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# Cincinnati Bengals (0-1) at New England Patriots (1-0)

*Preseason Game 2  
Thursday, Aug. 20, 2009  
at Gillette Stadium*

*Next up:  
Preseason Game 3  
Aug. 27 vs. St. Louis*

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## Game information

Kickoff: 7:30 p.m. EDT.

**Television:** Live coverage on the Bengals Preseason Network with Paul Keels (play-by-play), Anthony Munoz (analyst) and Mike Valpreo (sideline reporter). The network is led by flagship WKRC-TV (Ch. 12) in Cincinnati. Also on the network are WKEF-TV (Ch. 22) and WRGT-TV (Ch. 45) in Dayton, Ohio; WSYX-TV (Ch. 6) and WTTE-TV (Ch. 28) in Columbus, Ohio; and WDRB-TV (Ch. 41) in Louisville, Ky.

**Radio:** Live coverage on the 28-station Bengals Radio Network, including a "triple-cast" in Cincinnati on flagships WLW-AM (700) "The Big One," WCKY-AM (1530) "Homer" (all sports) and WEBN-FM (102.7) Broadcasters are Brad Johansen (play-by-play) and Dave Lapham (analyst).

**Setting the scene:** Head coach Marvin Lewis has promised his Bengals a noticeably intense approach to this week's preseason test at New England.

"I don't like to lose, no matter what game or when," Lewis said, referencing last week's 17-7 setback at New Orleans, "and we've got a short week ahead ... and plenty of work to do."

With a six-day span between the New Orleans and New England games, the Bengals will mix practice work with the transition element of breaking their training camp at Georgetown (Ky.) College. The Patriots game is the first of three consecutive Thursday contests that complete the preseason schedule.

And the Patriots, of course, have been the NFL's top team of this decade, with three league titles, four total Super Bowl appearances and the "hunger factor" of having missed the playoffs last year despite an 11-5 record.

The Bengals "disappointed" Lewis mostly in the second half at New Orleans, managing just 87 net offensive yards and giving up several big plays on defense. The Saints dominated the second half following a 7-7 halftime tie.

But the first half did have its moments for Cincinnati. Though short-circuited by two turnovers, the (mostly) first-team offense produced a dazzling two-quarter total of 291 yards. QB Carson Palmer and WR Chad Ochocinco clicked together for two receptions for 73 yards, and they just missed connecting on a long bomb attempt to open the game.

"It's very early in preseason, and it was a very short time on the field for us together," Ochocinco said. "But it was very nice. It gives me a very good feeling."

As for the No. 1 defense, it allowed no points in roughly a quarter and a half of play, turning back the Saints at one point when a Cincinnati fumble led to a New Orleans drive-start at the Bengals six. The Saints netted only two yards on three plays and then misfired on a short field goal attempt. The defense held the Saints to a 2.5-yard first-half rushing average while getting good pressure (though no sacks) on New Orleans passers.

"I don't want to be totally negative; we did a lot of good things on both sides of the ball," said Lewis. "But now, against a very good opponent (the Patriots), we have to show we can keep doing good things without hurting ourselves with the sloppiness we had in too many areas against the Saints. In addition to the turnovers, we had far too many penalties (seven for 62 yards)."

The Bengals have not played at New England in preseason since 1990.

**The series:** The Bengals and Patriots have played five times in preseason, with Cincinnati holding a 3-2 lead. The Bengals are 2-0 against New England as the road team in preseason, with wins in 1988 and 1990.

The clubs played their first preseason game in Bowling Green, Ohio, in 1969, when both were in the American Football League. New England won, 21-13. Their last two preseason meetings have been in Cincinnati, with the Bengals winning in 2004 and the Pats prevailing in 2005.

In regular-season play, New England leads 13-8. The Bengals and Patriots will not meet in the 2009 regular season, but are scheduled to play at New England in 2010.

The regular-season series began at Boston's storied Fenway Park. In an American Football League game in 1968 — the Bengals' inaugural season — the then-Boston Patriots claimed a 33-14 victory.

Cincinnati's first regular-season series victory was a memorable one, as the 1970 Bengals won 45-7 over Boston at Riverfront Stadium to clinch the AFC Central Division title. The Paul Brown-coached Bengals, in their third season, became at the time the youngest franchise ever to reach the playoffs.

In 1988, a Super Bowl-bound Bengals team opened the season with a 6-0 start before its first loss, 27-21 at New England.

**Palmer update:** Late in the first quarter of last week's preseason opener at New Orleans, Bengals QB Carson Palmer suffered what the team's medical staff described as a "mild left ankle sprain." Palmer finished the first half standing on the sidelines, in no apparent distress, and both he and head coach Marvin Lewis said after the game that they were optimistic Palmer could be medically cleared to play against New England. His progress and status, however, will be monitored and re-evaluated on a daily basis during the practice week leading up to this Thursday's game.

**Comeback QBs:** Cincinnati and New England have two of the top NFL quarterbacks to suffer serious knee injuries in recent years.

Cincinnati's Carson Palmer was felled in the Bengals' final contest of the 2005 season, a January 2006 playoff game against Pittsburgh. His full rehab took a bit more than eight months, as he returned to action on a limited basis during the 2006 preseason

and was ready to play a full 2006 regular season. In '06, he made a standout return, starting every game and ending the campaign by winning Most Valuable Player honors in the Pro Bowl.

New England's Tom Brady is hoping for a similarly successful comeback this season. Brady suffered his injury in the 2008 season opener and missed the rest of the year. Due to the timing of the injuries, Brady missed far more actual playing time, but he is farther along than Palmer was at the start of the next preseason. He started and threw a pair of TD passes last week as New England opened the preseason with a win over Philadelphia.

Due to the parallels in their situations, Palmer faced frequent questioning this past off-season from media, asking how he would advise Brady to deal with the stress and uncertainty of returning to action.

"I would just tell him to be prepared for the mental obstacles when he gets back on the practice and the game field," Palmer said. "You have to get over being uneasy about people being down around your feet, and get over feeling like you need to step out of the way to protect yourself. You've got to get over the mental obstacle of stepping into your throw when someone's coming at you. I was throwing off my back foot for while after I came back. It took me a while before I could get over that feeling."

More from Marvin: "Throughout the entire offseason and training camp," says head coach Marvin Lewis, "I think there has been a sense of excitement. We open up our season at home (Sept. 13 vs. Denver), and that's big. How the season ended up last year didn't sit well with the leaders of this football team. When you grind the way you grind and you don't get anything for it, you don't like Mondays. You keep that in the back of your mind. We were able to pull out of it a little bit and have some fun at the end of the year, but that doesn't account for anything right now. We've got to start from scratch and do it over. We've got to start being productive and make football plays and good decisions right from the start. We can't put ourselves in error."

Bengals-Patriots connections: Patriots DL Mike Wright is a Cincinnati native (Purcell Marian HS), and he played at the University of Cincinnati ... Patriots OT Matt Light is from Greenville, Ohio and played at Greenville High School ... Patriots WR Joey Galloway and CB Shaun Springs played at Ohio State ... Patriots DB Herana-Daze Jones played for the Bengals from 2006-08 ... Patriots OL George Bussey played at Louisville and is a Louisville native ... Patriots DL Myron Pryor played at Kentucky and is from Louisville ... Patriots DT Titus Adams was on the Bengals practice squad in late 2007 ... Bengals CBs coach

Kevin Coyle played DB at the University of Massachusetts and coached at Holy Cross from 1982-90 ... Patriots defensive coordinator Dean Pees is from Dunkirk, Ohio, attended Bowling Green, and was a college coach at Findlay (1979-82), Miami-Ohio (1983-86), Toledo (1990-93) and Kent State (head coach, 1998-2003) ... Patriots defensive line coach Pepper Johnson played at Ohio State from 1982-85.

Bengals final 2008 red-zone report

OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Inside-20 poss.: 33	Inside-20 poss.: 49
Total scores: 27 (81.8%)	Total scores: 46 (93.9%)
TDs: 15 (45.5%)	TDs: 29 (60.0%)
FGs: 12 (36.4%)	FGs: 17 (34.7%)
TD% rank: 27th	TD% rank: 26th
No scores: 6 (18.2%)	No scores: 3 (6.1%)
Interceptions: 2 (6.1%)	Fumbles: 2 (4.1%)
End of game: 2 (6.1%)	End of game: 1 (2.0%)
Fumbles: 1 (3.0%)	
Missed FGs: 1 (3.0%)	

Patriots final 2008 red-zone report

OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Inside-20 poss.: 65	Inside-20 poss.: 45
Total scores: 58 (89.2%)	Total scores: 42 (93.3%)
TDs: 33 (50.8%)	TDs: 30 (66.7%)
FGs: 25 (38.4%)	FGs: 12 (26.6%)
TD% rank: 19th	TD% rank: 31st
No scores: 7 (10.8%)	No scores: 3 (6.7%)

Bengals-Patriots final 2008 NFL rankings

	BENGALS	PATRIOTS
<b>SCORING (AVG. POINTS):</b>		
Points scored .....	32nd (12.8)	8th (25.6)
Points allowed .....	19th (22.8)	8th (19.3)
<b>NET OFFENSE (AVG. YARDS):</b>		
Total .....	32nd (245.4)	5th (365.4)
Rushing .....	29th (95.0)	6th (142.4)
Passing .....	30th (150.4)	12th (223.1)
<b>NET DEFENSE (AVG. YARDS):</b>		
Total .....	12th (325.5)	10th (309.0)
Rushing .....	21st (120.1)	15th (107.6)
Passing .....	15th (205.4)	11th (201.4)
<b>TURNOVERS:</b>		
Differential .....	20th (minus-2)	T-15th (plus-1)

## The head coaches

Marvin Lewis is in his seventh season as Bengals head coach, one year from tying Paul Brown and Sam Wyche for the franchise's longest tenure of eight seasons. In Bengals head coaching victories, he also ranks third (behind Wyche and Brown).

Lewis' record over his six previous campaigns is 46-49-1 in the regular season, 0-1 in postseason and 46-50-1 overall. He needs nine victories to tie Paul Brown (55-59-1) in Bengals annals and is 18 wins behind Wyche (64-68). His Bengals log includes an AFC North Division championship in 2005, and he coached his first five years (2003-07) without experiencing a losing season, the club's longest such streak since a six-year span from 1972-77.

Lewis enters 2009 tied for fifth in the NFL for current consecutive seasons as a head coach (seven). He has also cracked the active top 10 for most total seasons as an NFL head coach, sharing ninth place at seven with Jacksonville head coach Jack Del Rio.

Lewis' preseason record with the Bengals is 12-13.

Lewis was named the ninth Bengals head coach on Jan. 14, 2003. In 2002, he directed the NFL's fifth-ranked defense with Washington, serving as assistant head coach in addition to his role as defensive coordinator. Prior to his year with the Redskins, he was a record-setting defensive coordinator for the Baltimore Ravens. His six seasons (1996-2001) with the Ravens included a

Super Bowl victory following the 2000 season. In the 2000 regular season, Lewis' Baltimore defense set the NFL record for fewest points allowed in a 16-game campaign (165).

Lewis entered the NFL as linebackers coach with Pittsburgh from 1993-95, guiding the careers of Pro Bowl selections Kevin Greene, Chad Brown, Levon Kirkland and Greg Lloyd.

Born Sept. 23, 1958, in McDonald, Pa., near Pittsburgh, Lewis played linebacker at Idaho State and earned All-Big Sky Conference honors in each of his three seasons (1978-80). He began his coaching career as an assistant coach at Idaho State in 1981.

Bill Belichick is in his 35th season as an NFL coach and is the only head coach in league history to win three Super Bowls in a four-year span. His Patriots teams captured the league titles in the 2001, '03 and '04 seasons. They also advanced to the Super Bowl, losing to the N.Y. Giants, in the 2007 season.

He is in his 10th season as Patriots head coach and has a 116-45 record, including 14-3 in postseason. His clubs hold NFL records for most overall consecutive wins (21) and consecutive playoff wins (10).

He was head coach of the Cleveland Browns from 1991-95, posting a 37-45 mark, including 1-1 in postseason. Overall,

Belichick's NFL head coaching record is 153-90, including 15-4 in postseason.

Belichick has long been known as one of the NFL's best defensive coaches and was a highly successful assistant with the N.Y. Jets and with the Patriots.

Belichick was born in Nashville, Tennessee. He played center and tight end at Wesleyan from 1971-74.

Lewis vs. Patriots: Lewis is 1-1 in preseason and 0-3 in regular season.

Lewis vs. Belichick: Same as Lewis vs. Patriots.

Belichick vs. Bengals: Belichick is 1-1 in preseason, both games with New England; his 12-3 regular-season record includes 8-2 with Cleveland and 4-1 with New England.

## Bengals information

One big step from '08: During an injury-plagued 2008 season in which QB Carson Palmer's absence for 12 games was just the tip of the iceberg, the Bengals finished last in the NFL in net offense (245.4 yards per game). It was the first time in the franchise's 42 seasons to be at the bottom of the category.

