

POSTSEASON GAME SUMMARIES

1970 SEASON

AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF

Baltimore Colts 17, Cincinnati Bengals 0 Saturday, Dec. 26, 1970 at Memorial Stadium

In their first season in the NFL after two in the American Football League, the Bengals made a furious run to reach the playoffs, winning their last seven games after a 1-6 start and claiming the first AFC Central Division title. But the powerful Colts, who would go on to defeat Dallas in Super Bowl V, were too much for Cincinnati. Legendary Baltimore QB Johnny Unitas threw TD passes to WRs Roy Jefferson and Ed Hinton in the first and fourth quarters, and the Baltimore defense came through on a cold, windy day, limiting Cincinnati to 63 yards rushing and 76 passing. Colts rookie RB Norm Bulaich rushed for 116 yards on 25 carries. Jim O'Brien, the Colts kicker from the University of Cincinnati, kicked a 44-yard FG. O'Brien would wind up making the game-winning FG as time expired in Super Bowl V. Cincinnati's lone scoring attempt, a 50-yard FG try by K Horst Muhlmann, was blocked by LB Ray May.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	0	0	0	0	—	0
Baltimore.....	7	3	0	7	—	17

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT

Balt. — Jefferson 45 pass from Unitas (O'Brien kick) 1-0:59
 Balt. — O'Brien 44 field goal 2-7:37
 Balt. — Hinton 53 pass from Unitas (O'Brien kick) 4-7:07

Missed FGs: O'Brien (50B, 44WR), Muhlmann (50B).

Attendance: 51,127. **Time:** 2:19.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	BALT.
First downs.....	7	15
Third down conversions-attempts.....	3-14	6-14
Total net yards.....	139	299
Net yards rushing.....	63	170
Net yards passing.....	76	129
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	21-8-1	17-6-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	3-17	2-16
Punts-average.....	8-39.1	6-38.3
Punt returns-yards.....	2-6	7-28
Kickoff returns-yards.....	3-46	1-0
Penalties-yards.....	1-5	6-63
Fumbles-lost.....	1-0	0-0
Time of possession.....	NA	NA

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	BALT.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Robinson	5	25	9	0	Bulaich	25	116	13	0
Carter	2	16	9	0	Nowatzke	10	25	6	0
Phillips	10	12	4	0	Unitas	2	18	17	0
Lewis	3	10	9	0	Hill	3	11	8	0
Johnson	2	0	3	0	Jefferson	3	5	8	0
					Havrilak	3	0	1	0
					Hinton	1	-5	-5	0
TOTALS	22	63	9	0	TOTALS	47	170	17	0

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	BALT.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Carter	20	7	64	0-1	Unitas	17	6	145	2-0
Wyche	1	1	29	0-0					
TOTALS	21	8	93	0-1	TOTALS	17	6	145	2-0

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	BALT.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Myers	4	66	29	0	Hinton	3	86	53t	1
Phillips	2	12	6	0	Jefferson	2	51	45t	1
Thomas	1	9	9	0	Mackey	1	8	8	0
Johnson	1	6	6	0					
TOTALS	8	93	29	0	TOTALS	6	145	53t	2

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Bergey 7-7-14, Chomyszak 5-6-11, Avery 5-4-9, Beauchamp 6-2-8, Berry 4-4-8, Dyer 3-5-8, Reid 6-1-7, Carpenter 4-2-6, Parrish 4-0-4, Smith 3-0-3, Roman 2-1-3, Baccaglio 2-0-2, Lamb 1-1-2, Guillory 1-0-1, Johnson 1-0-1, Peterson 1-0-1, Riley 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Berry 1-8, Chomyszak 1-8. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** Riley 2, Berry 1, Chomyszak 1, Parrish 1. **FF:** NA. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Baltimore (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** M.Curtis 5-3-8, Volk 6-1-7, May 5-0-5, Hilton 1-4-5, Duncan 3-1-4, Bi.Smith 3-1-4, Logan 2-1-3, Bu.Smith 2-1-3, Hendricks 1-1-2, Miller 1-1-2, Grant 2-0-2, Gardin 1-0-1, Newsome 1-0-1, Nichols 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Bu.Smith 1-9, Miller 1-3, Hilton 0.5-2.5, Bi.Smith 0.5-2.5. **INT.-YDS.:** M.Curtis 1-0. **PD:** Duncan 3, Logan 2, Stukes 2, M.Curtis 1, Volk 1. **FF:** NA. **FR-YDS.:** None.

1973 SEASON

AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF

Miami Dolphins 34, Cincinnati Bengals 16 Sunday, Dec. 23, 1973 at the Orange Bowl

As was the case in their first postseason appearance three years earlier, the Bengals lost in the opening playoff round to the team that would go on to win the Super Bowl. The Bengals had tied Pittsburgh at 10-4 atop the AFC Central Division and won the title by virtue of a better AFC record. Miami took the first step toward a Super Bowl VIII win over Minnesota by outgaining Cincinnati 400-194 in net yards and posting 27 first downs to Cincinnati's 11. Cincinnati trailed only 21-16 at halftime after being down 21-3 midway through the second quarter, but the Dolphins shut out Cincinnati in the second half while getting a seven-yard TD pass from QB Bob Griese to TE Jim Mandich and a pair of FGs from K Garo Yepremian. Miami RB Mercury Morris rushed for 106 yards on 20 carries and FB Larry Csonka had 71 yards on 20 carries. The Bengals did not score an offensive TD, getting their only TD on a 45-yard INT return by S Neal Craig. Horst Muhlmann kicked three FGs for Cincinnati.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	3	13	0	0	—	16
Miami.....	14	7	10	3	—	34

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT

Mia. — Warfield 13 pass from Griese (Yepremian kick) 1-9:37
 Cin. — Muhlmann 24 field goal 1-5:38
 Mia. — Csonka 1 run (Yepremian kick) 1-0:21
 Mia. — Morris 4 run (Yepremian kick) 2-7:37
 Cin. — Craig 45 interception return (Muhlmann kick) 2-3:26
 Cin. — Muhlmann 46 field goal 2-0:08
 Cin. — Muhlmann 12 field goal 2-0:04
 Mia. — Mandich 7 pass from Griese (Yepremian kick) 3-9:42
 Mia. — Yepremian 50 field goal 3-4:48
 Mia. — Yepremian 46 field goal 4-11:20

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 74,770. **Time:** 2:36.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	MIA.
First downs.....	11	27
Third down conversions-attempts.....	5-14	10-14
Total net yards.....	194	400
Net yards rushing.....	97	241
Net yards passing.....	97	159
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	27-14-1	19-11-2
Sacks against-yards lost.....	3-16	0-0
Punts-average.....	7-36.3	2-49.0
Punt returns-yards.....	2-26	2-6
Kickoff returns-yards.....	2-42	2-14
Penalties-yards.....	2-19	1-5
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	2-1
Time of possession.....	NA	NA

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	MIA.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Clark	7	40	15	0	Morris	20	106	18	1
Anderson	3	26	22	0	Csonka	20	71	12	1
E.Johnson	2	17	14	0	Kick	10	51	27	0
Elliott	7	15	5	0	Leigh	1	8	8	0
Curtis	1	-1	-1	0	Nottingham	1	5	5	0
TOTALS	20	97	22	0	TOTALS	52	241	27	2

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	MIA.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Anderson	27	14	113	0-1	Griese	18	11	159	2-1
					Briscoe	1	0	0	0-1
TOTALS	27	14	113	0-1	TOTALS	19	11	159	2-2

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	MIA.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Elliott	9	53	16	0	Warfield	4	95	48	1
Joiner	2	33	18	0	Mandich	3	28	13	1
Clark	2	18	12	0	Kick	3	19	8	0
Curtis	1	9	9	0	Briscoe	1	17	17	0
TOTALS	14	113	18	0	TOTALS	11	159	48	2

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Bergey 7-5-12, Carpenter 7-5-12, Beauchamp 9-2-11, Casanova 9-1-10, Berry 5-1-6, White 5-0-5, Riley 4-1-5, Avery 3-2-5, Craig 3-2-5, Parrish 3-2-5, Pritchard 3-2-5, Adams 1-0-1, DeLeone 1-0-1, Jackson 1-0-1, LeClair 1-0-1, Trumpy 1-0-1, Reid 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** None. **INT.-YDS.:** Craig 1-45, Casanova 1-0. **PD:** Casanova 1, Craig 1, White 1. **FF:** NA. **FR-YDS.:** LeClair 1-0.

Miami (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Kolen 6-2-8, Scott 5-2-7, Anderson 5-1-6, Den Herder 5-1-6, Matheson 3-3-6, Bouniconti 3-1-4, Mumphord 2-2-4, Stanfill 2-2-4, Heinz 1-2-3, Bannon 2-0-2, Swift 1-1-2, M.Moore 0-2-2, Babb 1-0-1, Ball 1-0-1, Mandich 1-0-1, Johnson 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Matheson 2-11, Stanfill 1-5. **INT.-YDS.:** Anderson 1-19. **PD:** Scott 2, Anderson 1, Johnson 1, Matheson 1. **FF:** NA. **FR-YDS.:** None.

1975 SEASON**AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF****Oakland Raiders 31, Cincinnati Bengals 28**
Sunday, Dec. 28, 1975 at Oakland Coliseum

The 1975 Bengals posted the best regular-season winning percentage in franchise history (.786), and they led the NFL in passing yards. But their 11-3 record earned them only a Wild Card spot behind 12-2 Pittsburgh in the AFC Central Division, and they drew a road game at 12-2 Oakland in the first playoff round. QB Ken Stabler, who went on to lead the Raiders to the AFC Championship game for the third straight year, passed for three TDs against Cincinnati. The Bengals closed a 31-14 fourth-quarter deficit to 31-28 with QB Ken Anderson's TD passes of 25 and 14 yards to WRs Charlie Joiner and Isaac Curtis, and Cincinnati had a chance to win after DT Ron Carpenter recovered a Raiders fumble on the Oakland 38 with 4:19 left. But a sack by future Hall-of-Fame LB Ted Hendricks helped the Raiders hold the Bengals without a first down, and after failing on a fourth-down try, the Bengals never regained possession. Stabler completed 17 of 23 attempts for 199 yards, three TDs and just one INT, while the Raiders totaled for 173 yards rushing. Anderson completed 17 of 27 passes for 201 yards, two TDs and no INTs, but was sacked five times.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	0	7	7	14	—	28
Oakland.....	3	14	7	7	—	31

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Oak. — Blanda 27 field goal.....	1-2:13
Oak. — Siani 9 pass from Stabler (Blanda kick).....	2-12:53
Cin. — Fritts 1 run (Green kick).....	2-5:50
Oak. — Moore 8 pass from Stabler (Blanda kick).....	2-1:54
Oak. — Banaszak 6 run (Blanda kick).....	3-10:00
Cin. — Elliott 6 run (Green kick).....	3-4:46
Oak. — Casper 2 pass from Stabler (Blanda kick).....	4-13:03
Cin. — Joiner 25 pass from Anderson (Green kick).....	4-10:13
Cin. — Curtis 14 pass from Anderson (Green kick).....	4-5:44

Missed FGs: Blanda (41SH, 21B). **Attendance:** 53,039. **Time:** 2:50.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	OAK.
First downs.....	17	27
Third down conversions-attempts.....	3-11	6-14
Total net yards.....	258	358
Net yards rushing.....	97	173
Net yards passing.....	161	185
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	27-17-0	23-17-1
Sacks against-yards lost.....	5-40	1-14
Punts-average.....	6-35.8	1-38.0
Punt returns-yards.....	1-7	4-64
Kickoff returns-yards.....	4-71	5-121
Penalties-yards.....	5-37	7-64
Fumbles-lost.....	1-0	2-1
Time of possession.....	NA	NA

RUSHING									
CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	OAK.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Clark	8	46	10	0	Davis	16	63	18	0
Elliott	4	25	9	1	Banaszak	17	62	18	1
Fritts	6	14	6	1	Hubbard	12	33	8	0
Anderson	3	12	8	0	J.Phillips	3	16	8	0
E.Johnson	3	0	6	0	Van Eeghen	1	3	3	0
Williams	1	0	0	0	Stabler	2	-4	-2	0
TOTALS	25	97	10	2	TOTALS	51	173	18	1

PASSING									
CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	OAK.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Anderson	27	17	201	2-0	Stabler	23	17	199	3-1
TOTALS	27	17	201	2-0	TOTALS	23	17	199	3-1

RECEIVING									
CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	OAK.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Clark	4	38	26	0	Moore	6	57	17	1
Myers	3	67	37	0	Branch	5	89	36	0
Joiner	3	60	28	1	Siani	3	35	15	1
Curtis	3	20	14t	1	Davis	2	16	10	0
Coslet	2	14	9	0	Casper	1	2	2t	1
Elliott	1	9	9	0					
Trumpy	1	-7	-7	0					
TOTALS	17	201	37	2	TOTALS	17	199	36	3

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** LeClair 13-0-13, Jackson 9-0-9, Casanova 7-0-7, Pritchard 7-0-7, Riley 4-0-4, White 4-0-4, Beauchamp 3-0-3, K.Johnson 3-0-3, Brown 2-0-2, Carpenter 2-0-2, Parrish 2-0-2, Cousino 1-0-1, Green 1-0-1, Harris 1-0-1, Novak 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Brown 1-14. **INT.-YDS.:** Riley 1-34. **PD:** Riley 2, Casanova 1, Jackson 1, LeClair 1, Parrish 1. **FF:** NA. **FR.-YDS.:** Carpenter 1-0.

Oakland (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Hendricks 7-0-7, Johnson 5-0-5, C.Phillips 5-0-5, Irons 4-1-5, Colzie 4-0-4, Thoms 4-0-4, Villapiano 3-1-4, Sistrunk 3-0-3, Thomas 3-0-3, Atkinson 2-0-2, Jones 2-0-2, Tatum 2-0-2, Banaszak 1-0-1, Denney 1-0-1, Van Eeghen 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Hendricks 3-26, Thoms 1-8, Sistrunk 1-6. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** Johnson 3, Colzie 2, Thomas 2, C.Phillips 1, Tatum 1, Villapiano 1. **FF:** NA. **FR.-YDS.:** None.

1981 SEASON**AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF****Cincinnati Bengals 28, Buffalo Bills 21**

Sunday, Jan. 3, 1982 at Riverfront Stadium

It took four tries, but the AFC Central Division Champion Bengals finally won a playoff game — their first-ever postseason home contest — when they held off a rallying Bills Wild Card team, taking the first step toward Super Bowl XVI. Cincinnati, which failed to produce a postseason win in its first three playoff appearances — in 1970, '73 and '75 — lost leads of 14-0 and 21-14 before eventually winning with what was a solid performance by the entire team. The offense didn't yield a turnover while the defense intercepted two Buffalo passes, and the special teams played soundly the entire game. QB Ken Anderson, who was the NFL's top-rated quarterback and its consensus MVP in the regular season, connected on a 16-yard TD pass to rookie WR Cris Collinsworth with 10:39 remaining in the fourth quarter to break a tie and take a 28-21 lead. The Bills were again poised to tie the game and set up an overtime period after driving 50 yards to the Bengals' 20 with just over three minutes left. But a costly delay-of-game penalty on fourth down led to giving the ball back to Cincinnati, and Buffalo was unable to mount another serious threat. Anderson completed 14 of 21 passes for 192 yards and directed a 305-yard attack, and TE Dan Ross recorded a game-high six receptions for 71 yards. The Bills held Bengals FB Pete Johnson, who had a career-high 1077 rushing yards in the regular season, to just 45 yards on 17 carries. But HB Charles Alexander — Johnson's blocker for the majority of the regular season — responded for Cincinnati with a season-high 72 yards, with two TD runs.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Buffalo.....	0	7	7	7	—	21
Cincinnati.....	14	0	7	7	—	28

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — Alexander 4 run (Breech kick).....	1-8:56
Cin. — Johnson 1 run (Breech kick).....	1-2:40
Buff. — Cribbs 1 run (Mike-Mayer kick).....	2-0:20
Buff. — Cribbs 44 run (Mike-Mayer kick).....	3-10:23
Cin. — Alexander 20 run (Breech kick).....	3-6:56
Buff. — Butler 21 pass from Ferguson (Mike-Mayer kick).....	4-14:52
Cin. — Collinsworth 16 pass from Anderson (Breech kick).....	4-10:39

Missed FGs: Breech (33B). **Attendance:** 55,420. **Time:** 2:50.

