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BALTIMORE RAVENS (8-7-0) AT CINCINNATI BENGALS (5-9-1)

SEASON FINALE
WEEK 17, GAME 16
SUNDAY, JAN. 1
AT PAUL BROWN STADIUM

GAME NOTES

Kickoff: 1 p.m. Eastern.

Television: CBS broadcast with Carter Blackburn (play-by-play) and Chris Simms (analyst). The game will be aired in the Bengals home market on WKRC-TV (Channel 12) in Cincinnati, WHIO-TV (Channel 7) in Dayton and on WKYT-TV (Channel 27) in Lexington, Ky.

Radio: Coverage on the Bengals Radio Network, led by a "triple-cast" on Cincinnati flagship stations WLW-AM (700), WCKY-AM (1530) and WEBN-FM (102.7). Broadcasters are Dan Hoard (play-by-play) and Dave Lapham (analyst).

Setting the scene: 1-4-5-4-2.

Those numbers represent the margins of defeat in the last five Bengals losses. They add up to 16 points, or 3.2 per game. During the stretch that went to 2-5 with last week's 12-10 loss at Houston, Cincinnati actually has outscored its opponents by 15. But the close defeats have pushed the Bengals out of the playoffs for the first time since 2010, and the remaining challenge for '16 is knocking off AFC rival Baltimore this week at Paul Brown Stadium.

The Ravens are also out of playoff contention, eliminated last week in their loss at Pittsburgh.

At Houston, the Bengals appeared poised to deny a Texans bid to clinch the AFC South championship. QB Andy Dalton led a 60-yard drive to the Texans 25 as the fourth-quarter clock wound down. But on the game's final play, K Randy Bullock's 43-yard field goal attempt sailed wide right, giving Houston the win and its division title. The kicking malfunction extended one continuing theme in this year's Cincinnati season, as Bullock was in only his second Bengals game, signed when veteran K Mike Nugent proved unable to right himself from a streak of inconsistency.

"Very frustrated," DE Carlos Dunlap told media after the game. "You can say that Carlos Dunlap is very frustrated with this whole season. We know we're a better team than what we've shown this year."

"It shouldn't have come down to the (missed) kick," said WR Brandon LaFell, who streaked 86 yards with a short pass for Cincinnati's only touchdown. "There are a lot more plays that we should have made. But I guess you can say we were a play or two away in six or seven games this year."

The Bengals were significantly undermanned for the Houston game. Four key performers — WR A.J. Green, TE Tyler Eifert, LB Vontaze Burfict and G Clint Boling — were out due to injuries. Additionally, team rushing leader Jeremy Hill was limited due to a knee strain. Their statuses for the Baltimore game remained uncertain at release time for this notes package.

The injury situation in part led head coach Marvin Lewis to praise his players for "fighting your butts off the whole game." Lewis called for a similar effort against the Ravens.

"All I can tell you is that we've got one more chance to saddle it up and take some of this frustration out on the Ravens," he said. "We're going to give them four quarters of our best stuff. We're all disappointed as hell, but we're not going to be discouraged."

The Bengals limited Houston to 250 net yards, the second-lowest opponent total of the season. But after Cincinnati took a 10-6 lead early in the fourth quarter, on Dalton's 86-yard connection with LaFell, the Texans were able to strike back quickly, going 75 yards in four plays for the eventual 12-10 margin of victory.

"We played a very tough defensive game overall," said Lewis, "but we

weren't able to defend the lead in the fourth quarter."

The Bengals offense had a sluggish day overall, operating without Green, Eifert and a fully healthy Hill. But two players who have mostly been reserves — HB Rex Burkhead and TE C.J. Uzomah — each made big plays on the final drive that set up the potential game-winning field goal.

"We knew coming in that we had to do better making big plays in the fourth quarter," said Andrew Whitworth, who played G instead of his usual OT, replacing injured Clint Boling. "And I think we did that."

"I thought we were going to win this one, down to the very last play," said Dalton.

"We've just got to stay together as a team and play our hearts out against Baltimore," said CB Adam Jones. "There's nothing we can do but keep grinding to the end."

The series: The Ravens now lead 21-20 by virtue of their 19-14 win over the Bengals in Baltimore on Nov. 27. Cincinnati had won five straight vs. Baltimore to tie the series at 20 wins each, but the Ravens' victory denied the Bengals the opportunity to lead in the series for the first time since after the first of two meetings in 1998 when they were up 3-2.

It hasn't been an easy series for the visiting team. The Ravens lead 14-7 in Baltimore, and the Bengals lead 13-7 in Cincinnati. The Bengals, winners of four straight at home against the Ravens, look to continue that trend on Sunday at Paul Brown Stadium.

Sunday's game marks the second straight season that the Bengals have hosted the Ravens in their regular-season finale. Cincinnati closed its 2015 regular season with a 24-16 home win over Baltimore.

Seven of the last eight meetings have been one-score decisions, by eight or fewer points.

Complete Bengals-Ravens series results are on page 209 of the 2016 Bengals Media Guide.

Team bests from the series:

Bengals — MOST POINTS: 42, in a 42-29 win in 2005 at Paul Brown Stadium. **LARGEST VICTORY MARGIN:** 17, in a 34-17 win at Paul Brown Stadium in the 2013 regular-season finale. **FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED:** 7 (three times), most recently in a 17-7 win in 2009 at Paul Brown Stadium.

Ravens — MOST POINTS: 44, in a 44-13 win at M&T Bank Stadium in 2012. **LARGEST VICTORY MARGIN:** 37, in a 37-0 win at Baltimore in 2000. **FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED:** 0 (three times), most recently in a 16-0 win at Baltimore in 2001.

The last meeting: A summary of the Nov. 27 Bengals-Ravens game is on page 20 of this news release.

Starting off on the right feet: This week's game matches the quarterbacks who are the only two of the NFL's Super Bowl era to start a career leading five consecutive playoff teams.

Joe Flacco did it with Baltimore from 2008-12, and Andy Dalton did it with the Bengals from 2011-15.

Flacco's streak was snapped when the Ravens missed the playoffs in 2013. He led Baltimore back to the postseason in 2014 and has missed it last year and this year. Dalton led the Bengals to the playoffs from 2011-15, but Bengals are eliminated from the playoffs for '16.

Individually vs. Ravens: Bengals QB Andy Dalton has 10 career games against Baltimore, with a 5-5 record. Dalton is 215-for-374 passing (57.5 percent) for 2692 yards (269.2 yards per game), with 11 TDs and 13 INTs (75.3 rating).

Statistically, Dalton's best game against the Ravens was in the team's 2015 comeback win at Baltimore when he passed for a career-high 383 yards and a 122.3 rating. Earlier this season on Nov. 27 at Baltimore, he was 26-of-48 passing for 283 yards, one TD and 0 INTs in the Bengals' 19-14 loss.

Other current Bengals' offensive performances while playing for Cincinnati against Baltimore include:

- QB AJ McCarron: One game; 17-for-27 passing (63.0 percent) for 160 yards, with two TDs and no INTs (103.9 rating). McCarron led the Bengals to a win in last year's game at Cincinnati, subbing for the injured Dalton.

- HB Jeremy Hill: Four games; 54 rushes for 182 yards (3.4), with one TD; 12 catches for 108 yards (9.0). Hill had 21 yards rushing on 12 carries against the Ravens on Nov. 27, but he led the team with six receptions, for 61 yards.

- HB Giovanni Bernard (Reserve/Injured): Six games; 76 rushes for 258 yards (3.4), with one TD; 25 receptions for 198 yards (7.9) with one TD. Bernard did not play in the Nov. 27 Bengals-Ravens game. He was placed on the Reserve/Injured list on Nov. 22, due to a season-ending knee injury he suffered in Game 10 vs. Buffalo.

- HB Cedric Peerman: 13 games; nine rushes for 36 yards (4.0); One reception for 11 yards.

- HB Rex Burkhead: Four games; Five rushes for 29 yards (5.8); two receptions for 19 yards (9.5).

- WR A.J. Green: Eight games; 41 receptions (5.1 per game) for 726 yards (90.8 per game and 17.7 per catch), with six TDs. Green has been a key player against the Ravens in recent games. At Baltimore in 2015, Green had 227 receiving yards — his career-high and second-most in the NFL for the season — on 10 receptions, with two TDs. His 80-yard TD brought the Bengals back from a 17-14 deficit in the fourth quarter, and he later had a seven-yard score that erased a 21-17 Baltimore lead, giving Cincinnati its 28-24 final margin. In the 2014 season opener at Baltimore, Green's 77-yard TD catch in the fourth quarter lifted the Bengals from a 16-15 deficit to a 23-16 win. Green had TD receptions for 50-plus yards in four straight games vs. Baltimore before being limited to four-for-34 (with a TD) in last year's season finale. He was inactive earlier this season on Nov. 27 at Baltimore, due to a hamstring injury he still is working to recover from. It is uncertain if he will play this week.

- WR James Wright: Two games; Three receptions for 23 yards (7.7).

- WR Brandon LaFell: One game; Three receptions for 38 yards (12.7).

- WR Tyler Boyd: One game; Five receptions for 62 yards (12.4).

- WR Alex Erickson: One game; One reception for seven yards.

- TE Tyler Eifert (Reserve/Injured): Five games; 15 receptions for 211 yards (14.1), with two TDs. Eifert has a receiving TD in each of his last two games against the Ravens.

- H-back Ryan Hewitt: Four games; Two receptions for 10 yards (5.0).

Records vs. Ravens: In the first Bengals-Ravens game, Nov. 3, 1996 at Baltimore's Memorial Stadium, head coach Bruce Coslet's Bengals overcame what still stands today as the largest deficit (18 points) to win a road game in franchise history. Coach Ted Marchibroda's Ravens led 21-3 at halftime, but Cincinnati rallied for a 24-21 win on a 39-yard Doug Pelfrey field goal at the final gun.

The Bengals' second-biggest comeback in a road win also was at Baltimore. On Dec. 5, 2004 at M&T Bank Stadium, Cincinnati rallied from a 20-3 deficit to win 27-26. Also:

- Shayne Graham kicked a Bengals-record seven field goals — for all of Cincinnati's scoring — in a 21-7 win at Baltimore in 2007. Graham did not have a missed attempt. The NFL record for field goals in a game is eight, set by Rob Bironas of Tennessee in 2007, and Graham is one of six players sharing second place with seven.

- In the 2014 season opener at Baltimore, Bengals K Mike Nugent tied the NFL record for field goals in a half (five). His five in the first half gave the Bengals a 15-0 lead toward an eventual 23-16 win.

- WR A.J. Green's 227 receiving yards at Baltimore in 2015 stands as second most in a game in team history, behind only Chad Johnson's 260 vs. San Diego in 2006.

- In 2008 against the Ravens in Cincinnati, P Kyle Larson punted 11 times, which is tied with three other instances for most in a game in team history.