But last week's preseason opener in New Orleans offered hope that '08 is simply a part of the past. With nearly all the first offensive unit playing nearly all the first quarter, Cincinnati rolled to a prodigious total of 170 yards. QB Carson Palmer had 133 passing yards. In the second quarter, with QB J.T. O'Sullivan and other reserves mixing in, the offense tacked on another 121 yards and finished with 291 for the half.

"We moved the ball very well, obviously, and made some very good plays to gain first downs," said head coach Marvin Lewis, referring to a seven-for-11 reading (64 percent) on third-down conversions in the half. "I was also pleased with how we moved the ball off the goal line."

The offense started at the Cincinnati four-yard line late in the first quarter, but with Palmer opening the drive and O'Sullivan taking over late, the Bengals moved 84 yards in nine plays to the Saints' 12.

Cincinnati's point production didn't match up, however. The offense had two giveaways in the half — on a Palmer interception and a Cedric Benson fumble — and on the aforementioned drive which reached the Saints' 12, the Bengals wound up misfiring on a 30-yard field goal try.

O-line passes first test: One major story line in the Bengals preseason is the performance of the offensive line, which has only one player — RG Bobbie Williams — starting in a position where he played at least half the season a year ago.

So far, so good, after last week's preseason opener. The first-team line paved the way for 170 first-quarter yards, and QB Carson Palmer was not sacked or even significantly pressured. Though Palmer suffered a mild ankle sprain late in the period when a Saints defender rolled into him after a pass, that play occurred after Palmer tried to pump-fake, lost the handle on the ball, and then had to pick it up again before unloading.

"I told Bobbie (Williams), I felt like there was a halo around me," Palmer said. "It seemed like I had a five-yard radius around me in the pocket."

Said HB Cedric Benson, who had one gain of 11 yards and two gains of eight yards:

"I had some nice holes to run through. I thought we did a nice job of being physical and creating some openings."

Elsewhere on the line this season, Andrew Whitworth has moved to LOT after playing LG last year, Nate Livings is out to put a firm hold on the LG spot he claimed late last year, and C Kyle Cook steps up for his first NFL starting assignment. At ROT, first-round draft pick Andre Smith had been penciled into the No. 1 spot, but Smith's absence due to protracted contract negotiations has left the assignment with second-year man Anthony Collins.

"We like our raw material, we think we can be much better than last year," says offensive coordinator Bob Bratkowski. "But it's a unit that will need some time to come together. In preseason, we've got to walk a fine line, not getting the guys beat up, but giving them enough reps to get better."

Whitworth says "our talent is going to show," and he is a booster of the line's chemistry.

"I love the energy," he says. "We have a lot to prove, but history shows that more often than not, the team that has something to prove is more successful than a team that doesn't

think it has a lot to prove. I like our mixture of guys. I think that a lot of times, the experience factor is exaggerated. We've got two guys who have played a lot of games (Whitworth and Williams), and then young guys who are talented and hungry. I'll take it."

Comeback player, comeback team? HB Cedric Benson and the Bengals have been on roughly parallel paths since 2005.

In '05, the Bengals won a division championship, and Benson joined the Chicago Bears with high hopes as the No. 4 overall pick in the NFL draft. But the Bengals have been out of the playoffs since then, and Benson has been largely out of the spotlight. He was released by the Bears after 2007, carrying mediocre numbers and a reputation as a malcontent player with off-field problems.

But things started picking up again in 2008. An injury-ridden Bengals team rallied from a disastrous start to post a 4-3-1 record over the season's second half, and Benson was a big part of it. Rescued from the ranks of the NFL unemployed in late September, he went on to post three 100-yard rushing games, to lead the team in rushing yards (747) and yards from scrimmage (932), and to earn a new reputation as a valued teammate and friendly figure to media.

"Ced has not taken a play off since he's been here," says QB Carson Palmer, "in a game or in practice. Just in T-shirts and shorts here in camp, he's going 100 miles an hour. Maybe some people wondered about him personally when he first got here, but he put that to rest in a hurry and earned everyone's respect."

Benson was completely exonerated from the off-field charges which helped lead to Chicago's decision to release him in June of 2008. But he concedes he did not always carry himself or his emotions well while with Chicago. He says the rough period after his release helped effect the changes his teammates and Bengals fans have seen.

"I'm proud to have gone through what I did, and to have turned things around," he says.

About a 'B-minus': HB Cedric Benson, a key figure in Cincinnati's offensive plans (see previous item), experienced mixed results in last week's preseason opener at New Orleans. Among eight first-quarter carries, he had an 11-yard gain and two gains of eight yards. He hit holes quickly and showed breakaway potential. But he also had several plays where he found no running room, and he had a fumble the Saints recovered. Of the fumble, a strip by four-time Pro Bowl safety Darren Sharper, Benson said:

"I'm going to plead that sometimes it happens this time of year. You're coming off of camp and you haven't had a lot of contact. It's an early message for me to put more emphasis on ball control."

Said QB Carson Palmer:

"We had some nice holes for Cedric, and when we did, he hit them hard and quick. There was one play, it was well-blocked, and he was so close to breaking a shoe top tackle and going a long, long way. He's fast, and he's got power. When he's warmed up, when we get to when it's for real, he breaks that play."

While breaking into the Bengals offense last season, Benson had the team's longest play of the season — 79 yards with a screen pass — and he also had a 46-yard rush.

Benson finished his quarter against the Saints at eight-for-28 rushing, a 3.5-yard average, and also had a five-yard reception. Extrapolated to four quarters, his totals projected to 112 rushing yards and 132 yards from scrimmage.

Rookie to watch: The Bengals still expect a fine season from unsigned OT Andre Smith, their first-round draft pick, and the club remains very enthused over the prospects of LB Rey Mauluga, taken in the second round. But early in preseason, no rookie has received the unreserved praise head coach Marvin Lewis bestowed on DE Michael Johnson, third-round pick from Georgia Tech.

"Mike has done a really good job," Lewis said prior to last week's preseason opener. "He has exceeded my expectations, and my expectations were high. Of all the rookie players that I've been around in the NFL, he's played as fast and as physical and has made as many football plays early in camp as any of them. I have been really pleased with Mike."

And Johnson did not get off pace in his first live action against another team. He had three tackles against the Saints last week, one for a loss, and he used his considerable 6-foot-7 wing span to impressively swat down a Drew Brees pass.

It's unusual, to say the least, for Lewis to speak so plainly in touting a rookie. But the Bengals have noted since draft day that Johnson came with exceedingly high potential for a player who lasted until the third round. At 6-7 and 265 pounds, Johnson is an imposing player physically. He inspires best-scenario hopes of a career like the one enjoyed by Hall of Famer Ted "The Stork" Hendricks, but he weights 30 pounds more than Hendricks did.

At his best in college, he clearly played like a first-round NFL draft pick, but he came out of Georgia Tech with a reputation for not getting the most of himself on an every-play basis. Hence, he had to wait until the draft's second day, selected with the No. 70 overall pick.

"When you watched him on tape," said Bengals defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer, "there were plays that made you say, 'Oh wow, I can't believe he could do that. On other plays, you said, 'Heck, he didn't do very good there.' But he's a first-class kid — top notch, 100 percent — and it's our job as coaches to get the best out of him on every play."

Johnson has vowed he will listen to all critiques "from people who have my best interests at heart," and that he will work to make teams holding those first 69 draft picks regret they didn't keep him from becoming a Bengal.

Three threats to QBs: The Bengals defense, though greatly improved in 2008 under new coordinator Mike Zimmer, was not much of a pass-rushing force. Cincinnati managed only 17 sacks, and improving the club's pass pressure has been proclaimed as Job One by Zimmer for 2009.

Three good reasons to think Zimmer will succeed are DE Robert Geathers, DE Antwan Odom and DT Tank Johnson. All three are NFL veterans in their prime — 27 years old — and all three are motivated to show more than they did last year.

Geathers, whose 10.5 sacks in 2006 were the most by a Bengal since 1983, has had only six over the last two seasons. Last year, he missed five games with a knee injury. Odom, who had eight sacks and a team-high 29 pressures for Tennessee in 2007, was slowed by injuries in his 2008 Bengals debut and had just three sacks. And Johnson, known for some years as one of the NFL's better interior pass rushers with Chicago and Dallas, played every game for the Cowboys last year but had only one sack.

"We all want the same thing," says Geathers. "I think that's going to make a difference. Antwan, Tank and I, we've all had years where we haven't been as productive as we have been before. We want to get back to where our numbers were before and be respected among our peers. When I set foot on the field, I want offenses to have to account for me."

Return of Jeremi: When the Bengals released FB Jeremi Johnson in November of last season, it appeared his once-promising Cincinnati career had reached its end. Though Johnson had finished his rehab from a September knee injury, his prospects had faded due to two seasons which saw him get off to very slow starts due to weight and conditioning issues. It seemed he would be unable to regain the level of play that earned him first-alternate status for the Pro Bowl after the 2006 season.

But Johnson, who held the team's No. 1 FB job from his rookie season of 2003 through 2007, did not give up the quest. He convinced the Bengals to re-sign him as a free agent this past April, and on Aug. 10, with his weight not far from a goal of 265 pounds, he was moved to the No. 1 spot on the team's depth chart. Though the starting FB job for the regular season seemed wide open entering training camp, it now seems clearly to be within Johnson's grasp.

"We're doing less with him; he's playing football now," says Bengals strength and conditioning coach Chip Morton, who joined associate S/C coach Ray Oliver in working extensively with Johnson during the offseason. "The key was him taking ownership of the other 22 hours of the day. The five weeks between minicamp and training camp, the lion's share was him because he took ownership of it."

Of his several months as an unsigned player, Johnson said:

"I knew I still had a love for football, and that the Bengals still needed me. They called and stayed in touch the whole time. I wasn't going anywhere. You all just thought I was gone. I was never gone."

The Louisville, Ky., native says he was spurred to a more dedicated lifestyle by the birth last October of a daughter, Jai.

"It helped a lot, a whole lot, I'm not going to lie," Johnson said. "It makes you grow up. Even if you don't want to."

Palmer rates with greats: The Bengals look with much anticipation to QB Carson Palmer's full return in 2009, and a comparison of top Cincinnati QBs shows why. Despite not playing as a rookie in 2004, as well as playing only four games in 2008, Palmer already holds his own in team passing records against Ken Anderson and Boomer Esiason, the Bengals' two Super Bowl quarterbacks.

Palmer owns the franchise's career records for passer rating and completion percentage, and he holds season marks for TD passes, rating, yards and completions. He also holds the game record for TD passes.

Here's how Anderson, Esiason and Palmer compare, with a chart of team records held by each player:

Career records (minimum 1000 passes)		
ANDERSON	ESIASON	PALMER
Attempts (4475)	Yds./att. (7.62)	Comp. pct (63.7)
Completions (2654)	300-yd. games (23)	Rating (88.9)
Yards (32,838)		TD/INT ratio (1.6/1)
TD passes (197)		
Season records (minimum 350 passes)		
ANDERSON	ESIASON	PALMER
Comp. pct. (70.6)	300-yd. games (5)*	Completions (373)
TD/INT ratio (2.9/1)		Yards (4131)
		TD passes (32)
		Rating (101.1)
		300-yd. games (5)*
* — Esiason and Palmer share record.		
Game records		
ANDERSON	ESIASON	PALMER
Completions (40)	Yards (490)	TD passes (6)
Comp. pct. (90.9)		
Longest pass (94)		

Chad still best, by far: Though WR Chad Ochocinco experienced the first down year of his career last season, set back by a chronic sore shoulder and the absence of QB Carson Palmer from the lineup, the "Ocho" enters 2009 in full health and is bent on further extending his already wide leads in Bengals all-time receptions and receiving yards.

He will bid for his sixth selection for the Pro Bowl, which he missed last year after making the game the previous five seasons. Over the five seasons 2003-07, he posted the five highest receiving yards totals in Bengals history, topped by a record 1440 yards in '07.

*(Chad still best, by far, continued)*

Ochocinco finished 2008 with 612 catches for his career (all with Cincinnati). He is the only Bengal to reach the 600 mark for a Cincinnati career and is now 82 ahead of second-place Carl Pickens. In receiving yards, he pushed his total to 8905, more than 1800 yards ahead of second-place Isaac Curtis.

And Ochocinco is just 31 years old entering this season, presumably with many more opportunities to fatten his leads.

The current top five for all-time Bengals receptions:

PLAYERS	YEARS	SEASONS	RECEPTIONS
Chad Ochocinco	8	2001-08	612
Carl Pickens	8	1992-99	530
T.J. Houshmandzadeh	8	2001-08	507
Cris Collinsworth	8	1981-88	417
Isaac Curtis	12	1973-84	416

And the current top five for all-time Bengals receiving yards:

PLAYERS	YEARS	SEASONS	REC. YARDS
Chad Ochocinco	8	2001-08	8905
Isaac Curtis	12	1973-84	7101
Carl Pickens	8	1992-99	6887
Cris Collinsworth	8	1981-88	6698
Eddie Brown	7	1985-91	6134

Chad ties Curtis: WR Chad Ochocinco ended the 2008 season with 53 receiving TDs, tying Isaac Curtis for second place all-time on the Bengals. Curtis played 12 seasons (1973-84), while Ochocinco has played eight. Ochocinco is now within 10 of the all-time Bengals leader in receiving TDs, Carl Pickens with 63. Pickens played eight seasons for Cincinnati (1992-99).

