best: Bengals QB Andy Dalton's INT in the third quarter of Game 13 vs. Chicago was his first pick since the third quarter of Game 6 at Pittsburgh, ending a career-best stretch of 193 pass attempts without an INT. The streak, which covered 27 full quarters of play, stands as the second-most consecutive pass attempts by a Bengal without an INT, behind only Neil O'Donnell's 238 in 1998. His streak was the third-longest in the NFL in 2017, behind 287 straight by Alex Smith and 196 by Matthew Stafford.

Dalton also has INT-free streaks of 147 and 165 attempts, which he accomplished separately in 2016.

Here's a look at the longest streaks of pass attempts without an INT in the NFL in 2017.

PLAYER	TEAM	PASS ATTEMPTS
Alex Smith	Kansas City.....	287
Matthew Stafford	Detroit	196
Andy Dalton	Cincinnati	193
Tom Brady	New England	188
Drew Brees	New Orleans	166

An Andy roundup: Other records and notable accomplishments in QB Andy Dalton's career include:

- He is one of only three QBs in the Super Bowl era to lead a team to the

postseason in each of his first five campaigns. Dalton did that from 2011-15, while Baltimore's Joe Flacco did it from '08-12 and Seattle's Russell Wilson did it from '12-16.

- Dalton has posted 42 career games with a passer rating of 100 or more, and the Bengals are 35-7 (.833) in those contests.
- Dalton's .587 winning percentage (63-44-2) is the best of any Bengals QB with 10 or more starts.
- Dalton holds club season records for passing yards (4293) and TD passes (33), both set in 2013.
- He is the only Bengals passer to throw for 300-plus yards in four consecutive games (2013).
- He opened his career with 77 consecutive regular-season starts, a Bengals record for quarterbacks at any point during a career. The previous mark had been 61, posted by Boomer Esiason from 1985-89. Dalton's streak ranks tied for fourth in NFL history for the start of a career by a QB, trailing only Peyton Manning of Indianapolis (208), Joe Flacco of Baltimore (122) and Russell Wilson of Seattle (96 and counting). Dalton is tied with Miami QB Ryan Tannehill, whose streak of 77 ended in 2016 due to an injury.

Green and some gold jackets: Last year, Bengals WR A.J. Green logged his 10th career game of at least 150 receiving yards and one TD (he had 189 and a TD on Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo), making him one of only six receivers to ever reach as many games through their first seven NFL seasons.

Here's a look at the list of players with 10 or more games of 150-plus receiving yards and a TD through their first seven seasons.

PLAYER	TEAM	NO. OF GAMES
Lance Alworth	San Diego Chargers	16
Jerry Rice	San Francisco 49ers	13
A.J. Green	Cincinnati Bengals	10
Torry Holt	St. Louis Rams	10
Calvin Johnson	Detroit Lions	10
Randy Moss	Minnesota Vikings	10

Gio sets sights on Brooks: HB Giovani Bernard is set to re-start his long pursuit of the all-time Bengals leads in both receptions and receiving yards by a running back. With 230 receptions, Bernard stands 67 short of James Brooks' record of 297. And with 2060 receiving yards, Bernard is 952 short of Brooks' record of 3012. Brooks played eight seasons with the Bengals (1984-91), while 2018 will be Bernard's sixth.

Last season, Bernard returned to action to play in every game, less than a year after suffering a torn ACL (Nov. 20, 2016 vs. Buffalo). He led the Bengals in yards per carry, at 4.4 (minimum five carries), while also adding 847 scrimmage yards and four total TDs (two receiving, two rushing), including a 61-yard catch-and-run in Game 4 at Cleveland.

Bernard averaged 1147 yards from scrimmage over his first three seasons (2013-15), before finishing with 673 scrimmage yards in his injury-shortened '16 campaign (10 games).

A stat that matters: During the full term of head coach Marvin Lewis (2003-present), a plus-differential in turnovers is linked to a big plus in wins. And the reverse has gone for a minus.

The Bengals are 76-19-1 in the regular season under Lewis with a plus (.797 winning percentage), but they are only 18-69-2 with a minus (.213).

"It makes a huge difference," Lewis says. "You see it game after game. You have to possess the football to win. If you possess the football, good things happen. If you turn the ball over to opponents, you have a much harder day."

The Bengals' experience with turnovers under Lewis is backed up by league numbers. Since the start of the 2003 season, Lewis' first as head coach, here are the records of teams with varying turnover differentials.

(NOTE: Minus differentials are not included because they are the exact reverse of the plus figure for the same numbers.)

DIFFERENTIAL	W-L-T	PCT.
Plus 1	932-433-4	.682
Plus 2	752-157	.827
Plus 3	418-40-1	.912
Plus 4	221-6	.974
Plus 5	99-3	.971

Plus teams in 2017 season went 154-41 (.790 winning percentage).

And when it's even? The Bengals are 31-24 in head coach Marvin Lewis' full tenure in games when the turnover differential has been even, for a winning percentage of .564. The Bengals have won 14 of their last 22 with an even differential (.636), dating back to 2012, including a 4-2 record in '17.

Turnover tables are turned: During the tenure of head coach Marvin Lewis (2003-present), the Bengals rank ninth in the NFL in turnover differential, at plus-42.

The Bengals were minus-nine in differential in 2017, with 14 takeaways (11 INTs, three fumbles lost) and 23 giveaways (12 INTs, 11 FL).

In the 2017 season finale at Baltimore, the Bengals had an even differential, with one giveaway (lost fumble) and one takeaway (INT).

Prior to Lewis' tenure, the Bengals had posted a minus turnover differential for five straight years (1998-2002).

Since 2003, NFL teams with just a plus-one differential have won 68.2 percent of those games. At plus-two, the percentage has been 82.7. Teams with any plus have won at a 79.1 percent clip.

Here are the top nine teams in differential since 2003:

TEAM	TAKEAWAYS	GIVEAWAYS	DIFFERENTIAL
New England Patriots	440	273	+167
Kansas City Chiefs	398	335	+63
Seattle Seahawks	407	345	+62
Green Bay Packers	408	349	+59
Carolina Panthers	439	383	+56
Indianapolis Colts	380	328	+52
Baltimore Ravens	430	380	+50
Atlanta Falcons	393	346	+47
Cincinnati Bengals	416	374	+42

Since 2003, the Bengals rank seventh in takeaways (416) and 10th in points off turnovers (1261).

Some very good rushing numbers: The Bengals in 2017 had two games in which a player reached 100 yards rushing — Game 11 vs. Cleveland, when Bengals rookie HB Joe Mixon gained 114 yards on 23 carries (5.0), and Game 15 vs. Detroit, when HB Giovani Bernard rushed for 116 yards on 23 carries (5.0).

Both performances came in winning efforts, bringing the Bengals' record under Marvin Lewis with a 100-yard rusher to an impressive 46-7-1 (.861). What's more, their record with a rusher who hits the 25-carry plateau is 39-2 (951). Reaching 30 rushes as a team usually spells success under Lewis as well. The Bengals were 4-1 when rushing 30 times as a team in 2017, with wins in Game 4 at Cleveland (30 rushes for 86 yards), Game 12 vs. Cleveland (30 rushes, 152 yards), Game 15 vs. Detroit (34 rushes, 142 yards) and Game 16 at Baltimore (30 rushes, 146 yards). In 2016, Cincinnati went 5-1-1 (.786) with 30 or more rushes as a team.

"It's not always the rushing yardage total that's most important," Lewis has said. "When you're running the ball a lot, it's a sign that even though the yardage will vary, you're controlling the ball, controlling the clock, and keeping your defense off the field. As it shows for us, that is going to be a winning combo."

"We love seeing a guy get 100 yards, but sometimes he can break one big gain and then get to 100 even though you may not be running as consistently well and controlling the game like you do when you get high-carry numbers."

The Huber roundup: Already a considerable presence in the Bengals' record book, P Kevin Huber is set to take over first place this year in two more Bengals career punting categories.

The 10th-year pro enters 2018 with 697 career punts, good for third place in team history. He stands three short of Pat McInally (700) and 49 short of Lee Johnson (746). McInally played 10 Bengals seasons (1976-85), while Johnson played 11 (1988-98).

Huber also figures to take over first place in career punting yards. He enters 2018 in second place with 31,499 yards, just 697 behind Johnson's record of 32,196.

A Bengals fifth-round selection in the 2009 draft, Huber has particularly excelled throughout his career at pinning opponents inside the 20-yard line. In 2016, just his eighth season, Huber passed Johnson (186) for most inside-20 punts in team history. Huber enters 2018 with 237 career inside-20 punts.

Huber also owns the franchise's all-time best ratio of inside-20 kicks to touchbacks (4.02-to-1, with 237 inside-20s and 59 touchbacks).

Huber's other top accomplishments with the Bengals include:

- He is the franchise leader in career gross average (44.87) and net

average (39.72).

• He holds the top four Bengals season averages in gross and the top five Bengals season averages in net. His gross record is 46.84 in 2014, and his net record is 42.10, also in '14.

- He shares the team record for longest punt (75 yards) with Kyle Larson.
- His 33 inside-20 punts in 2012 is a franchise record.
- His six inside-20 punts on Sept. 14, 2017 vs. Houston are tied with Lee Johnson (Nov. 2, 1997) for the most in a game in Bengals history.

Huber was an initial-ballot Pro Bowl selection in 2014 and also was named first-team All-Pro by The Sporting News that year.

Bengal bites: Marvin Lewis' winningest month has been November (33-26-1, .558), followed closely by September (27-23-0, .540). His teams are also above .500 in December/January (38-33-0, .535 [regular season]). Lewis' only losing month has been October (27-30-2, .475) ... The attendance of 91,653 on Oct. 9, 2016, at Dallas was the largest ever for a Bengals regular-season game, topping a house of 87,786 for a 2004 visit to FedEx Field in Washington. The largest crowd for any Bengals game remains 92,045, for a 1990 season playoff game against the Los Angeles Raiders at the L.A. Coliseum ... The tallest

Bengal is DE Michael Johnson, who is 6-7 ... The shortest Bengal is WR Kermit Whitfield, who is 5-8 ... The heaviest Bengal is Josh Tupou at 350 pounds ... The lightest Bengal is CB Sojourn Shelton at 168 pounds ... The oldest Bengal is LS Clark Harris, who is 34 (DOB 7/10/1984) ... The youngest Bengal is HB Mark Walton, who is 21 (DOB 3/29/1997).

Uniform watch: Since 2004, the year of the Bengals' last significant uniform redesign, a number of color options for jerseys and pants have been available. Below are the records (regular season plus postseason) for the different combinations:

JERSEY	PANTS	W-L-T	PCT.
Orange*	Black.....	6-0-0	1.000
Orange*	White.....	15-6-1	.705
Black	Black.....	16-12-1	.569
Black	White.....	33-32-1	.508
White (CR)*	White (CR)*	1-1-0	.500
White	Black.....	27-30-0	.471
White	White.....	19-29-0	.396

* — Orange is designated as a "specialty jersey" with the NFL and can be worn for only two games per year. Color rush (CR) uniforms have been worn for only Thursday night games since 2016.

BENGALS QUOTES

Former Bengals WR T.J. Houshmandzadeh, on current WR John Ross. Houshmandzadeh and Ross worked out together in the 2018 offseason.

"The quarterback says, 'Set, hut!' and he's gone. He's not just fast. He's quick. He's got good lateral quickness. And he's got some size. He's bigger than you think. He's 5-11 and 190 (pounds). He's short, but he's not small. He's got some thickness to him."

HB Joe Mixon, on the progression of WR John Ross after an injury-filled rookie season:

"I really feel like John (Ross) is going to come out strong in this offense. I would bet on it. John is gifted athlete — very, very talented — and I feel like he's going to have something in store for us."

Mixon, on the Bengals' new-look offense:

"The offense can be very dynamic. It can be one of the best in the NFL. Everybody's got to come show up to work each and every day. No matter how good the team is, if the chemistry is there, everything is going to fall into (place). I really feel like we can be one of the very best (offenses) in the NFL because the talent we have is unbelievable."

Bengals OT Bobby Hart, on negative news reports about his time with the N.Y. Giants, Bengals head coach Marvin Lewis, and why he chose to sign with Cincinnati:

"It's frustrating seeing all those things about you that you know are not true. The main thing I took from (Marvin Lewis) is he's not just blowing smoke. You can just feel the genuine aspect coming from him. When you get labelled those things, you start to develop a wall — a shield, where you block people out and don't let people in. But when you talk to him and you feel how genuine he is, that wall just comes down. You just listen to him and you can feel he cares."

DE Michael Johnson, on team drafting defense, including a defensive end in the third round:

"Competition breeds excellence. And I'm all for it. The more competition we can have, the better. It's only going to make us better. The chips fall where they may. I'm excited for this year. We took a lot of defensive guys, so apparently we're trying to get better on defense. We had some flashes last year. We had a lot of different lineup changes throughout the season, but even with that I feel like we've got a lot to build on. The motto this year is 'build it better,' so I guess that's part of that process. I'm excited to get everybody in and get to working and just get better so we can be a dominant defense like we have the ability to be."