- The Bengals record for kickoff return yardage in a game (228 yards) was set at Baltimore by Brandon Bennett in 2002. Bennett had a 94-yarder for a TD.

- The Bengals were flagged for a club-record 134 penalty yards (on nine penalties) in their 2013 overtime loss at Baltimore.

The Ravens also have a few records among opponents of the Bengals:

- The most rushing yards ever recorded in a game by a Bengals opponent was 227 by Ravens RB Priest Holmes in 1998 in Cincinnati.

- The most passing attempts in a single game by a Bengals opponent was 63 by Ravens QB Elvis Grbac 2001 in Cincinnati. That is followed closely by a 62-attempt performance by current Ravens QB Joe Flacco, who in 2014 at Baltimore tied for second most ever against the Bengals.

- The longest punt return ever recorded against the Bengals was a 95-yard return for a TD by Ravens return specialist Lamont Brightful in 2002 at Baltimore.

- The longest interception return by a Bengals opponent was Ravens S Chad Williams' 98-yarder in 2002 at Baltimore.

BENGALS-RAVENS NFL RANKINGS

	BENGALS	RAVENS
SCORING (AVERAGE POINTS):		
Points scored.....	T-23rd (19.9)	19th (22.2)
Points allowed.....	11th (20.3)	7th (19.6)
NET OFFENSE (AVERAGE YARDS):		
Total.....	14th (356.0)	18th (348.5)
Rushing.....	17th (107.7)	26th (92.7)
Passing.....	16th (248.3)	11th (255.8)
NET DEFENSE (AVERAGE YARDS):		
Total.....	17th (351.8)	5th (318.9)
Rushing.....	22nd (116.0)	2nd (85.1)
Passing.....	11th (235.8)	10th (233.7)
TURNOVERS:		
Differential.....	T-14th (plus-1)	T-6th (plus-7)

Red zone reports: The Bengals held Houston to only two red-zone chances, with the Texans getting only field goals on each. Cincinnati moved into the NFL's top half (ranked 14th) in defensive red-zone TD percentage for the season, at 53.3 percent. The Cincinnati offense, for the first time this season, did not have a possession with snaps inside the opponent 20. The Bengals' only score came on an 86-yard pass from Andy Dalton to Brandon LaFell.

Baltimore has been a middle-of-the-road team this year in red-zone play, ranking 18th in offensive TD percentage and 16th on defense. In a statistical oddity, the Ravens have exactly the same numbers on offense and defense for possessions, total scores, TDs, field goals and no scores.

BENGALS RED-ZONE REPORT

OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Inside-20 possessions: 49	Inside-20 possessions: 45
Total scores: 44 (89.8%)	Total scores: 40 (89.8%)
TDs: 26 (53.1)	TDs: 24 (53.1%)
FGs: 18 (36.7%)	FGs: 16 (36.7%)
TD% rank: 21st	TD% rank: 13th
No scores: 5 (10.2%)	No scores: 5 (10.2%)

RAVENS RED-ZONE REPORT

OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Inside-20 possessions: 42	Inside-20 possessions: 42
Total scores: 35 (83.3%)	Total scores: 35 (83.3%)
TDs: 23 (54.8%)	TDs: 23 (54.8%)
FGs: 12 (28.6%)	FGs: 12 (28.6%)
TD% rank: 18th	TD% rank: 16th
No scores: 7 (16.7%)	No scores: 7 (16.7%)

Bengals-Ravens connections: Bengals head coach Marvin Lewis was Ravens defensive coordinator from 1996-2001 and earned a Super Bowl ring with the 2000 World Champions ... Ravens head coach John Harbaugh is from Perrysburg, Ohio, played DB at Miami (Ohio) and coached at Morehead State (1988) and the University of Cincinnati (1989-96) ... Ravens OLB Elvis Dumervil played at Louisville ... Bengals HB Cedric Peerman was drafted by the Ravens (sixth round) in 2009 but was waived in final preseason cuts ... Bengals defensive coordinator Paul Guenther coached at Western Maryland in 1994-95 ... Bengals special teams coordinator Darrin Simmons entered NFL coaching with the Ravens in 1998 ... Ravens defensive coordinator Dean Pees is from Dunkirk, Ohio, attended Bowling Green and coached in

college at Findlay (1979-82), Miami-Ohio ('83-86) and Toledo ('90-93) ... Bengals defensive line coach Jacob Burney was on the Ravens staff from 1996-98 ... Bengals secondary coach Kevin Coyle was defensive coordinator at the University of Maryland from 1994-96... Ravens assistant head coach/special teams coordinator Jerry Rosburg was on the University of Cincinnati staff from 1992-95 ... Bengals strength and conditioning coach Chip Morton was assistant S/C coach for the Ravens from 1999-2001 ... Bengals assistant strength and conditioning coach Jeff Friday was on the Ravens staff from 1999-2007 ...

Ravens assistant special teams coach Chris Hewitt played at the University of Cincinnati from 1993-96 ... Ravens inside linebackers coach Don Martindale is from Dayton, Ohio, played at Defiance College from 1981-84, and coached at Defiance ('86-87), University of Cincinnati ('96-98) and Western Kentucky (2001-03) ... Ravens WR Chris Moore played at the University of Cincinnati ... Ravens RB Chris Matthews and OLB Za'Darius Smith played at Kentucky ... Ravens secondary coach Leslie Frazier coached with the Bengals in 2003-04 ... Ravens LB Chris Carter played for the Bengals in 2015 ... Bengals CB Chykie Brown (Reserve/Injured) played for the Ravens 2011-14 ... Ravens CB Chris Lewis-Harris played for the Bengals from 2012-16.

THE HEAD COACHES

Marvin Lewis in 2016 has extended his Bengals-record head coaching tenure to 14 seasons. The Bengals head coaches with the second-most years in the position have been Paul Brown (1968-75) and Wyche (1984-91), each with eight seasons.

Lewis has led his teams to the postseason seven times, including the last five years. The total number of playoff appearances and the current streak of consecutive appearances are also Bengals records. The Bengals are one of only four NFL teams to reach the playoffs the last five years (2011-15), joining Denver, Green Bay and New England.

Lewis has 117 career victories, the most in Bengals history by a margin of 53 over Sam Wyche (64). Lewis' record is 117-103-3 in the regular season and 117-110-3 including postseason. The Bengals' 57-36-2 record over the last six regular seasons (including 2016 games to date) gives the team a .611 winning percentage, ranked sixth in the NFL for the span.

The 2015 Bengals were widely considered as Lewis' best team yet. Their 12-4 record tied the 1981 and '88 Super Bowl teams for the best winning percentage (.750) in a 16-game season in Bengals history. Additionally, Cincinnati finished second in the NFL and first in the AFC in scoring defense, at 17.4 points allowed per game. The No. 2 NFL ranking was the highest in franchise history. Overall, the team had eight players selected for the Pro Bowl, second-most in club annals.

Lewis ranks second in the NFL in longest current tenure with one team, trailing only Bill Belichick, who is in his 17th straight season with New England. In the category of most seasons as head coach with one or more teams, Lewis ranks fourth among active coaches, behind Belichick (22nd season in '16), Andy Reid (18) and John Fox (15).

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

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

Lewis began his coaching career as linebackers coach at his alma mater

Idaho State from 1981-84. He played LB at Idaho State, earning All-Big Sky Conference honors for three consecutive years (1978-80). He also saw action at QB and S during his college career. He received his bachelor's degree in physical education from Idaho State in 1981, and earned his master's in athletic administration in '82. He was inducted into Idaho State's Hall of Fame in 2001.

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

John Harbaugh is in his ninth season as Ravens head coach. His record is 95-63, including 10-5 in postseason.

In 2012, Harbaugh led the Ravens to a Super Bowl victory over San Francisco. The Ravens have won at least one playoff game in each of Harbaugh's six seasons of qualifying. Since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger, Harbaugh is the only coach to have won a postseason game in each of his first five seasons.

A graduate of Miami (Ohio) and former coach on the University of Cincinnati staff, Harbaugh spent 10 seasons (1998-2007) with the Philadelphia Eagles.

He was Philadelphia's secondary coach in 2007, following nine seasons as special teams coordinator. From 2000-04, Philadelphia was the only team to earn annual top 10 spots in the Dallas Morning News' special teams report. In 2001, Harbaugh was voted as the NFL's Special Teams Coach of the Year.

A native of Perrysburg, Ohio, Harbaugh played defensive back for four seasons (1980-83) at Miami (Ohio). His eight-year stint (1989-96) with the University of Cincinnati included '95-96 as assistant head coach.

Harbaugh's younger brother, Jim, played QB in the NFL for 14 years and was 49ers head coach for four years (2011-14) before taking over in 2015 as head coach at the University of Michigan. Jim Harbaugh opposed John as head coach in the Ravens' Super Bowl victory over the 49ers.

Lewis vs. Ravens: Lewis leads, 16-11.

Lewis vs. Harbaugh: Lewis leads, 9-8.

Harbaugh vs. Bengals: Harbaugh lead, 9-8.

BENGALS NOTES

AFC North race: The Pittsburgh Steelers have clinched the 2016 AFC North Division championship. In the last six seasons, including 2016, the Steelers, Bengals and Baltimore Ravens have each won the division twice.

Here's the AFC North picture, looking ahead to the final regular-season weekend:

TEAM	W-L	PCT.	DIV.	NEXT TWO WEEKS
Pittsburgh	10-5-0	.667	4-1.....	vs. Cleveland
Baltimore	8-7-0	.533	4-1.....	at Cincinnati
Cincinnati	5-9-1	.367	2-3.....	vs. Baltimore
Cleveland	1-14-0	.067	0-5.....	at Pittsburgh

Back to Pro Bowl for Green, Atkins: Two Bengals, WR A.J. Green and DT Geno Atkins, have been voted to the AFC team for this season's Pro Bowl game.

Green, a sixth-year player, has been voted to the Pro Bowl for the sixth time. He is the only Bengal at any position to make the Pro Bowl in each of his first six seasons. Only one other Bengal, WR Isaac Curtis, made it for as many as his first four seasons (1973-76). Green this season has 66 catches for 964 yards and four touchdowns, despite having no receptions in the last five games, due to his being sidelined by a hamstring injury on just the second offensive snap Nov. 20 vs. Buffalo. After the team's Nov. 14 game at the N.Y. Giants, Green's last full

game, he led all AFC receivers by 121 yards and was second in catches, three short of the conference lead. In total Pro Bowl selections, Green's six tie him with WR Chad Johnson and CB Lemar Parrish for second-most in Bengals history. The leader is Hall of Fame OT Anthony Munoz, with 11.

Green has not played, however, since suffering a hamstring injury on the second play Nov. 20 vs. Buffalo, and his status for playing in the Pro Bowl has yet to be determined.

