



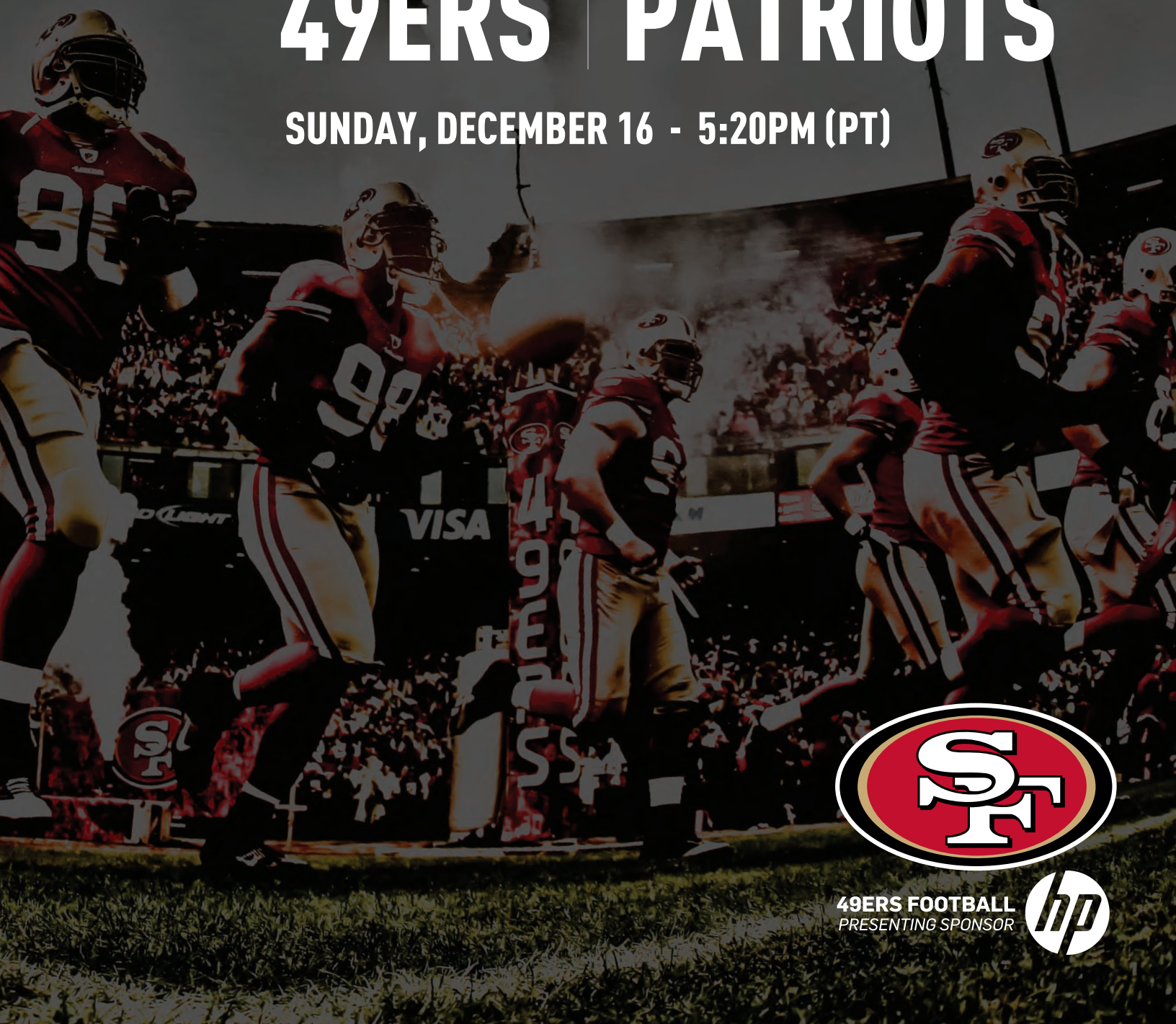
AT



SAN FRANCISCO  
**49ERS**

NEW ENGLAND  
**PATRIOTS**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16 - 5:20PM (PT)**



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## SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS (9-3-1) VS. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (10-3)



Sunday, December 16, 2012 • 5:20 p.m. PT • Gillette Stadium • Foxborough, MA • TV: NBC



### 49ERS 2012 SCHEDULE

#### REGULAR SEASON (9-3-1)

Date	Opponent	Time (PT)
Sep. 9	@ Green Bay	W, 30-22
Sep. 16	Detroit	W, 27-19
Sep. 23	@ Minnesota	L, 13-24
Sep. 30	@ New York Jets	W, 34-0
Oct. 7	Buffalo	W, 45-3
Oct. 14	New York Giants	L, 3-26
Oct. 18	Seattle	W, 13-6
Oct. 29	@ Arizona	W, 24-3
Nov. 5	BYE	
Nov. 11	St. Louis	T, 24-24 (OT)
Nov. 19	Chicago	W, 32-7
Nov. 25	@ New Orleans	W, 31-21
Dec. 2	@ St. Louis	L, 13-16 (OT)
Dec. 9	Miami	W, 27-13
Dec. 16	@ New England	5:20 p.m.
Dec. 23	@ Seattle	1:25 p.m.
Dec. 30	Arizona	1:25 p.m.

### MEDIA GUIDE

The 49ers 2012 media guide is now available online at <http://media.49ers.com> and will be updated weekly throughout the season.

### MEDIA CENTER

The 49ers media center is updated daily and contains all of the necessary information to cover the team. On the site, you will find a compilation of 49ers game releases, rosters, updated player bios, gamebooks, transcriptions, statistics, audio files and much more.

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### 49ERS AT PATRIOTS

The 49ers will travel across the country to face the New England Patriots in a battle between division leaders on *Sunday Night Football*. San Francisco leads the all-time series 7-4 and this matchup marks the first primetime game between the two clubs.

Last week, San Francisco defeated the Miami Dolphins, 27-13. The 49ers defense held the Dolphins to just 227 yds. of offense, as LB **Aldon Smith** recorded 2.0 sacks. With 19.5 sacks on the season, Smith set the single-season franchise record, surpassing HOF DE Fred Dean (17.5 sacks in 1983).

The 49ers rushed for 155 yds. and 3 TDs on 28 carries against Miami. RB **Frank Gore** eclipsed the 1,000-yd. plateau for the season, marking his franchise-record 6th, 1,000 yd. season. QB **Colin Kaepernick** also added a 50-yd. TD run, the longest TD run by a QB in franchise history.

### BY THE NUMBERS

- 115.9** The 49ers have a QB rating of 115.9 on passing plays of 21-yds. or more this season, ranking 2nd in the NFL (Green Bay - 116.5).
- 56.5** San Francisco has gained 4 or more yds. on 56.5 pct. (209 of 370) of first down plays, ranking 1st in the NFL.
- 50** RB **Frank Gore** has registered 50 career rushing TDs, ranking t-1st in franchise history with HOF RB **Joe Perry** and RB **Roger Craig**.
- 31.4** 49ers opponents are 55-of-175 (31.4 pct.) on 3rd down this season, the 2nd lowest pct. in the NFL. [Hou. - 52-of-174 (29.9 pct.)].
- 10** The 49ers are 10-4 (.714) on the road under head coach Jim Harbaugh. The 10 wins are t-3rd most in the NFL since 2011.
- 9** Since entering the NFL in 2011, LB **Aldon Smith** has recorded at least 2.0 sacks in 9 games, the most in the NFL during that span.

### RADIO & TV COVERAGE

#### TELEVISION: CBS

**Play-By-Play:** Al Michaels  
**Color Analyst:** Cris Collinsworth  
**Sideline Reporter:** Michele Tafoya

#### DIAL GLOBAL RADIO SPORTS

**Play-By-Play:** Dave Sims  
**Color Analyst:** James Lofton  
**Sideline Reporter:** Steve Tasker

#### 49ERS RADIO NETWORK

KNBR 680 & The Bone 107.7 FM  
**Play-By-play:** Ted Robinson  
**Color Analyst:** Eric Davis

#### SPANISH RADIO: KTRB 860

**Play-By-Play:** Erwin Higueros  
**Color Analyst:** Juan Carlos Sierra



## THE HEAD COACHES



**Jim Harbaugh** is in his second season as head coach after leading the 49ers to a 13-3 regular season record, its best since 1997, and a NFC West Division title, its first since 2002, last year. The consensus NFL Coach of the Year also led his squad to its first appearance in the NFC Championship game since 1998. Known to routinely deflect all credit for success

to his players, Harbaugh had a great deal to be proud of in 2011. San Francisco boasted a league-high five First-Team Associated Press All-Pros - DT Justin Smith, LB Patrick Willis, LB NaVorro Bowman, K David Akers and P Andy Lee (Justin Smith as a DE, LT Joe Staley and CB Carlos Rogers were named to the Second Team). The 49ers also posted a NFL-high nine Pro Bowl selections - Smith, Willis, Akers, Lee, Rogers, Staley, S Dashon Goldson, RB Frank Gore, and LS Brian Jennings. Harbaugh joined the 49ers after a four-year stint as the head coach at Stanford University, composing the biggest turnaround in school history over a four-year span (2007-10). He posted a 20-6 record over the last two seasons, which included a historic 12-1 season (2010) that was punctuated by an Orange Bowl win in the first Bowl Championship Series bowl appearance in school history. Harbaugh orchestrated two of the highest scoring teams in school history, three of the top four rushing teams in program history and back-to-back bowl appearances for the first time since 1995 and '96. Along his coaching trail, Harbaugh served stints as the head coach at the University of San Diego (2004-06) and as an offensive assistant with the Oakland Raiders (2002-03). As a first round draft pick by the Chicago Bears in 1987, Harbaugh played for five teams over 15 seasons and ranks in the NFL's top-50 in two career passing categories - completions (41st) and pass attempts (45th). As a player, he helped lead the University of Michigan to two bowl appearances, garnering Big Ten Player of the Year honors.

### Jim Harbaugh

23-7-1 (.758)

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2nd

2nd

4th

**Record as Head Coach (win %)**

**Record with Current Team (win %)**

**Years as Head Coach with Team**

**Years as Head Coach in NFL**

**Years as an NFL Coach**

### Bill Belichick

202-107 (.654)

165-62 (.727)

13th

18th

38th



**Bill Belichick** is in his 13th season as head coach of the New England Patriots. Through 12 seasons, Belichick has delivered three Super Bowl championships, five conference titles, nine division crowns and 16 playoff victories. Belichick directed the Patriots to victories in Super Bowls XXXVI (2001), XXXVIII (2003) and XXXIX (2004), and in 2007 he became the only NFL

head coach to guide his team to a 16-0 regular season. Despite an NFL system designed to ensure parity, Belichick's program has produced a remarkable run of sustained on-field success. From 2001-11, the Patriots won 76.1 pct. of their regular-season games (134-42), recording the highest winning percentage of any major American professional sports team over that span. Belichick has led the Patriots to a winning record in each of the last 11 seasons. Belichick's 17 career playoff wins rank tied for third all-time, while New England's 16 playoff victories in the 2000s are tied for the highest total in any decade in NFL history. In 2011, Belichick guided the Patriots to a 13-3 record, his fifth AFC Conference Championship and the team's ninth division title in 12 years. Belichick began his coaching career after graduating from Wesleyan University and accepting a staff assistant position with the Baltimore Colts in 1975. At the age of 23, he was named special assistant to Head Coach Ted Marchibroda. In 1979, Belichick joined Ray Perkins' staff with the New York Giants as a defensive assistant and special teams coach, launching a 12-year tenure with the Giants. After his time with the Giants, Belichick was named head coach of the Cleveland Browns, his first NFL head coaching position.

## 49ERS RECORD WHEN...

TEAM	2012	Under Harbaugh
Overall	9-3-1	22-6-1
At Home	5-1-1	12-2-1
<b>On the Road</b>	<b>4-2</b>	<b>10-4</b>
<b>In Primetime</b>	<b>4-0</b>	<b>5-1</b>
In Dome	2-2	4-3
In September	3-1	5-2
In October	3-1	7-1
In November	2-0-1	5-1-1
<b>In December</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>4-2</b>
In January	0-0	1-0
Vs. NFC	6-3-1	16-5-1
Vs. NFC West	2-1-1	7-2-1
Vs. NFC East	0-1	3-2
Vs. NFC North	3-1	4-1
Vs. NFC South	1-0	2-0
Vs. AFC West	0-0	0-0
<b>Vs. AFC East</b>	<b>3-0</b>	<b>3-0</b>
Vs. AFC North	0-0	3-1
Vs. AFC South	0-0	0-0
Scoring on opening drive	2-0	5-0
Scoring first	7-2	14-4
Leading at half	7-1	17-3
Leading after three quarters	9-1	19-3
Winning time of possession	7-1	16-2
Out-rushing opponent	9-1-1	20-3-1
Out-passing opponent	5-1	11-1
Out-gaining opponent	9-1	17-1

### OFFENSE

40% + 3rd down conversions	3-2	5-3
50% + 3rd down conversions	2-0	2-1
Not throwing an INT	7-1-1	17-2-1
Passing for 300+yards	1-0	1-0
Having a 100+ yard rusher	3-0	8-0
Having a 100+ yard receiver	1-1	4-1
Scoring 20+ points	8-0-1	18-1-1
Scoring 30+ points	5-0	8-0
Rushing for 150+ yards	5-0-1	11-0-1
Having 20+ first downs	5-0-1	10-0-1
Not allowing a sack	2-0	6-0
Allowing two or fewer sacks	5-0	14-0

### DEFENSE

Opp. less than 40% on 3rd down	7-2	15-3
Opp. less than 30% on 3rd down	5-1	9-2
Scoring a defensive TD	2-0	3-0
Returning an INT for a TD	1-0	2-0
Returning a fumble for a TD	1-0	1-0
Recording 3+ sacks	5-0	13-0
Recording 5+ sacks	2-0	4-0
Winning the turnover battle	6-0-1	18-2-1
Allowing 17 or fewer points	6-1	14-2
Allowing a 100-yard rusher	1-1-1	2-1-1
Allowing a 100-yard receiver	0-0-1	4-2-1
Not allowing a rushing TD	9-1	20-4
Not allowing a passing TD	4-1	8-1

## NFL EXPERIENCE

**Jim Harbaugh** is one of nine current NFL head coaches who have playing experience in the League. Harbaugh was selected by the Chicago Bears in the 1st round of the 1987 NFL Draft with the 26th overall pick.

Harbaugh played 15 NFL seasons, earning Pro Bowl, AFC Offensive Player of the Year and NFL Co-Comeback Player of the Year in 1995. That season, he led the NFL with a 100.7 passer rating, edging out Brett Favre (99.5) and Troy Aikman (93.6).

The 49ers head coach finished his career with 26,288 passing yards and 129 TDs on 2,305 of 3,918 passes in 177 games (140 starts). He ranked in the NFL's top 10 for completion percentage four times.

### HEAD COACHES WITH NFL PLAYING EXPERIENCE

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Reg. Season Record</u>	<u>Years Played in NFL</u>
<b>Jim Harbaugh (SF)</b>	<b>22-6-1 (.776)</b>	<b>15</b>
Mike Munchak (Ten.)	13-16 (.448)	12
Ken Whisenhunt (Arz.)	44-49 (.473)	9
Gary Kubiak (Hou.)	58-51 (.532)	9
Ron Rivera (Car.)	10-19 (.345)	9
Mike Mularkey (Jax.)	16-29 (.356)	9
Jason Garrett (Dal.)	20-17 (.541)	8
Leslie Frazier (Min.)	13-22 (.371)	5
Jeff Fisher (StL)	148-126-1 (.540)	5

## GOLDEN NUGGETS

### TEAM HIGHLIGHTS

#### HALFTIME ADJUSTMENTS

- The 49ers have scored 48 points on their first possession of the 2nd half, ranking 2nd in the NFL (Philadelphia - 50). On the other side of the ball, the 49ers defense has only allowed 10 points on opponents first possession of the 2nd half, ranking 1st in the NFL.

#### THAT'S THE DIFFERENCE

- The 49ers have outscored their opponents 316-184. The +132 scoring differential ranks 2nd in the NFL (New England - +198).

### OFFENSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

#### EFFICIENT ON FIRST

- San Francisco has gained 4-or-more yds. on 209 of 370 plays (56.5 pct.) on 1st down, ranking 1st in the NFL.

#### BALL CONTROL

- The 49ers ranks t-3rd in the NFL with 22 drives of five minutes or more. San Francisco also ranks 1st in the NFL for the most TDs on drives of five minutes or more with 12.

#### LONG RUNS

- San Francisco ranks 1st in the NFL with 71 runs of 10 or more yds. The 49ers have tallied 15 runs of 20 or more yds. this season, ranking 2nd in the NFL (Minnesota - 22).

### DEFENSIVE HIGHLIGHTS

#### LIMITING THE YARDS

- The 49ers defense has allowed just 4.45 yds. per play, ranking 1st in the NFL.

#### EFFICIENCY ON D

- The 49ers defense has allowed opponents to score on just 23.8 pct. of their possessions, ranking 1st in the NFL.

#### KEEP 'EM AWAY

- The 49ers defense has allowed just 25 drives to reach the red zone this season, ranking 1st in the NFL.

## 2012 COMPARISON

### 49ERS (rank)

9-3-1 (1st NFCW)  
24.3 (13th)  
360.1 (12th)  
161.5 (2nd)  
198.5 (26th)  
30:55 (10th)  
14.2 (1st)  
275.5 (2nd)  
90.8 (t-2nd)  
184.7 (2nd)  
32 (t-10th)  
10 (t-19th)  
47.3 (7th)  
+6 (t-11th)

### Record

**Points Per Game**  
**Total Offense**  
**Rushing Offense**  
**Passing Offense**  
**Possession Average**  
**Points Allowed Per Game**  
**Total Defense**  
**Rushing Defense**  
**Passing Defense**  
**Sacks**  
**Interceptions**  
**Punting Avg. (Gross)**  
**Turnover Differential**

### PATRIOTS (rank)

10-3 (1st AFCE)  
36.3 (1st)  
425.7 (1st)  
139.9 (7th)  
285.8 (5th)  
30:38 (t-11th)  
21.1 (11th)  
376.3 (26th)  
100.8 (8th)  
275.5 (29th)  
28 (t-19th)  
15 (t-6th)  
42.2 (28th)  
+24 (1st)

### 49ERS

### PATRIOTS

#### PASSING YARDS

Alex Smith.....1,731  
Colin Kaepernick.....1,073

Tom Brady.....3,833

#### RUSHING YARDS

Frank Gore .....1,035  
Kendall Hunter ..... 371

Stevan Ridley .....1,082

Brandon Bolden .....245

#### RECEPTIONS

Michael Crabtree.....66  
Mario Manningham .....41  
Vernon Davis.....38

Wes Welker.....95

Brandon Lloyd.....57

Rob Gronkowski.....53

#### RECEIVING YARDS

Michael Crabtree.....761  
Vernon Davis.....506

Wes Welker.....1,116

Rob Gronkowski.....748

#### INTERCEPTIONS

Dashon Goldson.....3  
Chris Culliver.....2  
Five Players.....1

Tavon Wilson.....4

Devin McCourty.....4

Alfonzo Dennard.....3

#### SACKS

Aldon Smith.....19.5  
Ahmad Brooks .....5.5  
Justin Smith .....3.0

Rob Ninkovich .....6.5

Chandler Jones.....6.0

Two Players.....3.0



# SERIES HISTORY VS. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS



## NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

Overall: 7-4

Home: 4-1

Away: 3-3

Date	Win	Score	Location	Date	Win	Score	Location	Date	Win	Score	Location
10/31/71	49ers	27-10	SF	12/14/86	49ers	29-24	NE	12/20/98	Patriots	24-21	NE
10/26/75	Patriots	24-16	NE	10/22/89	49ers	37-20	SF	01/02/05	Patriots	21-7	NE
11/30/80	49ers	21-17	SF	10/11/92	49ers	24-12	NE	10/05/08	Patriots	30-21	SF
10/02/83	49ers	33-13	NE	09/17/95	49ers	28-3	SF				

(S) - Stanford, CA

**Record:** At Candlestick Park: (3-1)

Gillette Stadium: (0-1)

**Points:** At Candlestick Park: (97-60)

Gillette Stadium: (7-21)

## IT'S A SMALL WORLD

### COACHING CONNECTIONS

- 49ers head coach **Jim Harbaugh** played quarterback for the Chicago Bears in 1993 when Patriots running backs coach **Ivan Fears** was the Bears receivers coach.
- Harbaugh** and Patriots special teams coach **Scott O'Brien** were with the same team twice; in 1998 Harbaugh played QB for the Baltimore Ravens while O'Brien held the same position. In 2001, Harbaugh played quarterback for the Carolina Panthers while O'Brien was in charge of the Panthers special teams.
- 49ers assistant head coach/special teams coach **Brad Seely** was the special teams coach for the New England Patriots on head coach **Bill Belichick's** staff from 2000-08. Patriots assistant head coach/offensive line coach **Dante Scarnecchia**, defensive coordinator **Matt Patricia**, offensive coordinator **Josh McDaniels**, and linebackers coach **Pepper Johnson** were also on the New England staff during Seely's tenure with the team.
- 49ers secondary coach **Ed Donatell** held the same position for the Denver Broncos while Patriots offensive coordinator **Josh McDaniels** was the Broncos head coach from 2009-10.

### 49ERS-NEW ENGLAND CONNECTIONS

- 49ers assistant head coach/special teams coordinator **Brad Seely** was the special teams coach for the New England Patriots from 1999-2008.
- WR **Randy Moss** played for the Patriots from 2007-10, where he set the NFL record for TD receipts. in a season, in 2007 (23).

### NEW ENGLAND-NOR-CAL CONNECTIONS

- QB **Tom Brady** is from San Mateo, CA, and attended Junipero Serra High School.
- G **Logan Mankins** is from Catheys Vally, CA, where he earned All-League honors at Mariposa High School.
- WR **Donte' Stallworth** is from Sacramento, CA and attended Grant Union High School.
- RB **Shane Vereen** attended Cal from 2007-10.

### COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

**HURRICANE HOMIES** - 49ers RB **Frank Gore** and Patriots DT **Vince Wilfork** were teammates at the University of Miami from 2001-03. They were joined in 2003 by 49ers LB **Tavares Gooden**.

**MICHIGAN MEN** - 49ers C **Jonathan Goodwin** played at Michigan with Patriots QB **Tom Brady** in 1999.

**GATOR CHOMP** - 49ers DT **Ray McDonald** was a Florida Gator along with Patriots DE **Jermaine Cunningham** and LB **Brandon Spikes** in 2006.

**SCARLET KNIGHTS** - 49ers T **Anthony Davis** played with Patriots CB **Devin McCourty** at Rutgers from 2007-09.

**FIGHTING ILLINI** - 49ers WR **A.J. Jenkins** and Patriots DB **Tavon Wilson** played together at Illinois from 2008-11.

**BAYOU BROTHERS** - 49ers DT **Rickey Jean Francois** and Patriots RB **Stevan Ridley** were both LSU Tigers from 2007-08.

## STELLAR PERFORMANCES

Below are highlights of selected 49ers versus the Patriots during their careers.

### P ANDY LEE

- Established a career-long 82-yd. punt vs. NE (10/5/08), which is tied for the 2nd-longest in 49ers history with Tommy Davis (82 yds. vs. Min. (9/30/62) and 4 yds. behind a team-record 86-yarder by Larry Barnes vs. Chicago Cardinals (9/29/57).

### WR MARIO MANNINGHAM

- Trailing by 2 pts. with less than four minutes remaining in Super Bowl XLVI vs. NE (2/5/12), hauled in 3 recepts. for 56 yds. on the Giants game-winning TD drive. He finished the game with 5 recepts. for 73 yds.

### WR RANDY MOSS

- Recorded 116 rec. yds. in his Oakland Raiders debut at NE (9/8/05), including a 73-yd. TD recept. from QB Kerry Collins in the 2nd qtr.

### S DONTE WHITNER

- As a member of the Buffalo Bills, made his NFL debut and recorded his first INT during the 4th qtr. at NE (9/10/06).
- Recorded his first career FF vs. NE (11/18/07), while playing for the Buffalo Bills.

### LB PATRICK WILLIS

- Tallied 4th career 20-plus tackle game after finishing with a franchise-record 22 stops vs. NE (10/6/08). Also added 1.0 sack.

## SERIES HIGHLIGHTS

**Matchups:** 11

**Series Record:** 49ers lead series 7-4

**49ers Home Record vs. Patriots:** 49ers lead series 4-1

**49ers Away Record vs. Patriots:** Series tied 3-3

**First Meeting:** 10/31/71, 49ers win 27-10 at SF

**Last Meeting:** 10/5/08, Patriots win 30-21 at SF

**Current Streak:** Lost 3

**Longest 49ers Win Streak:** 6 (11/30/80 - 9/17/95)

**Longest Patriots Win Streak:** 3 (12/20/98 - Present)

**Most 49ers Points:** 37 (10/22/89): 37-20 at Stanford, CA

**Most Patriots Points:** 30 (10/5/08): 30-21 at SF

**49ers Shutouts:** None

**Dolphins Shutouts:** None

# 49ERS PRIMETIME GAMES

## (National Football League - 1970-Present)

### 49ERS PRIMETIME RESULTS

<b>Prime Time</b>	63-32 (home - 38-15, road - 25-17)
<b>Monday Nights</b>	43-25 (home - 24-11, road - 19-14)
<b>Sunday Nights</b>	12-9 (home - 9-5, road - 3-4)
<b>Thursday Nights</b>	6-2 (home - 3-0, road - 3-2)
<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	2-1-1 (road - 2-1-1)

<b>Friday Nights</b>	2-0 (home - 2-0)
<b>Saturday Nights</b>	1-2 (home - 1-0, road - 0-2)
<b>Games After Monday</b>	36-19 (home - 28-5, road - 8-14)
<b>Games After Monday Win</b>	23-11 (home - 16-3, road - 7-8)
<b>Games After Monday Loss</b>	13-8 (home - 12-2, road - 1-6)

49ERS ON MONDAY NIGHTS					
YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND.
2012	Nov. 19	Chi.	32-7	W	69,732
	Oct. 29	at Arz.	24-3	W	62,810
2011	Dec. 19	Pit.	20-3	W	69,732
2010	Nov. 29	at Arz.	27-6	W	62,308
	Sept. 20	N.O.	25-22	L	69,732
2009	Dec. 14	Arz.	24-9	W	69,732
2008	Nov. 10	at Arz.	24-29	L	64,519
2007	Sept. 10	Arz.	20-17	W	68,111
	Nov. 12	at Sea.	0-24	L	68,331
	Nov. 17	Pit.	30-14	W	67,877
2002	Oct. 14	at Sea.	28-21	W	66,420
	Nov. 25	Phi.	17-38	L	67,919
	Dec. 30	at StL	21-30	L	66,118
2001	Oct. 1	at NYJ	19-17	W	78,722
1999	Sept. 27	at Ari.	24-10	W	72,100
	Nov. 29	G.B.	3-20	L	68,304
	Jan. 3,	at Atl.	29-34	L	57,980
1998	Sept. 14	at Was.	45-10	W	76,798
	Nov. 30	NYG	31-7	W	68,212
	Dec. 14	Det.	35-13	W	68,585
1997	Sept. 29	at Car.	34-21	W	70,972
	Nov. 10	at Phi.	24-12	W	67,133
	Dec. 15	Den.	34-17	W	68,461
1996	Oct. 14	at G.B.	20-23 (OT)	L	60,716
	Dec. 2	at Atl.	34-10	W	46,318
	Dec. 23	Det.	24-14	W	61,921
1995	Sept. 25	at Det.	24-27	L	76,236
	Nov. 20	at Mia.	44-20	W	73,080
	Dec. 18	Min.	37-30	W	64,975
1994	Sept. 5	L.A. Raiders	44-14	W	68,032
	Nov. 28	at N.O.	35-14	W	61,304
	Dec. 26	at Min.	14-21	L	63,326
1993	Sept. 13	at Cle.	13-23	L	78,218
	Nov. 22	N.O.	42-7	W	66,500
	Jan. 3	Phi.	34-37 (OT)	L	61,653
1992	Nov. 9	at Atl.	41-3	W	67,404
	Dec. 28	Det.	24-6	W	55,907
1991	Sept. 2	at NYG	14-16	L	76,319
	Nov. 25	at L.A. Rams	33-10	W	61,881
	Dec. 23	Chi.	52-14	W	60,419
1990	Sept. 10	at NO	13-12	W	68,629
	Dec. 3	N.Y. Giants	7-3	W	66,092
	Dec. 17	at L.A. Rams	26-10	W	65,619
1989	Nov. 6	N.O.	31-13	W	63,461
	Nov. 27	NYG	34-24	W	63,461
	Dec. 11	at L.A. Rams	30-27	W	67,959
1988	Oct. 24	at Chi.	9-10	L	65,293
	Nov. 21	Was.	37-21	W	59,268
1987	Oct. 5	at NYG	41-21	W	16,471
	Dec. 14	Chi.	41-0	W	63,509
1986	Nov. 17	at Was.	6-14	L	54,774
	Dec. 1	NYG	17-21	L	59,777
1985	Nov. 11	at Den.	16-17	L	73,173
	Nov. 25	Sea.	19-6	W	57,482
	Dec. 9	L.A. Rams	20-27	L	60,581
1984	Sept. 10	Was.	37-31	W	59,707
	Oct. 8	at NYG	31-10	W	76,112
1983	Dec. 19	Dal.	42-17	W	59,957
1978	Nov. 27	Pit.	7-24	L	51,657

49ERS ON MONDAY NIGHTS (Cont.)					
1977	Sept. 19	at Pit.	0-27	L	48,046
	Dec. 12	Dal.	35-42	L	55,848
1976	Oct. 11	at L.A. Rams	16-0	W	84,483
	Nov. 29	Min.	20-16	W	56,775
1974	Oct. 14	at Det.	13-17	L	45,199
	Nov. 4	L.A. Rams	13-15	L	57,526
1973	Nov. 26	G.B.	20-6	W	49,244
1972	Dec. 4	L.A. Rams	16-26	L	60,175
1971	Dec. 6	K.C.	17-26	L	45,306

49ERS ON SUNDAY NIGHTS					
YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND.
2012	Sept. 16	Det.	27-19	W	69,732
2010	Oct. 10	Phi.	27-24	L	69,732
2005	Oct. 2	at Arz. (M.C.)	14-31	L	103,467
2004	Oct. 3	StL	14-24	L	66,696
	Oct. 31	at Chi.	13-23	L	62,054
2003	Oct. 12	at Sea.	19-20	L	66,437
2001	Oct. 7	Car.	24-14	W	66,944
	Dec. 2	Buf.	35-0	W	67,252
1999	Dec. 26	Was.	20-26 (OT)	L	68,329
1998	Nov. 22	N.O.	31-20	W	68,429
1997	Dec. 21	at Sea.	9-38	L	66,253
1996	Nov. 3	at N.O.	24-17	W	53,297
1995	Dec. 3	Buf.	27-17	W	65,568
1994	Nov. 20	L.A. Rams	31-27	W	62,774
1993	Dec. 5	Cin.	21-8	W	60,039
1992	Sept. 27	at N.O.	16-10	W	68,591
1990	Nov. 11	at Dal.	24-6	W	62,966
1988	Dec. 18	L.A. Rams	16-38	L	62,444
1987	Nov. 29	Cle.	38-24	W	60,243
	Dec. 27	L.A. Rams	48-0	W	57,953
1982	Dec. 19	Atl.	7-17	L	53,234

49ERS ON THURSDAY NIGHTS					
YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND.
2012	Oct. 18	Sea.	13-6	W	69,732
2011	Nov. 24	at Bal	16-6	L	71,345
2010	Dec. 16	at SD	34-7	L	67,820
2009	Nov. 12	Chi.	10-6	W	69,732
2006	Dec. 14	at Sea.	24-14	W	67,650
2002	Sept. 5	at N.Y. Giants	16-13	W	78,748
1983	Sept. 8	at Min.	48-17	W	58,167
1982	Dec. 2	L.A. Rams	30-24	W	58,574

49ERS ON THURSDAY THANKSGIVING DAY GAMES					
YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND.
2011	Nov. 24	at Bal	16-6	L	71,345
1972	Nov. 23	at Dal.	31-10	W	65,214
1969	Nov. 27	at Dal.	24-24	T	62,348
1966	Nov. 24	at Det.	41-14	W	53,181

49ERS ON FRIDAY NIGHTS					
YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND.
1986	Dec. 19	L.A. Rams	24-14	W	60,266
1984	Dec. 14	L.A. Rams	19-16	W	59,743

49ERS ON SATURDAY NIGHTS					
YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND.
2007	Dec. 13	vs. Cin.	20-13	W	68,053
1999	Dec. 18	at Car.	24-41	L	62,373
1993	Dec. 11	at Atl.	24-27	L	64,688



## WINNING THE BATTLE

One of the biggest momentum swings in the game today comes from turnovers. In 2012, the 49ers have posted a +6 turnover differential, ranking t-10th in the NFL.

In 2011, the 49ers had a +28 turnover differential, ranking 1st in the NFL, including winning the turnover battle in 14 of the 16 games. Since 2009, the 49ers are 31-3 when winning the turnover battle.

- In 2011, the 49ers had a turnover differential of +28, the highest differential in franchise history. The +28 turnover differential also ranked t-2nd in the NFL since 1970.
- Since 2011, the 49ers have a turnover differential of +34, ranking 2nd in the NFL.
- The 49ers 56 takeaways (33 INTs, 23 FRs) since 2011, rank t-5th in the NFL (New England - 68; Chicago - 66; New York Giants - 65; Green Bay - 58; Seattle - 56).

### 2011-12 NFL TURNOVER DIFFERENTIAL LEADERS

Team	Takeaways			Give Aways			Diff.
	Fum.	INTs	Total	Fum.	INTs	Total	
1. New England	30	38	68	10	17	27	+41
2. San Francisco	23	33	56	11	11	22	<b>+34</b>
3. Green Bay	12	46	58	11	16	27	+31
4. New York Giants	25	40	65	13	29	42	+23
5. Houston	22	32	54	13	20	33	+21

### 2012 HIGHLIGHTS:

- San Francisco has converted 18 takeaways (10 INTs, 8 FRs) into 72 points.
- LB **NaVorro Bowman** registered his first career INT, picking off Packers QB Aaron Rodgers in the 4th qtr at GB (9/9). RB **Frank Gore** recorded a 23-yd. TD run on the ensuing play.
- CB **Dashon Goldson** picked off Lions QB Matthew Stafford in the 1st qtr. vs. Det. (9/16), which led to a 1-yd. TD by RB **Frank Gore**.
- The 49ers defense tallied 4 takeaways (1 INT, 3 FRs) at NYJ (9/30). CB **Carlos Rogers** registered a career-high 2 FRs, returning one 51 yds. for a TD.
- The 49ers were able to turn 2 takeaways (1 INT, 1 FR) into 14 points vs. Buf. (10/7). LB **Patrick Willis** forced a fumble just before halftime that was recovered by S **Dashon Goldson**. On the following play, QB **Alex Smith** connected with WR **Michael Crabtree** on a 28-yd. TD pass.
- Trailing 14-17 in the 4th qtr. vs. StL (11/11), CB **Tramaine Brock** registered his first career FF on a kickoff return by Rams RB Isaiah Pead. The loose ball was scooped up by S **Darcel McBath**, his first career FR. On the ensuing play, RB **Frank Gore** registered a 20-yd. TD run, putting the 49ers ahead, 21-17.
- CB **Tarell Brown** and S **Dashon Goldson** each registered an INT vs. Chi. (11/19), each leading to a FG by K **David Akers**.
- LB **Ahmad Brooks** and S **Donte Whitner** each registered an INT return for a TD at NO (11/25), marking the first time the 49ers returned two INTs for TDs in the same game since 10/22/95 vs. StL (LB Ken Norton Jr. - 21-yd. and 35-yd. INT returns).
- S **C.J. Spillman** recovered a muffed punt by Dolphins RB Marcus Thigpen vs. Mia. (12/9), deep in Dolphins territory, leading to a 1-yd. TD run by RB **Frank Gore** two plays later.



## RECORD BREAKING DAY

The 49ers produced one of the greatest performances in franchise history in a 45-3 victory against the Buffalo Bills (10/7).

### TEAM HIGHLIGHTS

- The **49ers offense** amassed 621 net yds. (311 rushing, 310 passing), setting the single-game franchise record. The team's previous record was 598 net yds. (159 rushing, 439 passing) vs. Buf. (9/13/92).

### MOST NET YARDS IN A SINGLE GAME IN FRANCHISE HISTORY

	Opponent	Date	Rush	Pass	Total
1.	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	311	310	<b>621</b>
2.	vs. Buffalo	9/13/92	159	439	598
3.	vs. Baltimore	12/13/53	252	345	597
4.	vs. Atlanta	10/18/92	191	399	590
5.	at Seattle	9/25/88	239	341	580

- The 49ers became the first team in NFL history to post 300-or-more yds. rushing (311) and passing (310) in the same game.
- The 49ers registered 320 net yds. (83 rushing, 237 passing) of offense in the first half, the most by the team since 9/27/98 vs. Atl. (394 net yds. - 128 rushing, 266 passing).
- The 49ers rushed for 311 yds. on the day, the most by the team since 12/14/98 vs. Det. (328 yds.).
- The 311 rushing yds. are the 4th most in a single game in franchise history and the most in the NFL since 10/24/10 (Oak. - 328 rushing yds. at Den.).

### Most Rushing Yards In A Single Game In Franchise History

	Opponent	Date	Atts.	Yds.	TDs
	vs. Detroit	12/14/1998	46	328	4
	at Minnesota	10/15/1961	51	324	5
	vs. Minnesota	11/29/1976	54	317	2
	<b>vs. Buffalo</b>	<b>10/7/2012</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>3</b>
	vs. Green Bay	12/9/1951	53	302	3

- With QB **Alex Smith** (303 yds. passing), RB **Frank Gore** (106 yds. rushing), WR **Michael Crabtree** (113 yds. rec.) and TE **Vernon Davis** (106 yds. rec.), it marked the first time the 49ers had a 300-yd. passer, 100-yd. rusher and 2, 100-yd. receivers in the same game since 11/19/61 vs. Chi. [QB **John Brodie** - 322 yds. passing; RB **C.R. Roberts** - 107 yds. rushing; WR **Aaron Thomas** - 131 yds. rec.; WR **R.C. Owens** - 107 yds. rec.].

### INDIVIDUAL HIGHLIGHTS

- RB **Frank Gore** registered his 31st career 100-yd. game, rushing for 106 yds. and 1 TD on 14 carries. The 49ers record improved to 24-7 when Gore rushes for over 100 yds.
- RB **Kendall Hunter** added a career-high 81 yds. rushing on 11 carries. His previous record was 76 yds. at StL (1/1/12).
- QB **Alex Smith** completed 18 of 24 attempts for 303 yds., 3 TDs and a QB rating of 156.2, marking his 3rd career, 300-yd. game. Smith also tied his career-high with 3 passing TDs (most since 10/9/11 vs. TB).
- **Smith's** 156.2 QB rating marked the highest single-game performance in the NFL since 12/26/10 [Bengals QB Carson Palmer - 157.2 vs. SD].
- **Smith** completed 12 of 15 atts. for 237 yds., 2 TDs and a perfect QB rating of 158.3 in the first half. His 237 passing yds. and QB rating of 158.3 are both career-highs for either half.
- **Smith** also set a career-high with 49 rushing yds.
- WR **Michael Crabtree** tallied 6 receipts. for 113 yds. and 1 TD, marking his 4th career, 100-yd. game, and first since 11/20/11 vs. Arz. - 120 yds.
- TE **Vernon Davis** notched his 8th career 100-yd. game, tallying 5 receipts. for 106 yds.

## RUNNING AWAY WITH IT

The 49ers ground game has emerged as one of the best in the NFL in 2012, rushing for 2,100 yards and 16 TDs on 397 carries (5.3 avg.). The 49ers rank 1st in the NFL in carries of 10-or-more yds. (71) and 2nd in the NFL in rushing yds./gm. (161.5) and rushing yds. (2,100). The 49ers also rank 2nd in the NFL rushing avg. (5.3) and 3rd in rushing first downs (111).

### 2012 HIGHLIGHTS:

- The 49ers rank 1st in the NFL with 53.4 pct. of first down rushing plays gaining 4-plus yds.
- The 49ers rank 2nd in the NFL with 51.1 pct. of rushing plays gaining 4-plus yds.
- On the road at Green Bay in Week 1, the 49ers rushed for 186 yds., marking the most by the 49ers on opening day since 1998 [207 yds. vs. NYJ (9/6/98)].
- RB **Frank Gore** rushed for 112 yds. and 1 TD on 16 carries at GB (9/9), becoming the first 49er to rush for over 100 yds. on opening day since RB Garrison Hearst in 1998.
- San Francisco rushed for 148 yds. and 1 TD on 27 carries (5.5 avg.) vs. Det. (9/16).
- The 49ers rushed for a 245 yds. on 44 carries at NYJ (9/30), as 9 different players carried the ball. It marked the most rushing yds. by the 49ers since 11/29/10 at Arz. (261 rushing yds.).
- The 49ers rushed for 311 yds. and 3 TDs on 38 carries (9.9 avg.) vs. Buf. (10/7). The 311 rushing yds. are the 4th most in single game in franchise history and the most in the NFL since 10/24/10 (Oak. - 328 rushing yds. at Den.).
- RB **Frank Gore** led the way with 131 yds. on 16 carries vs. Sea. (10/18), marking his 3rd, 100-yd. game of the season, as the 49ers rushed for 175 yds. on 32 carries.
- San Francisco rushed for 183 yds. and 2 TDs on 34 carries (5.3 avg.) vs. StL (11/11). RB **Frank Gore** had 21 carries for 97 yds. and 1 TD, while QB **Colin Kaepernick** added 8 carries for 66 yds. and 1 TD.
- The 49ers rushed for 123 yds. and 1 TD on 29 carries vs. Chi. (11/19) on MNF. RB **Frank Gore** paced San Francisco's rushing attack with 78 yds. on 17 carries.
- San Francisco amassed 144 yds. on the ground at NO (11/25) as RB **Frank Gore** led the way with 83 yds. on 19 carries and QB **Colin Kaepernick** added 6 carries for 27 yds. and 1 TD.
- The 49ers rushed for 155 yds. and 3 TDs on 28 carries vs. Mia. (12/9), as RB **Frank Gore** eclipsed the 1,000-yd. mark on the season with 63 yds. rushing and 1 TD on 12 carries.

## RUNNING WITH ROMAN

Under the direction of offensive coordinator **Greg Roman**, the 49ers have produced one of the top running games in the NFL over the past two seasons. During that time, San Francisco ranks 3rd in the NFL in rushing yds. (4,144) and rushing yds./gm. (142.9), while ranking t-3rd in runs of 10 or more yds. (127). The 49ers also rank 4th in carries (895) and 7th in the NFL in rushing avg. (4.6), since 2011.

Since 2011, RB **Frank Gore** has rushed for 2,246 yds. and 15 TDs on 493 carries, ranking 3rd in the NFC and 5th in NFL. The 49ers have posted a record of 20-1-1 when Gore and RB **Kendall Hunter** combine for 20 or more carries in that span.

### NFL RUSHING YDS./GAME LEADERS 2011-12

TEAM	Atts.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Yds/Gm
1. Minnesota	822	4,348	5.3	30	149.9
2. Houston	986	4,258	4.3	36	146.8
3. San Francisco	895	4,144	4.6	30	142.9
4. Denver	907	4,011	4.4	18	138.3
5. Carolina	801	3,956	4.9	39	136.4

## BALL SECURITY

Over the past two seasons, the 49ers have also done a great job taking care of the football, committing just 22 turnovers, ranking 1st in the NFL. In 29 games under head coach Jim Harbaugh, the 49ers have not committed a turnover in 13 games, ranking t-1st in the NFL (New England - 13 games).

### SINCE DEC. 1, 2011...

- San Francisco has committed just 12 turnovers, ranking 1-st in the NFL over that time span (New England - 12).
- The 49ers did not commit a turnover in 6 consecutive games (12/4/11 through 9/9/12), setting a franchise record.

In 2011, the 49ers committed only 10 turnovers, tying the NFL record for the fewest turnovers in a single season (New England - 10 turnovers in 2010).

- The 5 INTs thrown by the 49ers in 2011 were the fewest in a single-season in franchise history and rank t-1st in NFL history.

### FEWEST TURNOVERS IN A SINGLE SEASON IN NFL HISTORY

Team	Turnovers
1t. San Francisco, 2011	10
New England, 2010	10
3. Kansas City, 1982	12
4t. Miami, 2008	13
NY Giants, 2008	13

### FEWEST INTs IN A SINGLE SEASON IN FRANCHISE HISTORY

Year	INTs
1. 2011	5
2. 1992	9
3t. 1970	10
1984	10
2000	10
2002	10

### FEWEST INTs IN A SINGLE SEASON IN NFL HISTORY

Team	INTs
1t. San Francisco, 2011	5
Cleveland, 1960	5
Green Bay, 1966	5
Kansas City, 1990	5
NY Giants, 1990	5
New England, 2010	5

## HOME COOKIN'

Dating back to December 1, 2010, the 49ers have been successful in the familiar surroundings of Candlestick Park, posting a 14-2-1 (.853) record. San Francisco's .853 winning pct. at home ranks 4th in the NFL in that time span [Green Bay is 17-1 (.944), Baltimore is 15-2 (.882), New England is 15-2 (.882)].

The 49ers have also been able to light up the score board at Candlestick, averaging 27.6 pts./game, which ranks 6th in the NFL, over that time span.

### POINTS PER GAME AT HOME SINCE 12/1/10

Team	Pts./Gm.
1. New England	33.9
1. New Orleans	33.8
3. Green Bay	32.7
4. New York Giants	28.5
5. Baltimore	28.0
6. San Francisco	27.6





## RUSHING INTO THE RECORD BOOKS



Over the course of his eight-year career, RB Frank Gore has been the go-to guy in the backfield for the 49ers. Gore has been more than productive after being selected in the 3rd round (65th overall) of the 2005 NFL Draft. His productivity since that time has allowed him to become the franchise's all-time leading rusher during just his seventh season, in 2011.

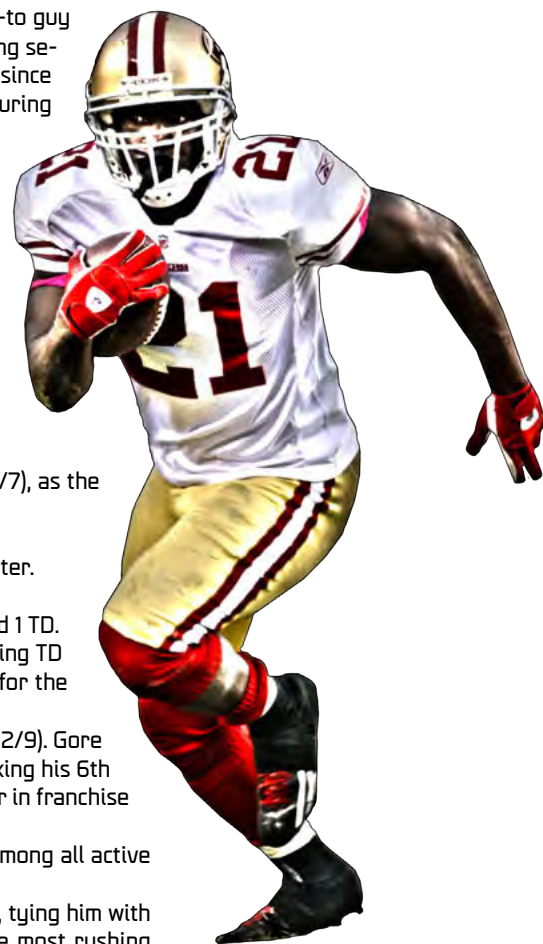
### Gore's 2012 Highlights...

- Ranks 8th in the NFL with 1,035 rushing yds.
- Named to Peter King's *Sports Illustrated* 2012 Midseason All-Pro Team.
- RB Frank Gore's first carry of the game at Min. (9/23) was the 1,687th of his career, surpassing RB Roger Craig and giving him the most rushing atts. in 49ers history.
- Rushed for 112 yds. and 1 TD on 16 carries (7.0 avg.) at GB (9/9), becoming the first 49er to rush for over 100 yds. on opening day since RB Garrison Hearst rushed for 187 yds. vs. NYJ (9/6/98).
- Scored a rushing TD for the second consecutive week vs. Det. (9/16/11) and tallied 89 yds. on the day.
- Led the way with 62 yds. and 1 TD as the team rushed for 245 yds. at NYJ (9/30).
- Registered his 31st career 100-yd. game, rushing for 106 yds. and 1 TD on 14 carries vs. Buf. (10/7), as the team rushed for 311 yds., the 4th most in franchise history.
- Notched 131 yds. on 16 carries (8.2 avg.) and hauled in 5 receipts. for 51 yds. vs. Sea. (10/18).
- Rushed for 97 yds. and 1 TD vs. StL (11/11), including the go-ahead 20 yd. TD jaunt in the 4th quarter.
- Grinded out 78 yds. on 17 carries in the 32-7 victory over the Bears on MNF (11/19).
- Led the way at NO (11/25) with 83 yds. rushing on 19 carries, and added 2 receipts. for 18 yds. and 1 TD.
- Rushed for 58 yds. and 1 TD on 23 carries at StL (12/2). Gore's 1-yd. TD run marked his 6th rushing TD of the season and 49th of his career. He trails just RB Joe Perry (50) and RB Roger Craig (50) for the most rushing TDs in franchise history.

#### MOST RUSHING TDS IN 49ERS HISTORY

Player	TDs
1. Frank Gore	50
Roger Craig	50
Joe Perry	50
4. Ken Willard	45
5. J.D. Smith	37
Steve Young	37

- Totalled 63 yds. and 1 TD on 12 carries vs. Mia. (12/9). Gore now has 1,035 yds. rushing on the season, marking his 6th career 1,000-yd. season, the most by any player in franchise history.
- Gore's 6, 1,000-yd. rushing seasons rank 2nd among all active players (Rams RB Steven Jackson -7).
- The TD vs. Mia. was his 50th career rushing TD, tying him with HOF RB Joe Perry and RB Roger Craig for the most rushing TDs in franchise history.



### Gore's Career Highlights...

- Gore surpassed WR Terrell Owens vs. Sea. (9/11/11) to move into 3rd place in all-time yards from scrimmage in franchise history. Throughout Gore's eight seasons in the NFL, he has averaged 4.6 yds./carry, which ranks 5th in the NFL over that time span (min. 1,000 carries). His 4.6 career avg. also ranks 4th in franchise history (min. 750 atts.) among running backs.

#### ALL-TIME 49ERS YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE

Player	Total Yds.	Rush	Receive
1. Jerry Rice (1985-2000)	19,872	625	19,247
2. Roger Craig (1983-90)	11,506	7,064	4,442
3. Frank Gore (2005-12)	11,236	8,660	2,576
4. Terrell Owens (1996-03)	8,734	162	8,572
5. Joe Perry (1950-60, 1963)	8,624	7,344	1,280

- Gore passed Hall of Fame running back Joe Perry vs. the Rams to become the franchises' all-time leading rusher. Perry racked up 7,344 yards in his 12 NFL seasons with the Niners (1950-60, '63).
- Gore broke RB Joe Perry's franchise record of 20 career 100-yd. games after registering his 21st career 100-yd. rus. performance against NO (9/20/10).

- Since 2005, Gore has the most 100-yd. rushing games in the NFL with 32.
- The 49ers are 25-7 when Gore hits the century mark on the ground.
- In 2012, was selected to his third Pro Bowl and first since 2010.
- Set a new franchise record in 2011 by hitting the century mark in 5 consecutive games (127 yds. at Phi., 125 vs. TB, 141 at Det., 134 vs. Cle. and 107 yds. at Was.).

#### ALL-TIME 49ERS RUSHING LIST

Player	Years	Yds.
1. Frank Gore	2005-2012 (8)	8,660
2. Joe Perry	1950-1960, 63 (12)	7,344
3. Roger Craig	1983-1990 (8)	7,064
4. Ken Willard	1965-1973 (9)	5,930
5. Garrison Hearst	1997-2003 (5)	5,535

## GAME CHANGER



One of the most athletic and versatile players in the NFL, TE **Vernon Davis** has emerged as a premier tight end. Davis earned Pro Bowl recognition as an alternate the past two seasons after having been named a starter for the annual game in 2009. Davis is coming off one of the best postseason performances by a tight end in league history, as he recorded 10 receptions for 292 yds. and 4 TDs in just two games.

### Davis' 2012 Highlights...

- Davis has now hauled in 5 TDs on the season.
- Tallied 3 receptions for 43 yds. and 1 TD at GB (9/9), and has now registered a TD in all 4 career games against Green Bay.
- Registered 5 receptions for 73 yds. and 2 TDs vs. Det. (9/18), marking his 4th career multi-TD game. It marks the 16th time in Davis' career that he registered a TD in consecutive weeks, and the first time to start a season.
- Registered at TD recept. at Min. (9/23), marking the 5th time in Davis' career that he registered a TD in 3 straight weeks, and the first time to start a season.
- Notched his 8th career 100-yd. rec. game vs. Buf. (10/7), hauling in 106 yds. on 5 receptions.

### Career Highlights...

- Ranks 1st in franchise history among TEs in TDs and 2nd in receptions and rec. yds.

#### 49ERS ALL-TIME TOUCHDOWN LEADERS AMONG TIGHT ENDS

Player	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1. Vernon Davis (2006-11)	342	4,309	12.6	40
2. Brent Jones (1987-97)	417	5,195	12.5	33

- Set single-season career high's with 78 receptions, 965 rec. yds. and 13 TD receptions, in 2009. He was one of only two TEs to lead their team in all three categories (Kellen Winslow, TB). His rec. yds. and TD totals were both single-season records among 49ers tight ends all-time.

#### MOST TDs IN A SEASON BY A TIGHT END IN NFL HISTORY

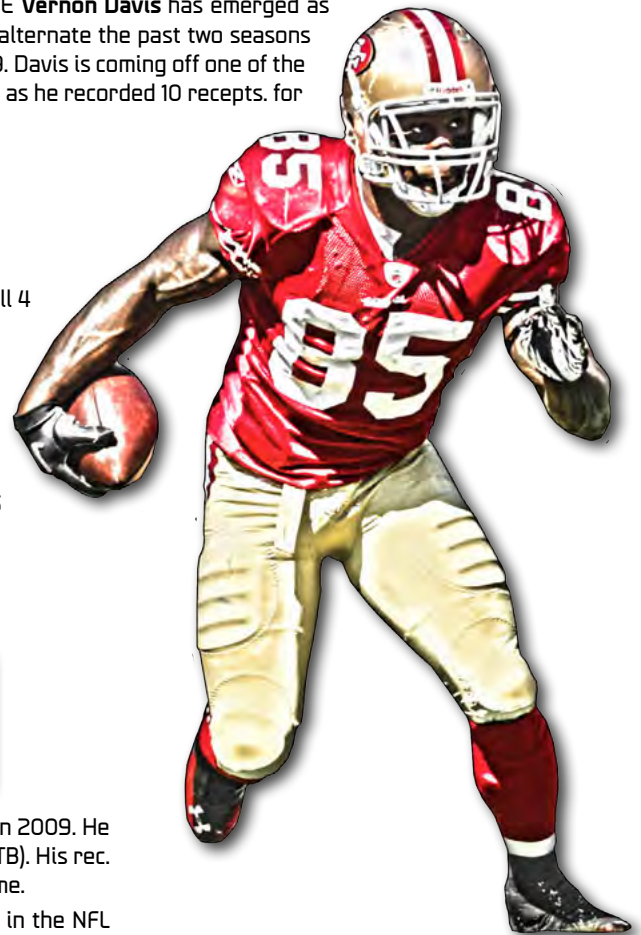
Player	TDs
1. Rob Gronkowski, 2011	17
2t. Vernon Davis, 2009	13
Antonio Gates, 2004	13
3t. Todd Christensen, 1983	12
Mike Ditka, 1961	12
Jerry Smith, 1967	12
Wesley Walls, 1999	12

- In 2009, his 13 TD receptions are tied 2nd in the NFL record for most in a season by a TE (Antonio Gates - 13 TDs in 2004). Davis' TD receptions also were tied for the most in the NFL with Patriots WR Randy Moss and Cardinals WR Larry Fitzgerald, making him the first tight end in the Super Bowl era to lead (or tie for the lead) league in TD receptions.
- Has tallied 8, 100-yd. rec. games, which ranks 1st in franchise history among TEs.
- Hauled in 10 receptions for 292 yds. and 4 TDs in the playoffs, which were the most by a tight end in their first two postseason games in NFL history (According to Elias Sports Bureau).
- Became just the fifth player in the Super Bowl era to register at least 2 receiving TDs in consecutive postseason games in the same season.
- He also became just the 3rd player in franchise history to register consecutive 100-yd. receiving games in the postseason.

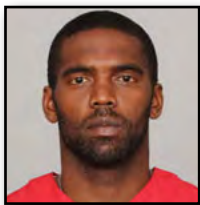
### Among NFL TEs Since 2009...

- Ranks 1st with 35 receptions over 25 yds.
- Ranks 2nd with 31 TD receptions.
- Ranks 3rd with 3,177 rec. yds.
- Ranks 3rd with 1,310 yds. after the catch.
- Ranks 4th with 239 receptions.
- Ranks 6th avg. 52.1 rec. yds./gm.

"Vernon is a great person, great to work with, very attentive, very much interested in the details of things, always looking for the ways to get better. Just an all around asset to have and really enjoy, really thankful that he's here and a 49er." - **49ers Offensive Coordinator Greg Roman**



## MOSS THIS, MOSS THAT



Since entering the league in 1998, WR **Randy Moss** has been building a Hall of Fame legacy on the backs of opposing secondaries. His arrival in San Francisco puts him in the same uniform as the only receiver in front of him for many NFL records, Hall of Famer Jerry Rice.

Moss's on-field history speaks for itself. His name is etched in the Top 10 in numerous NFL receiving records, and will continue to rise to the top with a successful 2012 campaign.

### Moss's 2012 Highlights...

- With 75 rec. yds. on the day vs. NYG (10/14), WR Randy Moss (15,032) became just the fourth player in NFL history to surpass 15,000 career rec. yds. He trails WR Jerry Rice (22,895), WR Terrell Owens (15,934) and WR Isaac Bruce (15,208) for the most receiving yds. in NFL history.
- WR Randy Moss registered 4 repts. for 47 yds. and 1 TD in his 49ers debut at GB (9/9).
- Moss registered his 70th career red zone TD at GB, which ranks 5th in NFL history.
- With the TD recept. at GB, Moss moved into sole possession of 2nd place on the NFL's all-time TD reception list (154), trailing only Hall of Famer WR Jerry Rice (197).
- Recorded a 47-yd. TD recept., marking his 2nd TD of the season and 155th of his career. Moss has now registered 18 TDs in 19 games on Monday Night Football.

#### MOST RED ZONE TDs IN NFL HISTORY

Player	TDs
1. Tony Gonzalez	77
2t. Cris Carter	72
Terrell Owens	72
4. Marvin Harrison	71
5. <b>Randy Moss</b>	<b>70</b>

### Moss's Career Highlights...

- Ranks 2nd all-time in rec. TDs with 155. Moss has surpassed the 1,000 yd. receiving mark in a season 10 times in his career. Only Rice has more 1,000 yd. seasons (14).
- Has recorded 64 games with over 100-yd. rec. yds. which is 2nd to Rice (76).
- Moss wasted no time putting the league on notice, gaining 1,313 yds. his rookie season. That mark is 3rd best in NFL history behind Bill Groman, 1,473 (Houston, 1960) and Anquan Boldin, 1,377 (Arizona, 2003).
- There is nobody left to chase when it comes to most receiving TDs in a season, Moss stands alone with the 23 he scored in 2007 as a Patriot. WR Jerry Rice had 22 in 1987 with the 49ers.
- 2007 also saw Moss post 9, 100-yd. receiving games which is good for 6th on the all-time list.
- In 2007 Moss had a 4 TD game vs. Buffalo (11/18/07) as a member of the Patriots, putting him in 4th all-time for most TDs in a game.
- Moss has finished the season as the NFL leader in TD repts. 5 times, putting him in 3rd all-time behind WR Jerry Rice (6) and WR Don Hutson (9).
- For 10 consecutive games in 2003-04, Moss caught at least 1 TD pass, placing him in a 4th place tie with Carl Pickens (10) for most consecutive games with a TD.
- Moss is the fastest player to reach 5,000 career receiving yards in NFL History (59 games). He broke the previous record held by WR Jerry Rice (61 games).
- Randy Moss is synonymous with big plays, and his place in the NFL record books is at the top, with 160 repts. of 25+ yds.

#### MOST RECEIVING TDs IN NFL HISTORY

Player	TDs
1. Jerry Rice	197
2. <b>Randy Moss</b>	<b>155</b>
3. Terrell Owens	153
4. Cris Carter	130
5. Marvin Harrison	128

## GRABTREE



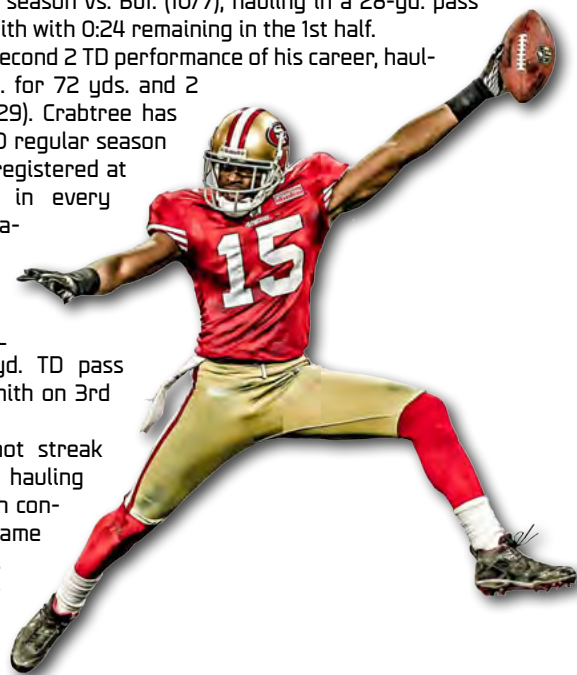
As the 10th overall pick in the 2009 NFL Draft by San Francisco, Michael Crabtree has showcased his rare combination of size, hands and run-after-the-catch ability during his first three seasons with the 49ers.

A reliable receiver, Crabtree excelled in 2011, as he led the team with 72 receptions for 880 yards, both career highs, and four touchdowns.

Widely considered one of the most prolific receivers in college football history, Crabtree earned the coveted Biletnikoff Award - given to the nation's best receiver - in each of his two seasons played at Texas Tech. He was the first receiver in college history to win the award in consecutive seasons.

### Crabtree's 2012 Highlights...

- Led team in repts. for first 4 of 6 games of the season, hauling in 7 repts. for 76 yds. in season opening win at GB (9/9), 6 repts. for 67 yds. vs. Det. (9/16) and 6 repts. for 40 yds. at Min. (9/23).
- In the 4th qtr. vs. Det. (9/16), tallied 3, 3rd-down catches, all resulting in first downs against Lions.
- Registered a team high 6 repts. for 113 yds. and 1 TD vs. Buf (10/7). Was part of the 49ers offense that set a franchise record with 621 total yards and became the first team in NFL history to post 300-or-more yds. rushing and passing in the same game. For the first time since 11/19/61 vs. Chi., SF posted a 300-yd. passer (QB Alex Smith 303 yds.), 2, 100 yd-receivers (Crabtree; TE Vernon Davis -106 yds.) and a 100-yd. rusher (RB Frank Gore - 106 yds.) in the same game.
- Scored 1st TD of season vs. Buf. (10/7), hauling in a 28-yd. pass from QB Alex Smith with 0:24 remaining in the 1st half.
- Registered the second 2 TD performance of his career, hauling in 5 repts. for 72 yds. and 2 TDs at Arz. (10/29). Crabtree has now played in 50 regular season games and has registered at least 1 recept. in every game of his career.
- Snatched his 4th TD of the season vs. StL (11/11) on a 14-yd. TD pass from QB Alex Smith on 3rd down.
- Continued his hot streak vs. the Rams by hauling in a TD in his 5th consecutive game against St. Louis.
- Notched 3 repts. for 31 yds. and 1 TD vs. Chi. (11/19), marking his 3rd consecutive game with a TD reception, the longest streak of his career.
- Tallied 7 repts. for 101 yds. at StL (12/2), marking his 2nd 100-yd. game of the season and 5th of his career.
- Tied his career high with 9 repts. for 93 yds. vs. Mia. (12/9).
- Crabtree has registered 4 TDs on 3rd down, ranking t-2nd in the NFL, and has also hauled in 25 repts. on 3rd down to rank t-3rd in the NFL.





## TO PROTECT AND SERVE

A 5th-year pro from Central Michigan University, **T Joe Staley (74)** was named a starter on his 1st Pro Bowl team after his stellar play in 2011. Staley has been the anchor on the offensive line since entering the league in 2007 and has had QB Alex Smith's blindside since then. Staley was named AP 2nd Team All-Pro in 2011 and no one was happier for him than Smith when he heard Staley was named to the Pro Bowl and earned All-Pro honors. "Really happy for Joe, really happy," said Smith. "The guy works as hard as anybody and he's played at a high level now for a few years. I really feel like he hasn't got the recognition he's deserved, for whatever reason, as some of the other left tackles that I think get a lot of notoriety in this league. I really feel like he's all that player and then some. And this year he's really done it just week in and week out and has just played at a really high level. He's really taken a leadership role with that whole offensive line. Kind of really stepped up to the challenge and has really been a leader for us."

Staley was part of an offensive line that helped the team rush for 1,928 yards in 2011, ranking seventh in the NFL. "We're going to have a lot of fun running behind those hogs," RB Brandon Jacobs said of the offensive line.

**Jonathan Goodwin (59)** joined the 49ers after spending five seasons with the New Orleans Saints. A smart and savvy 10-year veteran, he has started the last 61 regular season games in which he has appeared and was responsible for all the calls and adjustments made by the offensive line. He was selected to the Pro Bowl following the 2009 season and was a member of the New Orleans Saints Super Bowl XLIV Championship Team.

Selected 17th overall in the 2010 NFL Draft, **Mike Iupati (77)** showcased his rare combination of size and athleticism as he was named the team's starting left guard during training camp his rookie season. He has started all 32 games, and both postseason contests, since his rookie year in 2010. Iupati, along with T Anthony Davis, are two of only five players from the 2010 Draft Class to start every game in each of the past two seasons. A mild and polite native of American Samoa, Iupati plays with a nasty mean streak on the field. Following his rookie season, Iupati was named to *The Sporting News* and PFW/PFWA All-Rookie teams.

Armed with tremendous size, strength, and athleticism, **Anthony Davis (76)** made an immediate impact at right tackle as a rookie after being selected with the 11th overall pick in the 2010 NFL Draft. Davis, along with fellow rookie offensive lineman G Mike Iupati, were two of only five NFL rookies to start every game since 2010, and they became just the third set of rookies to start every game on the offensive line since the 16-game schedule was instituted in 1978. Davis diligently works on his craft throughout the offseason as he and Iupati spend countless hours watching film together.

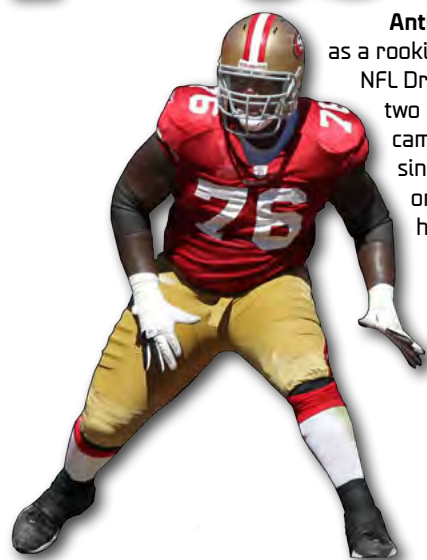
**Alex Boone (75)** reached a significant milestone in his career when he took the field in the team's season-finale against the Arizona Cardinals in 2010. The game marked his first regular season action as a pro, which was an achievement many would have felt far-fetched two years ago. Boone was originally signed as a rookie free agent by the 49ers in 2009 and spent his entire rookie season on the team's practice squad. When Boone reported to mini-camp the following year, he had lost 40 pounds of fat and replaced it with 25 pounds of lean muscle. He competed at both right and left tackle, and eventually proved his worth as he earned a spot on the 53-man roster. In 2011, Boone entered each game in short-yardage situations, and contributed on special teams. Boone was rewarded with a four-year contract extension on 12/8/11, through 2015.

### Highlights on the O-Line...

- The 49ers rushed for 311 yds. vs. Buf. (10/7), the most by the team since 12/14/98 vs. Det. (328 yds.).
- The 311 rushing yds. are the 4th most in a single game in franchise history and the most in the NFL since 10/24/10 (Oak. - 328 rushing yds. at Den.).
- The O-line did not give up a sack vs. Buf. (10/7).
- RT Anthony Davis was named to *Pro Football Weekly's* 2012 Midseason All-Pro Team and Peter King's *Sports Illustrated* 2012 Midseason All-Pro Team. LG Mike Iupati was also named to *Pro Football Weekly's* 2012 Midseason All-Pro Team
- The 49ers offensive line did not allow a sack on 25 pass attempts by QB Colin Kaepernick at NO. (11/25). The last time the 49ers did not allow a sack was 10/7/12 vs. Buf. (25 attempts).
- The O-Line is the only group to earn the Madden Most Valuable Protectors Award 3 times this season (Weeks 5, 7 and 12).

#### MOST RUSH. YDS. IN A GAME IN 49ERS HISTORY

Opp.	Date	Atts	Yds.	TDs
vs. Det.	12/14/1998	46	328	4
at Min.	10/15/1961	51	324	5
vs. Min.	11/29/1976	54	317	2
<b>vs. Buf.</b>	<b>10/7/2012</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>3</b>
vs. GB	12/9/1951	53	302	3



## PASSING THE TEST

The 49ers secondary, led by Pro Bowlers CB **Carlos Rogers** and S **Dashon Goldson**, along with CB **Tarell Brown**, CB **Chris Culliver** and S **Donte Whitner**, has developed into one of the best in the NFL. This season, the 49ers rank 2nd in the NFL allowing 184.7 passing yds. per game, with opposing QBs posting a 77.0 QB rating against the 49ers.

### 2012 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:

- The 49ers have allowed 13 passing TDs this season, t-3rd in the NFL.
- The 49ers defense has not allowed a passing TD in 5 games this season, ranking t-1st in the NFL (Baltimore - 5; St. Louis - 5).
- San Francisco has given up 2,401 passing yds. this season (184.7/gm.), the 2nd fewest in the NFL.
- This season the 49ers are allowing just 5.91 yds./attempt, ranking 2nd in the NFL.
- San Francisco has given up just 14 passing plays of 25+ yds., ranking 1st in the league.

### 49ERS 2012 NFL PASS DEFENSE RANKINGS

Category	Total	NFL Rank
25+ Yd. Recepts. Allowed	14	1st
Passing Yds./Gm.	184.7/gm.	2nd
Passing Yds./Att.	5.91/att.	2nd
Passing TDs Allowed	13	t-3rd

### 2012 GAME HIGHLIGHTS:

- In 8 of 13 games this season, the 49ers defense has held opposing QBs to a QB rating lower than their season average.

### OPPOSING QBs HELD BELOW SEASON QB RATING

Date	Player	vs. 49ers	Season Avg.
Sep. 9	Aaron Rodgers, GB	93.3	103.7
Sep. 16	Matthew Stafford, Det.	78.9	82.4
Sep. 30	Mark Sanchez, NYJ	39.9	71.8
Oct. 7	Ryan Fitzpatrick, Buf.	57.5	85.8
Oct. 18	Russell Wilson, Sea.	38.2	94.9
Nov. 19	Jason Campbell, Chi.	52.7	72.8
Nov. 25	Drew Brees, NO	86.1	90.8
Dec. 2	Sam Bradford, StL	81.2	81.9

- The 49ers defense has held its opponents to under 120 net yds. passing in 4 games this season.
- The 49ers recorded 13 PDs at Arz. (10/29). It was t-2nd most PDs in a single game in the NFL this season. CB **Chris Culliver** and CB **Tarell Brown** led the way with 5 PDs each. They were career highs for both players. Along with Den. CB Tracy Porter, Culliver and Brown are the only 3 NFL players to tally 5 PDs in a single game this season.
- San Francisco held the Bears to just 58 net yds. passing vs. Chi. (11/19) on *Monday Night Football*.
- 49ers defense became just the 4th team to register 5.0 sacks against Saints QB Drew Brees. The defense also notched 2 INTs, returning both for TDs. It marked the first time since 10/22/95 that the 49ers recorded 2 INTs returned for TDs in a game.

## PACKING YOUR D

Playing on the road in the NFL is always a challenge. Head coach Jim Harbaugh has said it's very important to pack your defense on the road, and the 49ers have done just that.

Since 2011, San Francisco has posted a 10-4 (.714) record on the road, ranking t-3rd in the NFL for the best road record over that time span [Houston - 11-4 (.733); New England - 11-4 (.733); Green Bay - 10-4 (.714)].

The 49ers defense leads the NFL in rushing yds. per game allowed (76.7), pts. per game allowed (16.3), rushing TDs allowed (4), and 2nd in total net yds. allowed per game (297.8), since 2011.

OPP. RUSHING YARDS PER GAME ON ROAD, NFL (2011-12)		OPP. POINTS PER GAME ON ROAD (2011-12)	
TEAM	RUSH YPG	TEAM	PTS/GM
1. San Francisco	76.7	1. San Francisco	16.3
2. Houston	96.2	2. Houston	19.1
3. Miami	96.6	3. Seattle	19.2
4. Washington	98.4	4. Baltimore	19.3
5. San Diego	103.0	5. Miami	20.3

OPP. YARDS PER GAME ON ROAD, NFL (2011-12)		RUSHING TDs ALLOWED ON ROAD (2011-12)	
TEAM	YPG	TEAM	TDs
1. Pittsburgh	282.6	1. San Francisco	4
2. San Francisco	297.8	2. Houston	7
3. Philadelphia	309.7	3t. Denver	8
4. Houston	315.1	Detroit	8
5. Cincinnati	324.5	San Diego	8
		Seattle	8

## CONSISTENCY COUNTS

In 2011, the 49ers defense ranked 1st in the NFL in rushing yds. allowed per game (77.3). San Francisco picked up where they left off in 2012, limiting opponents to just 90.8 rushing yds. per game, ranking 3rd in the NFL. Over the past two seasons, the 49ers rank 1st in the NFL, allowing just 83.3 rushing yds. per game.

Their excellence in this regard is nothing new for the Niners as they rank 2nd in the league in that category since 2009, with a 90.4 avg. The team also leads the league in that span in rushing yds. allowed per carry (3.55).

After finishing 3rd in the NFL in opposing rushing yards per carry at 3.64 in 2009, the Niners ranked 2nd in the NFL in 2010, allowing 3.46 yds. per carry. In 2011, the 49ers allowed just 3.50 yds. per carry, ranking 1st in the NFL. This season, the 49ers rank 3rd in the NFL allowing just 3.61 yds. per carry.

OPP. RUSHING YARDS PER GAME, NFL (2011-12)		OPP. YARDS PER CARRY, NFL (2011-12)	
TEAM	RUSH YPG	TEAM	AVG
1. San Francisco	83.3	1. San Francisco	3.55
2. Houston	93.7	2. Miami	3.78
3. Pittsburgh	96.8	3. Baltimore	3.81
4. Miami	98.5	4. Pittsburgh	3.86
5. Chicago	101.9	5. Denver	3.92

OPP. RUSHING YARDS PER GAME, NFL (2009-12)		OPP. YARDS PER CARRY, NFL (2009-12)	
TEAM	RUSH YPG	TEAM	AVG
1. Pittsburgh	86.1	1. San Francisco	3.55
2. San Francisco	90.4	2. Pittsburgh	3.67
3. Baltimore	101.0	3. Baltimore	3.73
4. Houston	101.3	4. Miami	3.84
5. Minnesota	102.3	5. New York Jets	3.91

## THE RUN DOWN

Since 2008, the 49ers run defense has been one of the most stout groups in the NFL. From 2008-12, the Niners rank 2nd in the NFL in opposing rushing average per carry at 3.60 yds.

### BEST 49ERS RUSHING DEFENSE OVER 5-YEAR SPAN

Year	AVG
1. 1994-98	3.58
2. <b>2008-12</b>	<b>3.60</b>
3. 1995-99	3.62
4. 2007-11	3.64
5. 1974-78	3.65

### OPP. RUSHING AVG. PER CARRY, NFL (2008-12)

TEAM	AVG.
1. Pittsburgh	3.59
2. <b>San Francisco</b>	<b>3.60</b>
3. Baltimore	3.70
4. Minnesota	3.81
5. New York Jets	3.88

From 2008 through 2012, the 49ers have allowed a 3.60 average rushing gain per carry, which is the 2nd best total in franchise history over a five-year span.



## NOWHERE TO RUN

The 49ers run defense has been one of the strong points on the defensive side of the ball. The Niners rank 2nd in the NFL by allowing only 3.56 yds. per rush on first down, since 2010.

### RUSHING DEFENSE ON SECOND DOWN, NFL (2010-12)

TEAM	AVG.
1. <b>San Francisco</b>	<b>3.46</b>
2. Miami	3.51
3. Pittsburgh	3.79
4. New York Jets	3.86
5. Baltimore	3.92

### RUSHING DEFENSE ON FIRST DOWN, NFL (2010-12)

TEAM	AVG.
1. Pittsburgh	3.49
2. <b>San Francisco</b>	<b>3.56</b>
3. Minnesota	3.74
4. Miami	3.79
5. Baltimore	3.81

After allowing only 3.56 yds. per rush on first down, the 49ers buckle down even more on second down, allowing just 3.46 yds. per rush, ranking 1st in the NFL.

## FORCING THE ISSUE

The 49ers have been a physical force over the past four seasons, stripping the ball from QBs and ball carriers alike. With 60 FFs dating back to 2009, the 49ers rank 4th in the NFL during that span.

Over the past four seasons, All-Pro LB **Patrick Willis** leads the team with 11 FFs, which ranks t-8th in the NFL, and 4th among LBs, over that time span. LB **Ahmad Brooks** has registered 8 FFs while DT **Justin Smith** and has tallied 6 FFs, which ranks 1st among DTs.

### FORCED FUMBLES, NFL (2009-12)

TEAM	FF
1. Chicago	76
2. New York Giants	69
3. New England	61
4. <b>San Francisco</b>	<b>60</b>
5. Minnesota	59

## STOPPING FAMILIAR FOES

San Francisco's run defense over the past four seasons has been remarkable, especially against the NFC West. It is tough in the NFL to beat the same team twice in a season, let alone limit their offensive production on the ground in each game. The Niners have been able to limit their divisional opponents' rushing efforts, leading the NFL in numerous run defense categories.

- Since 2009, the 49ers defense has only allowed 1,748 yds. rushing vs. their own division, ranking the team 1st in the NFL during that time span.
- The 49ers also rank 1st in the NFL in rushing yds. per game allowed vs. their own division by giving up only 79.5 yds. per game and only allow a 3.5 avg. per attempt, which ranks 1st in the NFL.
- Since 2009, the 49ers are t-1st (Minnesota) in the NFL in rushing TDs allowed against their own division with only 8 surrendered.

### RUSH DEFENSE VS. OWN DIVISION (2009-12)

TEAM	GAMES	ATTS.	YDS.	YDS./GAME
1. <b>San Francisco</b>	22	503	1,748	79.5
2. Pittsburgh	22	542	2,009	91.3
3. Minnesota	23	580	2,126	92.4
4. Seattle	22	540	2,092	95.1
5. Baltimore	23	608	2,297	99.9

Since 2009, the 49ers defense has been particularly aggressive when playing its divisional opponents, allowing an average of only 14.0 points per game.

### POINTS ALLOWED PER GAME VS. OWN DIVISION, NFL (2009-12)

TEAM	PA	PPG Allowed
1. Baltimore	321	14.0
2. <b>San Francisco</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>14.0</b>
3. Pittsburgh	346	15.7
4. Seattle	372	16.9
5. Green Bay	384	17.5

The 49ers rank 2nd in the NFL and 1st in the NFC allowing just 14.0 points per game within a team's own division, since 2009.

While limiting points against their divisional foes, the 49ers defense racked up 69 sacks over the past three seasons, a total that ranks 3rd in the NFL for teams playing within their division during that time span.

DT **Justin Smith** leads the team with 13.5 sacks against divisional opponents, ranking t-11th in the NFL and 1st among defensive tackles.

### SACKS VS. OWN DIVISION (2009-12)

TEAM	SACKS
1. St. Louis	71
2. Minnesota	70
3. <b>San Francisco</b>	<b>69</b>
4. Detroit	66
St. Arizona	65
New England	65



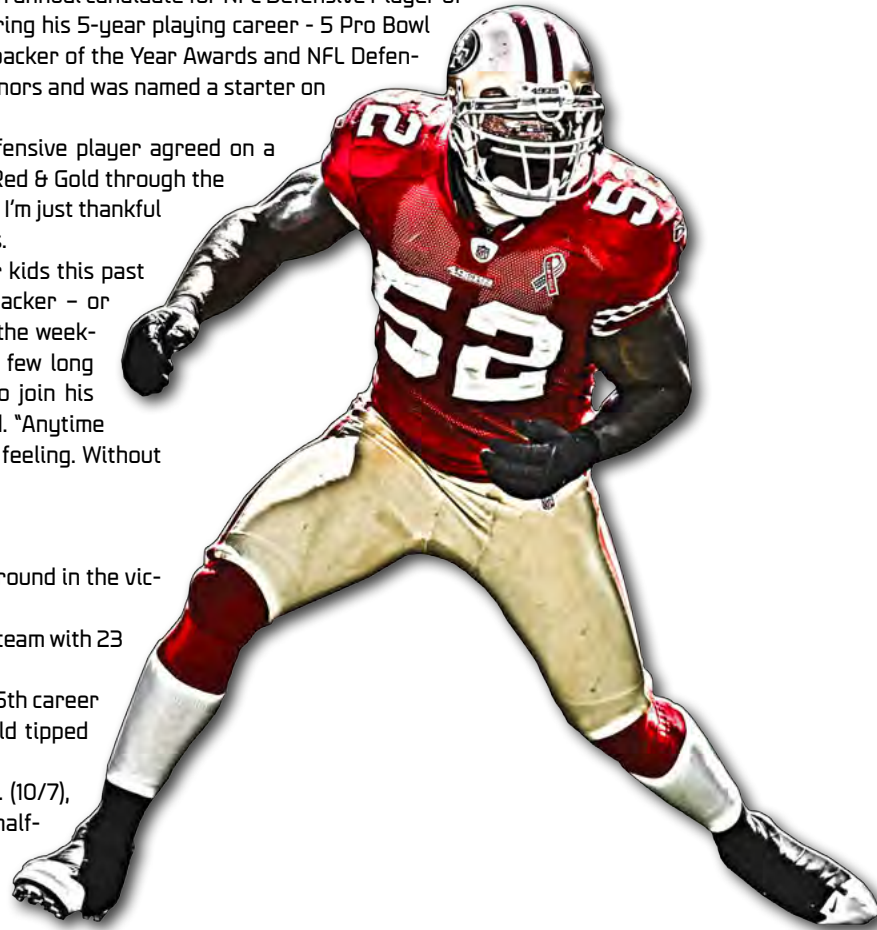


## WILLING HIS TEAM TO VICTORY

Named a team captain for the second consecutive season and an annual candidate for NFL Defensive Player of the Year, LB **Patrick Willis** has created an impressive resume during his 5-year playing career - 5 Pro Bowl appearances, 4 First-Team All-Pro selections, 2 NFL Alumni Linebacker of the Year Awards and NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year. In 2011, he earned 1st Team AP All-Pro honors and was named a starter on the NFC Pro Bowl squad.

On May 5, 2010, the 49ers and arguably the game's best defensive player agreed on a 5-year contract extension, ensuring that he will be donning the Red & Gold through the 2016 season. "We will bring the sixth championship back here and I'm just thankful today to know that I will be able to be here to do that," said Willis.

An All-Pro on and off the field, Willis hosted his first camp for kids this past offseason in Palo Alto on June 9th and 10th. The All-Pro linebacker - or "Coach Willis" to the campers - bounced from field to field over the week-end and even took some snaps under center. He also tossed a few long touchdown passes and could be seen running down the field to join his campers in celebration. "It was a lot of fun out there," Willis said. "Anytime you get the opportunity to come back and give back, it's a great feeling. Without these guys I wouldn't be who I am today."



### Willis' 2012 Highlights...

- Was part of a defensive unit that only allowed 45 yds. on the ground in the victory at GB (9/9).
- Tallied 14 tackles at Min. (9/23), and currently ranks 2nd on the team with 23 tackles.
- Earned NFC Defensive Player of the Week as he registered his 6th career INT at NYJ (9/30) and 1st of the season after DT Ray McDonald tipped Jets QB Mark Sanchez's pass at the line of scrimmage.
- Notched his 1st FF of the season and 13th of his career vs. Buf. (10/7), jarring the ball loose from Bills TE Scott Chandler just before half-time. The fumble was recovered by S Dashon Goldson. QB Alex Smith connected with WR Michael Crabtree for a 28-yd. TD recept. on the ensuing play.
- Tallied 14 tackles vs. Sea. (10/18).
- Led the team with 12 tackles at Arz. (10/29).
- Notched 0.5 sack at NO (11/25), marking his first sack of the season and 17.5 of his career.

### Willis' Career Highlights...

- A five-time Pro Bowl selection (2007-11), was the only rookie to earn All-Pro honors in 2007 as he was named the AP Defensive Rookie of the Year. He became first 49ers defensive rookie to make the Pro Bowl and first-team All-Pro since CB Ronnie Lott in 1981. He joined CB Bruce Taylor (1970), DT Dana Stubblefield (1993) and DT Bryant Young (1994) as 49ers who have won the Defensive Rookie of the Year award.
- Ranks 6th in franchise history for most sacks among LBs with 17.5 career sacks.

#### MOST TACKLES, NFL, 2007-PRESENT (Statistics taken from NFL Gamebook)

Player	G	Total	Solo	Ast
1. London Fletcher, Was.	93	815	536	279
2. <b>Patrick Willis, SF</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>180</b>
3. Chad Greenway, Min.	93	734	512	222

- According to Gamebook statistics, ranks 2nd in the NFL with 791 tackles since 2007.
- In 88 starts, Willis has tallied 10-or-more tackles in 61 games and 20-or-more stops in 4 contests.
- Became the first 49er to be selected to the Pro Bowl in each of his first five seasons.
- Since 1994 when FF were first tracked by Statspass, Patrick Willis has 12 FFs which ranks 2nd among all 49ers, trailing only DE Roy Barker (13).

## THE CLOSER

His consistent, blue collar approach every single day has earned DT **Justin Smith** talk of a candidacy for NFL Defensive Player of the Year honors from his coaches and teammates, as well as others around the National Football League. Dating back to his rookie season, Smith has not missed a start in more than 10 seasons. He leads by example and his knowledge of the game has landed him back-to-back-to-back Pro Bowl appearances and consideration for this year's NFL Defensive Player of the Year. In addition to being named a starter in this year's Pro Bowl, Smith was named 1st Team AP All-Pro at DT and 2nd Team at DE. He is the first player to be named to the AP's 1st and 2nd team at different positions in the same phase of the game.

After his performance vs. the Giants earlier in 2011 (11/13/11), Smith earned praise from various outlets, including *San Jose Mercury News* Columnist Tim Kawakami, who compared Smith with Yankees closer and future Hall of Famer Mariano Rivera, stating:

"Every serious playoff team needs an intimidating closer, and the 49ers have their guy in dominant form. Large fellow. Inspires his teammates. Weighs almost 300 pounds. Takes the game over when the drama builds and the stadium shakes... On a team that continues to rise to the NFL summit, Smith is the foundation, the quiet standard-bearer and undeniable tone-setter."

Two times in 2011, Smith came up big for the 49ers by making defensive MVP-like plays. First, at Phi. (10/2/11), Smith sealed the victory by punching the ball loose from Eagles speedy wideout Jeremy Maclin to cap off a 20-pt. come-from-behind win. And again vs. NYG (11/13/11), on 4th down, Smith stuck his paw in the air to bat down Eli Manning's last attempt and once again cap off the victory for the Niners.

- With 7.5 sacks in 2011, Smith became just the 3rd player in franchise history to register at least 6 sacks in four consecutive seasons.

### MOST CONSECUTIVE SEASONS WITH 6.0-OR-MORE SACKS, FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Seasons	Sacks
1. Charles Haley	6 seasons	1986-91
2t. <b>Justin Smith</b>	<b>4 seasons</b>	<b>2008-11</b>
Dwaine Board	4 seasons	1983-86

## IRON MAN

DT **Justin Smith** has earned the reputation as an Iron Man with a motor that never stops. With his unassuming, workman-like attitude, Smith shows up each and every Sunday ready to leave everything he has on the field. In 2010, Smith's effort was recognized as he was the recipient of the team's Hazeltine Iron Man Award and the Ed Block Courage Award.

Smith's current consecutive start streak of 171 games ranks 3rd among defensive players and 5th among all NFL players.

### Smith's Career Highlights...

- Three-time Pro Bowl selection (2010-2012).
- Dating back to his rookie season in 2001, has started 171 consecutive games which leads all defensive linemen, ranks 3rd among all defensive players and ranks 5th in the NFL.
- Since 2001, leads all defensive linemen in tackles according to Gamebook statistics.

### NFL TOTAL TACKLE LEADERS AMONG DL SINCE 2001 BASED ON GAMEBOOK STATISTICS

Player	Tackles
1. <b>Justin Smith, SF</b>	<b>790</b>
2. Jason Taylor, Mia.	582
3. Pat Williams, Min.	573

- Tied his career high with 8.5 sacks in 2010.
- Leads the 49ers with 29 sacks since joining the team in 2008.
- Recipient of the Hazeltine Iron Man Award in 2010, which is voted on by the defensive coaches and is given annually to the most courageous and inspirational defensive player.
- Recipient of the Perry/Yonamine Unity Award in 2010, which is presented to the 49ers player who exhibits an exceptional commitment to promoting unity within the team and their community.
- Recipient of the Ed Block Courage Award in 2010, which is given annually to the player that exemplifies a commitment to sportsmanship and courage. Smith also symbolizes professionalism, great strength, dedication and serves as a community role model for others, which are requirements to receive the award.

### Smith's 2012 Highlights...

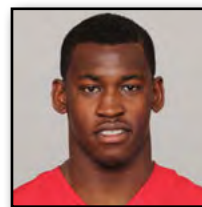
- Recorded his 1st FR of the season at NYJ (9/30) after LB Aldon Smith knocked the ball away from Jets QB Mark Sanchez. The FR was his 1st of the season and 9th of his career.
- Registered a half-sack vs. the Bears on MNF (11/19), teaming up with LB Aldon Smith to take down QB Jason Campbell.
- Tallied a season-high 1.5 sacks at NO (11/25).
- Sacked Rams QB Sam Bradford at StL (12/2) giving him 3.0 sacks on the season and 75.5 sacks in his career. Since joining the 49ers in 2008, Smith has tallied 32.0 sacks, ranking t-6th in franchise history (DE Andre Carter).

"Justin's a consummate team player. I told him on the sidelines, series after series, how much I respect him. I think he'll be one of the best players I'll have ever played with in my life and it's been a pleasure playing with him. Week-in and week-out he comes to play. He practices hard in practice and goes hard on Sundays. He's a tremendous player." - All-Pro LB Patrick Willis

## REMEMBER ME



LB **Aldon Smith** picked up right where he left off to start the 2012 season, continuing to terrorize opposing QBs. A former defensive lineman in college, he made the transition to linebacker in 2011. Smith finished the 2011 season ranked 1st in the NFL among all rookies in sacks with 14.0 and set a new franchise record for most sacks in a rookie season, surpassing Charles Haley's record of 12.0 sacks set in 1986. He became the first player to reach double digit sacks since Andre Carter (12.5) in 2002. After etching his name in the Niners record books, Smith set his eyes on the NFL record and is just 3.5 sacks away from breaking.



### Smith's 2012 Highlights...

- Smith's 19.5 sacks on the season rank 1st in the NFL, and t-9th in NFL history.
- Tallied 1.0 sack at GB (9/9), bringing down Packers QB Aaron Rodgers early in the 1st qtr.
- Registered 1.5 sacks vs. Det. (9/16), tallying sacks in consecutive games.
- Notched 2.0 sacks at NYJ (9/30), marking his 5th career game with 2-or-more sacks. When Smith recorded his 2nd sack on Sanchez, he knocked the ball out on 3rd-n-7, marking his 1st FF of the season and 3rd of his career. The fumble was recovered by DT Justin Smith. The takeaway led to a 36-yd. FG by K David Akers right before halftime.
- Tallied 1.0 sack on Seahawks QB Russell Wilson (10/18).
- With 2.0 sacks at Arz. (10/29), Smith now has 21.5 career sacks. Smith reached 20.0 career sacks in just 24 games, becoming the 2nd fastest in 49ers history, behind Hall of Famer Fred Dean who reached 20.0 sacks in 23 games from 1982-83.
- Recorded 2.0 sacks vs. StL (11/11) to go along with 2 QB hits and 3 TFLs. It marked just the 2nd time in his career that he has registered 2.0 sacks in consecutive weeks.
- Set a single-game career high vs. Chi. (11/19), tallying 5.5 sacks on Bears QB Jason Campbell. The 5.5 sacks by Smith are the most in Monday Night Football history. Smith now has 10.0 sacks in 3 career games on MNF. His 10.0 sacks are the most by any player on MNF, since 2011.
- Smith's 29.0 career sacks are the 3rd-highest total in NFL history for players in their first 2 seasons (DE Reggie White - 31.0; LB Derrick Thomas - 30.0)
- Smith's 5.5 sacks are the 2nd most by a 49er in a single game in franchise history, trailing just DE Fred Dean's 6.0 sacks vs. NO (11/13/83).
- Recorded 1.5 sacks on Saints QB Drew Brees (11/25), giving him 30.5 career sacks in just 27 games, marking the fastest player to record 30.0 sacks in NFL history. The previous mark held by DE Reggie White (28 games).
- Tied the 49ers single-season sack record at StL (12/2), bringing down Rams QB Sam Bradford to give him 17.5 sacks on the season.
- With 2.0 sacks on the day vs. Mia. (12/9), Smith has now tallied 19.5 sacks on the season, setting the new single-season franchise record, surpassing HOF DE Fred Dean (17.5 sacks in 1983).
- Smith now has 33.5 career sacks. He surpassed Hall of Fame DE Reggie White (31.0) for the most sacks by a player in the first two years in NFL history.

#### MOST SACKS IN 49ERS HISTORY

Player	Year	Sacks
1. Aldon Smith	2012	19.5
2. Fred Dean	1983	17.5
3. Tim Harris	1992	17.0

#### MOST SACKS IN 1ST TWO

##### NFL SEASONS IN 49ERS HISTORY

Player	Years	Sacks
1. Aldon Smith	2011-12	33.5
2t. Andre Carter	2001-02	19.0
Dana Stubblefield	1993-94	19.0
4. Charles Haley	1986-87	18.5
5. Pierce Holt	1988-89	15.5

#### MOST SACKS IN CONSECUTIVE SEASONS IN 49ERS HISTORY

Player	Years	Sacks
1. Aldon Smith	2011-12	33.5
2. Chris Doleman	1997-98	27.0
3. Charles Haley	1989-90	26.5
4t. Dwaine Board	1983-84	23.0
Chris Doleman	1996-97	23.0

### Smith's Career Highlights...

- Smith is the first player in NFL history to reach 14.0+ sacks in each of his first two seasons (since 1982).
- Smith's 14.0 sacks in 2011 were the 2nd most sacks by a rookie in NFL history.
- Smith finished the 2011 season ranked 1st in the NFL with the most sacks among rookies, and ranked t-5th among all players.
- Smith's 14.0 sacks ranks 1st in franchise history for the most sacks by a rookie (12.0 by DT Charles Haley - 1986; 10.5 by DT Dana Stubblefield - 1993).
- Notched 1.0 sack at Sea. (12/24/11) and had 4 consecutive games with a sack for the second time in 2011. His 4 consecutive games with a sack were the most by a 49er since Andre Carter recorded a sack in 5 consecutive games in 2002 (10/14-11/10).

#### MOST SACKS BY A ROOKIE IN NFL HISTORY

Player	Rookie Year	Sacks
1. Jevon Kearse, Ten.	1999	14.5
2. Aldon Smith, SF	2011	14.0
3. Dwight Freeney, Ind.	2002	13.0

#### MOST SACKS BY A ROOKIE IN FRANCHISE HISTORY

Player	Rookie Year	Sacks
1. Aldon Smith	2011	14.0
2. Charles Haley	1986	12.0
3. Dana Stubblefield	1993	10.5

- Smith (2011 - 14.0; 2012 - 15.0) became the 5th player in franchise history to tally double-digit sacks in consecutive seasons and the first since DE Chris Doleman in 1997-98 (1997 - 12.0; 1998 - 15.0).
- Smith's 29.0 career sacks are the most by any player in consecutive seasons in franchise history. The previous record was held by DE Chris Doleman (27.0 sacks from 1997-98).



## BO KNOWS BEST



In 2011, his first season as a starter, LB **NaVorro Bowman** excelled in his new role. Only a 3rd-year player from Penn State, Bowman has had the opportunity to learn from one of the best LBs in the NFL in Patrick Willis. He led the team in tackles in 2011 and was named 1st Team AP All-Pro and an alternate for the 2012 Pro Bowl. Now in his 2nd season as a full-time starter, and paired with Willis, this inside LB duo is considered one of the best tandems in the NFL. The 49ers signed Bowman to a five-year contract extension through the

2018 season on Nov. 27th. "NaVorro epitomizes what we look for in a 49er," said 49ers General Manager Trent Baalke. "We are excited that the All Pro tandem of Willis and Bowman will be together in red and gold for years to come." All four of the teams starting linebackers are under contract through at least the 2015 season (Ahmad Brooks - 2017; Patrick Willis - 2016; Aldon Smith - 2015).

### Bowman's 2012 Highlights...

- Registered his 1st career INT, picking off Packers QB Aaron Rodgers in the 4th qtr. (9/9). On the ensuing play, RB Frank Gore notched a 23-yd. TD run, helping to seal the Week 1 victory.
- Led the team with 14 tackles vs. Det. (9/16) and notched 1 PD.
- Tied a career-high with 17 tackles at Min. (9/23).
- Led the team with 12 tackles at NYJ (9/30).
- Recorded 14 tackles, leading the team, vs. NYG (10/15).
- Notched 14 tackles and 1.0 sack on QB Russell Wilson vs. Sea. (10/18).
- Led the team with 15 tackles vs. StL (11/11).
- Registered 12 tackles at NO (11/25) to lead the team.
- Led the tea with 13 tackles at StL (12/2).

### Bowman's Career Highlights...

- Named 1st Team AP All-Pro and as an alternate for the Pro Bowl.
- Named Defensive Player of the Year by the *Dallas Morning News*' Rick Gosselin, and led the team in tackles with 173.
- Tallied 13 tackles at Sea. (12/24/11), to record his 9th, 10+ tackle performance of the season.
- Recorded 1 FR vs. Arz. (11/20/11), registering his 3rd career FR and first on special teams.
- Tied his career high vs. NYG (11/13/11) by tallying 17 tackles.
- Named mid-season All-Pro by *Pro Football Weekly* and SI.com's Peter King.
- Registered a career-high 17 tackles at Det. (10/16/11).
- Recorded his 1st career FR at Phi. (10/2/11).
- Tallied 12 tackles vs. Dal. (9/18/11), including his 1st career PD.

"Just one of those rough, tough football guys who does what he communicates, what he has to communicate. Smart, intelligent football player, and just plays the game all out, all the time. Constant hustle, hustling at all times. Heck of a ball player." - Head Coach Jim Harbaugh



## A LETHAL LEG



A three-time Pro Bowler, Andy Lee has already set the franchise record for most punting yds. and also ranks 1st in franchise history with a 45.6 yd. gross avg. During his 2011 season, Lee posted a net punting avg. of 44.0 in 2011, setting the NFL single-season record. His efforts earned him 1st Team AP All-Pro and NFC Pro Bowl honors.

### Lee's 2012 Highlights...

- Named to *Pro Football Weekly's* 2012 Midseason All-Pro Team and Peter King's *Sports Illustrated* 2012 Midseason All-Pro Team.
- Was named Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance on NBC's *Thursday Night Football* vs. Sea. (10/18).
- Lee placed four of his five punts inside his opponent's 20-yard line in the 49ers' 13-6 victory against Seattle.
- Lee, who averaged 45.6 yards on five punts vs. Sea. (10/18), boomed his final punt a season-long 66 yards, forcing Seattle to begin its final drive at its own 11-yard line.
- The Seahawks began just one drive from beyond their own 20-yard line against the 49ers, with an average starting field position at their own 15-yard line.
- Lee limited the Seahawks to only five return yards and registered a net average of 44.6 yards per punt. Lee is the only punter in franchise history to be honored.

### Lee's Career Highlights...

In his 9th year with the 49ers, Lee has his name at the top of nearly every punting category in franchise history. He currently holds the top spot in punting yds. and punting avg.

In addition to being the top punter in franchise history, Lee also ranks 3rd in NFL history in gross avg. and 2nd in net avg.

NFL CAREER GROSS PUNTING AVG. LEADERS		NET PUNTING AVG. LEADERS SINCE 1976	
Player	Gross Avg.	Player	Net Avg.
1. Shane Lechler, Oak.	47.6	1. Brett Kern, Ten.	39.4
2. Brandon Fields, Mia.	46.4	2. <b>Andy Lee, SF</b>	<b>39.1</b>
3. <b>Andy Lee, SF</b>	<b>45.9</b>	3. Donnie Jones, Hou.	39.0
4. Mat McBriar, Dal.	45.5	4. Dustin Colquitt, KC	38.9
5. Donnie Jones, Hou.	45.5	5. Shane Lechler, Oak.	38.8

\* Min. 250 Punts

- First Team AP All-Pro and 2012 NFC Pro Bowl selection.
- Posted a net punting avg. of 44.0 in 2011, setting the NFL single-season record. The previous record was held by Oak. P Shane Lechler (43.9 in 2009).

HIGHEST SINGLE SEASON NET PUNTING AVERAGE IN NFL HISTORY		
Player	Year	Net Avg.
1. <b>Andy Lee, SF</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>44.0</b>
2. Shane Lechler, Oak.	2009	43.9
3. Thomas Morstead, NO	2011	43.1
4. Donnie Jones, StL	2009	41.7
5. Mat McBriar, Dal.	2010	41.7

- Ranked 1st in the NFL in gross avg. (50.9) and net avg. (44.0), in 2011. His gross avg. of 50.9 ranks 3rd in NFL history.

HIGHEST SINGLE SEASON PUNTING AVERAGE IN NFL HISTORY		
Player	Year	Avg.
1. Sammy Baugh	1940	51.4
2. Shane Lechler, Oak.	2009	51.1
3. <b>Andy Lee, SF</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>50.9</b>
4. Shane Lechler, Oak.	2011	50.8
5. Donnie Jones, StL	2008	50.0

### Lee's 2011 Highlights...

Lee finished the 2011 season ranked 1st in the NFL in net punting avg. and 1st in punting avg.

NFL NET PUNTING AVG LEADERS		NFL PUNTING AVG. LEADERS	
Player	Net Avg.	Player	Avg.
1. <b>Andy Lee, SF</b>	<b>44.0</b>	1. <b>Andy Lee, SF</b>	<b>50.9</b>
2. Thomas Morstead, NO	43.1	2. Shane Lechler, Oak.	50.8
3. Zoltan Mesko, NE	41.5	3. Brandon Fields, Mia.	48.8
4. Brandon Fields, Mia.	41.1	4. Thomas Morstead, NO	48.3
5. Shane Lechler, Oak.	40.9	5. Brian Moorman, Buf.	48.2

In his first game of the 2011 season vs. Sea. (9/11), Lee set new highs in his career, as well as scribed his name in the NFL record books. Lee averaged a whopping 59.6 avg., which ranks 3rd all-time in NFL history for the highest punting average in a single game.

HIGHEST NET PUNTING AVERAGE IN SINGLE GAME, NFL HISTORY (min. 4 punts)					
Player	Opp.	Date	NO	Yds.	Avg.
1. Bob Cifers, Det.	Hou.	11/24/46	4	247	61.75
2. Roy McKay, GB	Chi.	10/28/45	5	308	61.60
3. <b>Andy Lee, SF</b>	<b>Sea.</b>	<b>9/11/11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>59.60</b>
4. Mike Scifres, SD	StL	10/17/10	6	357	59.50

Lee compiled a 54.2 net avg. vs. Sea. as well, which ranks 2nd in NFL history behind Rohn Stark's (59.5 vs. Hou. 9/13/92) [stat has only been tracked since '76].

HIGHEST PUNTING AVERAGE IN SINGLE GAME, NFL HISTORY (min. 4 punts)					
Player	Date	Opp.	Punts	Yds.	Net Avg.
1. Rohn Stark, Ind.	9/13/1992	Hou.	4	233	59.5
2. <b>Andy Lee, SF</b>	<b>9/11/2011</b>	<b>Sea.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>54.2</b>
3. Brian Moorman, Buf.	12/13/2009	KC	4	212	53.0
4. Dave Zastudil, Cle	9/14/2008	Pit.	5	265	52.8



# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS DEPTH CHART

AS OF DECEMBER 11, 2012

## OFFENSE

WR	15	Michael Crabtree	17	<u>A.J. Jenkins</u>	
LT	74	Joe Staley			
LG	77	Mike Iupati	66	<u>Joe Looney</u>	
C	59	Jonathan Goodwin	67	Daniel Kilgore	
RG	75	Alex Boone	68	Leonard Davis	
RT	76	Anthony Davis			
TE	85	Vernon Davis	46	Delanie Walker	81 <u>Garrett Celek</u>
WR	82	Mario Manningham	84	Randy Moss	19 Ted Ginn Jr.
FB	49	Bruce Miller	24	Anthony Dixon	48 Will Tukuafu
RB	21	Frank Gore	23	<u>LaMichael James</u>	33 <u>Jewel Hampton</u>
QB	7	Colin Kaepernick	11	Alex Smith	3 Scott Tolzien

## DEFENSE

LDT	91	Ray McDonald	95	Ricky Jean Francois	
NT	90	Isaac Sopoaga	48	Will Tukuafu	93 Ian Williams
RDT	94	Justin Smith			
OLB	55	Ahmad Brooks	51	Clark Haggans	
ILB	53	NaVorro Bowman	54	Larry Grant	
ILB	52	Patrick Willis	56	Tavares Gooden	
OLB	99	Aldon Smith	51	Clark Haggans	
LCB	22	Carlos Rogers	20	Perrish Cox	26 Tramaine Brock
RCB	25	Tarell Brown	29	Chris Culliver	
FS	38	Dashon Goldson	27	C.J. Spillman	
SS	31	Donte Whitner	30	<u>Trenton Robinson</u>	28 Darcel McBath

## SPECIAL TEAMS

PR	19	Ted Ginn Jr.	23	<u>LaMichael James</u>	
KOR	19	Ted Ginn Jr.	23	<u>LaMichael James</u>	
P	4	Andy Lee			
K	2	David Akers			
H	4	Andy Lee			
LS	86	Brian Jennings			

Underline - rookies

**Physically Unable to Perform** - LB Darius Fleming

**Injured Reserve List** - TE Demarcus Dobbs, LB Parys Haralson, RB Kendall Hunter, WR Kyle Williams

**Reserve/Suspended List** - RB Brandon Jacobs

## COACHING STAFF

Jim Harbaugh.....	Head Coach
Brad Seely.....	Assistant Head Coach/ Special Teams Coordinator
Greg Roman.....	Offensive Coordinator
Vic Fangio.....	Defensive Coordinator
Michael Christianson.....	Offensive Assistant/ Coordinator of Football Technology
Geep Chryst.....	Quarterbacks
Reggie Davis.....	Tight Ends
Ed Donatell.....	Secondary
Tim Drevno.....	Offensive Line
Ejiro Evero.....	Offensive Assistant
Peter Hansen.....	Defensive Asst./Quality Control
Greg Jackson.....	Assistant Secondary
Jim Leavitt.....	Linebackers
John Morton.....	Wide Receivers
Tom Rathman.....	Running Backs
Tracy Smith.....	Special Teams Assistant
Mike Solari.....	Offensive Line
Kevin Tolbert.....	Assistant Strength & Conditioning
Jim Tomsula.....	Defensive Line
Paul Wulff.....	Senior Offensive Assistant
Mark Uyeyama.....	Head Strength & Conditioning
Kevin Tolbert.....	Assistant Strength & Conditioning
Dave Scholz.....	Strength, Nutrition & Conditioning Assistant

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

NaVorro Bowman.....	nuh-VARR-oh	Colin Kaepernick.....	CAP-ur-nick
	BOH-minn	Daniel Kilgore.....	KILL-gore
Tramaine Brock.....	truh-MAIN	Mario Manningham.....	MARR-eeh-oh
Ahmad Brooks.....	uh-MAHD	Darcel McBath.....	darr-CELL, mik-BATH
Tarell Brown.....	tuh-RELL	Aldon Smith.....	ALL-dun
Garrett Celek.....	SELL-ick	Isaac Sopoaga.....	soh-poh-AH-guh
Perrish Cox.....	PEHR-ish	Joe Staley.....	STAY-lee
Darius Fleming.....	DARE-eeh-us	Scott Tolzien.....	toll-ZEEN
Dashon Goldson.....	duh-SHAWN	Will Tukuafu.....	too-koo-AH-foo
Tavares Gooden.....	TUH-var-us	Delanie Walker.....	duh-LAY-nee
Parys Haralson.....	Paris	Donte Whitner.....	DAHN-tay
Mike Iupati.....	yoo-PAH-tee		
Ricky Jean-Francois.....	jawn-FRAN-swah		



# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

AS OF DECEMBER 11, 2012

NO	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	Birthdate	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Akers, David	K	5-10	200	12-9-74	14	Louisville	Lexington, KY
75	Boone, Alex	G/T	6-8	300	5-4-87	3	Ohio State	Cleveland, OH
53	Bowman, NaVorro	LB	6-0	242	5-28-88	3	Penn State	Forestville, MD
26	Brock, Tramaine	CB	5-10	197	8-20-88	3	Belhaven	Long Beach, MS
55	Brooks, Ahmad	LB	6-3	259	3-14-84	7	Virginia	Woodbridge, VA
25	Brown, Tarell	CB	5-10	193	1-6-85	6	Texas	Mesquite, TX
81	Celek, Garrett	TE	6-5	252	5-29-88	R	Michigan State	Cincinnati, OH
20	Cox, Perrish	CB	6-0	190	1-7-87	2	Oklahoma State	Waco, TX
15	Crabtree, Michael	WR	6-1	214	9-14-87	4	Texas Tech	Dallas, TX
29	Culliver, Chris	CB	6-0	199	8-17-88	2	South Carolina	Garner, NC
76	Davis, Anthony	T	6-5	323	10-11-89	3	Rutgers	Piscataway, NJ
68	Davis, Leonard	G	6-6	355	9-5-78	11	Texas	Wortham, TX
85	Davis, Vernon	TE	6-3	250	1-31-84	7	Maryland	Washington, DC
24	Dixon, Anthony	RB	6-1	233	9-24-87	3	Mississippi State	Terry, MS
19	Ginn Jr., Ted	WR	5-11	180	4-12-85	6	Ohio State	Cleveland, OH
38	Goldson, Dashon	S	6-2	200	9-18-84	6	Washington	Carson, CA
56	Gooden, Tavares	LB	6-1	242	10-7-84	5	Miami	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
59	Goodwin, Jonathan	C	6-3	318	12-2-78	11	Michigan	Columbia, SC
21	Gore, Frank	RB	5-9	217	5-14-83	8	Miami	Coral Gables, FL
54	Grant, Larry	LB	6-1	251	2-16-85	4	Ohio State	Santa Rosa, CA
51	Haggans, Clark	LB	6-4	243	1-10-77	13	Colorado State	Torrance, CA
33	Hampton, Jewel	RB	5-9	210	12-23-89	R	Southern Illinois	Indianapolis, IN
77	Iupati, Mike	G	6-5	331	5-12-87	3	Idaho	Anaheim, CA
23	James, LaMichael	RB	5-9	195	10-22-89	R	Oregon	Texarkana, TX
95	Jean Francois, Ricky	DT	6-3	295	11-23-86	4	Louisiana State	Miami Gardens, FL
17	Jenkins, A.J.	WR	6-0	192	9-30-89	R	Illinois	Jacksonville, FL
86	Jennings, Brian	TE/LS	6-5	242	10-14-76	13	Arizona State	Mesa, AZ
7	Kaepernick, Colin	QB	6-4	230	11-3-87	2	Nevada	Turlock, CA
67	Kilgore, Daniel	G	6-3	308	12-18-87	2	Appalachian State	Kingsport, TN
4	Lee, Andy	P	6-2	180	8-11-82	9	Pittsburgh	Westminster, SC
66	Looney, Joe	G	6-3	309	8-31-90	R	Wake Forest	Lake Worth, FL
82	Manningham, Mario	WR	6-0	185	5-25-86	5	Michigan	Warren, OH
28	McBath, Darcel	S	6-1	198	10-28-85	4	Texas Tech	Gainseville, TX
91	McDonald, Ray	DT	6-3	290	9-2-84	6	Florida	Belle Glade, FL
49	Miller, Bruce	FB	6-2	248	8-6-87	2	Central Florida	Woodstock, GA
84	Moss, Randy	WR	6-4	210	2-13-77	14	Marshall	Rand, WV
30	Robinson, Trenton	S	5-9	193	2-16-90	R	Michigan State	Bay City, MI
22	Rogers, Carlos	CB	6-0	192	7-2-81	8	Auburn	Augusta, GA
99	Smith, Aldon	LB	6-4	258	9-25-89	2	Missouri	Raytown, MO
11	Smith, Alex	QB	6-4	217	5-7-84	8	Utah	La Mesa, CA
94	Smith, Justin	DT	6-4	285	9-30-79	12	Missouri	Jefferson City, MO
90	Sopoaga, Isaac	NT	6-2	330	9-4-81	9	Hawaii	Pago Pago, American Samoa
27	Spillman, C.J.	S	6-0	199	5-6-86	4	Marshall	Louisville, KY
74	Staley, Joe	T	6-5	315	8-30-84	6	Central Michigan	Rockford, MI
3	Tolzien, Scott	QB	6-3	208	9-4-87	2	Wisconsin	Rolling Meadows, IL
48	Tukuafu, Will	FB/DT	6-4	293	1-3-84	2	Oregon	Salt Lake City, UT
46	Walker, Delanie	TE	6-0	242	8-12-84	7	Central Missouri	Pomona, CA
31	Whitner, Donte	S	5-10	208	7-24-85	7	Ohio State	Cleveland, OH
57	Wilhoite, Michael	LB	6-0	240	12-7-86	1	Washburn	Topeka, KS
93	Williams, Ian	NT	6-1	305	8-31-89	2	Notre Dame	Altamonte Springs, FL
52	Willis, Patrick	LB	6-1	240	1-25-85	6	Mississippi	Bruceton, TN

## RESERVE/PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO PERFORM

58	Fleming, Darius	LB	6-2	255	7-19-89	R	Notre Dame	Chicago, IL
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## INJURED RESERVE

83	Dobbs, Demarcus	TE/DT	6-2	282	11-30-87	2	Georgia	Savannah, GA
98	Haralson, Parys	LB	6-0	255	1-24-84	7	Tennessee	Madison, MS
32	Hunter, Kendall	RB	5-7	199	9-16-88	2	Oklahoma State	Tyler, TX
10	Williams, Kyle	WR	5-10	186	7-19-88	3	Arizona State	Scottsdale, AZ

## RESERVE/SUSPENDED

45	Jacobs, Brandon	RB	6-4	264	7-6-82	8	Southern Illinois	Napoleanville, LA
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## PRACTICE SQUAD

14	Hall, Chad	WR	5-8	187	5-23-86	3	Air Force	Norcross, GA
44	Hoffman-Ellis, Alex	LB	6-0	232	8-14-89	R	Washington State	Los Angeles, CA
63	Jerod-Eddie, Tony	DT	6-5	301	3-29-90	R	Texas A&M	DeSoto, TX
50	Johnson, Cam	LB	6-3	268	5-24-90	R	Virginia	Greenbelt, MD
18	Lockette, Ricardo	WR	6-2	211	5-21-86	1	Fort Valley State	Albany, GA
65	Netter, Al	G	6-6	310	7-21-89	R	Northwestern	Rohnert Park, CA
36	Thomas, Michael	S	5-11	182	3-17-89	R	Stanford	Houston, TX
69	Wiggins, Kenny	T	6-6	314	8-8-88	1	Fresno State	Elk Grove, CA

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NO	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	AGE	EXP	COLLEGE	ACQUIRED
2	David Akers	K	5-10	200	38	14	Louisville	FA in '11
3	Scott Tolzien	QB	6-3	208	25	2	Wisconsin	W in '11 (SD)
4	Andy Lee	P	6-2	180	30	9	Pittsburgh	D-6A in '04
7	Colin Kaepernick	QB	6-4	230	25	2	Nevada	D-2 in '11
11	Alex Smith	QB	6-4	217	28	8	Utah	D-1 in '05
15	Michael Crabtree	WR	6-1	214	25	4	Texas Tech	D-1 in '09
17	A.J. Jenkins	WR	6-0	192	23	R	Illinois	D-1 in '12
19	Ted Ginn Jr.	WR	5-11	180	27	6	Ohio State	TR in '10 (Mia.)
20	Perrish Cox	CB	6-0	190	25	2	Oklahoma State	FA in '12
21	Frank Gore	RB	5-9	217	29	8	Miami	D-3A in '05
22	Carlos Rogers	CB	6-0	192	31	8	Auburn	FA in '11
23	LaMichael James	RB	5-9	195	23	R	Oregon	D-2 in '12
24	Anthony Dixon	RB	6-1	233	25	3	Mississippi State	D-6A in '10
25	Tarell Brown	CB	5-10	193	27	6	Texas	D-5 in '07
26	Tramaine Brock	CB	5-10	197	24	3	Belhaven	FA in '10
27	C.J. Spillman	S	6-0	199	26	4	Marshall	W in '10 (SD)
28	Darcel McBath	S	6-1	198	27	4	Texas Tech	FA in '12
29	Chris Culliver	CB	6-0	199	24	2	South Carolina	D-3 in '11
30	Trenton Robinson	S	5-9	193	22	R	Michigan State	D-6A in '12
31	Donte Whitner	S	5-10	208	27	7	Ohio State	FA in '11
33	Jewel Hampton	RB	5-9	210	22	R	Southern Illinois	FA in '12
38	Dashon Goldson	S	6-2	200	28	6	Washington	D-4B in '07
46	Delanie Walker	TE	6-0	242	28	7	Central Missouri	D-6A in '06
48	Will Tukuafu	FB/DT	6-4	293	28	2	Oregon	FA in '10
49	Bruce Miller	FB	6-2	248	25	2	Central Florida	D-7A in '11
51	Clark Haggans	LB	6-4	243	35	13	Colorado State	FA in '12
52	Patrick Willis	LB	6-1	240	27	6	Mississippi	D-1A in '07
53	NaVorro Bowman	LB	6-0	242	24	3	Penn State	D-3 in '10
54	Larry Grant	LB	6-1	251	26	4	Ohio State	FA in '11
55	Ahmad Brooks	LB	6-3	259	28	7	Virginia	W in '08 (Cin.)
56	Tavares Gooden	LB	6-1	242	28	5	Miami	FA in '11
57	Michael Wilhoite	LB	6-0	240	26	1	Washburn	FA in '11
59	Jonathan Goodwin	C	6-3	318	34	11	Michigan	FA in '11
66	Joe Looney	G	6-3	309	22	R	Wake Forest	D-4 in '12
67	Daniel Kilgore	G	6-3	308	24	2	Appalachian State	D-5 in '11
68	Leonard Davis	G	6-6	355	34	11	Texas	FA in '12
74	Joe Staley	T	6-5	315	28	6	Central Michigan	D-1B in '07
75	Alex Boone	G/T	6-8	300	25	3	Ohio State	FA in '09
76	Anthony Davis	T	6-5	323	23	3	Rutgers	D-1A in '10
77	Mike Iupati	G	6-5	331	25	3	Idaho	D-1B in '10
81	Garrett Celek	TE	6-5	252	24	R	Michigan State	FA in '12
82	Mario Manningham	WR	6-0	185	26	5	Michigan	FA in '12
84	Randy Moss	WR	6-4	210	35	14	Marshall	FA in '12
85	Vernon Davis	TE	6-3	250	28	7	Maryland	D-1A in '06
86	Brian Jennings	TE/LS	6-5	242	36	13	Arizona State	D-7B in '00
90	Isaac Sopoaga	NT	6-2	330	31	9	Hawaii	D-4A in '04
91	Ray McDonald	DT	6-3	290	28	6	Florida	D-3B in '07
93	Ian Williams	NT	6-1	305	23	2	Notre Dame	FA in '11
94	Justin Smith	DT	6-4	285	33	12	Missouri	UFA in '08
95	Ricky Jean Francois	DT	6-3	295	26	4	Louisiana State	D-7B in '09
99	Aldon Smith	LB	6-4	258	23	2	Missouri	D-1 in '11

## RESERVE/PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO PERFORM

58	Darius Fleming	LB	6-2	255	23	R	Notre Dame	D-5 in '12
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## INJURED RESERVE

10	Kyle Williams	WR	5-10	186	24	3	Arizona State	D-6C in '10
32	Kendall Hunter	RB	5-7	199	24	2	Oklahoma State	D-4 in '11
83	Demarcus Dobbs	TE/DT	6-2	282	25	2	Georgia	FA in '11
98	Parys Haralson	LB	6-0	255	28	7	Tennessee	D-5 in '06

## RESERVE/SUSPENDED

45	Brandon Jacobs	RB	6-4	264	30	8	Southern Illinois	FA in '12
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## PRACTICE SQUAD

14	Chad Hall	WR	5-8	187	26	3	Air Force	FA in '12
18	Ricardo Lockette	WR	6-2	211	26	1	Fort Valley State	FA in '12
36	Michael Thomas	S	5-11	182	23	R	Stanford	FA in '12
44	Alex Hoffman-Ellis	LB	6-0	232	23	R	Washington State	FA in '12
50	Cam Johnson	LB	6-3	268	22	R	Virginia	D-7 in '12
63	Tony Jerod-Eddie	DT	6-5	301	22	R	Texas A&M	FA in '12
65	Al Netter	G	6-6	310	23	R	Northwestern	FA in '12
69	Kenny Wiggins	T	6-6	314	24	1	Fresno State	FA in '12

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS POSITIONAL ROSTER

AS OF DECEMBER 4, 2012

NO	PLAYER	POS	HT	WT	DOB	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED
<b>QUARTERBACKS (3)</b>									
3	Tolzien, Scott	QB	6-3	208	9-4-87	2	Wisconsin	Rolling Meadows, IL	W in '11 (SD)
7	Kaepernick, Colin	QB	6-4	230	11-3-87	2	Nevada	Turlock, CA	D-2 in '11
11	Smith, Alex	QB	6-4	217	5-7-84	8	Utah	La Mesa, CA	D-1 in '05
<b>RUNNING BACKS (6)</b>									
21	Gore, Frank	RB	5-9	217	5-14-83	8	Miami	Coral Gables, FL	D-3A in '05
23	James, LaMichael	RB	5-9	195	10-22-89	R	Oregon	Texarkana, TX	D-2 in '12
24	Dixon, Anthony	RB	6-1	233	9-24-87	3	Mississippi State	Terry, MS	D6-A in '10
33	Hampton, Jewel	RB	5-9	210	12-23-89	R	Southern Illinois	Indianapolis, IN	FA in '12
48	Tukuafu, Will	FB/DT	6-4	293	1-3-84	2	Oregon	Salt Lake City, UT	FA in '10
49	Miller, Bruce	FB	6-2	248	8-6-87	2	Central Florida	Woodstock, GA	D-7A in '11
<b>WIDE RECEIVERS (5)</b>									
15	Crabtree, Michael	WR	6-1	214	9-14-87	4	Texas Tech	Dallas, TX	D-1 in '09
17	Jenkins, A.J.	WR	6-0	192	9-30-89	R	Illinois	Jacksonville, FL	D-1 in '12
19	Ginn Jr., Ted	WR	5-11	180	4-12-85	6	Ohio State	Cleveland, OH	TR in '10 (Mia.)
82	Manningham, Mario	WR	6-0	185	5-25-86	5	Michigan	Warren, OH	FA in '12
84	Moss, Randy	WR	6-4	210	2-13-77	14	Marshall	Rand, WV	FA in '12
<b>TIGHT ENDS (3)</b>									
46	Walker, Delanie	TE	6-0	242	8-12-84	7	Central Missouri	Pomona, CA	D-6A in '06
81	Celek, Garrett	TE	6-5	252	5-29-88	R	Michigan State	Cincinnati, OH	FA in '12
85	Davis, Vernon	TE	6-3	250	1-31-84	7	Maryland	Washington, DC	D-1A in '06
<b>OFFENSIVE LINE (8)</b>									
59	Goodwin, Jonathan	C	6-3	318	12-2-78	11	Michigan	Columbia, SC	FA in '11
66	Looney, Joe	G	6-3	309	8-31-90	R	Wake Forest	Lake Worth, FL	D-4 in '12
67	Kilgore, Daniel	G	6-3	308	12-18-87	2	Appalachian State	Kingsport, TN	D-5 in '11
68	Davis, Leonard	G	6-6	355	9-5-78	11	Texas	Wortham, TX	FA in '12
74	Staley, Joe	T	6-5	315	8-30-84	6	Central Michigan	Rockford, MI	D-1B in '07
75	Boone, Alex	G/T	6-8	300	5-4-87	3	Ohio State	Cleveland, OH	FA in '09
76	Davis, Anthony	T	6-5	323	10-11-89	3	Rutgers	Piscataway, NJ	D1-A in '10
77	Iupati, Mike	G	6-5	331	5-12-87	3	Idaho	Anaheim, CA	D1-B in '10
<b>DEFENSIVE LINE (6)</b>									
48	Tukuafu, Will	FB/DT	6-4	293	1-3-84	2	Oregon	Salt Lake City, UT	FA in '10
90	Sopoaga, Isaac	NT	6-2	330	9-4-81	9	Hawaii	Pago Pago, American Samoa	D-4A in '04
91	McDonald, Ray	DT	6-3	290	9-2-84	6	Florida	Belle Glade, FL	D-3B in '07
93	Williams, Ian	NT	6-1	305	8-31-89	2	Notre Dame	Altamonte Springs, FL	FA in '11
94	Smith, Justin	DT	6-4	285	9-30-79	12	Missouri	Jefferson City, MO	UFA in '08
95	Jean Francois, Ricky	DT	6-3	295	11-23-86	4	Louisiana State	Miami Gardens, FL	D-7B in '09
<b>LINEBACKERS (8)</b>									
51	Haggans, Clark	LB	6-4	243	1-10-77	13	Colorado State	Torrance, CA	FA in '12
52	Willis, Patrick	LB	6-1	240	1-25-85	6	Mississippi	Bruceton, TN	D-1A in '07
53	Bowman, NaVorro	LB	6-0	242	5-28-88	3	Penn State	Forestville, MD	D-3 in '10
54	Grant, Larry	LB	6-1	251	2-16-85	4	Ohio State	Santa Rosa, CA	FA in '11
55	Brooks, Ahmad	LB	6-3	259	3-14-84	7	Virginia	Woodbridge, VA	W in '08 (Cin.)
56	Gooden, Tavares	LB	6-1	242	10-7-84	5	Miami	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	FA in '11
57	Wilhoite, Michael	LB	6-0	240	12-7-86	1	Washburn	Topeka, KS	FA in '11
99	Smith, Aldon	LB	6-4	258	9-25-89	2	Missouri	Raytown, MO	D-1 in '11
<b>DEFENSIVE BACKS (10)</b>									
20	Cox, Perrish	CB	6-0	190	1-7-87	2	Oklahoma State	Waco, TX	FA in '12
22	Rogers, Carlos	CB	6-0	192	7-2-81	8	Auburn	Augusta, GA	FA in '11
25	Brown, Tarell	CB	5-10	193	1-6-85	6	Texas	Mesquite, TX	D-5 in '07
26	Brock, Tramaine	CB	5-10	197	8-20-88	3	Bellhaven	Long Beach, MS	FA in '10
27	Spillman, C.J.	S	6-0	199	5-6-86	4	Marshall	Louisville, KY	W in '10 (SD)
28	McBath, Darcel	S	6-1	198	10-28-85	4	Texas Tech	Gainseville, TX	FA in '12
29	Culliver, Chris	CB	6-0	199	8-17-88	2	South Carolina	Garner, NC	D-3 in '11
30	Robinson, Trenton	S	5-9	193	2-16-90	R	Michigan State	Bay City, MI	D-6A in '12
31	Whitner, Donte	S	5-10	208	7-24-85	7	Ohio State	Cleveland, OH	FA in '11
38	Goldson, Dashon	S	6-2	200	9-18-84	6	Washington	Carson, CA	D-4B in '07
<b>SPECIALISTS (3)</b>									
2	Akers, David	K	5-10	200	12-9-74	14	Louisville	Lexington, KY	FA in '11
4	Lee, Andy	P	6-2	180	8-11-82	9	Pittsburgh	Westminster, SC	D-6A in '04
86	Jennings, Brian	TE/LS	6-5	242	10-14-76	13	Arizona State	Mesa, AZ	D-7B in '00
<b>RESERVE/PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO PERFORM (1)</b>									
58	Fleming, Darius	LB	6-2	255	7-19-89	R	Notre Dame	Chicago, IL	D-5 in '12
<b>INJURED RESERVE (4)</b>									
83	Dobbs, Demarcus	TE/DT	6-2	282	11-30-87	2	Georgia	Savannah, GA	FA in '11
98	Haralson, Parys	LB	6-0	255	1-24-84	7	Tennessee	Madison, MS	D-5 in '06
32	Hunter, Kendall	RB	5-7	199	9-16-88	2	Oklahoma State	Tyler, TX	D-4 in '11
10	Williams, Kyle	WR	5-10	186	7-19-88	3	Arizona State	Scottsdale, AZ	D-6C in '10
<b>RESERVE/SUSPENDED (1)</b>									
45	Jacobs, Brandon	RB	6-4	264	7-6-82	8	Southern Illinois	Napoleanville, LA	FA in '12



# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS ROSTER BREAKDOWN

ROSTER BY EXPERIENCE				HOW THEY WERE BUILT		
PLAYER	EXP	GP/GS	W/ SF	YEAR	PLAYER	ACQ
David Akers	14	218/0	29/0	2000	Brian Jennings	D7b
Clark Haggans	13	170/104	7/0	2004	Isaac Sopoaga	D4a
Brian Jennings	13	205/0	205/0		Andy Lee	D6a
Randy Moss	13	215/192	13/1	2005	Alex Smith	D1
Justin Smith	12	188/184	77/77		Frank Gore	D3a
Leonard Davis	11	168/155	13/0	2006	Vernon Davis	D1a
Jonathan Goodwin	11	161/86	29/29		Parys Haralson+	D5
Andy Lee	9	141/0	141/0		Delanie Walker	D6a
Isaac Sopoaga	9	122/78	122/78	2007	Patrick Willis	D1a
Frank Gore	8	113/99	113/99		Joe Staley	D1b
Brandon Jacobs#	8	102/48	2/0		Tarell Brown	D5
Carlos Rogers	8	107/97	29/29		Ray McDonald	D3b
Alex Smith	8	79/75	79/75		Dashon Goldson	D4b
Vernon Davis	7	101/99	101/99	2008	Justin Smith	FA
Parys Haralson+	7	86/68	86/68		Ahmad Brooks	W
Donte Whitner	7	97/94	28/28	2009	Michael Crabtree	D1
Delanie Walker	7	96/39	96/39		Ricky Jean Francois	D7b
Ahmad Brooks	7	71/37	57/29		Alex Boone	FA
Patrick Willis	6	89/89	89/89	2010	Anthony Davis	D1a
Ted Ginn Jr.	6	85/38	37/3		Mike Iupati	D1b
Ray McDonald	6	84/37	84/37		NaVorro Bowman	D3
Tarell Brown	6	84/34	84/34		Anthony Dixon	D6a
Dashon Goldson	6	78/61	78/61		Kyle Williams+	D6c
Joe Staley	6	79/79	79/79		Ted Ginn Jr.	TR
Tavares Gooden	5	55/12	29/0		Tramaine Brock	FA
Larry Grant	4	63/11	29/3		Will Tukuafu	FA
Michael Crabtree	4	55/53	55/53		C.J. Spillman	W
Mario Manningham	4	60/37	11/8	2011	Aldon Smith	D1
C.J. Spillman	4	50/1	40/1		Colin Kaepernick	D2
Ricky Jean Francois	4	48/3	48/3		Chris Culliver	D3
Darcel McBath	4	34/1	13/0		Kendall Hunter+	D4
Anthony Davis	3	45/45	45/45		Daniel Kilgore	D5
Mike Iupati	3	45/45	45/45		Bruce Miller	D7a
NaVorro Bowman	3	45/30	45/30		David Akers	FA
Anthony Dixon	3	45/0	45/0		Demarcus Dobbs+	FA
Kyle Williams+	3	29/4	29/4		Jonathan Goodwin	FA
Alex Boone	3	30/13	30/13		Carlos Rogers	FA
Tramaine Brock	3	27/0	27/0		Donte Whitner	FA
Will Tukuafu	2	16/0	16/0		Ian Williams	FA
Chris Culliver	2	29/4	29/4		Tavares Gooden	FA
Kendall Hunter+	2	27/1	27/1		Larry Grant	FA
Bruce Miller	2	28/18	28/18		Scott Tolzien	W
Aldon Smith	2	29/13	29/13		Michael Wilhoite	FA
Perrish Cox	2	26/9	13/0	2012	A.J. Jenkins	D1
Demarcus Dobbs+	2	24/0	24/0		LaMichael James	D2
Daniel Kilgore	2	14/0	14/0		Joe Looney	D4
Colin Kaepernick	2	13/4	13/4		Darius Fleming*	D5
Ian Williams	2	1/0	1/0		Trenton Robinson	D6a
Scott Tolzien	2	0/0	0/0		Randy Moss	FA
Michael Wilhoite	1	2/0	2/0		Mario Manningham	FA
A.J. Jenkins	R	1/0	1/0		Perrish Cox	FA
LaMichael James	R	1/0	1/0		Brandon Jacobs#	FA
Joe Looney	R	0/0	0/0		Jewel Hampton	FA
Darius Fleming*	R	0/0	0/0		Darcel McBath	FA
Trenton Robinson	R	2/0	2/0		Leonard Davis	FA
Garrett Celek	R	8/0	8/0		Garrett Celek	FA
Jewel Hampton	R	0/0	0/0		Clark Haggans	FA

\* – Denotes player on the Physically Unable to Perform List

+ – Denotes player on the Injured Reserve List

# – Denotes player on the Reserve/Suspended List

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS PARTICIPATION CHART

PLAYER	@GB 9-9	DET 9-16	@MIN 9-23	@NYJ 9-30	BUF 10-7	NYG 10-14	SEA 10-18	@ARZ 10-29	STL 11-11	CHI 11-19	@NO 11-25	@STL 12-2	MIA 12-9	@NE 12-16	@SEA 12-23	ARZ 12-30	GP	GS	DNP	IA
Akers, David	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Bakhtiari, Eric	NR	NR	P	P	P	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR				3	0	0	0
Boone, Alex	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG				13	13	0	0
Bowman, NaVorro	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB				13	13	0	0
Brock, Tramaine	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Brooks, Ahmad	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB				13	13	0	0
Brown, Tarell	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB				13	13	0	0
Celek, Garrett	IA	IA	DNP	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				10	0	1	2
Cox, Perrish	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Crabtree, Michael	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR				13	13	0	0
Culliver, Chris	CB	CB	P	P	CB	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	CB				13	4	0	0
Davis, Anthony	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT				13	13	0	0
Davis, Leonard	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Davis, Vernon	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE				13	13	0	0
Dixon, Anthony	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Dobbs, Demarcus	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IA	P				12	0	0	1
Fleming, Darius	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP	PUP				0	0	0	0
Ginn Jr., Ted	IA	IA	IA	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				10	0	0	3
Goldson, Dashon	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS				13	13	0	0
Gooden, Tavares	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Goodwin, Jonathan	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C				13	13	0	0
Gore, Frank	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB				13	13	0	0
Grant, Larry	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Haggans, Clark	DNP	DNP	SUS	SUS	SUS	DNP	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				7	0	3	0
Hall, Chad	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	PS	PS				0	0	0	0
Hampton, Jewel	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	IA	IA				0	0	0	2
Haralson, Parys	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR				0	0	0	0
Hoffman-Ellis, Alex	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	PS				0	0	0	0
Hunter, Kendall	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IR	IR				11	0	0	0
Iupati, Mike	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	G				12	12	0	0
Jacobs, Brandon	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	DNP	IA	IA	IA	P	P	IA				2	0	1	10
James, LaMichael	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	P				1	0	0	12
Jean Francois, Ricky	P	P	P	NT	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	1	0	0
Jenkins, A.J.	DNP	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	DNP	P				1	0	2	10
Jennings, Brian	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Jerod-Eddie, Tony	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS				0	0	0	0
Johnson, Cam	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS				0	0	0	0
Kaepernick, Colin	P	DNP	DNP	P	P	P	P	DNP	P	QB	QB	QB	QB				10	4	3	0
Kilgore, Daniel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Lee, Andy	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Lockette, Ricardo	NR	NR	NR	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS				0	0	0	0
Looney, Joe	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA				0	0	0	13
Manningham, Mario	P	WR	P	WR	WR	WR	IA	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	IA				11	9	0	2
Masifilo, Matthew	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	NR	NR	NR	NR				0	0	0	0
McBath, Darcel	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
McDonald, Ray	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT				13	13	0	0
Miller, Bruce	FB	P	FB	P	FB	P	FB	FB	FB	FB	FB	FB	FB				13	10	0	0
Moss, Randy	P	P	WR	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	1	0	0
Netter, Al	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS				0	0	0	0
Palmer, Nathan	PS	PS	PS	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR				0	0	0	0
Robinson, Trenton	P	P	P	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA				3	0	0	10
Rogers, Carlos	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB				13	13	0	0
Smith, Aldon	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB				13	13	0	0
Smith, Alex	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	IA	DNP	DNP	DNP				9	9	3	1
Smith, Justin	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT				13	13	0	0
Sopoaga, Isaac	P	P	NT	IA	P	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	P				12	8	0	1
Spillman, C.J.	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				13	0	0	0
Staley, Joe	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT				13	13	0	0
Thomas, Michael	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	PS				1	0	0	0
Tolzien, Scott	IA	DNP	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	DNP	IA	IA	IA				0	0	2	11
Tukuafu, Will	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IA	P	P				12	0	0	1
Walker, Delanie	P	P	P	TE	P	P	TE	P	P	P	P	P	TE				13	3	0	0
Whitley, Eddie	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	PS	PS	NR				0	0	0	0
Whitner, Donte	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS				13	13	0	0
Wiggins, Kenny	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS				0	0	0	0
Wilhoite, Michael	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	P				2	0	0	0
Williams, Ian	IA	IA	IA	P	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA				1	0	0	12
Williams, Kyle	WR	WR	P	P	P	WR	P	P	P	P	P	IR	IR				11	3	0	0
Willis, Patrick	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB				13	13	0	0

Position = Starter, P = Played, DNP = Did Not Play, IA = Inactive, IR = Injured Reserve, EQ = Emergency Quarterback, PUP = Physically Unable to Perform, NR = Not on Roster, PS = Practice Squad, NFI = Non-Football Injury, SUS = Suspended, EXP = Roster Exemption, PSI = Practice Squad/Injured, BYE - Week 9

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

## OFFENSE

Opp	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	FB	RB	QB	Other
at GB	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	K. Williams	Miller	Gore	Smith	
Det	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	K. Williams		Gore	Smith	Manningham (WR)
at Min	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Moss	Miller	Gore	Smith	
at NYJ	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Manningham		Gore	Smith	Walker (TE)
Buf	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Manningham	Miller	Gore	Smith	
NYG	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Manningham		Gore	Smith	Williams (WR)
Sea	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis		Miller	Gore	Smith	Walker (TE)
at Arz	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Manningham	Miller	Gore	Smith	
StL	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Manningham	Miller	Gore	Smith	
Chi	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Manningham	Miller	Gore	Kaepernick	
at NO	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Manningham	Miller	Gore	Kaepernick	
at StL	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis	Manningham	Miller	Gore	Kaepernick	
Mia	Crabtree	Staley	Iupati	Goodwin	Boone	A. Davis	V. Davis		Miller	Gore	Kaepernick	Walker (TE)
at NE												
at Sea												
Arz												

## DEFENSE

Opp	LDT	NT	RDT	OLB	ILB	ILB	OLB	LCB	RCB	SS	FS	Other
at GB	McDonald		J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	Culliver (CB)
Det	McDonald		J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	Culliver (CB)
at Min	McDonald	Sopoaga	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
at NYJ	McDonald	Jean Francois	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
Buf	McDonald		J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	Culliver (CB)
NYG	McDonald	Sopoaga	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
Sea	McDonald	Sopoaga	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
at Arz	McDonald	Sopoaga	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
StL	McDonald	Sopoaga	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
Chi	McDonald	Sopoaga	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
at NO	McDonald	Sopoaga	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
at StL	McDonald	Sopoaga	J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	
Mia	McDonald		J. Smith	Brooks	Bowman	Willis	Ald. Smith	Rogers	Brown	Whitner	Goldson	Culliver (CB)
at NE												
at Sea												
Arz												

## INACTIVES

Opp	
at GB	Tolzien/Ginn/James/Jacobs/Looney/Celek/I. Williams
Det	Jenkins/Ginn/James/Jacobs/Looney/Celek/I. Williams
at Min	Tolzien/Jenkins/Ginn/James/Jacobs/Looney/I. Williams
at NYJ	Tolzien/Jenkins/James/Robinson/Jacobs/Looney/Sopoaga
Buf	Tolzien/Jenkins/James/Robinson/Jacobs/Looney/I. Williams
NYG	Tolzien/Jenkins/James/Robinson/Jacobs/Looney/I. Williams
Sea	Tolzien/Jenkins/James/Robinson/Looney/Manningham/I. Williams
at Arz	Tolzien/Jenkins/James/Robinson/Jacobs/Looney/I. Williams
StL	Tolzien/Jenkins/James/Robinson/Jacobs/Looney/I. Williams
Chi	Alex Smith/Jenkins/James/Robinson/Jacobs/Looney/I. Williams
at NO	Tolzien/Jenkins/James/Robinson/Tukuafu/Looney/I. Williams
at StL	Tolzien/James/Robinson/Hampton/Looney/Dobbs/I. Williams
Mia	Tolzien/Robinson/Hampton/Jacobs/Looney/Manningham/I. Williams
at NE	
at Sea	
Arz	



# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS TRANSACTIONS

1-24	Signed C <b>Chase Beeler</b> , T <b>Derek Hall</b> , FS <b>Mark LeGree</b> , DB <b>Cory Nelms</b> , WR <b>Kyle Nelson</b> , TE <b>Konrad Reuland</b> and LB <b>Michael Wilhoite</b> to Reserve/Future contracts.	6-15	Released LS <b>Ryan Pontbriand</b> .
1-30	Signed WR <b>John Matthews</b> to a Reserve/Future contract.	6-20	Signed draft pick WR <b>A.J. Jenkins</b> to a four-year deal.
1-31	Signed G <b>Garrett Chisolm</b> and T <b>Kenny Wiggins</b> to Reserve/Future contracts.	7-16	The team named <b>Steven Rubio</b> a scouting assistant, <b>Mike Williams</b> a pro personnel scout and <b>Dave Scholz</b> the strength, nutrition and conditioning assistant.
2-17	Named <b>Tracy Smith</b> special teams assistant. Two coaches received new titles: <b>Ejoro Evero</b> was named offensive assistant and <b>Michael Christianson</b> was named offensive assistant & coordinator of football technology.	7-20	Signed CB <b>Darcel McBath</b> to a one-year deal.
2-23	Signed LS <b>Ryan Pontbriand</b> to a one-year contract.	7-26	Signed G <b>Leonard Davis</b> to a one-year contract and waived OL <b>David Gonzales</b> .
2-28	Signed LB <b>Ahmad Brooks</b> to a six-year contract extension.	8-9	Waived CB <b>Curtis Holcomb</b> .
3-2	Placed the non-exclusive franchise tag on S <b>Dashon Goldson</b> .	8-11	Signed LB <b>Kenny Rowe</b> to a two-year contract and waived S <b>Mark LeGree</b> .
3-6	Signed S <b>C.J. Spillman</b> to a three-year contract extension.	8-13	Signed TE <b>Gijon Robinson</b> to a one-year contract and TE <b>Joe Sawyer</b> to a three-year deal. The team also waived G <b>Garrett Chisolm</b> .
3-8	Signed DT <b>Will Tukuafu</b> to a two-year contract extension.	8-15	Signed LB <b>Ikaika Alama-Francis</b> to a one-year deal and waived TE <b>Gijon Robinson</b> .
3-12	Tendered one-year contracts to exclusive rights free agent CB <b>Tramaine Brock</b> and restricted free agent LB <b>Larry Grant</b> . Signed WR <b>Randy Moss</b> to a one-year contract.	8-16	The team waived/injured TE <b>Nate Byham</b> .
3-13	Signed CB <b>Perrish Cox</b> to a two-year contract and signed LB <b>Tavares Gooden</b> to a one-year contract.	8-27	Moved RB <b>Jewel Hampton</b> to the Reserve/Non-Football Injury List and LB <b>Darius Fleming</b> to the Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform List. The team also waived the following 12 players: FB <b>Cameron Bell</b> , OLB <b>Kourtnei Brown</b> , DT <b>Patrick Butrym</b> , WR <b>Ben Hannula</b> , WR <b>Joe Hastings</b> , DT <b>Matthew Masifilo</b> , CB <b>Cory Nelms</b> , CB <b>Deante Purvis</b> , TE <b>Joe Sawyer</b> , OL <b>Jason Slowey</b> , K <b>Giorgio Tavecchio</b> , WR <b>Brian Tims</b> .
3-15	Released CB <b>Shawntae Spencer</b> .	8-29	Signed DT <b>Matthew Masifilo</b> and waived C <b>Chase Beeler</b> .
3-16	Re-signed CB <b>Carlos Rogers</b> to a four-year contract and signed RB <b>Rock Cartwright</b> to a one-year deal.	8-31	The 49ers traded S <b>Colin Jones</b> to the Carolina Panthers for an undisclosed draft pick. Released the following 21 players: LB <b>Ikaika Alama-Francis</b> , LB <b>Eric Bakhtiari</b> , RB <b>Rock Cartwright</b> , T <b>Derek Hall</b> , LB <b>Joe Holland</b> , DT <b>Tony Jerod-Eddie</b> , LB <b>Cam Johnson</b> , QB <b>Josh Johnson</b> , DT <b>Matthew Masifilo</b> , CB <b>Anthony Mosley</b> , TE <b>Kyle Nelson</b> , T <b>Al Netter</b> , WR <b>Chris Owusu</b> , WR <b>Nathan Palmer</b> , G <b>Mike Person</b> , TE <b>Konrad Reuland</b> , LB <b>Kenny Rowe</b> , WR <b>Brett Swain</b> , S <b>Michael Thomas</b> , T <b>Kenny Wiggins</b> , LB <b>Michael Wilhoite</b> .
3-21	Re-signed QB <b>Alex Smith</b> to a three-year deal.	9-1	Signed the following eight players to the team's practice squad: DT <b>Tony Jerod-Eddie</b> , LB <b>Cam Johnson</b> , DT <b>Matthew Masifilo</b> , T <b>Al Netter</b> , WR <b>Nathan Palmer</b> , S <b>Michael Thomas</b> , T <b>Kenny Wiggins</b> , LB <b>Michael Wilhoite</b> .
3-22	Signed WR <b>Mario Manningham</b> and QB <b>Josh Johnson</b> both to two-year deals and re-signed WR <b>Ted Ginn Jr.</b> to a one-year deal.	9-3	Placed LB <b>Parys Harlason</b> on the Injured Reserve List and signed LB <b>Clark Haggans</b> to a one-year deal.
3-30	Waived WR <b>Dontavia Bogan</b> .	9-19	Signed LB <b>Eric Bakhtiari</b> to a two-year deal after LB <b>Clark Haggans</b> was placed on reserve/suspended list.
4-6	Signed RB <b>Brandon Jacobs</b> to a one-year deal.	9-24	WR <b>Nathan Palmer</b> was signed from the 49ers practice squad to the Indianapolis Colts 53-man roster.
4-17	LB <b>Larry Grant</b> signed the one-year contract he had previously been tendered. Signed WR <b>Brett Swain</b> to a one-year deal.	9-25	Signed WR <b>Ricardo Lockette</b> to the team's practice squad.
4-26	Selected WR <b>A.J. Jenkins</b> in the 1st round (30th overall).	10-9	Waived LB <b>Eric Bakhtiari</b> and activated LB <b>Clark Haggans</b> from the reserved/suspended list.
4-27	Selected RB <b>LaMichael James</b> in the 2nd round (61st overall) and traded 3rd round pick (92nd overall) to Indianapolis for a 2012 4th round pick (97th overall) and the Colts 2013 5th round selection.	11-16	DT <b>Matthew Masifilo</b> was signed from the 49ers practice squad to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 53-man roster.
4-28	Traded 4th round (97th overall) pick to Miami for a 2012 4th round pick (103rd overall), a 2012 6th round pick (196th overall, from New Orleans) and the Dolphins 2013 6th round pick. Traded 4th round (103rd overall) pick to Carolina for 2013 6th round pick (180th overall) and the Panthers 2013 3rd round pick. Selected G <b>Joe Looney</b> in the 4th round (117th overall). Traded 4th round (125th overall) pick to Detroit along with a 2012 6th round pick (196th overall from New Orleans via Miami) for a 2012 4th round pick (117th overall). Selected LB <b>Darius Fleming</b> in the 5th round (165th overall) and S <b>Trenton Robinson</b> in the 6th round (180th overall). Traded 6th round (196th overall) pick to Detroit along with a 2012 4th round pick (125th overall) for a 2012 4th round pick (117th overall). Selected LB <b>Cam Johnson</b> in the 7th round (237th overall).	11-20	Signed S <b>Eddie Whitley</b> to the team's practice squad.
5-4	Signed 17 undrafted free agents: FB <b>Cameron Bell</b> , LB <b>Kourtnei Brown</b> , DT <b>Patrick Butrym</b> , TE <b>Garrett Celek</b> , OL <b>David Gonzales</b> , RB <b>Jewel Hampton</b> , LB <b>Joe Holland</b> , DT <b>Matthew Masifilo</b> , CB <b>Anthony Mosley</b> , T <b>Kevin Murphy</b> , G <b>Al Netter</b> , WR <b>Chris Owusu</b> , WR <b>Nathan Palmer</b> , CB <b>Deante Purvis</b> , K <b>Giorgio Tavecchio</b> , S <b>Michael Thomas</b> and WR <b>Brian Tims</b> .	11-27	Signed LB <b>NaVorro Bowman</b> to a five-year contract extension through the 2018 season.
5-10	Signed the following six draft picks to four-year deals: RB <b>LaMichael James</b> , G <b>Joe Looney</b> , LB <b>Darius Fleming</b> , S <b>Trenton Robinson</b> , OL <b>Jason Slowey</b> , and LB <b>Cameron Johnson</b> .		Placed RB <b>Kendall Hunter</b> and WR <b>Kyle Williams</b> on the Injured Reserve List. The team activated RB <b>Jewel Hampton</b> from the Non-Football Injury List to the 53-man roster.
5-14	Signed LB <b>Eric Bakhtiari</b> to a two-year deal and DB <b>Ben Hannula</b> to a three-year deal. The team released WR <b>John Matthews</b> and T <b>Kevin Murphy</b> .		Released S <b>Eddie Whitley</b> from the practice squad and signed WR <b>Chad Hall</b> to the team's practice squad.
6-6	Promoted <b>Ethan Waugh</b> to senior personnel assistant. The team also named <b>Scott Brown</b> and <b>Chip Flanagan</b> regional scouts.	11-30	Promoted LB <b>Michael Wilhoite</b> from the practice squad to the active roster, signing him to a two-year contract. The team also added S <b>Eddie Whitley</b> to the practice squad.
6-12	Named <b>Paul Wulff</b> as senior offensive assistant.	12-4	Released S <b>Eddie Whitley</b> from the practice squad and signed LB <b>Alex Hoffman-Ellis</b> to the practice squad.
		12-10	Placed RB <b>Brandon Jacobs</b> on the reserve/suspended list.
		12-11	Placed TE/DT <b>Demarcus Dobbs</b> on the injured reserve list.

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS REGULAR SEASON STATISTICS

Date	W/L	Score	Opponent	Attendance	Rushing	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
9/9	W	30-22	at Green Bay	70,523	F. Gore	211	1035	4.9	37	7
9/16	W	27-19	Detroit	69,732	K. Hunter	72	371	5.2	26	2
9/23	L	13-24	at Minnesota	57,288	C. Kaepernick	46	351	7.6	50t	5
9/30	W	34-0	at New York Jets	79,088	A. Smith	29	134	4.6	24	0
10/7	W	45-3	Buffalo	69,732	M. Manningham	3	64	21.3	29	0
10/14	L	3-26	New York Giants	69,732	A. Dixon	14	57	4.1	9	2
10/18	W	13-6	Seattle	69,732	L. James	8	30	3.8	13	0
10/29	W	24-3	at Arizona	62,810	K. Williams	4	21	5.3	9	0
11/11	T	24-24 (OT)	St. Louis	69,732	B. Miller	3	15	5.0	9	0
11/19	W	32-7	Chicago	69,732	M. Crabtree	1	8	8.0	8	0
11/25	W	31-21	at New Orleans	73,147	B. Jacobs	5	7	1.4	3	0
12/2	L	13-16 (OT)	at St. Louis	57,279	T. Ginn Jr.	1	7	7.0	7	0
12/9	W	27-13	Miami	69,732	<b>49ers</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>50t</b>	<b>16</b>
12/16			at New England		<b>Opponents</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>1,181</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3</b>
12/23			at Seattle		<b>Receiving</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Long</b>	<b>TD</b>
12/30			Arizona		M. Crabtree	66	761	11.5	36	5

Team Statistics		49ers		Opponents	
<b>Total First Downs</b>		<b>266</b>		<b>219</b>	
Rushing		111		53	
Passing		137		136	
Penalty		18		30	
3rd Down: Made/Att		56/155		55/175	
3rd Down Pct.		36.1%		31.4%	
4th Down: Made/Att		4/7		8/18	
4th Down Pct.		57.1%		44.4%	
<b>Possession Avg.</b>		<b>30:55</b>		<b>29:05</b>	
<b>Total Net Yards</b>		<b>4,681</b>		<b>3,582</b>	
Avg. Per Game		360.1		275.5	
Total Plays		781		805	
Avg. Per Play		6.0		4.4	
<b>Net Yards Rushing</b>		<b>2,100</b>		<b>1,181</b>	
Avg. Per Game		161.5		90.8	
Total Rushes		397		327	
<b>Net Yards Passing</b>		<b>2,581</b>		<b>2,401</b>	
Avg. Per Game		198.5		184.7	
Sacked/Yards Lost		38/223		32/233	
Gross Yards		2,804		2,634	
Attempts/Completions		346/239		446/267	
Completion Pct.		69.1%		59.9%	
Had Intercepted		6		10	
<b>Punts/Average</b>		<b>55/47.3</b>		<b>67/45.3</b>	
<b>Net Punting Avg.</b>		<b>42.2</b>		<b>37.9</b>	
<b>Penalties/Yards</b>		<b>94/789</b>		<b>76/606</b>	
<b>Fumbles/Ball Lost</b>		<b>17/6</b>		<b>18/8</b>	
<b>Touchdowns</b>		<b>35</b>		<b>18</b>	
Rushing		16		3	
Passing		16		13	
Returns		3		2	

Score By Periods		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	Pts	49ers	32	13	335	10.5	38	0									
49ers		50	87	76	103	0	316	Opponents	26	17	202	7.8	75t	1									
Opponents		37	43	41	60	3	184	Kickoff Returns							No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD				
Scoring		TD	Ru	Pa	Rt	PAT	FG	2Pt	Pts	K. Williams							13	353	27.2	94	0		
D. Akers		0	0	0	0	35/35	23/32	0	104	T. Ginn Jr.							11	253	23.0	31	0		
F. Gore		8	7	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	48	K. Hunter							7	165	23.6	31	0		
V. Davis		5	0	5	0	0/0	0/0	0	30	L. James							3	79	26.3	34	0		
M. Crabtree		5	0	5	0	0/0	0/0	0	30	49ers							34	850	25.0	94	0		
C. Kaepernick		5	5	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	30	Opponents							36	1,010	28.1	66	0		
K. Hunter		2	2	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	12	Field Goals							1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+		
A. Dixon		2	2	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	12	D. Akers							1/1	5/5	10/11	6/10	1/5		
R. Moss		2	0	2	0	0/0	0/0	0	12	49ers							1/1	5/5	10/11	6/10	1/5		
C. Rogers		1	0	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	6	Opponents							0/0	4/4	6/6	3/5	5/8		
K. Williams		1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6	Akers: (40G, 43G, 63G) (36G, 48G) (29G, 43B, 29G) (55N, 36G, 40N, 40G) (19G) (43N, 42G, 52N) (38G, 28G) (43G, 41N) (32G, 37G, 32G) (27G, 50N, 33B) (23G, 33G, 51N) (30G, 37G)													
D. Whitner		1	0	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	6	Opponents: () (38G, 41G, 40N, 40G, 48G) (52G) () (31G) (34G, 40B, 30G, 22G, 32G) (52G, 35G, 51N) (28) (27G, 58N) () () (58N, 53G, 54G) (28G, 53G)													
D. Walker		1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6	Fumbles Lost: C. Kaepernick 2, T. Ginn Jr. 1, F. Gore 1, K. Hunter 1, A. Smith 1 Total: 6													
A. Brooks		1	0	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	6														
M. Manningham		1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6														
R. McDonald		0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	2														
49ers		35	16	16	3	35/35	23/32	0	316														
Opponents		18	3	13	2	16/16	18/23	2	184														

**Sacks:** 49ers: Ald. Smith 19.5, A. Brooks 5.5, J. Smith 3.0, N. Bowman 2.0, C. Rogers 1.0, R. McDonald 0.5, P. Willis 0.5 **Total: 32.0, Opponents: 38.0**

**2-Pt. Conversions:** 49ers 0/0, Opponents 2/2

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
A. Smith	217	152	1,731	70.0%	8.0	13	6.0%	5	2.3%	55	24/137	104.0
C. Kaepernick	129	87	1,073	67.4%	8.3	3	2.3%	1	0.8%	57	13/82	97.4
K. Hunter	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	1/4	0
<b>49ers</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>2,804</b>	<b>69.1%</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>38/223</b>	<b>101.6</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>2,634</b>	<b>59.9%</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2.9%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>32/233</b>	<b>76.9</b>

Punting		No	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
A. Lee		55	2,603	47.3	42.2	4	31	66	0
49ers		55	2,603	47.3	42.2	4	31	66	0
Opponents		66	3,035	45.3	38.5	6	21	64	1

Punt Returns		Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
T. Ginn Jr.		28	7	283	10.1	38	0
K. Williams		4	6	52	13.0	20	0
49ers		32	13	335	10.5	38	0
Opponents		26	17	202	7.8	75t	1

Kickoff Returns		No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
K. Williams		13	353	27.2	94	0
T. Ginn Jr.		11	253	23.0	31	0
K. Hunter		7	165	23.6	31	0
L. James		3	79	26.3	34	0
49ers		34	850	25.0	94	0
Opponents		36	1,010	28.1	66	0

Field Goals		1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
D. Akers		1/1	5/5	10/11	6/10	1/5
49ers		1/1	5/5	10/11	6/10	1/5
Opponents		0/0	4/4	6/6	3/5	5/8

**Akers:** (40G, 43G, 63G) (36G, 48G) (29G, 43B, 29G) (55N, 36G, 40N, 40G) (19G) (43N, 42G, 52N) (38G, 28G) (43) (33G, 41N) (32G, 37G, 32G) (27G, 50N, 33B) (23G, 33G, 51N) (30G, 37G)  
**Opponents:** () (38G, 41G, 40N, 40G, 48G) (52G) () (31G) (34G, 40B, 30G, 22G, 32G) (52G, 35G, 51N) (28) (27G, 58N) () (58N, 53G, 54G) (28G, 53G)

**Fumbles Lost:** C. Kaepernick 2, T. Ginn Jr. 1, F. Gore 1, K. Hunter 1, A. Smith 1 **Total: 6**

**Opponent Fumble Recoveries:** C. Rogers 3, D. Goldson 1, D. McBeth 1, J. Smith 1, C. Spillman 1, P. Willis 1 **Total: 8**

# 2012 DEFENSIVE & SPECIAL TEAM STATISTICS

## DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			For Quarterback									
	Total	Solo	Asst	Loss	Sacks	Hits	Pres	INT	PD	FF	FR		
N. Bowman	150	76	74	3	2.0	3	7	1	5	0	0		
P. Willis	140	77	63	3.5	0.5	8	13	1	8	2	1		
J. Smith	124	78	46	14	3.0	52	77	0	2	0	1		
D. Whitner	98	60	38	4	0.0	1	1	1	3	1	0		
D. Goldson	96	55	41	1	0.0	1	1	3	10	1	1		
R. McDonald	87	45	42	5.5	0.5	45	61	0	1	0	0		
A. Smith	72	55	17	24.5	19.5	39	57	0	0	3	0		
A. Brooks	64	43	21	10.5	5.5	29	40	1	6	2	0		
C. Rogers	57	43	14	2	1.0	1	1	0	4	0	3		
T. Brown	45	36	9	0	0.0	0	0	1	11	0	0		
C. Culliver	41	29	12	0	0.0	0	0	2	13	0	0		
I. Sopoaga	40	17	23	2	0.0	5	9	0	0	0	0		
R. Jean Francois	30	14	16	2	0.0	5	8	0	0	0	0		
P. Cox	13	10	3	0	0.0	1	1	0	1	0	0		
W. Tukuafu	9	4	5	0	0.0	1	2	0	0	0	0		
D. Dobbs	7	3	4	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
C. Haggans	5	2	3	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
C. Spillman	3	3	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
D. McBath	2	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
T. Gooden	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
L. Grant	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
T. Brock	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1086</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>		

## SACKS (32.0)

**Ald. Smith (19.5)** - 1.0 at GB, 1.5 vs. Det., 2.0 at NYJ, 1.0 vs. Sea., 2.0 at Arz., 2.0 vs. StL, 5.5 vs. Chi., 1.5 at NO, 1.0 at StL, 2.0 vs. Mia.  
**Brooks (5.5)** - 1.0 at GB, 1.0 at NYJ, 1.0 vs. Buf., 1.0 at Arz., 1.5 at NO  
**J. Smith (3.0)** - 0.5 vs. Chi., 1.5 at NO. 1.0 at StL  
**Bowman (2.0)** - 1.0 vs. Sea., 1.0 at Arz.  
**Rogers (1.0)** - 1.0 at GB  
**McDonald (0.5)** - 0.5 vs. Det.  
**Willis (0.5)** - 0.5 at NO

## INTERCEPTIONS (10)

**Goldson (3)** - 1-20 vs. Det., 1-1 vs. Sea., 1-0 vs. Chi.  
**Culliver (2)** - 1-4 vs. Buf., 1-0 at Arz.  
**Bowman (1)** - 1-11 at GB  
**Brooks (1)** - 1-50t at NO  
**Brown (1)** - 1-5 vs. Chi.  
**Whitner (1)** - 1-42t at NO  
**Willis (1)** - 1-0 at NYJ

## TOUCHDOWNS (3)

**Brooks (1)** - 50-yd. INT return at NO  
**Whitner (1)** - 42-yd. INT return at NO  
**Rogers (1)** - 51-yd. fumble return at NYJ

## SAFETIES (1)

**McDonald (1)** - Bears G Chilo Rachel tackled in end zone vs. Chi.

## SINGLE-GAME BESTS

**Tackles:** 17 by NaVorro Bowman at Min.  
**Tackles for Loss:** 5.5 by Aldon Smith vs. Chi.  
**Sacks:** 5.5 by Aldon Smith vs. Chi.  
**Passes Defensed:** 5 by Tarell Brown and Chris Culliver at Arz.  
**Interceptions:** 1 - 10 times, last by Donte Whitner at NO  
**Forced Fumbles:** 2 by Aldon Smith vs. Chi.  
**Fumble Recoveries:** 2 by Carlos Rogers at NYJ  
**Special Teams Tackles:** 3 by Bruce Miller vs. Chi.