Head coach Marvin Lewis, on DE Sam Hubbard during team's minicamp in June:

"He has been way ahead of the curve. We're just excited about that. He's going to really complement and add to our football team right away. I'm just excited because he's probably out here a little mature beyond his years right now. ... He'll be part of our rotation in the defensive line group. That's what I see for him looking into the future, very early, right away this year. That's what we were looking for when we picked him."

Defensive coordinator Teryl Austin, on DE Sam Hubbard during team's minicamp in June:

"The first thing is, I think he's a really smart football player. He's picked up the things that we are doing technique-wise and scheme-wise, and he's doing a really good job of applying them. ... I am excited about Sam and the prospects of the type of player he will be. I think he has a chance to be a really good player — a solid player. He's one of those guys that you know what you are going to get day in and day out, and when you are trying to call a defense and put a defense together, it's important to know the pieces you have. I think he can be a really solid piece in the years to come."

POSITION BY POSITION

Quarterbacks: With a 63-44-2 regular-season record as a starter, eighth-year pro Andy Dalton enters 2018 with the top winning percentage (.587) of any Bengals QB with 10 or more starts (next-best is Virgil Carter, who was 12-10, for a .545 percentage). Dalton is the Bengals' all-time leader in career passer rating (88.7), and is second in career completions (2217), completion percentage (62.35) and 300-yard passing games (22). Last season, he and Carolina's Cam Newton joined Peyton Manning as the only NFL passers to hit 3000 passing yards in each of their first seven seasons. Dalton's 167 career TD passes against 93 INTs works out to a ratio of 1.80-1, the best in Bengals history ahead of second-place Carson Palmer at 1.54-to-1 (154-100). Dalton has posted 42 career games with a passer rating at 100 or above, and the Bengals' record in those contests is 35-7 (.833). Dalton led Cincinnati to the playoffs in each of his first five seasons (2011-15), joining Baltimore's Joe Flacco as the only QBs to do that in the Super Bowl era (Seattle's Russell Wilson has since joined that list, from '12-16). Dalton will have a new backup in 2018, after QB AJ McCarron departed to Buffalo in free agency. New to the QBs room is Matt Barkley, a sixth-year player who has regular-season experience with the Eagles and Bears. Barkley's QBs coach in Philadelphia was current Bengals offensive coordinator

Bill Lazor. Barkley entered the NFL as a fourth-round draft pick of Philadelphia in 2013, after a stellar career at USC in which he left the school as the Pac-12's all-time leading passer (12,327 yards). Returning to the QBs room this year is Jeff Driskel, a third-year player who has spent the last two seasons with the Bengals. Last season, Driskel landed on Reserve/Injured after suffering a hand injury in the preseason finale. Driskel originally joined the Bengals in 2016 prior to Week 1, as a waiver acquisition from San Francisco. In college, Driskel played for Louisiana Tech in 2015, after spending his first four collegiate seasons at Florida. As a senior at Louisiana Tech, Driskel passed for 4033 yards (third in school history) and 27 TDs. Another addition to the QB room is rookie Logan Woodside, a seventh-round pick in April's draft. Over his career at Toledo, Woodside passed 759 of 1166 for 10,514 yards (school record), 93 TDs (school record) and 25 INTs.

Running backs: Second-year HB Joe Mixon, a 2017 second-round pick out of Oklahoma, enters '18 as Cincinnati's No. 1 HB. Last year, Mixon began his rookie season as Cincinnati's No. 3 HB and was slowly worked into the rotation. And despite battling injuries late in the season, Mixon ended the 2017 as the team's leader in carries (178), rushing yards (626) and rushing TDs

(four), and added 30 catches for 287 yards. In just two years of action at Oklahoma, and despite splitting time in the Sooners' backfield, he posted lofty career totals of 300 carries for 2027 yards (6.8) and 17 TDs, along with 65 receptions for 894 yards (13.8) and nine TDs. Returning for his sixth season is HB Giovanni Bernard, who played in every game last year after suffering a torn ACL in November of 2016. Bernard, who was the team's 2017 Ed Block Courage Award recipient, rushed for 458 yards and two TDs on 105 carries last season, good for a team-best 4.4-yard average. He also added 43 catches for 389 yards and two TDs. Bernard ranks second in Bengals history in both receptions (230) and receiving yards (2060) by a RB, trailing only James Brooks (297 and 3012), who played seven Bengals seasons from 1984-91. In 2015, Bernard set a team record for receiving yards in a game by a RB, with 128 at Arizona. In 2014, his 89-yard TD run vs. Carolina counted as the second-longest rush in team history. New to the Bengals' RBs room this year is rookie fourth-round pick Mark Walton of Miami (Fla.). Walton, who was touted by NFL scouts for his athleticism and versatility, played three seasons for the Hurricanes. In 30 career games at Miami, he compiled 2630 total yards (2006 rushing, 624 receiving) with 28 TDs (26 rushing, two receiving). As a sophomore in 2016, his only full season as starter, he rushed for the seventh-most yards (1117) and third-most rushing TDs (14) in school history. Returning this season is HB Brian Hill, who joined the Bengals mid-season last year off of Atlanta's practice squad. Hill played in six of the Bengals' final seven games, rushing 11 times for 37 yards and catching two passes for 36 yards. Hill is considered a valuable member of the Bengals' special teams unit, and ended 2017 with three special teams tackles. Also returning is HB Tra Carson, a second-year player out of Texas A&M who spent all of last season on Reserve/Injured after suffering a groin injury in preseason. Carson joined the Bengals as a college free agent signee in 2016 and spent 15 games on the practice squad as a rookie, before being called up to the active roster for the season finale (did not play). Rounding out the RBs room are second-year pro Jarveon Williams, a 2017 CFA who played in one game for Cincinnati last season, as well as CFAs Quinton Flowers and Ray Lawry. Flowers was a QB in college at South Florida and finished his career with 42 USF records, including school and conference records for total offense (11,802 yards).

Wide receivers: Star WR A.J. Green returns for his eighth season as a pro, and leads a young Bengals receiving corps. Green, who turned 30 in July, was selected last year to the Pro Bowl in the initial vote for the seventh time in seven NFL seasons, making him the only WR since the 1970 merger to start his career with seven consecutive Pro Bowl nominations (he did not play in the Pro Bowl game due to injury). Green's seven Pro Bowl selections also rank second in Bengals history, behind HOF OT Anthony Munoz (11). Green stands second in Bengals history in career receptions (556) and receiving yards (8213); Chad Johnson, who played 10 Bengals seasons, is first in both categories (751 and 10,783). He has reached 1000 receiving yards in six of his seven seasons, with his injury-shortened 2016 season (10 games, 964 yards) serving as the only outlier. Green's total of 31 career 100-yard receiving games is tied with Johnson for the most in team history. Green's 10 career games with at least 150 yards and one TD are the most among active players. Third-year pro Tyler Boyd, who will turn 24 in November, suddenly finds himself as a veteran in Cincinnati's receiving corps this season. Boyd, who has played primarily as a slot receiver, was slowed by a knee injury for much of the 2017 season, but he managed to finish his season on the ultimate high note. In the 2017 season finale at Baltimore, Boyd caught a 49-yard TD on fourth-and-12 with 44 seconds remaining, putting the Bengals ahead for a dramatic 31-27 win. Boyd has also caught at least one pass in all 26 of his games played. The player with perhaps the most anticipation surrounding him is second year WR John Ross, the Bengals' first-round pick (ninth overall) in the 2017 draft. Ross gained notoriety in the pre-draft process when at the 2017 NFL Combine he ran a blistering 4.22-second 40-yard dash, considered to be the fastest in the history of the combine's marquee event. As a rookie though, Ross was slowed by shoulder and ankle injuries. He saw only limited time in three games, before being placed on Reserve/Injured in early December. Ross participated in the Bengals' offseason program and has been a full participant since Day 1 of training camp, where he's drawn rave reviews. Another second-year WR looking to make a major sophomore jump is Josh Malone. Last season, Malone was eased into playing time, and saw action in 11 games (seven starts), with six catches for 63 yards and a TD. Malone, a deep-ball threat who averaged a school-record 19.4 yards per reception in 2016 at Tennessee, figures to see an increased role in his second season. Returning for a third Bengals season is Alex Erickson, a 2016 college free agent signee of the Bengals who served as the team's No. 1 PR and KOR in each of his first two seasons. As a rookie, Erickson averaged an AFC-

best 27.9 yards (second-best in team history) on punt returns. Also returning is WR Cody Core, a third-year player out of the University of Mississippi who saw extended time on offense as a rookie in 2016 after Green was lost for the season due to injury. Core was held without a catch last season, but he was considered a key component on special teams. New this season is WR Auden Tate, a seventh-round Bengals draft selection out of Florida State. At 6-5, 228 pounds, Tate is a big-bodied, sure-handed receiver known for his proficiency in the red zone — 15 of his 16 career TD catches at FSU came from the 20-yard line or closer. Kermit Whitfield, another FSU Seminole, returns to the Bengals this season after spending his entire rookie year on Cincinnati's practice squad. At 5-8, 184 pounds, Whitfield is small in stature, but he possesses elite speed — in high school, he was considered one of the nation's top prep sprinters in track and was the Florida 3A state champion in both the 100- and 200-meter events (personal best in 100 meters was 10.21 seconds). Rounding out the receiving corps are college free agents Devonte Boyd (UNLV), Kayaune Ross (Kentucky), Ka'Rau White (West Virginia) and Jared Murphy (Miami-Ohio).

Tight ends/H-backs: Star TE Tyler Eifert returns to the Bengals in 2018 after missing most of the last two seasons with back and ankle injuries. When healthy though, Eifert has proven to be one of the top TEs in the league. In 2015, his last healthy season, Eifert scored 13 TDs, the most ever by a Bengals TE and one short of the overall NFL lead. In Eifert's absence last season, TE Tyler Kroft stepped up to log career-highs in catches (42), receiving yards (404) and TDs (7). Last year, Kroft had two different two-TD games — Game 4 at Cleveland and Game 16 at Baltimore — making him the first Bengal with two or more multi-TD games in a season since 2015. Fellow fourth-year pro C.J. Uzomah also found his way to more offensive action in Eifert's absence last year, totaling 10 catches for 92 yards and a TD. Uzomah is also a key figure on the Bengals' special teams units, and last season ranked second on the team with 12 special teams tackles. H-B Ryan Hewitt, a 2014 Bengals CFA signee, returns for his fifth season in '18. Hewitt has 22 career catches, but he's known primarily for his powerful lead-blocking and valuable contributions on special teams (played 46 percent of special teams snaps in 2017). H-B Cethan Carter, who last year made the Bengals' roster out of training camp after a strong preseason showing on both offense and special teams, returns for his second season. Carter didn't record a catch as a rookie, but he ranked third on the team in special teams tackles (nine). Also returning this season is 2017 seventh-round pick Mason Schreck out of Buffalo. Schreck spent his rookie season on Reserve/Injured, after suffering a knee injury in preseason. Rounding out the TE/H-B group are Jordan Franks (H-B) and Moritz Bohringer (TE). Bohringer is from Aalen, Germany, and joined the Bengals in May as part of the NFL's International Player Pathway program. He began playing competitive American football in 2013, and in '16 he became the first-ever player drafted by an NFL team directly from Europe when the Minnesota Vikings took him in the sixth round.

Offensive linemen: In March, the Bengals acquired OT Cordy Glenn in a trade with Buffalo, helping secure the LOT position with a proven and reliable veteran. The 6-6, 345-pound Glenn is in his seventh NFL season in 2018, and has played in 78 career games (77 starts). Glenn played collegiately at Georgia, where in his first three seasons he played alongside Bengals veteran LG Clint Boling. Boling, and eighth-year player in 2018, is the longest consecutively tenured lineman on the roster. Last season, Boling was one of only two Bengals to play all 962 offensive snaps. In the season's final two games, with the Bengals' starting OTs out due to injury, Boling filled in admirably as the starting LOT, helping Cincinnati to two wins. Boling also started two games at ROT in 2014. The Bengals used their first-round selection (21st overall) in April's draft on C Billy Price of Ohio State. Last year, in his first-ever season playing center, Price earned unanimous All-American honors and was named the Rimington Trophy winner as college football's top center. Price was a four-year starter for the Buckeyes — his first three seasons were at G — and his 55 career starts set a school record. A two-time captain at OSU, Price was noted by scouts for his leadership, intelligence and powerful blocking. Listed as the No. 1 RG is third-year pro Trey Hopkins, who also served as the team's No. 1 RG last season. Hopkins battled injuries throughout 2017, but managed to play in 13 games (12 starts). Hopkins has been praised by coaches for his versatility, and has lined up at all five OL positions in practice. The competition for the No. 1 ROT spot is expected to be one of the tightest and most anticipated position battles of the preseason. OT Bobby Hart joined the Bengals over the offseason after spending his first four seasons with the New York Giants. Hart has played in 33 career games (21 starts). Also in the mix is OT Cedric Ogbuehi, the Bengals' first-round draft selection out of Texas A&M in 2015. Ogbuehi has played in 33 career games (25 starts), however each of his last two seasons have ended prematurely due to injury. The third player in the ROT competition is Jake Fisher, a second-round Bengals draft choice in 2015. Fisher began last

year as the Bengals' No. 1 ROT, but his season ended after eight games when he was placed on the Reserve/Non-football illness list. As a rookie in 2015, Fisher served as a "big TE" in extra-blocker formations and saw time at H-back as an injury replacement. He had a 31-yard catch in 2015 vs. San Diego in the extra-TE spot, the longest in history by a Bengals OL and longest by an NFL OL since 1988. At guard, third-year pro Christian Westerman returns after starting the final two games of 2017. He made his NFL debut last season in Game 15 vs. Detroit and helped pave the way for a 100-yard rushing game by HB Giovani Bernard. G Alex Redmond is also in the mix for playing time at the guard positions. Redmond saw action along the OL in the final two games last season, and helped the Bengals to two wins. Last year, Redmond occasionally served as an extra defensive lineman in goal line situations. Close observers will also notice a much slimmer Redmond in 2018, as the G dropped significant weight over the offseason. Veteran T.J. Johnson returns for his fifth Bengals season in 2018, and again figures to serve as a key backup at both C and G, as well as a valuable contributor on special teams. Johnson has played in 46 career games (including playoffs), with five starts. OT Kent Perkins returns for his second Bengals season, after seeing action on offense in last season's finale vs. Baltimore. The Bengals list Perkins at OT, but he also has the ability to play G. Rounding out the Bengals' offensive line this preseason are Austin Flear (OT), Cory Helms (G), Brad Lundblade (C) and former UC Bearcat Justin Murray (OT).