Atkins, a fourth-round draft selection in 2010, is in the Pro Bowl for the fifth time in his seven seasons. He leads all NFL interior linemen this season in sacks (7.5). He leads the Bengals in sacks, and he also leads the team in QB hits (23) and tackles-for-loss (12). He has the most Pro Bowl selections of any Bengals defensive lineman — no other DL has had more than two — and he ranks second among all Bengals defenders in nods to the game, training only CB Lemar Parrish (six).

Additionally, OT Andrew Whitworth was voted a first alternate, DE Carlos Dunlap is a second alternate, and G Kevin Zeitler is a third alternate. Alternates are added to the game if voted player(s) in their position group are unable to participate. Selections from the two teams reaching the Super Bowl will be among those unable to play, as will players who are not cleared due to injury.

The game returns this year to the traditional AFC-NFC format, after three seasons of two "unconferenced" teams being formed through a draft. In 43 previous games under the AFC-NFC format, played between the 1970 and 2012

seasons, the NFC has a 22-21 lead.

This season's game will be played on Sun., Jan. 29, televised on ESPN at 8 p.m. from Camping World Stadium in Orlando, Fla.

Geno out to outlast Donald: With four sacks in the last three games, DT Geno Atkins has taken over not only the Bengals team lead (8.5), but also the NFL lead in sacks by interior linemen. But entering Week 17, Aaron Donald of Los Angeles is just a half-sack back at 8.0. Atkins took over the lead for the first time this season after Game 14.

Atkins and Donald each had one sack last week. Atkins' sack was a seven-yarder against Houston's Tom Savage in the first quarter.

Donald would appear to have the easier assignment this week, going against an Arizona pass protection unit that has allowed 40 sacks, tied for fifth most in the NFL. Atkins will work against a Baltimore unit that has allowed 30, tied for 11th in fewest sacks allowed.

Besides Atkins and Donald, three players could still grab the league title, or a piece of it, with a two-sack game this weekend. They are Gerald McCoy of Tampa Bay (7.0), Leonard Williams of the N.Y. Jets (7.0) and Fletcher Cox of Philadelphia (6.5).

NFL interior line sacks titles are by no means new to Atkins. In his six previous full seasons with the Bengals, he has claimed three shares of the NFL lead. He copped the outright title once and tied for it twice. Last season, Atkins' 11.0 sacks tied for the NFL lead. He also tied for the league lead in that category in 2011, and he led outright in 2012, with a career-high 12.5.

Also this season, Atkins leads the Bengals in tackles-for-loss (13), and total QB hits (24).

Boyd seeks a rookie crown: Entering the season finale, Bengals rookie WR Tyler Boyd leads all NFL rookies in third-down receptions (22) and in third-down receptions that have produced first downs (15). Sterling Shepard of the Giants is second in third-down receptions, at 19, and also second in such catches for first downs (14).

Boyd was held to two catches for 25 yards last week at Houston, but one was on third down, a four-yarder on third-and-two in the third quarter. Boyd ranks tied for 12th among all NFL players in third-down catches, six short of the lead, held by veteran Mike Evans of Tampa Bay at 28.

Boyd enters the final game looking to put a nice cap on season worthy of consideration for All-Rookie teams. He has 52 catches for 564 yards, most by a Bengals rookie since the incomparable A.J. Green in 2011.

Boyd has performed under unusual pressure to immediately contribute. The Bengals' No. 3 spot was wide open as 2016 began, due to veteran free agent departures, and Boyd was clearly the club's designee to fill the spot, even though he is the youngest player on the current team. He has seen increased action the last six games, due to a hamstring injury that has sidelined Green. Boyd is now running with veteran Brandon LaFell as the two WRs in the base offense.

Boyd's challenge in the final game? How about scoring a TD or two? He has only one thus far.

"Obviously we saw a lot in Tyler, as a second-round draft choice, but he has been better than we had reason to expect," says head coach Marvin Lewis. "He's a young guy (turned 22 on Nov. 15), but he's in tune with what we're doing."

"I feel like I've practiced hard, and worked hard in the classroom, and that it has paid off," Boyd says. "I didn't just bring my skills in here and think it would all fall into place without the effort. I'm just trying to increase my performance with every game. I haven't done it every week, but that's still my goal."

LaFell and Boyd answer the skeptics: Eyebrows were raised about the Bengals WR corps last offseason after two good players — Marvin Jones and Mohamed Sanu — left the team as unrestricted free agents.

What would Cincinnati do, it was asked, for a new set of Nos. 2-3 wideouts behind the incomparable A.J. Green?

The answer to this point has been "thrive." While it's true that veteran free agent signee Brandon LaFell and rookie Tyler Boyd have been getting more throws the last six weeks, due to Green missing time with a hamstring injury, they've been producing well all season. And with one game still to play, LaFell and Boyd have combined for 109 catches and 1359 yards, outpacing the total of 98 catches and 1210 yards produced by Jones and Sanu last season, in what was their best combined year.

LaFell producing like a pro: In his 15 Bengals games this season, seventh-year WR Brandon LaFell has amply filled the role of a veteran to play in the base offense along with flagship pass-catcher A.J. Green. And for

the last six games, with Green injured, the 2016 free agent acquisition has filled the role of the No. 1 wideout.

Last week at Houston, LaFell had six catches for a personal season-high of 130 yards, including an 86-yard TD in the fourth quarter on which he outran Houston's secondary for nearly 80 yards after taking a short pass from Andy Dalton.

"I was real tired (after the play)," LaFell admitted with a smile. "As I sat on the sideline, everybody was trying to give me some oxygen. I was like no, I don't need it. I felt good just sitting down. But after like three more plays, I was like, 'I should have taken that oxygen.' But I wasn't going to get out of that game. I wanted to win."

The reception was the second-longest in the seven-year veteran's career. He had a 91-yarder for a TD as a second-year man with Carolina in 2011. Thanks to LaFell's fast feet, it proved to be the longest completion in QB Andy Dalton's career, topping an 84-yarder to WR Jerome Simpson in Dalton's rookie year of 2011. It was the longest Bengals pass play in more than 20 years, since an 88-yarder from Jeff Blake to Darnay Scott in 1995.

"It was man-to-man coverage," LaFell said of the short pass route, "and T.B. (WR Tyler Boyd) picked my guy and made him stop his feet. When I got the ball in my hands looked up the field, it was me and the safety. I just took it up the sideline, and I was just hoping there wasn't a penalty on the play."

The previous week, vs. Pittsburgh, LaFell had his second-most catches of the season (seven) and 91 yards. He also drew a 39-yard pass interference penalty against the Steelers in the end zone, setting up a TD. On the second Bengals TD drive, ending with Cincinnati ahead 17-3, LaFell caught three-for-43, slightly more than half the total of the 82-yard drive.

For the season, LaFell has 57 catches and 795 receiving yards, ranked second on the team behind Green in both categories. His catch total is his second-highest for a season, behind only the 74 he caught for New England's 2014 Super Bowl champions. His yardage total is his second-highest, behind only the 953 he logged with New England in '14.

LaFell's six TDs (all receiving) rank second on the team and first among receivers.

"That guy is the ultimate pro," says Green, "and he's been a good veteran (seventh-year pro) for me to learn from. I haven't really had that in my first five years here, at least not to the extent he's been able to provide it. He's played well everywhere he's been, and he's been big for us."

"The guy has played a lot of wide receiver at a very high level, and for a long time by NFL standards," says Bengals wide receivers coach James Urban. "He's tough. He's big (6-3, 210) and he's physical."

Margus regains sole blocked kicks lead: Bengals DE Margus Hunt blocked a PAT try at Houston last week, breaking a four-way tie for the NFL lead in blocked kicks for the season. Hunt now has three. Holding at two in last week's play were DTs Bennie Logan of Philadelphia and Ra'Shede Hageman of Atlanta, and LB Shea McClellin of New England.

In the Bengals' win Sept. 11 at N.Y. Jets, the season opener, Hunt blocked a 22-yard Nick Folk FG attempt in first quarter, preventing the Jets from mounting a two-score lead. And on Sept. 25 vs. Denver, he blocked a Broncos PAT try.

In Houston, Hunt figured to be postgame media figure as final seconds ticked away. The Bengals were set to try a 43-yard field goal on the final play, and thanks to Hunt's PAT block earlier in the fourth quarter, a field goal would win the game. The Bengals trailed 12-10. But K Randy Bullock's 43-yard try sailed wide right.

Hunt's blocked kicks are the first three of his four-year NFL career, but he was a kick-swatting terror in college at Southern Methodist. His 17 career blocked place kicks included an NCAA-record 10 blocked field goals.

The Bengals have been good the last two seasons in the difficult art of blocking kicks. Last season, DE Carlos Dunlap blocked two field goals, one of only two NFL players to do that.

Vontaze impresses the analysts: LB Vontaze Burfict was inactive last week at Houston, due to a concussion and a knee injury he suffered Dec. 18 vs. Pittsburgh. His status for Baltimore was undetermined at release time for this notes package. The missed game, his fourth of the year, helped cost Burfict the team tackles lead he had held for the previous three weeks. But he's still second on the team at 101 tackles, just two behind LB Karlos Dansby (103), who has played in every game. And in recent weeks, network analysts have given Burfict his due as one of the best linebacker talents in the NFL today.

On Dec. 4, while working the Bengals-Eagles game as the FOX network analyst, former NFL player Charles Davis said, "There simply cannot be an NFL middle linebacker playing at a higher level right now than Vontaze Burfict."

And on Dec. 11, Steve Tasker, the former Buffalo Bills Pro Bowl special teamer, offered this while working the Bengals-Browns game for CBS:

"Vontaze Burfict is a monster. Nobody in the NFL at inside linebacker is playing as well as he is right now."

The base coin of Burfict's realm is tackles. He led the team by crazy margins in his only two seasons (2012-13) of playing more than 10 games. Last year he played only 10 games but finished third in total tackles while leading the team in tackles-per-games-played. And he'll still have a chance at this season's team tackles crown if he can return to action this week against Baltimore. If he can't, he's likely to at least lead the team again in tackles-per-games-played.

Burfict's top overall outing this season came in the Dec. 4 win over Philadelphia. He punished the Eagles with 15 tackles, most by a Bengal in any game this season, but his real headline effort was in the passing game. He had two interceptions against Carson Wentz, the first multi-INT game by a Bengal since S Reggie Nelson in Game 7 of 2015 and his own first game with more than one. He had one return of 47 yards. And beyond the two INTs, he had two additional passes defended. His total of four PDs tied for the team high for the season.

This season, Burfict missed the first three games due to an NFL suspension from a 2015 playing rules violation. Last season, he missed the first six games due to injury rehab. In 2014, he was limited by injuries (including concussions) to five games. The key for him, quite obviously, is to stay healthy, and though this season will end with two missed games if he is not able to return vs. Baltimore, the 11-game run he had after returning from the suspension lends hope for 2017.