## SPECIAL TEAMS

PLAYER	Tot	Solo	Ast	KDs	FF	FR	BP	PTS
D. Dobbs	3	0	3	9	0	0	2	584
T. Brock	10	6	4	13	1	0	11	548
T. Gooden	13	3	10	8	0	0	7	527
D. McBath	5	1	4	5	0	1	5	517
C. Spillman	7	2	5	8	0	1	8	496
A. Dixon	5	1	4	12	1	1	4	481
L. Grant	3	1	2	13	0	0	3	457
B. Miller	9	4	5	6	0	0	6	457
D. Akers	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	426
A. Lee	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	354
W. Tukuafu	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	299
B. Jennings	3	0	3	4	0	0	2	268
D. Goldson	5	3	2	0	0	0	3	225
C. Culliver	7	4	3	5	1	0	1	206
D. Walker	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	201
P. Cox	7	5	2	1	0	0	0	191
D. Kilgore	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	189
T. Ginn Jr.	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	165
J. Staley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	135
A. Boone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	133
L. Davis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	131
M. Iupati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	130
A. Davis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	129
N. Bowman	4	1	3	1	0	0	2	125
R. Jean Francois	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	114
T. Brown	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	112
P. Willis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	112
R. McDonald	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	107
A. Brooks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99
Ald. Smith	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	95
M. Wilhoite	3	2	1	3	0	0	3	88
K. Williams	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	87
G. Celek	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	87
E. Bakhtiari	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57
K. Hunter	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	41
T. Robinson	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	40
I. Sopoaga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
J. Goodwin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
L. James	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	13
V. Davis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
R. Moss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
C. Haggans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>8476</b>

**Special Teams Key:** Tot (total tackles), Solo (solo tackle), Ast (assisted tackle), KDs (knock down), FF (forced fumble), FR (fumble recovery), BP (big play), PTS (production points as graded by coaching staff)

## BLOCKED FIELD GOALS (1)

**Brown (1)** - vs. NYG



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	at GB	Det	at Min	at NYJ	Buf	NYG	Sea	at Arz	StL	Chi	at NO	at StL	Mia	at NE	at Sea	Arz	Totals
<b>First Downs</b>																	
Total	22	24	19	26	29	14	18	15	25	18	18	18	20				266
Rushing	6	8	5	16	18	4	8	4	14	6	7	6	9				111
Passing	13	13	14	7	11	10	9	10	11	9	10	11	9				137
Penalty	3	3	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	3	1	1	2				18
<b>Third Down</b>																	
Conversions	2	4	4	4	7	4	3	6	2	4	6	8	2				56
Attempts	9	11	10	12	11	14	11	12	11	12	13	19	10				155
Percentage	22.2	36.4	40.0	33.3	63.6	28.6	27.3	50.0	18.2	33.3	46.2	42.1	20.0				36.1
<b>4th Down</b>																	
Conversions	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0				4
Attempts	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	0				7
<b>Time of Possession</b>																	
49ers	33:00	29:34	26:32	36:56	36:14	27:45	32:01	31:16	34:15	29:43	30:06	38:54	30:32				30:55
<b>Total Net Yards</b>																	
Plays	62	61	58	68	63	60	57	52	64	54	56	71	55				781
Yards	377	349	280	381	621	314	313	317	341	353	375	339	321				4681
Average	6.1	5.7	4.8	5.6	9.9	5.2	5.5	6.1	5.3	6.5	6.7	4.8	5.8				6.0
<b>Rushing</b>																	
Attempts	32	27	20	44	38	17	32	29	34	29	31	36	28				397
Yards	186	148	89	247	311	80	175	113	183	121	144	148	155				2,100
Average	5.8	5.5	4.5	5.6	8.2	4.7	5.5	3.9	5.4	4.2	4.6	4.1	5.5				5.3
<b>Passing</b>																	
Net	191	201	191	134	310	234	138	204	158	232	231	191	166				2,581
Sacks	4	3	3	2	0	6	2	4	5	2	0	3	4				38
Yards	20	25	13	9	0	48	2	28	31	11	0	17	19				223
Gross	211	226	204	143	310	282	140	232	189	243	231	208	185				2,804
Attempts	26	31	35	22	25	37	23	19	25	23	25	32	23				346
Completions	20	20	24	12	19	23	14	18	18	16	16	21	18				239
Percentage	76.9	64.5	68.6	54.5	76.0	62.2	60.9	94.7	72.0	69.6	64.0	65.6	78.3				69.1
Interceptions	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	0				6
<b>Punting</b>																	
Number	5	3	3	4	2	4	5	5	6	4	4	6	4				55
Average	51.2	36.3	48.7	46.0	56.0	49.8	45.6	48.8	41.8	47.0	46.8	51.0	48.3				47.3
Net	35.2	33.0	48.7	41.0	42.0	49.3	44.6	45.8	36.2	47.3	41.0	45.0	40.8				42.2
<b>Penalties</b>																	
Number	8	5	6	8	7	6	5	10	7	5	10	11	6				94
Yards	66	62	60	67	53	35	40	80	66	50	68	97	45				789
<b>Fumbles</b>																	
Number	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	4	0	1	1	1				17
Lost	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0				6
<b>Red Zone</b>																	
Number	2	2	3	5	5	0	4	2	3	6	4	3	4				43
Touchdowns	2	1	1	3	4	0	1	2	2	3	2	1	2				24
Field Goals	0	1	2	1	1	0	2	0	1	3	1	2	2				16
<b>Touchdowns</b>																	
Rushing	1	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	3				16
Passing	2	2	1	0	3	0	1	3	1	2	1	0	0				16
Returns	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0				3

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	at GB	Det	at Min	at NYJ	Buf	NYG	Sea	at Arz	StL	Chi	at NO	at StL	Mia	at NE	at Sea	Arz	Totals
<b>First Downs</b>																	
Total	21	15	25	9	10	19	13	16	27	12	19	16	17				219
Rushing	2	3	6	1	4	8	6	0	5	6	4	3	5				53
Passing	16	10	15	5	6	10	5	15	18	5	12	10	9				136
Penalty	3	2	4	3	0	1	2	1	4	1	3	3	3				30
<b>3rd Down</b>																	
Conversions	6	6	7	2	2	5	4	2	7	3	3	3	5				55
Attempts	13	15	14	13	10	15	13	14	16	12	11	16	13				175
Percentage	46.2	40.0	50.0	15.4	20.0	33.3	30.8	14.3	43.8	25.0	27.3	18.8	38.5				31.4
<b>4th Down</b>																	
Conversions	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	1				8
Attempts	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	4	2	1	3	1	3				18
<b>Time of Possession</b>																	
Opponents	27:00	30:26	33:28	23:04	23:46	32:15	27:59	28:44	40:45	30:17	29:54	35:40	29:28				29:05
<b>Total Net Yards</b>																	
Plays	61	60	76	50	46	65	54	65	80	56	67	68	57				805
Yards	324	296	344	145	204	342	251	265	458	143	290	293	227				3,582
Average	5.3	4.9	4.5	2.9	4.4	5.3	4.6	4.1	5.7	2.6	4.3	4.3	4.0				4.4
<b>Rushing</b>																	
Attempts	14	26	41	17	19	37	29	9	37	28	21	27	22				327
Yards	45	82	146	45	89	149	136	7	159	85	59	85	94				1,181
Average	3.2	3.2	3.6	2.6	4.7	4.0	4.7	0.8	4.3	3.0	2.8	3.1	4.3				3.6
<b>Passing</b>																	
Net	279	214	198	100	115	193	115	258	299	58	231	208	133				2,401
Sacks	3	2	0	3	1	0	2	4	2	6	5	2	2				32
Yards	24	16	0	12	11	0	7	32	16	49	36	13	17				233
Gross	303	230	198	112	126	193	122	290	315	107	267	221	150				2,634
Attempts	44	32	35	30	26	28	23	52	41	22	41	39	33				446
Completions	30	19	21	14	16	15	9	32	28	14	26	26	17				267
Percentage	68.2	59.4	60.0	46.7	61.5	53.6	39.1	61.5	68.3	63.6	63.4	66.7	51.5				59.9
Interceptions	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	0				10
<b>Punting</b>																	
Number	6	2	4	8	6	4	4	7	4	5	5	9	3				67
Average	48.2	44.5	45.3	37.9	47.7	49.8	48.5	47.3	36.8	46.8	50.4	43.1	47.3				45.3
Net	41.5	40.5	34.3	32.9	41.2	39.3	31.0	36.0	31.0	43.0	47.8	42.4	36.7				38.5
<b>Penalties</b>																	
Number	10	8	1	4	5	2	3	7	13	6	4	8	5				76
Yards	77	67	10	30	30	20	20	51	85	55	53	65	43				606
<b>Fumbles</b>																	
Number	1	0	3	3	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	0	3				18
Lost	0	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1				8
<b>Red Zone</b>																	
Number	2	1	2	0	1	6	1	2	3	1	3	1	2				25
Touchdowns	2	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	3	0	1				14
Field Goals	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	1				9
<b>Touchdowns</b>																	
Rushing	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0				3
Passing	2	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	3	0	1				13
Returns	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0				2

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

## SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

	<b>Bests/High</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Worsts/Lows</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Date</b>
First Downs	29	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	14	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12
Third-Down %	7-11-64%	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	2-11-18%	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Total Net Yards	621	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	280	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Offensive Plays	71	at St. Louis	12/2/12	52	at Arizona	10/29/12
Avg. Per Play	9.9	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	4.8	at St. Louis	12/2/12
Rushing Yards	311	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	80	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12
Rushes	44	at New York Jets	9/30/12	17	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12
Rushing Avg.	8.2	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	3.9	at Arizona	10/29/12
Net Passing Yards	310	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	134	at New York Jets	9/30/12
Completions	24	at Minnesota	9/23/12	12	at New York Jets	9/30/12
Attempts	37	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12	22	at New York Jets	9/30/12
Completions %	94.7	at Arizona	10/29/12	54.5%	at New York Jets	9/30/12
Avg. Gain Per Passing Play	12.4	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	5.0	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Interceptions Thrown	0	9 times, last vs. Mia.	12/9/12	3	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12
Fumbles Lost	0	8 times, last vs. Mia.	12/9/12	2	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Turnovers	0	6 times, last vs. Mia.	12/9/12	3	2 times, last vs. NYG	10/14/12
Penalties	5	3 times, last vs. Chi.	11/19/12	11	at St. Louis	12/2/12
Penalty Yards	35	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12	97	at St. Louis	12/2/12
Gross Punting Avg.	56.0	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	36.3	vs. Detroit	9/16/12
Net Punting Avg.	49.3	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12	33.0	vs. Detroit	9/16/12
Time of Poss.	38:54	at St. Louis	12/2/12	26:32	at Minnesota	9/23/12

## OPPONENTS

	<b>Worsts/Lows</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Bests/Highs</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Date</b>
First Downs	9	at New York Jets	9/30/12	27	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Third-Down %	2-14-14%	at Arizona	10/29/12	7-14-50%	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Total Net Yards	143	vs. Chicago	11/19/12	458	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Offensive Plays	46	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12	80	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Avg. Per Play	2.6	vs. Chicago	11/19/12	5.7	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Rushing Yards	7	at Arizona	10/29/12	159	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Rushes	9	at Arizona	10/29/12	41	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Rushing Avg.	0.8	at Arizona	10/29/12	4.7	vs. Seattle	10/18/12
Net Passing Yards	58	vs. Chicago	11/19/12	299	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Completions	9	vs. Seattle	10/18/12	32	at Arizona	10/29/12
Attempts	22	vs. Chicago	11/19/12	52	at Arizona	10/29/12
Completions %	39.1	vs. Seattle	10/18/12	68.3%	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Avg. Gain Per Passing Play	2.1	vs. Chicago	11/19/12	7.0	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12
Interceptions Thrown	2	2 times, last at NO	11/25/12	0	5 times, last vs. Mia.	12/9/12
Fumbles Lost	3	at New York Jets	9/30/12	0	8 times, last at StL	12/2/12
Turnovers	4	at New York Jets	9/30/12	0	2 times, last at StL	12/2/12
Penalties	13	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12	1	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Penalty Yards	85	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12	10	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Gross Punting Avg.	36.8	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12	50.4	at New Orleans	11/25/12
Net Punting Avg.	31.0	2 times, last vs. StL	11/11/12	47.8	at New Orleans	11/25/12
Time of Poss.	23:04	at New York Jets	9/30/12	40:45	vs. St. Louis	11/11/12



# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

## Long Plays

		Player	Opponent	Date
Longest Run (yards)	50t	Two times, most recently Colin Kaepernick	vs. Miami	12/9/12
Longest TD Run (yards)	50t	Colin Kaepernick	vs. Miami	12/9/12
Longest Pass Completion (yards)	57	Colin Kaepernick - Kyle Williams	vs. Chicago	11/19/12
Longest TD Pass	47t	Alex Smith - Randy Moss	at Arizona	10/29/12
Longest Punt Return (yards)	38	Ted Ginn Jr.	vs. Seattle	10/18/12
Longest Kickoff Return (yards)	94	Kyle Williams	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Longest Interception Return (yards)	50t	Ahmad Brooks	at New Orleans	11/25/12
Longest Punt (yards)	66	Andy Lee	vs. Seattle	10/18/12
Longest Field Goal (yards)	63	David Akers	at Green Bay	9/9/12

## Single-Game Highs

		Player	Opponent	Date
Most Points Scored	12	Four times, most recently David Akers	vs. Chicago	11/19/12
Most Touchdowns	2	Two times, most recently Michael Crabtree	at Arizona	10/29/12
Most Field Goals	3	Two times, most recently David Akers	vs. Chicago	11/19/12
Most Field Goal Attempts	4	David Akers	at New York Jets	9/30/12
Most Rushing Yards	131	Frank Gore	vs. Seattle	10/18/12
Most Rushing Attempts	23	Frank Gore	at St. Louis	12/2/12
Highest Rushing Avg. (Min. 10 att.)	8.2	Frank Gore	vs. Seattle	10/18/12
Most Pass Completions	24	Alex Smith	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Most Pass Attempts	35	Alex Smith	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Most Gross Passing Yards	303	Alex Smith	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12
Highest Avg. Yards/Per Att. (Min. 10 att.)	12.6	Alex Smith	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12
Most Interceptions Thrown	3	Alex Smith	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12
Most Times Sacked	4	Three times, most recently Alex Smith	at Arizona	10/29/12
Most Receptions	9	Michael Crabtree	vs. Miami	12/9/12
Most Receiving Yards	113	Michael Crabtree	vs. Buffalo	10/7/12
Most Punt Returns	5	Ted Ginn Jr.	at New York Jets	9/30/12
Most Punt Return Yardage	70	Ted Ginn Jr.	vs. Seattle	10/18/12
Most Kickoff Returns	6	Kyle Williams	vs. New York Giants	10/14/12
Most Kickoff Return Yardage	144	Kyle Williams	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Most Interceptions	1	10 times, most recently Donte Whitner	at New Orleans	11/25/12
Most Interception Return Yardage	50	Ahmad Brooks	at New Orleans	11/25/12
Most Tackles	17	NaVorro Bowman	at Minnesota	9/23/12
Most Sacks	5.5	Aldon Smith	vs. Chicago	11/19/12

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS TURNOVER BREAKDOWN

## TAKEAWAYS

Date	Opponent	Turnover	Starting L.O.S	Point of Turnover	Resulting L.O.S.	Qtr.	Result (pts)
9/9	at GB	N. Bowman INT (A. Rodgers)	GB 25	GB 34	GB 23	4	Touchdown (7)
9/16	Det.	D. Goldson INT (M. Stafford)	DET 20	DET 43	DET 23	1	Touchdown (7)
9/23	at Min.	P. Willis FR	SF 35	SF 35	SF 38	4	Interception (0)
		C. Rogers FR (A. Brooks FF)	SF 43	SF 35	SF 43	4	Fumble (0)
9/30	at NYJ	C. Rogers FR (D. Goldson FF)	NYJ 39	NYJ 48	NYJ 47	2	Missed FG (0)
		J. Smith FR (A. Smith FF)	SF 25	SF 25	SF 26	2	Field Goal (3)
		P. Willis INT (M. Sanchez)	NYJ 46	NYJ 41	NYJ 41	3	Missed FG (0)
		C. Rogers FR	SF 44	SF 49	Endzone	4	Touchdown (7)
10/7	vs. Buf.	D. Goldson FR (P. Willis FF)	BUF 21	BUF 32	BUF 28	2	Touchdown (7)
		C. Culliver INT (R. Fitzpatrick)	SF 20	SF 2	SF 6	3	Touchdown (7)
10/14	vs. NYG	None					
10/18	vs. Sea.	D. Goldson INT (R. Wilson)	SEA 33	SF 26	SF 27	3	Interception (0)
10/29	at Arz.	C. Culliver INT (J. Skelton)	ARZ 47	SF 8	SF 8	2	Halftime (0)
11/11	vs. StL	D. McBath FR (T. Brock FF) (ST)	SF 35	StL 28	StL 20	4	Touchdown (7)
11/19	vs. Chi.	T. Brown INT (J. Campbell)	CHI 39	CHI 49	CHI 44	2	Field Goal (3)
		D. Goldson INT (J. Campbell)	CHI 26	CHI 37	CHI 37	3	Field Goal (3)
11/25	at NO	A. Brooks INT (D. Brees)	NO 44	50	Endzone	2	Touchdown (7)
		D. Whitner INT (D. Brees)	NO 22	NO 42	Endzone	3	Touchdown (7)
12/2	at StL	None					
12/9	vs. Mia.	C. Spillman FR (ST)	SF 36	MIA 9	MIA 9	3	Touchdown (7)

**Regular Season Totals:** 18 takeaways resulted in 72 points

L.O.S. - Line of scrimmage

\* - Red zone play

ST - Special teams play

(TB) - Touchback

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS TURNOVER BREAKDOWN

## GIVEAWAYS

Date	Opponent	Turnover	Starting L.O.S	Point of Turnover	Resulting L.O.S.	Qtr.	Result (pts)
9/9	at GB	None					
9/16	Det.	K. Hunter FUMBLE (T. Whitehead FF) (ST)	DET 35	SF 25	SF 25	1	Field Goal (3)
9/23	at Min.	F. Gore FUMBLE (J. Sanford FF)	SF 43	50	50	4	Punt (0)
		A. Smith INT (J. Robinson)	MIN 48	MIN 32	SF 44	4	Fumble (0)
		A. Smith FUMBLE (J. Allen FF)	MIN 35	MIN 42	MIN 42	4	End of Game (0)
9/30	at NYJ	None					
10/7	vs. Buf.	C. Kaepernick FUMBLE (N. Barnett FF)	BUF 26	BUF 20	BUF 17	2	Fumble (0)
10/14	vs. NYG	A. Smith INT (P. Amukamara)	SF 34	NYG 33	NYG 33	2	Touchdown (7)
		A. Smith INT (A. Rolle)	SF 23	SF 32	SF 12	3	Field Goal (3)
		A. Smith INT (A. Rolle)	SF 15	SF 27	SF 5	3	Field Goal (3)
10/18	vs. Sea.	A. Smith INT (B. Browner)	SEA 7*	SEA -1	SEA 3	4	Punt (0)
10/29	at Arz.	None					
11/11	vs. StL	None					
11/19	vs. Chi.	None					
11/25	at NO	T. Ginn Jr. FUMBLE (ST)	NO 41	SF 12	SF 11	2	Touchdown (7)
		C. Kaepernick INT (P. Robinson)	SF 39	NO 44	NO 44	2	Interception (0)
12/2	at StL	C. Kaepernick FUMBLE	SF 17	SF 12	Endzone	4	Touchdown (8)
12/9	vs. Mia.	None					

**Regular Season Totals:** 12 giveaways resulted in 31 points

L.O.S. - Line of scrimmage

\* - Red zone play

ST - Special teams play

(TB) - Touchback

## GAME-BY-GAME TURNOVER DIFFERENTIAL

Date	Opp	Takeways	Giveaways	Game Total	Total
9/9	at GB	1	0	+1	+1
9/16	Det	1	1	0	+1
9/23	at Min	2	3	-1	0
9/30	at NYJ	4	0	+4	+4
10/7	Buf	2	1	+1	+5
10/14	NYG	0	3	-3	+2
10/18	Sea	1	1	0	+2
10/29	at Arz	1	0	+1	+3
11/11	StL	1	0	+1	+4
11/19	Chi	2	0	+2	+6
11/25	at NO	2	2	0	+6
12/2	at StL	0	1	-1	+5
12/9	Mia	1	0	+1	+6
12/16	at NE				
12/23	at Sea				
12/30	Arz				



# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS BIG PLAYS

Rushes of 10-yards or more; Pass completions of 20-yards or more; Returns of 30-yards or more

## 9/9/12 AT GREEN BAY

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	20		Alex Smith to Randy Moss
10			Frank Gore run
17			Colin Kaepernick run
	20		Alex Smith to Michael Crabtree
21			Frank Gore run
	29		Alex Smith to Vernon Davis
16			Frank Gore run
23t			Frank Gore run
		31	Kendall Hunter kickoff return

### PACKERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
28			Aaron Rodgers to Jordy Nelson
		75t	Randall Cobb punt return
49			Aaron Rodgers to James Jones

## 9/16/12 VS. DETROIT

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
29			Mario Manningham run
	21t		Alex Smith to Vernon Davis
14			Frank Gore run
12			Frank Gore run
16			Frank Gore run
11			Frank Gore run
13			Kendall Hunter run
12			Frank Gore run
	23t		Alex Smith to Vernon Davis

### LIONS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
24			Matthew Stafford to Calvin Johnson
		40	Stefan Logan kickoff return
26			Matthew Stafford to Calvin Johnson
11			Matthew Stafford run
	50		Matthew Stafford to Joique Bell
22			Matthew Stafford to Calvin Johnson

## 9/23/12 AT MINNESOTA

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
11			Frank Gore run
10			Alex Smith run
		94	Kyle Williams kickoff return
11			Frank Gore run
	20		Alex Smith to Vernon Davis
		50	Kyle Williams kickoff return
22			Alex Smith to Mario Manningham

### VIKINGS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	24		Christian Ponder to Percy Harvin
23t			Christian Ponder run
		32	Percy Harvin kickoff return
20			Adrian Peterson run

## 9/30/12 AT NEW YORK JETS

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
17			Colin Kaepernick run
	26		Alex Smith to Mario Manningham
28			Mario Manningham run
11			Kendall Hunter run
	23		Alex Smith to Vernon Davis
12			Kendal Hunter run
	25		Alex Smith to Delanie Walker
		51t	Carlos Rogers fumble return
13			Kendall Hunter run
11			Frank Gore run
30			Colin Kaepernick run

### JETS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	22		Mark Sanchez to Chaz Schilens
		44	Joe McKnight kickoff return

## 10/7/12 VS. BUFFALO

49ERS

49ERS

## BILLS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		50	Loadin McKelvin Kirkoff return

## 10/14/12 VS. NEW YORK GIANTS

49ERS

49ERS

## GIANTS

## GIANTS

## 10/18/12 VS. SEATTLE

49ERS

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SEAHAWKS

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## 10/29/12 AT ARIZONA

49ERS

49ERS

## CARDINALS

## CARDINALS



# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS BIG PLAYS

Rushes of 10-yards or more; Pass completions of 20-yards or more; Returns of 30-yards or more

## 11/11/12 VS. ST. LOUIS

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
11			Frank Gore run
11			Frank Gore run
10			Colin Kaepernick run
	20		Colin Kaepernick to Mario Manningham
20t			Frank Gore run
19			Colin Kaepernick run
10			Colin Kaepernick run
14			Colin Kaepernick run

### RAMS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
10			Steven Jackson run
	36t		Sam Bradford to Brian Quick
32			Daryl Richardson run
	21		Johnny Hekker to Rodney McLeod
		31	Isaiah Pead kickoff return
	24		Sam Bradford to Brandon Gibson

## 11/19/12 VS. CHICAGO

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		22	Colin Kaepernick to Vernon Davis
		57	Colin Kaepernick to Kyle Williams
13			Frank Gore run
	32		Colin Kaepernick to Vernon Davis
14t			Kendall Hunter run
14			Frank Gore run
	20		Colin Kaepernick to Michael Crabtree
11			Frank Gore run
	37		Colin Kaepernick to Mario Manningham

### BEARS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		30	Devin Hester kickoff return
13			Jason Campbell run

## 11/25/12 AT NEW ORLEANS

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		40	Colin Kaepernick to Mario Manningham
		26	Colin Kaepernick to Bruce Miller
15			Colin Kaepernick run
		50t	Ahmad Brooks INT return
	45		Colin Kaepernick to Delanie Walker
21			Kendall Hunter run
		42t	Donte Whitner INT return
11			Frank Gore run
	25		Colin Kaepernick to Delanie Walker
14			Frank Gore run
10			Frank Gore run
11			Frank Gore run

### SAINTS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		31	Travaris Cadet kickoff return
	33		Drew Brees to Joseph Morgan
	43		Drew Brees to Lance Moore
		32	Travaris Cadet kickoff return
	35		Drew Brees to Darren Sproles

## 11/25/12 AT ST. LOUIS

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
23			Frank Gore run
	22		Colin Kaepernick to Michael Crabtree
	30		Colin Kaepernick to Michael Crabtree
50			Colin Kaepernick run
10			Colin Kaepernick run

### RAMS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
	20		Sam Bradford to Lance Kendricks
	20		Sam Bradford to Steven Jackson
	22		Sam Bradford to Steven Jackson
14			Sam Bradford run
11			Sam Bradford run



# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS BIG PLAYS

Rushes of 10-yards or more; Pass completions of 20-yards or more; Returns of 30-yards or more

## 12/9/12 VS. MIAMI

### 49ERS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
		34	LaMichael James kickoff return
	20		Colin Kaepernick to Delanie Walker
11			Frank Gore run
10			LaMichael James run
	25		Colin Kaepernick to Michael Crabtree
13			LaMichael James run
19			Frank Gore run
50t			Colin Kaepernick run

### DOLPHINS

Run	Pass	Ret.	Description
28			Ryan Tannehill to Brian Hartline
21			Ryan Tannehill to Davone Bess
		56	Marcus Thigpen kickoff return
		30	Marcus Thigpen kickoff return
20			Ryan Tannehill run
17			Reggie Bush run

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY

## 49ERS THIRD-AND ...

Date	Opp	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	10+	Totals
9/9	at GB	0/2	0/1	0/0	1/2	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/2	2/9
9/16	Det.	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/0	1/2	0/0	1/1	1/3	1/2	4/11
9/23	at Min.	0/0	0/0	0/2	2/2	1/1	0/2	1/1	0/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	4/10
9/30	at NYJ	1/3	0/0	0/1	2/2	0/1	1/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/2	4/12
10/7	Buf.	2/3	1/1	1/1	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	1/2	0/2	7/11
10/14	NYG	1/1	0/0	1/2	1/2	1/3	0/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/3	4/14
10/18	Sea.	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/2	0/1	1/2	1/2	0/1	3/11
10/29	at Arz.	1/1	1/2	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/2	2/2	0/0	0/4	6/12
11/11	StL	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	1/3	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/5	2/11
11/19	Chi.	0/1	0/2	0/0	1/2	0/1	1/1	1/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	1/3	4/12
11/25	at NO	0/0	3/3	1/1	0/1	0/1	1/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/5	6/13
12/2	at StL	1/1	0/0	2/4	2/2	0/0	1/3	0/1	1/1	0/1	0/1	1/5	8/19
12/9	Mia.	0/2	1/1	0/1	0/1	1/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/3	2/10
12/16	at NE												
12/23	at Sea												
12/30	Arz.												
Regular Season Totals:		6/15 40.0	6/11 54.5	7/15 46.7	9/15 60.0	4/12 33.3	5/14 35.7	4/11 36.3	3/8 37.5	5/9 55.6	3/8 37.5	4/37 10.8	56/155 36.1

## OPPONENTS THIRD-AND ...

Date	Opp	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	10+	Totals
9/9	at GB	2/3	0/1	1/1	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/0	0/2	1/1	0/0	1/3	6/13
9/16	Det.	2/2	0/0	0/1	0/1	0/2	2/4	0/0	0/2	1/1	0/0	1/2	6/15
9/23	at Min.	1/2	2/4	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/2	0/1	2/2	1/2	7/14
9/30	at NYJ	1/3	0/1	0/1	0/1	0/0	0/1	0/3	0/1	0/0	0/1	1/1	2/13
10/7	Buf.	0/0	0/2	0/0	1/1	1/1	0/1	0/1	0/2	0/0	0/0	0/2	2/10
10/14	NYG	1/1	1/4	0/0	0/1	0/1	2/2	0/0	1/1	0/2	0/2	0/1	5/15
10/18	Sea.	1/1	0/1	1/1	1/3	1/3	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/3	4/13
10/29	at Arz.	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/2	0/0	0/0	1/3	0/7	2/14
11/11	StL	1/3	0/1	0/1	1/1	1/1	0/2	2/2	1/2	0/1	0/0	2/3	7/16
11/19	Chi.	2/2	0/1	0/2	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/5	3/12
11/25	at NO	1/2	0/1	0/0	1/2	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/1	0/0	0/3	0/1	3/11
12/2	at StL	0/1	0/2	1/2	0/2	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/2	0/0	0/2	1/4	3/16
12/9	Mia.	0/0	0/0	1/2	1/1	0/0	0/1	2/3	1/2	0/1	0/1	0/2	5/13
12/16	at NE												
12/23	at Sea												
12/30	Arz.												
Regular Season Totals:		13/21 61.9	3/18 16.7	4/11 36.4	5/13 38.5	4/10 40.0	5/14 35.7	5/12 41.7	4/17 23.5	2/8 25.0	3/15 20.0	7/36 19.4	55/175 31.4

# 2012 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS RED ZONE PRODUCTION

## SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

Date	Opp	Poss	TD	PAT	2-Pt.	FG	MFG	INT	FUM	DWNS/		GM	PTS	TD%	SCORE		PTS/
										Punt	HF				PCT.	PCT.	
9/9	at GB	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	100.0%	100.0%		7.0
9/16	Det	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	50.0%	100.0%		5.0
9/23	at Min	3	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	33.3%	100.0%		4.3
9/30	at NYJ	5	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	24	60.0%	80.0%		4.8
10/7	Buf	5	4	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	80.0%	100.0%		6.2
10/14	NYG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%		0.0
10/18	Sea	4	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	13	25.0%	75.0%		3.3
10/29	at Arz	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	100.0%	100.0%		7.0
11/11	StL	3	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	66.7%	100.0%		5.7
11/18	Chi	6	3	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	50.0%	100.0%		5.0
11/25	at NO	4	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	17	50.0%	75.0%		4.3
12/2	at StL	3	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	33.3%	100.0%		4.3
12/9	Mia	4	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	50.0%	100.0%		5.0
12/16	at NE																
12/23	at Sea																
12/30	Arz																
TOTALS		43	24	24	0	16	1	1	0	0	0	1	216	55.8%	93.0%		5.0

## OPPONENTS

Date	Opp	Poss	TD	PAT	2-Pt.	FG	MFG	INT	FUM	DWNS/		GM	PTS	TD%	SCORE		PTS/
										Punt	HF				PCT.	PCT.	
9/9	at GB	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	100.0%	100.0%		7.0
9/16	Det	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	100.0%	100.0%		7.0
9/23	at Min	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	100.0%	100.0%		7.0
9/30	at NYJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%		0.0
10/7	Buf	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0%	100.0%		3.0
10/14	NYG	6	2	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	33.3%	100.0%		4.3
10/18	Sea	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0%	100.0%		3.0
10/29	at Arz	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0.0%	50.0%		1.5
11/11	StL	3	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	66.7%	100.0%		5.7
11/18	CHI	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	100.0%	100.0%		7.0
11/25	at NO	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	100.0%	100.0%		7.0
12/2	at StL	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%		0.0
12/9	Mia	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	50.0%	100.0%		5.0
12/16	at NE																
12/23	at Sea																
12/30	Arz																
TOTALS		25	14	14	0	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	125	56.0%	92.0%		5.0



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## TEAM TOTALS

### Won in Overtime

By 49ers:	11/14/10	49ers win vs. St. Louis, 23-20
By Opponent:	12/2/12	Rams win at St. Louis, 16-13
	1/22/12	Giants win vs. New York, 20-17 - NFC-C

### Won by Scoring in the Last Two Minutes of Regulation

By 49ers:	10/16/11	49ers win at Detroit, 25-19 (last score at 1:02)
	1/14/12	49ers win vs. New Orleans, 36-32 (last score at 0:09) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	10/24/10	Panthers win at Carolina, 23-20 (last score at 0:43)
	1/20/91	Giants win vs. New York, 15-13 (last score at 0:00) - NFC-C

### Tied Game by Scoring in the Last Two Minutes of Regulation

By 49ers:	11/11/12	49ers tied vs. St. Louis, 24-24 (tied game at 0:03)
By Opponent:	12/2/12	Rams tied at St. Louis, 13-13 (tied game at 0:00)

### Shutout

By 49ers:	9/30/12	49ers win at New York Jets, 34-0
	12/29/96	49ers win vs. Philadelphia, 14-0 - NFC-WC
By Opponent:	11/21/10	Buccaneers win vs. Tampa Bay, 21-0

### Won by 20-or-More Points

By 49ers:	11/19/12	49ers win vs. Chicago, 32-7
	1/29/95	49ers win at San Diego, 49-26 - SB XXIX
By Opponent:	10/14/12	Giants win vs. New York, 26-3
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win at Tampa Bay, 31-6 - NFC-D

### Won After Trailing by 20-or-More Points

By 49ers:	10/2/11	49ers win at Philadelphia, 24-23 (Eagles ahead 23-3 in 3rd Q)
	1/5/03	49ers win vs. New York, 39-38 (Giants ahead 38-14 in 3rd Q) - NFC-WC
By Opponent:	11/6/88	Cardinals win at Arizona, 24-23 (49ers ahead 23-0 in 3rd Q)

### Held a 28-or-More Point Lead

By 49ers:	10/7/12	49ers win vs. Buffalo, 45-3 (42)
	1/29/95	49ers win vs. San Diego, 49-26 (49ers ahead 49-18 in 4th Q) - SB XXIX
By Opponent:	12/16/10	Chargers win at San Diego, 34-7 (Chargers ahead 34-0 in 4th Q)
	1/4/87	Giants win at New York, 49-3 (46) - NFC-D

### Held a 21-or-More Point Lead

By 49ers:	11/19/12	49ers win vs. Chicago, 32-7 (25)
	1/3/98	49ers win vs. Minnesota, 38-22 (49ers ahead 38-14 in 4th Q) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	10/14/12	Giants win vs. New York, 26-3 (23)
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win at Tampa Bay, 31-6 (25) - NFC-D

### Scored 20-or-More Points in a Quarter

By 49ers:	10/7/12	49ers win vs. Buffalo, 45-3 (21 points, 4th Q)
	1/15/94	49ers win vs. Dallas, 38-28 (21 points, 1st Q) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	10/11/09	Falcons win vs. Atlanta, 45-10 (21 points, 2nd Q)
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win at Tampa Bay, 31-6 (21 points, 2nd Q) - NFC-D

### Scored 20-or-More Points in a Half

By 49ers:	12/9/12	49ers win vs. Miami, 27-13 (21 points, 2nd half)
	1/5/03	49ers win vs. New York Giants, 39-38 (25 points, 2nd half) - NFC-WC
By Opponent:	1/1/12	Rams loss at St. Louis, 27-34 (20 points, 2nd half)
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win at Tampa Bay, (28 points, 1st half) - NFC-D

### Held Opponent without a Touchdown

By 49ers:	10/29/12	49ers win at Arizona, 24-3 (1 FG)
	12/29/96	49ers win vs. Philadelphia, 14-0 - NFC-WC
By Opponent:	10/14/12	Giants win vs. New York, 26-3 (1 FG)
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win at Tampa Bay, 31-6 (2 FG) - NFC-D

### Touchdowns Scored by Offense and Defense

By 49ers:	11/25/12	49ers win at New Orleans, 31-21 (2 offense, 2 defense)
	1/3/98	49ers win vs. Minnesota, 38-22 (5 offense, 1 defense) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	10/10/10	Eagles win vs. Philadelphia, 27-24 (2 offense, 1 defense)

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## TEAM TOTALS

### Touchdowns Scored by Offense, Defense and Special Teams

By 49ers: 10/4/09 49ers win vs. St. Louis, 35-0 (2 offense, 2 defense, 1 special teams)  
By Opponent: 9/23/07 Steelers win at Pittsburgh, 37-16 (2 offense, 1 defense, 1 special teams)

### Safety Scored

By 49ers: 11/19/12 Ray McDonald tackled G Chilo Rachal in the end zone vs. Chicago  
By Opponent: 12/2/12 Penalty on Colin Kaepernick enforced in end zone

### Successful Two Point Conversion

By 49ers: 11/13/11 Alex Smith pass to Michael Crabtree vs. NY Giants  
1/5/03 Jeff Garcia pass to Terrell Owens vs. New York Giants - NFC-WC  
By Opponent: 12/2/12 Sam Bradford to Lance Kendricks at St. Louis  
1/14/12 Drew Brees pass to Darren Sproles vs. New Orleans - NFC-D

### Failed Two Point Conversion Attempt

By 49ers: 11/23/08 Pass failed from Shaun Hill to Isaac Bruce at Dallas  
1/14/12 Run failed by Frank Gore vs. New Orleans - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 10/16/11 Pass failed from Matthew Stafford to Calvin Johnson at Detroit  
1/13/02 Pass failed from Brett Favre to Bubba Franks at Green Bay - NFC-WC

## OFFENSIVE TOTALS

### 500-or-More Total Net Yards of Offense

By 49ers: 10/7/12 49ers win vs. Buffalo, 45-3 (621; 311 rushing, 310 passing)  
1/20/85 49ers win vs. Miami, 38-16 (542; 211 rushing, 331 passing) - SB XIX  
By Opponent: 10/2/11 Eagles loss at Philadelphia, 24-23 (513; 108 rushing, 405 passing)

### 400-or-More Total Net Yards of Offense

By 49ers: 10/7/12 49ers win vs. Buffalo, 45-3 (621; 311 rushing, 310 passing)  
1/14/12 49ers win vs. New Orleans, 36-32 (407; 143 rushing, 264 passing) - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 11/11/12 Rams tie vs. St. Louis, 24-24 (458; 159 rushing, 299 passing)  
1/14/12 Saints loss vs. New Orleans, 32-36 (472; 37 rushing, 435 passing) - NFC-D

### 300-or-More Net Yards Rushing by Team

By 49ers: 10/7/12 49ers win vs. Buffalo, 45-3 (311)  
By Opponent: 10/8/72 Rams win at Los Angeles, 31-7 (302)

### 200-or-More Net Yards Rushing by Team

By 49ers: 10/7/12 49ers win vs. Buffalo, 45-3 (311)  
1/1/89 49ers win vs. Minnesota, 34-9 (201) - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 9/26/10 Chiefs win at Kansas City, 31-10 (207)  
1/4/87 Giants win at New York (216) - NFC-D

### Individual 200-Yard Rushing Game

By 49ers: 9/20/09 Frank Gore (16-207-2 TDs) vs. Seattle  
By Opponent: Never

### Individual 150-Yard Rushing Game

By 49ers: 12/14/09 Frank Gore (25-167-1 TD) vs. Arizona  
By Opponent: 11/7/04 Shaun Alexander (26-160-2 TDs) at Seattle  
1/4/87 Joe Morris (24-159, 2 TDs) at New York Giants - NFC-D

### Individual 100-Yard Rushing Game

By 49ers: 10/18/12 Frank Gore (16-131) vs. Seattle  
1/3/99 Garrison Hearst (22-128) vs. Green Bay - NFC-WC  
By Opponent: 11/11/12 Steven Jackson (29-101-1 TD) vs. St. Louis  
1/5/03 Tiki Barber (26-115, 1 TD) vs. New York Giants - NFC-WC

### Two 100-Yard Rushers in the Same Game

By 49ers: 11/13/77 Wilbur Jackson (22-123) & Delvin Williams (25-110-1 TD) vs. New Orleans  
By Opponent: 11/8/53 Skeets Quinlan (11-119) & Tank Younger (12-101-1 TD) at Los Angeles Rams

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## OFFENSIVE TOTALS

### Consecutive 100-Yard Rushing Games

By 49ers: 10/2/11-11/6/11 Frank Gore (15-127-1 TD) at Phi.; Frank Gore (20-125-1 TD) vs. TB; Frank Gore (15-141-1 TD) at Det., Frank Gore (31-134-1 TD) vs. Cle., Frank Gore (19-107) at Was.  
By Opponent: 10/14/12-10/18/12 Ahmad Bradshaw (27-116-1 TD) vs. New York Giants; Marshawn Lynch (19-103) vs. Seattle  
12/31/83-1/8/84 Billy Sims (20-114-2 TDs) vs. Detroit - NFC-D; John Riggins (36-123-2 TDs) at Washington - NFC-C

### Combined 200-Yard Rushing by Two Players

By 49ers: 9/20/09 224 by Frank Gore (16-207-2 TDs) and Shaun Hill (1-17) vs. Seattle  
By Opponent: 10/8/72 211 by Bob Thomas (19-142) and Larry Smith (2-69-1 TD) at Los Angeles

### Individual with 30-or-More Carries

By 49ers: 10/30/11 Frank Gore (31-134) vs. Cleveland  
By Opponent: 12/21/08 Steven Jackson (32-108) at St. Louis  
1/8/84 John Riggins (36-123) at Washington - NFC-C

### Individual with 25-or-More Carries

By 49ers: 10/30/11 Frank Gore (31-134) vs. Cleveland  
1/3/98 Terry Kirby (25-120) vs. Minnesota - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 11/11/12 Steven Jackson (29-101-1 TD) vs. St. Louis  
1/5/03 Tiki Barber (26-115) vs. New York Giants - NFC-WC

### Rushing Play of 80-or-More Yards

By 49ers: 9/20/09 80t by Frank Gore vs. Seattle  
1/1/89 80t by Roger Craig vs. Minnesota - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 12/9/07 84t by Chester Taylor vs. Minnesota

### Rushing Play of 60-or-More Yards

By 49ers: 10/17/10 64 by Frank Gore vs. Oakland  
1/1/89 80t by Roger Craig vs. Minnesota - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 12/9/07 84t by Chester Taylor vs. Minnesota

### Rushing Play of 40-or-More Yards

By 49ers: 12/9/12 50t by Colin Kaepernick vs. Miami  
1/14/12 42 by Frank Gore vs. New Orleans - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 10/17/10 43 by Louis Murphy vs. Oakland  
12/31/83 56 by Billy Sims vs. Detroit - NFC-D

### Individual with Two-or-More Rushing Touchdowns

By 49ers: 1/2/11 Brian Westbrook (13-79-2 TDs) vs. Arizona  
1/3/98 Terry Kirby (25-120, 2 TDs) vs. Minnesota - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 11/8/09 Chris Johnson (25-135-2 TDs) vs. Tennessee  
1/12/03 Mike Alstott (17-60, 2 TDs) at Tampa Bay - NFC-D

### 400 Net Yards Passing by Team

By 49ers: 12/5/99 49ers loss vs. San Francisco, 44-30 (437)  
By Opponent: 10/2/11 Eagles loss at Philadelphia, 23-24 (405)  
1/14/12 Saints loss vs. New Orleans, 32-36 (435) - NFC-D

### 300 Net Yards Passing by Team

By 49ers: 10/7/12 49ers win vs. Buffalo, 45-3 (310)  
1/5/03 49ers win vs. New York Giants, 39-38 (356) - NFC-WC  
By Opponent: 12/19/11 Steelers loss vs. Pittsburgh, 3-20 (305)  
1/14/12 Saints loss vs. New Orleans, 32-36 (435) - NFC-D

### Individual with 50-or-More Pass Attempts

By 49ers: 10/10/04 Tim Rattay (57-38-417-0 INTs-2 TDs) at Arizona  
1/6/96 Steve Young (65-32-328-2 INTs-0 TDs) vs. Green Bay - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 10/29/12 John Skelton (52-32-290-1 INTs-0 TDs) at Arizona  
1/22/12 Eli Manning (58-32-316-0-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C

### Individual with 40-or-More Pass Attempts

By 49ers: 9/26/10 Alex Smith (42-23-232-1 INT-1 TD) at Kansas City  
1/14/12 Alex Smith (42-24-299-0 INTs-3 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D  
By Opponent: 11/25/12 Drew Brees (41-26-267-2-3TDs) at New Orleans  
1/22/12 Eli Manning (58-32-316-0-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C



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## OFFENSIVE TOTALS

### Individual with 30-or-More Pass Completions

By 49ers:	12/14/08	Shaun Hill (46-30-233-0 INTs-0 TDs) at Miami
	1/6/96	Steve Young (65-32-328-2 INT-0 TD) vs. Green Bay - NFC-D
By Opponent:	10/29/12	John Skelton (52-32-290-1 INTs-0 TDs) at Arizona
	1/22/12	Eli Manning (58-32-316-0-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C

### Individual with 25-or-More Pass Completions

By 49ers:	10/10/10	Alex Smith (39-25-309-2 INTs-3 TDs) vs. Philadelphia
	1/5/03	Jeff Garcia (44-27-331-1 INT-3 TD) vs. New York Giants - NFC-WC
By Opponent:	12/2/12	Sam Bradford (39-26-221-0 INT-0 TD) at St. Louis
	1/22/12	Eli Manning (58-32-316-0-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C

### No Sacks Allowed

By 49ers:	11/25/12	49ers win at New Orleans, 31-21 (25 attempts by Colin Kaepernick)
	1/5/03	49ers win vs. New York Giants, 39-38 (44 attempts - Jeff Garcia) - NFC-WC
By Opponent:	10/14/12	Giants win vs. New York (28 attempts - Eli Manning)
	1/7/95	49ers win vs. Chicago, 44-15 (19 attempts - Steve Walsh) - NFC-D

### Individual 300-Yard Passing Game

By 49ers:	10/7/12	Alex Smith (24-18-303-0 INT-3 TDs) vs. Buffalo
	1/5/03	Jeff Garcia (44-27-331-1 INT-3 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-WC
By Opponent:	9/9/12	Aaron Rodgers (44-30-303-1 INT-2 TDs) at Green Bay
	1/22/12	Eli Manning (58-32-316-0 INT-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C

### Consecutive 300-Yard Passing Games

By 49ers:	12/10/00-12/17/00	Jeff Garcia (38-25-305-2 INTs-2 TDs) vs. New Orleans; Garcia (44-36-402-0 INTs-2 TDs) vs. Chicago
By Opponent:	10/24/10-10/31/10	Matt Moore (41-28-308-1 INT-2 TDs) at Carolina; Kyle Orton (40-28-369-1 INT-1 TD) vs. Denver
	1/14/12-1/22/12	Drew Brees (63-40-462-2 INTs-4 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D; Eli Manning (58-32-316-0-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C

### Individual Four-or-More Touchdown Passes

By 49ers:	12/7/03	Jeff Garcia (28-19-252-0 INTs-4 TDs) vs. Arizona
	1/29/95	Steve Young (36-24-325-0 INT-6 TD) at San Diego - SB XXIX
By Opponent:	10/28/07	Drew Brees (39-31-336-0 INTs-4 TDs) vs. New Orleans
	1/14/12	Drew Brees (63-40-462-2 INTs-4 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D

### Individual with Three-or-More Touchdown Passes

By 49ers:	10/29/12	Alex Smith (19-18-232-0 INTs-3 TDs) at Arizona
	1/14/12	Alex Smith (42-24-299-0 INTs-3 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D
By Opponent:	11/25/12	Drew Brees (41-26-267-2-3TDs) at New Orleans
	1/14/12	Drew Brees (63-40-462-2 INTs-4 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D

### Individual with 10-or-More Receptions

By 49ers:	11/8/09	Vernon Davis (10-102) vs. Tennessee
	1/6/96	Jerry Rice (11-117) vs. Green Bay - NFC-D
By Opponent:	12/2/12	Chris Givens (11-92) at St. Louis
	1/22/12	Victor Cruz (10-142) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C

### Individual with 150-Yard Receiving Game

By 49ers:	9/14/08	Isaac Bruce (4-153) at Seattle
	1/14/12	Vernon Davis (7-180-2 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D
By Opponent:	10/2/11	DeSean Jackson (6-171) at Philadelphia
	1/15/95	Michael Irvin (12-192) vs. Dallas - NFC-C

### Individual with 100-Yard Receiving Game

By 49ers:	12/2/12	Michael Crabtree (7-101) at St. Louis
	1/22/12	Vernon Davis (3-112-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C
By Opponent:	1/1/12	Brandon Lloyd (6-100-1 TD) at St. Louis
	1/22/12	Victor Cruz (10-142) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C

### Two 100-Yard Receivers in the Same Game

By 49ers:	10/7/12	Michael Crabtree (6-113-1 TD) & Vernon Davis (5-106) vs. Buffalo
	1/6/96	Jerry Rice (11-117) & Brent Jones (8-112) vs. Green Bay - NFC-D
By Opponent:	9/18/11	Miles Austin (9-143-3 TDs) & Jason Witten (7-102) vs. Dallas
	1/14/12	M. Colston (9-136-1 TD), D. Sproles (15-119-1 TD) & J. Graham (5-103-2 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D

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## OFFENSIVE TOTALS

### Consecutive 100-Yard Receiving Games

By 49ers:	12/16/10 & 12/26/10 1/14/12 & 1/22/12	Joshua Morgan (7-106) at San Diego; Michael Crabtree (6-122-1 TD) at St. Louis Vernon Davis (7-180-2 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-C; Vernon Davis (3-112-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C
By Opponent:	10/24/10 & 10/31/10 1/14/12 & 1/22/12	David Gettis (8-125-2 TDs) at Carolina; Brandon Lloyd (7-169-1 TD) vs. Denver Marques Colston (9-136-1 TD) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D; Victor Cruz (10-142) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C

### Pass Play of 80-or-More Yards

By 49ers:	9/25/05	89t, Tim Rattay to Brandon Lloyd vs. Dallas
By Opponent:	10/11/09	90t, Matt Ryan to Roddy White vs. Atlanta

### Pass Play of 60-or-More Yards

By 49ers:	12/26/10 1/22/12	60t, Troy Smith to Michael Crabtree at St. Louis 73t, Alex Smith to Vernon Davis vs. New York Giants - NFC-C
By Opponent:	12/11/11 1/14/12	60t, John Skelton to Early Doucet at Arizona 66t, Drew Brees to Jimmy Graham vs. New Orleans - NFC-D

### Pass Play of 40-or-More Yards

By 49ers:	11/25/12 1/22/12	45, Colin Kaepernick to Delanie Walker 73t, Alex Smith to Vernon Davis vs. New York Giants - NFC-C
By Opponent:	11/25/12 1/14/12	43, Drew Brees to Lance Moore at New Orleans 66t, Drew Brees to Jimmy Graham vs. New Orleans - NFC-D

### Individual with Three-or-More Touchdown Receptions

By 49ers:	10/25/09 1/29/95	Vernon Davis (7-93-3 TDs) at Houston Jerry Rice (10-149-3 TDs) at San Diego - SB XXIX
By Opponent:	9/18/11 1/5/03	Miles Austin (9-143-3 TDs) vs. Dallas Amani Toomer (8-136-3 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-WC

### Individual with Two-or-More Touchdown Receptions

By 49ers:	10/29/12 1/22/12	Michael Crabtree (5-72-2 TDs) at Arizona Vernon Davis (3-112-2 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C
By Opponent:	9/18/11 1/14/12	Miles Austin (9-143-3 TDs) vs. Dallas Jimmy Graham (5-103-2 TDs) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D

### Led Team in Both Rushing and Receiving Yards in the Same Game

By 49ers:	10/18/12 1/15/94	Frank Gore (16-131 rushing, 5-51 receiving) vs. Seattle Ricky Watters (24-118 rushing, 5-46 receiving) vs. New York Giants - NFC-D
By Opponent:	10/12/08	Correll Buckhalter (18-93-1 TD rushing, 7-85 receiving) vs. Philadelphia

### 100-Yard Rusher & Receiver in the Same Game

By 49ers:	10/7/12 1/3/98	Frank Gore (14-106-1 TD), Michael Crabtree (6-113-1 TD) & Vernon Davis (5-106) vs. Buffalo Terry Kirby (25-120-2 TDs) & J.J. Stokes (9-101) vs. Minnesota - NFC-D
By Opponent:	11/11/12 1/5/03	Steven Jackson (29-101-1 TD) & Danny Amendola (11-102) vs. St. Louis Tiki Barber (26-115-1 TD) & Amani Toomer (8-136-3 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-WC

### 100-Yard Rusher, 100-Yard Receiver & 300-Yard Passer in the Same Game

By 49ers:	10/7/12	Frank Gore (14-106-1 TD), Michael Crabtree (6-113-1 TD), Vernon Davis (5-106) & Alex Smith (24-18-303-0 INTs-3 TDs) vs. Buffalo
By Opponent:	11/22/09 1/5/03	Ryan Grant (21-129-1 TD), Greg Jennings (5-126-1 TD) & Aaron Rodgers (45-32-344-0 INTs-2 TDs) at Green Bay Tiki Barber (26-115-1 TD), Amani Toomer (8-136-3 TDs), & Kerry Collins (43-29-342-1 INT-4 TDs) vs. New York Giants - NFC-WC

### Individual with at Least One Rushing and One Receiving Touchdown in the Same Game

By 49ers:	9/20/10 1/29/95	Frank Gore (20-112-1 TD rushing, 7-56-1 TD receiving) vs. New Orleans Ricky Watters (15-47-1 TD rushing, 3-61-2 TDs receiving) at San Diego - SB XXIX
By Opponent:	10/25/09 1/23/94	Steve Slaton (18-67-1 TD rushing; 4-22-1 TD receiving) at Houston Emmitt Smith (23-88-1 TD rushing, 7-85-1 TD receiving) at Dallas - NFC-C

### Individual with at Least One Rushing Touchdown and One Touchdown Pass in the Same Game

By 49ers:	11/25/12 1/14/12	Colin Kaepernick (25-16-231-1-1 TD passing, 6-27-1 TD rushing) at New Orleans Alex Smith (42-24-299-0 INTs-3 TDs passing, 1-28-1 TD rushing) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D
By Opponent:	9/23/12	Christian Ponder (35-21-198-0-2 TDs passing, 7-33-1 TD rushing) at Minnesota

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## OFFENSIVE TOTALS

### No Turnovers

By 49ers:	12/9/12	49ers win vs. Miami, 27-13
	1/3/98	49ers win vs. Minnesota, 38-22 - NFC-D
By Opponent:	12/2/12	Rams with at St. Louis, 16-13 (OT)
	1/22/12	Giants win vs. New York, 20-17 (OT) - NFC-C

### Touchdown Scored on First Drive

By 49ers:	9/16/12	49ers win vs. Detroit, 27-19
	1/5/03	49ers win vs. New York Giants, 39-38 - NFC-WC
By Opponent:	11/11/12	Rams tie vs. St. Louis, 24-24

## DEFENSIVE TOTALS

### Held Opponent Under 200 Net Yards of Total Offense

By 49ers:	11/19/12	49ers win vs. Chicago, 32-7 (143, 85 rushing, 58 passing)
	1/15/94	49ers win vs. New York Giants, 44-3 (194; 41 rushing, 153 passing) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	11/24/11	Ravens win at Baltimore, 16-6 (170, 74 rushing, 96 passing)
	1/4/97	Packers win at Green Bay, 35-14 (196; 68 rushing, 128 passing) - NFC-D

### Held Opponent Under 300 Net Yards of Total Offense

By 49ers:	12/9/12	49ers win vs. Miami, 27-13 (227, 94 rushing, 133 passing)
	1/9/99	49ers loss at Atlanta, 20-18 (289; 136 rushing, 153 passing) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	9/23/12	Vikings win at Minnesota, 24-13 (280, 89 rushing, 191 passing)
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win at Tampa Bay, 31-6 (228; 62 rushing, 166 passing) - NFC-D

### Held Opponent Under 50 Yards Rushing

By 49ers:	10/29/12	49ers win at Arizona, 24-3 (7)
	1/14/12	49ers win vs. New Orleans, 36-32 (37) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	9/26/10	Chiefs win at Kansas City, 31-10 (43)
	1/11/98	Packers win vs. Green Bay, 23-10 (33) - NFC-C

### Held Opponent Under 75 Yards Rushing

By 49ers:	11/25/12	49ers win at New Orleans, 31-21 (59)
	1/14/12	49ers win vs. New Orleans, 36-32 (37) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	11/24/11	Ravens win at Baltimore, 16-6 (74)
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win vs. Tampa Bay, 31-6 (62) - NFC-D

### Held Opponent Under 100 Yards Rushing

By 49ers:	12/9/12	49ers win vs. Miami, 27-13 (94)
	1/14/12	49ers loss vs. New York Giants, 17-20 (OT) (85) - NFC-C
By Opponent:	10/14/12	Giants win vs. New York, 26-3 (80)
	1/12/03	Buccaneers win vs. Tampa Bay, 31-6 (62) - NFC-D

### Held Opponent Under 100 Net Yards Passing

By 49ers:	10/17/10	49ers win vs. Oakland, 17-9, (69)
	1/4/97	49ers loss at Green Bay, 35-14 (71) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	11/24/11	Ravens win at Baltimore, 16-6 (96)

### Held Opponent Under 150 Net Yards Passing

By 49ers:	12/9/12	49ers win vs. Miami, 27-13 (133)
	1/4/97	49ers loss at Green Bay, 35-14 (71) - NFC-D
By Opponent:	10/18/12	Seahawks loss vs. Seattle, 6-13 (138)
	1/4/97	Packers win at Green Bay, 35-14 (128) - NFC-D

### Interception Return for a Touchdown

By 49ers:	11/25/12	Ahmad Brooks, 50 (QB Drew Brees) and Donte Whitner, 42 (QB Drew Brees) at New Orleans
	1/3/98	Ken Norton, 23 (QB Randall Cunningham) vs. Minnesota - NFC-D
By Opponent:	9/12/10	Marcus Trufant, 32 (QB Alex Smith) at Seattle

### Individual with Three-or-More Interceptions

By 49ers:	10/8/06	Walt Harris (1-Andrew Walter, 2-Marcus Tuiasosopo) vs. Oakland
By Opponent:	11/20/77	Bill Simpson (1-Scott Bull, 2-Jim Plunkett) vs. Los Angeles Rams



# THE LAST TIME ...

## DEFENSIVE TOTALS

### Individual with Two-or-More Interceptions

By 49ers:	1/1/12	Tarell Brown (1-Jerious Norwood, 1-Kellen Clemens) at St. Louis
	1/15/95	Eric Davis (2-Troy Aikman) vs. Dallas - NFC-C
By Opponent:	10/14/12	Antrel Rolle (2 - Alex Smith) vs. New York Giants
	1/9/99	William White (2-Steve Young) at Atlanta - NFC-D

### Seven-or-More Sacks by Team

By 49ers:	1/3/10	49ers win at St. Louis, 28-6 (8)
	1/6/85	49ers win vs. Chicago, 23-0 (9) - NFC-C
By Opponent:	11/24/11	Ravens win at Baltimore, 16-6 (9)

### Six-or-More Sacks by Team

By 49ers:	11/19/12	49ers win vs. Chicago, 32-7 (6)
	1/22/12	49ers loss vs. New York Giants, 17-20 (OT) (6) - NFC-C
By Opponent:	10/14/12	Giants win vs. New York, 26-3 (6)

### Five-or-More Sacks by Team

By 49ers:	11/25/12	49ers win at New Orleans, 31-21 (5)
	1/22/12	49ers loss vs. New York Giants, 17-20 (OT) (6) - NFC-C
By Opponent:	11/11/12	Rams tie vs. St. Louis, 24-24 (5)

### Individual with Three-or-More Sacks

By 49ers:	11/19/12	Aldon Smith (5.5 of QB Jason Campbell) vs. Chicago
	1/9/93	Pierce Holt (3.0 of QB Mark Rypien) vs. Washington - NFC-D
By Opponent:	11/24/11	Terrell Suggs (3.0 of Alex Smith) at Baltimore
	1/17/93	Tony Casillas (3.0 of QB Steve Young) vs. Dallas - NFC-C

### Individual with Two-or-More Sacks

By 49ers:	12/9/12	Aldon Smith (2.0 of QB Ryan Tannehill) vs. Miami
	1/22/12	Ray McDonald (2.5 of Eli Manning) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C
By Opponent:	10/29/12	Daryl Washington (2.0 of Alex Smith) at Arizona
	1/11/98	Keith McKenzie (2.0 of QB Steve Young) vs. Green Bay - NFC-C

### Fumble Recovered for Touchdown

By 49ers:	9/30/12	Carlos Rogers recovered a Santonio Holmes fumble and returned it 51 yards at New York Jets
	12/26/71	Bob Hoskins recovered a Gossett fumble in end zone vs. Washington - NFC-D
By Opponent:	12/2/12	Janoris Jenkins recovered a Colin Kaepernick fumble and returned it 2 yards at St. Louis
	1/4/97	Antonio Freeman recovered an Edgar Bennet fumble in end zone at Green Bay - NFC-D

## SPECIAL TEAMS TOTALS

### Kickoff Return for a Touchdown

By 49ers:	9/11/11	Ted Ginn Jr., 102 yards vs. Seattle
	1/11/98	Chuck Levy, 95 yards vs. Green Bay - NFC-C
By Opponent:	12/12/10	Leon Washington, 92 yards vs. Seattle
	1/29/95	Andre Coleman, 98 yards at San Diego - SB XXIX

### Kickoff Return for a Touchdown on the Opening Kickoff

By 49ers:	11/10/08	Allen Rossum, 104 yards at Arizona
	12/23/72	Vic Washington, 97 yards vs. Dallas - NFC-D
By Opponent:	(could not find an instance when it occurred)	

### Punt Return for a Touchdown

By 49ers:	9/11/11	Ted Ginn Jr., 55 yards vs. Seattle
By Opponent:	9/9/12	Randall Cobb, 75 yards at Green Bay
	1/4/97	Desmond Howard, 71 yards at Green Bay - NFC-D

### Blocked Punt Recovered for Touchdown

By 49ers:	10/3/10	Taylor Mays recovered Michael Koenen's punt (blocked by D. Zeigler) in the end zone at Atlanta
By Opponent:	10/14/90	Bobby Butler recovered Barry Helton's punt (blocked by Thomas) returned 35 yards at Atlanta

# THE LAST TIME ...

## SPECIAL TEAMS TOTALS

### Blocked Punt

By 49ers:	9/30/12 1/6/90	Larry Grant blocked Robert Malone's punt vs. New York Jets <i>Spencer Tillman blocked Bucky Scribner's punt vs. Minnesota - NFC-D</i>
By Opponent:	12/24/11 12/16/71	Heath Farwell blocked Andy Lee's punt at Seattle <i>Jon Jaqua blocked Steve Spurrier's punt vs. Washington - NFC-D</i>

### Blocked PAT

By 49ers:	12/14/09	Ray McDonald blocked a PAT attempt by Neil Rackers vs. Arizona
By Opponent:	11/2/03	Tyoka Jackson blocked a PAT attempt by Todd Peterson vs. St. Louis

### Missed (not blocked) PAT

By 49ers:	10/12/03	Owen Pochman at Seattle
By Opponent:	10/31/10	Matt Prater vs. Denver

### Blocked Field Goal

By 49ers:	10/14/12	Tarell Brown blocked a 40-yard attempt by Lawrence Tynes vs. New York Giants
By Opponent:	11/25/12	Malcolm Jenkins blocked a 33-yard attempt by David Akers at New Orleans

### Blocked Field Goal returned for a TD

By 49ers:	9/27/09	Nate Clements, 59-yard return after Ray McDonald blocked a 44-yd. att. by Ryan Longwell at Minnesota
By Opponent:	11/15/87	Johnnie Poe, 61-yard after Reggie Sutton blocked a 39-yd. att. by Ray Wersching vs. New Orleans

### Individual with Five-or-More Field Goals

By 49ers:	10/30/05	Joe Nedney (5-6) vs. Tampa Bay
By Opponent:	10/2/05 1/20/91	Neil Rackers (6-6) at Arizona <i>Matt Bahr 95-6) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C</i>

### Individual with Four-or-More Field Goals

By 49ers:	12/24/11 1/24/82	David Akers (4-5) at Seattle <i>Ray Wersching (4-4) at Cincinnati - SB XVI</i>
By Opponent:	10/14/12 1/20/91	Lawrence Tynes (4-5) vs. New York Giants <i>Matt Bahr (5-6) vs. New York Giants - NFC-C</i>

### Individual with Three-or-More Field goals

By 49ers:	11/19/12 1/14/12	David Akers (3-3) vs. Chicago <i>David Akers (3-3) vs. New Orleans - NFC-D</i>
By Opponent:	10/14/12 1/11/98	Lawrence Tynes (4-5) vs. New York Giants <i>Ryan Longwell (3-4) vs. Green Bay - NFC-C</i>

### Successful Onsides Kick

By 49ers:	11/13/11	David Akers kick recovered by 49ers Delanie Walker vs. New York Giants (2nd Q)
By Opponent:	1/1/12	Josh Brown kick recovered by Rams Bryan Kehl at St. Louis (4th Q)

### Failed Onsides Kick Attempt

By 49ers:	11/8/09	Joe Nedney kick recovered by Gerald McRath vs. Tennessee (4th Q)
By Opponent:	11/6/11	Graham Gano kick recovered by Vernon Davis at Washington (4th Q)



# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 SAN FRANCISCO 30, GREEN BAY 22 LAMBEAU FIELD



The 49ers opened up the 2012 season with a 30–22 victory over the Green Bay Packers, marking the team's first win at Lambeau since 1990. The 49ers got on the scoreboard first with a 40+ yds. FG by K David Akers, his first of three on the day from 40+ yds. After forcing Green Bay's second punt in as many possessions, QB Alex Smith engineered a 9–play, 92–yd. drive as he completed 4 of 6 pass atts. for 49 yds., capping it off with a 14–yd. TD pass to WR Randy Moss. The TD receipt. by Moss (154) moved him into sole possession of 2nd place on the NFL's all–time TD reception list, trailing only Hall of Fame WR Jerry Rice (197). Green Bay responded with a 10–play, 80–yd. drive of their own as QB Aaron Rodgers found TE Jermichael Finley for a 1–yd. TD pass. San Francisco's next drive was once again led by Alex Smith's precise passing as he took the offense 55 yds. on 42 yds. through the air. Akers capped off the drive with a 43–yd. FG to make the score 13–7. The Niners stingy defense forced a 3–and–out on the Packers next possession, as WR Kyle Williams notched a 20–yd. PR to the 49ers 38 yd. line with 0:18 remaining in the half. On the first play of the drive QB Colin Kaepernick dashed up the field for 17 yds., setting up a 63–yd. FG att. Akers tied the NFL record for the longest FG in NFL history as he connected on the 63–yd. att. to end the half. The Packers started the 3rd quarter with their second consecutive 3–and–out and gave way to the 49ers offense. San Francisco drove 84 yds. on 9 plays as WR Michael Crabtree, RB Frank Gore and TE Vernon Davis all registered plays of 20+ yds. Alex Smith completed a 4–yd. TD pass to Vernon Davis to finish off the 49ers fifth consecutive possession with a score and to put the score at 23–7 with 8:21 left in the 3rd quarter. After trading two possessions each with no scoring to speak of P Andy Lee launched a 61–yd. punt that was taken back for a 75–yd. TD on the return by Packers WR Randall Cobb. The Packers made it a one possession game as Rodgers passed to WR Jordy Nelson to convert the two–point try and make the score 23–15 with 11:16 remaining in the 4th. The 49ers were forced to punt with 9:06 left in the 4th quarter and on the Packers first play of the drive, LB NaVorro Bowman recorded his first career INT, picking off Aaron Rodgers and returning the ball 11 yds. to the Green Bay 23 yd. line. On the ensuing play, Gore rushed down the sideline for a 23–yd. TD to put San Francisco up 30–15 with 8:50 remaining in the game. The run by Gore gave him a total of 112 yds. for the game and marked his 30th career 100–yd. rushing game. His 30, 100–yd. games are the most in the NFL since 2005. Green Bay went on to score one more TD on a 10–yd. receipt. by WR James Jones from Rodgers to pull within 8, but could not mount another scoring drive against the 49ers defense on their final possession.

**NOTES:** Head Coach **Jim Harbaugh** became just the second coach in franchise history to win opening day games in each of his first two seasons (George Seifert – 1989–90)...The **49ers** have won consecutive season openers for the first time since 2002–03 (2002 – W at NYG; 2003 – W vs. Chi.)...The **49ers** notched their first win at Lambeau Field since 11/4/90...K **David Akers** tied the NFL record for the longest FG in NFL history with a 63–yd. FG, joining K Tom Dempsey, K Jason Elam and K Sebastian Janikowski. The 63–yd. FG also set the 49ers franchise record for longest FG and it marked Akers' career long...QB **Alex Smith** completed 20 of 26 attempts for 211 yds., 2 TDs and a QB rating of 125.6. The 49ers have improved to 11–0 when Smith starts and has a QB rating over 100.0...**Smith** has now thrown 185 passes without an interception, passing QB Steve Young (184 atts.) for the most in franchise history...**Smith** connected on 2 red zone TDs on the day. The first came on a 14–yd. pass to WR **Randy Moss** in the 2nd qtr. His second TD was a 4–yd. pass to TE Vernon Davis on a third down...RB **Frank Gore** rushed for 112 yds. and 1 TD on 16 carries (7.0 avg.), marking his 30th career 100–yd. game. His 30, 100–yd. games are the most in the NFL since 2005. Gore now has 44 career rushing TDs...**Gore** is the first 49er to rush for over 100 yds. on opening day since RB Garrison Hearst rushed for 187 yds. vs. NYJ (9/6/98)...TE **Vernon Davis** has now registered a TD in all 4 career games against Green Bay...WR **Randy Moss** moved into sole possession of 2nd place on the NFL's all–time TD reception list (154), trailing only Hall of Fame WR Jerry Rice (197)...**Moss** now has 70 career red zone TDs, which ranks 5th in NFL history...The **49ers** defense limited the Packers to just 45 rushing yds. on the day. The last time the 49ers held their opponent to 50–yds.–or–less on the ground was vs. StL (12/4/11 – 31 yds. rushing)...LB **NaVorro Bowman** registered his 1st career INT, picking off Packers QB Aaron Rodgers in the 4th qtr. On the ensuing play, RB Frank Gore notched a 23–yd. TD run...The 49ers notched 3.0 sacks on Packers QB Aaron Rodgers...LB **Aldon Smith** notched his 15th career sack, bringing down Rodgers in the 1st qtr...CB **Carlos Rogers** registered his 1st career sack on a third down play in the 1st qtr...LB **Ahmad Brooks** brought down Rodgers on the Packers final drive of the game, tallying his 21st career sack... QB **Colin Kaepernick** notched a career–long 17–yd. run just before halftime to set up K David Akers 63–yd. FG.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>San Francisco</b>	3	13	7	7	30
<b>Green Bay</b>	0	7	0	15	22

**SF** – D. Akers, 40 FG (9–58, 4:18)  
**SF** – R. Moss, 14 pass from A. Smith (9–92, 5:10)  
**GB** – J. Finley, 1 pass from A. Rodgers (M. Crosby) (10–80, 6:30)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 43 FG (10–55, 3:45)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 63 FG (4–17, 0:18)  
**SF** – V. Davis, 4 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (9–84, 5:09)  
**GB** – R. Cobb, 75 punt return (A. Rodgers–J. Nelson pass)  
**SF** – F. Gore, 23 run (D. Akers) (1–23, 0:09)  
**GB** – Ja. Jones, 10 pass from A. Rodgers (M. Crosby) (5–76, 2:36)

TEAM STATISTICS	SF	GB
First Downs	22	21
Net Yards Gained	377	324
Rushes/Yards	32/186	14/45
Net Yards Passing	191	279
Att/Comp/INT	26/20/0	44/30/1
Sacked/Yards Lost	4/20	3/24
Punts/Average	5/51.2	6/48.2
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	1/0
Penalties/Yards	8/66	10/77
Time of Possession	33:00	27:00
3rd Down Efficiency	2/9 (22%)	6/13 (46%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 16–112–1 TD, K. Hunter 9–41, C. Kaepernick 1–17, A. Smith 5–13, K. Williams 1–3... **PACKERS** – A. Rodgers 5–27, C. Benson 9–18.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – M. Crabtree 7–76, R. Moss 4–47–1 TD, M. Manning–ham 4–29, V. Davis 3–43–1 TD, B. Miller 1–15, F. Gore 1–1... **PACKERS** – R. Cobb 9–77, J. Finley 7–47–1 TD, J. Nelson 5–64, G. Jennings 5–34, Ja. Jones 4–81–1 TD.

**PASSING: 49ERS** – A. Smith 26–20–211–0–2 TDs... **PACKERS** – A. Rodgers 44–30–303–1–2 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** – N. Bowman 1–11... **PACKERS** – None

**SACKS: 49ERS** – A. Brooks 1.0, C. Rogers 1.0, Ald. Smith 1.0... **PACKERS** – C. Matthews 2.5, C. Woodson 1.5.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** +1 (0 fumbles, 0 INTs/0 fumbles, 1 INT).

**Weather:** Partly Cloudy  
**Temperature:** 72 degrees  
**Wind:** North West 11 mph  
**Playing Surface:** DD GrassMaster  
**Time:** 3:25  
**Attendance:** 70,523





# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 DETROIT 19, SAN FRANCISCO 27 CANDLESTICK PARK



The 49ers improved to 2-0 to open the 2012 season for the first time since 2009. The 49ers beat the Detroit Lions 27-19 under the lights on NBC's "Sunday Night Football." San Francisco got off to an early start by capitalizing on their first possession of the game on a 4-play, 67-yd. drive capped off by a 21-yd. TD pass from QB Alex Smith to TE Vernon Davis. The opening TD drive took just 1:12, marking the 49ers' fastest TD drive on their first drive of the game since 12/24/05 at StL (1-73, 0:16). Detroit's next two possessions resulted in 38 and 41-yd. FGs by K Jason Hanson to make the score 7-6 with the 49ers leading. With 2:33 remaining in the 1st quarter, S Dashon Goldson picked-off Lions QB Matthew Stafford and returned the ball 20-yds. to the Lions 23-yd. line. A few plays following the interception, RB Frank Gore registered his 45th career rushing TD as a 49er, with a 1-yd. TD run. Gore's 45th rushing TD moved him into a tie for 3rd place with RB Ken Willard on the 49ers franchise record for career rushing TDs. He now trails only RB Roger Craig and RB Joe Perry who each had 50 rushing TDs. Gore's TD run extended the 49ers' lead to 14-6 to start the 2nd quarter. After receiving the ball to start the 2nd half, Alex Smith led a balanced drive down the field, going 4-4 for 34-yds. and getting good production from Gore and RB Kendall Hunter who each ripped off runs 10+ yds. The drive was completed by a 36-yd. FG by K David Akers. The Lions answered right back with a 10-play 39-yd. drive of their own which ended with another Hanson FG, this time from 40-yds out. San Francisco responded with another 10-play march of their own, as Gore and Hunter accounted for 44 of the 55-yds. gained on the drive. Akers successfully knocked through a 48-yd. FG for his second on the night. The Lions threatened again on its next possession, moving into 49er territory. LB Aldon Smith and DT Ray McDonald combined to sack Stafford for a loss of 9-yds., forcing the Lions to settle for a Hanson 48-yd. FG to put the score at 20-12 in the 49ers favor. The 49ers put together one of their best offensive drives of the season as Smith and Crabtree connected on 3rd and 7, 3rd and 14 and 3rd and 9 to setup Vernon Davis for a 23-yd. TD recept. The TD extended San Francisco's lead to 27-12 with 3:11 left in the 4th. After giving up a TD to the Lions in the final minutes of the game, the Niners recovered Detroit's last effort kick to seal the game. The 49ers victory at Candlestick Park extends the winning streak at home to 7 in a row. The 7 consecutive victories marks the longest home winning streak since 1996-1999, when the red and gold won 19 consecutive games at The Stick.

**NOTES:** **San Francisco's** prime time record improved to 61-32 overall, including 37-15 at home...The **49ers** overall record on Sunday Night Football is now 12-9, and 9-5 at home...The **49ers** have won 9 consecutive games against Detroit, marking the longest active streak for the 49ers vs. any opponent...The **49ers** improved their record to 37-27-1 all-time vs. the Lions...**49ers** head coach **Jim Harbaugh** is now 3-0 against teams from the NFC North [W, 25-19 at Det. (10/16/11); W, 30-22 at GB (9/9/12)]...The **49ers** improved to 9-2 under Harbaugh when scoring first...The 49ers rushed for 148 yds. and 1 TD on 27 carries (5.5 avg.). The 49ers rank 3rd in the NFL, averaging 167.0 rushing yds./gm...RB **Frank Gore** led the way with 89 yds. and 1 TD on 17 carries...**Gore** has now registered a rushing TD in all 5 career games against Det...**Gore** ranks 4th in the NFL with 201 rushing yds. on the season...QB **Alex Smith** completed 20 of 31 passes for 226 yds., 2 TDs and a QB rating of 107.7...**Smith** hooked up with TE **Vernon Davis** on both TD passes Smith found Davis in the back of the end zone on a 21-yd. TD pass in the 1st qtr. Smith connected with Davis again in the 4th qtr., this time on a 23-yd. catch and run for the score...**Smith** has now thrown 216 passes without an interception, extending his franchise record...**Smith** posted a QB rating of 107.7. The 49ers improved to 12-0 when Smith starts and has a QB rating over 100.0. The last time it happened was 10/2/11 at Phi. (112.1) and 10/9/11 vs. TB (127.2)...This season **Smith** has posted a QB rating of 115.9, which ranks 3rd in the NFL...TE **Vernon Davis** registered 5 receipts. for 73 yds. and 2 TDs, marking his 4th career multi-TD game...This marks the 16th time in Davis' career that he registered a TD in consecutive weeks, and the first time to start a season...**Davis** has now hauled in 3 TDs on the season, ranking t-1st in the NFL... WR **Mario Manningham** registered a career-long 29-yd. rush on the opening drive. leading to a 49ers TD two plays later...The **49ers** defense has not allowed a 100-yd. rusher in 21 consecutive home games, marking the longest current streak in the NFL...TE/LS **Brian Jennings** has now played in 194 consecutive games...DT **Justin Smith** has now started 173 consecutive games, dating back to his rookie season in 2001. Smith's consecutive start streak ranks 3rd among defensive players, behind Ronde Barber (201) and London Fletcher (181), and 4th among all NFL players, behind Barber, Fletcher, and Jeff Backus (177)...TE **Vernon Davis** has now started 77 consecutive games, which ranks 3rd in the NFL among TEs behind Tony Gonzalez (88) and Jason Witten (85)...C **Jonathan Goodwin** played in his 150th career NFL game. He has now started 56 consecutive games tied for 5th most among centers.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>Detroit</b>	6	0	3	10	19
<b>San Francisco</b>	7	7	3	10	27

**SF** - V. Davis, 21 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (4-67, 1:12)  
**DET** - J. Hanson, 38 FG (8-48, 4:38)  
**DET** - J. Hanson, 41 FG (4-2, 0:54)  
**SF** - F. Gore, 1 run (D. Akers) (5-23, 2:24)  
**SF** - D. Akers, 36 FG (10-62, 5:18)  
**DET** - J. Hanson, 40 FG (10-39, 6:02)  
**SF** - D. Akers, 48 FG (10-55, 3:58)  
**DET** - J. Hanson, 48 FG (9-50, 5:26)  
**SF** - V. Davis, 23 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (13-79, 6:12)  
**DET** - B. Pettigrew, 9 pass from M. Stafford (J. Hanson) (10-80, 1:35)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>DET</b>	<b>SF</b>
First Downs	15	24
Net Yards Gained	296	349
Rushes/Yards	26/82	27/148
Net Yards Passing	214	201
Att/Comp/INT	32/19/1	31/20/0
Sacked/Yards Lost	2/16	3/25
Punts/Average	2/44.5	3/36.3
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	2/1
Penalties/Yards	8/67	5/62
Time of Possession	30:26	29:34
3rd Down Efficiency	6/15 (40%)	4/11 (36%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** - F. Gore 17-89-1 TD, M. Manningham 1-29, K. Hunter 5-23, A. Smith 4-7... **LIONS** - K. Smith 16-53, J. Bell 6-14, M. Stafford 2-10, N. Burleson 2-5.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** - M. Crabtree 6-67, V. Davis 5-73-2 TDs, M. Manningham 3-28, K. Hunter 2-21, F. Gore 2-16, R. Moss 1-14, D. Walker 1-7... **LIONS** - C. Johnson 8-94, B. Pettigrew 3-18-1 TD, J. Bell 2-59, K. Smith 2-17, T. Scheffler 1-13, N. Burleson 1-11, T. Young 1-11, W. Heller 1-7.

**PASSING: 49ERS** - A. Smith 31-20-226-0-2 TDs... **LIONS** - M. Stafford 32-19-230-1-1 TD.

**INTs: 49ERS** - D. Goldson 1-20... **LIONS** - None.

**SACKS: 49ERS** - Ald. Smith 1.5, R. McDonald 0.5... **LIONS** - N. Suh 1.0, K. Vanden Bosch 1.0, C. Williams 1.0.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** Even (1 fumbles, 0 INTs/0 fumbles, 1 INT).

**Weather:** Mostly Sunny  
**Temperature:** 62 degrees  
**Wind:** North West 15 mph  
**Playing Surface:** Natural Grass  
**Time:** 3:06  
**Attendance:** 69,732



# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 SAN FRANCISCO 13, MINNESOTA 24 MALL OF AMERICA FIELD



The 49ers lost their first game of the 2012 season, 13-24, to the Minnesota Vikings. The Vikings got off to a quick start on the opening drive by going 82-yds. in 16 plays, capping it off with a 1-yd. TD pass to TE Kyle Rudolph from QB Christian Ponder. On the 49ers first offensive possession of the game, RB Frank Gore registered his 1,687th rushing attempt of his career, surpassing Roger Craig (1,686) to become the 49ers all-time rushing attempts leader. QB Alex Smith led the offense down the field, completing 6 of 8 pass attempts for 36-yds. as K David Akers finished off the drive with a 29-yd. FG. On the Vikings' next possession, Ponder scrambled 23-yds. for a TD, capping off an 11-play 80-yd. drive, making the score 14-3 with 5:39 remaining in the 1st half. RB Kendall Hunter took the ensuing kickoff and returned it 29-yds. to the San Francisco 24-yd. line. The 49ers put a drive together, taking the ball into Vikings territory to set up a 43-yd. FG by K David Akers. Minnesota blocked the FG attempt, keeping the deficit at 11 points. With :52 remaining, Ponder took the Vikings down to the 49ers 34-yd. line and pushed the score to 17-3 after K Blair Walsh knocked in a 52-yd. FG as time expired in the 1st half. Kyle Williams gave the 49ers a spark as he opened the 2nd half with a 94-yd. kickoff return to the Vikings 14-yd. line. Williams' 94-yd. return is the longest kickoff return in the NFL this season, setting up Akers FG from 29-yds. away. The red and gold got the ball back after forcing a 3-and-out as the momentum swung in San Francisco's favor. As Alex Smith and Frank Gore teamed-up to march down the field, WR Randy Moss contributed with a 12-yd. recept. for a first down, putting him in 4th place (14,946) on the NFL's all-time receiving yds. list, passing Raiders great Tim Brown (14,934). Five plays later TE Vernon Davis caught a 20-yd. pass from Smith down the sideline and finished off the drive on the next play with a 1-yd. TD recept. from Smith to pull within 4 points of the Vikings. Davis now has 4 TDs on the season and has scored a TD in the first three games of the season for the first time in his career. The Vikings responded with a 12-play, 86-yd. drive as Rudolph hauled in a 2-yd. TD pass, his second TD reception of the day. The 49ers did not go down without a fight, as they forced and recovered two fumbles in the final quarter, but could not capitalize on the opportunities.

**NOTES:** WR **Randy Moss** caught 3 passes for 27 yds., moving him into 4th place in NFL history for the most receiving yds...RB **Frank Gore's** first carry of the game was the 1,687th of his career, surpassing RB Roger Craig and giving him the most rushes in 49ers history...QB **Alex Smith** found TE **Vernon Davis** on a 1-yd. TD pass in the 3rd qtr. The duo has now connected on 4 of Smith's 5 TD passes on the season...**Smith** has now thrown 30 of his 73 career TD passes to **Davis** (41.1 pct.), which is the highest pct. among all active teammates...This marks the 5th time in **Davis'** career that he registered a TD in 3 straight weeks, and the first time to start a season...LB **NaVorro Bowman** notched a career-high 18 tackles, according to the gamebook statistics...LB **Ahmad Brooks** jarred the ball from Vikings RB Toby Gerhart for his 8th career FF late in the 4th qtr. The fumble was recovered by LB **Patrick Willis**, marking his 5th career FR...S **Donte Whitner** notched his 5th career FF in the 4th qtr., as CB **Carlos Rogers** registered his 4th career FR...WR **Kyle Williams** finished the day with 2 KOR for 144 yds., setting a career high...**Williams** registered a career-long 94-yd. KOR to open the second half. His previous career long was 33 yds. at Sea. (12/24/11)...Early in the 4th qtr., **Williams** notched a 50-yd. KOR...WR **Randy Moss** made his first start as a member of the 49ers...LB **Eric Bakhtiari** made his 49ers debut, lining up on defense for the first time in his career...TE/LS **Brian Jennings** has now played in 195 consecutive games...DT **Justin Smith** has now started 174 consecutive games, dating back to his rookie season in 2001. Smith's consecutive start streak ranks 3rd among defensive players, behind Ronde Barber (202) and London Fletcher (182), and 4th among all NFL players, behind Barber, Fletch and Jeff Backus (178)...TE **Vernon Davis** has now started 78 consecutive games, which ranks 3rd in the NFL among TEs behind Tony Gonzalez (89) and Jason Witten (86)...C **Jonathan Goodwin** played in his 151th career NFL game. He has now started 57 consecutive games tied for the 5th most among centers...K **David Akers** has now played in 108 consecutive NFL games, the 3rd most in the NFL among kickers...P **Andy Lee** played has played in 131 consecutive NFL games, the 4th most among NFL punters.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>San Francisco</b>	0	3	10	0	13
<b>Minnesota</b>	7	10	0	7	24

**MIN** – K. Rudolph, 1 pass from C. Ponder (B. Walsh) (16-82, 7:40)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 29 FG (13-54, 5:40)  
**MIN** – C. Ponder, 23 run (B. Walsh) (11-80, 6:44)  
**MIN** – B. Walsh, 52 FG (9-33, 0:52)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 29 FG (4-3, 2:14)  
**SF** – V. Davis, 1 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (9-86, 5:00)  
**MIN** – K. Rudolph, 2 pass from C. Ponder (B. Walsh) (12-86, 7:00)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>SF</b>	<b>MIN</b>
First Downs	19	25
Net Yards Gained	280	344
Rushes/Yards	20/89	41/146
Net Yards Passing	191	146
Att/Comp/INT	35/24/1	35/21/0
Sacked/Yards Lost	3/13	0/0
Punts/Average	3/48.7	4/45.3
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	4/2
Penalties/Yards	6/60	1/10
Time of Possession	26:32	33:28
3rd Down Efficiency	4/10 (40%)	7/14 (50%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 12-63, A. Smith 4-26, K. Hunter 4-0... **VI-KINGS** – A. Peterson 25-86, C. Ponder 7-33-1 TD, T. Gerhart 8-18, P. Harvin 1-9.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – M. Crabtree 6-40, M. Manningham 5-56, V. Davis 5-53-1 TD, R. Moss 3-27, K. Williams 2-16, F. Gore 1-9, K. Hunter 1-2, D. Walker 1-1... **VIKINGS** – P. Harvin 9-89, K. Rudolph 5-36-2 TDs, D. Aromashodu 2-24, A. Peterson 2-21, T. Gerhart 2-20, M. Jenkins 1-8.

**PASSING: 49ERS** – A. Smith 35-24-204-1-1 TD... **VIKINGS** – C. Ponder 35-21-198-0-2 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** – None... **VIKINGS** – J. Robinson 1-24.

**SACKS: 49ERS** – None... **VIKINGS** – C. Greenway 2.0, J. Allen 1.0.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** -1 (2 fumbles, 1 INT/2 fumbles, 0 INT).

**Weather:** Dome  
**Temperature:** 67 degrees  
**Wind:** Dome  
**Playing Surface:** UBU Speed Series S5M  
**Time:** 3:13  
**Attendance:** 57,288





# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 SAN FRANCISCO 34, NEW YORK JETS 0 METLIFE STADIUM



The 49ers improved their record to 3–1 to start the season for the second consecutive year, beating the New York Jets in convincing fashion 34–0. The last time San Francisco started 3–1 in back-to-back years was 2001–02. The Jets first possession of the game went 33–yds. on 7–plays before LB Aldon Smith recorded his first sack on a Jets 3rd and 3 to force a punt. With 3:04 remaining in the 1st quarter, RB Frank Gore rushed for 5 yds. to begin the first scoring drive of the game. Three plays later, WR Mario Manningham took an end around down the sideline for a 28–yd. gain into Jets territory. QB Colin Kaepernick capped off the drive with a 7–yd. TD run, his first career TD, putting the 49ers ahead 7–0 with 13:43 remaining in the 2nd qtr. Kaepernick broke through the Jets defense multiple times for big gains, rushing 5 times for a career high 50–yds. On the Jets next possession, TE Dedrick Epps caught a 9–yd. pass from QB Tim Tebow, but the ball was knocked loose by S Dashon Goldson, which was recovered by CB Carlos Rogers and returned 1–yd. to the Jets 47–yd. line. New York's next possession began on its own 45–yd. line, but was quickly brought to a halt. LB Ahmad Brooks helped to force a 3–and–out with another sack on 3rd–and–short. The Jets had one more possession before the end of the half, but once again San Francisco's defense proved tough on 3rd down. LB Aldon Smith sacked QB Mark Sanchez, forcing another fumble, this time recovered by DT Justin Smith on the 49ers 26–yd. line. With 1:11 remaining before half, QB Alex Smith engineered an efficient drive to setup a 36–yd. FG for K David Akers, which he sailed through the uprights as the 1st half ended to give the 49ers a 10–0 lead. On the fourth play of the 2nd half, Sanchez's pass was tipped by DT Ray McDonald and intercepted by LB Patrick Willis. The INT was Willis' 6th of his career and 1st this season. With 6:15 remaining in the 3rd qtr. San Francisco took over at the Jets 48–yd. line. Alex Smith completed back-to-back passes of 12 and 25–yds. to setup Gore for a 2–yd. TD run to extend the lead to 17–0. The first play of the 4th qtr. was another stellar play by the San Francisco defense as Jets WR Santonio Holmes fumbled the ball, which was scooped–up by Carlos Rogers and returned 51–yds. for a TD. The FR by Rogers was his 2nd in the game, tying his career high in a single season and setting a new career high for FRs in a single game. Rogers' TD was the 3rd TD of his career and 1st career FR for a TD. The 49ers next possession led to another Akers FG, this time from 40–yds. The FG was setup by a strong run game, with 7 rushes accounting for 46–yds, spread amongst three different players. The 49ers rushing attack against the Jets was historical, as San Francisco gained 245–yds. on the ground, the most rushing yds. allowed in a single game by a Jets team under Rex Ryan. New York's ensuing possession stalled after only three plays, which led to a blocked punt by LB Larry Grant that resulted with the 49ers taking over at the Jets 4–yd. line. The blocked punt was Grant's 1st of his career and it was the first blocked punt recorded by the 49ers since 10/3/10 at Atl. Three plays later, RB Kendall Hunter registered his 3rd career TD and 1st of the season, on a 1–yd. TD run, stretching the eventual final score to 34–0. The 49ers shutout was only the 2nd shutout ever at MetLife Stadium since its opening in 2010.

**NOTES:** San Francisco is 5–2 in September games under Head Coach **Jim Harbaugh**. Only George Seifert and Steve Mariucci had better records after their first two Septembers at the helm (Seifert – 6–0; Mariucci 7–0)...The **49ers** stayed perfect in games after a loss under Harbaugh. They are currently 3–0 after a defeat...**Harbaugh** improved to 4–1 against AFC opponents and 1–0 against the AFC East...The 49ers improved their overall record vs. the Jets to 10–2, including 6–1 on the road...San Francisco became 3–0 under **Harbaugh** in the second leg of back-to-back road games...The **49ers** registered their first shutout on the road since 1/6/02 at NO (38–0). It also marked just the 2nd shut out for any team at MetLife Stadium [GB win vs. NYJ – 9–0 (10/31/10)]...The **49ers** defense limited the Jets to just 145 total net yds. of offense, the lowest total net yds. allowed since 1/3/10 at StL (109 yds.)...The **49ers** defense registered 4 takeaways on the day (1 INT, 3 FRs), marking the most by the 49ers since 12/19/11 vs. Pit. (3 INTs, 1 FR)...The **49ers** defense registered 3.0 sacks of Jets QB Mark Sanchez on the day, all of which came on 3rd down...LB **Aldon Smith** tallied 2.0 sacks, marking his 5th career game with 2–or–more sacks...LB **Ahmad Brooks** notched his 2nd sack of the season and 22nd of his career, bringing down Sanchez on a 3rd–n–1 play...The **49ers** rushed for a season–high 245 yds. on 44 carries as 9 different players carried the ball. It marked the most rushing yds. by the 49ers since 11/29/10 at Arz. (261 rushing yds.)...Since Rex Ryan was named head coach of New York in 2009, the Jets have been one of the stingiest defenses in the NFL. The 245 rushing yds. by the **49ers** were the most the Jets allowed in a single game under Ryan...RB **Frank Gore** rushed for 62 yds. and 1 TD on 21 carries. The 2–yd. TD run by Gore marked his 3rd of the season and 46th of his career...TE **Garrett Celek** made his NFL debut.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>San Francisco</b>	0	10	7	17	34
<b>New York Jets</b>	0	0	0	0	0

**SF** – C. Kaepernick, 7 run (D. Akers) (8–68, 4:27)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 36 FG (6–56, 1:11)  
**SF** – F. Gore, 2 run (D. Akers) (6–48, 3:26)  
**SF** – C. Rogers, 51 fumble return (D. Akers)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 40 FG (10–46, 4:58)  
**SF** – K. Hunter, 1 run (D. Akers) (3–4, 1:32)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>SF</b>	<b>NYJ</b>
First Downs	26	9
Net Yards Gained	379	145
Rushes/Yards	44/245	17/45
Net Yards Passing	134	100
Att/Comp/INT	22/12/0	30/14/1
Sacked/Yards Lost	2/9	3/12
Punts/Average	4/46.0	8/37.9
Fumbles/Lost	2/0	3/3
Penalties/Yards	8/67	4/30
Time of Possession	36:56	23:04
3rd Down Efficiency	4/12 (33%)	2/13 (15%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 21–62–1 TD, K. Hunter 8–56–1 TD, C. Kaepernick 5–50–1 TD, M. Manningham 1–28, A. Dixon 4–16, A. Smith 2–12, K. Williams 1–9, T. Ginn 1–7, B. Miller 1–5... **JETS** – S. Greene 11–34, B. Powell 4–11, T. Tebow 2–0.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – M. Manningham 3–47, D. Walker 2–31, V. Davis 2–28, M. Crabtree 2–15, F. Gore 2–13, B. Miller 1–9... **JETS** – S. Holmes 4–29, J. Cumberland 4–17, C. Schilens 3–45, J. Kerley 2–12, D. Epps 1–9.

**PASSING: 49ERS** – A. Smith 21–12–143–0–0 TDs, C. Kaepernick 1–0–0–0–0 TDs... **JETS** – M. Sanchez 29–13–103–1–0 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** – P. Willis 1–0... **JETS** – None.

**SACKS: 49ERS** – Ald. Smith 2.0, A. Brooks 1.0... **JETS** – C. Pace 1.0, B. Thomas 1.0.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** +4 (0 fumbles, 0 INTs/3 fumbles, 1 INT).

**Weather:** Partly Cloudy

**Temperature:** 67 degrees

**Wind:** West/Northwest 4 mph

**Playing Surface:** FieldTurf

**Time:** 2:56

**Attendance:** 79,088





# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

## BUFFALO 3, SAN FRANCISCO 45

### CANDLESTICK PARK



The 49ers improved to 4-1 for the 2nd season in a row, beating the Buffalo Bills 45-3 in a record-setting day at Candlestick Park. The 49ers took to the air on their 2nd drive of the game as QB Alex Smith connected with TE Vernon Davis for a 53-yd. strike through the air, setting-up a 1st and goal at the Bills 8-yd. line. K David Akers registered the first points of the game on a 19-yd. FG with 7:29 remaining in the 1st qtr. Akers has now made at least 1 FG in all 21 games as a 49er, tying the franchise record for the most consecutive games with a FG [Bruce Gossett (11/19/70 - 10/1/72)]. The Bills and 49ers traded possessions before Buffalo got on the scoreboard with 10:50 remaining in the 2nd qtr. on K Rian Lindell's 31-yd. FG. After the Bills FG, San Francisco began their next drive from their own 26-yd. line. The first play from scrimmage, Smith completed a 36-yd. pass to WR Michael Crabtree and on the ensuing play Smith went deep to WR Kyle Williams for a 43-yd. TD to make the score 10-3 after the 2-play, 00:52 drive. After stalled drives for both teams, LB Patrick Willis came up with a big hit to jar the ball loose from TE Scott Chandler as S Dashon Goldson recovered the ball and returned it 5-yds. to the Buffalo 28-yd. line with 00:29 remaining in the 1st half. On the ensuing play, Smith threw his 2nd TD of the game, this time a 28-yd. strike to Crabtree to extend their lead at the end of the half to 17-3. The red and gold gained 320 net yds. (83 rushing, 237 passing) of offense in the first half, the most by the team since 9/27/98 vs. Atl. (394 net yds. - 128 rushing, 266 passing). The 49ers' 237 net passing yds. in the 1st half were the most by the club since 9/27/98 vs. Atl. (266 net passing yds. in the 1st half). Buffalo received the ball to start the 2nd half and on the Bills third play LB Ahmad Brooks recorded his 3rd sack (23.0 career) of the 2012 season. Three plays later Buffalo was forced to punt and the 49ers took over at their own 34-yd. line. The 49ers offense continued to shine as Davis hauled-in a 24-yd. recept. to start the drive. On 2nd and 10 from the 49ers 43-yd. line, Gore gashed the defense for 31-yds. on the ground. He finished it off two plays later with a 1-yd. TD run to push the lead to 24-3 with 10:01 remaining in the 3rd qtr. The turnover-hungry San Francisco defense took the ball away from the Buffalo offense after 5 plays, on CB Chris Culliver's INT. Smith and the 49ers offense kept the momentum, as they marched 94-yds. on 13-plays, capped-off by WR Mario Manningham's 10-yd. TD recept. from Smith. The TD was Manningham's 1st TD as a 49er. Smith finished the game with a 156.2 QB rating, a career high and the highest single-game performance in the NFL since 12/26/10 [Bengals QB Carson Palmer - 157.2 vs. SD]. He currently ranks first in the NFL with a 108.7 QB rating through 5 weeks. The red and gold quickly forced a three-and-out on the Bills next possession. Following the punt, the 49ers ground game pounded the ball down the field. Grinding out 67-yds. rushing on 7-plays, the 49ers again found themselves in the end zone on QB Colin Kaepernick's 16-yd scramble for a TD to make the score 38-3 with 10:00 remaining in the 4th qtr. The Bills were forced into their second consecutive three-and-out on their next possession. San Francisco stuck to the run with its last possession of the game, rushing 10 times on an 11-play drive that was highlighted by RB Anthony Dixon's 4-yd. TD run, his 1st of the season and brought the final tally of the game to 45-3. With the win, the 49ers improved to 11-1 at home since 12/1/10. San Francisco's current .917 winning pct. at home is the 3rd best in the NFL during that span [GB - 13-1 (.929); Bal - 13-1 (.929)]. The 49ers offense amassed 621 net yds. (311 rushing, 310 passing), setting the single-game franchise record. San Francisco became the first team in NFL history to post 300-or-more yds. rushing and passing in the same game.

**NOTES:** Head coach **Jim Harbaugh** improved to 5-1 against AFC opponents and 2-0 against the AFC East...**San Francisco** improved its overall record against Buffalo to 6-5...The **49ers** remained undefeated in the month of October under Harbaugh, going 5-0 overall and 3-0 at home...**San Francisco** improved to 7-0 at home following a road game under Harbaugh...With **QB Alex Smith** (303 yds. passing), **RB Frank Gore** (106 yds. rushing), **WR Michael Crabtree** (113 yds. rec.) and **TE Vernon Davis** (106 yds. rec.), it marked the first time the **49ers** had a 300-yd. passer, 100-yd. rusher and 2, 100-yd. receivers in the same game since 11/19/61 vs. Chi. [QB John Brodie - 322 yds. passing; RB C.R. Roberts - 107 yds. rushing; WR Aaron Thomas - 131 yds. rec.; WR R.C. Owens - 107 yds. rec.]...The **49ers** rushed for 311 yds. on the day, the most by the team since 12/14/98 vs. Det. (328 yds.)...The 311 rushing yds. are the 4th most in a single game in franchise history and the most in the NFL since 10/24/10 (Oak. - 328 rushing yds. at Den.)...**RB Frank Gore** registered his 31st career 100-yd. game, rushing for 106 yds. and 1 TD on 14 carries. The 49ers record improved to 24-7 when Gore rushes for over 100 yds...**RB Kendall Hunter** added a career-high 81 yds. rushing on 11 carries. His previous record was 76 yds. at StL (1/1/12)...**RB Anthony Dixon** notched his first TD of the season and 5th of his career on a 3-yd. TD run in the 4th qtr...**Smith** registered 3 carries for a career-high 49 yds. rushing...**Smith** completed 18 of 24 attempts for 303 yds., 3 TDs and a QB rating of 156.2, marking his 3rd career, 300-yd. game. The 49ers improved to 13-0 when Smith starts and has a QB rating over 100.0. Smith also tied his career-high with 3 passing TDs (most since 10/9/11 vs. TB)...**Smith's** 156.2 QB rating marked the highest single-game performance in the NFL since 12/26/10 [Bengals QB Carson Palmer - 157.2 vs. SD]...**Smith** completed 12 of 15 atts. for 237 yds., 2 TDs and a perfect QB rating of 158.3 in the first half. His 237 passing yds. and QB rating of 158.3 are both career-highs for either half...**Smith** also set a career-high with 49 rushing yds...**Smith** is 17-4 as a starter since the beginning of the 2011 season. The 17 wins are the most in the NFL during that span...**WR Michael Crabtree** tallied 6 receipts. for 113 yds. and 1 TD, marking his 4th career, 100-yd. game, and first since 11/20/11 vs. Arz. - 120 yds...**Crabtree** set a first-half career-high with 103 rec. yds...**WR Kyle Williams** recorded his 1st TD of the season, and 4th of his career, on a 43-yd. TD pass from QB Alex Smith. Williams finished the day with 2 receipts. for 50 yds. and 1 TD...**WR Mario Manningham** registered his first TD as a member of the 49ers on a 10-yd. pass from QB Alex Smith. Manningham finished the day with 4 receipts. for 26 yds. and 1 TD.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>Buffalo</b>	0	3	0	0	3
<b>San Francisco</b>	3	14	7	21	45

**SF** - D. Akers, 19 FG (6-79, 3:17)  
**BUF** - R. Lindell, 31 FG (12-75, 5:44)  
**SF** - K. Williams, 43 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (2-74, 0:52)  
**SF** - M. Crabtree, 28 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (1-28, 0:05)  
**SF** - F. Gore, 1 run (D. Akers) (5-66, 2:44)  
**SF** - M. Manningham, 10 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (13-94, 7:48)  
**SF** - C. Kaepernick, 16 run (D. Akers) (7-67, 3:05)  
**SF** - A. Dixon, 3 run (D. Akers) (11-69, 6:29)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>BUF</b>	<b>SF</b>
First Downs	10	29
Net Yards Gained	204	621
Rushes/Yards	19/89	38/311
Net Yards Passing	115	310
Att/Comp/INT	26/16/1	25/19/0
Sacked/Yards Lost	1/11	0/0
Punts/Average	6/47.7	2/56.0
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	1/1
Penalties/Yards	5/30	7/53
Time of Possession	23:43	36:17
3rd Down Efficiency	2/10 (20%)	7/11 (64%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** - F. Gore 14-106-1 TD, K. Hunter 11-81, A. Smith 3-49, C. Kaepernick 4-39-1 TD, A. Dixon 4-21-1 TD, B. Miller 1-9, K. Williams 1-6... **BILLS** - B. Smith 1-35, F. Jackson 9-29, C. Spiller 7-24, R. Fitzpatrick 2-1.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** - M. Crabtree 6-113-1 TD, V. Davis 5-106, M. Manningham 4-26-1 TD, K. Williams 2-50-1 TD, R. Moss 1-11, G. Celek 1-4, ... **BILLS** - St. Johnson 6-39, S. Chandler 4-40, T. Graham 2-28, D. Jones 2-13, F. Jackson 1-5, B. Smith 1-1.

**PASSING: 49ERS** - A. Smith 24-18-303-0-3 TDs, C. Kaepernick 1-1-7-0-0 TDs... **BILLS** - R. Fitzpatrick 26-16-126-1-0 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** - C. Culliver 1-4... **BILLS** - None.

**SACKS: 49ERS** - A. Brooks 1.0... **BILLS** - None.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** +1 (1 fumble, 0 INTs/1 fumble, 1 INT).

**Weather:** Sunny  
**Temperature:** 62 degrees  
**Wind:** West 8 mph  
**Playing Surface:** Natural Grass  
**Time:** 2:56  
**Attendance:** 69,732



# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

## NEW YORK GIANTS 26, SAN FRANCISCO 3

### CANDLESTICK PARK



In the rematch of last year's NFC Championship game, the 49ers made uncharacteristic turnovers as the Giants pulled off a stunning victory on the road at Candlestick Park. The 49ers started the game strong, driving 59-yds. on 12-plays, but failed to come away with any points as K David Akers missed a 43-yd. FG wide right. San Francisco's defense forced a three-and-out on the Giants first offensive possession to give the 49ers offense the ball for the second time. QB Alex Smith engineered a precise offensive attack down the field, passing for 41-yds.. Smith connected with WR Randy Moss on a 20-yd. strike, his first of two 20+ yd. receipts. on the day. Moss recorded 75-yds. rec. on the day, becoming just the fourth player in NFL history to surpass 15,000 career rec. yds. (15,032). He trails only WR Jerry Rice (22,895), WR Terrell Owens (15,934) and WR Isaac Bruce (15,208) for the most rec. yds. in NFL history. The 49ers finished the 61-yd. drive with a 42-yd. FG by K David Akers to make the score 3-0 with 2:04 remaining in the 1st qtr. With the FG, Akers has now made at least 1 FG in all 22 games as a member of the 49ers, breaking the franchise record for the most consecutive games with a FG [K Bruce Gossett (11/19/70 through 10/1/72)]. In the 2nd qtr. an INT thrown by Alex Smith led to a New York scoring drive, capped off by a 6-yd. TD pass from Manning to WR Victor Cruz, making the score 7-3 with 10:08 remaining in the 2nd qtr. After San Francisco failed to get anything going on offense, the Giants put together another scoring drive, this time leading to K Lawrence Tynes knocking a 34-yd. FG through the uprights to push the score to 10-3 in the Giants favor with 3:04 remaining in the half. The 49ers were forced to punt back to New York after failing to get a 1st down, and with 15 seconds remaining in the half the Giants setup for a 40-yd. FG. 49ers CB Tarell Brown blocked Tynes' FG attempt, his 1st career blocked FG and the first by the 49ers since DT Ray McDonald blocked a 44-yd. attempt by K Ryan Longwell at Min. (9/27/09). The 3rd qtr. was all Giants as New York returned the opening kickoff 66 yds. that was capped off on a 1-yd. TD run by RB Ahmad Bradshaw to finish the 7-play, 32-yd. drive.. The next two offensive possessions for the 49ers ended in INTs, both of which led to Tynes FGs of 30 and 22-yds. to stretch the score to 23-3 with 7:43 remaining in the 3rd qtr. On the 2nd-play of the 49ers next possession, Smith launched a 55-yd pass to Moss for a completion, marking Smith's longest completion of the season and Moss' longest receipt. as a 49er. San Francisco failed to capitalize on the long gain and turned the ball over on downs. The Giants and 49ers traded possessions as both offenses struggled to put any points on the scoreboard until Tynes added to the Giants lead with his 4th FG of the game, this time from 32-yds. The FG was the last scoring play of the game as the Giants left Candlestick Park with their 4th win of the season, handing the 49ers their 2nd defeat.

**NOTES:** CB **Carlos Rogers** played in his 100th NFL game vs. NYG... TE/LS **Brian Jennings** has now played in 198, consecutive games... DT **Justin Smith** has now started 177 consecutive games, dating back to his rookie season in 2001. Smith's consecutive start streak ranks 3rd among defensive players, behind Ronde Barber (204) and London Fletcher (185), and 4th among all NFL players, behind Barber, Fletcher and Jeff Backus (181)... TE **Vernon Davis** has now started 81 consecutive games, which ranks 3rd in the NFL among TEs behind Tony Gonzalez (92) and Jason Witten (88)... C **Jonathan Goodwin** has now started 60 consecutive games tied for the 5th most among centers... K **David Akers** has now played in 111 consecutive NFL games, the 3rd most in the NFL among kickers... P **Andy Lee** played has played in 134 consecutive NFL games, the 4th most among NFL punters.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
New York Giants	0	10	13	3	26
San Francisco	3	0	0	0	3

**SF** - D. Akers, 42 FG (12-61, 5:27)  
**NYG** - V. Cruz, 6 pass from E. Manning (L. Tynes) (7-67, 3:50)  
**NYG** - L. Tynes, 34 FG (8-51, 4:34)  
**NYG** - A. Bradshaw, 1 run (L. Tynes) (7-32, 3:12)  
**NYG** - L. Tynes, 30 FG (4-0, 0:16)  
**NYG** - L. Tynes, 22 FG (4-1, 1:33)  
**NYG** - L. Tynes, 32 FG (13-72, 7:10)

TEAM STATISTICS	NYG	SF
First Downs	19	14
Net Yards Gained	342	314
Rushes/Yards	37/149	17/80
Net Yards Passing	193	234
Att/Comp/INT	28/15/0	37/23/3
Sacked/Yards Lost	0/0	6/48
Punts/Average	4/49.8	4/49.8
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	1/0
Penalties/Yards	2/20	6/35
Time of Possession	32:15	27:45
3rd Down Efficiency	5/15 (33%)	4/14 (29%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** - F. Gore 8-36, K. Hunter 4-26, M. Manningham 1-7, C. Kaepernick 2-6, A. Smith 2-5... **GIANTS** - A. Bradshaw 27-116-1 TD, D. Wilson 7-35, E. Manning 3- (-2).

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** - M. Manningham 5-72, K. Williams 4-40, F. Gore 4-20, V. Davis 3-37, M. Crabtree 3-26, R. Moss 2-75, G. Celek 1-6, K. Hunter 1-6... **GIANTS** - V. Cruz 6-58-1 TD, D. Hixon 4-78, H. Nicks 3-44, M. Bennett 1-9, A. Bradshaw 1-4.

**PASSING: 49ERS** - A. Smith 30-19-200-3-0 TDs, C. Kaepernick 7-4-82-0-0 TDs... **GIANTS** - E. Manning 28-15-193-0-1 TD.

**INTs: 49ERS** - None... **GIANTS** - A. Rolle 2-42, P. Amukamara 1-0.

**SACKS: 49ERS** - None... **GIANTS** - J. Pierre-Paul 2.0, L. Joseph 1.0, M. Kiwanuka 1.0, A. Tracy 1.0, J. Williams 1.0.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** -3 (0 fumble, 3 INTs/0 fumble, 0 INTs).

**Weather:** Sunny  
**Temperature:** 61 degrees  
**Wind:** Northwest 7 mph  
**Playing Surface:** Natural Grass  
**Time:** 3:01  
**Attendance:** 69,732





# THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18 SEATTLE 6, SAN FRANCISCO 13 CANDLESTICK PARK



The 49ers improved to 6–1 in NFC West divisional games under head coach Jim Harbaugh, as they opened up division play with a physical battle against the Seattle Seahawks on *Thursday Night Football* en route to a 13–6 victory. The Seahawks first possession went 10–plays for 62–yds. ending with a 52–yd. FG by K Steven Hauschka to give Seattle a 3–0 lead with 5:34 remaining in the 1st qtr. San Francisco answered back on its ensuing possession with an 11–play, 60–yd. drive of its own, capped off by K David Akers' 38–yd. FG, knotting the score at 3–3 with 31 seconds remaining in the 1st quarter. Akers FG extended his 49ers franchise record to 23 consecutive games with at least 1 FG made. The Seahawks opened the 2nd qtr. with its second consecutive drive leading to a FG, a 35–yd. kick by Hauschka making the score 6–3. The 49ers and Seahawks stout defense's dug in, leading to five possessions resulting in no change on the scoreboard, as the 1st half expired. RB Frank Gore, led the 49ers first possession of the 2nd half with 50 total yds. on the 10–play, 86–yd. drive. Gore rushed for 131–yds. on 16 carries (8.2 avg.), marking Gore's 32nd career 100–yd. game and 3rd of the season. TE Delanie Walker, capped off the drive with a 12–yd. TD recept. from QB Alex Smith to give the 49ers a 10–6 lead with 4:36 remaining in the 3rd qtr. It was Walker's 1st TD of the season and 6th of his career. On Seattle's ensuing possession, S Dashon Goldson intercepted QB Russell Wilson and returned the ball 1–yd. to the San Francisco 27–yd. line. The INT was Goldson's 2nd of the season and 13th of his career. On offense, the red and gold continued to open up running lanes for Gore, as he broke off a 37–yd. run to the Seattle 8–yd. line. Three plays after Gore's long run, Smith threw an INT and Seattle CB Brandon Browner returned the ball to the Seahawks 3–yd. line. After the turnover, the 49ers defense stiffened and forced a three–and–out to keep the pressure on the Seahawks. On the Niners next possession, they continued to pound the ball on the ground as RB Kendall Hunter and Gore helped position the offense for Akers to knock through a 28–yd. FG, his 2nd FG of the game, to make the score 13–6 with 5:28 remaining in the 4th qtr. The 49ers finished the day by rushing for 175–yds. on 32 carries (5.5 avg.). Under Harbaugh, the 49ers improved to 17–0, including the postseason, when Gore and Hunter combine for more than 20 carries. On its next possession, the Seahawks were unable to move the ball against the San Francisco defense and were forced to punt as the 49ers took over with 2:05 left in the game. Seattle used its last two timeouts to stop the clock and force P Andy Lee to punt. Lee booted a 66–yd. punt, pinning Seattle inside the 20–yd. line for the 4th time of the game. With the game on the line, San Francisco's defense shut down the Seahawks. LB Aldon Smith recorded a sack for a loss of 7–yds. Smith's sack gives him 5.5 on the season and 19.5 for his career. The sack was followed by a false start penalty, putting the Seahawks in 3rd and 17 from their own 4–yd. line. Seattle was unable to convert for a 1st down and the 49ers took over as the game ended with San Francisco in the victory formation. The 49ers defense did not allow a TD for the 3rd time this season, limiting the Seahawks to only 2 FGs. The last time the 49ers held opponents without a TD in at least three of the team's first seven games was 1976 [2 FGs vs. NYJ (10/3); and 1 FG vs. NO (10/17)]. With the win, the 49ers extended their winning streak against Seattle to four in a row, San Francisco's longest current winning streak against a divisional opponent. The 49ers improved to 6–2 on *Thursday Night Football* and 3–0 at home.

**NOTES:** **San Francisco** improved to 12–2 at home since 12/1/10. The 49ers current .857 winning pct. at home is the 3rd best in the NFL during that span...**San Francisco's** overall record against the Seahawks improved to 14–13, and 12–8 at home...The **49ers** improved its prime time record to 62–32 overall, and 38–15 at home...**San Francisco** remained perfect in games after a loss under coach Harbaugh. They are currently 5–0 after a defeat...With 5 receipts. on the day, RB **Frank Gore** now has 302 career receipts., becoming just the second running back in franchise history to notch 300 receipts. (RB Roger Craig – 508)...**Gore's** 302 career receipts. ranks 3rd among all active RBs...The **49ers** improved to 25–7 when Gore breaks the 100–yd. plateau, including 8–0 under Harbaugh...QB **Alex Smith** is 18–5 as a starter since the beginning of the 2011 season. The 18 wins are the most in the NFL during that span...LB **NaVorro Bowman** tallied his 1st sack of the season and 3rd of his career...LB **Clark Haggans** made his 49ers debut.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>Seattle</b>	3	3	0	0	6
<b>San Francisco</b>	3	0	7	3	13

**SEA** – S. Hauschka, 52 FG (10–62, 5:05)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 38 FG (11–60, 5:03)  
**SEA** – S. Hauschka, 35 FG (8–63, 3:19)  
**SF** – D. Walker, 12 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (10–86, 6:20)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 28 FG (7–39, 4:47)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>SEA</b>	<b>SF</b>
First Downs	13	18
Net Yards Gained	251	313
Rushes/Yards	29/136	32/175
Net Yards Passing	115	138
Att/Comp/INT	23/9/1	23/14/1
Sacked/Yards Lost	2/7	2/2
Punts/Average	4/48.5	5/45.6
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	0/0
Penalties/Yards	3/20	5/40
Time of Possession	27:59	32:01
3rd Down Efficiency	4/13 (31%)	3/11 (27%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 16–131, K. Hunter 9–31, A. Smith 5–11, K. Williams 1–3, C. Kaepernick 1– (–1)... **SEAHAWKS** – M. Lynch 19–103, R. Turbin 4–17, R. Wilson 3–10, L. Washington 2–4, M. Robinson 1–2.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 5–51, M. Crabtree 4–31, K. Hunter 2–14, K. Williams 1–18, R. Moss 1–14, D. Walker 1–12–1 TD... **SEAHAWKS** – B. Obomanu 3–50, S. Rice 2–32, D. Baldwin 2–15, M. Lynch 1–13, M. Robinson 1–12.

**PASSING: 49ERS** – A. Smith 23–14–140–1–1 TD... **SEAHAWKS** – R. Wilson 23–9–122–1–0 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** – D. Goldson 1–1... **SEAHAWKS** – B. Browner 1–4.

**SACKS: 49ERS** – N. Bowman 1.0, Ald. Smith 1.0... **SEAHAWKS** – J. Jones 1.0, G. Scruggs 1.0.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** Even (0 fumble, 1 INT/0 fumble, 1 INT).

**Weather:** Sunny  
**Temperature:** 80 degrees  
**Wind:** South 15 mph  
**Playing Surface:** Natural Grass  
**Time:** 2:57  
**Attendance:** 69,732





# MONDAY, OCTOBER 29

## SAN FRANCISCO 24, ARIZONA 3

### UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX STADIUM



The 49ers win against the Arizona Cardinals marked San Francisco's 42nd win on *Monday Night Football*, the 2nd most in NFL history behind the Dallas Cowboys (43 wins). With the win, the 49ers improved to 5–1 against the Cardinals on *Monday Night Football*, including going 4–1 against Arizona on *MNF* since 2007. The 49ers second possession resulted in the game's first points, as the Niners drove 10–plays, for 77–yds. capped off by WR Michael Crabtree's 3–yd. TD receipt. from QB Alex Smith. The 49ers improved to 12–3 under head coach Jim Harbaugh when scoring first. Smith's TD pass was the start to a historical day through the air for the 49ers QB, as he completed 18 of 19 attempts for 232 yds., 3 TDs and a QB rating of 157.1. Smith set the single–game NFL record with a 94.7 comp. pct. with a minimum of 15 attempts. With 9:52 remaining in the 2nd qtr., WR Ted Ginn Jr. returned an Arizona punt 35–yds. to the Cardinals 45–yd. line. The good starting field position setup a 43–yd. FG for K David Akers. Akers has now made at least 1 FG in all 24 games as a 49er, extending the franchise record for most consecutive games with a FG. The still–fling San Francisco defense forced a three–and–out on the Cardinals ensuing possession. The 49ers defense was at the top of its game on Monday night, holding Arizona to just 7–yds. rushing, tying the fewest rushing yds. allowed in a single game in franchise history [7 at NO (10/1/72)]. The 7 rushing yds. allowed was the lowest output allowed in the NFL at that point, surpassing the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, who held Car. to 10 rushing yds. (9/9/12). Following the Arizona punt, Smith led the offense down the field, going a perfect 6–6 through the air. The drive resulted in a 9–yd. TD pass from Smith to Crabtree, stretching the 49ers lead to 17–0 with 1:47 remaining in the 1st half. Crabtree registered the second, 2 TD performance of his career, hauling in 5 receipts. for 72–yds. His only other 2 TD game was at STL. (1/1/12). Crabtree has now played in 50 regular season games and has recorded at least 1 receipt. in every game of his career. The Cardinals attempted to make a dent in the 49ers lead before the end of the half, but QB John Skelton was forced to launch a 'hail mary' pass on 4th down that was intercepted by CB Chris Culliver as the half expired. Culliver's INT was his 2nd of the season, and 3rd of his career. Culliver also set a new career high, along with CB Tarell Brown, by each registering 5 PDs. According to the NFL Gamebook statistics, the 5 PDs by Brown and Culliver are tied for the most in the NFL this season, along with Den. CB Tracy Porter [5 PDs vs. Pit. (9/12)]. As the 3rd qtr. began, the 49ers defense continued its excellent play, forcing another Arizona punt. The 49ers offense picked up right where it left off, as Smith completed two long passes, one for 30–yds. to Crabtree and the next to WR Randy Moss for a 47–yd. TD. With the TD, Moss now ranks tied for 4th in NFL history with 156 total TDs, and has now registered 18 TDs in 19 games on *Monday Night Football*. Smith's 3rd TD pass tied his career high in a single game, marking the 8th time in his career he has accomplished that feat. The Cardinals' next offensive possession resulted in its only points of the game, as K Jay Feely connected on a 28–yd. FG, to make the score 24–3 with 1:00 remaining in the 3rd qtr. The Cardinals' next possession did not yield the same result, as LB Ahmad Brooks (4th of the season, 24th of his career) and LB Aldon Smith (7.5 on the season) notched back–to–back sacks to force a punt. Smith recorded his 2nd sack of the game on Arizona's following possession, sacking Skelton for an 8–yd. loss. He now has 21.5 career sacks and reached 20.0 career sacks in just 24 games, becoming the 2nd fastest in 49ers history, behind Hall of Famer Fred Dean who reached 20.0 sacks in 23 games from 1982–83. The 49ers improved to 7–1 in NFC West divisional games under head coach Jim Harbaugh and 2–0 against the NFC West this season.

**NOTES:** The 49ers 7 divisional wins are t–2nd most in the NFL since 2011...San Francisco improved its overall record against the Arizona Cardinals to 25–17, and 11–9 on the road...The 49ers have won at least 6 of their first 8 games for the second consecutive season (7–1 in 2011), the first time the team has done so in back–to–back seasons since 2001–02. (6–2 in 2001 and 2002)...The Niners improved their prime time record to 63–32 overall and to 25–17 on the road...The 49ers improved to 42–25 on Monday Night Football, including 19–14 on the road...Coupled with last week's 13–6 win vs. Sea. on Thursday Night Football (10/18), the 49ers have won back–to–back prime time games for the first time since Oct. 2001, [19–17 at NYJ (10/1/01 – MNF), 24–14 vs. Car. (10/7/01 – SNF)]...The 49ers have gone 16–4 against the NFC West since 2009. The 16 wins are tied for the most divisional wins in the NFL during that span. (New England 16–4)...Smith set a career high with a 93.3 (14 of 15) comp. pct. in the first half. His previous career high was 91.7 (11 of 12) comp. pct. vs. Arz. (12/4/05)...QB Alex Smith is 19–5 as a starter since the beginning of the 2011 season. The 19 wins are tied for the most in the NFL during that span...WR Randy Moss recorded a 47–yd. TD receipt., marking his 2nd TD of the season and 155th of his career...The 49ers improved to 18–0 under head coach Jim Harbaugh when RB Frank Gore and RB Kendall Hunter combine for 20 carries or more...Gore led the way with 55 yds. rushing on 16 carries, while Hunter added 43 yds. on 10 carries...The 49ers defense did not allow a TD for the 4th time this season, limiting the Cardinals to only 3 points. This is the 6th time in franchise history that San Francisco has held its opponents out of the end zone in 4 games in a single season [2011 (4), 2009 (5), 2001 (4), 1984 (4), 1971 (4)]...The 49ers have given up just 9 touchdowns this season, tied for the fewest in the NFL...LB NaVorro Bowman sacked Cardinals Skelton late in the 2nd qtr., giving him 2.0 sacks for the season and 4.0 for his career...Bowman's 2.0 sacks on the season ties his career–high (2.0 in 2011).

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>San Francisco</b>	7	10	7	0	24
<b>Arizona</b>	0	0	3	0	3

**SF** – M. Crabtree, 3 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (10–77, 6:04)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 43 FG (7–20, 3:36)  
**SF** – M. Crabtree, 9 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (8–68, 2:46)  
**SF** – R. Moss, 47 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (6–80, 3:32)  
**ARZ** – J. Feely, 28 FG (14–70, 6:30)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>SF</b>	<b>ARZ</b>
First Downs	15	16
Net Yards Gained	317	265
Rushes/Yards	29/113	9/7
Net Yards Passing	204	258
Att/Comp/INT	19/18/0	52/32/1
Sacked/Yards Lost	4/28	4/32
Punts/Average	5/48.8	7/47.3
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	0/0
Penalties/Yards	10/80	7/51
Time of Possession	31:16	28:44
3rd Down Efficiency	6/12 (50%)	2/14 (14%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 16–55, K. Hunter 10–43, M. Crabtree 1–8, A. Smith 1–6, B. Miller 1–1... **CARDINALS** – L. Stephens–Howling 8–6, J. Skelton 1–1.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – M. Crabtree 5–72–2 TDs, M. Manningham 4–20, D. Walker 2–38, V. Davis 2–34, R. Moss 1–47–1 TD, F. Gore 1–11, K. Hunter 1–6, K. Williams 1–4, T. Ginn 1–0... **CARDINALS** – A. Roberts 7–65, L. Fitzgerald 5–52, M. Floyd 5–36, R. Housler 4–32, J. King 3–43, L. Stephens–Howling 3–32, E. Doucet 2–21, A. Sherman 2–11, P. Peterson 1–(–2).

**PASSING: 49ERS** – A. Smith 19–18–232–0–3 TDs... **CARDINALS** – J. Skelton 52–32–290–1–0 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** – C. Culliver 1–0... **CARDINALS** – None.

**SACKS: 49ERS** – Ald. Smith 2.0, N. Bowman 1.0, A. Brooks 1.0... **CARDINALS** – D. Washington 2.0, C. Campbell 1.0, D. Dockett 1.0.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** +1 (0 fumble, 0 INT/0 fumble, 1 INT).

**Weather:** Sunny  
**Temperature:** 90 degrees  
**Wind:** West 5 mph  
**Playing Surface:** Natural Grass  
**Time:** 2:52  
**Attendance:** 62,810



# SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

## ST. LOUIS 24, SAN FRANCISCO 24 (OT)

### CANDLESTICK PARK



The 24–24 stalemate marked the 14th tie for the 49ers since joining the NFL in 1950 and first since 1986 [10–10 at Atl. (10/19)]. It also marked the 49ers first tie at Candlestick Park since 1972 [20–20 vs. NO (10/22)]. St. Louis got off to a fast start, scoring on a 36–yd. TD pass from QB Sam Bradford to WR Brian Quick. The Rams next possession went 7–plays, for 93–yds., ending with a 7–yd. TD run by RB Steven Jackson to make the score 14–0 at the end of the 1st qtr. The 49ers answered on their next possession, driving 78–yds. on 12–plays, capped off by QB Alex Smith's 14–yd. TD pass to WR Michael Crabtree. Crabtree's TD recept. came on 3rd–and–7, marking his 3rd TD on 3rd down this season, ranking t–3rd in the NFL. Crabtree has tallied a TD in each of his last 5 games against St. Louis. Following the TD drive, Smith left the game due to injury. The San Francisco defense stiffened following the offense's TD, forcing two consecutive three–and–outs and what would have been a third if not for P Johnny Hekker's 1st down completion on a Rams fake punt. Three plays after the fake punt, LB Aldon Smith ended the Rams drive and the 1st half with his first of 2.0 sacks in the game. Smith has recorded 9.5 sacks for the season and 23.5 for his career. Smith's 9.5 sacks ranks 3rd in the NFL and 1st in the NFC. The first possession for each team to start the 3rd qtr. resulted in no change on the scoreboard. With 8:43 remaining in the 3rd qtr., St. Louis began a 16–play drive that milked 8:25 off the clock and resulted in a 27–yd. FG by K Greg Zuerlein, stretching the lead to 17–7. On the 49ers next possession, Alex Smith's backup, QB Colin Kaepernick, led the Niners down the field, completing 5 of 5 pass attempts for 67–yds. Kaepernick finished the drive with a 7–yd. TD run, as he successfully dove inside the pylon with 8:48 remaining in the 4th qtr. On the ensuing kickoff, RB Isaiah Pead fumbled the ball at the St. Louis 28–yd. line. CB Tramaine Brock (1st career FF) forced the fumble, it was recovered by S Darcel McBath (1st career FR) and returned 8–yds. to the Rams 20–yd. line. The 49ers first play following the fumble resulted in a 20–yd. TD run by RB Frank Gore. Gore rushed for 97–yds. on 21 carries. The 20–yd. TD run marked his 5th TD of the season and 48th of his career. He currently trails just RB Joe Perry (50) and RB Roger Craig (50) for the most rushing TDs in franchise history. The TD made the score 21–17 in San Francisco's favor with 8:29 left in the 4th qtr. The Rams answered the 49ers score with a score of their own, going 14–plays, for 81–yds. capped off by a 2–yd TD pass from Bradford to WR Austin Pettis. The long St. Louis drive left only 1:13 on the clock, as the 49ers trailed 24–21. Kaepernick engineered an 8–play, 63–yd. drive under pressure, accounting for 54 yds. to set K David Akers up for a 33–yd. game–tying FG to force overtime. In the extra period, St. Louis won the toss and elected to receive. On the Rams first play, Amendola recorded an 80–yd. recept. down to the 49ers 2–yd. line, but an illegal formation penalty against the Rams erased the long catch and brought the ball back to the St. Louis 13–yd. line. A few plays later, San Francisco forced a Rams punt, setting up good field position for the 49ers offense. The 49ers drove down to the St. Louis 23–yd. line, to set Akers up for a 41–yd. FG attempt that was wide left. The Rams took the ball, drove to the San Francisco 40–yd. line and Zuerlein also missed the potential game–winning FG as neither team was able to score before the clock ran out, resulting in a tie. The 49ers have not lost in 12 consecutive home games against division opponents, the longest active streak in the NFL.

**NOTES:** The **San Francisco 49ers** record against the St. Louis Rams now stands at 62–61–3, including 31–31–2 at home. The last time the 49ers and the Rams played to a tie was in 1968 [20–20 (11/17)]... **San Francisco** is now 8–1–1 in NFC West divisional games under head coach Jim Harbaugh, including 2–0–1 this season... WR **Michael Crabtree** led the team with 5 receipts. for 70 yds. and 1 TD.... QB **Colin Kaepernick** came off the bench, replacing an injured QB Alex Smith, and completed 11 of 17 atts., for 117 yds. and a QB rating of 84.7. He also added 8 carries for 66 yds. and 1 TD... Since 2011, the 49ers are now 18–1–1 when RB **Frank Gore** and RB **Kendall Hunter** combine for 20 carries or more.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Pts
St. Louis	14	0	3	7	0	24
San Francisco	0	7	0	17	0	24

**STL** – B. Quick, 36 pass from S. Bradford (G. Zuerlein) (6–66, 3:23)  
**STL** – S. Jackson, 7 run (G. Zuerlein) (7–93, 4:09)  
**SF** – M. Crabtree, 14 pass from A. Smith (D. Akers) (12–78, 8:34)  
**STL** – G. Zuerlein, 27 FG (16–60, 8:25)  
**SF** – C. Kaepernick, 7 run (D. Akers) (11–81, 6:38)  
**SF** – F. Gore, 20 run (D. Akers) (1–20, 0:06)  
**STL** – A. Pettis, 2 pass from S. Bradford (G. Zuerlein) (14–81, 7:14)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 33 FG (8–63, 1:06)

TEAM STATISTICS	STL	SF
First Downs	27	25
Net Yards Gained	458	341
Rushes/Yards	37/159	34/183
Net Yards Passing	299	158
Att/Comp/INT	41/28/0	25/18/0
Sacked/Yards Lost	2/16	5/31
Punts/Average	4/36.8	6/41.8
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	4/0
Penalties/Yards	13/85	7/66
Time of Possession	40:45	34:15
3rd Down Efficiency	7/16 (44%)	2/11 (18%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 21–97–1, C. Kaepernick 8–66–1, K. Hunter 3–15, A. Smith 2–5... **RAMS** – S. Jackson 29–101–1, D. Richardson 7–58, S. Bradford 1–0.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – M. Crabtree 5–70–1, V. Davis 4–30, F. Gore 3–18, K. Williams 2–24, R. Moss 2–19, M. Manningsham 1–20, K. Hunter 1–8... **RAMS** – D. Amendola 11–102, L. Kendrick 3–48, B. Gibson 3–47, A. Pettis 3–15–1, S. Jackson 2–26, S. Smith 2–11, B. Quick 1–36–1, R. McLeod 1–21, I. Pead 1–9, D. Richardson 1–0.

**PASSING: 49ERS** – C. Kaepernick 17–11–117–0–0 TDs, A. Smith 8–7–72–0–1 TD... **RAMS** – S. Bradford 39–26–275–0–2 TDs, J. Hekker 2–2–40–0–0 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** – None... **RAMS** – None.

**SACKS: 49ERS** – Ald. Smith 2.0... **RAMS** – M. Brockers 1.5, R. Quinn 1.5, M. Haggan 1.0, C. Long 1.0.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** +1 (0 fumble, 0 INT/1 fumble, 0 INT).

**Weather:** Sunny  
**Temperature:** 55 degrees  
**Wind:** Northeast 5 mph  
**Playing Surface:** Natural Grass  
**Time:** 3:50  
**Attendance:** 69,732





# MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19 CHICAGO 7, SAN FRANCISCO 32 CANDLESTICK PARK



The 49ers improved their prime time record to 63–32 and 38–15 at home with their 32–7 victory against the Chicago Bears on *Monday Night Football*. Head coach Jim Harbaugh improved his regular season coaching record to 20–5–1 and became the fastest active NFL head coach to reach 20 victories, doing so in 26 games. Pittsburgh head coach Mike Tomlin was the previous active leader, who won 20 of his first 29 games. In his first career start, QB Colin Kaepernick led the 49ers offense to 4 consecutive scoring drives on their first 4 possessions of the game, marking the 1st time the offense had accomplished that feat since 10/27/02 vs. Arz. Kaepernick took charge in the first San Francisco possession, as he completed 4–5 pass attempts for 45–yds, setting up K David Akers for a 32–yd. FG that sailed through the uprights. Chicago's first possession on offense was a quick 3–and–out as a result of LB Aldon Smith's sack on 3rd and 2. It was Smith's first of 5.5 sacks on the night, the most in *Monday Night Football* history. Smith now has 15.0 sacks on the season which ranks 1st in the NFL. Smith's 29.0 career sacks are the 3rd–highest total in NFL history for players in their first 2 seasons (DE Reggie White – 31.0; Derrick Thomas – 30.0). On the ensuing possession, Kaepernick engineered his second scoring drive in as many possessions. On 3rd and 7 he completed a 57–yd. pass to WR Kyle Williams down to the Bears 3–yd. line. The 57–yd. recept. was a career long for Williams. On the following play, TE Vernon Davis hauled in a 3–yd. TD pass from Kaepernick, his 1st career pass–ing TD, to make the score 10–0 with 6:19 remaining in the 1st qtr. Davis recorded 6 recepts. for 83 yds. Davis now has 5 TDs on the season and 40 TDs in his career. After another possession resulting in no points for the Bears, the 49ers began to open up running lanes for RB Frank Gore and RB Kendall Hunter as they accounted for 47–yds on the ground during the 49ers third possession. Hunter finished off the drive with a 14–yd. TD run on an 8–play, 96–yd. march down the field. The 96–yd. drive was the 49ers longest since producing a 97–yd. drive at NO [9/28/08 – 6–play, 97–yd. drive (2:18) that ended with a 5–yd. TD pass from QB J.T. O'Sullivan to WR Isaac Bruce]. Since 2011, the 49ers are 19–1–1 when Gore and Hunter combine for 20 carries or more. Chicago's next possession began with Aldon Smith's second sack of the game, which caused QB Jason Campbell to fumble, but the Bears retained possession on the Campbell recovery. Smith tallied 2 FFs during the game, setting a single–game career high. He now has 3 FFs on the season and 5 for his career. Two plays later CB Tarell Brown broke on a Campbell pass, intercepted it and returned the ball 5–yds. to the Chicago 44–yd. line. A 14–yd. run by Gore and 20–yd. recept. by WR Michael Crabtree from Kaepernick setup Akers for a 37–yd. FG, his 2nd made FG of the game, stretching the 49ers lead to 20–0 with 6:37 remaining in the 2nd qtr. San Francisco forced the Bears offense to two more 3–and–outs, keeping their 20–0 lead intact at the end of the first half. Chicago's first possession after halftime was once again brought to an end on a 3rd down sack by Aldon Smith. On the 49ers second offensive play of the 2nd half, WR Mario Manningham registered a 37–yd. recept. down to the Chicago 14–yd. line. Three plays later, Kaepernick threw his 2nd TD pass of the game to Crabtree on a 10–yd. completion making the score 27–0. The Bears answered with a 13–play drive of their own, scoring on a 13–yd. TD pass from Campbell to WR Brandon Marshall with 3:51 remaining in the 3rd qtr. After one of the few 3–and–outs by the 49ers offense all game, on 3rd and 3 Campbell's pass was picked off by S Dashon Goldson at the Chicago 37–yd. line. Goldson's INT marked his 3rd on the season and 14th of his career. The good starting field position led to a 32–yd. FG by Akers, his 3rd FG of the game. He has now made at least 1 FG in all 26 games as a 49er, extending the franchise record for consecutive games with a made FG. The Bears next possession involved the last scoring play of the Monday night game. After Aldon Smith and DT Justin Smith combined for a sack on 2nd and 20, the Bears were pushed back to their own 8–yd. line. The ensuing play resulted in Aldon Smith's 2nd FF caused by a sack in the game. The ball was recovered by Bears G Chilo Rachal in the end zone and he was tackled by DT Ray McDonald for the safety making the score 32–7.

**NOTES:** The **49ers** improved to 32–29–1 overall and 22–12 at home against the Chicago Bears...**San Francisco** improved to 5–1 in prime time and 3–0 on *Monday Night Football* under head coach Jim Harbaugh...**San Francisco** improved to 11–2–1 at home under Harbaugh. The 11 wins are tied for the 3rd most home victories in the NFL during that span...**San Francisco** extended its home winning streak against the Chicago Bears to 8 consecutive victories dating back to 12/14/1987... The **49ers** defense limited the Bears to 143 yds. of offense (85 rushing; 58 passing). The 143 yds. of total offense allowed is the 2nd lowest total in the NFL this season [Houston allowed just 117 yds. at Jacksonville (9/16/12)] and fewest given up by the 49ers since 1/3/10 (109 yds. at StL)...The 58 passing yds. allowed by the **49ers** defense are the fewest given up since 1/3/10 (22 yds. at StL)...The **49ers** defense also registered their first safety of the season as LB Aldon Smith sacked and stripped Bears QB Jason Campbell in the end zone. The fumble was recovered by Bears G Chilo Rachal and he was tackled in the end zone by DT Ray McDonald...In the last two games against Chicago, the **49ers** defense has registered 7 INTs [5 vs. Chi. (11/12/09); 2 vs. Chi. (11/19/12)]...Smith's 5.5 sacks are the 2nd most by a 49er in a single game in franchise history, trailing just DE Fred Dean's 6.0 sacks vs. NO (11/13/83)...**Smith** now has 10.0 sacks in 3 career games on *MNF*. His 10.0 sacks are the most by any player on *MNF*, since 2011...**Smith** (2011 – 14.0; 2012 – 15.0) became the 5th player in franchise history to tally double–digit sacks in consecutive seasons and the first since DE Chris Doleman in 1997–98 (1997 – 12.0; 1998 – 15.0)...**Smith's** 29.0 career sacks are the most by any player in consecutive seasons in franchise history. The previous record was held by DE Chris Doleman (27.0 sacks from 1997–98)...In his first career start, QB **Colin Kaepernick** completed 16 of 23 passes for 243 yds., 2 TDs and a QB rating of 133.1...WR **Michael Crabtree** notched 3 recepts. for 31 yds. and 1 TD, marking his 3rd consecutive game with a TD reception, the longest streak of his career.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>Chicago</b>	0	0	7	0	7
<b>San Francisco</b>	10	10	7	5	32

- SF** – D. Akers, 32 FG (9–68, 4:28)
- SF** – V. Davis, 3 pass from C. Kaepernick (D. Akers) (4–63, 2:16)
- SF** – K. Hunter, 14 run (D. Akers) (8–96, 4:00)
- SF** – D. Akers, 37 FG (8–25, 4:47)
- SF** – M. Crabtree, 10 pass from C. Kaepernick (D. Akers) (5–62, 2:08)
- CHI** – B. Marshall, 13 pass from J. Campbell (R. Gould) (13–74, 7:22)
- SF** – D. Akers, 32 FG (7–23, 3:25)
- SF** – C. Rachal tackled in end zone by R. McDonald for a Safety

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>CHI</b>	<b>SF</b>
First Downs	12	18
Net Yards Gained	143	355
Rushes/Yards	28/85	29/123
Net Yards Passing	58	232
Att/Comp/INT	22/14/2	23/16/0
Sacked/Yards Lost	6/49	2/11
Punts/Average	5/46.8	4/47.0
Fumbles/Lost	3/0	0/0
Penalties/Yards	6/55	5/50
Time of Possession	30:17	29:43
3rd Down Efficiency	3/12 (25%)	4/12 (33%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 17–78, K. Hunter 5–27–1, C. Kaepernick 4–12, A. Dixon 3–6... **BEARS** – M. Forte 21–63, J. Campbell 1–13, M. Bush 5–9, A. Allen 1–0.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – V. Davis 6–83–1, M. Crabtree 3–31–1, K. Williams 2–60, M. Manningham 2–45, R. Moss 1–12, D. Walker 1–9, K. Hunter 1–3... **BEARS** – D. Hester 3–23, M. Forte 3–4, B. Marshall 2–21–1, K. Davis 2–20, A. Jeffery 2–15, M. Bush 1–18, E. Bennett 1–6.

**PASSING: 49ERS** – C. Kaepernick 23–16–243–0–2 TDs, K. Hunter 0–0–0–0–0 TDs... **BEARS** – J. Campbell 22–14–107–2–1 TD.

**INTs: 49ERS** – T. Brown 1–5, D. Goldson 1–0... **BEARS** – None.

**SACKS: 49ERS** – Ald. Smith 5.5, J. Smith 0.5... **BEARS** – L. Briggs 0.5, I. Idonije 0.5, N. Roach 0.5, C. Wootton 0.5.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** +2 (0 fumble, 0 INT/0 fumble, 2 INT).

**Weather:** Cloudy  
**Temperature:** 64 degrees  
**Wind:** Southerly 12 mph  
**Playing Surface:** Natural Grass  
**Time:** 2:53  
**Attendance:** 69,732





# SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

## SAN FRANCISCO 31, NEW ORLEANS 21

### MERCEDES-BENZ SUPERDOME



The 49ers improved to 47–24–2 overall and 24–13 on the road against the New Orleans Saints with a hard-fought 31–21 victory against the Saints at the Metrodome. San Francisco's defense forced New Orleans to two consecutive 3-and-outs on their first two possessions of the game. QB Colin Kaepernick made his second NFL start of his young career, completing 16 of 25 pass attempts for 231 yds., 1 TD, 1 INT and a QB rating of 90.6, while also adding 6 carries for 27 yds. and 1 TD on the ground. On the second play of the 49ers second possession, Kaepernick connected with WR Mario Manningham for 40 yds. and then again on the next play for 13 yds., putting the ball on the New Orleans 7-yd. line. From there, Kaepernick ran it in for a 7-yd. TD run. It was his 4th rushing TD of the season, marking the most by a 49ers QB since Jeff Garcia tallied 7 rushing TDs in 2003. New Orleans answered the 49ers score with a 10-play, 79-yd. drive of their own, capped off by a 6-yd. TD pass to TE David Thomas from QB Drew Brees. The 49ers and Saints' offenses both stalled on each of their next possessions leading to a mishandled punt by WR Ted Ginn Jr. that was recovered by New Orleans S Rafael Bush on the San Francisco 11-yd. line. Two plays later, Brees completed a 10-yd. TD pass to WR Marques Colston, making the score 14–7 in favor of New Orleans. With :43 remaining in the 2nd qtr., Kaepernick was picked off by CB Patrick Robinson at the New Orleans 44-yd. line. Two plays after the INT, Brees was intercepted by LB Ahmad Brooks and Brooks returned it 50-yds. for a TD, tying the score at 14 apiece going into halftime. The INT returned for a TD was Brooks' 1st career TD, 1st INT of the season and 2nd of his career. The 49ers began the 2nd half with the ball, as Kaepernick led a balanced attack down the field. On 3rd-and-2, TE Delanie Walker hauled in a 45-yd. recept. from Kaepernick down to the New Orleans 27-yd. line. Three plays after Walker's catch, Gore registered a 6-yd. TD recept. from Kaepernick. It was Gore's 10th career TD recept. and 1st of the season. On the first play of the Saints' ensuing possession, DT Justin Smith notched his 1st sack of the game. Smith registered a season high 1.5 sacks in the game and now has 74.5 sacks in his career. Following the sack, Brees was intercepted by S Donte Whitner and returned 42-yds. for a TD, stretching the 49ers lead to 28–14 with 11:42 remaining in the 3rd qtr. It was Whitner's 1st INT of the season and 8th of his career. It marked his 2nd career TD and 1st since 9/20/09 vs. TB (as a member of the Buffalo Bills). The 2 INTs returned for TDs marked the first time the 49ers had accomplished that feat since 10/22/95 vs. StL (LB Ken Norton Jr. – 21-yd. and 35-yd. INT returns). On their next possession, New Orleans drove 8-plays for 80-yds. and scored on a 2-yd. pass to FB Jed Collins from Brees. The 49ers began the 4th qtr. with the ball, as Kaepernick and Gore marched down the field 85-yds to setup K David Akers for a 27-yd. FG that put San Francisco ahead 31–21 with 7:53 remaining in the 4th qtr. With the FG, Akers has now made at least 1 FG in all 27 games as a 49er, extending the franchise record for consecutive games with a made FG. The 49ers defense was stifling for the remainder of the 4th qtr., as they sacked Brees 3.0 times and did not allow the Saints to pass midfield. The 49ers defense tallied 5.0 sacks on Brees, the most against the Saints since 10/30/11 at StL (6.0 sacks). The 49ers have won 8 of their first 11 games for the 2nd consecutive season (9–2 in 2011), the first time the team has accomplished that feat in back-to-back years since 1997–98.

**NOTES:** **San Francisco** improved to 10–3 on the road under head coach Jim Harbaugh...In the month of November under Harbaugh, the **49ers** improved to 5–1–1...The **Niners** improved to 16–4–1 vs. NFC opponents under Harbaugh...**San Francisco** improved its regular season record under Harbaugh to 21–5–1...**Kaepernick** is the first 49er to register a rushing TD and a passing TD in the same game since QB Alex Smith (32–21–219–0–1 TD passing; 5–4–1 TD rushing) at StL (1/1/12)...Since 2011, the 49ers are now 20–1–1 when RB **Frank Gore** and RB **Kendall Hunter** combine for 20 carries or more...**Gore** led the way with 83 yds. rushing on 19 carries, while **Hunter** added 28 yds. on 4 carries...The **49ers** offensive line did not allow a sack on 25 pass attempts by QB Colin Kaepernick. The last time the 49ers did not allow a sack was 10/7/12 vs. Buf. (25 attempts)...FB **Bruce Miller** tallied a season-high 3 recepts. for a career-high 37 yds...LB **Ahmad Brooks** added 1.5 sacks. He now has 5.5 sacks on the season and 25.5 in his career...LB **Patrick Willis** also notched 0.5 a sack, marking his first sack of the season and 17.5 of his career...LB **Aldon Smith** recorded 1.5 sacks on Saints QB Drew Brees. Smith ranks 1st in the NFL with 16.5 sacks...**Smith** now has 30.5 career sacks in just 27 games, marking the fastest player to record 30.0 sacks in NFL history. The previous mark held by DE Reggie White (28 games)...With 30.5 career sacks, **Smith** now ranks 2nd in NFL history for the most sacks in their first two seasons, trailing only DE Reggie White (31.0).

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>San Francisco</b>	7	7	14	3	31
<b>New Orleans</b>	7	7	7	0	21

**SF** – C. Kaepernick, 7 run (D. Akers) (4–62, 2:06)  
**NO** – D. Thomas, 6 pass from D. Brees (G. Hartley) (10–79, 5:36)  
**NO** – M. Colston, 10 pass from D. Brees (G. Hartley) (2–11, 0:48)  
**SF** – A. Brooks, 50 interception return (D. Akers)  
**SF** – F. Gore, 6 pass from C. Kaepernick (D. Akers) (6–80, 2:43)  
**SF** – D. Whitner, 42 interception return (D. Akers)  
**NO** – J. Collins, 2 pass from D. Brees (G. Hartley) (8–80, 4:11)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 27 FG (16–85, 9:28)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>SF</b>	<b>NO</b>
First Downs	18	19
Net Yards Gained	375	290
Rushes/Yards	31/144	21/59
Net Yards Passing	231	231
Att/Comp/INT	25/16/1	41/26/2
Sacked/Yards Lost	0/0	5/36
Punts/Average	4/46.8	5/50.4
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	0/0
Penalties/Yards	10/68	4/53
Time of Possession	30:06	29:54
3rd Down Efficiency	6/13 (46%)	3/11 (27%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 19–83, K. Hunter 4–28, C. Kaepernick 6–27–1, A. Dixon 1–5, B. Jacobs 1–1... **SAINTS** – C. Ivory 8–34, M. Ingram 10–27, P. Thomas 1–0, D. Brees 2–(–2).

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – M. Manningham 5–69, D. Walker 3–81, B. Miller 3–37, M. Crabtree 3–26, F. Gore 2–18–1 TD... **SAINTS** – D. Sproles 7–65, M. Colston 4–36–1 TD, J. Graham 4–33, D. Thomas 4–24–1 TD, L. Moore 3–61, J. Collins 2–9–1 TD, J. Morgan 1–33, D. Henderson 1–6.

**PASSING: 49ERS** – C. Kaepernick 25–16–231–1–1 TD... **SAINTS** – D. Brees 41–26–267–2–3 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** – A. Brooks 1–50–1 TD, D. Whitner 1–42–1 TD... **SAINTS** – P. Robinson 1–0.

**SACKS: 49ERS** – A. Brooks 1.5, Ald. Smith 1.5, J. Smith 1.5, P. Willis 0.5... **SAINTS** – None.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** Even (1 fumble, 1 INT/0 fumbles, 2 INTs).

**Weather:** Dome  
**Temperature:** 66 degrees  
**Wind:** Dome  
**Playing Surface:** UBU Speed Series–S5–M  
**Time:** 3:18  
**Attendance:** 73,147



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2**  
**SAN FRANCISCO 13, ST. LOUIS 16 (OT)**  
**EDWARD JONES DOME**



The 49ers and Rams had to play deep into overtime for the second time this season, as St. Louis outlasted San Francisco in a tough divisional matchup. Both defenses played well, resulting in only one scoring play during the 1st half. After forcing a Rams 3-and-out, the 49ers took over on their own 40-yd. line. On the first play of the drive, RB Frank Gore gained 23-yds. on the ground, putting the ball at the St. Louis 37-yd. line. The offensive line continued to open up holes for Gore, as he ran for 18 more yds. on 3 carries and capped off the drive with a 1-yd. TD run, making the score 7-0 with 3:01 remaining in the 1st qtr. After the San Francisco TD, the Rams offense was held to its second consecutive 3-and-out. With 2:31 remaining in the 2nd qtr., the 49ers defense recorded its third 3-and-out in four defensive series, with LB Aldon Smith forcing a long 3rd down after registering his 17.5 sack of the season. His 17.5 sacks ties the 49ers single-season franchise record (Fred Dean - 1983). Smith now has 31.5 career sacks, surpassing Hall of Fame DE Reggie White (31.0) for the most sacks by a player in their first two years in NFL history. On the 49ers second possession of the 3rd qtr., Kaepernick was flagged for intentional grounding in the end zone, which resulted in a safety making the score 7-2 with 4:36 left in the 3rd qtr. San Francisco answered with its next offensive possession, marching 94-yds. on 13 plays to setup K David Akers for a 23-yd. FG. WR Michael Crabtree caught 4 passes for 69 during the drive. For the game, Crabtree tallied 7 receipts. for 101 yds., marking his 2nd 100-yd. game of the season and 5th of his career. The Rams were unable to get on the scoreboard with their next offensive possession, but they did after recovering a fumble by Kaepernick on 3rd-and-3 and CB Janoris Jenkins returned the loose ball 2 yds. for a TD. QB Sam Bradford completed the 2-point conversion attempt to TE Lance Kendricks to knot the score at 10 apiece with 3:04 remaining in the 4th qtr. Kaepernick showed poise on the next possession, following the fumble, as he rushed for 50 yds. down to the St. Louis 14-yd. line. Kaepernick rushed for 84 yds. on 9 carries. His 84 yds. on the ground are the most by a 49ers quarterback since Steve Young rushed for 102-yds. vs. NO (12/23/90). Akers was able to put the 49ers up by 3 with a 33-yd. FG with 1:38 remaining. The Rams managed to drive 45 yds. on 7 plays to set Zuerlein up for a 53-yd. FG that sailed through the uprights as the clock expired to send the game into overtime. In overtime, it took 14:30 of 15 minutes to decide the outcome of the game, as Zuerlein made a 54-yd. FG to end the game with a final score of 16-13.

**NOTES:** DT **Justin Smith** sacked Rams QB Sam Bradford, giving him 3.0 sacks on the season and 75.5 sacks in his career. Since joining the 49ers in 2008, Smith has tallied 32.0 sacks, ranking t-6th in franchise history (DE Andre Carter)...RB **Frank Gore** rushed for 58 yds. and 1 TD on 23 carries. Gore's 1-yd. TD run marked his 6th rushing TD of the season and 49th of his career. He trails just RB Joe Perry (50) and RB Roger Craig (50) for the most rushing TDs in franchise history...**Gore** now has 59 career TDs (49 rushing; 10 receiving), ranking t-5th in franchise history for the most career TDs...TE **Vernon Davis** played in his 100th NFL game...LB **Michael Wilhoite** made his NFL debut...TE/LS **Brian Jennings** has now played in 204 consecutive games...DT **Justin Smith** has now started 183 consecutive games, dating back to his rookie season in 2001. Smith's consecutive start streak ranks 3rd among all NFL players, behind Ronde Barber (211) and London Fletcher (194)...TE **Vernon Davis** has now started 87 consecutive games, which ranks 3rd in the NFL among TEs behind Tony Gonzalez (98) and Jason Witten (94)...C **Jonathan Goodwin** has now started 66 consecutive games, the 5th most among centers...K **David Akers** has now played in 117 consecutive NFL games, the 3rd most in the NFL among kickers...P **Andy Lee** played has played in 140 consecutive NFL games, 3rd most among NFL punters.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Pts
<b>San Francisco</b>	7	0	0	6	0	13
<b>St. Louis</b>	0	0	2	11	3	16

**SF** - F. Gore, 1 run (D. Akers) (11-60, 6:33)  
**STL** - Penalty on C. Kaepernick enforced in end zone for a Safety  
**SF** - D. Akers, 23 FG (13-94, 8:13)  
**STL** - J. Jenkins, 2 fumble return (S. Bradford-L. Kendricks pass)  
**SF** - D. Akers, 33 FG (6-65, 1:30)  
**STL** - G. Zuerlein, 53 FG (7-45, 1:34)  
**STL** - G. Zuerlein, 54 FG (7-22, 3:45)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>SF</b>	<b>STL</b>
First Downs	18	16
Net Yards Gained	339	293
Rushes/Yards	36/148	27/85
Net Yards Passing	191	208
Att/Comp/INT	32/21/0	39/26/0
Sacked/Yards Lost	3/17	2/13
Punts/Average	6/51.0	9/43.1
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	0/0
Penalties/Yards	11/97	8/65
Time of Possession	38:54	35:40
3rd Down Efficiency	8/19 (42%)	3/16 (19%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** - C. Kaepernick 9-84, F. Gore 23-58-1, B. Jacobs 4-6...  
**RAMS** - S. Jackson 21-48, S. Bradford 3-31, D. Richardson 3-6.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** - M. Crabtree 7-101, M. Manningham 5-37, R. Moss 3-30, B. Miller 2-17, V. Davis 2-15, D. Walker 1-7, T. Ginn 1-1...  
**RAMS** - C. Givens 11-92, S. Jackson 5-69, L. Kendricks 3-32, D. Richardson 3-7, A. Pettis 2-12, S. Smith 1-6, B. Quick 1-3.

**PASSING: 49ERS** - C. Kaepernick 32-21-208-0-0 TDs...  
**RAMS** - S. Bradford 39-26-221-0-0 TDs.

**INTs: 49ERS** - None...  
**RAMS** - None.

**SACKS: 49ERS** - Ald. Smith 1.0, J. Smith 1.0...  
**RAMS** - W. Hayes 1.5, E. Sims 1.0, J. Dunbar 0.5.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** -1 (1 fumble, 0 INTs/0 fumbles, 0 INTs).

**Weather:** Dome  
**Temperature:** 65 degrees  
**Wind:** Dome  
**Playing Surface:** Field Turf  
**Time:** 3:36  
**Attendance:** 57,279





# SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 MIAMI 13, SAN FRANCISCO 27 CANDLESTICK PARK



With the win against the Miami Dolphins on Sunday, the 49ers reached 9 victories in a season for the 24th time in franchise history and 2nd year in a row. This marks the first time that San Francisco has won 9 or more games in back-to-back years since 2001–02. The 49ers also extended their streak of consecutive home victories in December to 10, dating back to 12/15/07 (20–13 vs. Cin.). The 10–game December winning streak is the longest in franchise history and 2nd longest active streak in the NFL (New England – 19). In the 1st qtr., both teams moved the ball, but neither was able to register any points on the scoreboard. LB Aldon Smith recorded his 1st of 2.0 sacks in the game, on the first play of the 2nd qtr. With 2.0 sacks on the day, Smith has now tallied 19.5 sacks on the season, setting the new single-season franchise record, surpassing HOF DE Fred Dean (17.5 sacks in 1983). Two plays following Smith's sack, K Dan Carpenter made a 28–yd. FG to make the score 3–0 with 13:35 remaining in the 2nd qtr. With a balanced attack led by QB Colin Kaepernick, the 49ers answered the Miami FG on their next possession, driving 68–yds. on 10–plays, capped off by K David Akers 30–yd. FG. Akers has now made at least 1 FG in all 29 games as a 49er, extending the franchise record for consecutive games with a made FG. WR Michael Crabtree got the 49ers next possession started with a 25–yd. recept. from Kaepernick. During the game, Crabtree tied his career high with 9 receipts. for 93–yds. WR Randy Moss also contributed on the drive, recording 2 receipts. for 30–yds to help put Akers in range to knock through his 2nd FG of the game, this time from 37–yds. out, making the score 6–3 going into halftime. The 49ers forced the Dolphins to a 3–and–out with their first possession of the 3rd qtr. San Francisco's ensuing possession stalled, but on P Andy Lee's 55–yd. punt, RB Marcus Thigpen fumbled the ball and S C.J. Spillman registered his 1st career FR at the Miami 9–yd. line. Two plays later, RB Frank Gore scored on a 1–yd. TD run stretching the 49ers lead to 13–3 with 11:21 remaining in the 3rd qtr. Gore's TD was his 50th career rushing TD. He is now tied with HOF RB Joe Perry and RB Roger Craig for the most rushing TDs in franchise history. On the ensuing kickoff, Thigpen returned the ball 56–yds. to the San Francisco 49–yd. line. The 49er defense stiffened following the return, only giving up 14–yds. on 6 plays and held the Dolphins to a 53–yd. FG by Carpenter, to make the score 13–6. The 49ers continued to attack following the Miami FG, as Gore accounted for 50 yds. on San Francisco's next possession. Gore rushed for 63 yds. on 12 carries and now has 1,035 yds. rushing on the season, marking his 6th career 1,000–yd. season, the most by any player in franchise history. Gore's 6, 1,000–yd. rushing seasons rank 2nd among all active players (Rams RB Steven Jackson – 7). Following a 19–yd. run by Gore, RB Anthony Dixon capped off the 13–play, 83–yd. drive with a 1–yd. TD run. The TD was Dixon's 2nd TD of the season and 6th of his career. The Dolphins responded to the Dixon TD with a 13–play, 75–yd. drive of their own, ending with a 3–yd. TD pass to TE Anthony Fasano from Tannehill. The TD made the score 20–13, San Francisco leading, with 8:01 remaining in the 4th qtr. The two teams traded possessions and with 2:19 remaining in the contest, Kaepernick bolted down the sideline for a 50–yd. TD run to put the game out of reach. The 50–yd. TD run is the longest TD run by a quarterback in franchise history. The TD run by Kaepernick was his 5th rushing TD of the season, the most by a 49ers quarterback since QB Jeff Garcia tallied 5 in 2001. San Francisco remains perfect in games following a loss under head coach Jim Harbaugh. Since 2011, the 49ers are 6–0 in games following a defeat. The 49ers are one of just 4 teams that have not lost back-to-back games in the last two seasons. (Atlanta, Baltimore and Green Bay).

**NOTES:** The **49ers** evened the all–time series against the Dolphins at 6–6 and also tied their all–time home record vs. Mia. to 3–3...**Harbaugh** improved his regular season record to 22–6–1...Under **Harbaugh**, the 49ers improved to 6–1 against AFC opponents and 3–0 against the AFC East...**Smith's** 19.5 sacks on the season rank t–9th in NFL history...**Smith** leads the NFL this season with 19.5 sacks...**Gore** now has 60 career TDs (50 rushing; 10 receiving), ranking 5th in franchise history for the most career TDs...QB **Colin Kaepernick** completed 18 of 23 pass atts. for 185 yds. and a QB rating of 100.2, marking his 2nd game in 4 starts to have a QB rating of 100+...With 9 pts. on the day (2 FGs, 3 PATs), K **David Akers** now has 104 pts. on the season. The 104 pts. mark his 12th career 100–pt. season, including toping the century mark in each of the past 7 seasons...WR **A.J. Jenkins** and RB **LaMichael James** each made their NFL debut...**James** finished the day with 30 yds. on 8 carries and added 1 recept. for 15 yds. He also averaged 26.3 yds. on 3 KORs.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts
<b>Miami</b>	0	3	3	7	13
<b>San Francisco</b>	0	6	7	14	27

**MIA** – D. Carpenter, 28 FG (13–52, 8:13)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 30 FG (10–68, 5:31)  
**SF** – D. Akers, 37 FG (9–61, 3:15)  
**SF** – F. Gore, 1 run (D. Akers) (2–9, 0:48)  
**MIA** – D. Carpenter, 53 FG (6–14, 4:24)  
**SF** – A. Dixon, 1 run (D. Akers) (13–83, 7:26)  
**MIA** – A. Fasano, 3 pass from R. Tannehill (D. Carpenter) (13–75, 6:32)  
**SF** – C. Kaepernick, 50 run (D. Akers) (5–65, 2:00)

TEAM STATISTICS	MIA	SF
First Downs	17	20
Net Yards Gained	227	321
Rushes/Yards	22/94	28/155
Net Yards Passing	133	166
Att/Comp/INT	33/17/0	23/18/0
Sacked/Yards Lost	2/17	4/19
Punts/Average	3/47.3	4/48.3
Fumbles/Lost	3/1	1/0
Penalties/Yards	5/43	6/45
Time of Possession	29:28	30:32
3rd Down Efficiency	5/13 (38%)	2/10 (20%)

**RUSHING: 49ERS** – F. Gore 12–63–1, C. Kaepernick 6–53–1, L. James 8–30, A. Dixon 2–9... **DOLPHINS** – R. Bush 14–65, R. Tannehill 3–25, D. Thomas 2–3, L. Miller 3–1.

**RECEIVING: 49ERS** – M. Crabtree 9–93, R. Moss 2–30, F. Gore 2–22, B. Miller 2–1, D. Walker 1–20, L. James 1–15, V. Davis 1–4... **DOLPHINS** – D. Bess 5–50, R. Bush 5–38, B. Hartline 2–34, A. Fasano 2–9–1, R. Matthews 1–8, L. Miller 1–8, C. Clay 1–3.

**PASSING: 49ERS** – C. Kaepernick 23–18–185–0–0 TDs... **DOLPHINS** – R. Tannehill 33–17–150–0–1 TD.

**INTs: 49ERS** – None... **DOLPHINS** – None.

**SACKS: 49ERS** – Ald. Smith 2.0... **DOLPHINS** – C. Wake 3.0, J. Odrick 1.0.

**49ERS TURNOVER RATIO:** +1 (0 fumble, 0 INT/1 fumble, 0 INT).

**Weather:** Sunny  
**Temperature:** 62 degrees  
**Wind:** West 3 mph  
**Playing Surface:** Natural Grass  
**Time:** 2:56  
**Attendance:** 69,732



# REGULAR SEASON - Week 14, Game 13

## National Football League Game Summary

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Date: Sunday, 12/9/2012

**Miami Dolphins at San Francisco 49ers**

Start Time: 1:05 PM PST

at Candlestick Park, San Francisco

### Game Day Weather

Game Weather: Sunny

Temp: 62° F (16.7° C) Humidity: 44%, Wind: West 3 mph

Played Outdoor on Turf: Natural grass

Outdoor Weather: Sunny,

### Officials

Referee: Carey, Mike ()  
Line Judge: Podraza, Tim (47)  
Back Judge: Dornan, Kirk (6)

Umpire: Brown, Chad (31)  
Side Judge: Rosenbaum, Doug (67)  
Replay Official: Hamer, Dale

Head Linesman: Baltz, Mark (26)  
Field Judge: Weir, Mike (50)

### Lineups

#### Miami Dolphins

Offense			Defense		
WR	82	B.Hartline	LDE	98	J.Odrick
LT	71	J.Martin	DT	94	R.Starks
LG	68	R.Incognito	DT	96	P.Soliai
C	51	M.Pouncey	RDE	91	C.Wake
RG	74	J.Jerry	LOLB	56	K.Burnett
RT	75	N.Garner	LB	58	K.Dansby
TE	80	A.Fasano	ROLB	55	K.Misi
WR	15	D.Bess	LCB	24	S.Smith
QB	17	R.Tannehill	RCB	28	N.Carroll
FB	26	L.Miller	S	30	C.Clemons
RB	22	R.Bush	S	20	R.Jones

#### San Francisco 49ers

Offense			Defense		
WR	15	M.Crabtree	LDT	91	R.McDonald
LT	74	J.Staley	NB	29	C.Culliver
LG	77	M.Iupati	RDT	94	J.Smith
C	59	J.Goodwin	OLB	55	A.Brooks
RG	75	A.Boone	ILB	53	N.Bowman
RT	76	A.Davis	ILB	52	P.Willis
TE	85	V.Davis	OLB	99	Ald.Smith
TE	46	D.Walker	LCB	22	C.Rogers
QB	7	C.Kaepernick	RCB	25	T.Brown
RB	21	F.Gore	SS	31	D.Whitner
FB	49	B.Miller	FS	38	D.Goldson

### Substitutions

P 2 B.Fields, K 5 D.Carpenter, WR 14 Mar.Moore, CB 23 B.McCann, CB 25 R.Stanford, S 29 J.Amaya, RB 33 D.Thomas, RB 34 M.Thigpen, S 36 T.Culver, FB 41 J.Lane, FB/TE 42 C.Clay, DE 50 O.Vernon, LB 53 A.Spitzer, LB 59 J.Freeny, G 64 J.Samuda, T 72 W.Yeatman, DT 78 T.McDaniel, DE 79 D.Shelby, WR 86 R.Matthews, TE 88 J.Mastrud, LS 92 J.Denney, LB 93 J.Trusnik, DT 97 K.Randall

### Substitutions

K 2 D.Akers, P 4 A.Lee, WR 17 A.Jenkins, WR 19 T.Ginn, CB 20 P.Cox, RB 23 L.James, RB 24 A.Dixon, CB 26 T.Brock, S 27 C.Spillman, S 28 D.McBath, DT 48 W.Tukuafu, LB 51 C.Haggans, LB 54 L.Grant, LB 56 T.Gooden, LB 57 M.Wilhoite, G 67 D.Kilgore, G 68 L.Davis, TE 81 G.Celek, TE/DT 83 D.Dobbs, WR 84 R.Moss, TE/LS 86 B.Jennings, NT 90 I.Sopoaga, DT 95 R.Jean Francois

### Did Not Play

QB 8 M.Moore

QB 11 A.Smith

### Not Active

QB 7 P.Devlin, S 27 J.Wilson, CB 32 M.Coe, LB 57 J.Kaddu, T 73 P.Brown, TE 84 M.Egnew, TE 87 K.Miller

### Did Not Play

### Not Active

QB 3 S.Tolzien, S 30 T.Robinson, RB 33 J.Hampton, RB 45 B.Jacobs, G 66 J.Looney, WR 82 M.Manningham, NT 93 I.Williams

### Field Goals (made ( ) & missed)

D.Carpenter		(28) (53)		D.Akers		(30) (37)	
		1	2	3	4	OT	Total
VISITOR:	Miami Dolphins	0	3	3	7	0	13
HOME:	San Francisco 49ers	0	6	7	14	0	27

### Scoring Plays

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Dolphins	2	13:31	D.Carpenter 28 yd. Field Goal (13-52, 8:13)	3	0
49ers	2	8:00	D.Akers 30 yd. Field Goal (10-68, 5:31)	3	3
49ers	2	0:00	D.Akers 37 yd. Field Goal (9-61, 3:15)	3	6
49ers	3	11:17	F.Gore 1 yd. run (D.Akers kick) (2-9, 0:48)	3	13
Dolphins	3	6:53	D.Carpenter 53 yd. Field Goal (6-14, 4:24)	6	13
49ers	4	14:27	A.Dixon 1 yd. run (D.Akers kick) (13-83, 7:26)	6	20
Dolphins	4	7:55	A.Fasano 3 yd. pass from R.Tannehill (D.Carpenter kick) (13-75, 6:32)	13	20
49ers	4	2:10	C.Kaepernick 50 yd. run (D.Akers kick) (5-65, 2:00)	13	27

Paid Attendance: 69,732

Time: 2:56

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Final Individual Statistics

Miami Dolphins									San Francisco 49ers															
RUSHING						RUSHING						RUSHING												
	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD		ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD		ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD							
R.Bush	14	65	4.6	17	0	F.Gore	12	63	5.3	19	1	C.Kaepernick	6	53	8.8	50	1							
R.Tannehill	3	25	8.3	20	0	L.James	8	30	3.8	13	0	A.Dixon	2	9	4.5	8	1							
D.Thomas	2	3	1.5	2	0	Total	28	155	5.5	50	3													
L.Miller	3	1	0.3	1	0	PASSING						PASSING						PASSING						
Total	22	94	4.3	20	0	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT			
						R.Tannehill	33	17	150	2/17	1	28	0	74.1	C.Kaepernick	23	18	185	4/19	0	25	0	100.2	
						Total	33	17	150	2/17	1	28	0	74.1	Total	23	18	185	4/19	0	25	0	100.2	
PASS RECEIVING						PASS RECEIVING						PASS RECEIVING						PASS RECEIVING						
	TAR	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD		TAR	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD		TAR	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD				
D.Bess	8	5	50	10.0	21	0	M.Crabtree	11	9	93	10.3	25	0	R.Moss	4	2	30	15.0	17	0				
R.Bush	7	5	38	7.6	11	0	F.Gore	2	2	22	11.0	19	0	B.Miller	2	2	1	0.5	2	0				
B.Hartline	8	2	34	17.0	28	0	D.Walker	1	1	20	20.0	20	0	L.James	1	1	15	15.0	15	0				
A.Fasano	4	2	9	4.5	6	1	V.Davis	2	1	4	4.0	4	0											
R.Matthews	2	1	8	8.0	8	0	Total	23	18	185	10.3	25	0											
L.Miller	1	1	8	8.0	8	0	INTERCEPTIONS						INTERCEPTIONS						INTERCEPTIONS					
C.Clay	2	1	3	3.0	3	0		NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Mar.Moore	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	Total	0	0	0	0	0	Total	0	0	0	0	0	Total	0	0	0	0	0
Total	33	17	150	8.8	28	1	PUNTING						PUNTING						PUNTING					
	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN20	LG		NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN20	LG		NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN20	LG	
B.Fields	3	142	47.3	36.7	1	1	55	A.Lee	4	193	48.3	40.8	1	1	55		4	193	48.3	40.8	1	1	55	
Total	3	142	47.3	36.7	1	1	55	Total	4	193	48.3	40.8	1	1	55									
PUNT RETURNS						PUNT RETURNS						PUNT RETURNS						PUNT RETURNS						
	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD				
M.Thigpen	2	10	5.0	0	10	0	T.Ginn	1	12	12.0	0	12	0	[DOWNED]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0				
[DOWNED]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0				
[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	Total	1	12	12.0	0	12	0											
Total	2	10	5.0	0	10	0	KICKOFF RETURNS						KICKOFF RETURNS						KICKOFF RETURNS					
	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD				
M.Thigpen	4	129	32.3	0	56	0	L.James	3	79	26.3	0	34	0	[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0				
J.Lane	1	24	24.0	0	24	0	Total	3	79	26.3	0	34	0											
Total	5	153	30.6	0	56	0																		

Miami Dolphins

FUMBLES	FUM	LOST	OWN-REC	YDS	TD	FORCED	OPP-REC	YDS	TD	OUT-BDS
J.Lane	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Bess	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Thigpen	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Incognito	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Wake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	3	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

San Francisco 49ers

FUMBLES	FUM	LOST	OWN-REC	YDS	TD	FORCED	OPP-REC	YDS	TD	OUT-BDS
C.Kaepernick	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Davis	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Dixon	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
P.Willis	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
C.Spillman	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	1	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0

Miami Dolphins vs San Francisco 49ers

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# Final Team Statistics

	Visitor Dolphins	Home 49ers
<b>TOTAL FIRST DOWNS</b>	17	20
By Rushing	5	9
By Passing	9	9
By Penalty	3	2
<b>THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY</b>	5-13-38%	2-10-20%
<b>FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY</b>	1-3-33%	0-0-0%
<b>TOTAL NET YARDS</b>	227	321
Total Offensive Plays (inc. times thrown passing)	57	55
Average gain per offensive play	4.0	5.8
<b>NET YARDS RUSHING</b>	94	155
Total Rushing Plays	22	28
Average gain per rushing play	4.3	5.5
Tackles for a loss-number and yards	1-1	4-7
<b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>	133	166
Times thrown - yards lost attempting to pass	2-17	4-19
Gross yards passing	150	185
<b>PASS ATTEMPTS-COMPLETIONS-HAD INTERCEPTED</b>	33-17-0	23-18-0
Avg gain per pass play (inc.# thrown passing)	3.8	6.1
<b>KICKOFFS Number-In End Zone-Touchbacks</b>	4-4-1	5-4-0
<b>PUNTS Number and Average</b>	3-47.3	4-48.3
Had Blocked	0	0
<b>FGs - PATs Had Blocked</b>	0-0	0-0
<b>Net Punting Average</b>	36.7	40.8
<b>TOTAL RETURN YARDAGE (Not Including Kickoffs)</b>	10	12
No. and Yards Punt Returns	2-10	1-12
No. and Yards Kickoff Returns	5-153	3-79
No. and Yards Interception Returns	0-0	0-0
<b>PENALTIES Number and Yards</b>	5-43	6-45
<b>FUMBLES Number and Lost</b>	3-1	1-0
<b>TOUCHDOWNS</b>	1	3
Rushing	0	3
Passing	1	0
<b>EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts</b>	1-1	3-3
Kicking Made-Attempts	1-1	3-3
<b>FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts</b>	2-2	2-2
<b>RED ZONE EFFICIENCY</b>	1-2-50%	2-4-50%
<b>GOAL TO GO EFFICIENCY</b>	1-2-50%	2-2-100%
<b>SAFETIES</b>	0	0
<b>FINAL SCORE</b>	13	27
<b>TIME OF POSSESSION</b>	29:28	30:32



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# Ball Possession And Drive Chart

## Miami Dolphins

#	Time Recd	Time Lost	Time Poss	How Ball Obtained	Drive Began	# Play	Yds Gain	Yds Pen	Net Yds	1st Down	Last Scrm	How Given Up
1	12:17	10:00	2:17	Punt	MIA 20	5	38	0	38	1	SF 42	Punt
2	6:44	13:31	8:13	Punt	MIA 38	13	62	-10	52	4	* SF 10	Field Goal
3	8:00	3:15	4:45	Kickoff	MIA 20	8	29	0	29	2	MIA 49	Punt
4	15:00	13:53	1:07	Kickoff	MIA 18	3	3	0	3	0	MIA 21	Punt
5	11:17	6:53	4:24	Kickoff	SF 49	6	19	-5	14	2	SF 35	Field Goal
6	14:27	7:55	6:32	Kickoff	MIA 25	13	70	5	75	6	* SF 3	Touchdown
7	5:35	4:10	1:25	Punt	MIA 38	7	7	20	27	2	SF 35	Downs
8	2:10	1:25	0:45	Kickoff	MIA 39	4	-1	0	-1	0	MIA 38	Downs

(249) Average MIA 31

## San Francisco 49ers

#	Time Recd	Time Lost	Time Poss	How Ball Obtained	Drive Began	# Play	Yds Gain	Yds Pen	Net Yds	1st Down	Last Scrm	How Given Up
1	15:00	12:17	2:43	Kickoff	SF 26	4	24	0	24	1	50	Punt
2	10:00	6:44	3:16	Punt	SF 6	5	20	-5	15	1	SF 21	Punt
3	13:31	8:00	5:31	Kickoff	SF 20	10	53	15	68	4	* MIA 12	Field Goal
4	3:15	0:00	3:15	Punt	SF 20	9	61	0	61	4	* MIA 19	Field Goal
5	13:53	12:05	1:48	Punt	SF 36	3	0	0	0	0	SF 36	Punt
6	12:05	11:17	0:48	Muffed Punt	MIA 9	2	9	0	9	1	* MIA 1	Touchdown
7	6:53	14:27	7:26	Kickoff	SF 17	13	85	-2	83	7	* MIA 1	Touchdown
8	7:55	5:35	2:20	Kickoff	SF 17	3	8	0	8	0	SF 25	Punt
9	4:10	2:10	2:00	Downs	SF 35	5	65	0	65	2	50	Touchdown
10	1:25	0:00	1:25	Downs	MIA 38	3	-4	0	-4	0	MIA 41	End of Game

(330) Average SF 33

\* inside opponent's 20

## Time of Possession by Quarter

		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Visitor	Miami Dolphins	9:01	6:14	5:31	8:42		29:28
Home	San Francisco 49ers	5:59	8:46	9:29	6:18		30:32

## Kickoff Drive No.-Start Average

Dolphins: 5 - MIA 31      49ers: 4 - SF 20

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# Final Defensive Statistics

## Miami Dolphins

### Regular Defensive Plays

### Special Teams

### Misc

	TKL	AST	COMB	SK	/ YDS	TFL	Q	IN	PD	FF	FR	TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
K.Dansby	8	4	12	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Jones	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Clemons	5	3	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Wake	6	0	6	3	13	2	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Misi	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Smith	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Odrick	3	1	4	1	6	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Trusnik	2	2	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Burnett	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Stanford	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Carroll	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.McDaniel	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Shelby	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Starks	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
O.Vernon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Thigpen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Spittler	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Lane	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
R.Incognito	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

TKL = Tackle AST = Assist COMB = Combined QH=QB Hit IN = Interception PD = Pass Defense FF = Forced Fumble FR = Fumble Recovery

## San Francisco 49ers

### Regular Defensive Plays

### Special Teams

### Misc

	TKL	AST	COMB	SK	/ YDS	TFL	QH	IN	PD	FF	FR	TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
N.Bowman	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P.Willis	6	0	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ald.Smith	5	1	6	2	17	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Goldson	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Smith	3	2	5	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Whitner	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
I.Sopoaga	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Brooks	2	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Brown	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.McDonald	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Rogers	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P.Cox	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W.Tukuafu	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Culliver	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Dixon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Brock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Gooden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Wilhoite	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Spillman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
A.Davis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>





**12/9/2012 at Candlestick Park**[illegible]

First Quarter

12/9/2012

Play By Play

MIA wins the coin toss and elects to defer. SF elects to Receive, and MIA elects to defend the south goal.

D.Carpenter kicks 73 yards from MIA 35 to SF -8. L.James to SF 26 for 34 yards (N.Carroll).

San Francisco 49ers at 15:00, (1st play from scrimmage 14:55)

1-10-SF 26	(14:55) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass deep right to D.Walker pushed ob at SF 46 for 20 yards (S.Smith). Caught at SF 43. 3-yds YAC	P1
<u>1-10-SF 46</u>	(14:28) C.Kaepernick pass short left to M.Crabtree to SF 49 for 3 yards (K.Misi). Caught at SF 49. 0-yds YAC	
2-7-SF 49	(13:49) (Shotgun) F.Gore left guard to MIA 47 for 4 yards (K.Misi, C.Clemons).	
3-3-MIA 47	(13:07) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick sacked at SF 49 for -4 yards (C.Wake). FUMBLES (C.Wake), recovered by SF-A.Davis at 50. A.Davis to 50 for no gain (K.Dansby). C.Kaepernick charged with loss of 3-yards on sack.	
4-6-50	(12:25) A.Lee punts 50 yards to end zone, Center-B.Jennings, Touchback.	

Miami Dolphins at 12:17

1-10-MIA 20	(12:17) R.Tannehill pass short left to D.Bess to MIA 28 for 8 yards (T.Brown). Caught at MIA 25. 3-yds YAC	
2-2-MIA 28	(11:45) R.Tannehill pass deep right to B.Hartline to SF 44 for 28 yards (D.Goldson). Caught at SF48. 4-yds YAC	P1
<u>1-10-SF 44</u>	(10:58) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill right end to SF 42 for 2 yards (P.Willis).	
2-8-SF 42	(10:20) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short left to D.Bess.	
3-8-SF 42	(10:15) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short middle to R.Bush.	
4-8-SF 42	(10:11) B.Fields punts 36 yards to SF 6, Center-J.Denney, downed by MIA-Mar.Moore.	

San Francisco 49ers at 10:00

1-10-SF 6	(10:00) C.Kaepernick pass short left to M.Crabtree to SF 15 for 9 yards (K.Dansby). Caught at SF11. 4-yds YAC	
2-1-SF 15	(9:23) F.Gore left end to SF 26 for 11 yards (R.Jones).	R2
<u>1-10-SF 26</u>	(8:45) C.Kaepernick pass short middle to V.Davis to SF 30 for 4 yards (K.Dansby). Caught at SF 30. 0-yds YAC	
2-6-SF 30	(8:20) (Shotgun) <i>PENALTY on SF-A.Boone, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at SF 30 - No Play.</i>	
	Timeout #1 by SF at 07:36.	
2-11-SF 25	(7:36) C.Kaepernick sacked at SF 21 for -4 yards (C.Wake).	
3-15-SF 21	(7:01) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass incomplete short left to V.Davis.	
4-15-SF 21	(6:56) A.Lee punts 51 yards to MIA 28, Center-B.Jennings. M.Thigpen to MIA 38 for 10 yards (T.Brock).	

Miami Dolphins at 6:44

1-10-MIA 38	(6:44) L.Miller right end to MIA 37 for -1 yards (A.Brooks).	
2-11-MIA 37	(6:04) (Shotgun) R.Bush up the middle to MIA 41 for 4 yards (D.Goldson, J.Smith).	
3-7-MIA 41	(5:17) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short middle to D.Bess to SF 49 for 10 yards (D.Goldson). Caught at SF 49. 0-yds YAC	P2
<u>1-10-SF 49</u>	(4:40) (No Huddle) R.Tannehill pass deep middle to D.Bess to SF 28 for 21 yards (T.Brown). Caught at SF31. 3-yds YAC	P3
<u>1-10-SF 28</u>	(4:05) (Shotgun) R.Bush right guard to SF 24 for 4 yards (R.McDonald).	
2-6-SF 24	(3:27) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to B.Hartline to SF 18 for 6 yards (C.Rogers). Caught at SF 20. 2-yds YAC	P4
<u>1-10-SF 18</u>	(2:43) R.Bush up the middle to SF 15 for 3 yards (P.Willis).	
2-7-SF 15	(2:06) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short left to A.Fasano (D.Whitner).	
3-7-SF 15	(2:01) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to L.Miller to SF 7 for 8 yards (N.Bowman, C.Culliver). Caught at SF20. 13-yds YAC	P5
<u>1-7-SF 7</u>	(1:14) (Shotgun) <i>PENALTY on MIA-J.Martin, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at SF 7 - No Play.</i>	
1-12-SF 12	(1:03) (Shotgun) <i>PENALTY on MIA-N.Garner, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at SF 12 - No Play.</i>	
1-17-SF 17	(:26) (Shotgun) R.Bush left guard to SF 9 for 8 yards (Ald.Smith).	

END OF QUARTER

	Score	Time Poss	First Downs				Efficiencies	
			R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down
Miami Dolphins	0	9:01	0	5	0	5	2/3	0/0
San Francisco 49ers	0	5:59	1	1	0	2	0/2	0/0

Second Quarter

12/9/2012

Play By Play

Miami Dolphins continued.

2-9-SF 9	(15:00) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill sacked at SF 17 for -8 yards (Ald.Smith).	
3-17-SF 17	(14:23) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short middle to R.Bush to SF 10 for 7 yards (P.Cox, D.Whitner). Caught at SF18. 8-yds YAC	
4-10-SF 10	(13:35) <b>D.Carpenter 28 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-J.Denney, Holder-B.Fields.</b>	

MIA 3 SF 0, 13 plays, 52 yards, 8:13 drive, 1:29 elapsed

D.Carpenter kicks 74 yards from MIA 35 to SF -9. L.James, Touchback.

San Francisco 49ers at 13:31

1-10-SF 20	(13:31) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short middle to F.Gore to SF 23 for 3 yards (K.Misi) [D.Shelby]. Caught at SF23. 0-yds YAC	
2-7-SF 23	(12:52) (Shotgun) L.James left end to SF 33 for 10 yards (T.McDaniel).	R3
<u>1-10-SF 33</u>	(12:11) C.Kaepernick pass short right to M.Crabtree to SF 49 for 16 yards (R.Jones, C.Clemons). Caught at SF36. 13-yds YAC	P4
<u>1-10-SF 49</u>	(11:26) L.James left end to MIA 47 for 4 yards (C.Wake).	
	<i>PENALTY on MIA-C.Clemons, Unnecessary Roughness, 15 yards, enforced at MIA 47.</i>	X5
<u>1-10-MIA 32</u>	(10:51) F.Gore left tackle to MIA 29 for 3 yards (K.Misi).	
2-7-MIA 29	(10:15) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short left to M.Crabtree to MIA 20 for 9 yards (N.Carroll). Caught at MIA 30. 10-yds YAC	P6
<u>1-10-MIA 20</u>	(9:32) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass incomplete deep right to M.Crabtree.	
2-10-MIA 20	(9:27) F.Gore up the middle to MIA 11 for 9 yards (K.Dansby, J.Odrick).	
	Timeout #2 by SF at 08:44.	
3-1-MIA 11	(8:44) L.Davis and D.Kilgore reported in as eligible. F.Gore right guard to MIA 12 for -1 yards (K.Dansby).	
4-2-MIA 12	(8:04) <b>D.Akers 30 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-B.Jennings, Holder-A.Lee.</b>	

MIA 3 SF 3, 10 plays, 68 yards, 1 penalty, 5:31 drive, 7:00 elapsed

D.Akers kicks 68 yards from SF 35 to MIA -3. M.Thigpen to MIA 20 for 23 yards (T.Gooden).

Miami Dolphins at 8:00, (1st play from scrimmage 7:48)

1-10-MIA 20	(7:48) (Shotgun) R.Bush up the middle to MIA 28 for 8 yards (D.Goldson).	
2-2-MIA 28	(7:14) (Shotgun) R.Bush left guard to MIA 31 for 3 yards (R.McDonald, N.Bowman).	R6
<u>1-10-MIA 31</u>	(6:40) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to A.Fasano to MIA 37 for 6 yards (P.Willis). Caught at MIA 36. 1-yd YAC	
2-4-MIA 37	(6:04) R.Bush right tackle to MIA 38 for 1 yard (J.Smith, A.Brooks).	
3-3-MIA 38	(5:24) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to R.Bush pushed ob at MIA 45 for 7 yards (N.Bowman). Caught at MIA 41. 4-yds YAC	P7
<u>1-10-MIA 45</u>	(4:49) L.Miller left end to MIA 46 for 1 yard (A.Brooks). SF-D.Dobbs was injured during the play. He is Out.	
2-9-MIA 46	(4:15) R.Tannehill pass short right to C.Clay to MIA 49 for 3 yards (N.Bowman). Caught at MIA 47. 2-yds YAC	
3-6-MIA 49	(3:30) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete deep left to R.Bush [J.Smith].	
4-6-MIA 49	(3:24) B.Fields punts 51 yards to end zone, Center-J.Denney, Touchback. J.Freeny attempted to down punt at SF 3 but carried the ball into end zone for touchback.	
	Miami challenged the touchback ruling, and the play was Upheld. (Timeout #1 at 03:15.)	

San Francisco 49ers at 3:15

1-10-SF 20	(3:15) C.Kaepernick pass deep left to M.Crabtree to SF 45 for 25 yards (R.Jones). Caught at SF 38. 7-yds YAC	P7
<u>1-10-SF 45</u>	(2:35) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short left to B.Miller to SF 44 for -1 yards (J.Odrick) [R.Starks]. Caught at SF44. 0-yds YAC	
Two-Minute Warning		
2-11-SF 44	(2:00) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short right to R.Moss to MIA 43 for 13 yards (C.Clemons). Caught at SF 48. 9-yds YAC	P8
<u>1-10-MIA 43</u>	(1:34) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass deep right to R.Moss to MIA 26 for 17 yards (R.Jones) [C.Wake]. Caught at MIA 27. 1-yd YAC	P9
	Timeout #2 by MIA at 01:08.	
<u>1-10-MIA 26</u>	(1:08) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short right to L.James pushed ob at MIA 11 for 15 yards (R.Jones). Caught at MIA 26. 15-yds YAC	P10
<u>1-10-MIA 11</u>	(1:02) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick sacked at MIA 17 for -6 yards (C.Wake).	
2-16-MIA 17	(:33) (Shotgun) L.James left end to MIA 19 for -2 yards (R.Stanford).	
3-18-MIA 19	(:08) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass incomplete short right to M.Crabtree.	
4-18-MIA 19	(:03) <b>D.Akers 37 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-B.Jennings, Holder-A.Lee.</b>	

MIA 3 SF 6, 9 plays, 61 yards, 3:15 drive, 15:00 elapsed

END OF QUARTER

	Score	Time Poss	First Downs				Efficiencies	
			R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down
Miami Dolphins	3	6:14	1	1	0	2	1/3	0/0
San Francisco 49ers	6	8:46	1	6	1	8	0/2	0/0



Third Quarter

12/9/2012

Play By Play

MIA elects to Receive, and SF elects to defend the North goal.

D.Akers kicks 67 yards from SF 35 to MIA -2. M.Thigpen to MIA 18 for 20 yards (M.Wilhoite).

Miami Dolphins at 15:00, (1st play from scrimmage 14:54)

- 1-10-MIA 18 (14:54) R.Bush left guard to MIA 21 for 3 yards (Ald.Smith, N.Bowman).
- 2-7-MIA 21 (14:16) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short left to C.Clay (J.Smith).
- 3-7-MIA 21 (14:12) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short right to B.Hartline.
- 4-7-MIA 21 (14:04) B.Fields punts 55 yards to SF 24, Center-J.Denney. T.Ginn to SF 36 for 12 yards (J.Trusnik, K.Misi).

San Francisco 49ers at 13:53

- 1-10-SF 36 (13:53) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick left end to SF 41 for 5 yards (C.Clemons).
- 2-5-SF 41 (13:23) (Shotgun) L.James right end to SF 42 for 1 yard (C.Clemons, K.Dansby). MIA-K.Misi was injured during the play. His return is Questionable.
- 3-4-SF 42 (12:54) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick sacked at SF 36 for -6 yards (J.Odrick).
- 4-10-SF 36 (12:15) A.Lee punts 55 yards to MIA 9, Center-B.Jennings. M.Thigpen MUFFS catch, RECOVERED by SF-C.Spillman at MIA 9. C.Spillman to MIA 9 for no gain (M.Thigpen).

San Francisco 49ers at 12:05

- 1-9-MIA 9 (12:05) A.Dixon left end to MIA 1 for 8 yards (C.Clemons, K.Dansby).
- 2-1-MIA 1 (11:21) L.Davis reported in as eligible. F.Gore left guard for 1 yard, TOUCHDOWN.
- D.Akers extra point is GOOD, Center-B.Jennings, Holder-A.Lee.

R11

MIA 3 SF 13, 2 plays, 9 yards, 0:48 drive, 3:43 elapsed

D.Akers kicks 70 yards from SF 35 to MIA -5. M.Thigpen to SF 49 for 56 yards (C.Culliver, P.Cox).

Miami Dolphins at 11:17, (1st play from scrimmage 11:06)

- 1-10-SF 49 (11:06) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short middle to D.Bess to SF 41 for 8 yards (P.Willis). FUMBLES (P.Willis), recovered by MIA-R.Incognito at SF 46. R.Incognito to SF 46 for no gain (L.Sopoaga). D.Bess credited with 3-yd reception.
- 2-7-SF 46 (10:06) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to R.Bush to SF 35 for 11 yards (D.Whitner). Caught at SF 44. 9-yds YAC
- 1-10-SF 35 (9:32) R.Tannehill scrambles left end pushed ob at SF 33 for 2 yards.
- PENALTY on MIA-R.Bush, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at SF 35 - No Play.
- 1-20-SF 45 (8:59) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short left to B.Hartline to SF 39 for 6 yards (T.Brown).
- PENALTY on SF-T.Brown, Defensive Holding, 5 yards, enforced at SF 45 - No Play.
- 1-10-SF 40 (8:27) L.Miller up the middle to SF 39 for 1 yard (W.Tukuafu).
- 2-9-SF 39 (7:45) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short middle to B.Hartline (C.Culliver).
- 3-9-SF 39 (7:40) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short left to R.Bush to SF 35 for 4 yards (P.Willis). Caught at SF35. 0-yds YAC
- 4-5-SF 35 (6:57) D.Carpenter 53 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-J.Denney, Holder-B.Fields.

P8

X9

MIA 6 SF 13, 6 plays, 14 yards, 1 penalty, 4:24 drive, 8:07 elapsed

D.Carpenter kicks 69 yards from MIA 35 to SF -4. L.James to SF 17 for 21 yards (O.Vernon, A.Spitler).

San Francisco 49ers at 6:53, (1st play from scrimmage 6:46)

- 1-10-SF 17 (6:46) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short right to M.Crabtree to SF 30 for 13 yards (S.Smith). Caught at SF26. 4-yds YAC
- 1-10-SF 30 (6:09) (Shotgun) F.Gore up the middle to SF 28 for -2 yards (J.Odrick, K.Dansby).
- 2-12-SF 28 (5:32) C.Kaepernick pass short right to M.Crabtree to SF 38 for 10 yards (K.Dansby, J.Trusnik). Caught at SF25. 13-yds YAC
- 3-2-SF 38 (4:52) C.Kaepernick pass short left to B.Miller to SF 40 for 2 yards (R.Stanford, K.Burnett). Caught at SF 38. 2-yds YAC
- 1-10-SF 40 (4:06) (Shotgun) L.James right guard to MIA 47 for 13 yards (R.Jones).
- Timeout #1 by SF at 03:16.
- 1-10-MIA 47 (3:16) C.Kaepernick pass incomplete deep middle to R.Moss. Flea-Flicker - F.Gore lateralled ball back to C.Kaepernick who passed deep into end zone.
- 2-10-MIA 47 (3:06) L.James left end pushed ob at MIA 32 for 15 yards (C.Clemons).
- PENALTY on SF-M.Iupati, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at MIA 47 - No Play.
- 2-20-SF 43 (2:46) C.Kaepernick pass short middle to F.Gore to MIA 38 for 19 yards (R.Jones, K.Dansby).
- 3-1-MIA 38 (1:52) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass incomplete short left to R.Moss.
- 4-1-MIA 38 (1:45) C.Kaepernick pass incomplete short right to M.Crabtree (S.Smith).
- PENALTY on MIA-S.Smith, Defensive Pass Interference, 8 yards, enforced at MIA 38 - No Play.
- 1-10-MIA 30 (1:40) F.Gore up the middle to MIA 21 for 9 yards (R.Jones, C.Clemons).
- Timeout #2 by SF at 01:01.
- 2-1-MIA 21 (1:01) F.Gore right tackle to MIA 18 for 3 yards (C.Wake).
- 1-10-MIA 18 (:16) L.James left end to MIA 20 for -2 yards (J.Trusnik).

P12

P13

R14

X15

R16

Miami Dolphins vs San Francisco 49ers at Candlestick Park

END OF QUARTER

	Score	Time	First Downs				Efficiencies	
		Poss	R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down
Miami Dolphins	6	5:31	0	1	1	2	0/2	0/0
San Francisco 49ers	13	9:29	3	2	1	6	1/3	0/0

Fourth Quarter

12/9/2012

Play By Play

San Francisco 49ers continued.

2-12-MIA 20	(15:00) (Shotgun) F.Gore up the middle to MIA 1 for 19 yards (S.Smith).	R17
<u>1-1-MIA 1</u>	<b>(14:30) D.Kilgore and L.Davis reported in as eligible. A.Dixon left tackle for 1 yard, TOUCHDOWN.</b>	R18
D.Akers extra point is GOOD, Center-B.Jennings, Holder-A.Lee.		

MIA 6 SF 20, 13 plays, 83 yards, 1 penalty, 7:26 drive, 0:33 elapsed

D.Akers kicks 70 yards from SF 35 to MIA -5. M.Thigpen to MIA 25 for 30 yards (P.Cox, A.Dixon).

Miami Dolphins at 14:27, (1st play from scrimmage 14:19)

1-10-MIA 25	(14:19) R.Tannehill pass short right to D.Bess to MIA 33 for 8 yards (N.Bowman). Caught at MIA 33. 0-yds YAC San Francisco challenged the pass completion ruling, and the play was Upheld. (Timeout #3 at 14:00.)	
2-2-MIA 33	(14:00) (Shotgun) R.Bush up the middle to MIA 35 for 2 yards (J.Smith; Ald.Smith).	R10
<u>1-10-MIA 35</u>	(13:24) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete deep left to Mar.Moore. <i>PENALTY on SF-T.Brown, Illegal Contact, 5 yards, enforced at MIA 35 - No Play.</i>	X11
<u>1-10-MIA 40</u>	(13:15) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill left end pushed ob at SF 40 for 20 yards (D.Whitner).	R12
<u>1-10-SF 40</u>	(12:47) R.Bush right tackle to SF 38 for 2 yards (I.Sopoaga).	
2-8-SF 38	(12:05) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete deep right to B.Hartline (C.Culliver).	
3-8-SF 38	(11:58) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to R.Bush to SF 29 for 9 yards (J.Smith). Caught at SF 42. 13-yds YAC	P13
<u>1-10-SF 29</u>	(11:20) R.Bush up the middle to SF 27 for 2 yards (I.Sopoaga).	
2-8-SF 27	(10:46) (Shotgun) R.Bush up the middle to SF 23 for 4 yards (N.Bowman).	
3-4-SF 23	(10:10) (Shotgun) R.Bush up the middle to SF 6 for 17 yards (P.Willis).	R14
<u>1-6-SF 6</u>	(9:28) D.Thomas left tackle to SF 4 for 2 yards (Ald.Smith).	
2-4-SF 4	(8:49) (Shotgun) D.Thomas up the middle to SF 3 for 1 yard (N.Bowman, D.Whitner).	
3-3-SF 3	(8:06) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short right to D.Bess.	
4-3-SF 3	<b>(8:01) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short left to A.Fasano for 3 yards, TOUCHDOWN.</b>	P15
D.Carpenter extra point is GOOD, Center-J.Denney, Holder-B.Fields.		

MIA 13 SF 20, 13 plays, 75 yards, 1 penalty, 6:32 drive, 7:05 elapsed

D.Carpenter kicks 72 yards from MIA 35 to SF -7. L.James to SF 17 for 24 yards (O.Vernon).