Defensive linemen: Star DT Geno Atkins returns for his ninth season in 2018, and will help lead a young and talented defensive line group. Atkins in 2017 was voted to his sixth Pro Bowl in eight campaigns, the most ever by a Bengals defensive lineman and tied with CB Lemar Parrish for the most by a Cincinnati defender. Last season, Atkins led the Bengals in sacks for the fourth time in eight seasons. He also led all NFL interior linemen in sacks (nine), marking the fifth time in his career he's finished in at least a share of that crown — he claimed it outright in 2012, '16 and '17, and he shared it in '11 and '15. With 61 career sacks, Atkins stands just 1.5 shy of LB Reggie Williams (62.5) for third place on the Bengals' all-time sack list (DE Eddie Edwards is the franchise's all-time leader with 83.5). In second place on Cincinnati's all-time sack list is Pro Bowl DE Carlos Dunlap, with 64.5. Dunlap was third on the team in sacks (7.5) last season, but he was his usual playmaking self in key moments. In the fourth quarter of the Bengals' comeback win over the Colts last season, Dunlap intercepted a pass at the line of scrimmage and returned it for a TD, putting the Bengals ahead to stay. Known for batting passes at the line, Dunlap led the team in 2016 with 15 PDs, becoming the first Bengals defensive lineman to ever lead the team in that category. Dunlap's career-best 13.5 sacks in 2015 were the second-most in a season in team history, behind DE Coy Bacon's 22.0 in 1976. For his career, Dunlap has 16 FFs, eight FRs, 48 PDs, four blocked FGs and three TDs. Listed at DE this season, after spending his rookie season at LB, is Carl Lawson. Lawson led all NFL rookies in sacks (8.5) in 2017, and enters 2018 widely considered to be one of the NFL's best young pass-rushers. After playing 42 percent of the defensive snaps last season as a rush end, Bengals coaches have said they will involve Lawson more in his sophomore campaign. Lawson's 8.5 sacks in 2017 fell one short of the Bengals' rookie record of 9.5, set by Dunlap in 2010. Lawson burst onto the scene last season in Game 3 at Green Bay, when he recorded 2.5 sacks of Aaron Rodgers (another sack was negated by an unrelated penalty). Third-year pro Andrew Billings returns this season and looks to lock down a spot at NT alongside Atkins. A fourth-round Bengals draft selection in 2016, Billings missed his entire rookie season with a knee injury (meniscus tear) suffered early in the team's training camp. He returned last season to play in 15 games (seven starts), in a rotational role at NT. At RDE, veteran Michael Johnson returns for his 10th NFL and ninth Bengals season. Johnson, the Bengals' 2017 nominee for the Walter Payton Man of the Year Award, was originally a third-round Bengals draft pick in 2009. He spent his first six seasons in Cincinnati, before signing with Tampa Bay as a UFA in 2014, and then returning to the Bengals in '15. Johnson played in 15 games last season and led the defensive line in tackles (49), with five sacks and 11 TFLs. Johnson has played in 131 of a possible 133 games (including postseason) during his Bengals tenure. Second-year DE Jordan Willis figures to see increased time on defense this year, after seeing action on 31 percent of the Bengals' defensive snaps as a rookie last season. Willis, a third-round draft pick out of Kansas State in 2017, totaled 25 tackles, a sack and a blocked punt as a rookie. Another second-year player who figures to increase his role is DT Ryan Glasgow. Glasgow played in all 16 games as a rookie and was a regular contributor in the defensive line rotation, with 23 tackles. Ninth-year pro Chris Baker joins the Bengals in 2018, and figures to add depth at NT. Baker signed as a free agent in March, after spending 2017 with Tampa Bay. Baker was

originally a CFA signee of Denver in 2009, before joining Washington in 2011 and steadily increasing his role. Baker's career totals include 214 tackles, 12 sacks, five FFs and two FRs. Cincinnatians have an increased level of anticipation this season with the upcoming debut of rookie DE Sam Hubbard, a Cincinnati native and former star at Moeller High School and Ohio State. The Bengals selected Hubbard in the third round (77th overall) of April's draft. In 40 career games at OSU, Hubbard totaled 116 tackles, including 29.5 for losses and 17 sacks. Rookie DT Andrew Brown of Virginia, a fifth-round selection in April's draft, will also look to add depth to the interior of the defensive line. Brown was noted by scouts for his quickness, relentless energy and strength. As a senior in high school, Brown was named the 2013 Gatorade National Player of the Year. Returning this season is DT Josh Tupou, a 2017 CFA out of Colorado who saw action in one game as a rookie at NT. At 6-3, 350 pounds, Tupou is the heaviest Bengal on the roster and a prototypical run-stuffer. Rounding out the Bengals' defensive line room are DTs Chris Okoye and Eddy Wilson.

Linebackers: Seventh-year pro Vontaze Burfict returns in 2018 as the leader of the Bengals' LB corps. Originally a CFA signee of the Bengals in 2012, Burfict has become a cornerstone of Cincinnati's defense. Despite playing in only 10 games last season, Burfict totaled 69 tackles, 1.5 sacks, two PDs and a FF. He also had the Bengals' two highest single-game tackle totals — 13 on Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo, and 12 on Nov. 19 vs. Denver. New to the Bengals' LB room this season is MLB Preston Brown, a Cincinnati native (Northwest High School) who the Bengals signed in March as a UFA. Brown spent his first four seasons in Buffalo, where he played in all 64 possible games (62 starts) and accumulated an NFL-best 504 tackles between 2014-17. Brown led the NFL in tackles last season, with 144. At SLB, Nick Vigil returns after an injury-shortened 2017. Despite missing the final five games due to injury, Vigil finished 2017 ranked fourth on the team in tackles (77). After being selected by the Bengals in the third round of the 2016 draft, Vigil saw limited time on defense as a rookie before earning the No. 1 SLB spot in 2017 preseason. Veteran Vincent Rey, the longest-tenured LB on the roster, led the team in tackles (84) last season for the third time in his eight Bengals seasons. Originally a 2010 CFA signee out of Duke, Rey began his career as a core special teams player before growing his role to include regular LB duties on defense. Rey has the ability to play all three LB spots, and is considered a veteran leader on the defense. A hamstring injury last season caused Rey to miss Games 11-12, ending a streak of 108 straight games played; those were the only two games Rey has missed since his NFL debut in Game 15 of 2010. Rey holds the distinction as the only player in Bengals history to log three sacks and one INT in a game (Nov. 10, 2013 at Baltimore). Second-year LB Jordan Evans looks to build on a strong rookie season, in which he started the final four games due to injuries to the starting LBs. Evans played in 15 games as a rookie and totaled 33 tackles, seeing action on 27 percent of the defensive snaps and 55 percent of special teams snaps. Rookie Malik Jefferson of Texas, a third-round pick in April's draft, will look to add depth to the LB corps in his first NFL season. Noted by scouts for his speed and athleticism, Jefferson played three seasons at Texas and last year was named the Big 12 Co-Defensive Player of the Year after totaling 110 tackles, including 10 for losses and four sacks. Second-year LBs Hardy Nickerson and Brandon Bell, both 2017 CFA signees of the Bengals, look to build on rookie seasons in which they saw extensive action down the stretch due to injuries to the starting LBs. Nickerson played in 14 games as a rookie, with two starts, and totaled 14 tackles. Bell opened the season on Cincinnati's practice squad before being promoted to the roster in December and playing in the final three games (seven tackles). Rounding out the Bengals' LB corps are CFAs Junior Joseph of Connecticut and Chris Worley of Ohio State.

Defensive backs: Third-year pro William Jackson enters 2018 as Cincinnati's No. 1 RCB, after a strong first season of action. Jackson was the Bengals' first-round draft selection in 2016, but his rookie season was lost in training camp when he suffered a torn pectoral muscle prior to the first preseason game. Jackson burst onto the scene in 2017 though, earning increased playing time at RCB as the season progressed. He finished the season with 25 tackles and 14 PDs, including a 75-yard pick-six of Aaron Rodgers in Game 3 at Green Bay; it was only the second pick-six of Rodgers' career. Manning the LCB spot is veteran Dre Kirkpatrick, who will be in his fourth season as a full-time starter in 2018. Kirkpatrick has 10 INTs, including two returned for TDs, in 80 career games. CB Darqueze Dennard, considered the team's primary nickel DB, played in all 16 games last season and saw action on 899 snaps on defense (second on team) and 149 on special teams. The 2014 first-round pick enjoyed his best season as a pro in '17, leading the team in INTs (two) and finishing second in tackles (83). Noted for his versatility, Dennard was the only player in the secondary to start at more than one position in 2017, as his six starts included two games each at RCB, LCB and nickel DB. Dennard recorded his first-career pick-six in last season's finale at Baltimore, when he

intercepted a pass at the Bengals' 11 and weaved through defenders on the way to an 89-yard return for a TD. At safety, veteran George Iloka returns as the No. 1 FS, a spot he has held since 2013. Iloka started all 16 games in 2017, and ranked third on the team in tackles (79), with one INT and five PDs. At SS, veteran Shawn Williams enters his third season as starter. Williams battled injuries throughout 2017 and was limited to 11 games, but he still managed 49 tackles, one INT, three PDs and two FRs. Rookie S Jessie Bates, the Bengals' second-round draft pick, figures to work his way onto the field on both defense and special teams in his first pro season. In three seasons at Wake Forest, Bates totaled 179 tackles, including nine for losses, with six INTs, nine pass breakups and two FFs. Third-year pro Clayton Fejedelem saw extended time on defense last season in Williams' absence, and totaled 42 tackles and an INT. Originally a seventh-round draft pick of the Bengals in 2016, Fejedelem has become a special teams ace, and last year led the team with 16 special teams tackles. Veteran S Josh Shaw, originally a fourth-round Bengals draft selection in 2015, has seen extensive time at both CB and S throughout his career. The Bengals list Shaw at S this year, but he's considered a valuable nickel DB. Shaw's career totals include 96 tackles, seven PDs and an INT. CB KeiVarae Russell returns for his third Bengals season, and will again look to add depth to Cincinnati's CB rotation. Originally a third-round draft choice of Kansas City in 2016, Russell was waived by the Chiefs early in his rookie season and claimed on waivers by Cincinnati. Adding depth to the Bengals' CB rotation will be rookie fifth-round picks Davonte Harris and Darius Phillips. At Illinois State, Harris totaled 208 tackles, 38 passes defended, 10 tackles for losses, four INTs and three sacks. Phillips finished his career at Western Michigan as one of the top defensive/special teams playmakers in college football history, with an FBS record 12 total returns for TDs (five KOR, one PR, five INT, one FR... also had two receiving TDs). Phillips' five career pick-sixes tied for the most in FBS history. S Brandon Wilson, a sixth-round Bengals draft pick out of Houston in 2017, started his rookie season on Cincinnati's practice squad. He was promoted to the active roster in November and played in the team's final eight games. Wilson developed into a key special teams player, and finished the season with five ST tackles. Rounding out the Bengals' secondary are first-year pro Sojourn Shelton (CB), third-year pro C.J. Goodwin (CB), second-year pro Tony McRae (CB) and rookie CFAs Trayvon Henderson and Tyrice Beverette (both

safeties).