"Vontaze is a rare talent," said head coach Marvin Lewis. "He not only finds the ball himself, his instincts and his innate knowledge of the game are an extension of the coaching staff on the field."

Burfict was an initial-ballot Pro Bowl selection in 2013, as well as earning a second-team spot on the Associated Press All-Pro team.

Told by media that several teammates have said his return puts more energy in the entire defense, Burfict has said:

"I just try to be a leader. I know the defense's ins and outs. I just want everyone accountable, including myself."

Bengals president Mike Brown was emphatic regarding Burfict when he spoke to media before the season.

"Vontaze is one hell of a football player," Brown said, "and we expect more outstanding play from him. He's a difference-maker. We're lucky to have him."

Dunlap's PD frenzy — unprecedented: No defensive lineman has ever led the Bengals in passes defended for a season, but it's about to happen. DE Carlos Dunlap has six more PDs — 15 — than anyone else on the team. And he has seven more PDs than any other NFL defensive lineman.

He's also just five short of the PDs lead for the entire NFL. The players ahead of him are all cornerbacks, led at 20 by Casey Hayward of San Diego and Brent Grimes of Miami.

The next-highest total by a D-lineman is eight, by DE Jason Pierre-Paul of the Giants, and Pierre-Paul is out for the remainder of the season due to an injury. The next-highest total by a Bengal nine, by CB Dre Kirkpatrick.

"Carlos has those long, long arms," says defensive coordinator Paul Guenther, "and of course he gets good pressure. So I'm not surprised he's one of the best we've had in that area."

"Passes defended" include interceptions as well as passes broken up. When a player makes an INT, he also is credited with a PD. So in the case of NFL co-leader Hayward of San Diego, his 20 PDs include his seven interceptions. He has broken up an additional 13 passes by contributing to incompletions. But Dunlap, as a defensive lineman, has relatively little chance for interceptions, and to date this season he has none. Thus, his being so close to the overall NFL lead in PDs is all the more noteworthy.

Initial research in Bengals materials indicates that not only has a Bengals defensive lineman never led the team for a full season in passes defended, none has ever even come close. The NFL has no team or league statistics to offer in terms of "most PDs ever by a D-lineman" or "highest ranking ever by a D-lineman in passes defended," because the statistic has been officially compiled league-wide only for a few years.

Dunlap the playmaker: Bengals DE Carlos Dunlap was credited with only one tackle last week at Houston, but he also had a forced fumble, chasing down WR C.J. Fiedorowicz after a 12-yard completion in the third quarter. The Texans recovered, but it was Dunlap's team-leading third FF of the season. No other Bengal has more than one.

And for the season, Dunlap also leads the Bengals in passes defended (15)

while ranking second in sacks (seven) and QB hits (22). As for tackles, he has 48, leading the D-line.

Three of Dunlap's passes defended have directly led to interceptions by Bengals LBs — Vincent Rey on Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland, Rey Mauualuga on Nov. 27 at Baltimore and Vontaze Burfict on Dec. 4 vs. Philadelphia.

Dunlap now has 56 sacks for his career, ranked fourth all-time on the Bengals and closing in on the third-place player, DE Ross Browner at 59.

With continued play at the level he's shown he can produce, Dunlap could wind up as the franchise's all-time sacks leader. He averaged 8.2 sacks over his six full seasons and could still be at or above that number for 2016 with a big finish this week against Baltimore. All-time Bengals sacks leader Eddie Edwards (83.5) averaged 7.0 sacks over his 12 seasons (1977-88), second-place Reggie Williams (62.5) averaged 4.5 sacks over 14 seasons (1976-89), and third-place Browner (59) averaged 6.6 over nine campaigns (1978-86).

Last season Dunlap had 13.5 sacks, second-most in Bengals history. Besides his 56 sacks, his career totals include 15 forced fumbles, eight fumble recoveries, 41 passes defended, four blocked FGs and two TDs scored.

"Carlos brings us a lot, and he needs to keep bringing it for us," said defensive coordinator Paul Guenther. "The key thing for Carlos is that he's an athlete, and a very big athlete. He's explosive and he just makes plays. He has also developed into a mature guy and a team leader."

Dunlap executed a sack-and-strip in consecutive games earlier this season, with the Bengals recovering the loose ball each time. He did it on Sept. 29 vs. Miami (Ryan Tannehill) and on Oct. 9 at Dallas (Dak Prescott).

Lewis gives Dalton his due: Bengals QB Andy Dalton had pretty good numbers at Houston despite playing in some tough circumstances. Injuries kept top passing targets A.J. Green and Tyler Eifert out of the game, and top rusher Jeremy Hill was only partially available, due to a knee strain. Dalton also was sacked three times and avoided big pressure on several other occasions. But he still managed to pass for 268 yards and a touchdown, and his one interception came on a deflected ball that appeared at least reasonably catchable by rookie WR Tyler Boyd.

Dalton was good in the clutch, leading the offense on a 12-play, 60-yard drive as the fourth-quarter clock wound down. He completed seven-of-eight passes, including one to convert a fourth down, and his efforts set up what promised to be a game-winning field goal. In the end that was not so, as K Randy Bullock missed wide right from 43 yards, but Dalton had done his job.

"Our quarterback played his tail off tonight," head coach Marvin Lewis said after the 12-10 loss. "He put us in position to kick the field goal to win it. He was smart, he adjusted to the conditions of not having A.J. and Tyler, and he made a number of plays on his own. Andy has been a real leader for us this season and he deserves more praise than what he is probably getting."

Dalton posted an 84.2 passer rating at Houston, and his season rating is now 91.3. That's well short of the Bengals-record 106.3 he logged in 2015, but it's fair to say he has performed under considerable pressure. The offense has surrendered 40 sacks, tied for fifth-most in the NFL, and Dalton has had Green and Eifert both in full operational mode for only two of the season's 15 games.

Dalton's 91.3 rating for 2016 is better than his career rating (now at 88.9), and his career rating is itself a Bengals record, two points ahead of the second-place mark of 86.9 posted by Carson Palmer between 2004-10. Dalton ranks seventh in the AFC and 15th in the NFL in passer rating this season.

Dalton has topped the 100 mark in passer rating in seven games this season, and the Bengals show a 5-2 record in those contests. Dalton has 35 career games with a 100-plus rating, and Cincinnati stands 30-5 (.857) in his triple-digit efforts.

Dalton has thrown only eight INTs all season. His career-low total for a full season is seven, set last year, but he missed almost four full games last year, due to an injury. He threw only 386 passes last year, and this year he has thrown 535 with one game still to play. Dalton had a streak of 147 passes without a pick before the Steelers got to him for one on Dec. 18, and earlier this season, he had a streak of 165 straight, longest by a Bengals QB since 2005 (Palmer, 169).

Dalton needs 314 to reset own mark: Bengals QB Andy Dalton has had more than 313 passing yards in three games this season, and if he can do it a fourth time this week against Baltimore, he'll re-set his own Bengals record for passing yards in a season.

Dalton set the mark in 2013, with 4293 yards. He enters the Baltimore game at 3980, needing 314 to post a new record at the minimum total of 4294. He has averaged 265.3 yards per game this season. He passed for 283 yards in this season's first game against Baltimore. The Ravens enter this week's game with the NFL's No. 10 pass defense, allowing an average of 233.7 yards per contest.

The most passing yards by a Bengal other than Dalton has been 4131, by

Carson Palmer in 2007. With just 20 yards this week, Dalton will post the second 4000-yard season of his career. Palmer, with two, is presently the only Bengals passer with more than one 4000-yard season.

Dalton, Flacco chasing AFC yards lead: Entering the final weekend, San Diego's Philip Rivers has a significant leg up for the AFC passing yards title, but Joe Flacco of Baltimore and Andy Dalton of the Bengals can't yet be counted out.

Rivers passed for 322 yards at Cleveland last week and now has 4117 for the season, 67 ahead of Flacco (4050) and 137 ahead of Dalton (3980).

The NFL leader in passing yards is Drew Brees of New Orleans, at 4858.

The Bengals' only previous NFL passing yards leader for a full season has been Ken Anderson, who led twice, with 2667 yards in 1974 and 3169 in 1975. Cincinnati has had one other AFC passing yards leader, Boomer Esiason with 3321 in 1987.

Dalton second to go six-for-3000: A season passing total of 3000 yards is not in itself a stupendous NFL feat. Twenty-three passers reached it last season. But hitting 3000 in the first six seasons of an NFL career, which Andy Dalton reached on Nov. 27 at Baltimore, is still an event worth noting.

The only QB to do it previously was Peyton Manning. The cinch Hall of Famer is beyond compare in this realm, as he reeled off 13 straight 3000-yarders before missing the 2011 season due to injury.

After Dalton hit 3000 for this season, Carolina's Cam Newton also joined the club. Newton passed the 3000 mark on Dec. 19 at Washington, and he is now at 3272 yards for the season. Newton was chosen first overall in the same 2011 draft in which the Bengals claimed Dalton at No. 35.

Dalton chasing Kenny in TDs: Andy Dalton has scored four touchdowns this season and now has 19 for his career. His total is just one short of the franchise record for touchdowns by a QB, held at 20 by Ken Anderson, who played 16 Bengals seasons (1971-86). Dalton is in only his sixth campaign.

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

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

Dalton is one TD short of tying the Bengals season record for touchdowns by a QB, a mark he shares at five with Jack Thompson. Dalton had five in 2014, tying the record first set by Thompson in 1979.

Off on another streak: Andy Dalton has started all 15 games this season, and though he's coming off an injury-shortened 2015, he rates as a very durable performer. Prior to his thumb fracture in Game 13 of last season, he had not missed a regular-season or postseason start for the Bengals, covering 81 games. And the fracture occurred during unusual duty, as he made a solo tackle on 303-pound Pittsburgh DE Stephon Tuitt after an interception.

"On that play I was the hitter, not the 'hittee,'" Dalton said. "As far as when I have the ball, I think it's knowing how to take a hit and when not to take a hit. That's part of it. I've been fortunate."

Dalton opened his career with 77 consecutive regular-season starts, a Bengals record for quarterbacks at any point during a career. The previous mark had been 61, posted by Boomer Esiason from 1985-89. Dalton's streak ranks third in NFL history for the start of a career by a QB, trailing only Peyton Manning of Indianapolis (208) and Joe Flacco of Baltimore (122).

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

- He is one of only two QBs in the Super Bowl era to lead a team to postseason in each of his first five campaigns. Dalton did that from 2011-15, while Baltimore's Joe Flacco did it from 2008-12.
- Dalton has posted 35 career games with a passer rating of 100 or more, and the Bengals are 30-5 (.857) in those contests.
- Dalton's .609 winning percentage as a starter (55-35-2 regular season) ranks tied for sixth among active QBs with 50 or more starts. Ahead of Dalton are Tom Brady (.778), Russell Wilson (.703), Ben Roethlisberger (.672), Aaron Rodgers (.664) and Tony Romo (.614).
- Dalton's .609 winning percentage also is the best of any Bengals QB with 10 or more starts.
- Dalton holds club season records for passing yards (4293) and TD passes (33), both set in 2013.