TEAM STATISTICS	BUFF.	CIN.
First downs.....	21	22
Third down conversions-attempts.....	3-9	6-11
Total net yards.....	336	305
Net yards rushing.....	134	136
Net yards passing.....	202	169
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	31-15-2	21-14-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	0-0	4-23
Punts-average.....	3-42.0	4-44.5
Punt returns-yards.....	2-8	1-27
Kickoff returns-yards.....	5-82	4-94
Penalties-yards.....	6-56	5-44
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	0-0
Time of possession.....	28:19	31:41

RUSHING									
BUFF.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Cribbs	15	90	44t	2	Alexander	13	72	20t	2
Hooks	9	30	7	0	Johnson	17	45	9	1
Leaks	3	12	6	0	Anderson	2	15	13	0
Brown	1	2	2	0	A.Griffin	1	4	4	0
TOTALS	28	134	44t	2	TOTALS	33	136	20t	3

PASSING									
BUFF.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Ferguson	31	15	202	1-2	Anderson	21	14	192	1-0
TOTALS	31	15	202	1-2	TOTALS	21	14	192	1-0

RECEIVING									
BUFF.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Butler	4	98	54	1	Ross	6	71	18	0
Lewis	3	38	19	0	Johnson	3	23	9	0
Brammer	3	23	11	0	Collinsworth	2	24	16t	1
Leaks	2	16	9	0	Kreider	1	42	42	0
Hooks	2	15	9	0	Curtis	1	22	22	0
Jessie	1	12	12	0	Alexander	1	10	10	0
TOTALS	15	202	54	1	TOTALS	14	192	42	1

DEFENSE

Buffalo (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Haslett 3-6-9, Robertson 5-3-8, Simpson 2-5-7, Villapiano 2-5-7, Freeman 4-2-6, Sanford 3-1-4, Smerlas 2-2-4, White 1-3-4, Kush 1-2-3, Brown 1-1-2, Nixon 1-1-2, Ritcher 1-1-2, Johnson 1-0-1, Jones 1-0-1, Kadish 1-0-1, Romes 1-0-1, C.Williams 1-0-1, Cater 0-1-1, B.Williams 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Johnson 1-NA, Smerlas 1-NA, White 1-NA, B.Williams 1-NA. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** Romes 2, Simpson 2, Freeman 1, Kush 1, Sanford 1. **FF:** None. **FR.-YDS.:** None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** B.Harris 6-2-8, Cameron 3-4-7, Williams 2-4-6, Browner 4-1-5, Hicks 3-2-5, LeClair 2-3-5, Edwards 2-2-4, Kemp 0-4-4, Breeden 3-0-3, Dinkel 1-2-3, R.Griffin 2-0-2, Riley 2-0-2, Simmons 1-1-2, Whitley 1-1-2, Davis 0-2-2, Fuller 1-0-1, Verser 1-0-1, Bush 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** None. **INT.-YDS.:** B.Harris 1-16, Riley 1-0. **PD:** Breeden 4, Kemp 3, Riley 2, Williams 2, Cameron 1, B.Harris 1, LeClair 1. **FF:** None. **FR.-YDS.:** None.

1981 SEASON**AFC CHAMPIONSHIP****"The Freezer Bowl"****Cincinnati Bengals 27, San Diego Chargers 7**
Sunday, Jan. 10, 1982 at Riverfront Stadium

This game not only brought the Bengals their first AFC Championship and a berth in Super Bowl XVI, it was played in conditions that made the 46,302 fans on hand feel like champions themselves. With a frigid temperature of minus-9 degrees, winds gusting from 20 to 35 miles per hour and an incredible wind-chill factor of minus-59, this famous game became known as the "Freezer Bowl." To this day, no NFL game has been played with a wind chill so cold. More than 13,000 ticket holders stayed home, but those who came saw the Bengals dominate their opponents from sunny San Diego. The Bengals first attacked them mentally, as every Cincinnati offensive and defensive lineman — along with FB Pete Johnson — took the psychological initiative to tough the cold and play in short sleeves. The teams were relatively even in yards gained with Cincinnati leading 318-301, but the Bengals won the turnover battle 4-0 with two INTs and two FRs. Chargers QB Dan Fouts struggled more in the arctic atmosphere than Bengals QB Ken Anderson, who completed 14 of 22 passes for 161 yards, two TDs and no INTs. Only one player suffered a weather-related injury in the game — Bengals DE Eddie Edwards with a frostbitten right ear.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
San Diego	0	7	0	0	—	7
Cincinnati	10	7	3	7	—	27

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — Breech 31 field goal	1-8:05
Cin. — M.Harris 8 pass from Anderson (Breech kick)	1-7:06
S.D. — Winslow 33 pass from Fouts (Benirschke kick)	2-13:34
Cin. — Johnson 1 run (Breech kick)	2-9:57
Cin. — Breech 38 field goal	3-7:47
Cin. — Bass 3 pass from Anderson (Breech kick)	4-6:52

Missed FGs: Benirschke (37SH, 50SH). **Attendance:** 46,302. **Time:** 2:47.

TEAM STATISTICS	S.D.	CIN.
First downs	18	19
Third down conversions-attempts	5-12	5-11
Total net yards	301	318
Net yards rushing	128	143
Net yards passing	173	175
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	28-15-2	23-15-0
Sacks against-yards lost	2-12	0-0
Punts-average	2-29.5	3-30.6
Punt returns-yards	1-7	0-0
Kickoff returns-yards	7-132	1-40
Penalties-yards	2-15	3-25
Fumbles-lost	4-2	3-1
Time of possession	29:42	30:18

RUSHING									
S.D.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Muncie	23	94	11	0	Johnson	21	80	11	1
Brooks	6	23	9	0	Alexander	9	22	4	0
Fouts	1	6	6	0	Anderson	5	39	13	0
Cappelletti	1	5	5	0	Collinsworth	1	2	2	0
TOTALS	31	128	11	0	TOTALS	36	143	13	1

PASSING									
S.D.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Fouts	28	15	185	1-2	Anderson	22	14	161	2-0
					Thompson	1	1	14	0-0
TOTALS	28	15	185	1-2	TOTALS	23	15	175	2-0

RECEIVING									
S.D.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Chandler	6	79	25	0	Ross	5	69	19	0
Winslow	3	47	33t	1	Alexander	3	25	16	0
Joiner	3	41	21	0	Collinsworth	2	28	16	0
Brooks	2	5	4	0	Curtis	2	28	15	0
Sievers	1	13	13	0	Johnson	1	14	14	0
					M.Harris	1	8	8t	1
					Bass	1	3	3t	1
TOTALS	15	185	33t	1	TOTALS	15	175	19	2

San Diego (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** King 6-3-9, Johnson 7-1-8, Kelcher 5-1-6, Edwards 4-1-5, Lowe 4-0-4, Woodcock 3-1-4, Young 3-1-4, Buchanan 2-1-3, Laslavic 2-1-3, Shaw 2-1-3, M.Williams 2-1-3, Horn 2-0-2, Preston 1-1-2, Fouts 1-0-1, Jones 1-0-1, Ferguson 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** None. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** Shaw 2, Buchanan 1, Edwards 1, King 1, Lowe 1. **FF:** Buchanan 1, Edwards 1. **FR.-YDS.:** Buchanan 1-8.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Hicks 8-1-9, Browner 6-3-9, Williams 5-2-7, Cameron 3-4-7, B.Harris 5-1-6, Breeden 4-1-5, Kemp 3-2-5, LeClair 3-1-4, Whitley 2-2-4, R.Griffin 3-0-3, Dinkel 2-0-2, Frazier 1-1-2, Edwards 1-1-2, Breech 1-0-1, Davis 1-0-1, Fuller 1-0-1, St. Clair 1-0-1, Riley 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Edwards 1-7, B.Harris 1-5. **INT.-YDS.:** Kemp 1-24, Breeden 1-0. **PD:** Kemp 4, Riley 3, Breeden 2, Hicks 2, LeClair 2, Bass 1, R.Griffin 1. **FF:** Cameron 1, Hicks 1, Razzano 1, Williams 1. **FR.-YDS.:** Bass 1-0, Browner 1-0.

1981 SEASON**SUPER BOWL XVI****San Francisco 49ers 26, Cincinnati Bengals 21**
Sunday, Jan. 24, 1982 at Pontiac Silverdome (Pontiac, Mich.)

Cincinnati outgained San Francisco by 81 yards (356-275), marking the first time in Super Bowl history the losing team led in scrimmage yardage. Bengals QB Ken Anderson set Super Bowl records (since surpassed) for completions (25) and completion percentage (73.5), and his 300 passing yards nearly doubled the 157 by 49ers QB Joe Montana, the game's MVP. But Cincinnati suffered four turnovers to San Francisco's one, and three of those giveaways led to 17 first-half points for the 49ers, who led 20-0 at intermission. Leading 20-7, San Francisco staged a memorable goal-line stand late in the third quarter, stopping Cincinnati for no gain on three straight plays from the one-yard line. The Bengals still closed the gap to 20-14 with a four-yard TD pass from Anderson to TE Dan Ross with 10:06 left, but the 49ers added FGs of 40 and 23 yards by K Ray Wersching to pull away. Cincinnati crept to within 26-21 with 16 seconds left on a second Anderson-to-Ross TD pass, but San Francisco recovered the Bengals' ensuing onside kick to seal the victory. Wersching's four FGs tied a Super Bowl record (still tied) and Ross' 11 receptions set a Super Bowl record (since broken).

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
San Francisco	7	13	0	6	—	26
Cincinnati	0	0	7	14	—	21

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
S.F. — Montana 1 run (Wersching kick)	1-5:52
S.F. — Cooper 11 pass from Montana (Wersching kick)	2-6:53
S.F. — Wersching 22 field goal	2-0:15
S.F. — Wersching 26 field goal	2-0:02
Cin. — Anderson 5 run (Breech kick)	3-11:25
Cin. — Ross 4 pass from Anderson (Breech kick)	4-10:06
S.F. — Wersching 40 field goal	4-5:25
S.F. — Wersching 23 field goal	4-1:57
Cin. — Ross 3 pass from Anderson (Breech kick)	4-0:16

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 81,270. **Time:** 3:21.

TEAM STATISTICS	S.F.	CIN.
First downs	20	24
Third down conversions-attempts	8-15	6-12
Total net yards	275	356
Net yards rushing	127	72
Net yards passing	148	284
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	22-14-0	34-25-2
Sacks against-yards lost	1-9	5-16
Punts-average	4-46.3	3-43.7
Punt returns-yards	1-6	4-35
Kickoff returns-yards	2-40	7-52
Penalties-yards	8-65	8-57
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-2
Time of possession	30:34	29:26

RUSHING									
S.F.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Patton	17	55	10	0	Johnson	14	36	5	0
Cooper	9	34	14	0	Alexander	5	17	13	0
Montana	6	18	7	1	Anderson	4	15	6	1
Ring	5	17	7	0	A.Griffin	1	4	4	0
Davis	2	5	4	0					
Clark	1	-2	-2	0					
TOTALS	40	127	14	1	TOTALS	24	72	13	1

PASSING									
S.F.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Montana	22	14	157	1-0	Anderson	34	25	300	2-2
TOTALS	22	14	157	1-0	TOTALS	34	25	300	2-2

RECEIVING									
S.F.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Solomon	4	52	20	0	Ross	11	104	16	2
Clark	4	45	17	0	Collinsworth	5	107	49	0
Cooper	2	15	11t	1	Curtis	3	42	21	0
Wilson	1	22	22	0	Kreider	2	36	19	0
Young	1	14	14	0	Johnson	2	8	5	0
Patton	1	6	6	0	Alexander	2	3	3	0
Ring	1	3	3	0					
TOTALS	14	157	22	1	TOTALS	25	300	49	2

DEFENSE

San Francisco (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Leopold 6-1-7, Reynolds 6-1-7, Harper 6-0-6, Reese 5-1-6, Williamson 5-0-5, Wright 5-0-5, Lott 4-1-5, Hicks 2-3-5, Stuckey 3-1-4, Board 2-1-3, Gervais 2-1-3, Harty 2-0-2, Turner 2-0-2, Bunz 1-0-1, Cross 1-0-1, Dean 1-0-1, Lawrence 1-0-1, McColl 1-0-1, Puki 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Stuckey 1-6, Dean 1-4, Turner 1-4, Reynolds 1-2, Leopold 1-0. **INT.-YDS.:** Hicks 1-27, Wright 1-25. **PD:** Wright 2, Hicks 1. **FF:** Wright 1. **FR.-YDS.:** McCall 1-0, Thomas 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Browner 10-0-10, Breeden 7-0-7, Kemp 6-0-6, Williams 5-1-6, Razzano 4-0-4, Riley 4-0-4, Cameron 3-1-4, Hicks 3-1-4, B.Harris 2-2-4, LeClair 1-2-3, St. Clair 1-2-3, Edwards 2-0-2, Hargrove 1-0-1, R.Griffin 1-0-1, Montoya 1-0-1, Whitley 1-0-1, Wilson 1-0-1, Dinkel 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Browner 1-9. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** Cameron 2, Breeden 1, Riley 1, Williams 1. **FF:** Montoya 1. **FR.-YDS.:** Simmons 1-0.

1982 SEASON**AFC FIRST-ROUND PLAYOFF****N.Y. Jets 44, Cincinnati Bengals 17**
Sunday, Jan. 9, 1983 at Riverfront Stadium

The defending AFC Champion Bengals lost an early 14-3 lead and were dismantled by the underdog Jets. The 7-2 Bengals were the AFC's No. 3 seed in 16-team "Super Bowl Tournament," organized for the strike-shortened regular season. RB Freeman McNeil led No. 6 seed New York, rushing for 202 yards and a TD against Cincinnati's No. 3-ranked rush defense. Cincinnati trailed only 23-17 after three periods, but suffered a particularly demoralizing fourth quarter, which included two INTs (one for a TD), a TD pass nullified by a false start penalty, a missed FG, a lost fumble and two rushing TDs allowed.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
N.Y. Jets.....	3	17	3	21	—	44
Cincinnati.....	14	0	3	0	—	17

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — Curtis 32 pass from Anderson (Breech kick).....	1-8:30
NYJ — Leahy 32 field goal.....	1-5:59
Cin. — Ross 2 pass from Anderson (Breech kick).....	1-1:46
NYJ — Gaffney 14 pass from McNeil (Leahy kick).....	2-12:55
NYJ — Walker 4 pass from Todd (Leahy kick).....	2-4:02
NYJ — Leahy 24 field goal.....	2-0:34
NYJ — Leahy 47 field goal.....	3-9:30
Cin. — Breech 20 field goal.....	3-2:28
NYJ — McNeil 20 run (Leahy kick).....	4-8:24
NYJ — Ray 98 interception return (Leahy kick).....	4-4:50
NYJ — Crutchfield 1 run (Leahy kick).....	4-1:56

Missed FGs: Breech (46WR). **Attendance:** 57,560. **Time:** 3:13.