Special teams: Seventh-year pro Randy Bullock returns in 2018 after making a career-best 90 percent of his FGs (18 for 20) last season. Bullock also made 93.9 percent of his PATs (31 of 33), his best percentage for a season since the PAT distance was moved to 33 yards in 2015. Bullock, who was acquired on waivers from Pittsburgh during the 2016 season, has NFL experience with five teams — Houston, N.Y. Jets, N.Y. Giants, Pittsburgh and Cincinnati. He owns an 82.8 career percentage on FGs (101 of 122) and 95.5 percentage on PATs (128 of 134). K Jonathan Brown, a first-year player out of Louisville, will also get a shot at placekicking duties during preseason. Brown was a standout soccer player at both the University of Kentucky and University of Louisville, and saw only limited action as a kickoff specialist in two seasons on Louisville's football team. Brown has never attempted a placekick in a college or pro football game (preseason or regular season). Veteran long-snapper Clark Harris in 2017 became the first-ever Bengals LS to earn a Pro Bowl nod. Harris has been a paragon of reliability since taking over as Cincinnati's LS in 2009, with no unplayable snaps in 1292 attempts as a Bengal (693 punts and 599 placekicks). During a Pro Bowl practice last season, Harris set a new Guinness World Record for longest recorded snap at 36 yards, eight inches, shattering the previous record of 34 yards by Jase Whitner of Perrysburg, Ohio in 2017. P Kevin Huber, the longest consecutively tenured Bengal on the roster, enters his 10th season as a pro. Huber, a Cincinnati native (Archbishop McNicholas High School) and University of Cincinnati alum, originally joined the Bengals in 2009 as a fifth-round draft choice. Huber is the Bengals' career leader in both gross (45.2) and net (39.8) putting average, as well as total inside-20s (237). Huber also shares the franchise record for longest punt, at 75 yards. Huber has served as the holder on placekicks his entire career. Third-year WR Alex Erickson figures to again see action at KOR and PR this season. As a rookie in 2016, Erickson's 27.9-yard average on KORs was tops in the AFC and the second-best mark in Bengals history. Other candidates at PR are WR Tyler Boyd and rookie S Jessie Bates. At KOR, rookie CB Darius Phillips and S Brandon Wilson both figure to get chances. In college, Phillips had five career KORs for TDs and one PR for a TD. Wilson had two KORs for TDs in college at Houston. The Bengals in 2018 also return the core of their special teams coverage units, as 23 of the 25 players to record at least one special teams tackle last season are on the 2018 preseason roster. Last year's ST tackle leaders were S Clayton Fejedelem (16), TE C.J. Uzomah (12) and H-B Cethan Carter (nine).

PLAYER PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Geno Atkins.....	JEE-no	Trayvon Henderson	TRAY-vahn
Giovani Bernard.....	jee-o-VAHN-ee	Ryan Hewitt.....	HUE-it
Tyrice Beverette.....	TIE-reece BEV-er-ett	George Iloka.....	ie(rhymes with "tie")-LO-kuh
Devonte Boyd.....	deh-VAHN-tay	Malik Jefferson.....	muh-LEEK
Moritz Böhringer.....	BOAR-ringer	Dre Kirkpatrick.....	DRAY
Randy Bullock.....	BULL-luck	Cedric Ogbuehi.....	o-BWAY-hee
Vontaze Burfict.....	VONN-tez BER-fict (rhymes with "perfect")	Chris Okoye.....	o-KOY-yay
Tra Carson.....	(pronounced as "tray")	Vincent Rey.....	RAY
Cethan Carter.....	SEE-thin	KeiVarae Russell.....	kee-VAR-ay
Darqueze Dennard.....	dar-KWEZ deh-NARD	Sojourn Shelton.....	SO-jern
Tyler Eifert.....	IE(rhymes with "tie")-fert	Josh Tupou.....	TEW-po
Clayton Fejedelem.....	FEDGE-uh-lemm (the "d" is silent)	C.J. Uzomah.....	yew-ZAH-mah
Ryan Glasgow.....	GLASS-go	Ka'Rau White.....	kuh-RONN
Davontae Harris.....	duh-VAHN-tay	Jarveon Williams.....	JAR-vee-ahn

TRANSACTIONS

(Transactions from 7-28-16 through 6-8-17 are in Bengals' 2017 media guide.)

June 8, 2017 — Signed DE Jordan Willis (D3).	Waived WR Karel Hamilton and HB Stanley Williams.
June 27, 2017 — Signed G Cameron Lee (FA).	Aug. 28, 2017 — Waived P Will Monday.
July 29, 2017 — Signed WR Kermit Whitfield (FA); Waived WR Monty Madaris (failed physical).	Aug. 29, 2017 — Acquired a seventh-round pick in the 2018 NFL Draft in a trade with New England for LB Marquis Flowers; Placed HB Cedric Peerman on the Reserve/Injured list.
July 30, 2017 — WR Monty Madaris cleared waivers and reverted to the Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform list.	Sept. 2, 2017 — Acquired a conditional sixth-round draft pick in the 2019 NFL Draft in a trade with the Dallas Cowboys for CB Bene Benwikere; Placed the following two players on the Reserve/Injured list: HB Tra Carson and TE Mason Schreck; Terminated the contract of the following two players: DE Wallace Gilberry and OT Eric Winston; Waived the following 23 players: LB Bryson Albright, LB Brandon Bell, WR Chris Brown, DE Ryan Brown, DE Will Clarke, S Demetrious Cox, LB P.J. Dawson, DT David Dean, G J.J. Dielman, K Jake Elliott, DE Marcus Hardison, FB Darrin Laufasa, OT Landon
July 31, 2017 — Signed S Cedric Thompson (FA); Waived K Jonathan Brown.	
Aug. 1, 2017 — Waived WR Monty Madaris from the Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform list (injury settlement).	
Aug. 9, 2017 — Signed P Will Monday (FA); Waived WR Jake Kumerow (injured).	
Aug. 10, 2017 — WR Jake Kumerow cleared waivers and reverted to the Reserve/Injured list.	
Aug. 19, 2017 — Waived S Cedric Thompson (injury settlement).	
Aug. 20, 2017 — Terminated the contract of DT Brandon Thompson;	

	Lechler, G Cameron Lee, CB Tony McRae, OT Kent Perkins, WR Alonzo Russell, G Dustin Stanton, DT Josh Tupou, WR Kermit Whitfield, DT DeShawn Williams, HB Jarveon Williams, S Brandon Wilson; Placed the following two players on the Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner list: LB Vontaze Burfict and CB Adam Jones.		
Sept. 3, 2017	— Signed the following eight players to the practice squad: LB Brandon Bell, K Jake Elliott, OT Kent Perkins, DT Josh Tupou, WR Kermit Whitfield, DT DeShawn Williams, HB Jarveon Williams and S Brandon Wilson.		
Sept. 4, 2017	— Placed QB Jeff Driskel on the Reserve/Injured list; Signed CB Sojourn Shelton (FA) and G Cole Toner (FA) to the practice squad.		
Sept. 6, 2017	— Acquired DT Christian Ringo on waivers from Green Bay.		
Sept. 7, 2017	— Signed LB Vontaze Burfict* to a contract extension.		
Sept. 11, 2017	— Announced that the NFL granted CB Adam Jones (Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner list) a one-day roster exemption to participate in team activities.		
Sept. 12, 2017	— Activated CB Adam Jones from exemption status to the 53-player roster; Waived DT Christian Ringo; K Jake Elliott signed off practice squad by Philadelphia.		
Sept. 13, 2017	— Signed G J.J. Dielman to the practice squad.		
Sept. 22, 2017	— Waived WR Jake Kumerow from the Reserve/Injured list.		
Sept. 25, 2017	— Announced that the NFL granted LB Vontaze Burfict (Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner list) a three-day roster exemption to participate in team activities.		
Sept. 28, 2017	— Activated LB Vontaze Burfict from exemption status to the 53-player roster; Waived LB Hardy Nickerson.		
Sept. 29, 2017	— Signed LB Hardy Nickerson to the practice squad; Released G Cole Toner from the practice squad.		
Oct. 12, 2017	— Placed TE Tyler Eifert on the Reserve/Injured list.		
Oct. 16, 2017	— Signed LS Clark Harris* to a contract extension; Signed LB Hardy Nickerson from the practice squad; Signed TE Scott Orndoff (FA) to the practice squad.		
Oct. 27, 2017	— Signed CB Tony McRae (FA) to the practice squad; Released CB Sojourn Shelton from the practice squad.		
Nov. 4, 2017	— Signed K Marshall Koehn (FA); Waived S Derron Smith.		
Nov. 7, 2017	— Signed S Derron Smith to the practice squad; Released TE Scott Orndoff from the practice squad.		
Nov. 8, 2017	— Signed OT Eric Winston (FA); Placed OT Jake Fisher on the Reserve/Non-Football Illness list.		
Nov. 9, 2017	— Signed TE Scott Orndoff to the practice squad; S Derron Smith signed off practice squad by Cleveland.		
Nov. 11, 2017	— Signed DT Josh Tupou and S Brandon Wilson from the practice squad; Placed HB Jeremy Hill on Reserve/Injured; Waived K Marshall Koehn.		
Nov. 14, 2017	— Signed HB Brian Hill off Atlanta's practice squad; Waived LB Hardy Nickerson; Signed CB Sojourn Shelton (FA) to the practice squad.		
Nov. 15, 2017	— Signed LB Hardy Nickerson to the practice squad.		
Nov. 18, 2017	— Signed LB Hardy Nickerson from the practice squad; Waived DT Pat Sims.		
Nov. 21, 2017	— Re-signed DT Pat Sims; Waived DT Josh Tupou.		
Nov. 22, 2017	— Signed DT Josh Tupou to the practice squad.		
Dec. 6, 2017	— Signed DT Josh Tupou from the practice squad; Placed WR John Ross on the Reserve/Injured list; Signed LB Carl Bradford (FA) to the practice squad.		
Dec. 9, 2017	— Signed CB Tony McRae from the practice squad; Placed CB Adam Jones on the Reserve/Injured list.		
Dec. 12, 2017	— Announced that QB Jeff Driskel was designated for return from the Reserve/Injured list and eligible to practice.		
Dec. 13, 2017	— Signed S Robenson Therezie to the practice squad.		
Dec. 15, 2017	— Signed LB Brandon Bell from the practice squad; Placed LB Kevin Minter on the Reserve/Injured list.		
Dec. 16, 2017	— Signed HB Jarveon Williams from the practice squad; Placed C T.J. Johnson on the Reserve/Injured list; G J.J. Dielman signed off practice squad by Denver.		
Dec. 19, 2017	— Signed OT Javarius Leamon and G Oni Omoile to the practice squad.		
Dec. 20, 2017	— Signed OT Justin Murray off the New Orleans practice		
		squad; Placed OT Andre Smith on the Reserve/Injured list; Signed LB Connor Harris to the practice squad.	
Dec. 22, 2017		— Signed OT Kent Perkins from the practice squad; Placed LB Nick Vigil on the Reserve/Injured list.	
Dec. 28, 2017		— Signed K Jonathan Brown to the practice squad.	
Jan. 1, 2018		— Signed the following nine practice squad players to the Reserve/Future list: LB Carl Bradford, K Jonathan Brown, LB Connor Harris, OT Javarius Leamon, G Oni Omoile, TE Scott Orndoff, CB Sojourn Shelton, S Robenson Therezie and WR Kermit Whitfield.	
Jan. 8, 2018		— The practice squad contract expired for DT DeShawn Williams.	
Feb. 14, 2018		— Signed OT/G Bobby Hart (FA).	
March 8, 2018		— Signed DT Chris Baker (FA).	
March 14, 2018		— Acquired OT Cordy Glenn, a first-round pick in the 2018 draft (No. 21 overall) and a fifth-round pick in the '18 draft (No. 158) in a trade with the Buffalo Bills for a first-round pick in the '18 draft (No. 12) and a sixth-round pick in the '18 draft (No. 187); The contracts expired for the following 12 players, rendering them unrestricted free agents: C Russell Bodine, TE Tyler Eifert, HB Jeremy Hill, P Kevin Huber, CB Adam Jones, QB AJ McCarron, LB Kevin Minter, HB Cedric Peerman, DT Pat Sims, OT Andre Smith, DE Chris Smith and OT Eric Winston.	
March 15, 2018		— Re-signed P Kevin Huber (UFA-Cin.); QB AJ McCarron (UFA-Cin.) signed with Buffalo; DE Chris Smith (UFA-Cin.) signed with Cleveland;	
March 16, 2018		— Signed LB Preston Brown (UFA-Buff.); OT Andre Smith (UFA-Cin.) signed with Arizona.	
March 17, 2018		— Signed QB Matt Barkley (UFA-Ariz.); Re-signed TE Tyler Eifert (UFA-Cin.); HB Jeremy Hill (UFA-Cin.) signed with New England.	
March 20, 2018		— C Russell Bodine (UFA-Cin.) signed with Buffalo.	
April 10, 2018		— LB Kevin Minter (UFA-Cin.) signed with the N.Y. Jets.	
April 26, 2018		— Selected one player in the annual NFL draft: C Billy Price of Ohio State in Round 1 (21st overall).	
April 27, 2018		— Acquired a 2018 second-round draft pick (54th overall) and an '18 third-round draft pick (78th) from Kansas City for an '18 second-round pick (46th) and an '18 third-round pick (100th); Selected three players in the annual NFL draft: S Jessie Bates of Wake Forest in Round 2 (54th overall), DE Sam Hubbard of Ohio State in Round 3 (77th) and LB Malik Jefferson of Texas in Round 3 (78th).	
April 28, 2018		— Selected seven players in the annual NFL draft: RB Mark Walton of Miami in Round 4 (112th overall), CB Davontae Harris of Illinois State in Round 5 (151st), DT Andrew Brown of Virginia in Round 5 (158th), CB Darius Phillips of Western Michigan in Round 5 (170th), QB Logan Woodside of Toledo in Round 7 (249th), G/OT Rod Taylor of Mississippi in Round 7 (252nd), WR Auden Tate of Florida State in Round 7 (253rd).	
April 30, 2018		— Waived LB Carl Bradford and LB Connor Harris.	
May 1, 2018		— TE Moritz Böhringer assigned by NFL to Bengals roster as International Player Pathway participant (roster exemption).	
May 8, 2018		— Acquired WR Ka'Raun White on waivers from Seattle.	
May 11, 2018		— Signed CB Davontae Harris (D5a), DT Andrew Brown (D5b), QB Logan Woodside (D7a) and G Rod Taylor (D7b); Signed the following 10 college free agents: WR Devonte Boyd (CFA-Nevada-Las Vegas), DE Gaelin Elmore (CFA-East Carolina), OT Austin Fleer (CFA-Colorado Mesa), HB Quinton Flowers (CFA-South Florida), TE Jordan Franks (CFA-Central Florida), S Trayvon Henderson (CFA-Hawaii), LB Junior Joseph (CFA-Connecticut), HB Ray Lawry (CFA-Old Dominion), DE Ja'Von Rolland-Jones (CFA-Arkansas State) and LB Chris Worley (CFA-Ohio State).	
May 12, 2018		— Signed S Jessie Bates (D2), CB Darius Phillips (D5c) and HB Mark Walton (D4).	
May 14, 2018		— Signed WR Auden Tate (D7c), S Tyrice Beverette (CFA-Stony Brook), C Brad Lundblade (CFA-Oklahoma State) and DT Chris Okoye (CFA-Ferris State); Waived G Oni Omoile, TE Scott Orndoff and S Robenson Therezie.	
May 21, 2018		— Signed C Billy Price (D1).	