San Francisco 49ers at 7:55, (1st play from scrimmage 7:49)

1-10-SF 17	(7:49) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short right to M.Crabtree to SF 22 for 5 yards (S.Smith). Caught at SF 21. 1-yd YAC	
2-5-SF 22	(7:10) (Shotgun) L.James left end to SF 22 for no gain (C.Clemons).	
3-5-SF 22	(6:29) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short right to M.Crabtree to SF 25 for 3 yards (C.Wake). Caught at SF25. 0-yds YAC	
4-2-SF 25	(5:45) A.Lee punts 37 yards to MIA 38, Center-B.Jennings, downed by SF-D.Goldson.	

Miami Dolphins at 5:35

1-10-MIA 38	(5:35) (Shotgun) <i>PENALTY on SF-Ald.Smith, Neutral Zone Infraction, 5 yards, enforced at MIA 38 - No Play.</i>	
1-5-MIA 43	(5:35) (Shotgun) R.Bush left end pushed ob at MIA 47 for 4 yards (D.Goldson).	
2-1-MIA 47	(5:20) R.Tannehill up the middle to 50 for 3 yards (J.Smith).	R16
<u>1-10-50</u>	(4:45) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete deep right to B.Hartline [P.Willis].	
2-10-50	(4:40) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short right to B.Hartline [N.Bowman]. <i>PENALTY on SF-N.Bowman, Roughing the Passer, 15 yards, enforced at 50 - No Play.</i> <i>Penalty on SF-C.Culliver, Defensive Pass Interference, declined.</i>	X17
<u>1-10-SF 35</u>	(4:35) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete deep left to R.Matthews.	
2-10-SF 35	(4:29) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short right to B.Hartline. Timeout #1 by MIA at 04:22.	
3-10-SF 35	(4:22) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete deep middle to D.Bess.	
4-10-SF 35	(4:16) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete deep left to Mar.Moore.	

San Francisco 49ers at 4:10

1-10-SF 35	(4:10) (Shotgun) F.Gore left guard to SF 39 for 4 yards (K.Burnett, J.Trusnik). Timeout #2 by MIA at 04:05.	
2-6-SF 39	(4:05) (Shotgun) L.James up the middle to SF 45 for 6 yards (K.Dansby).	R19
<u>1-10-SF 45</u>	(3:08) F.Gore left tackle to SF 48 for 3 yards (K.Dansby, K.Burnett). Timeout #3 by MIA at 03:01.	
2-7-SF 48	(3:01) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick left end to 50 for 2 yards (J.Trusnik).	
3-5-50	<b>(2:19) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick left end for 50 yards, TOUCHDOWN.</b>	R20



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D.Akers extra point is GOOD, Center-B.Jennings, Holder-A.Lee.

MIA 13 SF 27, 5 plays, 65 yards, 2:00 drive, 12:50 elapsed

D.Akers kicks 50 yards from SF 35 to MIA 15. J.Lane to MIA 39 for 24 yards (A.Dixon). FUMBLES (A.Dixon), and recovers at MIA 39. J.Lane to MIA 39 for no gain (A.Dixon).

Miami Dolphins at 2:10, (1st play from scrimmage 2:04)

1-10-MIA 39 (2:04) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete short right to B.Hartline (C.Culliver).

Two-Minute Warning

2-10-MIA 39 (1:59) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill sacked at MIA 30 for -9 yards (Ald.Smith).

3-19-MIA 30 (1:37) (No Huddle, Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short left to R.Matthews pushed ob at MIA 38 for 8 yards (C.Rogers). Caught at MIA 35. 3-yds YAC

4-11-MIA 38 (1:33) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass incomplete deep left to A.Fasano.

San Francisco 49ers at 1:25

1-10-MIA 38 (1:25) C.Kaepernick kneels to MIA 39 for -1 yards.

2-11-MIA 39 (:44) C.Kaepernick kneels to MIA 41 for -2 yards.

3-13-MIA 41 (:18) C.Kaepernick kneels to MIA 42 for -1 yards.

END OF QUARTER

	Score	Time Poss	First Downs				Efficiencies	
			R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down
Miami Dolphins	13	8:42	4	2	2	8	2/5	1/3
San Francisco 49ers	27	6:18	4	0	0	4	1/3	0/0

# Miscellaneous Statistics Report

Miami Dolphins vs San Francisco 49ers

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## Ten Longest Plays for Miami Dolphins

Yards	Qtr	Play Start	Play Description
28	1	2-2-MIA 28	(11:45) R.Tannehill pass deep right to B.Hartline to SF 44 for 28 yards (D.Goldson). Caught at SF48. 4-yds YAC
21	1	1-10-SF 49	(4:40) (No Huddle) R.Tannehill pass deep middle to D.Bess to SF 28 for 21 yards (T.Brown). Caught at SF31. 3-yds YAC
20	4	1-10-MIA 40	(13:15) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill left end pushed ob at SF 40 for 20 yards (D.Whitner).
17	4	3-4-SF 23	(10:10) (Shotgun) R.Bush up the middle to SF 6 for 17 yards (P.Willis).
11	3	2-7-SF 46	(10:06) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to R.Bush to SF 35 for 11 yards (D.Whitner). Caught at SF 44. 9-yds YAC
10	1	3-7-MIA 41	(5:17) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short middle to D.Bess to SF 49 for 10 yards (D.Goldson). Caught at SF 49. 0-yds YAC
9	4	3-8-SF 38	(11:58) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to R.Bush to SF 29 for 9 yards (J.Smith). Caught at SF 42. 13-yds YAC
8	1	1-10-MIA 20	(12:17) R.Tannehill pass short left to D.Bess to MIA 28 for 8 yards (T.Brown). Caught at MIA 25. 3-yds YAC
8	1	3-7-SF 15	(2:01) (Shotgun) R.Tannehill pass short right to L.Miller to SF 7 for 8 yards (N.Bowman, C.Culliver). Caught at SF20. 13-yds YAC
8	1	1-17-SF 17	(:26) (Shotgun) R.Bush left guard to SF 9 for 8 yards (Ald.Smith).

## Ten Longest Plays for San Francisco 49ers

Yards	Qtr	Play Start	Play Description
50	4	3-5-50	(2:19) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick left end for 50 yards, TOUCHDOWN.
25	2	1-10-SF 20	(3:15) C.Kaepernick pass deep left to M.Crabtree to SF 45 for 25 yards (R.Jones). Caught at SF 38. 7-yds YAC
20	1	1-10-SF 26	(14:55) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass deep right to D.Walker pushed ob at SF 46 for 20 yards (S.Smith). Caught at SF 43.
19	2	1-10-SF 49	(11:26) L.James left end to MIA 47 for 4 yards (C.Wake).
19	3	2-20-SF 43	(2:46) C.Kaepernick pass short middle to F.Gore to MIA 38 for 19 yards (R.Jones, K.Dansby).
19	4	2-12-MIA 20	(15:00) (Shotgun) F.Gore up the middle to MIA 1 for 19 yards (S.Smith).
17	2	1-10-MIA 43	(1:34) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass deep right to R.Moss to MIA 26 for 17 yards (R.Jones) [C.Wake]. Caught at MIA 27.
16	2	1-10-SF 33	(12:11) C.Kaepernick pass short right to M.Crabtree to SF 49 for 16 yards (R.Jones, C.Clemons). Caught at SF36. 13-yds YAC
15	2	1-10-MIA 26	(1:08) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short right to L.James pushed ob at MIA 11 for 15 yards (R.Jones). Caught at MIA 26.
13	2	2-11-SF 44	(2:00) (Shotgun) C.Kaepernick pass short right to R.Moss to MIA 43 for 13 yards (C.Clemons). Caught at SF 48. 9-yds YAC

## Touchdown Scoring Information

		Offense	Defense	Special Teams
<b>VISITOR</b>	Miami Dolphins	1	0	0
<b>HOME</b>	San Francisco 49ers	3	0	0

## Player Scoring Information

Club	Player	TD	Rush TD	Rec TD	KO TD	Punt TD	Int TD	Fum TD	Misc TD	FG	XP	2Pt Rush	2Pt Rec	Sfty	Points
MIA	D.Carpenter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	7
MIA	A.Fasano	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
SF	D.Akers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	9
SF	F.Gore	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
SF	C.Kaepernick	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
SF	A.Dixon	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6

## Possession Detail

	First Half		Second Half		Game	
	Visitor	Home	Visitor	Home	Visitor	Home
Largest Lead	3	3	0	14	3	14
Drives Leading	0	0	0	6	0	6
Time of Possession Leading	0:00	0:00	0:00	15:47	0:00	15:47
Largest Deficit	-3	-3	-14	0	-14	-3
Drives Trailing	0	1	5	0	5	1
Time of Possession Trailing	0:00	5:31	14:13	0:00	14:13	5:31
Times Score Tied Up		1		0		1
Lead Changes		2		0		2

# Playtime Percentage

Percent of playtime per player on offense, defense and special teams

Miami Dolphins						San Francisco 49ers					
		Offense	Defense	Special Teams				Offense	Defense	Special Teams	
R Incognito	G	61 100%		3	12%	J Goodwin	C	57 100%		5	21%
N Garner	G	61 100%		3	12%	J Staley	T	57 100%		5	21%
J Jerry	G	61 100%		3	12%	A Boone	G	57 100%		5	21%
J Martin	T	61 100%		3	12%	A Davis	T	57 100%		5	21%
R Tannehill	QB	61 100%				M Iupati	G	57 100%		5	21%
M Pouncey	C	61 100%				V Davis	TE	57 100%			
A Fasano	TE	58 95%				C Kaepernick	QB	57 100%			
B Hartline	WR	57 93%				M Crabtree	WR	43 75%			
D Bess	WR	56 92%		1	4%	D Walker	TE	40 70%		4	17%
R Bush	RB	43 70%				F Gore	RB	39 68%			
R Matthews	WR	28 46%		1	4%	B Miller	FB	29 51%		13	54%
M Moore	WR	19 31%		10	42%	R Moss	WR	29 51%			
C Clay	TE	16 26%		5	21%	L James	RB	15 26%		4	17%
D Thomas	RB	13 21%		1	4%	W Tukuafu	DT	10 18%	2 3%	15	62%
J Lane	FB	8 13%		5	21%	A Jenkins	WR	8 14%			
L Miller	RB	7 11%		3	12%	T Ginn	WR	4 7%		2	8%
C Clemons	FS		57 100%	9	38%	A Dixon	RB	3 5%		14	58%
K Burnett	LB		57 100%	6	25%	G Celek	TE	3 5%		10	42%
R Jones	FS		57 100%	4	17%	L Davis	G	3 5%		4	17%
K Dansby	LB		57 100%	1	4%	D Kilgore	G	2 4%		7	29%
J Odrick	DE		56 98%	6	25%	P Willis	LB		61 100%	7	29%
S Smith	CB		54 95%	1	4%	D Goldson	FS		61 100%	7	29%
C Wake	DE		51 89%	1	4%	T Brown	CB		61 100%	5	21%
R Starks	DT		45 79%	6	25%	N Bowman	LB		61 100%	4	17%
P Soliai	DT		40 70%	8	33%	D Whitner	SS		61 100%		
N Carroll	CB		36 63%	11	46%	C Rogers	CB		61 100%		
J Trusnik	LB		25 44%	23	96%	A Brooks	LB		59 97%	5	21%
K Misi	LB		23 40%	4	17%	R McDonald	DT		59 97%	5	21%
R Stanford	CB		18 32%	15	62%	A Smith	LB		59 97%	5	21%
T McDaniel	DT		15 26%			J Smith	DT		53 87%		
D Shelby	DE		14 25%			C Culliver	CB		43 70%	5	21%
O Vernon	DE		10 18%	13	54%	I Sopoaga	NT		15 25%	3	12%
K Randall	DT		9 16%			R Jean Francois	DT		8 13%	5	21%
T Culver	SS		3 5%	15	62%	D Dobbs	TE		3 5%	7	29%
A Spitler	LB			20	83%	P Cox	CB		2 3%	4	17%
J Amaya	SS			20	83%	C Haggans	LB		2 3%		
J Freeny	LB			15	62%	T Brock	CB			15	62%
M Thigpen	RB			8	33%	D McBath	FS			15	62%
D Carpenter	K			7	29%	C Spillman	SS			14	58%
B McCann	CB			7	29%	M Wilhoite	LB			14	58%
J Mastrud	TE			7	29%	L Grant	LB			12	50%
B Fields	P			6	25%	D Akers	K			10	42%
J Denney	LS			6	25%	A Lee	P			9	38%
W Yeatman	T			4	17%	B Jennings	LS			9	38%
J Samuda	G			3	12%						





# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SERVICE

## MOST SEASONS PLAYED

Player	Seasons
1. John Brodie (1957–1973)	17
2. Jerry Rice (1985–2000)	16
Jimmy Johnson (1961–1976)	16
4. Charlie Krueger (1959–1973)	15
5. Bryant Young (1994–2007)	14
Matt Hazeltine (1955–1968)	14
Leo Nomellini (1950–1963)	14

## MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES PLAYED

Player	Games
1. Len Rohde (1960–1974)	208
2. <b>Brian Jennings (2000–*)</b>	<b>205</b>
3. Jerry Rice (1985–2000)	189
4. Leo Nomellini (1950–1963)	174

## MOST REGULAR SEASON GAMES PLAYED

Player	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Jerry Rice	WR	1985–2000	16	238
2. Jimmy Johnson	DB/HB	1961–1976	16	213
3. Bryant Young	DT	1994–2007	14	208
Len Rohde	T	1960–1974	15	208
5. <b>Brian Jennings</b>	<b>TE</b>	<b>2000–*</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>205</b>
6. John Brodie	QB	1957–1973	17	201
7. Charlie Krueger	DT	1959–1973	15	198
8. Randy Cross	G/C	1976–1988	13	185
9. Jesse Sapolu	G/C	1983–1997	15	182
10. Matt Hazeltine	LB	1955–1968	14	176

## MOST REGULAR SEASON GAMES PLAYED BY POSITION

Quarterbacks	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. John Brodie	QB	1957–1973	17	201
2. Joe Montana	QB	1979–1992	14	167
3. Steve Young	QB	1987–1999	13	150
4. Y.A. Tittle	QB	1951–1960	10	112
5. Steve Spurrier	QB	1967–1975	9	92
6. <b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>QB</b>	<b>2005–*</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>79</b>
7. Jeff Garcia	QB	1999–2003	5	74
8. Elvis Grbac	QB	1993–1996	4	43
9. Steve DeBerg	QB	1978–1980	3	39
Billy Kilmer	QB	1961–1966	6	39

Offensive Linemen	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Len Rohde	T	1960–1974	15	208
2. Keith Fahnhorst	T	1974–1987	14	193
3. Randy Cross	G/C	1976–1988	13	185
4. Jesse Sapolu	G/C	1983–1997	15	182
5. Steve Wallace	T	1986–1996	11	166
6. Bruce Bosley	C/G	1956–1968	13	163
7. John Ayers	G	1977–1986	10	148
8. Guy McIntyre	G	1984–1993	10	145
9. Fred Quillan	C	1978–1987	10	143
10. Harris Barton	T	1987–1996	10	138

WRs/TEs	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Jerry Rice	WR	1985–2000	16	238
2. <b>Brian Jennings</b>	<b>TE/LS</b>	<b>2000–*</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>205</b>
3. Brent Jones	TE	1987–1997	11	143
4. Mike Wilson	WR	1981–1990	10	136
5. Dwight Clark	WR	1979–1987	9	134
6. Gene Washington	WR	1969–1977	9	124
7. Terrell Owens	WR	1996–2003	8	121
John Taylor	WR	1987–1995	9	121
9. Freddie Solomon	WR	1978–1985	8	114
10. J.J. Stokes	WR	1995–2002	8	111

Running Backs	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Joe Perry	FB	1950–1963	12	131
2. Ken Willard	FB	1965–1973	9	125
3. Roger Craig	RB	1983–1990	8	121
4. Tom Rathman	FB	1986–1993	8	115
5. Fred Beasley	FB	1998–2005	8	114
6. <b>Frank Gore</b>	<b>RB</b>	<b>2005–*</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>113</b>
7. Terry Jackson	RB	1999–2005	7	100
8. Hugh McElhenny	HB	1952–1960	9	97
J.D. Smith	HB	1956–1964	9	97
10. Dexter Carter	RB	1990–1996	7	90

Defensive Linemen	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Bryant Young	DT	1994–2007	14	208
2. Charlie Krueger	DT	1959–1973	15	198
3. Leo Nomellini	DT	1950–1963	14	174
4. Roland Lakes	DT	1961–1970	10	140
5. Cedrick Hardman	DE	1970–1979	10	139
6. Tommy Hart	DE	1968–1977	10	131
7. Michael Carter	NT	1984–1992	9	121
8. Dwaine Board	DE	1979–1988	10	117
9. Dennis Brown	DE	1990–1996	7	110
10. Dana Stubblefield	DT	1993–2002	9	108

Linebackers	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Matt Hazeltine	LB	1955–1968	14	176
2. Keena Turner	LB	1980–1990	11	153
Dave Wilcox	LB	1964–1974	11	153
4. Frank Nunley	LB	1967–1976	10	137
5. Willie Harper	LB	1973–1983	11	134
Mike Walter	LB	1984–1993	10	134
7. Jeff Ulbrich	LB	2000–2009	10	120
8. Skip Vanderbundt	LB	1969–1977	9	119
9. Ken Norton	LB	1994–2000	7	112
10. Karl Rubke	C/LB	1957–1965	9	104
Derek Smith	LB	2001–2007	7	104

Secondary	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Jimmy Johnson	DB/HB	1961–1976	16	213
2. Mel Phillips	DB	1966–1977	12	147
3. Ronnie Lott	S	1981–1990	10	129
4. Merton Hanks	S	1991–1998	8	125
5. Don Griffin	CB	1986–1993	8	114
6. Tim McDonald	S	1993–1999	7	111
7. Eric Wright	CB	1981–1990	10	110
8. Bruce Taylor	CB	1970–1977	8	100
9. Dwight Hicks	S	1979–1985	7	96
10. Kermit Alexander	DB	1963–1969	7	94

Kickers	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. Ray Wersching	K	1977–1987	11	155
2. Tommy Davis	K	1959–1969	11	138
3. Mike Cofer	K	1988–1993	6	96
4. Joe Nedney	K	2005–2010	6	86
5. Bruce Gossett	K	1970–1974	5	70

Punters	Pos	Years	Seasons	Games
1. <b>Andy Lee</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>2004–*</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>141</b>
2. Tom Wittum	P	1973–1977	5	70
3. Max Runager	P	1984–1988	5	59
4. Tommy Thompson	P	1995–1997	3	48
5. Barry Helton	P	1988–1990	3	47

# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SCORING

## ALL-TIME LEADING SCORERS

Player	Years	Gms	TDs	Rsh	Rec	Ret	2-pt	PAT	FG	Pts
1. Jerry Rice	1985–2000	238	187	10	176	1	4	0/0	0/0	1,130
2. Ray Wersching	1977–1987	155	0	0	0	0	0	409/425	190/261	979
3. Tommy Davis	1959–1969	138	0	0	0	0	0	348/350	130/276	738
4. Mike Cofer	1988–1993	96	0	0	0	0	0	289/297	128/194	673
5. Gordy Soltau	1950–1958	107	25	0	25	0	0	284/302	70/138	644
6. Joe Nedney	2005–2010	86	0	0	0	0	0	154/154	129/149	541
7. Terrell Owens	1996–2003	121	83	2	81	0	2	0/0	0/0	502
8. Bruce Gossett	1970–1974	70	0	0	0	0	0	163/168	99/153	460
9. Roger Craig	1983–1990	121	66	50	16	0	0	0/0	0/0	396
10. Ken Willard	1965–1973	125	61	45	16	0	0	0/0	0/0	366
11. Gene Washington	1969–1977	124	59	0	59	0	0	0/0	0/0	354
12. Joe Perry	1950–1963	131	57	50	7	0	0	6/7	1/6	351
<b>13. Frank Gore</b>	<b>2005–*</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>360</b>
14. Hugh McElhenny	1952–1960	97	51	35	15	1	0	0/0	0/0	306
15. Billy Wilson	1951–1960	100	49	0	49	0	0	0/0	0/0	294
16. Dwight Clark	1979–1987	134	48	0	48	0	0	0/0	0/0	288
Freddie Solomon	1978–1985	114	48	3	43	0	0	0/0	0/0	288
18. Wade Richey	1998–2000	48	0	0	0	0	0	122/127	54/72	284
19. John Taylor	1987–1995	121	46	0	43	3	0	0/0	0/0	276
20. J.D. Smith	1956–1964	97	42	37	5	0	0	0/0	0/0	252

## MOST POINTS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	TDs	XPM	XPA	FGM	FGA	2pt	Pts
1. David Akers	2011	0	34	34	44	52	0	166
2. Jerry Rice	1987	23	0	0	0	0	0	138
3. Mike Cofer	1989	0	49	51	29	36	0	136
4. Ray Wersching	1984	0	56	56	25	35	0	131
5. Jeff Wilkins	1996	0	40	40	30	34	0	130
6. Ray Wersching	1983	0	51	51	25	30	0	126
7. Gary Anderson	1997	0	38	38	29	36	0	125
8. Mike Cofer	1988	0	40	41	27	38	0	121
Joe Nedney	2008	0	34	34	29	33	0	121
10. Ray Wersching	1986	0	41	42	25	35	0	116
Joe Nedney	2006	0	29	29	29	35	0	116

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## LONGEST FIELDS GOALS

Player	Game	Lg
1. <b>David Akers</b>	<b>at GB (9/9/12)</b>	<b>63</b>
2. Joe Nedney	at StL (12/24/05)	56
Mike Cofer	at Atl. (10/14/90)	56
4. <b>David Akers</b>	<b>at Det. (10/16/11)</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>David Akers</b>	<b>vs. Dal. (9/18/11)</b>	<b>55</b>
6. Steve Mike–Mayer	at LA Rams (11/9/75)	54
Bruce Gossett	vs. NO (10/21/73)	54
8. <b>David Akers</b>	<b>at Cin. (9/25/11)</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>David Akers</b>	<b>at Sea. (12/24/11)</b>	<b>53</b>
Joe Nedney	vs. Phi. (10/12/08)	53
Ray Wersching	at Det. (9/2/84)	53
Tommy Davis	at LA Rams (10/17/65)	53
Tommy Davis	vs. Chi. (10/4/64)	53

## ALL-TIME SCORING

Touchdowns by Rushing	947
Touchdowns by Receptions	1,315
Touchdowns by Interception Return	78
Touchdowns by Kickoff Return	21
Touchdowns by Punt Return	30
Fields Goals Made	1,103
Safeties	28

## 50+YARD FIELD GOALS, Career

Player	Lg
1. Joe Nedney	10
2. <b>David Akers</b>	<b>8</b>
3. Mike Cofer	5
4. Ray Wersching	4
Tommy Davis	4
6. Todd Peterson	2
Bruce Gossett	2

## FIELD GOAL PCT., Career

Player	Pct.
1. Joe Nedney, 129–149	86.6
2. <b>David Akers, 67–84</b>	<b>79.8</b>
3. Ray Wersching, 190–261	72.8
4. Mike Cofer, 128–191	67.0
5. Bruce Gossett, 99–153	64.7

## SAFETIES, Career

Player	Safeties
1. Bryant Young	3
Charlie Krueger	3
3. Leo Nomellini	2
4. 17 Players	1
(Last, <b>Ray McDonald</b> 11/19/12 vs. Chi.)	

## MOST TOUCHDOWNS, Career

Player	TD
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	187
2. Terrell Owens (WR)	83
3. Roger Craig (RB)	66
4. Ken Willard (FB)	61
5. <b>Frank Gore (RB)</b>	<b>60</b>
6. Gene Washington (WR)	59
7. Joe Perry (FB)	57
8. Hugh McElhenny (HB)	51
9. Billy Wilson (E)	49
10. Dwight Clark (WR)	48
Freddie Solomon (WR)	48

## MOST FGs MADE, Career

Player	FGM
1. Ray Wersching	190
2. Tommy Davis	130
3. Joe Nedney	129
4. Mike Cofer	128
5. Bruce Gossett	99
6. Gordie Soltau	70
7. <b>David Akers</b>	<b>67</b>
8. Wade Richey	54
9. Jeff Wilkins	42
10. Jose Cortez	36

## MOST FGs ATTEMPTED, Career

Player	FGA
1. Tommy Davis	276
2. Ray Wersching	261
3. Mike Cofer	191
4. Bruce Gossett	153
5. Joe Nedney	149
6. Gordie Soltau	139
7. <b>David Akers</b>	<b>84</b>
8. Wade Richey	72
9. Steve Mike–Mayer	56
10. Jose Cortez	50

## MOST PATs MADE, Career

Player	PAT
1. Ray Wersching	409
2. Tommy Davis	348
3. Mike Cofer	289
4. Gordie Soltau	284
5. Bruce Gossett	163
6. Joe Nedney	154
7. Wade Richey	122
8. Doug Brien	79
9. Jose Cortez	74
10. Jeff Wilkins	67

## MOST PATs ATTEMPTED, Career

Player	PAT
1. Ray Wersching	425
2. Tommy Davis	350
3. Gordie Soltau	303
4. Mike Cofer	296
5. Bruce Gossett	168
6. Joe Nedney	154
7. Wade Richey	127
8. Doug Brien	81
9. Jose Cortez	74

# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SCORING

## TOP SINGLE-GAME SCORING PERFORMANCES

### MOST POINTS

Player	Game	Points
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	at Atl. (10/14/90) – 5 TDs	30
2. Gordy Soltau (E)	vs. LA Rams (10/28/51) – 3 TDs, 1 FG, 5 PATs	26
3. Jerry Rice (WR)	at TB (11/14/93) – 4 TDs	24
Billy Kilmer (QB)	at Min. (10/15/61) – 4 TDs	24
5. Jeff Wilkins (K)	vs. Atl. (9/29/96) – 6 FGs, 3 PATs	21
Gordy Soltau (E)	vs. Bal. (12/13/53) – 2 TDs, 6 PATs, 1 FG	21

### MOST TOUCHDOWNS

Player	Game	TDs
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	at Atl. (10/14/90)	5
2. Jerry Rice (WR)	at TB (11/14/93)	4
Billy Kilmer (QB)	at Min. (10/15/61)	4

### MOST FIELD GOALS MADE

Player	Game	FGM
1. Jeff Wilkins	vs. Atl. (9/29/96)	6
Ray Wersching	at NO (10/16/83)	6
3. Joe Nedney	vs. TB (10/30/05)	5
Jeff Chandler	vs. Chi. (9/7/03)	5
Bruce Gossett	at Den. (9/23/73)	5

### MOST FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED

Player	Game	FGA
1. <b>David Akers</b>	<b>vs. Arz. (11/20/11)</b>	<b>6</b>
Joe Nedney	vs. TB (10/30/05)	6
Jeff Wilkins	vs. Atl. (9/29/96)	6
Ray Wersching	at NO (10/16/83)	6
Tommy Davis	at LA Rams (10/17/65)	6
Tommy Davis	at Dal. (11/20/60)	6
Gordy Soltau	at GB (11/23/58)	6

### MOST PATs MADE

Player	Game	PATs Made
1. Mike Cofer	at Det. (12/19/93)	8
Mike Cofer	vs. Atl. (10/18/92)	8
Mike Cofer	vs. Chi. (10/23/91)	8
Bruce Gossett	at Atl. (10/29/72)	8
Tommy Davis	at Det. (10/1/61)	8

### MOST PATs ATTEMPTED

Player	Game	PATs Att.
1. Mike Cofer	at Det. (12/19/93)	8
Mike Cofer	vs. Atl. (10/18/92)	8
Mike Cofer	vs. Chi. (10/23/91)	8
Bruce Gossett	at Atl. (10/29/72)	8
Tommy Davis	at Det. (10/1/61)	8

### MOST CONSECUTIVE FIELD GOALS MADE

Player	FG
1. Joe Nedney (11/26/06 to 9/30/07)	18
2. Mike Cofer (12/4/88 to 10/1/89)	17
3. Wade Richey (12/27/98 to 11/7/99)	16
Gary Anderson (9/14/97 to 11/10/97)	16
5. <b>David Akers (10/9/11 to 11/13/11)</b>	<b>15</b>
6. Jose Cortez (9/5/02 to 11/3/02)	13
Bruce Gossett (10/14/73 to 12/2/73)	13

### MOST TOUCHDOWNS, Season

Player	TD
1. Jerry Rice (1987), 22 rec., 1 rush	23
2. Jerry Rice (1995), 15 rec., 1 rush, 1 fum. rec.	17
Jerry Rice (1989), 17 rec.	17
4. Terrell Owens (2001), 16 rec.	16
Jerry Rice (1993), 15 rec, 1 rush	16
Jerry Rice (1986), 15 rec., 1 rush	16

### MOST FGs MADE, Season

Player	FGM
1. <b>David Akers (2011)</b>	<b>44</b>
2. Jeff Wilkins (1996)	30
3. Joe Nedney (2008)	29
Joe Nedney (2006)	29
Gary Anderson (1997)	29
Mike Cofer (1989)	29

### MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH FG MADE

Player	Games
1. <b>David Akers (9/11/11 to current)</b>	<b>29</b>
2. Bruce Gossett (11/29/70 to 10/1/72)	21

### MOST FGs ATTEMPTED, Season

Player	FGA
1. <b>David Akers (2011)</b>	<b>52</b>
2. Mike Cofer (1988)	38
3. Gary Anderson (1997)	36
Mike Cofer (1990)	36
Mike Cofer (1989)	36
Bruce Gossett (1971)	36

### MOST PATs MADE, Season

Player	PAT
1. Doug Brien (1994)	60
2. Mike Cofer (1993)	59
3. Ray Wersching (1984)	56
4. Mike Cofer (1992)	53
5. Tommy Davis (1965)	52
Ray Wersching (1985)	52

### MOST CONSECUTIVE PATs MADE

Player	PAT
1. Tommy Davis (9/27/59 to 12/12/65)	234

### MOST PATs ATTEMPTED, Season

Player	PAT
1. Doug Brien (1994)	62
2. Mike Cofer (1993)	61
3. Ray Wersching (1984)	56
4. Mike Cofer (1992)	54
5. Tommy Davis (1965)	53
Ray Wersching (1985)	53

### MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A TOUCHDOWN

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice (12/19/86 to 12/27/87)	13
2. Terrell Owens (11/8/98 to 12/27/98)	8
Jerry Rice (12/8/89 to 11/27/89)	8
Dave Parks (11/7/65 to 9/11/66)	8



# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON PASSING

## ALL-TIME LEADING PASSERS (BY YARDS)

Player	Years	Gms	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yards	TD	INT	Lg	QB Rat	INT Pct.
1. Joe Montana	1979–1992 (14)	167	4,600	2,929	63.7	35,124	244	123	96t	93.5	2.7
2. John Brodie	1957–1973 (17)	201	4,491	2,469	55.0	31,548	214	224	83t	72.3	5.0
3. Steve Young	1987–1999 (13)	150	3,648	2,400	65.8	29,907	221	86	97t	101.4	2.4
4. Jeff Garcia	1999–2003 (5)	74	2,360	1,449	61.4	16,408	113	56	76t	88.3	2.4
5. Y.A. Tittle	1951–1960 (10)	112	2,194	1,226	55.9	16,016	108	134	78t	70.0	6.1
<b>6. Alex Smith</b>	<b>2005–* (8)</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>2,176</b>	<b>1,289</b>	<b>59.2</b>	<b>14,274</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>79.1</b>	<b>2.9</b>
7. Steve DeBerg	1978–1980 (3)	39	1,201	670	55.8	7,220	37	60	93t	63.1	5.0
8. Steve Spurrier	1967–1975 (9)	92	840	441	52.5	5,250	33	48	81t	61.2	5.7
9. Tim Rattay	2000–2005 (6)	32	586	356	60.8	3,941	24	18	89t	81.6	3.1
10. Frankie Albert	1950–1952 (3)	36	601	316	52.6	3,847	27	43	60	57.7	7.2
11. Shaun Hill	2007–2009 (3)	18	522	322	61.7	3,490	23	11	61	87.3	2.1
12. Jim Plunkett	1976–1977 (2)	26	491	254	51.7	3,285	22	30	85t	62.5	6.1
13. Elvis Grbac	1994–1996 (3)	42	430	284	66.0	3,098	18	16	81t	85.6	3.7
14. Steve Bono	1989–1993 (5)	34	359	220	61.3	2,558	14	7	78	87.7	1.9
15. Ken Dorsey	2004–2005 (2)	11	316	171	54.1	1,712	8	11	59	63.7	3.5
16. George Mira	1964–1968 (5)	47	240	112	46.7	1,711	17	14	79t	70.0	5.8
17. Norm Snead	1975–1975 (2)	14	237	138	58.2	1,705	11	11	60t	76.7	4.6
18. J.T. O'Sullivan	2008 (1)	9	220	128	58.2	1,678	8	11	63	73.6	5.0
19. Tom Owen	1974–1975 (2)	14	235	112	47.7	1,645	11	17	68t	56.4	7.2
20. Jeff Kemp	1986 (1)	10	200	119	59.5	1,554	11	8	66t	85.7	4.0

## MOST PASSING YARDS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yards	TD	INT	LG	QB Rat	INT Pct
1. Jeff Garcia	2000	561	<b>355</b>	63.3	<b>4,278</b>	31	10	69t	97.6	1.8
2. Steve Young	1998	517	322	62.3	4,170	<b>36</b>	12	81t	<b>101.1</b>	2.3
3. Steve Young	1993	462	314	68.0	<b>4,023</b>	<b>29</b>	16	80t	<b>101.5</b>	3.5
4. Steve Young	1994	461	324	<b>70.3</b>	3,969	<b>35</b>	10	69t	<b>112.8</b>	2.2
5. Joe Montana	1990	520	<b>321</b>	<b>61.7</b>	3,944	26	16	78t	89.0	3.1
6. Joe Montana	1983	515	332	<b>64.5</b>	3,910	26	12	77t	94.6	2.3
7. Joe Montana	1985	494	<b>303</b>	<b>61.3</b>	3,653	<b>27</b>	13	73	<b>91.3</b>	2.6
8. Steve DeBerg	1979	<b>578</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>60.0</b>	3,652	17	21	50	73.1	3.6
9. Joe Montana	1984	432	279	64.6	3,630	28	10	80t	<b>102.9</b>	<b>2.3</b>
10. Joe Montana	1981	488	311	<b>63.7</b>	3,565	19	12	78t	<b>88.4</b>	2.5

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## MOST CONSECUTIVE COMPLETIONS

Player	Game(s)	Cmp
1. Joe Montana	last 5 vs. Cle. (11/29/87) first 17 at GB (12/6/87)	22
2. Steve Young	at Was. (11/24/96)	19

## CONSECUTIVE PASSES WITHOUT INTERCEPTION

Player	Game(s)	Atts
1. Alex Smith	12 passes at Bal. (11/24/11) to 33 passes at Min. (9/23/12)	249
2. Steve Young	22 passes vs. Min. (10/3/93) to 12 passes at LA Rams (11/28/93)	184
3. Joe Montana	12 passes at Phi. (9/24/89) to 6 passes vs. GB (11/19/89)	154

## CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH TOUCHDOWN PASS

Player	Game(s)	Games
1. Steve Young	at Det. (10/9/94) to vs. StL (11/26/95) note: DNP in 5 games in 1995	18
2. Steve Young	vs. NYJ (9/6/98) to vs. StL (12/27/98) note: EQ on 11/8/98	15
3. Joe Montana	vs. Buf. (12/17/89) to vs. NYG (12/3/90)	14

## BEST QB RATING, Career

Player	QB Rat
1. Steve Young	101.4
2. Joe Montana	93.5
3. Jeff Garcia	88.3
4. Shaun Hill	87.3
5. Tim Rattay	81.6
<b>6. Alex Smith</b>	<b>79.1</b>
7. John Brodie	72.3
8. Y.A. Tittle	70.0
9. Steve DeBerg	63.1
10. Steve Spurrier	61.2

(min. 500 attempts)

## AVG YDS PER ATTEMPT, Career

Player	Y/A
1. Steve Young	8.20
2. Joe Montana	7.64
3. Y.A. Tittle	7.30
4. John Brodie	7.02
5. Jeff Garcia	6.95

(min. 500 attempts)

## MOST ATTEMPTS, Career

Player	Att
1. Joe Montana	4,600
2. John Brodie	4,491
3. Steve Young	3,648
4. Jeff Garcia	2,360
5. Y.A. Tittle	2,194
<b>6. Alex Smith</b>	<b>2,176</b>
7. Steve DeBerg	1,201
8. Steve Spurrier	840
9. Frankie Albert	601
10. Tim Rattay	586

## MOST COMPLETIONS, Career

Player	Comp
1. Joe Montana	2,929
2. John Brodie	2,469
3. Steve Young	2,400
4. Jeff Garcia	1,449
<b>5. Alex Smith</b>	<b>1,289</b>
6. Y.A. Tittle	1,226
7. Steve DeBerg	670
8. Steve Spurrier	441
9. Tim Rattay	322
10. Shaun Hill	322

## MOST TD PASSES, Career

Player	TD
1. Joe Montana	244
2. Steve Young	221
3. John Brodie	214
4. Jeff Garcia	113
5. Y.A. Tittle	108
<b>6. Alex Smith</b>	<b>81</b>
7. Steve DeBerg	37
8. Steve Spurrier	33
9. Frankie Albert	27
10. Tim Rattay	24

## MOST INTs, Career

Player	INT
1. John Brodie	224
2. Y.A. Tittle	134
3. Joe Montana	123
4. Steve Young	86
<b>5. Alex Smith</b>	<b>63</b>
6. Steve DeBerg	60
7. Jeff Garcia	56
8. Steve Spurrier	48
9. Frankie Albert	43
10. Jim Plunkett	30

## BEST COMPLETION PCT., Career

Player	Comp. %
1. Steve Young	65.8
2. Joe Montana	63.7
3. Shaun Hill	61.7
4. Jeff Garcia	61.4
5. Tim Rattay	60.8
<b>6. Alex Smith</b>	<b>59.2</b>
7. Y.A. Tittle	55.9
8. Steve DeBerg	55.8
9. John Brodie	55.0
10. Frankie Albert	52.6

(min. 500 attempts)



# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON PASSING

## TOP SINGLE-GAME PASSING

### MOST PASSING YARDS

Player	Game	Yards
1. Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/14/90)	476
2. Steve Young	at LA Rams (11/28/93)	462
3. Joe Montana	at LA Rams (12/11/89)	458
4. Steve Young	vs. Buf. (9/13/92)	449
5. Joe Montana	at Was. (11/17/86)	441

### MOST ATTEMPTS

Player	Game	Att
1. Joe Montana	at Was. (11/17/86)	60
2. Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/6/85)	57
Tim Rattay	vs. Arz. (10/10/04)	57
4. Jeff Garcia	at Dal. (12/8/02)	55
5. Jeff Garcia	at Car. (11/18/01)	54
Steve DeBerg	at Atl. (12/16/79)	54
John Brodie	at Chi. (11/13/66)	54

### MOST COMPLETIONS

Player	Game	Cmp
1. Tim Rattay	vs. Arz. (10/10/04)	38
2. Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/6/85)	37
3. Jeff Garcia	vs. Chi. (12/17/00)	36
Jeff Garcia	at Dal. (12/8/02)	36
5. Jeff Garcia	at Car. (11/18/01)	34
Joe Montana	at Pit. (9/13/87)	34

### MOST TOUCHDOWN PASSES

Player	Game	TD
1. Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/14/90)	6
2. Joe Montana	at Phi. (9/24/89)	5
Joe Montana	at Atl. (10/6/85)	5
Steve Spurrier	at Chi. (11/19/72)	5
John Brodie	at Min. (11/28/65)	5

### MOST INTERCEPTIONS

Player	Game	INT
1. John Brodie	at Det. (11/4/73)	6
2. Steve DeBerg	at Dal. (10/12/80)	5
Scott Bull	vs. Pit. (11/27/78)	5
Tom Owen	at Cle. (12/1/74)	5
John Brodie	vs. Bal. (11/29/64)	5
Y.A. Tittle	vs. Bal. (12/5/59)	5
Y.A. Tittle	at Bal. (11/30/58)	5
Frankie Albert	vs. Pit. (12/7/52)	5

### HIGHEST COMPLETION PERCENTAGE (20+ atts)

Player	Game	Pct.
1. Steve Young	vs. Det. (10/20/91), 18-20	90.0
2. Steve Young	vs. NO (9/14/97), 18-21	85.7
3. John Brodie	vs. Atl. (9/29/68), 17-20	85.0
4. Joe Montana	vs. Atl. (9/25/83), 27-32	84.4

### AVERAGE YARDS PER ATTEMPT (20+ attempts)

Player	Game	Y/A
1. Steve Young	vs. Det. (12/19/93)	15.39
2. Steve Young	vs. LA Rams (11/28/93)	14.44
3. Steve Young	vs. Atl. (10/18/92)	14.25
4. Steve Young	vs. Atl. (9/21/97)	14.00

### MOST ATTEMPTS, Season

Player	Att
1. Steve DeBerg (1979) .....	578
2. Jeff Garcia (2000).....	561
3. Jeff Garcia (2002).....	528
4. Joe Montana (1990) .....	520
5. Steve Young (1998).....	517

### MOST COMPLETIONS, Season

Player	Cmp
1. Jeff Garcia (2000).....	355
2. Steve DeBerg (1979) .....	347
3. Joe Montana (1983) .....	332
4. Jeff Garcia (2002).....	328
5. Steve Young (1994).....	324

### MOST TD PASSES, Season

Player	TD
1. Steve Young (1998).....	36
2. Steve Young (1994).....	35
3. Jeff Garcia (2001).....	32
4. Jeff Garcia (2000).....	31
Joe Montana (1987) .....	31

### MOST INTs, Season

Player	INT
1. Y.A. Tittle (1955) .....	28
2. John Brodie (1971).....	24
3. Frankie Albert (1950).....	23
4. Steve DeBerg (1978) .....	22
John Brodie (1966).....	22

### BEST COMP. PCT., Season

Player	Pct
1. Steve Young (1994).....	70.3
2. Joe Montana (1989) .....	70.2
3. Steve Young (1993).....	68.0
4. Steve Young (1996).....	67.7
5. Steve Young (1997).....	67.7

### BEST QB RATING, Season

Player	Rat
1. Steve Young (1994).....	112.8
2. Joe Montana (1989) .....	112.4
3. Steve Young (1992).....	107.0
4. Steve Young (1997).....	104.7
5. Joe Montana (1984) .....	102.9

### FEWEST INTs, Season

Player	INT
1. Alex Smith (2011) .....	5
2. Steve Young (1997).....	6
Steve Young (1996).....	6
4. Steve Young (1992).....	7
5. Shaun Hill (2008).....	8
Steve Young (1991).....	8
Joe Montana (1989) .....	8

### AVG YDS PER ATTEMPT, Season

Player	Pct
1. John Brodie (1961).....	9.14
2. Joe Montana (1989) .....	9.12
3. Steve Young (1991).....	9.02
4. Steve Young (1993).....	8.71
5. Steve Young (1992).....	8.62

### 49ERS QB WINS/LOSSES AS STARTER

Player	Win	Loss	Ties	Pct
Joe Montana	100	39		0.719
Steve Young	91	33		0.734
John Brodie	74	77	8	0.490
Y.A. Tittle	45	31	2	0.592
<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.514</b>
Jeff Garcia	35	36		0.493
Steve Spurrier	13	12	1	0.520
Frankie Albert	13	16	1	0.448
Jim Plunkett	11	15		0.423
Shaun Hill	10	6		0.625
Steve DeBerg	7	28		0.200
Elvis Grbac	6	3		0.667
Steve Bono	5	1		0.833
George Mira	4	2		0.667
Tom Owen	4	4		0.500
Tim Rattay	4	12		0.250
<b>Colin Kaepernick</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>0.750</b>
Jeff Kemp	3	2	1	0.600
Troy Smith	3	3		0.500
Scott Bull	3	4		0.429
Joe Reed	3	4		0.429
Matt Cavanaugh	2	0		1.000
Norm Snead	2	5		0.286
J.T. O'Sullivan	2	6		0.250
Lamar McHan	2	7		0.222
Ken Dorsey	2	8		0.200
Bob Gagliano	1	0		1.000
Jimmy Cason	1	0		1.000
Jim Druckenmiller	1	0		1.000
Ty Detmer	1	0		1.000
Mike Moroski	1	1		0.500
Jimmy Powers	1	1		0.500
Earl Morrall	1	3		0.250
Trent Dilfer	1	5		0.167
Chris Weinke	0	1		0.000
Bobby Waters	0	2		0.000
Dennis Morrison	0	2		0.000
Cody Pickett	0	2		0.000
Steve Stenstrom	0	3		0.000
	<b>491</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0.543</b>

### 300-YARD GAMES, Career

Player	Games
1. Joe Montana .....	35
2. Steve Young .....	28
3. Jeff Garcia .....	14
4. Steve DeBerg .....	5
Y.A. Tittle.....	5

### 300-YARD GAMES, Season

Player	Games
1. Steve Young (1998) .....	7
2. Jeff Garcia (2000) .....	6
3. Steve Young (1994) .....	5
Joe Montana (1982, '85, '87, '90) .....	5

# STARTING QB YEARLY RECORDS

<u>Year</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Record as a Starter</u>
<b>1950</b>	Frankie Albert	3-9
<b>1951</b>	Frankie Albert	6-4-1
	Y.A. Tittle	1-0
<b>1952</b>	Frankie Albert	4-3
	Y.A. Tittle	3-2
<b>1953</b>	Y.A. Tittle	8-2
	Jim Powers	1-1
<b>1954</b>	Y.A. Tittle	6-4-1
	Jim Cason	1-0
<b>1955</b>	Y.A. Tittle	4-8
<b>1956</b>	Y.A. Tittle	4-3-1
	Earl Morrall	1-3
<b>1957</b>	Y.A. Tittle	7-4
	John Brodie	1-0
<b>1958</b>	Y.A. Tittle	3-3
	John Brodie	3-3
<b>1959</b>	Y.A. Tittle	6-4
	John Brodie	1-1
<b>1960</b>	John Brodie	4-4
	Y.A. Tittle	3-1
<b>1961</b>	John Brodie	7-6-1
<b>1962</b>	John Brodie	6-8
<b>1963</b>	Lamar McHan	2-7
	John Brodie	0-3
	Bob Waters	0-2
<b>1964</b>	John Brodie	3-9
	George Mira	1-1
<b>1965</b>	John Brodie	7-5-1
	George Mira	0-1
<b>1966</b>	John Brodie	5-6-2
	George Mira	1-0
<b>1967</b>	John Brodie	5-5
	George Mira	2-0
	Steve Spurrier	0-2
<b>1968</b>	John Brodie	7-6-1
<b>1969</b>	John Brodie	2-6-2
	Steve Spurrier	2-2
<b>1970</b>	John Brodie	10-3-1
<b>1971</b>	John Brodie	9-5
<b>1972</b>	John Brodie	2-3
	Steve Spurrier	6-2-1
<b>1973</b>	John Brodie	2-4
	Steve Spurrier	2-3
	Joe Reed	1-2
<b>1974</b>	Tom Owen	4-3
	Joe Reed	2-2
	Dennis Morrison	0-2
	Norm Snead	0-1
<b>1975</b>	Norm Snead	2-5
	Steve Spurrier	3-3
	Tom Owen	0-1
<b>1976</b>	Jim Plunkett	6-6
	Scott Bull	2-0
<b>1977</b>	Jim Plunkett	5-9
<b>1978</b>	Steve DeBerg	1-10
	Scott Bull	1-4
<b>1979</b>	Steve DeBerg	2-13
	Joe Montana	0-1

<u>Year</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Record as a Starter</u>
<b>1980</b>	Steve DeBerg	4-5
	Joe Montana	2-5
<b>1981</b>	Joe Montana	13-3
<b>1982</b>	Joe Montana	3-6
<b>1983</b>	Joe Montana	10-6
<b>1984</b>	Joe Montana	14-1
	Matt Cavanaugh	1-0
<b>1985</b>	Joe Montana	9-6
	Matt Cavanaugh	1-0
<b>1986</b>	Joe Montana	6-2
	Jeff Kemp	3-2-1
<b>1987</b>	Joe Montana	10-1
	Steve Young	2-1
	Bob Gagliano	1-0
<b>1988</b>	Joe Montana	8-5
	Steve Young	2-1
<b>1989</b>	Joe Montana	11-2
	Steve Young	3-0
<b>1990</b>	Joe Montana	14-1
	Steve Young	0-1
<b>1991</b>	Steve Young	5-5
	Steve Bono	5-1
<b>1992</b>	Steve Young	14-2
<b>1993</b>	Steve Young	10-6
<b>1994</b>	Steve Young	13-3
<b>1995</b>	Steve Young	8-3
	Elvis Grbac	3-2
<b>1996</b>	Steve Young	9-3
	Elvis Grbac	3-1
<b>1997</b>	Steve Young	12-3
	Jim Druckenmiller	1-0
<b>1998</b>	Steve Young	11-4
	Ty Detmer	1-0
<b>1999</b>	Jeff Garcia	2-8
	Steve Young	2-1
	Steve Stenstrom	0-3
<b>2000</b>	Jeff Garcia	6-10
<b>2001</b>	Jeff Garcia	12-4
<b>2002</b>	Jeff Garcia	10-6
<b>2003</b>	Jeff Garcia	5-8
	Tim Rattay	2-1
<b>2004</b>	Tim Rattay	1-8
	Ken Dorsey	1-6
<b>2005</b>	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>2-5</b>
	Tim Rattay	1-5
	Ken Dorsey	1-2
<b>2006</b>	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>7-9</b>
<b>2007</b>	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>2-5</b>
	Trent Dilfer	1-5
	Shaun Hill	2-0
<b>2008</b>	Shaun Hill	5-3
	J.T. O'Sullivan	2-6
<b>2009</b>	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>5-5</b>
<b>2010</b>	Shaun Hill	3-3
	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>3-7</b>
<b>2011</b>	Troy Smith	3-3
	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>13-3</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>6-2-1</b>
	Colin Kaepernick	3-1

# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON RUSHING

## ALL-TIME LEADING RUSHERS (BY YARDS)

Player	Years	Gms	Att	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Frank Gore	2005-* (8)	113	1,864	8,660	4.6	80t	50
2. Joe Perry	1950-1960, '63 (12)	131	1,475	7,344 *	4.9	78t	50
3. Roger Craig	1983-1990 *8)	121	1,686	7,064	4.2	71	50
4. Ken Willard	1965-1973 (9)	125	1,582	5,930	3.7	69t	45
5. Garrison Hearst	1997-2003 (7)	73	1,189	5,535	4.7	96t	26
6. J.D. Smith	1956-1964 (9)	97	1,007	4,370	4.3	80t	37
7. Hugh McElhenny	1952-1960 (9)	97	877	4,288	4.9	89t	35
8. Kevan Barlow	2001-2005 (5)	72	891	3,614	4.1	78t	24
9. Steve Young (QB)	1987-1999 (13)	150	608	3,581	5.9	49t	37
10. Wendell Tyler	1983-1986 (4)	48	624	3,112	4.9	40	16
11. Delvin Williams	1974-1977 (4)	54	669	2,966	4.4	80t	20
12. Wilbur Jackson	1974-1979 (6)	72	745	2,955	4.0	80	10
13. Ricky Watters	1992-1994 (3)	43	653	2,840	4.3	43	25
14. Charlie Garner	1999-2000 (2)	32	499	2,371	4.8	53	11
15. Tom Rathman	1986-1993 (8)	115	516	1,902	3.7	35	26
16. Vic Washington	1971-1973 (3)	40	483	1,813	3.8	42	14
17. Paul Hofer	1976-1981 (6)	77	416	1,746	4.2	47	16
18. Larry Schreiber	1971-1975 (5)	60	502	1,734	3.5	23	10
19. Joe Montana (QB)	1979-1992 (14)	167	414	1,595	3.9	21	20
20. Jeff Garcia (QB)	1999-2003 (5)	74	318	1,571	4.9	33	21

\* does not include AAFC Statistics

## MOST RUSHING YARDS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Att	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Frank Gore	2006	312	1,695	5.4	72	8
2. Garrison Hearst	1998	310	1,570	5.1	96t	7
3. Roger Craig	1988	310	1,502	4.8	46t	9
4. Wendell Tyler	1984	246	1,262	5.1	40	7
5. Charlie Garner	1999	241	1,229	5.1	53	4
6. Frank Gore	2011	282	1,211	4.3	55	8
7. Garrison Hearst	2001	252	1,206	4.8	43t	4
8. Delvin Williams	1976	248	1,203	4.9	80t	7
9. Charlie Garner	2000	258	1,142	4.4	42	7
10. Frank Gore	2009	229	1,120	4.9	80t	10
11. Frank Gore	2007	260	1,102	4.2	43t	5
12. Roger Craig	1989	271	1,054	3.9	27	6
13. Roger Craig	1985	214	1,050	4.9	62t	9
14. Joe Perry	1954	173	1,049	6.1	58	8
15. Frank Gore	2008	240	1,036	4.3	41t	6
J.D. Smith	1959	207	1,036	5.0	73t	10

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## MOST ATTEMPTS, Career

Player	Att
1. Frank Gore	1,864
2. Roger Craig	1,686
3. Ken Willard	1,582
4. Joe Perry	1,475
5. Garrison Hearst	1,189
6. J.D. Smith	1,007
7. Kevan Barlow	891
8. Hugh McElhenny	877
9. Wilbur Jackson	745
10. Delvin Williams	669

## MOST TOUCHDOWNS, Career

Player	TD
1. Frank Gore	50
Roger Craig	50
Joe Perry	50
4. Ken Willard	45
5. Steve Young (QB)	37
J.D. Smith	37
7. Hugh McElhenny	35
8. Garrison Hearst	26
9. Tom Rathman	26
10. Ricky Watters	25

## HIGHEST RUSHING AVG., Career

Player	Avg
1. Steve Young (QB)	5.89
2. Wendell Tyler	4.99
3. Joe Perry	4.98
4. Jeff Garcia (QB)	4.94
5. Hugh McElhenny	4.89
6. Charlie Garner	4.75
7. Garrison Hearst	4.66
8. Frank Gore	4.65
9. Delvin Williams	4.43
10. Ricky Watters	4.35

(min. 300 attempts)

## 100-YARD GAMES, Career

Player	Games
1. Frank Gore	32
2. Joe Perry	20
3. Garrison Hearst	16
4. Roger Craig	14
5. J.D. Smith	12
Hugh McElhenny	12

## 1,000-YD SEASONS, Career

Player	Seasons
1. Frank Gore	5
2. Garrison Hearst	3
Roger Craig	3
4. Charlie Garner	2
Joe Perry	2

## CONSECUTIVE 1,000-YD SEASONS, Career

Player	Seasons
1. Frank Gore (2006-09)	4
2. Charlie Garner (1999-2000)	2
Garrison Hearst (1997-98)	2
Roger Craig (1988-89)	2
Joe Perry (1953-54)	2



# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON RUSHING

## TOP SINGLE-GAME RUSHING

### MOST RUSHING YARDS

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Game</u>	<u>Yards</u>
1.	Frank Gore	vs. Sea. (11/19/06)	212
2.	Frank Gore	vs. Sea. (9/20/09)	207
3.	Charlie Garner	at Dal. (9/24/00)	201
4.	Garrison Hearst	vs. Det. (12/14/98)	198
5.	Delvin Williams	at StL (10/31/76)	194

### MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Game</u>	<u>Att</u>
1.	Charlie Garner	at Dal. (9/24/00)	36
2.	Maurice Hicks	at Arz. (12/12/04)	34
	Delvin Williams	at StL (10/31/76)	34
4.	Frank Gore	vs. Cle. (10/30/11)	31
	Frank Gore	at Den. (12/31/06)	31
	Garrison Hearst	vs. Sea. (12/1/02)	31
	J.D. Smith	at Bal. (10/7/62)	31
	J.D. Smith	at Chi. (10/14/62)	31

### MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Game</u>	<u>TD</u>
1.	Billy Kilmer (QB)	at Min. (10/15/61)	4

### HIGHEST RUSHING AVERAGE (10+ Attempts)

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Game</u>	<u>Avg</u>
1.	Joe Perry	vs. Det. (11/2/58)	13.4
2.	Frank Gore	vs. Sea. (9/20/09)	12.9
3.	Wilbur Jackson	vs. NO (11/27/77)	11.9
4.	Hugh McElhenny	at Chi. (10/17/54)	11.4
5.	Maurice Hicks	at StL (12/24/05)	10.9

### MOST CONSECUTIVE 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Game(s)</u>	<u>Games</u>
1.	Frank Gore	at Phi. (10/2/11) to at Was. (11/6/11)	5
2.	Garrison Hearst	vs. NYG (11/30/98) to at NE (12/20/98)	4
3.	Frank Gore	vs. Oak. (10/17/10) to vs. Den. (10/31/10)	3
	Frank Gore	at Det. (11/12/06) to at StL (11/26/06)	3
	J.D. Smith	at Bal. (10/7/62) to at GB (10/21/62)	3
	Billy Kilmer (QB)	at Det. (10/1/61) to at Min. (10/15/61)	3

### MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS, Season

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Att</u>
1.	Frank Gore (2006).....	312
2.	Roger Craig (1988).....	310
	Garrison Hearst (1998).....	310
4.	Frank Gore (2011).....	282
5.	Roger Craig (1989).....	271

### MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS, Season

	<u>Player</u>	<u>TD</u>
1.	Frank Gore (2009).....	10
	Derek Loville (1995).....	10
	Ricky Watters (1993).....	10
	Billy Kilmer, QB (1961).....	10
	J.D. Smith (1959).....	10
	Joe Perry (1953).....	10

### HIGHEST RUSHING AVG., Season

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Avg</u>
1.	Hugh McElhenny (1952).....	6.98
2.	Joe Perry (1958).....	6.06
3.	Joe Perry (1954).....	6.06
4.	Frank Gore (2006).....	5.43
5.	Delvin Williams (1975).....	5.39

### MOST 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES, Season

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>
1.	Frank Gore (2006).....	9
2.	Garrison Hearst (1998).....	6
	Roger Craig (1988).....	6
4.	Frank Gore (2011).....	5
	Frank Gore (2009).....	5
	J.D. Smith (1959).....	5
	Joe Perry (1953).....	5

### MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RUSHING TD

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Game(s)</u>	<u>Games</u>
1.	Joe Perry	at GB (11/22/53) to at GB (10/10/54)	7
2.	Hugh McElhenny	vs. Was. (9/26/54) to vs. Det. (10/24/54)	5



# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON RECEIVING

## ALL-TIME LEADING RECEIVERS (BY RECEPTIONS)

Player	Years	Gms	Rec	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Jerry Rice	1985–2000 (16)	238	1,281	19,247	15.0	96t	187
2. Terrell Owens	1996–2003 (8)	121	592	8,572	14.5	79t	81
3. Roger Craig (RB)	1983–1990 (8)	121	508	4,442	8.7	73	16
4. Dwight Clark	1979–1987 (9)	134	506	6,750	13.3	80t	48
5. Brent Jones (TE)	1987–1997 (11)	143	417	5,195	12.5	69t	33
6. Billy Wilson	1951–1960 (10)	100	407	5,902	14.5	77t	49
7. Gene Washington	1969–1977 (9)	124	371	6,664	17.9	79t	59
8. John Taylor	1987–1995 (9)	121	347	5,598	16.3	97t	43
9. <b>Vernon Davis (TE)</b>	<b>2006–* (7)</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>4,309</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>73t</b>	<b>40</b>
10. J.J. Stokes	1995–2002 (8)	111	327	4,139	12.7	53	30
11. Freddie Solomon	1978–1985 (8)	114	310	4,873	15.7	93t	43
12. Tom Rathman	1986–1993 (8)	115	294	2,490	8.5	36	8
13. <b>Frank Gore (RB)</b>	<b>2005–* (8)</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>2,576</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>10</b>
14. Bernie Casey	1961–1966 (6)	79	277	4,008	14.5	68t	27
15. Ken Willard (RB)	1965–1973 (9)	125	273	2,156	7.9	62	16
16. Gordie Soltau	1950–1958 (9)	107	249	3,487	14.0	54t	25
17. Earl Cooper	1980–1985 (6)	88	213	1,908	9.0	73t	12
18. Dave Parks	1964–1967 (4)	50	208	3,334	16.0	83t	27
19. Monty Stickles	1960–1967 (8)	102	207	2,993	14.5	54	14
20. Clyde Conner	1956–1963 (8)	80	203	2,643	13.0	65t	18

## MOST RECEPTIONS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Rec	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Jerry Rice	1995	122	1,848 +	15.1	81t	15
2. Jerry Rice	1994	112	1,499	13.4	69t	13
3. Jerry Rice	1996	108	1,254	11.6	39	8
4. Terrell Owens	2002	100	1,300	13.0	76t	13
Jerry Rice	1990	100	1,502	15.0	64t	13
6. Jerry Rice	1993	98	1,503	15.3	80t	15
7. Terrell Owens	2000	97	1,451	15.0	69t	13
8. Terrell Owens	2001	93	1,412	15.2	60t	16
9. Roger Craig	1985	92	1,016	11.0	73	6
10. Derek Loville (RB)	1995	87	662	7.6	31	3
11. Jerry Rice	1986	86	1,570	18.3	66t	15
12. Dwight Clark	1981	85	1,105	13.0	78t	4
13. Jerry Rice	1992	84	1,201	14.3	80t	10
14. Earl Cooper	1980	83	567	6.8	66t	4
15. Eric Johnson	2004	82	825	10.1	25	2
Jerry Rice	1998	82	1,157	14.1	75t	9
Jerry Rice	1989	82	1,483	18.1	68t	17
Dwight Clark	1980	82	991	12.1	71t	8

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## MOST RECEIVING YARDS, Career

Player	Yds
1. Jerry Rice	19,247
2. Terrell Owens	8,572
3. Dwight Clark	6,750
4. Gene Washington	6,664
5. Billy Wilson	5,902
6. John Taylor	5,598
7. Brent Jones	5,195
8. Freddie Solomon	4,873
9. Roger Craig	4,442
10. <b>Vernon Davis</b>	<b>4,309</b>

## MOST TOUCHDOWNS, Career

Player	TD
1. Jerry Rice	176
2. Terrell Owens	81
3. Gene Washington	59
4. Billy Wilson	49
5. Dwight Clark	48
6. Freddie Solomon	43
John Taylor	43
8. <b>Vernon Davis (TE)</b>	<b>40</b>
9. Brent Jones (TE)	33
10. J.J. Stokes	30

## BEST RECEIVING AVG., Career

Player	Avg
1. Gene Washington	18.0
2. John Taylor	16.1
3. Dave Parks	16.0
4. Freddie Solomon	15.7
5. Jerry Rice	15.0

(min. 200 attempts)

## 100-YARD GAMES, Career

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice	66
2. Terrell Owens	25
3. Gene Washington	17
4. Dwight Clark	16
5. John Taylor	12

## 1,000-YD SEASONS, Career

Player	Seasons
1. Jerry Rice	12
2. Terrell Owens	5
3. John Taylor	2

# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON RECEIVING

## TOP SINGLE-GAME RECEIVING

### MOST RECEIVING YARDS

Player	Game	Yards
1. Jerry Rice	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	289
2. John Taylor	at LA Rams (12/11/89)	286
3. Terrell Owens	vs. Chi. (12/17/00)	283
4. Jerry Rice	vs. LA Rams (12/9/85)	241
5. Dave Parks	at Bal. (10/3/65)	231
6. Jerry Rice	at Atl. (10/14/90)	225
Bernie Casey	at Chi. (11/13/66)	225
8. Jerry Rice	at Was. (11/17/86)	204
9. Gordie Soltau	at NYG (11/9/52)	196
10. Billy Wilson	vs. Chi. (10/23/55)	192

### MOST RECEPTIONS

Player	Game	Rec
1. Terrell Owens	vs. Chi. (12/17/00)	20
2. Jerry Rice	vs. LA Rams (11/20/94)	16
3. Jerry Rice	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	14
4. Eric Johnson	vs. Arz. (10/10/04)	13
Terrell Owens	vs. Phi. (11/25/02)	13
Jerry Rice	at Atl. (10/14/90)	13

### MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	Game	TD
1. Jerry Rice	at Atl. (10/14/90)	5
2. Jerry Rice	at TB (11/14/93)	4
3. (17 Times) Last: <b>Vernon Davis</b>	<b>at Hou. (10/25/09)</b>	<b>3</b>

### RECEIVING AVERAGE (5+ Attempts)

Player	Game	Avg
1. John Taylor	at Atl. (12/3/89), 5–162	32.4
2. Jerry Rice	at Dal. (11/12/95), 5–161	32.2
3. Gene Washington	vs. NE (10/31/71), 5–160	32.0
4. Jerry Rice	at GB (11/4/90), 6–187	31.2
5. Billy Wilson	at Bal. (12/2/56), 5–148	29.6

### MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RECEPTION

Player	Game(s)	Games
1. Jerry Rice	(12/9/85) to (12/23/00)	225*
2. Terrell Owens	(10/20/96) to (12/21/03)	115
3. Dwight Clark	(9/14/80) to (9/13/87)	105

\* NFL Record (streak extended to 274 in '04 as member of Raiders)

### MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS, Season

Player	TD
1. Jerry Rice (1987).....	22
2. Jerry Rice (1989).....	17
3. Terrell Owens (2001).....	16
4. Jerry Rice (1995).....	15
Jerry Rice (1993).....	15
Jerry Rice (1986).....	15
7. Terrell Owens (1998).....	14
Jerry Rice (1991).....	14
9. (5 Times) Last: <b>Vernon Davis (2009)</b> .....	<b>13</b>

### CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A TOUCHDOWN RECEPTION

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice (12/19/86 to 12/27/87).....	13
2. Terrell Owens (11/8/98 to 12/27/98).....	8
Jerry Rice (12/8/89 to 11/27/89).....	8
Dave Parks (11/7/65 to 9/11/66).....	8

### BEST RECEIVING AVERAGE, Season

Player	Avg
1. Freddie Solomon (1983).....	21.4
2. Gene Washington (1974).....	21.2
3. Gene Washington (1970).....	20.8
4. Jerry Rice (1988).....	20.4
5. Gene Washington (1972).....	20.0

(min. 25 receptions)

### MOST 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES, Season

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice (1995).....	9
2. Jerry Rice (1989).....	8
3. Jerry Rice (1990).....	7
4. Terrell Owens (2001).....	6
Dwight Clark (1982).....	6

### CONSECUTIVE 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Player	Games
1. Jerry Rice (10/29/95 to 11/20/95).....	4
2. Jerry Rice (12/10/95 to 12/24/95).....	3
Jerry Rice (9/10/89 to 9/24/89).....	3
Jerry Rice (9/11/88 to 9/25/88).....	3
Jerry Rice (11/15/87 to 11/29/87).....	3
Dwight Clark (12/11/82 to 12/26/82).....	3
Dwight Clark (9/12/82 to 11/21/82).....	3

# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SCRIMMAGE YARDS

## ALL-TIME LEADERS IN TOTAL YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE

Player	Years	Gms	Touches	Yards	Avg	Yds/Gm	TD
1. Jerry Rice (WR)	1985–2000 (16)	238	1,365	19,872	14.6	83.5	176
2. Roger Craig (RB)	1983–1990 (8)	121	2,194	11,506	5.2	95.1	66
<b>3. Frank Gore (RB)</b>	<b>2005–* (8)</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>2,174</b>	<b>11,236</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>99.4</b>	<b>60</b>
4. Terrell Owens (WR)	1996–2003 (8)	121	613	8,734	14.2	72.2	83
5. Joe Perry (RB)	1950–1960, '63 (12)	131	1,660	8,624	5.2	65.8	57
6. Ken Willard (RB)	1965–1973 (9)	125	1,855	8,086	4.4	64.7	61
7. Garrison Hearst (RB)	1997–2003 (7)	73	1,363	7,139	5.2	97.8	33
8. Hugh McElhenny (HB)	1952–1960 (9)	97	1,072	6,954	6.5	71.7	50
9. Dwight Clark (WR)	1979–1987 (9)	134	512	6,800	13.3	50.7	48
10. Gene Washington (WR)	1969–1977 (9)	124	376	6,663	17.7	53.7	59
11. Billy Wilson (E)	1951–1960 (10)	100	407	5,902	14.5	59.0	49
12. John Taylor (WR)	1987–1995 (9)	121	353	5,629	15.9	46.5	43
13. J.D. Smith (HB)	1956–1964 (9)	97	1,128	5,479	4.9	56.5	42
14. Freddie Solomon (WR)	1978–1985 (8)	114	357	5,202	14.6	45.6	43
15. Brent Jones (TE)	1987–1997 (11)	143	417	5,195	12.5	36.3	33
16. Kevan Barlow (RB)	2001–2005 (5)	72	1,028	4,757	4.6	66.1	27
17. Tom Rathman (RB)	1986–1993 (8)	115	810	4,392	5.4	38.2	34
18. Ricky Watters (RB)	1992–1994 (3)	43	793	4,290	5.4	99.8	33
19. Wilbur Jackson (RB)	1974–1979 (6)	72	893	4,188	4.7	58.2	13
20. J.J. Stokes (WR)	1995–2002 (8)	111	328	4,145	12.6	37.3	30

## MOST TOTAL YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Touches	Yards	Avg	Yds/Gm	TD
<b>1. Frank Gore</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>2,180</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>136.3</b>	<b>9</b>
2. Garrison Hearst	1998	349	2,105	6.0	131.6	9
3. Roger Craig	1985	306	<u>2,066</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>129.1</u>	15
4. Roger Craig	1988	386	<u>2,036</u>	5.3	<u>127.3</u>	10
5. Jerry Rice	1995	127	1,884	<u>14.8</u>	117.8	16
6. Charlie Garner	2000	326	1,789	5.5	111.8	10
7. Charlie Garner	1999	297	1,764	5.9	110.3	6
8. Jerry Rice	1986	96	1,642	<u>17.1</u>	102.6	16
9. Ricky Watters	1994	305	1,596	5.2	99.8	11
10. Jerry Rice	1994	119	1,592	13.4	99.5	15
11. Jerry Rice	1993	101	1,572	<u>15.6</u>	98.3	<u>16</u>
12. Garrison Hearst	2001	293	1,553	5.3	97.1	5
<b>13. Frank Gore</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>1,538</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>102.5</b>	<b>6</b>
14. Roger Craig	1989	320	1,527	4.8	95.4	7
<b>15. Frank Gore</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>1,526</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>109.0</b>	<b>13</b>

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## MOST TOUCHES, Career

Player	Touches
1. Roger Craig.....	2,194
<b>2. Frank Gore .....</b>	<b>2,174</b>
3. Ken Willard .....	1,855
4. Joe Perry .....	1,660
5. Jerry Rice .....	1,365
6. Garrison Hearst.....	1,363
7. J.D. Smith.....	1,128
8. Hugh McElhenny.....	1,072
9. Kevan Barlow.....	1,028
10. Wilbur Jackson.....	893

## BEST YARDS PER TOUCH, Career

Player	Avg
1. Jerry Rice .....	14.6
2. Hugh McElhenny.....	6.5
3. Tom Rathman .....	5.4
4. Ricky Watters.....	5.4
<b>5. Frank Gore .....</b>	<b>5.2</b>
6. Roger Craig.....	5.2
7. Garrison Hearst.....	5.2
8. Joe Perry .....	5.2
9. Delvin Williams .....	5.1
10. J.D. Smith.....	4.9

(min. 750 touches)

## MOST TOUCHES, Season

Player	Touches
1. Roger Craig (1988).....	386
<b>2. Frank Gore (2006) .....</b>	<b>373</b>
3. Garrison Hearst (1998).....	349
4. Charlie Garner (2000).....	326
5. Roger Craig (1989).....	320

## BEST YARDS PER TOUCH, Season

Player	Avg
1. Paul Hofer (1980).....	7.06
2. Roger Craig (1985).....	6.75
3. Delvin Williams (1975) .....	6.63
4. John David Crow (1965) .....	6.29
5. Joe Perry (1958).....	6.29

(min. 150 touches)

## TOP SINGLE-GAME SCRIMMAGE YARD TOTALS

### MOST YARDS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Yards
1. Jerry Rice	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	299
2. Terrell Owens	vs. Chi. (12/17/00)	288
3. John Taylor	at LA Rams (12/11/89)	286
4. Delvin Williams	vs. Was. (11/7/76)	279
5. Jerry Rice	vs. LA Rams (12/9/85)	255
<b>6. Frank Gore</b>	<b>vs. Sea. (9/20/09)</b>	<b>246</b>
<b>7. Frank Gore</b>	<b>vs. Sea. (11/19/06)</b>	<b>238</b>
8. Charlie Garner	at Dal. (9/24/00)	235
9. Garrison Hearst	vs. NYJ (9/6/98)	225
Jerry Rice	at Atl. (10/14/90)	225

### MOST TOUCHES IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Touches
1. Maurice Hicks	at Arz. (12/12/04)	39
Charlie Garner	at Dal. (9/24/00)	39
3. Delvin Williams	at StL (10/31/76)	35
4. Derek Loville	vs. Buf. (12/3/95)	34
<b>5. Frank Gore</b>	<b>at Den. (12/31/06)</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Frank Gore</b>	<b>at Sea. (12/14/06)</b>	<b>33</b>
Kevan Barlow	at Phi. (12/21/03)	33
Garrison Hearst	vs. Sea. (12/1/02)	33
J.D. Smith	at Bal. (10/7/62)	33
<b>10. (Four Times) Last: Frank Gore</b>	<b>vs. Det. (12/27/09)</b>	<b>32</b>



# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON INTERCEPTIONS

## ALL-TIME INTERCEPTION LEADERS

Player	Years	Gms	INT	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Ronnie Lott	1981–1990 (10)	129	51	643	12.6	83t	5
2. Jimmy Johnson	1961–1976 (16)	213	47	615	13.1	63	2
3. Kermit Alexander	1963–1969 (7)	94	36	499	13.9	66t	1
4. Merton Hanks	1991–1998 (8)	125	31	380	12.3	67t	2
5. Dwight Hicks	1979–1985 (7)	96	30	586	19.5	72	3
6. Lowell Wagner	1950–1953, '55 (5)	47	25	331	13.2	40	0
7. Tony Parrish	2002–2006 (5)	66	22	504	22.9	60	1
Don Griffin	1986–1993 (8)	114	22	49	2.2	23	0
Rex Berry	1951–1956 (6)	66	22	404	18.4	44t	3
10. Dave Baker	1959–1961 (3)	38	21	294	14.0	40	0
11. Tim McDonald	1993–1999 (7)	111	20	325	16.3	73t	3
Dick Moegle	1955–1959 (5)	47	20	232	11.6	40	1
13. Zack Bronson	1997–2003 (7)	84	19	346	18.2	97t	2
14. Eric Wright	1981–1990 (10)	110	18	256	14.2	60t	2
Bruce Taylor	1970–1977 (8)	109	18	201	11.2	70	0
16. Carlton Williamson	1981–1987 (7)	88	17	294	17.3	82	1
17. Tim McKyer	1986–1989 (4)	51	16	62	3.9	21t	1
18. Walt Harris	2006–2008 (3)	46	15	151	10.1	42	1
Abe Woodson	1958–1964 (7)	89	15	159	10.6	61	0
20. Skip Vanderbundt	1969–1977 (9)	119	14	165	11.8	37t	2
Frank Nunley	1967–1976 (10)	137	14	136	9.7	24	0
Dave Wilcox	1964–1974 (11)	153	14	149	10.6	35	1

## MOST INTERCEPTIONS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	INT	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Ronnie Lott	1986	10	134	13.4	57t	1
Dave Baker	1960	10	96	9.6	28	0
3. Tony Parrish	2003	9	202	22.4	49	0
Dwight Hicks	1981	9	239	26.6	72	1
Kermit Alexander	1968	9	155	17.2	66t	1
Lowell Wagner	1951	9	115	12.8	40	0
7. Walt Harris	2006	8	84	10.5	42	1
Dick Moegle	1957	8	107	13.4	40	0
Jim Cason	1951	8	147	18.4	65t	1
10. Tony Parrish	2002	7	204	29.1	60	0
Ahmed Plummer	2001	7	45	6.4	24	0
Zack Bronson	2001	7	165	23.6	97t	2
Merton Hanks	1994	7	93	13.3	38	0
Dave Waymer	1990	7	64	9.1	24	0
Tim McKyer	1988	7	11	1.6	7	0
Eric Wright	1983	7	164	23.4	60t	2
Ronnie Lott	1981	7	117	16.7	41t	3
Rex Berry	1953	7	142	20.3	29	1

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## MOST INT RETURN YARDS, Career

Player	Yards
1. Ronnie Lott	643
2. Jimmy Johnson	615
3. Dwight Hicks	586
4. Tony Parrish	504
5. Kermit Alexander	499
6. Rex Berry	404
7. Merton Hanks	380
8. Zack Bronson	346
9. Lowell Wagner	331
10. Tim McDonald	325

## MOST INTs RETURNED FOR TD, Career

Player	TD
1. Ronnie Lott	5
2. Deion Sanders	3
Tim McDonald	3
Dwight Hicks	3
Rex Berry	3
6. (10 players) Last: Patrick Willis	2

## MOST INT RETURN YARDS, Season

Player	Yards
1. Deion Sanders (1994)	303
2. Dwight Hicks (1981)	239
3. Tony Parrish (2002)	204
4. Tony Parrish (2004)	202
5. Zack Bronson (2001)	165

## MOST INTs RETURNED FOR TD, Season

Player	TD
1. Deion Sanders (1994)	3
Ronnie Lott (1981)	3
3. Zack Bronson (2001)	2
Tim McDonald (1995)	2
Ken Norton (1995)	2
Tom Holmoe (1986)	2
Eric Wright (1983)	2
Dwight Hicks (1983)	2
Skip Vanderbundt (1972)	2

## MOST INTs BY A NON-DB, Season

Player	INT
1. Jim Fahnhorst, LB (1986)	4
Keena Turner, LB (1984)	4
Frank Nunley, LB (1974)	4

## TOP SINGLE-GAME INTERCEPTION TOTALS

### MOST INTERCEPTIONS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	INT
1. Dave Baker	at LA Rams (12/4/60)	4
2. Walt Harris	vs. Oak. (10/8/06)	3
Ronnie Heard	vs. Arz. (10/27/02)	3
Rod Woodson	vs. NO (9/14/97)	3
Eric Wright	at Min. (9/8/83)	3
Tony Leonard	vs. Cin. (10/1/78)	3
Dave Baker	at Dal. (11/20/60)	3

### MOST INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Yards
1. Dwight Hicks	at Was. (10/4/81)	104
2. Zack Bronson	at Chi. (10/28/01)	97
3. Merton Hanks	vs. NO (11/22/93)	94
Al Randolph	vs. Chi. (12/11/66)	94
5. Deion Sanders	at Atl. (10/16/94)	93
6. Deion Sanders	at SD (12/11/94)	90
Kermit Alexander	at Pit. (11/24/68)	90
8. Tory Dixon	at GB (10/26/86)	88
9. Patrick Willis	at Sea. (9/14/08)	86
Eric Davis	vs. StL (11/26/95)	86

### MOST INTERCEPTIONS RETURNED FOR TD IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	INT
1. Ken Norton	at StL (10/22/95)	2



# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON SACKS

## ALL-TIME SACK LEADERS

Player	Years	Sacks
1. Bryant Young (DT)	1994–2007 (14)	89.5
2. Charles Haley (LB)	1986–1999 (7)	66.5
3. Dana Stubblefield (DT)	1993–2002 (7)	46.5
4. Dwaine Board (DE)	1982–1988 (10)	45.0
5. Chris Doleman (DE)	1996–1998 (3)	38.0
6. Aldon Smith (LB)	2011–* (2)	33.5
7. Justin Smith (DT)	2008–* (5)	32.0
Andre Carter (DE)	2001–2005 (5)	32.0
9. Jeff Stover (DE)	1982–1988 (7)	30.5
10. Roy Barker (DE)	1996–1998 (3)	30.0
11. Pierce Holt (DE)	1988–1992 (5)	29.5
12. Larry Roberts (DE)	1986–1993 (8)	28.0
Fred Dean (DE)	1981–1985 (5)	28.0
14. Tim Harris (LB)	1991–1995 (4)	26.0
15. Kevin Fagan (DE)	1987–1993 (7)	25.5
16. Dennis Brown (DE)	1990–1996 (7)	24.5
17. Michael Carter (NT)	1984–1992 (9)	22.5
18. Ahmad Brooks (LB)	2009–* (4)	22.0
19. Parys Haralson (LB)	2006–* (7)	21.5
Julian Peterson (LB)	2000–2005 (6)	21.5

**Note:** Includes figures since 1982, when sacks first became an official statistic

## MOST SACKS IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Sacks
1. Aldon Smith	2012	+19.5
2. Fred Dean	1983	17.5
3. Tim Harris	1992	17.0
4. Charles Haley	1990	16.0
5. Chris Doleman	1998	15.0
Dana Stubblefield	1997	15.0
7. Aldon Smith	2011*	14.0
8. Dwaine Board	1983	13.0
9. Andre Carter	2002	12.5
Roy Barker	1996	12.5

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## MOST SACKS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Sacks
1. Fred Dean	vs. NO (11/13/83)	6.0
2. Aldon Smith	vs. Chi. (11/19/12)	5.5
3. Roy Barker	at StL (10/25/98)	4.0
Chris Doleman	at NO (10/11/98)	4.0
Dana Stubblefield	at Phi. (11/10/97)	4.0
Pierce Holt	vs. NYG (11/27/89)	4.0
Dwaine Board	at LA Raiders (9/22/85)	4.0

# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON PUNTING

## ALL-TIME LEADING PUNTERS (BY AVERAGE)

Player	Years	Punts	Yards	Avg	Net	Lg	In20	Blk
1. Andy Lee	2004–* (9)	778	35,672	45.9	39.1	82	240	3
2. Tommy Davis	1959–1969 (11)	511	22,833	44.7	NA	82	NA	2
3. Frankie Albert	1950–1952 (3)	139	5,830	41.9	NA	70	NA	1
4. Tommy Thompson	1995–1997 (3)	208	8,711	41.9	35.6	65	55	3
5. Tom Wittum	1973–1977 (5)	380	15,494	40.8	NA	68	NA	9
6. Jim Miller	1980–1982 (3)	214	8,686	40.6	31.7	80	36	1
7. Jason Baker	2001–2002 (2)	111	4,501	40.5	34.1	64	33	0
8. Max Runager	1984–1988 (5)	281	11,394	40.5	33.8	62	36	1
9. Klaus Wilmsmeyer	1992–1994 (3)	145	5,871	40.5	35.0	61	48	0
10. Chad Stanley	1999–2000 (2)	138	5,464	39.6	31.5	70	35	3

\*minimum 100 punts

## BEST PUNTING AVERAGE IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	Punts	Yards	Avg	Net	Lg	In20	Blk
1. Andy Lee	2011	78	3,970	50.9	44.0	68	28	1
2. Andy Lee	2008	66	3,155	47.8	39.0	82	13	1
3. Andy Lee	2009	99	4,711	47.6	41.0	64	30	0
4. Andy Lee	2007	105	4,968	47.3	41.0	74	42	0
5. Andy Lee	2010	91	4,203	46.2	38.2	64	34	0
6. Tommy Davis	1965	54	2,471	45.8	NA	65	NA	0
7. Tommy Davis	1959	59	2,694	45.7	NA	71	NA	0
8. Tommy Davis	1962	48	2,188	45.6	NA	82	NA	0
9. Tommy Davis	1964	79	3,599	45.6	NA	68	NA	0
10. Tommy Davis	1961	50	2,269	45.4	NA	67	NA	0

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## MOST PUNTS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Punts
1. Tom Wittum	vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)	11
2. Andy Lee	vs. Sea. (9/30/07)	10
Jim Miller	vs. Atl. (11/8/81)	10
Jim Miller	vs. LA Rams (10/25/81)	10
Mike Connell	at Atl. (11/5/78)	10
Mike Connell	vs. Cin. (10/1/78)	10
Tom Wittum	at Atl. (11/6/77)	10
Tom Wittum	vs. Atl. (10/23/76)	10
Tommy Davis	at Det. (10/6/63)	10

## BEST PUNTING AVERAGE IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Avg
1. Andy Lee	vs. Sea. (9/11/11)	59.6
2. Andy Lee	at Bal. (11/24/11)	57.6
3. Andy Lee	at Pit. (9/23/07)	57.2
4. Andy Lee	at StL (1/1/12)	56.8
5. Andy Lee	vs. Dal. (9/18/11)	55.3
6. Klaus Wilmsmeyer	vs. Det. (10/9/94)	55.0
7. Andy Lee	at StL (12/21/08)	54.8
8. Andy Lee	vs. Sea. (9/30/07)	54.3

\*minimum 4 punts

## MOST PUNTS, Career

Player	Punts
1. Andy Lee	778
2. Tommy Davis	511
3. Tom Wittum	380
4. Max Runager	281
5. Steve Spurrier	230

## MOST PUNTS INSIDE 20, Career

Player	In20
1. Andy Lee	240
2. Max Runager	84
3. Tommy Thompson	55
4. Barry Helton	50
5. Klaus Wilmsmeyer	48

\*inside-the-20 became official stat in 1976

## MOST PUNTS, Season

Player	Punts
1. Andy Lee (2005)	107
2. Andy Lee (2007)	105
3. Andy Lee (2009)	99
4. Andy Lee (2004)	96
Mike Connell (1978)	96

## MOST PUNTS INSIDE 20, Season

Player	In20
1. Andy Lee (2007)	42
2. Andy Lee (2010)	34
3. Andy Lee (2012)	31
4. Andy Lee (2009)	30
Max Runager (1985)	30
6. Andy Lee (2011)	28

\*inside-the-20 became official stat in 1976

# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON PUNT RETURNS

## ALL-TIME LEADERS IN PUNT RETURNS (BY AVERAGE)

Player	Years	PR	FC	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Manfred Moore	1974–1975 (2)	21	0	309	14.7	88t	1
2. Jim Cason	1950–1952, '54 (4)	24	NA	288	12.0	33	0
<b>3. Ted Ginn Jr.</b>	<b>2010–* (3)</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>78t</b>	<b>2</b>
4. Allen Rossum	2008–2009 (2)	27	8	307	11.4	45	0
5. Iheanyi Uwaezuoke	1996–1998 (3)	34	14	373	11.0	36	0
6. Dana McLemore	1982–1987 (6)	142	38	1,531	10.8	93t	4
7. Jimmy Williams	2001–2004 (4)	55	18	576	10.5	89t	1
8. Dexter Carter	1990–1996 (7)	117	56	1,213	10.4	78t	2
9. John Taylor	1987–1995 (9)	149	55	1,517	10.2	95t	2
10. Bruce Taylor	1970–1977 (8)	142	38	1,323	9.3	76	0

\*minimum 20 returns

## BEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	PR	FC	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Jimmy Williams	2002	20	8	336	<b>16.8</b>	89t	1
2. Hugh McElhenny	1952	20	NA	284	14.2	<b>94t</b>	1
<b>3. Ted Ginn Jr.</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>78t</b>	<b>1</b>
4. Joe Arenas	1951	21	NA	272	13.0	51	0
5. John Taylor	1988	44	7	<b>556</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>95t</b>	<b>2</b>
6. Dana McLemore	1987	21	7	265	12.6	83t	1
<b>7. Ted Ginn Jr.</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>55t</b>	<b>1</b>
8. Dexter Carter	1993	34	20	<b>411</b>	<b>12.1</b>	72t	1
9. Bruce Taylor	1970	43	10	516	12.0	76	0
10. John Taylor	1989	36	20	<b>417</b>	11.6	37	0

\*minimum 20 returns

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## TOP SINGLE-GAME PUNT RETURN PERFORMANCES

### MOST PUNT RETURN YARDS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Yards
1. Tony Leonard	vs. NO (10/17/76)	141
2. Bruce Taylor	at Hou. (11/15/70)	133
3. Dexter Carter	vs. Min. (10/3/93)	131
4. Dexter Carter	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	126
5. Dana McLemore	vs. LA Rams (1/2/83)	125

### MOST PUNT RETURNS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Returns
1. Tony Leonard	vs. NO (10/17/76)	9
Ralph McGill	at Atl. (10/29/72)	9
3. Michael Lewis	vs. StL (11/18/07)	7
Dana McLemore	at NO (11/25/84)	7
Tony Leonard	at Atl. (11/6/77)	7
Tony Leonard	vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)	7
Ralph McGill	at Phi. (11/30/75)	7
Ralph McGill	vs. Atl. (10/12/75)	7

### BEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Avg
<b>1. Ted Ginn Jr.</b>	<b>at StL (12/26/10)</b>	<b>32.3</b>
2. Dexter Carter	vs. Min. (12/18/95)	31.5
3. Dana McLemore	vs. LA Rams (1/2/83)	31.3
4. Abe Woodson	at GB (10/21/62)	30.3
5. John Taylor	vs. Was. (11/21/88)	28.3
6. Chuck Levy	at Phi. (11/10/97)	27.3
7. Dexter Carter	vs. Min. (10/3/93)	26.2
8. Dana McLemore	at NYG (10/8/84)	25.8
9. Bruce Taylor	vs. NYG (12/21/75)	25.7
10. Freddie Solomon	vs. TB (10/26/80)	25.0

\*minimum of 3 punt returns

## MOST PUNT RETURNS, Career

Player	PR
1. John Taylor	149
2. Dana McLemore	142
Bruce Taylor	142
4. Joe Arenas	124
5. Kermit Alexander	120
6. Dexter Carter	117
7. Freddie Solomon	106
8. Ralph McGill	105
Abe Woodson	105
10. Hugh McElhenny	99

## MOST PUNT RETURN YARDS, Career

Player	Yards
1. Dana McLemore	1,531
2. John Taylor	1,517
3. Bruce Taylor	1,323
4. Dexter Carter	1,213
<b>5. Ted Ginn Jr.</b>	<b>1,070</b>
6. Ralph McGill	964
7. Abe Woodson	949
8. Freddie Solomon	804
9. Kermit Alexander	782
10. Joe Arenas	774

## MOST PUNT RETURN TDs, Career

Player	TD
1. Dana McLemore	4
<b>2. Ted Ginn Jr.</b>	<b>2</b>
Dexter Carter	2
John Taylor	2
Freddie Solomon	2
Kermit Alexander	2
Abe Woodson	2

## MOST PUNT RETURNS, Season

Player	PR
1. R.W. McQuarters (1998)	47
2. Dana McLemore (1984)	45
3. Michael Lewis (2007)	44
John Taylor (1988)	44
5. Bruce Taylor (1970)	43
<b>6. Ted Ginn Jr. (2011)</b>	<b>38</b>
Dexter Carter (1996)	38
Don Griffin (1986)	38
Dana McLemore (1985)	38
10. Dexter Carter (1996)	36
John Taylor (1989)	36

## MOST PUNT RETURN TDs, Season

Player	TD
1. John Taylor (1988)	2
Freddie Solomon (1980)	2

# ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON KICKOFF RETURNS

## ALL-TIME LEADERS IN KICKOFF RETURNS (BY AVERAGE)

Player	Years	KR	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Abe Woodson	1958–1964 (7)	166	4,873	29.4	105t	5
2. Joe Arenas	1951–1957 (7)	139	3,798	27.3	96	1
3. Allen Rossum	2008–2009 (2)	54	1,411	26.1	104t	1
4. Lenny Lyles	1959–1960 (2)	42	1,091	26.0	97t	1
5. Vic Washington	1971–1973 (3)	84	2,178	25.9	98t	1
6. Mike Holmes	1974–1975 (2)	27	671	24.9	57	0
7. J.D. Smith	1956–1964 (9)	36	882	24.5	39	0
8. Amos Lawrence	1981–1982 (2)	26	627	24.1	92t	1
9. James Owens	1979–1980 (2)	72	1,728	24.0	101t	2
10. Kermit Alexander	1963–1969 (7)	137	3,271	23.9	56	0

\*minimum 25 returns

## BEST KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE IN SINGLE SEASON

Player	Year	KR	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Joe Arenas	1953	16	551	34.4	82	0
2. Abe Woodson	1963	29	935	32.2	103t	3
3. Abe Woodson	1962	37	1,157	31.3	79	0
4. Lenny Lyles	1960	17	526	30.9	97t	1
5. Joe Arenas	1956	27	801	29.7	96	1
6. Abe Woodson	1960	17	498	29.3	64	0
7. Abe Woodson	1961	27	782	29.0	98t	1
8. Vic Washington	1972	27	771	28.6	98t	1
9. Abe Woodson	1964	32	880	27.5	70	0
10. Joe Arenas	1957	24	657	27.4	64	0

\*minimum 1.25 ret/game

Led NFL

Led Conference

## TOP SINGLE-GAME KICKOFF RETURN PERFORMANCES

### MOST KICKOFF RETURN YARDS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Yards
1. Abe Woodson	vs. Det. (11/11/62)	210
2. Abe Woodson	at Det. (9/23/62)	205
3. Lenny Lyles	vs. Bal. (12/18/60)	202
4. Maurice Hicks	vs. SD (10/15/06)	195
5. Allen Rossum	vs. Phi. (10/12/08)	194

### MOST KICKOFF RETURNS IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Returns
1. Maurice Hicks	vs. SD (10/15/06)	9
Allen Rossum	vs. Phi. (10/12/08)	9
3. Maurice Hicks	at Was. (10/23/05)	8
4. (15 times) Last: Ted Ginn Jr.	at SD (12/16/10)	7

### BEST KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	Avg
1. Lenny Lyles	vs. Bal. (12/18/60)	67.3
2. Doug Cunningham	vs. NO (10/22/67)	53.0
3. Abe Woodson	vs. Min. (9/29/63)	51.0
4. Allen Rossum	vs. Arz. (11/10/08)	46.5
5. Amos Lawrence	vs. LA Rams (11/22/81)	46.0
Abe Woodson	vs. NYG (11/17/63)	46.0

\*minimum of 3 kickoff returns

### MOST KICKOFF RETURNS FOR A TOUCHDOWN IN SINGLE GAME

Player	Game	TD
1. (21 times) Last: Ted Ginn Jr.	vs. Sea. (9/11/11)	1

## MOST KICKOFF RETURNS, Career

Player	KR
1. Dexter Carter	217
2. Maurice Hicks	185
3. Abe Woodson	166
4. Joe Arenas	139
5. Kermit Alexander	137
6. Ted Ginn Jr.	87
Vic Washington	84
8. Carl Monroe	76
9. James Owens	72
10. Paul Hofer	68
Doug Cunningham	68

## MOST KICKOFF RETURN YARDS, Career

Player	Yards
1. Abe Woodson	4,873
2. Dexter Carter	4,707
3. Maurice Hicks	4,242
4. Joe Arenas	3,798
5. Kermit Alexander	3,271
6. Vic Washington	2,178
7. Ted Ginn Jr.	2,045
8. James Owens	1,728
9. Carl Monroe	1,660
10. Doug Cunningham	1,613

## MOST KICKOFF RETURN TDs, Career

Player	TD
1. Abe Woodson	5
2. Dexter Carter	2
James Owens	2
Dave Williams	2
5. (10 times) Last: Ted Ginn Jr.	1

## MOST KICKOFF RETURNS, Season

Player	KR
1. Maurice Hicks (2007)	63
2. Maurice Hicks (2006)	57
3. Vinny Sutherland (2001)	50
4. Dexter Carter (1994)	48
5. Ted Ginn Jr. (2010)	47
Allen Rossum (2008)	47
7. Dexter Carter (1996)	41
Dexter Carter (1990)	41
James Owens (1979)	41

## MOST KICKOFF RETURN TDs, Season

Player	TD
1. Abe Woodson (1963)	3



# 49ERS LONGEST PLAYS

## LONGEST RUNS FROM SCRIMMAGE

96t	Garrison Hearst vs. NYJ	9/6/98
89t	Hugh McElhenny at Dal. Texans	10/5/52
86t	Hugh McElhenny at GB	11/18/56
82t	Hugh McElhenny vs. Dal. Texans	10/26/52
80	Wilbur Jackson vs. NO	11/27/77
<b>80t</b>	<b>Frank Gore vs. Sea</b>	<b>9/20/09</b>
80t	Delvin Williams vs. Was.	11/7/76
80t	J.D. Smith vs. GB	12/7/58
<b>79t</b>	<b>Frank Gore vs. Sea</b>	<b>9/20/09</b>
78t	Kevan Barlow vs. Pit.	11/17/03
78t	Joe Perry vs. Dal. Texans	10/26/52
78t	Joe Perry vs. GB	12/10/50

## LONGEST RUNS FROM SCRIMMAGE BY QUARTERBACK

<b>50t</b>	<b>Colin Kaepernick vs. Mia</b>	<b>12/9/12</b>
<b>50</b>	<b>Colin Kaepernick at StL</b>	<b>12/2/12</b>
49t	Steve Young vs. Min.	10/30/88
45	Y.A. Tittle at Bal. Colts	11/24/57
42	Frankie Albert at GB	11/26/50

## LONGEST PASSES

97t	Steve Young to John Taylor at Atl.	11/3/91
96t	Joe Montana to Jerry Rice at SD	11/27/88
95t	Joe Montana to John Taylor at LA Rams	12/11/89
93t	Steve DeBerg to Freddie Solomon vs. Atl.	9/28/80
92t	Joe Montana to John Taylor at LA Rams	12/11/89
89t	Tim Rattay to Brandon Lloyd vs. Dal.	9/25/05
85t	Jim Plunkett to Delvin Williams vs. Was.	11/7/76
83t	John Brodie to Dave Parks at LA Rams	10/18/64
82	Steve Young to Terry Kirby at Atl.	10/19/97
81t	Steve Young to Garrison Hearst vs. NO	11/22/98
81t	Elvis Grbac to Jerry Rice at Dal.	11/12/95
81t	Steve Spurrier to Ted Kwalick vs. NO	10/22/72
80t	(7x) Last time: Steve Young to Jerry Rice at Det.	12/19/93

## LONGEST PUNTS

86	Larry Barnes vs. Chi.	9/29/57
<b>82</b>	<b>Andy Lee vs. NE</b>	<b>10/5/08</b>
82	Tommy Davis vs. Min.	9/30/62
<b>81</b>	<b>Andy Lee at TB</b>	<b>11/21/04</b>
81	Tommy Davis at StL Cardinals	11/25/62
80	Jim Miller at Den.	9/19/82
79	Tommy Davis at Chi.	10/14/62
76	Larry Barnes vs. Bal.	12/8/57
75	Verl Lillywhite vs. Cle.	9/30/57
<b>74</b>	<b>Andy Lee vs. Bal.</b>	<b>10/7/07</b>
74	Tommy Davis vs. Chi.	10/30/51
72	Jon Kilgore vs. Chi.	12/6/69
<b>71</b>	<b>Andy Lee vs. Sea</b>	<b>9/30/07</b>
<b>71</b>	<b>Andy Lee at StL</b>	<b>9/16/07</b>
71	Tommy Davis vs. Chi.	10/25/59

## LONGEST PUNT RETURNS

95t	John Taylor vs. Was.	11/21/88
94t	Hugh McElhenny at Chi.	10/19/52
93t	Dana McLemore vs. LA Rams	1/2/83
89t	Jimmy Williams vs. Sea	12/1/02
88t	Manfred Moore vs. Atl.	11/24/74
85t	Abe Woodson at GB	10/21/62
83t	Dana McLemore vs. Chi.	12/14/87
80t	Abe Woodson vs. Det.	11/5/61
79t	Dana McLemore at NYG	10/8/84
<b>78t</b>	<b>Ted Ginn Jr. at StL</b>	<b>12/26/10</b>
78t	Dexter Carter vs. Min.	12/18/95

## LONGEST KICKOFF RETURNS

105t	Abe Woodson at LA Rams	11/8/59
104t	Allen Rossum at Arz.	11/11/08
103t	Abe Woodson vs. Min.	9/15/63
<b>102t</b>	<b>Ted Ginn Jr. vs. Sea</b>	<b>9/11/11</b>
101t	Terry Kirby vs. Car.	11/16/97
101t	James Owens at Det.	11/2/80
99t	Abe Woodson at NYG	11/17/63
98t	Dexter Carter vs. NO	12/1/91
98t	Vic Washington at Atl.	10/29/72
98t	Abe Woodson at Det.	10/1/61
97t	Vic Washington vs. Dal.	12/23/72
97t	Lenny Lyles vs. Bal.	12/18/60
96t	Dexter Carter at Was.	11/6/94
96	Joe Arenas vs. Bal.	12/16/56

## LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURNS

97t	Zack Bronson at Chi.	10/28/01
94t	Alvin Randolph vs. Chi.	12/11/66
93t	Deion Sanders at Atl.	10/16/94
90t	Deion Sanders at SD	12/11/94
88t	Tory Nixon at GB	10/26/86
86t	Eric Davis vs. StL	11/26/95
83t	Ronnie Lott at KC	12/26/82
82	Carlton Williamson vs. Sea	11/25/85
77t	Tom Holmoe vs. StL Cardinals	11/9/86
74t	Deion Sanders vs. NO	9/25/94
73t	Tim McDonald at Was.	11/6/94

## LONGEST FUMBLE RETURNS

99t	Don Griffin vs. Chi.	12/23/91
96t	Lee Woodall vs. Buf.	12/3/95
80t	Dwaine Carpenter at Chi.	10/31/04
80t	Dwight Hicks at Was.	10/4/81
78t	Derrick Johnson at Arz. (Mexico City)	10/2/05
75t	Clark Miller at Det.	11/14/65
73t	Skip Vanderbundt at Dal.	11/23/72
71	Gerard Williams vs. NO	9/23/79
71t	Darnell Walker at Min.	10/24/99
66t	Windlan Hall vs. Phi.	12/2/73
65t	Keena Turner at Was.	12/1/85
63t	Tommy Hart at StL Cardinals	10/24/71

## LONGEST FIELD GOALS

<b>63*</b>	<b>David Akers at GB</b>	<b>9/9/12</b>
56	Joe Nedney at StL	12/24/05
56	Mike Cofer at Atl.	10/14/90
<b>55</b>	<b>David Akers at Det</b>	<b>10/16/11</b>
<b>55</b>	<b>David Akers vs. Dal.</b>	<b>9/18/11</b>
54	Steve Mike-Mayer at LA Rams	11/9/75
54	Bruce Gossett vs. NO	10/21/73
<b>53</b>	<b>David Akers at Cin.</b>	<b>9/25/11</b>
53	Joe Nedney vs. Phi.	10/12/08
53	Ray Wersching at Det.	9/2/84
53	Tommy Davis at LA Rams	10/18/64

## LONGEST RETURNS OF FIELD GOAL ATTEMPT

92t	Bruce Taylor at NO	12/13/70
74t	Nate Clements at NYG	10/19/08
62t	Johnny Jackson at Dal.	10/15/89
58t	Bruce Taylor at NO	9/26/71
41t	Donald Strickland vs. Phi.	10/12/08
38	Kermit Alexander vs. Phi.	11/20/66
30	Kermit Alexander at Phi.	9/20/64

\*Tied NFL Record



## NFL RECORDS HELD BY 49ERS

### Most Consecutive Seasons Leading NFL in Passer Rating

4 Steve Young (1991–94)

### Most Consecutive 300–Yard Passing Games

6 Steve Young (1998); tied with StL Kurt Warner (2000) and Oak. Rich Gannon (2000)

### Highest Single–Game Completion Percentage (min. 15 atts.)

94.7 Alex Smith at Arz. (10/29/12)

### Most Seasons Leading League in Passing Touchdowns

4 Steve Young (1992–94, '98); tied with Johnny Unitas (1957–60), Len Dawson (1962–63, 1965–66), Brett Favre (1995–97, 2003)

### Most Receiving Yards Gained in a Season

1,848 Jerry Rice (1995)

### Most Receiving Touchdowns in a Game

5 Jerry Rice vs. Atl. (10/14/90); tied with Chi. Bob Shaw vs. Bal. (10/2/50) and SD Kellen Winslow vs. Oak. (11/22/81)

### Most Interceptions in a Game

4 Dave Baker vs. LA Rams (12/4/60); tied with 17 others

### Most Interceptions Returned for a Touchdown in a Game

2 Ken Norton vs. StL (10/22/95); tied with 25 others

### Most Interceptions Returned for Touchdowns as a Rookie

3 Ronnie Lott (1981); tied with Det. Lem Barney (1967)

### Most Punts Downed Inside 20–Yard Line

42 Andy Lee (2008); tied with Arz. Ben Graham (2009) and NYJ Steve Weatherford (2010)

### Most Seasons Leading League in Kickoff Return Avg.

3 Abe Woodson (1959, 1962–63)

### Most Points in a Season, No Touchdowns, Single Season

166 David Akers (2011)

### Most Field Goals Attempted in a Season

52 David Akers (2011)

### Most Field Goals Made in a Season

44 David Akers (2011)

### Longest Field Goal Made (tied)

63 yds. David Akers (9/9/12)

### Highest Single Season Net Punting Average

44.0 Andy Lee (2011)

## 49ERS NFL LEADERS

### RUSHING CHAMPIONS

1953	Joe Perry	1,018
1954	Joe Perry	1,049

### PASSING CHAMPIONS (Passer Rating)

1970	John Brodie	93.9
1987	Joe Montana	102.1
1989	Joe Montana	112.4
1991	Steve Young	101.8
1992	Steve Young	107.0
1993	Steve Young	101.5
1994	Steve Young	112.8
1996	Steve Young	97.2
1997	Steve Young	104.7

## 49ERS NFL LEADERS

### RECEIVING CHAMPIONS (Receptions)

1954	Billy Wilson	60
1956	Billy Wilson	60
1957	Billy Wilson	52
1965	Dave Parks	80
1968	Clifton McNeil	71
1982	Dwight Clark	60
1985	Roger Craig	92
1990	Jerry Rice	100
1996	Jerry Rice	108

### RECEIVING CHAMPIONS (Touchdowns)

1953	Billy Wilson	10
1972	Gene Washington	12
1986	Jerry Rice	16
1987	Jerry Rice	22
1989	Jerry Rice	17
1990	Jerry Rice	13
1991	Jerry Rice	14
1993	Jerry Rice	16
1994	Jerry Rice	13
2001	Terrell Owens	16
2002	Terrell Owens	13
2009	Vernon Davis	13

### PUNTING CHAMPIONS (Based on Average)

1962	Tommy Davis	45.6
2011	Andy Lee	50.9

### SCORING

1952	Gordy Soltau	94
1953	Gordy Soltau	114
1984	Ray Wersching	131
1987	Jerry Rice	138
1989	Mike Cofer	136
2011	David Akers	166

### KICKOFF RETURNS (Based on Average)

1953	Joe Arenas	34.4
1959	Abe Woodson	29.4
1962	Abe Woodson	31.3
1963	Abe Woodson	32.2

### FIELD GOALS MADE

1960	Tommy Davis	19
2011	David Akers	44

### PUNT RETURNS (Based on Yards)

1960	Abe Woodson	174
1988	John Taylor	556

### INTERCEPTIONS

1960	Dave Baker	10
1986	Ronnie Lott	10
2003	Tony Parrish	9#

\*NFL Record #Shared NFL Lead

# ROOKIE SEASON RECORDS

## RUSHING ATTEMPTS

NO	ATT	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	191	Vic Washington	1971
2.	189	Ken Willard	1965
3.	174	Wilbur Jackson	1974
4.	171	Earl Cooper	1980
5.	129	John H. Johnson	1954
6.	127	<b>Frank Gore</b>	<b>2005</b>
7.	125	Kevan Barlow	2001
8.	109	Don Lisbon	1963
9.	98	Hugh McElhenny	1952
10.	96	Billy Kilmer	1961

## RUSHING YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	811	Vic Washington	1971
2.	778	Ken Willard	1965
3.	725	Roger Craig	1983
4.	720	Earl Cooper	1980
5.	705	Wilbur Jackson	1974
6.	684	Hugh McElhenny	1952
7.	681	John H. Johnson	1954
8.	608	<b>Frank Gore</b>	<b>2005</b>
9.	512	Kevan Barlow	2001
10.	509	Billy Kilmer	1961

## RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	10	Billy Kilmer	1961
2.	9	John H. Johnson	1954
3.	8	Roger Craig	1983
4t.	6	Hugh McElhenny	1952
	6	William Floyd	1994
6t.	5	Ken Willard	1965
	5	Dicky Moegle	1955
8t.	4	Kevan Barlow	2001
9t.	3	<b>Frank Gore</b>	<b>2005</b>
	3	Earl Cooper	1980
	3	Delvin Williams	1974
	3	Vic Washington	1971
	3	J.D. Smith	1958

## RECEPTIONS

NO	REC	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	83	Earl Cooper	1980
2.	51	Gene Washington	1969
3.	49	Jerry Rice	1985
4t.	48	<b>Michael Crabtree</b>	<b>2009</b>
		Roger Craig	1983
6.	40	Eric Johnson	2001
7.	38	J.J. Stokes	1995
8t.	36	Dave Parks	1964
	36	Vic Washington	1971
10.	35	Terrell Owens	1996

## RECEIVING YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	927	Jerry Rice	1985
2.	711	Gene Washington	1969
3.	703	Dave Parks	1964
4.	625	<b>Michael Crabtree</b>	<b>2009</b>
5.	567	Earl Cooper	1980
6.	520	Terrell Owens	1996
7.	517	J.J. Stokes	1995
8.	402	Alex Loyd	1950
9.	395	R.C. Owens	1957
10.	367	Hugh McElhenny	1952

## RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	8	Dave Parks	1964
2t.	5	Jimmy Thomas	1969
	5	R.C. Owens	1957
4t.	4	Terrell Owens	1996
	4	J.J. Stokes	1995
	4	Roger Craig	1983
	4	Earl Cooper	1980
	4	Vic Washington	1971
	4	Ken Willard	1965
	4	Carroll Hardy	1955

## PASSES COMPLETED

NO	COMP	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	88	Tom Owen	1974
2.	84	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>2005</b>
3.	38	Earl Morrall	1956
4t.	23	Steve Spurrier	1967
	23	George Mira	1964
6t.	21	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
	21	Scott Bull	1976
	21	Dennis Morrison	1975
9.	19	Billy Kilmer	1961
10.	13	Joe Montana	1979

## PASSING YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	1,327	Tom Owen	1974
2.	875	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>2005</b>
3.	621	Earl Morrall	1956
4.	331	George Mira	1964
5.	286	Billy Kilmer	1961
6.	252	Scott Bull	1976
7.	239	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
8.	227	Dennis Morrison	1974
9.	211	Steve Spurrier	1967
10.	160	John Brodie	1957

## PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	10	Tom Owen	1974
2t.	2	Scott Bull	1976
	2	George Mira	1964
	2	John Brodie	1957
5t.	1	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>2005</b>
	1	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
	1	Bill Musgrave	1991
	1	Joe Montana	1979
	1	Dennis Morrison	1974
	1	Bob Waters	1960
	1	Earl Morrall	1956

## PASSES ATTEMPTED

NO	ATT	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	184	Tom Owen	1974
2.	165	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>2005</b>
3.	78	Earl Morrall	1956
4.	53	George Mira	1964
5.	52	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
6.	51	Dennis Morrison	1974
7.	50	Steve Spurrier	1967
8.	48	Scott Bull	1976
9.	34	Billy Kilmer	1961
10.	23	Joe Montana	1979

## PASSES INTERCEPTED

NO	INT	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	15	Tom Owen	1974
2.	11	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>2005</b>
3.	7	Steve Spurrier	1967
4.	6	Earl Morrall	1956
5t.	5	Dennis Morrison	1974
	5	George Mira	1964
7t.	4	Jim Druckenmiller	1997
	4	Scott Bull	1976
	4	Billy Kilmer	1961
10.	3	John Brodie	1957

## PUNT RETURNS

NO	RET	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	47	R.W. McQuarters	1998
2.	38	Don Griffin	1986
3.	35	Anthony Leonard	1976
4t.	22	Brandon Williams	2006
	22	Ralph McGill	1972
6t.	21	Vinny Sutherland	2001
	21	Joe Arenas	1951
8.	20	Hugh McElhenny	1952

## PUNT RETURN YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	406	R.W. McQuarters	1998
2.	377	Don Griffin	1986
3.	293	Anthony Leonard	1976
4.	284	Hugh McElhenny	1952
5.	272	Joe Arenas	1951
6.	219	Ralph McGill	1972

## PUNT RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	YEAR
1t.	1	Otis Amey	2005
	1	R.W. McQuarters	1998
	1	Don Griffin	1986
	1	Dana McLemore	1982
	1	Anthony Leonard	1976
	1	Manfred Moore	1974
	1	Hugh McElhenny	1952

## PUNTING ATTEMPTS

NO	ATT	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	96	<b>Andy Lee</b>	<b>2004</b>
2.	79	Tom Wittum	1973
3.	78	Barry Helton	1988
4.	77	Jim Miller	1980
5.	73	Steve Spurrier	1967

## PUNTING YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	3,990	<b>Andy Lee</b>	<b>2004</b>
2.	3,455	Tom Wittum	1973
3.	3,152	Jim Miller	1980
4.	3,069	Barry Helton	1988
5.	2,813	Jason Baker	2001

## PUNTING AVERAGE\*

NO	AVG	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	45.7	Tommy Davis	1959
2.	43.7	Tom Wittum	1973
3.	41.6	<b>Andy Lee</b>	<b>2004</b>
4.	40.9	Jim Miller	1980
5.	40.7	Jason Baker	2001

\*minimum of 20 punts

## ROOKIE SEASON RECORDS (CONT.)

### KICKOFF RETURNS

NO	RET	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	50	Vinny Sutherland	2001
2.	41	James Owens	1979
3.	41	Dexter Carter	1971
4.	33	Vic Washington	1990
5t.	26	Rasheed Marshall	2005
	26	Anthony Leonard	1976
7.	21	Joe Arenas	1951

### KICKOFF RETURN YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	1,140	Vinny Sutherland	2001
2.	1,002	James Owens	1979
3.	858	Vic Washington	1971
4.	783	Dexter Carter	1990
5.	553	Anthony Leonard	1976
6.	542	Joe Arenas	1951

### KICKOFF RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	YEAR
1t.	1	Amos Lawrence	1981
	1	James Owens	1979
	1	Dave Williams	1977

### INTERCEPTIONS

NO	INT	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	7	Ronnie Lott	1981
2t.	6	Tim McKyer	1986
	6	Dicky Moegle	1955
4t.	5	Kermit Alexander	1963
	5	Jimmy Johnson	1961
	5	Dave Baker	1959
	5	Fred Bruney	1953
	5	Jim Powers	1950

### INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	138	Alvin Randolph	1967
2.	117	Ronnie Lott	1981
3.	116	Jimmy Johnson	1961
4.	81	Todd Shell	1984
5.	77	Rex Berry	1951

### INTERCEPTION RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	3	Ronnie Lott	1981
2t.	1	Tim McKyer	1986
	1	Bill Belk	1968
	1	Alvin Randolph	1966

### TOTAL TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	12	Roger Craig	1983
2t.	10	Billy Kilmer	1961
	10	Hugh McElhenny	1952
4t.	9	Earl Cooper	1980
	9	Ken Willard	1965
	9	John H. Johnson	1954

### TOTAL POINTS

NO	PTS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	105	Doug Brien	1994
2.	103	Wade Richey	1997
3.	72	Roger Craig	1983

### SACKS

NO	SACKS	PLAYER	YEAR
1.	14.0	LB Aldon Smith	2011
2.	12.0	DT Charles Haley	1986
3.	10.5	DT Dana Stubblefield	1993
4.	6.5	DE Andre Carter	2001

## ROOKIE SINGLE GAME RECORDS

### RUSHING YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	DATE	OPPONENT
1.	170	Hugh McElhenny	10/5/52	Dal.
2.	134	Amp Lee	12/13/92	Min.
3.	131	Billy Kilmer	10/8/61	LA Rams
4.	125	Vic Washington	11/28/71	NYJ
5t.	124	Dexter Carter	12/17/90	LA Rams
	124	John H. Johnson	11/20/54	Pit.
7.	118	Jimmy Thomas	12/6/69	Chi.
8.	108	Frank Gore	1/1/06	Hou.
9.	100	Ricky Watters	9/6/92	NYG

### RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	DATE	OPPONENT
1.	4	Billy Kilmer	10/15/61	Min.
2t.	3	Ricky Watters	10/18/92	Atl.
	3	Roger Craig	12/4/83	TB

### RECEPTIONS

NO	REC	PLAYER	DATE	OPPONENT
1t.	10	Jerry Rice	12/9/85	LA Rams
	10	Earl Cooper	9/7/80	NO
3.	9	Earl Cooper	9/14/80	StL
4t.	8	Earl Cooper	10/26/80	TB
	8	Earl Cooper	10/19/80	LA Rams
	8	Monty Stickles	9/25/60	NYG

### RECEIVING YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	DATE	OPPONENT
1.	241	Jerry Rice	12/9/85	LA Rams
2.	146	Dave Parks	10/25/64	Min.
3.	131	Aaron Thomas	11/19/61	Chi.
4.	125	Clyde Conner	12/8/56	GB
5.	123	Monty Stickles	9/25/60	NYG

### TOTAL TOUCHDOWNS

NO	TD	PLAYER	DATE	OPPONENT
1.	4	Billy Kilmer	10/15/61	Min.
2.	3	Roger Craig	12/4/83	TB

### PUNT RETURN YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	DATE	OPPONENT
1.	141	Anthony Leonard	10/17/76	NO
2.	133	Bruce Taylor	11/15/70	Houston
3.	125	Dana McLemore	1/2/83	LA Rams
4.	122	Hugh McElhenny	10/19/52	Chi.
5.	109	Ralph McGill	10/29/72	Atl.

### KICKOFF RETURN YARDS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	DATE	OPPONENT
1.	179	Vic Washington	11/14/71	NO
2.	163	Jamal Willis	10/15/95	Ind.
3.	159	Doug Cunningham	10/22/67	NO
4t.	147	Dana McLemore	12/2/82	LA Rams
	147	Vinny Sutherland	11/18/01	Car.

### INTERCEPTIONS

NO	INT	PLAYER	DATE	OPPONENT
1t.	2	Tim McKyer	12/19/86	LA Rams
	2	Ronnie Lott	10/11/81	Det.
	2	Carlton Williamson	11/29/81	NYG
	2	Ricky Churchman	11/30/80	NE
	2	Jimmy Johnson	11/5/61	Det.
	2	Dicky Moegle	10/23/55	Chi.
	2	Rex Berry	10/21/51	Chi.
	2	Jimmy Powers	10/22/50	Det.



# ROOKIE HIGHLIGHTS

## LONG RUNS FROM SCRIMMAGE

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	89t	Hugh McElhenny	at Dal.	10/5/52
2.	82t	Hugh McElhenny	Dal.	10/26/52
3.	75t	Jimmy Thomas	Chi.	12/6/69
4.	74t	Dexter Carter	at Atl.	10/14/90
5.	72t	Frank Gore	at Was.	10/23/05

## LONG RECEPTIONS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	83t	Dave Parks	at LA Rams	10/18/64
2.	80t	Dave Parks	Min.	10/25/64
3.	79t	Dave Parks	at Min.	11/8/64
4.	78	Keith Henderson	Atl.	11/12/89
	78t	Carroll Hardy	Det.	10/30/55

## LONG PUNTS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	86	Larry Barnes	Chi.	9/29/57
2.	81	Andy Lee	at TB	11/21/04
3.	71	Tommy Davis	Chi.	10/25/59
4.	70	Chad Stanley	at Jac.	9/12/99
5.	65	Jim Miller	at NYJ	9/21/80

## LONG PUNT RETURNS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	94t	Hugh McElhenny	Chi.	10/16/52
2.	93t	Dana McLemore	LA Rams	1/2/83
3.	88t	Manfred Moore	Atl.	11/24/74
4.	76t	Don Griffin	Atl.	11/23/86
	76	Bruce Taylor	at Chi.	11/8/70

## LONG KICKOFF RETURNS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	94	Doug Cunningham	NO	11/22/67
2.	92t	Amos Lawrence	LA Rams	11/22/81
3.	85t	James Owens	Den.	11/18/79
4.	80t	Dave Williams	at Min.	12/4/77
5.	74	Vic Washington	NE	10/31/71

## LONG RETURNS OF FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	92t	Bruce Taylor	at NO	12/13/70
2.	62t	Johnny Jackson	at Dal.	10/15/89

## LONG COMPLETIONS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	79t	George Mira	at Min.	11/8/64
2.	68t	Tom Owen	at Chi.	11/17/74
3.	53t	Tom Owen	Atl.	11/24/74
4.	50t	Harry Sydney	NO	11/15/87
	50	Jim Powers	at Det.	10/8/50

## LONG INTERCEPTION RETURNS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	94t	Alvin Randolph	Chi.	12/11/66
2.	70t	Jason Webster	Atl.	11/19/00
	70	Bruce Taylor	GB	11/1/70
4.	63	Jimmy Johnson	GB	12/10/61
5.	53t	Todd Shell	at NO	11/25/84

## LONG FIELD GOALS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	54	Steve Mike-Mayer	at LA Rams	11/9/75
2.	52	Jose Cortez	StL	9/23/01
3.	49	Jose Cortez	at NYJ	10/1/01
4.	48	Doug Brien	at NO	11/28/94
5.	47	Doug Brien	at LA Rams	9/18/94

## LONG FUMBLE RETURNS

NO	YDS	PLAYER	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	75t	Derrick Johnson	at Arz.	10/2/05
2.	34	Eric Davis	at LA Rams	12/17/90
3.	18	Ed Pine	at Min.	12/2/62
4.	17	Jamie Winborn	at NO	1/6/02
5.	16	Jack Capple	Min.	10/24/65

## 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Player	Game(s)	YDS (ATT-LG-TD)
1. Hugh McElhenny	at Dal. Texans (10/5/52)	170 (7-89t-1)
2. Joe Perry**	vs. Bal. (10/29/50)	142 (16-49-0)
3. Joe Perry**	vs. GB (12/10/50)	135 (9-78t-1)
4. Amp Lee	at Min. (12/13/92)	134 (23-43-1)
5. Billy Kilmer	vs. LA Rams (10/8/61)	131 (19-26-2)
6. Vic Washington	at NYJ (11/28/71)	125 (27-20-1)
7. Dexter Carter	at LA Rams (12/17/90)	124 (13-74t-1)
John Henry Johnson	at Pit. (11/20/54)	124 (17-24t-1)
9. Jimmy Thomas	vs. Chi. (12/6/69)	118 (6-75t-1)
10. Billy Kilmer	at Min. (10/15/61)	115 (20-21-4)
11. Ken Willard	at Min. (11/28/65)	113 (18-21-0)
12. Frank Gore	vs. Hou. (1/1/06)	108 (25-28-0)
Joe Arenas	vs. GB (12/9/51)	108 (12-14-2)
14. Billy Kilmer	at Det. (10/1/61)	103 (16-31-2)
Hugh McElhenny	at Chi. (10/19/52)	103 (12-25t-2)

\*\*player who was in his 1st NFL season, but had previous prof experience.

## 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Player	Game(s)	YDS (REC-TD)
1. Jerry Rice	vs. LA Rams (12/9/85)	241 (10-1)
2. Dave Parks	vs. Min. (10/25/64)	146 (5-1)
3. Aaron Thomas	vs. Chi. (11/19/61)	131 (3-2)
4. Clyde Conner	vs. GB (12/8/56)	125 (7-1)
5. Monty Stickles	vs. NYG (9/25/60)	123 (8-0)
6. Carroll Hardy	at GB (11/20/55)	122 (4-2)
7. Bernie Casey	vs. GB (12/10/61)	118 (5-1)
Hugh McElhenny	at NYG (11/9/52)	118 (4-0)
9. Dave Parks	at LA Rams (10/18/64)	112 (3-1)
10. Jerry Rice	vs. Dal. (12/22/85)	111 (7-0)
11. Terrell Owens	vs. Car. (12/8/96)	110 (5-1)
12. Alyn Beals**	vs. LA Rams (10/1/50)	106 (7-0)
J.J. Stokes	at Atl. (12/24/95)	106 (5-1)
14. Alex Loyd	at Cle. (11/12/50)	102 (5-0)
Don Lisbon	vs. Dal. (11/10/63)	102 (5-2)

\*\*player who was in his 1st NFL season, but had previous prof experience.



# CAREER 100/300 YARD GAMES

## CAREER 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

NO	PLAYER	W-L-T
<b>32</b>	<b>Frank Gore</b>	<b>25-7-0</b>
20	Joe Perry	16-4-0
16	Garrison Hearst	15-1-0
14	Roger Craig	11-3-0
12	Hugh McElhenny	8-4-0
12	J.D. Smith	7-5-0
10	Wendell Tyler	8-2-0
10	Delvin Williams	5-5-0
9	Ricky Watters	8-1-0
9	Ken Willard	5-3-1
6	Charlie Garner	3-3-0
5	Kevan Barlow	2-3-0
4	Billy Kilmer	4-0-0
3	Wilbur Jackson	2-1-0
3	Paul Hofer	0-3-0
2	Joe Cribbs	2-0-0
2	Larry Schreiber	2-0-0
2	Maurice Hicks	2-0-0
1	Brian Westbrook	1-0-0
1	Joe Arenas	1-0-0
1	Dexter Carter	1-0-0
1	Lenvil Elliott	1-0-0
1	Keith Henderson	1-0-0
1	John Henry Johnson	1-0-0
1	Terry Kirby	1-0-0
1	Amp Lee	1-0-0
1	Gary Lewis	1-0-0
1	Verl Lillywhite	1-0-0
1	Lawrence Phillips	1-0-0
1	C.R. Roberts	1-0-0
1	Jimmy Thomas	1-0-0
1	Vic Washington	1-0-0
1	O.J. Simpson	0-1-0
1	Steve Young	0-1-0
<b>186</b>		<b>139-46-1</b>

## CAREER 300-YARD PASSING GAMES

NO	PLAYER	W-L-T
35	Joe Montana	26-9-0
28	Steve Young	21-7-0
14	Jeff Garcia	5-9-0
6	John Brodie	4-1-1
5	Y.A. Tittle	4-1-0
5	Steve DeBerg	0-5-0
3	Elvis Grbac	2-1-0
<b>3</b>	<b>Alex Smith</b>	<b>1-2-0</b>
2	Steve Bono	2-0-0
2	Jeff Kemp	1-1-0
2	Steve Spurrier	0-2-0
1	Troy Smith	1-0-0
1	Tim Rattay	1-0-0
1	George Mira	1-0-0
1	Tom Owen	1-0-0
1	J.T. O'Sullivan	1-0-0
1	Shaun Hill	0-1-0
1	Mike Moroski	0-1-0
<b>112</b>		<b>71-40-1</b>

## CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

NO	PLAYER	W-L-T
66	Jerry Rice	46-20-0
25	Terrell Owens	15-10-0
17	Gene Washington	11-5-1
16	Dwight Clark	11-5-0
12	John Taylor	10-2-0
11	Freddie Solomon	5-6-0
11	Dave Parks	2-8-1
10	Gordy Soltau	5-5-0
9	Bernie Casey	3-4-2
9	Billy Wilson	3-4-2
8	R.C. Owens	5-2-1
<b>8</b>	<b>Vernon Davis</b>	<b>3-5-0</b>
5	Monty Stickles	3-2-0
<b>5</b>	<b>Michael Crabtree</b>	<b>2-3-0</b>
4	Paul Hofer	2-2-0
4	J.J. Stokes	2-2-0
3	J.R. Boone	2-1-0
3	Dick Witcher	2-1-0
3	Clinton McNeil	1-2-0
3	Ted Kwalick	0-2-1
3	Garrison Hearst	2-1-0
3	Brandon Lloyd	0-3-0
2	Isaac Bruce	1-1-0
2	Antonio Bryant	1-1-0
2	Clyde Conner	2-0-0
2	Roger Craig	2-0-0
2	John David Crow	1-1-0
2	Eric Johnson	1-1-0
2	Hugh McElhenny	1-1-0
1	Joshua Morgan	0-1-0
<b>1</b>	<b>Frank Gore</b>	<b>0-1-0</b>
1	Danny Abramowicz	1-0-0
1	Arnaz Battle	0-1-0
1	Alyn Beals	0-1-0
1	Jimmy Cason	0-1-0
1	Curtis Conway	0-1-0
1	Charlie Garner	0-1-0
1	Carroll Hardy	0-1-0
1	Jimmy Johnson	1-0-0
1	Brent Jones	1-0-0
1	Don Lisbon	1-0-0
1	Alex Loyd	0-1-0
1	Willie McGee	1-0-0
1	Jeff Moore	1-0-0
1	Renaldo Nehemiah	1-0-0
1	Joe Perry	0-1-0
1	Ted Popson	1-0-0
1	Tom Rathman	1-0-0
1	Mike Sherrard	0-1-0
1	J.D. Smith	1-0-0
1	Aaron Thomas	1-0-0
1	Ricky Watters	1-0-0
1	Cedrick Wilson	0-1-0
1	Mike Wilson	1-0-0
<b>276</b>		<b>155-113-8</b>

# 49ERS 300-YARD PASSERS

<b>303 – Alex Smith vs. Buf.</b>	<b>10/7/12 (18 of 24)</b>
356 – Troy Smith vs. StL	11/15/10 (17 of 28)
<b>309 – Alex Smith vs. Phi.</b>	<b>10/10/10 (25 of 39)</b>
<b>310 – Alex Smith at Sea.</b>	<b>12/6/09 (27 of 45)</b>
303 – Shaun Hill at Dal.	11/23/08 (21 of 33)
321 – J.T. O'Sullivan at Sea.	9/14/08 (20 of 32)
417 – Tim Rattay vs. Arz.	10/10/04 (38 of 57)
344 – Jeff Garcia at Cin.	12/14/03 (26 of 33)
337 – Jeff Garcia at SD	11/17/02 (25 of 43)
305 – Jeff Garcia at Car.	11/18/01 (34 of 54)
332 – Jeff Garcia at Atl.	10/14/01 (27 of 41)
335 – Jeff Garcia vs. Atl.	9/9/01 (26 of 40)
402 – Jeff Garcia vs. Chi.	12/17/00 (36 of 44)
305 – Jeff Garcia vs. NO	12/10/00 (25 of 38)
323 – Jeff Garcia at SD	12/3/00 (18 of 32)
307 – Jeff Garcia at Car.	10/22/00 (25 of 39)
336 – Jeff Garcia at GB	10/15/00 (27 of 42)
336 – Jeff Garcia vs. Oak.	10/8/00 (28 of 41)
373 – Jeff Garcia at Atl.	1/3/00 (26 of 34)
303 – Jeff Garcia at Car.	12/18/99 (29 of 46)
437 – Jeff Garcia at Cin.	12/5/99 (33 of 49)
309 – Steve Young at NO	10/11/98 (21 of 40)
342 – Steve Young at Atl.	11/15/98 (21 of 40)
331 – Steve Young vs. Ind.	10/18/98 (33 of 51)
329 – Steve Young at Buf.	10/4/98 (23 of 38)
387 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	9/27/98 (28 of 39)
303 – Steve Young at Was.	9/14/98 (21 of 32)
363 – Steve Young vs. NYJ	9/6/98 (26 of 46)
336 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	9/21/97 (17 of 24)
393 – Steve Young vs. Car.	12/8/96 (27 of 41)
316 – Steve Young at Atl.	12/24/95 (31 of 44)
425 – Steve Young vs. Min.	12/18/95 (30 of 49)
336 – Steve Young at Car.	12/10/95 (31 of 45)
382 – Elvis Grbac at Mia.	11/20/95 (31 of 41)
327 – Elvis Grbac at Car.	11/5/95 (26 of 37)
305 – Elvis Grbac at Dal.	11/12/95 (20 of 30)
348 – Steve Young at Det.	9/25/95 (27 of 44)
331 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	9/10/95 (27 of 40)
350 – Steve Young vs. Den.	12/17/94 (20 of 29)
304 – Steve Young at SD	12/11/94 (25 of 32)
325 – Steve Young vs. LA Rams	11/20/94 (30 of 44)
355 – Steve Young at LA Rams	9/18/94 (31 of 39)
308 – Steve Young vs. LA Raiders	9/5/94 (19 of 32)
354 – Steve Young at Det.	12/19/93 (17 of 23)
462 – Steve Young at LA Rams	11/28/93 (26 of 32)
311 – Steve Young at TB	11/14/93 (23 of 29)
342 – Steve Young vs. Phi.	11/29/92 (24 of 35)
399 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	10/18/92 (18 of 28)
449 – Steve Young vs. Buf.	9/13/92 (26 of 37)
338 – Steve Young vs. Chi.	12/23/91 (21 of 32)
347 – Steve Bono vs. NO	12/1/91 (27 of 41)
306 – Steve Bono at LA Rams	11/25/91 (18 of 33)
348 – Steve Young vs. Atl.	10/13/91 (22 of 38)
348 – Steve Young vs. SD	9/8/91 (26 of 36)
411 – Joe Montana at GB	11/4/90 (25 of 40)

476 – Joe Montana at Atl.	10/14/90 (32 of 49)
318 – Joe Montana at Hou.	10/7/90 (20 of 28)
398 – Joe Montana vs. Atl.	9/23/90 (24 of 36)
390 – Joe Montana vs. Was.	9/16/90 (29 of 44)
458 – Joe Montana at LA Rams	12/11/89 (30 of 42)
325 – Joe Montana vs. GB	11/19/89 (30 of 42)
302 – Joe Montana vs. NO	11/6/89 (22 of 31)
428 – Joe Montana at Phi.	9/24/89 (25 of 34)
302 – Joe Montana at Sea.	9/25/88 (20 of 29)
343 – Joe Montana vs. Atl.	9/18/88 (32 of 48)
308 – Joe Montana at GB	12/6/87 (26 of 35)
342 – Joe Montana vs. Cle.	11/29/87 (23 of 31)
304 – Joe Montana at TB	11/22/87 (29 of 45)
334 – Joe Montana vs. StL Cardinals	10/18/87 (31 of 39)
316 – Joe Montana at Pit.	9/13/87 (34 of 49)
441 – Joe Montana at Was.	11/17/86 (33 of 60)
332 – Mike Moroski at NO	11/2/86 (23 of 40)
359 – Jeff Kemp vs. Min.	10/12/86 (23 of 42)
332 – Jeff Kemp vs NO	9/21/86 (29 of 44)
356 – Joe Montana at TB	9/7/86 (32 of 46)
322 – Joe Montana vs. Dal.	12/22/85 (24 of 34)
354 – Joe Montana at NO	12/15/85 (25 of 38)
328 – Joe Montana vs. LA Rams	12/9/85 (26 of 36)
306 – Joe Montana at LA Rams	10/27/85 (22 of 30)
429 – Joe Montana at Atl.	10/6/85 (37 of 57)
301 – Joe Montana vs. Cin.	11/4/84 (27 of 42)
365 – Joe Montana at LA Rams	10/28/84 (21 of 31)
353 – Joe Montana at Hou.	10/21/84 (25 of 35)
381 – Joe Montana vs. Was.	9/10/84 (24 of 40)
358 – Joe Montana at LA Rams	10/23/83 (25 of 39)
316 – Joe Montana vs. LA Rams	10/9/83 (28 of 42)
341 – Joe Montana at StL Cardinals	9/18/83 (20 of 32)
356 – Joe Montana vs. SD	12/11/82 (31 of 46)
305 – Joe Montana vs. LA Rams	12/2/82 (26 of 37)
334 – Joe Montana vs. NO	11/28/82 (27 of 42)
408 – Joe Montana at StL Cardinals	11/21/82 (26 of 39)
336 – Joe Montana at Den.	9/19/82 (26 of 37)
345 – Steve DeBerg at Atl.	9/28/80 (32 of 51)
345 – Steve DeBerg vs. Atl.	12/16/79 (29 of 54)
348 – Steve DeBerg vs. Chi. Bears	10/28/79 (26 of 41)
306 – Steve DeBerg vs. Sea.	10/7/79 (31 of 40)
321 – Steve DeBerg at Hou.	9/17/78 (20 to 32)
316 – Tom Owen at Chi.	11/17/74 (15 of 26)
320 – Steve Spurrier vs. Min.	10/14/73 (31 of 48)
315 – Steve Spurrier at GB	11/5/72 (19 of 37)
317 – John Brodie at Chi.	11/8/70 (21 of 28)
301 – John Brodie vs. GB	12/1/68 (24 of 39)
324 – George Mira at Atl.	12/10/67 (20 of 34)
328 – John Brodie vs. GB	12/10/61 (19 of 29)
322 – John Brodie vs. Chi.	11/19/61 (11 of 19)
316 – Y.A. Tittle at Det.	10/16/55 (15 of 31)
371 – Y.A. Tittle vs. Bal.	12/13/53 (29 of 44)
301 – Y.A. Tittle at LA Rams	11/8/53 (18 of 32)
304 – Y.A. Tittle vs. Chi.	11/1/53 (25 of 43)
341 – Y.A. Tittle at NYG	11/9/52 (16 of 29)

# 49ERS 100-YARD RUSHERS SINCE 1970

131 – Frank Gore vs. Sea.	10/18/12 (16 carries)
106 – Frank Gore vs. Buf.	10/7/12 (14 carries)
112 – Frank Gore at GB	9/9/12 (16 carries)
107 – Frank Gore at Was.	11/6/11 (19 carries)
134 – Frank Gore vs. Cle.	10/30/11 (31 carries)
141 – Frank Gore at Det.	10/16/11 (15 carries)
125 – Frank Gore vs. TB	10/9/11 (20 carries)
127 – Frank Gore at Phi.	10/2/11 (15 carries)
136 – Brian Westbrook at Arz.	11/29/10 (23 carries)
118 – Frank Gore vs. Den. (London)	10/31/10 (29 carries)
102 – Frank Gore at Car.	10/24/10 (19 carries)
149 – Frank Gore vs. Oak.	10/17/10 (25 carries)
112 – Frank Gore vs. NO	9/20/10 (20 carries)
107 – Frank Gore at StL	1/3/10 (23 carries)
107 – Frank Gore at Phi.	12/20/09 (16 carries)
167 – Frank Gore vs. Arz.	12/14/09 (25 carries)
104 – Frank Gore vs. Chi.	11/12/09 (25 carries)
207 – Frank Gore vs. Sea.	9/20/09 (16 carries)
106 – Frank Gore vs. StL	11/16/08 (18 carries)
101 – Frank Gore vs. Phi.	10/12/08 (19 carries)
130 – Frank Gore vs. Det.	9/21/08 (27 carries)
138 – Frank Gore vs. Cin.	12/15/07 (29 carries)
116 – Frank Gore at Arz.	11/25/07 (21 carries)
153 – Frank Gore at Den.	12/31/06 (31 carries)
130 – Frank Gore vs. GB	12/10/06 (18 carries)
144 – Frank Gore at Sea.	12/14/06 (29 carries)
134 – Frank Gore at StL	11/26/06 (21 carries)
212 – Frank Gore vs. Sea.	11/19/06 (24 carries)
159 – Frank Gore at Det.	11/12/06 (22 carries)
111 – Frank Gore at Chi.	10/29/06 (12 carries)
134 – Frank Gore vs. Oak.	10/8/06 (27 carries)
127 – Frank Gore vs. StL	9/17/06 (29 carries)
108 – Frank Gore vs. Hou	1/1/06 (25 carries)
109 – Maurice Hicks at StL	12/24/05 (10 carries)
101 – Kevan Barlow vs. TB	10/30/05 (26 carries)
103 – Kevan Barlow at NE	1/2/05 (25 carries)
139 – Maurice Hicks at Arz.	12/12/04 (34 carries)
114 – Kevan Barlow at NO	9/19/04 (20 carries)
154 – Kevan Barlow at Phi.	12/21/03 (30 carries)
154 – Kevan Barlow vs. Arz.	12/7/03 (18 carries)
117 – Garrison Hearst vs. TB	10/19/03 (20 carries)
124 – Garrison Hearst vs. Sea.	12/1/02 (31 carries)
116 – Garrison Hearst vs. StL	10/6/02 (13 carries)
103 – Garrison Hearst vs. Mia.	12/16/01 (26 carries)
124 – Garrison Hearst vs. Buf	12/2/01 (25 carries)
106 – Garrison Hearst at Ind.	11/25/01 (12 carries)
145 – Garrison Hearst vs. NO	11/11/01 (17 carries)
102 – Charlie Garner vs. KC	11/12/00 (25 carries)
109 – Charlie Garner vs. Oak.	10/8/00 (24 carries)
201 – Charlie Garner at Dal.	9/24/00 (36 carries)
129 – Charlie Garner vs. Was	12/26/99 (16 carries)
107 – Charlie Garner vs. Atl.	12/12/99 (26 carries)
166 – Charlie Garner vs. Pit	11/7/99 (20 carries)
102 – Lawrence Phillips at Arz.	9/27/99 (9 carries)
107 – Garrison Hearst at NE	12/20/98 (27 carries)
198 – Garrison Hearst vs. Det.	12/14/98 (24 carries)
139 – Garrison Hearst at Car.	12/6/98 (20 carries)
166 – Garrison Hearst vs. NYG	11/30/98 (20 carries)
138 – Garrison Hearst at Was	9/14/98 (22 carries)
187 – Garrison Hearst vs. NYJ	9/6/98 (20 carries)
104 – Garrison Hearst vs. Dal.	11/2/97 (22 carries)
105 – Garrison Hearst at Atl.	10/19/97 (18 carries)
141 – Garrison Hearst at Car.	9/29/97 (28 carries)
105 – Terry Kirby at Atl.	12/2/96 (12 carries)

105 – Ricky Watters at NO	11/28/94 (26 carries)
103 – Ricky Watters vs. TB	10/23/94 (14 carries)
116 – Ricky Watters vs. NO	11/22/93 (16 carries)
135 – Ricky Watters at NO	9/26/93 (25 carries)
112 – Ricky Watters vs. Atl.	9/19/93 (19 carries)
134 – Amp Lee at Min.	12/13/92 (23 carries)
163 – Ricky Watters at LA Rams	11/22/92 (26 carries)
115 – Ricky Watters vs. NO	11/15/92 (21 carries)
104 – Ricky Watters at NE	10/11/92 (19 carries)
100 – Ricky Watters at NYG	9/6/92 (13 carries)
104 – Keith Henderson vs. Det.	10/20/91 (20 carries)
102 – Steve Young vs. NO	12/23/90 (8 carries)
124 – Dexter Carter at LA Rams	12/17/90 (13 carries)
105 – Roger Craig vs. Buf.	12/17/89 (25 carries)
109 – Roger Craig vs. Atl.	11/12/89 (17 carries)
131 – Roger Craig at Ind.	9/10/89 (24 carries)
115 – Roger Craig vs. NO	12/11/88 (22 carries)
103 – Roger Craig at Atl.	12/4/88 (23 carries)
162 – Roger Craig at Phx.	11/6/88 (22 carries)
190 – Roger Craig at LA Rams	10/16/88 (22 carries)
143 – Roger Craig vs. Den.	10/9/88 (26 carries)
107 – Roger Craig at Sea.	9/25/88 (21 carries)
110 – Roger Craig at NYG	9/11/88 (18 carries)
104 – Roger Craig at LA Rams	11/1/87 (23 carries)
107 – Joe Cribbs at NE	12/14/86 (23 carries)
101 – Roger Craig vs. Atl.	11/23/86 (17 carries)
105 – Joe Cribbs vs. StL	11/9/86 (21 carries)
111 – Wendell Tyler vs. KC	11/17/85 (16 carries)
117 – Roger Craig at Den.	11/11/85 (22 carries)
107 – Wendell Tyler at Det.	10/20/85 (16 carries)
107 – Roger Craig vs. Atl.	9/15/85 (11 carries)
125 – Wendell Tyler at Min.	9/8/85 (21 carries)
117 – Wendell Tyler at NO	11/25/84 (15 carries)
108 – Wendell Tyler at Hou.	10/21/84 (23 carries)
101 – Wendell Tyler at NYG	10/8/84 (14 carries)
113 – Wendell Tyler at Phi.	9/23/84 (21 carries)
102 – Wendell Tyler vs. TB	12/4/83 (16 carries)
108 – Wendell Tyler at StL	9/18/83 (18 carries)
107 – Wendell Tyler at Min.	9/8/83 (19 carries)
125 – Lenvil Elliot vs. NO	12/7/80 (20 carries)
147 – Paul Hofer at NO	11/11/79 (17 carries)
102 – Paul Hofer at Oak.	11/4/79 (12 carries)
104 – Paul Hofer vs. LA Rams	11/19/78 (20 carries)
108 – O.J. Simpson vs. Chi.	9/10/78 (27 carries)
107 – Delvin Williams at Min.	12/4/77 (27 carries)
190 – Wilbur Jackson vs. NO	11/27/77 (16 carries)
123 – Wilbur Jackson at NO	11/13/77 (22 carries)
110 – Delvin Williams at NO	11/13/77 (25 carries)
106 – Delvin Williams vs. Det.	10/23/77 (27 carries)
104 – Delvin Williams at SD	12/5/76 (26 carries)
156 – Wilbur Jackson vs. Min.	11/29/76 (30 carries)
153 – Delvin Williams vs. Min.	11/29/76 (20 carries)
180 – Delvin Williams vs. Was.	11/7/76 (23 carries)
194 – Delvin Williams at StL Cardinals	10/31/76 (34 carries)
121 – Delvin Williams at GB	9/12/76 (25 carries)
104 – Delvin Williams at Atl.	12/14/75 (10 carries)
106 – Delvin Williams vs. Chi.	11/16/75 (12 carries)
129 – Ken Willard at NYJ	11/28/71 (15 carries)
125 – Vic Washington at NYJ	11/28/71 (27 carries)
106 – Larry Schreiber vs. Atl.	11/24/74 (20 carries)
117 – Ken Willard vs. Phi.	12/2/73 (15 carries)
104 – Larry Schreiber vs. Bal.	11/12/72 (17 carries)
105 – Ken Willard vs. Cle.	9/27/70 (22 carries)



# 49ERS 100-YARD RECEIVERS SINCE 1970

101 – Michael Crabtree at StL	12/2/12 (7 catches)
113 – Michael Crabtree vs. Buf.	10/7/12 (6 catches)
106 – Vernon Davis vs. Buf.	10/7/12 (5 catches)
118 – Vernon Davis at StL	1/1/12 (8 catches)
120 – Michael Crabtree vs. Arz.	11/20/11 (5 catches)
114 – Vernon Davis at Cin.	9/25/11 (8 catches)
122 – Michael Crabtree at StL	12/26/10 (6 catches)
106 – Joshua Morgan at SD	12/16/10 (7 catches)
126 – Vernon Davis at GB	12/5/10 (4 catches)
105 – Michael Crabtree vs. Phi.	10/10/10 (9 catches)
104 – Vernon Davis vs. Phi.	10/10/10 (5 catches)
102 – Frank Gore at KC	9/26/10 (9 catches)
111 – Vernon Davis at Sea.	12/6/09 (6 catches)
108 – Vernon Davis at GB	11/22/09 (6 catches)
102 – Vernon Davis vs. Ten.	11/8/09 (10 catches)
125 – Isaac Bruce at Dal.	11/23/08 (8 catches)
106 – Frank Gore vs. StL	11/16/08 (18 carries)
120 – Arnaz Battle at NO	9/28/08 (7 catches)
153 – Isaac Bruce at Sea.	9/14/08 (4 catches)
131 – Antonio Bryant vs. StL	9/17/06 (4 catches)
114 – Antonio Bryant at Arz.	9/10/06 (4 catches)
119 – Brandon Lloyd vs. Sea.	11/20/05 (7 catches)
102 – Brandon Lloyd at Arz.	10/2/05 (7 catches)
142 – Brandon Lloyd vs. Dal.	9/25/05 (4 catches)
101 – Cedrick Wilson vs. Car.	11/14/04 (5 catches)
162 – Eric Johnson vs. Arz.	10/10/04 (13 catches)
113 – Eric Johnson vs. StL	10/3/04 (10 catches)
112 – Curtis Conway at NO	9/19/04 (8 catches)
127 – Terrell Owens at Cin.	12/14/03 (8 catches)
155 – Terrell Owens vs. Pit.	11/17/03 (8 catches)
152 – Terrell Owens vs. TB	10/19/03 (6 catches)
112 – Terrell Owens vs. Chi.	9/7/03 (7 catches)
123 – Terrell Owens at Dal.	12/8/02 (12 catches)
166 – Terrell Owens vs. Phi.	11/25/02 (13 catches)
171 – Terrell Owens at SD	11/17/02 (7 catches)
191 – Terrell Owens at Oak.	11/3/02 (12 catches)
132 – Terrell Owens vs. Arz.	10/27/02 (8 catches)
116 – Terrell Owens at NO	1/6/02 (2 catches)
103 – Terrell Owens at Ind.	11/25/01 (6 catches)
100 – Terrell Owens vs. NO	11/11/01 (8 catches)
125 – Terrell Owens vs. Det.	11/4/01 (9 catches)
105 – Garrison Hearst at Chi.	10/28/01 (4 catches)
183 – Terrell Owens at Atl.	10/14/01 (9 catches)
118 – Terrell Owens vs. Car.	10/7/01 (8 catches)
283 – Terrell Owens vs. Chi.	12/17/00 (20 catches)
129 – Terrell Owens vs. NO	12/10/00 (6 catches)
115 – Terrell Owens vs. StL	10/29/00 (8 catches)
112 – Charlie Garner at Car.	10/22/00 (7 catches)
176 – Terrell Owens vs. Oak.	10/8/00 (12 catches)
108 – Terrell Owens at StL	9/17/00 (6 catches)
143 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	1/3/00 (6 catches)
130 – J.J. Stokes at Atl.	1/3/00 (5 catches)
157 – Jerry Rice at Cin.	12/5/99 (9 catches)
145 – Terrell Owens at Cin.	12/5/99 (9 catches)
120 – Terrell Owens vs. StL	11/21/99 (6 catches)
115 – Jerry Rice at NE	12/20/98 (5 catches)
140 – Terrell Owens vs. NYG	11/30/98 (5 catches)
103 – Garrison Hearst vs. NO	11/22/98 (4 catches)

169 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	11/15/98 (10 catches)
120 – Terrell Owens at StL.	10/25/98 (5 catches)
110 – J.J. Stokes vs. Ind.	10/18/98 (9 catches)
162 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	9/27/98 (8 catches)
105 – Garrison Hearst vs. Atl.	9/27/98 (4 catches)
111 – J.J. Stokes vs. NYJ	9/6/98 (7 catches)
129 – Jerry Rice vs. Car.	12/8/96 (10 catches)
110 – Terrell Owens vs. Car.	12/8/96 (5 catches)
116 – Ted Popson vs. Cin.	10/20/96 (8 catches)
108 – Jerry Rice at StL	10/6/96 (7 catches)
127 – Jerry Rice at Car.	9/22/96 (10 catches)
153 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	12/24/95 (12 catches)
106 – J.J. Stokes at Atl.	12/24/95 (5 catches)
289 – Jerry Rice vs. Min.	12/18/95 (14 catches)
121 – Jerry Rice at Car.	12/10/95 (6 catches)
149 – Jerry Rice at Mia.	11/20/95 (8 catches)
161 – Jerry Rice at Dal.	11/12/95 (5 catches)
111 – Jerry Rice vs. Car.	11/5/95 (8 catches)
108 – Jerry Rice vs. NO	10/29/95 (8 catches)
181 – Jerry Rice at Det.	9/25/95 (11 catches)
167 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	9/10/95 (11 catches)
121 – Jerry Rice vs. Den.	12/17/94 (9 catches)
106 – Rickey Watters vs. Den.	12/17/94 (4 catches)
144 – Jerry Rice at SD	12/11/94 (12 catches)
165 – Jerry Rice vs. LA Rams	11/20/94 (16 catches)
147 – Jerry Rice at LA Rams	9/18/94 (11 catches)
103 – John Taylor at LA Rams	9/18/94 (7 catches)
169 – Jerry Rice vs. LA Raiders	9/5/94 (7 catches)
132 – Jerry Rice at Det.	12/19/93 (4 catches)
115 – John Taylor at Det.	12/19/93 (4 catches)
105 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	12/11/93 (6 catches)
150 – John Taylor at LA Rams	11/14/93 (8 catches)
155 – Jerry Rice vs. Phx.	10/24/93 (9 catches)
118 – Jerry Rice vs. TB	12/19/92 (7 catches)
133 – Jerry Rice vs. Phi.	11/29/92 (8 catches)
183 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	10/18/92 (7 catches)
159 – Mike Sherrard vs. Buf.	9/13/92 (6 catches)
112 – John Taylor vs. Buf.	9/13/92 (5 catches)
125 – Jerry Rice vs. Chi.	12/23/91 (5 catches)
113 – John Taylor at Sea.	12/8/91 (7 catches)
154 – Jerry Rice vs. NO	12/1/91 (9 catches)
121 – John Taylor at LA Rams	11/25/91 (6 catches)
127 – John Taylor at Atl.	11/3/91 (2 catches)
138 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	10/13/91 (7 catches)
150 – Jerry Rice vs. SD	9/8/91 (9 catches)
118 – Jerry Rice at Min.	12/30/90 (9 catches)
104 – Jerry Rice at LA Rams	12/17/90 (5 catches)
101 – Jerry Rice at Cin.	12/9/90 (8 catches)
147 – Jerry Rice at Dal.	11/11/90 (12 catches)
187 – Jerry Rice at GB	11/4/90 (6 catches)
132 – John Taylor at Hou.	10/7/90 (4 catches)
225 – Jerry Rice at Atl.	10/24/90 (13 catches)
171 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	9/23/90 (8 catches)
125 – Brent Jones vs. Atl.	9/23/90 (5 catches)
160 – John Taylor vs. Was.	9/16/90 (8 catches)
101 – Jerry Rice vs. Chi.	12/24/89 (4 catches)
286 – John Taylor at LA Rams	12/11/89 (11 catches)
162 – John Taylor at Atl.	12/3/89 (5 catches)
117 – Jerry Rice vs. NYG	11/27/89 (7 catches)



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106 – Jerry Rice vs. GB	11/19/89 (9 catches)
112 – Jerry Rice vs. NE	10/22/89 (6 catches)
103 – Tom Rathman vs. NE	10/22/89 (11 catches)
149 – Jerry Rice at NO	10/8/89 (7 catches)
136 – John Taylor at Phi.	9/24/89 (6 catches)
164 – Jerry Rice at Phi.	9/24/89 (6 catches)
122 – Jerry Rice at TB	9/17/89 (8 catches)
163 – Jerry Rice at Ind.	9/10/89 (6 catches)
171 – Jerry Rice at SD	11/27/88 (6 catches)
105 – Jerry Rice vs. Was.	11/21/88 (3 catches)
163 – Jerry Rice at Sea.	9/25/88 (6 catches)
163 – Jerry Rice vs. Atl.	9/18/88 (8 catches)
109 – Jerry Rice at NYG	9/11/88 (4 catches)
126 – Jerry Rice vs. Cle.	11/29/87 (7 catches)
103 – Jerry Rice at TB	11/22/87 (7 catches)
108 – Jerry Rice vs. NO	11/15/87 (4 catches)
104 – Mike Wilson at Cin.	9/20/87 (7 catches)
106 – Jerry Rice at Pit.	9/13/87 (8 catches)
204 – Jerry Rice at Was.	11/17/86 (12 catches)
156 – Jerry Rice vs. StL	11/9/86 (4 catches)
144 – Jerry Rice vs. Min.	10/12/86 (7 catches)
172 – Jerry Rice vs. Ind.	10/5/86 (6 catches)
120 – Jerry Rice vs. NO	9/21/86 (7 catches)
100 – Dwight Clark vs. NO	9/21/86 (7 catches)
157 – Jerry Rice at LA Rams	9/14/86 (6 catches)
100 – Dwight Clark at TB	9/7/86 (7 catches)
111 – Jerry Rice vs. Dal.	12/22/85 (7 catches)
241 – Jerry Rice vs. LA Rams	12/9/85 (10 catches)
132 – Roger Craig at LA Rams	10/27/85 (6 catches)
167 – Roger Craig at Atl.	10/6/85 (12 catches)
125 – Renaldo Nehemiah vs. Min.	12/8/84 (6 catches)
105 – Freddie Solomon at Cle.	11/11/84 (5 catches)
124 – Dwight Clark vs. Cin.	11/4/84 (7 catches)
127 – Dwight Clark at Hou.	10/21/84 (5 catches)
105 – Dwight Clark vs. Was.	9/10/84 (5 catches)
103 – Freddie Solomon vs. Atl.	9/25/83 (6 catches)
121 – Freddie Solomon at StL	9/18/83 (3 catches)
104 – Dwight Clark at KC	12/26/82 (4 catches)
101 – Dwight Clark vs. Atl.	12/19/82 (8 catches)
135 – Dwight Clark vs. SD	12/11/82 (12 catches)
102 – Jeff Moore at LA Rams	12/2/82 (8 catches)
103 – Dwight Clark at StL	11/21/82 (6 catches)

127 – Dwight Clark at Den.	9/19/82 (9 catches)
109 – Freddie Solomon at Den.	9/19/82 (4 catches)
106 – Dwight Clark vs. LA Raiders	9/12/82 (6 catches)
124 – Freddie Solomon at LA Rams	11/22/81 (5 catches)
128 – Dwight Clark vs. Atl.	11/8/81 (7 catches)
109 – Dwight Clark vs. LA Rams	10/25/81 (8 catches)
135 – Dwight Clark vs. Dal.	10/11/81 (4 catches)
113 – Freddie Solomon vs. Chi.	9/13/81 (5 catches)
155 – Dwight Clark vs. NO	12/7/80 (6 catches)
104 – Freddie Solomon at GB	11/9/80 (5 catches)
148 – Dwight Clark at Dal.	10/12/80 (8 catches)
132 – Freddie Solomon vs. Atl.	9/28/80 (5 catches)
135 – Paul Hofer vs. StL	9/14/80 (9 catches)
114 – Paul Hofer at NO	9/7/80 (7 catches)
130 – Paul Hofer at Atl.	12/16/79 (9 catches)
104 – Paul Hofer at NYG	10/14/79 (9 catches)
144 – Freddie Solomon vs. NO	9/23/79 (8 catches)
107 – Freddie Solomon at Min.	9/2/79 (4 catches)
110 – Freddie Solomon at Hou.	9/17/78 (3 catches)
130 – Gene Washington vs. Dal.	12/12/77 (5 catches)
112 – Gene Washington vs. Det.	10/23/77 (4 catches)
104 – Willie McGee at Sea.	9/26/76 (5 catches)
101 – Gene Washington at Phi.	11/30/75 (6 catches)
144 – Gene Washington at LA Rams	11/9/75 (5 catches)
121 – Gene Washington at Dal.	11/10/74 (7 catches)
133 – Ted Kwalick at Det.	11/4/73 (8 catches)
101 – Dan Abramowicz vs. NO	10/21/73 (4 catches)
118 – Gene Washington vs. Min.	10/14/73 (8 catches)
119 – Gene Washington vs. Min.	12/16/72 (4 catches)
114 – Gene Washington at Chi.	11/18/72 (4 catches)
164 – Gene Washington at GB	11/5/72 (6 catches)
102 – Ted Kwalick vs. NO	10/22/72 (2 catches)
126 – Ted Kwalick vs. NYG	10/15/72 (6 catches)
140 – Gene Washington vs. SD	9/17/72 (8 catches)
160 – Gene Washington vs. NE	10/31/71 (5 catches)
112 – Gene Washington at Phi.	10/3/71 (3 catches)
131 – Gene Washington at NO	12/13/70 (5 catches)
115 – Gene Washington vs. Atl.	12/6/70 (3 catches)
119 – Gene Washington at Chi.	11/8/70 (5 catches)
126 – Gene Washington vs. NO	10/18/70 (4 catches)
145 – Gene Washington at LA Rams	10/11/70 (7 catches)

# ALL-TIME RETURNS FOR TOUCHDOWNS

## ALL-TIME INTERCEPTION RETURNS FOR TDS

DATE	PLAYER	YARDS	OPPONENT
11/25/12	Whitner, Donte	42	at NO
11/25/12	Brooks, Ahmad	50	at NO
10/9/11	Rogers, Carlos	31	vs. TB
1/2/11	Brown, Tarell	62	vs. Arz.
12/12/10	Goldson, Dashon	39	vs. Sea.
10/24/10	McDonald, Ray	31	at Car.
10/4/09	Willis, Patrick	23	vs. StL
9/14/08	Willis, Patrick	86	at Sea.
12/31/06	Harris, Walt	28	at Den.
1/1/06	Adams, Mike	40	vs. Hou.
11/27/05	Spencer, Shawntae	61	at Ten.
9/25/05	Parrish, Tony	34	vs. Dal.
9/7/03	Plummer, Ahmed	68	vs. Chi.
10/6/02	Webster, Jason	37	vs. StL
11/25/01	Bronson, Zack	48	at Ind.
10/28/01	Bronson, Zack	97	at Chi.
12/3/00	Montgomery, Monty	46	at SD
11/19/00	Webster, Jason	70	vs. Atl.
10/17/99	Walker, Darnell	27	vs. Car.
9/19/99	Shutters, Lance	64	at NO
1/3/98	Norton, Ken Jr.	23	vs. Min.
12/15/97	Hanks, Merton	55	vs. Den.
9/29/96	Pope, Marquez	55	vs. Atl.
11/26/95	Davis, Eric	86	vs. StL
10/22/95	Norton, Ken Jr.	35	at StL
10/22/95	Norton, Ken Jr.	21	at StL
9/10/95	McDonald, Tim	13	vs. Atl.
9/3/95	McDonald, Tim	52	at NO
1/15/95	Davis, Eric	44	vs. Dal.
12/11/94	Sanders, Deion	90	at SD
11/6/94	McDonald, Tim	73	at Was.
10/16/94	Sanders, Deion	93	at Atl.
9/25/94	Sanders, Deion	74	vs. NO
11/22/93	Hanks, Merton	67	vs. NO
10/31/93	McGruder, Michael	31	vs. LA Rams
10/3/93	Davis, Eric	41	vs. Min.
9/6/92	Johnson, John	56	at NYG
1/12/91	Carter, Michael	61	vs. Was.*
1/6/90	Lott, Ronnie	58	vs. Min.*
1/9/88	Fuller, Jeff	48	vs. Min.*
11/9/86	Holmoe, Tom	78	vs. StL Cardinals
10/26/86	Nixon, Tory	88	at GB
10/26/86	Lott, Ronnie	55	at GB
10/5/86	McKyer, Tim	21	vs. Ind.
9/28/86	Holmoe, Tom	66*	at Mia.
10/13/85	Williamson, Carlton	43	vs. Chi.
12/2/84	McLemore, Dana	54	at Atl.
11/25/84	Shell, Todd	53	at NO
12/19/83	Wright, Eric	48	vs. Dal.
10/16/83	Hicks, Dwight	62	at NO
9/18/83	Collier, Tim	32	at StL Cardinals
9/18/83	Hicks, Dwight	40	at StL Cardinals
9/8/83	Wright, Eric	60	at Min.
12/26/82	Lott, Ronnie	83	at KC
1/3/82	Lott, Ronnie	20	vs. NYG*
11/22/81	Lott, Ronnie	25	at LA Rams
10/11/81	Lott, Ronnie	41	vs. Dal.
10/4/81	Hicks, Dwight	32	at Was.
9/27/81	Lott, Ronnie	26	vs. NO
10/1/78	Leonard, Anthony	30	vs. Cin.
10/19/75	Allen, Nate	37	vs. NO
12/15/74	Wilcox, Dave	21	vs. NO
11/23/72	Vanderbundt, Skip	21	at Dal.
10/29/72	Vanderbundt, Skip	37	at Atl.
10/1/72	Simpson, Mike	32	at NO
12/20/70	Johnson, Jimmy	36	at Oak.
9/27/70	Phillips, Mel	35	vs. Cle.
10/26/69	Woitt, Johnny	57	at Bal.
11/24/68	Belk, Bill	6	at Pit.
11/24/68	Alexander, Kermit	66	at Pit.
9/15/68	Hindman, Stan	25	at Bal. Colts

\* - Postseason

DATE	PLAYER	YARDS	OPPONENT
12/11/66	Randolph, Alvin	94	vs. Chi.
11/24/66	Dowdle, Mike	27	at Det.
10/16/66	Johnson, Jimmy	35	at Atl.
11/22/59	Mertens, Jerry	30	at Bal. Colts
11/30/58	Hazeltine, Matt	13	at Bal. Colts
10/27/57	Herchman, Bill	54	vs. Chi.
12/8/56	Moegele, Dick	32	vs. GB
10/16/55	Berry, Rex	44	at Det.
10/17/54	Brown, Hardy	41	at Chi.
9/26/54	Berry, Rex	34	vs. Was.
12/6/53	Berry, Rex	29	vs. GB
10/12/52	Burke, Don	35	at Det.
10/14/51	Cason, Jim	65	at Pit.
11/5/50	Livingston, Howie	35	at LA Rams

## ALL-TIME FUMBLE RETURNS FOR TDS

DATE	PLAYER	YARDS	OPPONENT
9/30/12	Rogers, Carlos	51	at NYJ
10/4/09	McDonald, Ray	11	vs. StL
10/4/09	McKillop, Scott	end zone	vs. StL
11/25/07	Banta-Cain, Tully	end zone	at Arz.
10/8/06	Oliver, Melvin	12	vs. Oak.
10/2/05	Johnson, Derrick	78	at Arz. (Mex. City)
10/2/05	Smith, Derek	end zone	at Arz. (Mex. City)
11/28/04	Smith, Derek	46	vs. Mia.
10/31/04	Carpenter, Dwaine	80	at Chi.
10/26/03	Harris, Kwame	1	at Arz.
10/28/01	Peterson, Julian	26	at Chi.
10/24/99	Walker, Darnell	71	at Min.
10/17/99	McMillan, Mark	41	vs. Car.
10/10/99	Young, Bryant	end zone	at StL
12/15/97	Greene, Kevin	40	vs. Den.
11/10/97	Hanks, Merton	38	at Phi.
11/17/96	Doleman, Chris	end zone	vs. Bal.
12/24/95	Rice, Jerry	end zone	at Atl.
12/3/95	Woodall, Lee	96	vs. Buffalo
11/12/95	Hanks, Merton	38	at Dal.
10/16/94	McDonald, Tim	49	at Atl.
11/14/93	Tamm, Ralph	1	at TB
10/17/93	Davis, Eric	47	at Dal.
11/1/92	Sherrard, Mike	38	at Phx. Cardinals
12/22/91	Griffin, Don	99	vs. Chi.
11/12/89	Haley, Charles	3	vs. Atl.
12/27/87	Taylor, John	26	vs. LA Rams
12/1/85	Turner, Keena	65	at Was.
10/20/85	McIntyre, Guy	end zone	at Det.
9/22/85	McColl, Milt	28	at LA Raiders
12/2/84	Johnson, Gary	33	at Atl.
10/23/83	Board, Dwaine	end zone	at LA Rams
10/4/81	Hicks, Dwight	80	at Was.
10/3/76	Elam, Cleveland	31	vs. NYJ
11/16/75	Hart, Tommy	10	vs. Chi.
10/26/75	McGill, Ralph	14	at NE
12/15/74	Belk, Bill	19	vs. NO
12/2/73	Hall, Windlan	66	vs. Phi.
11/23/72	Vanderbundt, Skip	73	at Dal.
12/26/71	Hoskins, Bob	end zone	vs. Was.*
10/31/71	Blue, Forrest	25	vs. NE
10/24/71	Hart, Tommy	63	at StL Cardinals
10/19/69	Lakes, Roland	2	vs. Atl.
10/27/68	Witcher, Dick	12	at Det.
10/15/67	Windsor, Bob	2	at Phi.
12/11/66	Alexander, Kermit	14	vs. Chi.
10/9/66	Hazeltine, Matt	22	vs. GB
11/28/65	Kopay, Dave	end zone	at Min.
11/14/65	Miller, Clark	75	at Det.
11/14/65	Wilcox, Dave	8	at Det.
10/24/65	Chapple, Jack	8	vs. Min.
9/19/65	Krueger, Charlie	6	vs. Chi.
10/14/62	Woodson, Abe	37	at Chi.
10/18/59	Hazeltine, Matt	40	at Det.

## ALL-TIME BLOCKED FIELD GOALS RETURNED FOR TDS

(1970-Present)

DATE	PLAYER	YARDS	OPPONENT
9/27/09	Clements, Nate	59	at Min.
10/19/08	Clements, Nate	74	at NYG
10/12/08	Strickland, Donald	41	vs. Phi.
10/15/89	Jackson, Johnnie	62	at Dal.
9/26/71	Taylor, Bruce	58	at NO
12/13/70	Taylor, Bruce	92	at NO

## ALL-TIME PUNT RETURNS FOR TDS

DATE	PLAYER	YARDS	OPPONENT
9/11/11	Ginn Jr., Ted	55	vs. Sea.
12/26/10	Ginn Jr., Ted	78	at StL
9/11/05	Amey, Otis	75	vs. StL
10/10/04	Battle, Arnaz	71	vs. Arz.
12/1/02	Williams, Jimmy	89	vs. Sea.
12/27/98	McQuarters, R.W.	72	vs. StL
11/11/97	Levy, Chuck	73	at Phi.
12/19/95	Carter, Dexter	78	vs. Min.
10/3/93	Carter, Dexter	72	vs. Min.
11/9/92	Hanks, Merton	48	at Atl.
11/21/88	Taylor, John	95	vs. Was.
10/2/88	Taylor, John	77	vs. Det.
12/14/87	McLemore, Dana	83	vs. Chi.
11/23/86	Griffin, Don	76	vs. Atl.
10/8/84	McLemore, Dana	79	at NYG
12/19/83	McLemore, Dana	56	vs. Dal.
1/2/83	McLemore, Dana	93	vs. LA Rams
12/7/80	Solomon, Freddie	57	vs. NO
10/26/80	Solomon, Freddie	53	vs. TB
10/17/76	Leonard, Anthony	60	vs. NO
9/26/76	McGill, Ralph	50	at Sea.
11/24/74	Moore, Manfred	88	vs. Atl.
12/11/66	Alexander, Kermit	44	vs. Chi.
11/15/64	Alexander, Kermit	70	vs. GB
10/21/62	Woodson, Abe	85	at GB
11/5/61	Woodson, Abe	80	vs. Det.
12/16/56	Arenas, Joe	67	at Bal. Colts
10/19/52	McElhenny, Hugh	94	at Chi.
19.26/52	O'Donahue, Pat	23	vs. Dal.
10/28/51	Nomellini, Leo	20	vs. LA Rams

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## ALL-TIME KICKOFF RETURNS FOR TDS

DATE	PLAYER	YARDS	OPPONENT
9/11/11	Ginn Jr., Ted	102	vs. Sea.
11/10/08	Rossum, Allen	104	at Arz.
11/2/03	Wilson, Cedrick	95	vs. StL
1/11/98	Levy, Chuck	95	vs. GB*
11/16/97	Kirby, Terry	101	vs. Car.
11/6/94	Carter, Dexter	96	at Was.
12/1/91	Carter, Dexter	98	vs. NO
12/20/87	Cribbs, Joe	92	vs. Atl.
12/1/85	Monroe, Carl	95	at Was.
11/22/81	Lawrence, Amos	92	at LA Rams
11/2/80	Owens, James	101	at Det.
11/18/79	Owens, James	85	vs. Den.
11/19/78	Williams, Dave	89	vs. LA Rams
12/4/77	Williams, Dave	80	at Min.
12/23/72	Washington, Vic	97	vs. Dal.*
10/29/72	Washington, Vic	98	at Atl.
11/17/63	Woodson, Abe	99	at NYG
9/29/63	Woodson, Abe	95	at Min.
9/15/63	Woodson, Abe	103	vs. Min.
10/1/61	Woodson, Abe	98	at Det.
12/18/60	Lyles, Lenny	97	vs. Bal. Colts
11/22/59	Woodson, Abe	105	at LA Rams
11/4/56	Arenas, Joe	90	vs. Det.

## ALL-TIME BLOCKED PUNTS RETURNED FOR TDS

(1970-Present)

DATE	PLAYER	YARDS	OPPONENT
10/3/10	Taylor Mays	0	at Atl.
9/25/77	Mike Baldassin	0	vs. Mia.
9/21/75	Dave Washington	15	at Min.
12/15/73	Windlan Hall	0	vs. Pit.