- His career 16.5-to-1 ratio of TD passes to INTs (99-6) in the red zone ranks sixth among active NFL passers.

- He is the only Bengals passer to throw for 300-plus yards in four consecutive games (2013).

- Dalton passed for exactly 366 yards on both Games 1 and 2 this season, becoming the first Bengal to hit 366 or higher in consecutive games.

A.J. stalled just short of big step: WR A.J. Green has no receptions in the last six games, as he's been out since suffering a hamstring injury on the second offensive snap Nov. 20 vs. Buffalo. His status for the Baltimore game was undetermined at release time for this notes package. But if Green can return for the Ravens contest, he'll need just 36 yards to join a club that currently has only one member.

Randy Moss is currently the only player in NFL history to have hit the 1000 mark in receiving yards in each of his first six seasons, but Green has topped 1000 in each of his five full seasons, and he has 964 in 2016, on 66 catches..

Moss logged his six straight 1000-yard seasons from 1998-2003, while playing for Minnesota. Moss failed to extend his streak to seven, limited to 737 yards with the Vikings in 2004.

Green's hamstring injury has derailed what previously was his strong pursuit of Bengals season records for receptions and receiving yards. With his 66 catches and 964 yards through the Nov. 14 N.Y. Giants game, he was on pace to finish 16 games with 117 catches and 1714 yards. That catch total would have topped T.J. Houshmandzadeh's record 112 from 2007, and that yardage total would have bested by far the Chad Johnson mark of 1440, also set in 2007.

Prior to his injury, Green also stood a good chance of breaking Johnson's Bengals career record for 100-yard receiving games (31). But with 28, Green will have to wait until next season for that mark. Green has played in only six seasons, compared to Johnson's 10.

The Bengals record for 100-yard receiving games in a season is six, set by Green in 2013.

Green has been over 150 yards in three of his four 100-yard games this season. He was 12-for-180 in the Sept. 11 season opener at the N.Y. Jets, 10-for-173 on Sept. 29 vs. Miami, eight-for-169 on Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland and nine-for-121 on Oct. 30 vs. Washington in London. His 12 catches against the Jets is tied for his career high.

Despite his injury, Green has been voted for a sixth trip to the Pro Bowl. He has joined OT Anthony Muñoz, WR Chad Johnson and CB Lemar Parrish as the only Bengals to hit six. Hall of Famer Muñoz made a club-record 11 Pro Bowls in 13 seasons, Johnson made six in 10 seasons and Parrish made six in eight seasons.

Andy makes 'the call' on No. 18: Though A.J. Green's 2016 season has been derailed by a hamstring injury suffered Nov. 20, Green clearly has done his time as one of the most promising "young" wide receivers in Bengals history.

"He's the best receiver in the league," QB Andy Dalton said after the Oct. 30 Washington game, setting a new declarative high in the praise-for-Green category. "There's nobody out there like A.J."

A 2011 Bengals first-round draft choice (fourth overall), Green turned 28 early in training camp. He has a number of prime years still ahead and is a very serious threat to Chad Johnson's once seemingly unapproachable Bengals' all-time leads in receptions, receiving yards and receiving TDs.

Green, who now has 481 receptions and 7135 yards, said as training camp began that he thinks he can play at least 12 seasons.

Though Detroit superstar WR Calvin Johnson announced his retirement this past offseason after a nine-year career, Green doesn't see a parallel.

"Calvin's a big guy," Green said. "His body took a lot of pounding. I feel like I'm more of a slim guy (at 6-4 and 210). My knees don't have that much wear and tear. Calvin used to take big hits, cheap shots. The way he hit the ground all the time, that's a big body at 230 (pounds) slamming down. I think my body is set up differently."

If one extrapolates to 12 years Green's averages of 83 catches and 1234 yards for his five full seasons, it's Chad Johnson who becomes outpaced by a Bengals country mile. After season 12, Green would have 996 catches (245 more than Johnson) and 14,810 yards (4027 more).

One could say Green won't produce at those levels forever, especially not in seasons 11 and 12. But even if Green played just 10 seasons at the pace of his first five full seasons, he'd top Johnson by 79 catches (830) and by 1584 yards (12,342).

In all-time receiving TDs, Chad Johnson leads the Bengals with 66, three more than Pickens. Green already has 49. He averaged 9.0 TDs for his first five seasons, which projects to 90 after 10 seasons.

Green has been signed by the Bengals for at least four more seasons, through 2019.

A.J. passes Ike into second: A.J. Green began this season as likely to take three steps up the Bengals' all-time receiving yards ladder, moving into second place. And now that process is complete. His 68 yards against the Giants on Nov. 14 pushed his career total to 7135, moving him ahead of Isaac Curtis (7101) into the No. 2 spot.

Still far ahead in the No. 1 spot is Chad Johnson (10,783). Green needs 3649 more yards to pass him. But Green apparently has many more years to play, and moving to the No. 1 spot is a feat that projects to possible passage no later than 2019, possibly in 2018. Green's contract runs through 2019, due to an extension he signed last year.

Green is 13 games into his sixth season. Johnson took 10 seasons (2001-10) to post his 10,783 total.

Green started 2016 in fifth place, with 6171 yards. He moved into fourth on Oct. 16 at New England, passing Cris Collinsworth (6698 in eight seasons), and he took third place on Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland, passing Carl Pickens (6887 in eight seasons).

In all-time Bengals receptions, Green started the season in sixth place, but he's now at No. 4. He has 481 catches and has blown by Curtis (416) and Collinsworth (417).

Green needs just 27 catches to pass third-place T.J. Houshmandzadeh (507). He's 50 short of Pickens (530) for second place. Green is still 270 catches behind the first-place Chad Johnson (751), another goal that projects to possible passage in 2018 or '19.

Green is in his sixth Bengals season, whereas Curtis played 12 seasons, Johnson 10, and Collinsworth and Houshmandzadeh eight.

Green and some gold jackets: Fourteen games into his sixth NFL season, A.J. Green has nine games with at least 150 receiving yards and a touchdown catch. The only players to have more such games in their first six seasons are Hall of Famers Lance Alworth (13) and Jerry Rice (11), and prime HOF candidate Randy Moss (10).

And if Green can come back this week from the hamstring injury he suffered Nov. 20 vs. Buffalo, he will still have three more games to chase those golden totals.

Also, Green's nine games with at least 150 receiving yards and a touchdown are tied with Steve Smith, Sr. for the most among active players.

NFL play of the year? "Hail Mary" touchdown passes — heaves to the end zone on the last play of a half or the game — are invariably marquee plays. But Bengals WR A.J. Green has a knack for continually finding a way to take spectacular to the next level, and such was the case on his 48-yard TD reception on the last play of the first half on Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland.

"If that's not the 'Play of the Year' this year, then there's going to have to be one that is really, really good," said Dalton. "For how he tipped it, and then he goes and gets it with one hand ... it just goes to show how good his hands are."

And Dalton the prophet has been proven at least half (a season) right. Following Week 8 play (Games of Oct. 27-31), ESPN's NFL Live gave the catch Best Play honors up to that point in the season.

Green was surrounded by three Browns defenders when he made the marvelous catch — "somebody was holding one of my arms," he said. The sixth-year pro still managed to rise above the crowd to get his free hand on Dalton's pass, but the ball glanced off. It seemed to flutter amidst the flailing arms and legs of Green and the surrounding Browns, as gravity took Green toward the ground. But again Green touched it. And then Green's right arm came shooting out of the scrum, not unlike a cartoon frog projecting its tongue to catch a fly. And after a bit of one-armed juggling — Green is an accomplished juggler, by the way — he somehow pulled the ball into his chest for a touchdown.

Green developed his juggling skills as an early grade-schooler. He says he hasn't juggled for years "except when somebody asks me to." But when asked if those skills came in handy this time, he said:

"Yeah, it was a little bit of everything. I was just trying to give myself a chance to get it. I got one hand on it and just brought it in."

Dalton and Green made five-year history: WR A.J. Green and QB Andy Dalton were the Bengals' first two draft selections in 2011, and they had quite a ride for their first five seasons (2011-15).

Per Elias Sports Bureau, they stand as the most productive QB-WR duo in NFL history for players in their first five seasons. Their 395 completions and

5789 yards are most by any duo for seasons 1-5, and their 40 TD connections are tied for most with Dan Marino and Mark Clayton of Miami (1983-87).

Only A.J.: Cincinnati's A.J. Green is the only NFL receiver since the 1970 merger to start his career with five consecutive 1000-yard seasons (averaging more than 1200 yards) and five trips to the Pro Bowl. The last pass-catcher to start his career with five consecutive Pro Bowl appearances was Hall of Fame TE Mike Ditka (1961-65).

Erickson back on top of AFC: Bengals rookie WR Alex Erickson recorded four kickoff returns for 107 yards at Houston and reclaimed the top top spot in the AFC KOR rankings with a 28.4-yard average.

Erickson had yielded the lead to Jacksonville WR Marqise Lee last week. With a 30.3-yard average on the season, Lee still tops Erickson, but Lee does not have enough attempts to qualify for the league rankings. Returners must average 1.25 returns per team game, which means Lee would need at least 19 attempts after 15 games. He has only 18.

Erickson's 26.8-yard average also ranks second in the NFL, behind only Minnesota WR Cordarrelle Patterson, who averages 31.5 on 24 returns.

If Erickson holds his current 28.4 average through the end of the season, it will go down as the second-best average in Bengals history, behind only the 31.3 posted by CB Adam Jones in 2014. Jones' figure led the NFL, giving the Bengals their first-ever NFL KOR title. Erickson, of course, remains a contender to give the Bengals their second league title.

If Erickson can hold his AFC lead through the season finale this week, he'll become the third Bengal to claim the conference title, joining Jones and Tremain Mack. Mack's 27.1 led the AFC in 1999.

Largely by virtue of his kick returns, Erickson became the only college free agent to make the Bengals season-opening roster. He led the NFL in preseason in punt returns, averaging 30.8 yards on six returns, including an 80-yarder for a TD in his debut Aug. 12 vs. Minnesota. He had a 31-yard gain on his only kickoff return in preseason.

The regular season began much less gaudily for Erickson, as after seven games, he was averaging just 20.6 yards on five kickoff returns and 5.7 yards on 10 punt returns. But after getting some advice from special teams coordinator Darrin Simmons to return more aggressively up the field, Erickson made his mark in kickoff returns in Games 8 and 9. He had a 65-yarder on Oct. 30 vs. Washington and an 84-yarder on Nov. 14 at the N.Y. Giants. He later had a 72-yarder vs. Pittsburgh on Dec. 18.