TEAM STATISTICS	NYJ	CIN.
First downs.....	27	23
Third down conversions-attempts.....	6-9	7-10
Total net yards.....	517	395
Net yards rushing.....	234	62
Net yards passing.....	283	333
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	29-21-1	36-26-3
Sacks against-yards lost.....	0-0	4-21
Punts-average.....	0-0.0	2-43.0
Punt returns-yards.....	1-2	0-0
Kickoff returns-yards.....	4-69	8-138
Penalties-yards.....	12-95	7-60
Fumbles-lost.....	2-1	2-1
Time of possession.....	28:44	31:16

RUSHING

NYJ	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
McNeil	21	202	35	1	Johnson	9	26	14	0
Dierking	3	11	9	0	A.Griffin	3	17	8	0
Harper	2	9	9	0	Alexander	7	14	6	0
Newton	2	6	4	0	Anderson	2	5	3	0
Todd	3	3	8	0					
Augustyniak	2	2	1	0					
Crutchfield	1	1	1t	1					
TOTALS	34	234	35	2	TOTALS	21	62	14	0

PASSING

NYJ	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Todd	28	20	269	1-1	Anderson	35	26	354	2-3
McNeil	1	1	14	1-0	Schonert	1	0	0	0-0
TOTALS	29	21	283	2-1	TOTALS	36	26	354	2-3

RECEIVING

NYJ	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Walker	8	145	49	1	Collinsworth	7	120	53	0
Gaffney	4	50	20	1	Ross	6	89	26	1
Harper	2	35	19	0	Curtis	3	63	32t	1
L.Jones	2	22	12	0	Kreider	3	41	17	0
Dierking	2	9	5	0	A.Griffin	3	14	6	0
Barkum	1	9	9	0	Johnson	3	7	9	0
McNeil	1	9	9	0	M.Harris	1	20	20	0
Augustyniak	1	4	4	0					
TOTALS	21	283	49	2	TOTALS	26	354	53	2

DEFENSE

N.Y. Jets (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Mehl 9-1-10, Neil 7-0-7, Schroy 6-0-6, Crable 3-3-6, Buttle 4-0-4, Jackson 4-0-4, Holmes 3-0-3, Ray 3-0-3, Lynn 2-0-2, Sohn 2-0-2, Lyons, 1-1-2, Salaam 1-1-2, Barber 1-0-1, Bennett 1-0-1, Gastineau 1-0-1, Johnson 1-0-1, B.Jones 1-0-1, Newton 1-0-1, Shuler 1-0-1, Woodring 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Salaam 1-8, Lynn 1-7, Gastineau 1-4, Lyons 1-2. **INT.-YDS.:** Lynn 2-40, Ray 1-98. **PD:** Lynn 2, Crable 1, Ray 1. **FF:** Bennett 1, B.Jones 1. **FR.-YDS.:** Crable 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Cameron 8-0-8, Browner 6-2-8, Williams 6-1-7, Riley 5-1-6, R.Griffin 5-0-5, Kemp 5-0-5, Fuller 4-0-4, B.Harris 4-0-4, LeClair 2-2-4, Breeden 1-2-3, Edwards 2-0-2, Hicks 2-0-2, Simmons 2-0-2, Davis 1-0-1, Frazier 1-0-1, Jackson 1-0-1, Munoz 1-0-1, Ross 1-0-1, Verser 1-0-1, Whitley 1-0-1, Razzano 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** None. **INT.-YDS.:** Riley 1-0. **PD:** Kemp 1, Riley 1, Whitley 1. **FF:** Kemp 2. **FR.-YDS.:** Fuller 1-20.

1988 SEASON**AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF****Cincinnati Bengals 21, Seattle Seahawks 13**
Saturday, Dec. 31, 1988 at Riverfront Stadium

Unbeaten at home in eight regular-season games, the AFC Central Division Champion Bengals ran their Riverfront Stadium mark to 9-0 by rushing for a season-high 254 yards. They scored all three of their TDs in the first half and withstood a 13-point Seattle fourth quarter. The Seahawks pulled to within 21-13 on QB Dave Krieg's one-yard sneak with 6:05 to play, but K Norm Johnson's missed PAT left the visitors still two scores short, as the two-point conversion would not be added to NFL rules until 1994. The victory earned the Bengals their first trip to the AFC Championship game since the 1981 season. Bengals rookie FB Ickey Woods rushed for 126 yards on 23 carries, and his one-yard TD run midway through the second quarter gave Cincinnati a 21-0 halftime lead. A pair of three-yard TD runs in the first and second quarters by FB Stanley Wilson opened the Bengals' scoring. Wilson added 45 rushing yards on seven attempts, while HB James Brooks rushed for 72 yards on 13 attempts. Cincinnati's defense held Seattle to just 22 yards rushing the entire game and only 49 total net yards in the first half. The Bengals stayed on the ground to win, getting only seven completions from QB Boomer Esiason, the NFL's top-rated quarterback and its consensus MVP in the regular season, and only one reception from WR Eddie Brown, who led the AFC in the regular season with 1273 receiving yards.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Seattle.....	0	0	0	13	—	13
Cincinnati.....	7	14	0	0	—	21

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — Wilson 3 run (Breech kick).....	1-9:11
Cin. — Wilson 3 run (Breech kick).....	2-11:35
Cin. — Woods 1 run (Breech kick).....	2-7:40
Sea. — Williams 7 pass from Krieg (Johnson kick).....	4-11:40
Sea. — Krieg 1 run (kick failed).....	4-6:05

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 58,560. **Time:** 3:12.

TEAM STATISTICS	SEA.	CIN.
First downs.....	19	22
Third down conversions-attempts.....	2-12	6-12
Total net yards.....	294	345
Net yards rushing.....	22	254
Net yards passing.....	272	91
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	50-24-2	19-7-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	3-25	2-17
Punts-average.....	6-44.1	6-46.0
Punt returns-yards.....	5-30	3-19
Kickoff returns-yards.....	3-66	3-54
Penalties-yards.....	5-45	2-29
Fumbles-lost.....	1-1	3-2
Time of possession.....	24:41	35:19

RUSHING

SEA.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Warner	7	15	8	0	Woods	23	126	30	1
Williams	8	6	3	0	Brooks	13	72	26	0
Krieg	1	1	1t	1	Wilson	7	45	20	2
					Esiason	4	11	11	0
TOTALS	16	22	8	1	TOTALS	47	254	30	3

PASSING

SEA.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Krieg	50	24	297	1-2	Esiason	19	7	108	0-0
Warner	0	0	0	0-0					
TOTALS	50	24	297	1-2	TOTALS	19	7	108	0-0

RECEIVING

SEA.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Williams	11	137	37	1	Holman	3	44	24	0
Blades	5	78	24	0	Collinsworth	1	30	30	0
Butler	2	40	32	0	Brown	1	23	23	0
Largent	2	17	12	0	Brooks	1	9	9	0
Skansi	1	11	11	0	Riggs	1	2	2	0
Clark	1	8	8	0					
Spagnola	1	7	7	0					
Warner	1	-1	-1	0					
TOTALS	24	297	37	1	TOTALS	7	108	30	0

DEFENSE

Seattle (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Robinson 9-2-11, Comeaux 7-1-8, Scholtz 6-1-7, Wyman 6-0-6, Green 5-1-6, Jenkins 3-1-4, Clarke 3-0-3, Woods 3-0-3, Moyer 2-1-3, Nash 2-1-3, Taylor 2-0-2, Dean 1-0-1, Spagnola 1-0-1, Gaines 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Clarke 1-9, Green 1-8. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** Robinson 1, Scholtz 1. **FF:** Clarke 1, Green 1. **FR.-YDS.:** Nash 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Krumrie 5-2-7, Billups 4-2-6, Fulcher 4-1-5, Buck 1-4-5, Thomas 4-0-4, Wilcots 4-0-4, Williams 3-1-4, White 3-0-3, Zander 1-2-3, Dixon 2-0-2, Horton 2-0-2, Grant 1-1-2, Kelly 1-1-2, Skow 1-1-2, Bussey 1-0-1, King 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Williams 1-11, Skow 1-10, Buck 1-4. **INT.-YDS.:** Thomas 1-0, Wilcots 1-0. **PD:** Thomas 6, Billups 4, Dixon 1, Fulcher 1, Wilcots 1. **FF:** Krumrie 1. **FR.-YDS.:** Skow 1-0.

1988 SEASON**AFC CHAMPIONSHIP****Cincinnati Bengals 21, Buffalo Bills 10**
Sunday, Jan. 8, 1989 at Riverfront Stadium

The week before the AFC Championship game was filled with controversy, as Bills head coach Marv Levy convinced the NFL office that Bengals head coach Sam Wyche's no-huddle offense was illegal. Cincinnati had developed and employed the no-huddle attack all season, but shortly before kickoff, the league informed the team that game officials would severely restrict its use. Wyche eventually would prevail in this rule book battle. Nevertheless, his offense, forced to abandon its no-huddle tactics for this contest, returned to basics and led the charge in beating Buffalo for a berth in Super Bowl XXIII. It was Cincinnati's third victory of the year over Buffalo, the Bengals having also downed the Bills in the preseason and regular season. Cincinnati won with a punishing rushing game, running the ball on 50 of 73 offensive plays and gaining 175 of its 249 total yards on the ground. Cincinnati's defense recorded a solid performance, holding the Bills to 181 total yards, including just 53 in the second half. Cincinnati made eight of 16 combined third-down and fourth-down conversions while allowing the Bills a debilitating none of 11. Bengals rookie FB Ickey Woods had his second 100-yard rushing game of the postseason, gaining 102 on 29 carries. The Bengals advanced to the Super Bowl from what was, at the time, the worst previous-season finish (4-11) of any Super Bowl qualifier. Even to the present time, only the 1999 St. Louis Rams (4-12 in '98) have gone farther.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Buffalo	0	10	0	0	—	10
Cincinnati	7	7	0	7	—	21

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR-LEFT
Cin. — Woods 1 run (Breech kick)	1-1:51
Buff. — Reed 9 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick)	2-13:21
Cin. — Brooks 10 pass from Esiason (Breech kick)	2-2:21
Buff. — Norwood 39 field goal	2-0:22
Cin. — Woods 1 run (Breech kick)	4-14:56

Missed FGs: Norwood (43WL). **Attendance:** 59,747. **Time:** 3:10.

TEAM STATISTICS	BUFF.	CIN.
First downs	10	23
Third down conversions-attempts	0-10	7-15
Total net yards	181	249
Net yards rushing	45	175
Net yards passing	136	74
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	30-14-3	20-11-2
Sacks against-yards lost	3-27	3-20
Punts-average	6-45.1	6-36.8
Punt returns-yards	1-2	3-24
Kickoff returns-yards	3-57	3-30
Penalties-yards	5-50	4-45
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-0
Time of possession	20:31	39:29

RUSHING

BUFF.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Mueller	8	21	13	0	Woods	29	102	16	2
Kelly	2	10	5	0	Wilson	5	29	9	0
Thomas	4	6	2	0	Esiason	7	26	29	0
Riddick	1	4	4	0	Jennings	2	12	8	0
Byrum	1	3	3	0	Brooks	7	6	5	0
Harmon	1	1	1	0					
TOTALS	17	45	13	0	TOTALS	50	175	29	2

PASSING

BUFF.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Kelly	30	14	163	1-3	Esiason	20	11	94	1-2
TOTALS	30	14	163	1-3	TOTALS	20	11	94	1-2

RECEIVING

BUFF.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Reed	5	55	18	1	Holman	4	38	21	0
Riddick	3	28	14	0	Brooks	2	21	11	1
Harmon	3	18	9	0	Riggs	2	16	13	0
T.Johnson	2	48	26	0	McGee	2	14	8	0
Metzelaars	1	14	14	0	Collinsworth	1	5	5	0
TOTALS	14	163	26	1	TOTALS	11	94	21	1

DEFENSE

Buffalo (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Talley 7-4-11, Still 9-0-9, Bentley 5-4-9, L.Smith 4-2-6, Bennett 4-1-5, B.Smith 4-1-5, Burroughs 4-0-4, Conlan 3-1-4, Odomes 3-1-4, Radecic 3-1-4, Kelso 2-1-3, Jackson 2-0-2, Cocroft 1-0-1, Davis 1-0-1, Riddick 1-0-1, Ritcher 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** B.Smith 2-13, Still 1-7. **INT.-YDS.:** Kelso 1-25, Bentley 1-0. **PD:** Bentley 2, Kelso 2, Burroughs 1, Talley 1, Radecic 1. **FF:** Odomes 1. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Krumrie 3-3-6, White 4-1-5, Thomas 4-0-4, Bussey 3-0-3, Barker 2-1-3, Fulcher 1-2-3, Horton 1-2-3, Wilcots 1-2-3, Williams 1-2-3, Buck 2-0-2, Zander 2-0-2, Dixon 1-1-2, Kelly 1-1-2, Grant 1-0-1, Skow 1-0-1, Billups 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Buck 1-10, Grant 1-10, Williams 1-7. **INT.-YDS.:** Thomas 1-26, Fulcher 1-0, Billups 1-(-3). **PD:** Thomas 4, Billups 2, Fulcher 2, Wilcots 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

1988 SEASON**SUPER BOWL XXIII****San Francisco 49ers 20, Cincinnati Bengals 16**
Sunday, Jan. 22, 1989 at Joe Robbie Stadium (Miami, Fla.)

NFL commissioner Pete Rozelle termed it the most exciting of the first 23 games in Super Bowl history, and the result regained some respect for the AFC, which had lost the last four contests by an average of more than 27 points. But the dominant emotion of the day still was heartbreak for head coach Sam Wyche's underdog Bengals, who took a 16-13 lead with 3:20 to play on Jim Breech's 40-yard FG before succumbing to a 92-yard, 11-play TD drive led by San Francisco QB Joe Montana. WR John Taylor's game-winning 10-yard TD catch from Montana came with just 34 seconds remaining. Never before had a Super Bowl been won on a TD so late in the game. Cincinnati played without FB Stanley Wilson, who was suspended for a substance abuse violation that occurred the night before the game. In addition, the Bengals played almost the entire contest without All-Pro NT Tim Krumrie, who suffered a severely broken leg early in the first quarter. The teams were tied 3-3 at halftime, tied again at 6-6 late in the third quarter, and then swapped TDs in quick succession. A 93-yard kickoff return by Cincinnati HB Stanford Jennings was countered by a four-play San Francisco TD drive. The third of Breech's three FGs gave Cincinnati its third lead of the day before Montana's final heroics saved the day for the 49ers. San Francisco WR Jerry Rice tied a Super Bowl record with 11 receptions (still tied; originally set by Bengals TE Dan Ross in Super Bowl XVI) for 215 yards and one TD, earning the game's MVP award. Montana completed 23 of 36 passes for 357 yards, two TDs and no INTs. The victory made San Francisco the first NFC team to win three Super Bowls.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati	0	3	10	3	—	16
San Francisco	3	0	3	14	—	20

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR-LEFT
S.F. — Cofer 41 field goal	1-3:14
Cin. — Breech 34 field goal	2-1:15
Cin. — Breech 43 field goal	3-5:39
S.F. — Cofer 32 field goal	3-0:50
Cin. — Jennings 93 kickoff return (Breech kick)	3-0:34
S.F. — Rice 14 pass from Montana (Cofer kick)	4-14:03
Cin. — Breech 40 field goal	4-3:20
S.F. — Taylor 10 pass from Montana (Cofer kick)	4-0:34

Missed FGs: Cofer (19WL, 49WR). **Attendance:** 75,129. **Time:** 3:24.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	S.F.
First downs	13	23
Third down conversions-attempts	4-13	4-13
Total net yards	229	453
Net yards rushing	106	112
Net yards passing	123	341
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	25-11-1	36-23-0
Sacks against-yards lost	5-21	4-16
Punts-average	5-44.6	4-37.0
Punt returns-yards	2-5	3-56
Kickoff returns-yards	3-132	5-77
Penalties-yards	7-65	4-32
Fumbles-lost	1-0	4-1
Time of possession	32:43	27:17

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	S.F.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Woods	20	79	10	0	Craig	17	71	13	0
Brooks	6	24	11	0	Rathman	5	23	11	0
Jennings	1	3	3	0	Montana	4	13	11	0
Esiason	1	0	0	0	Rice	1	5	5	0
TOTALS	28	106	11	0	TOTALS	27	112	13	0

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	S.F.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Esiason	25	11	144	0-1	Montana	36	23	357	2-0
TOTALS	25	11	144	0-1	TOTALS	36	23	357	2-0

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	S.F.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Collinsworth	3	40	23	0	Rice	11	215	44	1
Brown	3	32	17	0	Craig	8	101	40	0
Brooks	2	32	20	0	Frank	2	15	8	0
McGee	2	23	18	0	Rathman	1	16	16	0
Hillary	1	17	17	0	Taylor	1	10	10	1
TOTALS	11	144	23	0	TOTALS	23	357	44	2

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Williams 9-1-10, Wilcots 7-0-7, Billups 5-0-5, Fulcher 5-0-5, Bussey 4-1-5, Zander 4-0-4, Buck 3-1-4, Grant 3-0-3, Horton 3-0-3, Thomas 2-1-3, Barker 2-0-2, McClendon 2-0-2, Dixon 1-0-1, White 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Fulcher 1-6, Buck 1-5, Williams 1-3, Grant 1-2. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** Billups 1, Bussey 1, Fulcher 1. **FF:** Fulcher 1, Horton 1. **FR-YDS.:** Skow 1-0.