- June 21, 2018 — Signed DE Sam Hubbard (D3a) and Malik Jefferson (D3b).
- July 17, 2018 — Placed DE Gaelin Elmore on the Reserve/Retired list.
- July 26, 2018 — Signed WR Jared Murphy (CFA-Miami [Ohio]); Placed OT Javarius Leamon on the Reserve/Did Not Report list.
- Aug. 2, 2018 — Terminated the contract of WR Brandon LaFell; Waived

- Aug. 4, 2018 — DE Ja'Von Rolland-Jones. Signed the following three free agents: CB C.J. Goodwin, G-C Cory Helms and WR Kayaune Ross; Acquired DT Eddy Wilson on waivers from Seattle; Placed G Rod Taylor on the Reserve/Injured list.

* NOTE: Signed a new contract before finishing the final season(s) of existing contract.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 2018
- Aug. 2-5 — Hall of Fame Weekend, Canton, Ohio.
 - Aug. 7 — Deadline for players under contract to report to their clubs to earn an accrued season for free agency.
 - Aug. 7 — If a drafted rookie has not signed with his club by this date, he cannot be traded to any other club in 2018, and may sign a player contract only with the drafting club until the day of the Draft in the 2019 League Year.
 - Aug. 9-13 — First Preseason Weekend.
 - Aug. 16-20 — Second Preseason Weekend.
 - Aug. 23-26 — Third Preseason Weekend.
 - Aug. 30 — Final Preseason Games.
 - Sept. 1 — Prior to 4 p.m., Eastern time, clubs must reduce rosters to a maximum of 53 players on the Active/Inactive List. Simultaneously with the cut-down to 53, clubs that have players in the categories of Active/Physically Unable to Perform or Active/Non-Football Injury or Illness must select one of the following options: place player on Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform or Reserve/Non-Football Injury or Illness, whichever is applicable; request waivers; terminate contract; trade contract; or continue to count the player on the Active List.
 - Sept. 2 — Claiming period for players placed on waivers at the final roster reduction will expire at 12 noon, Eastern time. Upon receipt of the Personnel Notice at approximately 1 p.m., Eastern time, clubs may establish a Practice Squad of 10 players (clubs participating in the International Player Development Program may sign one additional international player to a Practice Player Contract.) No club, including the player's prior club, will be permitted to sign a player to a Practice Player Contract until all clubs have received simultaneous notification via the above Personnel Notice that such player's prior NFL player contract has been terminated via the waiver system.
 - Sept. 3-8 — In accordance with the 2018 Personnel (Injury) Report Policy, each club is required to file a Practice Report with the NFL Communications Department by 4 p.m., Eastern time, (or as soon as possible after the completion of practice) every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for a regular season Sunday game; Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday for a Thursday game; Thursday, Friday, and Saturday for a Monday game; and Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday for a Saturday game. Each club must also file a weekly regular season Game Status Report with the NFL communications department by 4 p.m., Eastern time (or as soon as possible after the completion of practice) on Wednesday for a Thursday game, Friday for a Sunday game, Saturday for a Monday game, and Thursday for a Saturday game. An update must be reported if there is any change in a player's condition after the initial Game Status Report is filed.
 - Sept. 6 — At 12 a.m., Eastern time, the Top 51 Rule expires for all NFL clubs.
 - Sept. 6, 9-10 — Regular Season opens.
 - Sept. 25 — Beginning on the Tuesday following the third weekend of regular season games, the claiming priority is based on the inverse order of the standing of clubs in the current season's games.
 - Oct. 14 — NFL London Series, Seattle Seahawks vs. Oakland Raiders, New Tottenham Stadium.
 - Mid-Oct. — Beginning on the sixth calendar day prior to a club's seventh regular season game (including any bye week) clubs are permitted to begin practicing players on Reserve/Physically

- Mid-Oct. — Unable to Perform and Reserve/Non-Football Injury or Illness for a period not to exceed 21 days. Players may be activated during the 21-day practice period, or prior to 4 p.m., Eastern time, on the day after the conclusion of the 21-day period, provided that no player may be activated to participate in a Week 6 game.
- Mid-Oct. — At any time after six weeks have elapsed since a player was placed on Reserve/Injured or Reserve/Non-Football Injury/Illness, each club is permitted to designate two players for return from either list to the club's 53-player Active/Inactive List.
- Mid-Oct. — A player who is "Designated For Return" must have suffered a major football-related injury or non-football-related injury or illness after reporting to training camp and passing his preseason physical examination and must have been placed on the applicable Reserve List after 4 p.m., Eastern time, on the day after the final roster reduction.
- Mid-Oct. — A player whom the club wishes to designate for return is permitted to return to practice for a period not to exceed 21 days. The club is required to notify the League office that the player has been "Designated For Return" on the first day the player begins to practice. The player cannot be returned to the Active/Inactive List until eight weeks have elapsed since the date he was placed on Reserve.
- Oct. 16-17 — Fall League Meeting, New York, New York.
- Oct. 21 — NFL London Series, Tennessee Titans vs. Los Angeles Chargers, Wembley Stadium.
- Oct. 28 — NFL London Series, Philadelphia Eagles vs. Jacksonville Jaguars, Wembley Stadium.
- Oct. 30 — All trading ends for 2018 at 4 p.m., Eastern time.
- Oct. 31 — Players with at least four previous pension-credited seasons are subject to the waiver system for the remainder of the regular season and postseason.
- Nov. 13 — At 4 p.m., Eastern time, signing period ends for Franchise Players who are eligible to receive offer sheets.
- Nov. 13 — Prior to 4 p.m., Eastern time, deadline for clubs to sign their unsigned Franchise and Transition Players, including Franchise Players who were eligible to receive offer sheets until this date. If still unsigned after this date, such players are prohibited from playing in the NFL in 2018.
- Nov. 13 — Prior to 4 p.m., Eastern time, deadline for clubs to sign their unrestricted free agents to whom the "May 8 Tender" was made. If still unsigned after this date, such players are prohibited from playing in the NFL in 2018.
- Nov. 13 — Prior to 4 p.m., Eastern time, deadline for clubs to sign their restricted free agents, including those to whom the "June 1 Tender" was made. If such players remain unsigned after this date, they are prohibited from playing in the NFL in 2018.
- Nov. 13 — Prior to 4 p.m., Eastern time, deadline for clubs to sign their drafted rookies. If such players remain unsigned after this date, they are prohibited from playing in the NFL in 2018.
- Nov. 19 — NFL Mexico Series, Kansas City Chiefs vs. Los Angeles Rams, Estadio Azteca.
- Dec. 12 — League Meeting, Irving, Texas.
- Dec. 30 — Week 17.
- Dec. 31 — Earliest permissible date for clubs to renegotiate or extend the rookie contract of a drafted rookie who was selected in any round of the 2016 NFL Draft. Any permissible renegotiated or extended player contract will not be considered a rookie contract, and will not be subject to the rules that limit rookie contracts.
- Dec. 31 — Option exercise period begins for Fifth-Year Option for First-

Round Selections from the 2016 NFL Draft. To exercise the option, the club must give written notice to the player on or after Dec. 31, 2018, but prior to May 3, 2019.

2019

- Jan. 5-6 — Wild Card Playoffs.
- Jan. 6 — Assistant coaches under contract to playoff clubs that have byes in the Wild Card weekend may be interviewed for head coaching positions through the conclusion of the Wild Card games.
- Jan. 12-13 — Divisional Playoffs.
- Jan. 13 — Assistant coaches under contract to playoff clubs that won their Wild Card games may be interviewed for head coaching positions through the conclusion of Divisional Playoff games.
- Jan. 14 — Deadline for college players that are underclassmen to apply for special eligibility. A list of players who are accepted into the NFL Draft will be sent to clubs on Jan. 18.
- Jan. 19 — East-West Shrine Game, Tropicana Field, St. Petersburg, Fla.
- Jan. 20 — AFC and NFC Championship Games.
- Jan. 26 — Senior Bowl, Ladd-Peebles Stadium, Mobile, Alabama.
- Jan. 27 — NFL Pro Bowl, Camping World Stadium, Orlando, Florida.
- Jan. 27 — An assistant coach, whose team is participating in the Super Bowl, who has previously interviewed for another club's head coaching job may have a second interview with such club no later than the Sunday preceding the Super Bowl.
- Feb. 3 — Super Bowl LIII, Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Feb. 19 — First day for clubs to designate Franchise or Transition Players.
- Feb. 26-Mar. 4 — Combine Timing and Testing, Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, Ind.

- March 5 — Prior to 4 p.m., Eastern time, deadline for clubs to designate Franchise or Transition Players.
- March 11-13 — During the period beginning at 12 noon, Eastern time, on March 11 and ending at 3:59:59 p.m., Eastern time, on March 13, clubs are permitted to contact, and enter into contract negotiations with, the certified agents of players who will become unrestricted free agents upon the expiration of their 2018 player contracts at 4 p.m., Eastern time, on March 13. However, a contract cannot be executed with a new club until 4 p.m., Eastern time, on March 13. During the above two-day negotiating period, a prospective unrestricted free agents who is not represented by an NFLPA Certified Contract Advisor is permitted to communicate directly with a new club's front office officials (excluding the head coach and other members of the club's coaching staff) regarding contract negotiations.
- March 13 — The 2019 League Year and Free Agency period begin at 4 p.m., Eastern time. The first day of the 2019 League Year will end at 11:59:59 p.m., Eastern time, on March 13. Clubs will receive a personnel notice that will include all transactions submitted to the League office during the period between 4 p.m., Eastern time, and 11:59:59 p.m., Eastern time, on March 13.
- March 13 — Trading period for 2019 begins at 4 p.m., Eastern time, after expiration of all 2018 contracts.
- March 24-27 — Annual League Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona.
- April 1 — Clubs that hired a new head coach after the end of the 2018 regular season may begin offseason workout programs.
- April 15 — Clubs with returning head coaches may begin offseason workout programs.
- April 19 — Deadline for restricted free agents to sign offer sheets.
- April 24 — Deadline for prior club to exercise right of first refusal to restricted free agents.
- April 25-27 — NFL Draft, Nashville, Tennessee.