# ALL-TIME 1,000/3,000 YARD SEASONS

## RUSHING

YARDS	PLAYER	YEAR
1,695	Frank Gore	2006
1,570	Garrison Hearst	1998
1,502	Roger Craig	1988
1,262	Wendell Tyler	1984
1,229	Charlie Garner	1999
1,211	Frank Gore	2011
1,206	Garrison Hearst	2001
1,203	Delvin Williams	1976
1,142	Charlie Garner	2000
1,120	Frank Gore	2009
1,102	Frank Gore	2007
1,054	Roger Craig	1989
1,050	Roger Craig	1985
1,049	Joe Perry	1954
1,036	Frank Gore	2008
1,036	J.D. Smith	1959
1,035	Frank Gore	2012
1,024	Kevan Barlow	2003
1,019	Garrison Hearst	1997
1,018	Joe Perry	1953
1,013	Ricky Watters	1992

## RECEIVING

YARDS	PLAYER	YEAR
*1,848	Jerry Rice	1995
1,570	Jerry Rice	1986
1,503	Jerry Rice	1993
1,502	Jerry Rice	1990
1,499	Jerry Rice	1994
1,483	Jerry Rice	1989
1,451	Terrell Owens	2000
1,412	Terrell Owens	2001
1,344	Dave Parks	1965
1,306	Jerry Rice	1988
1,300	Terrell Owens	2002
1,254	Jerry Rice	1996
1,206	Jerry Rice	1991
1,201	Jerry Rice	1992
1,157	Jerry Rice	1998
1,105	Dwight Clark	1981
1,102	Terrell Owens	2003
1,100	Gene Washington	1970
1,097	Terrell Owens	1998
1,078	Jerry Rice	1987
1,077	John Taylor	1989
1,032	R.C. Owens	1961
1,016	Roger Craig	1985
1,011	John Taylor	1991

## PASSING

YARDS	PLAYER	YEAR
4,278	Jeff Garcia	2000
4,170	Steve Young	1998
4,023	Steve Young	1993
3,969	Steve Young	1994
3,944	Joe Montana	1990
3,910	Joe Montana	1983
3,653	Joe Montana	1985
3,652	Steve DeBerg	1979
3,630	Joe Montana	1984
3,565	Joe Montana	1981
3,538	Jeff Garcia	2001
3,521	Joe Montana	1989
3,465	Steve Young	1992
3,344	Jeff Garcia	2002
3,200	Steve Young	1995
3,150	Alex Smith	2011
3,112	John Brodie	1965
3,054	Joe Montana	1987
3,029	Steve Young	1997
3,020	John Brodie	1968



# 49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

## RUSHING (BASED ON YARDS)

YEAR	PLAYER	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	RANK
1946	Standlee, Norm	134	683	5.1	—	2	—
1947	Strzykalski, John	143	906	6.3	50	5	—
1948	Strzykalski, John	141	915	6.5	—	4	—
1949	Perry, Joe	115	783	6.8	59	8	—
1950	Perry, Joe	124	647	5.2	78t	5	5
1951	Perry, Joe	136	677	5.0	58t	3	5
1952	Perry, Joe	158	725	4.6	78t	8	3
1953	Perry, Joe	192	1,018	5.3	51t	10	1
1954	Perry, Joe	173	1,049	6.1	58	8	1
1955	Perry, Joe	156	701	4.5	42	2	5
1956	McElhenny, Hugh	185	916	5.0	86t	8	3
1957	McElhenny, Hugh	102	478	4.7	61	1	15
1958	Perry, Joe	125	758	6.1	73t	4	3
1959	Smith, J.D.	207	1,036	5.0	73t	10	2
1960	Smith, J.D.	174	780	4.5	41	5	5
1961	Smith, J.D.	167	823	4.9	33	8	5
1962	Smith, J.D.	258	907	3.5	28	6	6
1963	Smith, J.D.	162	560	3.5	52t	5	13
1964	Kopay, Dave	75	271	3.6	18	0	32
1965	Willard, Ken	189	778	4.1	32	5	4
1966	Willard, Ken	191	763	4.0	49	5	5
1967	Willard, Ken	169	510	3.0	20	5	17
1968	Willard, Ken	227	967	4.3	69t	7	2
1969	Willard, Ken	171	557	3.3	18	7	13
1970	Willard, Ken	236	789	3.3	20	7	9/6
1971	Willard, Ken	216	855	4.0	49	4	15/9
1972	Washington, Vic	141	468	3.3	33	3	42/20
1973	Washington, Vic	151	534	3.5	25	8	32/15
1974	Jackson, Wilbur	174	705	4.1	64	0	17/8
1975	Williams, Delvin	117	631	5.4	52	3	21/13
1976	Williams, Delvin	248	1,203	4.9	80t	7	3/2
1977	Williams, Delvin	268	931	3.5	40	7	10/5
1978	Simpson, O.J.	161	593	3.7	34	1	39/19
1979	Hofer, Paul	123	615	5.0	47	7	33/17
1980	Cooper, Earl	171	720	4.2	47	5	23/12
1981	Patton, Ricky	152	543	3.6	28	4	35/16
1982	Moore, Jeff	85	281	3.3	19	4	37/16
1983	Tyler, Wendell	176	856	4.9	39	4	19/10
1984	Tyler, Wendell	246	1,262	5.1	40	7	5/5
1985	Craig, Roger	214	1,050	4.9	62t	9	13/8
1986	Craig, Roger	204	830	4.1	25	7	13/8
1987	Craig, Roger	215	815	3.8	25	3	8/5
1988	Craig, Roger	310	1,502	4.8	46t	9	3/2
1989	Craig, Roger	271	1,054	3.9	27	6	10/5
1990	Carter, Dexter	114	460	4.0	74t	1	39/19
1991	Henderson, Keith	137	561	4.1	25	2	30/11
1992	Watters, Ricky	206	1,013	4.9	43	9	13/8
1993	Watters, Ricky	208	950	4.6	39	10	12/8
1994	Watters, Ricky	239	877	3.7	23	6	15/8
1995	Loville, Derek	218	723	3.3	27	10	24/13
1996	Kirby, Terry	134	559	4.2	31	3	33/15
1997	Hearst, Garrison	234	1,019	4.4	51	4	15/7
1998	Hearst, Garrison	310	1,570	5.1	96t	7	3/2
1999	Garner, Charlie	241	1,229	5.1	53	4	8/5
2000	Garner, Charlie	258	1,142	4.4	42	7	16/7
2001	Hearst, Garrison	252	1,206	4.8	43t	4	10/5
2002	Hearst, Garrison	215	972	4.5	40	8	21/9
2003	Barlow, Kevan	201	1,024	5.1	78t	6	17t/6t
2004	Barlow, Kevan	244	822	3.4	60	7	26/12
2005	Gore, Frank	127	608	4.8	72t	3	32/14
2006	Gore, Frank	312	1,695	5.4	72	8	3/1
2007	Gore, Frank	260	1,102	4.2	43t	5	13/5
2008	Gore, Frank	240	1,036	4.3	41t	6	13t/9
2009	Gore, Frank	229	1,120	4.9	80t	10	11t/5
2010	Gore, Frank	203	853	4.2	64	3	21/8
2011	Gore, Frank	282	1,211	4.3	55	8	6/3
2012	Gore, Frank	211	1,035	4.9	37	7	—

## PASSING (BASED ON RATING)

YEAR	PLAYER	ATT	CMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	RTG	RANK
1946	Albert, Frank	197	104	52.9	1,404	14	14	—	—
1947	Albert, Frank	242	128	52.9	1,692	18	15	—	—
1948	Albert, Frank	264	154	58.3	1,990	29	10	—	—
1949	Albert, Frank	260	129	49.6	1,862	27	16	—	—
1950	Albert, Frank	306	155	50.7	1,767	14	23	52.6	8
1951	Albert, Frank	166	90	50.7	1,116	5	10	60.2	8
1952	Tittle, Y.A.	208	106	51.0	1,407	11	12	66.4	5
1953	Tittle, Y.A.	259	149	57.5	2,121	20	16	84.0	3
1954	Tittle, Y.A.	295	170	57.6	2,205	9	9	78.4	7
1955	Tittle, Y.A.	287	147	51.2	2,185	17	28	56.5	4
1956	Tittle, Y.A.	218	124	56.9	1,641	7	12	68.5	7
1957	Tittle, Y.A.	279	176	63.1	2,157	13	15	79.6	6
1958	Tittle, Y.A.	208	120	57.7	1,467	9	15	59.1	3
1959	Tittle, Y.A.	199	102	51.3	1,331	10	15	58.2	4
1960	Brodie, John	207	103	49.8	1,111	6	9	57.8	5
1961	Brodie, John	283	155	54.8	2,588	14	12	84.5	4
1962	Brodie, John	304	175	57.6	2,272	18	16	78.1	6
1963	McHan, Lamar	195	83	42.3	1,243	8	11	54.3	15
1964	Brodie, John	392	193	49.2	2,498	14	16	64.3	12
1965	Brodie, John	391	242	61.9	3,112	30	16	95.2	3
1966	Brodie, John	427	232	54.3	2,810	16	22	65.5	8
1967	Brodie, John	349	168	48.1	2,013	11	16	57.5	11
1968	Brodie, John	404	234	57.9	3,020	22	21	77.9	3
1969	Brodie, John	347	194	55.9	2,405	16	15	74.9	7
1970	Brodie, John	378	223	59.0	2,941	24	10	93.9	1/1
1971	Brodie, John	387	208	53.7	2,642	18	24	64.7	12/6
1972	Spurrier, Steve	269	147	54.6	1,983	18	16	76.2	8/5
1973	Spurrier, Steve	157	83	52.9	882	4	7	59.2	21/13
1974	Owen, Tom	184	88	47.8	1,327	10	15	54.8	25/11
1975	Snead, Norm	189	108	57.1	1,337	9	10	77.2	11/5
1976	Plunkett, Jim	243	126	51.9	1,592	13	16	62.8	17/8
1977	Plunkett, Jim	248	128	51.6	1,693	9	14	62.1	17/8
1978	DeBerg, Steve	302	137	45.4	1,570	8	22	39.8	28/17
1979	DeBerg, Steve	578	347	60.0	3,652	17	21	70.3	13/5
1980	Montana, Joe	273	176	64.5	1,795	15	9	87.8	5/4
1981	Montana, Joe	488	311	63.7	3,565	19	12	88.2	4/1
1982	Montana, Joe	346	213	61.6	2,613	17	11	87.9	5/3
1983	Montana, Joe	515	332	64.5	3,910	26	12	94.6	5/3
1984	Montana, Joe	432	279	64.6	3,630	28	10	102.9	2/1
1985	Montana, Joe	494	303	61.3	3,653	27	13	91.3	3/1
1986	Montana, Joe	307	191	62.2	2,236	8	9	80.7	9/2
1987	Montana, Joe	398	266	66.8	3,054	31	13	102.1	1/1
1988	Montana, Joe	397	238	59.9	2,981	18	10	87.9	6/3
1989	Montana, Joe	386	271	70.2	3,521	26	8	112.4	1/1
1990	Montana, Joe	520	321	61.7	3,944	26	16	89.0	7/3
1991	Young, Steve	279	180	64.5	2,517	17	8	101.8	1/1
1992	Young, Steve	402	268	66.7	3,465	25	7	107.0	1/1
1993	Young, Steve	462	314	68.0	4,023	29	16	101.5	1/1
1994	Young, Steve	461	324	70.3	3,969	35	10	112.8	1/1
1995	Young, Steve	447	299	66.9	3,200	20	11	92.3	5/4
1996	Young, Steve	316	214	67.7	2,410	14	6	97.2	1/1
1997	Young, Steve	356	241	67.7	3,029	19	6	104.7	1/1
1998	Young, Steve	517	322	62.3	4,170	36	12	101.1	3/2
1999	Garcia, Jeff	375	225	60.0	2,544	11	11	77.9	17/10
2000	Garcia, Jeff	561	355	63.3	4,287	31	10	97.6	5/4
2001	Garcia, Jeff	504	316	62.7	3,538	32	12	94.8	3/2
2002	Garcia, Jeff	528	328	62.1	3,344	21	10	85.6	11t/4
2003	Garcia, Jeff	392	225	57.4	2,704	18	13	80.1	15/8
2004	Rattay, Tim	325	198	60.9	2,169	10	10	78.1	20/10
2005	Smith, Alex	165	84	50.9	875	1	11	40.8	N/A
2006	Smith, Alex	442	257	58.1	2,890	16	16	74.8	22/11
2007	Smith, Alex	193	94	48.7	914	2	4	57.2	N/A
2008	Hill, Shaun	288	181	62.8	2,046	13	8	87.5	12/7
2009	Smith, Alex	372	225	60.5	2,350	18	12	81.5	19/9
2010	Smith, Alex	342	204	59.6	2,370	14	10	82.1	21/9
2011	Smith, Alex	445	273	61.3	3,144	17	5	90.7	9/7
2012	Smith, Alex	217	152	70.0	1,731	13	5	104.1	—

# 49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

## RECEIVING (BASED ON CATCHES)

YEAR	PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	RANK
1946	Beals, Alyn	40	586	14.7	—	10	—
1947	Beals, Alyn	47	655	13.9	54	10	—
1948	Beals, Alyn	46	591	12.8	—	14	—
1949	Beals, Alyn	44	678	15.4	—	12	—
1950	Loyd, Alex	32	402	12.6	38	0	18
1951	Soitau, Gordy	59	826	14.0	48t	7	2
1952	Soitau, Gordy	55	774	14.1	49t	7	4
1953	Wilson, Billy	51	840	16.5	61t	10	6
1954	Wilson, Billy	60	830	13.8	43	5	1
1955	Wilson, Billy	53	831	15.7	72t	7	2
1956	Wilson, Billy	60	889	14.8	77t	5	1
1957	Wilson, Billy	52	757	14.6	40	6	1
1958	Conner, Clyde	49	512	10.4	26	5	5
1959	Wilson, Billy	44	540	12.3	57t	4	6
1960	Conner, Clyde	38	531	14.0	65t	2	1
1961	Owens, R.C.	55	1,032	18.8	54	5	7
1962	Casey, Bernie	53	819	15.5	48t	6	11
1963	Casey, Bernie	47	762	16.2	68t	7	14
1964	Casey, Bernie	58	808	13.9	63t	4	6
1965	Parks, Dave	80	1,344	16.8	53t	12	1
1966	Parks, Dave	66	974	14.8	65t	5	3
1967	Witcher, Dick	46	705	15.3	63t	3	17
1968	McNeil, Clifton	71	994	14.0	65t	7	1
1969	Washington, Gene	51	711	13.9	52	3	10
	Cunningham, Doug, RB	51	484	9.5	58	0	11
1970	Washington, Gene	53	1,100	20.8	79t	12	4/3
1971	Kwalick, Ted	52	664	12.8	42t	5	4/2
1972	Washington, Gene	46	978	20.0	62t	12	13/7
1973	Kwalick, Ted	47	729	15.5	48	5	10/6
1974	Schreiber, Larry, RB	30	217	7.2	16	1	60/36
1975	Washington, Gene	44	735	16.7	68t	9	31/10
1976	Washington, Gene	33	457	13.8	55t	6	52/25
	Jackson, Wilbur, RB	33	324	9.8	32	1	53/27
1977	Washington, Gene	32	638	19.9	47t	5	52/22
1978	Solomon, Freddie	31	458	14.8	58	2	83/42
1979	Hofer, Paul, RB	58	662	11.4	44	2	17/7
1980	Cooper, Earl, RB	83	567	6.8	66t	4	2/1
1981	Clark, Dwight	85	1,105	13.0	78t	4	2/1
1982	Clark, Dwight	60	913	15.2	51	5	1/1
1983	Clark, Dwight	70	840	12.0	46t	8	11/5
1984	Craig, Roger, RB	71	675	9.5	64t	3	11/6
1985	Craig, Roger, RB	92	1,016	11.0	73	6	1/1
1986	Rice, Jerry	86	1,570	18.3	66t	15	2/1
1987	Craig, Roger, RB	66	492	7.5	35t	1	3/2
1988	Craig, Roger, RB	76	534	7.0	22	1	7/5
1989	Rice, Jerry	82	1,483	18.1	68t	17	5/4
1990	Rice, Jerry	100	1,502	15.0	64t	13	1/1
1991	Rice, Jerry	80	1,206	15.1	73t	14	5/3
1992	Rice, Jerry	84	1,201	14.3	80t	10	5/3
1993	Rice, Jerry	98	1,503	15.3	80t	15	2/2
1994	Rice, Jerry	112	1,499	13.4	69t	13	2/1
1995	Rice, Jerry	+122	*1,848	15.1	81t	15	2/2
1996	Rice, Jerry	108	1,254	11.6	39	8	1/1
1997	Owens, Terrell	60	936	15.6	56t	8	32t/13t
1998	Rice, Jerry	82	1,157	14.1	75t	9	7t/3t
1999	Rice, Jerry	67	830	12.4	62	5	31t/19
2000	Owens, Terrell	97	1,451	15.0	69t	13	5/2
2001	Owens, Terrell	93	1,412	15.2	60t	16	9/4
2002	Owens, Terrell	100	1,300	13.0	76t	13	4t/2
2003	Owens, Terrell	80	1,102	13.8	75t	9	12/7
2004	Johnson, Eric, TE	82	825	10.1	25	2	35/14
2005	Lloyd, Brandon	48	733	15.3	89t	5	44/20
2006	Gore, Frank, RB	61	485	8.0	39	1	40t/21t
2007	Gore, Frank, RB	53	436	8.2	23t	1	54t/27t
2008	Bruce, Isaac	61	835	13.7	63	7	37/19
2009	Davis, Vernon, TE	78	965	12.4	73t	13	19t/10
2010	Davis, Vernon, TE	56	914	16.3	66t	7	51/23
2011	Crabtree, Michael	73	880	12.1	52t	4	24t/15t
2012	Crabtree, Michael	66	761	11.7	36	5	--

+ Team Record \* NFL Record

## PUNTING (BASED ON GROSS AVG.)

YEAR	PLAYER	NO	AVG	LG	BLCK	RANK
1946	Albert, Frank	54	41.0	73	0	—
1947	Albert, Frank	40	44.0	69	1	—
1948	Albert, Frank	35	44.8	82	0	—
1949	Albert, Frank	31	48.2	72	0	—
1950	Lillywhite, Verl	26	39.1	57	1	11
1951	Albert, Frank	34	44.3	66	0	2
1952	Albert, Frank	68	42.6	70	0	5
1953	Powers, Jim	42	40.6	55	1	8
1954	Brown, Hardy	10	38.4	58	0	11
1955	Luna, Bob	63	40.6	63	3	8
1956	Jessup, Bill	14	40.2	63	0	16
1957	Barnes, Larry	19	47.1	86	0	13
1958	Atkins, Bill	25	39.3	51	0	11
1959	Davis, Tommy	59	45.7	71	0	3
1960	Davis, Tommy	62	44.1	74	0	3
1961	Davis, Tommy	50	45.4	67	0	3
1962	Davis, Tommy	48	45.6	82	0	1
1963	Davis, Tommy	73	45.4	64	2	4
1964	Davis, Tommy	79	45.6	68	0	4
1965	Davis, Tommy	54	45.8	65	0	2
1966	Davis, Tommy	63	41.4	60	0	6
1967	Spurrier, Steve	73	37.6	61	1	12
1968	Spurrier, Steve	68	39.0	54	0	12
1969	Davis, Tommy	23	41.5	55	0	17
1970	Spurrier, Steve	75	38.4	58	0	14/11
1971	McCann, Jim	49	38.7	54	1	25/12
1972	McCann, Jim	64	39.7	63	1	21/10
1973	Wittum, Tom	79	43.7	62	0	4/1
1974	Wittum, Tom	68	41.2	67	1	4/2
1975	Wittum, Tom	67	41.9	64	3	3/2
1976	Wittum, Tom	89	40.8	64	3	3/2
1977	Wittum, Tom	77	36.4	54	3	26/13
1978	Connell, Mike	96	37.3	59	1	21/10
1979	Melville, Dan	71	37.0	53	1	25/14
1980	Miller, Jim	77	40.9	65	0	10/5
1981	Miller, Jim	93	41.5	65	0	15/6
1982	Miller, Jim	44	38.1	80	1	25/13
1983	Orosz, Tom	65	39.3	61	1	25/11
1984	Runager, Max	56	41.8	59	1	17/17
1985	Runager, Max	86	39.8	57	1	26/13
1986	Runager, Max	83	41.6	62	2	10/6
1987	Runager, Max	55	39.2	56	1	22/11
1988	Helton, Barry	78	39.3	53	1	21/11
1989	Helton, Barry	55	40.5	56	1	12/8
1990	Helton, Barry	69	36.8	56	1	28/1
1991	Prokop, Joe	40	38.5	58	0	27/13
1992	Wilmsmeyer, Klaus	49	39.1	58	0	26/14
1993	Wilmsmeyer, Klaus	42	40.9	61	0	23/11
1994	Wilmsmeyer, Klaus	54	41.4	60	0	14t/7t
1995	Thompson, Tommy	57	40.6	65	0	25/13t
1996	Thompson, Tommy	73	44.1	65	2	10/4
1997	Thompson, Tommy	78	40.8	55	1	30/15
1998	Roby, Reggie	60	41.9	66	0	22/9
1999	Stanley, Chad	69	39.7	70	2	26/11
2000	Stanley, Chad	69	39.5	56	1	27/12
2001	Baker, Jason	69	40.8	64	0	23/13
2002	Baker, Jason	42	40.2	51	0	25t/13
2003	LaFleur, Bill	68	38.7	56	1	29t/16
2004	Lee, Andy	96	41.6	81	0	20/10
2005	Lee, Andy	107	41.6	58	1	25/12
2006	Lee, Andy	81	44.8	66	0	7/6
2007	Lee, Andy	105	47.3	74	0	2/1
2008	Lee, Andy	66	47.8	82	1	4/3
2009	Lee, Andy	99	47.6	64	0	2/2
2010	Lee, Andy	91	46.2	64	0	4/2
2011	Lee, Andy	78	50.9	68	1	1/1
2012	Lee, Andy	55	47.3	66	0	--



# 49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

SCORING (BASED ON POINTS)						
YEAR	PLAYER	TD	PAT	FG	POINTS	RANK
1946	Beals, Alyn	10	1	0	61	—
1947	Beals, Alyn	10	0	0	60	—
1948	Beals, Alyn	14	0	0	84	—
1949	Beals, Alyn	12	1	0	73	—
1950	Soltau, Gordy	1	26	4	44	22
1951	Soltau, Gordy	7	30	6	90	5
1952	Soltau, Gordy	7	34	6	94	—
1953	Soltau, Gordy	6	48	10	114	1
1954	Soltau, Gordy	2	31	11	76	4
1955	Soltau, Gordy	1	27	3	42	24
	Wilson, Billy	7	0	0	42	24
1956	Soltau, Gordy	1	26	13	71	6
1957	Soltau, Gordy	0	33	9	60	9
1958	Soltau, Gordy	0	29	8	53	20
1959	Davis, Tommy	0	31	12	67	9
1960	Davis, Tommy	0	21	12	67	9
1961	Davis, Tommy	0	44	12	80	8
1962	Davis, Tommy	0	36	10	66	16
1963	Davis, Tommy	0	24	10	54	21
1964	Davis, Tommy	0	30	8	54	24
1965	Davis, Tommy	0	52	17	103	4
1966	Davis, Tommy	0	38	16	86	12
1967	Davis, Tommy	0	33	14	75	10
1968	Davis, Tommy	0	26	9	53	19
1969	Willard, Ken	10	0	0	60	21
1970	Gossett, Bruce	0	39	21	102	6/4
1971	Gossett, Bruce	0	32	23	101	5/3
1972	Gossett, Bruce	0	41	18	95	13/7
1973	Gossett, Bruce	0	26	26	104	7/4
1974	Gossett, Bruce	0	25	11	58	25/8
1975	Mike-Mayer, Steve	0	27	14	69	22/9
1976	Mike-Mayer, Steve	0	26	16	74	25/9
1977	Williams, Delvin	9	0	0	54	14/10
1978	Wersching, Ray	0	24	15	69	22/9
1979	Wersching, Ray	0	32	20	92	12/5
1980	Wersching, Ray	0	33	15	78	18/10
1981	Wersching, Ray	0	30	17	81	22/13
1982	Wersching, Ray	0	23	12	59	9/4
1983	Wersching, Ray	0	51	25	126	3/3
1984	Wersching, Ray	0	56	25	131	1/1
1985	Wersching, Ray	0	52	13	91	21/11
1986	Wersching, Ray	0	41	25	116	3/3
1987	Rice, Jerry	23	0	0	138	1/1
1988	Cofer, Mike	0	40	27	121	2/1
1989	Cofer, Mike	0	49	29	136	1/1
1990	Cofer, Mike	0	39	24	111	4/3
1991	Cofer, Mike	0	49	14	91	17/8
1992	Cofer, Mike	0	53	18	107	8/4
1993	Cofer, Mike	0	59	16	107	11/6
1994	Brien, Doug	0	60	15	105	11/4
1995	Rice, Jerry	17	1(2PT)	0	104	19/10
1996	Wilkins, Jeff	0	40	30	130	4/2
1997	Anderson, Gary	0	38	29	125	3/2
1998	Richey, Wade	0	49	18	103	14/6
1999	Richey, Wade	0	30	21	93	21/8
2000	Richey, Wade	0	43	15	88	28/13
2001	Cortez, Jose	0	47	18	101	16/8
2002	Owens, Terrell	14	0	0	84	8/3*
2003	Peterson, Todd	0	22	12	58	30/14
2004	Peterson, Todd	0	23	18	77	42/18
2005	Nedney, Joe	0	19	26	97	22/8t
2006	Nedney, Joe	0	29	29	116	7t/4t
2007	Nedney, Joe	0	22	17	73	35/17
2008	Nedney, Joe	0	34	29	121	15/9
2009	Nedney, Joe	0	33	17	84	28t/14
2010	Nedney, Joe	0	17	11	50	65t/31t
2011	Akers, David	0	34	44	166	1/1
2012	Akers, David	0	35	23	104	—

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE						
YEAR	PLAYER	ATT	MADE	PCT	LONG	RANK
1946	Vetrano, Joe	7	4	.571	26	—
1947	Vetrano, Joe	8	4	.500	30	—
1948	Vetrano, Joe	8	5	.625	47	—
1949	Vetrano, Joe	4	3	.750	28	—
1950	Soltau, Gordy	8	4	.500	26	DNQ
1951	Soltau, Gordy	18	6	.333	42	9
1952	Soltau, Gordy	12	6	.500	31	5
1953	Soltau, Gordy	15	10	.667	39	2
1954	Soltau, Gordy	18	11	.611	37	3
1955	Soltau, Gordy	12	3	.250	28	11
1956	Soltau, Gordy	20	13	.650	40	3
1957	Soltau, Gordy	15	9	.600	37	5
1958	Soltau, Gordy	21	8	.381	39	9
1959	Davis, Tommy	26	12	.462	43	5
1960	Davis, Tommy	32	19	.594	40	7
1961	Davis, Tommy	22	12	.545	46	6
1962	Davis, Tommy	23	10	.435	42	15
1963	Davis, Tommy	31	10	.323	46	22
1964	Davis, Tommy	25	8	.320	*53	19
1965	Davis, Tommy	27	17	.630	*53	5t
1966	Davis, Tommy	31	16	.516	46	15t
1967	Davis, Tommy	33	14	.424	50	23
1968	Davis, Tommy	16	9	.563	38	14
1969	Davis, Tommy	10	3	.300	48	DNQ
	Gavric, Momcilo	11	3	.273	32	DNQ
1970	Gossett, Bruce	31	21	.611	48	5/3
1971	Gossett, Bruce	36	23	.639	48	9/5
1972	Gossett, Bruce	29	18	.621	50	15/6
1973	Gossett, Bruce	33	26	.788	54	1**/1
1974	Gossett, Bruce	24	11	.458	46	22/11
1975	Mike-Mayer, Steve	28	14	.500	54	22t/11
1976	Mike-Mayer, Steve	28	16	.571	45	16t/9
1977	Wersching, Ray	17	10	.588	50	15/5
1978	Wersching, Ray	23	15	.652	45	12/6
1979	Wersching, Ray	24	20	.833	45	2/1
1980	Wersching, Ray	19	15	.789	47	2/1
1981	Wersching, Ray	23	17	.739	45	5/4
1982	Wersching, Ray	17	12	.706	45	15/8
1983	Wersching, Ray	30	25	.833	52	5t/1t
1984	Wersching, Ray	35	25	.714	53	17/11
1985	Wersching, Ray	21	13	.619	45	22/11
1986	Wersching, Ray	35	25	.714	50	11t/5t
1987	Wersching, Ray	17	13	.764	45	12/6
1988	Cofer, Mike	38	27	.711	52	17/10
1989	Cofer, Mike	36	29	.806	47	4/2
1990	Cofer, Mike	36	24	.666	*56	26t/11t
1991	Cofer, Mike	28	14	.500	50	28/14
1992	Cofer, Mike	27	18	.666	46	21/11
1993	Cofer, Mike	26	16	.615	46	26/12
1994	Brien, Doug	20	15	.750	48	20/7
1995	Wilkins, Jeff	13	12	.923	40	DNQ
1996	Wilkins, Jeff	34	30	.882	49	4/3
1997	Anderson, Gary	36	29	.806	51	11/7
1998	Richey, Wade	27	18	.667	46	27t/13t
1999	Richey, Wade	23	21	.913	52	1**/1
2000	Richey, Wade	22	15	.681	47	28/14
2001	Cortez, Jose	25	18	.720	52	21/12
2002	Cortez, Jose	24	18	.750	45	26/13t
2003	Peterson, Todd	15	12	.800	48	DNQ
2004	Peterson, Todd	22	18	.818	51	15t/6t
2005	Nedney, Joe	28	26	.929	56	3/2
2006	Nedney, Joe	35	29	.829	51	16/9
2007	Nedney, Joe	19	17	.895	50	5/1
2008	Nedney, Joe	33	29	.878	53	12/7
2009	Nedney, Joe	21	17	.810	51	21/9
2010	Reed, Jeff	10	9	.900	47	NA
2011	Akers, David	52	44	.846	55	14/7
2012	Akers, David	32	23	.719	63*	—

\* LONGEST FIELD GOAL IN NFL THAT YEAR; \*\* LEADER BASED ON FIELD GOAL PCT OF KICKERS WITH 15-OR-MORE MADE; DNQ - DID NOT QUALIFY FOR THE LEAGUE MINIMUM



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## KICKOFF RETURNS (BASED ON AVERAGE)

YEAR	PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	RANK
1946	Eshmont, Len	10	264	26.4	—	0	*
1947	Eshmont, Len	9	177	19.7	—	0	*
1948	Hall, Forrest	13	369	28.4	—	0	3
1949	Perry, Joe	14	337	24.1	—	0	5
1950	Cathcart, Sam	14	329	23.9	62	0	20
1951	Arenas, Joe	21	542	25.8	49	0	8
1952	McElhenny, Hugh	18	396	22.0	40	0	16
1953	Arenas, Joe	16	551	34.4	82	0	1
1954	Arenas, Joe	16	362	22.6	41	0	11
1955	Arenas, Joe	24	594	24.8	42	0	7
1956	Arenas, Joe	27	801	29.7	96t	1	2
1957	Arenas, Joe	24	657	27.4	64	0	2
1958	Smith, J.D.	15	356	23.7	39	0	8
1959	Lyles, Lenny	25	565	22.6	46	0	10
1960	Lyles, Lenny	17	526	30.9	97t	1	2
1961	Woodson, Abe	27	782	29.0	98t	1	3
1962	Woodson, Abe	37	1,157	31.3	79	0	1
1963	Woodson, Abe	29	935	32.2	103t	3	1
1964	Woodson, Abe	32	880	27.5	70	0	4
1965	Alexander, Kermit	32	741	23.2	46	0	20
1966	Alexander, Kermit	37	984	26.6	56	0	7
1967	Cunningham, Doug	31	826	26.6	94	0	5
1968	Alexander, Kermit	20	360	18.0	35	0	24
1969	Smith, Noland	14	310	22.1	60	0	*
1970	Smith, Noland	14	315	22.5	60	0	16
1971	Washington, Vic	33	858	26.0	74	0	12/8
1972	Washington, Vic	27	771	28.6	98t	1	4/3
1973	Washington, Vic	24	549	22.9	38	0	26/10
1974	Holmes, Mike	25	612	24.5	57	0	15/6
1975	Moore, Manfred	26	650	25.0	52	0	10/5
1976	Leonard, Anthony	26	553	21.3	39	0	29/13
1977	Hofer, Paul	36	871	24.2	48	0	12/7
1978	Williams, Dave	34	745	21.9	89t	1	23/8
1979	Owens, James	41	1,002	24.4	85t	1	5/3
1980	Owens, James	31	726	23.4	101t	1	4/3
1981	Lawrence, Amos	17	437	25.7	92t	1	3/2
1982	McLemore, Dana	16	353	22.1	45	0	18/9
1983	McLemore, Dana	30	576	19.2	39	0	30/14
1984	Monroe, Carl	27	561	20.8	44	0	19/9
1985	Monroe, Carl	28	717	25.6	95t	1	4/3
1986	Crawford, Derrick	15	280	18.7	34	0	*
1987	Rodgers, Del	17	358	21.1	50	0	*
1988	DuBose, Doug	32	608	19.0	44	0	27/11
1989	Flagler, Terrence	32	643	20.1	41	0	18/11
1990	Carter, Dexter	41	783	19.1	35	0	21/11
1991	Carter, Dexter	37	839	22.7	98t	1	5/3
1992	Logan, Marc	22	478	21.7	82	0	9/6
1993	Carter, Dexter	25	494	19.8	60	0	18/11
1994	Carter, Dexter	48	1,105	23.0	96t	1	15/11
1995	Carter, Dexter	23	522	22.7	46	0	*
1996	Carter, Dexter	41	909	22.2	71	0	21/10
1997	Levy, Chuck	36	793	22.0	59	0	22/12
1998	Levy, Chuck	22	383	17.4	30	0	*
1999	McQuarters, R.W.	26	568	21.8	37	0	*
2000	Williams, Kevin	30	536	17.9	33	0	*
2001	Sutherland, Vinny	50	1,140	22.8	65	0	19/11
2002	Williams, Jimmy	35	765	21.9	50	0	29/18
2003	Wilson, Cedrick	37	836	22.6	95t	1	16/10
2004	Hicks, Maurice	31	623	20.1	35	0	33/19
2005	Hicks, Maurice	34	689	20.3	40	0	36/18
2006	Hicks, Maurice	57	1,428	25.1	64	0	12/4
2007	Hicks, Maurice	63	1,502	23.8	55	0	20/9
2008	Rossum, Allen	47	1,259	26.8	104t	1	6/3
2009	Robinson, Michael	18	414	23.0	40	0	*
2010	Ginn Jr., Ted	47	992	21.1	61	0	33/17
2011	Ginn Jr., Ted	29	800	27.6	102t	1	3/2
2012	Williams, Kyle	13	353	27.2	94	0	—

\* Insufficient returns to qualify for NFL rankings

## PUNT RETURNS (BASED ON AVERAGE)

YEAR	PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	RANK
1946	Casanega, Ken	18	248	13.8	—	0	*
1947	Vetrano, Joe	12	137	11.4	—	0	*
1948	Cason, Jim	22	309	14.0	—	0	*
1949	Cason, Jim	21	351	16.7	—	0	*
1950	Cathcart, Sam	16	185	11.6	29	0	10
1951	Arenas, Joe	21	272	13.0	51	0	6
1952	McElhenny, Hugh	20	284	14.2	94t	1	5
1953	McElhenny, Hugh	15	104	6.9	25	0	7
1954	Arenas, Joe	23	117	5.1	23	0	6
1955	Arenas, Joe	21	55	2.6	7	0	17
1956	Arenas, Joe	19	117	6.2	67t	1	8
1957	Arenas, Joe	25	80	3.2	26	0	13
1958	McElhenny, Hugh	24	93	3.9	18	0	16
1959	Woodson, Abe	15	143	9.5	65	0	6
1960	Woodson, Abe	13	174	13.4	48	0	1
1961	Woodson, Abe	16	172	10.8	80t	1	4
1962	Woodson, Abe	19	179	9.4	85t	1	4
1963	Woodson, Abe	13	95	7.3	13	0	13
1964	Alexander, Kermit	21	189	9.0	70t	1	8
1965	Alexander, Kermit	35	262	7.5	40	0	7
1966	Alexander, Kermit	30	198	6.6	44t	4	6
1967	Cunningham, Doug	27	249	9.2	57	0	3
1968	Alexander, Kermit	24	87	3.6	26	0	16
1969	Smith, Noland	10	46	4.6	18	0	19
1970	Taylor, Bruce	43	516	12.0	76	0	2/1
1971	Taylor, Bruce	34	235	6.9	38	0	15/6
1972	McGill, Ralph	22	219	10.0	33	0	4/3
1973	Taylor, Bruce	15	207	13.8	61	0	1/1
1974	McGill, Ralph	20	161	8.3	47	0	20/13
1975	McGill, Ralph	31	290	9.4	34	0	18/9
1976	Leonard, Anthony	35	293	8.4	60t	1	20/9
1977	Leonard, Anthony	22	154	7.0	19	0	30/13
1978	Steeptoe, Jack	11	129	11.7	28	0	*
1979	Solomon, Freddie	23	142	6.2	14	0	23/9
1980	Solomon, Freddie	27	298	11.0	57t	2	3/2
1981	Solomon, Freddie	29	173	6.0	19	0	25/13
1982	McLemore, Dana	7	156	22.3	93t	1	*
1983	McLemore, Dana	31	331	10.7	56t	1	6/2
1984	McLemore, Dana	45	521	11.6	79t	1	4/2
1985	McLemore, Dana	38	258	6.8	22	0	21/9
1986	Griffin, Don	38	377	9.9	76t	1	5/2
1987	McLemore, Dana	21	265	12.6	83t	1	2/2
1988	Taylor, John	44	556	12.6	95t	2	1/1
1989	Taylor, John	36	417	11.6	37	0	5/4
1990	Taylor, John	26	212	8.2	30	0	13/8
1991	Taylor, John	31	267	8.6	24	0	9/5
1992	Grant, Alan	29	249	8.6	46	0	12/6
1993	Carter, Dexter	34	411	12.1	72t	1	5/2
1994	Carter, Dexter	38	321	8.4	26	0	14/11
1995	Carter, Dexter	9	164	18.2	78t	1	*
1996	Carter, Dexter	36	317	8.8	52	0	18/9
1997	Uwaezuoke, Iheanyi	34	373	11.0	36	0	11/6
1998	McQuarters, R.W.	47	406	8.6	72t	1	19/10
1999	McQuarters, R.W.	18	90	5.0	32	0	*
2000	Williams, Kevin	26	220	8.5	25	0	*
2001	Sutherland, Vinny	21	147	7.0	19	0	*
2002	Williams, Jimmy	20	336	16.8	89t	1	1/1
2003	Williams, Jimmy	35	240	6.9	20	0	26/11
2004	Battle, Arnaz	31	266	8.6	71t	1	15/6
2005	Marshall, Rasheed	17	87	5.1	13	0	*
2006	Williams, Brandon	22	147	6.7	25	0	28/15
2007	Lewis, Michael	44	336	7.6	51	0	18/9
2008	Rossum, Allen	15	223	14.9	45	0	*
2009	Battle, Arnaz	21	61	2.9	18	0	28/13
2010	Ginn Jr., Ted	24	321	13.4	78t	1	3/2
2011	Ginn Jr., Ted	38	466	12.3	55t	1	4/3
2012	Ginn Jr., Ted	28	283	10.1	38	0	—

\* Insufficient returns to qualify for NFL rankings

# 49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

## INTERCEPTIONS

YEAR	PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	RANK
1946	Casanega, Ken	8	146	18.3	68	0	—
1947	Eshmont, Len	6	72	12.0	—	0	—
1948	Carr, Eddie	7	144	20.6	56	1	—
1949	Cason, Jim	9	152	19.9	—	0	—
1950	Powers, Jim	5	42	8.4	26	0	27
1951	Wagner, Lowell	9	115	12.8	40	0	8
1952	Wagner, Lowell	6	69	11.5	30	0	12
1953	Berry, Rex	7	142	20.3	29	1	8
1954	Berry, Rex	3	69	23.0	34t	1	32
1955	Moegle, Dick	6	50	8.3	37	0	14
1956	Moegle, Dick	6	75	12.5	31t	1	12
1957	Moegle, Dick	8	107	13.4	40	0	6
1958	Ridlon, Jim	4	10	2.5	3	0	23
1959	Baker, Dave	5	75	15.0	29	0	10
1960	Baker, Dave	10	96	9.6	28	0	1
1961	Baker, Dave	6	123	20.5	10	0	11
1962	Woodson, Abe	2	31	15.5	31	0	58
1963	Alexander, Kermit	5	72	17.4	38	0	18
1964	Alexander, Kermit	5	65	13.0	24	0	9
1965	Johnson, Jimmy	6	47	7.8	26	0	10
1966	Alexander, Kermit	4	73	18.3	55	0	25
1967	Alexander, Kermit	5	72	14.4	48	0	17
1968	Alexander, Kermit	9	155	17.2	66t	1	2
1969	Alexander, Kermit	5	39	7.8	22	0	14
1970	Taylor, Bruce	3	70	23.3	70	0	48/24
1971	Taylor, Bruce	3	68	22.7	49	0	65/33
1972	Johnson, Jimmy	4	18	4.5	15	0	43/17
1973	Taylor, Bruce	6	30	5.0	22	0	10/5
1974	McGill, Ralph	5	71	14.2	45	0	19/9
1975	Taylor, Bruce	3	29	9.7	15	0	75/36
1976	Rhodes, Bruce	3	42	14.0	30	0	—
1977	Washington, Dave	2	68	34.0	50	0	93/37
1978	Crist, Chuck	6	59	26.5	32	0	11/10
1979	Hicks, Dwight	5	57	11.4	29	0	28/12
1980	Hicks, Dwight	4	73	18.3	44	0	41/19
	Churchman, Ricky	4	7	1.8	7	0	41/19
1981	Hicks, Dwight	9	239	26.6	72	1	3/2
1982	Hicks, Dwight	3	5	1.7	3	0	22/8
1983	Wright, Eric	7	164	23.4	60t	2	6/4
1984	Turner, Keena	4	51	12.8	21	0	40/17
	Lott, Ronnie	4	26	6.5	15	0	48/21
1985	Lott, Ronnie	6	68	11.3	25	0	16/7

YEAR	PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	RANK
1986	Lott, Ronnie	10	134	13.4	57t	1	1/1
1987	Lott, Ronnie	5	62	12.4	34	0	11/7
	Griffin, Don	5	1	0.2	1	0	14/9
1988	McKyer, Tim	7	11	1.6	7	0	5/6
1989	Lott, Ronnie	5	34	6.8	28	0	16/9
1990	Waymer, Dave	7	64	9.1	24	0	4/4
1991	Waymer, Dave	4	77	19.3	42	0	23/13
1992	Griffin, Don	5	4	0.8	2	0	15/5
1993	McGruder, Michael	5	89	17.8	37	1	14t/6t
1994	Hanks, Merton	7	93	13.3	38	0	4t/4t
1995	Drakeford, Tyronne	5	54	10.8	37	0	16t/10t
	Hanks, Merton	5	31	6.2	23	0	16t/10t
1996	Pope, Marquez	6	98	16.3	55t	1	4t/2t
1997	Hanks, Merton	6	103	17.2	55t	1	5t/3t
1998	Walker, Darnell	4	78	19.5	36	0	—
	Hanks, Merton	4	37	9.3	37	0	—
	Bronson, Zack	4	34	8.5	28	0	—
	McDonald, Tim	4	22	5.5	18	0	—
1999	Schulters, Lance	6	127	21.2	64t	1	6t/3t
2000	Bronson, Zack	3	75	25.0	43	0	—
	Montgomery, Monty	3	68	22.7	46t	1	—
2001	Bronson, Zack	7	165	23.6	97t	2	7t/4t
	Plummer, Ahmed	7	45	6.4	24	0	7t/4t
2002	Parrish, Tony	7	204	29.1	60	0	3t/2t
2003	Parrish, Tony	9	202	22.4	49	0	1t/1t
2004	Parrish, Tony	4	64	16.0	26	0	21t/10t
2005	Spencer, Shawntae	4	85	21.3	61t	1	19t/9t
	Adams, Mike	4	36	9.0	40t	1	19t/9t
2006	Harris, Walt	8	84	10.5	42	1	3t/1t
2007	Nate Clements	4	74	18.5	62	0	23t/11t
	Walt Harris	4	42	10.5	23	0	23t/11t
2008	Walt Harris	3	25	8.3	24	0	30t/13t
	Takeo Spikes	3	14	4.7	13	0	30t/13t
2009	<b>Goldson, Dashon</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23t/14t</b>
2010	Clements, Nate	3	46	15.3	39	0	30/21t
	Spikes, Takeo	3	9	3.0	6	0	30/21t
	Spencer, Shawntae	3	0	0.0	0	0	30/21t
2011	<b>Goldson, Dashon</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4t/2t</b>
	<b>Rogers, Carlos</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>31t</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4t/2t</b>
2012	<b>Goldson, Dashon</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>N/A</b>

## QUARTERBACK SACK LEADERS (SINCE 1971)

YEAR	PLAYER	SACKS	YARDAGE
1971	Hardman, Cedrick	18.0	— NA —
1972	Hart, Tommy	17.0	— NA —
1973	Hardman, Cedrick	9.0	— NA —
1974	Hardman, Cedrick	9.0	— NA —
1975	Hardman, Cedrick	15.0	— NA —
1976	Hart, Tommy	16.0	— NA —
1977	Elam, Cleveland	17.5	— NA —
1978	Hardman, Cedrick	10.5	— NA —
1979	Board, Dwaine	7.0	52.0
1980	Stuckey, Jim	8.5	49.5
1981	Dean, Fred	12.0	106.5
1982	Dean, Fred	3.5	28.5
1983	Dean, Fred	17.5	151.5
1984	Board, Dwaine	10.0	82.0
1985	Board, Dwaine	11.5	95.5
1986	Haley, Charles	12.0	109.0
1987	Haley, Charles	6.0	42.0
1988	Haley, Charles	11.5	77.0
1989	Haley, Charles	10.5	88.5
	Holt, Pierce	10.5	85.5
1990	Haley, Charles	16.0	107
1991	Roberts, Larry	7.0	50.0
	Haley, Charles	7.0	49.0

YEAR	PLAYER	SACKS	YARDAGE
1992	Harris, Tim	17.0	116.0
1993	Stubblefield, Dana	10.5	61.5
1994	Stubblefield, Dana	8.5	53.5
1995	Jackson, Rickey	9.5	49.0
1996	Barker, Roy	12.5	74.5
1997	Stubblefield, Dana	15.0	99.0
1998	Doleman, Chris	15.0	81.5
1999	Young, Bryant	11.0	81.0
2000	Young, Bryant	9.5	77.5
2001	Carter, Andre	6.5	57.5
2002	Carter, Andre	12.5	84.0
2003	Peterson, Julian	7.0	64.0
2004	Engleberger, John	6.0	40.5
2005	Young, Bryant	8.0	50.0
2006	Moore, Brandon	6.5	56.0
2007	Young, Bryant	6.5	31.0
2008	<b>Haralson, Parys</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>45.0</b>
2009	Lawson, Manny	6.5	38.0
2010	<b>Smith, Justin</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>51.5</b>
2011	<b>Smith, Aldon</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>104.5</b>
2012	<b>Smith, Aldon</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>144.5</b>

# 49ERS YEARLY STATISTICAL LEADERS

## ALL-PURPOSE YARDS (SINCE 1950)

Year	Player	Rush		Rec		Off	Punt Ret		Kick Ret		Ret Def		Tot
		No	Yds	No	Yds	Yds	No	Yds	No	Yds	Yds	Yds	Yds
1950	Perry, Joe	124	647	13	69	716	0	0	12	223	0	0	939
1951	Perry, Joe	136	677	18	167	844	0	0	1	32	0	0	876
1952	McElhenny, Hugh	98	684	26	367	1,051	20	284	20	284	680	0	1,731
1953	McElhenny, Hugh	112	503	30	474	977	15	104	15	368	472	0	1,449
1954	Perry, Joe	173	1,049	26	203	1,252	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,252
1955	Wilson, Billy	0	0	53	831	831	0	0	0	0	0	0	831
1956	McElhenny, Hugh	185	916	16	193	1,109	15	38	13	300	338	0	1,447
1957	McElhenny, Hugh	102	478	37	458	936	0	0	0	0	0	0	936
1958	Perry, Joe	125	758	23	218	976	0	0	0	0	0	0	976
1959	Smith, J.D.	207	1,036	13	133	1,169	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,169
1960	Smith, J.D.	174	780	36	181	961	0	0	0	0	0	0	961
1961	Smith, J.D.	167	823	28	343	1,166	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,166
1962	Woodson, Abe	0	0	0	0	0	19	179	37	1,157	1,336	0	1,336
1963	Woodson, Abe	0	0	0	0	0	13	95	29	935	1,030	0	1,030
1964	Woodson, Abe	0	0	0	0	0	22	133	32	880	1,013	0	1,013
1965	Parks, Dave	0	0	80	1,344	1,344	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,344
1966	Alexander, Kermit	0	0	0	0	0	30	198	37	984	1,182	0	1,182
1967	Cunningham, Doug	0	0	0	0	0	27	249	31	826	1,075	0	1,075
1968	Willard, Ken	227	967	36	232	1,199	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,199
1969	Cunningham, Doug	147	541	51	484	1,025	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,025
1970	Washington, Gene	0	0	53	1,100	1,100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,100
1971	Washington, Vic	191	811	36	317	1,128	0	0	33	858	858	0	1,986
1972	Washington, Vic	141	468	43	393	861	0	0	27	771	771	0	1,632
1973	McGill, Ralph	0	0	0	0	0	22	186	17	374	560	0	560
1974	Jackson, Wilbur	174	705	23	190	895	0	0	0	0	0	0	895
1975	Williams, Delvin	117	631	34	370	1,001	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,001
1976	Williams, Delvin	248	1,203	27	283	1,486	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,486
1977	Williams, Delvin	268	931	20	179	1,110	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,110
1978	Williams, Dave	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	745	745	0	745
1979	Hofer, Paul	123	615	58	662	1,277	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,277
1980	Cooper, Earl	171	720	83	567	1,287	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,287
1981	Clark, Dwight	3	32	85	1,105	1,137	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,137
1982	Clark, Dwight	0	0	60	913	913	0	0	0	0	0	0	913
1983	Craig, Roger	176	725	48	427	1,152	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,152
1984	Tyler, Wendell	246	1,262	28	230	1,492	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,492
1985	Craig, Roger	214	1,050	92	1,016	2,066	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,066
1986	Rice, Jerry	10	72	86	1,570	1,642	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,642
1987	Craig, Roger	215	815	66	492	1,307	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,307
1988	Craig, Roger	310	1,502	76	534	2,036	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,036
1989	Taylor, John	1	6	60	1,077	1,083	36	417	2	51	468	0	1,551
1990	Rice, Jerry	2	0	100	1,502	1,502	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,502
1991	Rice, Jerry	1	2	80	1,206	1,208	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,208
1992	Watters, Ricky	206	1,013	43	405	1,418	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,418
1993	Rice, Jerry	3	69	98	1,503	1,572	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,572
1994	Watters, Ricky	239	877	66	719	1,596	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,596
1995	Rice, Jerry	5	36	122	1,848	1,884	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,884
1996	Rice, Jerry	11	77	108	1,254	1,331	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,331
1997	Hearst, Garrison	234	1,019	21	194	1,213	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,213
1998	Hearst, Garrison	310	1,570	39	535	2,105	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,105
1999	Garner, Charlie	241	1,229	56	535	1,764	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,764
2000	Garner, Charlie	258	1,142	68	647	1,789	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,789
2001	Hearst, Garrison	252	1,206	41	347	1,553	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,553
2002	Owens, Terrell	7	79	100	1,300	1,379	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,379
2003	Barlow, Kevan	201	1,024	35	307	1,331	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,331
2004	Barlow, Kevan	244	822	35	212	1,034	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,034
2005	Hicks, Maurice	59	308	3	12	320	0	0	34	689	689	0	1,009
2006	Gore, Frank	312	1,695	61	485	2,180	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,180
2007	Gore, Frank	260	1,102	53	436	1,538	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,538
2008	Rossum, Allen	1	1	1	4	5	15	223	47	1,259	1,482	0	1,487
2009	Gore, Frank	229	1,120	52	406	1,526	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,526
2010	Ginn Jr., Ted	2	11	12	163	174	24	321	47	992	1,313	0	1,487
2011	Gore, Frank	282	1,211	17	114	1,325	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,325
2012	Gore, Frank	211	1,035	23	179	1,214	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,214



# BEST PERFORMANCES VS. 49ERS

## SCORING

### Points

36 Gale Sayers, at Chi. (12/12/65)

### Touchdowns

6 Gale Sayers, at Chi. (12/12/65)

### PATs

8 Rafael Septien, at Dal. (10/12/80)  
8 Paige Cothren, vs. LA Rams (10/5/58)

### PAT Attempts

8 Rafael Septien, at Dal. (10/12/80)  
8 Paige Cothren, vs. LA Rams (10/5/58)

### Field Goals

6 Neil Rackers, at Arz. in Mexico City (10/2/05)  
5 Morten Andersen, at Atl. (9/3/00)  
Chris Jacke, at GB (10/14/96)  
Morten Andersen, at NO (10/25/87)  
Lou Michaels, at Bal. (9/25/66)

### Field Goal Attempts

7 Morten Andersen, at NO (10/25/87)

### Long Field Goal

59 Morten Andersen, at Atl. (12/24/95)  
56 Al Del Greco, at Hou. (10/27/96)  
55 John Kasay, at Car. (10/24/10)  
54 Josh Brown, at StL (1/3/10)  
Jan Stenerud, vs. KC (12/6/71)

## RUSHING

### Attempts

35 Clinton Portis, vs. Was. (12/18/04)  
Marcel Shipp, at Arz. (10/26/03)  
32 Calvin Hill, at Dal. (11/10/74)  
Steven Jackson, at StL Rams (12/21/08)

### Yards

192 Erric Pegram, vs. Atl. (9/19/93), 27 att.  
181 Willie Galimore, vs. Chi. (9/16/62), 22 att.  
175 Barry Sanders, vs. Det. (12/23/96), 28 att.  
174 Rudi Johnson, at Cin. (12/14/03), 21 att.  
174 Leroy Kelly, vs. Cle. (11/3/68), 27 att.

### Touchdowns

4 LaDainian Tomlinson, vs. SD (10/15/06)  
Gale Sayers, at Chi. (12/12/65)  
Rick Casares, vs. Chi. (10/28/56)

### Long

84t Chester Taylor, vs. Min. (12/9/07)

## PASSING

### Attempts

61 Brett Favre, at GB (10/14/96)  
60 Richard Todd, at NYJ (9/21/80)  
58 Glenn Foley, vs. NYJ (9/6/98)  
Jay Schroeder, at Was. (12/1/85)  
56 Marc Bulger, vs. StL (9/11/05)

### Completions

42 Richard Todd, at NYJ (9/21/80)  
35 Dieter Brock, at LA Rams (10/27/85)

### Yards

484 Kurt Warner, at Arz. (11/25/07)  
471 Brad Johnson, vs. Was. (12/26/99)  
460 Don Meredith, vs. Dal. (11/10/63)  
447 Richard Todd, at NYJ (9/21/80)  
444 Dan Fouts vs. SD (12/11/82)

### Touchdowns

5 Donovan McNabb, at Phi. (9/18/05)  
Kurt Warner, at StL (10/10/99)  
Vince Ferragamo, at LA Rams (10/23/83)  
Dan Fouts, vs. SD (12/11/82)

### Interceptions

7 Steve DeBerg, at TB (9/7/86)  
6 Steve Grogan, vs. NE (11/30/80)

### Long

96t Tobin Rote to Billy Grimes, vs. GB (12/10/50)

### Times Sacked

10 Phil Simms, vs. NYG (11/23/80)  
James Harris, at LA Rams (10/11/76)  
Bill Munson, vs. LA Rams (12/6/64)

## RECEIVING

### Receptions

17 Clark Gaines, at NYJ (9/21/80)  
12 Reggie Wayne, at Ind. (11/1/09)  
Tim Hightower, at Ari. (9/13/09)  
Cris Carter, vs. Min. (12/18/95)  
Michael Irvin, at Dal. (10/17/93)

### Yards

220 Don Beebe, at GB (10/14/96)  
214 Harlon Hill, vs. Chi. (10/31/54)  
213 Terrell Owens, at Dal. (11/23/08)  
210 Roddy White, vs. Atl. (10/11/09)  
202 Paul Flatley, vs. Min. (10/24/65)

### Touchdowns

4 Isaac Bruce, at StL (10/10/99)  
Ahmad Rashad, at Min. (9/2/79)  
Harlon Hill, vs. Chi. (10/31/54)

### Long

96t Billy Grimes, vs. GB (12/10/50)

## INTERCEPTIONS

### Interceptions

3 Bill Simpson, vs. LA Rams (11/20/77)  
Gene Howard, at LA Rams (11/21/71)  
Roy Winston, vs. Min. (10/25/64)  
Donald Doll, at Det. (10/8/50)

### Yards

107 Aaron Martin, at LA Rams (10/18/64)  
101 Tom Pridemore, at Atl. (9/20/81)

### Long

101t Tom Pridemore, at Atl. (9/20/81)

## PUNTING

### Punts

12 Wilbur Summers, vs. Det. (10/23/77)  
Rusty Jackson, vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)

### Average

58.5 Reggie Roby, at Mia. (9/28/86) (min. 4 pts)

### Long

90 Don Chandler, at GB (10/10/65)

## PUNT RETURNS

### RETURNS

### Returns

8 Rolland Lawrence, vs. Atl. (10/9/77)  
7 Nate Burleson, at Sea. (12/6/09)  
Alvin Pearman, at Jac. (12/18/05)  
J.T. Smith, at Phx. (11/6/88)  
Robbie Martin, vs. Ind. (10/5/86)  
LeRoy Irvin, vs. LA Rams (10/25/81)  
Roland Lawrence, vs. Atl. (10/23/76)

### Yards

184 Larry Watkins, at Det. (10/6/63)

### Long

90t Larry Watkins, at Det. (10/6/63)

## KICKOFF RETURNS

### Returns

9 Ahmad Merritt, vs. Chi. (9/7/03)  
Eric Metcalf, vs. Atl. (9/29/96)

### Yards

222 Leon Washington, vs. Sea. (12/12/10)  
208 Ron Smith, at Chi. (11/19/72)

### Long

109 Mel Gray, vs. NO (9/21/86)

# 49ERS SINGLE-SEASON TEAM RECORDS

## SCORING

### Most Points Scored

505 (1994, 16 games)  
479 (1998, 16 games)  
475 (1984, 16 games)

### Highest Average

31.6 (1994, 16 games)  
31.0 (1953, 12 games)  
30.6 (1987, 15 games)

### Fewest Points Scored

198 (1963, 14 games)  
208 (1960, 12 games)  
213 (1950, 12 games)  
209 (1982, 9 games)

### Lowest Average

13.7 (2007, 16 games)  
13.7 (1978, 16 games)  
14.1 (1963, 14 games)

## TOUCHDOWNS

### Most Scored

66 (1994, 16 games)  
61 (1998, 16 games)  
(1993, 16 games)  
59 (1987, 16 games)

### Fewest Scored

21 (1960, 12 games)  
23 (2005, 16 games)

### Most Allowed

54 (2004, 16 games)  
54 (1979, 16 games)  
53 (1999, 16 games)

### Fewest Allowed

23 (2011, 16 games)  
23 (1971, 14 games)  
24 (1984, 16 games)  
24 (1982, 9 games)  
24 (1951, 12 games)

### Most by Rushing

24 (1979, 16 games)  
(1955, 12 games)  
23 (1956, 12 games)

### Most by Passing

36 (1999, 16 games)  
29 (1980, 16 games)  
28 (2005, 16 games)

## KICKING

### Most Field Goals Made

44 (2011, 16 games)  
30 (1996, 16 games)  
29 (2008, 16 games)  
(2006, 16 games)  
(1997, 6 games)  
(1989, 16 games)

### Most PATs Made

60 (1994, 16 games)  
59 (1993, 16 games)  
56 (1984, 16 games)

## RUSHING

### Most Attempts

585 (1978, 16 games)  
576 (1976, 14 games)  
564 (1977, 14 games)

### Most Yards Gained

2,544 (1998, 16 games)  
2,523 (1988, 16 games)  
2,498 (1954, 12 games)

### Highest Average

5.7 (1954, 12 games)  
5.2 (1998, 16 games)  
5.0 (1953, 12 games)

### Most Touchdowns

28 (1954, 12 games)  
27 (1961, 14 games)  
26 (1993, 16 games)  
26 (1953, 12 games)

## PASSING

### Most Attempts

644 (1995, 16 games)  
602 (1979, 16 games)  
597 (1980, 16 games)  
583 (2000, 16 games)  
583 (1990, 16 games)

### Most Completions

432 (1995, 16 games)  
366 (2000, 16 games)  
363 (1980, 16 games)  
361 (1979, 16 games)  
360 (1990, 16 games)

### Highest Completion Pct.

70.3 (1994, 16 games)  
70.2 (1989, 16 games)  
67.6 (1993, 16 games)  
67.1 (1995, 16 games)  
66.5 (1992, 16 games)

### Most Yards Gained (Gross)

4,779 (1995, 16 games)  
4,584 (1989, 16 games)  
4,510 (1998, 16 games)  
4,480 (1993, 16 games)  
4,400 (2000, 16 games)

### Most Touchdowns

44 (1987, 16 games)  
41 (1998, 16 games)  
37 (1994, 16 games)  
35 (1965, 14 games)  
35 (1989, 16 games)

### Highest Avg. Gain Per Att.

9.49 (1989, 16 games)  
8.84 (1961, 14 games)  
8.55 (1993, 16 games)

## TOTAL NET YARDS

### Most Yards Gained

6,800 (1998, 16 games)  
6,435 (1993, 16 games)  
6,366 (1984, 16 games)  
6,268 (1989, 16 games)  
6,195 (1992, 16 games)

## FIRST DOWNS

### Most First Downs

381 (1998, 16 games)  
372 (1993, 16 games)  
362 (1994, 16 games)  
357 (1987, 15 games)  
356 (1984, 16 games)

### Most by Rushing

141 (2002, 16 games)  
141 (1988, 16 games)  
138 (1984, 16 games)

### Most by Passing

231 (1995, 16 games)  
223 (1998, 16 games)  
213 (1986, 16 games)

### Most by Penalty

34 (1978, 16 games)  
31 (2011, 16 games)  
30 (1994, 16 games)

## FUMBLES

### Most Opp. Fumbles Recovered

27 (1978, 16 games)  
22 (1959, 12 games)  
21 (1981, 16 games)  
21 (1950, 12 games)

## INTERCEPTIONS

### Most Thrown

36 (1978, 16 games)  
29 (1958, 12 games)  
28 (1974, 14 games)  
28 (1955, 12 games)

### Most Intercepted

39 (1986, 16 games)  
33 (1951, 12 games)  
27 (1981, 16 games)

## PENALTIES

### Most Penalties

134 (2000, 16 games)  
133 (1998, 16 games)  
120 (1999, 16 games)

### Most Yards Penalized

1,156 (1998, 16 games)  
1,135 (2000, 16 games)  
1,045 (1999, 16 games)

## QUARTERBACK SACKS

### Most Sacks Made

61 (1976, 14 games)  
60 (1985, 16 games)  
57 (1983, 16 games)  
54 (1997, 16 games)

### Most Sacks Allowed

55 (2008, 16 games)  
55 (2007, 16 games)  
53 (1998, 16 games)

### Fewest Sacks Allowed

20 (1982, 9 games)  
22 (2002, 16 games)  
24 (1991, 16 games)

### Best Season, win percentage

.938 – 1984

### Best Season, win total

Won 15, Lost 1 – 1984

### Worst Season, win percentage

.125 – 1978, 1979, 2002

### Longest Winning Streak

15 – 11/27/89 to 11/18/90

### Longest Winning Streak at Home

19 – 12/23/96 to 10/3/99

### Longest Losing Streak at Home

7 – 10/28/62 to 9/22/63

### Longest Winning Streak on Road

18 – 11/27/88 to 12/30/90

### Longest Losing Streak on Road

18 – 12/4/77 to 12/16/79

### Longest Losing Streak

9 – 10/8/78 to 12/3/78

### Most Consecutive Wins to start season

10 – 1990

### Most Consecutive Wins to end season

9 – 1984

### Most Consecutive Losses to start season

7 – 1979

### Most Consecutive Losses to end season

5 – 1963

### Total Shutouts by 49ers

28 – Last vs. StL (12/4/11)

### Most Shutouts in a Season

3 – 2001

### Most Consecutive Games Scored Points

420 – 10/16/77 to 9/19/04

### Largest Comeback Victory

38–35 (OT) victory vs. New Orleans at Candlestick Park, December 7, 1980 (came back from 35–7 deficit in 2nd qtr.)

# 49ERS SINGLE-GAME TEAM RECORDS

## SCORING

### Most Points Scored

56 vs. Atl. (10/18/92)  
55 at Det. (12/19/93)  
52 vs. Chi. (12/23/91)  
52 vs. Chi. (12/19/65)  
51 vs. Min. (12/8/84)

### Most Points Allowed

61 at Chi. (12/12/65)  
59 at Dal. (10/12/80)  
52 at Was. (10/23/05)

### Most Points by Both Teams

83 49ers 41, Vikings 42 (at SF), 10/24/65  
81 49ers 20, Bears 61 (at Chi.), 12/12/65  
81 49ers 38, Saints 43 (at NO), 11/23/69

### Most Points Scored in 1st Quarter

27 vs. GB (12/7/58)  
21 (Several times) Last: vs. Min. (12/18/95)

### Most Points Allowed in 1st Quarter

24 at Chi. (10/29/06)

### Most Points Scored in 2nd Quarter

28 at Min. (9/8/83)  
28 vs. LA Rams (10/28/51)  
24 (Several times) Last: vs. Atl. (12/4/94)

### Most Points Allowed in 2nd Quarter

28 at Min. (9/29/63)  
27 at NYG (10/14/79)

### Most Points Scored in 1st Half

42 vs. Atl. (10/18/92)  
41 at Min. (9/8/83)  
38 vs. LA Rams (10/28/51)

### Most Points Allowed in 1st Half

41 at Chi. (10/29/06)  
38 at Dal. (10/12/80)

### Most Points Scored in 3rd Quarter

21 vs. Arz. (1/2/11)  
21 at NO (9/4/88)  
21 at StL (9/18/83)  
21 vs. Hou. (12/13/81)  
21 vs. NO (10/21/73)

### Most Points Allowed in 3rd Quarter

24 vs. StL (10/6/74)  
21 (Several times) Last: at Ten. (11/27/05)

### Most Points Scored in 4th Quarter

28 vs. Chi. (12/22/91)  
28 at Phi. (9/24/89)  
28 at LA Rams (10/23/83)

### Most Points Allowed in 4th Quarter

28 at StL (12/30/02)  
23 vs. Phi. (10/12/08)  
22 at NO (10/20/02)

### Most Points Scored in 2nd Half

35 vs. Atl. (9/15/85)  
31 at LA Rams (10/23/83)  
30 vs. NO (10/21/73)

### Most Points Allowed in 2nd Half

36 at NO (11/23/69)  
35 at Jac. (9/12/99)

### Most Decisive Victory

49 49ers 49 at Lions 0, 10/1/61

### Most Decisive Loss

45 Cowboys 59 vs. 49ers 14, 10/12/80

## TOUCHDOWNS

### Most Scored

8 vs. Atl. (10/18/92)  
7 vs. Arz. (12/7/03)  
7 at Det. (12/19/93)  
7 vs. Chi. (12/23/91)  
7 vs. LA Rams (12/27/87)  
7 at Atl. (10/29/72)  
7 at Det. (10/1/61)  
7 vs. Dal. Texans (10/26/52)

### Most Allowed

9 at Chi. (12/12/65)  
8 at Dal. (10/12/80)  
at LA Rams (11/9/58)

### Most Scored by Rushing

6 at Det. (10/1/61)

### Most Allowed by Rushing

5 at Chi. (12/12/65)

### Most Scored by Passing

6 at Atl. (10/14/90)

### Most Allowed by Passing

5 (Five times) Last: at Phi. (9/18/05)

## KICKING

### Most Field Goals Made

6 vs. Atl. (9/29/96)  
6 at NO (10/16/83)

### Most Field Goals Allowed

6 vs. Arz. (10/2/05), Mex. City

## NET YARDS

### Most Yards Gained

621 vs. Buf. (10/7/12) (311 rush, 310 pass)  
598 vs. Buf. (9/13/92) (159 rush, 439 pass)  
597 vs. Bal. (12/13/53) (252 rush, 345 pass)  
590 vs. Atl. (10/18/92) (191 rush, 399 pass)

### Most Yards Allowed

584 at Chi. (12/12/65) (183 rush, 401 pass)  
583 at Phi. (9/18/05) (140 rush, 443 pass)  
577 vs. LA Rams (11/9/58) (324 rush, 253 pass)

### Fewest Yards Gained

61 at Det. (10/6/63) (71 rush, -10 pass)  
81 vs. GB (12/10/60) (71 rush, 10 pass)  
88 vs. LA Rams (11/21/76) (70 rush, 18 pass)

### Fewest Yards Allowed

44 vs. Atl. (10/23/76) (83 rush, -39 pass)  
61 at Det. (10/6/63) (71 rush, -10 pass)  
65 at Det. (10/12/52) (40 rush, 25 pass)

## FIRST DOWNS

### Most First Downs

36 vs. Ind. (10/18/98)  
33 vs. Hou. (11/8/87)  
32 vs. LA Rams (11/20/94)

### Most First Downs Allowed

32 at StL (9/17/00)

### Fewest First Downs

3 vs. Bal. (11/22/59)  
5 at Bal. (10/13/63)

### Fewest First Downs Allowed

2 vs. NO (10/21/73)  
4 at Det. (10/12/52)  
5 at Bal. (10/13/63)

### Most by Rushing

21 vs. Det. (12/14/98)  
20 at Min. (10/15/61)

### Fewest by Rushing

0 at Min. (12/14/69)  
0 at Bal. (10/13/63)

### Most Allowed by Passing

19 at GB (10/11/59)

### Fewest Allowed by Rushing

0 (Seven times) Last: at Arz. (11/29/10)

### Most by Passing

24 at Cin. (12/5/99)  
24 at Atl. (10/14/90)

### Most Allowed by Passing

25 at NYJ (9/21/80)  
23 vs. Dal. (11/10/63)

### Fewest by Passing

1 (Six times) Last: vs. TB (10/30/05)

### Fewest Allowed by Passing

0 vs. NO (10/21/73)  
0 vs. LA Rams (10/10/71)

### Most by Penalty

8 at NO (10/11/98)

### Most Allowed by Penalty

8 vs. Oak. (10/8/00)

## RUSHING

### Most Attempts

59 at Min. (12/4/77)  
56 vs. Det. (10/25/63)  
56 at GB (Milw.) (10/10/54)  
56 vs. Bal. (10/29/50)

### Most Attempts Allowed

59 at Dal. (10/12/80)

### Fewest Attempts

10 at GB (11/22/09)

### Most Yards Gained

328 vs. Det. (12/14/98)  
324 at Min. (10/15/61)  
317 vs. Min. (11/29/76)

### Most Yards Allowed

324 at LA Rams (11/9/58)

### Fewest Yards Gained

5 vs. Hou. (12/7/75)  
12 at Min. (12/14/69)

### Fewest Yards Allowed

7 at NO (10/1/72)  
9 vs. StL (11/2/03)



# 49ERS SINGLE-GAME TEAM RECORDS

## PASSING

### Most Attempts

63 vs. Phi. (11/25/02)  
60 at Was. (12/17/86)  
57 vs. Arz. (10/10/04)  
57 at Atl. (10/6/85)

### Most Attempts Allowed

61 at GB (10/14/96)  
60 at NYJ (9/21/80)  
58 vs. NYJ (9/6/98)  
58 at Mia. (9/28/86)  
58 at Was. (12/1/85)

### Fewest Attempts

8 vs. NO (11/27/77)  
8 vs. Min. (11/29/76)  
12 at Atl. (11/6/77)  
12 at GB (9/12/76)

### Fewest Attempts Allowed

4 vs. NO (10/15/78)  
6 at NYG (10/16/77)  
7 at NO (11/13/77)

### Most Completions

38 vs. Arz. (10/10/04)  
37 at Atl. (10/6/85)  
36 at Dal. (12/8/02)  
36 vs. Phi. (11/25/02)  
36 vs. Chi. (12/17/00)

### Most Completions Allowed

42 at NYJ (11/21/80)  
35 at Arz. (11/25/07)  
35 at LA Rams (10/27/85)  
35 at Mia. (9/28/86)

### Fewest Completions

1 at Chi. (11/13/05)  
3 vs. Min. (11/29/76)  
4 vs. Pit. (9/19/77)

### Fewest Completions Allowed

2 vs. NO (10/15/78)  
2 at NYG (10/16/77)  
2 vs. LA Rams (10/10/71)

### Most Yards Gained (gross)

488 at LA Rams (11/29/93)  
476 at Atl. (10/14/90)  
458 at LA Rams (12/11/89)

### Most Yards Allowed (gross)

486 at Arz. (11/25/07)  
471 vs. Was. (12/26/99)  
460 vs. Dal. (11/10/63)

### Fewest Yards Gained (gross)

28 at Chi. (11/13/05)  
32 vs. Min. (11/29/76)  
34 vs. GB (12/10/60)

### Fewest Yards Allowed (gross)

13 vs. Chi. (9/16/62)  
13 vs. LA Rams (10/10/71)  
17 vs. NO (10/21/73)  
31 vs. NO (10/15/78)

## PENALTIES

### Most Penalties

22 at Buf. (10/4/98)  
16 at Atl. (1/3/00)  
15 at Det. (10/16/11)  
15 vs. Car. (12/8/96)  
15 at Was. (11/17/86)

### Most Penalties by Opponent

22 at Buf. (10/4/98)

### Fewest Penalties

0 (Three times) Last: at NO (1/6/02)

### Fewest Penalties by Opponent

0 (Five times) Last: at Bal. (10/26/69)

### Most Yards Penalized

178 at Buf. (10/4/98)  
177 at LA Rams (9/18/94)  
168 at StL (10/24/71)

### Most Yards Opponent Penalized

165 at Min. (10/13/66)  
136 at LA Rams (10/8/78)  
133 vs. Cin. (10/1/78)

### Fewest Yards Penalized

0 (Three times) Last: at NO (1/6/02)

### Fewest Yards Opponent Penalized

0 (Five times) Last: at Bal. (10/26/69)

## FUMBLES

### Most Committed

10 vs. Det. (12/17/78)

### Most Lost

6 at Min. (10/15/61)  
6 at Cle. (11/12/50)

### Most Committed by Opponent

8 vs. Min. (10/24/65)  
8 at NYG (12/1/57)

### Most Lost by Opponent

6 at NYG (12/1/57)

## INTERCEPTIONS

### Most Intercepted

7 at TB (9/7/86)  
6 vs. NO (9/14/97)  
6 vs. NE (11/30/80)  
6 at Chi. (10/17/54)  
6 vs. LA Rams (10/28/51)

### Most Thrown

7 at LA Rams (10/18/64)  
6 vs. Bal. (12/5/59)  
6 at Det. (11/4/73)

### Most Interception Yards

171 vs. StL (11/26/95)  
163 at GB (10/26/86)

### Most Interception Yards By Opponent

314 at LA Rams (10/18/64)  
147 vs. Was. (12/18/04)

## TURNOVERS

### Most Forced by Defense

9 at Oak. (12/20/70), 4 FRs, 5 INTs  
8 vs. NO (9/14/97), 2 FRs, 6 INTs  
8 vs. Cin. (10/1/78), 3 FRs, 5 INTs

### Most Committed

10 at Dal. (10/12/80), 5 FRs, 5 INTs  
9 at Cle. (11/12/50), 6 FRs, 3 INTs

## PUNTS

### Most Punts

11 vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)  
11 at Chi. (10/17/54)

### Most Punts by Opponent

12 vs. Det. (10/23/77)  
12 vs. LA Rams (11/21/76)

### Fewest Punts

0 (Eight times) Last: at Det. (12/19/93)

### Fewest Punts by Opponent

0 (Several times) Last: at NO (10/20/02)

## PUNT RETURNS

### Most Punt Returns

9 vs. NO (10/17/76)  
9 at Atl. (10/29/72)  
8 (Four times) Last: vs. StL (11/21/82)

### Most Punt Returns by Opponent

9 at Det. (10/6/63)  
9 vs. Atl. (10/9/77)

### Most Punt Return Yards

144 vs. Phi. (9/27/59)  
141 vs. NO (10/17/76)  
133 at Hou. (11/15/70)

### Most Punt Return Yards by Opponent

231 at Det. (10/6/63)  
166 vs. LA Rams (10/25/81)

## KICKOFF RETURNS

### Most Kickoff Returns

10 vs. SD (10/15/06)  
9 (Five times): Last vs. Phi. (10/12/08)

### Most Kickoff Returns by Opponent

10 vs. Atl. (9/29/96)  
9 (Six times) Last vs. Chi. (9/7/03)

### Most Kickoff Return Yards

256 at Det. (11/14/54)  
248 at Det. (9/23/62)

### Most Kickoff Return Yards by Opponent

260 at Dal. (11/11/65)  
233 vs. NO (9/21/86)

## SACKS

### Most Sacks Made

10 vs. NYG (11/23/80)  
10 at LA Rams (10/11/76)  
10 vs. LA Rams (12/6/64)

### Most Sacks Allowed

9 at Bal. (11/24/11)  
9 at GB (11/1/98)  
9 vs. LA Rams (12/18/88)

# ALL-TIME TEAM HIGHS AND LOWS

49ERS HIGHS			CATEGORY	49ERS LOWS		
56	vs. Atl.	10/18/92	POINTS	0	(13x) last vs. TB	11/21/10
8	vs. Atl.	10/18/92	TOUCHDOWNS	0	last vs. NYG	10/14/12
6	at Det.	10/1/61	RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS	0	last at Arz.	10/29/12
6	at Atl.	10/14/90	PASSING TOUCHDOWNS	0	last vs. Mia.	12/9/12
6	last vs. Arz.	11/20/11	FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED	0	last at SD	12/16/10
6	last vs. Atl.	9/29/96	FIELD GOALS MADE	0	last at SD	12/16/10
36	vs. Ind.	10/18/98	TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	3	vs. Bal.	11/22/59
21	vs. Det.	12/14/98	RUSHING FIRST DOWNS	0	last at Min.	12/14/69
24	(2x) last at Cin.	12/5/99	PASSING FIRST DOWNS	1	(6x) last vs. TB	10/30/05
621	vs. Buf.	10/7/12	TOTAL NET YARDS	61	at Det.	10/6/63
59	at Min.	12/4/77	RUSHING ATTEMPTS	10	at GB	11/22/09
328	vs. Det.	12/14/98	NET RUSHING YARDS	5	vs. Hou.	12/7/75
475	at LA Rams	11/29/93	NET YARDS PASSING	10	at Det.	10/6/63
10	(3x) last vs. NYG	11/23/80	QB SACKS ALLOWED	0	last at NO	11/25/12
488	at LA Rams	11/29/93	GROSS YARDS PASSING	28	at Chi.	11/13/05
63	vs. Phi.	11/25/02	PASS ATTEMPTS	10	at Det.	10/6/63
38	vs. Arz.	10/10/04	PASS COMPLETIONS	1	at Chi.	11/13/05
7	at LA Rams	10/18/64	INTERCEPTIONS THROWN	0	last vs. Mia.	12/9/12
9	at Oak.	12/20/70	TOTAL TAKEAWAYS	0	last vs. NYG	10/14/12
10	at Det.	12/17/78	FUMBLES BY	0	last vs. Chi.	11/19/12
6	at Min.	10/15/61	FUMBLES LOST	0	last vs. Chi.	11/19/12
11	(2x) last vs. LA Rams	11/21/76	PUNTS	0	(8x) last at Det.	12/19/93
61.0	at Cle.	9/13/93	PUNTING AVERAGE	0	(8x) last at Det.	12/19/93
22	at Buf.	10/4/98	PENALTIES	0	(3x) last at NO	1/6/02
178	at Buf.	10/4/98	YARDS PENALIZED	0	(3x) last at NO	1/6/02
OPPONENT'S HIGHS			CATEGORY	OPPONENT'S LOWS		
61	at Chi.	12/12/65	POINTS	0	(29x) last at NYJ	9/30/12
9	at Chi.	12/12/65	TOUCHDOWNS	0	(89x) last at Arz.	10/29/12
5	at Chi.	12/12/65	RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS	0	last vs. Mia.	12/9/12
5	(6x) last at Phi.	9/18/05	PASSING TOUCHDOWNS	0	last at StL	12/2/12
7	vs. NO	10/25/87	FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED	0	last at NO	11/25/12
6	at Arz.	10/2/05	FIELD GOALS MADE	0	last at NO	11/25/12
32	at StL	9/17/00	TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	2	vs. NO	10/21/73
19	at GB	10/11/59	RUSHING FIRST DOWNS	0	(8x) last at Arz.	10/29/12
25	at NYJ	9/21/80	PASSING FIRST DOWNS	0	(2x) last vs. NO	10/21/73
584	at Chi.	12/12/65	TOTAL NET YARDS	44	vs. Atl.	10/23/76
62	vs. Chi.	9/24/50	RUSHING ATTEMPTS	8	vs. StL	11/2/03
324	at LA Rams	11/9/58	NET RUSHING YARDS	7	(2x) last at Arz.	10/29/12
456	at Arz.	11/25/07	NET YARDS PASSING	-39	vs. Atl.	10/23/76
9	(2x) last at GB	11/1/98	QB SACKS ALLOWED	0	last at Min.	9/23/12
486	at Arz.	11/25/07	GROSS YARDS PASSING	13	(2x) last vs. LA Rams	10/10/71
61	at GB	10/14/96	PASS ATTEMPTS	4	vs. NO	10/15/78
42	vs. NYJ	9/21/80	PASS COMPLETIONS	2	(3x) vs. NO	10/15/78
7	at TB	9/7/86	INTERCEPTIONS THROWN	0	last vs. Mia.	12/9/12
10	at Dal.	10/12/80	TOTAL TAKEAWAYS	0	last at StL	12/2/12
8	vs. Min.	10/24/65	FUMBLES BY	0	last at StL	12/2/12
5	vs. Arz.	12/14/09	FUMBLES LOST	0	last at StL	12/2/12
12	(2x) last vs. Det.	10/23/77	PUNTS	0	(2x) last at NO	10/20/02
62.0	at GB	10/21/62	PUNTING AVERAGE	21.0	at Bal.	10/1/67
17	at Atl.	11/5/78	PENALTIES	0	(5x) last at Bal.	10/26/69
165	at Min.	10/13/66	YARDS PENALIZED	0	(5x) last at Bal.	10/26/69

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### **Front Office Feature Story**

#### ***Forty Under 40 – Jed York***

By Staff, Sports Business Journal

Jed York's first job with the San Francisco 49ers was sewing names on the backs of jerseys. And, no, he did not know how to sew before getting the assignment.

When he moved back from New York to receive indoctrination in the football family business in 2005, he spent time with each of the team's units, no matter how far down the food chain. His father, John York, owns the club.

"Knowing the work dynamics in every different department is important to managing the overall operations," said York, 30.

And he runs the whole operation today, most notably the nearly successful effort to build a new stadium in Santa Clara, Calif., which could open as soon as 2014. A groundbreaking is expected soon.

When York went to New York after college in 2003 to work for a hedge fund, Guggenheim Partners, the family plan was for him to stay until he was 30, then return to Northern California and eventually assume control of the team.

But when the 49ers switched head coaches in 2005, that schedule was accelerated. Asked how people respond to his youthfulness, York points out where he's from, Northern California. Twenty-somethings becoming billionaires is not unheard of there, so his position isn't that strange.

"There are no preconceived notions," he said. And within the NFL, there is a tradition of grooming the next generation to take over early.

His professional career outside of football, though short, helped prepare him for the stadium effort. Guggenheim often traded in stadium debt, allowing him a chance to analyze the economics of venue development. That aided him in the decision to take on \$850 million of debt responsibility for the facility.

### **Front Office Feature Story**

#### ***Team's baby boom continues: CEO Jed York, wife Danielle welcome son Jaxon***

By Cam Inman, San Jose Mercury News

Jed York and his wife, Danielle, became parents Saturday when she gave birth to a son, Jaxon Edward.

York tweeted: "Jaxon Edward was born healthy today. Jax and mom are doing great."

The name's origin was explained in a follow-up tweet by @JedYork: "Jaxon means "son of John": I'm John Edward (Jed). @IamDanielle's fam settled in Jackson, CA in the 1800s... Also like 3 letter nicknames."

Jax, if you will, is at least the fourth boy born into the "49ers family" in the past three months. Also fathering sons with their wives were coach Jim Harbaugh, guard Mike Lupati and long snapper Brian Jennings.

"Very excited for Jed and Danielle York, and the entire York family on the birth of their son this morning," coach Jim Harbaugh said. "Good measurables and a strong name."

"But the most exciting thing is that Jaxon's with us now and the 49ers have more depth. And we're very excited about it, excited for them."

Jaxon York's "measurables," according to Harbaugh, are 19 3/4 inches long and just over 7 pounds.

Another baby boy is due in March for a well-known 49ers offensive player whose privacy we'll respect. A member of the team's public-relations staff also is expecting a boy in January.

Oh boy, what a celebration last season must have been for the NFC runner-up 49ers.

Saturday night, the Yorks were expected to celebrate their healthy birth in a hospital room while watching their beloved Giants in the World Series.



## **Front Office Feature Story**

### **49ers' York connecting team, Silicon Valley**

By Darren Rovell, ESPN.com

If you're shocked by how quickly Jim Harbaugh turned around the San Francisco 49ers, wait until you see what 31-year-old Jed York does.

Yes, he's the son of former team president John York and the nephew of former owner Eddie DeBartolo Jr., but don't make the mistake of associating this guy with the likes of Tommy Callahan.

The Notre Dame graduate was working as a financial analyst at Guggenheim Partners -- yes, the same group that later bought the Los Angeles Dodgers -- in New York, but in the middle of the 2008 season, York headed across the country to begin the process of ascending to the top of the 49ers business hierarchy, where he is now chief executive officer.

Today, he's worrying about the team's record, the new \$878 million stadium -- which, six months in has already seen 60 percent of its 16,000 total steel pieces installed -- and trying to assemble the smartest team in the business world.

York, who has been named to both SportsBusiness Journal's Forty Under 40 list and Fortune's Hottest Young Business Stars Under 40 this year, sat down with me to talk shop.

This past week, you scored your third executive from Facebook in Cipora Herman, who was the vice president of finance there. What are the synergies between Facebook and the San Francisco 49ers?

We're looking to put the right team together, not only on the field but off of it, too. There just happened to be three very good people that were working at Facebook. I think what's attractive about social media is that it's organic. So we're definitely exploring how to bottle it up and have something have that organic feel so that we can get it when we need it.

Your team is 5-2 heading into Monday night; what is keeping you most busy?

From a competitive standpoint, you want to be smarter than your competition, whether you are building a new stadium or managing the clock in the final two minutes of the game. How do you do things like Coach Harbaugh does, like not taking that safety at the end of the game? Vegas didn't like that, but it's like chess. The goal is not to take as many pieces as possible, it's to get checkmate. We're thinking about how do we outthink our competition down the road. How do we generate the most revenue with our new stadium? How do we have the best stadium environment? How do we get fans to cheer loudest at the right points of the game to give our team momentum? We're trying to figure that all out.

How often do you really think you can "create" an advantage like that?

Well, realistically, I think you're looking to change the outcome 1 to 2 percent of the time. There has to be things that can give you that extra advantage. And we're lucky in the fact that we have a ton of talent in the Silicon Valley and some of those people have a worthy goal of wanting to work for us.

I've heard crazy stories about what companies have offered engineers in the area. How can you compete with that?

We can't pay the engineers as much as the tech giants can, but within a 15-mile radius, we have so many of what you might call the best entrepreneurs of our day. There are people at Facebook and Apple and Google who have a passion for the 49ers, and working in sports is really something special. I don't think we have traditional people working for us to begin with. Our COO, Paraag Marathe, is a Cal undergrad, who went to Stanford Business School and worked at Bain Consulting. He's the guy doing our contract work.

From a technical standpoint, what do you need for the new stadium?

There's a full tech structure that needs to be built in order to give our fans the best in-stadium experience. In this specific case, it's not as much about generating revenue as much as it is making sure we get this right. We don't want to hardware a stadium for wi-fi and then have it become obsolete in three to five years. We want to have a software-driven stadium so that we can change with the times. We're in an area where our fans spend \$1,000 every 19 months to upgrade their hardware (phones), so that's why we need to make sure we have the brightest folks in the world working for and with us.

What other part of the fan experience are you going to change when the new stadium debuts in 2014?

We need to be the leader in fan experience. You'll be able to watch replays on your smartphone, we're aiming to have a ticketless, cashless building, so that you can bypass certain lines. If you want to be a season-ticket holder that doesn't want to bring your wallet to the stadium, you will be able to do that.

You said that you want to somehow position fans to put them in the right places for games. How do you do that?

Well, unlike other leagues, the NFL does not allow us to change ticket prices from game to game, but we do have the potential in our new stadium to bring in about 5,000 more people with lower-priced options. We're blessed by the fact that we have the ability to do this because in our new place we have almost three times the space that we currently have in Candlestick.

### **Front Office Feature Story**

#### ***49ers' stadium being built the right way***

By Ann Killion, San Francisco Chronicle

The steel beams and towering cranes rise high in the Santa Clara sky, blocking out any remaining doubt: The 49ers' new stadium is almost a reality.

The final stages are coming after years fraught with clumsy missteps and polarizing angst. But the man responsible for guiding the project to a resolution is modest about his accomplishment.

"I don't know that we've accomplished anything yet," Jed York said. "But we've done some really good things."

It's tempting to call this fast-growing bundle of steel and concrete York's baby. But that wouldn't do justice to Jaxon Edward York, who was born Oct. 27 to proud parents Jed and Danielle.

Seven-pound Jaxon arrived nine days late. His dad's other adorable newcomer is scheduled to be delivered on time: The 49ers plan to open the 2014 season in the 1,850,000-square-foot building. With every week, another layer is added: Prefabricated concrete risers and steps are the latest developments; York's personal favorite moment was when the new escalators were lowered in via crane.

It's time to give York, 31, his proper due. In late 2008, when the older son of owners John and Denise DeBartolo York officially assumed the title of president and owner, the 49ers were an unvarnished mess. They were finishing a sixth consecutive season of missing the playoffs. Their stadium plans were considered by many – including this particular doubter – an ill-conceived pipe dream. The once-proud franchise had flipped coaches again and seemed to have completely lost its way.

And the baby-faced son of York was supposed to rescue the team from its winter of discontent?

Fast-forward four years: The 49ers, under Jim Harbaugh, are one of the top teams in the league. The franchise, led by GM Trent Baalke, has made smart personnel decisions and is considered a model in many respects. The concrete evidence of a new era casts a shadow of change over the team's Santa Clara training facility.

And while many of us now have to eat crow, York isn't intent on dishing it up.

"You don't want to be the cocky team," York said. "We haven't won a Super Bowl yet; we haven't finished building the stadium yet."

There are still pending issues with the project. The team faces a court battle with the state of California over redevelopment funds, after the state rejected a settlement reached between the team and local schools.

There is also still some disappointment among the public that the stadium couldn't be built in the 49ers' home city, as well as concern that longtime fans may be priced out of the new building, in which every seat carries a license surcharge. But York believes that the end result will satisfy most fans; he doesn't think the relocation or increased prices will impede the ability of most loyalists to attend 10 games a year. York said that 70 percent of the 49ers' season-ticket holders have renewed for the new stadium.

The 49ers will retain the name San Francisco, and the city will be the host when a Super Bowl is awarded to the region. York expects the stadium to be in the regular Super Bowl rotation, and the 49ers are currently in the running for either the 50th Super Bowl in February 2016 or the 51st the following year.

"I would have liked Super Bowl 49," York said. "That would have been cool."

But a team must be in its new building for two full seasons before hosting a Super Bowl. York wishes that the stadium project could have been completed years ago but acknowledges that there's been a silver lining to the long process. The recession meant that construction companies were eager to get the project under way. And as the economy has picked up and more large-scale projects are being planned, all parties are incentivized to finish the stadium on time.

"We had the right people in place, and it was the right time to hit the market before other big projects start," York said. "We were ahead of the game and knew we could keep costs stable. There are incentives for everyone to do it the right way and do it quickly."

York has talked to members of the construction crew who are 49ers fans and excited to be working on a building that may become iconic. York expects there to be a lot of initials hidden in the concrete.

"And I'm sure someone will try to bury a Raiders jersey in there," he said.

But a buried jersey might be the only silver and black evidence in the stadium. While the building was designed to house two teams, there have been no substantial talks with the Raiders over sharing the building.

"We've moved forward," York said. "There haven't been any detailed conversations at all."

York is a technology fan: He and Danielle created a Twitter handle for Jax the day the baby was born, and he enjoyed following the Giants World Series run through Twitter. York expects the new stadium to seamlessly integrate technology into the game-day experience, with such things as fantasy football lounges, NFL RedZone access and the ability to focus specifically on a particular player or position at one's seat. Coming soon: the Patrick Willis Cam.

Next season – the team's last at Candlestick – the 49ers will celebrate the frumpy old concrete bowl where they have played so many memorable games. York, who was born the year of the 49ers' first Super Bowl season, has been careful to venerate past tradition while pushing the team into the future. He knows how many fond memories are contained in the 'Stick. He'd even love to see the Giants play one last exhibition baseball game there before the old stadium meets its fate.

"We know the concourses aren't wide, the bathrooms aren't nice," York said. "But a lot of cool things happened there. And we plan to honor that."

And then it's on to a new future that some of us doubted would ever come.



### **Front Office Feature Story**

#### ***York fan-friendly new breed of NFL owner***

By David Haugh, Chicago Tribune

Like many first-time parents, 49ers chief executive officer Jed York shares baby pictures on the Internet.

See Jaxon Edward York, welcomed into the world Oct. 27 by Jed and his wife Danielle, wearing 49ers baby booties or a onesie with football laces. See Jax, who already has a Twitter account, tweet Nov. 4 during another Dallas appearance on NBC's "Sunday Night Football:" "I have to watch the Cowboys again?"

Before Jax attended his first 49ers game last Sunday, Jed engaged dad's 35,000 Twitter followers by asking who else wanted to do something they never had done and experience a Sunday at Candlestick Park — free.

"You have to have fun with it," York said.

A son is every father's legacy. But long after Jax is old enough to tweet for himself and join the family business, his proud papa will have left another mark on the 49ers as the guy who had fun rebuilding a dynasty and constructing a new stadium befitting a classy organization.

"I am not stupid enough to think that I didn't have a lot of help in getting to this position and fortunate about my family but I also have to be respectful of that knowing that I had different opportunities than someone else and live up to that expectation," York said in a phone interview.

It was January 2011 and doubt around York had begun to mount like so many losses. York, the 2003 Notre Dame graduate who began running the 49ers five years later, had just fired the coach he had signed to a contract extension — Mike Singletary. Former GM Scot McCloughan preceded Singletary out the door by nine months.

As a proud 49ers franchise faced a crossroads, the team's inexperienced boss didn't cry uncle. He called him. The advice former 49ers owner Eddie DeBartolo Jr. gave his nephew empowered him to act without fear of making another mistake.

"I told Jed, 'Trust your gut, the guy you see every day in the mirror,'" said DeBartolo, whose 49ers teams won five Super Bowls. "I reminded him I once took a chance (in 1979) hiring Bill Walsh and John McVay, who was a fantastic GM for us."

Armed with more confidence than experience, York embarked on a course that eventually landed 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh and general manager Trent Baalke — his Walsh and McVay. Both Harbaugh and Baalke were honored last season as being the NFL's best at their jobs. As the 49ers await the Bears here Monday night, respect has been restored by the Bay due largely to York's belief in himself that once felt like a leap of faith off the Golden Gate bridge.

"The most important thing is you have to embrace a culture of failure," said York, 32. "In professional sports there's a tendency to stay too conservative and not do anything that's going to make you lose as opposed to trying to do something that will allow you to win. You have to be willing to take a risk and be willing to fail."

Nothing illustrated that clearer than York's construction project in nearby Santa Clara adjacent to the team facility. A 68,000-seat, Silicon-Valley-enhanced, \$1.1 billion stadium remains on schedule to open before the 2014 season. It was a vision of DeBartolo's back in 1997. When Eddie's sister Denise DeBartolo York, Jed's mom, assumed control of the team in 2000, the issue went on the back-burner. It stayed there until an ambitious, savvy thirtysomething executive found a way to finish the job his uncle started.

"The key is having a great public-private partnership," York said. "It's perseverance. We never wanted to be a team that left our home. I grew up in Youngstown, Ohio. I watched the Cleveland Browns become the Baltimore Ravens. I never wanted that to happen with the San Francisco 49ers."

To hear York explain it, the stadium's in-game experience promises to be revolutionary. Instead of going Cowboys owner Jerry Jones' route with a scoreboard that swallows the field, York envisions, "68,000 screens inside your building."

"Most of our fans have smart phones or tablets so you want to enable those things to work to their potential," York said. "You want a software-driven stadium instead of a hardware-driven stadium. You might have your own sideline reporter or Patrick Willis-cam or look at the trenches, that inside view."

York's view: NFL owners cannot get complacent even if football has become America's pastime.

"When you look at the future of professional sports, there's no question the level of enthusiasm is high but it's starting to wane in terms of the live experience," York said. "You want to make sure your fans can have a better experience than at home. The only way to solve that is through technology."

York embraces it, using social-media to connect with fans in a way that humanizes an affable young millionaire.

He tweets about his favorite movies and Notre Dame football. He interacts with fans or gives away free tickets to strangers at grocery stores. He even dared to tease Harbaugh publicly about his infamous handshake last season with Lions coach Jim Schwartz.

How does a guy so young and new to the job seem so natural and comfortable doing it?

"I'd like to say it's in the genes," DeBartolo said with a chuckle.

Lucky Jax.

### **Front Office Feature Story**

#### ***Baalke brilliant in quickly building a winner***

By The Associated Press, Scout.com

Trent Baalke has been practically an invisible figure around the 49ers this season, but the product of his work is out there for all to see. In his first year as San Francisco's general manager, Baalke has become a candidate for NFL Executive of the Year honors after making the moves and adding the parts that have transformed the Niners into a winner and team to be reckoned with in the playoffs.

Within days of being promoted last year, Baalke faced the daunting task of landing Jim Harbaugh as the team's new head coach.

People around the 49ers were losing patience with all the losing – and demanded an immediate turnaround after an eight-year drought without a winning season or playoff berth.

Amid speculation that Harbaugh might leave Stanford for the Miami Dolphins or even his alma mater, Michigan, Baalke delivered the Niners' high-profile new man. It brought Baalke some instant credibility, just as all the other spot-on moves along the way has since then.

From landing free agents such as cornerback Carlos Rogers and safety Donte Whitner to center Jonathan Goodwin and kicker David Akers, Baalke fit all the right pieces into an already talented roster that has bought into Harbaugh's style.

Baalke and Harbaugh also had the wherewithal to bring back quarterback Alex Smith on a one-year deal as a free agent even after the years of boos and inconsistency that characterized Smith's first six seasons in San Francisco. Now they have plans to re-sign Smith for 2012, too, after his poised and confident play guiding the offense produced San Francisco's best regular-season finish since 1997.

"It's great to see Trent," Hall of Famer Ronnie Lott said. "We haven't talked a lot about Trent. A lot of people haven't really acknowledged that bringing in Rogers, bringing in (NaVorro) Bowman, going with (Aldon) Smith in the first round. The team is faster than what it was. It's more aggressive than what it was. So Baalke saw something that I didn't see and that the average fan didn't see. He replaced a couple of components that needed to be replaced."

Those tweaks worked, all right. San Francisco (13-3) won the NFC West and earned the NFC's No. 2 seed and a first-round playoff bye, going 6-2 on the road with four of those victories in comeback fashion.

How about that for silencing critics who questioned whether Baalke made enough splashy moves in free agency to improve his roster after the lockout?

"Now it's a splash," Whitner said. "It's not a splash when everybody else is looking. But once you make the playoffs and you're sitting at home with a bye week and you have an opportunity to win two games and be in the Super Bowl, then it's a splash. That's how success happens. A lot of times, people aren't going to believe until they actually see it."

Before this season not many outside team headquarters knew much about Baalke – just the way he likes it as an anonymous figure doing his job to help run a franchise.

Walk past him and he practically disappears, finding ways to avoid the public eye aside from the occasional casual conversation. He declines interview requests and keeps to himself on the sidelines during practice. He is so focused before games it's as if he hardly notices his surroundings.

"Trent's done a great job doing his job," tight end Vernon Davis said. "I commend him. He's doing great for us and he definitely deserves everything that comes his way. I give him high praise."

Baalke, who has picked up some things through a close friendship with Packers GM Ted Thompson, goes about his business quietly behind the scenes – though he does speak openly during his weekly radio show, for which he has a contractual obligation.

Baalke would prefer that any credit for the turnaround go elsewhere.

"I appreciate the compliment, guys, but in all honesty it really comes down to the efforts of the coaches and players," Baalke said this week on 95.7 FM The Game. "They've done an outstanding job coming together, believing in each other, believing we could get this thing accomplished. When things didn't look good in certain games, they kept with it, kept grinding. The coaches kept searching for answers and the players kept believing. So when you've got that kind of dynamic, the rest of it is pretty easy."

Last January, Baalke was elevated from his previous post of vice president of player personnel. After team president Jed York vowed to open an exhaustive national search for a general manager, he ultimately decided to go with the familiar guy who had shown plenty of leadership and reliable decision-making already.

York took heat for it, too, as some believed he had settled for Baalke over a bigger name. Some saw it as the 49ers making the same conformist decisions that had characterized the franchise over much of the past decade and kept it in a rut since the team's last playoff appearance in 2002.

Yet it was Baalke who orchestrated the contract extensions for two key 49ers last season: five-time Pro Bowl linebacker Patrick Willis and Davis, a Pro Bowl starter in 2009 who has been named a Pro Bowl alternate the past two seasons. Three-time Pro Bowl running back Frank Gore got his coveted new deal before the 2011 season.

Considering the dedication of the front office to assembling a talented, team-first locker room, the years of consistent losing became all the more difficult.

"That's why it was so gut-wrenching in the past," defensive line coach Jim Tomsula said. "Not to review the past, but where we are right now, they've worked through this long haul, they've kept it together. That's why you appreciate Jim Harbaugh, Trent Baalke and (player personnel director) Tommy Gamble and all the things that are going on."

Baalke, a former college coach who also worked four years in the scouting department for the Washington Redskins prior to coming to San Francisco, is always committed to finding the "best player available" and not falling for the trendy choice.

Baalke's two first-round draft picks from 2010 – Anthony Davis and Mike Lupati – became instant starters on the offensive line. This season's rookies have done their part: Aldon Smith with 14 sacks, Kendall Hunter as Gore's reliable backup, and Bruce Miller shining as a defensive end turned fullback. Chris Culliver also has become a valuable member of the secondary as the team's nickel back.

Baalke also added special teams standout Blake Costanzo and scooped up Akers - who was named to his sixth Pro Bowl this season – when the Eagles decided he was expendable. All Akers did for the 49ers this year is set a new NFL record with 44 field goals and lead the NFL in scoring with 166 points, a league record for a kicker.

"He had a plan, and he stuck with it," said safety Dashon Goldson, who made the Pro Bowl this year after Baalke coaxed him to return to San Francisco on a one-year, \$1 million deal after Goldson had been waiting late into August for a big-money deal in free agency. "And look where we're at now."

Goldson said in conclusion: "We always had the players here. He does a good job of getting the players in here. He kept building and adding the little pieces to it, and we're in the playoffs for the first time in how long. He's a GM and he knows what we have and the players are out here playing but, at the same time, he's definitely a big part of the success that we're having."



## **Front Office Feature Story**

### **49ers' new GM gives victory to grinders**

By Michael Silver, Yahoo! Sports

Trent Baalke remembers the realization that he'd figured out everything there was to know about NFL talent evaluation, at an alarmingly early stage of his career. Let's just say he didn't make a great effort to hide his discovery.

Plucked out of anonymity in Fargo, N.D. – Baalke, a former high school principal and coach, was “between jobs” and preparing to become a financial adviser when he got a random and miraculous call from legendary New York Jets personnel director Dick Haley in 1998 – the blunt, prescient scout made a good initial impression and quickly began projecting an aura of prideful self-assurance.

Around that time, Baalke started noticing that his peers and colleagues began treating him as though he were in dire need of a shower. Eventually, he came to realize why they found him so off-putting.

“I think when you first get into this business, you come in and once you get confidence, you believe you have all the answers,” Baalke explained last Friday at a restaurant near the San Francisco 49ers' training facility, four days before he was officially named the team's general manager. “I definitely was one of those individuals that fell victim to it.

“Well, the more you're in it, the more you realize you never have all the answers, and you're always searching for 'em. I was humbled early on. You have to be put back in your place by mistakes, by turning off people in the business – you start sensing that people are looking at you like you think you know everything – and coming to the realization that if you don't change and become better grounded, you're never going to make it in the business.”

Baalke took the lesson to heart, reining in his ego and working his way up the scouting ladder. After serving as an area scout for the Jets, Baalke worked as a national scout and college scouting coordinator for the Washington Redskins before joining the Niners organization in 2005. In San Francisco he had stints as a regional scout, pro personnel director and vice president of player personnel before owner Jed York gave him the GM gig – and immediately thrust him into a head-coaching search targeting Stanford coach Jim Harbaugh.

York's decision to promote Baalke was widely criticized for two reasons: The interview process that preceded it was viewed as somewhat of a sham, with Baalke regarded as the preordained choice; and because of Baalke's links to the prior regimes of since-fired coaches Mike Nolan and Mike Singletary and deposed GM Scot McCloughan.

Yet I believe York's faith in Baalke, who has modeled much of his approach after Bill Parcells (the Jets' coach when Baalke got hired in '98), is the product of some sound sensibilities by the young owner. For one thing, Baalke is regarded by many respected people in the business as a highly gifted assessor of players' abilities – and one with the guts to stand up for his opinions and go against the grain.

“Trent Baalke is a football guy through and through, with a very good understanding of the game and a very sound evaluation process,” said Falcons general manager Thomas Dimitroff. “And he's driven – he has a tireless work ethic. He'll do everything in his power to help restore that organization to prominence.”

The endorsement from Dimitroff brings us to the second reason I'm encouraged by the ascent of Baalke: He represents another victory for the unheralded, observant grinders who are the lifeblood of the player-acquisition process, but are often overlooked when it comes to landing high-profile gigs.

Dimitroff was once one of these behind-the-scenes standouts, a former area scout who'd at first been marginalized because of his counter-culture appearance and vegetarian diet but had risen through the Patriots' front-office ranks because he turned out to be damn good at what he did. When Falcons owner

Arthur Blank offered him the GM job following the franchise's Bobby Petrino fiasco of 2007 and an unsuccessful effort to land Parcells to run its front office – and did so after interviewing Dimitroff via videoconference – it was a decidedly unsexy hire that provoked mockery from outsiders.

A year later, Dimitroff was named the NFL's executive of the year. Three years later (last Sunday), his Falcons clinched the No. 1 seed in the NFC. He now has plenty of name recognition, in that numerous franchises are searching for "The Next Thomas Dimitroff."

That's a positive development in a league in which people from the business side – and even a high-profile TV commentator like Matt Millen, who became the Detroit Lions' president without any scouting or front-office experience – have been granted decision-making power more and more frequently in recent years.

"That's been my dad's thing forever: There are so many non-football guys making football decisions now, and they're not going to be good ones generally," Chiefs coach Todd Haley said of his father, Dick, the executive who gave Baalke his break back in '98. "I think it's important that these guys who've been out on the road, scouting, grinding away, are the ones who are put in those positions."

Baalke, too, believes that scouting is the ideal launching pad for a successful front-office career.

"College scouts don't get a lot of notoriety 'cause they're out of sight, out of mind," he says. "In my humble opinion, there's not enough respect given to the job they do. But what's the foundation of the business? Scouting. It's the road scout – the guy who's getting up early, staying up late, staying in crappy motels, eating lousy food.

"You go to bed thinking about what you're evaluating and you wake up thinking about what grades you're going to give. It's a lonely existence on the road. To be good, you have to be organized and detail-oriented; you have to develop intimate-type relationships with key people at universities, people that'll tell you the truth. You can never assume you've got all the information you need. You're always searching until the final pick on draft day. Your quest for information never ends."

In that spirit, let's take a moment to scout the scouts: Who are some of the overlooked talent evaluators who might be ready to make a jump similar to the one Baalke just completed?

Two years ago, I wrote about Arizona Cardinals player personnel director Steve Keim, who'd helped reshape the roster of the NFC's surprising Super Bowl XLIII entrant. Before I tell you a little bit more of Baalke's story, here are some other front-office executives regarded by insiders as potential GM material:

- Les Snead, Falcons director of player personnel. Snead has certainly benefited from having spent the past three years under Dimitroff, but the argument could be made that he gained equally valuable knowledge about what not to do while observing Petrino's ill-fated and abbreviated 2007 season in charge. (Talk about crisis-management experience.) He has served under numerous regimes (including Dan Reeves/Ron Hill and Jimmy Mora/Rich McKay in Atlanta and Tom Coughlin in Jacksonville), has been involved in the coaching-search process and has scouting experience on the pro and collegiate sides. He has a strong work ethic and a passion for the game, and he has impressed his peers with a keen eye for talent. Snead's strong support of undrafted free agents Harvey Dahl(notes) (signed off the Niners' practice squad in '07) and Tyson Clabo(notes) proved prophetic, as they have helped add nastiness and physicality to the Falcons' underrated offensive line.

- Doug Whaley, Bills assistant general manager/director of player personnel. Before joining the Bills a year ago, Whaley spent more than a decade with the Pittsburgh Steelers, where he was part of a highly successful scouting operation. Prior to serving as the Steelers' pro scouting coordinator, Whaley was an area scout for the Seahawks. He is well-rounded, with his intelligence, passion and people skills standing out. Involved from top to bottom under the Steelers' excellent and low-key GM, Kevin Colbert, Whaley is a Pittsburgh native with an outgoing personality – yet he has impressed coworkers with his humility and lack of self-promotion. And Whaley, who spent a year on Wall Street working as a retail stockbroker

following his collegiate career at Pitt, would be ideally suited to interacting with people on the business side of the building as well.

- Nick Caserio, Patriots director of player personnel. With the recent departures of Dimitroff and Scott Pioli, Bill Belichick's longtime right-hand man (and now the Kansas City Chiefs' GM), Caserio is the second-most powerful person on the football side of the organization. Granted, that's like saying someone is outweighed only by nose tackle Vince Wilfork(notes) – but Belichick, while firmly in charge, leans on Caserio's expertise considerably. Though only 35, Caserio has immersed himself in all aspects of the operation, from coaching wide receivers (during the team's record-setting 2007 season) to pro- and college-scouting stints. He's focused, highly driven and known for his loyalty and long hours – and he's not only versed in Belichick's system but also secure enough to work well with an omnipotent, exacting head coach. Belichick would surely hate to lose him, but if Caserio leaves, the Patriots have another highly promising executive, pro personnel director Jason Licht, in the fold as a potential successor.

- George Paton, Minnesota Vikings director of player personnel. A steadying force in a sometimes tumultuous organization, Paton is a smart, articulate executive who has displayed the fortitude to deal with a headstrong head coach without sporting the type of ego that can cause internal problems. He's known as a savvy judge of personnel who gets along well with coworkers. Paton's peers say he has an aptitude for focusing on individual issues without being overwhelmed by the big picture – a key trait for a potential GM.

Now back to Baalke. A former assistant coach at North Dakota State and South Dakota State, he moved to Fargo to become a high school principal and athletics director, eventually leaving those jobs in search of a career change. A day after interviewing for an adviser position at the Principal Financial Group in May 1998, Baalke went on a weekend fishing trip on Minnesota's Cass Lake. While there, he got a call from his wife, Beth, relaying a message that someone from the Jets had called.

"I thought, 'Someone's [messing] with me,'" Baalke said. "At that point, working in the NFL wasn't even in the back of my mind, let alone the forefront."

It turned out that Jets scout Lionel Vital, now the Falcons' assistant director of player personnel, had recommended Baalke to Dick Haley. Vital had interacted with Baalke during the latter's coaching days and apparently had come away with a favorable impression. Baalke went straight from the fishing trip to the Jets' training facility and wore jeans and a casual shirt to the interview with Haley, who asked him to give reports on two players.

"I was wrong about [future Packers and Seahawks guard Mike] Wahle – I didn't think he was as good as Adam Timmerman, who I'd coached at South Dakota State, and didn't rate him very high," he said. "They asked me to compare two nose tackles, [future Chargers standout] Jamal Williams(notes) with Jason Peter [a Panthers first-round pick who flopped], and I said Williams was by far the better of the two – which he was."

After fighting nerves upon being brought down the hall to meet with Parcels, Baalke got the job and started grinding, eventually learning not to project himself like a know-it-all. He tempered his impulse to give candid, searing opinions about players to others whose views differed and might get offended, and he came to understand the value of a steady progression up the flow chart.

"People ask me, 'What makes you prepared?' " Baalke said. "One of the things you look at that's important, whether you're hiring coaches or front-office people, is have they gone through all the steps? Have they started at the bottom and worked their way up? Now if you got someone who fits that profile, it's not definitely going to work, but it's a proven model for success. "I haven't missed any of the steps. And that's one reason I feel very prepared for this opportunity." There are a lot of no-name scouts hoping he succeeds.

### **Front Office Feature Story**

#### ***A Baalke refresher: From high school A.D. to 49ers G.M.***

By Daniel Brown, San Jose Mercury News

The 49ers begin head coaching interviews today, starting with Raiders offensive coordinator Hue Jackson. Stanford coach Jim Harbaugh is also expected in by the end of the week.

I'll post updates on the blog throughout the day.

In the meantime, here's a refresher course on general manager Trent Baalke. It's a profile I did on him last April when he took over for Scot McCloughan.

There's no new ground, but it's a reminder that this guy came from nowhere — Baalke was once a high school athletic director in North Dakota. Now, he's the man the 49ers entrust to turn around the franchise.

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About this time a year ago, Trent Baalke and Scot McCloughan had a daily ritual. They would meet for morning walks to rack up some miles and kick around 49ers draft scenarios.

It was on one such stroll that Baalke and McCloughan deduced, a week ahead of time, that receiver Michael Crabtree would still be on the board at No. 10 and that they should be ready to pounce.

And this year?

"It's a lonely walk," Baalke joked.

With McCloughan out as the 49ers general manager, Baalke will call the draft-day shots. He was quick to note that he's not really lonely: Coach Mike Singletary accompanied him on recent scouting missions, and the 49ers' pre-draft meetings solicit the input of everyone from the team's top brass to the assistant coaches.

But in the end, Baalke walks alone.

"Trent is the point person," team president Jed York said. "It is his decision."

Baalke debuts with two picks, Nos. 13 and 17, when the first round begins Thursday. There is lots of speculation about who the heck Trent Baalke will take. But first, there's another question.

Who the heck is Trent Baalke?

If his plan had gone the way he envisioned, Baalke would have walked away from football long ago. In fact, he quit the game once. He gave up his job as a college assistant to become a high school administrator in the late 1990s. Baalke became the athletic director at Shanley High, a small but mighty sports powerhouse in Fargo, N.D.

Leo Ringey, who helped hire him, recalled that Baalke's predecessor was still too much of a coach at heart to spend any time in an office. Baalke, in contrast, could push paper as if it were a tackling sled.

"He came in and got the coaches coordinated, did a nice job with the budget, upgraded the weight room, improved the training and medical facilities and was very organized," Ringey said.

Baalke had a wife, Beth, and two young daughters. He was content.



But a funny thing happened on his way to settling down. Baalke had been a liaison to pro scouts at South Dakota State, and a New York Jets representative liked his eye for talent for so much that he recommended Baalke for a job.

The Jets called with an offer so out of the blue that Baalke thought it was a friend pulling a prank.

"I never even contemplated getting into the NFL," he recalled.

Working for the Jets gave him a chance to learn from some of football's most famous minds. The 1998 Jets coaching staff featured head coach Bill Parcells and assistant head coach Bill Belichick.

Baalke also learned from Dick Haley, the Jets director of player personnel who had the same role for the Pittsburgh Steelers from 1971-90. Haley is best remembered for a fairly decent 1974 draft: Lynn Swann, Jack Lambert, John Stallworth and Mike Webster — four future Hall of Famers.

But with the Jets and later the Redskins (2001-03), Baalke learned that even the sharpest scouting eyes have blind spots and that humility can be a valuable asset. Asked to name a few of his favorite scouting discoveries, Baalke declined.

"I'd love to tell you all the ones I was right on, but then I'd have to tell you all the guys I was wrong on, and there have been many," he said. "I don't think there's anybody in this business that can say they hit on every player they've ever evaluated."

A Wisconsin native, Baalke attended Bemidji (Minn.), arriving at the school in 1982, just as its football program drooped to an all-time low.

Bemidji had lost 20 in a row and was threatening to make it 21 by blowing a fourth-quarter lead. That's when Baalke, a 215-pound freshman outside linebacker, sniffed out a screen pass in the final minute and made the most important tackle of the game. The 14-10 victory over Minnesota-Morris turned around the fortunes of the program.

"Trent was always on top of the situation, always had a sense of what might happen," recalled John Peterson, who in '82 was in his first season as Bemidji's coach. Peterson is now an area scout for the Carolina Panthers.

Baalke was a two-time all-conference player. Peterson kept him around for an extra season as an assistant coach. Baalke then headed for North Dakota State (1989) and South Dakota State (1990-95), where his duties included strength-and-conditioning coach.

Baalke was known to prowl the weight room and berate any player giving less than a full effort. "He was a perfectionist. He took the performance of his players to a personal level," said South Dakota State coach John Stiegelmeier, who was defensive coordinator during Baalke's time.

Told that Baalke now has the buttoned-up demeanor of a front-office executive, Stiegelmeier joked: "Then he's hiding it. He's Dr. Jekyll."

It was during his South Dakota stop that Baalke impressed NFL scouts with his player evaluations. Notably, he campaigned on behalf of kicker Adam Vinatieri and offensive lineman Adam Timmerman.

Baalke once persuaded a Green Bay scout that Timmerman was a diamond in the rough. The Packers listened, took Timmerman as a seventh-round pick — and landed a player who lasted 12 NFL seasons and made two Pro Bowls.

That Packers scout remained forever grateful and, years later, repaid him with a job: Scot McCloughan was that scout, and upon becoming general manager he hired Baalke as the 49ers' Western region scout.

"That's really when Scot and my friendship started," Baalke said, looking back to the Timmerman recommendation. "This business is all about relationships."

The 49ers don't have a 20-game losing streak, as Bemidji did, but they'll be counting on Baalke to bring a skid to an end. The 49ers haven't had a winning season or a playoff appearance since 2002.

Who the heck is Trent Baalke? With two first-round picks on Thursday, the 49ers are about to get their answer.

"We're not going to sit back and say, 'Everyone else, go pick the players,'" Baalke said. "We're going to get the players we have targeted, I promise you that."

## **Front Office Feature Story**

### **San Francisco 49ers grab another exec from Facebook**

By Daniel Brown, Fortune

On the heels of a breakthrough season for the 49ers, the football team is continuing to make big moves in its front office. Fortune has learned that the Niners hired a new CFO this week: Cipora Herman, formerly VP of Finance at Facebook (basically #2 on its finance team). Before Facebook, Herman was Treasurer at Yahoo.

Just last year, the team hired Gideon Yu, former CFO of Facebook, to be its president. That hire was among a slew of notable additions made by young CEO Jed York since he took the top spot in 2010. His other moves included hiring Coach Jim Harbaugh and General Manager Trent Baalke both for the 2011 season; Harbaugh won Coach of the Year.

Herman was key in setting up the IPO for Facebook; certainly some Valley insiders will figure the disappointing offering was key in her choice to leave. It's also notable that this move is being announced just hours before Facebook is scheduled to release its latest earnings report.

In an internal memo sent to 49ers staff Monday evening, Yu wrote: "At Facebook, [Herman] was instrumental in setting up their financial operations and completing numerous financings, including their recent IPO. She also held positions at Hewlett-Packard and Seibel Systems... More importantly, Cipora is a huge sports fan -- both of the 49ers and of the Boston Celtics. She has two wonderful children (Sarah and David) and is married to Vlado (former CFO of Yelp)."

In 2010, Jed York had publicly predicted his team would win its division and make the playoffs, much to the derision of pundits and opposing fans, but the Niners indeed came very close. The next season, his prophesy came true, thanks largely to the success of Harbaugh and quarterback Alex Smith. It was the first time the team made the postseason since 2002, nearly a decade, and this return to franchise success earned York a spot on our 40 Under 40 list this year.

Off the field, York, working with Yu, also successfully closed the financing for the team's gargantuan new \$850 million stadium, set to complete construction in 2014.

Current CFO Larry MacNeil will stay on as EVP of Development, devoting all of his time to the stadium project, and, Yu tells Fortune, to "making sure it is going to be the best sports venue in the NFL." That's a tall order, but with Herman, York, 10-season CFO MacNeil, and Yu—who worked at Facebook (FB), YouTube (GOOG) and Yahoo (YHOO)—all on board, the team boasts a formidable management cadre.

"This is a dream job," says Herman of joining the team. "After five years at Facebook, rolling up my sleeves through a lot of the formative years of the company, it was just the right transition point for me." Herman says she will focus mostly, of course, on the completion of the stadium, but also "helping out Jed and the management team any way I can, and maybe that's helping to extend the brand. The 49ers are a storied franchise, and there's a lot more brand-building that can happen there."

It was Yu who hired Herman at both Yahoo and Facebook, so this marks the third time they'll be teaming up. "Cipora is one of the top financial executives in the business," Yu says. "We are thrilled to have her join us."

It's an exciting time for Bay Area sports fans: the Niners lead their division with a record of 5-2 after beating Seattle in their division opener last Thursday. The Giants mounted a nice comeback against the St. Louis Cardinals, winning three games in a row to take the NLCS and a ticket to the World Series against Detroit. And on Thursday evening, as the Giants are battling the Tigers, Fortune will be in town, toasting Jed York and other members of the 40 Under 40 list at our annual party.

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Man on a mission: Diego Harbaugh's little-known rebuilding project***

By Matt Barrows, Sacramento Bee

Two years ago, Jim Harbaugh was shown a plot of land the Catholic church had recently purchased in the city of Piura, Peru. Harbaugh saw a small stream, some rocks and scrub and a lot of dirt. "It looked like a piece of wasteland that nobody wanted, basically," he said.

When he returned in June, there was a K-11 school on the plot with 690 children - all of them neatly dressed in school uniforms - filling every desk. "It was beautiful," he said.

Harbaugh has a reputation for quick turnarounds as far as rebuilding downtrodden programs at the University of San Diego, Stanford and the 49ers. The project he works on each summer, however, promises to last a lifetime.

Harbaugh first visited Piura in 2009 after hearing a friend describe his own experience with the Most Blessed Sacrament Parrish there. The 49ers coach has been going back ever since, and he even missed a rookie minicamp -- gasp-worthy when it comes to control-freak NFL coaches -- to go this year. He used the word "transformational" three times in a recent interview in describing the effect of the visits.

Asked how he's been transformed, Harbaugh hesitated a bit. "In some ways, it's a little uncomfortable talking about it," he said. "The scripture says, 'Don't let your left hand know what your right hand's doing,' you know? On the other hand, it's so good. It's not only been a great experience for me but my friends that I want to tell people about it. I feel like I should share this. I'm lucky to participate and be surrounded by so much good."

Harbaugh goes with a group of friends - contrary to what he's said in the past, he has several - and each of them sponsors a child in the town north of Lima where 60 percent of the population lives in poverty and 20 percent is in extreme poverty.

In Piura, Harbaugh is known not as Jim but Diego. He's not sure if it's because Diego is Spanish for James or because during his first visit was decked out in University of San Diego gear. He said he was being taught how to build houses during that initial visit when the locals started calling him by his alternate name.

"I was building the house and they would say, 'No, Diego, no,'" he said while miming someone hammering nails into boards. "After a couple more days it was, 'Muy bien, Diego. Muy bien.'" Of course, it's not all work.

When Harbaugh visits, he passes out football gear - there are more than a few USD, Stanford and 49ers jerseys in Piura - and he's rolled out a few footballs as well. He said he and the kids there invented a sport called "Peruball," which substitutes soccer goals for end zones.

"When we had the camps at Stanford, we introduced them to Peruball," he said. "It's a really good game, actually. And our Stanford football players have played Peruball. Somewhere there's video out there of the Peruball games with some of the kids."



### **Coach Feature Story**

#### **NFL, Smith Honor Jim Harbaugh**

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

On the eve of Super Bowl XLVI, the National Football League held its inaugural postseason "NFL Honors" award show Saturday night. The primetime television event, hosted by Alec Baldwin, saw a blend of current and former stars of pro football being highlighted throughout the show.

In the opening minutes, various camera pans through the crowd spotted 49ers Hall of Famers Joe Montana, Jerry Rice, Steve Young in addition to current players like Patrick Willis and Vernon Davis.

Soon after, the 49ers successful season came into focus.

In the second award of the evening, Jim Harbaugh was named Coach of the Year by the Associated Press, making him the first 49ers coach to receive the honor since Bill Walsh did it in 1981.

Both Harbaugh and the Hall of Fame 49ers coach went to the NFC Championship game in their respective seasons as AP Coach of the Year and both did it with 49ers teams coming off 6-10 records.

Alex Smith, who was in contention for the AP's Comeback Player of the Year, accepted the award on Harbaugh's behalf.

Dressed in a black suit with white dress shirt and black tie, Smith stepped out of his seat between Davis and All-Pro linebacker NaVorro Bowman to receive the trophy on stage for his coach not in attendance.

"I was trying to think about what Coach Harbaugh would say if he was here," began Smith in his acceptance speech for the 49ers coach who went 13-3 in his first year in San Francisco, "he probably would say he doesn't deserve this. It's just the type of guy he is. He'd give all the credit to the players, to the assistant coaches. That's just who he is.

"From someone who's had one or two coaches in his career, I would tell you this is well-deserved. Congratulations, coach. Thank you."

Several current and former 49ers were highlighted throughout the remainder of the show as well.

Following Harbaugh's honor, Rice and Young later presented an award along with former 49ers defensive back Deion Sanders for Comeback Player of the Year, eventually won by Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford.

Three All-Pro 49ers defenders, Willis, Bowman and defensive tackle Justin Smith, were all in contention for the AP's Defensive Player of the Year Award. Ravens linebacker Terrell Suggs took home the honor.

Rookie linebacker Aldon Smith was edged in the AP's Defensive Rookie of the Year Award by Broncos linebacker Von Miller.

### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***Milestone reached in Harbaugh's enriching friendship***

By Matt Maiocco, CSNBayArea.com

Just days after quarterback Tyler Schilhabel played the finest -- and final -- game of his high school football career, he received a visit in his hospital room from Jim Harbaugh.

Fate brought Schilhabel to within close proximity of Harbaugh when he was airlifted to Stanford Hospital after an ATV accident left him paralyzed from the chest down in September 2010. But a friendship that has enriched the lives of both individuals has ensured that they remain in close contact.

Harbaugh, the Stanford coach at the time, was there the day Schilhabel awakened following spinal-cord surgery and a medically induced coma.

"I don't think I've ever seen a human being more down, more distraught," Harbaugh said. "He was awake, but there was nothing behind his eyes."

More than 17 months later, Harbaugh paid another visit to Schilhabel. And this one was prompted by a joyous occasion.

After the 49ers wrapped up practice Thursday in Santa Clara, the 2011 NFL Coach of the Year flew to Bakersfield to attend Schilhabel's graduation from Independence High School.

"It's a milestone," Harbaugh told CSNBayArea.com on Friday. "Just supporting a friend for all the hard work he has done."

When Schilhabel spent some time in November at the 49ers' practice facility in Santa Clara, there was brief talk of Harbaugh attending the graduation ceremony.

"Then, about two months go, I got a text, 'Am I still invited to your graduation?' And it went from there," Schilhabel said.

Schilhabel had hoped to be able to walk across the stage to receive his diploma. However, his rehabilitation slowed in the second year after his injury, he said.

"My body did not respond to the workouts as well as I'd hoped," he said. "I'm trying to stay healthy and wait for my body to start picking back up. Right now, I'm healthy and in good condition, so I have no complaints."

Schilhabel, 18, has demonstrated remarkable determination and ability to deal with adversity. It's a quality he demonstrated on the football field, too.

In 2009, Independence lost to Clovis North 63-0. A year later with virtually the same teams (both schools graduated their first senior classes this year), Schilhabel passed for 241 yards and two touchdowns and ran for 51 yards and a touchdown to lead Independence to a shocking 21-19 victory.

Two days later, Schilhabel sustained the life-altering accident while riding a four-wheeler over a sand dune at a designated area in Pismo Beach. Harbaugh learned of Schilhabel's plight and visited him. A couple days later, Harbaugh returned with quarterback Andrew Luck and several other Stanford players and staff.

"He was talking and he was still very sad," Harbaugh said. "Probably within a week, (I) saw the hope, the determination, the special gift of personality that he has come back."

"He's just a real special youngster, in terms of charisma, uncommon personality -- he's very special in that way. He's a very dynamic, inspirational young man. To see him fight through that obstacle and determine he was going to overcome it, that's inspirational."

Harbaugh's presence in Schilhabel's life has helped reassure him that he is not fighting alone. Early in their friendship, Harbaugh made a promise to Schilhabel that he would remain in contact over the long term.

And, as if Schilhabel needed further proof of Harbaugh's personal commitment, there he was on graduation night, spending five hours Thursday evening in Bakersfield.

"It just shows me how genuine he is," Schilhabel said. "I've known it from Day 1. I knew he'd be true to his word. And others see that, too. You can look at him as another famous person and a great football coach, but I see all of his intangibles. He's got a busy life of his own with a lot of responsibilities, but he cares that much to come to Bakersfield for a few hours. That meant a lot to me."

Schilhabel sat down to write Harbaugh a letter to express his gratitude, as well as his hope that he, in turn, has provided Harbaugh with a positive influence, too.

"I hope I've impacted his life as much as he has impacted mine," he said.

There not even a question in Harbaugh's mind.

"I feel like I've gotten the long end of the straw in this friendship," Harbaugh said. "He has supported us many times. He's been at the games and he's been out at practice. When we were at Stanford, same thing."

Schilhabel and his family were guests on a drizzly day at 49ers practice in November. He remained in the rain to watch the entire practice from his wheelchair. He even spoke to the team after practice. His message is a product of his love of football and life experience.

"Whether you're a high school quarterback or a pro football player, you never know when your last game is going to be," Schilhabel said.

Schilhabel originally planned to watch that game against the Arizona Cardinals from the stands. But at the behest of offensive coordinator Greg Roman, Schilhabel ended up remaining on the sideline during the action.

"I remember turning around and seeing him late in the first quarter and thinking, 'That's my guy. He's behind us,'" Harbaugh said. "I'm just forever proud to be his friend."

Schilhabel will attend Boise State, where he plans to major in athletic training. It should come as no surprise that he would like to be involved with the university's football program.

"It's something I've always wanted to look into," he said. "Even after the accident, I wasn't going to let it keep me from being involved in football one way or another."

Once a promising football player, Schilhabel's future looks no less encouraging after the dramatic turn his life has taken.

"His future is very bright because of the person he is," Harbaugh said. "He gets so much of that from his family. He's got five total brothers and sisters, great mom, great dad, 11 nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles -- just an amazing support system there in Bakersfield, the whole community."

"He's very driven. I think all of that bodes well for him. It's a process that he's going through, in terms of his rehab. The thing I like about him is he's chasing perfection. And there are going to be some adversity and fights to overcome but we fully expect he's going to attain excellence along the way."



## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Jim Harbaugh knows he owes a lot to mom***

By Anna McDonald, ESPN.com

Fifty-five years ago, someone snapped a photograph of a third-string quarterback watching his team from the bench with a cheerleader standing behind him.

It could have ended up an ordinary picture -- one of the countless extra snapshots of life -- thrown away because it had no meaning to the ultimate story. But it holds special meaning for Jim Harbaugh.

The cheerleader is his mother, and the player is his father.

Jack Harbaugh played football at Bowling Green from 1957-60, and it was during that time he met his future wife, Jackie. The couple would raise three children, sons Jim and John and daughter Joani.

Jim became a successful NFL quarterback and head coach of the 49ers. John became a career coach, just like his father, eventually rising to become head coach of the Ravens. Joani married a career basketball coach, Tom Crean, who took over the storied Indiana program in 2008.

Jack Harbaugh coached for more than 40 years, but wife Jackie knows her way around a football field just as well as he does. Remembering what it was like growing up in a family where life revolved around football, Jim said Jackie would take the kids to watch Jack coach every week.

"She loved to watch the games," Jim said.

Even with all the time they spent together at games, Jackie, in a nod to her Italian upbringing, made sure the family sat down to dinner together, too.

"She would make her own noodles," Jim said. "She would make the best sauce ever. I loved her sauce. Still to this day, spaghetti and meatballs makes me feel better. We'd probably have spaghetti three or four nights a week."

Jackie worked as a counselor and teacher in addition to juggling the everyday demands of a busy mom with children involved in sports.

Talk to any mom with kids who play sports, and you'll find there are times when she feels like she might perish in a minivan underneath a pile of Pepperidge Farm Goldfish, sports equipment, mismatched socks and missing shoes. Jackie was no different. She was the one who took them to practices and games.

"I could count on her," Jim said. "I wasn't an easy kid to raise. I used to play outside. I'd never want to come in. I'd never want to stop playing -- to the point where I'd have a few accidents, a lot of accidents, and she was always there. I'd be a wreck without her."

Like most moms, Jackie taught her kids to never lie, cheat or steal. But there was an important aspect of her personality that fit the Harbaugh disposition perfectly -- she was competitive.

Once, when Jim was 12, he got in trouble at school. Apparently, his ultracompetitive personality was causing problems for other students.

"I always had to win. The gym teacher was mad, upset with me," Jim said, speaking in a tone that makes you wonder how the teacher had the nerve to confront him. "She got called into the principal's office, and they had a conference with the principal and the gym teacher."

They told Jackie it was time to do something about his competitive nature.

Jackie and Jack Harbaugh chat with son Jim at the "Harbaugh Bowl" between the 49ers and Ravens. "I was offending some of the other kids," Jim said. "So they suggested that they put me on Ritalin. My mom drew a line in the sand and said they would not be putting me on Ritalin. My mom liked my competitive nature, and she stood up for me."

Without Jim's aggressive and ambitious personality, his football career might have looked much different. His competitiveness pushed him to college success at Michigan, a 14-year NFL playing career and extraordinary results as a head coach with Stanford and the 49ers.

"She fought for me," Jim said of that day in the principal's office.

Jim says his mom has watched too many football games to count. But what makes her extraordinary, is all the football programs across the country touched by her hard work and dedication behind the scenes. From Bowling Green, Ohio, to Kalamazoo, Mich., from Bowling Green, Ky., to Oxford, Ohio, from Pittsburgh to Morehead, Ky., from Cincinnati to Bloomington, Ind., from Philadelphia to Baltimore, from Ann Arbor, Mich., to Chicago, from Indianapolis to San Diego, from Oakland to Palo Alto, Calif., to San Francisco.

When Harbaugh looks at the picture of his mom and dad at Bowling Green in the 1950's, he calls their story "magical."

It is magical. That photograph foreshadowed how Jackie would spend her life -- standing behind her family and supporting them. Jim says it's as if she lives in a time warp, defying her age. She still visits her children and grandchildren and attends every game she can.

When asked why his mother is special, Jim doesn't hesitate to find an answer.

"Just all the times she's been there through the years," Jim said. "I'd hate another Mother's Day to go by without her knowing that I appreciate that. I love her."

### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***Harbaugh Helps FedEx, Salvation Army***

By Alex Espinoza, 49ers.com

Jim Harbaugh wore his trademark black fleece sweater and khaki pants, but he made a slight change to his headgear on Friday at City Hall as he helped FedEx donate a disaster relief unit to The Salvation Army and the city of San Francisco.

Harbaugh was still wearing a black hat like he does on the sidelines on Sundays, only the 49ers logo had been replaced by one for The Salvation Army. Harbaugh gave a speech and even got busy in the disaster relief unit, a mobile van that is designed to feed people after natural disasters. The \$100,000 disaster relief unit is capable of feeding up to 2,500 people a day and will be made available to the needy as well.

"I hope there's no disaster," Harbaugh told 95.7 The Game. "But in the meantime, it will daily and weekly feed people in our community. It was neat to be asked to be involved and I was honored to be there."

Following his speech, Harbaugh jumped in the van himself and put together some meals, while also taking part in FedEx's additional \$10,000 donation to the Salvation Army. The 49ers coach said he enjoyed the teamwork shared between FedEx and the Salvation Army, calling them "two great teams."

"It's just a neat deal," Harbaugh told KNBR. "There's a perception out there that nobody's doing anybody any favors and that nobody is going out of the way for anybody in this day and age. But it's kind of heartwarming to see that, if you just look around, that there's a lot of these kinds of things going on and people are on each other's side."

"You're on my side, I'm on your side – that kind of attitude, that kind of mentality is the best thing for us in the country."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Harbaugh brothers' lifelong competition hits NFL***

By Antonio Gonzalez, SFGate.com

One of the regular chores Jack Harbaugh gave his sons growing up was mowing the lawn. The Harbaugh home in Ann Arbor, Mich., had a large, sloping backyard that was far more challenging to cut than the front. John and younger brother Jim, his junior by 15 months, took turns between the front and back.

At least that was the plan.

"I can remember our summers being consumed with who had done the backyard the week before," Jack said. "When that settled, it would turn into who could do it faster and who could do it better. With those two, everything was a competition."

The sibling rivalry that began in games back home will reach a historic level this year.

Jim, entering his first season with the San Francisco 49ers, and John, in his fourth year with the Baltimore Ravens, are the first brothers to be NFL head coaches. Despite their fierce but friendly competition, the two always have held a strong bond.

Even while taking opposite paths to the pros.

Sons of a football coach, they were born and raised into the profession. The pair shared a room for almost 18 years, the one constant growing up while they moved from city to city for their father's job.

Though Jim was younger, he was always more athletic than John and his older brother's friends. He would tag along with them, but he never took it easy on them — or anybody — just so he could fit in.

Once during a youth baseball game, Jim beamed a girl in the back because she was crowding the plate. Another time, when the two were ice hockey teammates, Jim, not much of a skater, barreled over smaller players just to score a goal.

"He would alienate the other kids, so I was really the only friend he had," said John, now 48 years old. "We joke that dad's profession was the perfect profession for Jim, because after two years, he'd be like, 'It's time to move, dad. I've lost all my friends.' We were in Iowa one time and dad felt bad because we were leaving for Michigan. He tried to break it to us, and Jim goes, 'Just in time, dad. I just ran out of my last friend.'"

That's how things went for the Harbaugh boys when they were young.

During their formative years, when Jack was the defensive backs coach at Michigan under Bo Schembechler, the brothers shared a third-floor bedroom converted from attic space. They competed in everything, from wrestling to cards to who could run down the stairs faster or finish dinner first.

"They made up games and then competed against each other," said their mother, Jackie. "It was constant."

The most memorable competition involved a tree in the front yard of their Michigan home.

Jim and John would try to throw a football over the giant evergreen. Jim, blessed with a rocket arm, could sail the pigskin over the top easily. John never could. Little brother would always remind him, too. John hated it.

"A few months ago, we found a picture of just the tree," Jack said. "Why anybody would take a photo of just a tree is beyond me. Then I remembered it was THAT tree. It's so silly when you think about it now."



The athletic competitions exposed the one divide between the two brothers.

John never had the same physical gifts as his younger brother, and when he tried to match him in sports, things got messy. He would have been the quarterback at Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor, but he caught his finger in another player's jersey and broke it.

When he switched to defensive back, he tore a ligament in his right knee his senior year. He still played defensive back at Miami of Ohio, although most of his action came in practice.

Jim's playing career took a more glamorous path, leading him to Michigan and a starring role as quarterback. In his junior year, he led the nation in passing efficiency, helped the Wolverines to a Fiesta Bowl victory over Nebraska and finished ranked second.

And he was cocky doing it, too. Before his second-to-last regular-season game at Michigan, Jim guaranteed a victory over rival Ohio State. Schembechler was furious.

"Bo came into the locker room and said, 'Our quarterback shot off his mouth, and now we better win,'" former Michigan running back Jamie Morris said. "Jim stood up and said, 'We WILL win the game.' And he played like hell to make sure we did."

While John couldn't keep up with his brother athletically, he shared that perpetual drive.

The frustration of watching Jim beat him at everything — and reach the NFL — was more than enough motivation. So he found a new place to score victories over his brother: in the classroom. John won Miami of Ohio's football scholar athlete award and earned a degree in political science.

"You thought maybe for a second he might go to law school," Jackie said, laughing.

No chance.

Coaching was in the blood.

The only Harbaugh sibling not to go into the profession was their sister, Joani. And she ended up marrying Tom Crean, now Indiana's basketball coach. That all of his children embraced coaching makes Jack proud.

After all, his kids were around football all their lives.

"We thought our dad had the best job in the whole world," John said. "We were the kings of the whole town because our dad coached football."

Fittingly, the brothers' coaching careers took hold while helping their dad.

Jack was the head coach at Western Kentucky in the early 1990s. Four days before spring practice one year, the university president told him football was going to be dropped because of a lack of funding.

After Jack convinced his players to go ahead with practice, the university's board voted to keep the program, but sliced the budget in half and slashed scholarships. His boys came to the rescue.

John was at Cincinnati, and he took time to compile two recruiting lists: one for Cincinnati, the second for Western Kentucky. Jim was still playing in the NFL, but he took a coaching position at Western Kentucky with no salary, allowing him to recruit for his dad with the list his brother put together.

One of the first players Jim landed was dual-threat quarterback Willie Taggart. The rest is history: more recruits signed, the school improved and won a Division I-AA national title in 2002.

Taggart, a former Stanford assistant under Jim, is now the coach at Western Kentucky — which moved up to the Sun Belt Conference and is BCS eligible.

"Without John and Jim Harbaugh," Jack said, "there would be no football at Western Kentucky."

John was the first sibling to dive into the family business.

He took the long route through the coaching ranks, working his way up as a college assistant for 13 years, starting under his father at Western Michigan. Finally, the Philadelphia Eagles hired him as special teams coordinator.

Nine years later, John was in the same position with Philadelphia. During that time, Jim was enjoying NFL stardom — he's still the last quarterback to start for Indianapolis not named Peyton Manning. The two spoke often, and the odd dynamic of little brother outshining older brother never fractured the relationship.

"The greatest thing that I can say about John and of all the things that he has accomplished, never once in that entire experience was John ever anything but totally supportive in Jim and what he was doing," Jack said. "I never heard him ever say, 'Why am I not 6-feet-3 or why am I not 215 pounds?' Never once."

While John was waiting for his turn at the front of the coaching line, Jim found a way to skip in front. Again. He retired from playing and went straight to offensive assistant with the Oakland Raiders in 2002. He was quarterbacks coach by the following season. Still, they never stopped helping each other.

One morning before dawn, Jim woke up behind the wheel in his driveway and didn't know whether he had just come home or was about to leave. He called John, who had been used to the coaching grind for more than a decade, and he told him to go inside and kiss his wife and kids — then go to work.

After only two years in Oakland, Jim was offered the head coaching position at the University of San Diego. Everybody Jim knew tried to steer him away, including Raiders owner Al Davis.

"He told me that he had been at U-S-C, not U-S-D," Jim said.

Jim took the job anyway and offered his brother a job as coordinator. John told Eagles coach Andy Reid he was considering the move. Reid immediately promoted him to defensive backs coach.

Jim won two Division I-AA national titles in three years at San Diego. He took over at Stanford after the program went 1-11 in 2006 under Walt Harris, leading the Cardinal to a 12-1 record last season capped by a 40-12 victory over Virginia Tech in the Orange Bowl, riding the wave into 49ers headquarters.

For once, little brother has some catching up to do.

John took the reins at Baltimore in 2008 and guided the Ravens to the AFC Championship game, losing to the eventual Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh Steelers. Baltimore has made the playoffs in all three of his seasons.

Now the Harbaugh brothers have a date with history.

Jim will lead his 49ers against John's Ravens in Baltimore on Thanksgiving, a fitting day for an unprecedented NFL family affair. The brothers still send game film to their father back home every week, asking for tips, but mostly just to keep him involved in football. Don't expect any advice that week, Jack said.

Though family is sure to be scattered throughout the stadium on game day, their parents, as of now, aren't planning to attend. The way the Harbaughs see it, they've watched their boys compete against each other enough.

"It will be hard because you want them both to win," Jackie said. "I guess it's still possible in the pros for a regular-season game to end in a tie, so I guess if all things being equal, that might be the best way for it to end."

"But," she said, "I know they would never think that."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Harbaugh's methods show power of positive coaching***

By Matt Barrows, Sacramento Bee

In the spring of 2004, Eric Bakhtiari was a skinny redshirt freshman from Burlingame who figured he was a pretty good player that would blend into the mix that year on the University of San Diego defense.

That is, until incoming coach Jim Harbaugh pulled him aside one day.

"He told me I wasn't a good player, I was a great player," Bakhtiari said. "I thought someone else was in the room. I didn't think he was talking to me."

The exchange was a seminal moment in Bakhtiari's football career. He completed his four seasons with the Toreros with 34 1/2 sacks and 66 1/2 tackles behind the line of scrimmage. Six years later, he's reunited with Harbaugh and appears close to landing a spot on the 49ers' 53-man roster.

Bakhtiari is not the only player to be dazzled by a Harbaugh compliment – often a conspicuous public compliment. Last year, Alex Smith received a barrage of praise from Harbaugh, who called him "elite" and said he deserved a spot in the Pro Bowl.

This year, Harbaugh said Michael Crabtree had the best hands he'd ever seen and insisted that beleaguered rookie A.J. Jenkins would be an outstanding wide receiver.

To sports psychologists, Harbaugh's style is known as positive coaching, and they see it as part of a movement away from the traditional, profane, in-your-face style symbolized by coaches such as Bill Parcells, Jon Gruden and Bill Cowher.

To players, Harbaugh's rosy, public appraisals build loyalty in their coach and faith in themselves.

"It's positive, and it builds up people's confidence," said offensive lineman Derek Hall, who played for Harbaugh at Stanford. "And it makes you feel tighter with the coaches. He's always preaching that you want to build up your teammates when you're talking with the media – a rising tide lifts all ships."

Smith's experiences with his first two NFL head coaches were very different. His first, Mike Nolan, publicly questioned Smith's toughness after the quarterback tried to play despite a badly separated shoulder. The second, Mike Singletary, famously and furiously challenged Smith on the sideline during a nationally televised game against the Philadelphia Eagles.

"I don't want to speak for the other guys, but it's nice to have a coach who isn't going to publicly throw you under the bus," Smith said. "There are a lot of things that happen on the practice field and in games that people don't always see or get credit for. And I love the fact that he let's that be known."

Larry Lauer, a sports psychologist at Michigan State, said that when Pete Carroll became coach of the New York Jets in 1994, he was criticized for his rah-rah style, which observers doubted would be effective in an NFL locker room. That style has become more prevalent.

Lauer said it may be that young people today are more interested in positive feedback than previous generations.

"And they're more attuned to that," said Lauer, who works with high school wrestling coaches. "We like the Harbaugh method at our level."

Rick McGuire, the head of the University of Missouri's sports psychology program, said the positive coaching method is more meaningful than the alternative and ends up having a more enduring effect on athletes. And he said he was glad to see coaches like Harbaugh, Carroll and former Indianapolis Colts coach Tony Dungy be successful in the NFL.



"It makes no sense to try to build someone up by cutting them down first," McGuire said. "You can be demanding without being demeaning."

Lauer said he's often asked whether the style ultimately will have an adverse effect, and he said he fields concerns about the "wussification" of the American athlete.

He said the style wouldn't be successful if it weren't backed up with good, old-fashioned coaching as well as behind-the-scenes criticism when it's needed.

And Harbaugh certainly isn't a softy.

He ejected two receivers – Brian Tyms and Kyle Williams – for practice scuffles this month and angrily pulled another, Jenkins, from a formation after the rookie drew a false-start penalty.

Smith also discovered that Harbaugh's high praise doesn't always translate to the business side of the game. Smith took a long time to sign a new contract with the 49ers in March, and before signing it he watched the 49ers court Peyton Manning, his counterpart in Sunday's game against Denver.

Still, he insists there are no hard feelings between him and his coach.

"Anyone that's been around coach Harbaugh for a while realizes – and I think it's a great thing about him – he's going to tell you what he thinks," Smith said. "Good or bad, he is going to give you his honest opinion. As someone who's been around for a long time and been with a lot of coaches, you appreciate a guy telling you the truth and being honest with you even if it's not always what you want to hear."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Jim Harbaugh has a friend in the media***

By Daniel Brown, Mercury News

Dave Feldman, who knows his way around an interview, suggested a good way to grill Jim Harbaugh.

"Ask him about the time I beat him one-on-one in his driveway," the newest Comcast SportsNet anchor said.

Feldman makes sure to say it loudly. He wants Harbaugh to overhear.

The 49ers coach doesn't deny the allegation. "Turnaround jump shot," he sighs. "There was just one day when he was on fire and I could not stop the turnaround."

That long-ago showdown marked a rare athletic triumph for Feldman, who spent much of his junior year at Palo Alto High glued to the bench while Harbaugh, a senior, dominated the action.

Now, 30 years later, Feldman and Harbaugh are going one-on-one again. But instead of hoops in Harbaugh's driveway, it's an interview at 49ers headquarters. Feldman, hired by CSN last month, will anchor the network's 49ers coverage and host its postgame show, and Harbaugh is expected to be a frequent guest.

The two high school buddies have been reunited as NFL coach and television sportscaster just a few miles from where they established their bond.

"It's neat. It's special," Harbaugh said. "Dave is not just someone who was a high school friend -- he's been a lifelong friend. He's not someone you catch up with 20 years later and say, 'Hey, I went to high school with that guy.' We've been friends ever since."

Off camera, Feldman (Class of '83) and Harbaugh ('82) tell the same tales, quote the same teachers and praise the same former coaches. Standing just near the 49ers practice field last week, they doubled over in laughter as they recalled the time Harbaugh's dad, Jack, single-handedly quelled a violent melee during their basketball game at a rival high school. (More on that later.)

CSN announced Feldman's hiring July 23 after luring him away from his 12-year gig at WTTG, where he was selected as the Washington, D.C., sportscaster of the year in 2011. Beyond serving as anchor/reporter for its 49ers programming, Feldman will appear on "SportsNet Central" and the network's other pre- and postgame shows.

His link to Harbaugh, however, is what most bears watching, in part because it raises the ethical question of whether Feldman can be objective when it comes to his schoolboy chum. (CSN officials already rankle at the notion that his hiring had anything to do with his famous friend.)

Feldman vowed to avoid special treatment.

"I won't be afraid to be critical if (Harbaugh) makes a bad call or if the team looks bad," he said. "If they lose a tough game, it's not like I'm going to go out there and say, 'Hey, the 49ers looked great today' and sugarcoat it. Jim's a pretty realistic guy about what to expect, and he knows I have a job to do."

Harbaugh, asked if Feldman would be willing ask tough questions, said: "I pretty much know the answer to that. First and foremost, he's a professional."

In a way, Feldman has covered Harbaugh already. When they were high school teammates, Feldman and his fellow garbage-timer, Bill Pidto, would kill time on the bench by providing play-by-play. Harbaugh remembers them doing the same thing while watching the junior varsity games from the stands.

The two bench-warmers had a vivid scene to describe in 1982, when, Feldman said, players from a rival school tried to intimidate Palo Alto players from the moment they stepped off the bus.

"I was wetting my pants," Feldman said, "and Jim was just laughing at them."

The early action, in their memory, was so awash in cheap shots and fouls that Jack Harbaugh, then the defensive coordinator at Stanford, approached the opposing coach with a warning: Get this under control or you're going to have a problem -- with me.

But the ragged play escalated until what they called a blindside elbow sent center Nick Zaharias sprawling to the hardwood. When Zaharias got up ready to fight, fans swarmed the court. (Asked to confirm the tale this week, Zaharias, who now runs an independent investment research company in Menlo Park said, "You mean the riot?")

Harbaugh and Feldman pick up the story from there ...

Feldman: "Their stands empty in, like, one second. It was like they were ready to go. Five guys go after Jim. But before you can even blink, Jack Harbaugh is on the court holding Jim back."

Harbaugh: "Just mayhem. I remember being backed into the wall on the baseline. There were four people there -- not players, but people who had come out of the stands. They were all coming at me like this." (He raises his clenched fists.) "And I'm squared up getting ready to defend myself and throw."

Feldman: "But then Jack was there in the blink of an eye, getting in front of Jim and holding him back. I'm on the bench thinking, 'Oh, my god. Jack Harbaugh is like Superman!' "

Harbaugh: "My dad comes in -- whoosh! -- just like that and cleared everybody out like a wrecking ball. It was like a superhero moment. Jack Harbaugh, legendary status."

They recounted that story last week just before a 49ers practice at Santa Clara. Their easy rapport and comic chemistry raises hopes that Feldman's work at CSN will unearth another side of a coach who can be short -- even combative -- with other local reporters.

To Pidto, the reunion is surreal.

"It's crazy," said Pidto, now the Knicks and Rangers television host for MSG Networks in New York. "The odds of being successful in either profession aren't the greatest."

But Harbaugh and Feldman were willing to start at the bottom and work their way up, Pidto added.

Feldman started with a \$3-an-hour job in Sioux City, Iowa, before earning rapid promotions to bigger markets in Monterey (KMST) and Santa Ana (Orange County News Channel). He got his big break, at ESPN, in 1996.

Pidto had already been in Bristol, Conn., for three years when Feldman arrived for his audition. As part of the tryout, Feldman had to narrate highlights on the actual "SportsCenter" set.

"My heart is beating like a rabbit because I know if I blow this it's going to destroy my career," he said. "But just before I go on, I can hear Pidto's voice on my earpiece. He gets on and says: 'Don't you dare (mess) this up and embarrass everyone from Palo Alto.' "

Feldman spent four years at ESPN. He and Pidto, the play-by-play men for an audience of zero back at Palo Alto, were suddenly teaming up on "SportsCenter." One night, they interviewed Harbaugh, who had just been traded to the Baltimore Ravens. Harbaugh, via satellite, broke out a prop -- the team picture of the 1982 Palo Alto boys basketball team.

Now, the reunion is back in full swing on an almost daily basis. No word yet about a rematch in Harbaugh's driveway.



### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***Brad Seely heads 49ers' top notch special teams***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

A few days into training camp, 49ers long snapper Brian Jennings had a nickname for his new special teams coordinator Brad Seely: The Professor.

It wasn't just Seely's glasses and close-cropped hair - he really could be grading papers instead of game film - it was also his coaching style.

Or, rather, his teaching style.

Plenty of football coaches move players with their emotion. Seely, often described as a tactician, moves players like they are chess pieces.

"He's coaching, really, he's teaching Special Teams 570," Jennings said. "It's graduate-level stuff. And he's definitely got tenure ... I would say he's very unique in that he just tells us what to do. He's not cussing guys out and breaking stuff. Some guys, for kickoffs, they'll show videos of car crashes and stuff. He just tells you what to do. And shows you how to do it."

Six games into their first season under Seely's guidance, the Niners' special teams are receiving high marks entering Sunday's game against the visiting Browns, whose special teams Seely, 54, oversaw the past two seasons before a new head coach arrived.

And, perhaps, the Browns' messy special-teams situation best illustrates the influence of Seely, a 23-year NFL veteran who owns three Super Bowl rings from his 10 seasons with the Patriots and has collected two Special Teams Coach of the Year awards.

Under Seely's guidance, the Browns were one of four NFL teams to not allow a kickoff or punt return for a touchdown in 2009-10. They also led the NFL in kickoff-return coverage and ranked fourth in punt-return coverage during that span.

This season? In their past two games, Cleveland has had two field goals blocked, allowed a 101-yard kickoff return for a touchdown and surrendered a touchdown on a fake field goal.

The series of gaffes has prompted Browns coach Pat Shurmur to make personnel changes this week while Seely's replacement, Chris Tabor, has been asked about the big shoes he's attempting to fill.

Luckily for the Browns, they get to study Seely-coached units this week, said Cleveland wide receiver/kick returner Josh Cribbs.

"Even looking at their film now, we can look at San Fran and coach ourselves off of them because Seely was such a great coach," Cribbs said.

On film, the Browns will see a team that leads the NFL in kickoff-return average (30.9) and in punt returns of 20 or more yards (7). The Niners have also started an NFL-best 15 drives in opponents' territory, a number that's partly attributable to their strong special-teams play.

For his part, Seely says "good players make good coaches." And his units are dotted with stars in placekicker David Akers (five Pro Bowls), two-time Pro Bowl punter Andy Lee (second in the NFL with a 50.5 average, and tied for the lead in net average) and returner Ted Ginn, who ranks second in the NFL in kickoff returns (31.8) and fifth in punt returns (13.7).

In addition, the 49ers have made a front-office commitment to special teams, bringing in players such as linebackers Blake Costanzo and Tavares Gooden whose sole responsibility has been to play on kick coverage units.

"I think it's real important," Seely said. "I think everybody has to be on the same page. If you want to be good on special teams, there's got to be a commitment from the head coach and the personnel people that you're going to have those kinds of players."

The special teams units aren't Seely's only domain. He is also the assistant head coach, and his boss, Jim Harbaugh, routinely confers with him during games to discuss in-game strategy and clock management.

Harbaugh says he's learned plenty from The Professor.

"Oh yeah, leaning on him," Harbaugh said. "Like Abraham leaning on his staff. ... In-game and during the week, during preparations, there's so many times that I just go into his office and pull up a chair and we talk. Sometimes even put the feet up on the desk and talk, and hash things out and bat things around. He's a tremendous resource."

#### Week 1

With the Niners clinging to a 19-17 fourth-quarter lead, Ted Ginn, below, has a 102-yard kickoff return for a touchdown and a 55-yard punt return for a score to seal a 33-17 win against the Seahawks.

#### Week 3

Leading the Bengals 10-6 with 2:21 left, David Akers drills a 53-yard field goal. If Akers had missed, Cincinnati would have taken possession at their own 43-yard line. Instead, the Bengals begin at their own 17 in a 13-8 loss.

#### Week 5

Thanks, in part, to five touchbacks by Akers, below, the Buccaneers' average starting position is their own 18-yard line in the 49ers' 48-3 win.

#### Week 6

Andy Lee drops four punts inside the 20-yard line, forcing the Lions to start at their 11-, 9-, 9- and 8-yard line on four of their final 10 drives. The drive that starts at the 11 ends in a safety.

With the 49ers trailing 19-15, Ginn returns a punt 40 yards to set up a 35-yard game-winning drive capped by Alex Smith's 6-yard pass to Delanie Walker.

### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***Appraising Jim Harbaugh after 20 games***

By Ron Kroichick, San Francisco Chronicle

George Seifert, ever loyal to his childhood team, watches the 49ers with heightened interest these days. He sees Jim Harbaugh roam the sideline, intensity played across his face, and Seifert cannot help but flash back to the time his 49ers played Harbaugh and the Colts in Indianapolis.

It happened Oct. 15, 1995, when Seifert, Steve Young and Jerry Rice were reigning Super Bowl champions. The Colts won 18-17, prompting Harbaugh to immediately run toward San Francisco's sideline, arms spread wide, and make a helicopter motion as he exuberantly celebrated the victory.

"The emotion he brings to the party is unique," Seifert said this week. "He's a little bit zany, but all in a positive way."

That emotion is one element in Harbaugh's instant success as an NFL head coach. He's now 20 games into his tenure with the 49ers (including the playoffs), and his 16-4 record counts as remarkable given the franchise's struggles in the years before he arrived.

So it seemed fitting, at this 20-game benchmark, to consult some accomplished former Bay Area coaches about Harbaugh's dramatic impact on the 49ers. Seifert, John Madden and Tom Flores all guided their teams to at least one Super Bowl title, the road Harbaugh is trying to travel.

Madden is struck by Harbaugh's unwavering conviction - how deeply he believes in what he's doing. That commitment propelled the 49ers through the tumult of last year's labor dispute, just as it fueled their wins over Green Bay and Detroit to launch this season.

Best rookie coach ever?

"I thought the job Jim and his staff did last year was not only the best job in the league, but maybe the best ever in the NFL," Madden said. "He had no offseason, no minicamps, no free agency. Then to get that close to the Super Bowl - that was one of the outstanding coaching jobs in NFL history."

One year later, confronting a more challenging schedule, logic suggested Harbaugh might float back to earth. Then the 49ers opened 2012 by conquering Aaron Rodgers and Matthew Stafford, two of the league's most dangerous quarterbacks.

Madden likened Harbaugh's style - start with defense, run the ball on offense, mix it up as needed, avoid turnovers above all else - to the way his brother, John, presides over the Ravens. If 49ers fans are waiting for their team to spread its wings on offense, they might want to get comfortable.

"If they play their football - good defense, get a field goal here and touchdown there - then they don't have to spread their wings," Madden said. "Their definition of spreading their wings might be different than other teams'. To the Saints and Patriots, it means an empty backfield and spread the field with five receivers.

"Jim Harbaugh's team will never do that. For the 49ers, it might be play-action on first down. It's not going to be throwing 60 passes."

This is a striking contrast to the glory days when Bill Walsh and Seifert directed the 49ers to five championships in 14 seasons (1981 to '94). Joe Montana and Steve Young did not fling passes with reckless abandon, but those offenses played with an "openness," as Seifert put it, and savored putting the ball in the air.

Grounded approach

Harbaugh loves watching Frank Gore churn out yards on the ground.

Just check out this week's NFL passing statistics. Alex Smith ranks 25th in the league in passing attempts through two games, 24th in passing yards - and second in quarterback rating, behind only Atlanta's Matt Ryan. That's the epitome of efficiency, especially when your team is unbeaten.

Seifert is enjoying watching these 49ers slowly become more creative on offense, much as he has enjoyed watching Harbaugh quickly revive the franchise.

"I think so much of it stems from Jim's foundation, his background," Seifert said. "He grew up in a football family, and that was the family's passion - it wasn't like they went camping or fishing or bicycling around Europe. Their time was spent on football. I think that's a big part of his success.

"The other part is the fact Jim played quarterback in the NFL, and he was with different clubs and had insight into different systems and players. That's huge."

Flores similarly pointed to Harbaugh's history at the game's most important position. Flores, also a quarterback in his playing days, found his background immensely helpful in working with Jim Plunkett on the Raiders.

And let's face it: More than anything else, Harbaugh's torrid 20-game pace begins with Smith's transformation.

The 'quarterback thing'

"He has a better feel for the whole quarterback thing," Flores said of Harbaugh. "Some guys have no sense of how a quarterback feels or thinks. I think Smith has responded to him because of the relationship quarterbacks have."

Flores echoed Seifert's point about the value of a vagabond resume. Harbaugh played for four NFL teams (Bears, Colts, Ravens, Chargers) and helped his dad, Jack, at Western Kentucky. Then he was an assistant coach in the pros (Raiders) and head coach in college (San Diego, Stanford). He picked up tidbits of wisdom along the way.

One constant: Harbaugh's demonstrative, clenched-jaw visage on the sideline. At one point during the Packers game, it looked like he might explode right there on camera.

He's no stone-faced Tom Landry, that's for sure.

"You have to be who and what you are," Madden said. "There's nothing worse than someone trying to be a tough guy, or Mike Ditka trying to soften up. Then you become a phony. That's the first thing players know, if you're a phony."

Harbaugh is no phony. As he watched Sunday night's game against the Lions on television, Seifert saw Harbaugh's facial expressions and pictured another coach - Bo Schembechler, who coached Harbaugh at Michigan in the 1980s.

Nearly 30 years later, Harbaugh carries on the tradition in San Francisco.

"It's just a total rebirth," Seifert said, "and it's a lot of fun."

The 20-game mark

How some notable Bay Area coaches fared in their first 20 games at the helm (including the playoffs):



George Seifert

49ers,

1989-90

18-2

Note: Super Bowl title in first season.

Steve Mariucci

49ers,

1997-98

16-4

Note: Lost in NFC title game in first season.

Jim Harbaugh

49ers, 2011-12

16-4

Note: Lost in NFC title game in first season.

John Madden

Raiders,

1969-70

14-4-2

Note: Lost in AFL title game in first season.

Tom Flores

Raiders,

1979-80

11-9

Note: Super Bowl title in second season.

Bill Walsh

49ers,

1979-80

5-15

Note: Super Bowl title in third season.

### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***Harbaugh-led 49ers don't just play better, they scheme better***

By Daniel Brown, San Francisco Chronicle

There was a time not long ago when everyone in the stadium -- opposing defenses included -- could reasonably assume that a 49ers' first-down play would be a handoff to Frank Gore.

But with Jim Harbaugh and his pair of savvy coordinators at the helm, the 49ers aren't just outplaying teams during their 3-1 start. They're also outsmarting them. The head coach who keeps a photo of Bill Walsh taped to his office computer has restored the art of the chess match on both sides of the ball.

Far from the smash-mouth simplicity of previous regimes, the 49ers are tormenting opponents with frequent personnel substitutions, complex schemes and an offense that features more wrinkles than a retirement home.

Consider the game film the Buffalo Bills (2-2) must study in advance of Sunday's game at Candlestick Park. The tape will show that against the Jets last week the 49ers unleashed backup quarterback Colin Kaepernick as a runner, passer and receiver.

The 49ers ran not one but two quarterback read options, gave the ball to Mario Manningham on and end around and faked the ball on an end around to Ted Ginn Jr.

And that was just in the first half. What new tricks will the 49ers have in store this week?

"I don't look at them as trick plays - they're football plays," offensive coordinator Greg Roman explained Thursday. "I call 'em 'mixers.' You mix 'em in from time to time"

In the least, the 49ers are mixing up their opponents.

"They have different wide receivers in almost every package. It's hard to get a bead on any one thing," Lions coach Jim Schwartz in the days leading up to a Week 2 visit to Candlestick Park. "A lot of shifts, a lot of motions. It definitely spreads your attention to different places, which I think is what it's all designed to do."

Take the 49ers opening drive against Lions: As the play clock ticked down on a first-and-10 from the 21, a national television audience heard Alex Smith barking "Kill! Kill! Kill!" The quarterback was changing the play at the line of scrimmage.

With just 5 seconds to go on the play clock, Smith gestured for fullback Bruce Miller to go into motion. When Miller raced to line up as a receiver split wide left, a Lions linebacker followed.

Just like that, the 49ers orchestrated a ridiculous mismatch: Pro Bowl tight end Vernon Davis was isolated one-on-one against John Wendling, a backup safety who was the field only because Louis Delmas was injured.

Leaving the Lions no time to adjust. Smith snapped the ball with a nanosecond to spare. Davis roared past Wendling and caught the ball in the end zone to complete a breezy four-play drive. Taking up just 1 minute, 12 seconds, it was the 49ers' fastest opening drive touchdown in eight years.

"That isn't something the 49ers could have done in Week 2 a year ago," marveled NBC broadcaster Cris Collinsworth marveled after the play unfolded.

Indeed, a year ago, the prolonged NFL lockout prevented Harbaugh and his staff from introducing all of the complexities from his offensive playbook, a system he recently acknowledged can take a few years to learn.

The schemes require constantly changing personnel — and the unpredictable the better, such as sending 6-foot-6, 355-pound offensive lineman Leonard Davis trotting onto the field as a tight end.

Running backs coach Tom Rathman handles the 49ers weekly onslaught of sideline substitutions "and does an extremely good job, so we're very fortunate there," Roman said.

Roman, who followed Harbaugh from Stanford, said it donned on them while at The Farm how much varying personnel packages could frustrate defenses.

"When you're coaching in college, you have more players at your disposal on game day. So, if guys earn the right to play and have a role during the game, you can get them out there," Roman said.

"It definitely creates a lot more for the defense to prepare for, not only in what you might do out of that personnel group, but the individual skill set of each guy. We really took that to probably a new level there (at Stanford)."

Among the most delighted by the 49ers' new look is Gore, who spent several seasons as a sledgehammer bashing into a defensive wall. The running back said the current coaching staff puts players in "great situations."

In the fourth quarter of the Lions game, Gore's block on linebacker Justin Durant helped receiver Michael Crabtree gain 16 yards on a crucial third-and-14.

Gore wasn't in Durant's area merely by chance. "We go over that play a lot in practice and I know my block's going to be a key block," Gore said. "I told myself I was going to do whatever it takes to spring him, and I did."

Left tackle Joe Staley said variations of that scenario play out every week. Because the game plans are "always very, very specific," the 49ers can rehearse even minute details.

"We have a quote around here that says, 'The hay is never in the barn.' There's never anything that we can't go over a fourth, fifth, sixth time," Staley said.

On defense, players hailed coordinator Vic Fangio's schemes after the 49ers held two of the league's most prolific passers, Aaron Rodgers of the Green Bay Packers and Matthew Stafford of the Lions, in check over the first two weeks. Those quarterbacks combined for a pedestrian 87.2 passer rating with three touchdown passes and two interceptions.

"I think the game plans were pretty spot on for what we thought they were going to give us," defensive end Justin Smith said.

Then, after a lousy game against the Minnesota Vikings in Week 3, the 49ers defense demolished New York 34-0 last Sunday while limiting the Jets to 145 yards. Cornerback Carlos Rogers said the 49ers knew what the Jets were going to try because Fangio had essentially cracked their code.

In general, the 49ers defensive game plans aren't overly exotic or gimmicky. They bring pressure sparingly, using the element of surprise to their advantage, such as when Rogers came on a rare cornerback blitz against Rodgers in Week 1.

"You have to scheme it up and I don't think (the Packers) were ready for the first blitz that we came with," said Rogers, who got a sack on the play. "I've played for some good coordinators and I think (Fangio) is one of the best, if not the best. We're utilizing all of our talents on defense.

"We're recognizing the weakness of the offense. We're confusing them with our disguises."



### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***Just the straight stuff from the 49ers Jim Harbaugh to prep coaches***

By Mitch Stephens, MaxPreps.com

For any of the two dozen or so Bay Area high school football coaches who were expecting Jim Harbaugh to actually make a Knute Rockne speech, they were pleasantly surprised.

He offered anything but.

The 45-minute closed-door Visa promotion at the San Francisco 49ers headquarters Monday entitled "Gameday Speech Clinic" was more of a straight forward, in-the-trenches pow wow that hit the coaches right where it counted.

The heart.

"I liked him right off because he peeled away the BS real fast and the motivational issues," Sequoia (Redwood City) coach Rob Poulos said. "He got right to the heart of the matter – your relationship with the players. He wasn't selling a bill of goods. We found out there was a lot more similarities than differences between his level and ours."

Harbaugh, who graduated from Palo Alto High School in 1982, called the meeting with the coaches "neat," he said. "It was as a wonderful experience."

Though he's known for a credo he learned from a Fresno State coach — "Play as hard as you can as fast as you can for as long as you can and don't worry," — Harbaugh said he's not a big motivational speech guy.

"If those things really could make a difference, you'd see motivational speakers as coaches," he said drawing a laugh. "I'm an information guy. That's what I think all good coaches are about."

That was music to the ears of 20-year Lincoln (San Jose) coach Kevin Collins, who appreciated Harbaugh's sincerity, candor and "down-to-earth" nature, especially following Sunday's trying 24-24 tie with the Rams.

"It looked like he might not have slept particularly well and maybe he didn't want to be there," Collins said. "But he sure didn't act like it. ... It's really neat to see a guy at his level going through the same things we go through."

Leigh (San Jose) coach Kyle Padia said a nugget he pulled from Harbaugh that he'll share with assistants is to get ideas out on the table.

"He talked about trusting your coaches and putting your ego aside," said Padia, a second-year head coach who played for his dad at Leigh before earning a scholarship at Northern Illinois. A quarterback, like Harbaugh, Padia often handed the ball to current Falcons' running back Michael Turner at Northern Illinois.

"The best idea doesn't necessarily have to come from the head coach. It's all about taking that plan and carrying it out. He's a big proponent of preparation and practice and not necessarily needing a big speech on game day."

"He said pregame speeches all are forgotten by the time you get out the field and warm-up anyway."

Milpitas assistant coach Bob Carswell said meeting Harbaugh was exciting because of how brutally honest he was.

"He doesn't beat around the bush," said Carswell, whose son Brandon starred at Milpitas before playing four seasons at USC. "He gives you the straight stuff. He said he's not a great motivator and he doesn't really believe in it. He's more of a teacher than a coach."

Patrick Willis, the 49ers' five-time Pro Bowl linebacker, said that's not entirely true. He said Harbaugh is more than adequate as a motivator, reciting the "Play as hard as you can..." quote.

"To me that's like freedom," Willis said. "You've put in all the work and it's time to take off the chains and go out and just do what you do. ... Sure, coach gives us all the information we need, but he gets our blood pumping for sure."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Different approach gets bang-up results***

By Matt Barrows, Sacramento Bee

Step 1 for a new NFL coach: Lock yourself in a film room and study every catch, cut, backpedal and buttonhook by each player you've inherited.

That's what Jim Harbaugh and his offensive staff did immediately after taking over the 49ers in January 2011. His counterpart on defense, however, played it cool. Vic Fangio wanted a close-up look at his new pupils that was unclouded by the defense their previous coaches had them playing. He wanted to take his time in picking out the top 11. And only when he had that group in mind would he settle on a scheme that suited them.

Fangio's patience outlasted a 132-day lockout. And after finally evaluating his new players, he made all the right moves.

He turned Ahmad Brooks and NaVorro Bowman into first-time starters for the 49ers, found a perfect role for raw rookie Aldon Smith and made Carlos Rogers, the wise and respected veteran of the secondary, his nickel cornerback.

Fangio's defense held opponents to 14.3 points a game, was virtually impenetrable against the run and landed four players in the Pro Bowl. Many expect that unit to carry the 49ers a franchise made famous by Bill Walsh, Joe Montana and Steve Young and one currently led by an ex-quarterback to its sixth Super Bowl.

In a league in which the most famous defensive coordinators are hyper-aggressive – both in scheme and in personality – Fangio, 54, is the thinking man's alternative.

He's not a practice-field screamer.

"If he calls you out, he's going to call you out in a meeting behind closed doors," said cornerback Perrish Cox.

Fangio spends game days in the relative quiet of the coaches' booth, and he is refreshingly honest both during his once-a-week news conferences and in the 49ers' meeting rooms.

"I think Vic was born with truth serum in his veins," Harbaugh said. "And it's not always popular, but he tells it like it is. And on a staff, in a working staff on a team, to be able to attack problems and get ideas on the table where the best idea wins – Vic is the leader on our staff in being able to do that."

Harbaugh said Fangio also has a dry but sharp wit, something rare but welcome in the win-or-else, no-fun NFL.

A case in point: When the rickety Candlestick Park elevator broke down during the 49ers' Aug. 10 exhibition game against Minnesota, Fangio didn't rush down flights of stairs (and back up again) to the locker room at halftime like his gasping and sweaty offensive counterparts. He stayed put.

"I had a hot dog," he said. "I've had better."

The Philadelphia connection Fangio's march to the Super Bowl begins next Sunday against an old friend and former ally.

Fangio was 25 when he got his first job with a professional team, the Philadelphia Stars of the USFL, working for head coach Jim Mora and defensive coordinator Vince Tobin. He also fell in with another young assistant named Dom Capers, who now runs the Green Bay Packers' defense.

Fangio calls that stint his "lucky break in coaching."

The Stars blitzed often and were one of the first defenses to bring pass rushers from unconventional positions like safety and cornerback and from an array of angles. The Stars appeared in all three of the league's championship games and won two of them.

"It was really both of our first exposures to pro football," Capers recalled in a phone interview. "They were fun years for a lot of reasons, mainly because we won."

The USFL officially folded in 1987 but Mora, Fangio and Capers moved on to the New Orleans Saints. They brought several players, including linebacker Sam Mills, with them.

The Saints initially used a 4-3 defense but soon turned to a 3-4 system that featured the "Dome Patrol" – a fearsome linebacking corps that included Mills, Rickey Jackson, Pat Swilling, and another USFL refugee, Vaughan Johnson.

It's the only linebacker unit from one team to be voted to the Pro Bowl in the same season, and Fangio was the position coach.

"The benefit was that early in my development as a coach I got exposed to great players," Fangio said. "So it set a high standard and a high bar of what a great player is."

The experience also started a lifelong friendship with Capers, who later became head coach in Carolina and Houston, hiring Fangio as his defensive coordinator both times.

In Green Bay, Capers' defense blitzes more often than Fangio's in San Francisco, and it operates out of its nickel package more often.

But the concepts, the language and the values all date back to the Philadelphia Stars. The two men even sound the same.

"We can have a conversation on the phone and talk a language that we both speak as far as football lingo and techniques and assignments," Fangio said. "It's very easy for us to talk because of our background together."

Said Capers: "When you spend as much time together as we have, you can speak the same language, so to speak."

The two friends parted ways in 2006 after a regime change in Houston, and Fangio has been working with a Harbaugh ever since.

Fangio spent three seasons as a defensive assistant under John Harbaugh in Baltimore before agreeing – after several – attempts to run brother Jim's Stanford defense in 2010. Fangio's nickname at Stanford is further testament that a coach can be quiet but commanding. Soon after arriving on campus, the defensive players began referring to their new coach as "Lord Fangio," and they took great joy in finally getting the better of Harbaugh and their more popular offensive teammates, including Andrew Luck, in practice.

"It was his whole persona of just being laid-back and that everything he did just seemed to work," former Stanford safety Michael Thomas said of the nickname. "It was like, man, this guy could do no wrong. He was like a higher being. It was just a joke among us. But it caught on quickly."

In one year under Fangio, the Stanford defense went from being ranked 90th in the nation to finishing in the Top 25 in six categories. The Cardinal finished the season by winning the Orange Bowl.

The 49ers' defense went through a similar turnaround in Year One under Fangio, finishing tied for first – with Capers' Packers – in takeaways and fourth overall in total defense. The only thing missing is a bowl win.



### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***Genesis of 49ers' jumbo formations: Holy Spirit High School***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

In 2008, 49ers offensive coordinator Greg Roman, in between coaching jobs, spent the season as the offensive coordinator at his alma mater, Holy Spirit High in Ventnor, N.J.

On the day of one game, Roman had a slight personnel problem: He was out of tight ends.

As Roman recalled today, one tight end was in detention and another didn't make it to school. The solution? Roman used extra offensive linemen and his industrial-sized formations were successful.

"We plugged them in and it looked good," Roman said. "Yeah, it looked pretty good. And we stuck with it."

Fast forward four years and Roman hasn't abandoned what he called "Giant Personnel" back in Ventnor. In a season-opening win at Green Bay, the 49ers, as they did last year, rolled out formations with six or seven offensive linemen.

On Frank Gore's 23-yard, fourth-quarter touchdown run, he ran over the right side, which featured 355-pound guard Leonard Davis at tight end and 308-pound center Daniel Kilgore at wing back. The formation featured 2,260 pounds of offensive linemen.

Right guard Alex Boone, who occasionally lined up at tight end last year, acknowledged the 49ers' jumbo formations aren't subtle. Opposing linebackers often wave teammates over to the side where the Niners have stacked extra offensive linemen.

"They know exactly where it's going," Boone said. "Wherever (Leonard Davis is) going is pretty much where it's going. We see that. They overload it all the time, but it's like 'Hey, let's see if you can stop it.'"

Said Kilgore: "As offensive linemen, all seven or eight of us that might be on the field, we always have that mentality: 'Here it comes, try to stop us now.'"

In a league filled with sophisticated offense and intricate chess matches, the 49ers occasional here-comes-a-run message, Boone said, is straight out of high school.

When told that the genesis of the 49ers' heavy formations came from Roman's season as a prep coach, Boone smiled.

"Makes sense," he said. "That's high school football right there. I'm going to throw in my big boys. You throw in your big boys. And well see whose standing at the end of it."

### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***Roman gets high marks for 49ers' record-setting offensive display***

By Matt Maiocco, CSNBayArea.com

Right tackle Anthony Davis, who was singled up on the highest-paid defensive player in the NFL most of Sunday, looked to his right and saw an important figure walking through the 49ers' victorious locker room. "It's that guy," Davis said, gesturing toward 49ers offensive coordinator Greg Roman. "He was dialing them up."

The 49ers, who've made a habit of putting together strong defensive showings, found the connection Sunday for a record-setting performance against the Buffalo Bills on offense.

An organization steeped in offensive history, rolled up 621 total yards in a 45-3 victory over the Bills at Candlestick Park. It set the franchise record for most yards in a game. The 49ers began play in 1946 and joined the NFL in 1950.

"We're talking about legends who played here," tight end Vernon Davis said, "Joe Montana, Steve Young, Jerry Rice. To be able to perform at this level and do it better than what they did, that's a huge honor, a huge honor."

Moreover, the 49ers became the first team in NFL history roll up 300 rushing yards (311) and 300 passing yards (310) in the same game.

The 49ers defeated the New York Jets 34-0 a week earlier. After losing to the Minnesota Vikings on Sept. 23, the 49ers have outscored the opposition 79-3.

That could serve as momentum heading into Sunday's showdown at Candlestick against the New York Giants, who defeated the 49ers in overtime to win the NFC championship game and go onto a Super Bowl title.

"This is what can happen when everyone's executing on the same page," 49ers left tackle Joe Staley said. "Everybody was just very crisp."

Quarterback Alex Smith completed 18 of 24 passes for 303 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions. His quarterback rating was a career-high and near-perfect 156.2 (perfection is 158.3).

Michael Crabtree had six catches for 113 yards and a touchdown, and Vernon Davis added five catches for 106 yards. Kyle Williams caught a 46-yard touchdown pass, and Mario Manningham added a 10-yard scoring grab from Smith.

Moreover, running back Frank Gore carried 14 times for 106 yards and a touchdown.

"We're the same team," Crabtree said. "It's just putting it together. . . We've got athletes. We've got playmakers. We just have to use them. We've got to create that identity."

The identity of the 49ers has been a team that is driven by the defense. The offense has not been prolific for a long time. But the offense took a step back to a time in which there were stars at each of the skill positions on offense.

The 49ers broke the record of 598 total yards, which was set -- coincidentally -- against the Bills in 1992 during an epic Steve Young vs. Jim Kelly shootout in which neither team punted. The Bills won that day, 34-31, sending the 49ers to one of their two losses on the season.

"Very cool . . . a lot of offenses and great offenses," Smith said. "When you think of the 49ers, you think of great offenses, so this is quite an honor. It's great to be with those guys."

Smith sustained a sprain to the middle finger on his throwing hand with about 10 minutes remaining in the game. X-rays were negative. Everything else was quite positive for the team on Sunday.

For the first time in his career, Smith threw for 300 yards in a 49ers victory. He also rushed for a career-high 49 yards.

The 49ers' offensive line had another strong showing going up against a strong Buffalo defensive front. Anthony Davis, showing another sign of his dramatic improvement, held defensive end Mario Williams to two tackles and two quarterback hurries. Williams is in his first season with the Bills after signing a six-year, \$100 million contract with \$50 million guaranteed.

The 49ers pride themselves on a varied offensive approach. And never was that as obvious on Sunday. Smith hit some deep passes. And the running game showed a few new wrinkles with the insertion of Colin Kaepernick lining up wide and running plays as a decoy. Kaepernick also took several snaps at quarterback, adding 39 rushing yards including a 16-yard scoring run with 10 minutes remaining.

"He's got playmaking ability," 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh said. "In a game where the playmakers really shone brightly, there were some shining stars out there today."

The offensive players believe one of the brightest stars is situated in the coaching booth during the game. That's the location from which Roman calls plays and directs the symphony.

"That's gold," Gore said. "I think everything started going great for us because our passing game was on early. Coach G-Ro (Roman) did a great job of putting us in great situations. The O-line did a hell of a job. I've got to give all the credit to them. I just ran the ball. They did everything."

"We had them off-balance. You've got to give it to the coordinator -- give it to Coach G-Ro."

Smith said he felt connected with every play call that came through.

"When the play call comes in, I know exactly what he's thinking, what we're trying to do, and what we're trying to accomplish," Smith said. "I think the whole offense is constantly putting us in good situations, him especially. Really, thinking through things all week and putting us in good situations. I don't think there's any play that comes that we don't feel has the potential to be a great play."

In a rare moment, the 49ers produced an assistant coach to take the podium after the game. Roman stood in front of reporters with his right eye colored a dark red. He said it's a result of sleepless nights and thinking too much.

"I believe it," right guard Alex Boone said. "He's an evil genius, and I love it."

Last week, Smith was removed for a handful of snaps with Kaepernick inserted to take snaps at quarterback. On Sunday, Kaepernick and Smith were both on the field for several plays.

"I think it's a great thing," Smith said. "I mean, it's another thing that defenses are going to have to prepare for. You only have so many reps during the week to get ready, so the more they have to think about, the better."

Roman, who served on the Carolina Panthers coaching staff in the late-1990s under George Seifert, knows all about the history of the 49ers. Last summer during the lockout, he made a habit of watching hours upon hours of Bill Walsh installation videos.

Now, he can lay claim to the honor of being the offensive coordinator who called the record-setting game.

"I think it's just a credit to the players and I think it's a credit to what we can accomplish as we move forward," Roman said. "I'm not a big statistical guy -- don't get caught up in it. But, at the same time, just in the normal course of events being able to put up that kind of production, obviously, we're doing something right."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Doing What's Best***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

With a humble, hard-working approach to his profession, San Francisco 49ers offensive line coach Tim Drevno thoroughly enjoyed his first season coaching in the professional ranks. Despite his team's outcome in the NFC Championship game, Drevno remains enthusiastic about working with the 49ers offensive linemen along with fellow line coach Mike Solari. Drevno's style of coaching, a perfect complement to Solari, enabled the 49ers to become one of the best line groups in 2011. For Drevno and his pupils to succeed even greater this time around, the position coach will once again institute his tried and true coaching beliefs.

HONESTY IS his best policy. That, and working like crazy to get the desired results. It's always been that way for Drevno, the 49ers offensive line coach brought on by head coach Jim Harbaugh before the 2011 season. The coach with 20 years of experience proved to be a vital cog in the team's success: winning 14 games and making an appearance in the NFC Championship game.

Frank Gore ran his way to the Pro Bowl behind the 49ers offensive line; left tackle Joe Staley made his first ever Pro Bowl appearance as a result from working with Drevno, too. But really, the knowledge and expertise of the 49ers line coaches allowed the group to improve. With two detailed coaches working with the position group on a constant basis, San Francisco finished 8th in the NFL this year, rushing for an average of 127.8 yards per game.

While stats might convince some coaches they've done a good job, Drevno's mission last season was to win games, while making sure to be thorough in his teachings. "I'm a very honest person," Drevno said. "I can be detail-oriented and will demand in a professional manner. I'm a guy that really cares for us to win, cares about the person I'm coaching, cares about the club that we're working for, and I'm the guy that just loves the game of football."

BOUNCING AROUND on his mother's bed like the running backs he looked up to, Hall of Famers O.J. Simpson and Marcus Allen, Drevno immediately developed a passion for football. Growing up in Southern California where he watched Simpson and Allen's efforts for the USC football program, it didn't take long for Drevno to find his true passion. "I need football in my life," the offensive line coach admitted. "If I didn't have football in my life, I'd be lost."

Fortunately, Drevno grew up as one of the bigger kids on the block. No longer would he be imitating the best running backs. Instead, he started to imitate offensive linemen. "I was a bigger kid," admitted Drevno, who became an all-league player at South Torrance High School. "I felt like I could find my niche as an offensive lineman." Drevno went on to play at El Camino College, where he helped the team win a national title in 1987 and earned All-Mission League honors the following year. From there, Drevno played at Cal State Fullerton for two seasons, but soon realized his time as a player was coming to an end. Not to worry, the selfless player envisioned himself becoming a selfless coach.

JUST A guy. More specifically, a guy that wants to win football games. That was Drevno's approach to the game as he began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at Fullerton. It wasn't about bossing people around, or scolding players for their mistakes. Drevno got in the business for the right reasons. "I wanted to give back what football had given to me," Drevno said. "That's why I got into coaching."

Drevno's coaching career took off soon after as he enjoyed stops at Montana State, coaching tight ends from 1993-95 and then running backs from 1996-98. Drevno next moved to Las Vegas where he coached the running backs for the UNLV program in 1998. The following year, the former lineman began coaching the offensive line position group at San Jose State before taking the same role at the University of Idaho from 2000-02.



Drevno's next coaching gig turned out to be one of the biggest decisions of his young coaching career, as he signed on to be the offensive line coach at the University of San Diego. Not only did he become the school's offensive coordinator during his four-year tenure, but he also met the NFL's reigning Coach of the Year, Jim Harbaugh, who decided to keep Drevno on his staff in 2004 without previously working with him.

HORIZONS WERE broadened for Drevno on the plush USD campus. Coaching up players and calling plays were just some of the high points of his time in San Diego. Equally as important was the recruiting aspect of his role. "We really recruited every day," Drevno said. "It was like brushing your teeth. The Xs and Os is 1-A, recruiting was 1-B." It wasn't easy finding players who could compete athletically and academically at USD, but Drevno made it work.

After Harbaugh kept him on his staff at the start of the 2004 season, San Diego would go on to set numerous offensive school records in 2005, including points per game (42.6) and total offense (482.5 yards per game). The following year, USD went 11-1 and led all NCAA Division I-AA teams in passing offense (293.3 passing yards per game), total offense (494.25 yards per game) and scoring offense (42.83 points per game).

The success, however, wasn't lost on Drevno, who became more versed in creating offensive schemes. "Being a line coach and a coordinator really broadened my horizons as a coach," Drevno explained. "It really helped me understand the game, how everything fits in from the receivers to the running backs to the quarterback. To be able to coach it all, and be responsible for the offense, for the production, it really made me grow as a coach and see the big picture of the offensive scheme."

It also allowed Drevno to appreciate the efforts from his recruiting work, which became as routine as his morning breakfast. "It was really fun to see the fruits of your labor right in front of you, come into action," he said. "There was a grind going through it, but at the end, it was very rewarding to see the hard work pay off."

THE FRUIT of Drevno's labor during his time at his next coaching stop was displayed for the world to see at the recent NFL Scouting Combine. Not one, but two of Drevno's former players at Stanford, were demonstrating the skills that have them potentially being first-round draft picks. Guard David DeCastro, personally recruited to Stanford by Drevno, typified the hard-nose, intelligent players Drevno turned out on the offensive line while working under Harbaugh. The other player, tackle Jonathan Martin, is considered to be one of the top tackles available in the draft.

The coaches at Stanford who came over from San Diego found themselves implementing many of the same principles they created together. The same can be said for the coaching staff's ascension into the NFL last year. It mostly happened from Harbaugh's leadership and unique approach to the game. "Working with Coach Harbaugh, the energy, the out-of-the-box thinking, the football mind, the way he relates to people to get them to believe, the trust that he instills in people, it was a really neat experience to see," Drevno said. "It's hard through it, but once you get everybody to trust one another, great things are going to happen. It's about a mindset – losing is not an option."

LOSING WAS not an option for the 49ers in 2011. Despite falling short four times compared to 14 wins, each loss was a shot to the gut of the competitors up and down the sideline. Still, the opportunity to work with and mentor some of the game's most talented players made it a truly rewarding experience for Drevno. "Coaching at the highest level – this is what you work for and the path I've taken, it's about hard work," he said. "I've continued to do that."

In addition to the "tremendous knowledge" from Solari, Drevno offered plenty of hands-on coaching to the line group. Drevno remarked how he appreciated working with the best of the best, which in turn, brought out the best in his coaching.

And while he grew in his current role by becoming more adept at understanding the professional game, Drevno continued to be the same person every day. "As a coach I've learned, I check my ego at the door," he said. "I'm doing what's best for the football team to win. Period."

When Drevno's not focused on doing everything in his power to win, the line coach has enjoyed time with his family this offseason. "My family means a lot, they mean everything to me," Drevno said. "In this profession, you spend a lot of time with football. So when I go home, I'm the dad, I'm the husband. I spend a lot of time with my kids, from driving them around to hockey, to basketball, if there's a chance I can pick them up at school – I will."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***The Voice***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

John Morton has coached a well-known Hall of Fame wide receiver; the very one he grew up idolizing. He's coached in the college and professional ranks since 1997 and even spent time as a player with three NFL clubs. For as long as he remembers, the 49ers wide receivers coach has been passionate about the game, and more so when it comes to sharing his insights on it. In doing so, the boisterous coach has been known to have his voice give out occasionally. Still, Morton keeps coaching and keeps delivering the necessary information to get the most out of his players.

IN MICHIGAN, Morton found his passion for football on high school wrestling mats of all places. On those mats, a teenage Morton discovered his love of competition. Morton wasn't even a member of Avondale High School's wrestling team. Instead, Morton was a talented basketball player looking to push his conditioning level by training with the wrestlers in the middle of basketball season. Under the shadow of an older brother who excelled at the sport, Morton sought out ways to distinguish himself as an athlete, and more so as a competitor.

Morton found that on the Avondale wrestling mats. "I was a scrawny little kid and I didn't want to follow in my brother's footsteps," Morton admitted. To break free of the comparisons, the 49ers coach met up with the wrestling coach and simply said, "I want to work out with the wrestlers." To which the coach replied, "Sure, you can come in and work out with us. I'm not sure how long you're going to last."

Morton said he wanted to give it a try and he did, giving his best effort every day. Morton woke up at 5:30 in the morning during the school year to lift weights and condition his body with the wrestlers. "It was kind of fun," Morton recalled. "I thought that was my first time of really competing and finding the passion for competition." With his appreciation for training in place, Morton went on to become an All-League receiver for Avondale High, all while emulating his favorite player at the time, 49ers Hall of Fame wideout Jerry Rice.