Ochocinco now ranks tied for fourth with Curtis in total Bengals TDs (both at 53). The record is 70 by FB Pete Johnson, while Pickens shares second place with RB James Brooks at 64.

Chad at 105 straight: WR Chad Ochocinco has caught at least one pass in 105 consecutive games, a Bengals record. He hit the 105 mark on Dec. 14 of last season vs. Washington. He was inactive the last two weeks of the season, due to a hamstring injury, but games missed do not affect such a streak, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. Thus, the streak is active heading into the 2009 regular season.

Ochocinco first established a new Bengals mark at 94 on Sept. 14 of last season vs. Tennessee, breaking a tie at 93 with Carl Pickens.

Ochocinco has played in 121 total Bengals games and has had a catch in all but four of them. His last game played without a catch was Game 4 of his second season, in 2002 vs. Tampa Bay.

Graham a close fourth: Bengals K Shayne Graham will open the 2009 regular season in fourth place in NFL history for career field goal percentage (85.64), and he is less than one percentage point off the lead in a very close race.

Mike Vanderjagt (no longer active) is No. 1 in league history at 86.47 percent. Nate Kaeding of San Diego is second at 86.13 and Robbie Gould of Chicago is third at 85.94.

Graham converted 21 of 24 FGs (87.5 percent) in 2008.

Here's the top five entering 2009 (all except Vanderjagt figure to be active):

PLAYER	FG	FGA	PCT.
Mike Vanderjagt	230	266	86.47
Nate Kaeding	118	137	86.13
Robbie Gould	110	128	85.94
Shayne Graham	173	202	85.64
Rob Bironas	109	129	84.50

Better than the best? As far as Bengals coaches are concerned, K Shayne Graham is the true No. 1 in all-time field goal accuracy.

Though Graham (85.64) ranks fourth in career NFL percentage, his career totals (173-for-202) include a 19-for-26 performance in previous NFL stops at Buffalo and Carolina. As a

Bengal, Graham is 154-for-176, an 87.50 percent accuracy rate which is Cincinnati's all-time best and also tops leader Mike Vanderjagt's career mark (86.47).

Graham's record case: K Shayne Graham completed his sixth Bengals season in 2008. He enters 2009 holding the following club records:

- Points in a season: 131 in 2005.
- Field goals in a season: 31 in 2007
- Field goals in a game: Seven (in seven attempts), on Nov. 11, 2007 at Baltimore.
- Consecutive FGs made: 21, compiled from Games 1-10 of 2007.
- Career FG percentage: 87.5, on 154 of 176.
- Season FG percentage: 91.2 (made 31 of 34 in 2007).
- Consecutive PATs made: 158, compiled from Game 1 of 2003 through Game 11 of 2006.
- Career PAT percentage: 99.1, on 220 of 222.
- Season PAT percentage: 100.0 (shares percentage record with other kickers, but his 47-for-47 in 2005 is the most attempts in a season by a Bengals without a miss).

Turnover tables are turned: Though the Bengals had a minus-two turnover differential in 2008, it was their first season minus under head coach Marvin Lewis. During Lewis' full tenure (2003-08), Cincinnati ranks third in the NFL in best differential at plus-40.

Prior to 2003, the Bengals had posted a minus differential for five straight years (1998-2002).

Here are the top five teams in differential since 2003:

TEAM	TAKEAWAYS	GIVEAWAYS	DIFFERENTIAL
Indianapolis	186	111	+75
New England	183	138	+45
Cincinnati	194	154	+40
San Diego	173	136	+37
Carolina	183	158	+25

Since 2003, when Lewis took over, Cincinnati has logged 194 takeaways, second in the league during that span to Baltimore (198). The Bengals have reached their 194 total with 115 interceptions and 79 fumble recoveries.

In points off turnovers since 2003, Elias Sports Bureau reports that the Bengals rank third at 579. Baltimore leads the NFL during that span with 626, and Indianapolis is second at 594.

A stat that matters: The Bengals are 32-5-1 in regular-season play under Marvin Lewis when logging a plus in turnover differential. That's an .855 winning percentage.

With a minus differential, Cincinnati's record under Lewis is almost a mirror image at 5-31-0 (.139).

The Bengals are 9-13 under Lewis (.409) when the differential has been even.

More extensive league-wide numbers bear out the Bengals' experience. Since the start of the 2000 season, here are the aggregate records of NFL teams with varying turnover differentials (minus differentials are not included because they are the exact reverse of the plus figure for the same numbers):

DIFFERENTIAL	W-L	PCT.
Plus-1	532-241-1	.688
Plus-2	451-86	.840
Plus-3	278-39-1	.876
Plus-4	144-8	.947
Plus-5 or more	73-2	.973

Overall, combining the five differential levels listed above, NFL teams with any plus have a winning percentage of .797 since 2000. The combined W-L record is 1478-376-2.

For the 2008 season only, teams with a plus had a 156-48-1 record (.763).

Dhani's margin was tops: Bengals MLB Dhani Jones not only won the team's 2008 tackling title, he won by a wider margin in his coaches' analysis than any previous player in

the Marvin Lewis era.

With 165 stops on the season, Jones finished 53 ahead of second-place Brandon Johnson (112). For a full season under Lewis, the previous largest margin had been 46, from 2005, when LB Odell Thurman had 148 tackles and LB Brian Simmons had 102 stops.

**TV streak at 68:** In each of the last 68 TV ratings weeks that have included a Bengals regular-season or postseason game, the Bengals have been the top-rated show among all programming in the Cincinnati market.

The streak began on Dec. 5, 2004, when a wild Bengals win at Baltimore outpolled all other programs for the week. It hit 68 when the 2008 regular-season finale vs. Kansas City drew a 23.5 rating, easily outpolling the second-place program, which was also an NFL game — Dolphins vs. Jets at 12.5. The Bengals' rating more than doubled the top non-sports program, "Two and a Half Men," which scored 10.4.

The rating number indicates the percentage of market households tuned to the game — including those not watching TV at the time. The highest Bengals rating during the streak has been 45.5 for the Pittsburgh playoff game on Jan. 8, 2006.

The high rating of Bengals games has occurred despite the fact most games are played in the afternoon, when overall TV viewership is not as high as it is during the evening.

**Almost a half-century:** For more than four decades, according to the highly respected Harris Poll, the NFL has been the most popular sport in America.

In its most recent survey, released in January of this year, Harris reported that pro football is the favorite sport of more people (31 percent) than the combined total of the next three pro

sports — baseball (16 percent), auto racing (eight percent) and men's pro basketball (six percent).

Pro football moved ahead of baseball as fans' favorite in 1965 and has held the top spot ever since. Also, pro football has gained in popularity more than any other sport since 1985, with a seven percent increase (from 24 to 31 percent).

The third-favorite sport in the January 2009 survey was college football at 12 percent, meaning that football is the favorite sport of 43 percent of America's fans.

**Bengal bites:** The Patriots, this week's preseason foe, tagged Boomer Esiason for five interceptions on Oct. 16, 1988 at New England — the most INTs in a game by a Bengals passer. That did not, however, derail the Bengals from an AFC Championship season or keep Esiason from winning the Associated Press NFL Most Valuable Player award ... WR Chad Ochocinco and LS/TE Brad St. Louis are the only players on the Bengals roster whose Cincinnati tenure predates the 2003 arrival of Marvin Lewis as head coach; St. Louis began his career in 2000 under head coach Bruce Coslet, and Ochocinco opened in '01 under Dick LeBeau ... Bengals head coach Marvin Lewis led the NFL last season in percentage of successful coaches' replay challenges, upheld on six of seven tries (85.7 percent). He tied for third in most total plays reversed with six, just one off the league lead ... In six seasons under Lewis, the Bengals have averaged only 9.2 fumbles lost per season; prior to Lewis' tenure, the Bengals average for 16-game seasons was 13.9 fumbles lost ... Cincinnati's all-time preseason record is 88-95-2 ... The Bengals were 2-0 in 2008 in games when one player had 25 or more rushing attempts, and they are 22-1 in the last 23 regular-season games with a 25-carry runner. Both of last year's 25-carry games were posted by HB Cedric Benson ... The 2008 Bengals season saw five two-point conversion tries, none successful; the Bengals went zero-for-two and opponents went zero-for-three.

## Bengals quotes

Head coach Marvin Lewis, on the upcoming season:

"This is a remade team. I believe we are upgraded at nearly every position, and we know who our leaders are. We start from scratch, knowing we've found some players who are going to be able to help us."

Lewis, with more on the season to come:

"As coaches and players, I think we're in a good spot. We know the direction. We know where the enemies lie. We know we've got to win on the road, we've got to win on the West Coast later in the year, and we've got to win in the division. When you evaluate what wins in the NFL, you have to have chunk plays — big chunks of yardage — and you have to eliminate those plays on defense. You can't turn it over, you have to get turnovers, and you have to win on third down. Year after year, of your 12 playoff teams, 11 are going to be excellent in all those areas. One might sneak in that may not be as good doing one of those things."

Lewis, on eliminating errors that plagued the Bengals in 2008:

"Every team can be as good as any team. That's why it's called a football 'team.' The differences in talent are not that great. It's a matter of making plays in critical moments. Don't make critical errors. That's how teams win."

Lewis, on WR Chad Ochocinco's bid to put a subpar 2008 behind him:

"He's got a job to do. He's got to earn his spot and get back to the way he was playing. He has to have a really good training camp, and so far, he's doing that."

WR Chad Ochocinco, on the 2009 preseason:

"I need training camp, and I really embrace it. You can work out all you want in the offseason, but there's really no substitute for these few weeks of concentrated work. It's especially important for me this season, when I'm trying to come back after a year when I struggled."

QB Carson Palmer, on the premise that on a team with much to prove in 2009, he and Chad Ochocinco have "the most to prove:"

"That's a fair assessment. With me having been out with an injury and Chad having had a down year, we have a lot to work on."

WR Chris Henry, on his seven-catch, 100-yard game with a TD at New Orleans:

"I don't want to say I've arrived or anything like that. I just want to keep getting better and see what I can do for this team."

Palmer, on the offensive goal of a 1500-yard rushing season for HB Cedric Benson:

"It's easily doable if he stays healthy. He's the type of guy that always falls forward, always lunges forward. There may not be a big hole, but he'll get two or three yards out of it. If there is a big hole, he's the type of guy that can go 80 yards and no one's going to catch him from behind. That's something we haven't had in the past. He's exciting to watch."

Defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer, on the addition of S Roy Williams:

"People are going to say I'm biased, that he's my guy. (Zimmer coached Williams in Dallas). But I'm out of it. Don't ask me. Ask the secondary coaches. That's what I've asked them to do. Kevin (Coyle) and Louie (Cioffi). I want them to let me know how they think he's doing."

DBs coach Kevin Coyle, on S Roy Williams:

"With him being down (in weight), he's running better. But the thing that separates him is his anticipation. It's really good. He continues to get good breaks and he's able to close on the ball in the air. He reads the quarterback well, but he doesn't over-commit. He's a step or two ahead of other guys because of his ability to read the quarterback and move."

Lewis, on Kyle Cook taking the No. 1 center spot with just five career games played:

"Kyle has been with us for a while, so we have watched him and understand him. He's a big, strong guy, he's smart and understands the game, and he's able to make the calls and get people put in the right situations all of the time. He's also athletic enough to block guys. Can he block the big guys on the nose that we play in this division? We need a special guy to do that, and so now it's a matter of making the transition to playing real football. He was at a point last year where he was close to getting a shot, and he broke his foot in kind of a freak deal in warmups (at Dallas). So it was an opportunity which was lost, and he gets a chance now to prove that he can do the job. I think everyone who has been around Kyle has a lot of confidence in him, because they have seen him work."

Lewis, on the defensive line:

"There's no doubt we should be better. Robert (Geathers) and Antwan (Odom) weren't on the field at the same time hardly ever last year. I think one or two games. Tank (Johnson) will help upgrade the interior, Domata (Peko) has been a solid player, and Pat Sims got his nose wet at tackle last year. He understands what it's all about. He had a really good offseason. He's excited about the opportunity to show he can be an every down player."

DT Pat Sims, on learning from DT Tank Johnson while he and Johnson compete for playing time:

"He's like my big brother. We're just gelling together. It doesn't matter who starts. Sometimes I'm going to play first and second downs and he'll play third, and sometimes it will be the other way around. There are also going to be times when we're going to be on the field at the same time. I'm just ready to play ball. It's great, I love contact. It's a physical game."

HB Cedric Benson, on expanding his role in the offense:

"One thing I really want to turn around is that I usually played just on first and second downs last year. Now I want to be able to play on third down and be featured in the passing game. I don't want to be singled out as a two-down player. And it all starts down here (in training camp)."

Defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer, on the core of the 2008 defense that returns this year:

"I've coached some really good defenses, but none that I respect more than these guys. I told them that the night before the last game. They came to work every single day, they listened to me, and they didn't complain. I was on them pretty good, so I respect all of those guys."

Zimmer, on the defense's prime goals for 2009:

"We've got to show some more firepower. We obviously need to rush the passer a lot better. I'm not just saying sacks, I know we've got to get more sacks, but we've got to get to the quarterback more in order to create a few more negative plays. My emphasis going in last year was making sure we got the run stopped, guys were in the right places. I think they understand that part now, and maybe we can start turning them loose more up front. That was my big project in the offseason."

Zimmer, with more on improving the pass rush:

"Last year we got punched in the chest a lot. As soon as you get punched, your feet stop and it's over. So we're trying to eliminate that. That's a big key."

S Roy Williams, on HB Cedric Benson:

"He has deceiving speed. He hits that hole, and you think he's jogging, and then he's in another gear. He's a great back. He's got great vision. He has a nice punch. He has lot of (tough) dog in him. He doesn't want to back down."

## Position-by-position roundup

**Quarterbacks:** After playing in only four games last season due to an elbow injury, two-time Pro Bowl selection Carson Palmer returns in full health and once again is set as the cornerstone of the Bengals' bid for a return to the playoffs. Palmer suffered an interception while playing nearly the entire first quarter at New Orleans, but he completed seven of 11 passes for 133 yards and helped lead the offense to a prodigious 170 net yards for the period. Palmer sustained what trainers described as a "mild ankle sprain" in the Saints game. His definite status for New England will be determined during the practice week. Opening the preseason at No. 2 on the depth chart is seventh-year pro J.T. O'Sullivan, signed by the Bengals in March as an unrestricted free agent. O'Sullivan had his busiest pro season in '08, starting eight games for San Francisco, and he had an impressive Bengals debut at New Orleans. Playing from the late first quarter until halftime, he completed nine of 11 passes for 100 yards, including a 14-yarder for a TD to Chris Henry. He did not suffer an INT and had a passer rating of 134.8. Also competing for the No. 2 job is second-year pro Jordan Palmer, who was impressive in '09 offseason work after making his pro playing debut with brief action last season for Cincinnati. Jordan Palmer played the second half at New Orleans and passed seven-for-11 for 59 yards. He suffered an INT, but his intended receiver bobbled a seemingly catchable ball before being hit and coughing up a deflection that the Saints grabbed in mid-air. Jordan Palmer is Carson Palmer's younger brother.

**Halfbacks:** Free agent acquisition Cedric Benson strongly claimed the Bengals' No. 1 rushing position last season after joining the team in late September. Playing in just 12 games, he led the team in rushing yards (747) and yards from scrimmage (932), and it's expected that his contributions will accelerate after a full offseason in the Bengals system. Benson had eight rushes for 28 yards in limited action in the preseason opener and also had a five-yard reception. On the minus side of the ledger, he had a fumble. The Bengals harbor high hopes that after three underachieving seasons (2005-07) in Chicago, Benson is ready show the skills that made him the No. 4 overall pick in the '05 NFL Draft. The competition for the No. 2 HB slot figures to be fierce as the preseason moves on. Third-year man Brian Leonard, obtained in a May trade with St. Louis, missed almost all of last season with a shoulder injury but played every game with seven starts for the Rams in '07. Leonard rushed six-for-10 at New Orleans and also had a one-yard reception. DeDe Dorsey also had injury problems last season, but the

speedy fourth-year player averaged 8.7 yards per rush in limited 2007 action. Dorsey rushed three-for-five at New Orleans. James Johnson made the Bengals roster as a college free agent last season, after opening the year on the practice squad, and he showed potential in December. He played at New Orleans but did not have a rush or a reception. The backup HB making the most of his opportunities at New Orleans was rookie sixth-round draft choice Bernard Scott, who posted consecutive 2000-yard rushing seasons in the NCAA Division II ranks at Abilene Christian. Scott led the Bengals at New Orleans with 30 rushing yards (5.0 avg. on six attempts), and he also had a 12-yard reception. Also looking for a spot is college free agent Marlon Lucky, a 218-pounder who averaged 4.6 yards per rush at Nebraska while also setting a school season record for receptions (75). Lucky was active-DNP at New Orleans.

**Fullbacks:** Seventh-year pro Jeremi Johnson, who did not play last season, has for now re-taken the No. 1 FB job he held for Cincinnati from 2003-07. Johnson was released by the Bengals in November of last year, after rehabbing from an injury, and his release was largely related to an inability to stay in shape. But he was re-signed in April after showing hard work in losing weight, and he started the New Orleans game at a weight of just over 270 pounds, close to his optimum weight of 265. Seventh-round draft pick Fui Vakapuna has also looked good in preseason, but he suffered a leg injury in the New Orleans game and has an early listing of questionable for New England. At Brigham Young, Vakapuna displayed excellent athleticism for a 260-pounder. A player with potential to make a run from the bottom of the depth chart is college free agent Chris Pressley, a 260-pounder who aided individual running back seasons of well over 1000 yards in each of his three years of significant playing time at Wisconsin. Pressley saw extensive second-half action at New Orleans.

**Wide receivers:** The 2009 Bengals receiving corps looks for a return to past form by record-setting Chad Ochocinco and a big contribution from free agent signee Laveranues Coles. Ochocinco suffered the first down year of a stellar career last season, bothered by a persistent sore shoulder and gaining just 540 yards, but in the five seasons from 2003-07, he posted the five highest season receiving yards totals in Bengals history, making the Pro Bowl each year. He looked to be in good form again in the preseason opener, catching two passes for 73 yards in limited action. By wide margins, he is the Bengals' all-time leader in receptions (612) and receiving yards (8905). Coles, a

consistently productive NFL player over nine previous seasons, signed with the Bengals last March as an unrestricted free agent. He caught 70-for-850 with a team-high seven TD catches for the N.Y. Jets last season, and he has six career seasons of 70 or more catches. He has 44 career TDs and has started 16 games in seven of the last eight seasons. Coles was two-for-23 receiving at New Orleans, including an impressive over-the-middle catch on which he withstood a hard hit. Opening preseason as the top contenders for the No. 3 spot are fifth-year pro Chris Henry and second-year player Andre Caldwell. Henry, a rangy (6-4, 200) and abundantly talented player, looks to fulfill his immense potential after being held back by off-field problems and resultant suspensions early in his career. He got off to a big start in his hometown of New Orleans last week, leading all receivers in catches (seven) and yards 100. He scored the only Bengals TD on a 14-yard pass from J.T. O'Sullivan. Caldwell, a third-round selection in the 2008 draft, started slowly last season due to injuries but showed promise in December and started the last two games in place of the injured Ochocinco. Caldwell had a six-yard catch at New Orleans, and he also had an impressive forced fumble against LB Jonathan Vilma after Vilma had made and INT. Caldwell made a long run to catch Vilma at the Bengals' four-yard line, and his forced fumble was recovered by teammate Andrew Whitworth, ending the scoring threat. Seventh-year pro Antonio Chatman is in his fourth Bengals season. He logged Bengals highs of 21 catches and 194 yards last season. But Chatman missed the New Orleans game with an ankle injury and has an early listing of questionable for New England. Jerome Simpson, a second-round 2008 draft choice, spent most of the '08 season in a learning mode after entering the NFL from the FCS college ranks at Coastal Carolina. Simpson has big-play potential the Bengals hope to tap this season, and he had three catches for 30 yards at New Orleans. Also bidding for spots are first-year player Maurice Purify, seventh-round draftee Freddie Brown of Utah and college free agents Quan Cosby, Greg Orton and David Richmond. Purify had two catches for 17 yards at New Orleans. Brown and Cosby played (no catches), while Orton and Richmond were active-DNP.

**Tight ends:** The Bengals opened training camp with more apparent depth at TE than at any point in recent years, but injuries struck hard early in training camp. Starter Reggie Kelly, a punishing blocker and a team leader, was lost for the season on Aug. 3 when he suffered a ruptured Achilles tendon in practice. He was placed Aug. 5 on the Reserve/Injured list. Also on Aug. 5, fifth-year pro Ben Utecht suffered a concussion in practice and had to be transported to a hospital for precautionary exams regarding a possible spinal injury. Though all tests have come back normal and Utecht is not disabled in any way, he has been held out of football activity since the injury and will not play at New England. Third-year pro Daniel Coats and third-round draft pick Chase Coffman now are at the forefront at TE. Coats, a tough blocker who also has played FB, has played in 31 of a possible 32 games since making the roster as a college free agent in 2007. Coats played with the first offense at New Orleans and had a six-yard catch. Coffman closed his Missouri career as the all-time NCAA receptions leader (247) among tight ends, and he won the John Mackey Award as the nation's best at his position. He caught 90 (NCAA tight end record) for 987 yards and 10 TDs last season. He had two catches for 11 yards while making his NFL debut in the Saints game. Also looking for playing time is CFA Darius Hill, Ball State's all-time TD receptions leader (31). Hill played (no catches) at New Orleans. Veteran Brad St. Louis works in practice with the tight ends, but his primary job is as the team's long snapper.

**Offensive linemen:** The Bengals' starting line all played most of the first half at New Orleans. The line features a new look at the tackle positions in 2009. Opening at the key LOT spot is fourth-year pro Andrew Whitworth. Whitworth started Games 1-10 at LG last season, missing the last six games due to an ankle injury, but he is fully recovered and has experience at LOT from both 2006 and '07. A second-round Bengals draft choice in '06, he had not missed a game and had started 38 of 42 contests before being injured last season. In the New Orleans game, Whitworth had a fumble recovery, grabbing a ball forced from LB Jonathan Vilma after Vilma had made an interception. Second-year pro Anthony Collins now holds the No. 1 ROT spot. Collins earned good reviews as a rookie last season, called on to start the last six games at LOT as an injury replacement. Hot competition at ROT could commence when Andre Smith of Alabama, the Bengals' top pick in the 2009 draft (sixth overall), reports to the team. But at press time for this release, Smith remained unsigned. The veteran mainstay of the Bengals line is RG Bobbie Williams, who has started 78 of a possible 81 games since joining the Bengals in 2004. His only missed games were due to an emergency appendectomy in 2006. Second-year pro Nate Livings is the starting LG. Livings saw his first NFL regular-season action in '08, starting the final six games as an injury replacement, and he helped the club average 167.0 rushing yards over

the final three games. Looking to upgrade the center position, the coaching staff has given the early inside track to second-year pro Kyle Cook. Cook delivered a strong performance in '09 offseason work, and the 312-pounder promises to bring more power to the spot. A new prospect at center is fourth-round draft pick Jonathan Luigs, a three-time finalist for college football's Rimington Award (top center) and the winner of the award in 2007. Luigs played in the second half at New Orleans. Third-year pro Dan Santucci opened training camp as the No. 2 center, but suffered a foot injury in practice and is out indefinitely, pending further examinations. The top backup tackle currently in camp is Dennis Roland, a second-year pro who spent most of last season on the Bengals practice squad but played in the last two games and started the season finale. Roland played at New Orleans, as did Scott Kooistra, a valuable and versatile line member, opening this camp with a listing as the No. 2 RG. The seventh-year pro has seen action at both guard and tackle during his Bengals career. Fifth-year pro Evan Mathis joined the Bengals as a free agent in November of last year and played in one game. He opens camp as the backup LG, carrying 33 total games of NFL experience, but he was inactive with an injury at New Orleans. Second-year pro Andrew Crummey, who played in six games last year, is listed at guard as camp opens but can also play center. Crummey played in the Saints game, as did rookie free agent OT Augustus Parrish of Kent State, who has been with Cincinnati only since Aug. 3. Jason Shirley was switched from DT to G in practice as of Aug. 10, and he saw brief action with the offense in the second half at New Orleans.

**Defensive linemen:** Bolstered by injury comebacks, new additions and added experience, the defensive line could be one of Cincinnati's most improved areas in 2009. Robert Geathers and Antwan Odom, two veterans in their prime with good sack production in their pasts, will look for fully healthy years after battling injuries last season. Both started at New Orleans, each getting one tackle in limited action. Geathers, who missed five games with a knee injury last year, has 23 career sacks, and the sixth-year pro looks to replicate his 2006 performance of 10.5 sacks, most by a Bengal since 1983. Odom came to the Bengals last season as an unrestricted free agent, following a 2006 season with Tennessee in which he had a career-high eight sacks and a team-high 29 QB hurries. Odom had injury woes from early in training camp last year, however, and he was limited to 12 games with eight starts. Listed No. 2 at the ends are fifth-year pro Jonathan Fanene and rookie third-round draft pick Michael Johnson. Fanene had his first 16-game season last year and posted a career-best 50 tackles. He played (no statistics) at New Orleans. Johnson, from Georgia Tech, has been an impressive player in preseason practices, and in the New Orleans game, he continued to shine with three tackles (one for a loss) and a pass deflection. Johnson had two sacks in the team's Intrasquad Scrimmage, prior to the start of the preseason schedule. Fourth-year pro Frostee Rucker has potential to challenge for playing time, but he has battled injury problems in his pro career, and those woes continued as he missed the New Orleans game with a hip injury. The former third-round draft pick has been a playmaker when healthy, with five fumble plays (three forced, two recovered) in just 16 career games. First-year DE Chris Harrington is also looking for a roster spot after playing in three games late last season. Harrington had two tackles and a QB hurry at New Orleans. The starting tackles at New Orleans were fourth-year pro Domata Peko, an original Bengals draftee, and seventh-year player Tank Johnson, an unrestricted free agent signee from Dallas. Peko started every game at LDT for the second straight year in 2008, and he led the line in tackles (108), ranked third on the team. Johnson has an NFL track record of providing pressure up the middle. He started in Super Bowl XLI (2006 season) for Chicago, played in every game for Dallas last season and has 12 career regular-season sacks, plus 2.5 more in postseason play. Also solid in the DT rotation is Pat Sims, who started six of the last seven games as a rookie last season, posting 50 tackles with a sack. Two rookie DTs are also in camp — seventh-round draft choice Clinton McDonald of Memphis and college free agent Pernell Phillips of Central State. McDonald had three tackles at New Orleans, but Phillips, a Cincinnati native, missed the Saints game with a groin injury.