DEPTH CHART

AUG. 6, 2018

OFFENSE

WR	18	A.J. Green	80	Josh Malone	16	Cody Core
					19	<u>Auden Tate</u>
					8	<u>Devonte Boyd</u>
					11	<u>Kayaune Ross</u>
LOT	77	Cordy Glenn	74	Jake Fisher	72	Justin Murray
					73	<u>Austin Fleer</u>
LG	65	Clint Boling	63	Christian Westerman	69	<u>Cory Helms</u>
C	53	<u>Billy Price</u>	60	T.J. Johnson	61	<u>Brad Lundblade</u>
RG	66	Trey Hopkins	62	Alex Redmond		
ROT	68	Bobby Hart	70	Cedric Ogbuehi	76	Kent Perkins
TE	85	Tyler Eifert	81	Tyler Kroft	87	C.J. Uzomah
					86	Mason Schreck
					49	Moritz Böhringer
H-B	89	Ryan Hewitt	82	Cethan Carter	88	<u>Jordan Franks</u>
WR	83	Tyler Boyd	15	John Ross	12	Alex Erickson
					17	Kermit Whitfield
					13	<u>Ka'Raun White</u>
					9	<u>Jared Murphy</u>
QB	14	Andy Dalton	7	Matt Barkley	6	Jeff Driskel
					5	<u>Logan Woodside</u>
HB	28	Joe Mixon	25	Giovani Bernard	32	<u>Mark Walton</u>
					33	Tra Carson
					23	Brian Hill
					39	Jarveon Williams
					34	<u>Quinton Flowers</u>
					44	<u>Ray Lawry</u>

DEFENSE

LDE	96	Carlos Dunlap	94	<u>Sam Hubbard</u>	91	Josh Tupou
NT	99	Andrew Billings	92	Chris Baker	67	<u>Chris Okoye</u>
DT	97	Geno Atkins	98	Ryan Glasgow	93	<u>Andrew Brown</u>
					95	<u>Eddy Wilson</u>
RDE	90	Michael Johnson	75	Jordan Willis	58	Carl Lawson
SLB	59	Nick Vigil	57	Vincent Rey	51	Brandon Bell
MLB	52	Preston Brown	56	Hardy Nickerson	48	<u>Junior Joseph</u>
WLB	55	Vontaze Burfict	50	Jordan Evans	45	<u>Malik Jefferson</u>
					47	<u>Chris Worley</u>
LCB	27	Dre Kirkpatrick	21	Darqueze Dennard	35	<u>Davontae Harris</u>
					31	Sojourm Shelton
					24	C.J. Goodwin
RCB	22	William Jackson	20	KeiVarae Russell	29	Tony McRae
					38	<u>Darius Phillips</u>
SS	36	Shawn Williams	42	Clayton Fejedelem	40	Brandon Wilson
					41	<u>Trayvon Henderson</u>
FS	43	George Iloka	30	<u>Jessie Bates</u>	26	Josh Shaw
					37	<u>Tyrice Beverette</u>

SPECIAL TEAMS

P	10	Kevin Huber				
K	4	Randy Bullock	3	Jonathan Brown		
LS	46	Clark Harris				
H	10	Kevin Huber				
PR	12	Alex Erickson	83	Tyler Boyd	30	<u>Jessie Bates</u>
KOR	12	Alex Erickson	38	<u>Darius Phillips</u>	40	Brandon Wilson

NOTE: Rookies are underlined.

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

AUG. 6, 2018

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	BORN	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ.
97	Atkins, Geno	DT	6-1	300	3-28-88	9	Georgia	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	D4a'10
92	Baker, Chris	DT	6-2	320	10-8-87	9	Hampton	Windsor, Conn.	FA'18
7	Barkley, Matt	QB	6-2	227	9-8-90	6	Southern California	Santa Ana, Calif.	UFA(Ariz.)'18
30	Bates, Jessie	S	6-1	200	2-26-97	R	Wake Forest	Fort Wayne, Ind.	D2'18
51	Bell, Brandon	LB	6-1	230	1-9-95	1	Penn State	Mays Landing, N.J.	CFA'17
25	Bernard, Giovanni	HB	5-9	205	11-22-91	6	North Carolina	Boca Raton, Fla.	D2a'13
37	Beverette, Tyrice	S	6-0	203	1-28-95	R	Stony Brook	Lakewood, N.J.	CFA'18
99	Billings, Andrew	DT	6-1	325	3-6-95	3	Baylor	Waco, Texas	D4'16
49	Böhringer, Moritz	TE	6-4	243	10-16-93	1	Aalen (Germany)	Aalen, Germany	FA'18
65	Boling, Clint	G	6-5	305	5-9-89	8	Georgia	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4'11
8	Boyd, Devonte	WR	6-2	193	10-5-94	R	Nevada-Las Vegas	New Orleans, La.	CFA'18
83	Boyd, Tyler	WR	6-2	197	11-15-94	3	Pittsburgh	Clairton, Pa.	D2'16
93	Brown, Andrew	DT	6-3	296	12-30-95	R	Virginia	Chesapeake, Va.	D5b'18
3	Brown, Jonathan	K	5-10	194	12-7-92	1	Louisville	Clinton, Miss.	FA'17
52	Brown, Preston	LB	6-1	251	10-27-92	5	Louisville	Cincinnati, Ohio	UFA(Buff.)'18
4	Bullock, Randy	K	5-9	214	12-16-89	7	Texas A&M	Klein, Texas	W(Pitt.)'16
55	Burfict, Vontaze	LB	6-1	255	9-24-90	7	Arizona State	Inglewood, Calif.	CFA'12
33	Carson, Tra	HB	5-11	228	10-24-92	2	Texas A&M	Texarkana, Texas	CFA'16
82	Carter, Cethan	H-B	6-3	245	9-5-95	2	Nebraska	New Orleans, La.	CFA'17
16	Core, Cody	WR	6-3	214	4-17-94	3	Mississippi	Auburn, Ala.	D6'16
14	Dalton, Andy	QB	6-2	220	10-29-87	8	Texas Christian	Katy, Texas	D2'11
21	Dennard, Darqueze	CB	5-11	205	10-10-91	5	Michigan State	Dry Branch, Ga.	D1'14
6	Driskel, Jeff	QB	6-4	238	4-23-93	3	Louisiana Tech	Oviedo, Fla.	W(S.F.)'16
96	Dunlap, Carlos	DE	6-6	280	2-28-89	9	Florida	North Charleston, S.C.	D2'10
85	Eifert, Tyler	TE	6-6	255	9-8-90	6	Notre Dame	Fort Wayne, Ind.	D1'13
12	Erickson, Alex	WR	6-0	195	11-6-92	3	Wisconsin	Darlington, Wis.	CFA'16
50	Evans, Jordan	LB	6-3	240	1-27-95	2	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	D6a'17
42	Fejedelem, Clayton	S	6-0	205	6-2-93	3	Illinois	Lemont, Ill.	D7'16
74	Fisher, Jake	OT	6-6	310	4-23-93	4	Oregon	Traverse City, Mich.	D2'15
73	Fleer, Austin	OT	6-7	306	6-1-95	R	Colorado Mesa	Aurora, Colo.	CFA'18
34	Flowers, Quinton	HB	5-10	214	12-2-94	R	South Florida	Miami, Fla.	CFA'18
88	Franks, Jordan	H-B	6-4	232	2-1-96	R	Central Florida	Wakulla, Fla.	CFA'18
98	Glasgow, Ryan	DT	6-3	302	9-30-93	2	Michigan	Aurora, Ill.	D4c'17
77	Glenn, Cordy	OT	6-6	345	9-18-89	7	Georgia	Riverdale, Georgia	T(Buff.)'18
24	Goodwin, C.J.	CB	6-3	190	2-4-90	3	California (Pa.)	Wheeling, W.Va.	FA'18
18	Green, A.J.	WR	6-4	210	7-31-88	8	Georgia	Summerville, S.C.	D1'11
46	Harris, Clark	LS	6-5	250	7-10-84	10	Rutgers	Manahawkin, N.J.	FA'09
35	Harris, Davontae	CB	5-11	205	1-21-95	R	Illinois State	Wichita, Kan.	D5a'18
68	Hart, Bobby	OT	6-5	334	8-21-94	4	Florida State	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	FA'18
69	Helms, Cory	G	6-4	309	12-31-94	R	South Carolina	Alpharetta, Ga.	FA'18
41	Henderson, Trayvon	S	6-0	208	8-15-95	R	Hawaii	Sacramento, Calif.	CFA'18
89	Hewitt, Ryan	H-B	6-4	255	1-24-91	5	Stanford	Denver, Colo.	CFA'14
23	Hill, Brian	HB	6-1	219	11-9-95	2	Wyoming	Belleville, Ill.	PS(Atl.)'17
66	Hopkins, Trey	G	6-3	310	7-6-92	3	Texas	Houston, Texas	CFA'14
94	Hubbard, Sam	DE	6-5	270	6-29-95	R	Ohio State	Cincinnati, Ohio	D3a'18
10	Huber, Kevin	P	6-1	210	7-16-85	10	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	D5'09
43	Iloka, George	S	6-4	225	3-31-90	7	Boise State	Houston, Texas	D5c'12
22	Jackson, William	CB	6-0	190	10-27-92	3	Houston	Houston, Texas	D1'16
45	Jefferson, Malik	LB	6-2	236	11-15-96	R	Texas	Mesquite, Texas	D3b'18
90	Johnson, Michael	DE	6-7	280	2-7-87	10	Georgia Tech	Selma, Ala.	FA'15
60	Johnson, T.J.	C	6-4	295	7-17-90	5	South Carolina	Aynor, S.C.	D7b'13
48	Joseph, Junior	LB	6-0	229	9-7-94	R	Connecticut	Sinking Spring, Pa.	CFA'18
27	Kirkpatrick, Dre	CB	6-2	185	10-26-89	7	Alabama	Gadsden, Ala.	D1a'12
81	Kroft, Tyler	TE	6-6	260	10-15-92	4	Rutgers	Downingtown, Pa.	D3a'15
44	Lawry, Ray	HB	5-9	205	9-10-96	R	Old Dominion	Logan Township, N.J.	CFA'18
58	Lawson, Carl	DE	6-2	260	6-29-95	2	Auburn	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4a'17
61	Lundblade, Brad	C	6-3	295	9-21-95	R	Oklahoma State	Argyle, Texas	FA'18
80	Malone, Josh	WR	6-3	208	3-21-96	2	Tennessee	Gallatin, Tenn.	D4b'17
29	McRae, Tony	CB	5-10	185	5-3-93	2	North Carolina A&T	Laurinburg, N.C.	FA'17
28	Mixon, Joe	HB	6-1	228	7-24-96	2	Oklahoma	Oakley, Calif.	D2'17
9	Murphy, Jared	WR	5-9	178	7-20-94	R	Miami (Ohio)	Fort Wayne, Ind.	CFA'18
72	Murray, Justin	OT	6-5	306	4-19-93	1	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	PS(N.O.)'17
56	Nickerson, Hardy	LB	6-0	235	1-5-94	2	Illinois	Oakland, Calif.	CFA'17
70	Ogbuehi, Cedric	OT	6-5	310	4-25-92	4	Texas A&M	Allen, Texas	D1'15
67	Okoye, Chris	DT	6-5	325	6-22-96	R	Ferris State	Novi, Mich.	CFA'18
76	Perkins, Kent	OT	6-5	314	11-19-94	1	Texas	Dallas, Texas	CFA'17
38	Phillips, Darius	CB	5-10	193	6-26-95	R	Western Michigan	Detroit, Mich.	D5c'18
53	Price, Billy	C	6-4	305	10-11-94	R	Ohio State	Austintown, Ohio	D1'18
62	Redmond, Alex	G	6-5	330	1-18-95	2	UCLA	Cerritos, Calif.	CFA'16
57	Rey, Vincent	LB	6-0	245	9-6-87	8	Duke	Far Rockaway, N.Y.	CFA'10
15	Ross, John	WR	5-11	190	11-27-95	2	Washington	Long Beach, Calif.	D1'17
11	Ross, Kayaune	WR	6-6	225	7-8-94	R	Kentucky	West Chester, Ohio	FA'18
20	Russell, KaiVarae	CB	5-11	196	10-19-93	3	Notre Dame	Everett, Wash.	W(K.C.)'16
86	Schreck, Mason	TE	6-5	252	11-4-93	2	Buffalo	Medina, Ohio	D7'17
26	Shaw, Josh	S	6-1	190	3-27-92	4	Southern California	Palmdale, Calif.	D4a'15
31	Shelton, Sojour	CB	5-9	168	12-25-94	1	Wisconsin	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	FA'17
19	Tate, Auden	WR	6-5	228	2-3-97	R	Florida State	Irmo, S.C.	D7c'18
91	Tupou, Josh	DT	6-3	350	5-2-94	2	Colorado	Long Beach, Calif.	CFA'17
87	Uzomah, C.J.	TE	6-6	265	1-14-93	4	Auburn	Suwanee, Ga.	D5'15
59	Vigil, Nick	LB	6-2	240	8-20-93	3	Utah State	Plain City, Utah	D3'16
32	Walton, Mark	HB	5-10	202	3-29-97	R	Miami	Miami, Fla.	D4'18
63	Westerman, Christian	G	6-3	305	2-23-93	3	Arizona State	Chandler, Ariz.	D5'16
13	White, Ka'Raun	WR	6-1	206	7-4-93	R	West Virginia	Macungie, Pa.	W(Sea.)'18
17	Whitfield, Kermit	WR	5-8	192	10-8-93	1	Florida State	Orlando, Fla.	FA'17
39	Williams, Jarveon	HB	5-9	205	1-3-95	1	Texas-San Antonio	Converse, Texas	CFA'17
36	Williams, Shawn	S	6-0	210	5-13-91	6	Georgia	Damascus, Ga.	D3'13
75	Willis, Jordan	DE	6-4	260	5-2-95	2	Kansas State	Kansas City, Mo.	D3'17
40	Wilson, Brandon	S	5-10	199	7-27-94	2	Houston	Shreveport, La.	D6b'17
95	Wilson, Eddy	DT	6-4	295	2-13-97	R	Purdue	Pontiac, Mich.	W(Sea.)'18
5	Woodside, Logan	QB	6-1	213	1-27-95	R	Toledo	Frankfort, Ky.	D7a'18
47	Worley, Chris	LB	6-1	238	9-15-95	R	Ohio State	Cleveland, Ohio	CFA'18