San Francisco (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Fagan 6-0-6, Haley 6-0-6, McKyer 6-0-6, Lott 5-0-5, Fuller 4-1-5, Griffin 4-0-4, Carter 3-0-3, Roberts 3-0-3, Fahnhorst 1-1-2, Holt 1-0-1, Romanowski 1-0-1, Stubbs 1-0-1, Turner 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Haley 2-10, Stubbs 1-8, Carter 1-3, Fagan 1-0. **INT.-YDS.:** Romanowski 1-0. **PD:** Fuller 1, Griffin 1, Lott 1, Romanowski 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

1990 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****Cincinnati Bengals 41, Houston Oilers 14**
Sunday, Jan. 6, 1991 at Riverfront Stadium

Having been involved in a feisty regular-season rivalry with Houston for several years, Cincinnati got the chance to tangle with the Oilers in the postseason and responded with the most lopsided playoff win in team history. The Bengals outgained the Oilers by 123 yards (349-226) and set team postseason records for points (still stands) and victory margin (still stands), using a well-balanced offensive attack. Cincinnati's rushing game outgained Houston 187-67, yet no Bengals rusher totaled more than 57 yards. Cincinnati's passing game added another 162 net yards, yet no Bengals receiver had more than two catches. Houston, however, failed to mount a serious threat the entire game. The Bengals led 34-0 before the Oilers scored their first point late in the third quarter. Ironically, it was the Oilers who helped put the Bengals in the playoffs the previous week. Houston beat Pittsburgh 34-14 in its Sunday night regular-season finale, allowing Cincinnati to win the AFC Central Division tiebreaker (the Bengals, Oilers and Steelers all had finished 9-7).

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Houston.....	0	0	7	7	—	14
Cincinnati.....	10	10	14	7	—	41

TEAM — SCORING PLAY **QTR.-LEFT**

Cin. — Woods 1 run (Breech kick)	1-8:36
Cin. — Breech 27 field goal	1-1:10
Cin. — Green 2 pass from Esiason (Breech kick)	2-9:18
Cin. — Breech 30 field goal	2-0:43
Cin. — Ball 3 run (Breech kick)	3-11:34
Cin. — Esiason 10 run (Breech kick)	3-11:09
Hou. — Givins 16 pass from Carlson (Garcia kick)	3-5:15
Cin. — Kattus 9 pass from Esiason (Breech kick)	4-14:09
Hou. — Givins 5 pass from Carlson (Garcia kick)	4-6:59

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 60,012. **Time:** 3:05.

TEAM STATISTICS	HOU.	CIN.
First downs	13	24
Third down conversions-attempts	2-9	4-13
Total net yards	226	349
Net yards rushing	67	187
Net yards passing	159	162
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	33-16-1	25-15-0
Sacks against-yards lost	1-6	0-0
Punts-average	6-42.6	3-45.0
Punt returns-yards	1-19	3-42
Kickoff returns-yards	6-114	3-58
Penalties-yards	5-33	4-40
Fumbles-lost	2-1	1-0
Time of possession	20:15	39:45

RUSHING

HOU.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Pinkett	5	43	16	0	Esiason	5	57	27	1
Carlson	4	22	12	0	Green	11	55	12	0
White	4	2	5	0	Ball	7	33	14	1
					Brooks	6	17	14	0
					Jennings	6	16	10	0
					Woods	6	11	4	1
					Wilhelm	3	-2	0	0
TOTALS	13	67	16	0	TOTALS	44	187	27	3

PASSING

HOU.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Carlson	33	16	165	2-1	Esiason	20	14	150	2-0
					Wilhelm	5	1	12	0-0
TOTALS	33	16	165	2-1	TOTALS	25	15	162	2-0

RECEIVING

HOU.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Givins	6	60	16t	2	Holman	2	51	46	0
Harris	4	37	17	0	McGee	2	23	19	0
Jeffries	2	33	23	0	Kattus	2	19	10	1
Duncan	1	15	15	0	Green	2	15	13	1
Pinkett	1	10	10	0	Jennings	2	15	12	0
Hill	1	5	5	0	Brown	2	14	9	0
White	1	5	5	0	Woods	2	13	9	0
					Barber	1	12	12	0
TOTALS	16	165	23	2	TOTALS	15	162	46	2

DEFENSE

Houston (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Kinard 8-4-12, McDowell 7-0-7, Grimsley 4-3-7, Lathon 6-0-6, Dishman 4-1-5, Childress 4-0-4, Meads 3-0-3, Allen 2-0-2, Fuller 2-0-2, S.Jones 2-0-2, D.Smith 2-0-2, Maggs 1-0-1, A.Smith 1-0-1, E.Johnson 0-1-1, R.Johnson 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** None. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** McDowell 2, Kinard 1, Lathon 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Thomas 6-1-7, Bussey 5-0-5, Grant 3-1-4, Francis 3-0-3, Jones 2-1-3, Krumrie 2-1-3, Fulcher 0-3-3, Billups 2-0-2, Carter 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** (team) 1-6. **INT.-YDS.:** Fulcher 1-43. **PD:** Fulcher 2, Grant 2, Billups 1, Francis 1, Jones 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** Francis 1-0.

1990 SEASON**AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF****L.A. Raiders 20, Cincinnati Bengals 10**
Sunday, Jan. 13, 1991 at Los Angeles Coliseum

Los Angeles QB Jay Schroeder, who would join the Bengals as a free agent in 1993, threw two TD passes to help the Raiders defeat Cincinnati and advance to the AFC Championship game. Cincinnati scored first on Jim Breech's 27-yard FG in the second quarter, but Schroeder hit WR Mervyn Fernandez with a 13-yard scoring strike to give Los Angeles a 7-3 halftime lead. The Raiders increased their lead to 10-3 on K Jeff Jaeger's 49-yard FG in the third quarter, and put the game away with 10 unanswered fourth-quarter points on a 41-yard Schroeder pass to TE Ethan Horton and a 25-yard Jaeger FG. The Raiders rushed for 235 yards, including 140 on 21 carries by RB Marcus Allen. DE Greg Townsend had three of the Raiders' four sacks. Raiders RB Bo Jackson, a popular two-sport professional athlete who also played Major League Baseball, rushed for 77 yards on six carries. This game, however, is best remembered by many as the contest that ended Jackson's NFL career. He suffered a hip injury on a tackle by Cincinnati LB Kevin Walker in the third quarter and, though the injury was not considered particularly severe at the time, Jackson never fully recovered to play in the NFL again.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	0	3	0	7	—	10
L.A. Raiders.....	0	7	3	10	—	20

TEAM — SCORING PLAY **QTR.-LEFT**

Cin. — Breech 27 field goal	2-12:07
LARaid. — Fernandez 13 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick)	2-7:29
LARaid. — Jaeger 49 field goal	3-5:41
Cin. — Jennings 8 pass from Esiason (Breech kick)	4-11:49
LARaid. — Horton 41 pass from Schroeder (Jaeger kick)	4-8:52
LARaid. — Jaeger 25 field goal	4-0:19

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 92,045. **Time:** 2:35.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	LARaid.
First downs	12	20
Third down conversions-attempts	5-12	5-11
Total net yards	182	389
Net yards rushing	124	235
Net yards passing	58	154
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	15-8-0	21-11-1
Sacks against-yards lost	4-46	3-18
Punts-average	5-51.6	2-39.5
Punt returns-yards	0-0	3-40
Kickoff returns-yards	4-82	1-18
Penalties-yards	1-5	0-0
Fumbles-lost	1-0	0-0
Time of possession	28:17	31:43

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	LARaid.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
Woods	11	73	18	0	Allen	21	140	20	0
Brooks	11	26	5	0	Jackson	6	77	34	0
Ball	5	14	6	0	Smith	5	18	5	0
Esiason	2	11	8	0					
TOTALS	29	124	18	0	TOTALS	32	235	34	0

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	LARaid.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
Esiason	15	8	104	1-0	Schroeder	21	11	172	2-1
TOTALS	15	8	104	1-0	TOTALS	21	11	172	2-1

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	LARaid.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
Holman	2	51	40	0	Horton	4	77	41t	1
Brown	2	18	15	0	T.Brown	3	42	26	0
Brooks	1	22	22	0	Fernandez	2	24	13t	1
Jennings	1	8	8t	1	Allen	1	24	24	0
Woods	1	5	5	0	Smith	1	5	5	0
McGee	1	0	0	0					
TOTALS	8	104	40	1	TOTALS	11	172	41t	2

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Bussey 7-0-7, Fulcher 5-1-6, Grant 4-1-5, Walker 4-1-5, Zander 4-1-5, Francis 3-2-5, Krumrie 4-0-4, McClendon 3-1-4, White 3-0-3, Billups 2-0-2, Thomas 2-0-2, Wilcots 1-1-2, Buck 1-0-1, Jones 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Zander 1-10, Grant 1-5, Buck 1-3. **INT.-YDS.:** Fulcher 1-11. **PD:** Fulcher 2, Thomas 1, Wilcots 1, Zander 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

L.A. Raiders (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Ellison 10-1-11, Benson 5-4-9, Golic 5-4-9, Anderson 3-3-6, Harden 4-1-5, Townsend 4-0-4, Davis 3-1-4, McDaniel 3-0-3, Long 2-1-3, Gordon 1-1-2, Robinson 1-0-1, Washington 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** Townsend 3-36, Long 1-10. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** Anderson 1, Benson 1, Ellison. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2005 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****Pittsburgh Steelers 31, Cincinnati Bengals 17**
Sunday, Jan. 8, 2006 at Paul Brown Stadium

The atmosphere was super-charged at Paul Brown Stadium as the AFC North Champion Bengals made their first postseason appearance in 15 years. But Cincinnati was dealt a devastating blow on its second offensive play, as QB Carson Palmer was lost to a serious knee injury while completing his first NFL postseason pass — a club postseason-record 66 yards to WR Chris Henry. Backup QB Jon Kitna took over for Palmer and helped Cincinnati earn a 17-14 halftime lead, but Pittsburgh owned the second half. The Bengals' offense had just six first downs and 105 net yards in the final two periods and failed to score another point. The Steelers used a botched snap on a Bengals FG attempt and two INTs thrown by Kitna to control the second half and claim the first-ever postseason meeting between the divisional rivals. Pittsburgh, which finished second to the Bengals in the AFC North and entered the playoffs as No. 6-seeded Wild Card, went on to win Super Bowl XL.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Pittsburgh	0	14	14	3	—	31
Cincinnati	10	7	0	0	—	17

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR-LEFT
Cin. — S.Graham 23 field goal	1-6:54
Cin. — R.Johnson 20 run (S.Graham kick)	1-1:09
Pitt. — W.Parker 19 pass from B.Roethlisberger (J.Reed kick)	2-13:11
Cin. — T.Houshmandzadeh 7 pass from J.Kitna (S.Graham kick)	2-6:13
Pitt. — H.Ward 5 pass from B.Roethlisberger (J.Reed kick)	2-3:48
Pitt. — J.Bettis 5 run (J.Reed kick)	3-5:12
Pitt. — C.Wilson 43 pass from B.Roethlisberger (J.Reed kick)	3-1:13
Pitt. — J.Reed 21 field goal	4-10:29

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 65,870. **Time:** 3:03.

TEAM STATISTICS	PITT.	CIN.
First downs	19	19
Third down conversions-attempts	6-11	9-16
Total net yards	346	327
Net yards rushing	144	84
Net yards passing	202	243
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	21-14-0	41-25-2
Sacks against-yards lost	1-6	4-20
Punts-average	3-47.0	3-43.7
Punt returns-yards	2-21	2-15
Kickoff returns-yards	4-94	6-127
Penalties-yards	6-39	7-90
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-0
Time of possession	28:57	31:03

RUSHING

PITT.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Bettis	10	52	25	1	R.Johnson	13	56	20t	1
V.Haynes	3	46	26	0	J.Kitna	4	25	12	0
W.Parker	16	38	7	0	C.Perry	2	3	2	0
A.Randle El	1	5	5	0	K.Larson	1	0	0	0
B.Roethlisberger	4	3	6	0					
TOTALS	34	144	26	1	TOTALS	20	84	20t	1

PASSING

PITT.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
B.Roethlisberger	19	14	208	3-0	J.Kitna	40	24	197	1-2
J.Bettis	1	0	0	0-0	C.Palmer	1	1	66	0-0
A.Randle El	1	0	0	0-0					
TOTALS	21	14	208	3-0	TOTALS	41	25	263	1-2

RECEIVING

PITT.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
C.Wilson	3	104	54	1	C.Perry	6	11	6	0
W.Parker	3	41	19t	1	K.Walter	5	73	24	0
H.Miller	2	15	9	0	C.Johnson	4	59	24	0
A.Randle El	2	15	15	0	T.Houshmandzadeh	4	25	8	1
H.Ward	2	10	5t	1	R.Johnson	2	14	11	0
V.Haynes	1	14	14	0	M.Schobel	2	11	8	0
J.Tuman	1	9	9	0	C.Henry	1	66	66	0
					R.Kelly	1	4	4	0
TOTALS	14	208	54	3	TOTALS	25	263	66	1

DEFENSE

Pittsburgh (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** T.Carter 7-0-7, L.Foote 4-3-7, D.Townsend 5-1-6, T.Polamalu 4-2-6, J.Farrior 3-1-4, C.Haggans 2-2-4, I.Taylor 3-0-3, C.Hope 1-2-3, A.Smith 1-2-3, J.Porter 0-3-3, C.Hampton 2-0-2, C.Hoke 1-1-2, B.McFadden 1-0-1, S.Morey 1-0-1, T.Kirschke 1-0-1, A.Frazier 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** C.Hoke 1-2, L.Foote 0.5-4.5, C.Haggans 0.5-4.5, T.Polamalu 0.5-2.5, J.Porter 0.5-2.5, (team) 1-4. **INT-YDS.:** J.Farrior 1-22, T.Polamalu 1-4, C.Hope 0-5. **PD:** I.Taylor 2, D.Townsend 2, J.Farrior 1, C.Hope 1, T.Polamalu 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** D.Pollack 5-3-8, O.Thurman 3-5-8, K.Kaevsiharn 4-2-6, I.Ohalet 4-0-4, D.O'Neal 4-0-4, T.James 3-1-4, B.Simmons 3-1-4, J.Smith 3-1-4, R.Geathers 2-0-2, L.Johnson 0-2-2, B.Robinson 1-0-1, R.Bauman 0-1-1, H.Navies 0-1-1, S.Smith 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** D.Pollack 1-6. **INT-YDS.:** None. **PD:** R.Geathers 1, D.O'Neal 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2009 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****N.Y. Jets 24, Cincinnati Bengals 14**

Saturday, Jan. 9, 2010 at Paul Brown Stadium

In a Wild Card Playoff that was relatively even in most statistical categories, the AFC North Champion Bengals were minus-two in turnover differential and could not hold an early lead against the visiting Jets. Cincinnati led 7-0 after the first quarter, on an 11-yard TD pass from QB Carson Palmer to WR Laveranues Coles, but New York gained a 14-7 halftime lead with two scores in a span of less than six minutes in the second quarter. Possession for the go-ahead TD drive was gained by the Jets on an INT by Pro Bowl CB Darrelle Revis. The Bengals' second-half comeback efforts were crippled by missed FG attempts of 35 and 28 yards by K.Shayne Graham. Bengals HB Cedric Benson scored on a 47-yard run in the fourth quarter, and his 169 rushing yards for the game set a Bengals postseason record. The Jets defeated the San Diego Chargers in their Divisional Playoff the following week to advance to the AFC Championship game, where they lost to the Indianapolis Colts.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
N.Y. Jets	0	14	7	3	—	24
Cincinnati	7	0	0	7	—	14

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR-LEFT
Cin. — L.Coles 11 pass from C.Palmer (S.Graham kick)	1-7:07
NYJ — S.Greene 39 run (J.Feely kick)	2-11:52
NYJ — D.Keller 45 pass from M.Sanchez (J.Feely kick)	2-6:19
NYJ — T.Jones 9 run (J.Feely kick)	3-2:18
Cin. — C.Benson 47 run (S.Graham kick)	4-11:04
NYJ — J.Feely 20 field goal	4-5:47

Missed FGs: S.Graham (35WL, 28WR). **Attendance:** 63,686. **Time:** 3:02.