**Linebackers:** The Bengals got good production from the LB corps last season and look for an even better year in 2009. Talented Keith Rivers, Cincinnati's top pick in the 2008 draft, returns as the No. 1 WLB, but Rivers was able to play in only seven games last season, due to a broken jaw suffered in Game 7 vs. Pittsburgh. Through Week 7 last season, Rivers' 50 tackles ranked second on the team. Rivers took up where he left off in the New Orleans game, posting five tackles in limited playing time. The LB corps also has a high-profile new addition in second-round draft pick Rey Mauluga, who like Rivers is a product of the University of Southern California. Mauluga was rated by many analysts as a first-round talent, boasting great speed and a reputation as one of the hardest hitters the college game has seen. Mauluga did not play at New Orleans due to a tight hamstring, but he is listed as probable



for New England. Mauluga has opened his first pro camp as the backup SLB behind fourth-year vet Rashad Jeanty, who started 15 games last season and ranked fourth on the team with 97 tackles. The 247-pound Jeanty lends a physical presence to the front seven, and he had one tackle in limited action at New Orleans. The starting MLB is Dhani Jones, a 10th-year vet who has been an impact player since jump-starting his career as a Bengals free agent signee during the 2007 season. Last year, in his first full Bengals season, Jones led the team in tackles (165) by a wide margin. Jones started at New Orleans and saw limited action (no statistics) With the return of Rivers to the lineup, Brandon Johnson has been pushed back to the No. 2 WLB position, but Johnson played like a starter and then some in '08 as he replaced the injured Rivers. Over the nine games he started (Games 8-16), Johnson's tackle total of 90 was tops on the team. Johnson missed the New Orleans game with an ankle injury but could return to action at New England. The No. 2 MLB is Abdul Hodge, a fourth-year pro in his first full Bengals campaign, and Hodge was an impact player at New Orleans. He tied for the team lead in tackles (six), had two of those tackles go for losses, and also had a forced fumble. Hodge played in six games last season and also has prior experience with Green Bay. Rounding out the OLB corps are two NFL veterans, Darryl Blackstock and Jim Maxwell. Blackstock had two tackles at New Orleans, and Maxwell posted three stops. Blackstock played in 12 games for Cincinnati last season, and Maxwell saw action in two contests after signing late as a free agent. Another MLB looking to crack the roster is college free agent Dan Skuta, who has had a good training camp and had two tackles at New Orleans.

**Cornerbacks:** Two recent Bengals first-round draft picks — Leon Hall (2007) and Johnathan Joseph (2006) — are in their NFL prime and back to man the starting positions in 2009. Hall, entering his third season, leads the team in INTs (eight) and passes defended (37) over the past two seasons. He also has led the secondary in tackles for the past two seasons, totaling 84 last year. Hall had a pass defended in the end zone at New Orleans, helping the defense turn back a scoring bid after the Saints gained an early possession at the Bengals four after a turnover. Joseph looks to increase his contribution after being slowed by injuries each of the last two years. Ankle and foot injuries limited him to eight games in '08, and though he played 15 games in '07, he was hampered in that season's first half by rehab from a minicamp foot injury. Despite his missed time last year, he finished second on the team in passes defended (14), and he has scored a TD in each of the past two seasons. Joseph is also an excellent run defender and had a tackle in limited action at New Orleans. Third-year pro David Jones opened preseason in the nickel CB position, but he suffered a foot injury in practice, missed the New Orleans game, and will be out an estimated two-to-four more weeks. He played in 14 games with seven starts last year and had 44 tackles and seven passes defended. Second-year NFL player Geoffrey Pope is in his first full Bengals campaign after joining Cincinnati just before the '08 regular season. The former N.Y. Giant played in eight Cincinnati games last year, and he had a pass defended at New Orleans. On Aug. 2, the Bengals signed free agent veteran Jamar Fletcher, and Fletcher had a tackle at New Orleans. Also looking for time at CB are sixth-round draft choice Morgan Trent of Michigan and Cincinnati native Rico Murray, a college free agent signee from Kent State. Trent had a fumble recovery at New Orleans, halting a Saints threat at the Bengals' one-yard line, while Murray had two tackles, one of them for a loss.

**Safeties:** The safety spot looks like the Bengals' deepest in terms of proven NFL talent. Five-time Pro Bowl selection Roy Williams

signed with Cincinnati in May as a free agent, after seven seasons with Dallas, and opens camp as the No. 1 SS. He was limited by injuries to three games last season, but has earned recognition as one of the NFL's most powerful hitters among secondary players. He played but had no statistics in limited action at New Orleans. The No. 1 FS is seventh-year vet Chris Crocker, who had a highly productive second half of the '08 season for Cincinnati after signing as a free agent. Crocker had three tackles in limited playing time at New Orleans, including a stop when the Bengals turned the Saints away after New Orleans took over at the Cincinnati four-yard line after a turnover. Also pushing strongly for playing time will be third-year pros Chinedum Ndukwe and Marvin White. Ndukwe missed five games due to injuries last year, but the 2007 seventh-round draft choice has 25 games with 13 starts over his first two seasons, and he has logged five sacks (second on the team over 2007-08), Ndukwe had four tackles at New Orleans. White was felled last season by a serious knee injury (two torn ligaments) on Nov. 30, but he's back at full speed in 2009. He tied for the team lead in tackles (six) at New Orleans. White has ability as a big hitter, and despite missing the last four games last year, he finished second among the DBs in tackles (81). The Bengals' excellent depth at safety continues with second-year NFL players Kyries Hebert and Corey Lynch. Hebert, a former Canadian League star, played in every game last season and had 19 tackles on defense while leading the special teams with 23 tackles. Hebert had one tackle at New Orleans. Lynch was limited to seven games by a knee injury last year, but he logged his first pro INT, and he looks to build on his Appalachian State reputation as one of the FCS ranks' premier playmakers. He made a play at New Orleans, stopping a scoring threat by forcing a fumble by RB Lynell Hamilton that the Bengals recovered at the Cincinnati one. Lynch also had two tackles in the Saints game. Also bidding for a roster spot is college free agent Tom Nelson of Illinois State, who has had a good camp. Nelson recorded two tackles at New Orleans.

**Special teams:** Record-setting K Shayne Graham enters his seventh Bengals season in 2009, and Cincinnati looks for a notable upgrade in the punting game with the addition of fifth-round draft choice Kevin Huber. Graham ranks fourth all-time in the NFL in career field goal accuracy (85.64 percent), and his Bengals-only percentage is even better at 87.5, by far the best in franchise history. His list of club records also includes points in a season (131), consecutive FGs made (21) and most FGs in a game (seven). He also handles kickoffs. Uncharacteristically, Graham was wide left at New Orleans on a 30-yard FG try, his only opportunity of the game. Huber, a Cincinnati native who played at the University of Cincinnati, led the nation in net punting in each of the last two seasons. He led the nation in gross punting average (46.9) in 2007 and posted a 45.0 mark last season. Huber is also slated to be the holder on place kicks. In his preseason debut at New Orleans, Huber averaged 39.7 yards on six punts, with two inside-20s and no touchbacks. A good competition seems in store for the Bengals PR job, with veteran WR Antonio Chatman battling rookie WR Quan Cosby. Chatman averaged 7.5 yards on 21 returns last season, but he missed the Saints game with an ankle injury. Cosby averaged 11.3 yards on 33 returns during his college career at Texas, and he had one return for 11 yards at New Orleans. WR Andre Caldwell averaged a solid 26.0 yards on 13 kickoff returns last season, having taken over the job late in the year, and he opens '09 in the No. 1 role. He averaged 15.5 yards on two returns at New Orleans. Also bidding for KOR duty is HB DeDe Dorsey, who averaged 22.0 yards on two returns at New Orleans. Cincinnati's kickoff and punt coverage teams both yielded averages in the NFL's top half last season, and four of last season's top six special teams tacklers are back, led by S Kyries Hebert (23 tackles in '08). Seven different Bengals contributed one special teams tackle each at New Orleans.

## Pronunciation guide

Bob Bratkowski (offensive coordinator) .....brat-COW-skee  
Louie Cioffi (assistant defensive backs coach) ..... CHO-fee  
Laveranues Coles ..... luh-VER-nee-us  
Quan Cosby ..... KWAHN  
Andrew Crumme ..... KRUM-ee  
Jonathan Fanene ..... fuh-NAY-nay  
Jamar Fletcher ..... juh-MAR  
Robert Geathers ..... (pronounced as "gathers")  
Paul Guenther (asst. special teams/asst. LBs coach) ..... GUN-thur  
Kyries Hebert ..... KYE-riss AY-bear  
Rashad Jeanty ..... ruh-SHAHD JENN-tee  
Jeremi Johnson ..... (pronounced as "Jeremy")  
Dhani Jones ..... duh-HAH-nee  
Scott Kooistra ..... KOO-struh

Jonathan Luigs ..... LOO-igs  
Rey Mauluga ..... RAY mow(rhymes w/ "now")-uh-LOO-guh  
Chinedum Ndukwe ..... CHIN-uh-doom en-DUKE-way  
Chad Ochocinco ..... o-cho-SEEN-ko  
Antwan Odom ..... AN-twahn O-duhm  
Domata Peko ..... DOE-mah-tah PECK-o  
Pernell Phillips ..... per-NELL  
Brad St. Louis ..... (pronounced as "Saint Lewis")  
Dan Santucci ..... san-TOO-chee  
Dan Skuta ..... SKOO-tuh  
Bob Surace (assistant offensive line coach) ..... suh-RACE  
Ben Utecht ..... YEW-tek  
Fui Vakapuna ..... FOO-ee vah-kuh-POO-nuh  
Ken Zampese (quarterbacks coach) ..... zam-PEE-zee

# Transactions

*(Transactions prior to June 22 can be found on pages 138-139 of the Bengals' 2009 media guide.)*

June 22	— Signed DT Clinton McDonald (D7b).	July 31	— Waived G Colin Dow.
July 9	— Signed FB Fui Vakapuna (D7a).	Aug. 2	— Signed CB Jamar Fletcher (FA).
July 16	— Signed P Kevin Huber (D5).	Aug. 3	— Signed OT Augustus Parrish (FA).
July 21	— Signed C Jonathan Luigs (D4); Waived CB Simeon Castille.	Aug. 5	— Placed TE Reggie Kelly on the Reserve/Injured list.
July 28	— Signed TE Chase Coffman (D3b).	Aug. 6	— Signed TE Matt Sherry (FA).
July 29	— Signed LB Rey Mauluga (D2) and DE Michael Johnson (D3a).	Aug. 10	— Terminated the contract of HB Kenny Watson; Waived FB J.D. Runnels Jr.