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NUMERICAL ROSTER

AUG. 6, 2018

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	BORN	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ.
3	Jonathan Brown	K	5-10	194	12-7-92	1	Louisville	Clinton, Miss.	FA'17
4	Randy Bullock	K	5-9	214	12-16-89	7	Texas A&M	Klein, Texas	W(Pitt.)'16
5	Logan Woodside	QB	6-1	213	1-27-95	R	Toledo	Frankfort, Ky.	D7a'18
6	Jeff Driskel	QB	6-4	238	4-23-93	3	Louisiana Tech	Oviedo, Fla.	W(S.F.)'16
7	Matt Barkley	QB	6-2	227	9-8-90	6	Southern California	Santa Ana, Calif.	UFA(Ariz.)'18
8	Devonte Boyd	WR	6-2	193	10-5-94	R	Nevada-Las Vegas	New Orleans, La.	CFA'18
9	Jared Murphy	WR	5-9	178	7-20-94	R	Miami (Ohio)	Fort Wayne, Ind.	CFA'18
10	Kevin Huber	P	6-1	210	7-16-85	10	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	D5'09
11	Kayaune Ross	WR	6-6	225	7-8-94	R	Kentucky	West Chester, Ohio	FA'18
12	Alex Erickson	WR	6-0	195	11-6-92	3	Wisconsin	Darlington, Wis.	CFA'16
13	Ka'Raun White	WR	6-1	206	7-4-93	R	West Virginia	Macungie, Pa.	W(Sea.)'18
14	Andy Dalton	QB	6-2	220	10-29-87	8	Texas Christian	Katy, Texas	D2'11
15	John Ross	WR	5-11	190	11-27-95	2	Washington	Long Beach, Calif.	D1'17
16	Cody Core	WR	6-3	214	4-17-94	3	Mississippi	Auburn, Ala.	D6'16
17	Kermit Whitfield	WR	5-8	192	10-8-93	1	Florida State	Orlando, Fla.	FA'17
18	A.J. Green	WR	6-4	210	7-31-88	8	Georgia	Summerville, S.C.	D1'11
19	Auden Tate	WR	6-5	228	2-3-97	R	Florida State	Irmo, S.C.	D7c'18
20	Kei'Varae Russell	CB	5-11	196	10-19-93	3	Notre Dame	Everett, Wash.	W(K.C.)'16
21	Darqueze Dennard	CB	5-11	205	10-10-91	5	Michigan State	Dry Branch, Ga.	D1'14
22	William Jackson	CB	6-0	190	10-27-92	3	Houston	Houston, Texas	D1'16
23	Brian Hill	HB	6-1	219	11-9-95	2	Wyoming	Belleville, Ill.	PS(Atl.)'17
24	C.J. Goodwin	CB	6-3	190	2-4-90	3	California (Pa.)	Wheeling, W.Va.	FA'18
25	Giovani Bernard	HB	5-9	205	11-22-91	6	North Carolina	Boca Raton, Fla.	D2a'13
26	Josh Shaw	S	6-1	190	3-27-92	4	Southern California	Palmdale, Calif.	D4a'15
27	Dre Kirkpatrick	CB	6-2	185	10-26-89	7	Alabama	Gadsden, Ala.	D1a'12
28	Joe Mixon	HB	6-1	228	7-24-96	2	Oklahoma	Oakley, Calif.	D2'17
29	Tony McRae	CB	5-10	185	5-3-93	2	North Carolina A&T	Launburg, N.C.	FA'17
30	Jessie Bates	S	6-1	200	2-26-97	R	Wake Forest	Fort Wayne, Ind.	D2'18
31	Sojourn Shelton	CB	5-9	168	12-25-94	1	Wisconsin	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	FA'17
32	Mark Walton	HB	5-10	202	3-29-97	R	Miami	Miami, Fla.	D4'18
33	Tra Carson	HB	5-11	228	10-24-92	2	Texas A&M	Texarkana, Texas	CFA'16
34	Quinton Flowers	HB	5-10	214	12-2-94	R	South Florida	Miami, Fla.	CFA'18
35	Davontae Harris	CB	5-11	205	1-21-95	R	Illinois State	Wichita, Kan.	D5a'18
36	Shawn Williams	S	6-0	210	5-13-91	6	Georgia	Damascus, Ga.	D3'13
37	Tyrice Beverette	S	6-0	203	1-28-95	R	Stony Brook	Lakewood, N.J.	CFA'18
38	Darius Phillips	CB	5-10	193	6-26-95	R	Western Michigan	Detroit, Mich.	D5c'18
39	Jarveon Williams	HB	5-9	205	1-3-95	1	Texas-San Antonio	Converse, Texas	CFA'17
40	Brandon Wilson	S	5-10	199	7-27-94	2	Houston	Shreveport, La.	D6b'17
41	Trayvon Henderson	S	6-0	208	8-15-95	R	Hawaii	Sacramento, Calif.	CFA'18
42	Clayton Fejedelem	S	6-0	205	6-2-93	3	Illinois	Lemont, Ill.	D7'16
43	George Iloka	S	6-4	225	3-31-90	7	Boise State	Houston, Texas	D5c'12
44	Ray Lawry	HB	5-9	205	9-10-96	R	Old Dominion	Logan Township, N.J.	CFA'18
45	Malik Jefferson	LB	6-2	236	11-15-96	R	Texas	Mesquite, Texas	D3b'18
46	Clark Harris	LS	6-5	250	7-10-84	10	Rutgers	Manahawkin, N.J.	FA'09
47	Chris Worley	LB	6-1	238	9-15-95	R	Ohio State	Cleveland, Ohio	CFA'18
48	Junior Joseph	LB	6-0	229	9-7-94	R	Connecticut	Sinking Spring, Pa.	CFA'18
49	Moritz Böhringer	TE	6-4	243	10-16-93	1	Aalen (Germany)	Aalen, Germany	FA'18
50	Jordan Evans	LB	6-3	240	1-27-95	2	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	D6a'17
51	Brandon Bell	LB	6-1	230	1-9-95	1	Penn State	Mays Landing, N.J.	CFA'17
52	Preston Brown	LB	6-1	251	10-27-92	5	Cincinnati, Ohio	Cincinnati, Ohio	UFA(Buff.)'18
53	Billy Price	C	6-4	305	10-11-94	R	Ohio State	Austintown, Ohio	D1'18
55	Vontaze Burfict	LB	6-1	255	9-24-90	7	Arizona State	Inglewood, Calif.	CFA'12
56	Hardy Nickerson	LB	6-0	235	1-5-94	2	Illinois	Oakland, Calif.	CFA'17
57	Vincent Rey	LB	6-0	245	9-6-87	8	Duke	Far Rockaway, N.Y.	CFA'10
58	Carl Lawson	DE	6-2	260	6-29-95	2	Auburn	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4a'17
59	Nick Vigil	LB	6-2	240	8-20-93	3	Utah State	Plain City, Utah	D3'16
60	T.J. Johnson	C	6-4	295	7-17-90	5	South Carolina	Aynor, S.C.	D7b'13
61	Brad Lundblade	C	6-3	295	9-21-95	R	Oklahoma State	Argyle, Texas	FA'18
62	Alex Redmond	G	6-5	330	1-18-95	2	UCLA	Cerritos, Calif.	CFA'16
63	Christian Westerman	G	6-3	305	2-23-93	3	Arizona State	Chandler, Ariz.	D5'16
65	Clint Boling	G	6-5	305	5-9-89	8	Georgia	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4'11
66	Trey Hopkins	G	6-3	310	7-6-92	3	Texas	Houston, Texas	CFA'14
67	Chris Okoye	DT	6-5	325	6-22-96	R	Ferris State	Novi, Mich.	CFA'18
68	Bobby Hart	OT	6-5	334	8-21-94	4	Florida State	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	FA'18
69	Cory Helms	G	6-4	309	12-31-94	R	South Carolina	Alpharetta, Ga.	FA'18
70	Cedric Ogbuehi	OT	6-5	310	4-25-92	4	Texas A&M	Allen, Texas	D1'15
72	Justin Murray	OT	6-5	306	4-19-93	1	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	PS(N.O.)'17
73	Austin Flear	OT	6-7	306	6-1-95	R	Colorado Mesa	Aurora, Colo.	CFA'18
74	Jake Fisher	OT	6-6	310	4-23-93	4	Oregon	Traverse City, Mich.	D2'15
75	Jordan Willis	DE	6-4	260	5-2-95	2	Kansas State	Kansas City, Mo.	D3'17
76	Kent Perkins	OT	6-5	314	11-19-94	1	Texas	Dallas, Texas	CFA'17
77	Cordy Glenn	OT	6-6	345	9-18-89	7	Georgia	Riverdale, Georgia	T(Buff.)'18
80	Josh Malone	WR	6-3	208	3-21-96	2	Tennessee	Gallatin, Tenn.	D4b'17
81	Tyler Kroft	TE	6-6	260	10-15-92	4	Rutgers	Downingtown, Pa.	D3a'15
82	Cethan Carter	H-B	6-3	245	9-5-95	2	Nebraska	New Orleans, La.	CFA'17
83	Tyler Boyd	WR	6-2	197	11-15-94	3	Pittsburgh	Clairton, Pa.	D2'16
85	Tyler Eifert	TE	6-6	255	9-8-90	6	Notre Dame	Fort Wayne, Ind.	D1'13
86	Mason Schreck	TE	6-5	252	11-4-93	2	Buffalo	Medina, Ohio	D7'17
87	C.J. Uzomah	TE	6-6	265	1-14-93	4	Auburn	Suwanee, Ga.	D5'15
88	Jordan Franks	H-B	6-4	232	2-1-96	R	Central Florida	Wakulla, Fla.	CFA'18
89	Ryan Hewitt	H-B	6-4	255	1-24-91	5	Stanford	Denver, Colo.	CFA'14
90	Michael Johnson	DE	6-7	280	2-7-87	10	Georgia Tech	Selma, Ala.	FA'15
91	Josh Tupou	DT	6-3	350	5-2-94	2	Colorado	Long Beach, Calif.	CFA'17
92	Chris Baker	DT	6-2	320	10-8-87	9	Hampton	Windsor, Conn.	FA'18
93	Andrew Brown	DT	6-3	296	12-30-95	R	Virginia	Chesapeake, Va.	D5b'18
94	Sam Hubbard	DE	6-5	270	6-29-95	R	Ohio State	Cincinnati, Ohio	D3a'18
95	Eddy Wilson	DT	6-4	295	2-13-97	R	Purdue	Pontiac, Mich.	W(Sea.)'18
96	Carlos Dunlap	DE	6-6	280	2-28-89	9	Florida	North Charleston, S.C.	D2'10
97	Geno Atkins	DT	6-1	300	3-28-88	9	Georgia	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	D4a'10
98	Ryan Glasgow	DT	6-3	302	9-30-93	2	Michigan	Aurora, Ill.	D4c'17
99	Andrew Billings	DT	6-1	325	3-6-95	3	Baylor	Waco, Texas	D4'16

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2017 GAME-BY-GAME TEAM STATISTICS

OFFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	YDS	RUSH-YDS	PASS YDS	COMP-ATT	TD-P/INT	SKD-YDS	1D	3D-CONV	F-FL	POSS
Sept. 10	BALTIMORE	221	22-77	144	16-31	0/4	5-26	14	4-13	1-1	26:00
Sept. 14	HOUSTON	295	24-82	213	20-35	0/0	3-11	12	4-15	1-1	27:45
Sept. 24	at Green Bay	301	30-110	191	21-27	2/0	3-21	21	4-12	1-1	34:17
Oct. 1	at Cleveland	350	30-86	264	25-30	4/0	3-22	25	6-11	3-1	35:02
Oct. 8	BUFFALO	388	27-65	323	22-36	1/2	1-5	18	6-15	2-1	30:01
Oct. 15	— BYE —										
Oct. 22	at Pittsburgh	179	17-71	108	17-30	2/2	4-32	11	3-11	1-0	24:45
Oct. 29	INDIANAPOLIS	276	21-58	218	17-29	2/0	3-25	17	4-11	4-2	26:47
Nov. 5	at Jacksonville	148	17-29	119	10-18	0/0	2-17	8	1-8	0-0	19:46
Nov. 12	at Tennessee	308	14-53	255	20-35	2/0	1-10	15	1-10	2-2	19:51
Nov. 19	at Denver	190	26-49	141	15-25	3/0	2-13	12	7-15	2-0	24:49
Nov. 26	CLEVELAND	361	30-152	209	18-28	2/0	1-5	23	4-10	0-0	30:32
Dec. 4	PITTSBURGH	353	22-130	223	21-36	2/0	2-11	19	7-14	0-0	30:11
Dec. 10	CHICAGO	234	13-70	164	18-37	1/1	3-24	14	3-12	1-1	21:51
Dec. 17	at Minnesota	161	20-46	115	14-28	0/2	3-17	8	1-13	1-0	24:08
Dec. 24	DETROIT	364	34-142	222	27-41	1/1	3-16	28	7-14	1-0	32:29
Dec. 31	at Baltimore	359	30-146	213	23-44	3/0	1-9	22	5-15	2-1	28:39
TOTALS		4488	377-1366	3122	304-510	25/12	40-264	267	67-199	22-11	27:12

DEFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	YDS	RUSH-YDS	PASS YDS	COMP-ATT	TD-P/INT	SKD-YDS	1D	3D-CONV	F-FL	POSS
Sept. 10	BALTIMORE	268	42-157	111	9-17	1/1	1-10	17	6-14	1-0	34:00
Sept. 14	HOUSTON	266	35-168	98	15-24	0/0	3-27	14	4-15	0-0	32:15
Sept. 24	at Green Bay	344	17-64	280	28-42	3/1	6-33	22	7-15	0-0	29:21
Oct. 1	at Cleveland	215	17-45	170	21-42	0/1	2-13	16	5-16	1-0	24:58
Oct. 8	BUFFALO	221	24-82	139	20-37	1/1	6-27	17	6-18	1-0	29:45
Oct. 15	— BYE —										
Oct. 22	at Pittsburgh	420	43-152	268	15-25	2/0	0-0	21	2-11	0-0	35:15
Oct. 29	INDIANAPOLIS	331	28-115	216	25-39	2/1	4-17	19	8-16	0-0	33:13
Nov. 5	at Jacksonville	408	40-149	259	24-38	1/0	0-0	26	12-18	1-1	40:14
Nov. 12	at Tennessee	416	36-180	236	25-44	1/1	4-28	27	7-15	1-1	40:09
Nov. 19	at Denver	341	34-112	229	23-42	1/1	3-25	20	12-21	1-1	35:11
Nov. 26	CLEVELAND	405	31-169	236	18-32	0/0	4-32	21	6-15	1-0	29:28
Dec. 4	PITTSBURGH	374	22-92	282	24-40	2/1	1-8	24	4-12	0-0	29:49
Dec. 10	CHICAGO	482	38-232	250	25-32	1/0	2-21	29	4-11	0-0	38:09
Dec. 17	at Minnesota	346	34-124	222	20-25	2/1	2-14	18	4-12	0-0	35:52
Dec. 24	DETROIT	276	22-87	189	19-35	1/1	2-14	15	6-15	0-0	27:31
Dec. 31	at Baltimore	312	26-118	194	25-47	2/1	1-9	19	5-17	0-0	31:21
TOTALS		5425	489-2046	3379	336-561	20/11	41-278	325	98-241	7-3	32:48

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DATE	W-L	SCORE	OPPONENT	ATTENDANCE
9-10-17	L	0-20	BALTIMORE	55,254
9-14-17	L	9-13	HOUSTON	52,942
9-24-17	L	24-27 (OT)	at Green Bay	78,323
10-1-17	W	31-7	at Cleveland	67,431
10-8-17	W	20-16	BUFFALO	52,367
10-15-17			— BYE —	
10-22-17	L	14-29	at Pittsburgh	65,363
10-29-17	W	24-23	INDIANAPOLIS	57,901
11-5-17	L	7-23	at Jacksonville	60,720
11-12-17	L	20-24	at Tennessee	67,432
11-19-17	W	20-17	at Denver	75,707
11-26-17	W	30-16	CLEVELAND	51,710
12-4-17	L	20-23	PITTSBURGH	56,029
12-10-17	L	7-33	CHICAGO	52,002
12-17-17	L	7-34	at Minnesota	66,833
12-24-17	W	26-17	DETROIT	47,732
12-31-17	W	31-27 o	at Baltimore	70,507

TEAM STATISTICS		BENGALS	OPPONENTS
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	.....	267	325
Rushing	.....	72	111
Passing	.....	165	173
Penalty	.....	30	41
3rd Down: Made-Att	.....	67-199	98-241
3rd Down Pct.	.....	33.7	40.7
4th Down: Made-Att	.....	5-12	9-19
4th Down Pct.	.....	41.7	47.4
POSSESSION AVG.	.....	27:12	32:48
TOTAL NET YARDS	.....	4488	5425
Avg. Per Game	.....	280.5	339.1
Total Plays	.....	927	1091
Avg. Per Play	.....	4.8	5.0
NET YARDS RUSHING	.....	1366	2046
Avg. Per Game	.....	85.4	127.9
Total Rushes	.....	377	489
NET YARDS PASSING	.....	3122	3379
Avg. Per Game	.....	195.1	211.2
Sacked-Yards Lost	.....	40-264	41-278
Gross Yards	.....	3386	3657
Att.-Completions	.....	510-304	561-336
Completion Pct.	.....	59.6	59.9
Had Intercepted	.....	12	11
PUNTS-AVG.	.....	89-46.2	82-45.2
Net Punting Avg.	.....	89-40.8	82-38.7
PENALTIES-YARDS	.....	110-1027	106-906
FUMBLES-BALLS LOST	.....	22-11	7-3
TOUCHDOWNS	.....	34	35
Rushing	.....	6	13
Passing	.....	25	20
Returns	.....	3	2

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS	
BENGALS	67	111	44	68	0	290
OPPONENTS	73	103	62	108	3	349

SCORING	TD	TD-R	TD-P	TD-R	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS	
Randy Bullock	0	0	0	0	31-33	18-20	0	85
A.J. Green	8	0	8	0	—	—	0	48
Tyler Kroft	7	0	7	0	—	—	0	42
Giovani Bernard	4	2	2	0	—	—	0	24
Joe Mixon	4	4	0	0	—	—	0	24
Brandon LaFell	3	0	3	0	—	—	0	18
Tyler Boyd	2	0	2	0	—	—	0	12
Darqueze Dennard	1	0	0	1	—	—	0	6
Carlos Dunlap	1	0	0	1	—	—	0	6
Alex Erickson	1	0	1	0	—	—	0	6
William Jackson	1	0	0	1	—	—	0	6
Josh Malone	1	0	1	0	—	—	0	6
C.J. Uzomah	1	0	1	0	—	—	0	6
Marshall Koehn	0	0	0	0	1-1	0-0	0	1
BENGALS	34	6	25	3	32-34	18-20	0	290
OPPONENTS	35	13	20	2	34-35	35-40	0	349

Two-point conversions: None. BENGALS 0-0 (0-0 R, 0-0 P), OPPONENTS 0-0 (0-0 R, 0-0 P).

Sacks-yards: Geno Atkins 9-65.5, Carl Lawson 8.5-57, Carlos Dunlap 7.5-41, Michael Johnson 5-36, Chris Smith 3-36, Darqueze Dennard 2-6, Vontaze Burfict 1.5-12, William Jackson 1-7, Nick Vigil 1-7, Jordan Willis 1-4, Dre Kirkpatrick 1-2, Pat Sims 0.5-4.5. BENGALS 41-278, OPPONENTS 40-264.

Fumbles-lost: Alex Erickson 6-1, Andy Dalton 4-4, Joe Mixon 3-2, A.J. Green 2-2, William Jackson 1-1, John Ross 1-1, Russell Bodine 1-0, Darqueze Dennard 1-0, Jeremy Hill 1-0, Dre Kirkpatrick 1-0, Brandon LaFell 1-0. BENGALS 22-11. OPPONENTS 7-3.

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
Joe Mixon	178	626	3.5	25	4
Giovani Bernard	105	458	4.4	25	2
Jeremy Hill	37	116	3.1	13	0
Andy Dalton	38	99	2.6	25	0
Brian Hill	11	37	3.4	11	0
Alex Erickson	5	16	3.2	14	0
John Ross	1	12	12.0	12	0
Josh Malone	2	2	1.0	4	0
BENGALS	377	1366	3.6	25	6
OPPONENTS	489	2046	4.2	49t	13

RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
A.J. Green	75	1078	14.4	77t	8
Brandon LaFell	52	548	10.5	45	3
Giovani Bernard	43	389	9.0	61t	2
Tyler Kroft	42	404	9.6	59	7
Joe Mixon	30	287	9.6	67	0
Tyler Boyd	22	225	10.2	49t	2
Alex Erickson	12	180	15.0	37	1
C.J. Uzomah	10	92	9.2	21	1
Josh Malone	6	63	10.5	25t	1
Tyler Eifert	4	46	11.5	22	0
Jeremy Hill	4	16	4.0	10	0
Brian Hill	2	36	18.0	34	0
Ryan Hewitt	2	22	11.0	16	0
BENGALS	304	3386	11.1	77t	25
OPPONENTS	336	3657	10.9	72	20

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
Darqueze Dennard	2	109	54.5	89t	1
Dre Kirkpatrick	1	101	101.0	101	0
William Jackson	1	75	75.0	75t	1
Carlos Dunlap	1	16	16.0	16t	1
George Iloka	1	14	14.0	14	0
Vincent Rey	1	12	12.0	12	0
Shawn Williams	1	7	7.0	7	0
Clayton Fejedelem	1	5	5.0	5	0
Adam Jones	1	0	0.0	0	0
Nick Vigil	1	0	0.0	0	0
BENGALS	11	339	30.8	101	3
OPPONENTS	12	151	12.6	31t	1

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN-20	LG	BLK.	
Kevin Huber	88	4101	46.6	40.8	3	32	63	1
BENGALS	89	4101	46.1	40.8	3	32	63	1
OPPONENTS	82	3704	45.2	38.7	6	29	74	1

PUNT RETURNS	NO	FC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
Alex Erickson	39	19	278	7.1	29	0
Adam Jones	6	0	131	21.8	40	0
Darqueze Dennard	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
William Jackson	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
BENGALS	47	19	409	8.7	40	0
OPPONENTS	43	23	410	9.5	63t	1

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	
Alex Erickson	32	663	20.7	41	0
Giovani Bernard	1	7	7.0	7	0
Cethan Carter	1	0	0.0	0	0
BENGALS	34	670	19.7	41	0
OPPONENTS	35	811	23.2	87	0

FIELD GOALS	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	
Randy Bullock	0-0	6-6	7-8	4-5	1-1
BENGALS	0-0	6-6	7-8	4-5	1-1
OPPONENTS	0-0	16-16	11-11	6-9	2-4

Randy Bullock: (—), (39G, 29G, 30G), (48WR, 46G), (41G), (30G, 29G), (—), (29G, 34B), (—), (—), (—), (—), (31G, 49G, 21G), (35G, 41G), (—), (—), (29G, 27G, 35G, 51G), (32G).

Opponents: (25G, 25G), (26G, 42G), (28G, 27G), (48WL), (31G, 38G, 28G), (22G, 24G, 41G, 49G, 25G), (29G, 33G, 29G), (32G, 56G, 25G), (48WR, 44G), (61B, 45G), (27G, 43WL, 21G, 39G), (30G, 37G, 38G), (34G, 27G), (53G, 35G), (23G, 50SH), (46G, 34G).

DEFENSE*	ST	AT	TT	SKS-YDS	INT-YDS	PD	FF	FR-YDS	
Vincent Rey	52	32	84	0-0	1-12	1	0	0-0
Darqueze Dennard	59	24	83	2-6	2-109	6	0	0-0
George Iloka	54	25	79	0-0	1-14	5	0	0-0
Nick Vigil	43	34	77	1-7	1-0	5	0	0-0
Vontaze Burfict	48	21	69	1.5-12	0-0	2	1	0-0
Dre Kirkpatrick	47	8	55	1-2	1-101	14	1	0-0
Michael Johnson	35	14	49	5-36	0-0	1	0	0-0
Shawn Williams	34	15	49	0-0	1-7	3	0	2-0
Carlos Dunlap	35	11	46	7.5-41	1-16	7	1	0-0
Geno Atkins	29	17	46	9-65.5	0-0	0	0	0-0
Clayton Fejedelem	22	20	42	0-0	1-5	2	0	0-0
Josh Shaw	28	6	34	0-0	0-0	3	0	0-0
Jordan Willis	24	9	33	0-0	0-0	2	0	0-0
Kevin Minter	16	16	32	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Chris Smith	17	9	26	3-36	0-0	2	1	0-0
William Jackson	19	6	25	1-7	1-75	14	0	0-0
Jordan Willis	17	8	25	1-4	0-0	0	0	0-0
Pat Sims	9	16	25	0.5-4.5	0-0	0	0	0-0
Adam Jones	19	4	23	0-0	1-0	4	0	0-0
Ryan Glasgow	12	11	23	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Carl Lawson	10	6	16	8.5-57	0-0	0	0	0-0
Hardy Nickerson	12	2	14	0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
Andrew Billings	9	4	13	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
KeiVarae Russell	8	0	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Brandon Bell	4	3	7	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Tony McRae	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Alex Erickson	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
A.J. Green	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0

SPECIAL TEAMS*	ST	AT	TT	FF	FR-YDS	BP	BFG	BXP
Clayton Fejedelem	12	3	15	0	0	0	0
C.J. Uzomah	9	3	12	0	0	0	0
Cethan Carter	7	2	9	0	0	0	0
Brandon Wilson	4	1	5	0	0	0	0
Jordan Willis	3	2	5	0	0	0	0
Cody Core	4	0	4	0	0	0	0
Clark Harris	2	2	4	0	0	0	0
Hardy Nickerson	0	4	4	0	0	0	0
Brian Hill	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
Brandon Bell	2	1	3	0	0	0	0
Darqueze Dennard	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
Alex Erickson	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
William Jackson	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
Josh Shaw	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
Nick Vigil	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
Ryan Hewitt	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Tony McRae	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Kevin Huber	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Marshall Koehn	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Tyler Kroft	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
KeiVarae Russell	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Derron Smith	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
George Iloka	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Josh Malone	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Vincent Rey	0	1	1	0	0	0	