TEAM STATISTICS	NYJ	CIN.
First downs	15	18
Third down conversions-attempts	3-12	5-14
Total net yards	353	281
Net yards rushing	171	171
Net yards passing	182	110
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	15-12-0	36-18-1
Sacks against-yards lost	0-0	3-36
Punts-average	7-31.4	4-48.0
Punt returns-yards	2-26	1-23
Kickoff returns-yards	3-56	5-128
Penalties-yards	9-76	6-55
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-1
Time of possession	33:02	26:58

RUSHING

NYJ	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
S.Greene	21	135	39t	1	C.Benson	21	169	47t	1
T.Jones	15	34	9t	1	C.Palmer	1	2	2	0
B.Smith	2	4	2	0					
M.Sanchez	3	-2	0	0					
TOTALS	41	171	39t	2	TOTALS	22	171	47t	1

PASSING

NYJ	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
M.Sanchez	15	12	182	1-0	C.Palmer	36	18	146	1-1
TOTALS	15	12	182	1-0	TOTALS	36	18	146	1-1

RECEIVING

NYJ	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
J.Cotchery	6	67	18	0	L.Coles	6	48	13	1
D.Keller	3	99	45t	1	Q.Cosby	3	26	14	0
B.Edwards	2	15	16	0	C.Benson	3	12	5	0
B.Smith	1	1	1	0	C.Johnson	2	28	19	0
					A.Caldwell	2	25	13	0
					B.Leonard	2	7	6	0
TOTALS	12	182	45t	1	TOTALS	18	146	19	1

DEFENSE

N.Y. Jets (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** B.Thomas 7-0-7, S.Ellis 5-1-6, L.Sheppard 5-1-6, B.Scott 2-3-5, D.Harris 3-1-4, C.Pace 3-1-4, J.Leonhard 2-2-4, D.Revis 2-1-3, D.Coleman 2-0-2, D.Lowery 1-1-2, M.Douglas 0-2-2, K.Rhodes 0-2-2, J.Ihedigbo 1-0-1, M.Devito 0-1-1, H.Green 0-1-1, S.Pouha 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** J.Leonhard 1-18, S.Ellis 1-10, B.Thomas 1-8. **INT-YDS.:** D.Revis 1-20. **PD:** D.Lowery 2, L.D.Revis 1, B.Scott 1, Sheppard 1, B.Thomas 1. **FF:** J.Leonhard 1, B.Thomas 1. **FR-YDS.:** S.Ellis 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** C.Ndukwe 7-3-10, Dh.Jones 4-3-7, L.Hall 4-2-6, J.Joseph 3-2-5, T.Johnson 2-3-5, J.Fanene 4-0-4, C.Crocker 3-1-4, K.Rivers 3-1-4, B.Johnson 1-3-4, D.Peko 1-3-4, R.Geathers 1-2-3, M.Trent 1-1-2. **SKS-YDS.:** None. **INT-YDS.:** None. **PD:** B.Johnson 2. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2011 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****Houston Texans 31, Cincinnati Bengals 10**
Saturday, Jan. 7, 2012 at Reliant Stadium

The visiting Bengals set the tone early with a one-yard Cedric Benson TD, a Mike Nugent FG and a strong defensive first half. But big plays would prove to be the difference in the game, and Houston had plenty. With 52 seconds left in the first half, Texans DE J.J. Watt intercepted an Andy Dalton pass and returned it 29 yards for a TD, stirring an already-raucous Reliant Stadium crowd. Trailing 17-10 entering the second half, the Bengals briefly kept the game close, but the Texans pulled ahead 24-10 when WR Andre Johnson scored on a 40-yard reception with 1:08 left in the third quarter. With 5:15 left in the contest, Texans RB Arian Foster, who had a game-high 152 rushing yards, ran 42 yards down the right sideline for a TD that completed the scoring. Bengals QB and Houston area native Andy Dalton passed 27-for-42 for 257 yards, but had three INTs. Houston advanced to the divisional round of the playoffs with the win, but lost to the Baltimore Ravens in that game, 20-13.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	7	3	0	0	—	10
Houston.....	7	10	7	7	—	31

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — C.Benson 1 run (M.Nugent kick).....	1-7:34
Hou. — A.Foster 8 run (N.Rackers kick).....	1-4:57
Cin. — M.Nugent 37 field goal.....	2-7:09
Hou. — N.Rackers 39 field goal.....	2-1:48
Hou. — J.Watt 29 interception return (N.Rackers kick).....	2-0:52
Hou. — A.Johnson 40 pass from T.Yates (N. Rackers kick).....	3-1:08
Hou. — A.Foster 42 run (N.Rackers kick).....	4-5:15

Missed FGs: M.Nugent (50WR). **Attendance:** 71,725. **Time:** 3:04.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	HOU.
First downs.....	21	19
Third down conversions-attempts.....	6-13	6-12
Total net yards.....	300	340
Net yards rushing.....	76	188
Net yards passing.....	224	152
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	42-27-3	20-11-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	4-33	2-7
Punts-average.....	3-48.3	5-50.2
Punt returns-yards.....	3-20	3-12
Kickoff returns-yards.....	1-22	0-0
Penalties-yards.....	3-25	5-87
Fumbles-lost.....	1-0	0-0
Time of possession.....	30:17	29:43

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	HOU.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
B.Leonard	3	34	19	0	A.Foster	24	153	42t	2
A.Dalton	3	17	15	0	B.Tate	9	37	9	0
C.Benson	7	14	7	1	J.Casey	1	0	0	0
B.Scott	6	11	4	0	T.Yates	1	-2	-2	0
TOTALS	19	76	19	1	TOTALS	35	188	42t	2

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	HOU.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
A.Dalton	42	27	257	0-3	T.Yates	20	11	159	1-0
TOTALS	42	27	257	0-3	TOTALS	20	11	159	1-0

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	HOU.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
B.Leonard	6	36	16	0	A.Johnson	5	90	40t	1
A.Green	5	47	21	0	A.Foster	3	29	15	0
J.Gresham	5	46	16	0	O.Daniels	2	29	21	0
J.Simpson	3	33	16	0	K.Walter	1	11	11	0
B.Scott	3	29	11	0					
R.Whalen	2	24	20	0					
D.Lee	1	36	36	0					
A.Hawkins	1	8	8	0					
C.Benson	1	-2	-2	0					
TOTALS	27	257	36	0	TOTALS	11	159	40t	1

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** T.Howard 6-0-6, J.Fanene 5-1-6, R.Nelson 5-1-6, M.Lawson 4-1-5, A.Jones 4-0-4, D.Peko 4-0-4, G.Atkins 3-1-4, N.Clements 3-0-3, R.Geathers 2-1-3, R.Mauluga 1-2-3, C.Crocker 2-0-2, K.Jennings 2-0-2, F.Rucker 1-1-2, C.Dunlap 1-0-1, D.Skuta 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** R.Nelson 1-7, G.Atkins 1-0. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** N.Clements 1, C.Crocker 1, J.Fanene 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Houston (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** B.Cushing 5-3-8, D.Manning 5-2-7, J.Joseph 6-0-6, A.Smith 5-0-5, G.Quin 4-1-5, J.Allen 3-2-5, B.Reed 3-2-5, K.Jackson 3-1-4, E.Mitchell 3-1-4, D.Ryans 2-2-4, C.Barwin 3-0-3, S.Cody 1-2-3, J.Watt 2-0-2, T.Jamison 1-1-2, Q.Demps 1-0-1, T.Dobbins 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** E.Mitchell 1-9, B.Reed 1-9, A.Smith 1-8, J.Watt 1-7. **INT.-YDS.:** J.Watt 1-29, D.Manning 1-0, J.Joseph 1-(-1). **PD:** J.Joseph 2, B.McCain 2, J.Allen 1, T.Jamison 1, D.Manning 1, E.Mitchell 1, J. Watt 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2012 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****Houston Texans 19, Cincinnati Bengals 13**
Sunday, Jan. 5, 2013 at Reliant Stadium

The Bengals were outgained 420-198 and had only 21:11 possession time, but they hung in against the favored Texans on the strength of a defensive TD and excellent defense in the red zone. Cincinnati had a first down at the Houston 35 with 3:40 to play, looking for a TD for the lead, but the offense could get no farther, and Houston ran out the clock after Cincinnati surrendered the ball on downs. The Bengals got their lone TD on a 21-yard Leon Hall INT return in the second quarter, a play that gave Cincinnati a 7-6 lead. The defense overall was in a bend-but-not-break mode, allowing four red-zone penetrations but forcing the Texans to settle for one TD and three FGs. Houston RB Arian Foster was the day's outstanding individual performer, rushing for 140 yards on 32 carries.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	0	7	3	3	—	13
Houston.....	3	6	7	3	—	19

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Hou. — S.Graham 48 field goal.....	1-7:49
Hou. — S.Graham 27 field goal.....	2-13:07
Cin. — L.Hall 21 interception return (J.Brown kick).....	2-9:30
Hou. — S.Graham 22 field goal.....	2-2:19
Hou. — A.Foster 1 run (S.Graham kick).....	3-10:31
Cin. — J.Brown 34 field goal.....	3-7:48
Hou. — S.Graham 24 field goal.....	4-14:17
Cin. — J.Brown 47 field goal.....	4-9:03

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 71,738. **Time:** 3:03.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	HOU.
First downs.....	12	24
Third down conversions-attempts.....	0-9	8-17
Total net yards.....	198	420
Net yards rushing.....	80	158
Net yards passing.....	118	262
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	30-14-1	38-29-1
Sacks against-yards lost.....	2-9	0-0
Punts-average.....	5-46.6	3-42.0
Punt returns-yards.....	3-12	2-14
Kickoff returns-yards.....	6-156	2-47
Penalties-yards.....	5-51	7-55
Fumbles-lost.....	1-0	0-0
Time of possession.....	21:11	38:49

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	HOU.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
B.Green-Ellis	11	63	29	0	A.Foster	32	140	17	1
A.Dalton	4	15	12	0	K.Martin	1	16	16	0
B.Leonard	1	2	2	0	M.Schaub	4	1	2	0
					B.Tate	2	1	1	0
TOTALS	16	80	29	0	TOTALS	39	158	17	1

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	HOU.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
A.Dalton	30	14	127	0-1	M.Schaub	38	29	262	0-1
TOTALS	30	14	127	0-1	TOTALS	38	29	262	0-1

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	HOU.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
A.Green	5	80	45	0	O.Daniels	9	91	19	0
M.Jones	3	34	15	0	A.Foster	8	34	13	0
A.Hawkins	2	15	8	0	A.Johnson	4	62	22	0
J.Gresham	2	7	6	0	K.Walter	4	26	12	0
B.Green-Ellis	2	-9	-3	0	G.Graham	3	29	20	0
					J.Casey	1	20	20	0
TOTALS	14	127	45	0	TOTALS	29	262	22	0

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** R.Nelson 9-1-10, R.Mauluga 6-4-10, N.Clements 8-1-9, T.Newman 7-0-7, V.Burfield 4-2-6, L.Hall 4-0-4, P.Sims 4-0-4, D.Peko 3-1-4, R.Geathers 2-2-4, C.Dunlap 2-1-3, G.Atkins 1-2-3, M.Lawson 2-0-2, M.Johnson 1-1-2, E.Lamur 1-1-2, A.Jones 1-0-1, D.Skuta 1-0-1, W.Gilberry 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** None. **INT.-YDS.:** L.Hall 1-21. **PD:** L.Hall 1, A.Jones 1, T.Newman 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Houston (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** J.Joseph 5-0-5, J.Watt 5-0-5, B.James 4-0-4, S.Keo 2-2-4, B.Reed 3-0-3, C.Barwin 2-0-2, K.Jackson 2-0-2, G.Quin 2-0-2, A.Smith 2-0-2, B.Harris 1-0-1, D.Manning 1-0-1, E.Mitchell 1-0-1, B.Ruud 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** J.Watt 1-9, B.Reed 1-0. **INT.-YDS.:** J.Joseph 1-14. **PD:** G.Quin 3, K.Jackson 2, J.Joseph 2, J.Watt 2, C.Barwin 1, B.Harris 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2013 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****San Diego Chargers 27, Cincinnati Bengals 10**
Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014 at Paul Brown Stadium

The AFC North Division champion Bengals piled up a 439-318 yardage edge in their Wild Card playoff vs. San Diego, but the Chargers won with relative ease while posting a plus-four edge in turnover differential (four takeaways, no giveaways). The Bengals held a 10-7 halftime lead, but San Diego went ahead on an 80-yard TD drive on its first possession of the third quarter. The Chargers added a third-quarter FG after Bengals QB Andy Dalton lost a fumble, and the Chargers tacked on a fourth-quarter TD following an INT. The Bengals' lone TD came on a four-yard second-quarter pass from Dalton to TE Jermaine Gresham. WR Marvin Jones set a Bengals postseason record with 130 receiving yards, topping a former mark of 120 by Cris Collinsworth, and Dalton's 334 passing yards were second-most in Bengals postseason annals. The Chargers, a Wild Card playoff entry, advanced to a Divisional round game at New England.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
San Diego	7	0	10	10	—	27
Cincinnati.....	0	10	0	0	—	10

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR-LEFT
S.D. — D.Woodhead 5 run (N.Novak kick)	1-0:48
Cin. — J.Gresham 4 pass from A.Dalton (M.Nugent kick)	2-5:59
Cin. — M.Nugent 46 field goal	2-0:00
S.D. — L.Green 4 pass from P.Rivers (N.Novak kick)	3-6:46
S.D. — N.Novak 25 field goal	3-2:00
S.D. — N.Novak 23 field goal	4-14:16
S.D. — R.Brown 58 run (N.Novak kick)	4-2:17

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 62,277. **Time:** 3:10.

TEAM STATISTICS	S.D.	CIN.
First downs	16	27
Third down conversions-attempts	4-12	3-12
Total net yards	318	439
Net yards rushing	196	113
Net yards passing	122	326
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	16-12-0	51-29-2
Sacks against-yards lost	1-6	3-8
Punts-average	6-43.2	3-39.3
Punt returns-yards	0-0	3-6
Kickoff returns-yards	1-23	6-151
Penalties-yards	5-28	4-38
Fumbles-lost	0-0	3-2
Time of possession	29:28	30:32

RUSHING

S.D.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
R.Brown	8	77	58t	1	G.Bernard	12	45	12	0
D.Woodhead	15	54	9	1	B.Green-Ellis	8	42	12	0
R.Mathews	13	52	8	0	A.Dalton	5	26	12	0
E.Royal	1	9	9	0					
P.Rivers	2	4	2	0					
L.McClain	1	0	0	0					
TOTALS	40	196	58t	2	TOTALS	25	113	12	0

PASSING

S.D.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
P.Rivers	16	12	128	1-0	A.Dalton	51	29	334	1-2
TOTALS	16	12	128	1-0	TOTALS	51	29	334	1-2

RECEIVING

S.D.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
L.Green	3	34	22	1	M.Jones	8	130	49	0
K.Allen	2	21	12	0	G.Bernard	7	73	17	0
D.Woodhead	2	14	11	0	J.Gresham	7	64	13	1
R.Mathews	2	12	9	0	A.Green	3	34	14	0
E.Royal	1	33	33	0	A.Hawkins	3	20	10	0
R.Brown	1	9	9	0	M.Sanu	1	13	13	0
A.Gates	1	5	5	0					
TOTALS	12	128	33	1	TOTALS	29	334	49	1

DEFENSE

San Diego (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** D.Butler 9-3-12, M.Te'o 3-4-7, J.Addae 4-1-5, M.Gilchrist 3-2-5, J.Johnson 3-2-5, C.Liugot 3-2-5, R.Walker 3-2-5, E.Weddle 3-2-5, S.Wright 3-2-5, M.Ingram 0-3-3, R.Marshall 2-0-2, C.Thomas 2-0-2, D.Stuckey 1-1-2, L.Guy 1-0-1, K.Reyes 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS:** J.Johnson 1-4, C.Thomas 1-3, C.Liugot 1-1. **INT-YDS:** S.Wright 1-30, M.Ingram 1-3. **PD:** D.Stuckey 2, M.Ingram 1, K.Reyes 1, E.Weddle 1, S.Wright 1. **FF:** D.Butler 1. **FR-YDS:** R.Marshall 1-13, J.Addae 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** R.Mauluga 12-3-15, A.Jones 7-0-7, V.Burfit 2-5-7, B.Thompson 3-2-5, R.Nelson 4-0-4, C.Dunlap 2-2-4, J.Harrison 3-0-3, W.Gilberry 2-1-3, G.Iloka 2-0-2, D.Kirkpatrick 2-0-2, D.Peko 2-0-2, C.Crocker 1-1-2, M.Johnson 1-0-1. **SKS-YDS:** V.Burfit 0.5-3, C.Crocker 0.5-3. **INT-YDS:** None. **PD:** None. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS:** None.