THE ROAD to stardom wasn't paved immediately for Morton. Eager to play collegiate football, Morton elected to play at Grand Rapids Community College where he served as a scout team quarterback his freshman year. Never the one to quit, Morton saw playing time as a sophomore and did well enough to earn himself a scholarship to Western Michigan. Morton's time at Western earned him an invite to the National Football League's Scouting Combine in Indianapolis.

Morton, however, never made it to playing in an NFL regular season game, but he did catch on with the Los Angeles Raiders practice squad for two seasons starting in 1993. Morton would go on to spend time with the Green Bay Packers and was in the Jacksonville Jaguars training camp in 1995. Later, Morton was with the Raiders for training camp in 1996 before moving on to stints in the Canadian and World Football Leagues the following two seasons.

It didn't take long for Morton to realize his true calling in the midst of his journey to make an NFL roster. Morton was so focused on learning and talking about the game of football, there would be times where he'd draw up plays on napkins for his coaches. "I got really involved in it at that point," Morton said. "I knew I wanted to get into coaching, so when I got done playing in those years, I had an opportunity to go back to the Oakland Raiders."

WORKING FROM the bottom up is how Morton gained traction in his coaching career. In 1997, Morton joined the Raiders to work in several capacities. He even worked alongside 49ers head coach Jim Harbaugh during his time in Oakland which lasted until 2004.

In Oakland, Morton's football knowledge grew tremendously as he worked under three Raiders head coaches, John Gruden, Bill Callahan and Norv Turner. Morton said all three were influential in his coaching career. "I worked my way up. I was the offensive assistant, the coffee boy – the whipping boy,

whatever they wanted, I had to do," Morton recalled. "Eventually I was able to coach Tim Brown and Jerry Rice – that was kind of awesome. I learned a lot from those guys."

From working as an offensive assistant, to coaching the wide receivers, to becoming an offensive quality control coach, back to coaching receivers and then finally on to tight ends, Morton experienced just about every type of coaching role with the Raiders. He also found out what it was like to work beside Harbaugh.

TAKING OVER Morton's responsibilities is how Harbaugh first met his future wide receivers coach. With Harbaugh hired on to Oakland's staff as the team's offensive assistant in 2002. "He kind of took my job," admitted Morton, who moved over to senior offensive assistant/wide receivers coach that year. "I trained him how to use a computer and stuff like that. That was kind of interesting... It was fun. We had a good connection. We worked well together."

It wasn't long after that the two would reconnect, in the college game, no less. When the Raiders replaced its coaching staff in 2005, Morton received a call from Harbaugh asking him to join his coaching staff at the University of San Diego as the passing game/wide receivers coach. The two would go on to help San Diego win a Division I-AA Mid Major national title. "It was awesome because I had the opportunity to call plays for the first time," Morton said.

Morton called his next coaching move, "real special." In 2006, Morton joined Sean Payton's New Orleans Saints coaching staff as the passing game coordinator/offensive assistant. That year, the Saints came one game short of making it to the Super Bowl. Despite the disappointing outcome, Morton valued the experience as he had his hands in a lot of the team's success in the passing game.

COLLEGE BALL came back in the picture for Morton in 2007 when he decided to join the coaching staff at the University of Southern California. Just like his time in Oakland, Morton enjoyed a number of roles on the staff that involved the passing game and wide receivers. In addition to being the school's wide receivers coach for four seasons, Morton serves as the passing game coordinator in 2007-08 and also as the team's offensive coordinator in 2009.

Around that time, Harbaugh reached out to Morton to join his staff at Stanford following his time at San Diego. Morton didn't want to offend his former co-worker turned boss, but he politely declined the offer and went to Southern Cal. "I didn't know how he'd react to that, I turned him down and went to USC-type of deal," Morton said. "He didn't make much of it. We've been friends for awhile now."

SO WHEN Harbaugh's name was rumored to be up for the 49ers head coaching job, Morton was openly rooting for his old friend to get the gig. When Harbaugh signed a five-year contract, Morton wasn't far off his mind. Morton agreed to become the 49ers wide receivers coach on Jan. 20 of last offseason. "I was hoping when this 49ers job came open he'd get it – and he did," Morton recalled. "I was like, 'I hope he calls,' and he did. (When Harbaugh called) I said, 'I'm ready. My bags are packed, let's go!'"

Coaching in the Bay Area was a perfect fit for Morton. "Jerry Rice was my childhood idol. I played wide receiver, too. Bill Walsh, the West Coast offense, it's what I've been in my whole career," Morton said. "I'm just like a kid in the candy store here." The receivers coach means it, literally. There will be times Morton finds himself marveling over the team's historic images scattered around the building.

THE VOICE can be heard from distance for good reason. Morton communicates with his players immediately and with them spending time isolated on the perimeter, the word needs to travel fast. Instead of waiting to share tips in post-practice meetings, Morton gives instruction as soon as possible. As a result, Morton's voice turns raspy fast, like 4.4, 40-yard dash fast.

"Wherever I've been," Morton began, "I've been the most vocal. For one, I'm coaching wide receivers so I have to be loud so everybody can hear me on the field. But at the same time, the drills that I'm doing, I have to set the drills up a certain way and so I have to talk to everybody, quarterbacks, receivers, backs or whatever. I want them to hear me."

And with such a diverse background of knowledge, it's important for Morton to share his feedback. Only, he makes sure to be consistent in sharing it. "It doesn't matter what age the players are, you just have to coach them. They want to be coached. I learned that early in my career," Morton said. "Be a teacher. Have some constructive criticism but be a teacher. Once they know you're making them better, they're going to listen. I kind of go by that, however you get your point across, you get it across."

Morton takes bit and pieces from all his peers in the route-running business. Dating back to his time with Rice and Brown, the Hall of Fame and future Hall of Fame wideouts, Morton picked up a lot from being around those talented players. He also utilizes the lessons from Gruden, Callahan, Turner and Payton.

With that background, Morton has provided the 49ers with great insight on what it takes to move the football through the air. Moreover, Morton's ties with Harbaugh have only strengthened the camaraderie within the offensive staff. "It's real special. I love his passion," Morton said of Harbaugh, the Associated Press' Coach of the Year winner. "He's so competitive and I'm the same way. I grind hard and that's the only way I know how to do it. And with what he's done, he's been successful. He beat us three of the four years I was down at USC... I'm hopping on the bandwagon."



### ***Coach Feature Story***

#### ***Tom Rathman coaching impressive 49ers run game with no-nonsense, tell-it-like-it-is approach***

By The Associated Press, The Washington Post

Tom Rathman is slow to hand out praise and quick to tell it like it is. San Francisco's intense, no-nonsense running backs coach played for the 49ers during their glory days, so he knows what it takes to get to the top and stay there.

He won two Super Bowls and wants another ring.

That's why Rathman demands so much from his players. It's their job to get first downs. It's their job to get in the end zone. And it's because of the 49ers' impressive play so far running the ball that quarterback Alex Smith was so successful in the passing attack during Sunday's 27-20 win against the New York Giants.

There's some wrath in Rathman.

"When we win, we want to dominate," Rathman said. "We want to take guys out. We want to hurt guys. We want to win. We just want to dominate, hit them in the mouth."

Rathman shares what coach Jim Harbaugh calls "tough love" with the men he leads. Two-time Pro Bowl running back Frank Gore not excluded.

During a drill in practice Wednesday, Rathman good-naturedly razed diminutive rookie Kendall Hunter — he's 5-foot-7, 199 pounds — for his struggles pushing the blocking sled with one shoulder. Rathman then quickly gave him pointers on his technique.

"I'm not going to sugarcoat anything. If they're not doing it the way we want it done, they're going to get it, they're going to hear it," Rathman said. "That's just the standard that I'm used to."

It has worked to turn Gore into one of the NFL's elite backs.

Rathman is among a handful of coaches Harbaugh retained from Mike Singletary's staff when Harbaugh was hired in January. This is the coach's second stint in charge of the running backs with his former team after first working under Steve Mariucci from 1997-02. After leaving for three seasons with the Detroit Lions and then two with the Oakland Raiders, he returned to the organization in 2009.

The 49-year-old Rathman, a hard-nosed Nebraskan with calves the size of cantaloupes, played the first eight of his nine NFL seasons with the 49ers before finishing with the Los Angeles Raiders in 1994. The former fullback had 544 career carries for 2,020 yards and 26 touchdowns while also making 320 catches for 2,684 yards and eight TDs.

Rathman's coaching career began in the Bay Area in 1995 when he guided running backs at Serra High in nearby San Mateo — the same school where home run king Barry Bonds became a prep star — then he helped rebuild the Menlo College program as offensive coordinator the following year.

Now, he's making his mark with the team that drafted him in the third round out of Nebraska.

"I played here when the 49ers were outstanding in the '80s, early '90s. It was a high standard," Rathman said. "There was a certain standard that was upheld when you're in the locker room, when you're on the field, when you're out at practice, going out and executing in games. Those were the things that you try to teach these guys as they come in here. You want to hold them up to the standards that I was held up to when I first came in here. There's a certain way to do things and the bottom line is you've got to get your job done out on the football field. It doesn't matter what you're up against, you've got to do it. There's a certain way to do it."

Rathman took on fullback Bruce Miller as his personal project this season, transforming the rookie from defensive end to a reliable player on offense. Miller scored his first career touchdown on a 30-yard catch from Smith in the team's 19-11 win at Washington on Nov. 6.

"There's that link to that great era and where we are right now," Harbaugh said. "He does it in a very good way, respectful to both those teams that he played on and these teams that he's coaching. Always wise words from Tom. He's a ball coach. The thing I admire about him is he never takes a break coaching. He is coaching all the time. He's coaching in meetings, he's coaching on the practice field, he's coaching on the way out to walk-through, coaching in the lobby, coaching in the hallways here. His meetings start a half-hour before everybody else's do. It's just great to see the consummate team guy that Tom Rathman is."

Gore, who didn't practice Wednesday because of a right knee injury, sure appreciates it.

Gore had his franchise-record five straight games with 100 or more yards rushing end last week, when he got hurt and was held to zero yards on six carries — his first career game without a yard when he played. Gore has 7,196 career yards rushing and needs 149 to pass late Hall of Famer Joe Perry (7,344) for the most in franchise history.

"You teach technique, point courses, footwork, that put you in a position to execute your technique or your job," Rathman said. "Once you deviate off that, chances of winning go down. ... The bottom line is going off and executing. If they don't, then I'm going to get on them. I'm going to tell them the truth."

Some say the 49ers are showing more of a nasty edge this season. Rathman certainly influences that mentality.

"It's being a football player. I always thought we had a group of guys that had a lot of toughness in them, we've just never been in the situation we're in," Gore said.

The 49ers were able to open up their passing game as the Giants focused on stopping the run — a testament to how effective Rathman's unit has been during this 8-1 start and seven-game winning streak.

"No beating around the bush, he's going to call it how he sees it," Smith said Wednesday. "He's going to call everyone out. It's not like Frank's in there and because Frank's our guy he gets it easy, everybody's getting called out if you're not on your stuff. He's by far, hands-down, the best running backs coach I've ever been around. Understanding those guys, getting those guys ready to go, he just understands football the best when it comes to protections and pressures. He's just on it, a true professional."

Harbaugh and Rathman were players in the league at the same time. Rathman hasn't strayed far from his go-after-them approach as a player in his role on the sidelines.

"There's no question about it. I think his intensity is at 10," Harbaugh said. "If there's another rung, he's at the top of it. He'll probably find another rung. Knowing Tom, he'll find the 11th."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Now he's Jim Somebody***

By Eric Branch, Santa Rosa Press Democrat

His furniture was in storage, his mailing address was nonexistent and Jim Tomsula's bed was the reclined driver's seat of a red Cadillac.

To Tomsula's right, sleeping shotgun, was his black lab, Harley. In the back, curled up on the ledge near the window, was the cat, Cali. In Florida, or maybe Missouri, was his family. His wife and two young daughters were visiting various relatives while Tomsula re-established himself as a football coach by leaping back on the lowest rung of the ladder.

It was 1997 and Tomsula, now the 49ers' fifth-year defensive line coach, was then a 29-year-old college graduate sleeping in a deserted parking lot at Division II Catawba College, his alma mater, which had hired him as an unpaid volunteer assistant.

Tomsula laughs as he looks back — Cali eventually swapped her litter box for his ties — but looks quizzical when asked this: Did he ever dream he'd travel from that parking lot in Salisbury, N.C., to the NFL?

"I've never thought that way, man," Tomsula explained. "I mean, the only goal I ever had was to be able to coach football."

Tomsula, 43, a journeyman coach on a one-of-a-kind journey, has ditched big paychecks and worked an endless string of odd jobs — janitor and rug salesman among them — to pursue his passion. A tireless worker raised near Pittsburgh's steel mills, Tomsula has crammed 28 seasons of coaching into the past 22 years.

As a result, he's slogged his way out of obscurity to become the youngest head coach in NFL Europe history and the 17th head coach of the 49ers, a position he held for one game as an interim last year.

He is the longest-tenured coach on San Francisco's staff, the only assistant retained by both Mike Singletary and Jim Harbaugh.

Against long odds, Tomsula has reached the top of his profession. And it's telling that his outlook hasn't changed along with his bank account.

Fourteen years after snoozing in his car, Tomsula, who has dubbed himself a "little fat guy" and "Jim Nobody from Nowhere," remains all passion and no pretense: He still just wants to coach football.

"I can tell when he's had grown-up meetings at work because he comes home with a scowl on his face," said Julie Tomsula, his wife of 19 years. "I'll say, 'Oh, no. Did you have a grown-up meeting? What was it about?' And he'll say healthcare. Or 401(k). Honestly, standing in the grass and coaching is the only interest Jim has in the profession."

The lockout, naturally, is torture for Tomsula, who is thoroughly bored by the business of the NFL. He has refused to hire an agent and his "contract negotiation" was almost comical when the Niners hired him in 2007. Then-head coach Mike Nolan told him the salary and Tomsula, after asking if it was fair, accepted.

Given his attitude toward money, it's surprising to discover Tomsula's goal out of college: Get rich.

A former defensive lineman at Catawba, Tomsula blew out his knee as a senior and served as a student assistant coach to retain his scholarship. After graduation, biding his time until he landed a real job, he worked as an assistant for one season at Woodland Hills (Pa.) High, his alma mater.

But he eagerly left coaching when he had the chance. He got a job selling medical supplies for Thera-Kinetics, which quickly had him in a two-story house on two acres overlooking a lake in North Carolina.

#### FOUR JOBS AT ONE TIME

Money couldn't make an unexpectedly powerful pull inside him disappear, however. Whatever satisfaction he found in selling Pulsed-Galvanic stimulators paled in comparison to the camaraderie he'd felt in football.

With Julie's blessing, they left the good life after their honeymoon and, as Tomsula puts it, took up residence in a "questionable apartment" in Charleston, S.C., in 1992.

Tomsula's job as an assistant coach at Charleston Southern University was also less than extravagant. His office was a dorm room, the practice field was a grassy area of the quad and his salary was \$9,100, which presented a problem.

"Once we paid the car payment and the rent," Tomsula said, "we were out of money."

Tomsula responded by collecting various job titles. He had no choice. Britney, now 18, and Brooke, 16, were born during their three years in Charleston and Julie stayed home to care for them (their son, Bear, is 3).

At one point, Tomsula had four jobs: football coach, janitor at an insurance agency, newspaper deliverer for The Charleston Post and Courier and, finally, he cut firewood, earning \$55 for every third truckload.

His schedule was seemingly impossible to maintain: running a chainsaw late into the night, picking up newspapers at the Piggly-Wiggly at 3:30 a.m., scrubbing toilets and vacuuming after throwing his last Post and Courier, coaching football, running a chainsaw ...

It was a struggle with a smile. He was coaching football, man.

"I was just so excited," he said. "A bill came and you had to pay it. I never saw it as working. I saw it as a living."

#### 'HE WAS DYING A SLOW DEATH'

But Tomsula's dad wasn't so thrilled with his son's paycheck-to-paycheck existence. He urged him to get out of coaching — a hobby, in his mind — and properly provide for his family.

The words weighed heavily on Tomsula, whose devotion to his wife and children has always overwhelmed his love of football. During his nine-year stint in NFL Europe, Tomsula twice turned down promotions with life-altering raises because Britney and Brooke, both younger than 10, didn't want to stop spending half the year overseas. Tomsula's motto: If it's not good for one of us, it's not good for none of us.

He eventually agreed with his dad — his coaching lifestyle wasn't good for his family. He left Charleston Southern, moved his family to Pennsylvania and began working as a sales rep for Cisco Foods.

He was a natural. His family settled into a white-picket-fence life in Ligonier, Pa., and Julie Tomsula watched as her husband's pager went off at all hours with "side-of-beef emergencies."

"I felt like he was dying a slow death," Julie said. " ... I told him, 'This is no way to live.'"

So Tomsula began living ... in his red Cadillac with Harley and Cali.

He coached the defensive line at Catawba in 1997 as an unpaid assistant and started selling entrance rugs on straight commission to earn a paycheck.

Catawba head coach Chip Hester, then in his first year as an assistant with Tomsula, quickly recognized the new guy had a gift.

"Jim's got a passion for the game, but even more than that he's got a passion for people," Hester said. "... Guys have to know that you care about them for you to be able to coach them. And that's something that comes across. He is genuine. He's got a huge heart. And on top of that, he has a knowledge base that guys trust. They know if they do what he says, it's going to work."

## PHONE CALL OUT OF THE BLUE

Hester wasn't the only one to notice. Based on the recommendation of a coach who knew Tomsula, legendary NFL wide receiver Lionel Taylor, the head coach of NFL Europe's London Monarchs, called and offered Tomsula a job as the team's defensive line coach.

Tomsula, who had just lost his sales job because the rug company went out of business, was at a loss for words, a rare occurrence. His initial response: What are you talking about? Who is this?

"I'm not giving religion lessons or anything else," Tomsula said. "I'm just telling you that out of the blue I get this call. ... I mean, here we are, one minute I'm looking for a job trying to buff some floors or cut some plywood. And the next thing I know we're living in London and I'm coaching with Lionel Taylor. That's the God's truth."

Tomsula, a master of teaching technique and fundamentals, flourished in the developmental league. The Monarchs folded after he was there one season, but Tomsula was hired by the Scottish Claymores and stayed in Glasgow for five seasons as the defensive line coach. He became the defensive coordinator for the Berlin Thunder, who won the World Bowl in his first season with a defense that ranked first against the run.

Finally, at 38, he became the youngest head coach in league history when the Rhein Fire hired him in 2006.

After the NFL Europe seasons, Tomsula worked at coaching clinics across the continent. The family would then spend the other half of the year back in North Carolina, where Tomsula continued to coach as an assistant at Catawba.

## CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT THE GAME

Catawba defensive coordinator Bob Lancaster, whom Tomsula hired when he coached the Rhein Fire, recognizes his friend as a fellow coaching junkie.

"It's like my dad would tell me, if you can live without the game, do it," said Lancaster, whose dad coached in the Canadian Football League. "Jimmy's one of those guys, I don't think he can live without the game. He loves football. It's just the way he coaches. He has guys willing to run through a brick wall for him."

Tomsula's passionate style has translated to the NFL. The 49ers haven't allowed a 100-yard rusher in 22 straight games, the longest active streak in the league. They have also allowed 3.7 yards per carry since Tomsula's arrival in 2007, the NFL's fourth-best mark during that span.

At this point in his one-of-a-kind journey, Tomsula, Jim Nobody from Nowhere, has been everywhere, from the Piggly Wiggly to Paris to the Pyrenees.



Plenty of other coaches have also slogged their way to the top, but how many have savored their time at the bottom?

Did he ever despair at any point? Maybe while scrubbing toilets, or selling rugs or sleeping with a dog and cat in a Cadillac?

Tomsula smiles.

"Heck, no," he said. "I was coaching football."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***Always a 49er***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Running backs coach Tom Rathman considers himself to be a San Francisco 49er through and through. The former two-time Super Bowl winning fullback spent eight seasons in a 49ers uniform and has made two different stints as the team's running backs coach, a position he's held now for three seasons. As the 49ers prepare for their first playoff game since 2003, Rathman leads the 49ers running backs into an important game against a first-time playoff opponent, the New Orleans Saints.

BLUE COLLAR 49ers football didn't start with Jim Harbaugh. Though it's a term used often by the 49ers current head coach and personified by team-issue work shirts for players and coaches, the hard-working mindset dates back to the team's dynasty years of the 1980s. In the 1989 America's Game Documentary, Rathman references the team's "blue collar" mindset, installed by legendary Hall of Fame coach Bill Walsh. Rathman played eight seasons with the 49ers and won two Super Bowls under Walsh. And while he was largely responsible for creating holes for college teammate Roger Craig, Rathman took a cerebral approach to the game along with passion for putting in a hard days worth of work. "I coached myself," Rathman said. "And through my experiences, that's really helped me as a position coach in the league now. You know what's real and what's not real, what's feasible for a player to accomplish on the football field. You know the angles and that's what this game is all about: leverage, leverage and angles. Once you figure those things out, how to win on every snap, I think my experience as a player has helped me as a coach."

Rathman can relate to his players. And in turn, they've appreciated the father-like role he's played in their lives. Pro Bowl running back Frank Gore credited Rathman for helping him post some of the best years of his productive career. In passing late Hall of Famer Joe "The Jet" Perry this season as San Francisco's all-time rushing leader, Gore made sure to praise his running backs coach for being so supportive. It's part of the territory for Rathman, who prides himself on creating a standard of play for his running backs. It dates back to his time under Walsh. "It all starts with the standard that you have, what your football team is and Bill implemented that here," shared Rathman.

THE STANDARD was in place prior to Rathman's arrival as a third-round draft pick from Nebraska in 1986. Under Walsh, the 49ers had won two Super Bowls (1981 and 1984) and were primed to be one of the league's top offenses with Joe Montana and Jerry Rice serving as the league's top passing connection. For his part, Rathman tried to fit in and understand as much as possible, as early as possible. "It was a life-long dream to be able to play for a contender... a team coached by Bill Walsh," recalled Rathman, who followed the 49ers already with Craig on the roster. "It was nice to play with a former Husker with Roger in the same backfield. The stage was set."

It didn't take long for Rathman to realize playing for Walsh and the 49ers would be special. It took him one trip inside the building to realize it. "I met Bill Walsh, that says it right there, one of the best coaches ever. To come through that front door and shake his hand, knowing I was going to be a 49er, that really meant a lot to me," Rathman said.

The fullback from Nebraska had to earn his spot on an already potent offensive attack, one that was two years removed from being world champs. In order to do so, Rathman had to prove to Walsh and the offensive coaches that he could be more a versatile player to fit San Francisco's West Coast Offense. In college, Rathman estimated he made no more than five catches for his entire career. That would change quickly with the 49ers. "I came here as a blocking back, a situational player, that's what I did my rookie year, played a little short-yardage, goal line, played on special teams," Rathman said. "But as time went on and I did get the starting nod my second year, you've got to be able to catch the football. You don't want to be one-dimensional. You want to be well-rounded as any player."

CHUCK FOREMAN was a five-time Pro Bowl running back of the Minnesota Vikings from 1973-79. He was also Rathman's favorite player growing up and was responsible for showing Rathman the toughness

needed to be a dominant football player. "Growing up in Nebraska we used to play a lot of football on the block," Rathman said. "I used to think I was Chuck Foreman. I used to stiff-arm all the younger kids in the front yard. I think that's where I got my start in terms of passion for the game." Fittingly, Foreman wore No. 44, the same number donned by Rathman with the 49ers.

So while Rathman grew up working in the cornfields of Nebraska and then went on to be a three-year letterman, who rushed for 1,425 yards for the Cornhuskers in college, he always attributed his football mindset to those early days of pickup ball. At first, he'd try to run people over in the open field and focused heavily on delivering quality lead-blocks for his running backs.

Rathman certainly excelled as a pass-catcher out of the backfield. In 1989, Rathman's first Super Bowl Championship season, he led all NFL running backs in receiving with 73 catches for 616 yards. In comparison to today's league standards, not many fullbacks will have totaled 10 catches, let alone 73. "I wouldn't say I had it mastered when I got in the league, but obviously it's all about concentrating, understanding how to catch, thumbs in, thumbs out, all those things," said Rathman, always willing to share football tips. "I think Roger was a big emphasis helping me. With his success, I saw I could be that type of guy, too. I saw I could be accountable when the ball was thrown to me."

ACCOUNTABILITY HAS never was a problem for Rathman. Even when he finished his career with the cross-town Oakland Raiders in 1994, he was consistent throughout his time in the league. In nine seasons, Rathman raked up 2,020 rushing yards, 320 catches and 34 total touchdowns. Still passionate about the game, Rathman wanted to get involved in coaching. "I always wanted to be a coach," he admitted. "Once you start getting into it, you're having success, you see what it is, you want to carry that over. I have a great passion for the game, I really do." That passion landed on the campus of Serra High School following the 1994 football season. Rathman moved on to Menlo College to coordinate the offense along with head coach Doug Cosby in 1996. The experience proved to be valuable as Rathman earned an invitation to help out at 49ers training camp that season in George Seifert's last season as head coach. When his coaching season was over at Menlo, Rathman joined San Francisco's coaching staff full-time under first-year coach Steve Mariucci, beginning a run of 14 seasons coaching in the pro ranks. Rathman was instrumental in Garrison Hearst winning NFL Comeback Player of the Year in 2001 and also helped Charlie Garner make it to the 2000 Pro Bowl. Rathman spent six seasons working under Mariucci in the Bay Area before following him to the Detroit Lions coaching staff for three years.

Following a year off in 2006 which Rathman turned down coaching offers to allow his daughter to finish school in Michigan, Rathman re-joined the Raiders for two seasons as running backs coach. In 2009, the 49ers hired Rathman back in the same role, where he's been in place for three years. "I think playing has really helped me. I think staying with the organization you played for has helped me as far as being a coach," Rathman added. "I feel like I've always been a 49er and I consider myself to be a 49er."

WITH THE biggest game of Rathman's coaching career right around the corner, the calm and collected coach is eager for the challenge. His players, too, are confident as they're set to face the New Orleans Saints. Part of that comfort comes from the relationships they've formed with the coaching staff, Rathman included. Similarly, the coaching staff has grown close throughout the year. It all started in the offseason when the league's work stoppage enabled the staff to come together. The coaches concocted a playbook, got to know each other on a personal level and even had time to watch Walsh's old installation tapes.

Rathman played against Harbaugh for many years, and was even more impressed in the coaches meetings. "I think it's a tremendous staff," Rathman shared. "The guys are very detailed. I do believe this coaching staff is top-notch. Jim has great vision for what he's looking for and we're going to get there." In order to get there, a berth in the NFC Championship game to compete for their sixth Super Bowl title, the 49ers will have to defeat a Saints team that has won nine consecutive games.

Although New Orleans has captivated football fans with Drew Brees' single-season passing record, the 49ers have also continued to utilize the same offensive creativity that were hallmarks of Walsh's tenure in the Bay Area. "First of all, what is the West Coast Offense?" asked Rathman when pressed to compare

the systems being run by the teams he played on and this year's San Francisco club. "They're just Xs and Os. Everyone is running the same plays. To say it's a WCO, what is the WCO?"

That's when Rathman offered the best explanation of Walsh's system. "To me the WCO was your daily operation, the way you practiced, your weekly operation. It's the way you meet. It's the way you practice and that was one thing that was very unique from when I played, was the way we practiced. There were days we'd go out in full pads. There were days we'd go out on a Friday and wear hats. It's about practicing fast. We didn't need to have collisions to get something accomplished. Everything was detailed. You were focused. You were always working technique, aiming point courses, footwork, all those things. It was more visualization than anything. That was one of Bill's big beliefs. He wanted to have a fresh team at the end of the season and I believe we were."

Whether the 49ers are the fresher team on Saturday remains to be seen. But for now, Rathman has continued to carry the lessons from Walsh, Seifert, Mariucci and others into his teachings with today's team. "If you give them the tools to succeed, they're going to win for you. Whether it be an old guy or a young guy, they all get coached the same. The expectations are the same. It doesn't matter if you've been playing five years or five days, our expectations as an organization is to get the job done, win the snap. That's our emphasis."

### **Coach Feature Story**

#### ***49ers wide-receivers coach Morton feels kinship with practice squad guys***

By Matt Barrows, Sacramento Bee

The first thing you need to know about 49ers receivers coach John Morton is that he's not Johnnie Morton, the former All-American at USC who was a first-round draft pick in 1994 and who ended his NFL career with the 49ers in 2005.

No, John Morton took the tougher route to the NFL.

He went undrafted out of Western Michigan in 1993, bounced around a few teams' practice squads, including the Raiders', and ended up playing two seasons in the Canadian Football League.

In 2002, he was an assistant in Oakland, where he met Jim Harbaugh, who was then a low-ranking quality control coach. The two became fast friends – Harbaugh, in fact, was recently divorced and lived at Morton's house during that period – and Harbaugh would go on to hire him, first at the University of San Diego and again last year with the 49ers.

Morton's previous job had been wide receivers coach at USC, meaning he is one of the few people to have coached under both Harbaugh and his longtime rival, Pete Carroll.

"Competitive – they're both competitive," Morton said of similarities. "That's why they're both great coaches."

This year, Morton finds himself in charge of a wide-receiving crew brimming with first-round picks and lofty expectations. Randy Moss, Ted Ginn, Michael Crabtree and, most recently, A.J. Jenkins were selected in the opening round, and they are expected to boost a passing game that finished 29th in the league last season in yards per game.

The headliner so far has been Moss, who caught another deep pass in Tuesday's practice, this one a 40-yard throw from quarterback Alex Smith to the 10-yard line. That play set up a short touchdown pass from Smith to Kyle Williams as the first-team offense worked on the two-minute drill.

Morton echoed Harbaugh in saying that Moss, a 14-year veteran, has been like a second coach in both the meeting room and on the field.

"He comes in the building, he brings his lunch pail and hard hat," Morton said. "And he tries to do his due diligence in the classroom. He sits up front. And the younger guys see that. He's a Hall of Famer. The younger guys see that, and they want to be just like him."

The young players following Moss' every move include Jenkins, who was one of the faster receivers in the April draft.

Moss is signed for only one year, and the hope among 49ers officials is that Jenkins will learn from Moss this season and take over as a deep threat next year.

So far, Jenkins, who has a Randy Moss jersey in his closet at home, can't help but oblige.

"Anything that he does, I'm looking," Jenkins said. "That's running routes, that's getting off press (coverage), that's catching balls, that's eating the right things, that's treatment – everything that he does. Because he's been in the league for, what, 14 or 15 years? That's respect."

Morton says he's quick to point out to his pupils that there is room on the roster – and perhaps the practice squad – for receivers who don't have Moss' and Jenkins' pedigrees. Crabtree and Mario



Manningham missed Tuesday's voluntary session, which allowed more practice repetitions for undrafted players such as Joe Hastings and rookies Nathan Palmer and Brian Tyms.

"When I see a guy who's on the practice squad or is a free agent, yeah, I look at myself sometimes and I want those guys to do well," Morton said. "Because so to speak, they're behind the eight ball a little bit. But there are plenty of guys that have been free agents that have made the team. And I point that out and make sure they know that because that gives them confidence. So they have a chance."

## **Coach Feature Story**

### ***The Art of Coaching***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

It's no coincidence the 49ers lined up one of the most physical offensive and defensive fronts in the National Football League last season. Thanks to the guidance of head strength and conditioning coach Mark Uyeyama, the 49ers continued their strong play throughout the year on their way to a NFC title game appearance. The passionate coach draws from his playing experiences and supreme knowledge of his profession to get the most from his players. [Click here to watch Uyeyama's interview.](#)

OOH-EE. That's the way to pronounce San Francisco 49ers head strength and conditioning coach Mark Uyeyama's most uttered moniker. "Uey" is well-known around team headquarters, however, his ascent in becoming one of the best strength coaches in the league has not been discussed as it should. Before every game you can find Uyeyama on the field working closely with 49ers players, getting them ready for 60 minutes of football. Uyeyama's approach is well respected by his players, who enjoy the strength program installed prior to the 2011 season.

Promoted to his position after serving as the team's assistant strength coach for three previous seasons, Uyeyama had already built close relationships with players on the team. Once he became in charge of the team's strength and conditioning in 2011, Uyeyama altered the training regimen. Most notably, Uyeyama added to the team's bag of tricks by having an outdoor weight lifting tent placed adjacent to the team's practice fields.

In Uyeyama's mind, his role is to help the players improve their strength and conditioning levels so they can become the best football players they possibly can. Uyeyama's mission is to see his players become stronger and better conditioned on the field. "I think there's a misnomer that guys at this level can't improve in those areas," Uyeyama said. "I believe they can. That's kind of the art of coaching. You've got to really specifically look at every individual as an individual and go from there. Guys make big improvements even at this level."

SINCE THE age of 5, when he started a 16-year run of playing the sport, Uyeyama has had a passion for the game of football. "I was a decent football player," Uyeyama said, downplaying his experiences that include college stints at Butte Community College and Northern State University.

What helped Uyeyama get to those places was his passion for working out. "I started at probably 12 years old when my uncle took me into a weight room with a broomstick," Uyeyama said. "From then on out, every summer I was training for football... I did it because I had such a passion for it."

Uyeyama had tremendous respect for players from his high school who went on to play collegiately. Seeing their dedication to training and how it helped them earn college scholarships furthered his quest to succeed in football. Uyeyama pushed himself at a young age to train with "the older guys."

"They would come back in the summers and I would link up with those guys," Uyeyama said, recalling their times running apartment staircases or neighboring hillsides. "Basically my whole life I was training."

Truth be told, Uyeyama had an early sense about his true passion within the sport. It was for training, finding ways to become a better player, more than the game itself. "I really took pride in the training process of it. That's what kind of led me to strength and conditioning," Uyeyama added. "It was a big part on how I was able to be successful."

WITH HIS playing days coming to an end, Uyeyama decided to finish his degree at the University of Utah and graduated in May of 2000 while serving as a student assistant strength coach for two years. There, the 49ers strength coach was mentored by Joe Kenn, the current head strength coach of the Carolina Panthers. "I was fortunate enough to get an interview," Uyeyama recalled. "I was able to intern and the rest was history from there."

Soon after, Uyeyama became a graduate assistant at Utah State, before moving on to Arizona State where he followed Kenn to the desert. "He said there was a job opportunity at Arizona State and I took it," said Uyeyama who spent three years working for ASU from 2001 to 2003, earning a master's degree from ASU in his final year.

The experience was beneficial as Uyeyama was named the head strength and conditioning coach at Utah State, a position he would hold for four years. At USU, Uyeyama was in charge of designing and leading strength programs for more than 13 sports. Uyeyama's rise to becoming a head strength coach was all due to his diligent planning. "Early in my career, I always worked on setting goals for myself," he shared. "There were three-year plans, five-year plans. This was a plan. It was a goal of mine when I got into the field; I worked real hard and was fortunate to work with a lot of great people. When the opportunity arrived, I took it."

HE TOOK a similar approach when joining the NFL ranks. Uyeyama joined the 49ers in 2008 in an assistant strength coach role and was promoted to the head strength position in 2011. In his current role, Uyeyama's oversees the team's strength and power development, recovery and regenerations programs, speed training and nutritional program.

Uyeyama's program is tailored to the needs of individual players within the team concept put in place by head coach Jim Harbaugh. "You have to," he explained. "In terms of getting the most out of the guys, it's not a cookie-cutter program. It's not one-size fits all. So each individual based upon their needs we look at it, strengths, weaknesses areas of improvement. We devise a plan based upon that. We look at the demands of the game, itself. The positional demands and we base our program off of that."

Uyeyama calls it a "very rewarding" experience, especially when he sees players making strides. But there's more to it than working with players, there's a lot of behind the scenes planning that goes into Uyeyama's position. "There's a science component behind it," he shared. "I'm very research driven. Anything I have the guys do is battle-tested. There is a huge science component to it, but at the end of the day, there's a practical side of it."

Furthermore, there has to be trust between the strength staff and the team's medical staff. Uyeyama works closely with 49ers Director of Football Operations and Sports Medicine Jeff Ferguson and his staff. In Uyeyama's eyes, that relationship is critical. "When you look at those two positions, they couldn't be more tied together and they have to be," Uyeyama said. "The ultimate goal is to make sure our players are on the field in peak condition and making sure they're healthy. That goes hand-in-hand."

That hand-in-hand relationship will continue soon as the team's offseason strength program is slated to begin on Monday. It'll be a pivotal time for Uyeyama and assistant strength coach Kevin Tolbert when they begin training the players to prepare for organized team activities, minicamps and Uyeyama's favorite time of the year.

"I love training camp, I love the whole grind of that," he said. "I love seeing the guys working and seeing the fruits of their labor."

It's also the fruit of his labor, which all comes with the territory when you focus on the art of teaching.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Akers Busy as Kicker and Coach***

By Alex Espinoza, 49ers.com

Monday through Friday, David Akers tends to his day job on the practice fields in Santa Clara at 4949 Centennial Blvd. On the weekends, though, Akers gets even more busy.

After Jet-setting from the Bay Area to New Jersey following each week of practice, Akers' title changes from kicker to father. About as soon as the All-Pro settles down with his wife and three children on the East Coast, he's already back in the car driving his kids to their weekends sporting events.

"I coach flag football for two teams and I coach soccer," Akers said. "Saturday's my busiest day of the week."

He's a proud coach, Akers. Saturdays usually start with a 9 o' clock game in the morning and don't end until the third game of the day is over around dinner time. Following church and more family time on Sunday, Akers hops back on the plane to join his second family, the San Francisco 49ers.

"You really don't get much of an offseason when you go so far into the playoffs," Akers said.

Coming off of a season when he earned his sixth Pro Bowl bid and fourth All-Pro honor, perhaps one would think there's not much else Akers can improve. But as he enters his 14th NFL season, Akers is still keeping his timing and rhythm sharp with long snapper Brian Jennings and punter/holder Andy Lee.

The trio went to Hawaii together as the NFC Pro Bowl specialists in January and have been building on their chemistry throughout the offseason. Akers went perfect from the field during Tuesday's practice, making nearly 10 attempts, despite strong winds and using nine-foot wide goal posts, less than half the width of regulation size uprights (18 feet, 6 inches).

"We were doing a good job of that today," said Akers, who made a long of 51 yards. "Andy and I we were working those little nuances. ... There's a lot of little things that people don't know we're working on."

Lucky for Akers, he'll be able to keep working for Lee for the foreseeable future, as the 49ers locked up their star punter with a six-year extension.

Just as Lee helps Akers during kicks, Akers helps Lee when he can. On Tuesday, Akers channeled his inner-Ted Ginn Jr., as he fielded directional punts from Lee and tried to prevent the ball from bouncing in a nearby parking lot.

"I was just trying to help so the cars aren't getting killed," Akers said with a laugh.

Akers and Lee formed a quick bond last season due to their faith and love for football and are looking forward to repeating their success from 2011. The players were each responsible for a bit of NFL history, as Akers set a new single-season for field goals made (44) and Lee set a new season-long net punting average of 44.0.

Understandably, Akers was excited to hear Lee inked a long-term deal with the 49ers.

"It's such a blessing for him and for the organization," Akers said. "What a great move for the organization to a wonderful class act on and off the field. He's shown for years how well he can kick with the wind out at Candlestick so I think it's a brilliant move. Money well spent."

At this point in their working relationship, Akers and Lee are working on the subtle things. With the wind moving right to left in Santa Clara on Tuesday, Lee made a slight change to his hold to help the ball slice from left to right.

But try as you might, there's no perfect practice for the swirling winds at Candlestick Park, as it can change on you in a heartbeat. Lee offered Akers some sage advice once he signed with the 49ers last season.

"Andy told me, 'You'll figure it out when you realize you can't figure it out,'" Akers said.

During the offseason team activities, the specialists usually wrap up their work by the midpoint of practice. This leaves plenty of time for conversation, football and otherwise. Among the group of specialists in this year's offseason is former Cal kicker Giorgio Tavecchio.

Tavecchio, who is also a left-footed kicker, said he couldn't have picked a better situation after signing an undrafted rookie deal with the 49ers shortly following the draft.

"I aspire to kick the ball like him one day," Tavecchio said. "He's very consistent, very technical and he approaches it in a very professional way. That's a goal of mine, is to become like him. Also, to see him as a person off the field – very outgoing and very caring – he's just a fantastic role model. You couldn't ask for a better role model."



### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Strong leg, stronger character***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

Looking back, 49ers placekicker David Akers says the final days of his 12-year career in Philadelphia are a blur.

Two days before his 207th and last game with the Eagles, a 21-16 wild-card loss to the Packers in January, he was on the oncology floor at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, where doctors delivered the knee-buckling news to Akers and his wife, Erika: Their 6-year-old daughter, Halley, had a potentially malignant cyst on her left ovary that had to be surgically removed.

David and Erika, who were told to come back in three days to discuss surgical options, left not knowing if Halley had cancer or if both ovaries would need to be removed, which would result in infertility.

On that Sunday, less than 24 hours before their follow-up appointment, the five-time All-Pro and the 14th most accurate kicker in NFL history was off the mark. Akers missed field-goal attempts of 34 and 41 yards in the five-point loss to Green Bay and was criticized by the fans, media and the Eagles' Andy Reid, his head coach throughout his career in Philadelphia who knew about Halley's medical condition.

"We can all count," Reid said. "Those points would have helped."

Nine months later, Akers, who signed a free-agent contract with the 49ers in July, will return to Philadelphia for the first time Sunday when San Francisco meets the Eagles. Now working 3,000 miles away from where he still has a house in New Jersey, Akers is, emotionally, far removed from those dark days in January.

Doctors removed Halley's left ovary, which had a malignancy, and she is cancer-free. Halley requires quarterly checkups for blood tests, visits she will have for many years to come, but Akers says there is great optimism she will remain cancer-free and will be able to keep her right ovary.

On the field, Akers has made all seven of his field-goal attempts, including two from over 50 yards. His 55-yarder in a 27-24 loss to Dallas was the longest field goal in Candlestick Park history. In the locker room, coach Jim Harbaugh says, Akers, 36, is a rarity in the NFL - a kicker who doubles as a leader.

"He's just somebody that treats everybody with respect; therefore he earns respect," Harbaugh said. "He's just a good guy, got a good heart. People have good antennas and I think our guys perceive that."

Indeed, Akers is known for possessing character to rival his kicking.

Philadelphia's career leader in games, points (1,323) and field goals (294), he harbors no ill will toward the Eagles, who used a fourth-round pick in April to draft his replacement, Alex Henery. In August, Akers purchased a billboard on I-95 near Lincoln Financial Field that read, in all caps, "THANKS PHILLY FOR BLESSING ME WITH 12 YEARS AND FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON AND OFF THE FIELD! MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL, DAVID AKERS."

Akers, who made 31 of 35 field-goal attempts from less than 50 yards last year in the regular season, has refused to use his daughter's medical condition as an excuse for his wild-card performance. He says it was "devastating" to let his teammates down and, while initially hurt, he understands Reid's seemingly cold post-game criticism. He says he looks forward to a potential meeting with his old coach after Sunday's game.

"I really believe Andy kind of separated David Akers the player versus David Akers the person," he said. "He was saying that, as an employee, this is what he needed to do today and he didn't do what he should have done. He kind of pointed me out as the player versus the person."

Akers wanted to finish his career in Philadelphia, but his unexpected job switch doesn't top his list of challenges in recent years.

In addition to Halley's cancer, Akers lost \$3.7 million, the bulk of his savings, in bad investments with Triton Financial. In 2009, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission sued Triton for allegedly defrauding its investors. Akers was stunned. He had trod carefully, and more than one financial adviser had assured him Triton was "fundamentally sound."

During training camp, Akers was called to testify before a federal jury in Austin, Texas, and his appearance made headlines.

"That was not something I really wanted to do, obviously," Akers said. "But it kind of was made public, so I don't mind talking about it. And hopefully people will be even more cautious with the investment they get into. So I guess it can be a speaking platform to help other people."

Akers says he's leaned on his faith to handle adversity. He cites one of his favorite Bible verses in Romans, which calls on believers to "rejoice in our sufferings" as it produces perseverance, character and hope.

Akers is taking online classes to earn a pastoral degree that he plans to use to further develop his passion for youth outreach. As a rookie, he launched his "Kicks for Kids" program, which provides support and financial assistance for patients and their families at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, a place he visited weekly when he was with the Eagles.

"The uncertainty of things - my daughter, losing the money, switching teams - I fall back onto God's word and know the things he has for me and the promises," said Akers, who also has two sons, Luke, 9, and Sawyer, 3. "And the great thing about it all is that our family has come together so tight. It's been really wonderful for us spiritually and, for me, it's always just another trial. If it all ended today, I'd feel like a very blessed man."

## **Player Feature Story**

### **David Akers Discusses Historic FG**

By Jacob Most, 49ers.com

David Akers was still the talk of the 49ers locker room on Tuesday just two days after he tied an NFL record with a 63-yard field goal during the team's Week 1 win at Green Bay.

Jim Harbaugh called Akers the greatest kicker of all-time after the game and a close look at Akers' career makes it hard to argue with the 49ers coach. Still, the veteran kicker was quick to send much of the credit to his teammates.

"The one thing I need to reiterate is it would not have been possible without our O-line," Akers said. "If you get any penetration on a kick like that you're done. Those guys stood in there and they took the brunt of the force.

They never asked for accolades or anything like that. You can't go out and even attempt stuff like that without them really sticking their nose in there and being the mud hogs that they are."

Akers compared being accurate from such an improbable distance to a golfer making a hole-in-one, but the chances of splitting the uprights from the opposite half of the field is even more difficult historically.

Of the four kickers to make from 63-yards in NFL history, only Akers and Tom Dempsey have done it in a Stadium that was not at altitude.

Jason Elam and Sebastian Janikowski each made their 63-yarders in the mile high air of Denver, while Dempsey's came at sea level in New Orleans' Tulane Stadium.

Coming off a 3-for-3 performance in which all of Akers' attempts were from over 40 yards, thoughts are beginning to arise that the 49ers kicker can eclipse his NFL record of 44 field goal makes set last year in his first season with the team.

Even in light of mentioning the record, Akers is remaining grounded, pointing out there are 15 more regular season games on the schedule.

"All I care to do honestly, and this is from the bottom of my heart, is to make the kicks when the team puts me on the field," Akers said. "My goal is every year to go make every kick whether it's 15 (attempts) or 52 like we tried last year."

Andy Lee, the team's Pro Bowl punter and holder, was among the first to celebrate with Akers on the field following the kick and he continued to praise his fellow specialist when he spoke to the media in front of his locker.

Lee pointed out the added prestige of connecting for such a historic field goal at a fabled venue like Lambeau Field.

The chances of making such a long kick in the unpredictable winds of Candlestick Park are much lower than odds are during a warm early September afternoon in Wisconsin.

"Candlestick can be really windy and that normally doesn't translate to the ball going further there no matter which way you're going," Lee said. "What makes most 50-plus-yard field goals harder is it's got to stay on line longer. In closer it can be a little off and go through, but from further back has longer to track.

"Being that said it's a hard field goal to make period, and if you miss that you're giving the other team the ball at midfield because they get it from the point of the kick."

It's worth noting the circumstances of Akers' attempt in Green Bay were just about perfect. The field goal try came inside 49ers territory as time expired to eliminate the chance of giving up great field position.

Still, the Packers placed Randall Cobb deep to try a return in case the attempt fell short. There was also the possibility of a Green Bay block and subsequent return as Akers noted that he kept the ball's trajectory low to make it go further.

"For the most part you definitely have to kind of club down a little bit to get the distance there," said Akers about the way he controls kick distance. "It's like you're changing your loft the way you would on a golf club."

Given all the historic perspective surrounding Akers, that the kick also had an important impact on the game is somewhat forgotten. The three points gave the 49ers a 16-7 lead and the all-important momentum heading into halftime on Sunday.

Akers' consistency over a 14-year career makes the possibility of additional important, if not historic kicks, in the future more of an expectation than an aspiration. There's little doubt such an experienced specialist is a weapon for the 49ers.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***49ers' Boone has risen from the depths of alcohol abuse***

By Matt Barrows, Sacramento Bee

SANTA CLARA – The call came at 3 a.m. When the voice on the other end of the phone said he was with the Orange County Sheriff's Department, Amy Boone assumed the worst.

"I said, 'My God, my son is dead.' "

"No, he's not dead," the man said. "Can't you hear him screaming in the background?"

The howling was coming from Alex Boone, who was still very much in the throes of the mother of all drunken rampages.

Neighbors in the town of Aliso Viejo, where Boone was training for the NFL scouting combine, called police to report that a loud, large, menacing man was swinging from a tow truck cable. Boone ran when deputies arrived, and the 6-foot-8, 300-pound-plus man had to be Tasered – twice – before being arrested. The sheriff's office later said Boone's blood-alcohol level was three times the legal limit.

Boone woke up in a jail cell not remembering what had happened the previous night. As he sobered, and as he and his family learned the details, it began to occur to them that his latest alcohol-related lapse had dealt a serious – perhaps fatal – blow to his dream.

Playing in the NFL seemed to be Boone's destiny from the cradle.

"You know those soft-soled crib shoes that babies wear?" Amy Boone said. "They didn't make them in his size. His feet were too big."

In second grade, Alex was taller than his teacher. He had to have a special desk in fourth grade because his knees lifted the standard ones off the floor.

Best of all, he had a work ethic to go with his impressive size.

He grew up in Cleveland surrounded by a service-industry family. Amy, who raised Alex and his brother, J.J., by herself, is a nurse. His two doting uncles are a police officer and a teacher.

In this household, the nastiest, punch-to-the-gut insult would be to accuse someone of being lazy.

Tall and long-legged, Alex worked on his balance and agility. As a teenager, he was lifting weights alongside NFL players.

"He was literally the same size in high school he is now," remembers LeCharles Bentley, a former Saints and Browns center who also is from Cleveland. "It was like, 'Who the hell is this high school kid trying to compete with these full-grown men?' "

The work paid off.

Boone went to Ohio State, where he quickly won the starting job at left tackle and where he twice was named to the All-Big Ten Conference team. After his junior season, Boone was considered one of the top offensive tackles in the country.

But there was trouble on campus. He was arrested for DUI following his freshman season. Other incidents didn't make the newspapers.



"I can't tell you how many times I'd drive my butt down there (to Ohio State) and say, 'Hey, what are you doing?' " Amy Boone said.

Boone knew he had a problem. After each incident, he'd swear off alcohol forever and he'd attend Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. He'd go months without a sip, and his family and coaches would think that he was finally sober.

Then he'd relapse. Hard.

The most devastating fall came Feb. 1, 2009, when Boone attended a Super Bowl party in Orange County. When she was younger, Amy's brother owned a bar. Being around it gave her a feel for when good-natured drinking and bonhomie would begin to take a sinister turn. She had a name for it: Starting to sizzle.

When Alex and his former agent called home that night, his mother's antenna flickered.

"He's starting to sizzle," she told the agent. "I can feel it in his voice."

A few hours later, she was staring at her son's mug shot on ESPN. Boone was charged with public drunkenness. The case later was dismissed.

At the scouting combine three weeks later, no team talked to him. And when the draft rolled around in April, no team took him.

Boone had spiraled to his lowest point.

But that's also when he began his ascent.

Not being drafted had one advantage. It allowed Boone to choose among the handful of teams that had shown some interest. He picked San Francisco because the offensive-line coach at the time, Chris Foerster, had lobbied to take Boone with the 49ers' final pick – they went with defensive lineman Ricky Jean Francois instead – and because the head coach was Mike Singletary.

Soon after Boone arrived in Santa Clara, Singletary pulled him aside, locked onto him with his owl eyes and told him, "You're getting on the wagon or you're getting the hell out."

It was the kick Boone needed.

Following a season on the practice squad, Boone went back to Cleveland and reunited with Bentley, who was starting a training facility for offensive linemen.

Bentley's NFL career ended prematurely because of complications from a staph infection in his knee. He's highly intelligent and highly motivated, and his ferocity and drive made him a perfect match for Boone.

The boy who grew up without a father suddenly had two.

With Bentley looking on, Boone lifted weights, flipped truck tires and even pushed a gun-metal-gray Hummer around a parking lot. His weight went from 340 pounds to a more chiseled 325. His body-fat percentage fell from 27 percent to 16 percent. The doughy Alex Boone who showed up at the 49ers facility in 2009 looked nothing like the guy who arrived in 2010.

"He's a fighter," Bentley said of Boone. "Innately, he's a fighter."

As the pounds disappeared, his prospects brightened.

In 2010, Boone landed on the 53-man squad as a backup tackle. Last season, he was part of the 49ers' short-yardage and goal-line packages. This year, the coaches decided Boone was one of their five best offensive linemen, and they gave him a shot to start at the only spot where there was an opening, right guard.

Boone had played tackle all his life, and he was reluctant at first. But he's attacked the position with the same zeal he's shown the past three years.

"It's a full-day street fight," Boone said of playing guard. "I've learned to love it."

A week ago, Amy Boone again was awake in the early-morning hours. This time, however, it was to watch her son's first NFL start, in a preseason game against the Minnesota Vikings.

She didn't just follow along to see that her baby boy made it through the first quarter without injury. She slow-mo'ed each snap, making sure his blocking technique was sound, his foot placement perfect.

"Football is very big here," she said. "We watch games frame by frame. And we all thought that he had a very good first game."

The 49ers coaches agreed. So did Bentley, who speaks with Boone every day by phone and who also stayed up until 2 a.m. to watch his pupil.

Bentley's advice to Boone for the past 2 1/2 years has been to stay low while battling squatty defensive linemen.

But there's a more philosophical meaning to the message.

Boone had the strength to pull himself from the depths of alcohol abuse and make himself into an NFL starter. He's been sober since his Orange County escapade. He's 25 and now married. Last October, he and his wife had a son, Jonathan, which has only cemented his resolve.

As Bentley sees it, his job is to make sure Boone doesn't climb so high that he falls again.

"He was alone in the basement, in the dungeon," Bentley said. "Stay there. What I'm going to make sure doesn't happen to him is that all the people around him – the people coming up and patting him on the back, the 'attaboys' – don't put him on the path he was before."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Alex Boone's remarkable journey***

By Matt Maiocco, CSNBayArea.com

It felt like the end.

There was Alex Boone, sitting on the couch in his mother's house, on a quiet suburban Cleveland street. In the basement den were the plaques proclaiming him as the best high school football player in the football-crazy state of Ohio and a Parade All-American.

In a closet hung game-worn jerseys from his four seasons at Ohio State, where he was a two-time All-Big Ten selection.

Upstairs there was only stunned silence.

Boone, nearly 6-foot-8, all of 328 pounds, never felt smaller.

Boone had plenty of baggage that scared off NFL teams. He was cited for a DUI in the spring after his freshman season. Boone routinely downed "30 to 40 beers per day" as a freshman, according to an August 2006 article in the Dayton Daily News. And a well-documented drunken outburst just weeks prior to the draft appeared to make Boone persona non grata among NFL teams.

He followed along as NFL teams chose one player after another. And, finally, the draft came to a conclusion with a place-kicker being selected as the 256th and final player in the 2009 NFL draft.

"My oldest brother, Alex and I were sitting here kind of shell-shocked after the draft and no one had picked him up," said Boone's mother, Amy.

The 49ers had called earlier to inform Boone they were considering taking him with their final draft choice. Instead, at No. 244 overall, the 49ers selected defensive tackle Ricky Jean Francois.

But the 49ers told Boone they were interested in signing him as an undrafted free agent. The 49ers awarded Boone a \$10,000 signing bonus, a fraction of the money he would have received if based solely on his potential as an offensive lineman.

"So we were like, 'Oh, my God, what just happened?'" Amy Boone said.

That's when her brother, Keith Sulzer, a commander in the Cleveland Police Department, snapped everybody out of it.

"What are you crying about?" he said. "He's got a job!"

Instead of the end of everything he ever worked to achieve, Boone's draft-day disappointment served as a much-needed starting point.

Boone spent the 2009 season on the 49ers' practice squad. Today, he is the team's starting right guard. He, defensive tackle Junior Bryant and safety Ronnie Heard are the only 49ers in the past two decades to spend their rookie seasons on the practice squad and eventually work into full-time starting roles.

If that were the whole story, it would be remarkable on its own merit.

But Boone's journey to get to this point has been one with many "bumps in the road," as described by Jim Tressel, his former coach at Ohio State. With his life in danger of veering uncontrollably off track, Boone has fought back with a show of resilience to overcome his struggles with unyielding support from family, friends and the 49ers.

"You're rooting for him all the time," Tressel said. "You knew he had it in him. But some times he'd take two steps forward and one back. He learned from everything. He had a mom and grandma who were going to be with him through thick and thin."

And it all began on the painful day in which 32 NFL teams repeatedly bypassed him -- deciding his size, strength and talent did not offset the incalculable risks.

"Everybody was just like, 'You're a liability. You're a problem,'" Boone said. "Going to the combine and other guys are saying, 'You're just not worth it for us. You're a great player but you're too much of a head case so we don't want to deal with you.' That's what really woke me up."

Nearly three months earlier, Boone was arrested after a drunken outburst in Aliso Viejo following a Super Bowl party. Boone was working out in Southern California to get prepared for the NFL scouting combine. Police said he was jumping up and down on the hood of cars and tried to smash the window of a tow truck. He fled police and was tasered twice to be subdued. His blood alcohol was three times the legal limit.

Just outside of Cleveland, the phone rang early that morning and awakened Amy Boone, the director of surgery at Cleveland Clinic. She immediately feared the worse.

"I remember hearing the sheriff on the phone and thinking something horrible had happened," she said. "I thought he had been in an accident or something. And they said, 'No, he's OK, but he's here in custody.'"

Boone would undergo treatment for alcohol abuse and arrive three months later at the 49ers' post-draft minicamp as a noted "character risk." Then-coach Mike Singletary did not wait long to tell Boone what he expected. Singletary promised Boone, "I'm going to break you like a wild horse."

Said Amy, "That's always the coaching that he's responded well to. Somebody who's in your face and really brutal. For whatever reason, he loved that."

Boone spent most of the next two seasons as a spectator during the regular season. He was on the practice squad as a rookie, and he did not suit up for the first 15 games in 2010. Behind the scenes, he worked diligently for the sole purpose of someday earning a starting role. With offseason mentoring from former NFL Pro Bowl lineman LeCharles Bentley, Boone slowly, but noticeably, went through a physical metamorphosis with a healthy diet and structured workout regimen. Bentley helped him fine-tune his technique.

Last year, Boone took over for veteran Barry Sims as the 49ers' backup offensive tackle on both sides of the line. He also entered regularly as an extra blocker.

The 49ers considered Boone one of the team's best five offensive linemen, so the club decided in the offseason to find a starting spot for him at right guard. He also doubles as the top backup at either tackle position.

"I think reality is always a good thing," said Tressel, now the vice president of strategic engagement at the University of Akron.

"In college he knew he could've been better, but he was still better than everybody else. That urgency wasn't there. Then he went to the NFL. Reality and adversity can be a good thing. I felt confident he would handle it right. He is a good man with a good heart."

The 49ers' offensive line has been one of the strengths of the team through seven games, and it's a unit whose nucleus figures to be around for a while together.

"I think potentially we can be the best in the NFL," Boone said. "When we stick together collectively, we are on the same page, I think we're hard to beat and we've seen a lot of things thrown at us this year."

"We just got to stay focused and together and we can be the best."

Boone is one of the major reasons for a vastly improved offensive line. The 49ers did not offer Adam Snyder a contract, preferring to take their chances by moving Boone to guard. Snyder is a starter for a struggling Arizona Cardinals offensive line. Meanwhile, Boone has thrived in his starting role. According to Pro Football Focus, Boone has graded out as the second-best guard in the NFL.

"So it's wonderful to see the success that he's been able to achieve as a result of his hard work, because you don't always see that," Amy Boone said. "In the first couple years it was hard. I'm proud of him. But the hard work he was putting in, he was kind of only growing in little steps. And to now have this huge step of starting, it's just been really gratifying. For all of us to watch for him."

It was not long ago that Boone's future was in doubt. Now, he's married with son Jonathan, who turns 1 next week. Boone is signed with the 49ers through 2015. The character risk who no team wanted just 3 1/2 years ago has seemingly found stability on and off the field.

"To his credit, he's taken his opportunity, his talent, his work ethic, and also a great attitude," 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh said. "And I think it's a great lesson for all the young players, individual players, that working hard, doing it with a great attitude, a team attitude, you figure it out. You get it. And he's a wonderful example of that."



### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers' Boone collides with ex-roommate**

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

On Wednesday, Rams middle linebacker James Laurinaitis said 49ers right guard Alex Boone was an obnoxious slob with severe snoring issues.

When Laurinaitis' comments were relayed to Boone, he didn't hesitate. "Well, he's bald and ugly," he said, "so we're even."

So just how many times will these trash talkers need to be restrained when St. Louis visits Candlestick Park on Sunday?

The answer: zero.

Truth is, Laurinaitis and Boone, former teammates and roommates at Ohio State, might combine for as many hugs as hits during their NFC West showdown.

"I've always loved James like a brother," Boone said, a few moments before reiterating that Laurinaitis remains the "ugliest roommate I've ever had."

Similarly, when Laurinaitis was first asked about Boone during a conference call with the Bay Area media, he was genuinely delighted, "Good old Boonie," he began, before eventually detailing what a bad roommate Boonie was during their year of living too closely.

"Oh, man, that sophomore year," Laurinaitis said. He was "dirty. Loud. The guy could snore through four walls and you'd hear him. He's a big man. The whole sleep apnea – all that stuff you get with big human beings like Alex Boone. I was an advocate to have him get one of those things to put over his face so I couldn't hear his snoring anymore."

On Sunday, the close friends and good-natured antagonists will play primary roles when the 49ers' top-ranked rushing attack tests a defense featuring Laurinaitis, a three-time All-American at Ohio State who ranks fifth in the NFC in tackles (74).

While Laurinaitis, a second-round pick, has started every game of his four-year career, Boone has taken a meandering road to Sunday's meeting.

Boone was an All-American as a senior but went undrafted because of alcohol-related issues. He was arrested for DUI after his freshman season. Then he was arrested for public drunkenness in Southern California about a month before the 2009 NFL combine.

Less than four years later, the 300-pound Boone, who underwent treatment for alcohol abuse, has dropped at least 30 pounds while becoming a husband, father and NFL starter. He spent his rookie year on the practice squad and didn't start a game in 2010 or 2011, but he is now a key member of perhaps the NFL's best offensive line.

As Laurinaitis discussed Boone's journey, he took a timeout from the trash talk.

"I wasn't worried about his physical ability at all," Laurinaitis said. "I was hoping everything else would fall back into place for him. I know some of the stuff off the field that he went through in college and the stuff that's been documented. And to see him really get things right and to really go forward with that ...

"Just seeing how much he battled through. Talk about perseverance. He's a practice-squad guy that's worked his way up into their lineup. It's cool to see with guys that you don't know, but when you know somebody personally, it's awesome to see that."

On Sunday, the duo will see plenty of each other on the field for the first time in the NFL, thanks to Boone's emergence as a starter. Boone initially said it would be "weird" to play against his former teammate but later struck a different note.

They would, he said, do what comes naturally between buddies: insult each other. "It's going to go back and forth all day," Boone said. "I've got ammo for days on him, believe me. I'm going to throw everything out."

Briefly: Every member of the 49ers' 53-man roster was a full participant in practice. ... Rams wide receiver Danny Amendola (shoulder) practiced on a limited basis. Amendola has missed St. Louis' past three games.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Alex Boone Continues to Impress***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

For a 6-foot-7 offensive guard, Alex Boone has impressed himself for how well the converted tackle has assimilated as the San Francisco 49ers starting right guard.

"I never thought I'd be a really be a good guard, at all," Boone said on Thursday. "To be honest with you, I'm too tall and I'm not built like a guard. But once you adapt to the game and understand your position, it becomes a little bit easier."

It also helps when Boone has two position coaches working with daily at 49ers headquarters and a Pro Bowl lineman giving pointers from afar, making him a part of the NFL's No. 2 ranked rushing attack (162.1 yards per game).

When Boone was approached about potentially sliding inside to compete for a starting role prior to training camp, the 49ers lineman sought out his personal line coach, former Pro Bowl lineman LeCharles Bentley.

The two have been inseparable the last few offseasons, and Bentley still doesn't leave Boone alone. Each week, scouting reports on opponents, tips on his technique and other insights are sent directly to Boone's email account.

Text messages are also exchanged between the two, including one from Bentley as Boone returned to his locker following Thursday morning walk-throughs.

"He's very hard on me," said Boone on the veteran who operates his own offensive line academy in Ohio. "He's a no-holds-barred type of guy. If he sees something he doesn't like, he tells me."

"I think the reason I've been able to adapt to this position so well is because of him."

Boone's on-field performance continues to improve on a weekly basis.

It's noticed by many, including offensive coordinator Greg Roman who said the young lineman's performance last week in St. Louis might be his best to date.

"Alex, I thought had one of his best games, if not best game, last week," Roman shared. "Technically, from an assignment standpoint, everything he did."

In Roman's mind, the biggest challenge for Boone was adapting to the multiple types of opponents and defensive schemes he would encounter on a weekly basis.

To Boone's credit, each challenge has met head-on with extreme fervor.

"He's seeing a lot of different styles of defender, a lot of different styles of defense," Roman noted. "Alex is the kind of guy we want, pushing to get better every week. He's doing a great job."

In particular, Boone's improved as an open-field blocker. In last week's game against the Rams, the 300-pound lineman did an excellent job of pulling to the perimeter, locating St. Louis defenders and moving them out of the way for Frank Gore and Colin Kaepernick to find running lanes.

It also reminded Roman of something.

"When he gets out in space, he can get rolling, a bit like an 18-wheeler going down a hill," the 49ers offensive coordinator detailed. "He did a great job last week on a couple of our perimeter plays."

Boone, however, envisions it somewhat differently.

"I get a little nervous sometimes when I'm running out there, but it's fun," he admitted. "It's fun to show off your athleticism. Sometimes when I pull out there I feel like I'm in 'The Sandlot' like 'Benny the Jet' going to get the ball. I just hear the crack of the whip and I go."

Boone's using that mindset in regards to preparing for a physical Miami Dolphins defensive front.

Although he used to prepare like a tackle, the improving interior lineman is looking through his guard lenses at this week's opponent.

"They're a very good team in the run, big stout, guys," Boone said of the Dolphins. "I think it'll be a good challenge for us, especially after last week... If we want to be the team we say we are, we've got to run the ball late in the year and be more physical than other teams."

Fortunately for Boone, there will be several indicators of how he performed.

Besides the good old scoreboard and post-game stat sheets, Boone knows his inner circle will give him instant feedback.

He also knows that Sunday will be the latest chance for him to act like an 18-wheeler going downhill.

"Pretty much," Boone said as if to agree with his coordinator's description. "Put it into the six and just roll, man."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***49ERS / Bowman living up to promise of mentor***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

One of the best linebackers to ever play at a school known as Linebacker U., LaVar Arrington identified NaVorro Bowman as one of Penn State's next great linebackers several years ago.

In fact, Arrington felt so strongly about his protege that he asked Bowman to wear his old college number in 2009.

No one had worn No. 11 at Penn State since 1999, when Arrington was a first-team All-American and won the Bednarik Award given to college football's best defensive player.

Arrington saw similar qualities in Bowman and bequeathed his old number, prompting fans to term Bowman "LaVorro" during a junior season in which he was a second-team All-American and had 93 tackles, 17 for loss.

"Sometimes LaVar would tell me, 'Hey, you're going to make people forget the real No. 11,' " Bowman said. "I'd just laugh."

Two years later, the 49ers linebacker is still smiling at his good fortune.

After learning from - and being linked to - Arrington throughout college, Bowman has developed a similar relationship with another Pro Bowl linebacker, his teammate Patrick Willis.

Four games into his first season as a starter, Bowman, 23, ranks eighth in the NFL in tackles (36) and has routinely been confused for Willis.

While watching tape, Niners coaches have been unable to tell Bowman and Willis apart due to their similar builds and sideline-to-sideline playmaking ability. Last week, the Eagles press box announcer had the same problem, crediting a Bowman tackle to Willis.

Bowman acknowledges he's not yet at Willis' level. But he's much closer than many expected after free agent Takeo Spikes signed with the Chargers following the lockout and the Niners turned the spot over to Bowman, a third-round pick who had 46 tackles in spot duty as a rookie.

Niners safety Dashon Goldson said the eye-popping ability Bowman is flashing this season was evident on the practice field last year.

"I'd see things at practice and just be like 'Wow,' " Goldson said. "The sky's the limit for this kid. He's just got to keep coming along. He's going to be one of the greats. We've got two good linebackers here. We could have two Pro Bowlers."

#### **Off-field transgressions**

The smooth start to Bowman's NFL career contrasts with his three seasons at Penn State, which were marked by tragedy and off-the-field trouble.

In 2007, Bowman was involved in an on-campus fight (he eventually pleaded guilty to misdemeanor disorderly conduct) and was suspended for the season's final two games and spring practice. In 2009, before his junior season, he admitted to smoking marijuana and his probation was reset for another year.

Bowman, who grew up amid violence and drugs in District Heights, Md., said those incidents earned him a reputation that didn't square with his character.



"I'm not that type of person," Bowman said. "That really wasn't me. ... But those things put a stigma on me."

Bowman had an advocate in Arrington, whose injury-shortened, seven-season NFL career ended in 2006. Arrington, 33, a three-time Pro Bowler with the Redskins, stayed in the Washington, D.C., area after his retirement and met Bowman when he was a senior at Suitland High in Forestville, Md.

The pair formed a close, student-teacher friendship and, beyond Bowman's talent, Arrington was struck by his humility, work ethic and intelligence. Bowman, who stayed in State College during the summers to avoid the violence back home, graduated in three years with a degree in crime, law and justice.

Arrington was partly motivated to offer his old number in hopes that others would discover the person he knew.

"At that point, NaVorro was going through a few things and had labels put on him," Arrington said. "And I felt like a new start and an endorsement from somebody who meant what I meant to the program would give him an opportunity to have a new beginning. That was some of my motivation behind it. I knew what his potential was, but it was dangerously close to no one being able to see it."

#### Tragedy strikes twice

In between his off-the-field issues, Bowman was rocked by the deaths of his father, Hillard Bowman, in June 2008, and his high school coach, Nick Lynch, less than seven months later.

Hillard Bowman, who died unexpectedly at 52 of complications from a blood clot, left an indelible imprint on NaVorro. He worked long days for a power company and as a mechanic, was fiercely proud of his son's accomplishments and never missed any of his games in high school or college.

Bowman, who was about to enter his first season as a starter at Penn State, considered leaving school after his dad's death.

"It was rough when his father passed away," said his mother, Johncie Bowman. "He called me one day and he was crying. He wanted to quit school and wanted to come home. I just had to talk him through it and tell him, 'You know your father would not approve of this. You know this.' "

On Dec. 31, 2008, the day before Penn State played USC in the Rose Bowl, Lynch, whom Bowman viewed as a "second father," was killed in a car accident. Bowman and his old coach, who was 43, had spoken the day before his death. Bowman spoke at his coach's funeral days after tying a Rose Bowl record with five tackles for loss.

"They are the reason I play this game so hard," Bowman said. "Those two people supported me and pushed me and made sure that I used something special that I had inside me. That's pretty much what I carry with me every day. My father and coach Lynch really taught me how to be the man I am today."

Bowman played his junior season, his last at Penn State, without his father and Lynch, but he had a vocal cheerleader in Arrington. Arrington viewed Bowman as one of college football's most underrated linebackers, but he pushed his protege to become better. The pair often met after games and Arrington offered tough critiques.

Arrington, who now co-hosts a sports radio talk show and writes a Redskins blog for the Washington Post, was shocked when Bowman slipped to the third round of the 2010 draft. He says he wrote that the 49ers got the "steal of the draft" when they selected Bowman with the No. 91 overall pick.

When it's pointed out that he might have been a bit biased in his post-draft assessment, he laughs and points to the first four games of Bowman's second NFL season.

Said Arrington, "It's turning out that I'm right, I guess."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers' Bowman, Willis better together**

By Kevin Lynch, San Francisco Chronicle

Part of what makes 49ers inside linebackers NaVorro Bowman and Patrick Willis so good is their comfort level playing together. It's gotten to the point that they're able to switch positions so opposing offenses can't get a consistent read on what the 49ers' defense is doing.

It goes beyond the field. Bowman and Willis have become so close that Willis became godfather to Bowman's twins when they were born during the offseason. It's an honor Willis said he thinks about every day.

"That's probably one of the biggest things, as an individual, is to be asked to be someone's godfather," Willis said. "For him to ask me, I was like, 'Man, really?' I don't know the first thing about it. But I'm just a phone call away or a drive away, and I will do the very best I can."

Willis said that the relationship has always been a good one and that, "I don't look at NaVorro as him pushing me. ... I just look at the opportunity of playing with him as us being some of the best linebackers in the league. That opportunity doesn't come around very often."

The duo bonded as roommates at last season's training camp, over X's and O's, but also over the trying circumstances through which they grew as football players.

"We come from different places, but we have a similar drive with the way we grew up," Willis said.

Willis dealt with tragedy while at Ole Miss, when his younger brother Detric drowned at age 17.

Bowman lost his father, Hillard, to a blood clot and his high school mentor and coach, Nick Lynch, to a car accident while in college at Penn State. He subsequently was involved in a campus fight and admitted to using marijuana.

The turning point for Bowman came after the late Joe Paterno banned him from playing in the team's annual scrimmage. He met with Paterno and made a commitment, Bowman said, "to stay out of trouble and do what I came to Penn State for, which was get my degree and just become the best football player I can become."

Bowman earned All-Pro honors last season, making 143 tackles, getting two sacks and recovering three fumbles. The performance drew raves from Penn State alum and former 49ers and Raiders linebacker Matt Millen, who said Bowman and Willis have become the best individual inside linebackers in football.

And Bowman, entering his second season as a starter, is likely to get better.

"I think a guy like NaVorro Bowman is very improved," defensive coordinator Vic Fangio said. "He's got a much better understanding about our zone coverages and pickups, things that aren't easily seen by the naked eye."

Bowman is unlikely to play Sunday in Denver because of a leg injury. But he should return in time for the 49ers' Sept. 9 regular-season opener in Green Bay. In the meantime, he's delving through his playbook, and everyone else's too.

"I don't try to learn my position; I try to learn everybody's position," he said. "I want to be great, and in order to do that, you have to take your game to another level."

More of the same: Coach Jim Harbaugh said his starters would play the same amount as they have in the previous two preseason games.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Brooks: 'I had to re-evaluate myself as a player and as a person'***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

It pays to do the right things.

Just ask 49ers linebacker Ahmad Brooks, who signed a six-year contract extension worth a reported \$44.5 million today.

Before the 2008 season, the nightlife-loving Brooks was waived by the Bengals after two disappointing years. His exit from Cincinnati made the former third-round pick and All-American at Virginia begin to re-examine his life and career.

In a conference call with reporters today, Brooks discussed his transformation. He said he is staying in the Bay Area to work out this offseason instead of returning to Virginia. Away from football, he was recently baptized.

Here are the highlights from the conference call Brooks conducted during a break from working out at the 49ers' facility with defensive tackles Justin Smith and Ray McDonald, running back Anthony Dixon and pending free agent wide receiver Joshua Morgan:

On playing with Patrick Willis and NaVorro Bowman.

AB: They're two great inside linebackers. They complement each other well and I'm just glad to be on the outside of them, playing with them. I think we'll be a great defense for a long time. As long as we continue to draft guys like Aldon and NaVorro, I think the defense will be the best in the NFL.

Did the team's success last year influence your decision to re-sign?

AB: Yeah, I've been in the NFL for a while now. I see the business side of it, but I also see it from a football player's perspective. It's been a long journey for myself to put myself into a position as a starter. And not just that, but making it to the playoffs. We had a lot of fun last year just winning. I mean, everyone had fun, from the owners to the managers, the equipment guys, everybody. Everybody was just excited. The more games you win, the more excitement and the more fun it is to practice and play games.

You've talked in the past about maturing and learning to become a pro. When did the light come on for you?

AB: You know coming into the NFL as a young player you get paid a certain amount of money that you've never seen before. So I can see you guys coming into the NFL and doing things that they shouldn't do, or just enjoying themselves. Sometimes when you enjoy yourself, you might enjoy yourself a little bit too much to where it can affect your performance. And I think that early on in my career that's what may have happened to me. I think once I got cut by the Bengals, I just pretty much told myself that I would never let this happen again. Regardless of what goes on in my life, I would never let this happen again. I just pretty much had to re-evaluate myself as a player and as a person to become the best person and the best football player that I could be. Because it's not going to last forever. And then once you retire from this game, or once the NFL says 'no' to you, we don't want you to play any more ... you want to go out knowing you did all you could do to be the best that you could be. And that's where I'm at with myself.

Was being cut from the Bengals one of the best things that could have happened to you?

AB: No. Yes and no. I don't know. I don't like the fact that a team told me, 'Hey, we don't want you. I never had that happen to me every in my life. So I felt like a girl like a girl broke up with me and broke my heart. That's how I felt. It can also be a blessing in disguise. I didn't see it at the time, but now it all paid

off because I continued to work, I came in here and worked hard. To not playing at all to being a full-time starter. It has definitely been an accomplishment for me.

You're working out in Santa Clara now? Didn't you usually go home to Virginia in the offseason?

AB: I usually go home in the offseason to my mother's house. I have a daughter out there and that's pretty much my main reason why I go home. But I realized that I'm not 23, 24 years old any more. I'm 28 and a lot of things change over the years. You grow up and you start seeing things in a different light. And my career is here in California. So I want to make the best of my career and just capitalize on what I've already gained.

You talked about maturity – were there other factors that went into you become a better player?

AB: I think you've got to have the will and the determination to want to do it for yourself. We all have pride and I think my pride just wouldn't let me failing get the best of me. We're always afraid to fail, I know I am. I'm afraid to fail. I knew that if I worked hard that good things would happen. I always kept that in the back of my mind and I knew that ... football was a key to me being successful and helping out my family. I just continued to work.

Why didn't you test the free-agent market? Why did you decide to re-sign with the 49ers now?

AB: I don't know. Something was telling me just to sign here. I feel like this is where I should be. These are the people that gave me a chance to go out there and get this contract. From the time I got to the NFL, I felt like I should have been starting and coaches would always give me an excuses, like, 'Well, he doesn't know the defense. He can't learn the defense.' That's a lie. That's always been a lie. We practice the same thing every day. How can I not remember what I practice every day? I'm just happy to get this chance and have a coaching staff that believes in me to go out there and showcase my talents. That played a big part in it.

Were you recently baptized? If so, what was behind that decision?

AB: I got baptized at Abundant Life (Christian Fellowship) in Mountain View, California ... two Saturdays ago. That's pretty much a new level of my life. I'm 28 years old. I'm just trying to better myself as a person, that's pretty much it. Better myself as a father, teammate, as a brother, as a son, everything. Just be an example to kids, be an example to people that think that they can't go on, or have doubts about doing big things in life.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Bowman Eager to Build Legacy***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Third-round draft picks carry boulder-like chip on their shoulders, just ask Frank Gore.

But another San Francisco 49ers third-round pick, 2011 All-Pro linebacker NaVorro Bowman, also continues to carry the memories of being passed over through two rounds of the NFL's annual draft.

The chip will stick with the third-year linebacker even after Tuesday's big news: A five-year contract extension that'll keep Bowman in a 49ers uniform through the 2018 season.

"These coaches and teams that passed up on me, it drives me," said Bowman, San Francisco's leading tackler with 129 stops on the year. "I'd be lying if I didn't say it didn't. I knew the type of player I was coming out of Penn St. and had goals to reach.

"Now that this is done and the success I've been having throughout my time, I just want to continue showing that it's really real. I know how to play the linebacker position and the 49ers got a great one." With Bowman, the No. 91 overall selection in 2010, continuing his All-Pro play into the 2012 season, the 49ers lead the NFL in scoring defense (14.1 points per game). They also rank second in total defense (278.4 yards per game) and fourth in rush defense (91.1 yards per game).

It's likely that Bowman (337 career tackles, 4.0 sacks, three fumble recoveries and one interception) could have likely fielded bigger offers had he waited to become a free agent, but ultimately, he decided cementing a defensive legacy with the 49ers was where he was best served to be.

"It means a lot," Bowman said of the extension that'll keep the team's four starting linebacker together through the 2015 season. "I've wanted to be here since the first day I got here. For me to get this done and to be here through 2018, it's just a great thing. A lot of people were behind this happening and I just want to thank them for that. I'm just excited to continue on, get this out the way and focus on the season."

Bowman and agent Drew Rosenhaus worked diligently with the 49ers in recent weeks to get a deal done. When the star linebacker and team were each comfortable with the agreement, Bowman raced upstairs from practice to officially sign his name to his second contract.

It was more than a relief to Bowman.

"We're able to get it out the way, get it done and focus on football," he said.

But even as much as the standout linebacker wants to move on to Sunday's game against the St. Louis Rams, the special moment in his life is certainly appreciated. It's not such a bad thing to soak up.

Once terms to the five-year extension were agreed upon early in the morning, Bowman couldn't help but share the big news with fellow All-Pro inside linebacker and Godfather to his twin daughters, Patrick Willis.

"He was excited as soon as I told him this morning when I wasn't supposed to," Bowman said, earning a chuckle from the reporters attending his press conference. "I couldn't keep it from him. I think he's a reason for this happening, me playing beside him. For me and him to be playing together for the next three years, for sure, it's just a great thing."

Willis, himself, knew the talks were ongoing between Bowman and the 49ers, but was still surprised to hear the big news from his close friend, the one he first got to know two years ago when the two roomed together in training camp.



"He told me earlier this morning after we worked out," Willis shared. "He said, 'I did it.' And I was looking at him like, 'What did you do?'"

Once Bowman shared the contact information, Willis was elated.

"I know he'd told me they'd been in talks and I just want to say I know today is a very blessed day, not only for this organization, but for NaVorro and his family," said Willis, who is signed through the 2016 season. "I know he's going to play hard, continue to do all the things right to become an even better player. I'm truly blessed to have him here for a long time."

Opponents might feel differently about San Francisco keeping its starting linebacking group intact for three more years after this season, but the players themselves know there's a bigger task at hand: Win the Super Bowl now.

"All I can think about is taking advantage of the opportunity now, not banking on next year or the year after," Willis explained. "Things happen and you never know about this business. All we can control is right now."

Bowman felt comfortable with the deal, but more importantly, the support from the 49ers organization – the same team that saw something in him that other teams didn't.

"It shows the organization trusts me," Bowman said. "I'm just happy to be a part of it."

Willis certainly knows how much pride his teammate has for working at his craft and mastering the game of football. He doesn't expect it to go anywhere.

"There's no doubt he'll continue to do that and do that at an even higher level," Willis said. "He's a tremendous guy and I know his heart is pure. I know he loves this game. I know it's all about football."

So with two-hard working inside linebackers locked up for three-plus seasons, it's hard not to wonder what type of defensive legacy the 49ers can carve out in the coming years.

"It's not about money," Bowman said when explaining the timing and reasoning of the extension. "At the end of the day we all play this game and we get paid a good amount of money, but all in all, people remember you for the wins, the teams you were a part of."

Willis said legacy isn't stressed by the group; it's just something that goes unspoken.

"It's not something we sit around and talk about. It's just one of those things we go out on the field and do. We let our play speak for itself. Coach always talks about actions speak louder than words – anyone can talk a great story – but to have lived it is better than to talk about it."

So far, the 49ers linebackers have lived a pretty remarkable tale.

"We have a chance to do something really special with all four linebackers that we know for sure being here," Bowman said. "We can definitely make a statement for ourselves and a great legacy for our defense."

But before Bowman can continue carving out his remarkable career, he'll have to take care of his friend first.

Willis insists he'll ask Bowman to take him and his fiancée out to eat.

"Go somewhere super, super nice," Willis said with a grin.

As for the meal?

"A medium-plus steak with probably a lobster tail, a little surf-and-turf deal," Willis said. "Some good mashed potatoes and vegetables... and some ice cream for dessert."

Good thing money isn't an issue for Bowman any more. But in reality, it really was never a sticking point.

"It's not about the money," he said. "It's about what you do on the field that people will measure you by."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Brooks: I feel this is where I should be***

By Matt Barrows, Sacramento Bee

Ahmad Brooks was working out at 49ers headquarters Tuesday when he got the news that a new contract extension with the team had been finalized. His whereabouts had everything to do with why the 49ers felt comfortable signing Brooks, an outside linebacker whose commitment had been questioned in the past, to a six-year deal worth \$44.5 million overall, including \$17 million guaranteed.

In previous years, Brooks would head back to Virginia where he grew up and where he became a high-school star, but where his craft wasn't his No. 1 priority. Brooks' conditioning would lapse and he'd report to training camp overweight.

In 2010, however, Brooks went through an awakening. His father, former NFL defensive lineman Perry Brooks, passed away that March, and soon after Brooks re-dedicated himself to football. "I realized that I'm not 23, 24 years old anymore," said Brooks, who turns 28 next month. "You grow up and you start seeing things in a different light. My career is here in California."

Brooks entered the league in 2006 through the supplemental draft after being kicked off the University of Virginia football team. He was selected in the third round by the Bengals, who used the 6-3, 259 pounder as an inside linebacker.

The 49ers claimed him off of waivers in 2008 and eventually switched him to outside linebacker. But the coaching staff at the time didn't think much of Brooks' preparation or his ability to digest and understand the defense and used him only as a situational rusher in 2009 and 2010.

Brooks said coaches - he declined to name which - told him he couldn't learn the defense. "There were a few coaches who told me that personally," he said.

This past season was different. Incoming defensive coordinator Vic Fangio gave Brooks a starting assignment from Day 1, and Brooks came through with the best year of his career. He started all 16 regular season games and both postseason games at left outside linebacker, setting career-highs in tackles (59) and sacks (seven). Brooks played 944 of 1,014 defensive snaps, the fourth most on the team.

Last week general manager Trent Baalke said it's safe to assume that 2011 first-round draft pick Aldon Smith, who was used primarily as a third-down pass-rush specialist, will move into a starting position in 2012. That means the team has its two starters at the position signed long term - Smith through 2014 and Brooks through 2017.

Last year the 49ers signed the defender Brooks plays beside, defensive end Ray McDonald, to a five-year contract. Brooks said his comfort in Fangio's system and with his talented teammates were the primary reasons he wanted to remain with San Francisco. "I can mess up, but Ray can make me look good - as if I didn't mess up," he said of McDonald, who was one of Brooks' workout partners on Tuesday.

While other positions, such as receiver, safety and cornerback, promise to be deep when free agency begins March 13, outside linebacker will be relatively bare, which worked in Brooks' favor. The team carried only three outside linebackers last season and has three - Parys Haralson is the third -- under contract now. They could add more players at the position for depth, but with Brooks and Smith locked in, it no longer is a primary need.

Brooks said he felt no impetus to test his worth on the open market. "Something was telling me to sign here," he said. "I feel like this is where I should be. These are the people who gave me a chance to go out there and get this contract."

## **Player Feature Story**

### **Ahmad Brooks Builds Confidence at OTAs**

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Months after signing a six-year contract extension that'll keep him with the San Francisco 49ers through the 2017 season, Ahmad Brooks continues to push himself like never before in offseason workouts.

The 27-year-old outside linebacker continues to train as if he never got a new deal.

"I feel real confident going into the season," Brooks said on Tuesday, following the team's most recent Organized Team Activity in Santa Clara.

"I got the contract done, that's a relief off my shoulders, but I still have to prepare as if I never got it. I still have to prepare like I never saw a play on an NFL field before."

The underdog mindset has been with Brooks for the duration of his six years in the National Football League, and has been especially prevalent in the past four seasons he's spent in San Francisco.

"Every year you've got to prove yourself and make a statement, and that's what I'm trying to do," Brooks said.

Coming off a career year, one in which he set career highs in starts (16), tackles (59), and sacks (7.0), Brooks is using offseason workouts to get himself more prepared for even bigger and better things in 2012.

Not satisfied with a new contract and an established three-down role as a starting outside linebacker in Vic Fangio's 3-4 defensive scheme, the 6-foot-3, 259-pounder is using OTAs to work on his movement skills.

For every OTA session under the watch of position coach Jim Leavitt, Brooks and the 49ers linebackers work on pass coverage movements, in addition to hauling in passes being rifled at them by defensive assistant Peter Hansen.

In some cases, the linebackers don't even see the passes being thrown in their direction. Some of the drills have the linebackers doing an about-face towards Hansen where they're quickly testing hand-eye coordination and the linebacker's ability to track the football in the blink of an eye.

Brooks and the 49ers linebackers love such drills. For Brooks personally, it's another opportunity to stand out amongst a competitive group.

"It's fun when you have a linebacker core like that," Brooks added. "It just makes it more fun when you see Aldon Smith make a play. That gives me more energy to go out there and make a play myself. And then you got Bo (NaVorro Bowman) and Pat (Willis) flying around, it's fun being out there."

Not lacking confidence in his hands, Brooks freely admits he has the best in the bunch. However, Brooks quickly noted that each linebacker probably feels that way.

"That's just the competition that we have within the group," he said. "I'm pretty sure all of us could go out there and play some position on offense."

Though Brooks has one career interception in 58 career games, the statistic could increase based on the number of snaps he played last season. Brooks was a big part of the 49ers defense, and as it evolves in year two under Fangio's guidance, the outside linebacker eagerly anticipates bigger plays from last year's second-best scoring defense.

"We could all make an interception," Brooks said of the linebackers. "If it happens, there's no telling what we might do when we get the ball in our hands."

Hitting might have to wait until training camp, same with standing out in one-on-one pass rushing drills, but Brooks understands what the OTAs represent. For him, it's all about rounding out his skill set as an every down defender.

"It's what this time is for," Brooks said. "It's all about ball skills, showing your athleticism and just trying to fit within the defense. That's all we can do right now, we can't hit, so it's about movement."

Further helping Brooks' confidence is the fact the players have time with the coaches unlike last offseason.

The 49ers defense learned Fangio's system in training camp, yet, managed to be one of the league's stingiest units.

In 2012, Brooks envisions a defense that can perform at a higher level based on minor adjustments made by Fangio and his staff.

"The system has been installed," Brooks explained. "The coaches can go back and watch film and see what they can adjust on the defensive side of the ball. It's only been a few minor adjustments that we've made in a few defenses."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***49ers' Brooks took the long way toward being a star linebacker***

By Dennis Dillon, Sports Illustrated

Of all the people who have touched or influenced his football career, 49ers linebacker Ahmad Brooks ranks his family at the top of the list. His late father, Perry, who played 92 games in the NFL as a defensive lineman for the Redskins (1978-84), used to call him before every game. Now, he hears from his mother, Vergie; his older sister, Krsunthia; his older brother, Perry, Jr. -- or all three. They always preach the same motto.

Play hard. Play smart.

On his right wrist, Brooks wears a rubber bracelet with those four words and his father's name on it. Krsunthia gave him his first bracelet (black with red lettering) before a preseason game in New Orleans last year, and she has offered to get him more in a variety of hues. Gold with red letters, for example, would match the 49ers' colors.

"It's a reminder to me of what I've been through," Brooks said. "Pretty much what got me here."

Until last year, Brooks was virtually unknown, even inside the Bay Area. And much of the information about him that did drift out was of a negative nature.

His story is one of redemption. Big-time high school player who gets a scholarship from Virginia only to be dismissed from the team after three seasons because of a marijuana possession charge. Enters the 2006 NFL Supplemental Draft and is picked by the Bengals in the third round, but suffers a groin injury early in his second season, winds up on the injured reserve list and gets waived. Is claimed by the 49ers but doesn't play in '08 and goes through an up-and-down learning curve the next two seasons.

Brooks finally became a starter last season -- a perfect fit for the scheme new defensive coordinator Vic Fangio (hired by new coach Jim Harbaugh) was installing -- and had seven sacks, three pass breakups and 50 tackles (all career highs), plus one forced fumble.

If his performance in San Francisco's season opener in Green Bay on Sunday was a harbinger, Brooks will be a disruptive force again this season. He pressured Aaron Rodgers down the stretch and sacked the quarterback for a seven-yard loss on the Packers' final possession, helping the defending NFC West champions secure a 30-22 victory.

So, why did it take Brooks, who is 28 and in his seventh NFL season, this long to emerge?

Injuries set him back early. He was inactive for several games as a rookie with the Bengals because of neck and groin ailments. Injuries flared up again in 2007, his second season, when he tore both of his groins in the second game. When the 49ers claimed him on waivers in August 2008, he hadn't healed completely and was made inactive for the entire season. Then he missed the first two games in '09.

Brooks didn't play in an NFL game for over two years (Sept. 16, 2007 to Sept. 27, 2009). Some teams would have given up on a player like that. Some players would have given up on themselves. But Brooks' confidence never wavered.

"I was still on the 53-man roster," he said. "I was still traveling with the team. I was still practicing every day, as if I were preparing for a game. So it wasn't like I wasn't doing anything."

Finally, Brooks had a chance to showcase his skills in 2009. He played in 14 games and had six sacks and five forced fumbles. After missing the 2010 opener because of yet another injury (he lacerated his kidney during training camp), he sacked Saints quarterback Drew Brees in Week 2. He made his first start for San Francisco in a December game in Green Bay and sacked Rodgers twice.



Then came his emergence in Fangio's defense, a 3-4 scheme that might not have been much different from the 3-4 run by former coordinator Greg Manusky, but was friendlier to Brooks' skills.

"It was a system he could excel in if he did the right things, which he did," Fangio said. "We put him in there, told him this was his job and it was time for him to do it -- or not do it."

Brooks took Fangio's cue. He started every game, played about 90 percent of the snaps and contributed his share of plays among a linebacker corps that may be the best in the NFL. In addition to Brooks, there are Patrick Willis, who has gone to the Pro Bowl in each of his five seasons and has been a first-team All-Pro selection four times; Aldon Smith, who had 14 sacks as a rookie; and NaVorro Bowman, another up-and-comer who is in his third season. They helped the 49ers, who last year ranked first in the league in stopping the run, second in opponents' first downs and second in scoring defense, advance to the NFC championship game in Harbaugh's first season.

"We definitely had a good defense last year," Brooks said. "Coming off a good season and coming into this season, I feel more confident out there in knowing my assignments and knowing what to do."

Brooks, who in the past had sometimes been criticized for not being in shape or for his work ethic, recommitted himself during the offseason. He spent more time at the team's facility in Santa Clara, working out with some of the 49ers' gym rats. He observed some of his teammates' work habits and attention to detail that make them better players.

Harbaugh noticed. He said Brooks came into training camp in the best shape he's been in.

Another past charge against Brooks was that he didn't know the defense or the plays well enough. Perhaps coaches didn't always put him in the right position. The Bengals first tried him at middle linebacker, but he's much more effective on the outside.

"He's a very physical outside linebacker," Fangio said, "We kind of ask him to do a little bit of everything. He's got to be an excellent run defender, he's got to drop into pass coverage, and, most importantly, he has to be an effective outside rusher for us."

When the 49ers go to their nickel defense, Brooks will line up at end but he doesn't always stay there. Fangio will move him around. For example, when he sacked Rodgers on Sunday, Brooks came rushing up the middle.

Brooks gets more of a chance to be a pass rusher in Fangio's scheme. If there's one thing Fangio wants to see Brooks improve this season, it's his pass rush. Specifically, Fangio would like to see more consistency in that area. Sunday's game against Green Bay was a good first step in that direction.

"I wouldn't necessarily say I've been working on my moves a lot, but I've been working on my hand placement, my bull rush," Brooks said. "Just trying to find something that works for me."

Brooks could have gone on the free agent market after last season, but the 49ers kept him in the Bay Area by signing him to a six-year, \$44.5 million contract, including a guaranteed \$17.5 million. Although not necessarily given to reflection, Brooks realizes he's a fortunate man who has managed to put past troubles behind him (he was charged with assault while in Cincinnati) and emerge as a late bloomer.

"When I look back on my college career, I didn't give it my all," he said. "I did things I shouldn't have done and it bit me in the butt. And I kind of regret it. But that's what made me into the person I am today. It makes me not want to do those things again. I think about the consequences before I take any actions."

"Very few guys make it to this point, make it to the NFL. And even when they get into the NFL, it's all about staying in the NFL. I'm so thankful being in the position I'm in. I don't want to take this for granted. I want to seize all the opportunities I can. When my career is over, I want to say, 'I gave it my all.' "

Under a different set of circumstances, Brooks would have finished his career at Virginia on a high note, been drafted in the first round of the regular draft and become a star long before now. But he chose a different path, one he can't change now.

"I could have had this, I could have had that," he said. "But I didn't, and I just made things harder than what it should have been. But this is God's plan, and this is obviously what I needed to go through."

While his career appears to be on an upward swing, Brooks realizes it is still a work in progress and there are no guarantees that the rest of the journey will be free of detours. There will be missed tackles, team losses, perhaps another injury to overcome. But should he need a little boost of inspiration, all he has to do is look at his wrist and read the inscription.

Play hard. Play smart.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Ahmad Brooks Brings It***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Ahmad Brooks bought a home in the Bay Area back in the offseason after signing a six-year contract extension with the San Francisco 49ers. But because Brooks, a seventh-year veteran linebacker in his fifth season with the 49ers hasn't been home often during the season, simple joys like home decorating or DVR recordings have gone by the wayside.

That wasn't the case this past week with San Francisco enjoying a well-timed bye week.

Brooks still spent a great deal of time at the 49ers training facility in Santa Clara during his time off, but he also took time to continue putting his house together and catch up on shows he's recorded.

The 49ers linebacker also re-watched his team's 24-3 win over the Arizona Cardinals on "Monday Night Football."

It was a pretty rare occurrence for the 6-foot-3, 259-pound every-down contributor for San Francisco's second-ranked total defense (271.4 yards per game).

"It was really my first time recording the game on television," admitted Brooks, who's eighth on a stacked defense with 33 tackles on the year.

One play in particular caught Brooks' eye, it was his tackle on Cardinals cornerback Patrick Peterson, who entered the game on offense early to try and get around the edge of the 49ers defense.

Not against Brooks.

The linebacker who came into the season in the best shape of his life ran down the speedy play-maker with ease in the open field, holding Peterson to a two-yard loss on a swing route out of the backfield.

"When I saw that play," Brooks began, "I had to rewind it back and forth. I saw it a bunch of times."

Brooks finished the game with a sack, improving to 4.0 on the season, but his all-around efforts were more than appreciated by his peers and coaching staff, in particular.

"Ahmad has been outstanding all offseason, all season," Jim Harbaugh said. "He's just one of those guys that continually gets the job done, in the weight room, in the meeting rooms, on the practice field. He's had great games, but he's had great practices, too. Good in practice, good in games, that shows up once again."

Brooks said his improved conditioning allows him to play every snap without getting tired. It also helps him keep up with the fastest linebackers in the NFL.

"That's good to have a fast defense out there," Brooks explained. "To have your linebackers running to the ball and ball-hawking every play, that just makes our defense special."

"There's not too many people who can get away from us."

Count All-Pro teammate Justin Smith as another highly-respected performer with a high opinion on Brooks' contributions to San Francisco's fifth-ranked rush defense (87.4 yards per game) and second-ranked pass defense (184.0 yards per game).

"He's just a complete, all-around player," Smith said of Brooks, the starting left outside linebacker. "(He) sets the edge for us on the left side of the run defense, we have a pretty decent run defense and he gets after the passer. He's everything you want to see."

While Brooks continues to work in tandem with left defensive end Ray McDonald, the left side of the 49ers defense has maintained its left side-strong side rivalry with Justin and Aldon Smith on the right side of the defense.

The in-house competition has remained constant throughout the season.

"It's year-round, all the time," McDonald explained. "We always talk about it."

So when the 49ers defense found itself with a three-touchdown lead in the fourth quarter of last Monday's win over the Cardinals, the left and strong side of San Francisco's defense began competing with one another to see who could be more disruptive.

"It's how we looked at it – we need to beat them to the ball because we knew they were coming," McDonald added. "We told ourselves before every snap, 'We've got to get there before they do.'"

Aldon Smith totaled 2.0 sacks on the day compared to Brooks' lone quarterback takedown, but nonetheless, it was a successful effort from the 49ers defense.

Such moments are appreciated by Harbaugh, who enjoys the teamwork involved in rushing the passer in the closing moments of games.

"I think they're all working so well together," the 49ers coach said. "Ray, Justin, the linebackers, the inside guys, the secondary, everybody's playing really good team defense. But yeah, they're accomplishing some great things. You look back over the last five games, four of those games have been without the opponent scoring a touchdown. That's really impressive, really hard to do in this league."

San Francisco aims to make it five out of the last six games without allowing a touchdown this Sunday when they welcome the St. Louis Rams (3-5) into Candlestick Park.

"It's time to get back to work and win some more ball games," said Brooks, who will face Rams quarterback Sam Bradford for the first time since 2010.

Bradford and the Rams' 24th-ranked passing attack (210.3 yards per game) attack defenses differently on tape according to Brooks.

"From what I know and what I've seen, they run a lot of bootlegs, so he'll be rolling out quite a bit," the 49ers linebacker explained. "You've got to be disciplined because sometimes you want to just go for the quarterback, but the time you decide to go, that's when they use a run play where the running back might cut back to where we need to be at. You have to stay disciplined."

In addition to bootlegs, Brooks and the 49ers front seven expect the ball to be coming out quickly from St. Louis' quarterback.

It's actually looked at as a sign of respect.

"Any team we play we expect them to get the ball out quick, because if they don't get the ball out quick," McDonald shared, "that means we're not doing our job and they have all day to sit back there and try to pick our secondary a part."

"It's good thing they're getting rid of the ball, it means we're doing our job."

With the 49ers defense ranking among the league leaders in a variety of statistical categories (first in points allowed per game, 12.9) players like Brooks can be applauded for hard-working efforts behind the scenes.

Although Brooks, himself, might have to re-watch the game to get a greater sense of appreciation, those around him know how much he means to the defense.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Cinderella Celek: The story of the 49ers' long-shot tight end***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

Garrett Celek was a left tackle in high school, a blocking tight end in college and a bit of a disaster when it came to catching passes during his first NFL practices.

Recalling his initial impressions of Celek, Pro Bowl tight end Vernon Davis said the undrafted rookie with 14 catches in his career at Michigan State "couldn't catch a fly."

Now, actually, flies are hard to catch, but you get Davis' drift: Celek had some serious iron hands.

"I didn't know anything about him, had no idea who he was," Davis said. "I just said to myself he's got some work to do because he was really struggling."

Davis said that in a nearly deserted locker room Saturday afternoon and Celek, a few lockers away, laughed at his teammates' assessment. Of course, he could afford to chuckle at his early struggles: Less than 24 hours earlier, Celek had become the only undrafted rookie to make the 53-man roster.

The fact that Celek survived finals cuts was a shocker ... to Celek.

"I was surprised myself," he said. "I really didn't have certain expectations. I knew that I had to come out, do my best and forget everything else. When I didn't get that phone call I was pretty excited."

Celek may not have great job security. Including versatile defensive tackle Demarcus Dobbs, the 49ers have four tight ends on the roster and they may not be done shopping for outside linebackers.

Still, Celek's ability to make it this far makes him the feel-good story of the summer.

At Michigan State, the 6-foot-5, 252-pound Celek missed a combined 14 games as a sophomore and junior due to shoulder surgeries (he had a dislocation and torn labrum in each shoulder) and he had three catches as a senior.

His scouting report of his pass-catching skills in college: "I didn't run that good of routes. And I didn't catch every well."

The younger brother of Eagles tight end Brent Celek, he was recruited by Spartans coach Mark Dantonio, who coached Brent at the University of Cincinnati. But Garrett knew he had no chance to follow in his brother's NFL footsteps if he didn't improve his hands.

He worked out before the draft at API, a training facility in Frisco, Texas, and caught countless balls, from quarterbacks and a JUGS machine. Still, as Davis can attest, he still had work to do when he arrived in Santa Clara in May.

On Thursday, however, Celek made an effortless 37-yard, over-the-shoulder catch, added a three-yard touchdown grab and finished with three receptions for 54 yards in the preseason finale against the Chargers.

The performance likely earned him a roster spot. And it earned him praise from a teammate who now knows who he is: Garrett Celek has made a name for himself.

"The catch he had the other night surprised me," Davis said. "I was like 'Man, this kid came a long way.' It shows that if you keep working at something, the better you get. He kept at it and, man, he came around."



## **Player Feature Story**

### **Crabtree Makes Offseason Strides**

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Time flies in the National Football League, just ask Michael Crabtree.

Now entering his fourth season as a wide receiver for the San Francisco 49ers, Crabtree's starting to look like an elder statesman with a light beard starting to grow in on his 24-year-old face.

The No. 10 overall pick of the 2009 NFL Draft has been a consistent attendee of the team's offseason strength program, but with the program now in the midst of its "Football School" phase, the 6-foot-1, 214-pound wideout's biggest talents are starting to shine brightest.

Left foot issues which have hampered the young receiver's early career seem to be a thing of the past. Crabtree said he's feeling the best he ever has during the offseason of his NFL career.

"I'm taking care of my body and that's from growing up," Crabtree told 49ers.com on Tuesday. "You learn how to take care of your body better."

With his legs under him, Crabtree was arguably the most impressive receiver in the 49ers pass-catching drills which included a gauntlet-like receiving drill seen every year at the NFL Scouting Combine.

Back in 2009, Crabtree missed out on the combine due to a fracture in his left foot. However, running the gauntlet on Tuesday gave Crabtree a little peace of mind.

"That was cool," explained the 49ers wide receiver who led the team with 72 catches and 874 receiving yards in 2011, both career highs. "It felt like something I missed at the combine.

"That's why I wished I would've done the combine, the gauntlet, the routes and the 40."

Crabtree's strong offseason work doesn't surprise general manager Trent Baalke, who told Sirius XM radio this week that Crabtree's skill sets are "going to shine even brighter this year because he's going to have a full offseason."

Jim Harbaugh spoke in a similar vein when addressing Crabtree's offseason outlook back in February at the 2012 Scouting Combine.

"You get better at football by practicing football, much like you don't get to Carnegie Hall without a lot of practice," Harbaugh said from the halls of Lucas Oil Stadium. "For him to have a benefit of an offseason and OTAs and training camp like he's never had, he's got an opportunity to have that offseason this year which he has not had – and not of his own doing. Looking forward to making the most of that this year."

"He's been working tirelessly," Baalke also told Sirius XM. "He's been involved with the entire process this offseason up to this point and plans on being here throughout. We're excited about that group."

So is Crabtree, who applauded the 49ers front office for adding key play-makers like Randy Moss, Mario Manningham and first-round draft pick A.J. Jenkins. The 49ers were low on receivers as they entered postseason play, a fact not lost on the 49ers top returning receiver.

"You need depth at wide receiver with guys getting hurt, guys getting hit, guys running a lot. That's football. It's not a guarantee you'll play healthy the whole season," Crabtree said. "You've always got to have depth at receiver. All those guys, they're good guys."

In addition to the incoming receivers, the 49ers have returners Ted Ginn Jr., Kyle Williams, Brett Swain, Joe Hastings and John Matthews on the roster.

Crabtree likes the depth the position group has now, but couldn't hold back his excitement when discussing his working relationship with Moss.

"That's my dude," Crabtree said, pausing as he looked down at Moss on the other end of the locker room. "He was one of my favorite receivers of all-time. I gravitate more towards players like Randy, those younger guys played in a time with a lot of different coverages."

Crabtree said all he wanted to do is "take notes, learn, and get better" from working with a respected veteran like Moss.

Additional perimeter weapons could benefit Crabtree's already strong production. Through four seasons, Crabtree has played in 42 games, catching 175 passes for 2,240 receiving yards and 12 touchdowns. The young wideout came on strong in the final weeks of the 2011 regular season, hauling in a 41-yard pass to set up a Week 16 game-winning field goal, followed by a two-touchdown game in a Week 17 win over the St. Louis Rams.

Following his late-season heroics, Crabtree posted five catches for 28 yards and one touchdown in two postseason contests, but knows there's more production in bigger games on the way. Still, he doesn't want to say too much.

"I don't want to jinx myself, but I'm feeling amazing," Crabtree said. "I feel like I can do anything I want to do right now."

Crabtree's actively pursuing ways to give back to the community, too.

In addition to two football camps he plans to put on in Dallas and Lubbock, Tex., in the month of June, Crabtree plans on giving back to his old high school and will give away multiple scholarships in his hometown community.

But until he releases information later on such projects through his @KingCrab15 Twitter account, Crabtree will keep his head down and continue to work with 49ers teammates.

"We're all in this together," Crabtree said. "I'm just looking at it like we're all getting better every day, out here throwing and running routes with Alex (Smith) and the rest of the quarterbacks."

"These are good guys to be around."

With that in mind, Crabtree can't help but look forward to the upcoming season. Besides having big goals on the field, new custom-fitted Jordan football cleats are being made for him prior to the 2012 season.

"It's going to be some craziness this year," said Crabtree, who bit his tongue before letting out any more details on his new footwear. "It's going to be an exciting season."

## **Player Feature Story**

### **Gameday Story: Sure-Handed**

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Michael Crabtree sure looked sure-handed for the 49ers on Sunday. San Francisco's fourth-year wideout continued his solid play with a six-catch, 67-yard outing against the Detroit Lions.

Crabtree's clutch catches helped the 49ers improve to 2-0 with a 27-19 home victory. The 49ers wideout was also "Sure-Handed" on the team's Gameday magazine.

The most recent cover story, shot by team photographer Terrell Lloyd and designed by team graphic designer Ben Mayberry, covered Crabtree's background as a wide receiver and how he learned to be a hands-first, pass-catcher.

Football player. That's how Michael Crabtree sees himself whenever he steps on the field. Not just a receiver or a route-runner, Crabtree wants to do everything asked of him at the highest possible level.

Those old-school, throwback characteristics are also being seen on a daily basis by the fourth-year wideout's coaches and teammates. Crabtree entered the 2012 season in the best shape of his professional career and with an eagerness to continue the chemistry he's been developing with starting quarterback Alex Smith. That was more than evident in the team's Week One, 30-22 win over the Green Bay Packers, the franchise's first win at Lambeau Field since 1990. Crabtree caught a team-high seven passes for 76 yards, including four, first-down receptions.

"You can see he's getting better every year," says 49ers all-time leading rusher and offensive co-captain Frank Gore. "He takes care of his body. Coming in early, staying after. He's doing extra workouts. Once he's on the field, he's a football player. I think he's a top receiver in the league. He's got great hands, runs great routes. He's very good after the catch. He can make people miss – he's strong. He blocks. He can do it all."

If that's not a good enough endorsement, take Jim Harbaugh's headline-worthy words this offseason stemming from an interview he conducted with a Bay Area radio station. "Crab's got the best hands I've ever seen on a wide receiver," the 49ers coach said.

Making the praise even more significant is the fact that Harbaugh has come across several talented receivers during his time in the NFL, both as a player and coach. Even so, the second-year 49ers coach felt compelled to share his feelings on the team's No. 10 overall pick in the 2009 NFL Draft.

Sure hands, fluid route-running, physical perimeter blocking, a yearning for yards after the catch and a flamboyant style make Crabtree one of the most talented players on a deep San Francisco 49ers roster. The team's leading wideout in 2011 with 72 receptions and 874 receiving yards has made at least one catch in all 45 of his career games and has three-or-more catches in 38 of those contests.

So how did Crabtree learn to become a reliable pass-catcher? Simple, by taking full-sized footballs off the chest while trying to catch the rifled passes being thrown at him by his older brother and cousins. Backyard football games in the Crabtree household weren't age-sensitive by any means. If you attempted to catch the ball, you were old enough to play.

"My cousins used to throw the ball hard at me," recalls Crabtree, a multi-sport standout at Dallas' Carter High School. "They were like 5-7 years older than me. I was the baby. They'd throw the ball hard at me and it used to bruise my chest – they didn't care if it bounced off my chest. I'd go into the house and my chest was all red. I said, 'I'm fixing to start stopping this ball!' So that's when I started catching with my hands."

The 6-foot-1, 214-pound wideout's competitive ways have been a part of him for some time. At Carter High, Crabtree received multiple scholarship offers to play football and basketball collegiately. Eventually, he chose to play football at Texas Tech University where he won the Fred Biletnikoff Award given to the nation's top receiver in both of his two seasons of collegiate football.

Crabtree starred in college, but if he didn't make every catch, the mishaps would stick with him long past the game's final whistle. "I thought I was supposed to catch every pass," recalls Crabtree. "If I dropped one pass, I couldn't sleep. I took it serious. Still to this day I go through the same things – I feel like I'm supposed to catch every pass."

Crabtree admits he's not into following the latest headlines on television, online or in print, but he heard about Harbaugh's "best hands" comment. Crabtree didn't mind it either.

"I've heard a lot of coaches say it, my old coach (former Texas Tech head coach Mike Leach) used to say it all the time. It holds me to a higher standard where I've really got to catch every pass now," says Crabtree.

High expectations are perfectly fine in the young wide receiver's book.

"As a receiver, it's competitive, you want to catch every pass," says Crabtree. "No matter how the ball is, that's what makes you a receiver. It's what makes you special."

Offensive coordinator Greg Roman has no difficulty tapping into Crabtree's talents. In his first season working with the do-it-all wideout, Crabtree set career highs in catches and receiving yards. With Crabtree standing out throughout the team's offseason thanks to his leaner appearance, Roman detailed the many positive aspects of Crabtree's development.

"Mike's a very sure-handed guy," Roman said midway through training camp. "He's got really good size, extremely good runner after the catch. I think he's a really good all-around player. When we needed some big plays last year he sure stepped up... He's a good football player."

Following his 2011 campaign, Crabtree decided to give back to his Dallas community by creating his first annual, free of charge football camp. In fact, it turned out to be the first football camp of the "Football player's" 25 years on this earth. Crabtree, however, wasn't firing full-sized footballs at the campers like his older cousins did to him back in the day. Instead, he stressed the important details of playing the position to hundreds of campers, including to his own cousins.

"It meant a lot, especially to do it in my hometown where there are a lot of great athletes," says Crabtree of the experience. "I'm trying to bring the elite athletes out. Next year, I'm going to have a lot for them to do, a lot of stuff to give away. I'm trying to make it competitive out there, too."

The offseason was quite beneficial for Crabtree, both personally and professionally. But don't be mistaken, he's never taken his focus off the ultimate goal.

"I'm just ready to play. I'm taking it one game at a time," he says.

The next game, Sunday's home opener against the Detroit Lions at Candlestick Park, couldn't come soon enough. San Francisco's playoff fever has carried over to the 2012 season where Crabtree feels the support of the team's Faithful fans every day on his @KingCrab15 Twitter account.

"I love the fans, I want to thank them for all the support through the years," says Crabtree. "I do it for the fans. I'm trying to put on a show. I know they want to see guys make plays, they want to see it, and I feel like we've got the people and the talent to really show it. I'm ready to showcase these skills."

Crabtree's one-game-at-a-time approach will be seen next in front of the 49ers Faithful.

"I'm ready to go out there and play at home," he says. "I know there's a new stadium we're building, so I'm really trying to get all the games I can get into Candlestick, it's so legendary. The fans, they show us a lot of love. We feed off their energy. We can't wait to get back to The 'Stick and show what we got."

Before Crabtree can take the playing field in the nationally televised game, he has to make sure his pregame attire is just right. No, he doesn't lay out his uniform like his friend Deion Sanders or fellow starting wideout Randy Moss. In actuality, Crabtree's pre-game mojo derives from the shoes he'll be wearing.

Crabtree's fondness for sneakers dates back to his youth. The limited sneakers he was able to acquire as a child would always be kept in tip-top shape. Crabtree's passion for footwear carried over to his professional career. After Crabtree signed his rookie contract with the 49ers, he later signed an endorsement deal with Jordan Brand.

On Sundays, fans will be able to see Crabtree's two-tone, red and gold cleats that have been kept under wraps during the design phase and were recently unveiled in the team's season-opening win in Green Bay.

"I've gotta have some shoes," admits Crabtree. "Other guys gotta have other things – it's something different for everybody. My thing is shoes. It's just part of the charisma that I have. It's part of my football swag. I'm just ready to go out there and do what we gotta do: look good, play good, feel good."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Crabtree ensuring 49ers don't forget about him in passing game***

By Jim Trotter, Sports Illustrated

In the 49ers' run-based offense, opportunities in the passing game are limited, particularly when split among a handful of capable receivers. Michael Crabtree knows this, but at the same time he doesn't accept it.

"I don't think I'll ever be comfortable with it," he says. "I'm just going to stay hungry and stay humble, but at the same time I've got to be a little selfish. I don't like to use that word, but that's how a receiver has to think. They want the ball and have to have the ball. You've got to think you're the best on the field. I'm taking that approach to the game this year. As a football player you've got to show what you've got, that way they'll keep coming to you with the ball. I've got to take one play at a time and try to make the most out of it. If they see I'm hot, they've got to keep coming back to me."

Two days after discussing his approach, Crabtree went out and forced offensive coordinator Greg Roman to keep calling his number. With San Francisco trying to hold on after Detroit made it a one-score game midway through the fourth quarter last Sunday night, he had a seven-yard reception on 3rd-and-7 from the 49ers' 24. Then he picked up 16 yards on 3rd-and-14. Then 11 yards on 3rd-and-9.

Suddenly a game that had gotten interesting was back to being ho-hum, as Alex Smith completed the 79-yard drive with a 23-yard touchdown pass to tight end Vernon Davis, giving San Francisco a 27-12 lead with 3:04 to play. Much of the focus afterward was on Smith's two scoring tosses to Davis and the defense's neutralization of returning 5,000-yard passer Matthew Stafford, who finished with only 230 yards and one score in the 27-19 defeat, but Crabtree's clutch receptions were equally important. Overall, five of his six catches for 67 yards went for first downs, not that he's satisfied.

First downs are not enough for someone who had 41 scores in only two seasons at Texas Tech. Crabtree wants touchdowns, which have been elusive since he was drafted 10th overall in 2009. In 44 career games he has just 12 touchdowns, and it bothers him.

"That's got to change," he says. "Me, I'm going to be who I am. You've got to be greedy as a receiver, you know what I'm saying? You've got to want to score a lot of touchdowns. You've got to want the ball. You've got to want to make a play every time you get the ball. That's my mentality. Every time I get the ball, I don't care if I've got this much room ..."

He holds the thumb and index finger on his right hand inches apart.

"I've got to make a play, because you never know when you'll see it again," he continues. "It's not like receivers in other offenses. They'll give them the damn ball 20 times a game, so those guys know they can drop a couple of passes and they're still going to get the ball. But it doesn't work like that over here with us having so much talent. You feel like you've got to do what you can do when you get the ball. When you're first coming in, you don't really understand that. You just want the ball and you wonder, 'Why ain't I getting the ball?' But you learn that you've got to earn it."

Crabtree has done that this season. Coaches and teammates say he has raised his game from last season, when he set career highs with 874 yards on 72 receptions while adding four touchdowns, two off his personal best. Part of it has to do with him going through a full training camp for the first time in his career -- injuries prevented him from participating in a preseason game before this year -- and part of it has to do with him being more comfortable with the offense.

"When you know what you're doing, it allows you to be more consistent," says Smith. "That's not just with Crab. It's with all of us. But in his case, it's just knowing the down code, knowing all the adjustments, knowing how you fit in the offense on a given play. You get out there on game day and you can play fast. You can be the one dictating things to the defense. I've seen that from him. He has such a good



understanding of what we're doing. He can play all the positions. You can move him around. He can literally do it all."

"You definitely see growth in him," says Davis. "Just like with any young guy that comes in, he had to go through some trials and tribulations and things like that. But he learned from that. He's in Year 4 now and he knows that he has to help this team win. That's his No. 1 priority."

Crabtree had a few rough moments his first couple of years with the team. Beside the injuries, there were issues with route-running and technique, things that take on heightened importance with receivers like Crabtree, who lack elite speed. This year, however, the 6-foot-1, 214-pounder has been more consistent in his approach and performance, and is on pace for a 104-catch, 1,144-yard season.

It would be easy for Crabtree to wonder what kind of pinball numbers he could put up in an offense that was pass-centric, instead of a 49ers attack that attempted the second-fewest passes in the league last season and ranks 26th this year. But he won't go there. In his mind it's not about the offense, it's about the player making the most of his opportunities.

"A lot of people say a lot of things about coaches when they're not getting the ball," he says, "but ... to me it's more about the player on Sundays."

One reason the 49ers' run game is so good is because Crabtree is a fearless blocker. He'll go after cornerbacks with the same zeal he will a football in the open field. "If you turn on the film and look at the type of stuff that he does on film, you'll see that he's a complete player," says Gore. "He blocks his ass off. A lot of receivers don't want to do the dirty work. But he'll clean guys out."

His development has made him a bigger part of the passing game. Despite the free-agent signings of Randy Moss and Mario Manningham, as well as the selection of A.J. Jenkins in the first round of the draft, Crabtree is Smith's favorite perimeter option. His 16 targets are double that of the next guy, Manningham, and his 143 yards are 86 more than Manningham has. But what jumps out at Crabtree is that Moss has the wideouts' only touchdown.

"I want to score touchdowns. That's what I'm here for," he says with a smile and shake of the head. "I need to get into that end zone. It's kind of hard when you first come in and they're already double-teaming you and you can't get your touchdowns. Those other guys, they're able to get all those touchdowns in or are sneaking them. But I'm just taking one practice at a time and focusing on me. That's where you have to start. I know a lot of people say 'team,' but you can't do the team without you doing your part. That's what I try to preach."

Can the congregation say AMEN?!

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **Poole: Michael Crabtree flashes star potential**

By Monte Poole, San Jose Mercury News

The wait is over, and the whispers of skepticism can be put to rest.

Football followers in bars and barber shops and fantasy leagues can stop wondering if Michael Crabtree is capable of producing in the NFL as he did in his brief but fabulous college career.

He is.

The fourth-year 49ers wide receiver is not ready to be an automatic selection for the Pro Bowl, but he can be a star -- and absolutely will be if he continues down the path laid during San Francisco's nationally televised 24-3 devastation of the Arizona Cardinals on Monday night.

After three seasons during which the 49ers -- and, more pointedly, their fans -- waited for Crabtree to provide spectacular moments, their wish finally was fulfilled with the help of a stellar performance by quarterback Alex Smith.

"It's about getting opportunities, man," Crabtree said while walking toward the team bus afterward.

Crabtree got five opportunities, five passes thrown his way. He caught all five, two for touchdowns.

The two touchdown passes made no grand announcement; he has done that before. There was nothing particularly noteworthy about catching five passes; he has caught more in a single game.

What made this performance distinctive was the sheer roundness of it.

"You could tell really early that Michael Crabtree was on fire," coach Jim Harbaugh said. "He was running the ball extremely hard, physical running (and also made) some good blocks in the secondary."

Already appreciated for his marvelous hands, Crabtree on this night flashed speed and quickness and strength and instincts and determination.

These, you may recall, were the attributes exhibited during his matchless two-year collegiate career at Texas Tech, where he was widely regarded as college football's best receiver and his post-catch theatrics made him a one-man highlight reel.

This is what San Francisco expected but has not fully received since making Crabtree the 10th overall pick in 2009.

The first 50 games of his career have been compromised by a number of factors, from being a rookie holdout to missing his first three training camps to being betrayed by his own body, particularly his feet. Crabtree is healthy now, fully healthy for the first time as a 49er. And the results are coming in.

He has been targeted 55 times in eight games, and he has caught 39 passes. His yards-after-catch totals are better than those of Atlanta star Roddy White and rival those of Detroit megastar Calvin Johnson.

"He's having a good year," fellow receiver Randy Moss said. "It's good to see guys that you come to work with every day out there making plays. Crabs made some key plays for us."

Crabtree's most impressive catch came in the first quarter, when he outmuscled Cardinals cornerback Patrick Peterson for a 3-yard touchdown.

"It was a great play by Michael," Harbaugh said. "It was a great throw by Alex, really strong 'hands' catch by Michael Crabtree."

Crabtree's most impressive play was turning a short pass from Smith and using his running instincts to turn it into a 30-yard play, and his quickness was introduced when he caught another short pass and darted untouched into the end zone for a 9-yard score.

"We're always talking about it," Crabtree said of red-zone opportunities, "but when it happens in a game you just have to make the most of it."

It helped immensely that Smith was outstanding: 18 of 19 passing, for 232 yards, three touchdowns and zero interceptions. His rating was 157.1 (out of a possible 158.3).

It also helped that Moss, the veteran hired to bring wisdom and the dimension of speed to the offense, was able to take a short pass and wiggle and race to a 47-yard touchdown that put away Arizona.

Suddenly, there it was, a San Francisco passing game, featuring touchdowns from anywhere on the field and wide receivers abusing an opposing secondary.

This was the vision during those February discussions between Harbaugh and general manager Trent Baalke. They understood the limitations of their offense and realized the need for speed and explosion.

They got it Monday night.

"It was fun to see, fun to see guys in space and getting the ball to them quick and letting them make plays," said Smith, who conceded that, yes, Crabtree often lobbies for more action.

This is the Michael Crabtree the 49ers thought they were getting in 2009, the player who can be a difference-maker in 2012.

If he can bring it like this every week -- assuming he gets opportunities to do so on a unit built around the run -- he will be a star in the NFL.

And if Crabtree becomes a star in San Francisco, well, you can raise the expectations for him and for this offense.

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#### **49ers: Chris Culliver's brush with death**

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

When Chris Culliver awoke three days after what was supposed to be a routine shoulder surgery, he didn't know he'd danced with death.

His surroundings slowly came into focus as the sedatives subsided, but he became increasingly disoriented. Why was a breathing tube in his mouth, why were countless other cords zigzagging across his body and why was a close friend crying at his bedside, moved by his awakening?

Eventually, the 20-year-old college cornerback would wonder just what in the world he was doing in intensive care at Palmetto Health Hospital in Columbia, S.C.

Didn't he just have shoulder surgery?

"I was like, 'Whoa,' " Culliver said. "I kind of checked myself and was looking around, 'What the heck's going on?' It was crazy."

It was also nearly tragic.

Culliver, 24, the 49ers' second-year cornerback, has malignant hyperthermia, a rare condition triggered by the drugs used for general anesthesia. Within 30 minutes after he was put under for surgery, his heart revved into overdrive and he went into cardiac arrest. He spent three days breathing through a ventilator as distressed friends and family prayed for his recovery.

"He was minutes away from death," said his mother, Marie Williams.

More than three years later, Culliver, a third-round pick in last year's draft from South Carolina, publicly discussed his experience for the first time recently. It was not publicized during college, and his mother, after making a passing reference to her son's brush with death, wasn't certain he'd share his story with a stranger.

After a lengthy pause, however, Culliver agreed to detail his ordeal during an interview following a 49ers practice. Like so many who survive near-death experiences, he said it erased any doubts about his mortality, providing an enduring gift.

"After you go through that," he said, "you cherish every day."

These days, Culliver has plenty to cherish as a key member of one of the NFL's best defenses.

In a season-opening 30-22 win at Green Bay, he batted away a deep pass for Packers wide receiver Jordy Nelson to seal the victory. Last Sunday, he was part of a stingy secondary that limited Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford to 67 first-half passing yards, allowing the 49ers to assume early control in a 27-19 victory.

Sunday's game marked the second time in two years that Culliver occasionally guarded All-Pro wideout Calvin Johnson. It was a challenge Culliver embraced in 2011 when, in his sixth NFL game, he forcefully instructed Johnson to stop pushing off after a deep pass fell incomplete.

It was typical of the confidence Culliver flashed as a rookie when he carved out a role as San Francisco's No. 3 cornerback, even though he played only seven games at the position in college. In 2011, quarterbacks had a middling rating (76.0) on the 53 passes in which they targeted the former safety, according to Pro Football Focus.

"He was a young corner and he believed in himself," safety Donte Whitner said. "And he could play. So he had a reason to be confident. Now people are starting to realize who he is and that he can play some football. He doesn't make young mistakes as far as blowing coverages or giving up big plays. He goes out there and handles himself like a veteran."

#### Childhood not easy

Culliver, who spent most of his childhood in Philadelphia, has navigated a painful path to achieve professional success.

His mother, 16 when he was born, raised Chris with help from her older sister, Markita Greenwood. During an interview, Culliver, after soberly answering football-related questions, flashed a megawatt smile at the mention of his mom's name. Williams, who graduated from Temple University, is a financial analyst in Philadelphia.

"It was a struggle growing up," said Culliver, who has a 20-year-old brother and a brother and sister, twins, who are 12. "But my mom has always been such a strong woman and has always been there for her children. That's why I love my mom the most."

As a child, Culliver began to develop a close relationship with his stepdad, James Jefferson, but Jefferson was murdered when Chris was 8. On Labor Day weekend 1996, a man opened fire at Jay's Big Shot Bar in Philadelphia, where Marie and Jefferson had gathered with other family members. Jefferson, 30, and Bernard Jackson, 33, Culliver's cousin, were shot in the back and killed. Marie survived after a bullet grazed her chest.

"That was really, really sad," said Culliver, who has a tattoo on his neck memorializing his stepdad, whom the family called "Tonk." "In my mind, he was my real dad."

Culliver went to live with his biological dad, Chris Culliver Sr., in Garner, N.C., after his freshman year in high school. Marie hoped Garner, a town of about 25,000 outside Raleigh, would provide a safe haven, a world away from the violence and negative influences surrounding her son in Philadelphia.

Culliver, who said he doesn't have a close relationship with Chris Sr., initially resisted the move. He was withdrawn and moody, prompting some classmates at Garner Magnet High to call him bipolar, he said. Not accustomed to receiving instruction from male figures, he didn't handle criticism well and often responded by sulking during practices. Defensive backs coach Chuck Proffitt recalled Culliver initially being distracted, a sign that issues beyond football weighed on him.

#### Proper guidance

James Payne, then a 29-year-old assistant who is the school's career rushing leader, knew Culliver's elite ability would be wasted without proper guidance. Payne reached out and the 16-year-old, normally wary and distrustful, quickly bonded with a man he calls a "big brother and mentor."

"He had talent, I saw that," Payne said. "But as far as life skills, he needed that guidance. That's really what our relationship was about. He believed in the things I was telling him about doing the right things, getting good grades in school, having self-respect, staying humble and working hard. ...

"I told him with the athletic ability he had, he could do something great for himself one day. He could take care of himself and his family with football, but it was just as important to be a great person. Don't just rely on football. He believed in that."

As a senior, Culliver, who played running back, wide receiver, safety and returned kicks, was rated the top recruit in North Carolina by Rivals.com and also made the honor roll. The sophomore who barely spoke had been transformed by the time he received a full scholarship as a senior.

"Once Chris made the decision to go to South Carolina," Garner head coach Nelson Smith said, "you'd always see this kid walking down the hallway with a huge smile on his face."

Though Culliver had discovered the correlation between hard work and success, his brush with death reinforced it.

In February 2009, Payne drove 220 miles from Garner to Columbia at 5 a.m. after learning about Culliver's condition. When he arrived, he was shaken by the sight of Culliver lying motionless and breathing through a machine.

"To see him in that bed, not knowing which way it was going to turn," Payne said. "But by the grace of God, he pulled through and everything worked out for the best. He'd already shown signs of really maturing. But that was a big thing that got him together. It's a big lesson. One day you can be here, and one day you can be gone."

In contrast with the day more than three years ago when he awoke disoriented, Culliver has clarity.

As he soaked in an ice tub outside the 49ers' locker room, he said he has added to what was already a substantial rookie workload. In his second season, he's lifting even more weights, poring over even more video and arriving at the facility even earlier than he did last year.

It's hard work, but for Culliver, it's also something else: a way to cherish every day.



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### ***Chris Culliver Draws From Experience***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Jim Harbaugh has often said the biggest period of growth a player can make is from year one to year two.

In the case of the San Francisco 49ers' sophomores, nearly two-thirds of the 2011 draft class saw significant playing time as rookies on a division-winning team. At 49ers Organized Team Activities, the second-year players are using early NFL experiences to propel them to greater performances.

One of those contributors, 6-foot, 199-pound cornerback Chris Culliver, believes playing time as a rookie only increased his knowledge of the game. It's also given him greater confidence at a difficult position.

Isolated on the perimeter against some of the league's top wideouts as San Francisco's nickel defensive back in 2011, Culliver grew comfortable within Vic Fangio's defense based on his successful games against players like DeSean Jackson, Calvin Johnson and others.

On Tuesday, Culliver used that knowledge in one-one-one wide receiver-defensive back drills at 49ers OTAs.

Matched up against several of the 49ers top wideouts, Culliver quickly caught on to the deep routes being run against him.

"In most situations," last year's third-round pick began, "you're not going to face consecutive 20-yard routes unless you have full-max protection or something like that."

Because of all the long routes being run against him in succession, Culliver anticipated a shorter route might be coming his way in the near future.

He was right.

Just as a rookie wide receiver A.J. Jenkins slipped while breaking off his route towards the sideline, Culliver anticipated Alex Smith's pass and intercepted the ball in the blink of an eye.

However, it wasn't such a big deal to a player like Culliver who registered 36 tackles, seven pass breakups and one interception as a rookie.

"That's not a story," downplayed the young cornerback on his OTA interception.

In Culliver's mind, the opportunity to impress coaches is important, but even more so is using the summer to maximize reps with the first-team defense when they arise.

"That's all I'm trying to do, just get better," said Culliver, wiping the sweat off his face from a two-hour OTA session. "I'm going to keep working hard, period."

It appears Culliver's efforts aren't going unnoticed.

Asked to highlight some of the younger 49ers who've stood out through the team's voluntary offseason practices, Harbaugh said, "We could stand here and talk for a while about that. But, really pleased with the way our guys are working right now."

The NFL Coach of the Year went on to acknowledge the play of his defensive backs, Culliver included.

"I think our whole secondary is really performing very well," Harbaugh said. "We've had a lot of passing work; a lot of throwing work has been the emphasis. Culliver has really made strides."

An aggressive mindset like the one Culliver had on Tuesday's interception is a trait the young defensive back wants to keep in his game. Playing with tenacity helped Culliver cover kicks as a rookie where he totaled five special teams tackles. It also gave him a great deal of confidence.

Now as Culliver draws from experience, he's doing it in unfamiliar territory: OTAs.

With no OTAs in 2011 due to the NFL's work stoppage, Culliver and his fellow second-year teammates are making the most of a brand new situation.

"Last year it was straight into camp and you didn't know anything," the former South Carolina cornerback said. "You didn't know the playbook, or anything. Now I feel a lot more comfortable in my plays."

Comfort has allowed Culliver to continue being competitive.

"It's you versus him," Culliver said of his one-on-one drill outlook. "And it's the best because you're not really prepared. You can't tell what the offense is doing or the formations they're in. they're just running routes and you've got to play them and let it come to your favor."

"You showcase your talent, compete and that's what it is."

And at this time of the offseason, the young cornerback has the feeling that OTAs are starting to trend towards being more competitive. That's happening just in time for next week's mandatory three-day minicamp.

One-on-one drills against the receivers, plus, two-minute drill scenarios to conclude recent OTAs appear to signal the start of training camp being around the corner.

"It's definitely doing that, getting us ready," Culliver said of the team's recent two-minute drill work. "That's pretty much what football is all about; just prepare yourself to get ready. You have the voluntary workouts, OTAs and then minicamp, training camp and all those things prepare yourself for the games. It makes you as ready as possible."

In addition to the two-minute scenarios, local referees have been brought into practice to officiate certain periods of OTAs.

"That's been a real help for us," said Harbaugh, who intends to have the officials out next week for veteran minicamp. "Something that we started late in the season last year, and we'll continue to do it."

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### **Anthony Davis Makes 'Jump' at Tackle**

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

More than 20 rookies on the San Francisco 49ers roster are older than starting right tackle Anthony Davis, the team's first-round selection (No. 11 overall) in the 2010 NFL Draft.

At 22-years-young, Davis has started in all 32 of the 49ers regular season games over the past two seasons, plus two postseason contests.

But despite all of his early contributions to the 49ers offense, Davis can't help but laugh when approached about the number of rookies who've turned 23 ahead of him.

"That's funny," Davis said.

Still, the 6-foot-5, 323-pound lineman doesn't look down on the incoming class because of seniority. If anything, arriving to work each day to be with players like guard Joe Looney, a Wake Forest guard he matched up against previously at Penn State's high school football camp, gives Davis appreciation for his position with the 49ers.

"I feel like I got a little head-start," Davis said after Wednesday's Organized Team Activity, "but we're still in the same spot, on the grind."

In fact, every morning Davis looks around at the black temporary lockers in the middle of the 49ers locker room and reminisces about his experiences joining the team along with fellow 2010 first-round pick, Mike Iupati, who's also gone on to start every game of his 49ers career like Davis.

Those early memories are important to Davis.

"I'm trying to look at it like I'm coming in again, just like them," the right tackle said. "Being in a room with them early in the morning gives you flashbacks. But then you look around and they're all a little older than me or the same age, so it makes it easy."

Davis has a bushy black beard sprouting on his face these days and is proud to admit that his mustache is finally growing in, but there's much bigger strides being made this offseason by Davis and they're being noticed by many.

According to Jim Harbaugh, Davis' footwork has been much improved this offseason.

"Seen a big jump in his play," Harbaugh added.

The comment meant a lot to Davis, who said, "It feels good to hear that coming from a great coach like Coach Harbaugh." However, such superlatives won't change the aggressive lineman's personal goals of improving weaknesses in his game.

Each time the 49ers hit the practice fields, Davis seeks out advice from 49ers offensive line coaches Mike Solari and Tim Drevno.

"Every practice I pick something I need to work on," Davis detailed. "I think about what I need to work on myself and then I'll ask our coaches what they think I need to work on and then I work on it that day."

In recent practices, Davis has focused on footwork, quickness and incorporating greater strength into his techniques.

The improved footwork, mentioned by Harbaugh, is a result of Davis' repetition at playing on the right side of the line. At Rutgers, Davis starred on the left side of the ball.

"I feel more conscious of the steps I need to take," Davis explained. "It's more about making it a habit. You can do it right once they remind you, but if you can make it a habit, that's the hardest part."

Footwork is one thing Davis has improved on, but communication remains vital in his development, especially with former tackle Alex Boone getting first-team reps at right guard.

Davis believes playing next to Boone is off to a great start in early OTA sessions.

"Our personalities do fit," Davis added. "It's cool playing next to a dude like Boone."

The two linemen might be forging an even greater on-field relationship this offseason, but they actually first met when Davis was touring Ohio State on a high school visit. Davis just so happened to catch Boone's Buckeyes take on their bitter rival, the University of Michigan. To this day, Davis recalls Boone's intensity from the sideline and instantly being impressed with the lineman.

"I remember seeing Boone's intensity and thinking, 'I like that guy,'" Davis recalled.

Flash forward to 2012 where the two have been playing side-by-side, Boone is speaking highly of Davis, the same way the New Jersey native described the Ohioan.

"It's been great," Boone said. "I feel like a big cheeseburger, in there between him and (center) Jonathan (Goodwin). I love it."

"I think he's doing a great job," Boone continued. "I think one of things we had concerns about was run-blocking together, but it ended up being great. His feet are phenomenal this year and in pass pro, we haven't had any problems yet."

Blitz protection, sight adjustments and many other details of playing offensive line will have to be ironed out between the two as they head into the season, but Davis is enthused by the early stages of their working relationship.

As for Davis, offseason goals include increasing strength and knowledge of the playbook. The young lineman also wants to get his core stronger.

"I want to at least get 1 and ½ abs showing," Davis said with a grin. "That'd be nice."

But more importantly, Davis wants to continue the "jump" in his play.

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### ***Anthony Davis Praised, Keeps Working***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Anthony Davis has the mid-season praise he's recently received in his peripheral vision and the St. Louis Rams at the forefront of his focus this week.

Despite earning mid-season All-Pro selections from Sports Illustrated, NFL.com, ESPN.com and Pro Football Weekly, the 49ers right tackle is focused at the task at hand: create running lanes for the 49ers running backs as well as prevent Rams defensive end Chris Long from getting to quarterback Alex Smith.

Davis, 23, admitted he's enjoyed the praise from respected members of the football media, but not as much as others in his family like his mother, Sheronda Davis.

"It's natural to pay attention, you work so hard at something," Davis said this week, "but you still have to go to work every day... My mom likes it, probably, but right now I've got work to do."

Davis and San Francisco's top-ranked rushing offense (168.6 yards per game) will face a stiff test against a St. Louis defense that ranks 12th in sacks (21) and 13th in rush defense (105.5 yards per game).

The latest challenge for an emerging 49ers offensive line is certainly welcomed by Davis, a first-round pick in 2010, who's started in every game over the past three seasons.

"They're good," Davis said, summing up an improved Rams defense. "We'll see on Sunday."

First-year St. Louis coach Jeff Fisher previously praised San Francisco's unique rushing attack and all the variance used in attacking opposing defenses.

Simply put, Davis wouldn't want to be the opposition.

"I wouldn't want to be a defense preparing for it," Davis said.

In year three, the 49ers right tackle is as comfortable as ever in the weekly challenges he faces against some of the league's top edge pass-rushers.

"You get used to seeing things," Davis explained. "You know how it's going to smell on gameday, you know what you're going to be seeing, the atmosphere, it's just different."

The improvements made by Davis are appreciated by offensive coordinator Greg Roman, who spoke at length about his right tackle's positive strides on Thursday.

"Anytime you draft a player with ability who's young like that, it's all about the development of the player," Roman said of the player the 49ers traded up to draft with the No. 11 overall pick in the 2010 NFL Draft.

"With Anthony, he loves football. I've said this before, he's a guy who I'd love to have him escort me into a conflict because I know he's going to back me up. He's a competitive guy and he's a team guy. He understands what it means to be a member of a team."

Roman credited offensive line coaches Mike Solari and Tim Drevno for Davis' steady development, too.

"Coach Solari, I know it's November right now because he's got his beard. I feel like I'm coming to work with Sean Connery every day," Roman said to an eruption of laughs from the gathered media. "He and Tim Drevno do a great job with the o-line."

Davis' surroundings might be easier to adjust to these days, especially continuing his working relationship with San Francisco's pair of hands-on line coaches, it also helps when the franchise's all-time leading rusher remains one of the top running backs in the National Football League.

Earlier this week, Gore praised his offensive line for creating the biggest running lanes he's ever seen.

The compliment was music to Davis' ears.

"As an o-lineman, that's what you want to hear," Davis said. "It makes you feel good, you just have to keep doing it."

The 49ers average 5.6 yards per carry, first in the NFL. But in order to maintain that production Davis will be counted on to neutralize Long's all-out effort.

Roman described the 6-foot-3, 270-pound defensive end rather succinctly.

"That guy is a rolling ball of butcher knives – plays with great leverage," Roman said.

So while technique remains key against one of the NFC's top edge rushers, Davis has mastered the details of his position according to the 49ers play-caller.

Roman said improvements have been made in everything.

"Stance, his efficiency of movement, his weight distribution in his stance, his eye placement, all the little things before you get to the physical," Roman shared. "I think he understands things pretty early in the down. He's picking up things as he goes."

As a result, Roman gave his right tackle a better endorsement than any media outlet could provide.

"Find a better right tackle that's playing better than him," Roman said. "He's really come a long way in everything."



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### ***Leonard Davis: Rocking and Blocking***

By Jacob Most, 49ers.com

Leonard Davis spends his Sundays in the fall blocking defenders, but in the offseason, he works his trade as the bass guitar player in the heavy metal band "Free Reign."

It's a testament to Davis' talent, in both football and music, that the veteran guard was able to pursue both of his dreams.

Still, even with his passion for music being such a big component of his life, Davis left his bass guitar behind when moving out to the Bay Area after signing with the San Francisco 49ers this offseason.

Davis has been all about making an immediate impact on his new team.

It's not hard to see the 6-foot-6, 350-pound lineman standing out.

"Probably the largest man I've ever stood toe-to-toe and knee-to-knee with in my entire life is Leonard Davis," 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh said early in training camp.

Lately, the 49ers have utilized Davis as an extra blocker in the team's power-running packages. Using a blocker of Davis' size was a no-brainer in the eyes of the 49ers coaches, and was also appreciated by the veteran with an impressive track record.

The veteran guard has used his size to great effect throughout his 11-year career having started all 155 of the games in which he has appeared. Davis earned three-straight Pro Bowl appearances between 2007 and 2009 to go along with a Second-Team All-Pro selection in 2007.

His music is also spreading around the team.

One of his band's songs, "Rise Up" played over the sound system in Candlestick Park before the team's first exhibition game earlier this month.

### **Rocking the Line**

For Davis, what is a dream for most athletes is now a reality. His band has a recording deal and a successful debut album.

Davis began playing the bass guitar four years ago, before starting lessons a year later. He formed his band during his time with the Dallas Cowboys alongside teammates Mark Colombo and Cory Procter. The trio, along with guitarist Justin Chapman, released their first album in 2009.

Being a band made up of professional offensive linemen, it's no surprise their first album was titled "Heavier than Metal."

Davis describes the band's sound as having its own flavor, while his musical taste varies from rock to country to blues to rap.

There is no escaping the fact that forming a band with teammates can only bring a club closer together.

"It is fun being in a band with teammates," Davis said. "The camaraderie you have with football is very similar in the band. One of the benefits is you get to experience meeting famous musicians."

Davis now calls the members of metal headliners like Metallica, Five Finger Death Punch, Pantera and Disturbed contemporaries as well as friends.

Following the success of their debut album, Free Reign's next recording has been delayed by the challenges of the band members each having separate NFL careers.

Davis is now in the Bay Area, Colombo recently retired and Procter is currently a free agent.

Davis assures Free Reign fans that one day when all the members are finished with football a sophomore effort will be in the works. For now though, Davis is focusing on his day job.

### One Big Tight End

Despite his musician status, Davis has been hard at work since signing with the 49ers in late July.

There has been little thought of playing music, if even to escape the rigors of training camp.

For Davis it's all about football, especially considering he's adjusting to a new team and the thick playbook that goes along with it.

"Right now I have just been working on everything that we have been doing," Davis said about his training camp. "I have been trying to get my knowledge of the offense down first and foremost. Without that, there is no way I can step out on the field period."

Davis' playing time is likely to be limited at his traditional position of right guard. Alex Boone appears to be the team's first team option at that spot heading into the regular season.

Davis, the No. 2 overall pick in the 2001 Draft, is most comfortable at guard, but he is willing to do what it takes to help the team.

This season that may entail learning a new position. In doing so, Davis may be forced to rely upon his experience in having quickly learned to play bass.

Davis lined up as a tight end for multiple snaps in the team's third preseason game against the Denver Broncos.

It's no surprise that the 49ers coaching staff is looking to find a way to get Davis on the field.

Under Harbaugh, defensive end Demarcus Dobbs has spent time at tight end this preseason and nose tackle Isaac Sopoaga notably has made big contributions at fullback.

Davis said he never had to declare himself as an eligible receiver in his professional career before he got to San Francisco.

"It is a little different out there," Davis said about lining up as a tight end. "For what we are doing, it is still the same technique."

### Banging Helmets

In his short time with the team, Davis has developed a following among his teammates due to both his experience as an NFL player and his musical talents.

Davis has spent most of his time working with the second team behind Boone, who is in his fourth season.

It's a credit to Davis' team-first attitude that he has accepted a new role with the 49ers and embraced helping the younger Boone despite the fact that the two compete for playing time.

Davis has been like many of his fellow 49ers newcomers in putting the team first.

Harbaugh has noticed.

"It's always the first question, it's just human nature," the coach said. "You're trying to find out what's in another man's heart. Is he about us, or is he about himself? It's been a great group, from first year guys to 10-plus-year guys, it's been a good fit."

Davis has proven to be about the team in more ways than one, serving as a mentor to the younger Boone.

"When they brought him in I was very happy," Boone said. "I understand nothing in this league is given, you have to earn everything. To bring in a guy like that, I thought I would use this to my advantage and I have. I have asked him tons of questions. I probably bothered the hell out of him. I think that he is a web of knowledge that should be drained ... it has made it fun to compete."

Boone is already a fan of Free Reign's loud and powerful guitar riffs as well. The band's musical style echoes the way its band members, and Boone, play football.

"Leonard was letting me listen to one of their songs on the plane to Denver," Boone said. "He gave me the headphones and I couldn't hear what he was saying while he was trying to explain the song. I was listening to it instead. It sounded really good to me."

It's still early in the season, but some of Free Reign's music has already been exposed to players and fans alike.

When the band's song, "Rise Up" played over the sound system in Candlestick Park before the team's first exhibition game, Davis felt the song set the mood for the physical style of football that epitomizes a Harbaugh-coached team.

"That song is more of an anthem kind of song," Davis explained. "It's one of those songs where you listen to it, and then you feel like you are ready to go. When we were coming up with it, we had a pump-up song in mind."

While the 49ers coverage team has its own anthem – Future's "Tony Montana" – there is no telling whether "Rise Up" or another Free Reign song may catch on in the 49ers locker room if not among the team's Faithful fans.

If that doesn't work out, there's another member of the 49ers who plays an instrument. Isaac Sopoaga has been known to strum out on the ukulele.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Leonard Davis providing a 'big' boost for San Francisco 49ers' offensive line***

By Associated Press, The Oregonian

Leonard Davis is one of the NFL's biggest men today because his parents, both of whom had lost spouses, found each other in small-town Texas and decided to add one more child to their already enormous blended family.

He became No. 22 in the brood, between them.

No wonder Davis has been such a perfect fit in Jim Harbaugh's family-oriented San Francisco locker room since the 12th-year guard signed with the 49ers this summer.

When his mother remarried, Sammie Lee Davis never doubted she would have one more child to give her 11.

Little did she know, her last would wind up a 6-foot-6, 355-pound offensive lineman. After all, Davis was born at a healthy, yet rather average 7 1/2 pounds, less than a month after she turned 40.

He got big in a hurry.

"I've been the biggest since Day 1," Davis said, "From kindergarten all the way through."

In fact, Davis began growing so fast he was out of his infant clothes in no time, and he fussed so regularly his mom finally realized he was just plain hungry. All the time.

"I started to put a teaspoon of baby rice in his bottle with formula, and it was just like you gave him a sleeping pill," she recalled.

Sammie Lee was twice a widow when she married Davis' dad. She lost her first husband in a car accident and her second to cancer. L.A. Davis, a minister who died in 2007, was already a father to 11 of his own before his first wife died of a hemorrhage.

One of his young sons was in school with one of her daughters.

Davis is doing a much better job keeping track of the 49ers' complex playbook than he ever has remembering how many nieces and nephews he has, let alone their names.

"People don't have that many kids nowadays," said Davis, a father of two girls, 9-year-old Meeya and 7-year-old Mariya.

Davis emerged as a rock-solid run-blocker during his best seasons from 2007-2010 with the Dallas Cowboys, who released him before training camp in 2011. He started every game from 2006, his last season in Arizona, through 2010.

Yet the 34-year-old Davis didn't play a single snap last season after signing with Detroit in November.

Then, Davis had offseason foot surgery. Harbaugh gave him a shot after Davis visited the 49ers this spring. He signed four months later, ahead of training camp.

His former Lions (1-0) come to town for San Francisco's home opener Sunday night at Candlestick Park in a matchup of projected NFC contenders. Davis comes in as an extra blocker, lining up at tight end, in some sets for the 49ers (1-0).

"It feels like he's fit in, he's one of us. Another guy that's just a pure joy to be around," Harbaugh said Monday. "Pure, pure athlete and good guy."

Harbaugh was impressed by Davis' technique and fundamentals in a new system from Day 1 — and Davis taking it upon himself to spend extra time with offensive line coach Tim Drevno to learn.

"It speaks volumes for him, his ability to be able to come in and get up to speed this fast," Harbaugh said.

A three-time Pro Bowler, Davis said all the right things for a player coached by Harbaugh when he arrived. Namely: He wouldn't be here if he didn't like to compete.

"Leonard's been a great addition," linebacker Patrick Willis said. "He's a big guy and we know he still has some oomph to him."

When an IndyCar was displayed at a recent practice, Harbaugh joked that Davis probably weighed a third of the car.

"Big Leonard," as he is sometimes referred, didn't mind, knowing it was all in good fun. If Davis was sensitive to jokes about his size, he might have walked away years ago.

He earned the nickname "BIGG" after reaching 6-0, 205 pounds as a fifth-grader. By seventh grade, he was 6-4, 300.

"I've been big all my life," said Davis, drafted out of Texas by the Cardinals with the second overall pick in 2001 behind Michael Vick. "It's not like I graduated high school 200 pounds and three years later I'm 350 or whatever. It wasn't like that. That kind of stuff doesn't bother me. Plus, for Coach to say something like that, he's not saying it in a mean way. That's just all jokes."

Most of his siblings had already moved out of the house by the time he came along, though he grew up with three sisters and a niece and nephew in the house. And the sister closest to him in age was 10 years older.

"It was stressful at times. They did whatever they could do to keep the family moving along," said Davis. "Sometimes you have heartaches and sometimes you have joy. Most of it was joyful living."

His mom did all she could for Davis, who grew up in the close-knit, sports-crazy community of Wortham, Texas, with a population of just under 1,100. When the football team traveled, the town traveled.

Sammie Lee traveled, too. She once drove 50 miles to find three pairs of size 18 Nikes that were on clearance at \$19.95 because the person who ordered them never showed up — and there wasn't exactly a high demand for the size.

"They were blue and white. They didn't match his college colors but Leonard was so happy," his mom recalled. "His first pair of dress shoes, my brother found them and my daughter and I drove 91 miles to get those after they were held for us. ...

"I tell people I could write a story on how we raised Leonard. I don't regret anything," she said. "I've been to more places. Leonard built us a home, bought us a new Tahoe car when he got picked in the NFL because my husband was tall and it was hard for him to get in and out of the car. Leonard, he took care of us. In Austin where he went to college, they called him the big teddy bear."

Davis graduated high school at nearly his current size. He is happy to say he was rarely teased for his unique size.

"Where I'm from, everybody was friends, everybody got along," he said. "We all knew each other, we all respected each other. It was pretty family oriented."

These days, Davis is happy with his brothers on the 49ers. San Francisco won 30-22 at Green Bay in its opener last week, and the defending NFC West champions are quickly showing they're serious about making another run at a Super Bowl after last season's near-miss.

"There's definitely a lot of talent on this team," Davis said. "The guys who are here want to be here."



### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers star Vernon Davis working through family tragedy**

By Tim Kawakami, Mercury News

Vernon Davis will never be a shrinking violet or crusty, craggily silent type.

He has things to say and goals to meet. But Davis is 28 now, a six-year NFL veteran, and recent family events have intruded on happy-go-lucky reality.

Last month, Davis' 19-year-old brother, Michael, was charged with first-degree murder in Washington, D.C., (in addition to charges related to two other attacks), ruled incompetent to stand trial and sent to a hospital for further evaluation.

When I spoke to the 49ers' star tight end after Tuesday's OTA, he was as ebullient and confident as ever, mentioning his interior-design business (Modern Class Design) and his recent meeting with Magic Johnson.

But Davis also checked himself more than once and repeatedly referred back to the practice field, the work, and the team.

"I strongly believe we should be the Super Bowl favorites," Davis said, "but I can't talk about it because it's all about work.

"It starts here at practice. I don't want to talk about it and brag and say this and that, because it's not about that. It's about working first.

"And in the end, you will see where you'll be."

Yes, about the work.

Earlier Tuesday, coach Jim Harbaugh praised Davis specifically for his performance this offseason, which Davis accepted without much reaction when I passed it along to him.

Davis said he's working on his route-running, and said it's already clear that the additions of Randy Moss and Mario Manningham and the good health of Michael Crabtree have significantly upgraded the 49ers' receiving corps.

But Davis also said all this with much more restraint than I've heard from him before, and there probably is at least one sobering reason for this.

After the news broke about his brother, Davis flew back to be with his grandmother -- who raised Davis and his six siblings, which also includes the Miami Dolphins' Vontae Davis.

But Davis said he hasn't had recent contact with Michael, and pointed out that he quickly returned to Santa Clara. To work.

"It's pretty frustrating, it's stressful," Davis said in his first extended public comments about his brother and the death of 66-year-old Gary Dederichs.

"But at the end of the day, I'm my own man, regardless of what my little brother does or what he did. It's him. He's got to live with that. I don't have to live with that ...

"My job is to be there to support him any way that I can. And I'll do just that. But when it comes to my career, my job, something that I love so much and something that I'm passionate about, I can't let anything get in the way of that."

What was your reaction when you first got the news that your brother had been arrested in such a terrible incident?

"It broke my heart," Davis said. "But I had to keep going. I had to pick my head up and just keep on walking. Can't let that affect me."

His focus, Davis said, will always be on becoming the best player he can be and helping the 49ers as much as possible.

"Yeah, I'm old enough and wise enough to know that," Davis said. "I've been through a lot."

"Like I tell everybody, when someone's been through tough times, things that are tough, after the fact, aren't so tough ..."

"To me, growing up without my mom being around, and her being on drugs and things like that, and having my grandmother raise me and my six siblings, that's tough enough."

"I don't think I'll ever see anything tougher than that, in my eyes, because that's something right there that gave me the drive, the strength and the endurance to overcome any obstacle that crossed my path."

Even before I asked him about his brother, Davis kept bringing up the concept of accountability.

Specifically: personal accountability.

"For me, it's not really about showing the coaches," Davis said when I mentioned Harbaugh's compliment. "It's about being accountable, being accountable for my own actions and continuing to do what I've been doing since I got here ..."

"It's all about the team first, then myself. As I continue to help the team, I'll continue to build on my success, but it all starts with the team."

In Davis' mind, that could and probably should lead to the 49ers winning the Super Bowl next February.

Davis said the NFC Championship game loss to the Giants was so difficult to take that he went home that night and cried.

But then he woke up the next morning and moved on.

"I got over it -- the next day I was all right," Davis said. "I told myself that it wasn't our time. Next year."

"The thing that made me happy is you live to see the next day and you get an opportunity to do it again."

You do the work. You accept accountability. You grow, you mature, you endure the troubles, and maybe you end up winning the Super Bowl, if it's your time.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***A Man Of All Seasons***

By Lindsay Brooke Cohen, Haute Living Magazine

Vernon Davis might have been born and raised in Washington D.C. but he now calls San Francisco home. Prior to heading west for the professional gridiron of Candlestick Park, Davis began playing football in his native D.C. streets while he was still in elementary school. "I would go out everyday and play football or basketball, and my passion for the game grew on me," says Davis. "The funny thing about it is that basketball was my dream. I was better at basketball."

Although Davis might have been a better basketball player at the time, he would soon develop his football skills during high school, and earned recognition from college scouts for his dominant play. It was while attending the University of Maryland, however, that Davis made a curious discovery—he loved art. Davis explains his transformation: "I didn't learn I could paint or draw until I went to college. I began studying Criminal Justice, and it wasn't until I took an art course as an elective that I just fell in love with it. I met with my academic counselor and she advised me to switch my major to art if I loved it that much." Davis did just that, and became somewhat of a rare combination of skillful athletic prowess, and intuitive visual artist.

Davis isn't the only talent in his family. His younger brother Vontae plays professional football for the Miami Dolphins. "It's amazing having a brother that plays professional football. I mentored him early while we were teenagers, showing him how to train properly and putting him through the paces and rigors that come with playing competitive football. I knew he was tough and could handle it." Davis acknowledges himself as both teacher and student to his brother, however, describing Vontae as, "a little encyclopedia, always teaching me about NFL players, their positions, stats, etc. We both helped each other develop and grow within the game." The Davis brothers also understand the value of off-field support, as both Vernon and Vontae look out for each other and make sure their family is taken care of, "As for our family, it's great having him around to help step in and take care of the family when I can't, so he can help fill that role if I'm not there," explains Davis. Despite Davis's hectic traveling schedule during the season, he knows his family is his top priority, and is sure to make time for them. "Every year after the season is over I go home to see my family in D.C. I also travel to Miami to spend time with my brother."

Upon moving across the country to pursue his professional football career with the San Francisco 49ers, Davis immediately noted the differences from his east coast upbringing. Besides the changes in weather, Davis confided to me that what he noticed most about San Francisco was its diverse ethnic populations, "I like San Francisco because it's so diverse out here." Davis continues, "There are all types of people living here—they look different, smell different. It's just crazy. Coming from D.C., I didn't experience many different ethnic groups living together, but out here it's mixed." Though the adjustment to moving out west proved an engaging learning experience for Davis, he quickly found out his truest learning experience would take place during his first few seasons with the 49ers. It's an understatement to say that we all encounter obstacles in our personal and professional lives, but in Davis's case, he experienced a seemingly insurmountable sequence of setbacks that could have ended his career before it even had a chance to begin. Davis states that his arrival in San Francisco as a rookie tested his playing ability and emotional maturity, as he had to acclimate to new teammates and being the lowest on the totem pole, "I was young and had to adjust to a new team, and learn to play with my teammates. I devoted extra energy and focus to improving my overall skill set and the way I play the game by training harder, eating well, and improving every aspect of my playing." If that weren't enough to handle, injuries quickly became a problem for Davis, "I also cracked my fibula my rookie year, and then in my second year I sprained the MCL in my knee. I had to fight through a lot of adversity to get where I am today, but in everything you do—you have to learn to get through it. The most important thing of all is that I fought through it, kept my head up, and kept pushing. That's why I was awarded the honor of team captain for two consecutive years." Davis is living proof of the power of persistence and ambition overpowering adversity and achieving success.

Davis's recognition for leadership and excellence in sportsmanship is not limited to the football field, however, as he was named an honorary captain of the Men's U.S Olympic Curling team at the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics. "It looks a lot easier on TV than it actually is," explains Davis. "I respect the curlers." It was a dream come true for Davis to be in Vancouver. "All I could think about was being a kid and watching the Olympics on TV, feeling that same kind of excitement. Even when I was at the ice rink, I was thinking about athletes from the past, like Dominic Dawes, and current athletes like Shani Davis, and it was just amazing being there to share that experience." With all of Davis's prestige and recognition, he made a revealing statement by telling me his favorite moment of the entire trip was, "When I walked into this place they had every restaurant you could think of—McDonald's, Subway—and it was called the USA Olympic Village. When I went inside, they said to me, 'Everything in here, Vernon, is free.' Just for the athletes, though. I went to McDonald's and had two twenty-piece nuggets, all you can drink soda, cookies, and French fries. I ate so badly that day." I guess even when you are at the pinnacle of your athletic career and surrounded by some of the finest athletes from around the world, even the temptations of comfort food can be too much to resist.

The earnestness and sincerity of Davis's fast food binge is telling of a down-to-earth character that does not presume an air of status or entitlement. Davis is a humble person who understands the rarity of his success, and wants to provide as many children who come from a similar background as he has with the options for their success. Two philanthropic organizations that Davis is heavily involved with are Pros For Africa and the Starkey Hearing Foundation. "It means a lot to give back. Anytime you can reach out to help people and change something in their life, that's just huge for me," Davis reveals. "I truly believe that because I grew up in a very humble home, and my grandmother worked very hard to support my six siblings and I. Her hard work shaped my spirit of gratitude as an NFL player, and to be able to give back to those who are not as fortunate means so much to me. It goes a long way." With Pros For Africa, Davis hopes to extend his missionary zeal across the Atlantic where he feels there is much work to be done, "There is so much need in the world, especially with children in the Third World who do not have adequate access to basic things like food, medical care, and even shelter. Traveling to Africa on a mission of change is a great honor and a life changing moment for me. Hopefully we can make some positive changes." Davis has an upcoming mission trip to Rwanda and Uganda in March.

But the charity doesn't end there. Following his own personal passion in the arts, Davis recently inaugurated the Vernon Davis Visual Scholarship as a way to give urban students a chance to pursue their artistic passions and provide financial support for them to do so. To qualify for the scholarship, a college-bound San Francisco-based high school senior needs to submit a statement of purpose, portfolio of his or her work, and a letter of recommendation from a teacher or art mentor. Davis explains his own frustration growing up without artistic support to nurture the talent he wasn't truly aware he had, "I was always creative, painting and cutting my jeans when I was younger, but I didn't have the freedom to be creative in my community." He continues, "Growing up in a tough urban neighborhood, myself and others like me were surrounded by so many social pressures that impacted us, like drugs and crime, but we didn't have access to the resources that would have been inspirational for us. When I went to college, though, I was free to focus on my creative side and discovered my talent." Right now Davis is in the process of narrowing down the applicants to make a final choice for the first award. "Hopefully, the scholarship will provide a young artist with the resources to pursue his or her passion."

As if that weren't enough, this summer Davis will be hosting a football and mentoring clinic in Washington D.C., called Sound Body, Sound Mind. It's a two-day football academy being held at Howard University on June 23-24th. An exultant David explained the camp and his involvement, "Growing up, I was fortunate enough to have benefitted from positive role models, and now I want to make sure that kids who are just like I was will have the same opportunities. The camp is a great preparation and inspiration for about 200 young athletes to think about college and academic counseling while staying at Howard University, in addition to sports training." Davis wants to empower the younger generation by giving them options for their future by emphasizing education and discipline, and not instilling delusions of fast-track success schemes.

Davis is notorious amongst his friends and teammates as having a certain flair for style and décor, so I couldn't help but inquire about his home. When asked to describe how he would characterize the overall

style of his home, Davis gave me a good laugh (or rather I gave him one) by suggesting if it was country, modern, or eclectic, "Oh, definitely not country. Oh, no, no no [laughs]. Classic and contemporary I would say—on the modern side." Davis was fortunate enough to be introduced to his publicist's (Sasha Taylor) mother, a well-known interior decorator in San Francisco. "Sasha introduced me to Laura, and I thought to myself, 'Wow, that's convenient. Let me have her.' She came to my house and all the ideas and samples she put in front of me were just what I was looking for. I saw some of the work she had previously done, and thought it was great."

Of course, the home of an artist is only complete with his own paintings decorating the walls. One in particular that stands out to us is entitled "Mirror Image." It was painted by Davis in 2005 right before he departed college to enter the NFL. "I brought it along with me when I moved to San Francisco. I had to revisit the painting about two years ago to finish it."

When Davis has some down time, without a doubt we'll find him in some of the most upscale shops and lounges San Francisco has to offer. Metro Park his favorite one-stop-shop for jeans (True Religion and Rock & Republic), watches and other accessories. To satiate his appetite we can find him at 5A5. Davis balances his time rather well; between training, practice, off-the-field endeavors and being an upstanding father to his three-year old son, Gianni. "It's more challenging during the season, but I still get to spend a lot of time with my son and family. It's a busy lifestyle of traveling and playing football, and it's tough trying to balance everything, but I spend as much time with Gianni as I can. I had the chance to see him sing in his Christmas program this year, which was great, and he will be in a fashion show later this month, too."

Don't expect to see Vernon Davis stopping any time soon. When his days on the field eventually dwindle, he explains how he would like to dabble in a little bit of everything, including (but not limited to) both the small and big screen. "Football was always my dream, but I have many different interests, like fashion and acting, and the wheels are already in motion to make brings some of these aspirations to fruition. I have a cameo role in the upcoming film 'I Fell In Love With A Church Girl', recently completed an internship at Organic, Inc., and have several television shows in development."

Even with Davis's lengthy roster of accomplishments, there's still one thing he's dying to see, Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel. I sense a trip to Rome on the horizon.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers' Vernon Davis learns art of philanthropy**

By Al Saracevic, San Francisco Chronicle

Vernon Davis is all grown up.

Six years into a solid NFL career, the onetime brash and emotional tight end has emerged as a mature leader - both in his locker room and his community.

On the field, his growth has been clear. Two seasons ago, he tied the NFL mark for most touchdown receptions by a tight end in a single season. Since then, he has been the Niners' most consistent downfield threat. In the locker room and on the sideline, Davis has provided the vocal presence Frank Gore and Patrick Willis cannot.

Off the field, a grown-up Davis is a whirlwind of activity, plowing his newfound wealth - courtesy of last season's \$39 million contract extension - into an array of philanthropies and businesses.

He recently opened an interior-design company with his business partner Antone Barnes, a music-industry veteran who has worked with the likes of Stevie Wonder and Jay-Z.

Davis' charity work revolves around the Davis Family Foundation, a nonprofit he founded that supports art scholarships, a football academy and a halfway house for addicted and abused women, among other things.

The foundation's work was on display at a gallery opening in San Francisco on Friday night, as was his artwork. Davis is an avid painter whose acrylic on canvas works will be on display for the next two weeks at the 1307 Gallery on Fillmore St.

This particular show was in support of a new program Davis is supporting called the A.R.T. Ambassador Youth Program. Chosen middle-school students will be put on a four-year curriculum stressing arts and life skills, ideas that Davis says were foreign to him growing up in a rough part of Washington, D.C.

"This is important for young men to see," said Melorra Green, who co-founded A.R.T. with her twin sister, Melonie. "You don't have to pick up a gun or deal drugs."

Who would have thought that the young Vernon Davis would become such a well-rounded individual? Isn't this the man Mike Singletary ordered off the field in his very first game as head coach? Isn't this the man who got in a fight with Michael Crabtree in practice last year? Yup. Same man, different attitude.

"Coach Singletary definitely touched my life," said Davis, the rare pro athlete who was shown up in public and learned rather than burned. "He taught me to put others before myself."

The development of Davis, as a man rather than a player, could prove to be Singletary's lasting legacy in the Bay Area.

"I never thought I'd be doing anything like this," said Davis, surrounded by Fillmore swells and art students at his art opening. "I didn't start painting until I was in college. It's not something you would do where I grew up. The thing to do there was play football and hang out."

It wasn't long after he got to the University of Maryland that he changed his major from criminal justice to studio art. He hasn't stopped painting since then. And now he wants to pass along that gift to other kids who might think art isn't cool.

As Davis made his way around the room, shaking hands and giving hugs, a young boy from the Fillmore stood outside the window of the gallery, looking in on another world.



"That looks like a Hollywood party in there," he said as I walked out. "That's cool."

Here's Jonny: Some people have all the luck. Jonny Moseley makes his own.

Ever since winning a gold medal at the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano, the freestyle skier has lived a life most of us can only dream of.

Summers are spent in his Tiburon home, surrounded by his wife, Malia, and his sons Jack, 4, and Tommy, 1.

In the winter, Moseley, 36, travels the world, filming and narrating ski movies on some of the globe's gnarliest terrain.

One of his main gigs is with Warren Miller's movie crew. Moseley has been skiing in the films since the mid-1990s and narrating them for years.

Miller's latest film, "Like There's No Tomorrow," premieres in the Bay Area this week. And it features a segment in which Moseley skis at Squaw Valley with his son, Jack.

"We did a segment from Squaw," said Moseley, who serves as an ambassador and spokesperson for the ski resort. "They gave us all the access we wanted. We had (extreme skiers) J.T. Holmes and Michelle Parker out there and they did insane things on the mountain. They covered that part of Squaw, which it's famous for.

"But the filmmakers also wanted to show the other part of Squaw. The part about kids. They told me, 'You're going to cover that part.' "

And that's how young Jack Moseley came to be featured in a Warren Miller film before he hit kindergarten.

Moseley said his son is doing fine on the slopes, but it will be a while before he can keep up with dad.

"I was skiing with (longtime racer and extreme skier) Daron Rahlves a couple of years ago and he showed me a video of his twins skiing at 15 months. I said, 'I gotta put my boy on skis.' "

Believe it or not, it's not even Jack's first appearance in one of Mr. Miller's flicks.

"When I first came back to narrate the Miller films a few years back, we went over to Japan for a movie," Moseley said. "Jack got a cameo in that one. So, this is his second film."

Like I said, who needs luck when your last name is Moseley?

North Beach Niners: Once a month, a group of regulars gathers at Gino & Carlo's bar in North Beach for a sit-down lunch. It's a classic San Francisco affair, with long tables, big plates and loud laughter. Like at any city gathering worth its scungilli, the talk around the tables turned to the San Francisco 49ers, or soon-to-be Santa Clara 49ers.

"I grew up in the Sunset," said John Gelinas, 59. "My dad and I used to walk to Kezar to see the Niners. People would park on our street and walk up to the stadium.

"I think it's a bad idea for them to move to Santa Clara because they'll lose their San Francisco identity. I wouldn't go down there to see the team. Maybe once, but not again."

Across the table, Oakland native Dan Sanford, 55, smirked and gave an answer worthy of a DeBartolo: "This is a riverboat redo. It's never going to happen."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers' Davis grows up from problem child to 'big-time player'**

By Ann Killion, SportsIllustrated.com

Saturday's game-winning catch wasn't the first significant moment Vernon Davis had in the south end zone of Candlestick Park.

Four seasons earlier, he trudged off the field at that same end of the stadium, in one of the most humiliating moments an athlete has endured. In front of 60,000 fans, in the middle of the game, he was sent into the locker room by then-coach Mike Singletary -- who beckoned him back to demand that he take his helmet with him -- like a naughty child.

The moment produced Singletary's infamous "I want winners" rant and could have produced a bitter and tuned-out tight end.

But Davis -- a first-round draft pick then in his third season -- used the moment to his advantage. He never showed any anger or defensiveness about it.

Instead he became one of the best tight ends in the league, a Pro Bowl player the next season and a player that his team would turn toward to win the game.

"Let's go to Vernon here," Jim Harbaugh told Alex Smith with 14 seconds on the clock Saturday. "It's either Vernon or nobody."

It was Vernon and he made the catch, with Roman Harper on him, which put the 49ers in the NFC Championship game. The 49ers will host the Giants on Sunday afternoon.

The moment seemed almost too big for Davis, who burst into tears as he ran off the field, in a scene almost identical to one that preceded it by 13 years. Terrell Owens caught a ball from Steve Young to eliminate Green Bay from the playoffs and collapsed, weeping, in Steve Mariucci's arms.

#### **BANKS: 49ERS' SMITH FINALLY GETS HIS DAY IN THE SUN**

The difference was that Owens was at the beginning of his career back then. Davis is a six-year veteran who spent his career in a frustrating NFL outpost until this season.

"History was going through my mind," Davis said after the game. "It was us against history. Us against no. Us against can't. It was a very emotional game, like a roller coaster, very stressful for me."

Davis came into this season as the top receiver on his team, but his numbers were down in Harbaugh's run-centered offense. Reporters kept waiting for Davis to complain, but he didn't bite.

"It's not about me," he said after Saturday's game. "It's about the team, the team, the team. I just wait for my opportunities. I'm not worried about the Pro Bowl or the individual accolades. I'm here to help this team win...Everyone is waiting for me to complain this year about the opportunities, but I started telling myself that this game is bigger than you. This here is what matters most."

That's Singletary's most significant legacy with this team. Though he had virtually the same team that Harbaugh has and produced only a 6-10 record, he did help produce a mature young man in Davis. Davis has often credited Singletary's tough love with helping him emerge as a team leader.

And a player who would be ready in the big moment.

#### **BYRNE: DAVIS, SMITH SHINE FOR 49ERS AGAINST SAINTS**

On Saturday, Davis moved into rarified air: his seven catches for 180 yards put him second on the 49ers postseason receiving list, just behind Jerry Rice's Super Bowl MVP-winning performance of 215 yards in Super Bowl XXIII.

Davis scored a touchdown in the first half. And when it came time to go for the win -- rather than kick a field goal to send the game to overtime -- the 49ers looked to Davis. They ran Vernon Post, a play that had been installed specifically for the Saints the Wednesday before.

Quarterback coach Geep Chryst drew up the play, based on what he saw in Harper's end zone tendencies. Every time the play was practiced, it was going right. On Saturday, the 49ers ran it left.

"I knew it was coming," Davis said. "We rehearsed it all week."

Davis' choice of words is interesting: rehearse, not practice. He's an artistic, theatrical guy, who plies his brutal trade with a flair for the dramatic. Davis was a studio art major at Maryland and has recently started an interior design firm.

He's eclectic. He spent last offseason traveling in Africa with his brother Vontae -- a cornerback for the Dolphins -- with the group Pros for Africa. The offseason before, he served as the honorary captain of the U.S. men's curling team at the Vancouver Olympics.

Vernon Post produced arguably the most significant catch in 49ers history since "The Catch." Davis said he'd been dreaming of such a big moment "Since 'The Catch.'"

That seems impossible, as Davis was born in 1984 and Dwight Clark made The Catch in January of 1982. But Davis understood the historical context of his achievement. And he offered up "The Grab" as the new reception's title.

Davis has always been the emotional center to the team, the one unafraid to get into a training camp spat with Michael Crabtree, as he did in 2010, or give a halftime speech. He did the latter on Saturday, when the 49ers had seen their 17-0 lead dwindle to 17-14.

"One shot, that was my message," he said. "We only have one shot and if we don't take advantage of it, we go home. There was a lot of fire within me at that moment."

And when he heard Vernon Post called his own halftime message resonated.

"Big-time players make big-time plays," he said. "I kept telling myself, 'Vernon you have to step up. The team needs you.'"

He stepped up, and then he fell into Harbaugh's arms, sobbing. Harbaugh spoke in his ear but Davis said he couldn't remember a thing Harbaugh was telling him.

The message was simple.

"I said he's a great football player," Harbaugh said. "There's a special place in your heart for players that play great in big games. You love them all. But the guy that plays great in the big game, boy, there's just a little extra space for them

"That's what I was telling him, that he's a great football player."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Davis is showing teammates the way***

By Alex Marvez, FoxSports.com

SANTA CLARA, CALIF.

San Francisco 49ers tight end Vernon Davis has answered the call of leadership.

Nobody knows that better than Dashon Goldson.

Davis recently gave the 49ers safety a new cellphone with carrier service paid for a year. The reason?

"I gave it to him just to show my appreciation for some of the things he does on this team and for me as a teammate," Davis told FOXSports.com at 49ers training camp. "When I come across guys like that, I like to show them something in return."

Goldson said Davis' gesture came from "out of the blue."

"That just speaks volumes of what type of guy he is," said Goldson, a teammate of Davis' since 2007. "He's very appreciative."

"Since I've gotten here, I've seen him evolving. He's at a better place in his life now. It's showing up in his game and as a leader on this team."

A team that has a bona fide chance to reach the Super Bowl if Davis and the skill-position players San Francisco added in the offseason can help carry the offensive load and complement a championship-caliber defense.

Davis' maturity as a person and player was evident last year during San Francisco's second-round playoff victory over New Orleans. Davis, who scored on a 49-yard touchdown catch for San Francisco's first points, encouraged his teammates at halftime not to let the club's first playoff opportunity in nine seasons slip away. He then made one of the most memorable plays in franchise history — a 14-yard scoring grab with nine seconds remaining that gave San Francisco a 36-32 victory.

Davis was so overcome by emotion that he wept uncontrollably while being congratulated by his teammates. His efforts showed just how far Davis had come since being kicked off the same Candlestick Park field in October 2008 by then-head coach Mike Singletary.

The ejection came after Davis was baited into a 15-yard unsportsmanlike-conduct penalty by the Seattle Seahawks. But that wasn't the sole reason Davis was told to leave the sideline. Singletary had grown tired of Davis' lack of discipline and the me-first attitude of a player whose sense of NFL entitlement began as the No. 6 overall pick in the 2006 draft.

"I will not tolerate players that think it's about them when it's about the team," Singletary said at the time.

Singletary is long gone, but the message was received.

"It seemed like it was a little tough for him just getting into the groove as to what he wanted to be as a player and individual," Goldson said. "I think Coach Singletary did a good deed getting him to see a bigger picture than what he was accustomed to. Now that different coaches have come into his life and different players, he's opening up and expanding his whole game and life."

"He's talking to guys. He's leading by example. That's the most important thing. He does all the right things. He's a great player and a lot of guys look up to him."

TRAINING DAYS

Pads are on and jobs are on the line. Check out practices from all the training camps around the NFL. Davis is setting a positive example off the field, as well. The football camp annually run by Davis and his brother, Vontae (a Miami Dolphins cornerback), has grown to draw hundreds of children in the Washington, DC, area where they were raised. The Glide Foundation, a spiritual-based charity focused on fighting poverty in the Bay Area, recently honored Davis at its fundraising gala.

"Vernon is a young man who came from a high-risk home and community setting. He's a true success story," said 49ers general manager Trent Baalke, who accepted the Glide award on Davis' behalf. "He's matured a tremendous amount.

"The thing people don't realize is just how caring he is and how much he wants to be part of a team. As you're developing in sports, you go through that phase where it's more about you and, 'What do I get?' As you start to achieve a little success, all of a sudden it becomes more about the team."

Now in his seventh NFL season and playing for a winning team under second-year coach Jim Harbaugh, Davis isn't taking for granted the feel-good vibe emanating from San Francisco's locker room.

"When you think about it, it's not going to be forever," said Davis, 28. "I'm the type of guy who likes to cherish the moment. Being here with this team, there's nothing like it. I love them the same way I love my family — my mother, my father. I want to see each and every guy do well. I want to help them. To me, that's how it's supposed to be. You should love the guy who's sitting next to you.

"Sometimes, guys don't realize that because they never come up to you and you never get a chance to cultivate the relationship other than being a teammate. I'm sure there are a lot of guys who know I'm a good teammate. But I don't think they know how I really, really feel about them."

That Davis has poured so much of himself into the 49ers is helping him deal with the heavy pressure he places on himself to perform. Davis has the talent to post the same type of gaudy receiving numbers as New England's Rob Gronkowski and New Orleans' Jimmy Graham — if the tight end played a larger role in San Francisco's offense.

Davis, though, tallied a modest 67 catches for 792 yards and six touchdowns during the 2011 regular season. It wasn't until the playoffs, when Davis had 10 catches for 292 yards and four TDs, that he reemerged as a major threat in San Francisco's passing game.

"I'm not happy with myself. I'm not happy with my production," Davis said. "I say that because it can be more — a lot more. I know what I'm capable of. But I just sit around and wait. I'm very patient.

"I always told myself the whole (2011) season, 'Everything isn't going the way I want it to go. I've got a feeling God is going to bless me and make it go the way I want it during the playoffs.' It happened. I'll take advantage of my opportunities. I'll do everything I can to help my teammates win games."

He already is.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Outside the Game: Vernon Davis is finally following his artistic heart***

By Doug Farrar, Yahoo! Sports

Growing up as he did in a tough Washington, D.C., neighborhood, San Francisco 49ers tight end Vernon Davis had artistic interests and talents that were sidetracked by the pressures and prejudices of the inner city. Davis avoided art classes in high school, because he thought that his classmates would judge him.

"I figured that if I took up art classes, people would look at me differently," Davis recently told Yahoo! Sports. "I wanted to be cool, and I didn't know how to adapt at the time. It's sad, but that's just the way it was."

He got his primary support in life from his grandmother, who raised Davis and his siblings. It wasn't always easy, and Davis once played an entire high school football season in tennis shoes because he didn't want to bother his grandmother about cleats. It was when he went to the University of Maryland that things started to come together for him in a football sense.

"My sophomore year in college, I started to show sparks," Davis said. "Something was telling me that, hey, I'm about to go pro."

But it was also at Maryland that Davis finally found a way to further his previously hidden interest in art. He changed his major from Criminal Justice to Art Studio, and he was on his way.

"I've always enjoyed the idea of being an artist," he said.

Davis was selected by the 49ers with the sixth overall pick in the 2006 NFL draft, based in part on a ridiculous performance at the scouting combine. At 6-foot-3 and 254 pounds, he ran a 4.38 40-yard dash, put up 33 reps in the 225-pound bench press, and hit a 42-inch vertical jump. Davis was one of the first of the new wave of athletic tight ends that has taken over the NFL in recent years.