Erickson is the only rookie among the 11 NFL players with enough KORs to qualify this week.

Erickson had six punt returns at Houston last week. For the season, he has averaged 7.2 yards on 27 returns, ranked tied for seventh in the AFC, and ranked tied for 17th in the NFL.

Back gets best of Eifert: Bengals fans got to watch TE Tyler Eifert in action for eight games this season, but their next chance will be in 2017. Eifert was inactive last week at Houston, after reporting back injury symptoms to the club medical staff on Dec. 20, and due to the injury he was placed Dec. 26 on the Reserve/Injured list.

The 2015 season Pro Bowl selection missed the first six games and played only a little in Game 7, but he had five touchdowns in his seven full games played (Games 8-14). Since the start of last season, Eifert's 18 TD catches lead all NFL tight ends. That's two more than the No. 2 TE, Washington Redskin Jordan Reed, who has 16. And that ranking stands despite Eifert playing in just 13 total games last season and just eight total games this year.

Eifert has 29 catches for 394 yards, and is ranked fifth on the team in catches and fourth in yards.

In Eifert's first full game, on Oct. 30 vs. Washington in London, he caught nine passes for 102 yards and a TD. And on Nov. 14 at the N.Y. Giants, he had a team-high 96 yards on three catches, including a career-long 71-yarder in the first quarter that carried to the New York eight and set up a touchdown. It was the longest completion by the Bengals this season at the time.

"Tyler can do things on a consistent basis that other tight ends can't do," says QB Andy Dalton. "And it's not just talent. He runs such great routes. He puts himself in position to make big plays."

Eifert was slowed as the season began by an ankle injury he suffered in the Pro Bowl following the 2015 campaign. And when he returned to practice in early October, hoping to return a week or two after that, he was further delayed by a back strain.

Jones wearing two crowns: CB Adam Jones is the Bengals' career leader in punt return average (10.15) and kickoff return average (26.01).

The second-place Bengal in punt return average is WR Quan Cosby (9.99 from 2009-10), and the No. 2 man in kickoff return average is CB Lemar Parrish (24.66 from 1970-77).

Jones entered this season already in the punt return lead, and he added the kickoff return record to his resume on Sept. 29 vs. Miami, when he reached minimum number of returns (50) to qualify.

With a starting role on defense, Jones has seen his return opportunities limited this season. Rookie WR Alex Erickson is having a good year, particularly on kickoff returns, and he has logged all of the Bengals' KORs and all but one of the team's PRs since Nov. 27 at Baltimore. Jones this season has just a 19.8-yard average on four kickoff returns and a 4.0 average on nine punt returns. But at age 33, he is still a big potential weapon in the return game. In 2014, he set a Bengals record and led the NFL with a 31.3 KOR average. That same season he finished second in the league in punt returns (12.0).

Jones has been a terror on kick returns ever since entering the NFL with Tennessee in 2005. Adding in three NFL seasons played elsewhere to his seven years (2010-16) of Bengals play, Jones has NFL career averages of 26.0 per KOR and 10.1 per PR.

Jones has five career PRs for touchdowns. That is tied with Minnesota CB Marcus Sherels for second-most among active players, behind only Philadelphia RB Darren Sproles, who has seven. Jones has never had a kickoff return for a score. He had a 97-yard KOR for the Bengals in 2014 vs. Carolina, but he was downed at the Panthers' three-yard line. The return did set up a TD, however, and it stands as the longest play in Bengals history that did not itself result in a TD.

Hill tops in rush TDs since 2014: HB Jeremy Hill played sparingly at Houston in Week 16 while nursing a knee injury, totaling just seven carries. However, in Week 15, he scored his ninth touchdown of the season vs. Pittsburgh, on a four-yard run in the second quarter. That score was his 29th career rushing TD since entering the league as a Bengals second-round draft selection in 2014. That total is the most rushing TDs in the NFL over that span, just ahead of Tennessee's DeMarco Murray and New England's LaGarrette Blount, both of whom have 28.

Hill had 11 rushing scores in 2015 and nine as a rookie in '14. He had 12 total TDs in '15, including one receiving, and that total was most by a Bengals RB since Rudi Johnson had 12 in 2006. For his Bengals career, Hill has 32 total TDs in 48 games, including two postseason games in which he scored one TD each.

Hill rushed for just eight yards on his seven carries at Houston on Saturday, but still leads the Bengals in rushing yards with 839 total, with a 3.8-yard average on 222 carries. Hill has significantly more than twice as many rush yards as the second-place Bengal and is heading toward his third team rushing title in three seasons.

Head coach Marvin Lewis has the following advice for Hill for the last two games: Go north-south, and go between the tackles.

"We keep emphasizing to him, 'Keep your shoulders pointed up the field,' " Lewis says. "When he does that, he's special. Sometimes he'll try to bounce one outside and not get much. He'll look at me right away and shake his head, and I go, 'Yeah, I know.' But that's good. He is a young guy who is still understanding things. He has to keep going, and we know he's a heck of a talent."

Says WR A.J. Green:

"Jeremy is a big, physical guy, and our coaches preach to him, 'Keep the play alive; nobody wants to tackle you.' "

Hill also this season has 21 receptions for 174 yards, and 12 of those catches (for 112 yards) have come in the last five games as the offense has adjusted to the injury loss of Giovani Bernard, the team's most accomplished receiver among the RB corps.

Making the most of his chances: On Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland, HB Jeremy Hill had the most rushing yards in Bengals history without hitting double digits in carries, breaking a mark that had stood for 45 years. Hill went nine-for-168, averaging 18.7 yards per carry. Previously, the most rushing yards by a Bengal with nine or fewer carries in a game had been 113 on eight carries, by RB Essex Johnson on Sept. 19, 1971, vs. Philadelphia.

The 168 yards was a career-high for Hill, topping a 154 effort on Nov. 2, 2014 vs. Jacksonville. Hill's 168 stands as the most by a Bengal since '09, when Cedric Benson had 189 vs. Chicago.

Hill showed his excellent speed for a 235-pounder on a 74-yard TD run in the third quarter vs. Cleveland. It was the second-longest rush of his three-year career, behind only an 85-yarder vs. Denver in 2014.

Case of the lost kudos: It's a mystery tale known well around some NFL teams, but it was relatively new to Cincinnati this season.

Title it "Karlos Dansby and the Missing Honors."

Dansby has been the new big name in the Bengals' LB corps, filling the No. 1 SLB spot. He leads the team in tackles (104) through 15 games, three ahead of LB Vontaze Burfict. Dansby is tied for second in tackles-for-loss (six). He also has five passes defended, one sack and a fumble recovery. Last week at Houston, he led the team in tackles (10) and had one pass defended.

Dansby is a 13th-year NFL veteran with a playmaking resume few others can match. He has 41.0 career sacks and 19 interceptions, and with one more INT, he'll become only the fifth LB in NFL history to become a 40-20 man.

The other 40-20 guys are Ray Lewis, Seth Joyner, Wilber Marshall and Brian Urlacher. The quartet has 27 Pro Bowls among them, plus three NFL Defensive Player of the Year awards (two for Lewis and one for Urlacher).

"People want to know why I still play this game, and it's because I want to be the best to ever do it," Dansby says. "And once I get this one interception, I'm putting myself in that conversation. And I can't be taken out of that conversation, because you can't take those plays away from me."

And thus the mystery: Dansby has not made even one Pro Bowl. His career bears similarity to that of a longtime Bengals standout, CB Ken Riley (1969-83). Riley is so far ahead of his nearest Bengals competitor in career INTs, it looks like a misprint. His 65 are almost twice the total of second-place Louis Breeden. But Riley, inexplicably, also never made a Pro Bowl.

Dansby, a Birmingham, Ala., native who played at Auburn, opened his NFL career in 2004 as a second-round draft choice of Arizona. He played six seasons with the Cardinals and started all of the team's six playoff games, including a Super Bowl vs. Pittsburgh. He was twice named Arizona's franchise player.

Then came three seasons with Miami, another one with Arizona, and two with Cleveland. He topped the 100-tackle mark in four of those six seasons, with 93 as his low. He had 15.5 sacks and nine INTs in the span, with four of his picks going for touchdowns.

But no Pro Bowls. It's a mystery that Dansby admits he's frustrated with, but he moves on as a pro.

"I still get the respect," he says. "Some guys think I've been to like eight Pro Bowls, the way I play the game. They see it on film. They know what a Pro Bowl player looks like, and I fit the bill. You can say a lot of different things (about the Pro Bowl snubs). A popularity contest. Politics. Whatever. All I can do is play and try to help this team win a Super Bowl. That's the real goal in my mind."

Tackles; they're what LBs do: LB Karlos Dansby leads the Bengals in tackles (103) through 14 games, and LB Vontaze Burfict is second (101). The highest number by a non-LB is 74, by S Shawn Williams. So it's a wrap that a LB will lead the team for the 19th consecutive season. The last Bengal at a position other than LB to claim the crown in statistics crew compilation of tackles was S Sam Shade in 1997. The last defensive lineman to lead was NT Tim Krumrie in 1992.

Some very good rushing numbers: In rushing for 111 yards in the Bengals' Dec. 11 win at Cleveland, HB Jeremy Hill had 25 carries, the only 25-carry game by a Bengals individual rusher since Game 14 of 2014 (when Hill also had 25). Hill's performance raised the Bengals record under Marvin Lewis with a 100-yard rusher to 43-7-1, for an .853 winning percentage, but Lewis' Bengals are even better with a rusher at the 25-carry mark. The mark there is now 38-2 (.950).

The Bengals totaled 213 rushing yards at Cleveland, on 38 carries, and they ran their record under Lewis with 30 or more team rushes to 85-18-1 (.822). The Bengals are 4-1-1 (.750) this season with 30 or more rushes.

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

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

LBs in distinguished hands: Jim Haslett has come to the Bengals in 2016 as linebackers coach, bringing one of the most impressive overall football resumes of any position coach ever to join the franchise. To wit:

- From 1975-78, he was a four-time Little All-America player (LB and DE) at Indiana (Pa.) University.
- In 1979, he was a second-round draft choice of the Buffalo Bills.
- From 1979-87, he was a standout NFL linebacker, playing eight seasons for the Bills and one for the Jets. He earned Associated Press Defensive Rookie

of the Year honors in '79, was an All-Pro selection in '80, and was later named to the Buffalo's Silver Anniversary team.

• He was an NFL head coach for six seasons (2000-05) with New Orleans, and he finished the '08 season as St. Louis Rams head coach after Scott Linehan was released. In 2000, his first year as Saints coach, he led the team from a 3-13 year to an NFC South championship and also to the first postseason victory in franchise history.