2014 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****Indianapolis Colts 26, Cincinnati Bengals 10**
Sunday, Jan. 4, 2015 at Lucas Oil Stadium

Significantly depleted in their receiving corps, the Bengals were no match for the AFC South champion Colts. Indianapolis QB Andrew Luck passed for 376 yards, re-setting a Bengals opponent playoff record previously held by QB Joe Montana from Super Bowl XXIII (357). The Colts totaled 482 yards to Cincinnati's 254. The Bengals moved the ball well on their first two possessions and were tied 7-7 late in the first quarter, after a 74-yard TD drive. At halftime, Cincinnati trailed by only 13-10, thanks to a 57-yard Mike Nugent FG near the end of the second quarter. The 57-yarder was a Bengals postseason record by 10 yards and topped by two yards the team regular-season record of 55 that Nugent shared with K Chris Bahr. But the Bengals managed only 98 net yards and no points in the second half, while the Colts struck for a Luck 36-yard TD pass and two FGs by K Adam Vinatieri. The Bengals played without their top two leaders in receptions — WR A.J. Green (concussion) and TE Jermaine Gresham (back strain).

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	7	3	0	0	—	10
Indianapolis	7	6	10	3	—	26

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR-LEFT
Ind. — D.Herron 2 run (A.Vinatieri kick)	1-11:05
Cin. — J.Hill 1 run (M.Nugent kick)	1-1:28
Ind. — A.Vinatieri 38 field goal	2-12:41
Ind. — A.Vinatieri 29 field goal	2-8:34
Cin. — M.Nugent 57 field goal	2-0:10
Ind. — D.Moncrief 36 pass from A.Luck (A.Vinatieri kick)	3-7:48
Ind. — A.Vinatieri 22 field goal	3-1:31
Ind. — A.Vinatieri 53 field goal	4-11:31

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 63,385. **Time:** 3:06.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	IND.
First downs	14	22
Third down conversions-attempts	6-15	6-14
Total net yards	254	482
Net yards rushing	110	114
Net yards passing	144	368
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	35-18-0	44-31-0
Sacks against-yards lost	3-11	1-8
Punts-average	8-47.5	4-51.5
Punt returns-yards	2-20	5-35
Kickoff returns-yards	3-80	3-76
Penalties-yards	6-45	9-66
Fumbles-lost	1-1	2-1
Time of possession	25:50	34:10

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	IND.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Hill	13	47	18	1	D.Herron	12	56	27	1
A.Dalton	4	34	16	0	Z.Tipton	11	40	11	0
R.Burkhead	1	23	23	0	A.Luck	2	18	18	0
G.Bernard	3	6	6	0					
TOTALS	21	110	23	1	TOTALS	25	114	27	1

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	IND.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
A.Dalton	35	18	155	0-0	A.Luck	44	31	376	1-0
TOTALS	35	18	155	0-0	TOTALS	44	31	376	1-0

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	IND.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
G.Bernard	8	46	13	0	D.Herron	10	85	18	0
R.Hewitt	3	37	14	0	T.Hilton	6	103	30	0
R.Burkhead	3	34	26	0	H.Nicks	3	59	45	0
M.Sanu	3	31	11	0	D.Moncrief	3	54	36t	1
K.Brock	1	7	7	0	D.Allen	3	30	12	0
					J.Doyle	3	9	4	0
					C.Fleener	1	18	18	0
					R.Wayne	1	12	12	0
					Z.Tipton	1	6	6	0
TOTALS	18	155	26	0	TOTALS	31	376	45	1

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** V.Rey 5-6-11, E.Lamur 6-0-6, A.Jones 4-2-6, R.Nelson 4-1-5, M.Flowers 3-2-5, G.Iloka 2-3-5, B.Thompson 2-2-4, T.Newman 3-0-3, G.Atkins 2-1-3, D.Kirkpatrick 2-1-3, D.Peko 1-2-3, D.Dennard 2-0-2, R.Mauluga 2-0-2, C.Dunlap 1-1-2, L.Hall 1-1-2, W.Gilberry 0-2-2, M.Hunt 0-2-2. **SKS-YDS:** G.Atkins 0.5-4, M.Hunt 0.5-4. **INT-YDS:** None. **PD:** L.Hall 1, D.Kirkpatrick 1, R.Mauluga 1, T.Newman 1. **FF:** D.Dennard 1, V.Rey 1. **FR-YDS:** R.Nelson 1-6.

Indianapolis (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** J.Freeman 7-8-15, M.Adams 7-2-9, D.Jackson 2-4-6, V.Davis 4-0-4, L.Landry 1-2-3, G.Toler 2-0-2, E.Walden 2-0-2, D.Butler 1-1-2, C.Redding 1-1-2, A.Jones 0-2-2, J.Chapman 1-0-1, M.Hughes 1-0-1, R.Jean Francois 0-1-1, J.Newsome 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS:** J.Freeman 1.5-5.5, C.Redding 1-3, R.Jean Francois 0.5-2.5. **INT-YDS:** None. **PD:** G.Toler 3, C.Redding 2, M.Adams 1, V.Davis 1, D.Jackson 1, E.Walden 1. **FF:** J.Freeman 1. **FR-YDS:** M.Hughes 1-0.

2015 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****Pittsburgh Steelers 18, Cincinnati Bengals 16**
Saturday, Jan. 9, 2016 at Paul Brown Stadium

The Bengals rallied from a 15-0 deficit to take a 16-15 lead with 1:50 to play, and Cincinnati had a first down at the Steelers' 26-yard line with 1:36 left. But Pittsburgh recovered a fumble by HB Jeremy Hill on the next Bengals play, and the Steelers drove for a game-winning 37-yard FG at the 0:14 mark, aided by two personal foul penalties against Cincinnati. The Bengals had rallied to take the lead with three fourth-quarter scores — a one-yard TD run by Hill, a 36-yard Mike Nugent FG and a 25-yard TD pass from QB AJ McCarron to WR A.J. Green. McCarron, as he had in the last three regular-season games, was subbing for injured No. 1 QB Andy Dalton. The Bengals had the home field after winning the AFC North Division with a 12-4 record, but the 10-6 Steelers earned a Wild Card berth and advanced to the Divisional playoff round with the win.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Pittsburgh	0	6	9	3	—	18
Cincinnati	0	0	0	16	—	16

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Pitt. — C.Boswell 39 field goal	2-2:27
Pitt. — C.Boswell 30 field goal	2-0:33
Pitt. — C.Boswell 34 field goal	3-10:09
Pitt. — M.Bryant 10 pass from B.Roethlisberger (pass failed)	3-5:02
Cin. — J.Hill 1 run (M.Nugent kick)	4-13:57
Cin. — M.Nugent 36 field goal	4-5:12
Cin. — A.Green 25 pass from A.McCarron (run failed)	4-1:50
Pitt. — C.Boswell 35 field goal	4-0:14

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 63,257. **Time:** 3:41.

TEAM STATISTICS	PITT.	CIN.
First downs	21	19
Third down conversions-attempts	2-13	5-15
Total net yards	369	279
Net yards rushing	167	91
Net yards passing	202	188
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	36-20-1	41-23-1
Sacks against-yards lost	4-38	3-24
Punts-average	7-41.9	6-42.5
Punt returns-yards	2-8	2-34
Kickoff returns-yards	1-16	2-50
Penalties-yards	10-142	8-79
Fumbles-lost	2-1	5-3
Time of possession	30:37	29:23

RUSHING

PITT.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Todman	11	65	25	0	J.Hill	12	50	38	1
F.Toussaint	17	58	9	0	G.Bernard	6	28	14	0
M.Bryant	1	44	44	0	A.McCarron	5	9	6	0
					R.Burkhead	1	4	4	0
TOTALS	29	167	44	0	TOTALS	24	91	38	1

PASSING

PITT.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
B.Roethlisberger	31	18	229	1-0	A.McCarron	41	23	212	1-1
L.Jones	5	2	11	0-1					
TOTALS	36	20	240	1-1	TOTALS	41	23	212	1-1

RECEIVING

PITT.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
A.Brown	7	119	60	0	A.Green	5	71	25t	1
M.Bryant	5	29	10t	1	T.Eifert	5	58	18	0
F.Toussaint	4	60	27	0	M.Jones	4	32	13	0
M.Wheaton	2	23	24	0	J.Hill	3	27	13	0
H.Miller	2	9	5	0	M.Sanu	3	17	8	0
					G.Bernard	2	2	4	0
					R.Burkhead	1	5	5	0
TOTALS	20	240	60	1	TOTALS	23	212	25t	1

DEFENSE

Pittsburgh (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** R.Shazier 9-4-13, W.Gay 4-1-5, J.Harrison 3-1-4, J.Jones 2-2-4, A.Moats 2-2-4, L.Timmons 2-2-4, W.Allen 3-0-3, B.Dupree 2-1-3, S.Tuitt 1-2-3, B.Boykin 2-0-2, M.Mitchell 2-0-2, C.Thomas 1-1-2, A.Blake 1-0-1, C.Heyward 1-0-1, S.McLendon 1-0-1, V.Williams 1-0-1. **SKS-YDS:** J.Jones 1-11, C.Heyward 1-11, J.Harrison 1-2. **INT-YDS:** A.Blake 1-35. **PD:** R.Shazier 2, A.Blake 1, R.Golden 1. **FF:** R.Shazier 2, C.Heyward 1, J.Jones 1. **FR-YDS:** C.Thomas 1-11, R.Shazier 1-0, R.Cockrell 1-(-3).

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** R.Mauluga 7-3-10, V.Burkict 5-1-6, S.Williams 5-0-5, G.Iloka 4-1-5, M.Johnson 4-1-5, G.Atkins 3-0-3, R.Nelson 3-0-3, D.Smith 3-0-3, D.Kirkpatrick 2-1-3, C.Lewis-Harris 2-1-3, C.Dunlap 1-2-3, L.Hall 2-0-2, A.Jones 1-1-2, V.Rey 1-1-2, W.Clarke 1-0-1, A.Hawk 1-0-1, W.Gilberry 0-1-1, P.Sims 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS:** V.Burkict 1-12, R.Nelson 1-10, G.Atkins 1-5, C.Dunlap 0.5-5.5, P.Sims 0.5-5.5. **INT-YDS:** V.Burkict 1-0. **PD:** V.Burkict 1, C.Dunlap 1, L.Hall 1, C.Lewis-Harris 1, V.Rey 1, P.Sims 1. **FF:** V.Burkict 1, S.Williams 1. **FR-YDS:** G.Iloka 1-0.

2021 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****Cincinnati Bengals 26, Las Vegas Raiders 19**
Saturday afternoon, Jan. 15, 2022 at Paul Brown Stadium

In front of the largest home crowd in team history, the Bengals snapped an eight-game playoff losing streak and 31-year drought without a postseason win. The Raiders scored an opening-drive FG, but Cincinnati countered with a 75-yard TD drive and never trailed again. The Bengals lost three key defensive linemen to injuries — DT Larry Ogunjobi (foot), DE Trey Hendrickson (concussion) and DT Mike Daniels (groin) — but the defense still managed to hold the Raiders to just one TD. Las Vegas had little trouble moving the ball — QB Derek Carr passed for 310 yards and RB Josh Jacobs averaged 6.4 yards per carry — but the Raiders scored just one TD in five red-zone trips. Bengals QB Joe Burrow completed 70.4 percent of his passes, tossed two TDs and posted a 110.4 rating. Trailing by seven points late, Las Vegas staged a near comeback and drove to the Cincinnati nine-yard line with 30 seconds left. But three plays later, on fourth-and-goal from the nine, Bengals LB Germaine Pratt intercepted a pass over the middle to seal a win.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Las Vegas	3	10	0	6	—	19
Cincinnati	10	10	3	3	—	26

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
L.V. — D.Carson 47 field goal	1-9:23
Cin. — C.Uzomah 7 pass from J.Burrow (E.McPherson kick)	1-4:31
Cin. — E.McPherson 31 field goal	1-1:15
Cin. — E.McPherson 30 field goal	2-10:20
L.V. — D.Carson 28 field goal	2-7:55
Cin. — T.Boyd 10 pass from J.Burrow (E.McPherson kick)	2-1:51
L.V. — Z.Jones 14 pass from D.Carr (D.Carson kick)	2-0:13
Cin. — E.McPherson 43 field goal	3-10:56
L.V. — D.Carson 34 field goal	4-14:17
Cin. — E.McPherson 28 field goal	4-6:46
L.V. — D.Carson 28 field goal	4-3:34

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 66,277. **Time:** 3:17.

TEAM STATISTICS	L.V.	CIN.
First downs	23	18
Third down conversions-attempts	8-18	5-12
Total net yards	385	308
Net yards rushing	103	83
Net yards passing	282	225
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions	54-29-1	34-24-0
Sacks against-yards lost	3-28	2-19
Punts-average	2-49.5	2-45.0
Punt returns-yards	1-0	2-26
Kickoff returns-yards	4-73	5-103
Penalties-yards	7-46	7-56
Fumbles-lost	2-1	0-0
Time of possession	28:09	31:51

RUSHING

L.V.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Jacobs	13	83	35	0	J.Mixon	17	48	10	0
D.Carr	1	20	20	0	J.Chase	3	23	15	0
					C.Evans	1	9	9	0
					T.Boyd	1	3	3	0
					S.Perine	1	2	2	0
					J.Burrow	2	-2	-1	0
TOTALS	14	103	35	0	TOTALS	25	83	15	0

PASSING

L.V.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
D.Carr	54	29	310	1-1	J.Burrow	34	24	244	2-0
TOTALS	54	29	310	1-1	TOTALS	34	24	244	2-0

RECEIVING

L.V.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
H.Renfrow	8	58	16	0	J.Chase	9	116	28	0
D.Waller	7	76	23	0	C.Uzomah	6	64	29	1
Z.Jones	5	61	17	1	J.Mixon	4	28	21	0
J.Jacobs	4	44	15	0	T.Boyd	4	26	10t	1
B.Edwards	3	41	19	0	T.Higgins	1	10	10	0
D.Jackson	1	26	26	0					
J.Richard	1	4	4	0					
TOTALS	29	310	26	1	TOTALS	24	244	29	2

DEFENSE

Las Vegas (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** D.Perryman 6-3-9, D.Deablo 3-5-8, M.Crosby 3-3-6, D.Trufant 3-3-6, R.Teamer 3-2-5, N.Hobbs 2-3-5, C.Littleton 2-2-4, D.Square 2-1-3, J.Hankins 1-2-3, Q.Jefferson 1-2-3, C.Nassib 0-3-3, B.Facyson 2-0-2, D.Leavitt 1-1-2, C.Hayward 1-0-1, T.Moehegri 1-0-1, S.Thomas 1-0-1, Y.Ngakoue 0-1-1, K.Wright 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS:** M.Crosby 1-11, Q.Jefferson 1-8. **INT-YDS:** None. **PD:** C.Hayward 1, N.Hobbs 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS:** None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** L.Wilson 9-3-12, G.Pratt 6-3-9, E.Apple 4-2-6, C.Awuzie 3-3-6, J.Bates 2-4-6, V.Bell 4-0-4, T.Flowers 3-1-4, M.Hilton 2-2-4, S.Hubbard 2-1-3, B.Hill 1-1-2, D.Reader 0-2-2, M.Bailey 1-0-1, T.Hendrickson 1-0-1. **SKS-YDS:** T.Hendrickson 1-14, B.Hill 1-7, S.Hubbard 1-7. **INT-YDS:** G.Pratt 1-2. **PD:** J.Bates 3, M.Hilton 2, E.Apple 1, S.Hubbard 1, G.Pratt 1, L.Wilson 1. **FF:** T.Hendrickson 1. **FR-YDS:** L.Ogunjobi 1-11.