With his future secured and his NFL path started, Davis also began to paint in earnest, and he describes the creative process in athletic terms.

"I just get into a zone, kind of like before a game," Davis said about what goes through his mind as he's painting. "I have this breathing technique I have that I do before a game to get me in the zone and focused. Usually, I don't know where I'm going with the painting until I'm done."

Davis doesn't want the kids following in his footsteps to go through the same misperceptions he had about art, which is why he formed the Vernon Davis Visual Arts Scholarship.

"I started the foundation because of my experiences as a kid," he said. "It's very important that I reach out to these kids and let them know that it's OK. You can miss out on a great opportunity if you don't follow your heart."

Davis has learned key life lessons from both of his processes.

"You can go as far as you want -- above and beyond," he said. "That's the way I see life. You just have to attack it each and every day."



### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Everybody loves Demarcus (Dobbs)***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Considering the 49ers are coming off a 13-3 regular season and an appearance in the NFC title game, it's no surprise the club continues to have a tight-knit locker room.

But in the case of second-year player Demarcus Dobbs, you can't find anyone with a negative opinion on the young defensive lineman.

Why's that?

"Everybody here loves Dobbs, obviously," linebacker Tavares Gooden said.

It's not hard to see why Dobbs' popularity is at an all-time high. The undrafted defensive lineman really doesn't ever have to leave the football field.

Defensively, Dobbs can stop the run, rush the passer and collapse the pocket. When it comes to offense, Dobbs has worked as a tight end this offseason where he can also block defensive linemen of his similar stature and can still catch intermediate passes, both high and low.

But then there's the third phase of the game, special teams, a place where Dobbs' team-first mentality has endeared himself to fellow special teams standouts like Gooden.

Any way you look at it, Dobbs can help your football team. That's exactly why he's one of the most sought after players on the 49ers roster.

"Everybody wants a piece of Dobbs right now, on both sides of the ball and special teams," Jim Harbaugh said mid-way through 49ers training camp. "He is a popular guy with our coaching staff. It's something that's being, to the best of our ability, thought out and planned and utilized, that he's not overused, overstrained and we don't get diminishing returns. We want to hit on the rewards and high returns in that area."

So far, so good in regards to the returns.

Last Saturday night against the Houston Texans, Dobbs lined up at tight end and as a defensive tackle. Oh, he also recorded a special teams tackle as a member of the 49ers kickoff team, a moment he called the top highlight of his second preseason contest of 2012.

"I made a good hole for Frank on one of our run plays, I was commended by my coaches on that," Dobbs declared, "but probably my tackle on kickoff. That was the highlight of the game for me, being on special teams and going down the field to make a play in the open field. That's always a good thing for a guy my size."

At 6-foot-2, 282 pounds, Dobbs is agile enough to run around opposing blockers and is tough enough to run through them.

No matter where he's lining up at any given time of practice, or a game for that matter, Dobbs' mindset is to do whatever helps the team win.

"It also helps solidify a spot on this team," said the second-year player who appeared in 12 games as a rookie, totaling three tackles in limited action.

Some might look at Dobbs' position diversity as a hindrance to his career path, but not Dobbs.

"I don't know who has played all three ways in this game, but I take it as a challenge," said Dobbs, before pointing out the numerous scheme and gameplan adjustments he has to learn daily.

Despite his popularity, Dobbs doesn't lose sight that the coaches find ways to let him rest in between plays.

Dobbs' opportunities to catch a breather have been few and far in between the last few weeks of 49ers practices. After donning No. 96 for his rookie season and the subsequent offseason, Dobbs was recently asked to change numbers, a commitment of sorts to being a two-way player.

When presented his uniform options, Dobbs selected No. 40, which allows him to line up as a tight end and still rush the passer on defense.

"The new number came as a surprise," Dobbs admitted. "I don't have problems with No. 40, people say it makes me look slimmer, so I guess that's a good thing."

The unselfish nature in which Dobbs approaches the game is just another reason he's appreciated by his teammates.

"Everybody here respects him for doing it," Gooden added. "And the thing is, he's doing pretty good at everything."

Dobbs' biggest asset, perhaps, is his ability to rush the passer. In college, Dobbs saw action in 52 games for the Georgia Bulldogs, a well-known school in the nation's top football conference. There, he learned to be an athletic pass-rusher who can also stop the run.

With the 49ers, Dobbs is also looking apply those skills as the team's third-down nickel pass-rusher. Harbaugh has said Dobbs has the "license and ability" to perform that role held last season by first-round pick Aldon Smith.

This past week against the Texans, Dobbs had the opportunity to line up as a defensive end on passing downs.

"Coach told me that if I worked hard this offseason, I could be that third pass-rushing guy," Dobbs said.

This week, Dobbs looks forward to repeating his all-around role, while rushing the passer against a future Hall of Fame quarterback like Peyton Manning of the Denver Broncos.

"It's a chance to show what I can do and an opportunity to face a really good quarterback," Dobbs said. "I just have to stay in tune to what I've been taught and unleash everything I have. Give it all on every play, every down."

"Rushing the passer is really four guys working together, not just one."

There goes Dobbs, being that team-guy everyone knows and loves.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Ted Ginn Jr. pays respect to father***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Playing in the National Football League has always been a lifelong dream for 49ers wide receiver Ted Ginn Jr. That dream will be even more enjoyable in 2012 now that Ginn Jr. has reached another personal achievement – being allowed to wear “Ginn Jr.” on the back of his NFL jersey.

With the NFL allowing players to wear generational titles on the back of their jerseys (some might call it the Robert Griffin III rule), Ginn Jr. has taken the league up on the offer.

For the first time since college, Ginn Jr. will wear his full last name on the back of his uniform. The sixth-year wideout was so pleased with his new threads, he posted a picture of his new uniform on his Instagram account.

Asked about the significance of the uniform alteration on Monday, Ginn called it, “a blessing for me.” When 49ers assistant equipment manager Donovan “Doc” Dressler spoke with 49ers players about taking on the generational titles for their uniforms, Ginn Jr. jumped at the offer.

“It was always a childhood dream to have Ginn Jr. on my back,” the 49ers wide receiver said.

So when Ginn Jr. arrived at team headquarters over the weekend to begin working out with rookies and fellow veterans who missed out on the offseason program due to injury, seeing a red No. 19 jersey with “Ginn Jr.” on the back was cherished immediately.

“I was pumped,” Ginn Jr. said. “I loved it.”

Ginn Jr.’s father, Theodore Ginn Sr., is the longtime head football coach at Glenville High School where he once coached his son and 49ers safety Donte Whitner. The tight-knit relationship of the Cleveland natives was also the subject of a 49ers Gameday Magazine cover story last season.

When Ginn Jr. recently sent a photo of the new uniform via text message to his father asking him if he liked the uniform, Ginn Sr. replied back, “Yeah, that’s cold!”

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***San Francisco 49ers' Ted Ginn Jr. followed his father's path***

By Cam Inman, San Jose Mercury News

Ted Ginn Sr. would rent a van every June and load up the precious cargo: young, promising but overlooked high school athletes.

They would depart from the Cleveland area and travel to colleges all across the country, determined to make an impression on others -- not to mention themselves.

Two of those players now start for the 49ers: wide receiver Ted Ginn Jr. and strong safety Donte Whitner.

"I felt everybody wanted to go to Texas and Florida to get athletes, and I wanted to change that," Ginn Sr. said by phone Thursday. "I had to turn the heads of the universities to make people see that there is greatness in Cleveland, there is greatness in Ohio, there is greatness at Glenville High School.

"Those guys were the pioneers."

Since those trailblazing days, Ginn, the head coach at Glenville, has helped more than 100 players earn college scholarships and launched a school for at-risk boys. He and his wife will make the trip west to watch the 49ers face the hometown Browns on Sunday -- only this time by airplane rather than rental van.

"It was all his vision. I know for a fact me and Teddy are in the National Football League because of him," Whitner said. " ... We didn't really believe that we could make it to this level."

The younger Ginn and Whitner were teammates at Glenville and Ohio State before starting their NFL careers with lowly franchises in Miami and Buffalo, respectively. Now 26, both are flourishing in their first year together in San Francisco.

Their path was laid by the elder Ginn, whose had an immeasurable impact in the Cleveland community. Among the slew of athletes he has helped earn scholarships is Troy Smith, who won the Heisman Trophy at Ohio State in 2006 and played quarterback for the 49ers last season.

"He means a lot to the community, to the people, to the kids," Ted Jr. said of his dad, noting the good examples he has to show others. "It makes his job a little easier. He can say, 'Hey look, it can happen for you if you do this, do that.' "

Five years ago, the all-male Ginn Academy opened, and enrollment has risen steadily to 300 students. Ted Jr. paid a visit during the 49ers' five-day layover in Ohio last month. In showing them that he's just a regular guy, the 49ers' speedy return man may have very well saved a few lives, his father reasons.

"We came from an environment that didn't have expectations," Ted Sr. said. "I started teaching expectations, then it takes kids like them to achieve it to give the next group hope."

That message echoed throughout a rental van nearly a decade ago. The Ginns and other prospects were a traveling showcase, rolling from state to state. They would bunk at hotels and sometimes get caught with too many people in a room. Those seven to 10 passengers learned they were just as talented as the Florida and Texas players labeled No. 1 by the recruiting magazines.

"We'd go around to schools -- from Purdue to North Carolina State to Florida to Miami -- and we were competing against all these kids," Whitner said. "We would start to gain more and more confidence."

Glenville became a talent pipeline to Ohio State, starting in 2002 with Smith, who referred to Ted Sr. as "my dad" in his Heisman Trophy acceptance speech.

Whitner traced his work ethic to his high school days with the elder Ginn. At the time, Whitner's father, Lindsey Robinson, was in jail on robbery and drug charges. Whitner lived with his mom but would get daily rides from Ginn, who also would take the boys to a personal trainer after practice and then back to the Ginn house for protein shakes.

"He was really tough on us," Whitner said. "I was almost his son in high school. I am his son."

Whitner signed a three-year, \$11.75 million contract with the 49ers this summer and reunited with Ginn, who was traded from Miami to San Francisco in April 2010.

Together they've contributed to the 49ers' hot start. While Whitner has solidified the secondary, Ginn's return skills are among the league's best; Ginn scored touchdowns on kickoff and punt returns to clinch the season-opening win over Seattle.

On Sunday at Candlestick Park, Ted Sr. will get to watch both of his sons in action, a culmination of the dream hatched on cross-country van trips many years ago.

"I gave them a game plan and a blueprint on how they need to go through life, to achieve things they're able to achieve," Ted Sr. said. "Then I gave them a work ethic that they didn't like. Now they understand why that work ethic they had in high school has paid off -- to get paid for something they love."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Goldson evangelizes for safer tackling***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

In the 49ers' locker room Friday, safety Dashon Goldson was demonstrating proper tackling technique to a reporter, which is not unlike having Warren Buffett explain investing.

With his knees bent, his head raised and his hands at his side, Goldson attacked an invisible ball carrier by thrusting his arms upward like uppercuts. His knuckles were up, his elbows down and his head, tilted slightly to the ceiling, shifted to the side.

Then, with Goldson in mid-seminar, a member of the team's public-relations staff approached the six-year veteran, who smiled as he hinted this was not the time for intrusion.

"I'm talking about tackling," he said. "I love this."

The story of how one of the NFL's finest form tacklers developed his passion is a remarkable tale whose first chapter was written 15 years ago in suburban Los Angeles.

Goldson was a fifth-grader playing his second season of Pop Warner football for the Tri-City Falcons. Bobby Hosea was the junior-midget team's accidental leader, a father and rookie coach who was more concerned with safety than on-field success.

#### **The teacher**

A former UCLA cornerback, Hosea, 57, whose son was on the team, has since emerged as one of the nation's leading voices in injury-preventive tackling. The tackling consultant for USA Football, the governing body for the sport at the youth and amateur level, he was the subject of a lengthy New York Times feature in 2010 because of his commitment to helping players avoid concussions and catastrophic injuries through heads-up tackling.

Hosea doesn't just instruct youth and high-school players how to avoid tackling with the crown of their helmet through his camps and videos. He's also still teaching his most celebrated pupil, Goldson, a Pro Bowler with whom he maintains a tight bond. Goldson can still expect a pointed message when he strays from the fundamentals he learned 15 years ago at Harbor City Park.

"He'll come up and lay out and put his helmet down sometimes and I'll always text him," Hosea said. "Oh, yes, he'll get a text from Coach Bobby every time. And, you know what, he'll answer me. He says sometimes he'll come back into locker room after the game and have 50 texts and the only one he'll respond to is mine. I'll always watch out for him, making sure he's tackling right."

#### **The student**

For his part, Goldson welcomes the tutorials from a man who remained in his life beyond Pop Warner. When he returned home during his career at the University of Washington, Hosea would knock on Goldson's bedroom window before dawn, awakening him for grueling workouts at Redondo Beach.

Goldson's mom, Desrene Williams, began raving about Hosea's dedication and influence without prompting during a recent phone interview: "Did Dashon tell you about Coach Bobby?" she began.

Said Goldson: "It's definitely been a blessing to have Coach Bobby in my life."

Hosea is quick with encouragement, and his tsk-tsk tackling texts are infrequent, given Goldson's often textbook form.

In October, Jim Harbaugh termed Goldson's takedown of Seattle running back Marshawn Lynch "one of the best up-front tackles" he'd ever seen. The following week, Harbaugh was wowed by Goldson's



shoulder-to-shoulder collision with Arizona wide receiver Early Doucet. "Vince Lombardi would be proud," he said.

One of the NFL's fiercest hitters, Goldson isn't synonymous with tackling safety to most fans.

In recent weeks, his collisions with New Orleans' Marques Colston and Lance Moore – and his aforementioned hit on Doucet – have left those wide receivers momentarily motionless, although none sustained a concussion (and none of the hits drew a penalty or fine). In addition, his five personal-foul penalties this season have only enhanced his reputation for ferocity. Last week, he hit Rams quarterback Sam Bradford in mid-slide, drawing a 15-yard penalty, a \$7,875 fine from the NFL and, of course, a text from Hosea, who didn't like the position of his helmet.

#### The technique

In many ways, though, Goldson is a poster boy for player safety in a league that counts concussions as its biggest issue. Goldson, who has 296 tackles since 2009, has never been fined for a helmet-to-helmet hit and says he sustained his only concussion in 2003 at Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College.

"He's always been a hard hitter, and he's always had his head up when he tackles," 49ers cornerback Tarell Brown said. "Dashon does it the right way. He's not going at guys' heads."

Despite his aggressive style, Goldson has played in 60 of San Francisco's past 62 games, his only two absences due to a knee injury. He gave a knock-on-wood rap when discussing his lack of concussions.

"The NFL is trying to come up with different helmets that keep you from getting a concussion," Goldson said. "But it's just that people need to learn to tackle correctly. It's just doing it the right way. I don't think a helmet is going to keep you from getting a concussion. You can do it by playing clean football – hitting people hard, but doing it clean."

Goldson is quoting directly from the gospel of Hosea, who literally turned to prayer when he was unexpectedly thrust into the role of his son's Pop Warner coach in 1997. His first move was to fashion crude hurdles from PVC pipe. With knees bent and heads up, players ran through the "dip-n-rip sticks" and hit a tackling dummy, a drill that taught proper form.

#### The relationship

Hosea found an eager student in the football-mad Goldson, who used his birthday money to pay his Pop Warner fee as a fourth-grader, without consent from his protective mom.

Years removed from those modest beginnings, Hosea now works with a group that includes Hollywood director Peter Berg and former NFL linebacker LaVar Arrington on USA Football's "Heads-Up Tackling" program. The goal is to gradually change the game, starting at the grassroots level, by giving youth coaches a standardized way to teach proper tackling.

Hosea is fiercely committed to the program, and says the kid and the coach who met 15 years ago could positively impact the sport at its highest level, starting today.

"If the NFL really wants to solve this concussion issue, all they have to do is watch Dashon," Hosea said. "Or have them hire me and I'll train the whole league."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Tavares Gooden Stirs Teams Play***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Look up the definition of livewire and you might find a photo of San Francisco 49ers linebacker Tavares Gooden directly under the description.

No, that's not hyperbole or an overstatement by any means. Talk to any coach or player associated with the 49ers and they'll tell you all about how the linebacker brings his energy every day he comes to work.

So what's it like to have Gooden as a teammate?

"It's a pleasure," long snapper and longest-tenured 49ers player Brian Jennings said. "I think he's a perfect example of how a team is like a jigsaw puzzle. You need different pieces that all fit and he's a great piece. He's a special teams player who embraces it, loves it, brings energy to the locker room and to the field... It's infectious. It's definitely a joy and pleasure to play with him and be around him."

Gooden, a fifth-year veteran, re-signed with San Francisco this offseason after a solid season on coordinator Brad Seely's teams units.

It's been the same way in 2012. Gooden leads the special teams with 12 tackles on the year, all while serving as one of San Francisco's most inspirational players.

It might be hard to imagine Gooden more hyped for any regular season game than this week's non-conference matchup with the Miami Dolphins. Gooden happens to be a native of Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. and a proud alum of both St. Thomas Aquinas High School as well as the University of Miami.

Sunday marks Gooden's fourth all-time game against his hometown team, but first as a member of the 49ers.

It won't be a distraction for the energetic linebacker. Gooden's passion for Miami football is strictly with his college team. "I love the Hurricanes," said the 49ers linebacker who's posed for postgame photos with fellow alumni at various points of the season.

Gooden doesn't have any ex-teammates to catch up with this Sunday, but he will have several friends and family members flying in to see the game.

"It's going to be fun playing against those guys," said Gooden with a smirk, "but in a sense, it's not going to be that big of a deal to me because a lot of guys on their team aren't really from Miami any way."

Gooden's days in Miami even remain in his thoughts while playing for the 49ers.

After this year's team's units struggled with a few big returns in the early stages of the season, Gooden channeled the teachings of his college coach, Larry Coker. Gooden said he takes copious notes and considers his brain to be a football sponge, filled with lessons from all the coaches he's ever worked with.

"You have to have a F.I.D.O. attitude in the NFL and that's forget it and drive on," Gooden said when asked about the team responding to the big returns allowed in early weeks. "I really don't even know what you're talking about; I can't think that far back."

In reality, last year's coverage units look much different than the ones seen from the 49ers this season. Gooden, however, has taken up a leadership role for the group.

Because of several young players being involved with the coverage units, Gooden figured it was a matter of time before the unit began to grow comfortable in the scheme and thrive in their roles.

"The last few weeks," Gooden explained, "we've just been out there grinding one play after another. You just have to believe you can make every play and that's what everybody has to do. The whole special teams group has that attitude, just believe everyone's going to make that play and when you do that, you have 11 guys flying to the football."

C.J. Spillman agrees. The NFC's leading vote-getter on the 2013 Pro Bowl ballot for specialists believes Gooden is worthy of joining him in the league's annual All-Star game. Spillman also is a firm believer in Gooden's spirit rubbing off on teammates.

"It's easy to get along with him," Spillman said. "He's care-free, goes out there and does his thing."

And not only does Gooden display a fearless, tenacious approach to making plays on special teams, he finishes them with spontaneous celebrations.

On one such occasion on "Monday Night Football," Gooden brought finished a kick-off tackle by putting his own spin on former 49ers defensive back Merton Hanks' "Funky Chicken Dance."

Teammates loved it.

"That's what makes it fun," Spillman detailed. "If you have guys who don't enjoy what they do, it's kind of stale out there. I've been privileged to play with guys who are energetic and excited about what they're doing."

Jennings echoes Spillman's stance.

"That's part of the joy he brings to the game," the long snapper said. "It's fun to play well and to bring an energy and an attitude. To embody that, he lifts us all up."

The energy, according to Gooden, all goes back to his youth playing in Miami.

"Anybody that's from my city, we go out there and we have fun with the game," Gooden explained. "That's what you're supposed to do. If it wasn't fun, I really believe that you should find another profession. I've been doing this since I was a kid, always excessive celebrating, always jumping around. I was watching Ray (Lewis) and those (Miami) guys back in the Cotton Bowl, when they used to win championships, and he used to pop-it, you know what I mean?"

"That's what you do, you compete. You dance-off. Not having that many chances to make a play on special teams, whenever you get those tackles it makes it that much more special. I think that's why I really let loose. You don't know when you're going to make another play, you're out there scrounging for tackles at that point."

Gooden makes it look much more precise than scrounging.

Speed, toughness and intelligence make him one of the hardest players to defend in special teams. It also necessitates double-teams from nearly every opponent the 49ers face.

"T-Good brings a lot, just a passion for the game of football," Jim Harbaugh said. "He loves what he does, has great contact courage. I love seeing how fast he can from Point A to Point B and go hit somebody."

"He's a great guy in the locker room, a team guy, and yeah, he is a joy to coach."

It's likely the brother of San Francisco's head coach would say similar things. After all, Gooden's previous head coach was in fact John Harbaugh during a three-year stint to start his career with the Baltimore Ravens.

Like Jim Harbaugh, Coker, or any of his football coaches, Gooden keeps the elder Harbaugh brother's lessons close by.

The teaching comes in even more handy with this week's opponent, Gooden's hometown club.

"I learned this from John Harbaugh: Nameless, faceless objects every week," Gooden said, downplaying the opponent and stressing the task at hand.

"It's going to be the same person, the same guy, so I don't really get into the specific player, but I know the overall scheme itself and how to defeat the scheme."

Gooden also knows how to enjoy the moment.

## **Player Feature Story**

### **Center Stage**

By Alex Espinoza, 49ers.com

It may be hard to picture now, but imagine a young Jonathan Goodwin with big, framed glasses and a hi-top fade haircut.

That's how his brother remembers him.

Five years Jonathan's senior, Harold Goodwin has also carved out a football life of his own since those humble days in South Carolina.

It's the middle of the season now, so contact between the two brothers isn't as frequent. But when the 49ers host the Pittsburgh Steelers Monday night at Candlestick Park, there will certainly be a pre-game embrace between the brothers Goodwin.

Nowadays, Harold Goodwin spends his Sundays up in the coaches' box, peering down onto the field as an offensive assistant coach for the Steelers. Jonathan Goodwin, on the other hand, is on the field as a 10-year veteran with one Super Bowl ring and trip to the Pro Bowl under his belt.

But it likely wouldn't have been possible without his older brother, who will gladly tell you all about it.

"He won't admit to it, but I got the athletic genes," Harold Goodwin said with a laugh. "Athleticism comes from me; you can tell him I said that."

Kidding aside, Harold Goodwin was something of an inspiration for his kid brother growing up. And his kid brother wasn't always called Jonathan, either. Certain days when he got mad, Jonathan Goodwin turned so red that his family started calling him the "Red Lobster."

The "Red Lobster" has since cooled down in his 33 years. You'd be hard-pressed to ever find Jonathan Goodwin flustered these days.

He's been described by coordinator Greg Roman as the "cool-hand Luke" of the 49ers offensive line, made an instant impact since signing a free-agent deal this offseason and commanded the respect of his teammates inside the locker room.

And he hasn't had to say much to do it.

"He is a steady 'Rock of Gibraltar' type guy," Roman said. "He doesn't say a whole lot, in terms of being vocal all the time, but you want to talk about a smart guy; he's kind of like E.F. Hutton in a sense that when he talks, people listen."

It only makes sense that Jonathan Goodwin landed with the 49ers, following five successful seasons with the New Orleans Saints. He had a choice to make: stay with the franchise that helped shape his career or leave for new pastures. Despite flip-flopping twice on the day he signed his contract, Jonathan Goodwin was ultimately lured to the left coast by the 49ers.

"Matter of fact, (49ers General Manager) Trent (Baalke) recently gave me some grief about how hard I made him work," Jonathan Goodwin said.

Through 13 games this season, it's clear Baalke did his homework. Jonathan Goodwin has become a pillar of the 49ers offensive line, paving the way for the league's 7th ranked rushing attack.

In a symbolic display, 49ers quarterback Alex Smith literally leans on Jonathan Goodwin in the offensive huddles during games.

As a player who spends most of his afternoon getting in and out of a crouched stance, Jonathan Goodwin just wants to stand up sometimes. But being 6-foot-3, 318 pounds, he makes a better door than a window.

Just ask running backs Kendall Hunter or Frank Gore, neither of whom are taller than 5-foot-9.

“But every now and then, you’ll see me sneak to the side and stand up,” Jonathan Goodwin said.

The subtle sense of humor and reserved disposition have been a staple of Jonathan Goodwin’s demeanor his whole life. Son to a pair of athletic parents, he also spent many balmy South Carolina nights watching softball tournaments as a kid. Looking back, these nights by the baseball diamond are what cultivated the Goodwins’ competitive nature.

Not until Harold Goodwin reached high school did the pigskin come into the picture. Growing up, he was convinced he would be a Division I basketball player. But the bigger Harold Goodwin got, the more his high school football coach wanted him to switch sports.

By his junior year, Harold Goodwin finally gave in. And it’s a good thing he did.

Not only did Harold Goodwin lay the foundation for his life’s path, he set the table for the “Red Lobster.” When he graduated from Lower Richland High, Harold Goodwin was a heralded lineman, showered with All-State honors and worthy of a scholarship at the University of Michigan. So by the time Jonathan Goodwin got to Lower Richland, there was no doubt he was bound to play football.

Future NFL players are rare at the prep level, but Jonathan Goodwin wasn’t even the most sought after college recruit on his team. Fellow 1997 Lower Richland High alum Richard Seymour, who now plays with the Oakland Raiders, was the player that college coaches were looking at.

But whenever Jonathan Goodwin and Seymour went one-on-one during practice, it seemed like everyone else stopped to watch.

To this day, the two Goodwins and Seymour love their high school. Take a look at Jonathan Goodwin’s Twitter account and you’ll see “Lower Richland high alumni” is the first thing listed in his bio.

When one school can lay claim to three Super Bowl champs, the pride is understandable.

“There was a sense of tradition, of pride, just the legacy that came before us,” Seymour said. “Most of our family members played, his brother played, my dad, my uncles, and everybody played and we played at the same high school. So we knew the stories and just wanted to carry that tradition and that legacy on.”

Even at that young age, Goodwin exhibited the qualities that make him the consummate professional he is today.

“Not only was he a great athlete, but he was a great team player,” Seymour said. “A leader and he did everything to benefit the team. You can never have enough Jonathan Goodwins on your team.”

Such compliments have been the norm since Jonathan Goodwin has blazed his football trail. Overlooked, likely because of Seymour, Jonathan Goodwin signed with Ohio University, where he started as a freshman.

He knew he was good enough for bigger stage so he set his sights on The Big House, home the University of Michigan Wolverines. Luckily, Harold Goodwin was a graduate assistant for Michigan coach Lloyd Carr, so he popped in some tape of his younger brother. Carr bit, and the two Goodwins shared an apartment as Jonathan transferred to Michigan and Harold took a coaching job at Eastern Michigan University.

A couple years down the road, Harold Goodwin moved to Central Michigan University to become the offensive line coach. While there, he had a chance to work with current 49ers tackle Joe Staley, who enrolled at the school in 2003.

Staley was merely a pass-catching tight end at the time, but Harold Goodwin saw some offensive line potential. About the first thing he told Staley was to gain some weight.

Though Harold Goodwin claims to be reserved like his brother, the coach in him brings out a different side.

Staley knows all too well.

Worried more about his receiving yards than a quality block, Staley recalled a contest when he missed blocking assignments on back-to-back plays. As he came over to the sideline, he soon found out Harold Goodwin was watching.

"He yells, 'Are you ever going to block anyone, ever? Ever?' I felt like that big," said Staley, holding his fingers a few inches apart. "He was a yeller, but he was a funny yeller. He would make fun of you almost. (He and Jonathan) have very contrasting personalities."

During his time as a Michigan man, Jonathan Goodwin was something of a catch-all. At some point throughout his college career, he played at each of the five offensive line positions in a game.

Predictably, Jonathan Goodwin just kept his mouth shut and did his job. He earned first-team All Big 10 honors as a senior, when current 49ers receiver Braylon Edwards was his freshman teammate.

"Goody was that silent leader," Edwards said. "He's not a vocal guy. He's not the rah-rah speech type of guy. He always did things the right way – he was at meetings on time, he practiced hard, he went to class. ... He played it all and he never complained."

The New York Jets selected Jonathan Goodwin in the fifth round of the 2002 Draft, in a fateful move that would unite him with a pivotal coach in his career. At that point, Goodwin was locked in as a reserve guard on the offensive line, spending his first couple years primarily as a special teams player.

But in 2004, the same year he made his first career NFL start against the 49ers, Jonathan Goodwin was switched to center by offensive line coach Doug Marrone. Now the head coach at Syracuse University, Marrone played a fundamental role in the late bloom of Jonathan Goodwin's career.

"I was able to graduate from college, but I still wonder what I'd be doing if I hadn't have made it," Jonathan Goodwin said. "That position change was key for my career and I think it prolonged my career. It turned me into a better player."

Following the 2005 season, Goodwin followed Marrone to New Orleans, which was still recovering from the damage of Hurricane Katrina. But as the city experienced a rebirth, so did Jonathan Goodwin's career.

By 2008, he had become the Saints starting center, snapping the ball to Drew Brees and helping direct one of the most explosive offenses in NFL history. Then came Jonathan Goodwin's banner year in 2009, when the Saints won the Super Bowl and he made his first Pro Bowl trip to Hawaii.

Once Jonathan Goodwin signed with the 49ers, he kept his championship ring inside a safe at his locker at team headquarters. His new teammates asked him for stories and took turns looking at it.

"It's extremely tough to do, but it's probably one of the most rewarding feelings you'll ever have," Jonathan Goodwin said of winning the Super Bowl. "It's one of my most cherished moments and hopefully we can experience that here."



The allure of bringing San Francisco its sixth world championship factored heavily into Jonathan Goodwin's decision to come play for the 49ers. With a new coaching staff coming in, he saw it as a great opportunity for a fresh start.

It certainly didn't hurt that first-year head coach Jim Harbaugh was a fellow Michigan man.

"I got the 'Go Blue' right away," Jonathan Goodwin said, referring to his school's rallying cry.

And that wasn't the only Michigan tradition to follow him to San Francisco. During the first week of training camp, Harbaugh made both he and Edwards stand up in a team meeting and sing, "The Victors," Michigan's fight song.

"That was the first time I sang since I was a rookie," Jonathan Goodwin said.

After inking the dotted line for a three-year deal, Jonathan Goodwin wasn't handed the starting job. He competed with Adam Snyder throughout training camp before earning his keep.

The months since have been marked by consistent play at the center position. Running back Frank Gore has posted his fifth career 1,000-yard season and Smith has enjoyed a career year, tossing 15 touchdowns against five interceptions.

Jonathan Goodwin nearly hauled in a 32-yard touchdown reception on a fake field goal last week, but the play was wiped out by a timely red challenge flag thrown by Arizona coach Ken Whisenhunt. Still, Jonathan Goodwin exhibited grace rarely seen from an offensive lineman, making an over-the-shoulder catch in stride and bolting down the right sideline.

Though it's all about the getting his hands on a second ring, Jonathan Goodwin conceded there's extra satisfaction when Gore achieves milestones, like becoming the all-time leading rusher in franchise history earlier this year.

It's not just the first-stringers who are impacted by Jonathan Goodwin. As far as mentors go, 49ers scout team center Chase Beeler has one heck of an example to follow.

The undrafted rookie from Stanford often directs his questions towards Jonathan Goodwin during practice and is never turned away. But Beeler said he can learn even more by just watching the seasoned vet go about his daily routine.

"It's not something I can articulate easily," Beeler said. "I guess it's an ethos to lead."

Leave it to the Stanford grad to describe it best.

A couple hours before Monday night's showdown at Candlestick, you will likely find Jonathan Goodwin by his lonesome on the 49ers team bench, his ears wrapped in headphones, his mind wrapped in thoughts. It's his time for reflection, time to relax with some tunes; he's been doing it since he made it to the league.

Soon after, he'll probably meet a big fellow in Steelers gear on the hallowed ground between the lines, for a far less-publicized meet and greet between brothers (ahem, Harbaughs). As Harold Goodwin will boast, he holds a 2-1 edge in the lifetime series since they both joined the NFL.

But they're brothers first, enemies second.

"It's pretty amazing," Harold Goodwin said. "Not very many people have this opportunity we have."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers center Goodwin leads by example**

By Ron Kroichick, San Francisco Chronicle

It requires a measure of intelligence and composure to play center in the NFL, and Jonathan Goodwin fits the profile. He's sharp, meticulous and, by all accounts, keeps his wits about him amid the customary mayhem on the line of scrimmage.

That's not to suggest the leader of the 49ers' offensive line doesn't occasionally raise his voice. His job stretches beyond snapping the ball to Alex Smith and blocking the behemoth across from him. Goodwin also must ensure his fellow offensive linemen know their assignments and work in concert.

So he occasionally strays out of character in dealing with right guard Alex Boone.

"Boone will tell you I yell at him all the time," Goodwin said, smiling, "but that's just to keep him on the right track."

As it turns out, Boone – as loud and gregarious as Goodwin is soft-spoken – can be high-maintenance at times. Right there in the middle of games, as the 49ers try to move downfield, Boone frets about falling into Goodwin's doghouse.

"Jon's the most mild-mannered guy in the world, but sometimes I get him all riled up," Boone said. "Sometimes he does yell at me, and the next five plays I'm always in his back pocket, asking him, 'Hey, you mad at me?' And he says, 'No, I'm not mad. Leave me alone.'"

"And I'm thinking, 'Oh God, he's really mad at me.' Then we get to the sideline, I ask him again and he assures me he's not mad. And I'm like, 'Whew!' "

It's probably a good idea for Boone to avoid angering the man coach Jim Harbaugh once described as "a block of granite." That's high praise for a center, whose reliability and sturdiness are essential for an offense to function at a high level.

Just think about the job. Quickly identify the defensive front and pass the word to your fellow linemen. Then call out blocking adjustments, make a clean snap – the center controls the ball on every play, for a fleeting moment – and quickly rise into position to swat away a menacing defensive tackle.

Only the quarterback has more on his plate.

"He's in charge," Boone said of Goodwin.

#### **Not always a center**

Goodwin, who turns 34 next month, did not play center in high school or college. He played guard and offensive tackle in high school, then briefly moved to center during spring practice of his third year at Michigan. Even then, he soon returned to guard.

He was a reserve with the Jets and Saints early in his NFL career, seldom finding his way onto the field. He mostly struggled at guard in New York, so the Jets ultimately put him behind eight-time Pro Bowl center Kevin Mawae.

Before the switch, Goodwin figured the position wasn't much different or especially difficult. He soon realized he was wrong, but he also came to recognize the job suited him better.

"I'm grateful for the switch – I think it improved my game a lot in terms of hand speed and things like that," Goodwin said. "If you play center, you have to be able to get your hands on guys quick or you're in trouble. ..."

"You're in the middle of the offensive line, so you have to make sure both sides of the line are on the same page. You're the guy who has to communicate well and be on top of everything."

The job suited him, in part because he's quick and not particularly big for an offensive lineman. The 49ers list Goodwin at 6-foot-3 and 318 pounds, though he hasn't tipped the scales at 318 in more than 10 years. He typically plays at about 305.

Still, the biggest difference between the duties of a center and other offensive linemen is his responsibility to make calls at the line of scrimmage. Goodwin barks out instructions on nearly every play – first calling out the defensive front, then following with code words to convey the blocking scheme.

And if the defense shifts into another formation before the snap, Goodwin reacts accordingly. He might not frantically point and gesture with Peyton Manning-like animation, but his teammates invariably get the message.

"There are times when we all see things one way and Jon sees something completely different," Boone said. "He's always on top of it. ... It's unbelievable how fast he can think and how quickly he can make adjustments at the line."

Familiarity can be challenge

Every now and then, a center's calls prompt knowing smirks from the opponent.

Defensive tackle Hollis Thomas was Goodwin's teammate with New Orleans for three seasons (2006-08). Thomas landed at Carolina in '09, leading to some amusing moments when the Saints met the Panthers.

Goodwin made his calls at the line of scrimmage – and Thomas sometimes laughed or stood up and shouted, "Pass!" He knew the Saints' terminology, which helped him figure out what was coming next.

"I just laughed back at him," Goodwin said. "They knew all our calls. But if you have good technique and play the game the right way, you can still block guys."

As you probably can tell, Goodwin is mostly businesslike and straightforward. He doesn't tell many funny stories, though he did strike a playful tone when reminded he controls the ball at the start of every play.

"It would be nice to somehow find a way to keep the ball and score," he said. "I still haven't found a way to pull it off within the rules."

Even laboring in obscurity, Goodwin qualifies as an indispensable part of this 49ers team. He has started all 24 regular-season games of the Harbaugh era, since joining San Francisco in August 2011.

Goodwin must be doing something right: The 49ers are 19-5 during that stretch, and they lead the NFL in yards rushing per game this season, a good indication of an offensive line's efficiency.

Or, for another sign of Goodwin's value, consider Boone's reaction when asked about sliding over to assume the center's duties.

"I have no desire to ever play center," he said. "I'm going to snap a ball, have a 350-pound guy come at me, one-hand him, make sure the quarterback gets the ball and look this way? No, I'll let Jon take care of that."

And he will.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***49ers' Frank Gore is a real student of the game***

By Gwen Knapp, SFGate.com

When he started coaching Frank Gore two years ago, Tom Rathman quickly learned a new piece of football strategy: Switch the cell phone to vibrate before bedtime on Sunday nights, because the call could come at any hour.

Usually, the phone would go off between 1 and 2 a.m., and Rathman wanted a shot at keeping everyone else in the house asleep. He'd answer, stumbling sleepily to take the call. The 49ers' star running back would be on the line, obsessing over the game and eager for a critique of certain plays.

" 'Did I read that one right?' " Rathman said, impersonating a wired Gore before he mimicked his own drowsy voice. "Yeah, you read it right, Frank. Go to sleep."

One might think that dozing off would be easier for Gore now that the 49ers are 4-1 and becoming more offensively proficient than they've been at any previous time in his seven-year NFL career. But he says he can't sleep after any game, win or lose.

"Some things you can't get out of your head," he said. "You know what I mean?"

A lot of football players obsess into the night after games. Very few make the kinds of compulsive demands on their bosses that Gore does. None, at least in this region, has ever turned a string of coaches into sentimental mush, smiling like doting parents whenever they discuss him in public. It's the one style point that Mike Nolan, Mike Singletary and Jim Harbaugh - the three head coaches in Gore's 49ers career - have shared.

He has a similar effect on the matriarch of the franchise. Denise DeBartolo York deliberately stays in the background of the 49ers, allowing her husband and son to run the team. But she becomes fairly visible when she visits Gore outside the locker room after a game. She has been known to greet him with hugs and kisses, exclaiming: "There's my guy."

In a typical offseason, Gore said, he can expect her to check in by phone, and occasionally he calls the team owner "Ma." Gore can't explain exactly how the two of them bonded, but the connection grew stronger when DeBartolo York attended his mother's funeral in South Florida four years ago.

"I was kind of out of it that day, so I don't remember who all came," he said. "But I remember seeing Denise sitting there in the front row."

In keeping with her low profile, DeBartolo York declined an interview about Gore through the 49ers' public relations office. So we can only assume why she has such a fondness for the 28-year-old running back. The coaches' reasons are easier to discern.

He has long been the 49ers' most productive skill-position player on offense, and with a combined 252 yards rushing the last two weeks, he erased any concerns about whether he can still deliver with a body that has endured multiple severe injuries, including a fractured right hip that ended the 2010 season for him.

The rushing numbers alone would warm any coach's heart, but Gore's football IQ and the completeness of his game - especially his pass-protection skills - explain his special charm.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Plenty Left in Frank the Tank***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Some call him "Frank the Tank." Others call him one of the best running backs in the National Football League. And if you're associated with the San Francisco 49ers, you can call him "the rushing king."

Frank Gore, who normally trains in Miami where he can spend time with his children during personal offseason workouts, joined 49ers teammates last Thursday to be a part of the team's nine-week offseason strength program.

"I'm happy to be back out with my teammates, seeing some of the guys from last year trying to do even better than what we did last year," Gore told 49ers.com on Monday. "It feels good to be back out here with the guys. Everybody's looking good, looking focused. I feel like it's going to be a good year."

In 2011, Gore surpassed the 1,000-yard mark for the fifth time in seven seasons with the 49ers. Gore's 1,211 rushing yards, which included a franchise record of five-straight 100-yard rushing games, also put him atop the team's all-time rushing list with 7,625 career rushing yards.

Still, despite all of that production, Gore has more to prove.

Reaching the playoffs for the first time in his seven seasons, albeit appearing in the NFC Championship Game, was simply not good enough for a passionate player like Gore.

"I didn't get what I wanted, we didn't get what we wanted," Gore said with a serious look. "We got close, but it ain't good enough."

Gore applauded the 49ers front office for adding key play-makers through free agency and the draft, but extra depth on the offensive side of the ball won't change the veteran running back's determined mindset for 2012. In Gore's mind, there are still bigger and better things for him and the 49ers ahead.

"I feel like I still got a lot left in my tank," said Gore, who's coming off his third Pro Bowl selection. "I want to show it off that I still got a lot left in my tank and I can play at a high level. I will play at a high level as long as God blesses me to be healthy so I can go out and do something that I love."

Gore's presence around the 49ers facility is always welcomed by teammates.

"It feels good to see him because he's a leader," second-year running back Kendall Hunter explained. "There's a lot of guys who look up to him and he still helps us."

Hunter said he learned the most from picking up on Gore's patience on the field and knowing when to attack open running lanes. Away from the field, Hunter's always studying Gore's behavior in the classroom.

"The things he can do to master the game like he has," Hunter marveled, "it's just impressive. I'm picking up on everything he's doing to be successful on Sundays."

Pretty soon, there will be a few more rookie running backs looking to soak up knowledge from the team's all-time leading rusher. Second-round draft pick LaMichael James (5-foot-9, 195 pounds) and undrafted running back Jewel Hampton (5-foot-9, 210 pounds) will be the latest players to learn from Gore.

The 49ers rushing king already has a good idea of James' abilities from watching a bit of Oregon game tape with general manager Trent Baalke.

"He's a tough little dude," Gore said. "Very quick, good football player. I can't wait to see it when he gets out here."

Gore might have to wait to evaluate some of the newest additions in the coming weeks, but he's already got a great impression of some of the team's veteran additions like running back Brandon Jacobs and wide receiver Randy Moss.

A player with Moss' accolades certainly garnered Gore's respect. Gore is also very familiar with Jacobs based on previous encounters. Both were selected in the 2005 NFL Draft; Gore in the third round and Jacobs in the fourth round.

In knowing Jacobs' abilities from previous clashes (two games in 2012 alone), Gore was excited to see a player of Jacobs' caliber added to the mix.

"It was good seeing a guy who came out with me now on the same team," said Gore, who's been constantly communicating with Jacobs during Football School drills. "He's a good dude and he's a very smart player. You can see that he's picking up the offense. I look forward to training camp where we're going to see more."

Moss is another player Gore certainly wants to see come training camp.

"I was happy about that (signing)," Gore said. "He's a baller. I know he's going to prove a lot of people wrong that say he can't still do it. That's a big upside to have him on our team."

Extra play-makers like Jacobs, James, Moss, and even wideouts Mario Manningham and A.J. Jenkins might be a splash to some, but Gore sees it differently.

"We're still working," the running back said, modestly downplaying the team's added star power. "We're out here working and hopefully we can do better than last year."

For the rest of the summer, Gore is gearing his body for his favorite time of the year. With him entering his eighth year in the league, offseason reps are mostly for younger players looking to establish themselves in supporting roles.

Gore sees it as an opportunity to stay mentally sharp while giving pointers to his younger teammates.

"It's their time right now, I'm going to help them and teach them," Gore explained with a smile. "And like I told (running backs) Coach Tom (Rathman), when training camp comes, that's when I get dirty."

Top to bottom, the competition amongst the running backs has been a positive development for the 49ers.

"There's always somebody who's going to push you and want your spot. It's a good thing," Hunter added. "There's always going to be competition, but it teaches you life lessons, because life is never going to be easy. Going through things like this in football, nothing can break you."

"It's all about pushing each other and making the team better."

Gore sees it no differently.

Despite coming within a few plays of reaching the Super Bowl, the grind continues.

"I got over it," Gore said of last year's defeat in the NFC title game. "It took awhile, but now we've got to move on and get ready for what's coming."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Gore gearing up for 'beast mode' out West***

By Janie McCauley, Associated Press

Frank Gore hasn't changed much as he prepares to enter his eighth NFL season. He's still putting in the hard work during the offseason, but the difference this year is he's doing it out West with his 49ers teammates rather than at his usual Miami stomping grounds. As he gears up for the fall, the three-time Pro Bowler realizes the challenge waiting for him in a jam-packed San Francisco backfield.

Gore took the ball, chugged up the middle and ran a few extra yards just for fun. Same 'ol Gore, always pushing, no matter the month.

It's just that usually he is doing so way down near his hometown in Miami this time of year – not on the field with his 49ers teammates for everybody to see.

Gore is embracing change and competition at age 29. He is fueling himself with thoughts of how close he came to the Super Bowl back in January.

"It's real different, but change is good for everybody at times," Gore said this week. "We've got a great thing going out here. We know what type of team we've got and hopefully we get back to that."

The three-time Pro Bowl running back is taking part in San Francisco's offseason workouts, arriving far earlier than usual to the Bay Area from his home in South Florida to get to work. He is part of a small group that works out each morning around 6 a.m.

Until now, Gore had stayed during offseasons in Miami, where he starred in college for the Hurricanes, his entire seven-year NFL career. Now, Gore has no unsettled contract status weighing on his mind the way he did a year ago and seems as focused and confident as ever.

"As long as I'm in great shape, I'm going to be the Frank Gore I've always been," Gore declared after a practice last week.

While Gore is determined to do his part to duplicate San Francisco's special comeback season of 2011, he has other motivation, too.

The defending NFC West champions already have a busy backfield, and Gore will get a daily push from backup Kendall Hunter, newly signed Brandon Jacobs and rookie second-round pick LaMichael James, among others. Gore also has a workout bonus for his attendance that's part of the new \$21 million, three-year contract extension he received last August.

He doesn't expect to slow down any time soon.

"I'm going to be Frank, and if I'm on the field I'll do whatever it takes to help my team win," he said.

He has said he plans to return to Miami and get in "beast mode shape and be ready for the season."

Gore has long prided himself on being a durable, every-down back who can carry the load for the Niners year after year. Yet coach Jim Harbaugh knows Gore will need his share of breaks.

The 49ers' career rushing leader, a standard he attained last season while reeling off a franchise-best stretch of five consecutive 100-yard games, took six weeks off to rest after the 49ers' 20-17 overtime loss in January to the eventual Super Bowl champion New York Giants in the NFC championship game.

Gore also needed a mental break after the way the season ended. It still stings.



"It was tough. That's one of the reasons I didn't go to the Pro Bowl," he said. "It broke me down for a while. How close it was, just looking back, all the tough times we had here to be that close to going to the big dance, that was very tough. ... I took a little longer this time because we played a little longer last year. I had a few more bumps and bruises to get back together. So I took a little longer. Now my body is starting to get back."

While Gore is still the main man carrying the ball in Harbaugh's offense, Hunter made an immediate impact as a rookie. He carried 112 times for 473 yards and two touchdowns. The 6-foot-4, 264-pound Jacobs has an impressive physical presence and could be the banging big back the 49ers have lacked for short-yardage situations.

Jacobs, released March 9 by the Giants after the sides failed to work out a restructured contract, ran for 571 yards and seven touchdowns last season as his role diminished behind the emerging Ahmad Bradshaw.

"He's a big guy," Gore said. "I'm happy we have him."

General manager Trent Baalke said during the draft last month that the 49ers have ample options at running back, and they like it that way.

"It's like poker, it's a full house. That's good, right?" Baalke said.

And the players seem to like the idea of sharing the touches – for now anyway. The 49ers appreciate seeing Gore on the field, too.

"It doesn't make just individuals better, it makes everybody better, and it's good for the team," Hunter said. "I think it's big (that Gore's here). Not only to the players but the organization because he's a leader and he does what it takes to win and he knows what it takes, and he can help the younger guys."

Harbaugh has described the competition this way: "It's going to get real real, and it's going to get real real, real fast."

James ran for 5,082 yards and 53 touchdowns on 771 career carries in three seasons at Oregon. That included 49 carries for 382 yards and four TDs in two games against Harbaugh's former Stanford team before the coach jumped to the NFL in January 2011.

"We envision him coming in and competing," Baalke said of James. "Like we always say, we're trying to create as much competition as we can. This does that. One thing about this football team, they're up to the challenge. They're not afraid to compete."

Center Jonathan Goodwin is eager to see what the Niners can do with so many options, including experienced newcomers Randy Moss and Mario Manningham in the receiving corps.

"This offense has a lot of potential," Goodwin said.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Craig on Gore: 'It's not about him. It's about winning Super Bowls'***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

Frank Gore never wants to leave a game.

And that includes the meaningless ones.

Shortly after the 49ers' career rushing leader ripped off a 14-yard run in the first quarter of last week's preseason loss to the Texans, he left the game for good.

And he did so reluctantly after just two carries.

"When I got out there against the Houston Texans I wanted to keep running, especially when I got that first carry," Gore said. "That was a pretty good run. I wanted to keep that rhythm and keep going. But I've got to listen to the coach. He knows what's best for me."

Gore gets it. There's no sense in risking injury during the preseason and he'll likely receive scant playing time in Sunday's exhibition game at Denver.

But what happens when the games count?

Famously termed the "bell cow" of San Francisco's offense, the bell may have tolled on Gore's time as a 20-carry-a-game feature back. In the past 18 months, the 49ers have added three backs – Kendall Hunter, LaMichael James and Brandon Jacobs – to a backfield that's traditionally included Gore and an undistinguished backup (Michael Robinson, DeShaun Foster, Glen Coffee).

In June, running backs coach Tom Rathman acknowledged the 49ers wanted to keep Gore "fresh" and "healthy" so he can still dazzle in December. Gore, who turned 29 in May, was noticeably slowed by leg maladies last year while ranking fifth in the NFL with 282 carries, the second-most of his seven-year career. Among running backs currently on an NFL roster, Gore's 1,653 career carries rank third behind St. Louis' Steven Jackson (2,138) and Denver's Willis McGahee (1,790).

Gore has fielded a series of questions about his potentially reduced role since the spring and he's pointed to last year's 13-3 record in response. The 49ers went 37-59 in Gore's first six seasons.

"We want to win," Gore said. "We got a taste of it last year and it feels good. We want to keep that taste in our mouth. As long as we stay together and be one, we'll keep that taste in our mouth."

Given his selfless style – Gore takes immense pride in his ability to redirect blitzing linebackers – it's difficult to doubt his sincerity. Gore didn't complain about averaging just 14.5 carries in two postseason games, but did address the team during training camp about the still-painful loss in the NFC Championship Game.

Former 49ers running back Roger Craig is confident a Super Bowl ring is the thing for Gore at this stage in his career. Craig, 52, and Gore have developed a close relationship and they spoke about the upcoming season during a chance meeting in Las Vegas over the offseason.

"We all want to be the guy, but we also have to look at the big picture," Craig said. "It's not about being the guy, it's about the big picture. Right now, Frank's thinking is how can we be a better team? Frank's broken a lot of records. So it's not about him. It's about winning Super Bowls now. He got taste of what it felt like playing in the playoffs. So now anything that the organization can do to help go to that next level, he'll be on board with that."

Craig also believes the backfield additions will fuel the already highly motivated Gore. Before Craig's fifth season, the 49ers drafted Clemson running back Terrence Flagler in the first round of the 1987 draft. Flagler never panned out, but Craig noted that he rushed for a career-high 1,502 yards and was named the NFL's Offensive Player of the Year the season after Flagler arrived.

This spring, Gore embarked on a training routine that included 6 a.m. workouts, afternoon practices and nighttime boxing. He'll do whatever it takes to win – even if it means doing less this season – but he's also doing everything to keep himself in the game.

"Oh, it's going to motivate Frank to play well, of course," Craig said. "That's some good competition right there."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Frank Gore's style, all his own***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

To get a sense of how much Frank Gore means to the San Francisco 49ers, all one must do is pop on the tape of the franchise rushing king's 23-yard touchdown against the Green Bay Packers.

Lined up in the backfield as part of the team's seven-linemen personnel package, Gore followed fullback Bruce Miller and pulling left guard Mike Iupati's kick-out blocks around the right edge to score San Francisco's first rushing score of 2012.

But there was more to it.

Gore was first hit at the 4-yard line by Packers safety Morgan Burnett. The hit, however, didn't derail Gore from reaching the end zone. Instead, Gore spun off the body blow to his right, staying in bounds long enough to backpedal into the end zone, where he was blasted backwards at the goal line by Green Bay cornerback Tramon Williams.

On its own, the play spoke to the many impressive traits that have made Gore one of the NFL's best running backs in his eight playing seasons.

Gore's linemen mobbed him in the end zone, too. Daniel Kilgore and Jonathan Goodwin, first on the scene, lifted the 5-foot-9, 217-pound runner off the ground and into their arms. At that point, all of San Francisco's offensive linemen reached Gore to give him a lift.

"It was a really good job of on that particular play Kilgore and Leonard Davis sealing off the edge," offensive coordinator Greg Roman recalled. "Bruce Miller came around with Mike Iupati did a great job of sealing. Bruce Miller did a great job. He forced (Charles) Woodson to basically hurdle him, which freed up Frank and then Frank just made a guy miss and spun into the end zone. Wasn't perfect, but it was a great run. A lot of good things happened on it. We loved the end result."

In turn, Gore loved the play call, its design and the coordinator utilizing all of his personnel, not just the starters.

"I like our coaching staff, they do a great job of getting us in the right positions," said Gore, who picked up 112 yards on 16 carries against Green Bay. "Coach G-Ro, he's probably the best I've been around as a coordinator.

"G-Ro, I'd put him at No. 1 so far... He makes it fun."

Teammates certainly appreciate the diverse play-calling from the team's second-year coordinator, but they also value everything Gore brings to the table.

Exceptional vision, quick footwork, patience through running lanes and a relentless running approach make Gore one of the best backs around.

Third-year running back Anthony Dixon considered Gore's 23-yard score as one of the best he's seen from San Francisco's all-time leading rusher.

"With what we were trying to accomplish out there, yes it was," Dixon said. "That was one of my favorite runs I've seen from him. He didn't go out of bounds – he toughed it out, took a hit – and got back up."

Gore, himself, doesn't really like to categorize his running ability, nor does he compare it to others.

Some inside the 49ers locker room look at his power around the edge to be Walter Payton-like. Some look at his vision and cut-back ability to be Barry Sanders-like. Others look at his all-around ability, power mixed with speed, to be Emmitt Smith reincarnated.

Gore admits to watching plenty of tape of Sanders, the Hall of Fame running back of Gore's Week 2 opponent, the Detroit Lions.

"Barry was sweet," said Gore, who's totaled 125.3 yards per game in four outings against the Lions.

Even so, Gore's 23-yard run wasn't Sanders-like in his opinion.

"Barry Sanders' runs were totally different than that," Gore explained. "He'd have three-four guys in front of him in the backfield, he'd stop and go. That's different."

Still, Gore concedes their vision is similar; only, Gore has more patience in his game.

"I think that's what helps me out a lot, my feet, to get in and out of cuts. I can get in between small holes."

Roman said Gore's one of the most unique players he's been around. Adding the terms, "throwback" and "old school" to Gore's laundry list of positive attributes.

"We could go anywhere chalk up a football field," Roman began, "pads, no pads however you want to play it lets go. Frank's going to play. He's going to compete. He's unbelievably tough, passionate, competitive. He's got incredible will to win that he wears on his sleeve. There's only one Frank Gore."

"His running style is very unique. I can't say that I have quite seen anybody like him with his size, weight and then what you see on the field is just so unique. He's got so much quickness, power and just short area vision. He's got one of the strongest wills to succeed that you'll find. So I think that's the best I can do quickly to sum up Frank. He's a special guy. We all feel really glad to have the opportunity to work with him."

The 49ers saved Gore in the preseason (four carries), only to unleash him in a pivotal Week 1 road victory in Green Bay.

"Frank is a true professional," Miller said. "He was ready to go in Green Bay and you saw what he did. He's a great back we can count on him to do things like that... Being able to get to the corner and stay inbounds, take a hit on the sideline and spin into the end zone, that's just Frank Gore. That's what he does. Hopefully we can see a lot more of that."

Even with many perimeter weapons being added to the 49ers this offseason, Gore, the team's offensive co-captain, feels he can be relied on whenever his number is called.

"I know they can count on me," Gore said. "I'm going to try my best to do whatever it takes to help my team be successful. I know that for a fact, they can count on me."

Gore's understudies, including second-year runner Kendall Hunter, consider it a treat to be around such a talented runner every day.

"I think he's got his own style," Hunter said. "He's very patient, a great guy, a guy you can learn everything from. Some running backs got it, some don't. He's a great guy to learn from."

Gore has no problem sharing his knowledge of the game.

In fact, he appreciates seeing his fellow running backs taking continual strides and also sees Miller becoming a key cog in the offensive attack.

"Bruce is a smart player," Gore said. "He fits nicely with what we do in this offense."

Same goes for Gore, who's eager to get back in front of the team's Faithful fans for Sunday's home opener.

"It's going to be crazy," Gore said, "especially with what happened last year. Detroit's got a good team, they won last week. Knowing we were they were their first loss last season, it should be a good game."

## **Player Feature Story**

### **Tom Rathman on Frank Gore**

By Grant Cohn, Santa Rosa Press Democrat

We were sitting in little school chairs facing each other, alone in the media tent, elbows resting on our wooden foldout desks.

I asked the coach, "If I say Frank Gore is a player with a great heart, do you know what I mean by that?"

The coach sat up in his chair, elbows off the desk now. He said, "Great heart?" as if he hadn't heard me correctly. "Yeah, I know what great heart is. I only played the game for 9 years."

Tom Rathman used to be a fullback in the '80s and '90s. He played 8 of his 9 seasons for the 49ers under legendary head coaches Bill Walsh and George Seifert. Now, Rathman is the 49ers' running backs coach. He got the job in January, 2009, which means he's worked with Gore for almost four years.

"He does have great heart," Rathman said, getting back to Gore. "It means a lot to him. And that's what you talk about when you talk about "great heart." It's about what does the game mean to you? He puts everything that he has into those football games. You talk to him after the game and you know that he's spilled it. He's not going to have anything left in the tank when it's all said and done. Those are the type of guys you love to coach."

Gore is 29-years-old, elderly for a running back, but he's off to the best start of his professional career, averaging 6.1 yards per carry – third-best in the NFL. To put that in perspective, he averaged 2.5 yards per carry over the first two games last season.

I asked Rathman why Frank is having such a strong start this season. What factors go into that?

Rathman: "I think he's got a better understanding of what we're trying to do on the offensive side of the ball. With the new system in last year, I think players were trying to identify what it was. Now we've got one year under our belts and the players do understand what we're trying to get accomplished."

Flashback 15 minutes. I'm in the locker room. Here comes Gore, walking through slowly. Frank, why are you playing so well this season?

Before I could get the words out of my mouth, Gore said, "My O line's doing a great job. Our coordinator puts us in great situations to have us be successful. I think that's the reason."

Gore, eager to pass praise onto his teammates.

Back to Rathman in the media tent. I asked him what skills does Frank have that are special?

Rathman said, "You talk about – and it's really shown up this year – being able to set up a run and make a defender miss in space. He's still got that creativity as a runner. You talk about his pass blocking. I don't think there's a better guy doing that. Frank does not have any weaknesses. Everything he does, he does it well."

Is Gore still improving?

Gore thinks he is: "Yeah, I feel that. As long as you're playing this game, you've got to keep improving. When you feel like you're not getting better anymore, you shouldn't play the game anymore."

Rathman disagrees. He said: "I don't think he's improving, but I still think he's got a lot left in the tank. When you've played in the league six, seven years, hopefully you've reached your peak. That was Bill



Walsh's big emphasis. I don't think Frank's an ascending player. I think he's a consistent player, and that's really all you ask for. Consistency."

Would Bill Walsh have wanted the current Frank, the 29-year-old Frank, on his football team?

Rathman: "Sure he would have. You look at his performances, his consistency, what he brings to the table not only on the field but off the field – Frank has really grown up over the last four years. A very mature player now. Understands the game, understands big picture."

Rathman had to go. I thanked him for his time, shook his hand and said, Oh, by the way, I'm Lowell Cohn's son. He says hi.

Rathman said, "Tell your dad I said hello. I've been around him many years, since back in the day. Ask him if I know what heart is."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers backup Hunter more than capable**

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

49ers backup Hunter more than capable

Early in the second quarter Saturday night, 49ers running back Kendall Hunter took a handoff from Alex Smith, pinballed off Texans linebackers Brian Cushing and Bradie James and churned forward – pushing cornerback Jonathan Joseph back in the process – before he was brought down for a 6-yard gain.

Nearly six minutes later, Hunter – all 5-foot-7 and 199 pounds – darted right, ran through an arm tackle by James at the line, zipped into the secondary and capped a 14-yard run by dragging 287-pound Jared Crick the final few yards.

In the stands at Reliant Stadium in Houston, Thomas Brooks, Hunter's former high school coach, was having flashbacks.

To Brooks, the early stages of Hunter's second season in the NFL resemble his senior year at John Tyler (Texas) High, where he broke the school rushing record held by Hall of Famer Earl Campbell.

"I thought he looked more explosive than he did last year," Brooks said. "He's used to the speed of the game and looked more comfortable. I was very impressed with the way he was running; that looked like his senior year in high school. ... I saw the cuts. That looked like the confidence he had when he was running in high school."

Of course, Brooks, now an assistant at Katy High outside Houston, watched Hunter's rookie season from afar. But those who have seen his development up close have offered a similar analysis.

After earning training-camp raves from head coach Jim Harbaugh, Hunter's performance has carried into the preseason. In two games, he has 70 yards on 11 carries, flashing decisiveness, quickness and Herculean lower-body strength that belies his size.

"You can tell that from his first year to this year that he grew a lot," 49ers running back Frank Gore said. "It's his second year in the offense. He knows what he's doing now. He's not thinking. He's just playing football, and that's what he's good at."

Hunter clearly has retained his status as the primary backup to Gore even after the 49ers added to the backfield in the offseason by signing Brandon Jacobs and drafting Oregon's LaMichael James in the second round.

And it's possible Hunter's role will expand as San Francisco looks to keep Gore, 29, fresh throughout the season. Gore played in 16 games for the second time in his seven-year career in 2011, but ankle and knee problems limited his effectiveness down the stretch: He averaged 3.5 yards a carry and 53.6 yards in the final eight regular-season games.

Hunter is ready to assume a larger load.

As a rookie, he was transitioning to a pro-style offense after playing in a spread attack at Oklahoma State. In addition, the lockout condensed his learning time, which had him experiencing pre-snap anxiety during games.

Asked what was racing through his mind as he broke the huddle last year, Hunter laughed as he delivered the punch line: "Uh-oh," he said.

Still, Hunter was no slouch. He collected 668 yards from scrimmage while averaging 4.2 yards a carry and 12.2 yards on 16 receptions.

A year later, he's poised to contribute even more. He's gone from "uh-oh" to feeling OK.

"I'm still learning it, but I've kept working hard and things have gotten better," Hunter said.

"Things have slowed down and hopefully things will slow down even more. I feel like I know more of what I'm doing out there, and I don't have to think so much."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Iupati and Boone: Guards on Point***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Two of the biggest reasons for the San Francisco 49ers having the second-best rushing attack in the NFL through seven weeks are the team's pair of mauling guards who line up next to center Jonathan Goodwin.

Both third-year starter Mike Iupati and first-year starter Alex Boone have each played a major role in opening running lanes for the 49ers ground attack.

It was more than apparent in the team's 13-6 win over the Seattle Seahawks. Both linemen were consistently getting to the second level of Seattle's defense to block linebackers and defensive backs. As a result, San Francisco picked up 175 rushing yards against one of the league's stingiest rush defenses.

It was also noticeable to Jim Harbaugh, who made complimentary statements for both players on Monday.

"I thought the guard play this past game was top notch," the 49ers coach said. "Both of those guys, Mike and Alex Boone had their best or close to their best games, which is saying a lot because they've had good games."

"Upon further review we had to really look at it and say that both Mike Iupati and Alex Boone had excellent games. The more you watch the tape, the more you appreciated that aspect of it."

Frank Gore, the franchise's all-time rushing leader, also has a pretty good vantage point for what his guards are able to do in the run game. Behind his offensive line, Gore ranks fifth in the NFL with 601 yards. Gore is 58 yards behind league leader Arian Foster, who's carried the ball 168 times to Gore's 103 carries this season.

"Everybody sees it, they're doing a great job, making my job a lot easier," Gore said. "Those are some big, tough guys."

But the eighth-year veteran didn't stop there.

"I think this is the best our offensive linemen have played," said the 49ers running back who's surpassed the 1,000-yard mark in five of his seven seasons.

When it was brought up to Gore that the 49ers rank first in the NFL in yards per carry with 5.9 yards per rush, the 49ers running back started nodding his head immediately.

"That's what tells it all right there," Gore said.

If it not for RGII, the San Francisco 49ers would be the No. 1 rushing offense in the NFL.

But because of Washington Redskins quarterback Robert Griffin III, one of the most athletic quarterbacks in recent history, San Francisco is eight yards behind first-place Washington.

The 49ers are also No. 2 in yards per game (176.6), which is 1.1 yards per game behind the Redskins.

Helping the 49ers stay near the top of the league's rushing rankings like they've been all year has been the consistent play of Iupati and Boone. The 49ers repeatedly ran inside traps against the Seahawks in the second half last week, a sign of trust in the team's interior linemen to win in the trenches.

"That was fun, it was us," Iupati said. "That's football, smash-mouth football."

Boone enjoyed the repeated inside trap calls because it fit Gore's natural, between-the-guard running ability.

"I think that's a staple for us," said Boone, the team's converted 6-foot-7 guard. "Frank's a strong A-gap runner, so anytime we can get him in between the tackles it's his bread and butter."

Boone's transformation to guard is one of the best stories of the 2012 team.

Not only is Boone succeeding while playing at an unfamiliar position, the former tackle has been able to transform himself into a top guard after coming into the league undrafted.

"To his credit, he's taken his opportunity, his talent, his work ethic, and also a great attitude," Harbaugh said. "And then he's got it. And I think it's a great lesson for all the young players, individual players, that working hard, doing it with a great attitude, a team attitude, you figure it out. You get it. And he's a wonderful example of that."

Attitude is certainly something that sets Lupati and Boone apart from other linemen. Both players embrace a team-first mindset and both set out to play impose their physicality.

In particular, Harbaugh sees Lupati as a player with a high enjoyment level for the physical aspect of his job.

"He's a very strong man that plays very physical," the 49ers coach summed up of the team's No. 17 overall pick in the 2010 NFL Draft. "It's talent. It's attitude. It's a lot of those things. But, he's unique in that he is as big, as fast, as quick twitch as he is. And also secretly likes it to come down to just that, the physical nature of it."

Under the guidance of offensive line coaches Mike Solari and Tim Drevno, Harbaugh sees steady improvement from the third-year player.

Lupati, however, is modest about the strides he's made in 39 consecutive starts to begin his career.

"I can't say I'm better," he said. "I'm still working."

Lupati and Boone will continue to take strides heading into this week's test, a "Monday Night Football" matchup with the Arizona Cardinals.

"They play outstanding defense – very dangerous offensively," Harbaugh said of the 4-3 Cardinals, who are one game back of the 49ers. "A team that we know. They know us. Have a lot of respect for the Cardinals."

Arizona's offensive line features former 49ers draft pick Adam Snyder, the player Boone replaced in the starting lineup at right guard. With injuries to both tackles, the Cardinals have allowed league-high 35 sacks, nine more than second-place Green Bay.

Meanwhile, the 49ers have to limit hits on their own quarterback. The team's 20 sacks allowed ranks fourth in the NFL.

"It's a challenge for everybody," Harbaugh said of limiting sacks and quarterback hits. "In this league, call it a struggle, call it a challenge. Every single week, that's a challenge and an opportunity for both teams. Both teams are faced with the challenge of protecting their passer and both teams have the opportunity to get to the opposer's passer. It's a test of wills on sides, protecting and putting pressure on the passer."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Jacobs repays six-year-old Giants fan ... with interest***

By Matt Barrows, Sacramento Bee

If you happened to be at the Jump On In bounce house in Boonton, N.J. today, you saw quite a spectacle: a 6-4, 266-pound NFL running back flailing about on inflatable castles and slides like a first grader hopped up on Sweet-Tarts.

That running back was the 49ers' Brandon Jacobs, who took six-year-old Joseph Armento and his four-year-old brother for an outing they are not soon to forget. Armento, you'll recall, is the New Jersey boy who upon being told the Giants could no longer afford to keep Jacobs, emptied his piggy bank -- \$3.36 - and sent it to California in an effort keep his favorite player with the Giants.

Jacobs was touched by the gesture and told Armento's mother, Julie, that he would be in New Jersey for a short time this week while he packed up his belongings and moved his family to the Bay Area. He thought his original idea for a meeting place, Chuck E. Cheese, might cause too much of scene. So they settled on a bounce house.

Jacobs, 29, brought his five-year-old son, Brayden, and the four kids - Jacobs included - played non-stop for nearly two hours. No one even took a water break.

"He told me he really wanted to get out there with the kids," Julie Armento said in a phone interview with The Bee. "He really wanted to enjoy it, and he did. It was amazing."

Said Jacobs, also by phone: "It was just us in the whole place and we were just going room to room - just bouncing and flipping all over the place, hitting each other with balls, sweating, our shirts filthy. We were just dirty, stinky boys, you know?"

Young Joseph, as you might expect, was blown away. Jacobs also gave him a signed football helmet. It's a Giants helmet, and Jacobs signed it with his former number, No. 27. He wears No. 45 with the 49ers. It reads: To Joe: Thanks for being a fan. God bless, Brandon Jacobs.

Julie Armento said she sent the letter in March soon after the 49ers had inked Jacobs to a one-year contract. But she sent it to Candlestick Park in San Francisco whereas Jacobs and the 49ers practice in Santa Clara, 45 miles to the south. Jacobs didn't get the letter until earlier this month. He called the Armentos the next day.

"When we first spoke, he said that he was genuinely touched by the letter, that it almost brought him to tears," Julie said. "He said it came at just the right time for him."

Said Jacobs: "I'm at a point in my career when people have stopped believing in me and not believing that I can still play. But that's not the case. Joe believes in me, gave me a lot of confidence and a lot of want-to. And I'm ready to go. I can't wait until the season starts."

Jacobs had one final gift -- a five-dollar bill. After all, he ended up signing with the 49ers, so it was only fair that the boy get his piggybank money back.

"He had some interest in there just for being a good kid," Jacobs said. "He's worth a lot more than that \$5 bill I gave him."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Jacobs taking new approach with 49ers***

By Mindi Bach, CSNBayArea.com

Brandon Jacobs is a fan of the Atlanta Braves, but as he makes a transition to a new team, he's not overlooking any detail. Even one as seemingly unimportant as a baseball hat.

"I try to fit in with everybody else in the area," said Jacobs, sporting a grey Giants cap. "Everywhere you look you've got San Francisco hats all over the place."

As far as learning a new—and rather large—playbook, Jacobs is relying on his coaches, teammate Frank Gore, and patience.

"I'm getting more and more comfortable every day," Jacobs said. "I'm leaving the nervous factor and getting into the fun factor. I'm just going out, I'm working hard, doing whatever they ask me to do. Play ball basically. I wanna get to a point where I'm not thinking and I'm just playing."

Since joining the 49ers, Jacobs is doing a lot of things differently. He's lifting weights harder than he ever has before, and he said his goal is to get under 260 pounds for the first time in his NFL career.

"I think I can move faster, I can hit the whole harder and I could deliver a little bit more of a punch if I'm lighter," said Jacobs. "Versus being heavy and letting the defenders get on me versus me getting on them."

"I'm training (here) probably 10-times harder than what I've ever trained. (I'm) trying to get my body back like it used to be, strengthen my legs, because I think that was the weak point in me the last couple of years, my legs weren't as strong and my balance wasn't as good as it needed to be."

At 6-feet, 4-inches, Jacobs is by far the largest running back in the NFL. Getting him to where he needs to be is in the 49ers best interest as well.



## **Player Feature Story**

### ***LaMichael James running not from danger***

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

Drive west down the road where 49ers rookie running back LaMichael James grew up and the direction this story is headed seems obvious.

The windows of the first two houses on Melton Street are covered by plywood; the splintering Century 21 sign in front of the fifth house on the right is partially obscured by spray paint; and many of the remaining 63 homes feature sagging porches, peeling paint and weed-dotted or beer-can-littered dirt yards.

Some of the vacant homes have "No Trespassing" signs near the door. Tellingly, so do some occupied houses - a nod to the danger and criminal activity of Texarkana's Beverly neighborhood.

James, who never met his deceased father and didn't live with his mother, grew up at 210 Melton St. in a white wooden house that looks out on a now-abandoned parking lot. He was the only male in a home that included his late grandmother, his sister and a cousin. When his grandmother died when he was 17, he lived alone in the house for much of his senior year in high school.

Of course, it all sounds familiar - a fatherless professional athlete whose success was fueled by the bleakest of circumstances.

But it's here that James' story moves in an unexpected direction.

Raised by a team of doting and devoted women, his motivation to attend the University of Oregon, 2,200 miles away, wasn't inspired by a desire to escape danger. Rather, it was a realization that he needed to flee the cocoon of safety provided by his forever-fretting support system.

"They weren't really babying me all the time," James said. "But they're women. They're always emotional and always checking up on me. It was something that I needed to do in order to mature and grow up and be my own individual."

### **'King of the house'**

James has a close relationship with his mother, Rosemary, but it was his grandmother, Betty James, and his sister, Tasha Galloway, 16 years his senior, who raised him.

Well before he was a second-round NFL draft pick, a two-time All-American, or a two-time All-State selection at Liberty-Eylau High, little LaMichael had a devoted fan club.

"He has aunts and they're just crazy about him and worship the ground he walks on," Galloway said. "He was the king. When he was born, he was the king of the house. I can remember LaMichael making touchdown after touchdown and we were like 'Oh, he's a superstar. Oh, you're going to the NFL, baby.' We would tell him that at age 7, 8, 9. We would tell him that all his life."

Galloway laughs. Yes, she says, LaMichael was aware he was family royalty and took advantage of his exalted status. As he got older, he'd cry poor to his sister, who'd hand him \$25. And then seek out an aunt, who'd pull out \$20.

"We'd get together and say, 'Did you talk to LaMichael? The poor thing, he didn't have any gas money,' " Galloway said. "... Then we'd be like 'Hey, wait a minute, he's hustling us.' "

James acknowledged that it helps explain why he had more than most of his peers in a poverty-stricken neighborhood: "I had a car. I had shoes. I had clothes. I had everything I possibly could want," he said.

This is not to suggest his childhood was all backslaps and handouts.

### **Dad slain in L.A.**

His father, Herbert Blacksher, was murdered in Los Angeles before James was born, and he grew up without a strong male influence. He has a close relationship with his mother, Rosemary, but she initially gave LaMichael to her mother, Betty, and he never wanted to leave his grandmother's house, even after she died at 77 from cervical cancer in 2007.

While he didn't lack for love, James also didn't lack for opportunities to get caught up in the drugs and violence that permeated Beverly. However, he was loath to disappoint Betty James, who worked two custodial jobs, cleaning a bank at night and a jail during the day.

He called his grandmother Madea, a title African American families often bestow on the matriarch. And Madea was his compass.

Deeply religious, she was as generous with neighbors as she was with her family. Tasha would shake her head when visitors would routinely drop by - not for a cup of sugar, but for the ingredients for an entire meal, which Betty would happily stuff in a grocery bag.

"My grandma was a very tough woman, and she was just so loving," Galloway said. "She always had a smile on her face, and it made us want to do right by her. Not because she was hollering at us. We never got that or fussing. It was the way she would talk really calmly and clearly got her point across. We just knew we had to do right by her."

Betty rarely discussed football with her grandson, who, at 5-foot-9 and 195 pounds, has always been small for the sport. She worried about him, but his aversion to the spotlight, even as the star running back in a football-mad town, kept him safe off the field.

### **No fan of parties**

Even as a child, James was averse to crowds. He refused to have birthday parties and stubbornly refused to attend one his sister threw for him. A childhood friend, Jeremy Whigham, shakes his head at James' desire to just "chill."

In February, James brought Whigham with him to the Super Bowl in Indianapolis, where he had been invited by Gatorade. At night, for adventure, James stayed in their hotel room. Whigham was frustrated, but not surprised. He was similarly bored two years ago when he went with his best friend to Orlando, where James accepted the Doak Walker Award.

The fact that James is allergic to the nightlife has been a potentially life-saving blessing. He declined an invitation to attend a New Year's party with friends back in Texarkana when he was in college. At the party, a friend was shot and killed.

Robert Cochran, a former assistant football coach at Liberty-Eylau who remains close with James, was initially surprised to find that the teenager from familiar circumstances possessed uncommon traits.

"For a kid who came from where he came from, he was unique in that he was a perfectionist and really competitive," Cochran said. "A lot of times, those two don't go together. He was hard on himself almost to a fault. He always stood out compared to other kids, but it wasn't good enough for his standards."

Even beyond the football field, James' focus was impossible to miss.

"He just had that drive and that desire and belief that he was going to reach his goals and be successful," said Denise Webb, a teacher at Liberty-Eylau. "He didn't care what anyone else told him. A lot of times you have kids that kind of doubt themselves: 'I don't know if I can do this.' I never saw that."

## **Grandmother's death**

Cochran, Webb and others worried, however, when his grandmother died when James was a junior.

Betty James' cervical cancer, in remission for about five years, came back in 2007 and doctors explained it had spread through her body. After receiving the news, she told the family not to tell LaMichael. But the secret couldn't be kept long.

She lost weight and her hair. She slept through the day and often called out screaming during hallucinatory dreams. On the afternoon she died in her home, LaMichael, alone in his room, unable to witness the end, was relieved her suffering was over. He was also filled with rage.

"He just went crazy," Galloway said. "He started hitting on the walls and just slamming doors. He was just so angry."

Before her death, Betty instructed the family to let LaMichael remain in the home where he grew up. Initially, stricken with grief, he often stayed elsewhere. He would spend the night with Webb and her family, or stay with relatives.

Webb, who ironed his suit for his grandmother's funeral, worried that the 17-year-old with unwavering self-belief would lose his way without his compass.

## **Fears unrealized**

"I just saw sad and lost," Webb said. "He was so lost. It was like: 'What do I do? What's next?' As a parent who had two kids at home, I wondered, 'How is he going to get up for school every morning?'"

James eventually found comfort when he returned to 210 Melton St. There, among her possessions and his memories, he felt connected to her. He drew strength and determination through his desire to make her proud.

Webb would check daily to make sure James made it to school. He was never late. Galloway and his aunts would drive by the house at night to make sure there weren't parties. It was always quiet.

"He quickly turned things around because he started thinking about, 'If my grandmother was here, how would she look at that?'" Cochran said. "LaMichael did better in school after his grandmother died. He took even more pride in everything he did. Being places on time. Being a quiet leader."

During her life, Betty James had served as both grandmother and mom. In her death, she helped James become a man.

Still, the remaining women in his life, most notably his sister, unwittingly did their best to delay his journey to manhood.

## **Overcoming homesickness**

During his first year at Oregon, a hopelessly homesick James would routinely call his sister with tears in his eyes and his bags packed in his room. He wanted to come back to Texarkana and transfer to TCU, about three hours away in Fort Worth.

Most of his support system - friends and former coaches - implored him to stay in Eugene. Tough it out. Things would get better.

Not Galloway.

"He called every day crying and it just broke my heart," Galloway said. "We baby him. So for our baby to call home crying - 'We've got to get him.' ... My husband was telling me, 'No, stop babying him. He can't get everything he wants, and he needs to man up.' I think it made me man up, too."

Four years later, James, a college graduate, is one of three running backs in Pac-10/12 history with 5,000 career rushing yards. He's also a second-round draft pick with a four-year, \$3.3 million contract.

Galloway, however, is not beyond still fretting about her brother.

This summer, she's worried about how his older teammates are treating him as a rookie. Are they making him wash everyone's cars? Do they punch him? (James' stock response: "Stop babying me.")

During the 49ers' first preseason game, Galloway screamed at the television, imploring the Vikings' defenders not to tackle him so hard.

In some ways, obviously, things haven't changed much since James left Texarkana to grow up without the well-meaning women in his life.

But Tasha was reminded, at least momentarily, how much he's grown when they spoke after his NFL debut.

"Oh my gosh, these guys are so big and LaMichael has always been so tiny," Tasha said. "But he called me up and said, 'Do you see how big I've gotten?' I told him, 'I noticed. I noticed. I almost didn't recognize you.' "

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Former Duck LaMichael James is living in limbo***

By Rob Moseley, Oregon Register-Guard

As Sunday's game ended at Candlestick Park, players from the San Francisco 49ers and St. Louis Rams wandered onto the field, some clearly lost in a foggy limbo.

The NFC West rivals had just played to the NFL's first tie in several years, the concept of which escaped some of the participants. Was the game really over? Weren't the teams supposed to keep playing? Or were they forced to accept that frustrating middle ground: not losers, but not victors, either?

For the 46 players in uniform on each side, it was a glimpse at what professional life has been like for LaMichael James, Oregon's all-time leading rusher who passed up his senior year with the Ducks and was a second-round draft pick of the 49ers. Success tinged with frustration, not a defeat but certainly not complete victory.

Through nine games this season, James has yet to so much as suit up for San Francisco. No team in the league has used its rookies less than the 49ers, who are led by former Stanford coach Jim Harbaugh; even their first-round pick awaits his first snap.

So James isn't alone. Which is small consolation.

"I just want to play," he said last week, during a break between the team's walk-through and a practice at its Santa Clara, Calif., facilities. "I'd play for free at this point."

And that's saying something, because James signed a four-year, \$3.3 million contract with the 49ers. These days, he earns that by practicing against San Francisco's defense, which allows the fewest points in the NFL, 14.1 per game.

He's essentially a redshirt again, just as he was for Oregon in 2008, when he arrived on campus from Texarkana, Texas. Stuck in limbo, a contributor to the team but not nearly to the extent he'd like.

A 'scout-team superstar'

James had some chances in the preseason. He got 13 carries, for 63 yards, caught a couple of passes and was used as the 49ers' primary return man.

But there were also a couple of fumbles, and an ankle injury. And then, when the regular season began, a roster crunch: James was buried behind three veteran running backs and ace returner Ted Ginn Jr.

The 49ers play a physical style offensively, but running backs Frank Gore and Kendall Hunter have held up so far this season, to the extent that veteran insurance policy Brandon Jacobs doesn't even have a carry, much less James.

He hasn't been called upon on special teams, either.

James understands the reality of his situation. The veterans ahead of him want the ball just as much. He knows his situation in the kicking game, too.

"We've got one of the best return guys in the league," James said of Ginn.

And so, for the 49ers this season James is relegated to being "scout-team superstar," he jokes. That's not unlike the fall of 2008 in Oregon, when he generated as much buzz as any scout-team player in recent Ducks history.

James at least gets to practice against the likes of San Francisco linebackers Patrick Willis and NaVorro Bowman, who are among the best in the game. They've offered him encouragement, and assured him that he could be an impact player.

The question is, when will he get that chance? The chance to show that he has the grasp of San Francisco's offense, the ability to recognize NFL defenses; the skills not just to be the third-down change-of-pace back some see him as, but an every-down contributor.

"He needs to develop in that, but everybody that comes in as a rookie needs to develop," said former 49ers fullback Tom Rathman, now the team's running backs coach. "In training camp and the preseason, he did a fantastic job of playing and showing what he can do. There's a lot of promise there."

But also, the 49ers clearly believe, a lot of room to grow.

James ran for a UO record 5,082 yards in just three years playing in Chip Kelly's system. San Francisco's scheme, grounded in power runs and short passes, is dramatically different from Oregon's spread-option.

"You see some of those packages in the game today, but that's the bottom line — they're packages, they're not an offense," Rathman said. "... It's a totally different game. You've got to understand how to play with eight men in the box, instead of being spread out all over the field where you've got so many lanes."

(Anybody who watched the Ducks the past few years might argue that James saw plenty of extra defenders down in the box, against the likes of California, and USC — heck, just about everybody the Ducks faced.)

Rathman praised James' skills with the ball, and as a receiver out of the backfield. Pass-blocking was mentioned by Rathman a couple of times as an area James works to improve, and he fields punts and kickoffs in practice every day.

But asked whether, were the 49ers to suffer a rash of injuries, they'd be comfortable turning to James, Rathman equivocated.

"You could use him in a role," the coach offered. "I don't know if you could say, 'plug him in there.' But you would certainly find a way to use him. He's got that type of value, and brings a lot of skills to the table."

A well-rounded set of skills, Rathman insists. He says he envisions James filling a bigger role than the traditional third-down back, typically a small, quick player with good hands.

"We're trying to teach him to be an every-down player," Rathman said. "You can't really say you want to put him in a certain category, because I don't believe in that. I've coached guys his size before, and they've been every-down backs, and they've been good."

"Charlie Garner is one (with the 49ers, 2001-02). He was about a buck-eighty-five, buck-ninety, and he was a dynamic pass-blocker, dynamic."

James apparently isn't at that level, particularly considering the talent in front of him on the San Francisco depth chart. And so he sits, at least enduring a season in which his body isn't absorbing a pounding, due to the limited contact in practice.

NFL running backs enjoy notoriously short careers, and James is at least getting paid to play football without putting a year of wear on his body. The bigger challenge is mental.

Familiar support

When James was 17, and a high school senior in Texarkana, the grandmother who had raised him passed away. His grandmother's house was home, and so he stayed there, living alone until he moved to Oregon a year later.

(The house recently was damaged in a fire, and James paid to have it refurbished. Those who know him won't be surprised if he ends up living there again someday.)

So, solitude has never bothered James. He lived alone in Eugene, and does so in an apartment near the 49ers' training facility. But while he's comfortable being alone, he's far from a loner.

At Oregon, James carefully constructed — consciously or otherwise — the family structure he lacked in Texas. There was the coach who recruited him and became like a father, Gary Campbell; the teammate who became like a brother, Kenjon Barner; and a former athletic department employee, Kim Johannsen, who mothered him along the way.

"He built a great circle, a deep circle," Barner said. "And being away from home, you have to have that."

Barner said he and James are in touch almost daily, and Campbell said the same. Johannsen, who recently left Oregon's office of media services, talks with James multiple times most days.

Johannsen, whose husband, Eric, played at Oregon in the early 1990s, grew close to James late in his sophomore season, when he was drawing attention as one of the best players in the nation, and becoming overwhelmed by the attention,

"I just wanted LaMichael to have somebody to go to that didn't want anything from him," she said. "I didn't want an interview. I didn't want a signature. I just wanted him to have somebody he could talk to about life, on and off the football field."

Soon, James and Eric were talking football. The couple's three kids started to think of him as a brother. The relationships continue to this day — it was Johannsen who moved James down to his Bay Area apartment, helped stock it with all the necessities, and attended his first exhibition game, sending photos back to his family in Texas.

"No joke, I had tears streaming down my eyes," she said. "I was in the front row, and all I could think was, he made it. He made it. He made it out of Texarkana. He beat every single odd that was against him."

The circumstances of his upbringing made James learn not just to be self-reliant, but to be frugal. He jokes that, "if it ain't free, I don't want it," and Johannsen guaranteed he won't be the stereotypical athlete who goes bankrupt soon after retiring.

But that doesn't mean his life isn't without challenges. The frustration of sitting out this season is something James' circle of adopted family members sometimes has to talk through with him.

"As frustrated as he is, he's handling the situation with such maturity," Johannsen said. "He gets it. He knows he's the future for the 49ers. He knows he's there to learn. And what better person to learn from than Frank Gore?"

Like any good friend, Barner is able to chide the man he replaced as Oregon's star running back a bit about his frustrations.

"I think he's handling it well; obviously he wants to play — he's a competitor," Barner said. "His time will come. He just has to be patient — I tell him, 'I sat behind you for three years. Three years! Just be patient, your time will come.'"



It did for Barner after James left Oregon, just as it did for James after his redshirt season in 2008. Little did he know he'd have to endure another after being drafted into the NFL, but that's the path he navigates this fall with the 49ers, contributing to a successful pro franchise, though not nearly to the extent he'd like.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Jean Francois Continues Development***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

In January of 2011, Ricky Jean Francois said he wanted to “become the Bruce Lee of what I do.”

In June of 2012, the fourth-year lineman said he’s making good on his ultimate goal.

“It’s getting better,” the 6-foot-3, 295-pound lineman said on Thursday, following the final Organized Team Activity of the offseason.

“I’m getting better at my reactions, using my hands, moving my hips, everything,” Jean Francois added. “That’s coming along, but now I just want to be able to do it in my pads.”

The young defensive lineman who has the ability to play both inside at nose tackle and as a defensive tackle in Vic Fangio’s 3-4 defensive scheme, said he’s in the best shape of his football career, too.

Following the 49ers defeat in last year’s NFC title game and a season in which Jean Francois contributed a career-high 32 tackles and two pass breakups, the Miami native went immediately back to work with fellow teammates at his hometown training center, Legacy Fitness. Other 49ers to take part in the workouts included Frank Gore, Vernon Davis, NaVorro Bowman, Donte Whitner and Tavares Gooden.

Jean Francois, however, made a slight adjustment to his offseason routine. This time around, the d-lineman decided to take on a regimen similar to mixed martial arts training.

“I wanted to change it up,” Jean Francois said. “I wanted to see how it would feel. It was basically like MMA training.”

Part of the workouts included boxing sessions that greatly benefitted Jean Francois’ hand strength, hand speed and overall stamina.

“When I saw the intensity, and how they were trying to prove a point to football players,” Jean Francois said, “it showed me I can get in shape by doing it.”

Soon after, Jean Francois sees his dedication paying off.

In joining defensive linemen who’d been working out at team headquarters on their own, Jean Francois’ was pleased to see his strength comparable to starting defensive ends Justin Smith and Ray McDonald.

“When I test my strength next to Justin and Ray,” Jean Francois said, “that’s when you know (it worked).”

Jean Francois continues to seek advice from his veteran teammates.

Smith, a first-team All-Pro at defensive tackle and second-team All-Pro at defensive end, is the first veteran Jean Francois approaches for pointers. It’s been that way for the past three years.

“He’ll help me from the film room to the field and make sure everything is clear,” Jean Francois detailed. “In the years that I’ve been here with Justin, Isaac (Sopoaga) and Ray, at first things were cloudy, but I think it’s clearing up now.”

Mastering his craft, and Fangio’s playbook, seems to be going well for the young defensive lineman.

However, Jean Francois won’t fully know how far he’s progressed until training camp begins. For now, the biggest emphasis for defensive linemen in contact-free OTAs has been understanding assignments.

But soon, the contact will be an enormous part of the process.

"It feels like you have an itch," admitted Jean Francois. "You want to go full-speed, you want to hit somebody, but you know you can't because we have certain rules and nobody has pads on and we're not trying to hurt anybody."

"OTAs are getting us closer and closer to getting on the field, strapping it up, putting the pads on and competing. We're competing now, but when you finally get the pads on, that's when it'll be top-notch."

In the mean time, Jean Francois will continue to get his competitive juices flowing by watching his beloved Miami Heat try to extend the Eastern Conference Finals to a seventh game Thursday night.

Jean Francois said he will intently be watching game 6.

"I guarantee a game 7 for the Heat," Jean Francois said with a blank stare. "I am not playing... The lights are on now, now you gotta' play. It's us versus the Celtics, versus the world."

In his own situation with the 49ers, Jean Francois is looking to get his hands on his own championship ring. And in order to do it, he'll do whatever the team needs.

"This season," Jean Francois began, "it's about helping the team out and trying to get closer and closer to the ultimate goal. Right now, the priority is to help my teammates and win a Super Bowl."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Ricky Jean Francois builds strength***

By Jacob Most, 49ers.com

Ricky Jean Francois made a bold claim on Monday when he said he was the strongest man on the 49ers defense. When looking at his 6-foot-3, 295-pound frame the argument is enough to make you stop and think, but ultimately, Jean Francois' versatility is what makes him so valuable to his team.

Coaches often call Jean Francois the fourth starter on the defensive front, despite the fact that the team utilizes a 3-4 system.

Listed as a defensive tackle, Jean Francois knows all three spots on defensive line and he plays each with impressive effectiveness. That fact allows Jean Francois to push his teammates to improve all the time.

The battle among the 49ers defensive linemen often carries over into the weight room with arguably the strongest unit in the NFL competing with each other just like they're playing on the field.

Jean Francois' claims that he can move more weight than any other 49ers defender could raise some eyebrows when considering some of his teammate's abilities.

After all, he plays on the same line as fellow behemoths like All-Pro Justin Smith, Ray McDonald and Isaac Sopoaga, not to mention Patrick Willis and Navarro Bowman, the team's pair of first-team All-Pro linebackers.

The friendly competition to establish supremacy in strength within the 49ers defense transcends the boundaries of the field or even the weight room.

"When you go inside the weight room the same competition you have on the field is going," Jean Francois said. "If somebody squats five plates and they walk away, but they heard somebody squatted another six, they will leave wherever they are sitting and come back to put the belt back on to do more than you.

"That's good to have guys be competitive on the field and off the field."

Jean Francois said the defense is like a family despite the rivalry over who is strongest. Players mess around with one another, but at the end of the day, everyone has each others' backs to reach one common goal.

Jean Francois attributes defensive linemen pushing each other to improve in every aspect as a major reason the defense did not allow a rushing touchdown through the first 15 weeks of last season, an NFL record.

"You have days where you come after practice where Justin will lift the whole weight room, you've got Ice (Sopoaga) who will move the whole building and you've got Ray who will probably pick up the same things that are out there being used to build the new stadium."

For many of the 49ers, including Jean Francois, the conditioning program extends beyond the weight room. The fourth-year defensive tackle is more than willing to try new techniques, which would help him get through the grind of being a NFL player.

Jean Francois has observed many veteran teammates' training methods and Randy Moss has apparently caught the big man's eye.

"One thing Randy Moss always does is swim," Jean Francois said. "I always mess with him about that, but once he started I have seen a lot of guys start swimming . . . I want to start trying to swim back and forth. I call him Michael Phelps because every morning you walk in and you see him swimming."

While being in peak condition is vitally important, Jean Francois' versatility is what most endeared him to the 49ers staff. Coaches gave Jean Francois the ability to play multiple positions on the defensive line from the start and he took advantage of it.

After seeing limited action in his rookie campaign in 2009, Jean Francois' production has increased each of the past two seasons with 23 tackles in 2010 followed up by 32 in 2011.

In 2012, Jean Francois is seeking to continue improving even coming of a career-year. In many ways that attitude characterizes the 49ers as a whole heading into the regular season.

"We don't pay attention to last year," Jean Francois said. "All we can worry about is what we can control right now. That's being in camp, trying to execute all our assignments and trying to be the best we are."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **Newest San Francisco 49er A.J. Jenkins not lacking for hands**

By Cam Inman, San Jose Mercury News

A.J. Jenkins stood on the 49ers practice field Friday and gave a special thanks to one man for helping him get there: Paul Petrino.

Yes, Petrino, a name that has been a hot topic since the April 10 ouster of Arkansas coach Bobby Petrino, Paul's brother.

"Paul Petrino was like my father figure," Jenkins said. "He pushed me. ... He told me to stay hungry."

Reached by phone Friday morning, Paul Petrino reminisced about his past two seasons as the University of Illinois offensive coordinator, a role he assumed at Arkansas in December.

"When I first got there, he talked about leaving," Petrino said of Jenkins' frustration over a lack of playing time. "I built a good relationship with him. I coached him hard, and he bought into it."

Petrino raved about Jenkins' "special traits" such as his speed, hands, learning ability and work ethic. Those compliments were echoed by Illinois quarterback Nathan Scheelhaase in a separate phone interview Friday morning.

"His speed, a lot of people underestimate it," Scheelhaase said. "When he ran a 4.3, I was not surprised. He has a burst like I've never seen from a receiver off the ball."

As for Jenkins' 9 1/2-inch hand span, while they drew admiration from 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh and general manager Trent Baalke, they earned Jenkins a nickname as he grew up in Jacksonville, Fla.

"They called me E.T. back in high school," Jenkins said. "I got picked on a lot because of my hands. But they came in good use."

Said Petrino about Jenkins' hands: "He doesn't have to catch with his body. He can reach out away, and that helps when you're covered. He can make all the catches. He's just big and strong, with great hands."

Leading up to the draft, Petrino called Jenkins not only to wish him luck but also to remind him to run and stay in shape for minicamps. Jenkins probably will miss the 49ers' rookie camp May 11-13, as he will be graduating from Illinois with a degree in sports management.

Jenkins said it's "very important" for him to attend graduation ceremonies, because he doesn't want to take for granted his free education from a "great university."

Jenkins said one of the first things he is going to do with his newfound wealth is buy a new bathroom door for his mother Sandra's house. His cousin, George Solomon, knocked down the door to give Jenkins the phone when the 49ers called Thursday night to inform him he was the 30th overall draft pick.

Sports Illustrated's Peter King had this interesting tidbit about Jenkins: "After a conversation with one club official on a team that scouted receivers extensively this draft season, I felt better about the 49er pick of virtually unknown A.J. Jenkins from Illinois at No. 30."

—% 'We had him rated ahead of Michael Floyd,' " this club official said. —% 'He didn't have a good quarterback to get him the ball, and he's raw. But he's fast. We liked him a lot.' "

Jenkins will wear No. 17 for the 49ers. He donned No. 8 for Illinois, but the 49ers retired that number in honor of Steve Young. So why 17?

"Because one plus seven is eight," Jenkins replied.

Michael Davis, a younger brother of 49ers tight end Vernon Davis, was arrested Thursday night and charged with aggravated assault for allegedly striking a 19-year-old woman in the head with a hammer, according to the Associated Press.

Police are investigating if Michael Davis, 19, is responsible for three similar attacks around Washington D.C., including the Tuesday night killing of a 66-year-old man.



### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***A.J. Jenkins thrilled with the chance to learn from Jerry Rice***

By Tania Ganguli, The Florida Times-Union

The sound of his voice made it clear, A.J. Jenkins couldn't believe how lucky he was.

Not that he got drafted in the first round of the 2012 NFL Draft. For that, Jenkins had prepared and hoped. Although he didn't expect it, he thought it was possible.

No, the stroke of luck Jenkins couldn't believe was that which landed him in San Francisco and in the purview of the greatest NFL receiver of all time.

The day after the 49ers drafted Jenkins with the 30th pick, Jerry Rice followed him on Twitter and Jenkins wondered if he was dreaming. Within a week Rice began talking of taking Jenkins to the famous 2 1/2-mile hill to which 49ers veterans introduced him way back when he was a rookie.

"For him to even have the thought process to even have me around him and running hills with him, it's an honor," Jenkins said. "I'm going to soak up everything that he's going to tell me to do, any wisdom that he gives me. And also Randy Moss. Two of the best receivers arguably that played the game are on my side."

Gifted with the best tutor a rookie receiver could want, the Jacksonville native, a graduate of Terry Parker High School, began his NFL career last week when he flew to San Francisco for the team's rookie minicamp. Drafted higher than pundits and even Jenkins himself thought he would go, Jenkins set out hoping to prove to the 49ers that they made the right move.

"I'm ready to work," Jenkins said. "I'm not satisfied with being the first-round draft pick. I want them to know I'm a person that's ready to learn, ready to compete, I'm sure they'll get that from me because that's stuff that I can control."

On Thursday, Jenkins flew to San Francisco for his first minicamp. It was a harsh introduction to the NFL. After the practice, 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh reportedly told reporters in San Francisco the rookie receivers were out of shape.

"Out of shape, that's the bad news," Harbaugh reportedly said. "Good news is that it's a very talented group of those young receivers, could tell that right away."

Jenkins' talent was evident in his final season at Illinois – a breakout year. He posted some of the best numbers of any receiver in the country in the first half of the season, using his speed, athleticism and freakishly large hands to help Illinois to a 6-0 start.

When the team fell apart and finished the season 0-6, Jenkins' production suffered, but that didn't stop NFL teams from spotting his ability. He visited with several teams, including the 49ers before being drafted.

"Me and coach Harbaugh, we had a great time," Jenkins said. "I met with him at the combine, too. We talked about football and we just had a great bond, great vibe and everything."

Jenkins didn't have a draft party for the first round on April 26. He figured there was no use in having a party and then sitting around all night not hearing his name called. In fact, when the 49ers called his cell phone, Jenkins was in the bathroom. A cousin, who had prank-called him earlier pretending to be a team wanting to draft Jenkins, literally knocked down the door so he could throw Jenkins' phone to him.

Then Jenkins' life changed.

"I couldn't even pay for that moment to come back," Jenkins said. "I don't even know what I was thinking. It was excitement, and then that team was calling me, that was a great feeling. San Francisco is a great team."

It's a team with an opportunity for the receiver to fill a need. The 49ers signed Randy Moss in free agency, but Moss, 35, isn't a long-term solution. Michael Crabtree, the 49ers' first-round pick in 2009, hasn't been the dynamic force he was in college.

But it won't come easily, and Jenkins knows that. That's why he skipped his graduation ceremony from Illinois this weekend so he could attend the 49ers rookie minicamp. Jenkins told Harbaugh he would miss the camp to walk in Champaign, Ill., but later changed his mind.

"I want to graduate up on stage and everything, but I have to sacrifice that to show the coaches that I'm focused on football," he said.

Having accomplished one goal, it's time for the next. Along the way Jenkins will have some Hall of Fame help, the kind of help that will work better the more he wants it.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Brian Jennings celebrates twice***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Brian Jennings was thrilled to beat the Detroit Lions this past Sunday night, but it wasn't his best news of the day.

Hours after the 49ers improved to 2-0 on the season, the 49ers long snapper's wife Nicole went into labor and gave birth to couple's second son, Max, at 2:11 Monday morning.

Like a good husband and father, Jennings raced over to the hospital like he was covering an Andy Lee punt.

"The dude wanted to come out for the victory party," offered Jennings, the longest-tenured 49ers player, now in his 13th season with the team that picked him in the seventh round of the 2000 NFL Draft.

Jennings joked that because of the well-known short window to celebrate NFL victories, Max Joseph Jennings made his way into the world at the perfect time.

"We got six hours to celebrate each win," Jennings said, "so we had to get it into that window."

Jennings said Nicole and Max are doing well ever since the birth. The 49ers long snapper will be picking them up from the hospital following his Tuesday responsibilities at team headquarters.

"It's awesome," Jennings said of having a second son to join his other boy, Jackson. "We're fired up."

With the boys being two years apart, Jennings said he already has 49ers baby gear for Max to wear this week. Jennings and members of the team's equipment staff put together a miniature car for the Jennings boys to enjoy. The goal, according to the long snapper, was to give Jackson a car to push Max around the house.

The 49ers are all excited about a 2-0 start with wins over the 2011 playoff teams, but the team's long snapper might just have it better than anyone else.

Who's got it better than Jennings?

"NOBODY!" he said emphatically.

## **Player Feature Story**

### **49ers' Brian Jennings stays balanced**

By Michelle Smith, espnW

From the vantage point of San Francisco 49ers specialist Brian Jennings, every NFL player will eventually leave the game behind.

"Some people do it with their health and some people don't," Jennings said. "My goal is to play as long as I can and finish the game as healthy as I can be."

Jennings, a 12-year NFL veteran, has already carved his path to a long, healthy career. It helps that he is a long-snapper, on the field maybe a dozen times a game, the position minimizing the number of punishing hits he has taken.

But he also owes his health and career longevity to what he calls a "wellness lifestyle" that includes the practice of yoga as a major component.

"The first time I did yoga, it just felt right to me," Jennings said.

Jennings' wellness lifestyle also include massages, chiropractic care, acupuncture, Chinese herbs, nutrition and supplements.

"I do a lot of things that are considered alternative," Jennings said. "It's probably unusual being in a self-destructive business."

Jennings is 36, with a durable NFL career that goes beyond the physical. Drafted by the 49ers back in 2000, he has survived four coaching changes, hundreds of new teammates and thousands of pages of new schemes and plays. His name is on the team's 10-year wall, next to legends such as Jerry Rice and Bryant Young.

"He's seen a lot here," kicker David Akers told the San Francisco Chronicle of Jennings last year. "He's been able to experience good times and not-so-good times."

At the moment, things are very good. The 49ers are 8-3-1 in the NFC West and viewed as Super Bowl contenders after reaching the NFC Championship Game last season. Jennings was the only player left from the last 49ers team to reach the postseason, back in 2002.

Jennings is getting to the point in the long season where he is beginning to feel some yoga withdrawal. He does not practice during football.

"It feels good," Jennings said. "It clears the meridians [the paths through which the life energy known as "qi" flows, in traditional Chinese medicine] and energy systems. During the season, those get blocked and sometimes you aren't moving as fast. I need to get my body back in balance."

In the offseason, Jennings maintains his yoga fitness by attending three or four classes a month in his native Arizona. He said he will get some rest immediately and "recharge" after the season ends.

"Once I stop being tired and needing sleep, I will begin to train," Jennings said.

In 2008, he became a certified yoga instructor, substituting in classes for instructors he liked in Arizona, and once or twice in the Bay Area.

"But I lost a ton of weight doing it," Jennings said. "I didn't practice as much the next couple of years because I didn't want to lose the weight."

Jennings is a huge advocate of the benefits of yoga, including improved posture, range of motion and balance.

"I believe that if your body is working right, your mind is working right," he said.

Jennings said he practices power yoga, a fast-moving sequence of poses set to music of the instructor's choice in a room set at between 90 and 95 degrees.

"It's a traditional Ashtanga framework, but in a more fun environment," Jennings said. "Some people think it's a nontraditional approach, but I believe yoga works whether there's music or not.

"The trick is to get people to attend and do yoga poses. If music helps, play music. If people need the room to be comfortable, make it comfortable. Whatever it takes to get people on the mat. How do we capture people off treadmills and long-distance runners? How do we capture people who don't get any exercise, get them off their couches and out of their offices? To me, the most important thing is getting people to do yoga poses."

Jennings said yoga brings balance to his life, both physiologically and mentally. It has prolonged his career, improved sore shoulders, opened up his hips.

"It helps me playing football and it helps me handle situations with my wife and kids," Jennings said. "Once your body starts to release, you notice profound changes."

Jennings said he hasn't talked much about his yoga practice with teammates over the past couple of years. But yoga is part of his "long-term wellness plans." He would consider teaching again on a substitute basis.

"Yoga," Jennings said, "is definitely part of my future."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **Colin Kaepernick Shines in The Big Apple**

By Alex Espinoza, 49ers.com

If Colin Kaepernick really wanted to, he could have scored a second touchdown in the closing moments of Sunday's contest at the Meadowlands. But in a show of maturity and class, Kaepernick slid to the turf at the 2-yard line of the New York Jets, instead of waltzing in the end zone for a 33-yard score.

Looking at the scoreboard, you can understand Kaepernick's decision. The 49ers led 34-0 and the clock was winding down to zeroes.

Two victory formation kneel downs later and the 49ers were 3-1.

Many were quick to make comparisons of Kaepernick to Tim Tebow, the other fleet-footed, second-string signal-caller in the stadium, but the 49ers quarterback made one thing clear.

"I want to be me," Kaepernick said.

Sunday marked Kaepernick's NFL coming out party on the regular season stage.

He made his presence known early in the contest, as he entered during the second 49ers drive of the game and promptly ran a triple option down the left side of the field for 17 yards. Kaepernick faked a handoff to Kendall Hunter and ran in tandem with a trailing Delanie Walker, but kept the ball himself and romped down the field for a big gain.

But his highlight moment came later in the first half, when he took a third-down snap around the left end for a 7-yard touchdown to break a scoreless tie. Kaepernick was shielded by a bevy of 49ers blockers, starting with Bruce Miller sealing off the edge before Frank Gore, Joe Staley, Vernon Davis and Alex Boone led the Kaepernick convoy into the end zone.

"He's doing a great job in the understudy role," 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh said, "but we felt like it was an opportunity for him to also be a main contributor and he handled it very well."

It marked the first NFL touchdown for Kaepernick, who received a hearty hug from Harbaugh on the sidelines. He was also helped out by veteran Randy Moss, who scooped up the ball and gave the memento to Kaepernick after the play.

Kaepernick was used in a handful of plays throughout the afternoon, but it was Alex Smith who led the 49ers for the majority of their three touchdown drives. While Kaepernick finished with five carries (two of which were kneel downs for minus-4 yards) and totaled a career-high 50 yards and a score, Smith went 12-of-21 for 143 yards.

Like a true team player, Smith was happy to see his fellow quarterback play an integral role in the impressive victory to wrap up the 10-day road trip.

"It was fun, it was great," Smith said of watching Kaepernick lead the offense. "It was effective, for sure. That would be an understatement, I mean, three rushes for 50 yards. He's a good player, I'm happy for him. He works extremely hard, he can help this team so it's fun to see him go out there and have success."

Kaepernick was one of three rushers to gain at least 50 yards on the ground, joining Gore (62) and Kendall Hunter (56). In all, the San Francisco racked up 245 yards on 44 carries, the team's highest total in the Jim Harbaugh era and the most ever recorded on a Rex Ryan-coached Jets team.

Listening to veteran safety Donte Whitner, the 49ers feel lucky to have two quality signal-callers that can control the huddle.

"I think coach wanted to show them that we also have a Wildcat package and our guy's pretty fast," Whitner said. "If you know anything about Kaepernick's history, you know that he's a 4.4 (second 40-yard dash time) guy and he can roll. ... We look forward to that package throughout the season."

Kaepernick's big day could have been even bigger.

In the first half he took a shot downfield to a well-covered Moss in the end zone but it went incomplete. Kaepernick also split out wide to the left on one play in the second quarter and was completely uncovered by the Jets, who were forced called a timeout.

"I'm hoping that they'll use me more and more as the season goes on," Kaepernick said. "They haven't told me, we'll wait and go week-to-week."

Kaepernick's physical skills were on full display all afternoon, but his smarts shined bright in the game's waning moments.

After taking over at the New York 49-yard line with 4:28 left on the final drive, Kaepernick faced a 3rd and 4 from the Jets 33. He took the snap around the right end and galloped down to the goal line untouched before sliding down at the 2-yard line, sacrificing individual glory to make the smart play and secure his team's win.

"That's one less kickoff we have to cover, that's one less time we have to go out on defense," Kaepernick said. "We can end the game with no more collisions and no more chances of injury."

So while the 49ers easily could have claimed a 41-0 victory on Sunday in the Big Apple, they were happy with the final result.

"Feels real good," Kaepernick said.



### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Colin Kaepernick: The legend of 49ers quarterback grows***

By Daniel Brown, San Jose Mercury News

Colin Kaepernick was in fourth grade at Dutcher Elementary School when a teacher assigned him to write a letter to his future self.

Though just 5-foot-2 and 91 pounds at the time, the kid saw big things ahead. Little Colin wrote: "I hope I go to a good college in football, then go to the pros and play on the Niners or the Packers, even if they aren't good in seven years."

This week, the adult Colin Kaepernick sent his reply: He filled in as the 49ers quarterback on "Monday Night Football" and put on such a dazzling display that the job might be his for keeps.

Coach Jim Harbaugh has yet to make it official, but Sports Illustrated reported this week that Kaepernick would start this Sunday against the New Orleans Saints, even if Alex Smith is fully recovered from a concussion.

Here in Turlock, the Central Valley city of 69,089, no one is shocked that Kaepernick is following his life plan almost to the letter.

"What he did (Monday) didn't surprise me one bit," said longtime friend Phil Sanchez, a counselor at John H. Pitman High School, where Kaepernick secured his legend. "Those throws? I've seen him make them all before. Scanning the field? Making the best reads? Being a leader? I've seen it a million times."

Kaepernick breezed through his first NFL start Monday night carving up the league's second-ranked scoring defense for 243 yards, two touchdowns and no interceptions. He attacked without hesitation, making quick decisions and improbable throws.

In short, he looked a lot like he did when he was here. The adopted son of Rick and Teresa Kaepernick, Colin was 4 when his family moved from Wisconsin to Turlock. Dad is the vice president of operations for the Hilmar Cheese Co., mom is a retired nurse. (Both had been Green Bay Packers fans.)

Promptly upon his arrival, Colin began creating his legend on every athletic field in town. His friends here still call him "Bo" -- as in Bo Jackson, the multi-sport sensation of the 1990s.

Baseball? Kaepernick was drafted by the Chicago Cubs. Basketball? He secured his football scholarship to Nevada when the coach saw the way Kaepernick bounded around the basketball court (on a night he was playing with a 103-degree fever.) Football? He threw 25 touchdown passes as a senior.

Kaepernick was an all-state nominee in all those sports and had there been an all-state team for lunch-time games, he would have won honors there too. Recalling the crowds Kaepernick and running back Anthony Harding would draw in the quad at Pitman High, principal Rod Hollars said: "These guys are big sports studs, and they're out there playing four-square."

In the tales of Kaepernick's athletic youth, it seems the only things missing are the ax and Babe the Blue Ox. He once threw a no-hitter before heading to the hospital with pneumonia. A former teammate swears no exaggeration when he says Kaepernick once eluded would-be tacklers for 30 seconds before firing a touchdown pass over an exhausted defense.

Hollars, the principal, understanding that an out-of-towner might find these tales too tall to believe, kept summoning witnesses to his office Tuesday. Every passer-by was beckoned to step in and commanded to take a seat.

Kaepernick's math teacher, Amy Curd, told of the kid who graduated with a 4.1 grade-point average and always insisted on sitting in the front row. "He was a great, great student -- a top student," Curd said. "He exhibited a lot of the same characteristics you see on the field. He was very competitive."

Harding, the running back who went on to play at Fresno State, recalled how Kaepernick would go sprinting toward teammates to thank them for making a big play. Harding saw the same thing Monday night.

"The biggest thing I saw was that he was having fun," said Harding, who now works with special education students at Pitman High. "He was high-fiving everybody. When he threw that touchdown pass (to Michael Crabtree), he was the first one to congratulate him."

Brandon Harris, the football coach, was out sick Tuesday, so Hollars roused him from bed and put him on the speaker phone. Harris was the offensive coordinator when Kaepernick and Harding helped put the school on the map in 2004.

Pitman High had been open for two years, but nobody wanted to go there. Many local families go back several generations at Turlock High and the kids preferred to be part of the Bulldog tradition.

But in the first-ever meeting between schools, Kaepernick delivered some credibility for fledgling Pitman High. He and Harding led a 19-16 upset, delivering a long touchdown drive in the final minute.

The quarterback would have more prolific games, but the play Harris will never forget was the way Kaepernick recovered from a fumbled snap on a fourth-and-1 and somehow willed his way to a first down to keep the winning drive alive.

"He wasn't the big guy you see now," Harris said. "He just made it happen."

Believe it or not, there was still at least one skeptic in Turlock earlier this week. Chris Seachrist, a bartender at the Dust Bowl Brewery, spent the days leading up to the Monday night game telling people that Smith should start because Kaepernick, just 25, would be unprepared for the ferocious Bears defense.

The Dust Bowl was closed Monday night, so Seachrist ate his crow via cellphone.

"I was getting text messages from my regular customers saying, 'Are you ready to take back that statement yet?'" Seachrist said Tuesday.

He smiled wide.

Yes, he said. Yes, he is.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***49ers' Kaepernick had 'it' in his first college start***

By Matt Barrows, Sacramento Bee

Colin Kaepernick would have been forgiven if the combination of adrenaline, nerves and sheer arm strength caused a few misfires early in last week's game.

After all, the second-year quarterback was making his first NFL start and was doing so on national television against one of the league's top defenses. If his first few passes flew high and wide, it would have been perfectly understandable.

They didn't.

Kaepernick, who figures to make his second start today against the New Orleans Saints, calmly completed an eight-yard pass to Mario Manningham on the game's first play. His next attempt was one of the prettiest of the evening – a 22-yarder to Vernon Davis over the tight end's outside shoulder.

In Reno, the coaches at Nevada were excited but hardly surprised.

They had watched a similar scenario unfold five years earlier when Kaepernick, a little-known redshirt freshman at the time, made his first start for the Wolf Pack against an imposing Boise State squad.

Starting in place of injured sophomore Nick Graziano, Kaepernick flashed the same steel he showed against the Chicago Bears on Monday.

In a back-and-forth game that stretched into the fourth overtime, Kaepernick threw for 243 yards and three touchdowns and ran for 177 yards and two scores.

Kaepernick didn't win that one, though. Nevada fell 69-67 when he was tripped while rolling out on a two-point conversion attempt after the final touchdown.

But Graziano never got his job back.

"He just took it right to the brink," Barry Sacks, the school's defensive-line coach, recalled. "They happened to clip him at the end or we'd still be playing right now. That game was the launching of a star."

Sacks recruited Kaepernick out of Pitman High School in Turlock, becoming enamored with the intensity Kaepernick showed on the basketball court.

Sacks suspected Kaepernick had the indefinable "it" all programs seek in a leader. The Boise State game confirmed it.

"After that, I knew – had supreme confidence – that we were going to win," Sacks said.

Kaepernick's greatest gift, say those who know him, is a focus so powerful he doesn't get rattled, no matter how daunting the situation or glaring the spotlight.

"He's a little different that way," said his father, Rick Kaepernick. "A lot of people will ask me, 'Doesn't he get nervous?' No, he doesn't."

Rick said he remembered dropping Colin off at the Manning Passing Academy in 2009. The camp is run by NFL quarterback royalty Peyton and Eli Manning and attended by national media.

Kaepernick was the most anonymous face in a group of young passers that included Andrew Luck, Christian Ponder and Kellen Moore.

"Colin and I walked in there, and they didn't pay any attention to us," Rick said. "Then he started throwing the ball."

At one point, Eli Manning was watching another quarterback when one of Kaepernick's fastballs whistled past his head, causing him to spin around.

"Who threw that ball?" Rick reported Manning saying. "I heard it!"

From that point, all eyes were on the skinny flame-thrower from Nevada.

Back in Reno, Sacks said he and the other Wolf Pack coaches never get to watch "Monday Night Football" because they usually are working on that week's game plan. Nevada was on its bye last week, however, and all eyes were on their former pupil.

"There's still a buzz going on here," Sacks said.

They watched Kaepernick get off to a fast start and never slow down. He completed 16 of 23 passes for 243 yards – the same total he had five years ago – and two touchdowns.

He also helped tight end Vernon Davis break out of a four-game funk. Davis caught one touchdown pass and finished with six catches for 83 yards.

"He's very confident about his ability and his knowledge of the game," Davis said of Kaepernick. "And he wants to succeed, just like Alex (Smith). They both want to succeed, and they'll do anything to get there.

"That's what I admire about him. He's got that eye, the eye of the tiger."

It's the same unflappable focus Sacks saw for four years at Nevada.

"He probably came out of the womb acting like that," Sacks said.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Tattoos but a fraction of Colin Kaepernick's story***

By Robert Klemko, USA Today

Colin Kaepernick's 100-pound pet tortoise is in the news. So is the tattoo ink covering his back and arms. His birth mother wants to meet him for the first time.

But all the San Francisco 49ers quarterback wants to do is keep his starting job.

"I'm here to play football," says the 25-year-old, bothered by his newfound celebrity. "I don't pay attention to what the media's writing or what people are saying. I'm here to play and go out and perform."

Last week was a rough one for Kaepernick: A columnist ranted about his tattoos and compared him to an inmate, igniting a social media firestorm. His insulted parents defended him in USA TODAY Sports, sparking more passionate reaction. The guy Kaepernick replaced as San Francisco's No. 1 signal caller, veteran Alex Smith, complained about losing his job because of a concussion and stirred up coast-to-coast sympathy.

And then came Sunday: Kaepernick committed crucial gaffes in a 16-13 in overtime loss to the St. Louis Rams, sparking calls for Smith's return to the starting lineup.

### **ROUGH START**

The first time Kaepernick put on a 49ers uniform was a disaster.

Chosen 36th in the 2011 draft, he was the sixth QB off the board. Despite being the only Football Bowl Subdivision quarterback to pass for more than 10,000 yards and rush for more than 4,000 in a career, a steep learning curve awaited. The 2011 lockout cut short the offseason activities crucial to rookie development.

So Kaepernick took the Superdome floor vs. the New Orleans Saints with 14 minutes left in the second quarter of the 49ers 2011 preseason opener. During his first drive, he was sacked on three consecutive plays. More than a year later on Nov. 25, Kaepernick returned to the Superdome, this time as a starter after a scintillating performance on Monday Night Football in a 32-7 blowout of the Chicago Bears.

He rushed for a score and passed for one in a 31-21 win vs. the Saints. Afterward, he gave short and courteous answers to the news media.

But those who know Kaepernick best, who called him "Bo" when he was a three-sport high school athlete in Northern California, knew he was pleased with his performance.

"There was a part of him that went into the Saints game thinking, 'My first ever action ever was against you guys in that preseason game, with no (organized team activities), and you blitzed the hell out of me,'" says his older brother, Kyle Kaepernick, "and I'm going to freaking pay you back, right now."

Kyle, 10 years Colin's senior, works along with their father at Hilmar Cheese Company, the dairy plant based a few minutes from where Colin grew up in Turlock, Calif., a two-hour drive east of San Francisco.

Kyle can remember when Colin struggled to find his place on the football field. He remembers when Colin wasn't so cool.

"His high school team didn't lose much, but when they lost, I'd barely see him the whole weekend," Kyle says. "It was straight home, up in the room, door closed. I don't want to say it was pouting, but it was pouting. He's always taken losses really hard."

## THE PERFECT CHILD

Teresa and Rick Kaepernick had been sweethearts since they were 14-year-olds growing up in New London, Wis. They had Kyle in 1977, then his sister, Devon, four years later. The couple always imagined having three or four children, so they tried again, but tragedy struck.

A son, Lance, died of congenital heart failure 23 days after Teresa gave birth. Multiple surgeries couldn't save his life. Devastated, but resilient, they tried again. Another son, Kent, lived four days before dying of the same affliction.

Rick and Teresa had genetic counseling, and found out they had a 50% chance of having sons born without heart defects. Kyle's life had been a 50-50 proposition.

Teresa's voice is strong and matter-of-fact as she tells the stories of Lance and Kent. She speaks in an enduring Wisconsin accent and wears a small gold cross around her neck, pinching it occasionally between her fingernails.

"We stopped," she says. "But after about five years, I had a very strong desire to have another child. God works in mysterious ways, because I just had such an overwhelming urge at that time."

As a nurse who had worked in obstetrics, Teresa understood the pitfalls of private adoption. So she went to an agency, with the understanding that she was ineligible for a healthy, white baby because she had two of them.

She told them she didn't care about race or health.

The agency called back and alerted the Kaepernicks about a boy, half-black, half-white, born Nov. 3, 1987 to a 19-year-old from Milwaukee. He came to the Kaepernicks at 5 weeks old.

"We were so lucky to get Colin," Teresa says. "It's the smartest thing we ever did. We get this really perfect child. It blows me away to think that we're so fortunate."

## PARENTS HAVE HIS BACK

In 1991, when Colin was 4, the Kaepernicks moved from Fond du Lac, Wis., to Turlock. They traded harsh winters for hot, dry summers, and Kyle gave up his childhood love of playing hockey. The only thing Fond du Lac had in common with Turlock was the absence of people who looked anything like Colin.

"I bought some books from the library on raising children from another race, but what it all came down to was common sense more than anything," she says. "You want him to feel really good about the race he is. You're not trying to make him white."

"I remember very well, he was just a couple years old, him putting his arm next to mine and saying, 'Look, I'm brown! How come I'm brown?' And I said, 'Yeah, that's not fair, you've got that pretty brown color, and look at me, Mom looks like paste! You look great.'"

"And he would just beam."

With few examples, Colin found support from Teresa in his later forays into African-American culture.

"In junior high school he was an Allen Iverson fan, and he wanted his hair braided like Allen Iverson," she says. "So I was making phone calls all over the area, trying to find somebody who could braid it."

She found a shop in Modesto, where she and Rick live today, a half-hour away from Turlock.

While at the University of Nevada, Colin covered his upper body in tattoos, sitting for hours-long sessions, along with Kyle and his wife, in tattoo shops. "I get tattoos because I like them, not for anybody else," Kaepernick says.

Kaepernick was willing to branch out into African-American styles as a kid, but he didn't care to know much about his own mixed background. He didn't ask about his biological father, but Teresa sat him down as a teenager without prompt and explained everything she knew. She doesn't divulge details to non-family members. Colin's biological mother, Heidi Russo, 44, lives in Denver. She has e-mailed Colin but has never met him. This week, she told Yahoo Sports she'd like to meet him someday.

Colin had the opportunity when she attended a preseason game and met Rick and Teresa, but he declined.

Instead of digging into his past, Colin has embraced the only family he knows. His parents brought the idea of choosing a charity to him when he signed a four-year, \$5.2 million contract last year. He asked his mother to find one for children with heart disease. She had heard of Camp Taylor, a camp for children with congenital heart defects. Colin's interest surprised Rick and Teresa.

"What happened to the boys, it's not something that we talked a lot about. We didn't keep it from them, but we just never talked about it," Rick says. "So we were very, very pleased, pretty touched by him saying that. We knew at some point he must have thought about it.

"I think it's his way of hurting with us but also saying, 'Let's do something about this. Let's help.'"

#### BASEBALL WAS NO TEMPTATION

Kaepernick got a fast reputation for slinging heat in Turlock as a Little League baseball pitcher. By the time he was a senior at Pitman High School, his fastball exceeded 90 mph.

"He was overpowering in baseball," says Brandon Harris, the football team's offensive coordinator when Kaepernick played there.

Kaepernick's prowess on the mound had Major League Baseball knocking. An MLB scout told the Kaepernicks he could go in the first eight rounds of the 2006 draft if he'd commit to baseball. Three years later, even as he was Nevada's starting quarterback, the Chicago Cubs took a shot and selected him in the 43rd round. He wasn't interested.

When Kaepernick made it known he wanted to play football, there was one problem: Barely anybody wanted him as their quarterback.

Overshadowed in Pitman's run-heavy offense, Kaepernick had little to show coaches in terms of game tape. At 6-5, 170 pounds, he had a few things going for him: a 4.0 grade-point average and an arm that was among the strongest his tutor, ex-California football coach and NFL offensive coordinator Roger Theder, had seen.

"He was a young beanpole, and they didn't do much with him at the high school," Theder says, "but he had a great work ethic, and he wanted to be a good player."

#### BIG ASPIRATIONS

Nevada was the only school to offer Kaepernick a football scholarship.

And he got his first start - also because of injury to the man ahead of him - as a redshirt freshman vs. Boise State, a school that had passed him over. He had three touchdown passes in a 69-67 overtime loss. He lost to Boise State twice more, then in 2010, with the Broncos bringing a 24-game winning streak and Bowl Championship Series title hopes to Reno, Kaepernick led a 34-31 overtime upset.



A few months later, Kaepernick roomed with Cam Newton at the NFL combine in Indianapolis. Newton went No. 1 overall while Kaepernick waited until the draft's second day to hear his name called.

"I talked to him after that," Harris says. "His mentality was, 'You know what, I'm going to crush that guy.'"

First Kaepernick would have to best another No. 1 overall pick: Smith, who led the 49ers to the NFC Championship Game last season. A concussion gave Kaepernick his shot.

The Kaepernicks found out Colin was starting last week when they saw it announced on television. And he ignored his mom's text message a week earlier, when she asked him about the rumors of him starting.

Why?

Kaepernick won't lie, Rick says.

"Colin is a rule follower," he says. "If Coach (Jim) Harbaugh told him not to tell anybody, he wouldn't tell anybody, and that might include me."

They don't ask anymore if he's starting. He's too deep in his routine, too focused. Kaepernick has taken starting jobs before but has never given one up.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers: Manningham not forgetting hometown**

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

For many, this town of about 40,000 is just a relic along the Rust Belt, another city whose population and relevance dwindled when the steel mills shuttered decades ago.

For 49ers wide receiver Mario Manningham, though, this is both his home and sanctuary.

At the University of Michigan, Manningham returned to Warren so often that his late grandfather retired from his job at a phone company to make the frequent 400-mile round-trip trek. In his first four seasons with the Giants, Manningham kept returning in the offseason.

His addresses have changed – from the Big House to the Big Apple – but he's remained woven into the fabric of Warren. Routinely referred to as "Super Mario," the introverted Manningham relishes the chance to be just Mario here.

"This is his comfort zone, where he doesn't have to worry about anybody trying to get something from him," said Warren G. Harding High football coach Steve Arnold. "The most someone is going to ask of Mario is an autograph."

Manningham was back in Warren last week, thanks to the 49ers' five-day stay in nearby Youngstown in advance of Sunday's game against the Jets.

On Friday, the Harding football team attended the 49ers' final practice at Youngstown State, a visit Manningham helped arrange. Afterward, the Harding players readied for a home game against Shaw, where every one of them wore cleats purchased by Manningham in August.

During a meeting with the media, Manningham flashed a wide smile when a Warren Tribune reporter, whom he later greeted with a hug, mentioned Harding's 4-1 start after a series of lean years. Manningham follows the Raiders' fortunes more closely than Michigan's, if his introduction in past "Monday Night Football" games is any indication: "Mario Manningham, wide receiver, Warren G. Harding."

"They've been supporting me since I first got on the field, court or whatever," Manningham said. "That's the type of city I come from. Everybody loves sports and loves to be there and support it."

A football-mad town that has produced at least 14 NFL players, Warren began its love affair with Manningham in 2002 when the 15-year-old sophomore had an epic performance in an epic game, a 31-27 win over mighty rival Massillon.

On Friday, Harding athletic director Paul Trina, standing next to a framed picture from that standing-room-only contest, was recounting Manningham's four-touchdown performance when Arnold entered the room.

"We were talking about the Massillon game," Trina said.

What year? Arnold knew: "Oh, Mario's coming-out party," he said.

The win over Massillon helped put Harding back on the map after it had endured 12 straight seasons without a state title. Warren, whose population peaked at 75,000 in the '70s, received an emotional lift when the Raiders went 32-7 and won two Associated Press state championships in Manningham's final three seasons.

"We were losing population and the city really needed a boost," Trina said. "And here came Mario Manningham and his teammates."

If not for Arnold, Manningham might have never been part of Warren's gridiron lore, which includes Pro Football Hall of Famer Paul Warfield and late Vikings offensive tackle Korey Stringer.

In the summer before his sophomore season, Manningham told Arnold, then Harding's basketball coach, he was quitting football to focus on basketball. The arrangement would have benefited Arnold (Manningham earned all-state honorable-mention honors in basketball), but he knew the sophomore's future was on the field.

Arnold said Manningham effortlessly scored 31 touchdowns on the freshman football team.

"I said, 'Listen, football is going to make you a lot of money one day: You're playing football,' " Arnold said. "He said 'Coach, I'm not playing football.' We're going back and forth – I'm going back and forth with a 15-year-old. Finally, I said, 'Listen, if you don't play football, I'm cutting you from the basketball team.' Now, I wasn't going to cut him, but I had to come up with something."

It wasn't the only time someone in Warren steered Manningham in the right direction. Trina's wife tutored Manningham during high school, and the family often hosted him for dinner. As Harding board member Bob Faulkner said: "We all helped raise Mario."

But no one was more influential than his grandfather, Gerald Wayne Simpson, his regular chauffeur in college and the strongest male influence in his life. Manningham lived in a house that included his grandparents and mother growing up.

On Aug. 24, Simpson, referred to as "Big Daddy" in the community, died of a heart attack at 60. The grief-stricken Manningham returned home for a funeral at jam-packed New Jerusalem Fellowship Church, where Simpson's laundry list of jobs included deacon, intercessory prayer leader and volunteer in the soup kitchen.

Manningham, who stayed in Warren for about a week, wrote an anguished message on Twitter the day of his grandfather's death: "Lost for words. I just lost a man that knows me better than anyone can imagine. have mercy on me!!! Rip Big Daddy."

Since his grandfather's death, Manningham and Arnold, already tight, have become even closer. On Friday morning, Arnold laughed as he shared a recent text message from Manningham. At 10:18 a.m., Manningham wrote: "What up?"

Arnold laughed. "Not much, Mario," he said, speaking to a few visitors. "We're just coming to see you in a couple hours."

Indeed, Harding's football team was close to leaving for Youngstown to watch the 49ers. The invitation to attend practice was another example of Manningham's desire to give back to Warren, an increasingly forgotten place from which he's escaped, but never for too long.

"Just being from this area and knowing how tough it is to get out of this area," Manningham said, "I'm happy to be back and say anything positive to any kid to help them. ... They need someone to tell them how it's done and anything is possible. Stick with your dreams."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Manningham Displays All-Around Skills***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

He hasn't been volunteering a ton of personal information since joining the San Francisco 49ers this offseason, but Mario Manningham was in a sharing mood during his Thursday press conference from 49ers headquarters.

In fact, the ex-New York Giants wide receiver who is set to face his former teammates this weekend saved his best material as he walked off the podium.

"My favorite color is red," Manningham said, "in case y'all wanted to know."

The free agent addition had plenty of quality sound bites when speaking to a mix of Bay Area and national reporters.

In addition to declaring his favorite color, the 6-foot, 185-pound wideout, explained his ability to catch deep sideline passes with excellent body control comes from Manningham's front-yard childhood football games in Warren, Ohio.

Manningham said the 6-on-6 games had strict rules, too. Each player had to catch the ball with two feet inbounds and not one foot like in most pickup games around the country.

The early emphasis on body control has carried over into the fifth-year wideout's promising NFL career. It clearly helped his 38-yard sideline catch in last season's Super Bowl victory for the Giants.

"You had to get two feet in – if you didn't have two feet in, you weren't getting in," Manningham explained. "That has a little to play with it."

When asked to guess his playing age during those cramped football contests, Manningham had the whole room chuckling after he explained, "I was knee-high to a duck."

Because of those early football games, Manningham has developed into one of the best route-runners in the business. In his first year with the 49ers, the former New York third-round pick has caught 19 passes for 186 yards. Last week, Manningham added his first touchdown catch of his 49ers career in a 45-3 win over the Buffalo Bills.

"Mario is a very talented receiver," offensive coordinator Greg Roman said. "He's got a great feel for the game. He understands leverage; he understands how to get open. He's got really, really, extremely good feet and he's done nothing but a great job with catching the ball for us."

But that was just the half of it.

"He's fast," Roman continued, "straight line speed. He can get in and out of cuts really quickly and he also knows how to set up routes. Mario is a guy with a great attitude, shows up to work every day and gets his job done. He's done a great job. I think Mario is a guy we can keep evolving with. I think he's a very talented football player. He's got a real tough mentality."

Manningham's first touchdown with the 49ers was all a result of out-thinking an unsuspecting Bills defensive back.

"I kind of set him up," Manningham said of his 10-yard touchdown catch. "I made him think I was going inside. He fell for it, so I made sure I came out my route flat and Alex (Smith) threw a good ball. I was pretty wide open on that."

Manningham's done a solid job in route-running, but he's also added a new dimension to his game with the 49ers – running the football on well-designed reverse runs.

"I like the reverses," said Manningham, who has picked up 57 yards on two carries so far this season. "In four years (with the Giants) I had two reverses. In four months I've had two reverses here."

Running the football is something the new 49ers wideout continues to master, but Manningham's ability to control his body down the boundary is constant. Sideline catches while tapping toes or dragging toes, all while maintaining balance was evident from Manningham's early practice sessions with his new club.

"We've seen him practice, just starting in our OTA's, make some really, really great catches on the boundary," Roman explained. "And then it's highlighted by one of the biggest plays ever in the Super Bowl, Super Bowl history was that catch he made. Which was pretty remarkable if you really go back and look at it. It was something. He knows where he is on the field and he's very talented."

Manningham also knows the personnel he'll face this week.

Besides trading texts with close friends Ahmad Bradshaw and Hakeem Nicks (who returned to practice on Thursday on a limited basis), Manningham know what he'll see in Giants cornerbacks Corey Webster and Prince Amukamara.

Manningham said the familiarity has made preparation easier this week.

"I know the DBs, how they play, how they press, how patient they are at the line," Manningham explained. "It makes it a little bit easier."

New York enters Sunday's matchup allowing an average of 261.4 (t-22nd in the NFL) and will face a 49ers team coming off its first 300-yard passing game of the season.

Manningham said he's spoken to his defensive teammates about the offense they'll face this Sunday. The former Giants wideout is more focused on out-performing his former defensive backs whichever way they choose to defend him and his new teammates.

"I don't know how they're going to play," said Manningham, who caught 160 passes for 2,315 yards and 18 touchdowns in four seasons with New York. "It doesn't matter, they can press, play off. I feel like we have a great offense no matter what they do."

The biggest takeaway Manningham shared with his new teammates about his former colleagues was the mindset the visiting team will take into Candlestick Park this Sunday.

Teams from the NFC West are a combined 10-0 at home to start the 2012 season. It marks the first time in league history that a division is unbeaten or untied at home through five weeks.

"I know what type of game we're about to play on Sunday," Manningham said. "I know how they get started. I know how they roll. Believe me, when they come here, they're going to be ready to play. I know they'll be ready to play."

So will the 49ers.

## **Player Feature Story**

### **Gameday Story: Everyone Loves Ray**

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

The San Francisco 49ers have one of, if not the, best rush defenses in the NFL. Filled with multiple All-Pro and Pro Bowl players, it's hard for all 11 deserving players to get recognition.

One of the most unheralded defenders is defensive tackle Ray McDonald, a hard-working lineman who's earned the respect of his teammates and coaches with his consistent approach.

McDonald continues to be at the forefront of San Francisco's tough defense and maintains his role as one of the locker room's favorite players. This week's Gameday Magazine cover story touched on McDonald's respect amongst his peers in their words only.

Find out why everyone loves Ray McDonald.

Everyone Loves Ray  
[Just not the opposition.]

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

This isn't a story for stats or analysis – it's a collection of real-life words about a dominant San Francisco 49ers defender. The anecdotes, descriptions and opinions come directly from the people who know Ray McDonald best, his teammates and coaches. That's it. Pure and simple.

San Francisco's 6-foot-3, 290-pound defensive tackle continues to endear himself to those who know him well. McDonald does it all while distancing himself from those who have the unenviable assignment of blocking one of the strongest players in the National Football League. McDonald's come a long way when you consider that the 49ers third-round pick in the 2007 NFL Draft entered the league with health questions. But what many viewed as a concern, McDonald has used as fuel. The defensive tackle has missed two games in five seasons; all while becoming one of the most underrated players in the game today.

The people who spend the most time with McDonald know that and so do the people who break down his game tape. That's why they wrote this story. In it, teammates and the San Francisco defender himself, discuss everything on McDonald's rise from a National Championship experience at the University of Florida, to him overcoming major knee injuries (both in college and his rookie season), to evaluating his exceptional game tape, to mastering the no-sack dance, to his diverse musical interests and lastly, a breakdown on the mutual respect that's prevalent in the 49ers locker room.

Everyone loves Ray (McDonald). Here are the reasons why, from the people who know him best.

"Everyone Loves Ray"

#### **STARRING:**

RM: 49ers Defensive Tackle – Ray McDonald.

#### **CO-STARRING:**

VF: Defensive Coordinator – Vic Fangio.

JT: Defensive Line Coach – Jim Tomsula.

JS: All-Pro Defensive Tackle – Justin Smith.

DG: Pro Bowl Safety & 2007 Draft Class Member – Dashon Goldson.

TB: Starting Cornerback & 2007 Draft Class Member –Tarell Brown.

PH: Outside Linebacker & Six-Year Teammate –Parys Haralson.

RJF: Defensive Tackle & Understudy – Ricky Jean Francois.

## SCENE 1 – MOVING UP THE RANKS.

"I don't want to take anything for granted when it comes to this game. Before my injuries, I loved football, but I didn't appreciate it as much as I should have. When I had that (season-ending) injury my rookie season, it opened my eyes like, 'Hey, this game can be taken away from you at any point or time.' Every day I wake up, I'm thankful to God and I appreciate the opportunity I've been given. I don't take anything for granted so I give it 110-percent each day." –RM

"I remember him still driving the same car that he's had for many years. He's very low-key, really not flashy or flamboyant. What you see is what you get." –TB

"He's the type of guy who makes sure you don't feel sorry about the draft. He'll tell you it's just another way to get into the league – 'You got drafted; it's over with, now you have to show the teams what you're about.' That's one thing he showed me – don't put a third-round tag over his head. Don't look at him like a third-rounder. Look at him as a starter on a great defense. He basically can do everything for us and he teaches us at the same time. He shows us a lot on the field." –RJF

"Ray McDonald has been given nothing and Ray McDonald has had to overcome big things. And he has. The one thing I'll tell you with Ray, the head's never down, the attitude is never bad. He fights through everything and keeps pressing on. You see his work ethic – everybody here sees it. It's constant. It never stops. The physical aspects of it – the mental aspects of it – the training room aspects of it. He's unbelievable in his approach, but that's just who Ray is. It's his makeup." –JT

"It's been a long road for me. Those knee surgeries really made me appreciate the game. I enjoy every Sunday, every snap." –RM

## SCENE 2 – GAME TAPE.

"We want to be perfect. We know we haven't been perfect, that's why we go in there and watch film every day." –RM

"The thing that stands out to be about Ray is the quality of his play. He's one of the best interior linemen in the NFL. He does a great job of playing the run and rushing the passer. We wouldn't want anyone else doing that job for us." –VF

"He's a very important piece to our defense, our front line. Ray's one of those guys that doesn't get a lot of credit for what he does because a lot of people don't understand our scheme of defense and the work he puts in to keep those offensive linemen off our linebackers. They don't know about all the double teams he has to take on. We see it on film, he's taking on double-teams and still making tackles behind the line of scrimmage. He's still getting sacks, making tips, stuff like that. He's a very important part of our defense and we're glad to have him here." –DG

"He does a lot for the team – he sets the tempo. He's a straight-forward guy – he gets straight to the point. He's not going to give you a story. He's probably one of the strongest guys on the team and can teach a lot of the young guys more things than what we see on the actual film." –RJF

"He does the job that doesn't get glory, but he does it well. Go and ask Pat (Willis), (NaVorro) Bow (Man), you can ask anybody, they all know he's helping the linebackers by taking on double-teams so they can run free. That's what he does and he does it really well. He's powerful. He's strong. And he understands the game. He understands what teams do to him from his preparation during the week. That's why he's able to do everything so well." –PH

"He's a hard-working guy. All of us as D-linemen, we're always competing against each other and trying to keep up with one another. Ray is definitely one of those guys that sets the tempo. He's one of the strongest guys on our team and in the NFL. So you always want to keep up with him." – JS



### SCENE 3 – ULTIMATE TEAMMATE.

“The thing about Ray is a lot of people see what they see on Sundays, but in all actuality, he’s quiet. On Sundays, he’s not quiet. But the thing about him is he goes about his business as far as learning and game preparation. When it comes to that he’s about as serious as anyone I’ve ever known.” –PH

“He’s all about making plays and helping the team win. He went through that in college, won a National Championship and it’s something he is used to. Talking to him, it’s something he expects. In the past he’s said, ‘I’ve never dealt with a losing team or season or situation.’ Just the way he handles it, he expects to win and doesn’t celebrate when it happens.” –JS

“I’m real thankful. In my career I’ve been surrounded by guys who were older and were willing to teach me tidbits the game has. Justin, he’s been doing it since he’s been here. You don’t have to, but he’s been like the angel on my shoulder I guess for the past four years. And Jimmy’s (Tomsula) on my other shoulder. Jimmy’s a great guy, I love Jimmy. When he called me on draft day and told me he was going to bring me in, I already knew what I was in store for. I knew what kind of guy he was when I met him at the combine and he’s the same guy every day. He’s a good guy, who will always give it to you straight. He’s a hard worker. You want to be around guys like that.” –RM

“Quiet. Low-key. Dominant force on the field. If you ever met him or had the opportunity to meet him, you’d never think he was as explosive or as dominant as he is, he’s not very vocal. He doesn’t say too much, but he has that little look that he’s ready to work every day.” –TB

### SCENE 4 – NO SACK DANCE NECESSARY.

“He’s extremely quiet until you get him going on something. But yeah, he’s extremely comfortable with silence which I find odd, but whatever.” –JS

“I don’t really have a sack dance – I don’t. I feel like celebrations are made for after the game. If you celebrate by yourself, you’re kind of glorifying yourself and I’m not really with that. I’d rather celebrate with my teammates and come up with some kind of dance with them than try to glorify myself – I’d rather wait until after the game to celebrate.” –RM

“I told him he doesn’t have rhythm. Ray can get up and walk back to the huddle looking real hard, but him having a sack dance? No. Ray has no rhythm. I can say that hands-down.” –RJF

“You always have respect for those type of guys because they’re blue-collar guys. They come in every day and just work. They don’t want recognition; they just want to do their jobs and be solid and just keep being a force on the field. You always praise those guys when you get an opportunity because they’re not going to do it themselves.” –TB

### SCENE 5 – FRANK SINATRA.

“I could say I’m pretty plain, but I’m open to things. I listen to different music.” –RM.

“What do I know about Ray? I know he listens to Frank Sinatra.” –PH

“I’d say I became a fan about three years ago. This older dude I used to hang out with showed it to me. I had heard of Frank Sinatra before, but he played a few songs and I took a liking to it.” –RM

“Ray shocked me, he was playing music one day and he played Frank Sinatra. He shocked me. When he had that playing, that opened my eyes about Ray. I thought he was not the type of guy to play music like that, but he shocked me when he played that music.” –RJF

"Fly me to the moon,' – I like that one. There's another one (I like)... I listen to it before the game. 'Come fly with me,' – I like that. 'I've got you under my skin.' – that's a good one, too." – RM

"Ray kind of reminds you of 'Old Blue Eyes.' That's Ray – he's a cool cat... Nothing surprises me about Ray. He's really a unique guy, an awesome guy. But yeah, I could see that, I knew there was something I really dug about Ray." –JT

#### SCENE 6 – EVERYONE LOVES RAY.

"I'd agree with that. Everybody likes him as a teammate and you've got to respect the way he plays and competes." –JS

"Very true, hands-down. He's one of the favorites in this locker room, favorites on this team and definitely a leader in my eyes." –TB

"Absolutely. You know everybody loves Ray... sometimes." –PH

"Everybody loves Ray-Ray! Of course everybody appreciates Ray. He's a hard-worker, one of the strongest dudes on our team. He works hard every day and it shows on Sundays." –DG

"Everybody loves Ray? Yeah, everybody loves Ray – I love Ray. Yeah, I believe it." –JT

"They do because he's a team-player. He's a great player and when you're a team player and a great player, what's not to like?" –VF

"I think you receive what you give. I know I'm a good guy to people. In return, they want to be a good guy back to me – that's what that means to me. Everybody loves Ray because they know what type of person they're getting. I'm not going to talk behind anybody's back. I'm going to come in, work hard and treat everyone with respect. I think that's why everybody is cool with me. They give me what I give them and that's respect." –RM

## **Player Feature Story**

### **Miller Continues Fullback Development**

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Playing fullback in the National Football League might be a lost art to some degree, but that's not the case with the San Francisco 49ers.

Bruce Miller knows it all too well.

The second-year player, selected with the No. 211 overall pick in the seventh-round of the 2011 NFL Draft, went on to become a Pro Bowl alternate in his first year playing fullback.

In college, Miller starred at Central Florida as a two-time Conference USA Defensive Player of the Year. Miller prepared to be a pass-rusher and special teams contributor entering the pros, but the 49ers, had a different idea in mind.

Flash forward a full year from the draft and the 6-foot-2, 248-pounder looks and acts the part as a professional fullback.

Now, with the 49ers in the midst of Organized Team Activities, Miller is using the non-contact period of the offseason to refine his developing fullback skills.

"I think the OTAs have been really good for me," admitted Miller, who carried the ball four times for eight yards and added 11 catches for 83 receiving yards with one touchdown as a rookie. "Last year I was so focused on learning the playbook, it was hard for me to really focus on technique, alignments, footwork and things like that.

"This year, this time with the coaches has been great for working on the smaller things that weren't as important during the season."

One of the biggest indications of Miller's growth as an offensive player is his consistent mentorship of undrafted rookie Cameron Bell, a 6-foot-2, 252-pound fullback out of Northern Illinois.

The two are in constant communication during OTA sessions.

"Bruce is who what I want to be," said Bell, who also has a defensive background as a former linebacker for the Iowa State Cyclones in 2009 before he decided on transferring schools. "He opened his arms up and welcomed me in as a 49er. It just makes this transition that much easier.

"This guy he could easy push me off to the side, but he's never been like that. He's been helpful, welcoming and always wanting to see the best out of me as a player."

The collaboration between the only two fullbacks on San Francisco's roster has been mutual according to Miller.

"The good thing about Cameron is he's got a lot of experience playing the fullback position," Miller said. "He's a good player, so when I'm talking to him and teaching him things I know, he kind of has that concept already. It's easier for him to grasp hold of it, so it's been good."

Despite experiencing immense growth in his first year in the professional ranks, Miller dedicated himself to improving in all areas of his position.

In previous offseasons, Miller spent a great deal of time firing out of his three-point stance. Back then, however, those get-offs were made in a defensive end's stance looking to track down opposing quarterbacks.

Now, Miller's three-point stance is that of a fullback. The emphasis on firing off the ball remains the same, the footwork, stance, and steps are much different though.

"I definitely like to get in my stance and work on my footwork, make sure I'm able to go. It's kind of like a get-off," Miller said, pausing for a moment, almost as if to picture in his head some of his 27 career collegiate quarterback sacks.

"It's not the exact same thing, but I do work all my footwork drills out of my stance so I can be comfortable down there."

In addition, pass-catching has been a key talent Miller's been looking to improve over the offseason. Miller's lone score as a rookie, a 30-yard reception on an out of the backfield wheel route against the Washington Redskins, proved Miller could develop into a receiving threat for Greg Roman's offensive attack.

But in order to ensure he continues to develop in that area, Miller spent a great of time catching passes out of a jugs machine, with and without a helmet.

"I'm trying to get used to catching the ball with a helmet on again," Miller explained. "You get used to catching without a helmet and then you get all these (face-mask) bars in front of you and so it looks different coming out (of the machine)."

Work ethic has always been instilled in Miller, but it's only increased from his dealings with position coach Tom Rathman, a two-time Super Bowl champion with the 49ers. Another year working with Rathman, the first full NFL offseason under Rathman's guidance, has only increased Miller's confidence heading into his second season.

Miller also appreciates his running backs coach wearing a team-issued blue collar work shirt to every 49ers practice.

In Miller's mind, Rathman's attire sets the tempo for the position group.

"That is definitely the mindset of our room from top to bottom," Miller explained on the running back's emphasizing hard work. "From Coach (Rathman), Frank Gore, Brandon Jacobs coming in being an older guy, and then all the way down the line to the younger guys in the room, that's the mindset we're taking from our meeting room to the practice field."

Working hard is one thing, but the fullbacks and running backs are going about it in the right way.

For Miller, an offseason under the watch of NFL coaches has only increased his understanding of the offense and his role within the system.

"I feel like a lot of this right now without physically beating up your body is really good work," Miller said. "Just with helmets on, it's about aiming points, feet and hands, learning how to move around with the offensive line and not get in anybody's way. We got a lot of great stuff done without actually beating ourselves up."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Randy Mossback on field with 49ers***

By Greg A. Bedard, Boston Globe

Randy Moss is back.

What form he takes won't be determined for some time.

Will he be the receiver who dazzled often with the Patriots from 2007-09?

Or will he be the enigma that three teams — New England, Minnesota, and Tennessee — couldn't wait to get rid of during a tumultuous 2010 season?

Moss made his 49ers debut Friday night, fittingly against the team that started it all, the Vikings. He played four snaps and didn't have any action come his way.

Maybe the 49ers and coach Jim Harbaugh are taking a cue from the Patriots during Moss's first preseason after they acquired him in a trade from Oakland.

Moss didn't play a snap of exhibition football in '07, but he was out there in Week 1 against the Jets. Moss merely had 183 yards and a touchdown on nine receptions as the Patriots thrashed the Jets, 38-14. Don't expect that kind of impact from Moss with the 49ers. He may be on the outside opposite Michael Crabtree on opening day, but make no mistake: Harbaugh's 49ers will continue to be a conservative, defense-first team. Not surprising, since quarterback Alex Smith is no Tom Brady, nor Peyton Manning, whom the 49ers worked out before he signed with the Broncos.

That doesn't mean Moss hasn't already made an impression on the 49ers. Harbaugh said he always catches defensive players looking over at the offensive practice field during camp.

"It's neat to watch our players watch a guy like Randy, that people watched growing up," Harbaugh said. After his well-traveled 2010 season, Moss decided to "retire" before the 2011 season when he wasn't able to land a contract in a preferred destination, including New England. Moss, who apparently hasn't spoken to the media since July 27, said at the start of camp that he's matured.

"Well, when I first came into this league, it was more of I didn't really understand really everything that goes on with the NFL," Moss said. "And now that I'm matured physically and mentally, my philosophy is I do not like what the NFL does for me, I want to know what I can do to make the NFL better. If that's teaching the young guys and showing guys my professionalism and bringing leadership on and off the field, that's what I'll do. If we have that mind-set, it'll make it a better league."

Of course, not berating caterers, which was reportedly the final straw in his second stint with the Vikings, would probably be a good start for Moss to make the league better.

Outside of that, Moss could be a good ambassador during what could be another record-breaking season for him, along with helping the 49ers return to the Super Bowl.

Moss, 35, has several key milestones in reach this season.

He needs one touchdown reception to take sole possession of second place on the all-time list at 154 behind Jerry Rice's 197.

An 11th 1,000-yard season would put him alone in second behind Rice (14).

Six touchdowns would allow Moss to join Rice (208), Emmitt Smith (175), and LaDainian Tomlinson (162) as the only players to score 160.

With 14,858 receiving yards, Moss can easily pass Tim Brown (14,934) and Isaac Bruce (15,208) for third place all time.

And Moss needs 46 receptions to become the ninth player to reach 1,000.

"I'm really not an individual. I've never really been an individual," Moss said. "Through the course of my career, I guess there's a few records I've broken. I'm not about breaking records. They come and go.

"I just love the game of football. I love being in the locker room. I love being around the guys. These guys are young and very enthusiastic. I don't really feel my age being around these guys. They love to have fun.

"Coach Harbaugh is a player's coach. I watched Coach Harbaugh growing up. When I first came into the league, he was on his way out. Coach Harbaugh, he came in fired up from Day 1.

"We like to have fun around here. I don't feel my age. I love to have fun and I feel good."

What kind of an impact will Moss have in the regular season? Reports from 49ers camp have been mixed. He hasn't had a ton of balls thrown his way, but when he does, Moss has gotten the better of Carlos Rogers, who is one of the better corners in the league. And Moss is battling tight end Vernon Davis for best red-zone threat.

Of course, the 49ers also have some solid young targets as well: Mario Manningham, Michael Crabtree, Ted Ginn Jr., Kyle Williams, and first-round pick A.J. Jenkins of Illinois.

If the reaction from members of the 49ers defense, such as linemen Ray McDonald and Justin Smith, is any indication, as Harbaugh related the other day, Moss may indeed be back for real.

"Ray says, 'I don't think Randy Moss has lost a step,'" Harbaugh said. "And Justin says, 'That's Randy freakin' Moss over there. It doesn't matter if he did lose a step. That's Randy Moss.'

"It's been great. He's been all about getting into this team, getting into this playbook and being a part about what we have going here. [I'm] really, really happy."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Moss gathering praise for model behavior, work ethic in 49ers camp***

By Clark Judge, CBSSports.com

The more you watch Randy Moss at work and the more you listen to his coaches and teammates, the more you start to believe that maybe, just maybe, he can make a difference with the San Francisco 49ers.

I know, I didn't like the move when they made it, but there's something a veteran wide receiver told me this summer that makes me think it could work: Moss is one of the game's "great frontrunners" and an asset when everything is going right. That's why he was no problem in New England and a headache in Minnesota and Tennessee. One team won; the others did not.

"All he wants," one GM told me, "is a ring. The guy loves the game and wants a Super Bowl ring."

Well then, he might be at the right address. First, the 49ers are good. Real good. They didn't lose a starter from one of the NFL's top defenses and padded themselves on offense at nearly every position. Second, they were only a couple of punt returns from the Super Bowl last year. Third, they didn't invest heavily in Moss. They're on the hook for \$2.5 million if he makes the team -- which he should -- and it's a one-year deal. So there's little financial risk.

Granted, I didn't like the idea of pairing Moss with diva Michael Crabtree, but from all accounts Moss has been a model camper. He's the first to team meetings and one of the first to show up at work. He schools teammates on how to read defensive backs, how to run routes, how to position themselves to make catches and how to take care of themselves to prevent or reduce serious injuries.

Basically, people insist, he's an ideal teammate.

Then, of course, there's Moss on the field. Though at 35 he's older than everyone on the 49ers but long snapper Brian Jennings, in the practices I witnessed he made more catches for scores than any of his teammates.

"I find myself saying, 'Wow!' a couple of times," said tight end Vernon Davis. "He's been in the league, what? Fourteen years? Yet he can still do some of the things he's done in the past."

"Can he run?" I asked.

"Yes," he said. "I watched him on film the other day, then I tapped Delanie [Walker, another tight end] and said, 'Man, he's moving.' He ran a go route, and he left the corner behind. I looked at Delanie and said, 'Wow, he's moving. I can't believe he can still run.'"

"But he runs well. You can tell he's getting older and that he doesn't have some of the attributes he did when he was younger. But he can still get it done."

That's crucial for the 49ers because, frankly, they didn't have a wide receiver who could get it done when things mattered last year. Davis was their biggest threat, and he was marvelous. But in the NFC Championship Game loss to the New York Giants, the 49ers had one catch by a wide receiver ... and it was for 3 yards.

So the 49ers went out and found Moss, signed Super Bowl hero Mario Manningham, drafted A.J. Jenkins in the first round and, suddenly, are deeper ... much deeper ... at a position of need. Of course, that's provided Moss can do something more than he did last time he played, which was two years ago when he fizzled with Minnesota and Tennessee after New England got rid of him.



"Randy can still stretch the defense," said linebacker Patrick Willis, who should know. "He can still create a mindset with a defense where it's 'OK, where's Randy? We have to know where Randy is at all times.' And that's going to allow other guys to be able to be free."

That's the idea, and it worked in New England, where Moss set a single-season league record with 23 touchdown catches. But that was five seasons ago, and Moss not only has been out of the game one year; he finished the 2010 season on the bench in Tennessee.

Nevertheless, there's a feeling that he can make an impact with the 49ers, become a red-zone threat and beat secondaries deep when the matchups are right. Moreover, there's a feeling that he can mentor young receivers like Crabtree. While that remains to be seen, I do remember what that wide receiver told me: If you're winning, it's nothing but good with Randy Moss.

The 49ers are insistent that he can and will fit, and maybe they're right. All I know is that when you watch Moss repeatedly split defensive backs at practice to make receptions you understand what they're talking about.

"He's going to be an asset," said quarterback Alex Smith. "For a guy his size to play the ball in the air the way he does and to run like he does is a unique ability. Anytime you get in the red zone, if you want to load the box and play one-on-one with him that's a gamble -- and that makes him a real threat."

"Second, I just think the attitude and the professionalism he's brought to the receiving corps is going to do nothing but contribute to us. The guy's been in a lot of offenses and won a lot of games. I've learned a lot from him. He's a great communicator as a receiver, and that's good for our receivers to see."

Any improvement is good for San Francisco's wide receivers. No one on the club with more than 15 catches last year averaged more than 12.1 yards per catch, and no wide receiver scored more than four times. You would like to see that change, and with Moss, maybe it does.

"He's definitely going to make a difference," said Davis

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers: School in for Professor Randy Moss**

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

Fifteen months ago, 49ers wide receiver Randy Moss worked as a volunteer assistant football coach at DuPont Middle School near his hometown of Rand, W.V.

It was just a few weeks before he announced what became a one-season "retirement" from the NFL and Moss was treating his three-week, early summer gig as if it would be his next calling, recalls then-assistant Tommy Canterbury.

Determined to pass along his knowledge, Moss had a sixth-grade quarterback recognizing Cover 2 or Cover 3 schemes before the snap. Similarly, 13-year-old wide receivers were taught to identify different defenses and adjust their routes accordingly.

Canterbury, an assistant principal at a nearby high school, marveled at how Moss presented complex concepts in an easy-to-understand way. And he noted Moss' ability to gently redirect kids who weren't quite as engaged without embarrassing them or raising his voice.

"The way he spoke to the kids, that's what impressed me more than anything he's ever done on a football field, which is all outstanding and amazing," said Canterbury, who grew up in the area. "Randy would have been as good a teacher as he is a football player."

Fifteen months later, Moss, 35, is back in the NFL, poised to make his official return Sunday when the 49ers visit Green Bay, but much of the conversation still involves his ability to instruct.

This week, Fox television analyst Tim Ryan, discussing Moss' football acumen, termed him a "freakin' professor." NFL Network analyst Joe Theismann recently called him a "coach on the field." His fellow 49ers wide receivers have eagerly followed Moss' lead on topics ranging from football to fitness (rookie A.J. Jenkins has adopted his swimming regimen) to philosophy (Michael Crabtree: "You can learn from a guy like that. You don't have to change for nobody. All you have to do is go be yourself.").

Summed up cornerback Perrish Cox, "He's a teacher, all around."

Yes, Moss, whose bouts of moodiness and mild motivation have marked parts of his 13-year, Hall of Fame career, has exceeded all off-the-field expectations. Jim Harbaugh initially asked Moss to sit in the front row during offensive meetings. Moss has taken the next step and embraced tutoring. Skills still there

Entering his first game in 20 months, however, a not-so-insignificant question lingers. Can Professor Moss still school opposing secondaries?

This week offensive coordinator Greg Roman and quarterback Alex Smith dismissed any doubts – pointing to Moss' impressive body of work during minicamps and training camp when he routinely gave San Francisco's starting cornerbacks fits.

But those endorsements came with qualifiers.

"Nobody's got a crystal ball," Roman said. "Who knows what's going to happen?"

Smith acknowledged the difference between practice or preseason and meaningful games, "It's a matter of all of us just taking that to the game field."

By design, Moss was nearly invisible during the preseason with the 49ers loath to reveal how they plan to employ him. He had three catches for 24 yards and dropped what would have been a routine 25-yard catch along the sideline against the Texans.

But there were signs that Moss, whose 29 touchdowns of at least 50 yards are second in NFL history only to Jerry Rice's 36, still inspires fear. Houston's cornerbacks gave him comfortable cushions, lining up somewhere near Amarillo and backpedaling at the snap. At Denver, three defenders surrounded Moss when Smith flung a pass in his direction that fell incomplete deep downfield.

Beating Father Time

"There is an element of unknown," safety Donte Whitner said. "One thing I can tell you is that he can still run."

Ryan, a former NFL defensive lineman who worked as a television analyst during San Francisco's preseason games, was eager to see what Moss had left. Given Moss' age and last season in 2010 (one trade, one release, three teams, 28 catches), there were initially doubts about his ability to survive final roster cuts when the 49ers signed him to a one-year deal with no guaranteed money.

Ryan had been in other training camps and seen how the legs of speedy wide receivers had suddenly lost their life. His verdict after observing Moss in practice and the preseason: There's still life in those legs.

"Physically, it's not like you're out there watching a guy and say, 'Oh, crap, it's gone,' " Ryan said. "And that happens. I've been out watching guys – Eric Moulds at the end of his career. Lee Evans, I think, recently. You do one check and then you go 'Oh. No, no, no. It's not happening anymore.' Father Time caught up with them. That's not the story with Randy."

Workload management

That said, Ryan has 50-catch, six-touchdown expectations this season. He's proved he still possesses speed, but his stamina remains in question. Sports Illustrated reported Moss would play 20 to 25 snaps (Roman said that's yet to be established) and Ryan expects the 49ers to closely manage his workload.

"Receivers at his age, how long can they really go?" Ryan said. "Do they have gas left in the tank? I think he does. How much gas is there in terms of the stamina during the game that may require 35 pass attempts and another 35 runs? I don't expect him to be out there for that many plays."

To ready for the rigors of his 14th NFL season, Canterbury says Moss worked out fanatically when he was back home in the offseason. Moss trained at the field house at DuPont Middle School, which used to be his high school. The once-rickety building was transformed into a state-of-the-art facility thanks to Moss' donation three years ago.

'He gives a lot'

Moss is known for his charity back home. He's passed out turkeys on Thanksgiving, chartered buses to ferry children to NFL and NBA games and provided gifts for kids who earn good grades.

"He gives a lot more than he ever got, I can tell you that," said Canterbury, who is seven years older than Moss. "Given my job, how I judge people is how they treat young people. And if you find somebody that treats people better than Randy Moss, I'd like to see them."

The way Moss taught DuPont Middle's football team factors into Canterbury's assessment, and others have since hailed his ability to instruct.

Starting Sunday, though, the conversation shifts and the tables turn.

Does Randy Moss still have it? He'll take his first exam in Green Bay.

Sunday openers on TV

49ers at Packers, 1:15 p.m. Channel: 2 Channel: 40

Redskins at Saints, 10 a.m. Channel: 2 Channel: 40

Colts at Bears, 10 a.m. Channel: 5 Channel: 13 Channel: 46

Steelers at Broncos, 5:15 p.m. Channel: 11 Channel: 3 Channel: 8  
Life after 35

At 35, legendary wideouts such as Michael Irvin and Torry Holt were already retired and Marvin Harrison was a year removed from his final 1,000-yard season. But there can be plenty of life at 35 – and beyond – for NFL wide receivers. Since 1990, 12 wideouts have posted 1,000-yard seasons after celebrating their 35th birthday. The 49ers' Randy Moss turned 35 in February:

Year	Receiver, team	Age	Rec	Yds	TDs
1991	Drew Hill, Oilers*	35	90	1,109	4
1991	James Lofton, Bills	35	57	1,072	8
1996	Henry Ellard, Redskins	35	52	1,014	2
1997	Irving Fryar, Eagles*	35	86	1,316	6
1998	Jerry Rice, 49ers	36	82	1,157	9
2000	Cris Carter, Vikings*	35	96	1,274	9
2001	Tim Brown, Raiders	35	91	1,165	9
2001	Jerry Rice, Raiders	39	83	1,139	9
2002	Jerry Rice, Raiders	40	92	1,211	7
2004	Jimmy Smith, Jaguars	35	74	1,172	6
2005	Rod Smith, Broncos	35	85	1,105	6
2005	Jimmy Smith, Jaguars	36	70	1,023	6
2006	Joey Galloway, Bucs*	35	62	1,057	7
2007	Joey Galloway, Bucs	36	57	1,014	6
2008	Terrell Owens, Cowboys*	35	69	1,052	10
2009	Derrick Mason, Ravens*	35	73	1,028	7

\* turned 35 during regular season

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Randy Moss: 'I'm having a great time'***

By Matt Maiocco, CSNBayArea.com

Veteran wide receiver Randy Moss, who accumulated Hall-of-Fame credentials in his first 13 NFL seasons, has been a role player through five games with the 49ers.

Moss ranks fourth on the team with nine catches for 99 yards and one touchdown while playing approximately one-third of the team's offensive snaps as the 49ers enter Sunday's game against the New York Giants.

Is Moss disgruntled?

Quite the contrary, he told CSNBayArea.com on Thursday.

The 49ers have an offensive approach -- a balance of run and pass -- unlike anything Moss has experienced in his career. And that's the reason he said he is thoroughly enjoying the experience of playing for coach Jim Harbaugh and offensive coordinator Greg Roman.

"Coach G-Ro, Greg Roman, and his staff have shown me a different side to an offense," Moss said. "And that's the thing about being a student of the game. You think you know so much but each level or each year that you grow, you're still learning. I think if I stop learning, then I'll stop having the love and the passion to go out and play the game. So, right now, I'm having a great time."

Moss participated in a 20-minute interview Thursday with CSNBayArea.com for an upcoming story about his hometown of Rand, W.V. Moss sat down for the interview wearing a West Virginia State Police hat. The state of West Virginia was jolted six weeks ago by the shooting deaths of two state troopers during a routine traffic stop.

Moss remains active in his home community and home state. In the summer of 2011, during his year away from the NFL, Moss coached a middle school football team. He approached the task with such diligence that his friend, Donnie "Blue" Jones, began referring to Moss as "Black Belichick."

Moss played three full seasons for the New England Patriots' Bill Belichick, including a record-setting 2007 season when he caught 23 touchdown passes.

"One thing I still hold to my heart before I even went to New England, I thought I knew a lot about football," Moss said. "Coach Belichick taught me a lot about football. And then when I came here to the 49ers, I'm still learning. And that's a good thing."

Moss' career began with seven seasons with the Minnesota Vikings. His first four seasons were in coach Dennis Green's West Coast Offense.

"I learned a certain way in Minnesota," Moss said. "Then, I went to New England, and learned a different way there. And then coming here, it was just like re-energizing my thought process of how I thought that it was."

"I learned from coach Dennis Green and his staff. Then going to New England, and learning from Coach Belichick and his staff. Now, I'm here learning from coach (Jim) Harbaugh and his staff. It's like the three different levels I've been on. I'm still learning and still having fun."

Moss explained how his understanding of the sport has grown with every good experience he has encountered during his career.

"For us to be able to come out and put a running package in and then throw the ball," he said. "And New England was for you to put a run package in and then spread it out. And coach Dennis Green was

basically the West Coast Offense simplified for them to put whatever out there and run whatever the play's called."

On Monday, Harbaugh raved about Moss' contributions on and off the field. Harbaugh said Moss regularly communicates his insights with the coaching staff.

"If not daily, it's weekly, most days," Harbaugh said. "Randy's got an enthusiastic suggestion for what we can do or try. The neat thing about it is, it's never a self-centered thing. It's never how to get him more balls. It's how it would help the team or help the group or the unit."

Said Moss, "There are a lot of things I've learned on the field throughout my 14 years in this league. Like I said, I'm having a great time. I really am."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Randy Moss: The story behind the story***

By Matt Maiocco, CSNBayArea.com

I think that in order to get to know me I guess you've got to come back to my hometown to where I'm from to really understand what really drives and pushes me to be able to be the best."

--Randy Moss, Sept. 20

Future Hall of Fame wide receiver Randy Moss has not spoken to the media often since he signed with the 49ers in the offseason. On this day, he was asked about the place he identified as his alma mater on "Sunday Night Football."

"Rand University."

The 49ers were getting ready to embark on a two-game road trip with a five-day stop in Youngstown, Ohio, to prepare between games at Minnesota and the New York Jets.

It was a 250-mile drive from where we were staying just outside of Youngstown to the Rand, W.V. It seemed like a perfect opportunity to take Moss up on his challenge to see his hometown and understand what drives and pushes him.

A three-part series "Hometown: Randy Moss" aired last week on Comcast SportsNet Bay Area.

Moss makes no secret of his dislike of the media. That was something he expressed to me in a memorable give-and-take one of the first times I approached him in the 49ers locker room.

But, this time, he actually seemed excited at what I was telling him. CSN photographer J.C. Garcia and I planned to drive to Moss' hometown on a day off during our stay in Ohio.

"You're going to Rand?" Moss asked, excitedly.

Moss provided a list of things to do and people to see while in Rand.

Before he excused himself from the conversation, Moss offered one last piece of advice: "Oh, yeah, and make sure you're out of town before it gets dark."

I could not tell if he was joking, but it sounded like a reasonable suggestion. Perhaps, he does not dislike the media so much, after all.

The people we met during our day in Rand could not have been more hospitable. Tommy Canterbury, the principal of DuPont Middle School, walked us around campus and introduced us to three of the young football players Moss coached during the summer of 2011.

Donnie "Blue" Jones is Moss' "right-hand man." He showed us around the compact town. And he told the story behind "Rand University" -- the 7-Eleven, the only convenience store in town. Actually, it's the only business of any kind on this town with no stoplights.

It was a memorable day, and the most fun I've had telling a story. Yes, we were even offered two different kinds of moonshine, including "the good stuff" -- from West Virginia, of course. But with a 250-mile drive back to Ohio ahead of us, we had to politely turn down even a swig.

One thing that was obvious during our trip and the subsequent sit-down interview with Moss is the pride he has in his hometown and his home state. When I waited for Moss off the practice field one day for a pre-arranged interview, he said he would be back out of the locker room in five minutes.

When he came out for the interview, he was wearing a West Virginia State Police hat. I did not find out until later that the state of West Virginia had been recently jolted by the shooting deaths of two state troopers during a routine traffic stop.

On that day in Rand, one of Moss' friends laughed when I told him that Moss seemed genuinely excited that we were coming to Rand for a visit.

"He just wanted you to come all this way and see that there's nothing here."

We found just the opposite. There was far more to this simple town than we ever expected to find.



## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Trenton Robinson: Hard Work Pays Off***

By Alex Espinoza, 49ers.com

Trenton Robinson had worn a blue shirt before, but none like the one he donned earlier this week at 49ers headquarters. As he sat at his locker – his NFL locker – Robinson looked around the room at 52 other men he could finally call teammates.

The small white patch over his heart featured the name “Trenton” in dark blue cursive and it could only mean one thing: he made the team.

Players and coaches alike wear the Jim Harbaugh-issued, blue-collar shirts every day around 4949 Centennial Blvd. It's a fitting symbol of the blue-collar work ethic that surrounds the franchise on a daily basis.

But on Sunday, Robinson will trade in his blue threads for a crisp, white No. 30 jersey. He'll be a member of the San Francisco 49ers, surrounded by the green and gold pageantry of the Packers and Lambeau Field.

Somewhere in the midst of the all the cheeseheads will be Robinson's brother, Trey Cochran, a converted 49ers fan. They don't have the same parents or surname, but make no mistake, Robinson and Cochran are brothers.

More than two years of sharing a basement bedroom will do that.

“It just made our relationship stronger,” Robinson said. “It helps you realize there's a lot of good people out there in the world. We're brothers.”

### **Waiting For the Call**

Draft day is always tough on the nerves for a player like Robinson. Ditto for Cochran.

In the days leading up to the NFL Draft, Cochran was on the phone with Robinson's agent, calling up writers, scouring Twitter and searching all the latest mock drafts to try and get a feel for Robinson's draft slot. But when the picks started falling off the board, Cochran just threw all of his pre-draft expectations out the window.

“That was probably the most nervous I've ever been in my life,” Cochran said. “I can't imagine how he was feeling.”

To celebrate the occasion, Robinson and his family and friends gathered at the house of Robinson's girlfriend. There was also a local TV crew there documenting the drama, only adding to the anxiety. The Michigan State alum expected to be drafted anywhere from the third round to the seventh round, but day 2 of the draft came and went without any mention of his name.

Then the third day came around and Robinson didn't have to wait anymore. With the 10th pick of the sixth round of the 2012 NFL Draft, the San Francisco 49ers selected Robinson and his family went wild. Robinson himself was in a back room trying to compose his thoughts, but he received a phone call from Coach Jim Harbaugh and general manager Trent Baalke.

Moments later, Robinson emerged from the hallway with a bright, red official 49ers draft hat. The father of Robinson's girlfriend bought 32 hats leading up to the draft, one for each team, to ensure Robinson had some fresh gear to throw on immediately.

"I was just so happy when he finally got that call," Cochran said. "You should have seen his face. He was just shocked and happy and everything at the same time."

## Roommates

In the middle of his sophomore year at high school, Robinson needed some help. Cochran and his family answered the call.

"I had some things going on back home and I had to make a decision," Robinson said. "His family let me come in and it was a blessing to live with them for a while. We just grew closer during that time."

For the final two-plus years of high school, Robinson and Cochran were nearly inseparable. They slept in the same room, made the quick six-block drive through the neighborhood to school, went to practice after class, ate dinner, played video games and did it all over again.

To their classmates, Robinson was T-Rob and Cochran was T-Coch. Whenever someone addressed them and started to say "T," both would turn their heads before they heard the second half of the nickname.

"We slept two feet away from each other for two and a half years before we went on to college," Cochran said. "We always look back on those years and think, 'Man, we wish we could go back to that time.' It was just so much fun living with your best friend and brother essentially. We were together 24/7."

Robinson's family and Cochran's family have maintained a tight relationship throughout the years. Once Robinson settles in and gets his own place in the Bay Area, Cochran will be one of the first ones to come visit.

"My mom is my everything," Robinson said. "But his mom, I love her to death. She's like a second mother to me."

Eventually, they would go their separate ways – Robinson to Michigan State and Cochran to Wisconsin Lutheran – but not before sharing some special moments with each other on the football field.

Robinson was a track star at Bay City (Mich.) Central high school and a playmaker on the gridiron, where he was used as a running back, receiver and cornerback. There's a video on YouTube of Robinson as a junior, streaking down the right seam and hauling in a game-winning touchdown pass with less than two minutes remaining.

"Our quarterback literally just threw the ball as far and hard as he could," Cochran said. "Trenton just ran past everyone on the field – smoked everybody – and he runs under the ball and we win our first district championship in, like, 30 years."

## College Life

For the first time in four years, Robinson watched Michigan State take the field at Spartan Stadium last week without him. It was great to see his former teammates – or "Spartan Dawgs" as he calls them – claim a 17-13 victory over Boise State, but it was a bit weird not wearing his green No. 39 jersey and being part of the action.

"It was crazy," Robinson said. "It felt a little different but it was awesome. I'm moving on in life and moving to the highest level of football. It was weird, but at least I'm watching it from where I'm watching it from."

Robinson was just an undersized, two-star recruit coming out of high school, but he raised some eyebrows at Michigan State, which was 90 minutes south of home. He even went on an official visit with Saints running back Mark Ingram, another local kid who was drawing a lot of interest from the Spartans.

Ultimately, Robinson committed to Michigan State as a cornerback, before blossoming into an All-Big 10 safety and team leader. Current 49ers tight end Garrett Celek went through the college grind with Robinson and the two are proud to have made the same 53-man roster.

"He was one of those guys who would get up in front of the team and get everybody excited and hyped up for games," Celek said. "Everyone just looked up to him because he was a great football player."

Throughout their four-year careers at Michigan State, Robinson and Celek went undefeated against archrival Michigan. Just don't tell Harbaugh, the proudest Michigan man on the 49ers.

While he was in East Lansing, Robinson also befriended one of his former high school foes Draymond Green, the star of Michigan State's basketball team. Robinson and Green, who was recently selected by the Golden State Warriors in the first round of the NBA draft, competed against each other on the hardwood, but it didn't always end well for Robinson. Green was nearly a foot taller than Robinson and had the athleticism to match.

"It didn't work out too well," Robinson said with a laugh. "He swears he scored like 25 or 30 points on me in the first half, but I don't believe it."

#### Time To Work

Robinson's locker sits on the west wall of the 49ers locker room, sandwiched between those of Frank Gore and Anthony Dixon. Just two stalls down, on the other side of Gore, is where you can find Donte Whitner.

Shortly after joining the 49ers in May, Robinson quickly sought out Whitner for his advice. The heady, hard-hitting veteran is the perfect role model for Robinson, who frequently threw his body around with reckless abandon to make impact plays throughout the preseason.

Now that Robinson made the 53-man cut, the real work starts.

"Especially being a sixth-round pick, it's tough to make an NFL roster," Whitner said. "But he understands that this is not the end or his arrival moment. He still has a lot of work to do each and every day. It's a lot, a lot, a lot of hard work from this point on and he understands that."

Listed at 5-foot-9, 193 pounds, Robinson doesn't possess the prototypical size of an NFL safety. But if anyone knows how to throw around his weight, it's Whitner, who checks in 5-foot-10, 208. Coupled with the guidance of respected men like defensive coordinator Vic Fangio and defensive backs coach Ed Donatell, Robinson found himself quite at home in the NFL.

"Even though we're rookies, they treat us with respect," Robinson said. "Then you have guys at your position who are veteran guys that have been in this game for a long time. For me, I'm in a great position to learn from some great safeties. It's been a smooth transition so far."

Robinson earned a role as a second-string safety throughout training camp and received a lion's share of the playing time during the preseason contests. He also took a spot on the "Tony Montana Squad" kickoff coverage team and made his name known to the 49ers coaching staff, but don't expect him to tell you about his early NFL triumphs.

"If we were to come over your house to watch TV, play video games and eat dinner, you would never know he plays NFL football," Cochran said. "Not that he doesn't look the part, but because he's literally the most humble person I know. He just loves life and he loves being around his family and friends. He doesn't even talk about football that much."

#### Week 1

For an NFL debut, it'd be harder to pick a more historic venue than Lambeau Field.

The expected sunny, 70-degree weather won't be vintage, but Robinson and the 49ers don't care. If he gets the chance to play on Sunday, Robinson is looking forward to a possible on-field reunion with former college teammate, rookie Packers defensive lineman Jerel Worthy.

"I just talked to him last night," Robinson said earlier this week. "He's talking junk already. He's on the kick-off return team and he's on the wedge so he's telling me he's going to knock me out. But he's my guy, we were just having fun."

From Bay City to the Bay Area, Robinson has forged his own path and overcome outside expectations. Now he's ready to work.

"It feels good to finally have all the hard work pay off," Robinson said. "Now I'm really getting an opportunity to go out and play and make a name and try and help this team get to the Super Bowl."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers' Carlos Rogers: Good guy has hands to match**

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

As Carlos Rogers' inability to secure interceptions reached near-comical levels last year, Joseph White noted how the cornerback with bad hands remained unfailingly good with the media.

White, who covers the Redskins for the Associated Press, never saw Rogers duck the press corps, even when the questions, again, dealt with his drops.

At the end of the season, the beat writers recognized Rogers with the "Good Guy Award," given to the player who is most professional and courteous with the media.

"Generally, it's given to the guy who is always willing to stand up and talk," White said. "Good week. Bad week. Whatever is going on. ... It's the guy who doesn't mind taking the hit when things aren't going well because some guys only talk when things are going well. Carlos was head and shoulders above everyone last year."

A year later, it appears Rogers might be recognized for his work on the field following his first season in San Francisco.

After signing a one-year deal with the 49ers in August, Rogers already has a career-high three picks - five fewer than he had in his six seasons with the Redskins and the most since he had four interceptions as a sophomore at Auburn in 2002.

The No. 9 overall pick in the 2005 draft, Rogers, always known for his excellent coverage skills, has raised his game to a Pro Bowl level thanks to his suddenly sticky hands. Rogers returns to Washington for today's game tied for third in the NFC in interceptions and tied for eighth in the NFL. Opposing quarterbacks have a woeful 58.4 rating when throwing in his direction after posting a 90.8 rating against him from 2008-10, according to Pro Football Focus.

In addition, Rogers' new team has a 6-1 record, matching the numbers of wins he had last year in Washington, a franchise he was eager to leave.

Rogers' circumstances have clearly improved, but his personable nature has remained constant. For that, he credits his parents, Linda and David Rogers, who raised him and his younger brother, Antrone, in Augusta, Ga.

David was a chemical engineer, and Linda stopped working to raise their sons when Carlos was midway through elementary school. Rogers said he and his brother were brought up with plenty of discipline - his mom wouldn't hesitate to "tear our butt up," he said - but they didn't lack for love.

"They taught me and my brother how to behave," Rogers said. "It was always, 'Yes, sir. No, sir. Yes, ma'am. No, ma'am.' And I always keep a smile on my face. That's something they taught me. ... No matter how much success I have, or how bad things are, I keep that smile on my face. I keep laughing. I keep joking. I don't let too many people get to me or get under my skin."