## Important dates

Aug. 15-19	— Deadline for club to provide written notice to certain unsigned players and the NFLPA of its intent to place them on the Exempt List if they fail to report no later than one day prior to the club's second preseason game. Any player who fails to report prior to the deadline will be ineligible to play or receive compensation for at least three games (preseason or regular season) from the time he reports.		a minimum of 42 and a maximum of 45 players and a Third Quarterback for each regular-season and postseason game.
Aug. 20	— Bengals Preseason Game 2, at New England, 7:30 p.m. EDT.	Sept. 5	— Simultaneously with the cutdown to 53, clubs that have players in the categories of Active/Physically Unable to Perform or Active/Non-Football Injury or Illness must take one of the following options: place player on Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform or Reserve/Non-Football Injury or Illness, whichever is applicable; ask waivers; terminate; trade; or continue to count him on Active List.
Aug. 27	— Bengals Preseason Game 3, vs. St. Louis at Paul Brown Stadium, 7:30 p.m. EDT.	Sept. 6	— After noon EDT, clubs may establish a Practice Squad of eight players by signing free agents who do not have an accrued season of free-agency credit, or who were on the 45-player Active List for less than nine regular-season games during their only Accrued Season(s). A player cannot participate on the Practice Squad for more than three seasons.
Sept. 1	— Roster cutdown to maximum of 75 players on Active List by 4 p.m. EDT.		
Sept. 2	— All tryouts on this date and for the remainder of the season must be reported to the League office.	Sept. 13	— Bengals regular-season opener, vs. Denver at Paul Brown Stadium, 1 p.m. EDT.
Sept. 3	— Bengals Preseason Game 4, vs. Indianapolis at Paul Brown Stadium, 7:30 p.m. EDT.		
Sept. 5	— Roster cutdown to maximum of 53 players on Active/Inactive List by 4 p.m. EDT. Clubs may dress		

## Media schedule

*(All events listed through Aug. 18 are at Georgetown College unless otherwise noted. The team is based at Paul Brown Stadium after Aug. 18.)*

Mon., Aug. 17	— Marvin Lewis news conference at 1 p.m.; Practice from 3-5 p.m.	Mon., Aug. 24	— Locker room open from 11:15 a.m.-noon; Marvin Lewis news conference at noon; Practice from 1-3 p.m.; Practice open to media from 1-1:30 p.m.; Coaches available briefly coming off the field after practice; Player interviews after practice must have been arranged 24 hours in advance.
Tues., Aug. 18	— Team breaks training camp; no media access.	Tues., Aug. 25	— Locker room open from 10-10:45 a.m.; Practice from 11 a.m.-12:45 p.m.; Practice open to media from 11-11:30 a.m., but no cameras; No media access after practice.
Wed., Aug. 19	— Schedule TBD; Team departs in afternoon for New England.	Wed., Aug. 26	— No media access.
Thurs., Aug. 20	— Preseason Game 2, Bengals at New England, 7:30 p.m.	Thurs., Aug. 27	— Preseason Game 3, Bengals vs. St. Louis at Paul Brown Stadium, 7:30 p.m.
Fri., Aug. 21	— Players' off day; no media access.		
Sat., Aug. 22	— Locker room open from 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Practice from 4:30-6 p.m.; Practice open to media from 4:30-5 p.m.; No media access after practice.		
Sun., Aug. 23	— Locker room open from 12:15-1 p.m.; Practice from 4-6 p.m.; Practice open to media from 4-4:30 p.m.; No media access after practice.		

# 2009 returning veterans

## Players on 2007 roster (49):

QB Carson Palmer  
QB Jordan Palmer  
HB Cedric Benson  
HB DeDe Dorsey  
HB James Johnson  
FB Jeremi Johnson  
WR Andre Caldwell  
WR Antonio Chatman  
WR Chris Henry  
WR Chad Ochocinco  
WR Jerome Simpson  
TE Daniel Coats  
TE Ben Utecht  
OT Anthony Collins  
OT Dennis Roland  
OT Andrew Whitworth  
G Andrew Crummey  
G Scott Kooistra  
G Nate Livings  
G Evan Mathis  
G Jason Shirley  
G Bobbie Williams  
C Kyle Cook

DE Jonathan Fanene  
DE Robert Geathers  
DE Chris Harrington  
DE Antwan Odom  
DE Frostee Rucker  
DT Domata Peko  
DT Pat Sims  
LB Darryl Blackstock  
LB Abdul Hodge  
LB Rashad Jeanty  
LB Brandon Johnson  
LB Dhani Jones  
LB Jim Maxwell  
LB Keith Rivers  
CB Jamar Fletcher  
CB Leon Hall  
CB David Jones  
CB Johnathan Joseph  
CB Geoffrey Pope

S Chris Crocker  
S Kyries Hebert  
S Corey Lynch  
S Chinedum Ndukwe  
S Marvin White  
K Shayne Graham  
LS/TE Brad St. Louis

## 2008 non-roster players (3)

WR Maurice Purify (practice squad)  
C Dan Santucci (reserve/injured)  
TE Matt Sherry (reserve/injured)

# 2009 acquisitions

## Unrestricted free agents (3):

QB J.T. O'Sullivan (San Francisco)  
WR Laveranues Coles (N.Y. Jets)  
DT Tank Johnson (Dallas)

## Veteran free agents (1):

S Roy Williams (last with Dallas)

## Trade acquisition (1):

HB Brian Leonard (from St. Louis)

## Draft Choices (11):

1-OT Andre Smith\* (Alabama)  
2-LB Rey Mauluga (Southern California)  
3a-DE Michael Johnson (Georgia Tech)  
3b-TE Chase Coffman (Missouri)  
4-C Jonathan Luigs (Arkansas)  
5-P Kevin Huber (Cincinnati)  
6a-CB Morgan Trent (Michigan)  
6b-HB Bernard Scott (Abilene Christian)  
7a-FB Fui Vakapuna (Brigham Young)  
7b-DT Clinton McDonald (Memphis)  
7c-WR Freddie Brown (Utah)

\*NOTE: Unsigned.

## College Free Agents (10):

WR Quan Cosby (Texas)  
TE Darius Hill (Ball State)  
HB Marlon Lucky (Nebraska)  
CB Rico Murray (Kent State)  
S Tom Nelson (Illinois State)  
WR Greg Orton (Purdue)  
DT Pernell Phillips (Central State)  
FB Chris Pressley (Wisconsin)  
WR David Richmond (San Jose State)  
LB Dan Skuta (Grand Valley State)

## Rookie Free Agents (1):

OT Augustus Parrish (Kent State)

# 2009 preseason participation chart

## Legend

(position abbreviation indicates start)

P — played as a substitute  
DNP — did not play

RI — reserve/injured list  
RPUP — reserve/physically unable to perform list

NWT — not with team  
# — unsigned draft pick

NAME	Cin. G-S	1 @N.O.	2 @N.E.	3 STL.	4 IND.
Benson, Cedric	1-1	HB			
Blackstock, Darryl	1-0	P			
Brown, Freddie	1-0	P			
Caldwell, Andre	1-1	3rdWR			
Chatman, Antonio	0-0	DNP			
Coats, Daniel	1-0	P			
Coffman, Chase	1-0	P			
Coles, Laveranues	1-1	WR			
Collins, Anthony	1-1	ROT			
Cook, Kyle	1-1	C			
Cosby, Quan	1-0	P			
Crocker, Chris	1-1	FS			
Crummey, Andrew	1-0	P			
Dorsey, DeDe	1-0	P			
Fanene, Jonathan	1-0	P			
Fletcher, Jamar	1-0	P			
Geathers, Robert	1-1	LDE			
Graham, Shayne	1-0	P			
Hall, Leon	1-1	RCB			
Harrington, Chris	1-0	P			
Hebert, Kyries	1-0	P			
Henry, Chris	1-0	P			
Hill, Darius	1-0	P			
Hodge, Abdul	1-0	P			
Huber, Kevin	1-0	P			
Jeanty, Rashad	1-1	SLB			
Johnson, Brandon	0-0	DNP			
Johnson, James	1-0	P			
Johnson, Jeremi	1-1	FB			
Johnson, Michael	1-0	P			
Johnson, Tank	1-1	RDT			
Jones, David	0-0	DNP			
Jones, Dhani	1-1	MLB			
Joseph, Johnathan	1-1	LCB			
Kelly, Reggie	0-0	RI			
Kooistra, Scott	1-0	P			
Leonard, Brian	1-0	P			
Living, Nate	1-1	LG			
Lucky, Marlon	0-0	DNP			
Luijs, Jonathan	1-0	P			
Lynch, Corey	1-0	P			
Mathis, Evan	0-0	DNP			
Maualuga, Rey	0-0	DNP			
Maxwell, Jim	1-0	P			
McDonald, Clinton	1-0	P			
Murray, Rico	1-0	P			
Ndukwe, Chinedum	1-0	P			
Nelson, Tom	1-0	P			
Ochocinco, Chad	1-1	WR			
Odom, Antwan	1-1	RDE			
Orton, Greg	0-0	DNP			
O'Sullivan, J.T.	1-0	P			
Palmer, Carson	1-1	QB			
Palmer, Jordan	1-0	P			
Parrish, Augustus	1-0	P			
Peko, Domata	1-1	LDT			
Phillips, Pernell	0-0	DNP			
Pope, Geoffrey	1-0	P			
Pressley, Chris	1-0	P			
Purify, Maurice	1-0	P			
Richmond, David	0-0	DNP			
Rivers, Keith	1-1	WLB			
Roland, Dennis	1-0	P			
Rucker, Frostee	0-0	DNP			
St. Louis, Brad	1-0	P			
Santucci, Dan	0-0	DNP			
Scott, Bernard	1-0	P			
Sherry, Matt	0-0	DNP			
Shirley, Jason	1-0	P			
Simpson, Jerome	1-0	P			
Sims, Pat	1-0	P			
Skuta, Dan	1-0	P			
Smith, Andre	0-0	#			
Trent, Morgan	1-0	P			
Utecht, Ben	0-0	DNP			
Vakapuna, Fui	1-0	P			
White, Marvin	1-0	P			
Whitworth, Andrew	1-1	LOT			
Williams, Bobbie	1-1	RG			
Williams, Roy	1-1	SS			

# Depth chart

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## OFFENSE

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WR	85	CHAD OCHOCINCO	15	Chris Henry	89	Jerome Simpson
					84	<u>Freddie Brown</u>
					16	<u>Greg Orton</u>
LOT	77	ANDREW WHITWORTH	67	<u>Augustus Parrish</u>		
LG	62	NATE LIVINGS	66	Evan Mathis	70	Jason Shirley
C	64	KYLE COOK	50	<u>Jonathan Luigs</u>	65	Dan Santucci
RG	63	BOBBIE WILLIAMS	75	Scott Kooistra	60	Andrew Crummey
ROT	73	ANTHONY COLLINS	74	Dennis Roland	# 71	<u>Andre Smith</u>
TE	86	DANIEL COATS	81	Ben Utecht	80	<u>Chase Coffman</u>
					49	<u>Darius Hill</u>
					88	Matt Sherry
					48	Brad St. Louis
WR	11	LAVERANUES COLES	87	Andre Caldwell	83	Antonio Chatman
					14	<u>Maurice Purify</u>
					12	<u>Quan Cosby</u>
					19	<u>David Richmond</u>
QB	9	CARSON PALMER	4	J.T. O'Sullivan	5	Jordan Palmer
HB	32	CEDRIC BENSON	40	Brian Leonard	27	DeDe Dorsey
					39	<u>James Johnson</u>
					28	<u>Bernard Scott</u>
					30	<u>Marlon Lucky</u>
FB	23	JEREMI JOHNSON	37	<u>Fui Vakapuna</u>	36	<u>Chris Pressley</u>

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## DEFENSE

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LDE	91	ROBERT GEATHERS	68	Jonathan Fanene	96	<u>Chris Harrington</u>
LDT	94	DOMATA PEKO	79	<u>Pernell Phillips</u>		
RDT	99	TANK JOHNSON	90	Pat Sims	69	<u>Clinton McDonald</u>
RDE	98	ANTWAN ODOM	93	<u>Michael Johnson</u>	92	Frostee Rucker
SLB	53	RASHAD JEANTY	58	<u>Rey Maualuga</u>	56	Darryl Blackstock
MLB	57	DHANI JONES	52	Abdul Hodge	46	<u>Dan Skuta</u>
WLB	55	KEITH RIVERS	59	Brandon Johnson	51	Jim Maxwell
LCB	22	JOHNATHAN JOSEPH	20	David Jones	21	Jamar Fletcher
					44	<u>Rico Murray</u>
RCB	29	LEON HALL	24	Geoffrey Pope	25	<u>Morgan Trent</u>
SS	31	ROY WILLIAMS	41	Chinedum Ndukwe	34	Kyries Hebert
					43	<u>Tom Nelson</u>
FS	42	CHRIS CROCKER	26	Marvin White	47	Corey Lynch

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## SPECIAL TEAMS

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P	10	<u>Kevin Huber</u>				
K	17	Shayne Graham				
KO	17	Shayne Graham				
PR	83	Antonio Chatman	12	<u>Quan Cosby</u>	43	<u>Tom Nelson</u>
KOR	87	Andre Caldwell	12	<u>Quan Cosby</u>	28	<u>Bernard Scott</u>
					39	<u>James Johnson</u>
LS	48	Brad St. Louis	81	Ben Utecht		
H	10	<u>Kevin Huber</u>				

NOTE: Players whose names are CAPITALIZED are anticipated starters. Rookies and first-year players are underlined. A number sign (#) indicates an unsigned draft pick.