2021 SEASON**AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF****Cincinnati Bengals 19, Tennessee Titans 16**
Saturday afternoon, Jan. 22, 2022 at Nissan Stadium

Rookie K Evan McPherson booted a 52-yard FG as time expired to give Cincinnati its first-ever road playoff win and send the No. 4 seed Bengals to their first AFC Championship game in 33 years. The game began with an INT by S Jessie Bates on the first play from scrimmage — it was the first of three INTs thrown by Titans QB Ryan Tannehill. Cincinnati reached the end zone just once, but McPherson made all five of his placekicks (four FGs, one PAT) — including two 50-plus yard FGs — in below-freezing temperatures. The Bengals' offensive line struggled in pass protection, as Burrow was sacked nine times — the most takedowns of a winning QB in NFL postseason history. Titans star RB Derrick Henry, who was playing in his first game since Halloween (foot injury), averaged just 3.1 yards on 20 carries, and the Titans converted just one third down on the afternoon. With the game tied at 16 at the two-minute warning, Tennessee began a drive for a potential game-winning FG. But CB Eli Apple batted a Tannehill pass, and LB Logan Wilson intercepted it with 20 seconds remaining. Burrow quickly hit WR Ja'Marr Chase on a 19-yard pass to set up McPherson's game-winner.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	6	3	7	3	—	19
Tennessee	0	6	10	0	—	16

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR-LEFT
Cin. — E.McPherson 38 field goal.....	1-12:03
Cin. — E.McPherson 45 field goal.....	1-2:11
Tenn. — D.Henry 3 run (run failed).....	2-6:07
Cin. — E.McPherson 54 field goal.....	2-1:35
Cin. — J.Mixon 16 run (E.McPherson kick).....	3-9:34
Tenn. — R.Bullock 34 field goal.....	3-1:36
Tenn. — A.Brown 33 pass from R.Tannehill (R.Bullock kick).....	3-0:15
Cin. — E.McPherson 52 field goal.....	4-0:00

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 69,242. **Time:** 2:59.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	TENN.
First downs.....	17	16
Third down conversions-attempts.....	7-15	1-8
Total net yards.....	345	353
Net yards rushing.....	65	140
Net yards passing.....	280	213
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	37-28-1	24-15-3
Sacks against-yards lost.....	9-68	1-7
Punts-average.....	5-40.6	4-41.5
Punt returns-yards.....	0-0	3-5
Kickoff returns-yards.....	3-82	1-26
Penalties-yards.....	6-46	2-15
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	0-0
Time of possession.....	33:25	26:35

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	TENN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Mixon	14	54	16t	1	D.Foreman	4	66	45	0
J.Burrow	2	5	7	0	D.Henry	20	62	9	1
C.Evans	1	4	4	0	R.Tannehill	3	12	8	0
J.Chase	1	2	2	0					
TOTALS	18	65	16t	1	TOTALS	27	140	45	1

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	TENN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
J.Burrow	37	28	348	0-1	R.Tannehill	24	15	220	1-3
TOTALS	37	28	348	0-1	TOTALS	24	15	220	1-3

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	TENN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
T.Higgins	7	96	22	0	J.Jones	6	62	16	0
C.Uzomah	7	71	32	0	A.Brown	5	142	41	1
J.Mixon	6	51	21	0	D.Hilliard	3	13	5	0
J.Chase	5	109	57	0	C.Rogers	1	3	3	0
T.Boyd	2	17	10	0					
S.Perine	1	4	4	0					
TOTALS	28	348	57	0	TOTALS	15	220	41	1

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** L.Wilson 6-2-8, V.Bell 5-1-6, D.Reader 5-1-6, C.Awuzie 3-2-5, J.Bates 4-0-4, G.Pratt 4-0-4, B.Hill 3-0-3, E.Apple 2-1-3, S.Hubbard 2-1-3, M.Hilton 1-1-2, M.Bailey 0-2-2, T.Flowers 1-0-1, Z.Kerr 1-0-1, C.Sample 1-0-1, T.Hendrickson 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** V.Bell 1-7. **INT-YDS.:** M.Hilton 1-19, J.Bates 1-0, L.Wilson 1-0. **PD:** E.Apple 1, J.Bates 1, T.Flowers 1, M.Hilton 1, L.Wilson 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Tennessee (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** Z.Cunningham 8-2-10, J.Simmons 7-1-8, D.Long 6-2-8, A.Hooker 4-3-7, K.Fulton 4-2-6, H.Landry 3-3-6, D.Cruikshank 3-1-4, K.Byard 3-0-3, D.Autry 1-2-3, B.Dupree 2-0-2, J.Brown 1-1-2, J.Jenkins 1-1-2, N.Jones 0-2-2, E.Molden 0-2-2, K.Peko 0-2-2, C.Jackson 1-0-1, B.Skrine 1-0-1. **SKS-YDS.:** J.Simmons 3-28, H.Landry 1.5-11.5, D.Autry 1.5-7.5, B.Dupree 1-16, D.Long 1-0, K.Peko 0.5-3.5, N.Jones 0.5-1.5. **INT-YDS.:** A.Hooker 1-15. **PD:** A.Hooker 2, D.Autry 1, J.Jenkins 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2021 SEASON**AFC CHAMPIONSHIP****Cincinnati Bengals 27, Kansas City Chiefs 24 (OT)**
Sunday, Jan. 30, 2022 at Arrowhead Stadium

The Bengals earned their third AFC Championship and a berth in Super Bowl LVI after staging a dramatic comeback road win over the two-time defending AFC Champion Chiefs. Kansas City started fast and raced to a 21-3 lead midway through the second quarter, after putting together TD drives of 84, 75 and 72 yards on their first three possessions. But Cincinnati answered when HB Samaje Perine took a screen pass 41 yards for a score to cut the lead to 21-10. With five seconds remaining before halftime, Kansas City had the ball on Cincinnati's one-yard line but opted to try for a TD instead of a FG. The play was stopped for a loss by Bengals CB Eli Apple, and time expired as Cincinnati escaped to the locker room down only 11 points. Cincinnati's offense came to life after the break and pulled ahead midway through the fourth quarter, while the defense adjusted and held Kansas City's high-powered offense to just three second-half points, which came on a game-tying FG at the end of regulation. Kansas City got the ball first in OT, but Bengals S Vonn Bell intercepted a deep pass from Chiefs All-Pro QB Patrick Mahomes. Bengals QB Joe Burrow then led Cincinnati to three first downs, and got into range for 22-year old rookie K Evan McPherson's second game-winning, walk-off FG in as many weeks.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	3	7	11	3	3	27
Kansas City	7	14	0	3	0	24

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR-LEFT
K.C. — T.Hill 10 pass from P.Mahomes (H.Butker kick).....	1-7:17
Cin. — E.McPherson 32 field goal.....	1-0:36
K.C. — T.Kelce 5 pass from P.Mahomes (H.Butker kick).....	2-12:14
K.C. — M.Hardman 3 pass from P.Mahomes (H.Butker kick).....	2-5:04
Cin. — S.Perine 41 pass from J.Burrow (E.McPherson kick).....	2-1:05
Cin. — E.McPherson 31 field goal.....	3-2:58
Cin. — J.Chase 2 pass from J.Burrow (J.Burrow-T.Taylor pass).....	3-0:14
Cin. — E.McPherson 52 field goal.....	4-6:04
K.C. — H.Butker 44 field goal.....	4-0:00
Cin. — E.McPherson 31 field goal.....	5-9:22

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 73,377. **Time:** 3:14.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	K.C.
First downs.....	21	24
Third down conversions-attempts.....	8-14	6-12
Total net yards.....	359	375
Net yards rushing.....	116	139
Net yards passing.....	243	236
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	38-23-1	39-26-2
Sacks against-yards lost.....	1-7	4-39
Punts-average.....	3-40.3	4-52.3
Punt returns-yards.....	2-22	0-0
Kickoff returns-yards.....	1-26	2-38
Penalties-yards.....	4-30	2-11
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	2-0
Time of possession.....	35:56	29:42

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	K.C.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Mixon	21	88	23	0	J.McKinnon	12	65	14	0
J.Burrow	5	25	11	0	C.Edwards-Helaire	6	36	14	0
J.Chase	1	3	3	0	P.Mahomes	3	19	11	0
					M.Hardman	2	18	9	0
					M.Burton	1	1	1	0
TOTALS	27	116	23	0	TOTALS	24	139	14	0

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	K.C.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
J.Burrow	38	23	250	2-1	P.Mahomes	39	26	275	3-2
TOTALS	38	23	250	2-1	TOTALS	39	26	275	3-2

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	K.C.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
T.Higgins	6	103	44	0	T.Kelce	10	95	19	1
J.Chase	6	54	22	1	T.Hill	7	78	33	1
T.Boyd	4	19	9	0	M.Hardman	3	52	44	1
S.Perine	3	43	41t	1	J.McKinnon	3	30	14	0
J.Mixon	3	27	18	0	B.Pringle	2	16	10	0
D.Sample	1	4	4	0	C.Edwards-Helaire	1	4	4	0
TOTALS	23	250	44	2	TOTALS	26	275	44	3

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** L.Wilson 3-7-10, C.Awuzie 5-3-8, G.Pratt 5-3-8, S.Hubbard 4-4-8, E.Apple 6-1-7, V.Bell 3-3-6, B.Hill 1-4-5, T.Hendrickson 3-1-4, J.Bates 2-2-4, M.Hilton 2-1-3, D.Reader 1-2-3, T.Flowers 1-0-1, K.Kareem 1-0-1. **SKS-YDS.:** S.Hubbard 2-22, T.Hendrickson 1.5-12.5, B.Hill 0.5-4.5. **INT-YDS.:** V.Bell 1-5, B.Hill 1-3. **PD:** J.Bates 1, V.Bell 1, T.Flowers 1, B.Hill 1, M.Hilton 1. **FF:** S.Hubbard 1. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Kansas City (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** L.Sneed 8-2-10, A.Hitchens 2-4-6, J.Thornhill 2-4-6, T.Mathieu 5-0-5, C.Ward 4-1-5, W.Gay 3-2-5, R.Fenton 2-3-5, J.Reed 2-3-5, N.Bolton 2-1-3, C.Jones 2-1-3, M.Danna 2-0-2, A.Okafor 0-2-2, M.Ingram 1-0-1, B.Niemann 1-0-1, F.Clark 0-1-1, D.Nnadi 0-1-1, D.Sorensen 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** M.Ingram 1-7. **INT-YDS.:** L.Sneed 1-0. **PD:** W.Gay 2, R.Fenton 1, A.Hitchens 1, M.Ingram 1, L.Sneed 1, C.Ward 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2021 SEASON**SUPER BOWL LVI****L.A. Rams 23, Cincinnati Bengals 20**
Sunday night, Feb. 13, 2022 at SoFi Stadium (Inglewood, Calif.)

Playing in their first Super Bowl in 33 years, the four-point underdog Bengals were technically the home team even though the game was held at the "visiting" Rams' home stadium. Cincinnati's first offensive possession stalled at midfield after a failed fourth-and-one conversion, and the Rams took advantage with a 50-yard TD drive to strike first. Los Angeles stretched its lead to 13-3 early in the second quarter, but the Bengals closed to within 13-10 with a trick-play TD pass from HB Joe Mixon to WR Tee Higgins. Then, on the first play of the second half, Higgins caught a 75-yard TD pass from QB Joe Burrow to give Cincinnati its first lead. On the first play of the ensuing possession, an INT by Bengals CB Chidobe Awuzie set up Cincinnati at the Rams' 31-yard line, but the Bengals turned it into only a FG. Behind a strong pass rush, Los Angeles then held Cincinnati scoreless on its final five possessions. After a TD by WR Cooper Kupp gave Los Angeles a three-point lead with 1:25 remaining, Cincinnati's attempt to tie or win ended on fourth-and-one at midfield when Burrow threw an incomplete pass while being tackled.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
L.A. Rams.....	7	6	3	7	—	23
Cincinnati.....	3	7	10	0	—	20

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
LARams — O.Beckham 17 pass from M.Stafford (M.Gay kick).....	1-6:22
Cin. — E.McPherson 29 field goal.....	1-0:28
LARams — C.Kupp 11 pass from M.Stafford (pass failed).....	2-12:51
Cin. — T.Higgins 6 pass from J.Mixon (E.McPherson kick).....	2-5:47
Cin. — T.Higgins 75 pass from J.Burrow (E.McPherson kick).....	3-14:48
Cin. — E.McPherson 38 field goal.....	3-10:15
LARams — M.Gay 41 field goal.....	3-5:58
LARams — C.Kupp 1 pass from M.Stafford (M.Gay kick).....	4-1:25

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 70,048. **Time:** 3:26.