That trait came in handy in Washington, where Rogers grew disenchanted with what he perceived to be lack of leadership during Jim Zorn's 2008-09 tenure as the head coach. On the field, Rogers tied for NFL-high honors in a dubious category during the latter stages of his career in Washington. During a 22-game stretch beginning with the start of the 2009 season, Rogers dropped 10 "pickable passes," according to Stats LLC.

Still, the smile remained. Asked about his former teammate this week, Redskins cornerback DeAngelo Hall termed Rogers "funny" and "entertaining."

Said defensive tackle Kedric Golston, "Los was always a good guy to me. He's having a great year, and I'm sure he'll be fired up and silly as he always is."

Rogers' not-so-serious side was on display this season when he revealed that he spent part of his time readying for a game against the Buccaneers by studying various dance moves on YouTube. That pregame preparation came in handy when he returned an interception 31 yards for a touchdown and busted out "the Dougie" in the end zone.

It was a shimmying-and-shaking celebration befitting an NFL star, but Rogers carries himself, in many ways, like an anonymous rookie, addressing defensive coordinator Vic Fangio as "sir" while also treating those lowest on the totem pole with similar respect.

Early in the season, Rogers approached head coach Jim Harbaugh and suggested the team begin naming a practice-squad player of the week as a way to acknowledge the efforts of the eight players who aren't on the active roster. Harbaugh agreed and implemented the weekly award.

It was a unique gesture from an athlete who has never run in scrub circles. Rogers was a first-team All-American at Auburn and won the Thorpe Award given to the nation's top defensive back.

"The idea came from Carlos, and that's pretty cool," said practice-squad receiver Joe Hastings, an undrafted rookie from Washburn University. "It shows that they appreciate what we do. And it means a lot because our job every day is to help those guys get better. So it was a little something to give back, and it shows what kind of a great person Carlos is."

It didn't take long for Rogers to reveal a bit of his personality after he signed with San Francisco this summer. After his first meeting with the San Francisco press corps, Rogers shook each reporter's hand, a gesture that has yet to be duplicated.

The exchange was the first sign, to the media, that Rogers would be a welcome addition.

And three months later, the guy who never ducks an interview has shown he's equally reliable on the field.

A good guy with good hands?

Yes, sir, Carlos Rogers is still smiling.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Aldon Smith Continues to Progress***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

The Pro Football Writers of America's 2011 Defensive Rookie of the Year is hard at work, looking to improve on last year's 14-sack campaign.

Probably not the news opposing NFL quarterbacks wanted to hear, but it's true.

Aldon Smith, last year's ferocious rookie pass-rusher, complete with his own brand of entertaining sack celebrations, is working on improving all facets of his game as he continues to adapt to his role as an outside linebacker in the 49ers defense. With the NFL's 32 offseason programs stressing non-contact drill work, Smith has been able to put power rush moves aside so he can strictly practice pass coverage techniques, in addition to working on his ball skills.

Smith even participated in the gauntlet receiving drills that took place at the 49ers Football School sessions. Sprinkled in the drills with the likes of Michael Crabtree, Randy Moss, Mario Manningham and other pass-catchers, Smith flashed the athleticism that had him recruited out of high school to play wide receiver and tight end collegiately. The natural catching ability of the No. 7 overall pick in last year's draft came into better focus, however, in linebacker drills led by position coach Jim Leavitt.

"I feel like I'm getting better every day," the 6-foot-4, 258 pounder said of the practice periods that stress linebackers back pedaling and opening their hips to locate passes thrown over the middle of the field. "The more reps I do, the more I'm getting better at it."

The better he is in pass coverage, the more opportunities there will be to rush the passer for Smith, the first 49ers player to record double-digit sacks since Andre Carter totaled 12.5 in 2002.

In a limited role as a first-year player where he primarily served as a pass rusher in the team's nickel defense, Smith still managed to carve out his own memorable moments in Vic Fangio's system.

Coincidentally, some of Smith's best pass-rushing moments came in tandem with fellow Missouri alum Justin Smith, as the two routinely worked effective stunts that helped the rookie's sack total increase.

All of Aldon Smith's production was quite impressive considering the former Missouri defensive end didn't have a full offseason to prepare for the demands of a 16-game NFL schedule, or 18 games in the case of last year's 49ers team which reached the NFC Championship Game.

Now, Smith enters a period of his career when coach Jim Harbaugh sees players making their biggest strides, that being from year one to year two.

As one of the team's top returning defensive difference-makers, the 22-year-old Smith has been working alongside arguably the league's most complete defensive unit throughout the 49ers offseason program.

Iron sharpening iron as the saying goes.

"It helps with keeping relationships with the guys and getting into a rhythm of staying in the football mindset," Smith said. "It's all helping, so when the season rolls around, we won't miss a step."

Smith is optimistic that a full offseason will have him improve on last year's early-season performances when he got off to a slow introduction into Fangio's defense. Smith recorded one tackle in his first three games, but truly came on strong from Weeks 4 through 17.

In that 13-game stretch, Smith registered all 14 of his sacks and made a push to be considered for NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year honors.

Those memorable quarterback takedowns, key to the 49ers securing the No. 2 overall seed in last year's playoffs, somewhat overshadowed the well-roundedness of Smith's contributions. At the end of the regular season, the rookie linebacker finished the year with 44 tackles, four pass breakups, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery. In the playoffs, Smith added a pair of sacks for good measure.

But just as Smith's created a following around the NFL for his explosive pass-rushing and memorable sack celebrations (running off the field directly to the sideline bench at home against St. Louis comes to mind), he remains determined to be a complete outside linebacker in the team's 3-4 defensive scheme.

Smith wasn't used in coverage much as a rookie, but that could change as he continues to showcase a wide array of athletic talents in his first offseason working with the 49ers coaching staff.

But when he's not around the facility improving his craft, Smith has recently picked up an old hobby that helps his focus and concentration: drumming. One of the key purchases made by last year's first-round pick was a drum set which has allowed Smith to express himself away from his profession in a different way.

"Football is part of my day, but there are things I just like doing, my hobbies," Smith said. "I'm taking advantage of the time I have available."

In that bit of the offseason, Smith has lent his support to R&B singer June, an old friend of Smith who's looking to get his music career off the ground. Not only has the 49ers linebacker spent time tweeting out support for the musician's latest project, but he also he recently collaborated with June, playing drums on a recently released song.

"I was playing around one day to his song – he said he had a feel for that sound – so we just put two and two together," Smith said. "It's really just us having fun, doing what we naturally do."

"I like music," continued Smith, who can be seen playing the drums in this YouTube clip.

Feedback on the percussion performance has instantly been positive.

"People definitely like it," Smith said. "They definitely didn't expect football players to have other talents, so with his good music and my talent on the drums, it's receiving some thumbs up."

For the rest of the summer, Smith will continue to "attack" the team's offseason program while honing his football talents.

But most importantly, he wants to get better.

"Last year was my first year and it was a little bit of a warm up," said Smith who only needed one more sack in the 2011 season finale to break Jevon Kearse's record of 14.5 sacks in 1999.

"Now I just have to keep going and take off."



### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers' Aldon Smith aiming higher in second season**

By Antonio Gonzalez, Associated Press

SANTA CLARA -- In one breath, Aldon Smith says he has moved past the disappointment of not winning the Associated Press NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year award. In the next, he still simmers.

Enlarge San Francisco 49ers linebacker Aldon Smith (99) listens during practice at the NFL football team's facility in Santa Clara, Calif., Tuesday, June 5, 2012. (AP Photo/Paul Sakuma)

"That was last year," Smith said Tuesday after the San Francisco 49ers wrapped up another offseason organized team activity. "This year, I just want to be the best defensive player in the NFL.

"But I haven't forgotten."

After racking up a franchise-rookie record 14 sacks — best among NFL rookies — to go with two forced fumbles, Smith's personal goal seemed well within reach. Instead, he finished runner-up to Denver's Von Miller, who received 39 votes from a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the NFL. Smith had the other 11.

Smith believes that many considered him a one-dimensional player.

Converted from a defensive end drafted seventh overall out of Missouri, Smith piled up sacks next to All-Pro Justin Smith, Patrick Willis and NaVorro Bowman for one of the NFL's best defense at a remarkable rate. He never started once.

All that could soon change.

As much of a transition as he made as a rookie, Smith enters his second-year with an added twist.

The 22-year-old is working to be more than just a pass-rushing outside linebacker in a 3-4 scheme this offseason. The demanding shift requires more smarts and athleticism than anything the linebacker did as a rookie, and it's a hurdle he knows he has to clear if he ever wants to be considered a Pro Bowl talent.

The 6-foot-4, 258-pounder is adjusting to chasing running backs and receivers in hopes of being an every down player — and a starter — for a defensive unit that propelled resurgent San Francisco to a 13-3 regular season and an overtime loss in the NFC championship game to the New York Giants. He's hoping to play a bigger role for a team considered a strong Super Bowl contender.

"That's somebody who's rising fast," 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh said of Smith's development. "It's been the same Aldon that we saw last season. And even better."

And more often.

Smith entered almost exclusively on passing downs last season. He played 489 snaps — or about 48 percent of the team's total defensive snaps — and most came as a defensive end in coordinator Vic Fangio's nickel package.

Expectations soared from the start.

Smith's surprise selection by 49ers general manager Trent Baalke on the first night of the draft stunned many fans in the Bay Area who craved a quarterback or a more well-known quantity. Some scouts also believed he was selected too high.

Smith proved them all wrong.

"Last year, I was really just coming in on pass rushing," Smith said. "This year, I'm an every down guy. I'm covering receivers and backs, so it's a new challenge."

Familiarity should also help come fall.

Smith had to learn a new position last season and an entirely different technique — standing in an upright position and dropping back instead of starting with his fingers planted in the ground. Now, it's more about stamina and smarts, a big part of the reason he has spent countless hours in the film room analyzing all he did wrong last year.

The only real blemish on Smith's start in the NFL came when he was charged in late January with driving under the influence in Miami Beach. With that behind him, he has spent almost the entire offseason in the Bay Area working out

"He's working extremely hard. He's been very attentive in all these offseason sessions," Harbaugh said. "I think he's pretty close to perfect attendance. Not that we're keeping track."

Smith still sees his primary role as a pass rusher and is not homing in on any one thing this summer.

"Just getting better at everything," Smith said. "I'm an every down player now. Really, I'm just trying to get better at everything."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***San Francisco 49ers phenom Aldon Smith has a fan in Fred Dean***

By Cam Inman, San Jose Mercury News

Fred Dean thought he was looking into a mirror Monday night. Actually, it was a television, and the Hall of Fame pass rusher was watching Aldon Smith.

Smith's 5½ sacks in the 49ers' rout of the Chicago Bears came within a half-sack of Dean's single-game franchise record, set in 1983 against the New Orleans Saints at Candlestick Park.

"All I could see were flashbacks," Dean said last week from his home in Ruston, La., "especially the move upfield and he came under quick. That was my specialty, and he perfected it."

Smith's dizzying moves, top-notch speed and overlooked power have produced a league-leading 15 sacks. The 49ers (7-2-1) will need more pass-rushing brilliance Sunday to counter Drew Brees and the host Saints (5-5).

On the flip side, the 49ers will need another round of pass-protecting dominance to aid Colin Kaepernick, who's expected to make a second straight start at quarterback in place of Alex Smith.

Dean plans to make the 5½-hour drive to the Superdome. He'll cheer on the 49ers as always -- he takes immense pride in nationally televised wins such as Monday's -- and shake hands with Smith, whom he met during Smith's 14-sack rookie season 2011.

Smith is on pace to eclipse Michael Strahan's single-season record of 22½ sacks in 2001. If Smith at least retains his league lead, he would become the 49ers' first NFL sack king since it became a recognized stat in 1982.

"He could set the record, if he continues with the intensity and attitude of getting to the quarterback," Dean added.

This season's continued success, and Monday's sack spree, puts Smith into NFL Defensive Player of the Year consideration, which he "most definitely" wants. Other competitors include two fellow 2011 draft products: the Houston Texans' J.J. Watt (14½ sacks, 13 passes defensed) and the Denver Broncos' Von Miller (13 sacks, four forced fumbles).

"I compete hard," Smith said. "I feel everybody competes hard. There are so many people playing at an incredible level right now -- Von, J.J., everybody, even the guys on my team.

"To be at the top of that list and get that title, that's cool."

Smith's 15 sacks already place him near the top of the 49ers' yearly sack leaders, behind only: Cedrick Hardman (18, 1971), Dean (17½, 1983), Tommy Hart (17, 1972), Tim Harris (17, 1992) and Charles Haley (16, 1990).

Smith's 29 career sacks are the most by anyone through 26 games in the NFL's sack-stat era (since 1982). Only Hall of Famers Reggie White (31) and Derrick Thomas (30) had more in their first two seasons.

Saints interim coach Joe Vitt compared Smith's arm length, "slither" quality and burst to the late Thomas, whom Vitt coached in Kansas City.

That comparison, however, was deemed a "little bit of a stretch" by 49ers defensive coordinator Vic Fangio. Thomas was primarily a speed rusher, in Fangio's eyes, whereas Smith is seen as a multidimensional threat with size, strength and speed.

Coach Jim Harbaugh called Monday's sacks spectacular, because Smith "used a lot of different moves to make those sacks -- a bull rush, great athleticism, great balance. He used his arm one time as a leg to stay up. It was really awesome to see."

It earned Smith his first NFC Defensive Player of the Week award. Smith said of his arsenal: "I'm in (the game) a lot more, so you see a lot more. It's been there."

A situational pass-rusher last season, Smith is a full-time starter and every-down player this season for the league's stingiest defense (13.4 points per game). His pass-rushing exploits are helped by the presence of defensive lineman Justin Smith, who often lines up to Aldon Smith's left. Dean compared the boost provided by Justin Smith to that he received from Dwaine Board and Lawrence Pillars with the 1980s 49ers.

While the sacks and wins have piled up nicely, Aldon Smith also has developed a pattern of off-field incidents this year.

"The bottom line is he's a fun-loving guy," said Dean, now a minister in his native Ruston. "But everybody that pats you on the shoulder is not your friend, and you have to put yourself in the best environment. I had my encounters with people, and I knew how to keep my distance."

When Dean shows up at the Superdome, he expects "the smooth, fast surface" to turn Smith loose on Brees, who's been sacked only 16 times. If Smith's encore tops his 5½-sack outing, Dean will be rooting for his single-game record to fall, noting: "Oh sure, that's what it's there for."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **Steve Young: Smith has 'earned every bit of it'**

By Matt Maiocco, CSNBayArea.com

Steve Young, as well as anybody, can relate to the Alex Smith story.

Young, who came to a team in 1987 that already had Joe Montana at quarterback, was not always the popular choice among 49ers followers. But Young persevered through a polarizing quarterback controversy and an unpopular Montana trade to the Kansas City Chiefs.

He came out the other end as a Super Bowl-winning quarterback and a first-ballot selection into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

So when Young's team record for most consecutive pass attempts without an interception was broken Sunday, he celebrated Smith's accomplishment because of the noble path Smith chose to continue to follow.

"The thing I most respect about him is a year ago in the offseason, when Jim (Harbaugh) was coming on, it was rough," Young told CSNBayArea.com. "He could've easily gone and tried it somewhere else. It was hard to come back in many ways. It was not easy. It was the kind of challenge that could've turned south very fast.

"He not only managed that with Jim and got through all of that last year, he built people's confidence inside and outside the building. By the end of the year, people were like, 'This is our guy.' That's an accomplishment because I've lived it. That's a heck of an accomplishment. It's something I really respect about what he has done."

In 1989, Montana set the 49ers record for most pass attempts without an interception (154). Four years later, Young bettered the standard at 184. That mark stood until Sunday when Smith played his sixth consecutive regular-season game without throwing an interception.

"Very cool," Smith said. "Obviously, that's an elite group here that's played this position for this organization. It's definitely an honor to be mentioned with those guys."

Smith's record does not even include the 68 attempts in the playoffs when he threw five touchdowns and no interceptions.

Smith eclipsed Young's record on a day in which he completed 20 of 26 attempts for 211 yards and two touchdowns in a 30-22 victory over the favored Green Bay Packers at Lambeau Field.

"I was ecstatic for him," Young said. "I've lived his pain a little bit just watching him. And to see this start to flourish with Jim and what he did last year and then continue it and have a great game on the road -- all that stuff. It just couldn't happen at a better time.

"It's perfect, right? You beat the Packers and you did this great thing. So I'm really happy for him."

Smith has thrown 11 touchdown passes since his last interception. During that time the 49ers have also gone 26 consecutive regular-season quarters without a giveaway of any kind.

"It's hard just because some of it is actually out of your control as a quarterback," Young said of interceptions. "There are tipped balls and weird stuff that happens. Or somebody turns the wrong way. It's just not easy to stay clean like that.

"I think it's a big deal. It's kind of how I feel about the efficiency ratings. They're not a perfect sign of how you're playing, but if your rating is high, you're probably playing pretty good. If it's low, you're probably

playing pretty bad. So if you have a streak like that with no interceptions, you're probably playing pretty good."

Young, now an analyst on ESPN, sees a quarterback who is playing at a high level after a rough beginning to his career. Smith, the No. 1 overall pick in the 2005 draft, struggled with injuries, inconsistent play and a constantly changing supporting cast through his first six NFL seasons.

"Obviously, he's very, very smart and very, very prepared," Young said. "And now he's got a partner in crime to call plays that help him and put him in good spots. I feel he's getting more confident and he's starting to stretch a little bit. I don't think he's asked, yet, to just throw it around and go. But that's not the way the 49ers need to do it right now. I definitely see a lot more confidence and all good things from Alex. For what they're doing right now, he's doing it perfectly."

Young said the only time he questioned Smith's physical ability was after he sustained a separated throwing shoulder early in the 2007 season and returned to action to start three more games. Smith eventually underwent season-ending surgery, and spent all of 2008 on injured reserve, too.

"I was afraid he was playing hurt, but I never questioned whether he could throw the football or whether he could move around in the pocket or whether he was smart enough and had the savvy and guile," Young said. "When he injured his shoulder, he actually had to play hurt. That just compounded the issues."

Everything about Smith -- and around Smith -- is more sturdy these days, Young said.

"I think he's getting bigger and stronger. And his confidence . . . He seems stronger in the pocket. It all goes together," Young said. "If somebody is calling plays you like, you got confidence, you got a running back (Frank Gore) where every time you put the ball in his stomach everybody lights up, that's great stuff. And the defense hands it back to you."

"He's in a really cool spot with everything that's going on with the team and the coach. Really, this is the team to beat right now. There are the 49ers and everybody else. I know it's early, but that's just how it is right now. It's kind of a neat spot for Alex to be in. And he's earned every bit of it."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Alex Smith, the Bay Area's most improbable hero***

By Sam Farmer, Los Angeles Times

The most improbable, unbelievable throw by San Francisco 49ers quarterback Alex Smith didn't even hit its intended target.

It came last Saturday before Game 1 of the National League division series between the San Francisco Giants and Cincinnati Reds, when Smith had the honor of throwing out the first pitch.

Who could have guessed that Smith, once the Bay Area's most derided athlete, would get those raucous cheers as he walked out to the mound? This was a guy who went from the NFL's No. 1 pick, to a struggling starter, to a backup, to nearly being cast aside by the franchise that had rushed him onto the field.

So it was really no big deal that he threw that ceremonial pitch into the dirt in front of home plate, even though he joked: "I'm disgusted with myself."

No matter, no one questions his accuracy anymore, not with him competing 68.6% of his passes with eight touchdowns and only one interception. Smith, whose team will play host to the New York Giants on Sunday in a rematch of last season's NFC championship game, has thoroughly reinvented himself.

And he has done it in a unique way. Unlike quarterbacks such as Jim Plunkett, Steve Young and Rich Gannon, who had career breakthroughs after changing teams, Smith has been able to survive the worst of times with the 49ers — times when coaches have flat given up on him — to emerge on the other side.

Coach Jim Harbaugh has played an essential role in the transformation, casting his lot with Smith from the start, something previous coaches Mike Nolan and Mike Singletary didn't do.

"Can't tell you how much respect I have for him," Harbaugh said. "That he has played well, handles himself, does all the things. [I] kind of look back and say, 'Man, I wish I would have done as good a job as he has done.' On and off the field, in everything that he does and his approach to the game, I think it's a real example."

That confidence paid off last season when Smith — who had cycled through a constant carousel of different offensive coordinators and quarterback coaches — clicked with Harbaugh and offensive coordinator Greg Roman. They put their faith in Smith and he delivered, with 17 touchdowns and just five interceptions, helping carry the club to within one win of the Super Bowl.

There's no magic to the emergence of Smith. He has a better head coach — a former NFL quarterback who had his own ups and downs; better personnel around him on both sides of the ball; is healthier after undergoing several shoulder surgeries, and is simply older and more experienced. It's easy to forget that Smith is only 28, younger even than Brandon Weeden, Cleveland's rookie quarterback.

In the darkest times, could Smith have envisioned being in the position the 49ers are now in, as an elite team with him at the helm?

"I was certainly playing for it. I wasn't playing to continue to lose," he said, standing at his locker this week. "You continue to put the work in and to fight and play because you're trying to win games. No question, thought it could get better, didn't know when or how."

Smith, in his seventh season, is one of just two No. 1 picks in the modern era to spend more than five seasons with his original team despite never making a Pro Bowl. The other is defensive end Kenneth Sims, the top pick in 1982, who played eight seasons with New England.

The 49ers have stood by Smith, even though they came close to tossing him aside several times.

Nolan pressed him into action with a bad supporting cast almost immediately, then got frustrated with him for not developing quickly enough. The coach publicly questioned his toughness, wondering why he wouldn't play through a separated shoulder that would require several surgeries.

Singletary never trusted Smith's ability to throw, and instead ran a simple, run-oriented offense. He once referred to Smith as "meek," a comment that wasn't malicious but was less than a ringing endorsement of the quarterback's leadership skills.

Said Jed York, 49ers chief executive, of Smith: "We had to look at it and say, 'We have somebody here that knows the team, knows the offense, knows the system. We just haven't done a good enough job of putting him in a stable situation where he can be successful.' A lot of that are failures I would put on the organization, not Alex."

Harbaugh was hired in January 2011, a few months before the lockout. He soon announced that Smith was his quarterback, even though there was widespread speculation that the 49ers might sign Matt Hasselbeck. Then came the lockout, and that helped Smith in at least two significant ways:

First, with no free-agency period (until one ultimately came in late July), the 49ers couldn't sign another veteran quarterback, even if they wanted to, and no other teams could make a play for Smith.

More important, Smith was among the few 49ers who had Harbaugh's playbook — he got a copy during the brief lifting of the lockout — so he was able to conduct "Camp Alex" at San Jose State, run through the plays with his teammates, and show his ability to lead. He paid for players to come to the camp, and even loaned them his car when necessary. The team bonded.

That confidence in Smith grew throughout last season, as the team went from 6-10 in 2010 to 13-3. After the offense ground to a halt in the conference title game against the Giants — when 49ers receivers totaled one catch for four yards — San Francisco invested in its receiving corps, including adding free agents Mario Manningham and Randy Moss.

The 49ers looked at Peyton Manning this off-season, although Harbaugh insists they only were evaluating him and were determined to stick with Smith. Regardless, because of the way Smith played last season, the bar would have been set much higher for Manning in San Francisco than it was replacing Tim Tebow in Denver.

San Francisco almost blew it with Smith. Scot McCloughan, general manager of the 49ers when they drafted Smith, was warned in 2005 by friend and quarterback guru Mike Holmgren to take it slow with Smith, not to rush him onto the field. But the 49ers did.

"I told Scot, 'There will be a learning curve for him. You know it. I know it. But the owner has to know it. The media has to know it. Everybody has to know it,'" Holmgren recalled in an interview with The Times in 2011.

Instead, Smith was the starter by Week 5, and in his debut had four interceptions, was sacked five times and posted an 8.5 passer rating. The 49ers would finish last in the league in passing yards for the first time in club history.

"He was destined to fail," Holmgren said.

For Smith, that seems like three careers ago. He's not Young or Joe Montana, but he's a seasoned leader of a 4-1 team that rolled up a franchise-record 621 yards of offense last Sunday and has beaten its last two opponents — the Jets and Bills — by a combined 79-3.

He's a quarterback who can open the NLDS with a fastball in the dirt and still get a standing ovation.



"He's stuck with it and persevered when a lot of other guys would have quit," York said.

"You can argue about who's the best quarterback in the National Football League. Well, I think Alex Smith is the toughest, and that fits our football team better than anything else."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***San Francisco 49ers notebook: Justin Smith 'hungry' for new season after team fell just short of Super Bowl***

By Cam Inman, San Jose Mercury News

Even Justin Smith thinks it's "pretty unusual" how much he's anticipating the 49ers' season. How much? More than any other in his 12-year career.

That's because of how last season ended: an overtime loss shy of the Super Bowl.

"My whole life, I've never really moped around after a loss or this or that. But this is one that's burned my ass the longest," Smith said Thursday. "I'm just like, 'Man.' It makes me that much more hungry."

Smith earned AP All-Pro honors last season, astonishingly doing so at two positions: first-team defensive tackle, second-team defensive end.

But Smith refused to buy that his was a "career year." The 49ers defense, he contended, has been stout for a while, and last season's success merely magnified his and his teammates' exploits.

"I really don't care one way or the other," said Smith, also a NFC Pro Bowl starter. "My total goal is to win a championship before I finish playing."

En route to the NFC West title last season, the 49ers went 13-3 before knocking off the New Orleans Saints in the divisional round, then getting eliminated 20-17 by the eventual champion New York Giants.

Instead of moping, Smith continued his constant presence at the 49ers facility, aside from a visit to his native Missouri.

"We're two days out from our last game and he's back at it," general manager Trent Baalke said at February's scouting combine. "He's already in the weight room, and he's got a full lather going. And I look at the time and I go, 'What are you doing?' He said, 'It's either here, or baby-sit at home, so I'm here.'"

Smith didn't miss a day of the offseason conditioning program that concluded Thursday. That exemplified his teammates' widespread attendance in these voluntary workouts, with only next week's minicamp "mandatory" before summer break.

"The window is small," Smith said. "You can't say that about every year. In a couple years, we'll probably lose a lot of people. That's just the nature of the game."

"There's a sense of urgency in that aspect, just talking with a lot of guys. We've got to push and get this done sooner than later."

The 49ers haven't won a Super Bowl since their 1994 team claimed the franchise's fifth Lombardi Trophy.

Working in the 49ers' favor, Smith suggested, is how they've retained most of last season's key players while also adding "more pieces."

Boxing also has been added to many players' off-field regimen, including Smith's. It's helped his hand and foot speed. And it's fulfilled a desire for hard-hitting contact, something that's been banned from practices by what Smith called "ridiculous" new rules.

Smith escaped last season without any significant injuries while extending his streak of 171 consecutive starts (fifth-longest active streak in the NFL).

What will it take to put the 49ers in contention again?

"We're aiming high. But it's an everyday grind," Smith said. "It's never easy to get where you were. We've got to get there and go beyond that. It's going to be tough, but we think we have the pieces in place. As long as we keep our heads down and work hard, I think we have a shot."

Running back Brandon Jacobs said he'll remember for the rest of his life receiving an endearing letter and \$3.36 from a young fan who hoped to keep him on the Giants. "That's a special thing and I wish every athlete could get that feeling," Jacobs said through a 49ers spokesman. " ... I'm going to remember this for the rest of my life. When I go back to Jersey, we are going to have some fun together."

Running back Anthony Dixon said he's cut body fat and improved his burst by reporting to the 49ers facility all offseason. Regarding his roster fate among a crowded backfield, Dixon said: "I love competition. I grew up with three brothers. All we did was compete all day every day."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Isaac Sopoaga leads by example***

By Jacob Most, 49ers.com

Isaac Sopoaga often uses his Samoan heritage to bring a unique energy into the 49ers locker room.

Known as one of the team's emotional leaders for his enigmatic personality, Sopoaga showed that liveliness to the media during a press conference on Monday.

Sopoaga entered the media tent at 49ers headquarters and stepped up to the podium with headphones covering his ears. The entrance puzzled most of the media members in the attendance until finally a reporter asked the nose tackle what he was listening to.

Sopoaga ran with it to start by pretending he couldn't hear the question, which drew a loud laugh from the media present before he finally responded that he was listening to a musical genre not likely to make the team's pre-game playlist anytime soon.

"I love my Samoan church music," the 6-foot-2, 330-pounder said. "The words are strengthening. They are some powerful wise words."

The upbeat tunes seem to be keeping the Samoan in a positive frame of mind through more than three weeks of training camp.

His positive outlook could also be attributed to the physical condition Sopoaga has entered the 2012 season in.

Sopoaga's off-season training program is not the most orthodox.

Each April, Sopoaga returns to his home of American Samoa to compete in an intense and physically taxing rowing race.

Sopoaga represents his village of Fagasa in the annual Fautasi Race alongside his father Tupuola Laniselota, the boat captain. A Fautasi race consists of 40 rowers in long fiberglass boats rowing seven miles offshore. The rowers then set themselves at a buoyed start point before racing back into Pago Pago Harbor.

"It is really tough what we do back home in Samoa," Sopoaga said. "When I leave here to go to Samoa, I don't relax. Joining in those activities is like my extra offseason while I am away from our own facility. I do it so I can prepare myself for training camp and then the season."

"Rowing is not easy. You have to row four miles in the morning and then you row eight miles out, eight miles in four times. That is about 40-plus miles under three hours. Then you have to run two miles home and you only rest for four hours and then you do the same thing. It is like double days."

The offseason cross training has helped Sopoaga develop into a pivotal member of the 49ers defense. At nose tackle in Vic Fangio's 3-4 scheme, Sopoaga commands double teams, which allow defensive ends and outside linebackers to rush the passer and gobble up outside runs.

Sopoaga set a career-high with 75 tackles, while tying a career-high with 1.5 sacks in 2010. After earning the starting spot for all 16 games in 2012, Sopoaga backed up his previous season's performance with 68 tackles in 2011.

He also saw action at fullback the past two years and notably caught his first career NFL pass from Alex Smith last season. The completion went for 18-yards on a pivotal third-and-three, which set up a David Akers 26-yard field to clinch a win 20-10 over Cleveland in Week Eight.

Sopoaga's talents on both sides of the ball could serve as he helps advise defensive end Demarcus Dobbs, who is making waves this training camp by seeing time at tight end.

"Dobbs is a professional athlete," Sopoaga said. "He knows what he is doing on offense and also on defense. There are talented guys and I am pretty sure what Dobbs knows exactly what he is doing when he is on the field."

The Samoan music seemed to really be working to lift Sopoaga's mood as he remained complementary of all his teammates throughout his time with the media.

Sopoaga took time to say good things about all his team mates on offense especially speedy rookies like A.J. Jenkins and Chris Owusu.

The big man's Samoan flair is a constant presence around the 49ers, and his mood on this day was especially light, perhaps as a result of the music he was listening to.

"It is a blessing," Sopoaga said. "I don't know where this lightning strike mindset came from. I guess listening to my Samoan church music works. The words are really down to earth."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Spillman Finds Stability in San Francisco***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

In signing a three-year contract extension that will keep him with the San Francisco 49ers through the 2014 season, C.J. Spillman has ensured competitive special teams play will continue in the Bay Area. The fourth-year safety, who was signed by the 49ers five games into the 2010 regular season, has found a home with the 49ers thanks to his all-out style of play. Spillman's skills: speed, sound tackling and serious on-field demeanor make him one of the best special teamers in the league today.

Here's his story.

#### **TONY MONTANA SQUAD**

C.J. Spillman didn't sulk or sour when the 49ers signed two safeties last offseason. With Donte Whitner brought in to play alongside re-signed safety Dashon Goldson, Spillman's role on defense changed. Just. Like. That. He became a goal line cornerback, and a backup safety, but more importantly, Spillman mastered his role as a blistering gunner on special teams.

When some players might look at his situation as a means to complain or seek a trade, Spillman went out and produced. In 2011, Spillman led the 49ers with 19 special teams tackles, which also tied for fourth-most in the National Football League. Spillman also represented the 49ers as a special teams captain on occasion.

He also went on to record the final tackle of the NFC Divisional Playoff round as the New Orleans Saints tried a lateral-heavy play after falling victim to a play that will forever be known as "Vernon Post."

Moments like that highlight Spillman's impact on a 49ers team that came just short of reaching the Super Bowl. It also underscores how special teams became a huge part of San Francisco's 14-win season. "It's amazing how special teams played a big part in every game," Spillman said in a phone interview with 49ers.com. "A lot of people don't really know to pay attention to it. But I think last year, with the guys we had on special teams, we made the best of every opportunity that was given to us."

Not only did Spillman and the 49ers special teams make the most of it, throughout 2011, the group inspired a legion of Faithful fans to get behind their brand of play, and more importantly, the squad's chosen pre-kickoff anthem, Future's "Tony Montana."

Soon after, videos from the group's kickoff team swaying side-to-side were all over the internet.

"I think everybody on special teams should take pride in it," Spillman said. "The fans and the guys on the team were getting into it. When you look at the 31 other teams that are out there, nobody has anything like what we have going on. And that's what sets us apart from a lot of teams."

#### **PASSION FOR THE GAME**

Like many of his teammates on the 49ers, Spillman's love for football developed at an early age. Growing up in Louisville, Ky., Spillman was influenced to play the game by his father Claude Sr., who played collegiately at Western Kentucky and went on to play five games for the Dallas Cowboys. "It was something that eventually grew on me," said the younger Spillman, who now goes by C.J. "As long as I can remember, my dad and my whole family, all the guys, they were really into football."

Spillman followed his father's footsteps and soon found himself starring as a running back and defensive back at Louisville Central High School. Looking back, Spillman thanks his father for being the "driving force" in his football career. Though running the ball was very different from his future profession on defense, Spillman truly enjoyed his time as a running back. "Everybody wants to carry the ball," the 6-

foot, 199-pound safety said. "For me going from offense to defense, it was kind of bittersweet. But it was something I had to agree with – I really didn't like play defense. It was kind of one of those things that grew on me."

At Louisville Central, Spillman was an all-state and all-conference performer in his junior and senior seasons. The talented high school athlete, however, had to make grades to put himself on the radar of most powerhouse collegiate programs. That didn't happen immediately. Spillman went to a military school to build up his academics and eventually found a spot one semester later playing for the Thundering Herd of Marshall University.

It turned out to be beneficial on many fronts. For one, "I got to play early," said Spillman who made 33 starts in 46 collegiate contests. "Even though I had a lot of different position coaches and defensive coordinators, they put a lot on me as far as being able to adapt to the playbooks in the NFL." In Spillman's mind, Marshall truly prepared him for the NFL. "They demanded the things that professional football requires, so I think that was the biggest advantage I felt I had coming in."

## NEXT LEVEL

Admittedly, he was a little heavy. That's the only explanation for Spillman running a 4.4-second, 40-yard dash at the 2009 NFL Scouting Combine. If you've ever watched the 49ers special teams standout split a double-team at the line of scrimmage with ease, or fly through a wedge of kick-off blockers before they've even located him, Spillman's speed is recognizable to everyone. But at his combine day, Spillman thought he could have run better. He laughs about it now, mostly because everyone knows Spillman to be one of the fastest, hardest-hitting special teams players in the league.

It didn't become so evident right away – Spillman had to work at it. Undrafted in 2009, he signed with the San Diego Chargers because he felt they had the highest success rate of having undrafted players make the 53-man roster. Spillman was right. He made the team in 2009, started one game at Dallas and later posted three special teams tackles in one game against Washington.

The time in San Diego, however, was short lived. Spillman was released five games into the 2010 season and was picked up by the 49ers the very next day he was waived. Spillman was hoping to carve out a career with the Chargers, but ultimately, found what he was looking for with the 49ers. "I'm glad I found that in San Francisco," he said. "It's helped me settle down and accomplish the goals I want to get."

## SIGNED THROUGH 2014

It was awkward. The first time Spillman entered the 49ers locker room, he couldn't help but wonder what was happening with his career. It could've been worse, but Spillman points out, the great personalities in San Francisco's locker room made him all but forget the sudden end to his stay in San Diego. "Throughout that first year (in San Francisco), everything was smooth," Spillman recalled. "Everybody made me feel like I was part of the team, even though my role was just on special teams. I thought it was easy gelling with the guys when I first got here."

Shot out of a cannon on seemingly every punt or kick, Spillman recorded 21 special teams tackles in 11 games for the 49ers. The following year, Spillman was re-signed to a one-year contract where he'd have to prove himself all over again to a new head coach and special teams coordinator.

Jim Harbaugh and Brad Seely, the men currently holding those responsibilities for the 49ers, quickly discovered Spillman's style of play would greatly benefit the club. Spillman, along with a talented group of core special teamers, helped San Francisco achieve one of the best special teams seasons in league history. Besides making the most field goals in NFL history, the coverage units helped All-Pro punter Andy Lee break the league's net punting average record by posting an even 44.0 yards per punt in 2011. Largely responsible for the unit receiving league-wide praise (the 49ers ranked No. 1 atop the esteemed yearly special teams rankings from Rick Gosselin of The Dallas Morning News), Spillman led the club with 19 special teams tackles.

Unlike the year before when Spillman pretty much beat his teammates to the punch, the speedy safety had to compete with many standout special teamers to get in on tackles. Still, Spillman and his cohorts helped rejuvenate special teams play in San Francisco. And it was as obvious to him, as it was to red and gold clad supporters who got out of their seats every time they heard "Tony Montana" being played through Candlestick Park's speakers.

"I don't think I've ever experienced it where fans take a notice to not just offense and defense, but they started paying attention to special teams. I think that's a sign we're all together," Spillman said. "And to be able to do something fun like that, something that brings a lot of people together, it brought people who really don't notice the guys out there who cover kicks. It brought a different light to the game and for the most part from what I've seen, people were really into those plays and that's a good thing for us and the fans."

So with Spillman rejoining the 49ers for three more seasons, will the "Tony Montana Squad" resume its menacing presence in 2012?

"I think we're going to try and keep it going," Spillman said. "With the group of guys we have, there's no reason to why we can't keep improving at what we're doing."

## OFFSEASON PLANS

High energy. Productive player. Strong team-first mentality. Developing.

Those were some of the phrases used by general manager Trent Baalke in a press release announcing Spillman's contract extension. "We are pleased to come to terms with C.J. for another three years, and look forward to his continued contributions to our organization, both on and off the field," Baalke was also quoted as saying in the release.

Now that he's signed on to be a part of the 49ers plans for the next three seasons, Spillman, 25, is eager to pick up where the team left off. He also wants to continue to develop at all aspects of his game, not just covering kicks. "I'm always going to try and put my best foot forward to know what I can do and what I'm capable of doing," Spillman said. "I take pride that if they had to put me in the game, I know everything that I need to take care of and if one of the starters goes down, there's not going to be a drop-off. It's going to be the same."

An increased defensive role is up in the air for 2012, but Spillman plans on approaching the offseason with the same aggression he uses when chasing down the league's best return men. Now that he has more stability for himself and his family, Spillman wants to add to his contributions. "I'm looking forward to extending my career here," he added. "It's a very good opportunity for me... I'm just trying to get better at every phase of what I can do for this team."

So while Spillman agreed to his new contract nearly two weeks ago, the 49ers safety didn't rush to officially sign the paper. Instead, Spillman finished enjoying a family vacation in Hawaii with his two children, Trey and Amaya. Then he came back to complete the contract. "We had a great time in Hawaii," said Spillman, who shared photos of the trip on his @CJSPILLMAN27 Twitter account. "When I took previous trips, I didn't take family, so it was a good time to get away and spend time with my kids, let them see different places."

For the rest of the offseason, Spillman will make the most of his opportunities to spend time with his children, even if it means picking them up from school. He'll also continue to work out as he prepares for a second season under Harbaugh's staff.

Spillman's been busy this offseason alright. If contract negotiations, trips to Hawaii and taking his daughter to gymnastics isn't enough proof, the sneaker-loving safety hasn't had time to boost his shoe collection, one of his biggest hobbies of all.



"I haven't been buying shoes like that," Spillman said quietly, taking a pause before his next statement.  
"My lady keeps telling me not to buy as many shoes. She says my closet is full."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Life on the line***

By Ron Kroichick, San Francisco Chronicle

Joe Staley meandered through a thoughtful treatise on the differences between playing offensive line and defensive line. Staley and his fellow blockers often must react to their foes, he explained, while defensive linemen can play more aggressively.

Staley eventually reached the punchline.

"You have to be a lot more intelligent to play offensive line," he said.

Ray McDonald, standing about five feet away, promptly protested.

"I don't know about that," he said.

They both smiled, enjoying the byplay during a joint interview last week in Santa Clara. This was one time a massive offensive tackle, and similarly large defensive tackle, had no interest in slamming each other to the ground.

It's natural to watch the 49ers, or any NFL team, and keep your eyes fixed on the so-called skill position players – Alex Smith throwing, Frank Gore running, Randy Moss catching. But football, at its primitive core, still hinges on oversized humans trying to knock the stuffing out of each other.

Life along the line of scrimmage is rugged and mysterious, mostly lost in the shadows (unless a lineman commits a costly penalty). The line also is where many games are decided – where 6-foot-5, 315-pound offensive tackles, like Staley, ruthlessly grapple with 6-3, 290-pound defensive tackles, like McDonald.

"There's a little bit of craziness to it, yeah," McDonald said of his job.

So, in attempt to gain some insight into the craziness, we convened Staley and McDonald for a conversation about life on the line. How violent is it? What's the strangest trash-talking exchange they've ever had? What's the dirtiest play they've ever seen?

This seemed like a relevant time to pose the questions, with Lions defensive tackle Ndamukong Suh coming to town Sunday at Candlestick Park. Suh tends to plant himself in the middle of the madness, most notably when he stomped on the arm of Packers offensive lineman Evan Dietrich-Smith last season.

(McDonald didn't even try to defend his defensive colleague on that one. "I thought it was kind of dirty," he said.)

First things first: Staley quickly sought to counter any easy assumptions when viewing players his size, or McDonald's.

"I think everyone has the perception of linemen as being these huge meatheads," Staley said, "like we're out there saying, 'Grrrr!' and we're all belly-bumping and trying to muscle each other. But there's a lot of technique and strategy and different things you have to do.

"You have to play calmly and with aggression, too. We don't listen to a bunch of heavy metal music and psych ourselves out. Offensive linemen have to be mellow, make quick decisions and be very focused. It's kind of like a quarterback – you have to react really quickly."

That was Staley's polite way of saying he doesn't listen to music to energize himself before games. Still, he and McDonald both acknowledged a transformation takes place on the field, because their positions require a distinctive mix of pre-calculation and brute force.

Staley and McDonald spend hours upon hours watching film during the week, hoping to learn an opponent's tendencies. Last year, Staley noticed that one upcoming adversary put his head down, every time, before trying to bull rush. When the player kept his head up, he always tried his other move.

Armed with this knowledge, Staley shut him down.

McDonald, a soft-spoken sort, insisted he does not engage in trash talking on the field (he pointed to teammate Justin Smith as a skilled trash talker). That occasionally makes for awkward moments, as was the case in a Sept. 2009 game against Minnesota.

The Vikings were double-teaming McDonald, keeping him from reaching quarterback Brett Favre. The guard began taunting McDonald, peppering him with obscenities to describe his struggles. McDonald, in a deadpan and flabbergasted tone, replied simply, "You're getting help." (as in, 'Why the hell are you yapping?')

Staley shared the story of former 49ers offensive lineman Tony Ragge. As legend has it, then-Raiders defensive tackle Warren Sapp wildly dug into the pile when he thought there was a fumble. Ragge apparently turned to Sapp and said, "Chill out, there's not a hoagie in my pocket!"

Not surprisingly, these duels often become heated. McDonald complained about offensive linemen routinely using chop blocks, skirting the rules by having one lineman stop blocking (high) just as another blocks low. That maneuver once left McDonald with a sprained ankle and sidelined him for two or three weeks.

The dirtiest play Staley ever saw occurred last season, against an opponent he wouldn't name.

"The guy pulled up my helmet and started punching me under the pile, in the jaw," Staley said. "Then, on the next play, he pulled my helmet up again and put all his weight on my jaw. I thought he was trying to break it. I fought on that one."

All this, and Staley happily chugs along at left tackle. He savored his rare chance to catch a pass last season against Cleveland, but he knows what keeps him employed in the NFL.

"I enjoy playing offensive line, because it's what I'm good at," he said. "I couldn't play anything else. If you ask a D-lineman if they want to play offensive line, I don't think they'd say yes."

"Nooooo," McDonald said quickly.

Here, the byplay between Staley and McDonald became good-natured and lively. Asked if they had ever played another position, Staley said, "I moved to offensive tackle when I was a sophomore in college. I was a tight end my freshman year and a wide receiver in high school."

McDonald: "I was always a defensive lineman."

Staley: "He was always fat." (laughter)

McDonald: "I was actually pretty skinny in high school. I didn't get fat until I got to the league and they started giving us all this good food."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Dobbs, Tukuafu proud to be 'mutts'***

By Matt Maiocco, CSNBayArea.com

Demarcus Dobbs and Will Tukuafu are roommates who share a unique role among NFL players.

Both players were converted to two-way performers in the offseason, and both served significant dual roles during the exhibition season.

Dobbs and Tukuafu came to the 49ers as defensive linemen. Now Dobbs wears No. 83 (so he does not have to report before every offensive snap) and also plays tight end. Tukuafu doubles as an imposing 292-pound fullback.

I asked Dobbs how he answers when people ask him what position he plays.

"I tell them I'm a mutt," Dobbs said. "I'm just a mutt. I do all types of different things -- all types of breeds. I just tell them I'm defensive lineman but I do pretty much everything.

"I do take pride in being a mutt. There aren't many mutts around this league. Mutts are always a better dog, anyway."

Coach Jim Harbaugh has an affinity for two-way players. He made Owen Marecic major college football's only two-way player at Stanford. Last season, the 49ers used nose tackle Isaac Sopoaga for 42 snaps on offense at fullback. Harbaugh also employed Justin Smith during the playoffs as an extra blocker.

Tukuafu and Dobbs were both converted into two-way players in the offseason. Dobbs played both ways in all three exhibition games in which he appeared. Tukuafu did not see two-way action in training camp until after the first three weeks of camp. He concluded the exhibition season in impressive fashion.

"He was crushing people," Justin Smith said. "You didn't even have to see it. You could hear it. I know I wouldn't want to take on a 290-pound fullback. I'm sure Green Bay's hoping he's just a gimmick and (we) won't use him that much. He put some pretty impressive stuff on tape."

In the past two exhibition games, Tukuafu played 31 snaps on defense and 42 snaps on offense. He had two devastating blocks against the Chargers, including one that cleared the way for Anthony Dixon's touchdown run in the first quarter.

"He was a mutt before everybody else knew he was a mutt," Dobbs said of Tukuafu. "We went into the same thing at the same time. He went to fullback, and I went to tight end. I guess I got the bulk of the press before he did.

"He had an incredible game against San Diego. We're roommates when we go on the road. Will and I are close. To see him succeed and do what he did in the game made me happy. I got goosebumps watching him play the game."

Harbaugh suggested Dobbs could be asked to expand his role even further. With Parys Haralson out for the year with an apparent left arm injury, Harbaugh said it's a possibility Dobbs (6-foot-3, 285 pounds) could also see time at outside linebacker.

That would not appear to be necessary in the 49ers' first two regular-season games, as the 49ers are likely to spend most of the time with extra defensive backs on the field to defend the high-powered passing attacks of Green Bay and Detroit.

When the 49ers go with extra defensive backs, starting outside linebackers Aldon Smith and Ahmad Brooks shift to defensive linemen to rush the passer. Dobbs was used in exhibition games as a backup outside pass-rusher in nickel situations.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers' Walker proud of his toughness**

By Eric Branch, San Francisco Chronicle

49ers' Walker proud of his toughness

It may not match Jack Youngblood playing with a broken leg or Ronnie Lott donning pads without the tip of his pinkie finger, but Delanie Walker's broken jaw deserves a spot in the NFL's tough-guy injury lore.

Twenty-nine days after an inadvertent knee from Seahawks linebacker Leroy Hill broke his left jaw Dec. 24, Walker played in the NFC Championship Game.

Walker had a specially designed helmet for the game, but he didn't have sensation in the left side of his face. Along with fracturing the jaw, the impact from Hill's knee had also severed nerves.

More than six months later, Walker still has isolated numbness as a result of the injury, which, he said doesn't affect him on the field or when he eats. He is comfortably numb.

"I'm still going to play football fast," Walker said. "When you think about injuries, you're going to get hurt. I don't think about it at all."

As he enters his seventh season with the 49ers, Walker says he's also not giving much thought to the possibility that it could be his last in San Francisco.

An impending free agent, Walker, 27, has spent his career in Vernon Davis' considerable shadow and has yet to earn an NFL starters' salary. He will earn a base salary of \$1.045 million in 2012 (the minimum salary for a player with Walker's experience is \$700,000). In his first six seasons, he earned an average base salary of \$502,500.

Still, he wants to stay with the team that drafted him in the sixth round in 2006. If the price is right.

"I like playing for the 49ers, I like our system and I love the head coach," Walker said. "So whatever I can do, or whatever the organization can do to get me here, that's what I want to do. People talk about me being able to be a starter somewhere else. But that's a long road. I'm worried about our season this year. I don't think that's going to be a big concern for me right now. I'll wait until that time comes."

Walker, a college wide receiver who has never had more than 29 receptions, 331 yards or three touchdowns in a season, could likely land a bigger role as a pass-catcher elsewhere. He didn't have a reception in five straight games before he broke his jaw in the first quarter against Seattle. He finished the season with 19 catches for 198 yards.

"It's always frustrating," Walker said. "You start off the season (well) ... and then you go on a dry streak, it kind of hurts. But as long as we're winning, I don't think about it. I'm a team guy. And this team matters, not me."

Walker's actions back up his words. He's never complained about his role as Davis' caddy and has worked diligently to improve as a blocker.

Walker earned rave reviews for his blocking last year, memorably clearing out Pro Bowl defensive tackle Ndamukong Suh to spring Frank Gore on runs of 47 and 55 yards against the Lions. Last week, he knocked 251-pound linebacker Larry Grant on his backside on a run play during training camp.

It's not glamorous stuff, but it is valuable. Walker hopes a team, preferably the 49ers, recognizes it when it comes to his next contract.

"I had a great year blocking," Walker said. "And that was a big concern people had about me. Can he block? And I showed it last year. So I think everyone knows that I can catch the ball and I can make things happen once I have it in my hands. I'm playing for the Niners. When that time (free agency) comes, we'll see what happens."

Rookie activated: Guard Joe Looney, a fourth-round pick in April's draft, passed a physical and was activated from the active/non-football injury list. The 49ers had the day off Tuesday, but Looney will make his practice debut when they return to the field at 9:15 a.m. Wednesday. Looney injured a foot at the Senior Bowl in January.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***Davis, Walker push each other with 49ers***

By The Associated Press, SI.com

If Vernon Davis stays after practice to push the weighted sled, Delanie Walker is usually right there with him.

They both were among the last 49ers players to leave the field following Thursday's practice. San Francisco's talented tight end tandem came into the league together in 2006, and these two have fueled each other with their competitive fire through six NFL seasons.

"We always compete. If he makes a catch, I go, 'Oh, hey, I can do that,'" Davis said. "Sometimes I don't say nothing, I just go out and show him by example."

While much of the focus this offseason has been on the NFC West champions' upgrades in the receiving corps with new additions Randy Moss and Mario Manningham, Davis and Walker hope to build off a special thing they established last year under NFL Coach of the Year Jim Harbaugh in his first season.

"Harbaugh's the most energetic coach I've ever seen in my life," Davis said. "It's fun to be around, he makes the game fun. You want to play for him and you'll do whatever it takes to make plays for this guy."

Davis had 67 catches for 792 yards and six touchdowns, while the versatile Walker made 19 receptions for 198 yards and three TDs - tied for fourth on the team - before suffering a broken jaw in a Dec. 24 win at Seattle that caused him to miss the regular-season finale at St. Louis and NFC divisional playoff win over the New Orleans Saints.

Walker, whose jaw was broken in two places on the left side, spent two weeks on a liquid diet with his jaw wired shut before making a remarkable return to play in the team's 20-17 overtime loss in the NFC championship game to the eventual Super Bowl champion New York Giants.

The 27-year-old Walker isn't worried about taking another hit to the jaw - because he might not feel it. He said Thursday his face is still numb and it could stay that way for up to a year after the injury. Typically, he said he would feel pain through his chin strap after a hard hit.

He is unfazed by the numbness.

"It's like a tingle, like if you went to the dentist and you got a numbing shot," he said. "It doesn't bother me. I can't even tell unless I touch a certain spot that it's numb. It cut through some nerves and they said that could be a problem. I can hit at people and not even feel it. That's probably a good thing."

Walker played a key role in Harbaugh's offense that used at least two tight ends on the field more than any other team during the 2011 regular season. The 49ers ran 43 percent of their plays last season with two or more tight ends, compared to a league average of 26 percent, according to STATS LLC.

"I kind of went down a little bit with the jaw injury. My goal is to come in and start fast and try to forget about that happening so I can play fast. I don't think about it, and we're not hitting in OTAs," he said. "I really don't know what to expect, but I know it's a 100 percent recovery. It really wasn't too bad for me because I got to play in the NFC championship game. I don't think it was a downfall. It could have been different. Luckily I got to play. It really didn't hurt me the way I thought it should have."

The 49ers will hold their first mandatory minicamp for three days next Tuesday through Thursday. Harbaugh didn't get to do anything with his players last year at this time because of the NFL lockout, so everybody's expecting a thick playbook and high expectations of reaching the Super Bowl after last season's near miss.



Coming so close has motivated many of the guys in this group. All 11 defensive starters return to make what they hope is another memorable postseason run.

Davis caught two touchdown passes in the 36-32 victory over Drew Brees and the favored Saints, then followed that performance with TD catches of 73 and 28 yards in the NFC title game loss to New York.

"That's the past. We've got to put the past behind, and we can't worry about it," Davis said. "We can't spend our days thinking about what we could have done. It wasn't our time. The great thing about it is we get another opportunity, but in order to get that opportunity we have to finish strong in the regular season."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Whitner Has Grip on 49ers Defense***

By Taylor Price, 49ers.com

Maybe it's the swagger, maybe it's the toughness, or maybe it's what Patrick Willis calls, "The little big man type of confidence."

Whatever it is, Donte Whitner certainly has it.

The six-year veteran safety, who's entering his second season and first full offseason with the San Francisco 49ers, remains one of the team's most self-assured players on the roster.

So when the 2011 Pro Bowl alternate talks about wanting to improve on last year's impressive defensive efforts under first-year coordinator Vic Fangio, it's hard not to take his words at face value.

"We're very excited to be back, but it's more so about being with the guys and enjoying everyone's company," said the 5-foot-10, 208-pound hard-hitting defensive back on Tuesday. "There are a lot of funny guys in this locker room and that's where the camaraderie and the team chemistry are really built in the offseason."

Whitner, donning a black and red San Francisco Giants fitted cap, looked to be enjoying his time with teammates out on the 49ers practice fields during the team's Tuesday Football School session. With receivers and defensive players taking turns running a combine-like gauntlet drill during special teams periods, Whitner had a chance to showcase his own ball skills.

Whitner was seemingly always around the ball in his first year with the 49ers. He recorded 91 tackles to go with two interceptions, one forced fumble and three fumble recoveries. The all-around play-making ability, plus the "little big man" confidence instantly earned him the respect of his teammates.

"Donte came in and really solidified that strong safety spot," said Willis, San Francisco's defensive captain. "I know Dashon (Goldson) must enjoy having him back there with him, I know I did."

With another season playing together and a greater understanding of Fangio's defensive scheme, Whitner believes the 49ers can do better than their first year under Fangio's watch.

"This year you can expect guys to fly around a lot faster without hesitation and really understand what the scheme is and what we're trying to do to offensive football teams," Whitner said, before sharing his biggest goal for 2012. "And I believe that we're going to be the No. 1 defense in the National Football League this year. The guys believe it and we just have to go out there, work and prove it."

It won't be easy. Not only will the 49ers face a division-champion's schedule in 2012, but improving on last year's status as the best rush defense and second-best scoring defense in the NFL won't be easy either. But as Whitner sees it, a full offseason together will only help the unit improve.

"We have to go out this year and make everything count," explained Whitner, sounding very much like a player who had just been defeated in a conference championship game. "If we can do that – playing with intentions on really beating teams and not just winning football games – I believe we'll be right back in the same spot as last year."

Having Whitner in the fold for the next two seasons will be important for the 49ers defense. Not everyone at the strong safety position like Whitner can cover opposing tight ends and support the run like a linebacker.

"He says, 'I'm not the tallest or biggest safety, but I'm going to hit like one and I'm going to play the position like one,'" Willis shared. "I know he does a heck of a job. He's just going to continue to get that much better for us."

Most people point to Whitner's hit-everything-moving performance against the New Orleans Saints in the Divisional Playoffs as the veteran's best moment in a 49ers uniform, but Willis begs to differ.

"It wasn't just that game. Those guys (Whitner and Goldson) were doing it all season. No doubt for him to come out and do what he did (against New Orleans) was amazing, but they played like that all year long."

So while Willis might take more of a modest approach when it comes to setting personal and team goals, Whitner has no problem sharing his feelings on the matter.

"This is where it all starts," Whitner said looking around at the team's practice fields. "This is where you work hard together, but you have fun working hard before it gets really, really tough during training camp."

### **Player Feature Story**

#### **49ers: LB Michael Wilhoite makes the most of NFL debut**

By Kyle Bonagura, CBSSports.com

If not for the final outcome of the 49ers' loss at St. Louis on Sunday, LB Michael Wilhoite would be the proud owner of a game ball for his performance in his first NFL appearance.

"Had an outstanding game on special teams," coach Jim Harbaugh said. "Multiple tackles and had we won the game he would have deserved a game ball. He would have been the guy."

Not bad for a guy who once redshirted at Division II Washburn University -- home of the Ichabods -- and whose lone professional experience before Sunday came with the Omaha Nighthawks of the United Football League.

Wilhoite was bumped up from the practice squad last week and was in on four special-teams units: kickoff, kickoff return, punt and punt return. Harbaugh complimented him for staying on his assignments and was especially pleased with the job he did on punt team, where he was consistently able to free up teammates to get a good release off the line of scrimmage.

Only a win would have made it a better day for Wilhoite.

"I was on cloud nine, obviously, all day," he said. "Words can't explain it, but it was awesome to have my family there and have teammates there that were happy for me."

There was a time, not long ago, when the NFL wasn't a realistic dream. After his redshirt year at Washburn in 2005, he switched from safety to linebacker and finished No. 21 on the team with six tackles. His two standout performances consisted of two tackles against both Central Missouri and Southwest Baptist.

He was on the radar of exactly zero NFL teams.

But once he started having success for the Ichabods, Washburn coach Craig Schurig told him professional football could be in his future.

"I never really realized it as much," Wilhoite said. "(Schurig) realized it before I did, and he said something to me and when he did, I said 'OK, this can be a realistic goal.'"

There were other milestones along the way -- signing with Omaha, then to the 49ers practice squad last year, then getting re-signed to the practice squad following training camp again this year, but none of those signified just how far he'd come compared to his first 49ers' game action.

Call K David Akers' touchback to open the game most memorable non-play of Wilhoite's life.

"I was glad we started with kickoff, there is no assignment, you just run down as fast as you can and try to make a play," Wilhoite said. "A touchback isn't as near as fun, but it was a blessing to be able to run down the field with my teammates."

Already one of the strongest, most physically imposing players on the team, Wilhoite more than held his own when he finally got in on some action. His first tackle came following a punt.

"That was pretty awesome," he said. "First one in my career, hopefully there'll be many more. I'll just remember that one running down, making a play and celebrating with my teammates."

See the trend? Wilhoite gives a lot of credit to the guys around him in the San Francisco locker room, guys whose trust he's earned with consistent effort in practice over the last year.

"He gives tremendous effort. The willingness to do his job and beyond," said Tavares Gooden, who lined up next to Wilhoite on the kickoff team. "That's great and that's what you need because you're not going to win every battle, but as long as your effort is there, then you have a great chance at winning."

How his role evolves remains to be seen. The positive impression he made on the coaching staff was certainly a good sign for his future, but he'll be on the 46-man bubble the rest of the way. Special teams standout Demarcus Dobbs, who didn't travel with the team to St. Louis, is expected to play this week, which could affect Wilhoite's game-day status.

Naturally, he'd prefer to be on the field, but for now Wilhoite is content living the dream, the dream he almost didn't have.

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Kyle Williams inherited the speed gene***

By Matthew Barrows, Sacramento Bee

Wondering where Kyle Williams, who scored the 49ers' longest touchdown of the season Sunday, gets his speed? Here's a story I wrote after he was drafted last year that explains it.\*\*\*

Tracking a fly ball in deep center field is no easy task. Then again, you don't have 11 opponents bearing down on you from all sides while you're trying to locate the ball. That's the not-so-subtle point Kyle Williams' family tried to impress upon Williams in recent years.

The Williamses, you see, are a baseball family. One of Kyle's brothers, Dedrick, is a scout for the Chicago White Sox. Another brother, Kenny Jr., plays for a White Sox affiliate in Winston-Salem, N.C. Their father is Ken Williams, the White Sox general manager who built a world championship team in 2005. Kyle Williams, in fact, was drafted by Chicago in the 47th round of the MLB draft in 2006.

But this White Sock is a black sheep.

"I'm kind of the oddball of the family because everybody did baseball," Kyle Williams said. "I kind of ventured my own way, but it's one of those things where people said that I couldn't do it. I wasn't good enough to do it. I had to prove them otherwise. I'm one of those guys when somebody tells me I can't do something, I'm going to start to do it just to prove them wrong."

Williams said the choice between baseball and football always has been foggy in his mind, but it began to crystallize before his senior year at Arizona State. His football coach, Dennis Erickson, didn't want him splitting time between the sports. So for the first time in his life, Williams focused solely on football.

"We were all worried about that because Kyle is not that big," his grandmother, Ethel Williams, said. "When he was in high school, it wasn't as big a worry because the other players aren't that big at that level."

Kyle Williams' dedication paid off. He led the Sun Devils in receiving as a 186-pound senior with 57 catches for 815 yards and eight touchdowns. The 49ers drafted him in the sixth round last month, noting Williams is a natural fit at slot receiver, his primary position at Arizona State.

"There's nobody on this football team that has the quickness he has in the slot," acting general manager Trent Baalke said. The selection turned out to be a homecoming for Williams. He was born in San Jose and has family throughout the Bay Area.

His grandfather, Jerry Williams, was a track star in the 1960s - "That's where Kyle gets his speed," Ethel Williams said - who has the distinction of beating John Carlos and Tommie Smith in the same race. Carlos, in fact, is Ken Williams Sr.'s godfather.

Ken Williams, meanwhile, has a football background of his own. A receiver at Stanford, he was watching from the sideline on that nowfamous November day in 1982 when the Stanford band prematurely began celebrating a victory over Cal. When replays of "The Play" come on in the Williams household, someone immediately changes the channel.

Unlike his son, Ken Williams preferred running down fly balls to running post patterns. He was taken in the third round of the MLB draft in 1982 and played six seasons as a major league outfielder from 1986 to 1991.

Having a dad in a baseball front office meant Kyle Williams had some high-profile playmates. When he wanted to toss the ball around, he'd tap the shoulder of Ozzie Guillén, his favorite player.

"It was not uncommon for Bo Jackson or any of those guys to drop by the house," Ethel Williams said. Still, Kyle Williams admitted to being "a little starstruck" when he met Vernon Davis, Michael Crabtree and Mike Singletary last week in Santa Clara.

Williams grew up in Chicago, where Singletary is a legend. Singletary is eyeing Williams as someone who can possibly salvage a 49ers punt-return game that was dreadful in 2009. Williams handled 74 punts in four seasons with the Sun Devils. He averaged a 17 yards per return as a junior, the best in the Pacific-10 Conference that year.

Williams said fielding punts comes natural to him. After all, it's almost like shagging a fly ball.

### **Player Feature Story**

#### ***San Francisco 49ers' Kyle Williams continues to redeem himself***

By Steve Corkran, Mercury News

In case any doubt remained, 49ers wide receiver Kyle Williams showed Sunday that last season's NFC Championship game is far behind him.

Williams, who botched two crucial punt returns in last season's heartbreaking loss to the New York Giants, scored the first of the 49ers' six touchdowns on a 43-yard catch-and-run play in the second quarter that propelled the 49ers to a 45-3 rout of the Buffalo Bills.

Still, with the Giants on their way here for a rematch next Sunday, people certainly will dredge up Williams' role in the 49ers' Super Bowl near-miss.

"We're so proud of him," safety Donte Whitner said. "That's why guys didn't really say anything negative to him about those drops because we understand that he's one of the hardest-working guys on the football team.

"He doesn't always get the ball in the game, but in practice you can see the talent that he has. You knew that he was going to bounce back this year. There are plenty of more plays to be made by him out there, so you just keep watching."

Williams made four plays Sunday without flaw. He caught two passes for 50 yards and returned two kicks for 45 yards combined.

The biggest play came early in the second quarter; two plays after the Bills tied the score at 3.

Williams broke off his route down the right sideline, adjusted to a wobbly pass from Alex Smith, secured the ball and eluded the cornerback en route to the long touchdown.

Williams celebrated by dropping to his knees in the end zone and looking skyward, thinking about his late grandmother.

"I was just saying hello to her, that's all," Williams said. "This is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and she died from it. So, it's fitting."

Williams' grandmother, Sonya Broyard, died when Kyle Williams was in high school.

Yet, Broyard is never far from Williams' thoughts, especially in October, when the NFL shines light on a disease that has affected numerous 49ers, with its Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

"She was kind of my rock, the rock for the whole family," Williams said. "She passed away from breast cancer. She was there with me."

Whitner lost his grandmother to lung cancer three years ago. He said he and his teammates think about the ravaging effects of cancer all the time.

"I know the effect that it can have on families when you lose a loved one to cancer," Whitner said. "So, it's good that we do this. All the profits go toward finding a cure for it, so I'm all for it."

Williams doesn't spend much time these days dwelling upon the punt that hit off his leg and the fumbled punt return in the 49ers loss to the Giants in the NFC Championship game.

After that dramatic overtime loss, Williams answered every question without flinching -- even as death threats were flowing his way via Twitter.



He vowed to learn from the experience and not let that game define him as a person and player.

Center Jonathan Goodwin said Williams has succeeded, where many others might have succumbed to the pressure.

"I'm real impressed with him," said Goodwin, whose mother survived breast cancer and attended Sunday's game. "He came back and worked hard. At the end of last year, he stood up and he said that he had a big thing happen to him. But ... you can never be mad at him because the things that happened last year, he did them at full speed.

"He's been a big part of this team and this team's success. Hopefully, he can keep growing and keep getting better and better and we can get him back (to the NFC Championship game)."

Williams said he is pleased with the way he has played this season, his third in the NFL. He has caught four passes for 66 yards and handled numerous punts and kickoffs without any miscues.

"It's been good so far," Williams said. "It's just one of those things where every single week you got to do whatever you got to do to win the game. This week, they called my number, and I was able to make a play. So, I'm just happy to be able to help."

## **Player Feature Story**

### ***Patrick Willis keeps the faith***

By Jeffri Chadiha, ESPN.com

The San Francisco 49ers' 5-1 start will make more people recognize the true brilliance of their star linebacker, Patrick Willis. He's the man Baltimore Ravens' 12-time Pro Bowler Ray Lewis anointed as the next great defender, and Willis already has four Pro Bowls of his own to support that claim.

The people who know Willis best also believe his character will receive more attention outside the Bay Area. For as great as he is on the field, what really makes him special is how gracefully he's handled his turbulent life.

The most impressive aspect of Willis is the devotion he still shows his troubled father, Ernest. As tonight's story on "E:60" will detail, their relationship has been as painful as it gets. By Patrick's recollection, Ernest was an alcoholic, a heavy drug user, and a man so abusive that he eventually had his four children taken from him by the state of Tennessee. By Patrick's recollection, Ernest also supplied his oldest son with the discipline to escape extreme poverty and the unyielding belief that you never turn your back on your family, no matter what.

That complicated combination of variables is what keeps Patrick Willis, 26, committed to the belief that his father will someday slay his inner demons. Many pro athletes would've turned their backs on such a patriarch by now. Patrick instead still believes in the possibility of Ernest's redemption.

"Patrick doesn't just worry about himself," said Ernicka Willis, Patrick's younger sister. "He doesn't know how to do that."

"I've never thought to ask myself why I haven't given up hope," Patrick Willis said. "But I have asked myself why I can't let it go and not just want him to do better. It's probably because I have a younger half-brother and half-sister that live with him now [Willis' father is remarried]. And I don't want them to go through the things I did growing up."

Those "things" that Patrick Willis referred to would make even the most hardened child psychologist marvel at his resolve. As a child, Patrick spent so much time caring for Ernicka and his younger brothers Orey and Detris -- long after Ernest vanished for the night -- that Ernicka sends him Father's Day cards. According to Patrick, Ernest often abused drugs so frequently that his children could only shake their heads when he advised them to avoid such destructive behavior. There's also the night that Ernest returned home drunk and lined his children up military-style, just so he could give them a stern lecture. When Detris started to doze off, Ernest battered him with a fierce four-punch combination that dropped his youngest son to the floor.

Patrick Willis was always too big to suffer such physical abuse, but he still felt his own hurt. When he was 13, he spent an entire summer working an \$8-per-hour job for a logging company, all so he could save enough money to buy a pair of Air Jordans. But little by little, Ernest kept asking for loans -- supposedly to pay bills -- that Patrick knew were supporting his father's drug habit. By the end of the summer, Patrick had only \$20 left.

When Ernest asked for that as well, Patrick broke down in front of Orey.

"The person who knew what I was going through was Orey," Patrick said. "And I'll never forget telling him, 'Man, this is crazy.' Tears were coming down my face and Orey said, 'Daddy's just gotta stop. How can he not see what he's doing is not right?' I'll never forget being so frustrated because it hurt so bad to do all that work and have nothing to show for it."

To understand how painful that night was for Patrick, just consider that his siblings had never seen him more devastated. Patrick didn't cry when his father was so strung out that he rarely attended any of

Patrick's games at nearby Bruceton Central High School. Patrick also didn't tear up in 2006 when he received the news that Detris drowned during Patrick's junior year at Ole Miss, where he became a two-time All-American. Patrick ultimately became so numb to life during his childhood, "I started seeing my father as a stranger."

In many ways, the most disturbing part of growing up for Patrick was having a front-row seat to witness the steady deterioration of a man he loved so much.

Incredibly, that love is what Patrick Willis clings to today. When he talks about his father, he remembers when Ernest would take him hunting, introduce him to sports and play basketball with his kids, despite being dog-tired from a full day of work. He also respects the attempts Ernest made at raising all four of his children after Patrick's mother, Loretta Lynn Anderson, abandoned the family when Patrick was 4. Even when the Department of Children's Services confronted Ernest during Patrick's junior year in high school, Patrick was concerned with how it would affect his father.

Said former 49ers head coach and current Minnesota Vikings assistant Mike Singletary: "Patrick believes the best of people. You're never going to catch him talking about somebody because he knows he's not perfect. But so few people in life give you a second chance. And he is that kind of guy."

These days, Patrick Willis is just as concerned about his father. When "E:60" approached him about his story, his primary concern was how Ernest would be portrayed. Patrick didn't want the world to see a monster. He wanted people to understand a man who was destroyed by an inability to defeat his addictions.

"He really is a good guy," Willis said. "He was a good father because he could've easily just turned his back on us and he stuck in there. But he also had his ways, too, and just as anybody can be a good person, if you have bad ways, that's what gets the best of you."

The tough part for Willis is that he knows his upbringing ultimately led him to a place he'd always dreamed of reaching. Now he just wants his father to change his own life.

"I'd say we're actually closer now than in the 15 years I lived with him," Willis said. "Probably a year or two ago was the first time my daddy told me, 'I love you, Son.' Can you believe that? I was like 23 or 24. ... He said, 'Son, keep doing what you're doing. You got it going on for yourself. I love you, boy.' I was in so much shock I couldn't even cry."

That improved father-son bond is enough proof for Willis to keep believing in Ernest. It's also evidence of the same strength and resilience Willis brings to his game. That's because part of his growing relationship with his father may truly have something to do with Ernest finally understanding the damage he inflicted on Patrick during his childhood. The greater likelihood is that it has more to do with a son who has too much heart to abandon his own faith.

## WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012

OFFENSE	Cin.	Phil.	G.B.	Chi.	NY-G	Atl.	T.B.	N.O.
GAMES (Won-Lost)	7-6	4-9	9-4	8-5	8-5	11-2	6-7	5-8
FIRST DOWNS	249	279	269	246	274	287	240	273
Rushing	82	94	70	78	81	58	75	49
Passing	149	158	163	143	163	204	143	209
Penalty	18	27	36	25	30	25	22	15
YDS GAINED (tot)	4618	4718	4495	4093	4848	4890	4639	5124
Avg per Game	355.2	362.9	345.8	314.8	372.9	376.2	356.8	394.2
RUSHING (net)	1527	1632	1400	1591	1513	1130	1546	1249
Avg per Game	117.5	125.5	107.7	122.4	116.4	86.9	118.9	96.1
Rushes	352	345	350	379	339	302	348	289
Yards per Rush	4.3	4.7	4.0	4.2	4.5	3.7	4.4	4.3
PASSING (net)	3091	3086	3095	2502	3335	3760	3093	3875
Avg per Game	237.8	237.4	238.1	192.5	256.5	289.2	237.9	298.1
Passes Att.	446	500	442	407	464	511	423	536
Completed	283	298	295	245	282	346	232	331
Pct Completed	63.5	59.6	66.7	60.2	60.8	67.7	54.8	61.8
Yards Gained	3259	3339	3335	2760	3433	3932	3220	4038
Sacked	32	41	42	37	15	24	19	23
Yards Lost	168	253	240	258	98	172	127	163
Had intercepted	14	12	8	15	13	14	8	18
Yards Opp Ret	181	290	47	217	277	158	169	356
Opp TDs on Int	4	3	0	2	2	1	2	3
PUNTS	58	59	60	61	46	49	67	58
Avg Yards	46.6	48.0	43.1	41.8	46.4	46.4	44.3	50.0
PUNT RETURNS	38	26	26	33	18	19	29	19
Avg Return	11.6	11.2	9.8	8.1	7.3	7.6	8.4	7.5
Returned for TD	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
KICKOFF RETURNS	35	45	38	39	54	21	26	42
Avg Return	22.9	21.2	25.0	19.0	26.6	24.9	20.7	25.7
Returned for TD	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
PENALTIES	77	79	87	87	63	47	91	87
Yards Penalized	668	660	766	673	496	350	711	759
FUMBLES BY	15	31	13	14	11	9	13	11
Fumbles Lost	7	17	5	7	5	4	4	5
Opp Fumbles	20	18	16	27	24	13	15	15
Opp Fum Lost	11	3	5	14	14	8	7	9
POSS. TIME (avg)	30:31	30:10	30:05	32:00	30:16	30:38	29:41	27:45
TOUCHDOWNS	36	25	39	35	39	36	41	44
Rushing	9	9	5	9	16	10	12	8
Passing	26	15	30	18	20	24	25	32
Returns	1	1	4	8	3	2	4	4
EXTRA-PT KICKS	36/36	21/22	36/36	33/33	38/38	34/34	37/37	43/43
2-PT CONVERSIONS	0/0	0/3	1/3	1/2	1/1	0/2	1/3	1/1
FIELD GOALS/FGA	23/27	23/26	17/27	21/25	33/38	29/34	23/28	13/16
POINTS SCORED	321	240	323	308	373	337	354	348
DEFENSE	Cin.	Phil.	G.B.	Chi.	NY-G	Atl.	T.B.	N.O.
POINTS ALLOWED	280	341	279	219	270	259	308	379
OPP FIRST DOWNS	259	249	261	231	252	245	276	314
Rushing	80	74	67	68	84	85	63	98
Passing	161	150	165	143	154	151	188	191
Penalty	18	25	29	20	14	9	25	25
OPP YARDS GAINED	4264	4532	4574	4084	4890	4705	5068	5680
Avg per Game	328.0	348.6	351.8	314.2	376.2	361.9	389.8	436.9
OPP RUSHING(net)	1372	1551	1517	1413	1603	1651	1017	1981
Avg per Game	105.5	119.3	116.7	108.7	123.3	127.0	78.2	152.4
Rushes	327	375	336	317	339	338	309	391
Yards per Rush	4.2	4.1	4.5	4.5	4.7	4.9	3.3	5.1
OPP PASSING(net)	2892	2981	3057	2671	3287	3054	4051	3699
Avg per Game	222.5	229.3	235.2	205.5	252.8	234.9	311.6	284.5
Passes Att.	466	412	489	465	433	435	517	471
Completed	297	249	272	275	272	268	343	297
Pct Completed	63.7	60.4	55.6	59.1	62.8	61.6	66.3	63.1
Sacked	42	22	35	33	31	28	24	25
Yards Lost	286	139	235	232	222	180	159	170
INTERCEPTED BY	10	7	15	21	20	16	17	10
Yards Returned	79	27	202	408	448	223	419	308
Returned for TD	0	0	1	7	1	1	3	3
OPP PUNT RETURNS	23	35	18	19	27	23	33	26
Avg return	8.3	13.7	4.9	3.9	10.5	9.0	10.9	9.1
OPP KICKOFF RET	44	33	34	31	63	40	21	35
Avg return	25.7	26.0	23.0	20.5	23.9	22.7	26.3	26.4
OPP TOUCHDOWNS	30	39	31	22	30	28	37	44
Rushing	11	7	11	6	7	14	10	13
Passing	14	25	19	13	20	13	23	27
Returns	5	7	1	3	3	1	4	4

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GAMES (Won-Lost)	7-6	6-6-1	7-6	5-8	2-11	5-8	10-3	9-4
FIRST DOWNS	241	224	274	228	213	228	298	254
Rushing	84	68	112	56	61	71	82	78
Passing	133	142	138	152	121	127	186	149
Penalty	24	14	24	20	31	30	30	27
YDS GAINED (tot)	4274	4216	5024	4184	3678	4038	5071	4477
Avg per Game	328.8	324.3	386.5	321.8	282.9	310.6	390.1	344.4
RUSHING (net)	2030	1459	2178	1306	1068	1393	1379	1415
Avg per Game	156.2	112.2	167.5	100.5	82.2	107.2	106.1	108.8
Rushes	374	346	414	337	291	354	361	334
Yards per Rush	5.4	4.2	5.3	3.9	3.7	3.9	3.8	4.2
PASSING (net)	2244	2757	2846	2878	2610	2645	3692	3062
Avg per Game	172.6	212.1	218.9	221.4	200.8	203.5	284.0	235.5
Passes Att.	401	433	363	463	460	415	484	451
Completed	251	259	240	264	256	238	330	270
Pct Completed	62.6	59.8	66.1	57.0	55.7	57.3	68.2	59.9
Yards Gained	2396	2958	3043	3037	2879	2840	3812	3250
Sacked	28	31	29	24	40	27	19	31
Yards Lost	152	201	197	159	269	195	120	188
Had intercepted	12	11	6	15	11	12	10	9
Yards Opp Ret	72	144	101	270	231	185	218	119
Opp TDs on Int	1	1	0	2	3	2	2	1
PUNTS	61	66	58	77	78	65	53	67
Avg Yards	44.7	45.7	42.7	41.9	46.9	50.1	46.7	47.5
PUNT RETURNS	23	32	30	36	25	28	38	30
Avg Return	8.1	6.9	9.3	15.9	7.1	10.9	10.6	9.7
Returned for TD	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
KICKOFF RETURNS	35	32	30	38	40	33	26	45
Avg Return	26.3	21.3	23.5	24.9	21.3	28.8	23.8	28.7
Returned for TD	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
PENALTIES	72	99	105	89	79	71	77	96
Yards Penalized	631	769	896	827	785	635	640	872
FUMBLES BY	18	20	22	17	17	21	18	11
Fumbles Lost	10	6	6	4	9	11	13	4
Opp Fumbles	17	11	15	21	16	17	19	21
Opp Fum Lost	8	3	9	12	10	3	6	12
POSS. TIME (avg)	27:44	29:20	30:38	28:18	26:58	28:11	30:03	27:15
TOUCHDOWNS	30	24	40	26	22	26	44	37
Rushing	12	4	14	10	5	14	7	14
Passing	14	16	20	13	17	9	30	18
Returns	4	4	6	3	0	3	7	5
EXTRA-PT KICKS	27/27	19/19	38/39	25/25	15/16	25/25	42/42	35/35
2-PT CONVERSIONS	2/3	4/5	1/1	0/1	3/6	1/1	1/2	1/2
FIELD GOALS/FGA	24/27	21/27	21/26	26/27	21/23	19/24	21/26	24/26
POINTS SCORED	283	236	343	259	216	240	375	331
DEFENSE	Minn.	St.L.	Wash.	Clev.	Jax	Miami	Denv.	Balt.
POINTS ALLOWED	286	279	329	272	359	276	257	273
OPP FIRST DOWNS	281	269	282	274	303	262	247	285
Rushing	74	87	69	85	113	58	60	88
Passing	180	163	185	158	162	181	160	167
Penalty	27	19	28	31	28	23	27	30
OPP YARDS GAINED	4576	4369	5045	4722	5129	4585	4022	4887
Avg per Game	352.0	336.1	388.1	363.2	394.5	352.7	309.4	375.9
OPP RUSHING(net)	1499	1434	1284	1567	1894	1327	1218	1681
Avg per Game	115.3	110.3	98.8	120.5	145.7	102.1	93.7	129.3
Rushes	377	357	304	362	448	344	339	412
Yards per Rush	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.3	4.2	3.9	3.6	4.1
OPP PASSING(net)	3077	2935	3761	3155	3235	3258	2804	3206
Avg per Game	236.7	225.8	289.3	242.7	248.8	250.6	215.7	246.6
Passes Att.	484	450	516	497	450	495	467	475
Completed	310	300	320	307	286	293	273	289
Pct Completed	64.0	66.7	62.0	61.8	63.6	59.2	58.5	60.8
Sacked	31	39	23	34	14	37	39	30
Yards Lost	195	239	152	199	86	213	268	201
INTERCEPTED BY	9	13	15	15	10	9	15	13
Yards Returned	195	336	208	193	118	91	249	196
Returned for TD	2	3	3	2	0	0	4	2
OPP PUNT RETURNS	34	35	33	28	34	37	25	40
Avg return	7.9	10.2	6.6	11.2	8.6	11.6	4.9	8.3
OPP KICKOFF RET	24	26	39	39	33	32	23	29
Avg return	24.8	24.8	23.2	20.0	27.6	25.4	20.8	23.0
OPP TOUCHDOWNS	32	31	36	32	39	27	29	25
Rushing	10	15	8	10	18	8	5	12
Passing	21	14	27	19	17	15	22	12
Returns	1	2	1	3	4	4	2	1

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OFFENSE	Ind.	Hou.	Det.	Ariz.	Car.	S.D.	Sea.	Buff.
GAMES (Won-Lost)	9-4	11-2	4-9	4-9	4-9	5-8	8-5	5-8
FIRST DOWNS	306	288	319	208	255	252	250	247
Rushing	91	102	71	49	93	69	101	85
Passing	180	170	224	142	138	163	123	143
Penalty	35	16	24	17	24	20	26	19
YDS GAINED (tot)	4974	4998	5379	3503	4598	4159	4436	4438
Avg per Game	382.6	384.5	413.8	269.5	353.7	319.9	341.2	341.4
RUSHING (net)	1376	1810	1378	1021	1548	1234	1980	1836
Avg per Game	105.8	139.2	106.0	78.5	119.1	94.9	152.3	141.2
Rushes	356	440	327	287	356	334	435	362
Yards per Rush	3.9	4.1	4.2	3.6	4.3	3.7	4.6	5.1
PASSING (net)	3598	3188	4001	2482	3050	2925	2456	2602
Avg per Game	276.8	245.2	307.8	190.9	234.6	225.0	188.9	200.2
Passes Att.	537	454	592	504	394	466	341	407
Completed	295	289	360	276	230	298	215	253
Pct Completed	54.9	63.7	60.8	54.8	58.4	63.9	63.0	62.2
Yards Gained	3792	3332	4178	2808	3266	3169	2608	2718
Sacked	32	17	26	51	31	37	24	25
Yards Lost	194	144	177	326	216	244	152	116
Had intercepted	18	11	12	17	10	15	9	14
Yards Opp Ret	406	110	257	319	175	220	113	167
Opp TDs on Int	3	0	2	4	2	2	1	1
PUNTS	56	76	61	89	67	66	57	67
Avg Yards	48.8	46.9	40.5	46.6	42.0	47.3	46.7	44.5
PUNT RETURNS	25	33	32	43	22	26	35	25
Avg Return	11.0	11.0	9.4	8.3	7.0	6.7	8.5	17.2
Returned for TD	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
KICKOFF RETURNS	33	35	26	31	35	32	21	31
Avg Return	18.7	21.1	19.7	23.5	21.8	22.7	28.4	27.7
Returned for TD	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
PENALTIES	79	81	90	87	78	81	92	85
Yards Penalized	650	680	832	748	654	613	733	734
FUMBLES BY	19	9	18	20	19	20	14	18
Fumbles Lost	8	2	10	11	8	9	8	12
Opp Fumbles	10	21	16	13	14	25	23	20
Opp Fum Lost	2	12	6	9	10	12	11	8
POSS. TIME (avg)	31:04	33:45	31:41	29:12	28:43	31:52	31:26	30:12
TOUCHDOWNS	32	43	34	18	33	32	35	33
Rushing	10	18	15	7	13	4	10	9
Passing	18	21	19	10	16	21	21	21
Returns	4	4	0	1	4	7	4	3
EXTRA-PT KICKS	29/29	42/42	33/33	18/18	32/33	32/32	33/34	32/32
2-PT CONVERSIONS	1/2	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1
FIELD GOALS/FGA	23/30	21/26	27/31	20/23	11/14	22/24	19/22	19/20
POINTS SCORED	292	365	320	186	265	292	300	289
DEFENSE	Ind.	Hou.	Det.	Ariz.	Car.	S.D.	Sea.	Buff.
POINTS ALLOWED	329	263	342	292	312	281	202	352
OPP FIRST DOWNS	261	232	255	235	280	252	237	290
Rushing	78	67	87	87	88	61	66	106
Passing	157	143	140	130	166	169	147	155
Penalty	26	22	28	18	26	22	24	29
OPP YARDS GAINED	4712	4290	4529	4389	4535	4361	3922	4707
Avg per Game	362.5	330.0	348.4	337.6	348.8	335.5	301.7	362.1
OPP RUSHING(net)	1568	1181	1573	1827	1581	1203	1370	1748
Avg per Game	120.6	90.8	121.0	140.5	121.6	92.5	105.4	134.5
Rushes	332	290	334	414	360	315	309	367
Yards per Rush	4.7	4.1	4.7	4.4	4.4	3.8	4.4	4.8
OPP PASSING(net)	3144	3109	2956	2562	2954	3158	2552	2959
Avg per Game	241.8	239.2	227.4	197.1	227.2	242.9	196.3	227.6
Passes Att.	446	496	460	392	453	482	443	453
Completed	277	265	289	217	306	300	259	262
Pct Completed	62.1	53.4	62.8	55.4	67.5	62.2	58.5	57.8
Sacked	24	37	30	34	30	25	32	31
Yards Lost	135	221	210	205	230	159	202	170
INTERCEPTED BY	8	15	10	19	9	12	14	11
Yards Returned	97	333	136	120	156	306	165	158
Returned for TD	3	3	0	0	3	5	1	0
OPP PUNT RETURNS	26	39	23	40	31	32	27	30
Avg return	13.0	10.2	11.3	9.2	9.5	9.0	9.0	15.7
OPP KICKOFF RET	26	52	43	26	32	36	36	41
Avg return	25.3	24.2	23.9	27.3	17.8	21.7	21.7	23.0
OPP TOUCHDOWNS	38	30	38	32	31	33	21	44
Rushing	12	3	9	9	11	5	7	18
Passing	22	24	21	17	17	24	12	22
Returns	4	3	8	6	3	4	2	4

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OFFENSE	Pitt.	Dal.	K.C.	Oak.	S.F.	N.E.	NY-J	Tenn.
GAMES (Won-Lost)	7-6	7-6	2-11	3-10	9-3-1	10-3	6-7	4-9
FIRST DOWNS	255	277	249	250	266	361	242	226
Rushing	66	61	99	56	111	125	80	57
Passing	168	191	131	174	137	204	133	147
Penalty	21	25	19	20	18	32	29	22
YDS GAINED (tot)	4444	4837	4363	4665	4681	5534	3977	4315
Avg per Game	341.8	372.1	335.6	358.8	360.1	425.7	305.9	331.9
RUSHING (net)	1282	1038	1940	1055	2100	1819	1548	1362
Avg per Game	98.6	79.8	149.2	81.2	161.5	139.9	119.1	104.8
Rushes	336	301	418	280	397	434	405	292
Yards per Rush	3.8	3.4	4.6	3.8	5.3	4.2	3.8	4.7
PASSING (net)	3162	3799	2423	3610	2581	3715	2429	2953
Avg per Game	243.2	292.2	186.4	277.7	198.5	285.8	186.8	227.2
Passes Att.	483	536	405	535	346	499	404	473
Completed	301	358	238	325	239	320	227	283
Pct Completed	62.3	66.8	58.8	60.7	69.1	64.1	56.2	59.8
Yards Gained	3319	4017	2590	3809	2804	3850	2615	3136
Sacked	27	31	31	26	38	20	31	26
Yards Lost	157	218	167	199	223	135	186	183
Had intercepted	11	16	17	14	6	5	13	14
Yards Opp Ret	105	325	333	271	70	39	159	240
Opp TDs on Int	1	3	3	2	0	0	0	4
PUNTS	60	53	65	67	55	46	70	60
Avg Yards	42.9	43.0	46.0	46.6	47.3	42.2	45.1	48.1
PUNT RETURNS	35	27	36	26	32	30	20	25
Avg Return	6.7	9.8	9.4	5.7	10.5	14.0	10.6	12.0
Returned for TD	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
KICKOFF RETURNS	36	28	40	38	34	32	39	48
Avg Return	25.7	21.2	21.7	22.3	25.0	21.3	26.9	25.0
Returned for TD	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
PENALTIES	84	103	71	88	94	79	69	82
Yards Penalized	817	754	566	740	789	680	600	658
FUMBLES BY	29	17	25	19	17	11	25	21
Fumbles Lost	14	8	16	9	6	5	15	12
Opp Fumbles	14	13	15	13	18	35	15	12
Opp Fum Lost	5	8	4	7	8	19	11	4
POSS. TIME (avg)	32:43	31:24	31:12	28:44	30:55	30:38	29:43	27:13
TOUCHDOWNS	29	32	17	25	35	57	28	28
Rushing	7	7	8	3	16	20	10	7
Passing	21	21	8	22	16	29	13	16
Returns	1	4	1	0	3	8	5	5
EXTRA-PT KICKS	27/27	29/29	16/16	22/22	35/35	56/56	27/27	27/27
2-PT CONVERSIONS	1/2	2/3	0/1	2/3	0/0	0/1	0/1	1/1
FIELD GOALS/FGA	25/26	25/27	25/29	24/26	23/32	24/30	16/21	24/29
POINTS SCORED	278	300	195	248	316	472	245	271
DEFENSE	Pitt.	Dal.	K.C.	Oak.	S.F.	N.E.	NY-J	Tenn.
POINTS ALLOWED	264	314	352	402	184	274	306	386
OPP FIRST DOWNS	216	240	232	267	219	283	250	289
Rushing	67	68	81	87	53	82	84	100
Passing	127	147	136	158	136	172	136	170
Penalty	22	25	15	22	30	29	30	19
OPP YARDS GAINED	3411	4376	4543	5072	3582	4892	4323	4912
Avg per Game	262.4	336.6	349.5	390.2	275.5	376.3	332.5	377.8
OPP RUSHING(net)	1211	1544	1706	1705	1181	1310	1775	1651
Avg per Game	93.2	118.8	131.2	131.2	90.8	100.8	136.5	127.0
Rushes	328	344	368	375	327	338	404	395
Yards per Rush	3.7	4.5	4.6	4.5	3.6	3.9	4.4	4.2
OPP PASSING(net)	2200	2832	2837	3367	2401	3582	2548	3261
Avg per Game	169.2	217.8	218.2	259.0	184.7	275.5	196.0	250.8
Passes Att.	408	400	365	448	446	483	424	454
Completed	223	250	219	298	267	306	230	308
Pct Completed	54.7	62.5	60.0	66.5	59.9	63.4	54.2	67.8
Sacked	26	29	24	17	32	28	22	27
Yards Lost	136	178	154	136	233	169	119	164
INTERCEPTED BY	7	6	7	9	10	15	11	12
Yards Returned	120	111	119	81	133	331	117	161
Returned for TD	1	1	0	0	2	2	2	2
OPP PUNT RETURNS	24	21	25	39	26	15	25	29
Avg return	11.0	9.5	14.2	10.2	7.8	5.9	10.6	9.4
OPP KICKOFF RET	42	40	25	24	36	46	43	24
Avg return	24.0	22.1	25.3	27.3	28.1	20.3	21.8	27.8
OPP TOUCHDOWNS	28	34	40	45	18	32	35	44
Rushing	8	11	9	17	3	10	13	12
Passing	16	17	25	25	13	22	17	25
Returns	4	6	6	3	2	0	5	7

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BAL	7	6	7	5	8	6	2	11	6	10	12	11	2	4	8	4	4t
BUF	9	3	2	1	14	9	15	9	11	8	4t	1	3	13	16	8	3
CIN	6	4	6	4	7	4	10	12	9t	13	2	5	9	10	4	5	9
CLE	12	12	12	9	11	12	13	5	13t	15	8	2	7	16	15	11	1
DEN	2	1	9	12	2	1	3	2	3	3	4t	9	8	8	1	2	11t
HOU	3	7	4	7	5	3	6	1	4	7	7	6t	15	6	9	3	11t
IND	4	9	10	10	4	7	14	8	2	4	1	6t	16	2	7	6t	15
JAC	16	16	15	16	13	16	5	16	16	16	13	13	13	7	3	15	7
KC	10	11	1	3	16	15	16	13	9t	11	3	12	12	11	11	16	8
MIA	14	13	8	8	12	10	8	10	13t	12	14	8	1	1	6	14	14
NE	1	2	3	6	1	2	1	3	1	1	15	3	14	15	14	1	13
NYJ	15	15	5	11	15	14	11	14	12	9	6	10	4	12	10	13	16
OAK	5	5	16	14	3	5	7	4	8	14	16	16	11	9	12	12	4t
PIT	8	10	13	13	6	8	4	7	5	2	11	15	5	14	13	9	2
SD	13	14	14	15	10	13	12	15	7	6	10	14	10	5	5	6t	6
TEN	11	8	11	2	9	11	9	6	15	5	9	4	6	3	2	10	10

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Tm	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	(S)
BAL	12	9	11	7	11	10	5	9	13	7	6t	3	6	8	12	5	16	4	12
BUF	9	10	14	16	6	7	9	5	15	16	6t	16	7	4	2	12t	1	12	9
CIN	3	4	7	9	5	3	11	1	7	10	1	4	13	10	3	8	13	5	5
CLE	11	7	8	11	9	6	4	6	11	4	10	12	1	12	1	4	5	8	13
DEN	2	2	4	1	3	2	1	2	4	2	5	1	3	15	13	1	12	2	1
HOU	4	5	1	6	7	5	3	4	2t	1	2	8	9	7	9	2	8	3	3
IND	10	14	9	15	8	11	15	12	8	8	6t	14	11	14	14	11	4	10	6
JAC	16	12	16	10	12	13	10	16	16	12	11	5	15	11	10	14	6	14	16
KC	7	15	13	14	4	16	13	7	2t	6	13	15	10	13	5	12t	7	16	7
MIA	8	6	6	4	13	8	14	3	9	3	16	13	12	3	6	7	2	9	14
NE	13	13	5	5	16	14	2	11	12	13	4	2	2	16	8	6	15	1	4
NYJ	5	3	15	12	2	4	7	13	5	9	14	10	5	6	11	10	3	11	10
OAK	15	16	12	13	15	15	12	15	10	15	12	9	14	5	15	16	9	15	11
PIT	1	1	3	2	1	1	16	8	1	5	15	11	8	2	7	3	10	6	2
SD	6	8	2	3	10	9	8	14	6	14	3	6	4	9	16	9	11	7	8
TEN	14	11	10	8	14	12	6	10	14	11	6t	7	16	1	4	15	14	13	15

NFC / TEAM/OFFENSE RANK

Tm	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)
ARI	16	16	16	15	14	16	15	15	16	16	12	9	8	5	5	16	5
ATL	4	7	14	14	4	3	10	5	2	2	16	12	7	6	4	5	8
CAR	10	5	7	8	9	2	7	10	10	6	15	15	10	14	15	13	13
CHI	15	15	6	12	13	14	16	13	12	8	11	10	16	15	9	9	9
DAL	6	9	15	16	3	9	12	6	4	1	3	3	13	12	10	10t	1
DET	1	8	12	11	1	10	5	3	1	5	13	5	15	16	16	7	4
GB	11	11	11	13	6	11	3	14	8	4	14	4	5	11	6	6	16
MIN	13	13	3	1	16	15	13	7	13	12	4	11	3	9	7	12	2
NO	2	2	13	9	2	6	14	2	7	3	10	13	4	1	1	3	11
NYG	5	4	9	6	5	5	11	1	5t	7	2	14	2	7	13	1	6
PHI	7	12	5	4	8	13	6	12	3	9	9	1	12	2	12	14	3
STL	14	14	10	10	11	12	8	9	15	14	7	16	11	8	8	15	14
<b>SF</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>
SEA	12	10	4	5	15	7	9	8	11	10	6	7	1	4	3	10t	7
TB	9	6	8	7	7	4	4	4	14	13	5	8	14	10	14	2	10
WAS	3	1	1	3	10	1	1	11	5t	15	1	6	9	13	11	4	12

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Tm	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	(S)
ARI	6	6	15	8	3	7	1	1	3	2	3	9	15	8	5	9	4	16	16
ATL	12	12	14	15	10	10	4	11	6	13	9	6	5	16	16	4	7t	5	6
CAR	9	8	12	7	7	9	13	9	13	4	10t	10	1	13	15	11	15	14	7
CHI	3	3	5	10	4	2	3	8	2	3	14	1	2	2	3	3	11	4	8
DAL	5	11	9	11	5	11	16	3	5	5	12	11	4	12	2	12	14	10	4
DET	7	9	11	13	8	8	11	10	9	7	16	15	9	14	13	15	2	11	2
GB	10	7	8	12	11	4	7	7	10	11	4	2	6	9	8	6t	7t	7	11
MIN	11	4	7	3	12	5	14	12	14	15	13	5	11	1	10	8	7t	9	13
NO	16	16	16	16	14	15	12	14	16	8	10t	8	14	7	6	16	6	12	15
NYG	13	15	13	14	13	14	2	6	8	9	8	13	8	6	14	5	10	2	10
PHI	8	10	10	5	9	12	15	13	7	10	2	16	12	3	1	14	12	15	5
STL	4	5	6	4	6	6	9	2	11	6	6t	12	10	10	11	6t	3	13	12
SF	1	1	2	2	1	1	10	5	1	1	5	4	16	11	4	1	5	1	1
SEA	2	2	4	9	2	3	6	4	4	12	1	7	3	5	7	2	16	3	3
TB	15	13	1	1	16	16	5	15	12	14	6t	14	13	4	9	10	1	6	14
WAS	14	14	3	6	15	13	8	16	15	16	15	3	7	15	12	13	13	8	9

(A) Total Yards per Game

(B) Yards per Play

(C) Rushing Yards per Game

(D) Rushing Yards per Attempt

(E) Passing Net Yards per Game

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(G) Passing, Percent Had Intercepted

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(L) Punt Return Average

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(N) Gross Punting Average

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(P) Points per Game

(Q) Field Goal Percentage

(R) Points per Game Differential

(S) Net Yards per Game Differential



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## NFL / TEAM/OFFENSE RANK

Tm	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)
BAL	18	16	17	14	16	17	6	17	16	19	23	15	2	6	13	9	5t
BUF	20	11	6	4	25	20	30	15	22	17	8t	1	4	22	30	19	3
CIN	15	13	14	12	14	14	23	21	20t	25	2	5	18	15	6	11	17
CLE	26	26	24	22	20	24	26	10	27t	30	17	2	13	30	29	24	1
DEN	4	7	20	25	6	1	8	3	4	5	8t	10	15	11	2	2	22t
HOU	6	17	8	19	10	9	12	2	5	16	14t	7t	28	9	14	4	22t
IND	7	20	22	23	8	18	27	14	3	9	1	7t	32	3	12	17t	29
JAC	31	31	29	30	24	31	10	28	31	31	24	27	23	10	5	30	8
KC	22	25	5	7	31	29	32	22	20t	23	6	17	22	18	21	31	15
MIA	29	27	19	21	23	21	19	16	27t	24	25	9	1	1	11	27t	26
NE	1	9	7	18	5	4	1	4	1	1	27t	3	24t	28	26	1	25
NYJ	30	30	11t	24	30	28	24	23	24	18	12	11	5	20	17	26	30
OAK	13	14	30	27	7	15	15	9	18t	27	29t	32	20	13	22	25	5t
PIT	19	23	25	26	11	19	9	12	14t	4	21t	31	9	26	24	21	2
SD	27	29	27	29	19	25	25	25	17	13	20	30	19	8	9	17t	7
TEN	23	18	23	6	18	23	20	11	29	12	19	4	12	4	3t	22	19
ARI	32	32	32	31	28	32	29	31	32	32	26	21	16	14	10	32	12
ATL	8	8	28	28	4	5	17	8	6	3	32	24	14	16	8	8	16
CAR	16	5	11t	11	17	3	13	24	14t	10	31	28	21	29	31	23	27
CHI	28	28	10	17	27	27	31	29	23	14	21t	22	31	31	19	14	18
DAL	10	12	31	32	3	12	21	13	8	2	5	13	27	25	20	15t	4
DET	2	10	21	16	1	13	7	6	2	8	27t	16	30	32	32	12	11
GB	17	19	18	20	12	16	4	30	12	7	29t	14	10	24	15	10	32
MIN	24	22	3	1	32	30	22	18	25	22	7	23	7	21	16	20	9
NO	3	2	26	13	2	8	28	5	11	6	18	25	8	2	1	6	21
NYG	9	4	15	9	9	7	18	1	9t	11	4	26	6	17	27	3	13
PHI	11	21	9	5	15	26	11	27	7	15	16	6	26	5	25	27t	10
STL	25	24	16	15	22	22	14	20	30	28	13	29	24t	19	18	29	28
<b>SF</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>14t</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3t</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>31</b>
SEA	21	15	4	8	29	10	16	19	18t	20	11	19	3	12	7	15t	14
TB	14	6	13	10	13	6	5	7	26	26	8t	20	29	23	28	5	20
WAS	5	1	1	3	21	2	2	26	9t	29	3	18	17	27	23	7	22t

## NFL / OPPONENT/DEFENSE RANK

Tm	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)	(K)	(L)	(M)	(N)	(O)	(P)	(Q)	(R)	(S)
BAL	24	16	25	11	23	19	14	21	28	14	14t	8	11	21	26	10	31	9	25
BUF	21	19	28	30	14	15	18	13	30	30	14t	32	13	13	2	27t	3	26	21
CIN	6	7	11	14	10	6	22	1	16	19	2	9	24	23	3	15	24t	12	9
CLE	23	13	18	17	21	10	11	14	22	7	24	26	2	25	1	9	10	17	27
DEN	4	3	6	2	7	5	6	4	10	3	12	2	5	31	27	4	22	3	2
HOU	7	10	2t	10	19	8	10	6	4t	1	4	19	18	20	19	6	17	5	5
IND	22	26	19	28	20	22	29	24	17t	16	14t	29	22	28	29	23t	9	22	10
JAC	31	22	31	16	24	25	20	32	31	25	26	10	30	24	21	29	11	30	32
KC	16	29	27	26	9	30	26	16	4t	12	28	31	21	27	10	27t	13	32	19
MIA	19	12	9	6	25	17	28	5	19	5	32	28	23	12	12	12	6	21	28
NE	26	24	8	7	29	27	8	23	27	26	6	4	3	32	17	11	29t	1	6
NYJ	8	6	29	19	3	7	16	27	12	18	29	23	8	18	22	19	7	25	23
OAK	30	30	26	25	28	29	24	31	20	29	27	20	29	14	30	32	18	31	24
PIT	1	2	5	4	1	2	30	20	1	8	31	25	17	11	16	7	20	13t	3
SD	9	14	4	5	22	18	17	28	13t	27	5	12	7	22	31	16	21	15	20
TEN	27	21	23t	13	26	23	15	22	29	23	14t	16	31	4t	4	31	27t	29	30
ARI	12	11	30	20	5	13	1	2	6	4	7	15	28	9	9	18	5	28	31
ATL	20	25	23t	31	16	20	4	18	9	24	14t	11	10	30	32	5	14t	8	12
CAR	15	17	21	18	12	16	25	15	24	9	19t	17	1	19	28	21	29t	24	13
CHI	5	5	12	22	6	3	3	12	3	6	23	1	4	2	7	3	23	7	14
DAL	11	23	16	23	8	21	32	7	8	10	21	18	9	17	6	22	27t	18	8
DET	13	18	20	27	13	14	21	17	15	13	30	27	16	26	24	26	2	19	4
GB	17	15	15	24	17	9	9	11	17t	21	8	3	12	10	14	13t	14t	11	17
MIN	18	8	14	8	18	11	27	19	25	31	22	7	20	1	18	17	14t	16	22
NO	32	32	32	32	30	31	23	26	32	15	19t	14	27	8	11	30	12	20	29
NYG	25	31	22	29	27	28	2	10	13t	17	13	22	15	7	25	8	19	4	16
PHI	14	20	17	12	15	24	31	25	11	20	3	30	25	3	5	25	24t	27	11
STL	10	9	13	9	11	12	13	3	21	11	10t	21	19	15	20	13t	4	23	18
<b>SF</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2t</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
SEA	3	4	10	21	4	4	7	8	7	22	1	13	6	6	13	2	32	6	7
TB	29	27	1	1	32	32	5	29	23	28	10t	24	26	4t	15	20	1	10	26
WAS	28	28	7	15	31	26	12	30	26	32	25	5	14	29	23	23t	26	13t	15

## Opponent/Defense Rank

- (A) Total Yards per Game
- (B) Yards per Play
- (C) Rushing Yards per Game
- (D) Rushing Yards per Attempt
- (E) Passing Net Yards per Game
- (F) Passing Net Yards per Play
- (G) Passing, Percent Had Intercepted
- (H) Sacks per Pass Play
- (I) First Downs per Game
- (J) Third Down Efficiency
- (K) Fourth Down Efficiency
- (L) Punt Return Average
- (M) Kickoff Return Average
- (N) Gross Punting Average
- (O) Net Punting Average
- (P) Points per Game
- (Q) Field Goal Percentage
- (R) Points per Game Differential
- (S) Net Yards per Game Differential

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012****AFC / TOTAL OFFENSE**

Rank	Team	Total	Rushing	Passing	Total	Rushing	Passing
1)	New England	5534	1819	3715	425.7	139.9	285.8
2)	Denver	5071	1379	3692	390.1	106.1	284.0
3)	Houston	4998	1810	3188	384.5	139.2	245.2
4)	Indianapolis	4974	1376	3598	382.6	105.8	276.8
5)	Oakland	4665	1055	3610	358.8	81.2	277.7
6)	Cincinnati	4618	1527	3091	355.2	117.5	237.8
7)	Baltimore	4477	1415	3062	344.4	108.8	235.5
8)	Pittsburgh	4444	1282	3162	341.8	98.6	243.2
9)	Buffalo	4438	1836	2602	341.4	141.2	200.2
10)	Kansas City	4363	1940	2423	335.6	149.2	186.4
11)	Tennessee	4315	1362	2953	331.9	104.8	227.2
12)	Cleveland	4184	1306	2878	321.8	100.5	221.4
13)	San Diego	4159	1234	2925	319.9	94.9	225.0
14)	Miami	4038	1393	2645	310.6	107.2	203.5
15)	New York Jets	3977	1548	2429	305.9	119.1	186.8
16)	Jacksonville	3678	1068	2610	282.9	82.2	200.8

**AFC / TOTAL DEFENSE**

Rank	Team	Total	Rushing	Passing	Total	Rushing	Passing
1)	Pittsburgh	3411	1211	2200	262.4	93.2	169.2
2)	Denver	4022	1218	2804	309.4	93.7	215.7
3)	Cincinnati	4264	1372	2892	328.0	105.5	222.5
4)	Houston	4290	1181	3109	330.0	90.8	239.2
5)	New York Jets	4323	1775	2548	332.5	136.5	196.0
6)	San Diego	4361	1203	3158	335.5	92.5	242.9
7)	Kansas City	4543	1706	2837	349.5	131.2	218.2
8)	Miami	4585	1327	3258	352.7	102.1	250.6
9)	Buffalo	4707	1748	2959	362.1	134.5	227.6
10)	Indianapolis	4712	1568	3144	362.5	120.6	241.8
11)	Cleveland	4722	1567	3155	363.2	120.5	242.7
12)	Baltimore	4887	1681	3206	375.9	129.3	246.6
13)	New England	4892	1310	3582	376.3	100.8	275.5
14)	Tennessee	4912	1651	3261	377.8	127.0	250.8
15)	Oakland	5072	1705	3367	390.2	131.2	259.0
16)	Jacksonville	5129	1894	3235	394.5	145.7	248.8

**NFC / TOTAL OFFENSE**

Rank	Team	Total	Rushing	Passing	Total	Rushing	Passing
1)	Detroit	5379	1378	4001	413.8	106.0	307.8
2)	New Orleans	5124	1249	3875	394.2	96.1	298.1
3)	Washington	5024	2178	2846	386.5	167.5	218.9
4)	Atlanta	4890	1130	3760	376.2	86.9	289.2
5)	New York Giants	4848	1513	3335	372.9	116.4	256.5
6)	Dallas	4837	1038	3799	372.1	79.8	292.2
7)	Philadelphia	4718	1632	3086	362.9	125.5	237.4
8)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>4681</b>	<b>2100</b>	<b>2581</b>	<b>360.1</b>	<b>161.5</b>	<b>198.5</b>
9)	Tampa Bay	4639	1546	3093	356.8	118.9	237.9
10)	Carolina	4598	1548	3050	353.7	119.1	234.6
11)	Green Bay	4495	1400	3095	345.8	107.7	238.1
12)	Seattle	4436	1980	2456	341.2	152.3	188.9
13)	Minnesota	4274	2030	2244	328.8	156.2	172.6
14)	St. Louis	4216	1459	2757	324.3	112.2	212.1
15)	Chicago	4093	1591	2502	314.8	122.4	192.5
16)	Arizona	3503	1021	2482	269.5	78.5	190.9

**NFC / TOTAL DEFENSE**

Rank	Team	Total	Rushing	Passing	Total	Rushing	Passing
1)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>3582</b>	<b>1181</b>	<b>2401</b>	<b>275.5</b>	<b>90.8</b>	<b>184.7</b>
2)	Seattle	3922	1370	2552	301.7	105.4	196.3
3)	Chicago	4084	1413	2671	314.2	108.7	205.5
4)	St. Louis	4369	1434	2935	336.1	110.3	225.8
5)	Dallas	4376	1544	2832	336.6	118.8	217.8
6)	Arizona	4389	1827	2562	337.6	140.5	197.1
7)	Detroit	4529	1573	2956	348.4	121.0	227.4
8)	Philadelphia	4532	1551	2981	348.6	119.3	229.3
9)	Carolina	4535	1581	2954	348.8	121.6	227.2
10)	Green Bay	4574	1517	3057	351.8	116.7	235.2
11)	Minnesota	4576	1499	3077	352.0	115.3	236.7
12)	Atlanta	4705	1651	3054	361.9	127.0	234.9
13)	New York Giants	4890	1603	3287	376.2	123.3	252.8
14)	Washington	5045	1284	3761	388.1	98.8	289.3
15)	Tampa Bay	5068	1017	4051	389.8	78.2	311.6
16)	New Orleans	5680	1981	3699	436.9	152.4	284.5

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1)	New England	5534	1819	3715	425.7	139.9	285.8
2)	Detroit	5379	1378	4001	413.8	106.0	307.8
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6)	Houston	4998	1810	3188	384.5	139.2	245.2
7)	Indianapolis	4974	1376	3598	382.6	105.8	276.8
8)	Atlanta	4890	1130	3760	376.2	86.9	289.2
9)	New York Giants	4848	1513	3335	372.9	116.4	256.5
10)	Dallas	4837	1038	3799	372.1	79.8	292.2
11)	Philadelphia	4718	1632	3086	362.9	125.5	237.4
<b>12)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>4681</b>	<b>2100</b>	<b>2581</b>	<b>360.1</b>	<b>161.5</b>	<b>198.5</b>
13)	Oakland	4665	1055	3610	358.8	81.2	277.7
14)	Tampa Bay	4639	1546	3093	356.8	118.9	237.9
15)	Cincinnati	4618	1527	3091	355.2	117.5	237.8
16)	Carolina	4598	1548	3050	353.7	119.1	234.6
17)	Green Bay	4495	1400	3095	345.8	107.7	238.1
18)	Baltimore	4477	1415	3062	344.4	108.8	235.5
19)	Pittsburgh	4444	1282	3162	341.8	98.6	243.2
20)	Buffalo	4438	1836	2602	341.4	141.2	200.2
21)	Seattle	4436	1980	2456	341.2	152.3	188.9
22)	Kansas City	4363	1940	2423	335.6	149.2	186.4
23)	Tennessee	4315	1362	2953	331.9	104.8	227.2
24)	Minnesota	4274	2030	2244	328.8	156.2	172.6
25)	St. Louis	4216	1459	2757	324.3	112.2	212.1
26)	Cleveland	4184	1306	2878	321.8	100.5	221.4
27)	San Diego	4159	1234	2925	319.9	94.9	225.0
28)	Chicago	4093	1591	2502	314.8	122.4	192.5
29)	Miami	4038	1393	2645	310.6	107.2	203.5
30)	New York Jets	3977	1548	2429	305.9	119.1	186.8
31)	Jacksonville	3678	1068	2610	282.9	82.2	200.8
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3)	Seattle	3922	1370	2552	301.7	105.4	196.3
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5)	Chicago	4084	1413	2671	314.2	108.7	205.5
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8)	New York Jets	4323	1775	2548	332.5	136.5	196.0
9)	San Diego	4361	1203	3158	335.5	92.5	242.9
10)	St. Louis	4369	1434	2935	336.1	110.3	225.8
11)	Dallas	4376	1544	2832	336.6	118.8	217.8
12)	Arizona	4389	1827	2562	337.6	140.5	197.1
13)	Detroit	4529	1573	2956	348.4	121.0	227.4
14)	Philadelphia	4532	1551	2981	348.6	119.3	229.3
15)	Carolina	4535	1581	2954	348.8	121.6	227.2
16)	Kansas City	4543	1706	2837	349.5	131.2	218.2
17)	Green Bay	4574	1517	3057	351.8	116.7	235.2
18)	Minnesota	4576	1499	3077	352.0	115.3	236.7
19)	Miami	4585	1327	3258	352.7	102.1	250.6
20)	Atlanta	4705	1651	3054	361.9	127.0	234.9
21)	Buffalo	4707	1748	2959	362.1	134.5	227.6
22)	Indianapolis	4712	1568	3144	362.5	120.6	241.8
23)	Cleveland	4722	1567	3155	363.2	120.5	242.7
24)	Baltimore	4887	1681	3206	375.9	129.3	246.6
25)	New York Giants	4890	1603	3287	376.2	123.3	252.8
26)	New England	4892	1310	3582	376.3	100.8	275.5
27)	Tennessee	4912	1651	3261	377.8	127.0	250.8
28)	Washington	5045	1284	3761	388.1	98.8	289.3
29)	Tampa Bay	5068	1017	4051	389.8	78.2	311.6
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## AFC / TAKE-AWAYS, GIVE-AWAYS

Rank	Team	TAKE-AWAYS			GIVE-AWAYS			Net Diff
		Int	Fum	Total	Int	Fum	Total	
1)	New England	15	19	34	5	5	10	= +24
2)	Houston	15	12	27	11	2	13	= +14
3)	Baltimore	13	12	25	9	4	13	= +12
4)	Cleveland	15	12	27	15	4	19	= +8
5t)	Cincinnati	10	11	21	14	7	21	= 0
5t)	Jacksonville	10	10	20	11	9	20	= 0
5t)	San Diego	12	12	24	15	9	24	= 0
8)	Denver	15	6	21	10	13	23	= -2
9)	New York Jets	11	11	22	13	15	28	= -6
10t)	Buffalo	11	8	19	14	12	26	= -7
10t)	Oakland	9	7	16	14	9	23	= -7
12)	Tennessee	12	4	16	14	12	26	= -10
13)	Miami	9	3	12	12	11	23	= -11
14)	Pittsburgh	7	5	12	11	14	25	= -13
15)	Indianapolis	8	2	10	18	8	26	= -16
16)	Kansas City	7	4	11	17	16	33	= -22
<b>Totals</b>		<b>179</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>= -36</b>

## NFC / TAKE-AWAYS, GIVE-AWAYS

Rank	Team	TAKE-AWAYS			GIVE-AWAYS			Net Diff
		Int	Fum	Total	Int	Fum	Total	
1)	New York Giants	20	14	34	13	5	18	= +16
2)	Chicago	21	14	35	15	7	22	= +13
3t)	Tampa Bay	17	7	24	8	4	12	= +12
3t)	Washington	15	9	24	6	6	12	= +12
5)	Seattle	14	11	25	9	8	17	= +8
6)	Green Bay	15	5	20	8	5	13	= +7
7t)	Atlanta	16	8	24	14	4	18	= +6
<b>7t)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>= +6</b>
9)	Carolina	9	10	19	10	8	18	= +1
10)	Arizona	19	9	28	17	11	28	= 0
11)	St. Louis	13	3	16	11	6	17	= -1
12)	New Orleans	10	9	19	18	5	23	= -4
13)	Minnesota	9	8	17	12	10	22	= -5
14)	Detroit	10	6	16	12	10	22	= -6
15)	Dallas	6	8	14	16	8	24	= -10
16)	Philadelphia	7	3	10	12	17	29	= -19
<b>Totals</b>		<b>211</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>= +36</b>

## NFL / TAKE-AWAYS, GIVE-AWAYS

Rank	Team	TAKE-AWAYS			GIVE-AWAYS			Net Diff
		Int	Fum	Total	Int	Fum	Total	
1)	New England	15	19	34	5	5	10	= +24
2)	New York Giants	20	14	34	13	5	18	= +16
3)	Houston	15	12	27	11	2	13	= +14
4)	Chicago	21	14	35	15	7	22	= +13
5t)	Baltimore	13	12	25	9	4	13	= +12
5t)	Tampa Bay	17	7	24	8	4	12	= +12
5t)	Washington	15	9	24	6	6	12	= +12
8t)	Cleveland	15	12	27	15	4	19	= +8
8t)	Seattle	14	11	25	9	8	17	= +8
10)	Green Bay	15	5	20	8	5	13	= +7
11t)	Atlanta	16	8	24	14	4	18	= +6
<b>11t)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>= +6</b>
13)	Carolina	9	10	19	10	8	18	= +1
14t)	Cincinnati	10	11	21	14	7	21	= 0
14t)	Jacksonville	10	10	20	11	9	20	= 0
14t)	San Diego	12	12	24	15	9	24	= 0
14t)	Arizona	19	9	28	17	11	28	= 0
18)	St. Louis	13	3	16	11	6	17	= -1
19)	Denver	15	6	21	10	13	23	= -2
20)	New Orleans	10	9	19	18	5	23	= -4
21)	Minnesota	9	8	17	12	10	22	= -5
22t)	New York Jets	11	11	22	13	15	28	= -6
22t)	Detroit	10	6	16	12	10	22	= -6
24t)	Buffalo	11	8	19	14	12	26	= -7
24t)	Oakland	9	7	16	14	9	23	= -7
26t)	Tennessee	12	4	16	14	12	26	= -10
26t)	Dallas	6	8	14	16	8	24	= -10
28)	Miami	9	3	12	12	11	23	= -11
29)	Pittsburgh	7	5	12	11	14	25	= -13
30)	Indianapolis	8	2	10	18	8	26	= -16
31)	Philadelphia	7	3	10	12	17	29	= -19
32)	Kansas City	7	4	11	17	16	33	= -22
<b>Totals</b>		<b>390</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>= 0</b>

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**AFC / TEAM/OFFENSE INSIDE THE 20**

Rank	Team	Poss	Pts	TD	TD%	FG	Score	Score%
1)	New England	59	324	40	67.8	15	55	93.2
2)	Houston	48	255	30	62.5	15	45	93.8
3)	Baltimore	39	194	23	59.0	11	34	87.2
4)	Denver	51	252	29	56.9	16	45	88.2
5)	Cincinnati	48	237	27	56.3	16	43	89.6
6)	Miami	29	139	16	55.2	9	25	86.2
7)	Indianapolis	40	189	22	55.0	12	34	85.0
8)	Pittsburgh	41	202	22	53.7	16	38	92.7
9)	Jacksonville	27	133	14	51.9	12	26	96.3
10t)	New York Jets	40	169	20	50.0	10	30	75.0
10t)	San Diego	40	185	20	50.0	15	35	87.5
12)	Tennessee	31	147	15	48.4	14	29	93.5
13)	Buffalo	43	184	20	46.5	15	35	81.4
14)	Oakland	35	155	15	42.9	16	31	88.6
15)	Cleveland	34	138	13	38.2	16	29	85.3
16)	Kansas City	31	115	10	32.3	15	25	80.6

**AFC / OPPONENTS/DEFENSE INSIDE THE 20**

Rank	Team	Poss	Pts	TD	TD%	FG	Score	Score%
1)	Baltimore	45	192	18	40.0	22	40	88.9
2)	Miami	45	193	19	42.2	20	39	86.7
3)	Houston	30	135	15	50.0	10	25	83.3
4)	Kansas City	55	256	28	50.9	20	48	87.3
5)	Cleveland	39	167	20	51.3	9	29	74.4
6)	Pittsburgh	36	169	19	52.8	12	31	86.1
7)	Cincinnati	34	160	18	52.9	11	29	85.3
8)	Jacksonville	56	264	30	53.6	18	48	85.7
9)	Indianapolis	43	224	25	58.1	17	42	97.7
10)	Oakland	48	244	28	58.3	16	44	91.7
11)	New England	37	181	22	59.5	9	31	83.8
12)	Tennessee	48	245	29	60.4	14	43	89.6
13)	New York Jets	34	173	21	61.8	9	30	88.2
14)	Denver	35	189	22	62.9	12	34	97.1
15)	San Diego	31	167	20	64.5	9	29	93.5
16)	Buffalo	42	246	31	73.8	9	40	95.2

**NFC / TEAM/OFFENSE INSIDE THE 20**

Rank	Team	Poss	Pts	TD	TD%	FG	Score	Score%
1)	Tampa Bay	39	207	27	69.2	7	34	87.2
2)	New Orleans	41	223	28	68.3	9	37	90.2
3)	Detroit	47	237	29	61.7	11	40	85.1
4t)	Atlanta	51	256	30	58.8	16	46	90.2
4t)	Green Bay	34	162	20	58.8	8	28	82.4
6)	Carolina	33	156	19	57.6	8	27	81.8
7)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>93.0</b>
8)	Washington	42	194	23	54.8	11	34	81.0
9)	Chicago	36	173	19	52.8	13	32	88.9
10t)	Minnesota	40	189	21	52.5	14	35	87.5
10t)	Seattle	40	193	21	52.5	16	37	92.5
12)	New York Giants	54	262	28	51.9	22	50	92.6
13t)	Dallas	41	188	19	46.3	18	37	90.2
13t)	Philadelphia	41	173	19	46.3	14	33	80.5
15)	St. Louis	29	117	13	44.8	8	21	72.4
16)	Arizona	35	131	14	40.0	11	25	71.4

**NFC / OPPONENTS/DEFENSE INSIDE THE 20**

Rank	Team	Poss	Pts	TD	TD%	FG	Score	Score%
1)	Arizona	36	143	15	41.7	13	28	77.8
2)	Seattle	31	130	14	45.2	11	25	80.6
3t)	Chicago	36	149	17	47.2	10	27	75.0
3t)	New York Giants	36	158	17	47.2	13	30	83.3
5)	Philadelphia	43	194	21	48.8	16	37	86.0
6)	Detroit	30	147	15	50.0	14	29	96.7
7)	Dallas	41	194	21	51.2	16	37	90.2
8)	Tampa Bay	43	196	22	51.2	14	36	83.7
9)	Atlanta	33	155	17	51.5	12	29	87.9
10)	St. Louis	45	203	24	53.3	12	36	80.0
11)	Carolina	43	207	23	53.5	16	39	90.7
12)	New Orleans	59	276	33	55.9	15	48	81.4
13)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>56.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>92.0</b>
14)	Washington	44	218	25	56.8	14	39	88.6
15)	Minnesota	42	205	24	57.1	13	37	88.1
16)	Green Bay	37	190	23	62.2	10	33	89.2

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Rank	Team	Poss	Pts	TD	TD%	FG	Score	Score%
1)	Tampa Bay	39	207	27	69.2	7	34	87.2
2)	New Orleans	41	223	28	68.3	9	37	90.2
3)	New England	59	324	40	67.8	15	55	93.2
4)	Houston	48	255	30	62.5	15	45	93.8
5)	Detroit	47	237	29	61.7	11	40	85.1
6)	Baltimore	39	194	23	59.0	11	34	87.2
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7t)	Green Bay	34	162	20	58.8	8	28	82.4
9)	Carolina	33	156	19	57.6	8	27	81.8
10)	Denver	51	252	29	56.9	16	45	88.2
11)	Cincinnati	48	237	27	56.3	16	43	89.6
<b>12)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>93.0</b>
13)	Miami	29	139	16	55.2	9	25	86.2
14)	Indianapolis	40	189	22	55.0	12	34	85.0
15)	Washington	42	194	23	54.8	11	34	81.0
16)	Pittsburgh	41	202	22	53.7	16	38	92.7
17)	Chicago	36	173	19	52.8	13	32	88.9
18t)	Minnesota	40	189	21	52.5	14	35	87.5
18t)	Seattle	40	193	21	52.5	16	37	92.5
20t)	Jacksonville	27	133	14	51.9	12	26	96.3
20t)	New York Giants	54	262	28	51.9	22	50	92.6
22t)	New York Jets	40	169	20	50.0	10	30	75.0
22t)	San Diego	40	185	20	50.0	15	35	87.5
24)	Tennessee	31	147	15	48.4	14	29	93.5
25)	Buffalo	43	184	20	46.5	15	35	81.4
26t)	Dallas	41	188	19	46.3	18	37	90.2
26t)	Philadelphia	41	173	19	46.3	14	33	80.5
28)	St. Louis	29	117	13	44.8	8	21	72.4
29)	Oakland	35	155	15	42.9	16	31	88.6
30)	Arizona	35	131	14	40.0	11	25	71.4
31)	Cleveland	34	138	13	38.2	16	29	85.3
32)	Kansas City	31	115	10	32.3	15	25	80.6

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1)	Baltimore	45	192	18	40.0	22	40	88.9
2)	Arizona	36	143	15	41.7	13	28	77.8
3)	Miami	45	193	19	42.2	20	39	86.7
4)	Seattle	31	130	14	45.2	11	25	80.6
5t)	Chicago	36	149	17	47.2	10	27	75.0
5t)	New York Giants	36	158	17	47.2	13	30	83.3
7)	Philadelphia	43	194	21	48.8	16	37	86.0
8t)	Detroit	30	147	15	50.0	14	29	96.7
8t)	Houston	30	135	15	50.0	10	25	83.3
10)	Kansas City	55	256	28	50.9	20	48	87.3
11)	Dallas	41	194	21	51.2	16	37	90.2
12)	Tampa Bay	43	196	22	51.2	14	36	83.7
13)	Cleveland	39	167	20	51.3	9	29	74.4
14)	Atlanta	33	155	17	51.5	12	29	87.9
15)	Pittsburgh	36	169	19	52.8	12	31	86.1
16)	Cincinnati	34	160	18	52.9	11	29	85.3
17)	St. Louis	45	203	24	53.3	12	36	80.0
18)	Carolina	43	207	23	53.5	16	39	90.7
19)	Jacksonville	56	264	30	53.6	18	48	85.7
20)	New Orleans	59	276	33	55.9	15	48	81.4
<b>21)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>56.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>92.0</b>
22)	Washington	44	218	25	56.8	14	39	88.6
23)	Minnesota	42	205	24	57.1	13	37	88.1
24)	Indianapolis	43	224	25	58.1	17	42	97.7
25)	Oakland	48	244	28	58.3	16	44	91.7
26)	New England	37	181	22	59.5	9	31	83.8
27)	Tennessee	48	245	29	60.4	14	43	89.6
28)	New York Jets	34	173	21	61.8	9	30	88.2
29)	Green Bay	37	190	23	62.2	10	33	89.2
30)	Denver	35	189	22	62.9	12	34	97.1
31)	San Diego	31	167	20	64.5	9	29	93.5
32)	Buffalo	42	246	31	73.8	9	40	95.2

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**AFC / OFFENSE/TEAMS: FIRST DOWNS, THIRD DOWNS, FOURTH DOWNS**

Rank	Team	FIRST DOWNS				THIRD DOWNS			FOURTH DOWNS		
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Made	Att	Pct	Made	Att	Pct
1)	New England	361	125	204	32	96	183	52.5	1	3	33.3
2)	Indianapolis	306	91	180	35	82	190	43.2	7	8	87.5
3)	Denver	298	82	186	30	75	170	44.1	3	5	60.0
4)	Houston	288	102	170	16	72	186	38.7	4	7	57.1
5)	Pittsburgh	255	66	168	21	82	185	44.3	5	12	41.7
6)	Baltimore	254	78	149	27	63	169	37.3	4	10	40.0
7)	San Diego	252	69	163	20	75	185	40.5	4	9	44.4
8)	Oakland	250	56	174	20	58	173	33.5	4	14	28.6
9t)	Cincinnati	249	82	149	18	60	171	35.1	11	14	78.6
9t)	Kansas City	249	99	131	19	63	176	35.8	7	11	63.6
11)	Buffalo	247	85	143	19	59	156	37.8	3	5	60.0
12)	New York Jets	242	80	133	29	66	177	37.3	7	12	58.3
13t)	Cleveland	228	56	152	20	57	184	31.0	5	9	55.6
13t)	Miami	228	71	127	30	60	169	35.5	5	13	38.5
15)	Tennessee	226	57	147	22	71	175	40.6	5	11	45.5
16)	Jacksonville	213	61	121	31	47	170	27.6	7	18	38.9
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4146</b>	<b>1260</b>	<b>2497</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>1086</b>	<b>2819</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>50.9</b>

**AFC / DEFENSE/OPPONENTS: FIRST DOWNS, THIRD DOWNS, FOURTH DOWNS**

Rank	Team	FIRST DOWNS				THIRD DOWNS			FOURTH DOWNS		
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Made	Att	Pct	Made	Att	Pct
1)	Pittsburgh	216	67	127	22	62	170	36.5	7	8	87.5
2t)	Houston	232	67	143	22	52	174	29.9	5	15	33.3
2t)	Kansas City	232	81	136	15	59	157	37.6	3	4	75.0
4)	Denver	247	60	160	27	58	178	32.6	6	13	46.2
5)	New York Jets	250	84	136	30	73	186	39.2	10	13	76.9
6)	San Diego	252	61	169	22	73	174	42.0	3	8	37.5
7)	Cincinnati	259	80	161	18	69	175	39.4	2	9	22.2
8)	Indianapolis	261	78	157	26	63	163	38.7	3	6	50.0
9)	Miami	262	58	181	23	67	193	34.7	9	10	90.0
10)	Oakland	267	87	158	22	74	174	42.5	7	10	70.0
11)	Cleveland	274	85	158	31	64	180	35.6	6	10	60.0
12)	New England	283	82	172	29	68	163	41.7	7	18	38.9
13)	Baltimore	285	88	167	30	73	193	37.8	6	12	50.0
14)	Tennessee	289	100	170	19	71	175	40.6	4	8	50.0
15)	Buffalo	290	106	155	29	73	167	43.7	5	10	50.0
16)	Jacksonville	303	113	162	28	73	178	41.0	4	6	66.7
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4202</b>	<b>1297</b>	<b>2512</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>1072</b>	<b>2800</b>	<b>38.3</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>54.4</b>

**NFC / OFFENSE/TEAMS: FIRST DOWNS, THIRD DOWNS, FOURTH DOWNS**

Rank	Team	FIRST DOWNS				THIRD DOWNS			FOURTH DOWNS		
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Made	Att	Pct	Made	Att	Pct
1)	Detroit	319	71	224	24	79	182	43.4	3	9	33.3
2)	Atlanta	287	58	204	25	74	166	44.6	1	5	20.0
3)	Philadelphia	279	94	158	27	71	181	39.2	9	16	56.3
4)	Dallas	277	61	191	25	80	178	44.9	7	10	70.0
5t)	New York Giants	274	81	163	30	67	164	40.9	5	7	71.4
5t)	Washington	274	112	138	24	51	154	33.1	11	15	73.3
7)	New Orleans	273	49	209	15	72	165	43.6	6	12	50.0
8)	Green Bay	269	70	163	36	75	172	43.6	2	7	28.6
9)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>36.1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>57.1</b>
10)	Carolina	255	93	138	24	65	159	40.9	2	8	25.0
11)	Seattle	250	101	123	26	59	163	36.2	10	17	58.8
12)	Chicago	246	78	143	25	73	182	40.1	5	12	41.7
13)	Minnesota	241	84	133	24	61	169	36.1	5	8	62.5
14)	Tampa Bay	240	75	143	22	57	166	34.3	6	10	60.0
15)	St. Louis	224	68	142	14	58	174	33.3	11	19	57.9
16)	Arizona	208	49	142	17	50	191	26.2	8	21	38.1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4182</b>	<b>1255</b>	<b>2551</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>1048</b>	<b>2721</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>51.9</b>

**NFC / DEFENSE/OPPONENTS: FIRST DOWNS, THIRD DOWNS, FOURTH DOWNS**

Rank	Team	FIRST DOWNS				THIRD DOWNS			FOURTH DOWNS		
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Made	Att	Pct	Made	Att	Pct
1)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>31.4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>44.4</b>
2)	Chicago	231	68	143	20	61	174	35.1	7	12	58.3
3)	Arizona	235	87	130	18	60	177	33.9	2	5	40.0
4)	Seattle	237	66	147	24	66	163	40.5	1	6	16.7
5)	Dallas	240	68	147	25	60	160	37.5	6	11	54.5
6)	Atlanta	245	85	151	9	65	160	40.6	3	6	50.0
7)	Philadelphia	249	74	150	25	66	167	39.5	2	8	25.0
8)	New York Giants	252	84	154	14	60	153	39.2	8	17	47.1
9)	Detroit	255	87	140	28	64	170	37.6	5	6	83.3
10)	Green Bay	261	67	165	29	73	182	40.1	8	19	42.1
11)	St. Louis	269	87	163	19	65	173	37.6	5	11	45.5
12)	Tampa Bay	276	63	188	25	77	183	42.1	5	11	45.5
13)	Carolina	280	88	166	26	62	166	37.3	8	15	53.3
14)	Minnesota	281	74	180	27	85	193	44.0	9	16	56.3
15)	Washington	282	69	185	28	79	175	45.1	5	8	62.5
16)	New Orleans	314	98	191	25	64	169	37.9	8	15	53.3
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4126</b>	<b>1218</b>	<b>2536</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>1062</b>	<b>2740</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>48.9</b>

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## NFL / OFFENSE/TEAMS: FIRST DOWNS, THIRD DOWNS, FOURTH DOWNS

Rank	Team	FIRST DOWNS				THIRD DOWNS			FOURTH DOWNS		
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Made	Att	Pct	Made	Att	Pct
1)	New England	361	125	204	32	96	183	52.5	1	3	33.3
2)	Detroit	319	71	224	24	79	182	43.4	3	9	33.3
3)	Indianapolis	306	91	180	35	82	190	43.2	7	8	87.5
4)	Denver	298	82	186	30	75	170	44.1	3	5	60.0
5)	Houston	288	102	170	16	72	186	38.7	4	7	57.1
6)	Atlanta	287	58	204	25	74	166	44.6	1	5	20.0
7)	Philadelphia	279	94	158	27	71	181	39.2	9	16	56.3
8)	Dallas	277	61	191	25	80	178	44.9	7	10	70.0
9t)	New York Giants	274	81	163	30	67	164	40.9	5	7	71.4
9t)	Washington	274	112	138	24	51	154	33.1	11	15	73.3
11)	New Orleans	273	49	209	15	72	165	43.6	6	12	50.0
12)	Green Bay	269	70	163	36	75	172	43.6	2	7	28.6
13)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>36.1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>57.1</b>
14t)	Pittsburgh	255	66	168	21	82	185	44.3	5	12	41.7
14t)	Carolina	255	93	138	24	65	159	40.9	2	8	25.0
16)	Baltimore	254	78	149	27	63	169	37.3	4	10	40.0
17)	San Diego	252	69	163	20	75	185	40.5	4	9	44.4
18t)	Oakland	250	56	174	20	58	173	33.5	4	14	28.6
18t)	Seattle	250	101	123	26	59	163	36.2	10	17	58.8
20t)	Cincinnati	249	82	149	18	60	171	35.1	11	14	78.6
20t)	Kansas City	249	99	131	19	63	176	35.8	7	11	63.6
22)	Buffalo	247	85	143	19	59	156	37.8	3	5	60.0
23)	Chicago	246	78	143	25	73	182	40.1	5	12	41.7
24)	New York Jets	242	80	133	29	66	177	37.3	7	12	58.3
25)	Minnesota	241	84	133	24	61	169	36.1	5	8	62.5
26)	Tampa Bay	240	75	143	22	57	166	34.3	6	10	60.0
27t)	Cleveland	228	56	152	20	57	184	31.0	5	9	55.6
27t)	Miami	228	71	127	30	60	169	35.5	5	13	38.5
29)	Tennessee	226	57	147	22	71	175	40.6	5	11	45.5
30)	St. Louis	224	68	142	14	58	174	33.3	11	19	57.9
31)	Jacksonville	213	61	121	31	47	170	27.6	7	18	38.9
32)	Arizona	208	49	142	17	50	191	26.2	8	21	38.1
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>8328</b>	<b>2515</b>	<b>5048</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>2134</b>	<b>5540</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>51.5</b>

## NFL / DEFENSE/OPPONENTS: FIRST DOWNS, THIRD DOWNS, FOURTH DOWNS

Rank	Team	FIRST DOWNS				THIRD DOWNS			FOURTH DOWNS		
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Made	Att	Pct	Made	Att	Pct
1)	Pittsburgh	216	67	127	22	62	170	36.5	7	8	87.5
2)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>31.4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>44.4</b>
3)	Chicago	231	68	143	20	61	174	35.1	7	12	58.3
4t)	Houston	232	67	143	22	52	174	29.9	5	15	33.3
4t)	Kansas City	232	81	136	15	59	157	37.6	3	4	75.0
6)	Arizona	235	87	130	18	60	177	33.9	2	5	40.0
7)	Seattle	237	66	147	24	66	163	40.5	1	6	16.7
8)	Dallas	240	68	147	25	60	160	37.5	6	11	54.5
9)	Atlanta	245	85	151	9	65	160	40.6	3	6	50.0
10)	Denver	247	60	160	27	58	178	32.6	6	13	46.2
11)	Philadelphia	249	74	150	25	66	167	39.5	2	8	25.0
12)	New York Jets	250	84	136	30	73	186	39.2	10	13	76.9
13t)	San Diego	252	61	169	22	73	174	42.0	3	8	37.5
13t)	New York Giants	252	84	154	14	60	153	39.2	8	17	47.1
15)	Detroit	255	87	140	28	64	170	37.6	5	6	83.3
16)	Cincinnati	259	80	161	18	69	175	39.4	2	9	22.2
17t)	Indianapolis	261	78	157	26	63	163	38.7	3	6	50.0
17t)	Green Bay	261	67	165	29	73	182	40.1	8	19	42.1
19)	Miami	262	58	181	23	67	193	34.7	9	10	90.0
20)	Oakland	267	87	158	22	74	174	42.5	7	10	70.0
21)	St. Louis	269	87	163	19	65	173	37.6	5	11	45.5
22)	Cleveland	274	85	158	31	64	180	35.6	6	10	60.0
23)	Tampa Bay	276	63	188	25	77	183	42.1	5	11	45.5
24)	Carolina	280	88	166	26	62	166	37.3	8	15	53.3
25)	Minnesota	281	74	180	27	85	193	44.0	9	16	56.3
26)	Washington	282	69	185	28	79	175	45.1	5	8	62.5
27)	New England	283	82	172	29	68	163	41.7	7	18	38.9
28)	Baltimore	285	88	167	30	73	193	37.8	6	12	50.0
29)	Tennessee	289	100	170	19	71	175	40.6	4	8	50.0
30)	Buffalo	290	106	155	29	73	167	43.7	5	10	50.0
31)	Jacksonville	303	113	162	28	73	178	41.0	4	6	66.7
32)	New Orleans	314	98	191	25	64	169	37.9	8	15	53.3
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>8328</b>	<b>2515</b>	<b>5048</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>2134</b>	<b>5540</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>51.5</b>



**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012****AFC / FIRST-DOWN PLAYS BY TEAMS**

Rank	Team	Yds/Play	Plays	Yards
1)	New England	6.04	446	2692
2)	Denver	5.87	403	2366
3)	Houston	5.60	412	2306
4)	Tennessee	5.56	344	1913
5)	Baltimore	5.53	372	2056
6)	Buffalo	5.48	367	2012
7)	Indianapolis	5.41	413	2236
8)	Oakland	5.39	374	2014
9)	San Diego	5.28	366	1932
10)	Kansas City	5.27	380	2001
11)	Cincinnati	5.11	364	1860
12)	New York Jets	5.07	367	1861
13)	Miami	5.04	345	1740
14)	Cleveland	4.94	352	1738
15)	Pittsburgh	4.75	366	1737
16)	Jacksonville	4.70	340	1598
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5.33</b>	<b>6011</b>	<b>32062</b>

**AFC / FIRST-DOWN PLAYS BY OPPONENTS**

Rank	Team	Yds/Play	Plays	Yards
1)	Cleveland	4.80	398	1909
2)	Denver	4.82	366	1765
3)	San Diego	4.82	368	1775
4)	Pittsburgh	4.92	332	1635
5)	Cincinnati	5.07	377	1911
6)	Miami	5.15	382	1966
7)	Baltimore	5.20	404	2102
8)	Tennessee	5.21	394	2051
9)	Kansas City	5.23	338	1769
10)	New York Jets	5.30	365	1934
11)	Buffalo	5.60	388	2171
12)	Houston	5.63	367	2067
13)	Jacksonville	5.65	418	2360
14)	Oakland	5.85	372	2177
15)	New England	5.97	395	2360
16)	Indianapolis	6.17	361	2226
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5.34</b>	<b>6025</b>	<b>32178</b>

**NFC / FIRST-DOWN PLAYS BY TEAMS**

Rank	Team	Yds/Play	Plays	Yards
1)	Washington	6.42	379	2434
2)	Carolina	6.42	359	2303
<b>3)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>6.26</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>2318</b>
4t)	New Orleans	5.88	386	2270
4t)	Atlanta	5.88	386	2270
6)	Detroit	5.80	437	2536
7)	Tampa Bay	5.79	351	2033
8)	Seattle	5.72	351	2009
9)	New York Giants	5.65	375	2118
10)	St. Louis	5.36	345	1849
11)	Dallas	5.06	382	1932
12)	Minnesota	5.03	355	1787
13)	Philadelphia	4.88	399	1946
14)	Green Bay	4.77	370	1766
15)	Chicago	4.42	359	1586
16)	Arizona	4.25	350	1488
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5.48</b>	<b>5954</b>	<b>32645</b>

**NFC / FIRST-DOWN PLAYS BY OPPONENTS**

Rank	Team	Yds/Play	Plays	Yards
<b>1)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>4.18</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>1404</b>
2)	Detroit	4.86	370	1800
3)	Green Bay	5.00	371	1855
4)	Minnesota	5.01	392	1962
5)	Seattle	5.13	346	1775
6)	St. Louis	5.17	385	1989
7)	Dallas	5.29	344	1821
8)	Arizona	5.34	376	2009
9)	Philadelphia	5.36	359	1925
10)	Chicago	5.41	363	1963
11)	Atlanta	5.54	363	2010
12)	Washington	5.81	383	2226
13)	New York Giants	5.94	363	2155
14)	Carolina	6.01	387	2325
15)	Tampa Bay	6.24	384	2396
16)	New Orleans	6.97	418	2914
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5.48</b>	<b>5940</b>	<b>32529</b>

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012****NFL / FIRST-DOWN PLAYS BY TEAMS**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Yds/Play</b>	<b>Plays</b>	<b>Yards</b>
1)	Washington	6.42	379	2434
2)	Carolina	6.42	359	2303
<b>3)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>6.26</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>2318</b>
4)	New England	6.04	446	2692
5t)	New Orleans	5.88	386	2270
5t)	Atlanta	5.88	386	2270
7)	Denver	5.87	403	2366
8)	Detroit	5.80	437	2536
9)	Tampa Bay	5.79	351	2033
10)	Seattle	5.72	351	2009
11)	New York Giants	5.65	375	2118
12)	Houston	5.60	412	2306
13)	Tennessee	5.56	344	1913
14)	Baltimore	5.53	372	2056
15)	Buffalo	5.48	367	2012
16)	Indianapolis	5.41	413	2236
17)	Oakland	5.39	374	2014
18)	St. Louis	5.36	345	1849
19)	San Diego	5.28	366	1932
20)	Kansas City	5.27	380	2001
21)	Cincinnati	5.11	364	1860
22)	New York Jets	5.07	367	1861
23)	Dallas	5.06	382	1932
24)	Miami	5.04	345	1740
25)	Minnesota	5.03	355	1787
26)	Cleveland	4.94	352	1738
27)	Philadelphia	4.88	399	1946
28)	Green Bay	4.77	370	1766
29)	Pittsburgh	4.75	366	1737
30)	Jacksonville	4.70	340	1598
31)	Chicago	4.42	359	1586
32)	Arizona	4.25	350	1488
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5.41</b>	<b>11965</b>	<b>64707</b>

**NFL / FIRST-DOWN PLAYS BY OPPONENTS**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Yds/Play</b>	<b>Plays</b>	<b>Yards</b>
<b>1)</b>	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>4.18</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>1404</b>
2)	Cleveland	4.80	398	1909
3)	Denver	4.82	366	1765
4)	San Diego	4.82	368	1775
5)	Detroit	4.86	370	1800
6)	Pittsburgh	4.92	332	1635
7)	Green Bay	5.00	371	1855
8)	Minnesota	5.01	392	1962
9)	Cincinnati	5.07	377	1911
10)	Seattle	5.13	346	1775
11)	Miami	5.15	382	1966
12)	St. Louis	5.17	385	1989
13)	Baltimore	5.20	404	2102
14)	Tennessee	5.21	394	2051
15)	Kansas City	5.23	338	1769
16)	Dallas	5.29	344	1821
17)	New York Jets	5.30	365	1934
18)	Arizona	5.34	376	2009
19)	Philadelphia	5.36	359	1925
20)	Chicago	5.41	363	1963
21)	Atlanta	5.54	363	2010
22)	Buffalo	5.60	388	2171
23)	Houston	5.63	367	2067
24)	Jacksonville	5.65	418	2360
25)	Washington	5.81	383	2226
26)	Oakland	5.85	372	2177
27)	New York Giants	5.94	363	2155
28)	New England	5.97	395	2360
29)	Carolina	6.01	387	2325
30)	Indianapolis	6.17	361	2226
31)	Tampa Bay	6.24	384	2396
32)	New Orleans	6.97	418	2914
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5.41</b>	<b>11965</b>	<b>64707</b>

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012**

**AFC / KICKOFFS (Receiving Team)**

Rank	Team	TotKO	AdjKO	TB	TB%	EZ	EZ%	OB	I20	Avg.Start
1)	Baltimore	69	65	22	33.8	56	81.2	1	15	24.8
2)	Buffalo	72	72	41	56.9	55	76.4	0	4	24.8
3)	Miami	65	64	31	48.4	57	87.7	0	9	24.2
4)	New York Jets	66	62	24	38.7	54	81.8	0	13	23.7
5)	Pittsburgh	60	59	21	35.6	43	71.7	2	15	22.8
6)	Denver	62	54	29	53.7	45	72.6	0	12	22.6
7)	Tennessee	82	81	32	39.5	62	75.6	1	18	22.3
8)	Cleveland	58	53	18	34.0	48	82.8	2	18	22.3
9)	New England	62	57	28	49.1	48	77.4	0	14	21.9
10)	San Diego	62	59	29	49.2	51	82.3	0	12	21.5
11)	Cincinnati	63	61	25	41.0	49	77.8	1	14	21.2
12)	Kansas City	79	79	38	48.1	65	82.3	1	11	21.1
13)	Oakland	85	82	45	54.9	68	80.0	0	17	20.8
14)	Houston	62	59	25	42.4	52	83.9	0	16	20.5
15)	Jacksonville	79	79	39	49.4	61	77.2	0	18	20.5
16)	Indianapolis	74	73	41	56.2	58	78.4	0	14	20.0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1100</b>	<b>1059</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>82.3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>22.1</b>

**AFC / KICKOFFS (Kicking Team)**

Rank	Team	TotKO	AdjKO	TB	TB%	EZ	EZ%	OB	I20	Avg.Start
1)	Cleveland	66	64	23	35.9	46	69.7	1	20	19.9
2)	San Diego	65	62	26	41.9	51	78.5	1	20	20.1
3)	Baltimore	73	71	43	60.6	67	91.8	0	13	20.4
4)	New England	94	92	48	52.2	77	81.9	0	21	20.4
5)	Indianapolis	65	65	39	60.0	61	93.8	0	10	21.1
6)	Denver	78	76	55	72.4	66	84.6	0	6	21.4
7)	New York Jets	58	53	12	22.6	34	58.6	1	22	21.5
8)	Cincinnati	71	70	26	37.1	57	80.3	0	21	22.0
9)	Miami	59	55	25	45.5	49	83.1	0	14	22.1
10)	Oakland	61	54	33	61.1	52	85.2	2	10	22.7
11)	Tennessee	62	60	36	60.0	52	83.9	1	7	23.0
12)	Jacksonville	58	56	22	39.3	47	81.0	1	11	23.3
13)	Buffalo	62	59	19	32.2	38	61.3	0	12	23.4
14)	Pittsburgh	62	60	20	33.3	44	71.0	0	10	23.4
15)	Kansas City	51	47	22	46.8	42	82.4	2	5	24.0
16)	Houston	76	73	22	30.1	46	60.5	0	12	25.2
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1061</b>	<b>1017</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>46.3</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>81.5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>22.0</b>

**NFC / KICKOFFS (Receiving Team)**

Rank	Team	TotKO	AdjKO	TB	TB%	EZ	EZ%	OB	I20	Avg.Start
1)	New York Giants	62	61	7	11.5	38	61.3	0	19	26.4
2)	Minnesota	67	64	28	43.8	49	73.1	2	8	25.0
3)	Seattle	50	48	28	58.3	42	84.0	1	11	24.1
4)	Chicago	52	47	9	19.1	29	55.8	0	11	24.1
5)	Green Bay	63	62	22	35.5	46	73.0	2	10	23.2
6)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>85.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22.3</b>
7)	New Orleans	78	76	35	46.1	70	89.7	0	15	21.7
8)	Atlanta	61	59	40	67.8	54	88.5	0	5	21.6
9)	Philadelphia	72	67	27	40.3	50	69.4	0	13	21.6
10)	Detroit	74	73	47	64.4	60	81.1	0	11	21.2
11)	Arizona	66	64	35	54.7	58	87.9	0	13	21.1
12)	St. Louis	67	61	33	54.1	52	77.6	0	13	20.7
13)	Carolina	74	70	35	50.0	58	78.4	1	12	20.6
14)	Tampa Bay	66	63	38	60.3	58	87.9	1	12	20.5
15)	Washington	73	70	43	61.4	65	89.0	0	12	20.2
16)	Dallas	72	68	41	60.3	64	88.9	0	16	19.7
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1044</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>48.1</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>83.4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>22.0</b>

**NFC / KICKOFFS (Kicking Team)**

Rank	Team	TotKO	AdjKO	TB	TB%	EZ	EZ%	OB	I20	Avg.Start
1)	Chicago	70	68	39	57.4	62	88.6	0	15	19.8
2)	Seattle	66	62	29	46.8	56	84.8	0	19	20.2
3)	Atlanta	76	74	35	47.3	66	86.8	0	14	21.0
4)	Minnesota	65	65	41	63.1	58	89.2	0	12	21.0
5)	Tampa Bay	76	74	53	71.6	71	93.4	0	6	21.2
6)	Washington	73	70	31	44.3	51	69.9	1	14	21.5
7)	Dallas	68	62	24	38.7	50	73.5	1	16	21.6
8)	St. Louis	55	53	28	52.8	48	87.3	0	8	21.9
9)	Carolina	58	54	25	46.3	41	70.7	0	10	22.1
10)	Philadelphia	59	56	24	42.9	48	81.4	0	13	22.5
11)	Green Bay	68	67	32	47.8	51	75.0	1	10	22.7
12)	New York Giants	83	79	20	25.3	61	73.5	0	20	23.0
13)	New Orleans	72	70	34	48.6	58	80.6	1	14	23.1
14)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>50.7</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>85.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>23.9</b>
15)	Arizona	49	48	22	45.8	41	83.7	0	4	24.1
16)	Detroit	74	70	26	37.1	53	71.6	2	15	24.4
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1083</b>	<b>1041</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>84.1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>22.1</b>

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**NFL / KICKOFFS (Receiving Team)**

Rank	Team	TotKO	AdjKO	TB	TB%	EZ	EZ%	OB	I20	Avg.Start
1)	New York Giants	62	61	7	11.5	38	61.3	0	19	26.4
2)	Minnesota	67	64	28	43.8	49	73.1	2	8	25.0
3)	Baltimore	69	65	22	33.8	56	81.2	1	15	24.8
4)	Buffalo	72	72	41	56.9	55	76.4	0	4	24.8
5)	Miami	65	64	31	48.4	57	87.7	0	9	24.2
6)	Seattle	50	48	28	58.3	42	84.0	1	11	24.1
7)	Chicago	52	47	9	19.1	29	55.8	0	11	24.1
8)	New York Jets	66	62	24	38.7	54	81.8	0	13	23.7
9)	Green Bay	63	62	22	35.5	46	73.0	2	10	23.2
10)	Pittsburgh	60	59	21	35.6	43	71.7	2	15	22.8
11)	Denver	62	54	29	53.7	45	72.6	0	12	22.6
12)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>85.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22.3</b>
13)	Tennessee	82	81	32	39.5	62	75.6	1	18	22.3
14)	Cleveland	58	53	18	34.0	48	82.8	2	18	22.3
15)	New England	62	57	28	49.1	48	77.4	0	14	21.9
16)	New Orleans	78	76	35	46.1	70	89.7	0	15	21.7
17)	Atlanta	61	59	40	67.8	54	88.5	0	5	21.6
18)	Philadelphia	72	67	27	40.3	50	69.4	0	13	21.6
19)	San Diego	62	59	29	49.2	51	82.3	0	12	21.5
20)	Cincinnati	63	61	25	41.0	49	77.8	1	14	21.2
21)	Detroit	74	73	47	64.4	60	81.1	0	11	21.2
22)	Arizona	66	64	35	54.7	58	87.9	0	13	21.1
23)	Kansas City	79	79	38	48.1	65	82.3	1	11	21.1
24)	Oakland	85	82	45	54.9	68	80.0	0	17	20.8
25)	St. Louis	67	61	33	54.1	52	77.6	0	13	20.7
26)	Carolina	74	70	35	50.0	58	78.4	1	12	20.6
27)	Houston	62	59	25	42.4	52	83.9	0	16	20.5
28)	Tampa Bay	66	63	38	60.3	58	87.9	1	12	20.5
29)	Jacksonville	79	79	39	49.4	61	77.2	0	18	20.5
30)	Washington	73	70	43	61.4	65	89.0	0	12	20.2
31)	Indianapolis	74	73	41	56.2	58	78.4	0	14	20.0
32)	Dallas	72	68	41	60.3	64	88.9	0	16	19.7
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2144</b>	<b>2058</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>47.11</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>82.8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>22.1</b>

**NFL / KICKOFFS (Kicking Team)**

Rank	Team	TotKO	AdjKO	TB	TB%	EZ	EZ%	OB	I20	Avg.Start
1)	Chicago	70	68	39	57.4	62	88.6	0	15	19.8
2)	Cleveland	66	64	23	35.9	46	69.7	1	20	19.9
3)	San Diego	65	62	26	41.9	51	78.5	1	20	20.1
4)	Seattle	66	62	29	46.8	56	84.8	0	19	20.2
5)	Baltimore	73	71	43	60.6	67	91.8	0	13	20.4
6)	New England	94	92	48	52.2	77	81.9	0	21	20.4
7)	Atlanta	76	74	35	47.3	66	86.8	0	14	21.0
8)	Minnesota	65	65	41	63.1	58	89.2	0	12	21.0
9)	Indianapolis	65	65	39	60.0	61	93.8	0	10	21.1
10)	Tampa Bay	76	74	53	71.6	71	93.4	0	6	21.2
11)	Denver	78	76	55	72.4	66	84.6	0	6	21.4
12)	Washington	73	70	31	44.3	51	69.9	1	14	21.5
13)	New York Jets	58	53	12	22.6	34	58.6	1	22	21.5
14)	Dallas	68	62	24	38.7	50	73.5	1	16	21.6
15)	St. Louis	55	53	28	52.8	48	87.3	0	8	21.9
16)	Cincinnati	71	70	26	37.1	57	80.3	0	21	22.0
17)	Miami	59	55	25	45.5	49	83.1	0	14	22.1
18)	Carolina	58	54	25	46.3	41	70.7	0	10	22.1
19)	Philadelphia	59	56	24	42.9	48	81.4	0	13	22.5
20)	Oakland	61	54	33	61.1	52	85.2	2	10	22.7
21)	Green Bay	68	67	32	47.8	51	75.0	1	10	22.7
22)	New York Giants	83	79	20	25.3	61	73.5	0	20	23.0
23)	Tennessee	62	60	36	60.0	52	83.9	1	7	23.0
24)	New Orleans	72	70	34	48.6	58	80.6	1	14	23.1
25)	Jacksonville	58	56	22	39.3	47	81.0	1	11	23.3
26)	Buffalo	62	59	19	32.2	38	61.3	0	12	23.4
27)	Pittsburgh	62	60	20	33.3	44	71.0	0	10	23.4
28)	<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>50.7</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>85.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>23.9</b>
29)	Kansas City	51	47	22	46.8	42	82.4	2	5	24.0
30)	Arizona	49	48	22	45.8	41	83.7	0	4	24.1
31)	Detroit	74	70	26	37.1	53	71.6	2	15	24.4
32)	Houston	76	73	22	30.1	46	60.5	0	12	25.2
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2144</b>	<b>2058</b>	<b>969</b>	<b>47.11</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>82.8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>22.1</b>

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**Most Points**-- 19, Succop, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), (0 td, 6 fg, 0 xp, 0 2pt)  
**Most Points**-- 18, Rosario, S.D. vs. Tenn., 9/16, (3 td, 0 fg, 0 xp, 0 2pt)  
**Most Points**-- 18, Greene, NY-J vs. Ind., 10/14, (3 td, 0 fg, 0 xp, 0 2pt)  
**Passing Yards**-- 527, Schaub, Hou. vs. Jax , 11/18 (OT), (43-55, 527, 5 td, 2 int)  
**Passing Yards**-- 433, Luck, Ind. vs. Miami, 11/4, (30-48, 433, 2 td, 0 int)  
**Longest Pass**-- 83, Brady, N.E. at NY-J, 11/22, (to Vereen, Shane, td)  
**Passing Touchdowns**-- 5, Schaub, Hou. vs. Jax , 11/18 (OT), (43-55, 527, 5 td, 2 int)  
**Passing Touchdowns**-- 4, (8 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Rushing Yards**-- 233, Charles, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), (33-233, 1 td)  
**Rushing Yards**-- 195, C. Johnson, Tenn. at Buff., 10/21, (18-195, 2 td)  
**Rushing Attempts**-- 33, Charles, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), (33-233, 1 td)  
**Rushing Attempts**-- 32, Greene, NY-J vs. Ind., 10/14, (32-161, 3 td)  
**Rushing Attempts**-- 32, Moreno, Denv. at Oak., 12/6, (32-119, 1 td)  
**Longest Rush**-- 91, Charles, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), td  
**Longest Rush**-- 83, C. Johnson, Tenn. at Buff., 10/21, td  
**Receptions**-- 14, A. Johnson, Hou. vs. Jax , 11/18 (OT), (14-273, 1 td)  
**Receptions**-- 14, Myers, Oak. vs. Clev., 12/2, (14-130, 1 td)  
**Receiving Yards**-- 273, A. Johnson, Hou. vs. Jax , 11/18 (OT), (14-273, 1 td)  
**Receiving Yards**-- 212, Wayne, Ind. vs. G.B., 10/7, (13-212, 1 td)  
**Kickoff Return Yards**-- 221, Cribbs, Clev. at NY-G, 10/7, (6-221, 0 td)  
**Kickoff Returns**-- 7, Reynaud, Tenn. vs. Chi., 11/4, (7-145, 0 td)  
**Kickoff Returns**-- 7, McKnight, NY-J vs. N.E., 11/22, (7-168, 0 td)  
**Longest Kickoff Return**-- 108, J. Jones, Balt. vs. Dal., 10/14, td  
**Punt Return Yards**-- 125, Holliday, Denv. at Car., 11/11, (8-125, 1 fc, 1 td)  
**Punt Returns**-- 8, Holliday, Denv. at Car., 11/11, (8-125, 1 fc, 1 td)  
**Longest Punt Return**-- 93, Benjamin, Clev. vs. K.C., 12/9, td  
**Interceptions**-- 2, Smith, Miami at Ariz., 9/30 (OT), (2-31, 0 td)  
**Interceptions**-- 2, Byrd, Buff. at Ariz., 10/14 (OT), (2-36, 0 td)  
**Interceptions**-- 2, (4 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Longest Interception Return**-- 87, Dennard, N.E. vs. Ind., 11/18, td  
**Sacks**-- 4.5, Wake, Miami at Ariz., 9/30 (OT)  
**Sacks**-- 3.0, (6 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Scrimmage Yards**-- 288, Charles, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), (Rush 33-233, Rec 6-55)  
**Scrimmage Yards**-- 212, Wayne, Ind. vs. G.B., 10/7, (Rush 0-0, Rec 13-212)  
**Longest Punt**-- 79, Butler, Pitt. vs. S.D., 12/9  
**Punts**-- 10, Hodges, Clev. vs. Pitt., 11/25, (10-383, 38.3)  
**Punts**-- 10, Do. Jones, Hou. at Tenn., 12/2, (10-488, 48.8)  
**Field Goals Made**-- 6, Succop, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), (6-6, 45 lg)  
**Field Goals Made**-- 5, Kaeding, S.D. at Oak., 9/10, (5-5, 45 lg)  
**Field Goals Made**-- 5, Dawson, Clev. vs. Balt., 11/4, (5-5, 41 lg)  
**Longest Field Goal**-- 56, Tucker, Balt. at Phil., 9/16

**NFC / SINGLE-GAME HIGHS / PLAYERS**

**Most Points**-- 24, Martin, T.B. at Oak., 11/4, (4 td, 0 fg, 0 xp, 0 2pt)  
**Passing Yards**-- 510, Manning, NY-G vs. T.B., 9/16, (31-51, 510, 3 td, 3 int)  
**Longest Pass**-- 95, Freeman, T.B. vs. N.O., 10/21, (to Jackson, Vincent)  
**Passing Touchdowns**-- 6, Rodgers, G.B. at Hou., 10/14, (24-37, 338, 6 td, 0 int)  
**Rushing Yards**-- 251, Martin, T.B. at Oak., 11/4, (25-251, 4 td)  
**Rushing Attempts**-- 31, Peterson, Minn. vs. Chi., 12/9, (31-154, 2 td)  
**Longest Rush**-- 82, Peterson, Minn. at G.B., 12/2, td  
**Receptions**-- 18, Witten, Dal. vs. NY-G, 10/28, (18-167, 0 td)  
**Receiving Yards**-- 216, Jackson, T.B. vs. N.O., 10/21, (7-216, 1 td)  
**Kickoff Return Yards**-- 227, Wilson, NY-G vs. N.O., 12/9, (4-227, 1 td)  
**Kickoff Returns**-- 7, Benn, T.B. at NY-G, 9/16, (7-180, 0 td)  
**Longest Kickoff Return**-- 105, Harvin, Minn. at Det., 9/30, td  
**Punt Return Yards**-- 104, D. Johnson, Phil. at Dal., 12/2, (2-104, 0 fc, 1 td)  
**Punt Returns**-- 6, Jenkins, St.L. at Miami, 10/14, (6-21, 0 fc, 0 td)  
**Punt Returns**-- 6, Logan, Det. at Chi., 10/22, (6-7, 1 fc, 0 td)  
**Longest Punt Return**-- 98, D. Johnson, Phil. at Dal., 12/2, td  
**Interceptions**-- 2, (19 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Longest Interception Return**-- 99, P. Robinson, N.O. vs. Phil., 11/5, td  
**Sacks**-- 5.5, Ald. Smith, S.F. vs. Chi., 11/19  
**Scrimmage Yards**-- 272, Martin, T.B. at Oak., 11/4, (Rush 25-251, Rec 4-21)  
**Longest Punt**-- 73, Ryan, Sea. vs. G.B., 9/24  
**Punts**-- 10, Zastudil, Ariz. at NY-J, 12/2, (10-448, 44.8)  
**Punts**-- 10, Koenen, T.B. vs. Phil., 12/9, (10-424, 42.4)  
**Field Goals Made**-- 5, (3 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Longest Field Goal**-- 63, Akers, S.F. at G.B., 9/9

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**Most Points**-- 24, Martin, T.B. at Oak., 11/4, (4 td, 0 fg, 0 xp, 0 2pt)  
**Passing Yards**-- 527, Schaub, Hou. vs. Jax , 11/18 (OT), (43-55, 527, 5 td, 2 int)  
**Passing Yards**-- 510, Manning, NY-G vs. T.B., 9/16, (31-51, 510, 3 td, 3 int)  
**Longest Pass**-- 95, Freeman, T.B. vs. N.O., 10/21, (to Jackson, Vincent)  
**Passing Touchdowns**-- 6, Rodgers, G.B. at Hou., 10/14, (24-37, 338, 6 td, 0 int)  
**Rushing Yards**-- 251, Martin, T.B. at Oak., 11/4, (25-251, 4 td)  
**Rushing Attempts**-- 33, Charles, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), (33-233, 1 td)  
**Rushing Attempts**-- 32, Greene, NY-J vs. Ind., 10/14, (32-161, 3 td)  
**Rushing Attempts**-- 32, Moreno, Denv. at Oak., 12/6, (32-119, 1 td)  
**Longest Rush**-- 91, Charles, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), td  
**Longest Rush**-- 83, C. Johnson, Tenn. at Buff., 10/21, td  
**Receptions**-- 18, Witten, Dal. vs. NY-G, 10/28, (18-167, 0 td)  
**Receiving Yards**-- 273, A. Johnson, Hou. vs. Jax , 11/18 (OT), (14-273, 1 td)  
**Receiving Yards**-- 216, Jackson, T.B. vs. N.O., 10/21, (7-216, 1 td)  
**Kickoff Return Yards**-- 227, Wilson, NY-G vs. N.O., 12/9, (4-227, 1 td)  
**Kickoff Returns**-- 7, (3 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Longest Kickoff Return**-- 108, J. Jones, Balt. vs. Dal., 10/14, td  
**Punt Return Yards**-- 125, Holliday, Denv. at Car., 11/11, (8-125, 1 fc, 1 td)  
**Punt Returns**-- 8, Holliday, Denv. at Car., 11/11, (8-125, 1 fc, 1 td)  
**Longest Punt Return**-- 98, D. Johnson, Phil. at Dal., 12/2, td  
**Interceptions**-- 2, Smith, Miami at Ariz., 9/30 (OT), (2-31, 0 td)  
**Interceptions**-- 2, Byrd, Buff. at Ariz., 10/14 (OT), (2-36, 0 td)  
**Interceptions**-- 2, (23 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Longest Interception Return**-- 99, P. Robinson, N.O. vs. Phil., 11/5, td  
**Sacks**-- 5.5, Ald. Smith, S.F. vs. Chi., 11/19  
**Scrimmage Yards**-- 288, Charles, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), (Rush 33-233, Rec 6-55)  
**Scrimmage Yards**-- 272, Martin, T.B. at Oak., 11/4, (Rush 25-251, Rec 4-21)  
**Longest Punt**-- 79, Butler, Pitt. vs. S.D., 12/9  
**Punts**-- 10, (4 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Field Goals Made**-- 6, Succop, K.C. at N.O., 9/23 (OT), (6-6, 45 lg)  
**Field Goals Made**-- 5, (5 times in Non-Overtime Games)  
**Longest Field Goal**-- 63, Akers, S.F. at G.B., 9/9

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**300-Yard Passing Games**

527, Schaub, HOU vs. JAX 11/18 (ot) (43-55, 5 TD)  
510, Manning, NYG vs. TB 09/16 (31-51, 3 TD)  
446, Brees, NO at GB 09/30 (35-54, 3 TD)  
441, Romo, DAL vs. WAS 11/22 (37-62, 3 TD)  
441, Stafford, DET vs. HOU 11/22 (ot) (31-61, 2 TD)  
437, Romo, DAL vs. NYG 10/28 (36-62, 1 TD)  
433, Luck, IND vs. MIA 11/04 (30-48, 2 TD)  
431, Tannehill, MIA at ARI 09/30 (ot) (26-41, 1 TD)  
420, Freeman, TB vs. NO 10/21 (24-42, 3 TD)  
414, Palmer, OAK vs. TB 11/04 (39-61, 4 TD)  
411, Ryan, ATL at NO 11/11 (34-52, 3 TD)  
395, Brady, NE at SEA 10/14 (36-58, 2 TD)  
391, Luck, IND at DET 12/02 (24-54, 4 TD)  
384, Roethlisberger, PIT at OAK 09/23 (36-49, 4 TD)  
382, Flacco, BAL vs. NE 09/23 (28-39, 3 TD)  
381, Foles, PHI at TB 12/09 (32-51, 2 TD)  
381, Dalton, CIN at CLE 10/14 (31-46, 3 TD)  
378, Locker, TEN vs. DET 09/23 (ot) (29-42, 2 TD)  
377, Brees, NO at TB 10/21 (27-37, 4 TD)  
373, Palmer, OAK at MIA 09/16 (24-48, 1 TD)  
371, Vick, PHI vs. BAL 09/16 (23-32, 1 TD)  
370, Brees, NO vs. SD 10/07 (29-45, 4 TD)  
369, Ryan, ATL vs. CAR 09/30 (25-40, 3 TD)  
368, Palmer, OAK at BAL 11/11 (29-45, 2 TD)  
364, Weeden, CLE at OAK 12/02 (25-36, 1 TD)  
363, Roethlisberger, PIT at TEN 10/11 (24-40, 1 TD)  
362, Luck, IND vs. GB 10/07 (31-55, 2 TD)  
356, Flacco, BAL vs. CLE 09/27 (28-46, 1 TD)  
355, Flacco, BAL at SD 11/25 (ot) (30-51, 1 TD)  
355, Stafford, DET vs. STL 09/09 (32-48, 1 TD)  
354, Brees, NO at NYG 12/09 (26-43, 1 TD)  
354, Henne, JAX at HOU 11/18 (ot) (16-33, 4 TD)  
354, Rivers, SD at NO 10/07 (27-42, 2 TD)  
353, Palmer, OAK at ATL 10/14 (23-33, 1 TD)  
353, Ryan, ATL at TB 11/25 (26-32, 1 TD)  
352, Ponder, MIN at WAS 10/14 (35-52, 2 TD)  
352, Stafford, DET vs. SEA 10/28 (34-49, 3 TD)  
351, Palmer, OAK vs. CLE 12/02 (34-54, 2 TD)  
350, Fitzpatrick, BUF vs. NE 09/30 (22-39, 4 TD)  
345, Ryan, ATL at WAS 10/07 (34-52, 2 TD)  
342, Rodgers, GB at STL 10/21 (30-37, 3 TD)  
342, Ryan, ATL vs. DAL 11/04 (24-34, 0 TD)  
342, Ryan, ATL at CAR 12/09 (34-49, 2 TD)  
341, Brees, NO at ATL 11/29 (28-50, 0 TD)  
341, Flacco, BAL vs. OAK 11/11 (21-33, 3 TD)  
340, Brady, NE at BUF 09/30 (22-36, 3 TD)  
339, Brees, NO vs. WAS 09/09 (24-52, 3 TD)  
338, Rodgers, GB at HOU 10/14 (24-37, 6 TD)  
338, Manning, DEN vs. OAK 09/30 (30-38, 3 TD)  
337, Manning, DEN at NE 10/07 (31-44, 3 TD)  
337, Rivers, SD at TB 11/11 (29-37, 3 TD)  
337, Fitzpatrick, BUF at NE 11/11 (27-40, 2 TD)  
337, Manning, NYG vs. WAS 10/21 (26-40, 1 TD)  
335, Brady, NE at BAL 09/23 (28-41, 1 TD)  
334, Luck, IND at NE 11/18 (27-50, 2 TD)  
333, Cutler, CHI vs. IND 09/09 (21-35, 2 TD)  
331, Brady, NE vs. IND 11/18 (24-35, 3 TD)  
330, Manning, DEN vs. HOU 09/23 (26-52, 2 TD)  
329, Stafford, DET at MIN 11/11 (28-42, 3 TD)

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**300-Yard Passing Games**

328, Sanchez, NYJ at NE 10/21 (ot) (28-41, 1 TD)  
328, Dalton, CIN at WAS 09/23 (19-27, 3 TD)  
328, Freeman, TB vs. KC 10/14 (15-26, 3 TD)  
325, Brees, NO at CAR 09/16 (31-49, 1 TD)  
324, Kolb, ARI vs. MIA 09/30 (ot) (29-48, 3 TD)  
323, Griffin III, WAS at TB 09/30 (26-35, 0 TD)  
323, Brady, NE at NYJ 11/22 (18-27, 3 TD)  
322, Weeden, CLE at CIN 09/16 (26-37, 2 TD)  
321, Romo, DAL at ATL 11/04 (25-35, 1 TD)  
320, Griffin III, WAS at NO 09/09 (19-26, 2 TD)  
320, Weeden, CLE at BAL 09/27 (25-52, 0 TD)  
319, Rodgers, GB vs. NO 09/30 (31-41, 4 TD)  
319, Stafford, DET vs. MIN 09/30 (30-51, 0 TD)  
318, Dalton, CIN vs. CLE 09/16 (24-31, 3 TD)  
317, Vick, PHI at CLE 09/09 (29-56, 2 TD)  
316, Brady, NE vs. ARI 09/16 (28-46, 1 TD)  
315, Schaub, HOU at DET 11/22 (ot) (29-48, 1 TD)  
315, Bradford, STL at MIA 10/14 (26-39, 0 TD)  
314, Newton, CAR at CHI 10/28 (20-39, 0 TD)  
313, Luck, IND vs. JAX 09/23 (22-46, 2 TD)  
313, Romo, DAL vs. CLE 11/18 (ot) (35-50, 1 TD)  
313, Stafford, DET vs. IND 12/02 (27-46, 2 TD)  
312, Palmer, OAK vs. NO 11/18 (22-40, 2 TD)  
312, Lindley, ARI vs. STL 11/25 (31-52, 0 TD)  
311, Stafford, DET at PHI 10/14 (ot) (22-45, 1 TD)  
311, Vick, PHI vs. DET 10/14 (ot) (28-46, 2 TD)  
310, Manning, DEN at OAK 12/06 (26-36, 1 TD)  
310, Bradford, STL vs. WAS 09/16 (26-35, 3 TD)  
309, Luck, IND at CHI 09/09 (23-45, 1 TD)  
309, Manning, DEN at SD 10/15 (24-30, 3 TD)  
309, Locker, TEN vs. HOU 12/02 (21-45, 1 TD)  
309, Manning, NYG at PHI 09/30 (24-42, 2 TD)  
307, Romo, DAL vs. CHI 10/01 (31-43, 1 TD)  
307, Romo, DAL at NYG 09/05 (22-29, 3 TD)  
306, Sanchez, NYJ at MIA 09/23 (ot) (21-45, 1 TD)  
306, J. Skelton, ARI at GB 11/04 (23-46, 1 TD)  
306, Newton, CAR at PHI 11/26 (18-28, 2 TD)  
305, Manning, DEN vs. NO 10/28 (22-30, 3 TD)  
304, Griffin III, WAS at DAL 11/22 (19-27, 4 TD)  
304, Brady, NE at STL 10/28 (23-35, 4 TD)  
303, Romo, DAL vs. PHI 12/02 (22-27, 3 TD)  
**303, Ale. Smith, SF vs. BUF 10/07 (18-24, 3 TD)**  
303, Gabbert, JAX at GB 10/28 (27-49, 1 TD)  
303, Rodgers, GB vs. SF 09/09 (30-44, 2 TD)  
303, Newton, CAR at TB 09/09 (23-33, 1 TD)  
301, Sanchez, NYJ vs. NE 11/22 (26-36, 1 TD)  
301, Manning, DEN at CAR 11/11 (27-38, 1 TD)  
301, Ryan, ATL vs. ARI 11/18 (28-46, 0 TD)  
301, Cassel, KC at BUF 09/16 (23-42, 2 TD)



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273, A. Johnson, HOU vs. JAX 11/18 (ot) (14 rec., 1 TD)  
253, Hartline, MIA at ARI 09/30 (ot) (12 rec., 1 TD)  
236, Blackmon, JAX at HOU 11/18 (ot) (7 rec., 1 TD)  
216, Jackson, TB vs. NO 10/21 (7 rec., 1 TD)  
212, Wayne, IND vs. GB 10/07 (13 rec., 1 TD)  
207, C. Johnson, DET at MIN 11/11 (12 rec., 1 TD)  
199, Nicks, NYG vs. TB 09/16 (10 rec., 1 TD)  
188, A. Johnson, HOU at DET 11/22 (ot) (9 rec., 0 TD)  
183, Green, CIN at WAS 09/23 (9 rec., 1 TD)  
180, D. Thomas, DEN at NE 10/07 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
179, Cruz, NYG vs. TB 09/16 (11 rec., 1 TD)  
171, C. Johnson, DET vs. IND 12/02 (13 rec., 1 TD)  
169, White, ATL vs. CAR 09/30 (8 rec., 2 TD)  
167, Witten, DAL vs. NYG 10/28 (18 rec., 0 TD)  
165, Marshall, CHI vs. SEA 12/02 (ot) (10 rec., 0 TD)  
164, C. Johnson, DET at TEN 09/23 (ot) (10 rec., 1 TD)  
160, Marshall, CHI at MIN 12/09 (10 rec., 1 TD)  
160, Amendola, STL vs. WAS 09/16 (15 rec., 1 TD)  
157, Celek, PHI vs. BAL 09/16 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
153, Colston, NO at GB 09/30 (9 rec., 1 TD)  
147, Jones, ATL at TB 11/25 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
147, Holmes, NYJ at MIA 09/23 (ot) (9 rec., 0 TD)  
146, Gronkowski, NE at STL 10/28 (8 rec., 2 TD)  
146, J. Graham, NO vs. ATL 11/11 (7 rec., 2 TD)  
145, Bryant, DAL vs. CLE 11/18 (ot) (12 rec., 1 TD)  
145, Bryant, DAL vs. WAS 11/22 (8 rec., 2 TD)  
144, Marshall, CHI at JAX 10/07 (12 rec., 1 TD)  
144, T. Smith, BAL at SD 11/25 (ot) (7 rec., 0 TD)  
143, Britt, TEN at IND 12/09 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
143, C. Johnson, DET vs. GB 11/18 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
142, Welker, NE at BAL 09/23 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
140, C. Johnson, DET vs. HOU 11/22 (ot) (8 rec., 1 TD)  
138, Marshall, CHI at DAL 10/01 (7 rec., 1 TD)  
138, Barden, NYG at CAR 09/20 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
138, Welker, NE at SEA 10/14 (10 rec., 1 TD)  
137, D. Thomas, DEN vs. NO 10/28 (7 rec., 1 TD)  
137, Gronkowski, NE vs. IND 11/18 (7 rec., 2 TD)  
136, Decker, DEN vs. HOU 09/23 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
135, C. Johnson, DET at PHI 10/14 (ot) (6 rec., 0 TD)  
135, Green, CIN at CLE 10/14 (7 rec., 2 TD)  
135, D. Thomas, DEN at CAR 11/11 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
135, Wayne, IND at CHI 09/09 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
134, Alexander, SD at TB 11/11 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
133, Avant, PHI at TB 12/09 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
133, Austin, DAL vs. NYG 10/28 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
133, Harvin, MIN at WAS 10/14 (11 rec., 0 TD)  
131, Colston, NO vs. SD 10/07 (9 rec., 3 TD)  
131, Cruz, NYG vs. WAS 10/21 (7 rec., 1 TD)  
131, Boldin, BAL vs. CLE 09/27 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
131, Jackson, TB vs. PHI 12/09 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
130, MacLin, PHI vs. DET 10/14 (ot) (6 rec., 1 TD)  
130, Myers, OAK vs. CLE 12/02 (14 rec., 1 TD)  
129, Welker, NE at BUF 09/30 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
129, C. Johnson, DET at JAX 11/04 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
129, Bess, MIA vs. SEA 11/25 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
129, Jones, ATL vs. DAL 11/04 (5 rec., 0 TD)  
128, Sproles, NO at CAR 09/16 (13 rec., 0 TD)  
128, Jackson, TB at NYG 09/16 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
127, T. Smith, BAL vs. NE 09/23 (6 rec., 2 TD)  
126, Broyles, DET vs. HOU 11/22 (ot) (6 rec., 0 TD)  
123, Gonzalez, ATL at WAS 10/07 (13 rec., 1 TD)  
123, Bess, MIA at ARI 09/30 (ot) (7 rec., 0 TD)  
123, Henderson, NO vs. SD 10/07 (8 rec., 1 TD)  
123, Moore, NO at ATL 11/29 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
123, Jones, ATL at PHI 10/28 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
123, White, ATL vs. ARI 11/18 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
123, Wallace, PIT at OAK 09/23 (8 rec., 1 TD)  
122, Marshall, CHI at TEN 11/04 (9 rec., 3 TD)  
122, Gonzalez, ATL at NO 11/11 (11 rec., 2 TD)  
122, Nelson, GB at STL 10/21 (8 rec., 1 TD)  
121, Cruz, NYG vs. NO 12/09 (8 rec., 1 TD)  
121, Nelson, GB at HOU 10/14 (9 rec., 3 TD)  
121, Moore, NO at TB 10/21 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
120, S. Smith, CAR at KC 12/02 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
120, Moore, NO vs. WAS 09/09 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
120, Kerley, NYJ at NE 10/21 (ot) (7 rec., 0 TD)  
119, Marshall, CHI vs. IND 09/09 (9 rec., 1 TD)  
119, A. Johnson, HOU vs. MIA 09/09 (8 rec., 1 TD)  
118, S. Smith, CAR at CHI 10/28 (7 rec., 0 TD)