All of the above adds up to Haslett holding a unique three-part football distinction. He is the only person to be recognized as a 1) College Football Hall of Fame member, 2) an AP NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year and 3) an AP NFL Coach of the Year.

Who in the history of Bengals coaching can match that? The comparisons are subject to differing interpretations, but here's a partial attempt:

Paul Brown, Forrest Gregg and Dick LeBeau are Pro Football Hall of Famers. Brown's legendary accomplishments need no repeat here. Gregg was not only a top player, he coached the Bengals to a Super Bowl. But Brown, Gregg and LeBeau all were Bengals head coaches. (LeBeau was also a Bengals defensive coordinator.) Other outstanding NFL players who became Bengals position coaches include Ken Anderson, Mark Carrier, Boyd Dowler, Rodney Holman, Tim Krumrie, Mike McCormack and Dick Modzelewski.

The Huber roundup: Bengals P Kevin Huber had eight punts for 366 yards (45.8-yard average) at Houston on Saturday, with three inside-20s and no touchbacks, and he had a 41.8 net average. His eight punts were his second most in a game in 2016, as was his 366 total yards punting.

For the season, Huber is averaging 46.1 yards gross and 39.7 yards net. He also has 22 inside-20s, with only seven touchbacks.

Already a considerable presence in the Bengals record book, Huber this season has captured the all-time franchise lead in total inside-20 punts. His 22 have pushed him to 204 for his eight-year career, past Lee Johnson (186), who punted over 11 Bengals seasons (1988-98). Huber also has the franchise's all-time best ratio of inside-20 kicks to touchbacks (3.71-to-1, with 204 inside-20s and 55 touchbacks).

Huber's other top accomplishments with the Bengals include:

• He is the franchise leader in career gross average (45.0) and net average (39.8).

• He holds the top two Bengals season averages in gross and the top four Bengals season averages in net. His gross record is 46.8 in 2014, and his net record is 42.1, also in '14.

• He shares the team record for longest punt (75 yards) with Kyle Larson.

• His 33 inside-20 punts in 2012 is a franchise record.

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

Punt return security: Punt returns are probably football's most dangerous endeavors when it comes to turnovers. But according to Elias Sports Bureau, over the 14 seasons of Cincinnati special teams coordinator Darrin Simmons, the Bengals have had tied for the fewest fumbled punts (20) and the fewest lost fumbles on punts (four) in the NFL. Atlanta is tied with Cincinnati for fewest fumbles, and Houston is second in fewest lost fumbles (five). And it's not as if the Bengals have sacrificed production. They ranked in the league's top half in return average for Simmons' 13 full seasons, standing 15th at 9.1.

"The first thing is to make sure we have the ball when the play is over," says Simmons. "I'm looking for guys who can manage the play correctly. When their number is called, they go out there and make the correct decision. And first and foremost, that we have the ball when the play is over. I'm proud of the fact that whether it's been Brandon Tate or Adam Jones or Keiwan Ratliff or Quan Cosby, we've not been turning the ball over."

Secret (sort of) weapon: Ryan Hewitt doesn't attract much in the way of headlines, but he's a headliner in head coach Marvin Lewis' book. Thus, it was with very good feelings for the future that the Bengals H-back was signed Aug. 2 to a three-year contract extension, through 2019.

Hewitt (6-4, 255; Stanford) is a third-year NFL player in 2016. He has played in Games 1-15, with 11 starts. He is one of the Bengals' best longshot stories of recent seasons, a college free agent signee who quickly developed into a punishing run blocker out of the backfield and a stout pass protector. His role is often similar to that of a traditional fullback, but he also sees action as a tight end and meets with the tight end group during the practice week. He has played 44 games, with 33 starts, since signing for 2014.

"Ryan came to us undrafted and quickly became an integral part of our

offense," Lewis said. "He's a strong and physical player. His role of doing the dirty work may go unnoticed sometimes by the public, but it is never unnoticed by his teammates or our opponents. We're excited to have him on board now for well beyond this season."

Hewitt has two catches for 13 yards this season and he has 20 career receptions for 198 yards (9.9), plus three-for-37 in postseason. He contributed last season to a scoring average of 26.2 per game, ranked seventh in the NFL.

"This team is very similar to others I've been on," Hewitt said. "Blue-collar, downhill teams. Smash-mouth in the running game and open it up in the passing game. I love being in Cincinnati. It's a great team. I love the coaching staff."

Gio gives Brooks a short break: HB Giovani Bernard is out for the season, down with a major knee injury (ACL) suffered late in the fourth quarter of the Nov. 20 Buffalo game. When Bernard returns next year, he can re-start his aggressive pursuit of the all-time Bengals leads in receptions and receiving yards by a running back.

With 187 receptions, he's 110 short of James Brooks' record of 297. He has averaged 46.8 receptions over his four Bengals seasons, and that's counting this year's abbreviated version as a full one. At that pace he'd hit the 297 mark during his seventh campaign. Brooks played eight seasons (1984-91).

With 1672 receiving yards, Bernard is 1340 short of Brooks' record 3012. Bernard has averaged 418 receiving yards per season, a pace that would take him past 3012 in his eighth season.

But for now, the Bengals must get along without their best dual threat as a rusher and receiver. Bernard averaged 1147 yards from scrimmage over his first three seasons, and he ends this season with 673 yards in 10 games, which would project to 1077 yards over 16 games. Bernard this season was 91-for-337 rushing (3.7) with two TDs and 39-for-336 receiving with one TD. He currently is fourth on the team in receptions and receiving yards.

"Gio can do phenomenal things; guys have to step up but there's no way we won't miss him," said HB Jeremy Hill, who has played in tandem with Bernard and is his next-door locker mate. "Not only can he take it to the house on any play, run or pass, he's so good in stuff like pass blocking."

"Gio just brings energy to the offense," said TE Tyler Eifert. "He can turn a no gain, or a 'should-have-been-tackled-three-different-times,' into a big play. Or turn a loss into a no gain. We have to find a way to make up for that."

Bernard caught a career-best nine passes for 100 yards on Sept. 18 at Pittsburgh. It marked the second time Bernard has been in triple digits in receiving yards. His 128 yards at Arizona last season is the franchise record for receiving yards by a RB in a game. His 56 receptions as a rookie in 2013 is the Bengals season record for catches by a running back.

Turnover tables are turned: During the tenure of head coach Marvin Lewis (2003-present), the Bengals rank fifth in the NFL in turnover differential, at plus-49. The Bengals are plus-one in differential this season, with 18 takeaways (15 INTs, three FR) and 17 giveaways (eight INTs, nine FL).

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

Since '03, NFL teams with just a plus-one differential have won 68.3 percent of those games. At plus two the percentage has been 82.3. Teams with any plus have won at a 79.0 percent clip.

Here are the top six teams in differential since 2003:

TEAM	TAKEAWAYS	GIVEAWAYS	DIFFERENTIAL
New England.....	420.....	261.....	+159
Green Bay.....	385.....	324.....	+61
Carolina.....	416.....	358.....	+58
Seattle.....	380.....	328.....	+52
Cincinnati.....	400.....	351.....	+49

Since 2003, the Bengals rank fourth in takeaways (400) and seventh in points off turnovers (1197).

12-year TV streak at 181: In each of the last 181 Cincinnati TV ratings weeks that have included a Bengals regular-season or postseason broadcast — dating back to the 2004 season — the Bengals have ruled the local airwaves. They have been the top-rated show among all programming in the Cincinnati market each week, and usually by a wide margin.

And it's expected that the streak will hit 182 when Cincinnati rankings are in for the week of Dec. 19-25. But the rating for the Bengals' Dec. 24 game at Houston was not available at release time for this notes package. The last recorded Bengals rating was a 32.1 for Dec. 18 vs. Pittsburgh, No. 1 for the week by a wide margin.

The highest rating since the streak began was posted just last year, as the

Wild Card playoff vs. Pittsburgh drew a 46.1. The second-highest rating has been 45.5, posted for a playoff game vs. Pittsburgh in the 2006 season and matched for the Mon., Nov. 16 game last season vs. Houston. The rating number indicates the percentage of market households tuned to the game — including those not watching TV at the time.

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.

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

The Bengals are 74-17-1 in regular season under Lewis with a plus (.810 winning percentage), but they are only 16-64-2 with a minus. They were minus-one in last week's loss at Houston (no takeaways, one giveaway).

"It makes a huge difference," Lewis says. "You see it game after game in the NFL. You've got to possess the football. If you possess the football, good things can happen. If you turn the ball over to them, you've got a harder day."

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

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

DIFFERENTIAL	W-L-T	PCT.
Plus-1.....	868-401-4	.683
Plus-2.....	696-150-0	.823
Plus-3.....	389-38-1	.910
Plus-4.....	204-6-0	.971
Plus-5 or more.....	97-3-0	.970

Plus teams last week went 11-2, for an .846 winning percentage. The best week of the season for plus teams was Week 12, when they went 11-0. In Week 4, they were 12-1 (.923). The worst week of the season for plus teams, by a huge margin, has been Week 1, when they had only a 6-7 record. That mark stands (through this week) as the only losing week for plus teams since 2013. Plus teams are 144-46 (.758) for this season. Since 2003, teams with any plus have a combined record of 2254-598-4, a winning percentage of .790.

And when it's even? The Bengals are 27-22 in head coach Marvin Lewis' full tenure in games when the turnover differential has been even, for a winning percentage of .551. The Bengals have won 10 of their last 16 with even differential (.622), dating back to 2012, but they are 0-2 this season, with losses at Pittsburgh and New England.

Uniform watch: The Bengals are scheduled to wear black jerseys and black pants vs. Baltimore.

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

JERSEY	PANTS	W-L-T	PCT.
Orange	Black.....	4-0-0	1.000
Orange	White.....	15-6-1	.705
Black	Black.....	14-11-1	.558
Black	White.....	31-31-1	.500
White	Black.....	25-27-0	.481
White	White.....	20-26-0	.435

* — Orange is designated as a "specialty jersey" with the NFL and can be worn for only two games per year.

If the cliché fits ... : The Bengals are fit to be tied. They have played three ties over the last 10 seasons (including partial 2016). Among the other 31 NFL teams during this span, eight have played one tie, and the remaining 23 have entirely missed the full five-quarter experience.

Prior to their tie this past Oct. 30 with Washington, the Bengals also tied Carolina in 2014 and Philadelphia in '08.

The Bengals played no ties in the first 35 seasons of the NFL's overtime era, which started in 1974. Cincinnati does not have the most ties in the full era, ranking tied for third with its three. Green Bay has five in the full era, and Philadelphia has four.

The Carolina tie featured the most points of any tie in the overtime era, and the third-most points all time. Two games from the early American Football League days, before overtime, featured more total points. The Boston Patriots and Oakland Raiders played to 43-all in 1964, and Denver deadlocked with Buffalo at 38 in 1960.