# Alphabetical roster

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NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	BORN	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ.
32	Benson, Cedric	HB	5-11	225	12-28-82	5	Texas	Midland, Texas	FA'08
56	Blackstock, Darryl	LB	6-3	240	5-30-83	5	Virginia	Newport News, Va.	FA'08
84	Brown, Freddie	WR	6-4	210	6-24-86	R	Utah	La Verne, Calif.	D7c'09
87	Caldwell, Andre	WR	6-0	200	4-15-85	2	Florida	Tampa, Fla.	D3b'08
83	Chatman, Antonio	WR	5-8	185	2-12-79	7	Cincinnati	Los Angeles, Calif.	FA'06
86	Coats, Daniel	TE	6-3	264	4-16-84	3	Brigham Young	Layton, Utah	CFA'07
80	Coffman, Chase	TE	6-6	257	11-10-86	R	Missouri	Peculiar, Mo.	D3b'09
11	Coles, Laveranues	WR	5-11	200	12-29-77	10	Florida State	Jacksonville, Fla.	UFA(NYJ)'09
73	Collins, Anthony	OT	6-5	315	11-2-85	2	Kansas	Beaumont, Texas	D4'08
64	Cook, Kyle	C	6-3	312	7-25-83	2	Michigan State	Macomb, Mich.	FA'07
12	Cosby, Quan	WR	5-9	196	12-23-82	R	Texas	Mart, Texas	CFA'09
42	Crocker, Chris	S	5-11	200	3-9-80	7	Marshall	Chesapeake, Va.	FA'08
60	Crummey, Andrew	G	6-5	301	10-22-84	2	Maryland	Van Wert, Ohio	PS(Wash.)'08
27	Dorsey, DeDe	HB	5-11	210	8-1-84	4	Lindenwood	Broken Arrow, Okla.	FA'07
68	Fanene, Jonathan	DE	6-4	292	3-19-82	5	Utah	Pago Pago (American Samoa)	D7'05
21	Fletcher, Jamar	CB	5-10	185	8-28-79	9	Wisconsin	St. Louis, Mo.	FA'09
91	Geathers, Robert	DE	6-3	280	8-11-83	6	Georgia	Georgetown, S.C.	D4b'04
17	Graham, Shayne	K	6-0	205	12-9-77	9	Virginia Tech	Dublin, Va.	W(Car.)'03
29	Hall, Leon	CB	5-11	199	12-9-84	3	Michigan	Vista, Calif.	D1'07
96	Harrington, Chris	DE	6-5	260	1-19-85	1	Texas A&M	Houston, Texas	PS(Ariz.)'08
34	Hebert, Kyries	S	6-3	220	10-9-80	2	Louisiana-Lafayette	Lafayette, La.	FA'08
15	Henry, Chris	WR	6-4	200	5-17-83	5	West Virginia	Belle Chasse, La.	FA'08
49	Hill, Darius	TE	6-7	245	8-26-85	R	Ball State	Blue Springs, Mo.	CFA'09
52	Hodge, Abdul	LB	6-0	240	9-9-82	4	Iowa	Lauderdale Lakes, Fla.	FA'08
10	Huber, Kevin	P	6-1	210	7-16-85	R	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	D5'09
53	Jeanty, Rashad	LB	6-2	247	4-17-83	4	Central Florida	Miami, Fla.	FA'06
59	Johnson, Brandon	LB	6-5	243	4-5-83	4	Louisville	Birmingham, Ala.	FA'08
39	Johnson, James	HB	5-11	205	9-6-84	1	Kansas State	Port Arthur, Texas	CFA'08
23	Johnson, Jeremi	FB	5-11	275	9-4-80	7	Western Kentucky	Louisville, Ky.	FA'09
93	Johnson, Michael	DE	6-7	260	2-7-87	R	Georgia Tech	Selma, Ala.	D3a'09
99	Johnson, Tank	DT	6-3	305	12-7-81	6	Washington	Tempe, Ariz.	UFA(Dall.)'09
20	Jones, David	CB	6-0	196	9-19-85	3	Wingate	Greenville, S.C.	W(N.O.)'07
57	Jones, Dhani	LB	6-1	240	2-22-78	10	Michigan	Potomac, Md.	FA'07
22	Joseph, Johnathan	CB	5-11	193	4-16-84	4	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	D1'06
75	Kooistra, Scott	G	6-6	335	10-14-80	7	North Carolina State	Cary, N.C.	D7a'03
40	Leonard, Brian	HB	6-1	230	2-3-84	3	Rutgers	Gouverneur, N.Y.	T(StL.)'09
62	Livingston, Nate	G	6-5	330	3-16-82	2	Louisiana State	Lake Charles, La.	CFA'06
30	Lucky, Marlon	HB	5-11	218	2-28-86	R	Nebraska	North Hollywood, Calif.	CFA'09
50	Luigs, Jonathan	C	6-4	315	8-11-86	R	Arkansas	Little Rock, Ark.	D4'09
47	Lynch, Corey	S	6-0	206	5-7-85	2	Appalachian State	Cape Coral, Fla.	D6a'08
66	Mathis, Evan	G	6-5	295	11-1-81	5	Alabama	Homewood, Ala.	FA'08
58	Mauluga, Rey	LB	6-2	255	1-20-87	R	Southern California	Eureka, Calif.	D2'09
51	Maxwell, Jim	LB	6-4	240	8-8-81	5	Gardner-Webb	Johnsontonville, S.C.	FA'08
69	McDonald, Clinton	DT	6-2	290	1-6-87	R	Memphis	Jacksonville, Ark.	D7b'09
44	Murray, Rico	CB	5-11	202	8-21-87	R	Kent State	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA'09
41	Ndukwe, Chinedum	S	6-2	224	3-4-85	3	Notre Dame	Powell, Ohio	D7b'07
43	Nelson, Tom	S	5-11	203	12-4-86	R	Illinois State	Arlington Heights, Ill.	CFA'09
85	Ochocinco, Chad	WR	6-1	192	1-9-78	9	Oregon State	Miami, Fla.	D2'01
98	Odom, Antwan	DE	6-5	280	9-24-81	6	Alabama	Bayou La Batre, Ala.	UFA(Tenn.)'08
16	Orton, Greg	WR	6-3	207	12-17-86	R	Purdue	Dayton, Ohio	CFA'09
4	O'Sullivan, J.T.	QB	6-2	230	8-25-79	7	California, Davis	Burbank, Calif.	UFA(S.F.)'09
9	Palmer, Carson	QB	6-5	235	12-27-79	7	Southern California	Mission Viejo, Calif.	D1'03
5	Palmer, Jordan	QB	6-5	235	5-30-84	2	Texas-El Paso	Mission Viejo, Calif.	FA'08
67	Parrish, Augustus	OT	6-4	303	3-19-87	R	Kent State	Temple Hills, Md.	FA'09
94	Peko, Domata	DT	6-3	318	11-27-84	4	Michigan State	Pago Pago (American Samoa)	D4'06
79	Phillips, Pernell	DT	6-0	311	4-5-85	R	Central State	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA'09
24	Pope, Geoffrey	CB	6-0	186	6-21-84	2	Howard	Detroit, Mich.	FA'08
36	Pressley, Chris	FB	5-11	260	8-8-86	R	Wisconsin	Woodbury, N.J.	CFA'09
14	Purify, Maurice	WR	6-3	226	1-17-86	1	Nebraska	Eureka, Calif.	CFA'08
19	Richmond, David	WR	6-2	194	4-1-87	R	San Jose State	Anaheim, Calif.	CFA'09
55	Rivers, Keith	LB	6-2	240	5-5-86	2	Southern California	Lake Mary, Fla.	D1'08
74	Roland, Dennis	OT	6-9	325	3-10-83	2	Georgia	Bolivar, Mo.	FA'08
92	Rucker, Froste	DE	6-3	285	9-14-83	4	Southern California	Tustin, Calif.	D3'06
48	St. Louis, Brad	LS/TE	6-3	243	8-19-76	10	Southwest Missouri State	Belton, Mo.	D7'00
65	Santucci, Dan	C	6-4	304	9-6-83	3	Notre Dame	Harwood Heights, Ill.	PS(Ind.)'07
28	Scott, Bernard	HB	5-10	200	2-10-84	R	Abilene Christian	Vernon, Texas	D6b'09
88	Sherry, Matt	TE	6-4	250	12-11-84	2	Villanova	Rumford, R.I.	FA'09
70	Shirley, Jason	G	6-5	338	9-30-85	2	Fresno State	Fontana, Calif.	D5'08
89	Simpson, Jerome	WR	6-2	195	2-4-86	2	Coastal Carolina	Reidsville, N.C.	D2'08
90	Sims, Pat	DT	6-2	325	11-29-85	2	Auburn	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	D3a'08
46	Skuta, Dan	LB	6-2	251	4-21-86	R	Grand Valley State	Flint, Mich.	CFA'09
71 #	Smith, Andre	OT	6-4	335	1-25-87	R	Alabama	Birmingham, Ala.	D1'09
25	Trent, Morgan	CB	6-1	195	12-14-85	R	Michigan	San Diego, Calif.	D6a'09
81	Utecht, Ben	TE	6-6	245	6-30-81	5	Minnesota	Hastings, Minn.	RFA(Ind.)'08
37	Vakapuna, Fui	FB	6-0	260	3-9-84	R	Brigham Young	Glendale, Utah	D7a'09
26	White, Marvin	S	6-1	205	12-5-83	3	Texas Christian	Port Barre, La.	D4'07
77	Whitworth, Andrew	OT	6-7	335	12-12-81	4	Louisiana State	West Monroe, La.	D2'06
63	Williams, Bobbie	G	6-4	345	9-25-76	10	Arkansas	Jefferson, Texas	UFA(Phil.)'04
31	Williams, Roy	S	6-0	222	8-14-80	8	Oklahoma	Union City, Calif.	FA'09

## Reserve/Injured

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82	Kelly, Reggie (Aug. 5; Achilles)	TE	6-4	256	2-22-77	11	Mississippi State	Aberdeen, Miss.	UFA(Atl.)'03

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NOTE: A number sign (#) indicates an unsigned draft pick.