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118, A. Johnson, HOU vs. BUF 11/04 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
118, White, ATL vs. DAL 11/04 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
118, Roberts, ARI vs. MIA 09/30 (ot) (6 rec., 2 TD)  
118, C. Johnson, DET at GB 12/09 (10 rec., 0 TD)  
117, Green, CIN at JAX 09/30 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
117, White, ATL at CAR 12/09 (9 rec., 1 TD)  
116, Gordon, CLE at OAK 12/02 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
116, Shorts, JAX at GB 10/28 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
115, Williams, TB vs. WAS 09/30 (4 rec., 0 TD)  
115, Givens, STL at ARI 11/25 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
114, White, ATL at NO 11/11 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
114, Hixon, NYG at PHI 09/30 (6 rec., 0 TD)  
114, Fitzgerald, ARI vs. PHI 09/23 (9 rec., 1 TD)  
114, Ogletree, DAL at NYG 09/05 (8 rec., 2 TD)  
114, Jackson, PHI vs. BAL 09/16 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
113, Williams, TB vs. KC 10/14 (4 rec., 1 TD)  
113, Hilton, IND vs. JAX 09/23 (4 rec., 1 TD)  
**113, Crabtree, SF vs. BUF 10/07 (6 rec., 1 TD)**  
112, Wallace, PIT vs. SD 12/09 (7 rec., 2 TD)  
112, Witten, DAL vs. CHI 10/01 (13 rec., 1 TD)  
112, Washington, TEN vs. DET 09/23 (ot) (3 rec., 1 TD)  
111, Avery, IND vs. MIN 09/16 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
111, Green, CIN vs. OAK 11/25 (3 rec., 0 TD)  
111, Hartline, MIA vs. OAK 09/16 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
111, C. Johnson, DET vs. STL 09/09 (6 rec., 0 TD)  
110, D. Thomas, DEN vs. PIT 09/09 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
110, Bryant, DAL vs. NYG 10/28 (5 rec., 0 TD)  
109, Floyd, SD vs. TEN 09/16 (6 rec., 0 TD)  
109, Garcon, WAS at NO 09/09 (4 rec., 1 TD)  
109, Cruz, NYG at PHI 09/30 (9 rec., 1 TD)  
109, S. Smith, CAR vs. ATL 12/09 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
108, Gresham, CIN vs. DEN 11/04 (6 rec., 0 TD)  
108, Harvin, MIN vs. TEN 10/07 (8 rec., 1 TD)  
108, Witten, DAL vs. PHI 12/02 (6 rec., 0 TD)  
108, Floyd, SD at NO 10/07 (5 rec., 0 TD)  
108, Bowe, KC vs. SD 09/30 (7 rec., 1 TD)  
108, Jones, ATL at KC 09/09 (6 rec., 2 TD)  
108, Lloyd, NE at BAL 09/23 (9 rec., 0 TD)  
108, Avery, IND vs. MIA 11/04 (5 rec., 0 TD)  
107, Marshall, CHI vs. HOU 11/11 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
107, Hartline, MIA at IND 11/04 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
107, Austin, DAL vs. TB 09/23 (5 rec., 0 TD)  
106, St. Johnson, BUF at IND 11/25 (6 rec., 0 TD)  
106, Garcon, WAS vs. NYG 12/03 (8 rec., 1 TD)  
106, Morgan, NO at NYG 12/09 (2 rec., 0 TD)  
**106, V. Davis, SF vs. BUF 10/07 (5 rec., 0 TD)**  
106, S. Smith, CAR at TB 09/09 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
105, Shorts, JAX vs. IND 11/08 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
105, McCoy, SEA vs. ARI 12/09 (3 rec., 0 TD)  
105, Redman, PIT at TEN 10/11 (4 rec., 0 TD)  
105, Shorts, JAX vs. TEN 11/25 (4 rec., 1 TD)  
105, Bryant, DAL vs. CHI 10/01 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
104, Macclin, PHI at TB 12/09 (9 rec., 1 TD)  
104, Moore, OAK at ATL 10/14 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
104, Cruz, NYG at WAS 12/03 (5 rec., 0 TD)  
104, Harvin, MIN at IND 09/16 (12 rec., 0 TD)  
104, Welker, NE vs. DEN 10/07 (13 rec., 1 TD)  
104, Gronkowski, NE at BUF 09/30 (5 rec., 1 TD)  
104, S. Smith, CAR vs. NO 09/16 (3 rec., 0 TD)  
103, Roberts, ARI at MIN 10/21 (7 rec., 1 TD)  
103, Welker, NE at MIA 12/02 (12 rec., 1 TD)  
103, D. Thomas, DEN vs. OAK 09/30 (5 rec., 0 TD)  
102, Cobb, GB at HOU 10/14 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
102, Hilton, IND vs. MIA 11/04 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
102, White, ATL vs. DEN 09/17 (8 rec., 1 TD)  
102, Cobb, GB vs. DET 12/09 (7 rec., 0 TD)  
102, Olsen, CAR vs. DEN 11/11 (9 rec., 2 TD)  
102, Alexander, SD vs. CIN 12/02 (6 rec., 0 TD)  
102, Amendola, STL at SF 11/11 (ot) (11 rec., 0 TD)  
102, Bowe, KC at BUF 09/16 (8 rec., 2 TD)  
102, Wayne, IND vs. BUF 11/25 (8 rec., 0 TD)  
**101, Crabtree, SF at STL 12/02 (ot) (7 rec., 0 TD)**  
100, Hilton, IND at DET 12/02 (6 rec., 0 TD)  
100, Gibson, STL at BUF 12/09 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
100, Hilton, IND at NE 11/18 (6 rec., 2 TD)  
100, Jackson, TB vs. WAS 09/30 (6 rec., 1 TD)  
100, Jackson, PHI at NO 11/05 (3 rec., 1 TD)  
100, T. Young, DET vs. SEA 10/28 (9 rec., 2 TD)  
100, Streater, OAK vs. DEN 12/06 (4 rec., 0 TD)

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251, Martin, TB at OAK 11/04 (25 att., 4 TD)  
233, Charles, KC at NO 09/23 (ot) (33 att., 1 TD)  
210, Peterson, MIN at GB 12/02 (21 att., 1 TD)  
200, Bradshaw, NYG vs. CLE 10/07 (30 att., 1 TD)  
195, C. Johnson, TEN at BUF 10/21 (18 att., 2 TD)  
182, Peterson, MIN at SEA 11/04 (17 att., 2 TD)  
178, Brown, PHI vs. CAR 11/26 (19 att., 2 TD)  
177, Jones-Drew, JAX at IND 09/23 (28 att., 1 TD)  
172, Bush, MIA vs. OAK 09/16 (26 att., 2 TD)  
171, Peterson, MIN vs. DET 11/11 (27 att., 1 TD)  
169, Spiller, BUF at NYJ 09/09 (14 att., 1 TD)  
169, Brown, PHI at DAL 12/02 (24 att., 2 TD)  
165, Charles, KC at CLE 12/09 (18 att., 1 TD)  
161, Greene, NYJ vs. IND 10/14 (32 att., 3 TD)  
154, Peterson, MIN vs. CHI 12/09 (31 att., 2 TD)  
153, Peterson, MIN vs. ARI 10/21 (23 att., 1 TD)  
152, Foster, HOU at NYJ 10/08 (29 att., 1 TD)  
151, Ridley, NE vs. DEN 10/07 (28 att., 1 TD)  
147, Redman, PIT at NYG 11/04 (26 att., 1 TD)  
141, C. Johnson, TEN at HOU 09/30 (25 att., 0 TD)  
141, C. Johnson, TEN vs. CHI 11/04 (16 att., 1 TD)  
140, Charles, KC vs. BAL 10/07 (31 att., 0 TD)  
139, Jackson, STL at ARI 11/25 (24 att., 0 TD)  
138, Martin, TB at CAR 11/18 (ot) (24 att., 0 TD)  
138, Griffin III, WAS vs. MIN 10/14 (13 att., 2 TD)  
137, Bolden, NE at BUF 09/30 (16 att., 1 TD)  
135, Martin, TB at MIN 10/25 (29 att., 1 TD)  
**131, Gore, SF vs. SEA 10/18 (16 att., 0 TD)**  
131, Murray, DAL at NYG 09/05 (20 att., 0 TD)  
129, Green-Ellis, CIN vs. OAK 11/25 (19 att., 1 TD)  
128, Martin, TB vs. PHI 12/09 (28 att., 1 TD)  
128, Lynch, SEA vs. ARI 12/09 (11 att., 3 TD)  
127, Charles, KC vs. CAR 12/02 (27 att., 0 TD)  
127, Ridley, NE at STL 10/28 (15 att., 1 TD)  
127, Stephens-Howling, ARI at ATL 11/18 (22 att., 1 TD)  
126, C. Johnson, TEN at MIA 11/11 (23 att., 1 TD)  
125, Ridley, NE at TEN 09/09 (21 att., 1 TD)  
124, Lynch, SEA vs. NYJ 11/11 (27 att., 1 TD)  
124, Lynch, SEA vs. MIN 11/04 (26 att., 1 TD)  
124, Morris, WAS vs. NYG 12/03 (22 att., 0 TD)  
123, Spiller, BUF vs. KC 09/16 (15 att., 2 TD)  
123, Peterson, MIN vs. TB 10/25 (15 att., 1 TD)  
123, McCoy, PHI vs. NYG 09/30 (23 att., 0 TD)  
122, McGahee, DEN vs. NO 10/28 (23 att., 1 TD)  
122, Dwyer, PIT at CIN 10/21 (17 att., 0 TD)  
122, Morris, WAS vs. BAL 12/09 (ot) (23 att., 1 TD)  
122, Richardson, CLE vs. SD 10/28 (24 att., 1 TD)  
122, Lynch, SEA vs. DAL 09/16 (26 att., 1 TD)  
121, Rice, BAL at WAS 12/09 (ot) (20 att., 1 TD)  
120, Morris, WAS at NYG 10/21 (22 att., 0 TD)  
119, McCoy, PHI at NO 11/05 (19 att., 0 TD)  
119, Moreno, DEN at OAK 12/06 (32 att., 1 TD)  
118, Lynch, SEA at STL 09/30 (20 att., 1 TD)  
118, Green-Ellis, CIN at SD 12/02 (25 att., 0 TD)  
116, Newton, CAR vs. ATL 12/09 (9 att., 1 TD)  
116, Bradshaw, NYG at SF 10/14 (27 att., 1 TD)  
115, Morris, WAS vs. ATL 10/07 (18 att., 0 TD)  
114, McFadden, OAK at KC 10/28 (29 att., 0 TD)  
113, Morris, WAS at DAL 11/22 (24 att., 1 TD)

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113, Morris, WAS at TB 09/30 (21 att., 1 TD)  
113, McFadden, OAK vs. PIT 09/23 (18 att., 1 TD)  
113, A. Brown, NYG at CAR 09/20 (20 att., 2 TD)  
113, McGahee, DEN at ATL 09/17 (22 att., 2 TD)  
**112, Gore, SF at GB 09/09 (16 att., 1 TD)**  
112, McGahee, DEN vs. OAK 09/30 (19 att., 1 TD)  
111, Foster, HOU vs. BUF 11/04 (24 att., 1 TD)  
110, McCoy, PHI at CLE 09/09 (20 att., 0 TD)  
110, Foster, HOU at JAX 09/16 (28 att., 1 TD)  
110, P. Thomas, NO at CAR 09/16 (9 att., 0 TD)  
109, Richardson, CLE at CIN 09/16 (19 att., 1 TD)  
109, F. Jackson, BUF vs. JAX 12/02 (25 att., 0 TD)  
108, Peterson, MIN at CHI 11/25 (18 att., 0 TD)  
108, Turbin, SEA vs. ARI 12/09 (20 att., 0 TD)  
107, Spiller, BUF at IND 11/25 (14 att., 0 TD)  
107, Dwyer, PIT vs. WAS 10/28 (17 att., 0 TD)  
107, Forte, CHI at JAX 10/07 (22 att., 0 TD)  
107, Charles, KC vs. DEN 11/25 (23 att., 0 TD)  
106, Ridley, NE at BUF 09/30 (22 att., 2 TD)  
**106, Gore, SF vs. BUF 10/07 (14 att., 1 TD)**  
105, Lynch, SEA at DET 10/28 (12 att., 1 TD)  
105, Richardson, CLE vs. BAL 11/04 (25 att., 0 TD)  
105, Foster, HOU at DEN 09/23 (25 att., 0 TD)  
104, Greene, NYJ vs. ARI 12/02 (24 att., 0 TD)  
104, Stephens-Howling, ARI at MIN 10/21 (20 att., 1 TD)  
103, Lynch, SEA at SF 10/18 (19 att., 0 TD)  
103, Forte, CHI at TEN 11/04 (12 att., 1 TD)  
103, Reece, OAK vs. NO 11/18 (19 att., 0 TD)  
103, Turner, ATL vs. CAR 09/30 (13 att., 0 TD)  
103, Bradshaw, NYG at WAS 12/03 (24 att., 0 TD)  
102, Foster, HOU at DET 11/22 (ot) (20 att., 2 TD)  
102, Foster, HOU at CHI 11/11 (29 att., 0 TD)  
102, Peterson, MIN at DET 09/30 (21 att., 0 TD)  
102, Turner, ATL vs. DAL 11/04 (20 att., 1 TD)  
102, Rice, BAL at KC 10/07 (17 att., 0 TD)  
101, Green-Ellis, CIN at KC 11/18 (25 att., 1 TD)  
101, Rice, BAL vs. NE 09/23 (20 att., 1 TD)  
101, Jackson, STL at SF 11/11 (ot) (29 att., 1 TD)  
100, Wilson, NYG vs. NO 12/09 (13 att., 2 TD)  
100, Leshoure, DET at TEN 09/23 (ot) (26 att., 1 TD)  
100, Charles, KC at PIT 11/12 (ot) (23 att., 1 TD)

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**AFC / LEADING PASSERS**

Player, Team	Att	Comp	Pct Comp	Yds	Avg Gain	Pct TD	TD	Long	Int	Pct Int	Rating Points
Brady, N.E.	495	319	64.4	3833	7.74	29	5.9	83t	4	0.8	104.2
Manning, Den.	483	330	68.3	3812	7.89	30	6.2	71t	10	2.1	104.0
Roethlisberger, Pit.	358	231	64.5	2572	7.18	20	5.6	82t	5	1.4	98.6
Schaub, Hou.	445	285	64.0	3294	7.40	21	4.7	60t	10	2.2	92.7
Dalton, Cin.	445	282	63.4	3186	7.16	25	5.6	59t	14	3.1	90.3
Flacco, Bal.	447	268	60.0	3220	7.20	18	4.0	54	9	2.0	87.1
Fitzpatrick, Buf.	406	253	62.3	2718	6.69	21	5.2	68t	13	3.2	85.8
Rivers, S.D.	465	298	64.1	3169	6.82	21	4.5	80t	15	3.2	85.5
Palmer, Oak.	533	324	60.8	3805	7.14	22	4.1	64t	14	2.6	85.3
Hasselbeck, Ten.	221	138	62.4	1367	6.19	7	3.2	37	5	2.3	81.0
Gabbert, Jac.	278	162	58.3	1662	5.98	9	3.2	80t	6	2.2	77.4
Locker, Ten.	247	142	57.5	1735	7.02	9	3.6	71t	9	3.6	76.2
Henne, Jac.	182	94	51.6	1217	6.69	8	4.4	81t	5	2.7	76.2
*Luck, Ind.	537	295	54.9	3792	7.06	18	3.4	60	18	3.4	74.5
*Weeden, Cle.	463	264	57.0	3037	6.56	13	2.8	71t	15	3.2	72.8
*Tannehill, Mia.	396	227	57.3	2709	6.84	8	2.0	80t	12	3.0	72.5
Sanchez, NY-J	390	216	55.4	2547	6.53	12	3.1	66	13	3.3	71.8
Cassel, K.C.	277	161	58.1	1796	6.48	6	2.2	46	12	4.3	66.7

**AFC / LEADING PASSERS, RANKS**

Player, Team	Att	Comp	Pct Comp	Yds	Avg Gain	Pct TD	TD	Long	Int	Pct Int	Rating Points
Brady, N.E.	3	3	3	1	2	2	2		1	1	1
Manning, Den.	4	1	1	2	1	1	1	8t	4	2	2
Roethlisberger, Pit.	13	11	2	12	5	8	4	2t	2	3	3
Schaub, Hou.	8t	6	5	5	3	5t	6	8t	6	4	4
Dalton, Cin.	8t	7	6	7	6	3	3	14t	11	5	5
Flacco, Bal.	7	8	10	6	4	9t	10	6t	3	6	6
Fitzpatrick, Buf.	10	10	8	10	12	5t	5	12t	12	7	7
Rivers, S.D.	5	4	4	8	11	5t	7	16t	13	8	8
Palmer, Oak.	2	2	9	3	7	4	9	14t	8	9	9
Hasselbeck, Ten.	17	17	7	17	17	17	14	2t	7	10	10
Gabbert, Jac.	14	14	11	16	18	13t	13	5	5	11	11
Locker, Ten.	16	16	13	15	9	13t	11	6t	17	12	12
Henne, Jac.	18	18	18	18	13	15t	8	2t	9	13	13
*Luck, Ind.	1	5	17	4	8	9t	12	18	16	14	14
*Weeden, Cle.	6	9	15	9	14	11	16	16t	14	15	15
*Tannehill, Mia.	11	12	14	11	10	15t	18	10t	10	16	16
Sanchez, NY-J	12	13	16	13	15	12	15	12t	15	17	17
Cassel, K.C.	15	15	12	14	16	18	17	10t	18	18	18

**NFC / LEADING PASSERS**

Player, Team	Att	Comp	Pct Comp	Yds	Avg Gain	Pct TD	TD	Long	Int	Pct Int	Rating Points
*Griffin III, Was.	351	233	66.4	2906	8.28	18	5.1	88t	4	1.1	104.2
<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>1731</b>	<b>7.98</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>104.1</b>
Rodgers, G.B.	438	293	66.9	3297	7.53	29	6.6	72t	8	1.8	103.7
*Wilson, Sea.	330	208	63.0	2492	7.55	20	6.1	67	9	2.7	94.9
Ryan, Atl.	511	346	67.7	3932	7.69	24	4.7	80t	14	2.7	94.8
Freeman, T.B.	422	231	54.7	3192	7.56	25	5.9	95	8	1.9	91.1
Brees, N.O.	535	330	61.7	4028	7.53	32	6.0	80t	18	3.4	90.8
Romo, Dal.	526	349	66.3	3928	7.47	20	3.8	85t	16	3.0	88.5
Newton, Car.	390	227	58.2	3220	8.26	16	4.1	82	10	2.6	88.0
Manning, NY-G	462	281	60.8	3429	7.42	20	4.3	80t	13	2.8	86.4
Kolb, Ariz	183	109	59.6	1169	6.39	8	4.4	46t	3	1.6	86.1
Stafford, Det.	579	350	60.4	4006	6.92	17	2.9	57	12	2.1	82.4
Bradford, St.L	427	255	59.7	2877	6.74	15	3.5	65	10	2.3	81.9
Cutler, Chi.	356	213	59.8	2495	7.01	16	4.5	56	13	3.7	80.9
*Foles, Phi.	184	113	61.4	1174	6.38	4	2.2	44t	3	1.6	80.3
Vick, Phi.	316	185	58.5	2165	6.85	11	3.5	77t	9	2.8	79.2
Ponder, Min.	401	251	62.6	2396	5.98	14	3.5	54	12	3.0	78.3
J. Skelton, Ariz	201	109	54.2	1132	5.63	2	1.0	40	9	4.5	55.4

**NFC / LEADING PASSERS, RANKS**

Player, Team	Att	Comp	Pct Comp	Yds	Avg Gain	Pct TD	TD	Long	Int	Pct Int	Rating Points
*Griffin III, Was.	12	9	4	9	1	8	6		3	1	1
<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
Rodgers, G.B.	6	5	3	6	8	2	1	5t	4	3	3
*Wilson, Sea.	13	13	6	12	6	5t	2	7t	10	4	4
Ryan, Atl.	4	3	2	3	4	4	7	16	11	5	5
Freeman, T.B.	8	10	17	8	5	3	5	5t	5	6	6
Brees, N.O.	2	4	8	1	7	1	4	18	16	7	7
Romo, Dal.	3	2	5	4	9	5t	12	17	15	8	8
Newton, Car.	10	11	16	7	2	10t	11	10t	9	9	9
Manning, NY-G	5	6	10	5	10	5t	10	14t	12	10	10
Kolb, Ariz	18	17t	14	17	15	16	9	1t	3	11	11
Stafford, Det.	1	1	11	2	12	9	16	12t	6	12	12
Bradford, St.L	7	7	13	10	14	12	13	10t	8	13	13
Cutler, Chi.	11	12	12	11	11	10t	8	14t	17	14	14
*Foles, Phi.	17	16	9	16	16	17	17	1t	2	15	15
Vick, Phi.	14	14	15	14	13	15	15	7t	13	16	16
Ponder, Min.	9	8	7	13	17	13	14	12t	14	17	17
J. Skelton, Ariz	16	17t	18	18	18	19t	18	7t	18	18	18

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**NFL / LEADING PASSERS**

Player, Team	Att	Comp	Pct Comp	Yds	Avg Gain	TD	Pct TD	Long	Int	Pct Int	Rating Points
*Griffin III, Was.	351	233	66.4	2906	8.28	18	5.1	88t	4	1.1	104.2
Brady, N.E.	495	319	64.4	3833	7.74	29	5.9	83t	4	0.8	104.2
<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>1731</b>	<b>7.98</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>104.1</b>
Manning, Den.	483	330	68.3	3812	7.89	30	6.2	71t	10	2.1	104.0
Rodgers, G.B.	438	293	66.9	3297	7.53	29	6.6	72t	8	1.8	103.7
Roethlisberger, Pit.	358	231	64.5	2572	7.18	20	5.6	82t	5	1.4	98.6
*Wilson, Sea.	330	208	63.0	2492	7.55	20	6.1	67	9	2.7	94.9
Ryan, Atl.	511	346	67.7	3932	7.69	24	4.7	80t	14	2.7	94.8
Schaub, Hou.	445	285	64.0	3294	7.40	21	4.7	60t	10	2.2	92.7
Freeman, T.B.	422	231	54.7	3192	7.56	25	5.9	95	8	1.9	91.1
Brees, N.O.	535	330	61.7	4028	7.53	32	6.0	80t	18	3.4	90.8
Dalton, Cin.	445	282	63.4	3186	7.16	25	5.6	59t	14	3.1	90.3
Romo, Dal.	526	349	66.3	3928	7.47	20	3.8	85t	16	3.0	88.5
Newton, Car.	390	227	58.2	3220	8.26	16	4.1	82	10	2.6	88.0
Flacco, Bal.	447	268	60.0	3220	7.20	18	4.0	54	9	2.0	87.1
Manning, NY-G	462	281	60.8	3429	7.42	20	4.3	80t	13	2.8	86.4
Kolb, Ariz	183	109	59.6	1169	6.39	8	4.4	46t	3	1.6	86.1
Fitzpatrick, Buf.	406	253	62.3	2718	6.69	21	5.2	68t	13	3.2	85.8
Rivers, S.D.	465	298	64.1	3169	6.82	21	4.5	80t	15	3.2	85.5
Palmer, Oak.	533	324	60.8	3805	7.14	22	4.1	64t	14	2.6	85.3
Stafford, Det.	579	350	60.4	4006	6.92	17	2.9	57	12	2.1	82.4
Bradford, St.L	427	255	59.7	2877	6.74	15	3.5	65	10	2.3	81.9
Hasselbeck, Ten.	221	138	62.4	1367	6.19	7	3.2	37	5	2.3	81.0
Cutler, Chi.	356	213	59.8	2495	7.01	16	4.5	56	13	3.7	80.9
*Foles, Phi.	184	113	61.4	1174	6.38	4	2.2	44t	3	1.6	80.3
Vick, Phi.	316	185	58.5	2165	6.85	11	3.5	77t	9	2.8	79.2
Ponder, Min.	401	251	62.6	2396	5.98	14	3.5	54	12	3.0	78.3
Gabbert, Jac.	278	162	58.3	1662	5.98	9	3.2	80t	6	2.2	77.4
Locker, Ten.	247	142	57.5	1735	7.02	9	3.6	71t	9	3.6	76.2
Henne, Jac.	182	94	51.6	1217	6.69	8	4.4	81t	5	2.7	76.2
*Luck, Ind.	537	295	54.9	3792	7.06	18	3.4	60	18	3.4	74.5
*Weeden, Cle.	463	264	57.0	3037	6.56	13	2.8	71t	15	3.2	72.8
*Tannehill, Mia.	396	227	57.3	2709	6.84	8	2.0	80t	12	3.0	72.5
Sanchez, NY-J	390	216	55.4	2547	6.53	12	3.1	66	13	3.3	71.8
Cassel, K.C.	277	161	58.1	1796	6.48	6	2.2	46	12	4.3	66.7
J. Skelton, Ariz	201	109	54.2	1132	5.63	2	1.0	40	9	4.5	55.4

**NFL / LEADING PASSERS, RANKS**

Player, Team	Att	Comp	Pct Comp	Yds	Avg Gain	TD	Pct TD	Long	Int	Pct Int	Rating Points
*Griffin III, Was.	25	19	5	18	1	16t	11		3t	2	1
Brady, N.E.	7	7	8	5	5	3t	7		3t	1	2
<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>24t</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>5t</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>
Manning, Den.	8	4t	2	6	4	2	2		17t	9	4
Rodgers, G.B.	15	10	4	10	10	3t	1		10t	6	5
Roethlisberger, Pit.	23	20t	7	22	15	12t	9		5t	3	6
*Wilson, Sea.	26	26	12	25	8	12t	3		12t	18	7
Ryan, Atl.	6	3	3	3	6	7	13		29t	19	8
Schaub, Hou.	13t	11	10	11	13	9t	12		17t	12	9
Freeman, T.B.	17	20t	34	14	7	5t	6		10t	7	10
Brees, N.O.	3	4t	16	1	9	1	5		35t	32	11
Dalton, Cin.	13t	12	11	15	16	5t	8		29t	26	12
Romo, Dal.	5	2	6	4	11	12t	22		34	25	13
Newton, Car.	21t	22t	27	12t	2	20t	20		17t	16	14
Flacco, Bal.	12	14	21	12t	14	16t	21		12t	8	15
Manning, NY-G	11	13	18	9	12	12t	18		25t	21	16
Kolb, Ariz	35	34t	24	35	31	30t	17		1t	5	17
Fitzpatrick, Buf.	18	17	15	20	26	9t	10		25t	27	18
Rivers, S.D.	9	8	9	16	24	9t	14		32t	28	19
Palmer, Oak.	4	6	19	7	17	8	19		29t	17	20
Stafford, Det.	1	1	20	2	21	19	31		21t	10	21
Bradford, St.L	16	16	23	19	25	22	24		17t	15	22
Hasselbeck, Ten.	31	32	14	32	33	33	29		5t	13	23
Cutler, Chi.	24	25	22	24	20	20t	15		25t	34	24
*Foles, Phi.	34	33	17	34	32	35	33		1t	4	25
Vick, Phi.	27	27	25	27	22	27	26		12t	22	26
Ponder, Min.	19	18	13	26	35	23	25		21t	23	27
Gabbert, Jac.	28	28	26	31	34	28t	28		9	11	28
Locker, Ten.	30	31	29	29	19	28t	23		12t	33	29
Henne, Jac.	36	36	36	33	27	30t	16		5t	20	30
*Luck, Ind.	2	9	33	8	18	16t	27		35t	31	31
*Weeden, Cle.	10	15	31	17	28	24t	32		32t	29	32
*Tannehill, Mia.	20	22t	30	21	23	30t	35		21t	24	33
Sanchez, NY-J	21t	24	32	23	29	26	30		25t	30	34
Cassel, K.C.	29	29	28	28	30	34	34		21t	35	35
J. Skelton, Ariz	33	34t	35	36	36	37t	36		12t	36	36

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**AFC / FOURTH-QUARTER PASSING LEADERS**

Rank	Player, Team	Att	Comp	Comp%	Yards	YPA	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Rating
1)	Manning, Den.	118	71	60.2	834	7.07	9	7.6	0	0.0	107.1
2)	Dalton, Cin.	103	67	65.0	824	8.00	8	7.8	4	3.9	99.3
3)	Brady, N.E.	101	64	63.4	785	7.77	4	4.0	1	1.0	96.3
4)	Roethlisberger, Pit.	69	44	63.8	536	7.77	4	5.8	2	2.9	94.8
5)	Flacco, Bal.	91	56	61.5	650	7.14	3	3.3	0	0.0	94.1
6)	Palmer, Oak.	175	109	62.3	1249	7.14	8	4.6	5	2.9	87.1
7)	Sanchez, NY-J	95	53	55.8	657	6.92	4	4.2	1	1.1	87.0
8)	Gabbert, Jac.	84	52	61.9	519	6.18	4	4.8	2	2.4	85.4
9)	Hasselbeck, Ten.	84	54	64.3	468	5.57	4	4.8	2	2.4	84.8
10)	Schaub, Hou.	74	50	67.6	488	6.59	3	4.1	3	4.1	82.5
11)	*Tannehill, Mia.	124	65	52.4	912	7.35	5	4.0	3	2.4	79.8
12)	Henne, Jac.	81	42	51.9	525	6.48	4	4.9	3	3.7	73.3
13)	*Weeden, Cle.	117	68	58.1	803	6.86	4	3.4	5	4.3	72.7
14)	Cassel, K.C.	91	50	54.9	574	6.31	4	4.4	4	4.4	70.5
15)	Fitzpatrick, Buf.	100	60	60.0	523	5.23	6	6.0	6	6.0	68.9
16)	*Luck, Ind.	147	76	51.7	996	6.78	5	3.4	6	4.1	67.7
17)	Rivers, S.D.	119	74	62.2	746	6.27	4	3.4	8	6.7	63.2
18)	Locker, Ten.	50	27	54.0	399	7.98	2	4.0	4	8.0	60.3
19)	Quinn, K.C.	45	19	42.2	203	4.51	0	0.0	1	2.2	46.8

**NFC / FOURTH-QUARTER PASSING LEADERS**

Rank	Player, Team	Att	Comp	Comp%	Yards	YPA	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Rating
1)	Cutler, Chi.	71	48	67.6	730	10.28	8	11.3	2	2.8	127.1
2)	Rodgers, G.B.	96	60	62.5	787	8.20	9	9.4	2	2.1	110.9
3)	Romo, Dal.	141	97	68.8	1127	7.99	9	6.4	3	2.1	105.1
4)	*Wilson, Sea.	95	56	58.9	684	7.20	6	6.3	1	1.1	97.9
5)	Kolb, Ariz	48	33	68.8	382	7.96	3	6.3	2	4.2	96.0
6)	Newton, Car.	110	68	61.8	1078	9.80	5	4.5	4	3.6	94.4
7)	Freeman, T.B.	125	69	55.2	987	7.90	6	4.8	1	0.8	93.7
8)	Stafford, Det.	198	116	58.6	1386	7.00	8	4.0	1	0.5	91.4
9)	Bradford, St.L	123	75	61.0	835	6.79	7	5.7	3	2.4	90.0
10)	*Griffin III, Was.	117	73	62.4	786	6.72	4	3.4	1	0.9	89.9
11)	Ryan, Atl.	124	83	66.9	970	7.82	3	2.4	3	2.4	88.4
12)	Manning, NY-G	93	51	54.8	711	7.65	6	6.5	3	3.2	87.7
13)	J. Skelton, Ariz	57	33	57.9	385	6.75	1	1.8	0	0.0	84.3
14)	Ponder, Min.	131	79	60.3	801	6.11	7	5.3	4	3.1	82.9
15)	Vick, Phi.	90	50	55.6	555	6.17	4	4.4	2	2.2	79.6
16)	*Foles, Phi.	75	40	53.3	412	5.49	2	2.7	1	1.3	72.8
17)	Brees, N.O.	150	81	54.0	983	6.55	4	2.7	6	4.0	66.6
18)	<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>5.38</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>66.2</b>
19)	*Lindley, Ariz	44	20	45.5	157	3.57	0	0.0	1	2.3	45.4

**NFL / FOURTH-QUARTER PASSING LEADERS**

Rank	Player, Team	Att	Comp	Comp%	Yards	YPA	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Rating
1)	Cutler, Chi.	71	48	67.6	730	10.28	8	11.3	2	2.8	127.1
2)	Rodgers, G.B.	96	60	62.5	787	8.20	9	9.4	2	2.1	110.9
3)	Manning, Den.	118	71	60.2	834	7.07	9	7.6	0	0.0	107.1
4)	Romo, Dal.	141	97	68.8	1127	7.99	9	6.4	3	2.1	105.1
5)	Dalton, Cin.	103	67	65.0	824	8.00	8	7.8	4	3.9	99.3
6)	*Wilson, Sea.	95	56	58.9	684	7.20	6	6.3	1	1.1	97.9
7)	Brady, N.E.	101	64	63.4	785	7.77	4	4.0	1	1.0	96.3
8)	Kolb, Ariz	48	33	68.8	382	7.96	3	6.3	2	4.2	96.0
9)	Roethlisberger, Pit.	69	44	63.8	536	7.77	4	5.8	2	2.9	94.8
10)	Newton, Car.	110	68	61.8	1078	9.80	5	4.5	4	3.6	94.4
11)	Flacco, Bal.	91	56	61.5	650	7.14	3	3.3	0	0.0	94.1
12)	Freeman, T.B.	125	69	55.2	987	7.90	6	4.8	1	0.8	93.7
13)	Stafford, Det.	198	116	58.6	1386	7.00	8	4.0	1	0.5	91.4
14)	Bradford, St.L	123	75	61.0	835	6.79	7	5.7	3	2.4	90.0
15)	*Griffin III, Was.	117	73	62.4	786	6.72	4	3.4	1	0.9	89.9
16)	Ryan, Atl.	124	83	66.9	970	7.82	3	2.4	3	2.4	88.4
17)	Manning, NY-G	93	51	54.8	711	7.65	6	6.5	3	3.2	87.7
18)	Palmer, Oak.	175	109	62.3	1249	7.14	8	4.6	5	2.9	87.1
19)	Sanchez, NY-J	95	53	55.8	657	6.92	4	4.2	1	1.1	87.0
20)	Gabbert, Jac.	84	52	61.9	519	6.18	4	4.8	2	2.4	85.4
21)	Hasselbeck, Ten.	84	54	64.3	468	5.57	4	4.8	2	2.4	84.8
22)	J. Skelton, Ariz	57	33	57.9	385	6.75	1	1.8	0	0.0	84.3
23)	Ponder, Min.	131	79	60.3	801	6.11	7	5.3	4	3.1	82.9
24)	Schaub, Hou.	74	50	67.6	488	6.59	3	4.1	3	4.1	82.5
25)	*Tannehill, Mia.	124	65	52.4	912	7.35	5	4.0	3	2.4	79.8
26)	Vick, Phi.	90	50	55.6	555	6.17	4	4.4	2	2.2	79.6
27)	Henne, Jac.	81	42	51.9	525	6.48	4	4.9	3	3.7	73.3
28)	*Foles, Phi.	75	40	53.3	412	5.49	2	2.7	1	1.3	72.8
29)	*Weeden, Cle.	117	68	58.1	803	6.86	4	3.4	5	4.3	72.7
30)	Cassel, K.C.	91	50	54.9	574	6.31	4	4.4	4	4.4	70.5
31)	Fitzpatrick, Buf.	100	60	60.0	523	5.23	6	6.0	6	6.0	68.9
32)	*Luck, Ind.	147	76	51.7	996	6.78	5	3.4	6	4.1	67.7
33)	Brees, N.O.	150	81	54.0	983	6.55	4	2.7	6	4.0	66.6
34)	<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>5.38</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>66.2</b>
35)	Rivers, S.D.	119	74	62.2	746	6.27	4	3.4	8	6.7	63.2
36)	Locker, Ten.	50	27	54.0	399	7.98	2	4.0	4	8.0	60.3
37)	Quinn, K.C.	45	19	42.2	203	4.51	0	0.0	1	2.2	46.8
38)	*Lindley, Ariz	44	20	45.5	157	3.57	0	0.0	1	2.3	45.4

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Rank	Player, Team	Att	Comp	Comp%	Yards	YPA	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Rating
1)	Brady, N.E.	120	79	65.8	1003	8.36	12	10.0	1	0.8	121.6
2)	Roethlisberger, Pit.	101	65	64.4	811	8.03	7	6.9	0	0.0	112.3
3)	Manning, Den.	128	79	61.7	1040	8.13	8	6.3	3	2.3	98.4
4)	Hasselbeck, Ten.	68	46	67.6	495	7.28	2	2.9	1	1.5	92.5
5)	Flacco, Bal.	119	69	58.0	886	7.45	6	5.0	3	2.5	87.7
6)	Palmer, Oak.	141	84	59.6	934	6.62	6	4.3	2	1.4	87.6
7)	Schaub, Hou.	116	70	60.3	796	6.86	6	5.2	4	3.4	83.8
8)	Fitzpatrick, Buf.	110	67	60.9	731	6.65	6	5.5	4	3.6	83.6
9)	Locker, Ten.	69	36	52.2	471	6.83	3	4.3	1	1.4	82.5
10)	Dalton, Cin.	112	55	49.1	805	7.19	10	8.9	6	5.4	80.4
11)	Rivers, S.D.	138	82	59.4	1063	7.70	8	5.8	8	5.8	78.9
12)	Cassel, K.C.	77	47	61.0	510	6.62	2	2.6	2	2.6	78.4
13)	*Luck, Ind.	142	75	52.8	1101	7.75	5	3.5	6	4.2	72.5
14)	Sanchez, NY-J	119	63	52.9	631	5.30	5	4.2	3	2.5	71.8
15)	Gabbert, Jac.	80	45	56.3	370	4.63	0	0.0	0	0.0	68.2
16)	*Weeden, Cle.	143	83	58.0	876	6.13	5	3.5	8	5.6	64.3
17)	*Tannehill, Mia.	117	69	59.0	798	6.82	1	0.9	6	5.1	61.1

**NFC / THIRD-DOWN PASSING LEADERS**

Rank	Player, Team	Att	Comp	Comp%	Yards	YPA	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Rating
1)	Rodgers, G.B.	114	74	64.9	1019	8.94	7	6.1	1	0.9	110.2
2)	Vick, Phi.	85	50	58.8	610	7.18	7	8.2	1	1.2	103.6
3)	*Griffin III, Was.	90	54	60.0	530	5.89	6	6.7	1	1.1	94.2
4)	Freeman, T.B.	114	67	58.8	840	7.37	5	4.4	2	1.8	89.1
5)	Brees, N.O.	137	73	53.3	1097	8.01	6	4.4	3	2.2	85.3
6)	Ryan, Atl.	127	85	66.9	919	7.24	5	3.9	5	3.9	84.7
7)	Stafford, Det.	159	93	58.5	1103	6.94	6	3.8	3	1.9	84.4
8)	*Wilson, Sea.	104	57	54.8	664	6.38	4	3.8	1	1.0	83.2
9)	Newton, Car.	96	49	51.0	701	7.30	6	6.3	3	3.1	82.9
10)	Cutler, Chi.	111	68	61.3	770	6.94	5	4.5	4	3.6	82.0
11)	Romo, Dal.	137	85	62.0	1043	7.61	3	2.2	6	4.4	74.6
12)	Manning, NY-G	121	65	53.7	888	7.34	6	5.0	6	5.0	73.3
13)	Bradford, St.L	124	68	54.8	807	6.51	3	2.4	3	2.4	72.9
14)	Ponder, Min.	120	73	60.8	751	6.26	5	4.2	6	5.0	71.9

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Rank	Player, Team	Att	Comp	Comp%	Yards	YPA	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Rating
1)	Brady, N.E.	120	79	65.8	1003	8.36	12	10.0	1	0.8	121.6
2)	Roethlisberger, Pit.	101	65	64.4	811	8.03	7	6.9	0	0.0	112.3
3)	Rodgers, G.B.	114	74	64.9	1019	8.94	7	6.1	1	0.9	110.2
4)	Vick, Phi.	85	50	58.8	610	7.18	7	8.2	1	1.2	103.6
5)	Manning, Den.	128	79	61.7	1040	8.13	8	6.3	3	2.3	98.4
6)	*Griffin III, Was.	90	54	60.0	530	5.89	6	6.7	1	1.1	94.2
7)	Hasselbeck, Ten.	68	46	67.6	495	7.28	2	2.9	1	1.5	92.5
8)	Freeman, T.B.	114	67	58.8	840	7.37	5	4.4	2	1.8	89.1
9)	Flacco, Bal.	119	69	58.0	886	7.45	6	5.0	3	2.5	87.7
10)	Palmer, Oak.	141	84	59.6	934	6.62	6	4.3	2	1.4	87.6
11)	Brees, N.O.	137	73	53.3	1097	8.01	6	4.4	3	2.2	85.3
12)	Ryan, Atl.	127	85	66.9	919	7.24	5	3.9	5	3.9	84.7
13)	Stafford, Det.	159	93	58.5	1103	6.94	6	3.8	3	1.9	84.4
14)	Schaub, Hou.	116	70	60.3	796	6.86	6	5.2	4	3.4	83.8
15)	Fitzpatrick, Buf.	110	67	60.9	731	6.65	6	5.5	4	3.6	83.6
16)	*Wilson, Sea.	104	57	54.8	664	6.38	4	3.8	1	1.0	83.2
17)	Newton, Car.	96	49	51.0	701	7.30	6	6.3	3	3.1	82.9
18)	Locker, Ten.	69	36	52.2	471	6.83	3	4.3	1	1.4	82.5
19)	Cutler, Chi.	111	68	61.3	770	6.94	5	4.5	4	3.6	82.0
20)	Dalton, Cin.	112	55	49.1	805	7.19	10	8.9	6	5.4	80.4
21)	Rivers, S.D.	138	82	59.4	1063	7.70	8	5.8	8	5.8	78.9
22)	Cassel, K.C.	77	47	61.0	510	6.62	2	2.6	2	2.6	78.4
23)	Romo, Dal.	137	85	62.0	1043	7.61	3	2.2	6	4.4	74.6
24)	Manning, NY-G	121	65	53.7	888	7.34	6	5.0	6	5.0	73.3
25)	Bradford, St.L	124	68	54.8	807	6.51	3	2.4	3	2.4	72.9
26)	*Luck, Ind.	142	75	52.8	1101	7.75	5	3.5	6	4.2	72.5
27)	Ponder, Min.	120	73	60.8	751	6.26	5	4.2	6	5.0	71.9
28)	Sanchez, NY-J	119	63	52.9	631	5.30	5	4.2	3	2.5	71.8
29)	Gabbert, Jac.	80	45	56.3	370	4.63	0	0.0	0	0.0	68.2
30)	*Weeden, Cle.	143	83	58.0	876	6.13	5	3.5	8	5.6	64.3
31)	*Tannehill, Mia.	117	69	59.0	798	6.82	1	0.9	6	5.1	61.1



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Rank	Player, Team	Att	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Charles, K.C.	240	1220	5.1	91t	4
2)	Foster, Hou.	298	1148	3.9	46	14
3)	Ridley, N.E.	243	1082	4.5	41	10
4)	C. Johnson, Ten.	223	1037	4.7	83t	4
5)	Rice, Bal.	218	993	4.6	46	9
6)	Green-Ellis, Cin.	238	974	4.1	48	5
7)	Spiller, Buf.	144	944	6.6	56t	5
8)	Greene, NY-J	230	883	3.8	36	6
9)	*Richardson, Cle.	247	869	3.5	32t	9
10)	Bush, Mia.	179	791	4.4	65t	5
11)	McGahee, Den.	167	731	4.4	31	4
12)	Mathews, S.D.	180	685	3.8	31	1
13)	*Ballard, Ind.	146	562	3.8	26	1
14)	Dwyer, Pit.	122	510	4.2	34	1
15)	McFadden, Oak.	150	507	3.4	64t	2
16)	F. Jackson, Buf.	115	437	3.8	15	3
17)	D. Brown, Ind.	108	417	3.9	19	1
18)	Jones-Drew, Jac.	86	414	4.8	59t	1
19)	Forsett, Hou.	62	371	6.0	81t	1
20)	Powell, NY-J	89	356	4.0	17	4
21)	Redman, Pit.	98	350	3.6	28	2
22)	Thomas, Mia.	90	319	3.5	20	4
23)	*Pierce, Bal.	67	300	4.5	21	1
24)	Moreno, Den.	80	288	3.6	18	2
25)	Jennings, Jac.	101	283	2.8	21	2
26)	Reece, Oak.	59	271	4.6	17	0
27)	*Hillman, Den.	61	250	4.1	31	1
28)	*Bolden, N.E.	45	245	5.4	27	2
29)	Peerman, Cin.	31	244	7.9	48	1
30)	Tate, Hou.	54	242	4.5	25	2
31t)	Battle, S.D.	54	223	4.1	52	3
31t)	*Luck, Ind. (QB)	49	223	4.6	19	5
33t)	Hardesty, Cle.	46	215	4.7	25	1
33t)	Woodhead, N.E.	58	215	3.7	19	2
35t)	Locker, Ten. (QB)	25	213	8.5	32	0
35t)	Vereen, N.E.	54	213	3.9	16	3
37)	Draughn, K.C.	53	206	3.9	25	2
38)	Hillis, K.C.	64	204	3.2	18	1
39)	Fitzpatrick, Buf. (QB)	41	171	4.2	20	1
40)	R. Brown, S.D.	36	169	4.7	21	0
41)	Choice, Buf.	40	159	4.0	22	0
42)	*L. Miller, Mia.	30	146	4.9	22	1
43)	Cassel, K.C. (QB)	27	145	5.4	21	1
44)	Parmelee, Jac.	40	143	3.6	28	0
45)	McKnight, NY-J	24	141	5.9	61	0
46)	Carter, Ind.	32	122	3.8	20	3
47)	Owens, Jac.	21	120	5.7	32t	1
48)	Mendenhall, Pit.	34	113	3.3	17	0
49)	Goodson, Oak.	17	111	6.5	43	0
50)	*Tannehill, Mia. (QB)	33	107	3.2	20	2

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Rank	Player, Team	Att	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Peterson, Min.	265	1600	6.0	82t	10
2)	Lynch, Sea.	261	1266	4.9	77t	9
3)	*Martin, T.B.	264	1234	4.7	70t	10
4)	*Morris, Was.	253	1228	4.9	39t	7
<b>5)</b>	<b>Gore, S.F.</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>1035</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>7</b>
6)	Bradshaw, NY-G	196	869	4.4	37	5
7)	Jackson, St.L	214	836	3.9	46	3
8)	Forte, Chi.	192	834	4.3	46	3
9)	McCoy, Phi.	177	750	4.2	34	2
10)	*Griffin III, Was. (QB)	112	748	6.7	76t	6
11)	Turner, Atl.	187	689	3.7	43	8
12t)	Leshoure, Det.	171	640	3.7	16	7
12t)	Newton, Car. (QB)	104	640	6.2	72t	7
14)	*Brown, Phi.	87	494	5.7	65t	4
15)	Murray, Dal.	119	466	3.9	48	3
16)	*D. Richardson, St.L	88	461	5.2	53	0
17)	P. Thomas, N.O.	94	444	4.7	48	1
18)	Green, G.B.	122	429	3.5	41	0
19)	Ingram, N.O.	111	420	3.8	27t	3
20)	D. Williams, Car.	120	415	3.5	30t	3
21)	Bush, Chi.	114	411	3.6	20	5
22)	A. Brown, NY-G	73	385	5.3	31	8
23)	Bell, Det.	69	374	5.4	67	3
<b>24)</b>	<b>Hunter, S.F.</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>
25)	F. Jones, Dal.	103	368	3.6	22t	3
<b>26)</b>	<b>Kaepernick, S.F. (QB)</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>50t</b>	<b>5</b>
27)	Stewart, Car.	93	336	3.6	21	1
28)	Stephens-Howling, Ariz	94	318	3.4	52	4
29)	*Wilson, Sea. (QB)	69	310	4.5	20	0
30)	Vick, Phi. (QB)	57	307	5.4	20	1
31)	Jac. Rodgers, Atl.	72	295	4.1	43	1
32)	*Turbin, Sea.	65	290	4.5	26	0
33)	Starks, G.B.	71	255	3.6	22t	1
34)	Benson, G.B.	71	248	3.5	11	1
35)	Rodgers, G.B. (QB)	46	234	5.1	27t	1
36)	*Wilson, NY-G	41	211	5.1	52t	3
37)	Ivory, N.O.	36	195	5.4	56t	2
38)	Cutler, Chi. (QB)	32	187	5.8	24	0
39)	Ponder, Min. (QB)	47	183	3.9	23t	1
40)	Sproles, N.O.	31	173	5.6	47	1
41t)	Wells, Ariz	67	164	2.4	12t	2
41t)	R. Williams, Ariz	58	164	2.8	25	0
43)	Powell, Ariz	37	154	4.2	17	0
44)	Gerhart, Min.	36	141	3.9	22	0
<b>45t)</b>	<b>Ale. Smith, S.F. (QB)</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>
45t)	K. Smith, Det.	37	134	3.6	19	1
47)	Cobb, G.B. (WR)	10	132	13.2	28	0
48)	Blount, T.B.	37	126	3.4	35	2
49)	Stafford, Det. (QB)	31	115	3.7	11	4
50)	Bradford, St.L (QB)	32	113	3.5	21	1

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22)	Turner, Atl.	187	689	3.7	43	8
23)	Mathews, S.D.	180	685	3.8	31	1
24t)	Leshoure, Det.	171	640	3.7	16	7
24t)	Newton, Car. (QB)	104	640	6.2	72t	7
26)	*Ballard, Ind.	146	562	3.8	26	1
27)	Dwyer, Pit.	122	510	4.2	34	1
28)	McFadden, Oak.	150	507	3.4	64t	2
29)	*Brown, Phi.	87	494	5.7	65t	4
30)	Murray, Dal.	119	466	3.9	48	3
31)	*D. Richardson, St.L	88	461	5.2	53	0
32)	P. Thomas, N.O.	94	444	4.7	48	1
33)	F. Jackson, Buf.	115	437	3.8	15	3
34)	Green, G.B.	122	429	3.5	41	0
35)	Ingram, N.O.	111	420	3.8	27t	3
36)	D. Brown, Ind.	108	417	3.9	19	1
37)	D. Williams, Car.	120	415	3.5	30t	3
38)	Jones-Drew, Jac.	86	414	4.8	59t	1
39)	Bush, Chi.	114	411	3.6	20	5
40)	A. Brown, NY-G	73	385	5.3	31	8
41)	Bell, Det.	69	374	5.4	67	3
42t)	Forsett, Hou.	62	371	6.0	81t	1
<b>42t)</b>	<b>Hunter, S.F.</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>
44)	F. Jones, Dal.	103	368	3.6	22t	3
45)	Powell, NY-J	89	356	4.0	17	4
<b>46)</b>	<b>Kaepernick, S.F. (QB)</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>50t</b>	<b>5</b>
47)	Redman, Pit.	98	350	3.6	28	2
48)	Stewart, Car.	93	336	3.6	21	1
49)	Thomas, Mia.	90	319	3.5	20	4
50)	Stephens-Howling, Ariz	94	318	3.4	52	4

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Rank	Player, Team	Att	FD	Pct
1t)	Greene, NY-J	9	9	100.0
1t)	Brady, N.E.	5	5	100.0
1t)	Gabbert, Jac.	5	5	100.0
1t)	F. Jackson, Buf.	4	4	100.0
5)	Green-Ellis, Cin.	13	12	92.3
6)	Ridley, N.E.	8	7	87.5
7t)	Flacco, Bal.	6	5	83.3
7t)	C. Johnson, Ten.	6	5	83.3
9)	Rice, Bal.	7	5	71.4
10t)	Foster, Hou.	18	12	66.7
10t)	McGahee, Den.	12	8	66.7
12)	Battle, S.D.	8	5	62.5
13)	Thomas, Mia.	7	4	57.1

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Rank	Player, Team	Att	FD	Pct
1t)	Murray, Dal.	6	6	100.0
1t)	Freeman, T.B.	4	4	100.0
1t)	Rodgers, G.B.	4	4	100.0
4)	Newton, Car.	9	8	88.9
5)	Robinson, Sea.	6	5	83.3
6t)	Bradshaw, NY-G	10	8	80.0
6t)	A. Brown, NY-G	5	4	80.0
8)	Bush, Chi.	9	7	77.8
9)	Ingram, N.O.	8	6	75.0
10t)	Jackson, St.L	11	7	63.6
10t)	Peterson, Min.	11	7	63.6
12)	*Morris, Was.	8	5	62.5
13)	Green, G.B.	7	4	57.1

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1t)	Greene, NY-J	9	9	100.0
1t)	Murray, Dal.	6	6	100.0
1t)	Brady, N.E.	5	5	100.0
1t)	Gabbert, Jac.	5	5	100.0
1t)	Freeman, T.B.	4	4	100.0
1t)	F. Jackson, Buf.	4	4	100.0
1t)	Rodgers, G.B.	4	4	100.0
8)	Green-Ellis, Cin.	13	12	92.3
9)	Newton, Car.	9	8	88.9
10)	Ridley, N.E.	8	7	87.5
11t)	Flacco, Bal.	6	5	83.3
11t)	C. Johnson, Ten.	6	5	83.3
11t)	Robinson, Sea.	6	5	83.3
14t)	Bradshaw, NY-G	10	8	80.0
14t)	A. Brown, NY-G	5	4	80.0
16)	Bush, Chi.	9	7	77.8
17)	Ingram, N.O.	8	6	75.0
18)	Rice, Bal.	7	5	71.4
19t)	Foster, Hou.	18	12	66.7
19t)	McGahee, Den.	12	8	66.7
21t)	Jackson, St.L	11	7	63.6
21t)	Peterson, Min.	11	7	63.6
23t)	Battle, S.D.	8	5	62.5
23t)	*Morris, Was.	8	5	62.5
25t)	Green, G.B.	7	4	57.1
25t)	Thomas, Mia.	7	4	57.1

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Rank	Player, Team	Rec	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Welker, N.E.	95	1116	11.7	59	4
2)	Wayne, Ind.	94	1220	13.0	30t	4
3)	A. Johnson, Hou.	82	1209	14.7	60t	3
4)	Green, Cin.	79	1151	14.6	73t	10
5)	D. Thomas, Den.	74	1197	16.2	71t	8
6)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	70	728	10.4	29	4
7)	Decker, Den.	64	790	12.3	55	8
8)	Hartline, Mia.	62	925	14.9	80t	1
9t)	Bess, Mia.	61	778	12.8	39	1
9t)	St. Johnson, Buf.	61	776	12.7	63	5
9t)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	61	679	11.1	43	7
12t)	Bowe, K.C.	59	801	13.6	47	3
12t)	Wallace, Pit.	59	728	12.3	82t	8
12t)	*Wright, Ten.	59	555	9.4	38	4
15)	Boldin, Bal.	58	828	14.3	43	4
16)	Lloyd, N.E.	57	650	11.4	37t	4
17)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	55	636	11.6	55t	5
18)	Floyd, S.D.	54	775	14.4	39	5
19)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	53	748	14.1	41	10
20t)	Kerley, NY-J	52	728	14.0	66	2
20t)	Avery, Ind.	52	706	13.6	48	3
20t)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	52	622	12.0	39t	6
20t)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	52	424	8.2	43	0
24)	A. Brown, Pit.	51	592	11.6	34	2
25)	Pitta, Bal. (TE)	50	488	9.8	27	5
26)	Tamme, Den. (TE)	49	473	9.7	30	2
27)	Reece, Oak. (RB)	47	472	10.0	56	1
28)	R. Brown, S.D. (RB)	46	360	7.8	25	0
29t)	*Blackmon, Jac.	45	614	13.6	81t	3
29t)	Hawkins, Cin.	45	485	10.8	59t	4
29t)	*Richardson, Cle. (RB)	45	348	7.7	27	1
32)	Cook, Ten. (TE)	44	523	11.9	61t	4
33t)	Shorts, Jac.	43	824	19.2	80t	7
33t)	T. Smith, Bal.	43	753	17.5	54	7
35t)	*Gordon, Cle.	42	732	17.4	71t	5
35t)	Moore, Oak.	42	678	16.1	58	6
37t)	*Hilton, Ind.	41	638	15.6	60	5
37t)	Sanders, Pit.	41	585	14.3	37	1
37t)	Gates, S.D. (TE)	41	448	10.9	33	4
37t)	Jones, Buf.	41	443	10.8	68t	4
37t)	McCluster, K.C.	41	358	8.7	26	1
42)	Britt, Ten.	40	520	13.0	46	3
43t)	Washington, Ten.	39	648	16.6	71t	4
43t)	Little, Cle.	39	477	12.2	43	2
45)	Lewis, Jac. (TE)	38	402	10.6	26	4
46t)	Heyward-Bey, Oak.	37	562	15.2	59	4
46t)	Chandler, Buf. (TE)	37	488	13.2	43	6
46t)	*Allen, Ind. (TE)	37	446	12.1	40	2
46t)	Watson, Cle. (TE)	37	378	10.2	27	3
50t)	Stokley, Den.	36	449	12.5	38t	5
50t)	Mathews, S.D. (RB)	36	244	6.8	24	0

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Rank	Player, Team	Rec	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Marshall, Chi.	101	1342	13.3	56	9
2)	C. Johnson, Det.	96	1546	16.1	53	5
3)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	92	880	9.6	36	1
4)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	81	831	10.3	25	7
5)	White, Atl.	77	1140	14.8	59	5
6)	Cruz, NY-G	76	1004	13.2	80t	9
7)	Bryant, Dal.	75	1028	13.7	85t	9
8)	Cobb, G.B.	71	777	10.9	39t	7
<b>9)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F.</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5</b>
10)	Colston, N.O.	65	889	13.7	40	8
11)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	64	710	11.1	46	8
12)	Jones, Atl.	63	997	15.8	80t	7
13)	Harvin, Min.	62	677	10.9	45	3
14)	S. Smith, Car.	60	999	16.7	66	2
15t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz	57	652	11.4	37t	4
15t)	Pettigrew, Det. (TE)	57	556	9.8	24	3
17)	Jackson, T.B.	56	1145	20.4	95	8
18t)	Austin, Dal.	55	819	14.9	49	5
18t)	Sproles, N.O. (RB)	55	463	8.4	35	5
20)	Olsen, Car. (TE)	54	691	12.8	47t	5
21t)	Moore, N.O.	53	848	16.0	43	4
21t)	Roberts, Ariz	53	675	12.7	46t	5
21t)	Maclin, Phi.	53	646	12.2	70t	5
24t)	Celek, Phi. (TE)	51	602	11.8	34	1
24t)	Amendola, St.L	51	576	11.3	56	2
26)	Nicks, NY-G	50	652	13.0	50	3
27)	Bennett, NY-G (TE)	49	569	11.6	33t	5
28t)	Williams, T.B.	46	736	16.0	65	7
28t)	Nelson, G.B.	46	658	14.3	61t	6
28t)	Ja. Jones, G.B.	46	562	12.2	49	9
31t)	Jackson, Phi.	45	700	15.6	77t	2
31t)	Rice, Sea.	45	658	14.6	46t	7
31t)	Rudolph, Min. (TE)	45	412	9.2	29	8
34t)	Finley, G.B. (TE)	43	464	10.8	40	2
34t)	Housler, Ariz (TE)	43	404	9.4	33	0
34t)	Jac. Rodgers, Atl. (RB)	43	327	7.6	32	1
37)	Morgan, Was.	42	429	10.2	21	1
<b>38)</b>	<b>Manningham, S.F.</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1</b>
39t)	Gibson, St.L	40	537	13.4	34t	5
39t)	McCoy, Phi. (RB)	40	235	5.9	25	3
41)	Bell, Det. (RB)	39	380	9.7	50	0
<b>42t)</b>	<b>V. Davis, S.F. (TE)</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>5</b>
42t)	Avant, Phi.	38	495	13.0	39	0
42t)	Peterson, Min. (RB)	38	211	5.6	20	0
45)	Tate, Sea.	37	492	13.3	51	7
46t)	*Givens, St.L	36	584	16.2	65	3
46t)	Forte, Chi. (RB)	36	248	6.9	47	1
48t)	*Martin, T.B. (RB)	35	378	10.8	64t	1
48t)	Clark, T.B. (TE)	35	360	10.3	33	4
50t)	LaFell, Car.	34	577	17.0	62	4
50t)	Hankerson, Was.	34	465	13.7	68t	1
50t)	Jenkins, Min.	34	360	10.6	28	1

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Rank	Player, Team	Rec	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Marshall, Chi.	101	1342	13.3	56	9
2)	C. Johnson, Det.	96	1546	16.1	53	5
3)	Welker, N.E.	95	1116	11.7	59	4
4)	Wayne, Ind.	94	1220	13.0	30t	4
5)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	92	880	9.6	36	1
6)	A. Johnson, Hou.	82	1209	14.7	60t	3
7)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	81	831	10.3	25	7
8)	Green, Cin.	79	1151	14.6	73t	10
9)	White, Atl.	77	1140	14.8	59	5
10)	Cruz, NY-G	76	1004	13.2	80t	9
11)	Bryant, Dal.	75	1028	13.7	85t	9
12)	D. Thomas, Den.	74	1197	16.2	71t	8
13)	Cobb, G.B.	71	777	10.9	39t	7
14)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	70	728	10.4	29	4
<b>15)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F.</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5</b>
16)	Colston, N.O.	65	889	13.7	40	8
17t)	Decker, Den.	64	790	12.3	55	8
17t)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	64	710	11.1	46	8
19)	Jones, Atl.	63	997	15.8	80t	7
20t)	Hartline, Mia.	62	925	14.9	80t	1
20t)	Harvin, Min.	62	677	10.9	45	3
22t)	Bess, Mia.	61	778	12.8	39	1
22t)	St. Johnson, Buf.	61	776	12.7	63	5
22t)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	61	679	11.1	43	7
25)	S. Smith, Car.	60	999	16.7	66	2
26t)	Bowe, K.C.	59	801	13.6	47	3
26t)	Wallace, Pit.	59	728	12.3	82t	8
26t)	*Wright, Ten.	59	555	9.4	38	4
29)	Boldin, Bal.	58	828	14.3	43	4
30t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz	57	652	11.4	37t	4
30t)	Lloyd, N.E.	57	650	11.4	37t	4
30t)	Pettigrew, Det. (TE)	57	556	9.8	24	3
33)	Jackson, T.B.	56	1145	20.4	95	8
34t)	Austin, Dal.	55	819	14.9	49	5
34t)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	55	636	11.6	55t	5
34t)	Sproles, N.O. (RB)	55	463	8.4	35	5
37t)	Floyd, S.D.	54	775	14.4	39	5
37t)	Olsen, Car. (TE)	54	691	12.8	47t	5
39t)	Moore, N.O.	53	848	16.0	43	4
39t)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	53	748	14.1	41	10
39t)	Roberts, Ariz	53	675	12.7	46t	5
39t)	Maclin, Phi.	53	646	12.2	70t	5
43t)	Kerley, NY-J	52	728	14.0	66	2
43t)	Avery, Ind.	52	706	13.6	48	3
43t)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	52	622	12.0	39t	6
43t)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	52	424	8.2	43	0
47t)	Celek, Phi. (TE)	51	602	11.8	34	1
47t)	A. Brown, Pit.	51	592	11.6	34	2
47t)	Amendola, St.L	51	576	11.3	56	2
50t)	Nicks, NY-G	50	652	13.0	50	3
50t)	Pitta, Bal. (TE)	50	488	9.8	27	5

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Rank	Player, Team	Yards	Rec	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Wayne, Ind.	1220	94	13.0	30t	4
2)	A. Johnson, Hou.	1209	82	14.7	60t	3
3)	D. Thomas, Den.	1197	74	16.2	71t	8
4)	Green, Cin.	1151	79	14.6	73t	10
5)	Welker, N.E.	1116	95	11.7	59	4
6)	Hartline, Mia.	925	62	14.9	80t	1
7)	Boldin, Bal.	828	58	14.3	43	4
8)	Shorts, Jac.	824	43	19.2	80t	7
9)	Bowe, K.C.	801	59	13.6	47	3
10)	Decker, Den.	790	64	12.3	55	8
11)	Bess, Mia.	778	61	12.8	39	1
12)	St. Johnson, Buf.	776	61	12.7	63	5
13)	Floyd, S.D.	775	54	14.4	39	5
14)	T. Smith, Bal.	753	43	17.5	54	7
15)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	748	53	14.1	41	10
16)	*Gordon, Cle.	732	42	17.4	71t	5
17t)	Kerley, NY-J	728	52	14.0	66	2
17t)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	728	70	10.4	29	4
17t)	Wallace, Pit.	728	59	12.3	82t	8
20)	Avery, Ind.	706	52	13.6	48	3
21)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	679	61	11.1	43	7
22)	Moore, Oak.	678	42	16.1	58	6
23)	Lloyd, N.E.	650	57	11.4	37t	4
24)	Washington, Ten.	648	39	16.6	71t	4
25)	*Hilton, Ind.	638	41	15.6	60	5
26)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	636	55	11.6	55t	5
27)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	622	52	12.0	39t	6
28)	*Blackmon, Jac.	614	45	13.6	81t	3
29)	A. Brown, Pit.	592	51	11.6	34	2
30)	Sanders, Pit.	585	41	14.3	37	1
31)	Heyward-Bey, Oak.	562	37	15.2	59	4
32t)	Alexander, S.D.	555	33	16.8	80t	5
32t)	*Wright, Ten.	555	59	9.4	38	4
34)	Cook, Ten. (TE)	523	44	11.9	61t	4
35)	Britt, Ten.	520	40	13.0	46	3
36t)	Chandler, Buf. (TE)	488	37	13.2	43	6
36t)	Pitta, Bal. (TE)	488	50	9.8	27	5
38)	Hawkins, Cin.	485	45	10.8	59t	4
39)	Little, Cle.	477	39	12.2	43	2
40)	Tamme, Den. (TE)	473	49	9.7	30	2
41)	Reece, Oak. (RB)	472	47	10.0	56	1
42)	Stokley, Den.	449	36	12.5	38t	5
43)	Gates, S.D. (TE)	448	41	10.9	33	4
44)	*Allen, Ind. (TE)	446	37	12.1	40	2
45)	Walter, Hou.	444	35	12.7	52t	2
46)	Jones, Buf.	443	41	10.8	68t	4
47)	*Streater, Oak.	429	28	15.3	64t	3
48)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	424	52	8.2	43	0
49)	Lewis, Jac. (TE)	402	38	10.6	26	4
50)	Moeaki, K.C. (TE)	396	28	14.1	38	1



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Rank	Player, Team	Yards	Rec	Avg	Long	TD
1)	C. Johnson, Det.	1546	96	16.1	53	5
2)	Marshall, Chi.	1342	101	13.3	56	9
3)	Jackson, T.B.	1145	56	20.4	95	8
4)	White, Atl.	1140	77	14.8	59	5
5)	Bryant, Dal.	1028	75	13.7	85t	9
6)	Cruz, NY-G	1004	76	13.2	80t	9
7)	S. Smith, Car.	999	60	16.7	66	2
8)	Jones, Atl.	997	63	15.8	80t	7
9)	Colston, N.O.	889	65	13.7	40	8
10)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	880	92	9.6	36	1
11)	Moore, N.O.	848	53	16.0	43	4
12)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	831	81	10.3	25	7
13)	Austin, Dal.	819	55	14.9	49	5
14)	Cobb, G.B.	777	71	10.9	39t	7
<b>15)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F.</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5</b>
16)	Williams, T.B.	736	46	16.0	65	7
17)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	710	64	11.1	46	8
18)	Jackson, Phi.	700	45	15.6	77t	2
19)	Olsen, Car. (TE)	691	54	12.8	47t	5
20)	Harvin, Min.	677	62	10.9	45	3
21)	Roberts, Ariz	675	53	12.7	46t	5
22t)	Nelson, G.B.	658	46	14.3	61t	6
22t)	Rice, Sea.	658	45	14.6	46t	7
24t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz	652	57	11.4	37t	4
24t)	Nicks, NY-G	652	50	13.0	50	3
26)	Maclin, Phi.	646	53	12.2	70t	5
27)	Celek, Phi. (TE)	602	51	11.8	34	1
28)	*Givens, St.L	584	36	16.2	65	3
29)	LaFell, Car.	577	34	17.0	62	4
30)	Amendola, St.L	576	51	11.3	56	2
31)	Bennett, NY-G (TE)	569	49	11.6	33t	5
32)	Ja. Jones, G.B.	562	46	12.2	49	9
33)	Pettigrew, Det. (TE)	556	57	9.8	24	3
34)	Gibson, St.L	537	40	13.4	34t	5
<b>35)</b>	<b>V. Davis, S.F. (TE)</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>5</b>
36)	Avant, Phi.	495	38	13.0	39	0
37)	Tate, Sea.	492	37	13.3	51	7
38)	Moss, Was.	468	32	14.6	77t	7
39)	Hankerson, Was.	465	34	13.7	68t	1
40)	Finley, G.B. (TE)	464	43	10.8	40	2
41)	Sproles, N.O. (RB)	463	55	8.4	35	5
<b>42)</b>	<b>Manningham, S.F.</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1</b>
43)	Garcon, Was.	437	28	15.6	88t	4
44)	Morgan, Was.	429	42	10.2	21	1
45)	Rudolph, Min. (TE)	412	45	9.2	29	8
46)	Hixon, NY-G	410	29	14.1	41	1
47)	Housler, Ariz (TE)	404	43	9.4	33	0
48)	Ogletree, Dal.	390	28	13.9	65	3
49)	T. Young, Det.	383	33	11.6	46t	4
50)	Bell, Det. (RB)	380	39	9.7	50	0

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Rank	Player, Team	Yards	Rec	Avg	Long	TD
1)	C. Johnson, Det.	1546	96	16.1	53	5
2)	Marshall, Chi.	1342	101	13.3	56	9
3)	Wayne, Ind.	1220	94	13.0	30t	4
4)	A. Johnson, Hou.	1209	82	14.7	60t	3
5)	D. Thomas, Den.	1197	74	16.2	71t	8
6)	Green, Cin.	1151	79	14.6	73t	10
7)	Jackson, T.B.	1145	56	20.4	95	8
8)	White, Atl.	1140	77	14.8	59	5
9)	Welker, N.E.	1116	95	11.7	59	4
10)	Bryant, Dal.	1028	75	13.7	85t	9
11)	Cruz, NY-G	1004	76	13.2	80t	9
12)	S. Smith, Car.	999	60	16.7	66	2
13)	Jones, Atl.	997	63	15.8	80t	7
14)	Hartline, Mia.	925	62	14.9	80t	1
15)	Colston, N.O.	889	65	13.7	40	8
16)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	880	92	9.6	36	1
17)	Moore, N.O.	848	53	16.0	43	4
18)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	831	81	10.3	25	7
19)	Boldin, Bal.	828	58	14.3	43	4
20)	Shorts, Jac.	824	43	19.2	80t	7
21)	Austin, Dal.	819	55	14.9	49	5
22)	Bowe, K.C.	801	59	13.6	47	3
23)	Decker, Den.	790	64	12.3	55	8
24)	Bess, Mia.	778	61	12.8	39	1
25)	Cobb, G.B.	777	71	10.9	39t	7
26)	St. Johnson, Buf.	776	61	12.7	63	5
27)	Floyd, S.D.	775	54	14.4	39	5
<b>28)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F.</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5</b>
29)	T. Smith, Bal.	753	43	17.5	54	7
30)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	748	53	14.1	41	10
31)	Williams, T.B.	736	46	16.0	65	7
32)	*Gordon, Cle.	732	42	17.4	71t	5
33t)	Kerley, NY-J	728	52	14.0	66	2
33t)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	728	70	10.4	29	4
33t)	Wallace, Pit.	728	59	12.3	82t	8
36)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	710	64	11.1	46	8
37)	Avery, Ind.	706	52	13.6	48	3
38)	Jackson, Phi.	700	45	15.6	77t	2
39)	Olsen, Car. (TE)	691	54	12.8	47t	5
40)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	679	61	11.1	43	7
41)	Moore, Oak.	678	42	16.1	58	6
42)	Harvin, Min.	677	62	10.9	45	3
43)	Roberts, Ariz	675	53	12.7	46t	5
44t)	Nelson, G.B.	658	46	14.3	61t	6
44t)	Rice, Sea.	658	45	14.6	46t	7
46t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz	652	57	11.4	37t	4
46t)	Nicks, NY-G	652	50	13.0	50	3
48)	Lloyd, N.E.	650	57	11.4	37t	4
49)	Washington, Ten.	648	39	16.6	71t	4
50)	Maclin, Phi.	646	53	12.2	70t	5

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Rank	Player, Team	Rec	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Wayne, Ind.	28	428	15.3	30t	2
2)	Welker, N.E.	25	271	10.8	25	1
3)	Bess, Mia.	24	254	10.6	23	1
4)	D. Thomas, Den.	22	364	16.5	46	2
5)	Bowe, K.C.	21	291	13.9	29t	1
6)	*Wright, Ten.	20	192	9.6	35	2
7t)	Decker, Den.	19	287	15.1	30	3
7t)	St. Johnson, Buf.	19	274	14.4	49t	2
9)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	18	155	8.6	20	0
10t)	Sanders, Pit.	17	267	15.7	37	0
10t)	Wallace, Pit.	17	263	15.5	51t	4
10t)	A. Johnson, Hou.	17	254	14.9	43	0
10t)	Boldin, Bal.	17	231	13.6	28	0
10t)	Kerley, NY-J	17	163	9.6	26	1
10t)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	17	162	9.5	43	0
10t)	R. Brown, S.D. (RB)	17	123	7.2	21	0
17t)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	16	156	9.8	23	3
17t)	Watson, Cle. (TE)	16	135	8.4	23	1
19t)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	15	210	14.0	55t	3
19t)	Avery, Ind.	15	206	13.7	24	1
19t)	Hawkins, Cin.	15	194	12.9	50t	2
19t)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	15	188	12.5	29	2
19t)	Pitta, Bal. (TE)	15	150	10.0	20t	3
19t)	Foster, Hou. (RB)	15	96	6.4	18	1
25t)	Alexander, S.D.	14	303	21.6	80t	3
25t)	Floyd, S.D.	14	207	14.8	32	2
25t)	Little, Cle.	14	129	9.2	22	1
28t)	Britt, Ten.	13	198	15.2	46	1
28t)	A. Brown, Pit.	13	189	14.5	25	0
28t)	Washington, Ten.	13	170	13.1	49	0
28t)	McCluster, K.C.	13	111	8.5	15	0
32t)	*Blackmon, Jac.	12	220	18.3	81t	1
32t)	Hartline, Mia.	12	198	16.5	30	0
32t)	Shorts, Jac.	12	181	15.1	59t	1
32t)	Tamme, Den. (TE)	12	140	11.7	30	1
32t)	Woodhead, N.E. (RB)	12	140	11.7	25	2
32t)	Lewis, Jac. (TE)	12	111	9.3	20	2
32t)	McFadden, Oak. (RB)	12	80	6.7	20	1
39t)	*Gordon, Cle.	11	192	17.5	71t	1
39t)	*Streater, Oak.	11	180	16.4	58	1
39t)	Lloyd, N.E.	11	141	12.8	25t	2
39t)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	11	132	12.0	32	3
39t)	F. Jackson, Buf. (RB)	11	108	9.8	34	0
39t)	Bush, Mia. (RB)	11	103	9.4	25	0
39t)	Spurlock, S.D.-Jac.-S.D.	11	83	7.5	12	0
46t)	Cook, Ten. (TE)	10	167	16.7	29	2
46t)	Moore, Oak.	10	121	12.1	21	2
46t)	Ogbonnaya, Cle. (RB)	10	120	12.0	38	0
46t)	Cumberland, NY-J (TE)	10	113	11.3	37	2
46t)	Gates, S.D. (TE)	10	103	10.3	17	0
46t)	C. Johnson, Ten. (RB)	10	95	9.5	22	0

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Rank	Player, Team	Rec	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Marshall, Chi.	33	442	13.4	31t	5
2t)	C. Johnson, Det.	25	394	15.8	53	1
2t)	Cruz, NY-G	25	357	14.3	80t	3
<b>2t)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F.</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4</b>
5)	Cobb, G.B.	21	315	15.0	39t	4
6t)	Colston, N.O.	20	325	16.3	30	1
6t)	White, Atl.	20	305	15.3	29	1
6t)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	20	193	9.7	21	1
6t)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	20	188	9.4	23	0
10t)	Moore, N.O.	18	326	18.1	38t	1
10t)	Bryant, Dal.	18	249	13.8	38	2
12t)	Jackson, T.B.	17	331	19.5	64	2
12t)	S. Smith, Car.	17	262	15.4	35	2
12t)	Austin, Dal.	17	253	14.9	36	0
15t)	Rudolph, Min. (TE)	16	207	12.9	29	2
15t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz	16	182	11.4	31t	2
15t)	Amendola, St.L	16	174	10.9	17	1
15t)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	16	163	10.2	46	2
19t)	Ja. Jones, G.B.	15	184	12.3	49	2
19t)	Jones, Atl.	15	167	11.1	31	2
19t)	Pettigrew, Det. (TE)	15	136	9.1	15	1
19t)	Harvin, Min.	15	134	8.9	18t	3
23t)	Nelson, G.B.	14	215	15.4	52	0
23t)	Williams, T.B.	14	210	15.0	54	2
23t)	Celek, Phi. (TE)	14	144	10.3	22	1
26t)	Maclin, Phi.	13	252	19.4	70t	2
26t)	Rice, Sea.	13	178	13.7	27	3
26t)	Tate, Sea.	13	143	11.0	49	1
26t)	Doucet, Ariz	13	107	8.2	16	0
30t)	Baldwin, Sea.	12	172	14.3	50	0
30t)	Avant, Phi.	12	162	13.5	39	0
30t)	Jenkins, Min.	12	118	9.8	19	0
30t)	Nicks, NY-G	12	115	9.6	25	1
30t)	Housler, Ariz (TE)	12	102	8.5	25	0
30t)	Jac. Rodgers, Atl. (RB)	12	99	8.3	31	0
30t)	Gerhart, Min. (RB)	12	87	7.3	14	0
30t)	Forte, Chi. (RB)	12	75	6.3	15	1
30t)	Ware, T.B. (RB)	12	68	5.7	15	0
39t)	Moss, Was.	11	230	20.9	77t	3
39t)	Ogletree, Dal.	11	159	14.5	65	0
39t)	*Givens, St.L	11	144	13.1	51t	1
39t)	Clark, T.B. (TE)	11	87	7.9	22	1
43t)	Bell, Det. (RB)	10	139	13.9	50	0
43t)	Sproles, N.O. (RB)	10	84	8.4	25	1
43t)	Morgan, Was.	10	71	7.1	16	1
46t)	LaFell, Car.	9	149	16.6	27	1
46t)	Finley, G.B. (TE)	9	134	14.9	31	0
46t)	Gibson, St.L	9	131	14.6	24	0
46t)	Jackson, Phi.	9	129	14.3	32	1
46t)	*Floyd, Ariz	9	104	11.6	24	1
46t)	Kendricks, St.L (TE)	9	92	10.2	26	1
46t)	Roberts, Ariz	9	80	8.9	16	1
46t)	Burleson, Det.	9	78	8.7	21	1

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Rank	Player, Team	Rec	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Marshall, Chi.	33	442	13.4	31t	5
2)	Wayne, Ind.	28	428	15.3	30t	2
3t)	C. Johnson, Det.	25	394	15.8	53	1
3t)	Cruz, NY-G	25	357	14.3	80t	3
<b>3t)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F.</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4</b>
3t)	Welker, N.E.	25	271	10.8	25	1
7)	Bess, Mia.	24	254	10.6	23	1
8)	D. Thomas, Den.	22	364	16.5	46	2
9t)	Cobb, G.B.	21	315	15.0	39t	4
9t)	Bowe, K.C.	21	291	13.9	29t	1
11t)	Colston, N.O.	20	325	16.3	30	1
11t)	White, Atl.	20	305	15.3	29	1
11t)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	20	193	9.7	21	1
11t)	*Wright, Ten.	20	192	9.6	35	2
11t)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	20	188	9.4	23	0
16t)	Decker, Den.	19	287	15.1	30	3
16t)	St. Johnson, Buf.	19	274	14.4	49t	2
18t)	Moore, N.O.	18	326	18.1	38t	1
18t)	Bryant, Dal.	18	249	13.8	38	2
18t)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	18	155	8.6	20	0
21t)	Jackson, T.B.	17	331	19.5	64	2
21t)	Sanders, Pit.	17	267	15.7	37	0
21t)	Wallace, Pit.	17	263	15.5	51t	4
21t)	S. Smith, Car.	17	262	15.4	35	2
21t)	A. Johnson, Hou.	17	254	14.9	43	0
21t)	Austin, Dal.	17	253	14.9	36	0
21t)	Boldin, Bal.	17	231	13.6	28	0
21t)	Kerley, NY-J	17	163	9.6	26	1
21t)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	17	162	9.5	43	0
21t)	R. Brown, S.D. (RB)	17	123	7.2	21	0
31t)	Rudolph, Min. (TE)	16	207	12.9	29	2
31t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz	16	182	11.4	31t	2
31t)	Amendola, St.L	16	174	10.9	17	1
31t)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	16	163	10.2	46	2
31t)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	16	156	9.8	23	3
31t)	Watson, Cle. (TE)	16	135	8.4	23	1
37t)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	15	210	14.0	55t	3
37t)	Avery, Ind.	15	206	13.7	24	1
37t)	Hawkins, Cin.	15	194	12.9	50t	2
37t)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	15	188	12.5	29	2
37t)	Ja. Jones, G.B.	15	184	12.3	49	2
37t)	Jones, Atl.	15	167	11.1	31	2
37t)	Pitta, Bal. (TE)	15	150	10.0	20t	3
37t)	Pettigrew, Det. (TE)	15	136	9.1	15	1
37t)	Harvin, Min.	15	134	8.9	18t	3
37t)	Foster, Hou. (RB)	15	96	6.4	18	1
47t)	Alexander, S.D.	14	303	21.6	80t	3
47t)	Nelson, G.B.	14	215	15.4	52	0
47t)	Williams, T.B.	14	210	15.0	54	2
47t)	Floyd, S.D.	14	207	14.8	32	2
47t)	Celek, Phi. (TE)	14	144	10.3	22	1
47t)	Little, Cle.	14	129	9.2	22	1

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Rank	Player, Team	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	X2	Pts
1)	Foster, Hou. (RB)	16	14	2	0	0	96
2t)	Green, Cin. (WR)	10	0	10	0	0	60
2t)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	10	0	10	0	0	60
2t)	*Richardson, Cle. (RB)	10	9	1	0	0	60
2t)	Ridley, N.E. (RB)	10	10	0	0	0	60
6)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	9	9	0	0	0	54
7t)	Decker, Den. (WR)	8	0	8	0	0	48
7t)	D. Thomas, Den. (WR)	8	0	8	0	0	48
7t)	Wallace, Pit. (WR)	8	0	8	0	0	48
10)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	7	0	7	0	1	44
11t)	Shorts, Jac. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
11t)	T. Smith, Bal. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
13t)	Chandler, Buf. (TE)	6	0	6	0	0	36
13t)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	6	0	6	0	0	36
13t)	Greene, NY-J (RB)	6	6	0	0	0	36
13t)	*Hilton, Ind. (WR)	6	0	5	1	0	36
13t)	Moore, Oak. (WR)	6	0	6	0	0	36
13t)	Spiller, Buf. (RB)	6	5	1	0	0	36
19t)	Alexander, S.D. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
19t)	Bush, Mia. (RB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
19t)	Charles, K.C. (RB)	5	4	1	0	0	30
19t)	Dreessen, Den. (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
19t)	Edelman, N.E. (WR)	5	0	3	2	0	30
19t)	Floyd, S.D. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
19t)	*Gordon, Cle. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
19t)	Green-Ellis, Cin. (RB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
19t)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
19t)	St. Johnson, Buf. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
19t)	Lloyd, N.E. (WR)	5	0	4	1	0	30
19t)	*Luck, Ind. (QB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
19t)	Pitta, Bal. (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
19t)	Stokley, Den. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
33t)	Boldin, Bal. (WR)	4	0	4	0	1	26
33t)	McGahee, Den. (RB)	4	4	0	0	1	26
35t)	Battle, S.D. (RB)	4	3	1	0	0	24
35t)	Cook, Ten. (TE)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Fasano, Mia. (TE)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Gates, S.D. (TE)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Hawkins, Cin. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Hernandez, N.E. (TE)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Heyward-Bey, Oak. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	F. Jackson, Buf. (RB)	4	3	1	0	0	24
35t)	C. Johnson, Ten. (RB)	4	4	0	0	0	24
35t)	Jones, Buf. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	J. Jones, Bal. (WR)	4	0	1	3	0	24
35t)	Lewis, Jac. (TE)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Powell, NY-J (RB)	4	4	0	0	0	24
35t)	*Sanu, Cin. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Thomas, Mia. (RB)	4	4	0	0	0	24
35t)	Vereen, N.E. (RB)	4	3	1	0	0	24
35t)	Washington, Ten. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Wayne, Ind. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Welker, N.E. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
35t)	Woodhead, N.E. (RB)	4	2	2	0	0	24
35t)	*Wright, Ten. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24

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Rank	Player, Team	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	X2	Pts
1)	*Martin, T.B. (RB)	11	10	1	0	0	66
2)	Peterson, Min. (RB)	10	10	0	0	1	62
3)	Bryant, Dal. (WR)	9	0	9	0	1	56
4t)	Cruz, NY-G (WR)	9	0	9	0	0	54
4t)	Ja. Jones, G.B. (WR)	9	0	9	0	0	54
4t)	Lynch, Sea. (RB)	9	9	0	0	0	54
4t)	Marshall, Chi. (WR)	9	0	9	0	0	54
4t)	Turner, Atl. (RB)	9	8	1	0	0	54
9t)	A. Brown, NY-G (RB)	8	8	0	0	1	50
9t)	Jackson, T.B. (WR)	8	0	8	0	1	50
9t)	Rudolph, Min. (TE)	8	0	8	0	1	50
12t)	Cobb, G.B. (WR)	8	0	7	1	0	48
12t)	Colston, N.O. (WR)	8	0	8	0	0	48
<b>12t)</b>	<b>Gore, S.F. (RB)</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>
12t)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	8	0	8	0	0	48
16t)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	7	0	7	0	0	42
16t)	Jones, Atl. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
16t)	Leshoure, Det. (RB)	7	7	0	0	0	42
16t)	*Morris, Was. (RB)	7	7	0	0	0	42
16t)	Moss, Was. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
16t)	Newton, Car. (QB)	7	7	0	0	0	42
16t)	Rice, Sea. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
16t)	Tate, Sea. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
16t)	Williams, T.B. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
25t)	Nelson, G.B. (WR)	6	0	6	0	1	38
25t)	Sproles, N.O. (RB)	6	1	5	0	1	38
27)	*Griffin III, Was. (QB)	6	6	0	0	0	36
28t)	Austin, Dal. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
28t)	Bennett, NY-G (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
28t)	Bradshaw, NY-G (RB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
28t)	Bush, Chi. (RB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
<b>28t)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F. (WR)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>28t)</b>	<b>V. Davis, S.F. (TE)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>
28t)	Garcon, Was. (WR)	5	0	4	1	0	30
28t)	Gibson, St.L (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
28t)	Harvin, Min. (WR)	5	1	3	1	0	30
28t)	C. Johnson, Det. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
28t)	F. Jones, Dal. (RB)	5	3	2	0	0	30
<b>28t)</b>	<b>Kaepernick, S.F. (QB)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>
28t)	Maclin, Phi. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
28t)	McCoy, Phi. (RB)	5	2	3	0	0	30
28t)	Olsen, Car. (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
28t)	Roberts, Ariz (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
28t)	White, Atl. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
45t)	*Brown, Phi. (RB)	4	4	0	0	0	24
45t)	Clark, T.B. (TE)	4	0	4	0	0	24
45t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
45t)	Forte, Chi. (RB)	4	3	1	0	0	24
45t)	LaFell, Car. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
45t)	Moore, N.O. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24
45t)	Stafford, Det. (QB)	4	4	0	0	0	24
45t)	Stephens-Howling, Ariz (RB)	4	4	0	0	0	24
45t)	D. Williams, Car. (RB)	4	3	1	0	0	24
45t)	*Wilson, NY-G (RB)	4	3	0	1	0	24
45t)	T. Young, Det. (WR)	4	0	4	0	0	24

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Rank	Player, Team	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	X2	Pts
1)	Foster, Hou. (RB)	16	14	2	0	0	96
2)	*Martin, T.B. (RB)	11	10	1	0	0	66
3)	Peterson, Min. (RB)	10	10	0	0	1	62
4t)	Green, Cin. (WR)	10	0	10	0	0	60
4t)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	10	0	10	0	0	60
4t)	*Richardson, Cle. (RB)	10	9	1	0	0	60
4t)	Ridley, N.E. (RB)	10	10	0	0	0	60
8)	Bryant, Dal. (WR)	9	0	9	0	1	56
9t)	Cruz, NY-G (WR)	9	0	9	0	0	54
9t)	Ja. Jones, G.B. (WR)	9	0	9	0	0	54
9t)	Lynch, Sea. (RB)	9	9	0	0	0	54
9t)	Marshall, Chi. (WR)	9	0	9	0	0	54
9t)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	9	9	0	0	0	54
9t)	Turner, Atl. (RB)	9	8	1	0	0	54
15t)	A. Brown, NY-G (RB)	8	8	0	0	1	50
15t)	Jackson, T.B. (WR)	8	0	8	0	1	50
15t)	Rudolph, Min. (TE)	8	0	8	0	1	50
18t)	Cobb, G.B. (WR)	8	0	7	1	0	48
18t)	Colston, N.O. (WR)	8	0	8	0	0	48
18t)	Decker, Den. (WR)	8	0	8	0	0	48
18t)	<b>Gore, S.F. (RB)</b>	8	7	1	0	0	48
18t)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	8	0	8	0	0	48
18t)	D. Thomas, Den. (WR)	8	0	8	0	0	48
18t)	Wallace, Pit. (WR)	8	0	8	0	0	48
25)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	7	0	7	0	1	44
26t)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	7	0	7	0	0	42
26t)	Jones, Atl. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
26t)	Leshoure, Det. (RB)	7	7	0	0	0	42
26t)	*Morris, Was. (RB)	7	7	0	0	0	42
26t)	Moss, Was. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
26t)	Newton, Car. (QB)	7	7	0	0	0	42
26t)	Rice, Sea. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
26t)	Shorts, Jac. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
26t)	T. Smith, Bal. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
26t)	Tate, Sea. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
26t)	Williams, T.B. (WR)	7	0	7	0	0	42
37t)	Nelson, G.B. (WR)	6	0	6	0	1	38
37t)	Sproles, N.O. (RB)	6	1	5	0	1	38
39t)	Chandler, Buf. (TE)	6	0	6	0	0	36
39t)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	6	0	6	0	0	36
39t)	Greene, NY-J (RB)	6	6	0	0	0	36
39t)	*Griffin III, Was. (QB)	6	6	0	0	0	36
39t)	*Hilton, Ind. (WR)	6	0	5	1	0	36
39t)	Moore, Oak. (WR)	6	0	6	0	0	36
39t)	Spiller, Buf. (RB)	6	5	1	0	0	36
46t)	Alexander, S.D. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Austin, Dal. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Bennett, NY-G (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Bradshaw, NY-G (RB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
46t)	Bush, Chi. (RB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
46t)	Bush, Mia. (RB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
46t)	Charles, K.C. (RB)	5	4	1	0	0	30
46t)	<b>Crabtree, S.F. (WR)</b>	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	<b>V. Davis, S.F. (TE)</b>	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Dreessen, Den. (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Edelman, N.E. (WR)	5	0	3	2	0	30
46t)	Floyd, S.D. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Garcon, Was. (WR)	5	0	4	1	0	30
46t)	Gibson, St.L (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	*Gordon, Cle. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Green-Ellis, Cin. (RB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
46t)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Harvin, Min. (WR)	5	1	3	1	0	30
46t)	C. Johnson, Det. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	St. Johnson, Buf. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	F. Jones, Dal. (RB)	5	3	2	0	0	30
46t)	<b>Kaepernick, S.F. (QB)</b>	5	5	0	0	0	30
46t)	Lloyd, N.E. (WR)	5	0	4	1	0	30
46t)	*Luck, Ind. (QB)	5	5	0	0	0	30
46t)	Maclin, Phi. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	McCoy, Phi. (RB)	5	2	3	0	0	30
46t)	Olsen, Car. (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Pitta, Bal. (TE)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Roberts, Ariz (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	Stokley, Den. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30
46t)	White, Atl. (WR)	5	0	5	0	0	30



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1)	Gostkowski, N.E.	56/56	24/30	.800	53	128
2)	*Tucker, Bal.	35/35	24/26	.923	56	107
3t)	S. Graham, Hou.	42/42	21/26	.808	51	105
3t)	Prater, Den.	42/42	21/26	.808	53	105
5)	Dawson, Cle.	25/25	26/27	.963	52	103
6)	Suisham, Pit.	27/27	25/26	.962	52	102
7)	Bironas, Ten.	27/27	24/29	.828	53	99
8)	Vinatieri, Ind.	29/29	23/30	.767	53	98
9)	Janikowski, Oak.	22/22	24/26	.923	55	94
10)	Nugent, Cin.	35/35	19/23	.826	55	92
11)	Succop, K.C.	16/16	25/29	.862	52	91
12)	Lindell, Buf.	32/32	19/20	.950	50	89
13)	Carpenter, Mia.	25/25	19/24	.792	53	82
14)	Scobee, Jac.	15/16	21/23	.913	50	78
15)	Folk, NY-J	27/27	16/21	.762	54	75
16)	Novak, S.D.	26/26	15/17	.882	51	71
17)	Kaeding, S.D.	6/ 6	7/ 7	1.000	45	27
18)	Brown, Cin.	1/ 1	4/ 4	1.000	52	13

**NFC / LEADING SCORERS, KICKERS**

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1)	Tynes, NY-G	38/38	33/38	.868	50	137
2)	Bryant, Atl.	34/34	29/34	.853	55	121
3)	Hanson, Det.	33/33	27/31	.871	53	114
4)	Barth, T.B.	37/37	23/28	.821	57	106
<b>5t)</b>	<b>Akers, S.F.</b>	<b>35/35</b>	<b>23/32</b>	<b>.719</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>104</b>
5t)	Bailey, Dal.	29/29	25/27	.926	51	104
7)	*Walsh, Min.	27/27	24/27	.889	55	99
8)	Gould, Chi.	33/33	21/25	.840	54	96
9t)	Hauschka, Sea.	33/34	19/22	.864	52	90
9t)	Henery, Phi.	21/22	23/26	.885	49	90
11)	Crosby, G.B.	36/36	17/27	.630	54	87
12t)	Hartley, N.O.	43/43	13/16	.813	53	82
12t)	*Zuerlein, St.L	19/19	21/27	.778	60	82
14)	Feely, Ariz	18/18	20/23	.870	61	78
15)	Forbath, Was.	21/22	14/14	1.000	50	63
16)	Medlock, Car.	23/23	7/10	.700	45	44
17)	Cundiff, Was.	17/17	7/12	.583	45	38
18)	Gano, Car.	9/10	4/ 4	1.000	41	21

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32)	Medlock, Car.	23/23	7/10	.700	45	44
33)	Cundiff, Was.	17/17	7/12	.583	45	38
34)	Kaeding, S.D.	6/ 6	7/ 7	1.000	45	27
35)	Gano, Car.	9/10	4/ 4	1.000	41	21
36)	Brown, Cin.	1/ 1	4/ 4	1.000	52	13

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**AFC / TOUCHBACKS ON KICKOFFS**

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2)	Gostkowski, N.E.	48
3)	*Tucker, Bal.	43
4)	McAfee, Ind.	39
5)	Bironas, Ten.	36
6)	Janikowski, Oak.	33
7)	Carpenter, Mia.	25
8)	Dawson, Cle.	23
9t)	S. Graham, Hou.	22
9t)	Scobee, Jac.	22
9t)	Succop, K.C.	22
12)	Nugent, Cin.	21
13)	Suisham, Pit.	20
14)	Novak, S.D.	18
15)	*Potter, Buf.	13
16)	Folk, NY-J	12
17)	Kaeding, S.D.	8
18)	Lindell, Buf.	6
19)	Brown, Cin.	5

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1)	Koenen, T.B.	53
2)	*Walsh, Min.	41
3)	Gould, Chi.	38
<b>4t)</b>	<b>Akers, S.F.</b>	<b>35</b>
4t)	Bosher, Atl.	35
6)	Morstead, N.O.	34
7)	Crosby, G.B.	32
8)	Hauschka, Sea.	29
9)	*Zuerlein, St.L	28
10)	Hanson, Det.	26
11t)	Bailey, Dal.	24
11t)	Henery, Phi.	24
13)	Feely, Ariz	22
14)	Tynes, NY-G	20
15)	Cundiff, Was.	18
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15)	*Zuerlein, St.L	28
16)	Hanson, Det.	26
17)	Carpenter, Mia.	25
18t)	Bailey, Dal.	24
18t)	Henery, Phi.	24
20)	Dawson, Cle.	23
21t)	Feely, Ariz	22
21t)	S. Graham, Hou.	22
21t)	Scobee, Jac.	22
21t)	Succop, K.C.	22
25)	Nugent, Cin.	21
26t)	Suisham, Pit.	20
26t)	Tynes, NY-G	20
28t)	Cundiff, Was.	18
28t)	Novak, S.D.	18
30)	Medlock, Car.	17
31t)	Forbath, Was.	13
31t)	*Potter, Buf.	13
33)	Folk, NY-J	12
34t)	Gano, Car.	8
34t)	Kaeding, S.D.	8
36)	Lindell, Buf.	6
37)	Brown, Cin.	5
38)	Podlesh, Chi.	1

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Rank	Player, Team	Yards	Total			Rushing			Receiving		
			Att	Rec	Avg	Yards	Att	Avg	Yards	Rec	Avg
1)	Charles, K.C. (RB)	1420	270		5.3	1220	240	5.1	200	30	6.7
2)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	1417	270		5.2	993	218	4.6	424	52	8.2
3)	Foster, Hou. (RB)	1324	332		4.0	1148	298	3.9	176	34	5.2
4)	Spiller, Buf. (RB)	1298	178		7.3	944	144	6.6	354	34	10.4
5)	C. Johnson, Ten. (RB)	1247	256		4.9	1037	223	4.7	210	33	6.4
6)	*Richardson, Cle. (RB)	1217	292		4.2	869	247	3.5	348	45	7.7
7)	Wayne, Ind. (WR)	1215	95		12.8	-5	1	-5.0	1220	94	13.0
8)	A. Johnson, Hou. (WR)	1209	82		14.7	0	0	---	1209	82	14.7
9)	D. Thomas, Den. (WR)	1197	74		16.2	0	0	---	1197	74	16.2
10)	Green, Cin. (WR)	1189	83		14.3	38	4	9.5	1151	79	14.6
11)	Ridley, N.E. (RB)	1133	249		4.6	1082	243	4.5	51	6	8.5
12)	Welker, N.E. (WR)	1116	95		11.7	0	0	---	1116	95	11.7
13)	Green-Ellis, Cin. (RB)	1078	259		4.2	974	238	4.1	104	21	5.0
14)	Bush, Mia. (RB)	1018	208		4.9	791	179	4.4	227	29	7.8
15)	Greene, NY-J (RB)	988	243		4.1	883	230	3.8	105	13	8.1
16)	McGahee, Den. (RB)	952	193		4.9	731	167	4.4	221	26	8.5
17)	Mathews, S.D. (RB)	929	216		4.3	685	180	3.8	244	36	6.8
18)	Hartline, Mia. (WR)	925	62		14.9	0	0	---	925	62	14.9
19)	Boldin, Bal. (WR)	831	59		14.1	3	1	3.0	828	58	14.3
20)	Shorts, Jac. (WR)	820	44		18.6	-4	1	-4.0	824	43	19.2
21)	Bowe, K.C. (WR)	801	59		13.6	0	0	---	801	59	13.6
22)	Decker, Den. (WR)	790	64		12.3	0	0	---	790	64	12.3
23)	Bess, Mia. (WR)	778	61		12.8	0	0	---	778	61	12.8
24)	St. Johnson, Buf. (WR)	776	61		12.7	0	0	---	776	61	12.7
25)	Floyd, S.D. (WR)	775	54		14.4	0	0	---	775	54	14.4
26)	T. Smith, Bal. (WR)	766	45		17.0	13	2	6.5	753	43	17.5
27)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	748	53		14.1	0	0	---	748	53	14.1
28)	Reece, Oak. (RB)	743	106		7.0	271	59	4.6	472	47	10.0
29)	Wallace, Pit. (WR)	736	63		11.7	8	4	2.0	728	59	12.3
30)	Kerley, NY-J (WR)	734	55		13.3	6	3	2.0	728	52	14.0
31)	*Gordon, Cle. (WR)	732	42		17.4	0	0	---	732	42	17.4
32)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	728	70		10.4	0	0	---	728	70	10.4
33)	Avery, Ind. (WR)	715	56		12.8	9	4	2.3	706	52	13.6
34)	McFadden, Oak. (RB)	709	183		3.9	507	150	3.4	202	33	6.1
35)	*Ballard, Ind. (RB)	705	161		4.4	562	146	3.8	143	15	9.5
36)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	679	61		11.1	0	0	---	679	61	11.1
37)	Moore, Oak. (WR)	673	43		15.7	-5	1	-5.0	678	42	16.1
38)	*Hilton, Ind. (WR)	667	46		14.5	29	5	5.8	638	41	15.6
39)	F. Jackson, Buf. (RB)	654	149		4.4	437	115	3.8	217	34	6.4
40)	Lloyd, N.E. (WR)	650	57		11.4	0	0	---	650	57	11.4
41)	Washington, Ten. (WR)	648	39		16.6	0	0	---	648	39	16.6
42)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	636	55		11.6	0	0	---	636	55	11.6
43)	*Blackmon, Jac. (WR)	626	46		13.6	12	1	12.0	614	45	13.6
44t)	A. Brown, Pit. (WR)	622	56		11.1	30	5	6.0	592	51	11.6
44t)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	622	52		12.0	0	0	---	622	52	12.0
46)	Dwyer, Pit. (RB)	607	139		4.4	510	122	4.2	97	17	5.7
47)	Sanders, Pit. (WR)	589	42		14.0	4	1	4.0	585	41	14.3
48)	Heyward-Bey, Oak. (WR)	578	39		14.8	16	2	8.0	562	37	15.2
49)	*Wright, Ten. (WR)	559	60		9.3	4	1	4.0	555	59	9.4
50)	Alexander, S.D. (WR)	555	33		16.8	0	0	---	555	33	16.8

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Rank	Player, Team	Total			Rushing			Receiving		
		Yards	Att+Rec	Avg	Yards	Att	Avg	Yards	Rec	Avg
1)	Peterson, Min. (RB)	1811	303	6.0	1600	265	6.0	211	38	5.6
2)	*Martin, T.B. (RB)	1612	299	5.4	1234	264	4.7	378	35	10.8
3)	C. Johnson, Det. (WR)	1546	96	16.1	0	0	---	1546	96	16.1
4)	Lynch, Sea. (RB)	1415	279	5.1	1266	261	4.9	149	18	8.3
5)	Marshall, Chi. (WR)	1342	101	13.3	0	0	---	1342	101	13.3
6)	*Morris, Was. (RB)	1270	259	4.9	1228	253	4.9	42	6	7.0
<b>7)</b>	<b>Gore, S.F. (RB)</b>	<b>1214</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>1035</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7.8</b>
8)	Jackson, T.B. (WR)	1145	56	20.4	0	0	---	1145	56	20.4
9)	White, Atl. (WR)	1140	77	14.8	0	0	---	1140	77	14.8
10)	Forte, Chi. (RB)	1082	228	4.7	834	192	4.3	248	36	6.9
11)	Bradshaw, NY-G (RB)	1065	217	4.9	869	196	4.4	196	21	9.3
12)	Jackson, St.L (RB)	1043	236	4.4	836	214	3.9	207	22	9.4
13)	Bryant, Dal. (WR)	1023	77	13.3	-5	2	-2.5	1028	75	13.7
14)	Jones, Atl. (WR)	1016	67	15.2	19	4	4.8	997	63	15.8
15)	S. Smith, Car. (WR)	1011	62	16.3	12	2	6.0	999	60	16.7
16)	Cruz, NY-G (WR)	1004	76	13.2	0	0	---	1004	76	13.2
17)	McCoy, Phi. (RB)	985	217	4.5	750	177	4.2	235	40	5.9
18)	Cobb, G.B. (WR)	909	81	11.2	132	10	13.2	777	71	10.9
19)	Colston, N.O. (WR)	889	65	13.7	0	0	---	889	65	13.7
20)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	880	92	9.6	0	0	---	880	92	9.6
21)	Moore, N.O. (WR)	848	53	16.0	0	0	---	848	53	16.0
22)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	831	81	10.3	0	0	---	831	81	10.3
23)	Austin, Dal. (WR)	819	55	14.9	0	0	---	819	55	14.9
24)	Leshoure, Det. (RB)	810	197	4.1	640	171	3.7	170	26	6.5
25)	Turner, Atl. (RB)	792	201	3.9	689	187	3.7	103	14	7.4
26)	Harvin, Min. (WR)	773	84	9.2	96	22	4.4	677	62	10.9
<b>27)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F. (WR)</b>	<b>769</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>11.5</b>
28)	Bell, Det. (RB)	754	108	7.0	374	69	5.4	380	39	9.7
29)	*Griffin III, Was. (QB)	748	112	6.7	748	112	6.7	0	0	---
30)	Williams, T.B. (WR)	736	46	16.0	0	0	---	736	46	16.0
31)	P. Thomas, N.O. (RB)	711	123	5.8	444	94	4.7	267	29	9.2
32)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	710	64	11.1	0	0	---	710	64	11.1
33)	Roberts, Ariz (WR)	706	56	12.6	31	3	10.3	675	53	12.7
34)	Jackson, Phi. (WR)	693	48	14.4	-7	3	-2.3	700	45	15.6
35)	Olsen, Car. (TE)	691	54	12.8	0	0	---	691	54	12.8
36)	Rice, Sea. (WR)	664	47	14.1	6	2	3.0	658	45	14.6
37)	Nelson, G.B. (WR)	658	46	14.3	0	0	---	658	46	14.3
38t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz (WR)	652	57	11.4	0	0	---	652	57	11.4
38t)	Nicks, NY-G (WR)	652	50	13.0	0	0	---	652	50	13.0
40t)	Maclin, Phi. (WR)	646	53	12.2	0	0	---	646	53	12.2
40t)	Newton, Car. (QB)	646	104	6.2	640	104	6.2	6	0	---
42)	Sproles, N.O. (RB)	636	86	7.4	173	31	5.6	463	55	8.4
43)	F. Jones, Dal. (RB)	630	128	4.9	368	103	3.6	262	25	10.5
44)	Murray, Dal. (RB)	625	144	4.3	466	119	3.9	159	25	6.4
45)	Jac. Rodgers, Atl. (RB)	622	115	5.4	295	72	4.1	327	43	7.6
46)	LaFell, Car. (WR)	608	36	16.9	31	2	15.5	577	34	17.0
47)	Celek, Phi. (TE)	602	51	11.8	0	0	---	602	51	11.8
48)	*Givens, St.L (WR)	596	39	15.3	12	3	4.0	584	36	16.2
49)	*D. Richardson, St.L (RB)	585	107	5.5	461	88	5.2	124	19	6.5
50)	Amendola, St.L (WR)	584	53	11.0	8	2	4.0	576	51	11.3

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**NFL / MOST YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE**

Rank	Player, Team	Yards	Total			Rushing			Receiving		
			Att	Rec	Avg	Yards	Att	Avg	Yards	Rec	Avg
1)	Peterson, Min. (RB)	1811	303		6.0	1600	265	6.0	211	38	5.6
2)	*Martin, T.B. (RB)	1612	299		5.4	1234	264	4.7	378	35	10.8
3)	C. Johnson, Det. (WR)	1546	96		16.1	0	0	---	1546	96	16.1
4)	Charles, K.C. (RB)	1420	270		5.3	1220	240	5.1	200	30	6.7
5)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	1417	270		5.2	993	218	4.6	424	52	8.2
6)	Lynch, Sea. (RB)	1415	279		5.1	1266	261	4.9	149	18	8.3
7)	Marshall, Chi. (WR)	1342	101		13.3	0	0	---	1342	101	13.3
8)	Foster, Hou. (RB)	1324	332		4.0	1148	298	3.9	176	34	5.2
9)	Spiller, Buf. (RB)	1298	178		7.3	944	144	6.6	354	34	10.4
10)	*Morris, Was. (RB)	1270	259		4.9	1228	253	4.9	42	6	7.0
11)	C. Johnson, Ten. (RB)	1247	256		4.9	1037	223	4.7	210	33	6.4
12)	*Richardson, Cle. (RB)	1217	292		4.2	869	247	3.5	348	45	7.7
13)	Wayne, Ind. (WR)	1215	95		12.8	-5	1	-5.0	1220	94	13.0
14)	<b>Gore, S.F. (RB)</b>	<b>1214</b>	<b>234</b>		<b>5.2</b>	<b>1035</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7.8</b>
15)	A. Johnson, Hou. (WR)	1209	82		14.7	0	0	---	1209	82	14.7
16)	D. Thomas, Den. (WR)	1197	74		16.2	0	0	---	1197	74	16.2
17)	Green, Cin. (WR)	1189	83		14.3	38	4	9.5	1151	79	14.6
18)	Jackson, T.B. (WR)	1145	56		20.4	0	0	---	1145	56	20.4
19)	White, Atl. (WR)	1140	77		14.8	0	0	---	1140	77	14.8
20)	Ridley, N.E. (RB)	1133	249		4.6	1082	243	4.5	51	6	8.5
21)	Welker, N.E. (WR)	1116	95		11.7	0	0	---	1116	95	11.7
22)	Forte, Chi. (RB)	1082	228		4.7	834	192	4.3	248	36	6.9
23)	Green-Ellis, Cin. (RB)	1078	259		4.2	974	238	4.1	104	21	5.0
24)	Bradshaw, NY-G (RB)	1065	217		4.9	869	196	4.4	196	21	9.3
25)	Jackson, St.L (RB)	1043	236		4.4	836	214	3.9	207	22	9.4
26)	Bryant, Dal. (WR)	1023	77		13.3	-5	2	-2.5	1028	75	13.7
27)	Bush, Mia. (RB)	1018	208		4.9	791	179	4.4	227	29	7.8
28)	Jones, Atl. (WR)	1016	67		15.2	19	4	4.8	997	63	15.8
29)	S. Smith, Car. (WR)	1011	62		16.3	12	2	6.0	999	60	16.7
30)	Cruz, NY-G (WR)	1004	76		13.2	0	0	---	1004	76	13.2
31)	Greene, NY-J (RB)	988	243		4.1	883	230	3.8	105	13	8.1
32)	McCoy, Phi. (RB)	985	217		4.5	750	177	4.2	235	40	5.9
33)	McGahee, Den. (RB)	952	193		4.9	731	167	4.4	221	26	8.5
34)	Mathews, S.D. (RB)	929	216		4.3	685	180	3.8	244	36	6.8
35)	Hartline, Mia. (WR)	925	62		14.9	0	0	---	925	62	14.9
36)	Cobb, G.B. (WR)	909	81		11.2	132	10	13.2	777	71	10.9
37)	Colston, N.O. (WR)	889	65		13.7	0	0	---	889	65	13.7
38)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	880	92		9.6	0	0	---	880	92	9.6
39)	Moore, N.O. (WR)	848	53		16.0	0	0	---	848	53	16.0
40t)	Boldin, Bal. (WR)	831	59		14.1	3	1	3.0	828	58	14.3
40t)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	831	81		10.3	0	0	---	831	81	10.3
42)	Shorts, Jac. (WR)	820	44		18.6	-4	1	-4.0	824	43	19.2
43)	Austin, Dal. (WR)	819	55		14.9	0	0	---	819	55	14.9
44)	Leshoure, Det. (RB)	810	197		4.1	640	171	3.7	170	26	6.5
45)	Bowe, K.C. (WR)	801	59		13.6	0	0	---	801	59	13.6
46)	Turner, Atl. (RB)	792	201		3.9	689	187	3.7	103	14	7.4
47)	Decker, Den. (WR)	790	64		12.3	0	0	---	790	64	12.3
48)	Bess, Mia. (WR)	778	61		12.8	0	0	---	778	61	12.8
49)	St. Johnson, Buf. (WR)	776	61		12.7	0	0	---	776	61	12.7
50)	Floyd, S.D. (WR)	775	54		14.4	0	0	---	775	54	14.4

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Rank	Player, Team	Rush	Rec	Tot
1)	Foster, Hou. (RB)	68	8	76
2)	Ridley, N.E. (RB)	70	2	72
3)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	48	19	67
4)	Wayne, Ind. (WR)	0	65	65
5)	Charles, K.C. (RB)	54	9	63
6)	A. Johnson, Hou. (WR)	0	60	60
7)	Welker, N.E. (WR)	0	56	56
8t)	Green, Cin. (WR)	2	53	55
8t)	Spiller, Buf. (RB)	40	15	55
10)	McGahee, Den. (RB)	43	10	53
11)	Green-Ellis, Cin. (RB)	48	4	52
12)	D. Thomas, Den. (WR)	0	50	50
13t)	C. Johnson, Ten. (RB)	40	7	47
13t)	*Richardson, Cle. (RB)	30	17	47
15)	Floyd, S.D. (WR)	0	45	45
16t)	Bowe, K.C. (WR)	0	43	43
16t)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	0	43	43
18t)	*Ballard, Ind. (RB)	35	7	42
18t)	Bush, Mia. (RB)	32	10	42
18t)	Greene, NY-J (RB)	40	2	42
18t)	Mathews, S.D. (RB)	33	9	42
22)	Hartline, Mia. (WR)	0	41	41
23)	St. Johnson, Buf. (WR)	0	40	40
24t)	Boldin, Bal. (WR)	0	39	39
24t)	Miller, Pit. (TE)	0	39	39
26t)	Bess, Mia. (WR)	0	38	38
26t)	Lloyd, N.E. (WR)	0	38	38
26t)	Myers, Oak. (TE)	0	38	38
29t)	Decker, Den. (WR)	0	36	36
29t)	Reece, Oak. (RB)	16	20	36
31t)	A. Brown, Pit. (WR)	2	33	35
31t)	F. Jackson, Buf. (RB)	25	10	35
31t)	McFadden, Oak. (RB)	26	9	35
31t)	*Wright, Ten. (WR)	0	35	35
35t)	Avery, Ind. (WR)	0	34	34
35t)	T. Smith, Bal. (WR)	1	33	34
37)	*Gordon, Cle. (WR)	0	33	33
38t)	*Blackmon, Jac. (WR)	1	30	31
38t)	Chandler, Buf. (TE)	0	31	31
38t)	Daniels, Hou. (TE)	0	31	31
41)	Wallace, Pit. (WR)	1	29	30
42t)	Moore, Oak. (WR)	0	29	29
42t)	Redman, Pit. (RB)	22	7	29
42t)	Shorts, Jac. (WR)	0	29	29
45t)	Dwyer, Pit. (RB)	21	7	28
45t)	Gresham, Cin. (TE)	0	28	28
45t)	Kerley, NY-J (WR)	0	28	28
45t)	Sanders, Pit. (WR)	0	28	28
49t)	R. Brown, S.D. (RB)	11	16	27
49t)	Woodhead, N.E. (RB)	11	16	27

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Rank	Player, Team	Rush	Rec	Tot
1t)	C. Johnson, Det. (WR)	0	73	73
1t)	Peterson, Min. (RB)	64	9	73
<b>3)</b>	<b>Gore, S.F. (RB)</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>67</b>
4)	Marshall, Chi. (WR)	0	66	66
5t)	Lynch, Sea. (RB)	56	8	64
5t)	*Morris, Was. (RB)	62	2	64
7)	*Martin, T.B. (RB)	50	13	63
8)	White, Atl. (WR)	0	62	62
9)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	0	57	57
10)	Colston, N.O. (WR)	0	52	52
11)	Bradshaw, NY-G (RB)	45	6	51
12)	Jackson, T.B. (WR)	0	50	50
13t)	Cruz, NY-G (WR)	0	49	49
13t)	McCoy, Phi. (RB)	38	11	49
15)	Jackson, St.L (RB)	39	9	48
16t)	Jones, Atl. (WR)	2	45	47
16t)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	0	47	47
18t)	Leshoure, Det. (RB)	36	9	45
18t)	Moore, N.O. (WR)	0	45	45
20t)	Cobb, G.B. (WR)	7	37	44
20t)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	0	44	44
22t)	Forte, Chi. (RB)	31	12	43
22t)	Newton, Car. (QB)	43	0	43
24t)	Harvin, Min. (WR)	6	36	42
24t)	S. Smith, Car. (WR)	0	42	42
26)	Bryant, Dal. (WR)	0	41	41
27t)	Austin, Dal. (WR)	0	40	40
<b>27t)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F. (WR)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>
29)	Bell, Det. (RB)	15	23	38
30)	Roberts, Ariz (WR)	2	35	37
31t)	Fitzgerald, Ariz (WR)	0	36	36
31t)	*Griffin III, Was. (QB)	36	0	36
33t)	Bush, Chi. (RB)	28	6	34
33t)	Murray, Dal. (RB)	26	8	34
33t)	Nicks, NY-G (WR)	0	34	34
33t)	Turner, Atl. (RB)	33	1	34
37t)	Gibson, St.L (WR)	0	33	33
37t)	Nelson, G.B. (WR)	0	33	33
37t)	Olsen, Car. (TE)	0	33	33
37t)	Pettigrew, Det. (TE)	0	33	33
37t)	Rice, Sea. (WR)	0	33	33
42t)	Amendola, St.L (WR)	0	31	31
42t)	Bennett, NY-G (TE)	0	31	31
42t)	*Brown, Phi. (RB)	29	2	31
42t)	F. Jones, Dal. (RB)	21	10	31
42t)	Ja. Jones, G.B. (WR)	0	31	31
42t)	Williams, T.B. (WR)	0	31	31
48t)	Jackson, Phi. (WR)	0	30	30
48t)	P. Thomas, N.O. (RB)	15	15	30
50t)	Maclin, Phi. (WR)	0	29	29
50t)	Rudolph, Min. (TE)	0	29	29

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012****NFL / LEADERS IN FIRST DOWNS**

Rank	Player, Team	Rush	Rec	Tot
1)	Foster, Hou. (RB)	68	8	76
2t)	C. Johnson, Det. (WR)	0	73	73
2t)	Peterson, Min. (RB)	64	9	73
4)	Ridley, N.E. (RB)	70	2	72
<b>5t)</b>	<b>Gore, S.F. (RB)</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>67</b>
5t)	Rice, Bal. (RB)	48	19	67
7)	Marshall, Chi. (WR)	0	66	66
8)	Wayne, Ind. (WR)	0	65	65
9t)	Lynch, Sea. (RB)	56	8	64
9t)	*Morris, Was. (RB)	62	2	64
11t)	Charles, K.C. (RB)	54	9	63
11t)	*Martin, T.B. (RB)	50	13	63
13)	White, Atl. (WR)	0	62	62
14)	A. Johnson, Hou. (WR)	0	60	60
15)	Gonzalez, Atl. (TE)	0	57	57
16)	Welker, N.E. (WR)	0	56	56
17t)	Green, Cin. (WR)	2	53	55
17t)	Spiller, Buf. (RB)	40	15	55
19)	McGahee, Den. (RB)	43	10	53
20t)	Colston, N.O. (WR)	0	52	52
20t)	Green-Ellis, Cin. (RB)	48	4	52
22)	Bradshaw, NY-G (RB)	45	6	51
23t)	Jackson, T.B. (WR)	0	50	50
23t)	D. Thomas, Den. (WR)	0	50	50
25t)	Cruz, NY-G (WR)	0	49	49
25t)	McCoy, Phi. (RB)	38	11	49
27)	Jackson, St.L (RB)	39	9	48
28t)	C. Johnson, Ten. (RB)	40	7	47
28t)	Jones, Atl. (WR)	2	45	47
28t)	*Richardson, Cle. (RB)	30	17	47
28t)	Witten, Dal. (TE)	0	47	47
32t)	Floyd, S.D. (WR)	0	45	45
32t)	Leshoure, Det. (RB)	36	9	45
32t)	Moore, N.O. (WR)	0	45	45
35t)	Cobb, G.B. (WR)	7	37	44
35t)	J. Graham, N.O. (TE)	0	44	44
37t)	Bowe, K.C. (WR)	0	43	43
37t)	Forte, Chi. (RB)	31	12	43
37t)	Gronkowski, N.E. (TE)	0	43	43
37t)	Newton, Car. (QB)	43	0	43
41t)	*Ballard, Ind. (RB)	35	7	42
41t)	Bush, Mia. (RB)	32	10	42
41t)	Greene, NY-J (RB)	40	2	42
41t)	Harvin, Min. (WR)	6	36	42
41t)	Mathews, S.D. (RB)	33	9	42
41t)	S. Smith, Car. (WR)	0	42	42
47t)	Bryant, Dal. (WR)	0	41	41
47t)	Hartline, Mia. (WR)	0	41	41
49t)	Austin, Dal. (WR)	0	40	40
<b>49t)</b>	<b>Crabtree, S.F. (WR)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>
49t)	St. Johnson, Buf. (WR)	0	40	40



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**AFC / LEADING PUNTERS**

Rank	Player, Team	No	Yards	Lg	Avg	TB	Blk	Dwn	OB	Opp Ret	In Yds	Net 20	Avg
1)	Fields, Mia.	64	3228	67	50.4	8	0	4	6	37	431	23	41.2
2)	Kern, Ten.	59	2884	71	48.9	4	1	8	10	29	272	23	42.2
3)	Scifres, S.D.	64	3121	66	48.8	6	2	13	4	32	287	27	41.1
4)	McAfee, Ind.	56	2730	64	48.8	6	0	8	4	26	338	18	40.6
5)	Koch, Bal.	67	3185	59	47.5	7	0	4	5	40	332	24	40.5
6)	*Anger, Jac.	77	3659	73	47.5	5	1	8	6	34	293	26	41.9
7)	Lechler, Oak.	66	3125	68	47.3	8	1	6	2	39	397	16	38.3
8)	Do. Jones, Hou.	76	3568	66	46.9	5	0	9	9	39	396	25	40.4
9)	Colquitt, Den.	53	2474	67	46.7	4	0	9	2	25	123	24	42.8
10)	Huber, Cin.	58	2700	69	46.6	4	0	14	8	23	192	25	41.9
11)	Malone, NY-J	68	3156	61	46.4	6	2	8	9	25	265	21	39.6
12)	Colquitt, K.C.	65	2993	68	46.0	5	0	12	7	25	355	37	39.0
13)	*Powell, Buf.	52	2299	62	44.2	2	0	6	12	22	299	20	37.7
14)	*Butler, Pit.	58	2548	79	43.9	2	1	10	4	24	263	21	38.1
15)	Mesko, N.E.	45	1940	62	43.1	6	1	9	1	15	89	22	37.6
16)	Hodges, Cle.	77	3230	57	41.9	3	0	11	12	28	313	25	37.1

**NFC / LEADING PUNTERS**

Rank	Player, Team	No	Yards	Lg	Avg	TB	Blk	Dwn	OB	Opp Ret	In Yds	Net 20	Avg
1)	Morstead, N.O.	58	2900	70	50.0	3	0	8	11	26	236	16	44.9
2)	McBriar, Phi.	43	2054	66	47.8	6	0	2	3	21	316	9	37.6
3)	Bosher, Atl.	48	2275	63	47.4	2	1	4	2	23	206	17	41.4
4)	<b>Lee, S.F.</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>2603</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>42.2</b>
5)	Ryan, Sea.	57	2660	73	46.7	2	0	7	8	27	244	27	41.7
6)	Zastudil, Ariz	89	4148	68	46.6	6	0	9	5	40	369	32	41.1
7)	Weatherford, NY-G	46	2133	68	46.4	6	0	4	4	27	283	17	37.6
8)	*Hekker, St.L	66	3014	68	45.7	3	0	3	16	35	358	19	39.3
9)	Koenen, T.B.	66	2969	64	45.0	6	1	6	8	33	360	19	37.1
10)	Kluwe, Min.	61	2725	59	44.7	2	0	11	4	34	268	15	39.6
11)	Rocca, Was.	56	2478	61	44.3	3	2	4	3	33	217	18	37.9
12)	Moorman, Buf.-Dal.	55	2418	66	44.0	1	0	5	17	24	350	20	37.2
13)	Masthay, G.B.	59	2588	65	43.9	5	1	7	5	18	89	28	40.0
14)	*Nortman, Car.	66	2813	63	42.6	5	1	8	4	31	294	18	36.1
15)	Podlesh, Chi.	61	2547	55	41.8	4	0	15	7	19	75	24	39.2
16)	Harris, Det.	52	2106	58	40.5	1	0	8	5	18	172	16	36.8

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Rank	Player, Team	No	Yards	Lg	Avg	TB	Blk	Dwn	OB	Opp Ret	In Yds	Net 20	Avg
1)	Fields, Mia.	64	3228	67	50.4	8	0	4	6	37	431	23	41.2
2)	Morstead, N.O.	58	2900	70	50.0	3	0	8	11	26	236	16	44.9
3)	Kern, Ten.	59	2884	71	48.9	4	1	8	10	29	272	23	42.2
4)	Scifres, S.D.	64	3121	66	48.8	6	2	13	4	32	287	27	41.1
5)	McAfee, Ind.	56	2730	64	48.8	6	0	8	4	26	338	18	40.6
6)	McBriar, Phi.	43	2054	66	47.8	6	0	2	3	21	316	9	37.6
7)	Koch, Bal.	67	3185	59	47.5	7	0	4	5	40	332	24	40.5
8)	*Anger, Jac.	77	3659	73	47.5	5	1	8	6	34	293	26	41.9
9)	Bosher, Atl.	48	2275	63	47.4	2	1	4	2	23	206	17	41.4
10)	Lechler, Oak.	66	3125	68	47.3	8	1	6	2	39	397	16	38.3
11)	<b>Lee, S.F.</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>2603</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>42.2</b>
12)	Do. Jones, Hou.	76	3568	66	46.9	5	0	9	9	39	396	25	40.4
13)	Colquitt, Den.	53	2474	67	46.7	4	0	9	2	25	123	24	42.8
14)	Ryan, Sea.	57	2660	73	46.7	2	0	7	8	27	244	27	41.7
15)	Zastudil, Ariz	89	4148	68	46.6	6	0	9	5	40	369	32	41.1
16)	Huber, Cin.	58	2700	69	46.6	4	0	14	8	23	192	25	41.9
17)	Malone, NY-J	68	3156	61	46.4	6	2	8	9	25	265	21	39.6
18)	Weatherford, NY-G	46	2133	68	46.4	6	0	4	4	27	283	17	37.6
19)	Colquitt, K.C.	65	2993	68	46.0	5	0	12	7	25	355	37	39.0
20)	*Hekker, St.L	66	3014	68	45.7	3	0	3	16	35	358	19	39.3
21)	Koenen, T.B.	66	2969	64	45.0	6	1	6	8	33	360	19	37.1
22)	Kluwe, Min.	61	2725	59	44.7	2	0	11	4	34	268	15	39.6
23)	Rocca, Was.	56	2478	61	44.3	3	2	4	3	33	217	18	37.9
24)	*Powell, Buf.	52	2299	62	44.2	2	0	6	12	22	299	20	37.7
25)	Moorman, Buf.-Dal.	55	2418	66	44.0	1	0	5	17	24	350	20	37.2
26)	*Butler, Pit.	58	2548	79	43.9	2	1	10	4	24	263	21	38.1
27)	Masthay, G.B.	59	2588	65	43.9	5	1	7	5	18	89	28	40.0
28)	Mesko, N.E.	45	1940	62	43.1	6	1	9	1	15	89	22	37.6
29)	*Nortman, Car.	66	2813	63	42.6	5	1	8	4	31	294	18	36.1
30)	Hodges, Cle.	77	3230	57	41.9	3	0	11	12	28	313	25	37.1
31)	Podlesh, Chi.	61	2547	55	41.8	4	0	15	7	19	75	24	39.2
32)	Harris, Det.	52	2106	58	40.5	1	0	8	5	18	172	16	36.8

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Rank	Player, Team	No	Yards	Lg	Avg	TB	Blk	Dwn	OB	Opp Ret	In	Net
1)	Colquitt, Den.	53	2474	67	46.7	4	0	9	2	25	123	24 42.8
2)	Kern, Ten.	59	2884	71	48.9	4	1	8	10	29	272	23 42.2
3)	*Anger, Jac.	77	3659	73	47.5	5	1	8	6	34	293	26 41.9
4)	Huber, Cin.	58	2700	69	46.6	4	0	14	8	23	192	25 41.9
5)	Fields, Mia.	64	3228	67	50.4	8	0	4	6	37	431	23 41.2
6)	Scifres, S.D.	64	3121	66	48.8	6	2	13	4	32	287	27 41.1
7)	McAfee, Ind.	56	2730	64	48.8	6	0	8	4	26	338	18 40.6
8)	Koch, Bal.	67	3185	59	47.5	7	0	4	5	40	332	24 40.5
9)	Do. Jones, Hou.	76	3568	66	46.9	5	0	9	9	39	396	25 40.4
10)	Malone, NY-J	68	3156	61	46.4	6	2	8	9	25	265	21 39.6
11)	Colquitt, K.C.	65	2993	68	46.0	5	0	12	7	25	355	37 39.0
12)	Lechler, Oak.	66	3125	68	47.3	8	1	6	2	39	397	16 38.3
13)	*Butler, Pit.	58	2548	79	43.9	2	1	10	4	24	263	21 38.1
14)	*Powell, Buf.	52	2299	62	44.2	2	0	6	12	22	299	20 37.7
15)	Mesko, N.E.	45	1940	62	43.1	6	1	9	1	15	89	22 37.6
16)	Hodges, Cle.	77	3230	57	41.9	3	0	11	12	28	313	25 37.1

**NFC / LEADING PUNTERS, NET AVERAGE**

Rank	Player, Team	No	Yards	Lg	Avg	TB	Blk	Dwn	OB	Opp Ret	In	Net
1)	Morstead, N.O.	58	2900	70	50.0	3	0	8	11	26	236	16 44.9
2)	<b>Lee, S.F.</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>2603</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>31 42.2</b>
3)	Ryan, Sea.	57	2660	73	46.7	2	0	7	8	27	244	27 41.7
4)	Bosher, Atl.	48	2275	63	47.4	2	1	4	2	23	206	17 41.4
5)	Zastudil, Ariz	89	4148	68	46.6	6	0	9	5	40	369	32 41.1
6)	Masthay, G.B.	59	2588	65	43.9	5	1	7	5	18	89	28 40.0
7)	Kluwe, Min.	61	2725	59	44.7	2	0	11	4	34	268	15 39.6
8)	*Hekker, St.L	66	3014	68	45.7	3	0	3	16	35	358	19 39.3
9)	Podlesh, Chi.	61	2547	55	41.8	4	0	15	7	19	75	24 39.2
10)	Rocca, Was.	56	2478	61	44.3	3	2	4	3	33	217	18 37.9
11)	McBriar, Phi.	43	2054	66	47.8	6	0	2	3	21	316	9 37.6
12)	Weatherford, NY-G	46	2133	68	46.4	6	0	4	4	27	283	17 37.6
13)	Moorman, Buf.-Dal.	55	2418	66	44.0	1	0	5	17	24	350	20 37.2
14)	Koenen, T.B.	66	2969	64	45.0	6	1	6	8	33	360	19 37.1
15)	Harris, Det.	52	2106	58	40.5	1	0	8	5	18	172	16 36.8
16)	*Nortman, Car.	66	2813	63	42.6	5	1	8	4	31	294	18 36.1

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Rank	Player, Team	No	Yards	Lg	Avg	TB	Blk	Dwn	OB	Opp Ret	In	Net
1)	Morstead, N.O.	58	2900	70	50.0	3	0	8	11	26	236	16 44.9
2)	Colquitt, Den.	53	2474	67	46.7	4	0	9	2	25	123	24 42.8
3t)	Kern, Ten.	59	2884	71	48.9	4	1	8	10	29	272	23 42.2
3t)	<b>Lee, S.F.</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>2603</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>31 42.2</b>
5)	*Anger, Jac.	77	3659	73	47.5	5	1	8	6	34	293	26 41.9
6)	Huber, Cin.	58	2700	69	46.6	4	0	14	8	23	192	25 41.9
7)	Ryan, Sea.	57	2660	73	46.7	2	0	7	8	27	244	27 41.7
8)	Bosher, Atl.	48	2275	63	47.4	2	1	4	2	23	206	17 41.4
9)	Fields, Mia.	64	3228	67	50.4	8	0	4	6	37	431	23 41.2
10)	Scifres, S.D.	64	3121	66	48.8	6	2	13	4	32	287	27 41.1
11)	Zastudil, Ariz	89	4148	68	46.6	6	0	9	5	40	369	32 41.1
12)	McAfee, Ind.	56	2730	64	48.8	6	0	8	4	26	338	18 40.6
13)	Koch, Bal.	67	3185	59	47.5	7	0	4	5	40	332	24 40.5
14)	Do. Jones, Hou.	76	3568	66	46.9	5	0	9	9	39	396	25 40.4
15)	Masthay, G.B.	59	2588	65	43.9	5	1	7	5	18	89	28 40.0
16)	Kluwe, Min.	61	2725	59	44.7	2	0	11	4	34	268	15 39.6
17)	Malone, NY-J	68	3156	61	46.4	6	2	8	9	25	265	21 39.6
18)	*Hekker, St.L	66	3014	68	45.7	3	0	3	16	35	358	19 39.3
19)	Podlesh, Chi.	61	2547	55	41.8	4	0	15	7	19	75	24 39.2
20)	Colquitt, K.C.	65	2993	68	46.0	5	0	12	7	25	355	37 39.0
21)	Lechler, Oak.	66	3125	68	47.3	8	1	6	2	39	397	16 38.3
22)	*Butler, Pit.	58	2548	79	43.9	2	1	10	4	24	263	21 38.1
23)	Rocca, Was.	56	2478	61	44.3	3	2	4	3	33	217	18 37.9
24)	*Powell, Buf.	52	2299	62	44.2	2	0	6	12	22	299	20 37.7
25)	Mesko, N.E.	45	1940	62	43.1	6	1	9	1	15	89	22 37.6
26)	McBriar, Phi.	43	2054	66	47.8	6	0	2	3	21	316	9 37.6
27)	Weatherford, NY-G	46	2133	68	46.4	6	0	4	4	27	283	17 37.6
28)	Moorman, Buf.-Dal.	55	2418	66	44.0	1	0	5	17	24	350	20 37.2
29)	Koenen, T.B.	66	2969	64	45.0	6	1	6	8	33	360	19 37.1
30)	Hodges, Cle.	77	3230	57	41.9	3	0	11	12	28	313	25 37.1
31)	Harris, Det.	52	2106	58	40.5	1	0	8	5	18	172	16 36.8
32)	*Nortman, Car.	66	2813	63	42.6	5	1	8	4	31	294	18 36.1

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Rank	Player, Team	Ret	FC	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	McKelvin, Buf.	23	14	431	18.7	88t	2
2)	Edelman, N.E.	17	1	263	15.5	68t	1
3)	A. Jones, Cin.	19	0	272	14.3	81t	1
4)	Cribbs, Cle.	33	3	424	12.8	60	0
5)	*Martin, Hou.	17	8	216	12.7	71	0
6)	Thigpen, Mia.	23	1	276	12.0	72t	1
7)	*Hilton, Ind.	23	17	263	11.4	75t	1
8)	Holliday, Hou.-Den.	40	10	446	11.2	76t	1
9)	J. Jones, Bal.	25	13	267	10.7	63t	1
10)	Reynaud, Ten.	25	13	235	9.4	27	0
11)	Tate, Cin.	19	6	170	8.9	32	0
12)	Arenas, K.C.	32	4	286	8.9	27	0
13)	Adams, Oak.	23	9	139	6.0	47	0
14)	A. Brown, Pit.	21	5	116	5.5	23	0

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Rank	Player, Team	Ret	FC	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	*D. Johnson, Phi.	22	20	271	12.3	98t	1
2)	Cobb, G.B.	25	19	255	10.2	75t	1
<b>3)</b>	<b>Ginn, S.F.</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>
4)	Logan, Det.	31	16	300	9.7	48	0
5)	Parrish, T.B.	23	10	217	9.4	30	0
6)	Washington, Sea.	34	15	297	8.7	52	0
7)	Hester, Chi.	31	6	265	8.5	44	0
8)	Peterson, Ariz	42	8	349	8.3	26	0
9)	Sherels, Min.	23	25	186	8.1	77t	1
10t)	Franks, Atl.	18	17	144	8.0	28	0
10t)	Sproles, N.O.	17	11	136	8.0	21	0
12)	Banks, Was.	26	5	178	6.8	27	0

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7)	Thigpen, Mia.	23	1	276	12.0	72t	1
8)	*Hilton, Ind.	23	17	263	11.4	75t	1
9)	Holliday, Hou.-Den.	40	10	446	11.2	76t	1
10)	J. Jones, Bal.	25	13	267	10.7	63t	1
11)	Cobb, G.B.	25	19	255	10.2	75t	1
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13)	Logan, Det.	31	16	300	9.7	48	0
14)	Parrish, T.B.	23	10	217	9.4	30	0
15)	Reynaud, Ten.	25	13	235	9.4	27	0
16)	Tate, Cin.	19	6	170	8.9	32	0
17)	Arenas, K.C.	32	4	286	8.9	27	0
18)	Washington, Sea.	34	15	297	8.7	52	0
19)	Hester, Chi.	31	6	265	8.5	44	0
20)	Peterson, Ariz	42	8	349	8.3	26	0
21)	Sherels, Min.	23	25	186	8.1	77t	1
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22t)	Sproles, N.O.	17	11	136	8.0	21	0
24)	Banks, Was.	26	5	178	6.8	27	0
25)	Adams, Oak.	23	9	139	6.0	47	0
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1)	J. Jones, Bal.	26	863	33.2	108t	2
2)	Thigpen, Mia.	31	910	29.4	96t	1
3)	McKnight, NY-J	29	823	28.4	100t	1
4)	McKelvin, Buf.	18	510	28.3	59	0
5)	Holliday, Hou.-Den.	19	526	27.7	105t	1
6)	Cribbs, Cle.	32	885	27.7	74	0
7)	Goodman, S.D.	18	497	27.6	39	0
8)	*Rainey, Pit.	34	889	26.1	68	0
9)	Tate, Cin.	27	677	25.1	45	0
10)	McCourty, N.E.	22	547	24.9	104t	1
11)	Reynaud, Ten.	42	1031	24.5	105t	1
12)	Francies, Oak.	18	429	23.8	32	0
13)	*Martin, Hou.	23	546	23.7	54	0
14)	Draughn, K.C.	23	537	23.3	41	0

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1)	Washington, Sea.	19	593	31.2	98t	1
2)	*Wilson, NY-G	48	1321	27.5	97t	1
3)	Jac. Rodgers, Atl.	18	484	26.9	77	0
4)	*Cadet, N.O.	23	613	26.7	75	0
5)	Cobb, G.B.	36	927	25.8	46	0
6)	Hester, Chi.	18	459	25.5	38	0
7)	*Givens, St.L	17	420	24.7	48	0
8)	Powell, Ariz	21	507	24.1	65	0
9)	Banks, Was.	22	527	24.0	55	0
10)	*Boykin, Phi.	36	823	22.9	44	0
11)	Logan, Det.	22	481	21.9	40	0

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1)	J. Jones, Bal.	26	863	33.2	108t	2
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4)	McKnight, NY-J	29	823	28.4	100t	1
5)	McKelvin, Buf.	18	510	28.3	59	0
6)	Holliday, Hou.-Den.	19	526	27.7	105t	1
7)	Cribbs, Cle.	32	885	27.7	74	0
8)	Goodman, S.D.	18	497	27.6	39	0
9)	*Wilson, NY-G	48	1321	27.5	97t	1
10)	Jac. Rodgers, Atl.	18	484	26.9	77	0
11)	*Cadet, N.O.	23	613	26.7	75	0
12)	*Rainey, Pit.	34	889	26.1	68	0
13)	Cobb, G.B.	36	927	25.8	46	0
14)	Hester, Chi.	18	459	25.5	38	0
15)	Tate, Cin.	27	677	25.1	45	0
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18)	Reynaud, Ten.	42	1031	24.5	105t	1
19)	Powell, Ariz	21	507	24.1	65	0
20)	Banks, Was.	22	527	24.0	55	0
21)	Francies, Oak.	18	429	23.8	32	0
22)	*Martin, Hou.	23	546	23.7	54	0
23)	Draughn, K.C.	23	537	23.3	41	0
24)	*Boykin, Phi.	36	823	22.9	44	0
25)	Logan, Det.	22	481	21.9	40	0

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Rank	Player, Team	Int	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Byrd, Buf.	5	81	16.2	45	0
2t)	Ca. Williams, Bal.	4	90	22.5	63t	1
2t)	*Wilson, N.E.	4	87	21.8	45	0
2t)	E. Reed, Bal.	4	78	19.5	34t	1
2t)	Jackson, Hou.	4	71	17.8	63t	1
2t)	McCourty, N.E.	4	53	13.3	34	0
7t)	*Dennard, N.E.	3	95	31.7	87t	1
7t)	Timmons, Pit.	3	80	26.7	53t	1
7t)	Butler, Ind.	3	69	23.0	51	1
7t)	Haden, Cle.	3	64	21.3	50	0
7t)	Cromartie, NY-J	3	53	17.7	40t	1
7t)	Crocker, Cin.	3	52	17.3	29	0
7t)	Weddle, S.D.	3	52	17.3	23t	1
7t)	B. Scott, Buf.	3	46	15.3	32	0
7t)	Woodyard, Den.	3	40	13.3	25	0
7t)	Flowers, K.C.	3	28	9.3	29	0
7t)	S. Brown, Cle.	3	20	6.7	19t	1
7t)	R. Jones, Mia.	3	20	6.7	15	0
7t)	Posluszny, Jac.	3	20	6.7	13	0
7t)	Cox, Jac.	3	18	6.0	16	0
21t)	Williams, S.D.	2	90	45.0	59t	2
21t)	Jammer, S.D.	2	89	44.5	80t	1
21t)	Joseph, Hou.	2	88	44.0	52t	1
21t)	Manning, Hou.	2	59	29.5	55t	1
21t)	Talib, T.B.-N.E.	2	59	29.5	59t	1
21t)	T. Carter, Den.	2	55	27.5	40t	1
21t)	Routt, K.C.-Hou.	2	49	24.5	32	0
21t)	Harris, Den.	2	46	23.0	46t	1
21t)	Giordano, Oak.	2	45	22.5	24	0
21t)	U. Young, Cle.	2	44	22.0	44	0
21t)	Landry, NY-J	2	42	21.0	24	1
21t)	Gregory, N.E.	2	37	18.5	36	0
21t)	Cason, S.D.	2	34	17.0	31	0
21t)	D. Jackson, Cle.	2	31	15.5	27t	1
21t)	Smith, Mia.	2	31	15.5	31	0
21t)	Clemons, Mia.	2	29	14.5	29	0
21t)	Clark, Pit.	2	26	13.0	26	0
21t)	Quin, Hou.	2	22	11.0	22	0
21t)	Graham, Bal.	2	20	10.0	20	0
21t)	Bailey, Den.	2	18	9.0	18	0
21t)	Verner, Ten.	2	11	5.5	11	0
21t)	Robertson, Cle.	2	1	0.5	1	0
21t)	Adams, Oak.	2	0	0.0	0	0
21t)	Huff, Oak.	2	0	0.0	0	0
21t)	Lankster, NY-J	2	0	0.0	0	0
21t)	Leonhard, Den.	2	0	0.0	0	0
21t)	McCourty, Ten.	2	0	0.0	0	0
21t)	Nelson, Cin.	2	0	0.0	0	0
21t)	Newman, Cin.	2	0	0.0	0	0

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Rank	Player, Team	Int	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Jennings, Chi.	8	74	9.3	25t	1
2)	S. Brown, NY-G	7	259	37.0	70	0
3t)	Sherman, Sea.	6	48	8.0	29	1
3t)	Peterson, Ariz	6	33	5.5	18	0
5t)	*Hayward, G.B.	5	57	11.4	20	0
5t)	DeCoud, Atl.	5	37	7.4	24	0
7t)	Barber, T.B.	4	160	40.0	78t	1
7t)	Hall, Was.	4	62	15.5	27	0
7t)	Moore, Atl.	4	51	12.8	33	0
7t)	Webster, NY-G	4	45	11.3	38	0
7t)	Wright, Chi.	4	45	11.3	45t	1
7t)	Rhodes, Ariz	4	39	9.8	30	0
13t)	*Jenkins, St.L	3	109	36.3	39t	2
13t)	P. Robinson, N.O.	3	99	33.0	99t	1
13t)	*Smith, Min.	3	87	29.0	56t	2
13t)	*L. Johnson, T.B.	3	86	28.7	83t	1
13t)	Boley, NY-G	3	74	24.7	51	0
13t)	Finnegan, St.L	3	68	22.7	32	1
13t)	*Wagner, Sea.	3	55	18.3	45	0
13t)	Browner, Sea.	3	39	13.0	35	0
13t)	Winfield, Min.	3	37	12.3	31	0
<b>13t)</b>	<b>Goldson, S.F.</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>
13t)	Rodgers-Cromarti, Phi.	3	14	4.7	14	0
13t)	Fletcher, Was.	3	12	4.0	10	0
25t)	Briggs, Chi.	2	110	55.0	74t	2
25t)	Munnerlyn, Car.	2	107	53.5	74t	2
25t)	Samuel, Atl.	2	92	46.0	79t	1
25t)	Carr, Dal.	2	84	42.0	47t	1
25t)	Conte, Chi.	2	70	35.0	35	0
25t)	*Robinson, Min.	2	68	34.0	44	0
25t)	Dunbar, St.L	2	63	31.5	42	0
25t)	Tillman, Chi.	2	61	30.5	36t	2
25t)	Carey, Det.	2	51	25.5	28	0
25t)	Rolle, NY-G	2	42	21.0	22	0
25t)	Harper, N.O.	2	41	20.5	41	0
25t)	Nakamura, Car.	2	39	19.5	21	0
25t)	T. Williams, G.B.	2	38	19.0	38	0
25t)	A. Black, T.B.	2	34	17.0	34	0
25t)	Shields, G.B.	2	32	16.0	32	0
25t)	Thomas, Sea.	2	23	11.5	23	0
25t)	Coleman, Phi.	2	13	6.5	7	0
25t)	Gay, Ariz	2	7	3.5	6	0
<b>25t)</b>	<b>Culliver, S.F.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
25t)	Acho, Ariz	2	2	1.0	2	0
25t)	Houston, Det.	2	2	1.0	2	0
25t)	Moore, Chi.	2	2	1.0	2	0
25t)	Burnett, G.B.	2	1	0.5	1	0
25t)	R. Jackson, Was.	2	0	0.0	0t	1

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Rank	Player, Team	Int	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Jennings, Chi.	8	74	9.3	25t	1
2)	S. Brown, NY-G	7	259	37.0	70	0
3t)	Sherman, Sea.	6	48	8.0	29	1
3t)	Peterson, Ariz	6	33	5.5	18	0
5t)	Byrd, Buf.	5	81	16.2	45	0
5t)	*Hayward, G.B.	5	57	11.4	20	0
5t)	DeCoud, Atl.	5	37	7.4	24	0
8t)	Barber, T.B.	4	160	40.0	78t	1
8t)	Ca. Williams, Bal.	4	90	22.5	63t	1
8t)	*Wilson, N.E.	4	87	21.8	45	0
8t)	E. Reed, Bal.	4	78	19.5	34t	1
8t)	Jackson, Hou.	4	71	17.8	63t	1
8t)	Hall, Was.	4	62	15.5	27	0
8t)	McCourty, N.E.	4	53	13.3	34	0
8t)	Moore, Atl.	4	51	12.8	33	0
8t)	Webster, NY-G	4	45	11.3	38	0
8t)	Wright, Chi.	4	45	11.3	45t	1
8t)	Rhodes, Ariz	4	39	9.8	30	0
19t)	*Jenkins, St.L	3	109	36.3	39t	2
19t)	P. Robinson, N.O.	3	99	33.0	99t	1
19t)	*Dennard, N.E.	3	95	31.7	87t	1
19t)	*Smith, Min.	3	87	29.0	56t	2
19t)	*L. Johnson, T.B.	3	86	28.7	83t	1
19t)	Timmons, Pit.	3	80	26.7	53t	1
19t)	Boley, NY-G	3	74	24.7	51	0
19t)	Butler, Ind.	3	69	23.0	51	1
19t)	Finnegan, St.L	3	68	22.7	32	1
19t)	Haden, Cle.	3	64	21.3	50	0
19t)	*Wagner, Sea.	3	55	18.3	45	0
19t)	Cromartie, NY-J	3	53	17.7	40t	1
19t)	Crocker, Cin.	3	52	17.3	29	0
19t)	Weddle, S.D.	3	52	17.3	23t	1
19t)	B. Scott, Buf.	3	46	15.3	32	0
19t)	Woodyard, Den.	3	40	13.3	25	0
19t)	Browner, Sea.	3	39	13.0	35	0
19t)	Winfield, Min.	3	37	12.3	31	0
19t)	Flowers, K.C.	3	28	9.3	29	0
<b>19t)</b>	<b>Goldson, S.F.</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>
19t)	S. Brown, Cle.	3	20	6.7	19t	1
19t)	R. Jones, Mia.	3	20	6.7	15	0
19t)	Posluszny, Jac.	3	20	6.7	13	0
19t)	Cox, Jac.	3	18	6.0	16	0
19t)	Rodgers-Cromarti, Phi.	3	14	4.7	14	0
19t)	Fletcher, Was.	3	12	4.0	10	0

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012****AFC / LEADERS IN SACKS**

Rank	Player, Team	Sacks
1)	Watt, Hou. (DE)	16.5
2)	Miller, Den. (LB)	16.0
3)	Wake, Mia. (DE)	14.0
4t)	Atkins, Cin. (DT)	10.5
4t)	M. Williams, Buf. (DE)	10.5
6)	Houston, K.C. (LB)	10.0
7)	Johnson, Cin. (DE)	8.5
8t)	Dumervil, Den. (DE)	8.0
8t)	Hali, K.C. (LB)	8.0
8t)	Kruger, Bal. (LB)	8.0
11t)	Mathis, Ind. (LB)	7.0
11t)	Phillips, S.D. (LB)	7.0
13t)	Babin, Phi.-Jac. (DE)	6.5
13t)	Ninkovich, N.E. (DE)	6.5
15t)	*Jones, N.E. (DE)	6.0
15t)	*Mercilus, Hou. (LB)	6.0
17t)	Liuget, S.D. (DE)	5.0
17t)	Parker, Cle. (DE)	5.0
17t)	A. Smith, Hou. (DE)	5.0
17t)	Ky. Williams, Buf. (DT)	5.0
17t)	Wimbley, Ten. (DE)	5.0
17t)	Worilds, Pit. (LB)	5.0
23t)	Dunlap, Cin. (DE)	4.5
23t)	Ellerbe, Bal. (LB)	4.5
23t)	A. Jones, Bal. (DE)	4.5
23t)	Starks, Mia. (DT)	4.5
27t)	Ayers, Ten. (LB)	4.0
27t)	Foote, Pit. (LB)	4.0
27t)	Gilberry, T.B.-Cin. (DE)	4.0
27t)	Harrison, Pit. (LB)	4.0
27t)	J. Hughes, Ind. (LB)	4.0
27t)	Ngata, Bal. (DE)	4.0
27t)	Odrick, Mia. (DE)	4.0
27t)	Rucker, Cle. (DE)	4.0
27t)	Sheard, Cle. (DE)	4.0
27t)	Wilkerson, NY-J (DE)	4.0
27t)	Woodley, Pit. (LB)	4.0
27t)	Woodyard, Den. (LB)	4.0
39t)	Dareus, Buf. (DT)	3.5
39t)	D. Jackson, Cle. (LB)	3.5
39t)	Misi, Mia. (LB)	3.5
39t)	Morgan, Ten. (DE)	3.5
39t)	Shaughnessy, Oak. (DE)	3.5
44t)	Barnes, S.D. (LB)	3.0
44t)	*Coples, NY-J (DE)	3.0
44t)	Geathers, Cin. (DE)	3.0
44t)	Harris, NY-J (LB)	3.0
44t)	*Hightower, N.E. (LB)	3.0
44t)	Hood, Pit. (DE)	3.0
44t)	Houston, Oak. (DE)	3.0
44t)	*Hughes, Cle. (DT)	3.0
44t)	Jackson, K.C. (DE)	3.0
44t)	Keisel, Pit. (DE)	3.0
44t)	Klug, Ten. (DT)	3.0
44t)	Mayo, N.E. (LB)	3.0
44t)	Moore, Buf. (DE)	3.0
44t)	Seymour, Oak. (DT)	3.0
44t)	*Wolfe, Den. (DE)	3.0



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Rank	Player, Team	Sacks
<b>1)</b>	<b>Ald. Smith, S.F. (LB)</b>	<b>19.5</b>
2)	Ware, Dal. (LB)	11.0
3)	Abraham, Atl. (DE)	10.0
4t)	Avril, Det. (DE)	9.5
4t)	Quinn, St.L (DE)	9.5
6t)	Allen, Min. (DE)	9.0
6t)	Bennett, T.B. (DE)	9.0
6t)	Clemons, Sea. (DE)	9.0
6t)	Hardy, Car. (DE)	9.0
6t)	Matthews, G.B. (LB)	9.0
6t)	Washington, Ariz (LB)	9.0
12t)	Johnson, Car. (DE)	8.5
12t)	Spencer, Dal. (LB)	8.5
14)	*Irvin, Sea. (DE)	8.0
15)	Long, St.L (DE)	7.5
16t)	Jordan, N.O. (DE)	7.0
16t)	Peppers, Chi. (DE)	7.0
18t)	Kerrigan, Was. (LB)	6.5
18t)	Pierre-Paul, NY-G (DE)	6.5
18t)	Robison, Min. (DE)	6.5
21t)	Melton, Chi. (DT)	6.0
21t)	Umenyiora, NY-G (DE)	6.0
<b>23t)</b>	<b>Brooks, S.F. (LB)</b>	<b>5.5</b>
23t)	Fairley, Det. (DT)	5.5
23t)	Idonije, Chi. (DE)	5.5
23t)	Suh, Det. (DT)	5.5
23t)	Wootton, Chi. (DE)	5.5
28t)	D. Edwards, Car. (DT)	5.0
28t)	Griffen, Min. (DE)	5.0
28t)	McCoy, T.B. (DT)	5.0
28t)	Smith, N.O. (DE)	5.0
32t)	Acho, Ariz (LB)	4.0
32t)	*Brockers, St.L (DT)	4.0
32t)	*Cox, Phi. (DT)	4.0
32t)	Galette, N.O. (DT)	4.0
32t)	Groves, Ariz (LB)	4.0
32t)	Hatcher, Dal. (DE)	4.0
32t)	Hayes, St.L (DE)	4.0
32t)	Joseph, NY-G (DT)	4.0
32t)	Schofield, Ariz (LB)	4.0
41t)	Babineaux, Atl. (DT)	3.5
41t)	Campbell, Ariz (DE)	3.5
41t)	Dunbar, St.L (LB)	3.5
41t)	R. Jackson, Was. (LB)	3.5
41t)	Vanden Bosch, Det. (DE)	3.5
46t)	Biermann, Atl. (DE)	3.0
46t)	Blackburn, NY-G (LB)	3.0
46t)	V. Butler, Dal. (LB)	3.0
46t)	Graham, Phi. (DE)	3.0
46t)	Jenkins, Phi. (DT)	3.0
46t)	Kiwanuka, NY-G (LB)	3.0
46t)	Mebane, Sea. (DT)	3.0
46t)	*Moses, G.B. (LB)	3.0
<b>46t)</b>	<b>J. Smith, S.F. (DE)</b>	<b>3.0</b>
46t)	Te'o-Nesheim, T.B. (DE)	3.0
46t)	Tuck, NY-G (DE)	3.0
46t)	Walden, G.B. (LB)	3.0
46t)	Walker, Atl. (DE)	3.0
46t)	Weatherspoon, Atl. (LB)	3.0
46t)	Wilson, N.O. (DE)	3.0

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Rank	Player, Team	Sacks
<b>1)</b>	<b>Ald. Smith, S.F. (LB)</b>	<b>19.5</b>
2)	Watt, Hou. (DE)	16.5
3)	Miller, Den. (LB)	16.0
4)	Wake, Mia. (DE)	14.0
5)	Ware, Dal. (LB)	11.0
6t)	Atkins, Cin. (DT)	10.5
6t)	M. Williams, Buf. (DE)	10.5
8t)	Abraham, Atl. (DE)	10.0
8t)	Houston, K.C. (LB)	10.0
10t)	Avril, Det. (DE)	9.5
10t)	Quinn, St.L (DE)	9.5
12t)	Allen, Min. (DE)	9.0
12t)	Bennett, T.B. (DE)	9.0
12t)	Clemons, Sea. (DE)	9.0
12t)	Hardy, Car. (DE)	9.0
12t)	Matthews, G.B. (LB)	9.0
12t)	Washington, Ariz (LB)	9.0
18t)	Johnson, Car. (DE)	8.5
18t)	Johnson, Cin. (DE)	8.5
18t)	Spencer, Dal. (LB)	8.5
21t)	Dumervil, Den. (DE)	8.0
21t)	Hali, K.C. (LB)	8.0
21t)	*Irvin, Sea. (DE)	8.0
21t)	Kruger, Bal. (LB)	8.0
25)	Long, St.L (DE)	7.5
26t)	Jordan, N.O. (DE)	7.0
26t)	Mathis, Ind. (LB)	7.0
26t)	Peppers, Chi. (DE)	7.0
26t)	Phillips, S.D. (LB)	7.0
30t)	Babin, Phi.-Jac. (DE)	6.5
30t)	Kerrigan, Was. (LB)	6.5
30t)	Ninkovich, N.E. (DE)	6.5
30t)	Pierre-Paul, NY-G (DE)	6.5
30t)	Robison, Min. (DE)	6.5
35t)	*Jones, N.E. (DE)	6.0
35t)	Melton, Chi. (DT)	6.0
35t)	*Mercilus, Hou. (LB)	6.0
35t)	Umenyiora, NY-G (DE)	6.0
<b>39t)</b>	<b>Brooks, S.F. (LB)</b>	<b>5.5</b>
39t)	Fairley, Det. (DT)	5.5
39t)	Idonije, Chi. (DE)	5.5
39t)	Suh, Det. (DT)	5.5
39t)	Wootton, Chi. (DE)	5.5
44t)	D. Edwards, Car. (DT)	5.0
44t)	Griffen, Min. (DE)	5.0
44t)	Liuget, S.D. (DE)	5.0
44t)	McCoy, T.B. (DT)	5.0
44t)	Parker, Cle. (DE)	5.0
44t)	A. Smith, Hou. (DE)	5.0
44t)	Smith, N.O. (DE)	5.0
44t)	Ky. Williams, Buf. (DT)	5.0
44t)	Wimbley, Ten. (DE)	5.0
44t)	Worilds, Pit. (LB)	5.0

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Rank	Player, Team	TotRec	OffRec	DefRec
1t)	Ninkovich, N.E.	4	0	4
1t)	Wilfork, N.E.	4	0	4
3t)	Dobbins, Hou.	3	0	3
3t)	Dunlap, Cin.	3	0	3
3t)	Greene, NY-J	3	3	0
3t)	Jammer, S.D.	3	0	3
3t)	Mosley, Jac.	3	0	3
3t)	E. Reed, Bal.	3	0	3
3t)	*Richardson, Cle.	3	3	0
3t)	Roethlisberger, Pit.	3	3	0
11t)	Adams, Den.	2	0	2
11t)	*Allen, Ind.	2	2	0
11t)	*Ballard, Ind.	2	2	0
11t)	Barnes, S.D.	2	0	2
11t)	Y. Bell, NY-J	2	0	2
11t)	Britt, Ten.	2	2	0
11t)	S. Brown, Cle.	2	0	2
11t)	*Burfict, Cin.	2	0	2
11t)	Byrd, Buf.	2	0	2
11t)	T. Carter, Den.	2	1	1
11t)	Cribbs, Cle.	2	2	0
11t)	Cunningham, N.E.	2	0	2
11t)	Fitzpatrick, Buf.	2	2	0
11t)	Foote, Pit.	2	0	2
11t)	Gilberry, T.B.-Cin.	2	0	2
11t)	Gregory, N.E.	2	0	2
11t)	Hanson, Oak.	2	0	2
11t)	Hardesty, Cle.	2	2	0
11t)	Hasselbeck, Ten.	2	2	0
11t)	Incognito, Mia.	2	2	0
11t)	D. Jackson, Cle.	2	0	2
11t)	Jones, K.C.	2	0	2
11t)	Jones, Oak.	2	2	0
11t)	*Lane, Mia.	2	2	0
11t)	*Luck, Ind.	2	2	0
11t)	McClellan, Bal.	2	0	2
11t)	McMichael, S.D.	2	2	0
11t)	Palmer, Oak.	2	2	0
11t)	Phillips, S.D.	2	0	2
11t)	Robertson, Cle.	2	0	2
11t)	Sanchez, NY-J	2	2	0
11t)	Schaub, Hou.	2	2	0
11t)	B. Scott, Buf.	2	0	2
11t)	Stuckey, S.D.	2	1	1
11t)	Tate, Cin.	2	2	0
11t)	*Upshaw, Bal.	2	0	2
11t)	Watt, Hou.	2	0	2
11t)	Weddle, S.D.	2	2	0
11t)	M. Williams, Buf.	2	0	2
11t)	*Wilson, N.E.	2	0	2
11t)	*Winn, Cle.	2	0	2
11t)	Wood, Buf.	2	2	0

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Rank	Player, Team	TotRec	OffRec	DefRec
1)	Peterson, Ariz	5	4	1
2t)	*Griffin III, Was.	4	4	0
2t)	Hayden, Chi.	4	0	4
4t)	Banks, Was.	3	3	0
4t)	Bradford, St.L	3	3	0
4t)	Cobb, G.B.	3	3	0
4t)	*Daniels, G.B.	3	1	2
4t)	*Kuechly, Car.	3	0	3
4t)	Logan, Det.	3	3	0
4t)	Peppers, Chi.	3	0	3
<b>4t)</b>	<b>Rogers, S.F.</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
12t)	Ballard, Min.	2	2	0
12t)	Q. Black, T.B.	2	1	1
12t)	Boley, NY-G	2	0	2
12t)	Brees, N.O.	2	2	0
12t)	S. Brown, NY-G	2	0	2
12t)	Bryant, Dal.	2	2	0
12t)	Bush, N.O.	2	0	2
12t)	Casillas, N.O.	2	0	2
12t)	*Claiborne, Dal.	2	0	2
12t)	Edwards, Atl.	2	0	2
12t)	*Foles, Phi.	2	2	0
<b>12t)</b>	<b>Gore, S.F.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
12t)	Harvin, Min.	2	2	0
12t)	*Hekker, St.L	2	2	0
12t)	Joseph, NY-G	2	0	2
12t)	Manning, NY-G	2	2	0
12t)	McCoy, Phi.	2	2	0
12t)	Morgan, Was.	2	2	0
12t)	*Morris, Was.	2	2	0
12t)	Newton, Car.	2	2	0
12t)	Ponder, Min.	2	2	0
12t)	Romo, Dal.	2	2	0
12t)	Saturday, G.B.	2	2	0
12t)	J. Skelton, Ariz	2	2	0
<b>12t)</b>	<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
12t)	Stafford, Det.	2	2	0
12t)	Tillman, Chi.	2	0	2
12t)	Tulloch, Det.	2	0	2
12t)	Urlacher, Chi.	2	0	2
12t)	Vick, Phi.	2	2	0
12t)	Watson, T.B.	2	0	2
12t)	Williams, Min.	2	0	2
12t)	J. Wilson, Was.	2	0	2
12t)	*Wilson, Sea.	2	2	0

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Rank	Player, Team	TotRec	OffRec	DefRec
1)	Peterson, Ariz	5	4	1
2t)	*Griffin III, Was.	4	4	0
2t)	Hayden, Chi.	4	0	4
2t)	Ninkovich, N.E.	4	0	4
2t)	Wilfork, N.E.	4	0	4
6t)	Banks, Was.	3	3	0
6t)	Bradford, St.L	3	3	0
6t)	Cobb, G.B.	3	3	0
6t)	*Daniels, G.B.	3	1	2
6t)	Dobbins, Hou.	3	0	3
6t)	Dunlap, Cin.	3	0	3
6t)	Greene, NY-J	3	3	0
6t)	Jammer, S.D.	3	0	3
6t)	*Kuechly, Car.	3	0	3
6t)	Logan, Det.	3	3	0
6t)	Mosley, Jac.	3	0	3
6t)	Peppers, Chi.	3	0	3
6t)	E. Reed, Bal.	3	0	3
6t)	*Richardson, Cle.	3	3	0
6t)	Roethlisberger, Pit.	3	3	0
<b>6t)</b>	<b>Rogers, S.F.</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

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Rank	Player, Team	Ret	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1t)	Greene, NY-J	3	0	0.0	0	0
1t)	*Richardson, Cle.	3	0	0.0	0	0
1t)	Roethlisberger, Pit.	3	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Cribbs, Cle.	2	2	1.0	2	0
4t)	*Allen, Ind.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	*Ballard, Ind.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Fitzpatrick, Buf.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Hardesty, Cle.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Hasselbeck, Ten.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Incognito, Mia.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	*Lane, Mia.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	*Luck, Ind.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	McMichael, S.D.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Palmer, Oak.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Sanchez, NY-J	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Schaub, Hou.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Tate, Cin.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Weddle, S.D.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Wood, Buf.	2	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Britt, Ten.	2	-2	-1.0	0	0
4t)	Jones, Oak.	2	-2	-1.0	0	0

**NFC / OFFENSIVE FUMBLE RECOVERIES**

Rank	Player, Team	Ret	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1t)	*Griffin III, Was.	4	0	0.0	0	0
1t)	Peterson, Ariz	4	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	Banks, Was.	3	5	1.7	5	0
3t)	Bradford, St.L	3	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	Cobb, G.B.	3	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	Logan, Det.	3	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Morgan, Was.	2	13	6.5	13t	1
<b>7t)</b>	<b>Gore, S.F.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>
7t)	Ballard, Min.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Brees, N.O.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Bryant, Dal.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	*Foles, Phi.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Harvin, Min.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	*Hekker, St.L	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Manning, NY-G	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	McCoy, Phi.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	*Morris, Was.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Newton, Car.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Ponder, Min.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Romo, Dal.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Saturday, G.B.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	J. Skelton, Ariz	2	0	0.0	0	0
<b>7t)</b>	<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
7t)	Stafford, Det.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	Vick, Phi.	2	0	0.0	0	0
7t)	*Wilson, Sea.	2	0	0.0	0	0

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012****NFL / OFFENSIVE FUMBLE RECOVERIES**

Rank	Player, Team	Ret	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1t)	*Griffin III, Was.	4	0	0.0	0	0
1t)	Peterson, Ariz	4	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	Banks, Was.	3	5	1.7	5	0
3t)	Bradford, St.L	3	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	Cobb, G.B.	3	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	Greene, NY-J	3	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	Logan, Det.	3	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	*Richardson, Cle.	3	0	0.0	0	0
3t)	Roethlisberger, Pit.	3	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Morgan, Was.	2	13	6.5	13t	1
<b>10t)</b>	<b>Gore, S.F.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>
10t)	Cribbs, Cle.	2	2	1.0	2	0
10t)	*Allen, Ind.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Ballard, Min.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	*Ballard, Ind.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Brees, N.O.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Bryant, Dal.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Fitzpatrick, Buf.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	*Foles, Phi.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Hardesty, Cle.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Harvin, Min.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Hasselbeck, Ten.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	*Hekker, St.L	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Incognito, Mia.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	*Lane, Mia.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	*Luck, Ind.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Manning, NY-G	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	McCoy, Phi.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	McMichael, S.D.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	*Morris, Was.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Newton, Car.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Palmer, Oak.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Ponder, Min.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Romo, Dal.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Sanchez, NY-J	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Saturday, G.B.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Schaub, Hou.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	J. Skelton, Ariz	2	0	0.0	0	0
<b>10t)</b>	<b>Ale. Smith, S.F.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
10t)	Stafford, Det.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Tate, Cin.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Vick, Phi.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Weddle, S.D.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	*Wilson, Sea.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Wood, Buf.	2	0	0.0	0	0
10t)	Britt, Ten.	2	-2	-1.0	0	0
10t)	Jones, Oak.	2	-2	-1.0	0	0

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012****AFC / DEFENSIVE FUMBLE RECOVERIES**

Rank	Player, Team	Ret	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1t)	Ninkovich, N.E.	4	3	0.8	3	0
1t)	Wilfork, N.E.	4	2	0.5	2	0
3t)	Dobbins, Hou.	3	32	10.7	32	0
3t)	E. Reed, Bal.	3	31	10.3	18	0
3t)	Dunlap, Cin.	3	2	0.7	2	0
3t)	Jammer, S.D.	3	0	0.0	0t	1
3t)	Mosley, Jac.	3	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	*Winn, Cle.	2	35	17.5	35	0
8t)	Gregory, N.E.	2	30	15.0	32t	1
8t)	Jones, K.C.	2	11	5.5	11t	1
8t)	Y. Bell, NY-J	2	8	4.0	8	0
8t)	B. Scott, Buf.	2	8	4.0	8	0
8t)	Watt, Hou.	2	7	3.5	7	0
8t)	Gilberry, T.B.-Cin.	2	6	3.0	6	0
8t)	*Upshaw, Bal.	2	5	2.5	5	0
8t)	Robertson, Cle.	2	2	1.0	2	0
8t)	Barnes, S.D.	2	1	0.5	1	0
8t)	Hanson, Oak.	2	1	0.5	1	0
8t)	Adams, Den.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	S. Brown, Cle.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	*Burfict, Cin.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	Byrd, Buf.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	Cunningham, N.E.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	Foote, Pit.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	D. Jackson, Cle.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	McClellan, Bal.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	Phillips, S.D.	2	0	0.0	0t	1
8t)	M. Williams, Buf.	2	0	0.0	0	0
8t)	*Wilson, N.E.	2	0	0.0	0	0

**NFC / DEFENSIVE FUMBLE RECOVERIES**

Rank	Player, Team	Ret	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1)	Hayden, Chi.	4	15	3.8	15	0
<b>2t)</b>	<b>Rogers, S.F.</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>51t</b>	<b>1</b>
2t)	*Kuechly, Car.	3	9	3.0	9	0
2t)	Peppers, Chi.	3	0	0.0	0	0
5t)	Boley, NY-G	2	70	35.0	70t	1
5t)	*Claiborne, Dal.	2	50	25.0	50t	1
5t)	*Daniels, G.B.	2	43	21.5	43t	1
5t)	J. Wilson, Was.	2	30	15.0	30t	1
5t)	Edwards, Atl.	2	26	13.0	26	0
5t)	Joseph, NY-G	2	16	8.0	16	0
5t)	S. Brown, NY-G	2	9	4.5	9	0
5t)	Urlacher, Chi.	2	4	2.0	4	0
5t)	Bush, N.O.	2	1	0.5	1	0
5t)	Casillas, N.O.	2	0	0.0	0	0
5t)	Tillman, Chi.	2	0	0.0	1	0
5t)	Tulloch, Det.	2	0	0.0	0	0
5t)	Watson, T.B.	2	0	0.0	0	0
5t)	Williams, Min.	2	0	0.0	0	0



**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012****NFL / DEFENSIVE FUMBLE RECOVERIES**

Rank	Player, Team	Ret	Yards	Avg	Long	TD
1t)	Hayden, Chi.	4	15	3.8	15	0
1t)	Ninkovich, N.E.	4	3	0.8	3	0
1t)	Wilfork, N.E.	4	2	0.5	2	0
<b>4t)</b>	<b>Rogers, S.F.</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>51t</b>	<b>1</b>
4t)	Dobbins, Hou.	3	32	10.7	32	0
4t)	E. Reed, Bal.	3	31	10.3	18	0
4t)	*Kuechly, Car.	3	9	3.0	9	0
4t)	Dunlap, Cin.	3	2	0.7	2	0
4t)	Jammer, S.D.	3	0	0.0	0t	1
4t)	Mosley, Jac.	3	0	0.0	0	0
4t)	Peppers, Chi.	3	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	Boley, NY-G	2	70	35.0	70t	1
12t)	*Claiborne, Dal.	2	50	25.0	50t	1
12t)	*Daniels, G.B.	2	43	21.5	43t	1
12t)	*Winn, Cle.	2	35	17.5	35	0
12t)	Gregory, N.E.	2	30	15.0	32t	1
12t)	J. Wilson, Was.	2	30	15.0	30t	1
12t)	Edwards, Atl.	2	26	13.0	26	0
12t)	Joseph, NY-G	2	16	8.0	16	0
12t)	Jones, K.C.	2	11	5.5	11t	1
12t)	S. Brown, NY-G	2	9	4.5	9	0
12t)	Y. Bell, NY-J	2	8	4.0	8	0
12t)	B. Scott, Buf.	2	8	4.0	8	0
12t)	Watt, Hou.	2	7	3.5	7	0
12t)	Gilberry, T.B.-Cin.	2	6	3.0	6	0
12t)	*Upshaw, Bal.	2	5	2.5	5	0
12t)	Urlacher, Chi.	2	4	2.0	4	0
12t)	Robertson, Cle.	2	2	1.0	2	0
12t)	Barnes, S.D.	2	1	0.5	1	0
12t)	Bush, N.O.	2	1	0.5	1	0
12t)	Hanson, Oak.	2	1	0.5	1	0
12t)	Adams, Den.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	S. Brown, Cle.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	*Burfict, Cin.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	Byrd, Buf.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	Casillas, N.O.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	Cunningham, N.E.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	Foote, Pit.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	D. Jackson, Cle.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	McClellan, Bal.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	Phillips, S.D.	2	0	0.0	0t	1
12t)	Tillman, Chi.	2	0	0.0	1	0
12t)	Tulloch, Det.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	Watson, T.B.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	Williams, Min.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	M. Williams, Buf.	2	0	0.0	0	0
12t)	*Wilson, N.E.	2	0	0.0	0	0

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012**

**TEAM RANKINGS**

**American Football Conference**

**Offense**

**Defense**

	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass
Balt.	7	7	8	12	11	11
Buff.	9	2	14	9	14	6
Cin.	6	6	7	3	7	5
Cleve.	12	12	11	11	8	9
Denver	2	9	2	2	4	3
Hou.	3	4	5	4	1	7
Ind.	4	10	4	10	9	8
Jax	16	15	13	16	16	12
K.C.	10	1	16	7	13	4
Miami	14	8	12	8	6	13
N.E.	*1	3	1	13	5	16
Jets	15	5	15	5	15	2
Oak.	5	16	3	15	12	15
Pitt.	8	13	6	*1	3	*1
S.D.	13	14	10	6	2	10
Tenn.	11	11	9	14	10	14

**National Football Conference**

**Offense**

**Defense**

	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass
Ariz.	16	16	14	6	15	3
Atl.	4	14	4	12	14	10
Car.	10	7	9	9	12	7
Chi.	15	6	13	3	5	4
Dallas	6	15	3	5	9	5
Det.	1	12	*1	7	11	8
G.B.	11	11	6	10	8	11
Minn.	13	3	16	11	7	12
N.O.	2	13	2	16	16	14
Giants	5	9	5	13	13	13
Phil.	7	5	8	8	10	9
St. L.	14	10	11	4	6	6
<b>S.F.</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
Sea.	12	4	15	2	4	2
T.B.	9	8	7	15	*1	16
Wash.	3	*1	10	14	3	15

**National Football League**

**Offense**

**Defense**

	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass
Ariz.	32	32	28	12	30	5
Atl.	8	28	4	20	23T	16
Balt.	18	17	16	24	25	23
Buff.	20	6	25	21	28	14
Car.	16	11T	17	15	21	12
Chi.	28	10	27	5	12	6
Cin.	15	14	14	6	11	10
Cleve.	26	24	20	23	18	21
Dallas	10	31	3	11	16	8
Denver	4	20	6	4	6	7
Det.	2	21	*1	13	20	13
G.B.	17	18	12	17	15	17
Hou.	6	8	10	7	2T	19
Ind.	7	22	8	22	19	20
Jax	31	29	24	31	31	24
K.C.	22	5	31	16	27	9
Miami	29	19	23	19	9	25
Minn.	24	3	32	18	14	18
N.E.	*1	7	5	26	8	29
N.O.	3	26	2	32	32	30
Giants	9	15	9	25	22	27
Jets	30	11T	30	8	29	3
Oak.	13	30	7	30	26	28
Phil.	11	9	15	14	17	15
Pitt.	19	25	11	*1	5	*1
St. L.	25	16	22	10	13	11
S.D.	27	27	19	9	4	22
<b>S.F.</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2T</b>	<b>2</b>
Sea.	21	4	29	3	10	4
T.B.	14	13	13	29	*1	32
Tenn.	23	23	18	27	23T	26
Wash.	5	*1	21	28	7	31

**T = Tied for position**

**\* = League Leader**

**WEEK 14 / THROUGH MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2012**

**Team/Offense Rank (Within League)**

BAL	BUF	CIN	CLE	DEN	HOU	IND	JAX	KC	MIA	NE	NYJ	OAK	PIT	SD	TEN		ARI	ATL	CAR	CHI	DAL	DET	GB	MIN	NO	NYG	PHI	STL	SF	SEA	TB	WAS
18	20	15	26	4	6	7	31	22	29	1	30	13	19	27	23	TYds/G	32	8	16	28	10	2	17	24	3	9	11	25	12	21	14	5
16	11	13	26	7	17	20	31	25	27	9	30	14	23	29	18	TYds/P	32	8	5	28	12	10	19	22	2	4	21	24	3	15	6	1
17	6	14	24	20	8	22	29	5	19	7	11t	30	25	27	23	RYds/G	32	28	11t	10	31	21	18	3	26	15	9	16	2	4	13	1
14	4	12	22	25	19	23	30	7	21	18	24	27	26	29	6	RshAvg	31	28	11	17	32	16	20	1	13	9	5	15	2	8	10	3
16	25	14	20	6	10	8	24	31	23	5	30	7	11	19	18	PsYd/G	28	4	17	27	3	1	12	32	2	9	15	22	26	29	13	21
17	20	14	24	1	9	18	31	29	21	4	28	15	19	25	23	PasAvg	32	5	3	27	12	13	16	30	8	7	26	22	11	10	6	2
6	30	23	26	8	12	27	10	32	19	1	24	15	9	25	20	%HdInt	29	17	13	31	21	7	4	22	28	18	11	14	3	16	5	2
17	15	21	10	3	2	14	28	22	16	4	23	9	12	25	11	Sac/PP	31	8	24	29	13	6	30	18	5	1	27	20	32	19	7	26
16	22	20t	27t	4	5	3	31	20t	27t	1	24	18t	14t	17	29	1D/Gm	32	6	14t	23	8	2	12	25	11	9t	7	30	13	18t	26	9t
19	17	25	30	5	16	9	31	23	24	1	18	27	4	13	12	3D Eff	32	3	10	14	2	8	7	22	6	11	15	28	21	20	26	29
23	8t	2	17	8t	14t	1	24	6	25	27t	12	29t	21t	20	19	4D Eff	26	32	31	21t	5	27t	29t	7	18	4	16	13	14t	11	8t	3
15	1	5	2	10	7t	7t	27	17	9	3	11	32	31	30	4	PR Avg	21	24	28	22	13	16	14	23	25	26	6	29	12	19	20	18
2	4	18	13	15	28	32	23	22	1	24t	5	20	9	19	12	KR Avg	16	14	21	31	27	30	10	7	8	6	26	24t	11	3	29	17
6	22	15	30	11	9	3	10	18	1	28	20	13	26	8	4	GPntAv	14	16	29	31	25	32	24	21	2	17	5	19	7	12	23	27
13	30	6	29	2	14	12	5	21	11	26	17	22	24	9	3t	NPntAv	10	8	31	19	20	32	15	16	1	27	25	18	3t	7	28	23
9	19	11	24	2	4	17t	30	31	27t	1	26	25	21	17t	22	Pts/Gm	32	8	23	14	15t	12	10	20	6	3	27t	29	13	15t	5	7
5t	3	17	1	22t	22t	29	8	15	26	25	30	5t	2	7	19	FG%	12	16	27	18	4	11	32	9	21	13	10	28	31	14	20	22t

**Opponent/Defense Rank (Within League)**

BAL	BUF	CIN	CLE	DEN	HOU	IND	JAX	KC	MIA	NE	NYJ	OAK	PIT	SD	TEN		ARI	ATL	CAR	CHI	DAL	DET	GB	MIN	NO	NYG	PHI	STL	SF	SEA	TB	WAS
24	21	6	23	4	7	22	31	16	19	26	8	30	1	9	27	TYds/G	12	20	15	5	11	13	17	18	32	25	14	10	2	3	29	28
16	19	7	13	3	10	26	22	29	12	24	6	30	2	14	21	TYds/P	11	25	17	5	23	18	15	8	32	31	20	9	1	4	27	28
25	28	11	18	6	2t	19	31	27	9	8	29	26	5	4	23t	RYds/G	30	23t	21	12	16	20	15	14	32	22	17	13	2t	10	1	7
11	30	14	17	2	10	28	16	26	6	7	19	25	4	5	13	RshAvg	20	31	18	22	23	27	24	8	32	29	12	9	3	21	1	15
23	14	10	21	7	19	20	24	9	25	29	3	28	1	22	26	PsYd/G	5	16	12	6	8	13	17	18	30	27	15	11	2	4	32	31
19	15	6	10	5	8	22	25	30	17	27	7	29	2	18	23	PasAvg	13	20	16	3	21	14	9	11	31	28	24	12	1	4	32	26
14	18	22	11	6	10	29	20	26	28	8	16	24	30	17	15	%HdInt	1	4	25	3	32	21	9	27	23	2	31	13	19	7	5	12
21	13	1	14	4	6	24	32	16	5	23	27	31	20	28	22	Sac/PP	2	18	15	12	7	17	11	19	26	10	25	3	9	8	29	30
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