TEAM STATISTICS	LARams	CIN.
First downs.....	18	15
Third down conversions-attempts.....	6-15	3-14
Total net yards.....	313	305
Net yards rushing.....	43	79
Net yards passing.....	270	226
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	41-26-2	34-23-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	2-13	7-43
Punts-average.....	6-43.5	6-43.3
Punt returns-yards.....	4-25	2-28
Kickoff returns-yards.....	1-17	0-0
Penalties-yards.....	2-10	4-31
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	0-0
Time of possession.....	30:47	29:13

RUSHING

LARams	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
C.Akers	13	21	8	0	J.Mixon	15	72	14	0
D.Henderson	4	7	5	0	J.Chase	1	4	4	0
C.Kupp	1	7	7	0	J.Burrow	2	3	4	0
M.Stafford	3	6	7	0	S.Perine	2	0	0	0
S.Michel	2	2	3	0					
TOTALS	23	43	8	0	TOTALS	20	79	14	0

PASSING

LARams	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
M.Stafford	40	26	283	3-2	J.Burrow	33	22	263	1-0
C.Kupp	1	0	0	0-0	J.Mixon	1	1	6	1-0
TOTALS	41	26	283	3-2	TOTALS	34	23	269	2-0

RECEIVING

LARams	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
C.Kupp	8	92	22	2	J.Chase	5	89	46	0
B.Hopkins	4	47	16	0	T.Boyd	5	48	16	0
V.Jefferson	4	23	13	0	J.Mixon	5	1	4	0
D.Henderson	3	43	25	0	T.Higgins	4	100	75t	2
C.Akers	3	14	7	0	C.Uzomah	2	11	6	0
O.Beckham	2	52	35	1	M.D.Thomas	1	17	17	0
B.Skowronek	2	12	7	0	C.Evans	1	3	3	0
TOTALS	26	283	35	3	TOTALS	23	269	75t	2

DEFENSE

L.A. Rams (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** D.Williams 3-5-8, E.Jones 6-1-7, T.Rapp 4-3-7, A.Robinson 5-1-6, L.Floyd 4-1-5, E.Wedde 4-1-5, A.Donald 3-1-4, D.Long 3-1-4, J.Ramsey 3-1-4, G.Gaines 0-3-3, V.Miller 2-0-2, N.Scott 2-0-2, T.Reeder 1-1-2, J.Hollins 1-0-1, O.Okoronkwo 1-0-1. **SKS-YDS.:** V.Miller 2-16, A.Donald 2-10, L.Floyd 1-8, E.Jones 1-7, A.Robinson 1-2. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** E.Jones 1, V.Miller 1, J.Ramsey 1, D.Williams 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** L.Wilson 8-1-9, S.Hubbard 5-3-8, G.Pratt 5-3-8, V.Bell 5-2-7, J.Bates 3-3-6, C.Awuzie 5-0-5, E.Apple 3-2-5, M.Hilton 3-1-4, B.Hill 1-2-3, T.Hendrickson 1-1-2, K.Kareem 1-1-2, T.Flowers 1-0-1, D.Reader 1-0-1. **SKS-YDS.:** T.Hendrickson 1-7, D.Reader 1-6. **INT.-YDS.:** C.Awuzie 1-1, J.Bates 1-0. **PD:** E.Apple 1, C.Awuzie 1, J.Bates 1, L.Wilson 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2022 SEASON**AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF****Cincinnati Bengals 24, Baltimore Ravens 17**

Sunday night, Jan. 15, 2023 at Paycor Stadium

DE Sam Hubbard returned a Baltimore fumble 98 yards for a go-ahead TD early in the fourth quarter that proved to be the difference as Cincinnati hung on for a 24-17 Wild Card Playoff win. The Ravens had driven down to the Bengals' one-yard line looking to take the lead, but when QB Tyler Huntley tried to jump over a pile of linemen and reach the ball across the goal line, it was knocked out by LB Logan Wilson and fell into Hubbard's arms to create the game's biggest turning point. After a TD pass from QB Joe Burrow to WR Ja'Marr Chase in the second quarter gave Cincinnati a 9-0 lead, Baltimore responded with 10 unanswered points and went into halftime ahead. The Bengals got back in front with a 12-play, 88-yard drive in which Burrow completed all six of his passes and finished it off with a one-yard sneak into the end zone. Baltimore quickly struck again on a 41-yard TD pass to WR Demarcus Robinson, but that ended up being the final offensive points from either team as both defenses stepped up with key plays. Huntley drove the Ravens inside the Bengals' 30-yard line with under a minute left, but a desperation heave to the end zone as time expired fell incomplete, sealing the win and a trip to the AFC Divisional Playoff for Cincinnati.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Baltimore.....	0	10	7	0	—	17
Cincinnati.....	3	6	8	7	—	24

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — McPherson 39 field goal.....	1-8:22
Cin. — J.Chase 7 pass from J.Burrow (kick failed, WR).....	2-14:56
Balt. — J.Dobbins 2 pass from T.Huntley (J.Tucker kick).....	2-4:53
Balt. — J.Tucker 22 field goal.....	2-0:07
Cin. — J.Burrow 1 run (J.Burrow-T.Higgins pass).....	3-5:02
Balt. — D.Robinson 41 pass from T.Huntley (J.Tucker kick).....	3-2:13
Cin. — S.Hubbard 98 fumble return (E.McPherson kick).....	4-11:39

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 66,399. **Time:** 3:02.

TEAM STATISTICS	BALT.	CIN.
First downs.....	23	18
Third down conversions-attempts.....	3-11	7-13
Total net yards.....	364	234
Net yards rushing.....	155	51
Net yards passing.....	209	183
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	29-17-1	32-23-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	2-17	4-26
Punts-average.....	3-47.3	3-50.3
Punt returns-yards.....	2-26	2-9
Kickoff returns-yards.....	3-65	2-42
Penalties-yards.....	4-36	7-42
Fumbles-lost.....	2-1	2-1
Time of possession.....	32:26	27:34

RUSHING

BALT.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Dobbins	13	62	15	0	J.Mixon	11	39	11	0
T.Huntley	9	54	35	0	J.Burrow	5	9	4	1
G.Edwards	12	39	9	0	S.Perine	2	3	2	0
M.Andrews	1	0	0	0					
TOTALS	35	155	35	0	TOTALS	18	51	11	1

PASSING

BALT.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
T.Huntley	29	17	226	2-1	J.Burrow	32	23	209	1-0
TOTALS	29	17	226	2-1	TOTALS	32	23	209	1-0

RECEIVING

BALT.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
M.Andrews	5	73	29	0	J.Chase	9	84	19	1
J.Dobbins	4	43	27	1	H.Hurst	4	45	18	0
D.Robinson	2	49	41t	1	T.Higgins	4	37	12	0
J.Oliver	2	26	19	0	T.Boyd	3	26	11	0
J.Hill	2	10	9	0	J.Mixon	3	17	8	0
G.Edwards	1	13	13	0					
S.Watkins	1	12	12	0					
TOTALS	17	226	41t	2	TOTALS	23	209	19	1

DEFENSE

Baltimore (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** K.Hamilton 5-4-9, R.Smith 3-5-8, M.Humphrey 6-0-6, P.Queen 4-2-6, M.Peters 2-2-4, C.Clark 3-0-3, T.Bowser 2-1-3, B.Washington 1-2-3, O.Oweh 2-0-2, M.Williams 2-0-2, C.Campbell 1-1-2, J.Madubuike 0-2-2, J.Houston 1-0-1, J.Pierre-Paul 0-1-1, B.Urban 1-0-1, T.Jones 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** T.Bowser 1-9, J.Houston 1-9, O.Oweh 1-6, J.Pierre-Paul 0.5-1, B.Washington 0.5-1. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** M.Peters 1, M.Williams 1. **FF:** K.Hamilton 1. **FR-YDS.:** K.Hamilton 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** L.Wilson 6-4-10, J.Bates 8-1-9, G.Pratt 5-3-8, E.Apple 5-1-6, B.Hill 4-1-5, Z.Carter 3-1-4, S.Hubbard 2-2-4, V.Bell 2-2-4, C.Sample 1-3-4, M.Hilton 2-0-2, D.Reader 2-0-2, C.Taylor-Britt 1-1-2, J.Tufele 0-2-2, J.Ossai 1-0-1, J.Tupou 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** B.Hill 1-9, M.Hilton 1-8. **INT.-YDS.:** A.Davis-Gaither 1-0. **PD:** A.Davis-Gaither 1, M.Hilton 1, J.Ossai 1, G.Pratt 1, D.Reader 1, C.Sample 1. **FF:** L.Wilson 1. **FR-YDS.:** S.Hubbard 1-98.

2022 SEASON**AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFF****Cincinnati Bengals 27, Buffalo Bills 10**
Sunday, Jan. 22, 2023 at Highmark Stadium

Cincinnati scored on its opening two possessions to grab a 14-0 first-quarter lead, and never looked back in a snowy AFC Divisional Playoff. The Bengals' offense churned out 412 total yards, including 172 rushing. HB Joe Mixon finished with 123 yards from scrimmage, including 105 on the ground with a 5.1-yard rushing average. QB Joe Burrow threw two TD passes and connected with eight different receivers on the afternoon to lead Cincinnati in advancing to the AFC Championship for a second consecutive year. Defensively, the Bengals held Buffalo to season lows in points and net rushing yards (64), while an INT by rookie CB Cam Taylor-Britt on the Bills' final drive punctuated the dominant performance. Buffalo cut the lead to 17-10 midway through the third quarter, but Cincinnati answered with a 12-play, 75-yard drive capped by a Mixon TD run to regain its two-score advantage. The Bengals set a postseason team record with 30 first downs while committing no turnovers.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	14	3	7	3	—	27
Buffalo.....	0	7	3	0	—	10

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — J.Chase 28 pass from J.Burrow (E.McPherson kick).....	1-11:40
Cin. — H.Hurst 15 pass from J.Burrow (E.McPherson kick).....	1-3:47
Buff. — J.Allen 1 run (T.Bass kick).....	2-7:25
Cin. — E.McPherson 28 field goal.....	2-1:49
Buff. — T.Bass 25 field goal.....	3-7:42
Cin. — J.Mixon 1 run (E.McPherson kick).....	3-1:17
Cin. — E.McPherson 20 field goal.....	4-11:22

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 70,733. **Time:** 3:01.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	BUFF.
First downs.....	30	19
Third down conversions-attempts.....	6-10	5-12
Total net yards.....	412	325
Net yards rushing.....	172	64
Net yards passing.....	240	261
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	36-23-0	42-25-1
Sacks against-yards lost.....	1-2	1-3
Punts-average.....	2-36.5	4-44.8
Punt returns-yards.....	2-25	0-0
Kickoff returns-yards.....	1-21	4-90
Penalties-yards.....	2-9	8-60
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	0-0
Time of possession.....	33:54	26:06

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	BUFF.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Mixon	20	105	16	1	J.Allen	8	26	6	1
S.Perine	7	33	11	0	D.Singleterary	6	25	7	0
J.Burrow	6	31	21	0	J.Cook	5	13	8	0
J.Chase	1	3	3	0					
TOTALS	34	172	21	1	TOTALS	19	64	8	1

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	BUFF.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
J.Burrow	36	23	242	2-0	J.Allen	42	25	264	0-1
TOTALS	36	23	242	2-0	TOTALS	42	25	264	0-1

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	BUFF.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
J.Chase	5	61	28t	1	D.Knox	5	65	32	0
H.Hurst	5	59	18	1	D.Singleterary	5	37	17	0
S.Perine	5	31	11	0	S.Diggs	4	35	16	0
T.Higgins	3	28	11	0	C.Beasley	3	33	11	0
J.Mixon	2	18	13	0	K.Shakir	2	40	23	0
T.Boyd	1	23	23	0	G.Davis	2	34	25	0
T.Irwin	1	13	13	0	I.McKenzie	2	10	8	0
M.Wilcox	1	9	9	0	Q.Morris	1	6	6	0
					N.Hines	1	4	4	0
TOTALS	23	242	28t	2	TOTALS	25	264	32	0

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** M.Hilton 6-2-8, L.Wilson 4-3-7, C.Taylor-Britt 6-0-6, E.Apple 5-1-6, V.Bell 5-1-6, J.Bates 5-0-5, G.Pratt 5-0-5, B.Hill 0-3-3, D.Reader 1-1-2, J.Tupou 0-2-2, A.Davis-Gaither 1-0-1, S.Hubbard 1-0-1, Z.Carter 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** V.Bell 1-3. **INT.-YDS.:** C.Taylor-Britt 1-0. **PD:** B.Hill 2, G.Pratt 2, C.Taylor-Britt 2, E.Apple 1, M.Hilton 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

Buffalo (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** T.Edmunds 10-2-12, M.Milano 7-3-10, J.Johnson 5-2-7, T.Johnson 3-3-6, J.Poyer 3-3-6, K.Elam 3-1-4, T.White 3-1-4, G.Rousseau 3-0-3, D.Marlowe 2-1-3, E.Ankou 2-0-2, S.Lawson 1-1-2, S.Neal 1-1-2, T.Settle 1-1-2, A.Epenesa 1-0-1, D.Jackson 1-0-1, C.Lewis 1-0-1, J.Phillips 1-0-1, E.Oliver 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** M.Milano 1-2. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** C.Basham 1, T.Edmunds 1, D.Jackson 1, T.Johnson 1, M.Milano 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

2022 SEASON**AFC CHAMPIONSHIP****Kansas City Chiefs 23, Cincinnati Bengals 20**
Sunday night, Jan. 29, 2023 at GEHA Field at Arrowhead Stadium

Seeking its second consecutive Super Bowl appearance, Cincinnati erased deficits of 10 points in the first half and seven points in the second, but ultimately came up short in a back-and-forth game, as Chiefs K Harrison Butker converted a 45-yard FG with three seconds left to win the conference title for Kansas City. The Chiefs took a 13-3 lead late in the second quarter, but the Bengals tied it up with 10 straight points, which included a 27-yard TD pass from QB Joe Burrow to WR Tee Higgins. With Kansas City leading 20-13 early in the fourth quarter, Cincinnati answered when HB Samaje Perine scored on a two-yard run, set up by a 35-yard pass from Burrow to WR Ja'Marr Chase on fourth-and-six from the Chiefs' 41. However, in the game's final seconds, an unnecessary roughness penalty called on the Bengals put Butker in range for the game-winning kick.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	0	6	7	7	—	20
Kansas City.....	3	10	7	3	—	23

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
K.C. — H.Butker 43 field goal.....	1-8:50
K.C. — H.Butker 24 field goal.....	2-14:58
Cin. — E.McPherson 30 field goal.....	2-8:36
K.C. — T.Kelce 14 pass from P.Mahomes (H.Butker kick).....	2-3:53
Cin. — E.McPherson 23 field goal.....	2-0:00
Cin. — T.Higgins 27 pass from J.Burrow (E.McPherson kick).....	3-9:54
K.C. — M.Valdes-Scantling 19 pass from P.Mahomes (H.Butker kick).....	3-4:15
Cin. — S.Perine 2 run (E.McPherson kick).....	4-13:30
K.C. — H.Butker 45 field goal.....	4-0:03

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 73,426. **Time:** 3:23.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	K.C.
First downs.....	18	23
Third down conversions-attempts.....	6-14	7-14
Total net yards.....	309	357
Net yards rushing.....	71	42
Net yards passing.....	238	315
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	41-26-2	43-29-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	5-32	3-11
Punts-average.....	4-49.0	4-37.8
Punt returns-yards.....	1-5	3-41
Kickoff returns-yards.....	3-56	3-63
Penalties-yards.....	9-71	4-55
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	2-1
Time of possession.....	27:09	32:51

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	K.C.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Burrow	4	30	14	0	I.Pacheco	10	26	6	0
S.Perine	5	22	7	1	P.Mahomes	3	8	5	0
J.Mixon	8	19	7	0	M.Hardman	2	7	5	0
					J.McKinnon	4	1	4	0
					R.Jones	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	17	71	14	1	TOTALS	20	42	6	0

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	K.C.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
J.Burrow	41	26	270	1-2	P.Mahomes	43	29	326	2-0
TOTALS	41	26	270	1-2	TOTALS	43	29	326	2-0

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	K.C.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
T.Higgins	6	83	27t	1	T.Kelce	7	78	16	1
J.Chase	6	75	35	0	M.Valdes-Scantling	6	116	29	1
H.Hurst	4	37	23	0	I.Pacheco	5	59	18	0
J.Mixon	3	15	6	0	S.Moore	3	13	8	0
S.Perine	3	4	4	0	J.McKinnon	2	17	13	0
T.Boyd	2	40	24	0	M.Hardman	2	10	11	0
M.Wilcox	1	10	10	0	M.Kemp	1	13	13	0
T.Irwin	1	6	6	0	K.Toney	1	9	9	0
					J.Smith-Schuster	1	7	7	0
					N.Gray	1	4	4	0
TOTALS	26	270	35	1	TOTALS	29	326	29	2

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** V.Bell 5-2-7, G.Pratt 2-5-7, E.Apple 5-1-6, L.Wilson 5-1-6, J.Bates 3-3-6, M.Hilton 4-1-5, J.Ossai 3-2-5, D.Reader 1-3-4, C.Taylor-Britt 1-2-3, J.Tupou 1-2-3, Z.Carter 0-3-3, C.Sample 2-0-2, T.Hendrickson 1-1-2, S.Hubbard 1-1-2, B.Hill 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** S.Hubbard 1-2, C.Sample 1-0, (team) 1-9. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** J.Ossai 1, C.Taylor-Britt 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** S.Hubbard 1-0.

Kansas City (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** J.Reid 7-0-7, T.McDuffie 6-0-6, M.Danna 3-2-5, B.Cook 4-0-4, Ja.Watson 4-0-4, C.Jones 3-1-4, J.Williams 3-1-4, N.Bolton 1-3-4, K.Saunders 3-0-3, F.Clark 2-1-3, J.Thornhill 2-1-3, G.Karlaftis 1-0-1, L.Sneed 1-0-1, W.Gay 0-1-1, D.Harris 0-1-1, D.Nnadi 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** C.Jones 2-13, F.Clark 1-5-12, G.Karlaftis 1-4, W.Gay 0-5-3. **INT.-YDS.:** Ja.Watson 1-10, J.Williams 1-(-4). **PD:** T.McDuffie 2, Ja.Watson 2, B.Cook 1, J.Reid 1, J.Williams 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.