# Numerical roster

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NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	BORN	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ.
4	J.T. O'Sullivan	QB	6-2	230	8-25-79	7	California, Davis	Burbank, Calif.	UFA(S.F.)'09
5	Jordan Palmer	QB	6-5	235	5-30-84	2	Texas-El Paso	Mission Viejo, Calif.	FA'08
9	Carson Palmer	QB	6-5	235	12-27-79	7	Southern California	Mission Viejo, Calif.	D1'03
10	Kevin Huber	P	6-1	210	7-16-85	R	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	D5'09
11	Laveranues Coles	WR	5-11	200	12-29-77	10	Florida State	Jacksonville, Fla.	UFA(NYJ)'09
12	Quan Cosby	WR	5-9	196	12-23-82	R	Texas	Mart, Texas	CFA'09
14	Maurice Purify	WR	6-3	226	1-17-86	1	Nebraska	Eureka, Calif.	CFA'08
15	Chris Henry	WR	6-4	200	5-17-83	5	West Virginia	Belle Chasse, La.	FA'08
16	Greg Orton	WR	6-3	207	12-17-86	R	Purdue	Dayton, Ohio	CFA'09
17	Shayne Graham	K	6-0	205	12-9-77	9	Virginia Tech	Dublin, Va.	W(Car.)'03
19	David Richmond	WR	6-2	194	4-1-87	R	San Jose State	Anaheim, Calif.	CFA'09
20	David Jones	CB	6-0	196	9-19-85	3	Wingate	Greenville, S.C.	W(N.O.)'07
21	Jamar Fletcher	CB	5-10	185	8-28-79	9	Wisconsin	St. Louis, Mo.	FA'09
22	Johnathan Joseph	CB	5-11	193	4-16-84	4	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	D1'06
23	Jeremi Johnson	FB	5-11	275	9-4-80	7	Western Kentucky	Louisville, Ky.	FA'09
24	Geoffrey Pope	CB	6-0	186	6-21-84	2	Howard	Detroit, Mich.	FA'08
25	Morgan Trent	CB	6-1	195	12-14-85	R	Michigan	San Diego, Calif.	D6a'09
26	Marvin White	S	6-1	205	12-5-83	3	Texas Christian	Port Barre, La.	D4'07
27	DeDe Dorsey	HB	5-11	210	8-1-84	4	Lindenwood	Broken Arrow, Okla.	FA'07
28	Bernard Scott	HB	5-10	200	2-10-84	R	Abilene Christian	Vernon, Texas	D6b'09
29	Leon Hall	CB	5-11	199	12-9-84	3	Michigan	Vista, Calif.	D1'07
30	Marlon Lucky	HB	5-11	218	2-28-86	R	Nebraska	North Hollywood, Calif.	CFA'09
31	Roy Williams	S	6-0	222	8-14-80	8	Oklahoma	Union City, Calif.	FA'09
32	Cedric Benson	HB	5-11	225	12-28-82	5	Texas	Midland, Texas	FA'08
34	Kyries Hebert	S	6-3	220	10-9-80	2	Louisiana-Lafayette	Lafayette, La.	FA'08
36	Chris Pressley	FB	5-11	260	8-8-86	R	Wisconsin	Woodbury, N.J.	CFA'09
37	Fui Vakapuna	FB	6-0	260	3-9-84	R	Brigham Young	Glendale, Utah	D7a'09
39	James Johnson	HB	5-11	205	9-6-84	1	Kansas State	Port Arthur, Texas	CFA'08
40	Brian Leonard	HB	6-1	230	2-3-84	3	Rutgers	Gouverneur, N.Y.	T(StL.)'09
41	Chinedum Ndukwe	S	6-2	224	3-4-85	3	Notre Dame	Powell, Ohio	D7b'07
42	Chris Crocker	S	5-11	200	3-9-80	7	Marshall	Chesapeake, Va.	FA'08
43	Tom Nelson	S	5-11	203	12-4-86	R	Illinois State	Arlington Heights, Ill.	CFA'09
44	Rico Murray	CB	5-11	202	8-21-87	R	Kent State	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA'09
46	Dan Skuta	LB	6-2	251	4-21-86	R	Grand Valley State	Flint, Mich.	CFA'09
47	Corey Lynch	S	6-0	206	5-7-85	2	Appalachian State	Cape Coral, Fla.	D6a'08
48	Brad St. Louis	LS/TE	6-3	243	8-19-76	10	Southwest Missouri State	Belton, Mo.	D7'00
49	Darius Hill	TE	6-7	245	8-26-85	R	Ball State	Blue Springs, Mo.	CFA'09
50	Jonathan Luigs	C	6-4	315	8-11-86	R	Arkansas	Little Rock, Ark.	D4'09
51	Jim Maxwell	LB	6-4	240	8-8-81	5	Gardner-Webb	Johnsonville, S.C.	FA'08
52	Abdul Hodge	LB	6-0	240	9-9-82	4	Iowa	Lauderdale Lakes, Fla.	FA'08
53	Rashad Jeanty	LB	6-2	247	4-17-83	4	Central Florida	Miami, Fla.	FA'06
55	Keith Rivers	LB	6-2	240	5-5-86	2	Southern California	Lake Mary, Fla.	D1'08
56	Darryl Blackstock	LB	6-3	240	5-30-83	5	Virginia	Newport News, Va.	FA'08
57	Dhani Jones	LB	6-1	240	2-22-78	10	Michigan	Potomac, Md.	FA'07
58	Rey Maualuga	LB	6-2	255	1-20-87	R	Southern California	Eureka, Calif.	D2'09
59	Brandon Johnson	LB	6-5	243	4-5-83	4	Louisville	Birmingham, Ala.	FA'08
60	Andrew Crummey	G	6-5	301	10-22-84	2	Maryland	Van Wert, Ohio	PS(Wash.)'08
62	Nate Livings	G	6-5	330	3-16-82	2	Louisiana State	Lake Charles, La.	CFA'06
63	Bobbie Williams	G	6-4	345	9-25-76	10	Arkansas	Jefferson, Texas	UFA(Phil.)'04
64	Kyle Cook	C	6-3	312	7-25-83	2	Michigan State	Macomb, Mich.	FA'07
65	Dan Santucci	C	6-4	304	9-6-83	3	Notre Dame	Harwood Heights, Ill.	PS(Ind.)'07
66	Evan Mathis	G	6-5	295	11-1-81	5	Alabama	Homewood, Ala.	FA'08
67	Augustus Parrish	OT	6-4	303	3-19-87	R	Kent State	Temple Hills, Md.	FA'09
68	Jonathan Fanene	DE	6-4	292	3-19-82	5	Utah	Pago Pago (American Samoa)	D7'05
69	Clinton McDonald	DT	6-2	290	1-6-87	R	Memphis	Jacksonville, Ark.	D7b'09
70	Jason Shirley	G	6-5	338	9-30-85	2	Fresno State	Fontana, Calif.	D5'08
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73	Anthony Collins	OT	6-5	315	11-2-85	2	Kansas	Beaumont, Texas	D4'08
74	Dennis Roland	OT	6-9	325	3-10-83	2	Georgia	Bolivar, Mo.	FA'08
75	Scott Kooistra	G	6-6	335	10-14-80	7	North Carolina State	Cary, N.C.	D7a'03
77	Andrew Whitworth	OT	6-7	335	12-12-81	4	Louisiana State	West Monroe, La.	D2'06
79	Pernell Phillips	DT	6-0	311	4-5-85	R	Central State	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA'09
80	Chase Coffman	TE	6-6	257	11-10-86	R	Missouri	Peculiar, Mo.	D3b'09
81	Ben Utecht	TE	6-6	245	6-30-81	5	Minnesota	Hastings, Minn.	RFA(Ind.)'08
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84	Freddie Brown	WR	6-4	210	6-24-86	R	Utah	La Verne, Calif.	D7c'09
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86	Daniel Coats	TE	6-3	264	4-16-84	3	Brigham Young	Layton, Utah	CFA'07
87	Andre Caldwell	WR	6-0	200	4-15-85	2	Florida	Tampa, Fla.	D3b'08
88	Matt Sherry	TE	6-4	250	12-11-84	2	Villanova	Rumford, R.I.	FA'09
89	Jerome Simpson	WR	6-2	195	2-4-86	2	Coastal Carolina	Reidsville, N.C.	D2'08
90	Pat Sims	DT	6-2	325	11-29-85	2	Auburn	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	D3a'08
91	Robert Geathers	DE	6-3	280	8-11-83	6	Georgia	Georgetown, S.C.	D4b'04
92	Frostee Rucker	DE	6-3	285	9-14-83	4	Southern California	Tustin, Calif.	D3'06
93	Michael Johnson	DE	6-7	260	2-7-87	R	Georgia Tech	Selma, Ala.	D3a'09
94	Domata Peko	DT	6-3	318	11-27-84	4	Michigan State	Pago Pago (American Samoa)	D4'06
96	Chris Harrington	DE	6-5	260	1-19-85	1	Texas A&M	Houston, Texas	PS(Ariz.)'08
98	Antwan Odom	DE	6-5	280	9-24-81	6	Alabama	Bayou La Batre, Ala.	UFA(Tenn.)'08
99	Tank Johnson	DT	6-3	305	12-7-81	6	Washington	Tempe, Ariz.	UFA(Dall.)'09

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# 2009 preseason game-by-game team statistics

## Bengals

GAME	YDS.	RUSH-YDS.	PASS YDS.	COMP.-ATT.	TD-P/INT.	SKD.-YDS.	1D	3D-CONV.	F-FL	POSS.
8-14 @N.O.	379	27-90	289	23-33	1/2	1-3	14	8-16	2-1	32:55
8-20 @N.E.										
8-27 STL.										
9-3 IND.										
TOTALS	379	27-90	289	23-33	1/2	1-3	14	8-16	2-1	32:55

## Opponents

GAME	YDS	RUSH-YDS.	PASS YDS.	COMP.-ATT.	TD-P/INT.	SKD.-YDS.	1D	3D-CONV.	F-FL	POSS.
8-14 @N.O.	316	30-86	230	16-25	2/0	0-0	15	5-12	3-2	27:05
8-20 @N.E.										
8-27 STL.										
9-3 IND.										
TOTALS	316	30-86	230	16-25	2/0	0-0	15	5-12	3-2	27:05



# 2009 preseason defensive statistics

The following statistics were compiled using play-by-play reports produced at the games.

## Defense

RANK BY TT/PLAYER	ST	AT	TT	SKS-YDS	INT-YDS	PD	FF	FR-YDS
1. Marvin White .....	6	0	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Abdul Hodge .....	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	0	1	0-0
3. Keith Rivers.....	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
4. Chinedum Ndukwe.....	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
5. Chris Crocker .....	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Corey Lynch .....	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0	1	0-0
Michael Johnson .....	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
Clinton McDonald.....	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Pat Sims.....	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Jim Maxwell.....	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
11. Darryl Blackstock .....	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Chris Harrington.....	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Rico Murray.....	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Tom Nelson.....	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Dan Skuta .....	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
16. Jamar Fletcher .....	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Robert Geathers.....	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Kyries Hebert .....	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Rashad Jeanty .....	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Domata Peko .....	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Johnathan Joseph.....	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Antwan Odom .....	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
23. Leon Hall.....	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
Geoffrey Pope.....	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
Morgan Trent.....	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1-0

## Special teams

RANK BY TT/PLAYER	ST	AT	TT	FF	FR-YDS	BP	BFG	BXP
1. DeDe Dorsey.....	1	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	0
Darryl Blackstock.....	1	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	0
Chris Harrington .....	1	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	0
Michael Johnson .....	1	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	0
Corey Lynch .....	1	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	0
Chinedum Ndukwe .....	1	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	0
Marvin White .....	1	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	0

# 2009 preseason statistics

Record: 0-1

DATE	W-L	SCORE	OPPONENT	ATTENDANCE
8-14	L	7-17	at New Orleans	68,962
8-20			at New England	
8-27			ST. LOUIS	
9-3			INDIANAPOLIS	

TEAM STATISTICS		CIN.	OPP.
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS		14	15
Rushing		3	4
Passing		11	9
Penalty		0	2
3rd Down: Made-Att		8-16	5-12
3rd Down Pct.		50.0	41.7
4th Down: Made-Att		0-0	0-0
4th Down Pct.		0.0	0.0
POSSESSION AVG.		32:55	27:05
TOTAL NET YARDS		379	316
Avg. Per Game		379.0	316.0
Total Plays		61	55
Avg. Per Play		6.2	5.7
NET YARDS RUSHING		90	86
Avg. Per Game		90.0	86.0
Total Rushes		27	30
NET YARDS PASSING		289	230
Avg. Per Game		289.0	230.0
Sacked-Yards Lost		1-3	0-0
Gross Yards		292	230
Attempts-Completions		33-23	25-16
Completion Pct.		69.7	64.0
Had Intercepted		2	0
PUNTS-AVG.		6-39.7	4-34.0
Net Punting Avg.		33.8	31.3
PENALTIES-YARDS		7-62	3-25
FUMBLES-BALLS LOST		2-1	3-2
TOUCHDOWNS		1	2
Rushing		0	0
Passing		1	2
Returns		0	0

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
BENGALS	0	7	0	0	0	7
OPPONENTS	0	7	7	3	0	17

SCORING	TD	TD-R	TD-P	TD-Rt.	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS.
Chris Henry	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0	6
Shayne Graham	0	0	0	0	1-1	0-1	0	1
BENGALS	1	0	1	0	1-1	0-1	0	7
OPPONENTS	2	0	2	0	2-2	1-2	0	17

Two-point conversions: BENGALS 0-0 (0-0 R, 0-0 P), OPPONENTS 0-0 (0-0 R, 0-0 P).

Sacks-yards: None. BENGALS 0-0, OPPONENTS 1-3.

Fumbles-lost: Cedric Benson 1-1, Jordan Palmer 1-0. BENGALS 2-1, OPPONENTS 3-2.

RUSHING	ATT.	YDS.	AVG.	LG.	TD
Bernard Scott	6	30	5.0	14	0
Cedric Benson	8	28	3.5	11	0
Jordan Palmer	3	14	4.7	10	0
Brian Leonard	6	10	1.7	5	0
DeDe Dorsey	3	5	1.7	4	0
Andre Caldwell	1	3	3.0	3	0
BENGALS	27	90	3.3	14	0
OPPONENTS	30	86	2.9	9	0

RECEIVING	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	LG.	TD
Chris Henry	7	100	14.3	39	1
Jerome Simpson	3	30	10.0	17	0
Chad Ochocinco	2	73	36.5	55	0
Laveranues Coles	2	23	11.5	16	0
Maurice Purify	2	17	8.5	9	0
Chase Coffman	2	11	5.5	6	0
Bernard Scott	1	12	12.0	12	0
Brian Leonard	1	10	10.0	10	0
Andre Caldwell	1	6	6.0	6	0
Cedric Benson	1	5	5.0	5	0
Daniel Coats	1	5	5.0	5	0
BENGALS	23	292	12.7	55	1
OPPONENTS	16	230	14.4	64t	2

INTERCEPTIONS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	LG.	TD
(none)	0	0	—	—	0
BENGALS	0	0	—	—	0
OPPONENTS	2	65	32.5	65	0

PUNTING	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	NET	TB	IN-20	LG.	BLK.
Kevin Huber	6	238	39.7	33.8	0	2	48	0
BENGALS	6	238	39.7	33.8	0	2	48	0
OPPONENTS	4	136	34.0	31.3	0	1	49	0

PUNT RETURNS	NO.	FC	YDS.	AVG.	LG.	TD
Quan Cosby	1	1	11	11.0	11	0
BENGALS	1	1	11	11.0	11	0
OPPONENTS	5	1	35	7.0	13	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	LG.	TD
DeDe Dorsey	2	44	22.0	23	0
Andre Caldwell	2	31	15.5	18	0
BENGALS	4	75	18.8	23	0
OPPONENTS	2	24	12.0	13	0

FIELD GOALS	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Shayne Graham	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0
BENGALS	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0
OPPONENTS	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1

Shayne Graham: (30WL).

Opponents: (20WL, 54G).

PASSING	ATT.	CMP.	YDS.	CMP.%	YDS./ATT.	TD	TD%	INT.	INT.%	LG	SKD.-YDS.	RAT.
J.T. O'Sullivan	11	9	100	81.8	9.09	1	9.1	0	0.0	39	1-3	134.8
Carson Palmer	11	7	133	63.6	12.09	0	0.0	1	9.1	55	0-0	67.6
Jordan Palmer	11	7	59	63.6	5.36	0	0.0	1	9.1	17	0-0	39.6
BENGALS	33	23	292	69.7	8.85	1	3.0	2	6.1	55	1-3	81.9
OPPONENTS	25	16	230	64.0	9.20	2	8.0	0	0.0	64t	0-0	120.4