The Bengals do have a fourth tie in their history, from prior to the overtime era. In the American Football League in 1969, Cincinnati battled the Houston Oilers to a four-quarter deadlock of 31-31 at the Astrodome.

Bengals grow biggest 'Battle' margin: With their victory Dec. 11 at Cleveland, the Bengals extended to nine their benchmark for the biggest lead held by either side in the "Battle of Ohio" series, which began in 1970. Cincinnati's current lead is 48-39, a margin of nine games.

The series began with the Browns winning six of the first seven, and their five-game margin at 6-1, after the first meeting of 1973, stands as their largest lead. The Bengals lead 46-33 since that high-water mark for Cleveland. The Browns have not led since the end of 2005, when they held a 33-32 edge.

Since surrendering that 33-32 lead, in a Bengals sweep in the 2006 set, the Browns have twice pulled into ties — at 34-34 after game one of '07 and at 35-35 after game one of '08. But the Browns have now endured roughly a 10-year stretch without a lead in the series. Barring possible additions to the series in postseason play, the Bengals cannot surrender their series lead until after the first game of 2021, at the earliest. The Browns could not lead again until after the second game of '21.

Rockin' in the Jungle: The Bengals sport a 22-7-1 record (.750 winning percentage) in the regular season at Paul Brown Stadium over the last four seasons (including 2016). Over those 30 contests, the Bengals have held opposing passers to a rating of just 70.6. An individual with a 70.6 rating last season would have ranked 33rd among qualifiers for the NFL rankings, and an individual at 70.6 for this season would rank 33rd.

"Give it up to the fans in 'The Jungle,' they're the 12th man," says DE Carlos Dunlap. "They make it hard on quarterbacks to make checks and adjustments. It's a lot easier to play in front of the home crowd. And the last couple of years, it's been way louder than when I first got here. The last two or three years it's been crazy loud."

"That's what you call home-field advantage," says DE Michael Johnson. "The fans bring great energy. They know when to get loud, and they also know when to quiet down. I love playing here. It's one of the loudest places I've ever heard, especially on third down. It's tough to come into The Jungle."

Bengals big for a smaller market: Cincinnati is the fifth smallest TV market in the NFL, defined by "TV households" (868,900). The only smaller markets are Jacksonville, New Orleans, Buffalo and Green Bay.

Cincinnati ranks 36th in TV households among all U.S. markets. There are 11 markets larger than Cincinnati that do not have NFL teams. Those markets and their rankings are Orlando (19), Sacramento (20), St. Louis (21), Portland (24), Raleigh-Durham (25), Hartford (30), Columbus (31), San Antonio (32), Salt Lake City (34) and Milwaukee (35).

Bengal bites: RG Kevin Zeitler has played all 1019 offensive snaps this season, the only player on offense or defense who has not missed a snap with his unit. CB Adam Jones leads the defense in snaps, having played 996 of 1014 ... September (27-20-0, .574) has been the best winning percentage month for Bengals teams in the 14 seasons of head coach Marvin Lewis, but November (31-24-1, .563) is a close second. Lewis' clubs are also above .500 for December/January (35-30-0, .538 [regular season]). Lewis' only losing month has been October (24-29-2, .455) ... Andy Dalton passed for exactly 366 yards in Games 1 and 2 this season, becoming the first Bengal to hit 366 or higher in consecutive contests. His total of 732 for the two games was good for the NFL passing yards lead through Week 2, but it is not a Bengals two-game record. It ranks fifth. And trivia buffs can note that Dalton is the only QB in NFL history to pass for exactly 366 yards in consecutive games ... The attendance of 91,653 on Oct. 9 at Dallas was the largest ever for a Bengals regular-season game, topping a house of 87,786 for a 2004 visit to FedEx Field in Washington. The largest crowd for any Bengals game remains 92,045, for a 1990 season playoff game against the Los Angeles Raiders at the L.A. Coliseum ... The tallest player on the Bengals 53-man roster is DE Margus Hunt, at 6-8 ... The shortest player is K Randy Bullock at 5-9 ... The heaviest players are DT Pat Sims and OT Andrew Whitworth, both at 330 ... The lightest player is CB Adam Jones, at 180 ... The oldest player is LB Karlos Dansby, who turned 35 on Nov. 3 ... The youngest player is WR Tyler Boyd, who turned 22 on Nov. 15.

BENGALS QUOTES

Head coach Marvin Lewis, on last week's two-point loss with an undermanned roster at Houston

"I'm proud of the guys, the way they fought their tails off today. Just disappointed in not getting the win at the end. To make the plays down the stretch and get into position to win and then come up short ... We knew it was going to be a close, grind-out game and we kept grinding all the way through. I thought the quarterback (Andy Dalton) played his tail off. Guys really rose up and played. But not enough to win. It's disappointing we allowed the touchdown in the fourth quarter, after we get the lead. But, again, to be able to drive the football back and have Andy put us in position to kick the field goal to win ... So, that's what it is. We'll mount up and get ready for next week."

Special teams coordinator Darrin Simmons, on rookie Alex Erickson leading the AFC in kickoff return average (28.4):

"He's made some explosive plays in the second half of the season. "We've had a good recipe — good blocking and heads-up running. The big thing is he's getting it up the field. You can't hesitate or do a lot of dancing. You've got to be decisive."

WR A.J. Green, on being voted to his sixth straight Pro Bowl, despite not playing since early in the Nov. 20 Buffalo game, due to a hamstring injury:

"No, it didn't surprise me. I was playing well leading up to my injury. If you want to be great, that's the stuff you strive to make — Pro Bowls and All-Pro teams. I'm just trying to get better each year."

Lewis, on players learning to avoid roughness penalties in today's NFL:

"You have to learn to play. It's a changing game, particularly with the head. You have to learn to play with your head out of the fray."

Lewis, on DT Geno Atkins, voted to his fifth Pro Bowl this season:

"He's a man of few words, but he goes out and performs. He's productive in the pass and the run game, and it's great that people recognize what he does week in and week out."

DT Domata Peko, on the Bengals not beating opponents in the latter stages of games:

"We've got to finish. The whole season in the fourth quarter, we haven't been doing what we're used to doing — finishing people out. We need to get back to that, finish the season strong, and finish this year on a positive note."

Lewis, on the play of the team's young WRs — Tyler Boyd, Alex Erickson and James Wright:

"It's the experience of it all that's helping them get better. They are getting repetition out of it, day after day. It's been a good opportunity for them to go out and play. We haven't had many young guys since A.J. (Green) was a rookie have this kind of experience. You wish you could restart it with those guys and

see how they go, because of how much better they get week in and week out. Tyler (Boyd) has all of a sudden become a much better blocker, now that he has become better at being in better spots and being more involved in the offense. It raises your level in everything."

CB Adam Jones, on not making the playoffs:

"Since I've been here (2010), this is only the second time I haven't been to the playoffs. All you can do is take the good with the bad and don't forget how you got here. You have to keep working, stay positive and be a great teammate."

OT Andrew Whitworth, on rookie WR Tyler Boyd:

"He's stepped up. He's been awesome for us. It's good for him to be in this environment. When the No. 1 guy (A.J. Green) goes down, you have to bear a role, and that's going to develop him for his career moving forward."

DE Carlos Dunlap, on his wide lead among all NFL defensive linemen in passes defended (15):

"The quarterback has a clock, too. If I can't get there before he throws it, jump and get the hand up. One hand off, one hand up."

Offensive coordinator Ken Zampese, on HB Rex Burkhead stepping up the last four games to help replace injured HB Giovani Bernard:

"Fantastic. Above average. Not only moving the ball (average of 6.0 yards on 46 touches), but very stout in pass blocking. It's been good to see him in the game more. He's giving us some juice and some life, and some speed that has shown up."

Former Bengals WR Chad Johnson, on WR A.J. Green:

"To me he's the greatest (Bengals receiver) of all time because he can do things I wasn't able to do. High-point the ball. And he's a much more consistent pass-catcher than I was."

Lewis, on LB Vincent Rey being voted captain of the special teams:

"Vinny hands down was selected again as captain of the unit. He continued to lead the meeting, even when he was starting on defense for Vontaze (Burfict) and wasn't an integral part of the special teams plan. He takes real responsibility for that. The calmness that comes with his leadership is good."

S George Iloka, on second-year CB Josh Shaw becoming team's nickel defensive back:

"He has the skill set, he has the instincts. He's bigger than Leon (Hall, who filled the role last season). He has done a good job taking things in stride. He doesn't make the same mistake twice. He's young in terms of playing the nickel in this defense and I've been impressed with how fast he's picked it up. He's out there playing fast. Even if it's not exactly how they drew it up, he runs around and he makes plays."

POSITION BY POSITION

Quarterbacks: Through 15 games, sixth-year pro **Andy Dalton** ranks third in the AFC and seventh in the NFL with 3980 passing yards. He has completed 346 of 535 passes (64.7 percent), with 17 TDs and eight INTs. His 91.3 passer rating exceeds his career rating (now 88.9), and his career rating currently ranks as the Bengals' record, topping the Carson Palmer's mark of 86.9. Last week at Houston, Dalton completed 28 of 41 passes for 268 yards, one TD and one INT. His 86-yard TD pass to WR Brandon LaFell was the longest pass of his career. Dalton is only the second NFL QB in the Super Bowl era to lead his team to the playoffs in each of his first five seasons, and he posted a Bengals-record 106.3 passer rating in 2015, ranking first in the AFC and second in the NFL. Dalton's 57-36-2 regular-season record as a starter works out to the best winning percentage (.617) of any Bengals QB with 10 or more starts. He holds club records for passing yards (4293 in 2013) and TD passes (33, also in '13) in a season. Second-year pro **AJ McCarron** has been active-DNP for Games 1-5 and 7-15. He saw brief action on Oct. 16 at New England in the game's waning moments, though he did not throw a pass. McCarron finished preseason with a 106.8 passer rating. He showed much promise while filling in for Dalton after Dalton's thumb injury last season, logging a 101.1 passer rating for his three regular-season starts (2-1 record) and leading a dramatic comeback in the Wild Card playoff vs. Pittsburgh, only to see the Steelers prevail 18-16 on a late FG. As a collegian, McCarron led Alabama to a pair of national championships. On Sept. 4, the Bengals acquired rookie **Jeff Driskel** on waivers from San Francisco. A sixth round 49ers draft choice this

year, Driskel was active at Cleveland on Dec. 11 for the first time this season, but did not play. He has been inactive for every game otherwise (Games 1-12 and 14-15). Driskel played in all four 49ers preseason games, after passing for 4033 yards last season at Louisiana Tech.

Running backs: Third-year HB **Jeremy Hill** was slowed last week against the Texans, as he dealt with a knee injury. He rushed seven times for eight yards. On Dec. 18 vs. Pittsburgh, he found his way into the end zone again, rushing 20 times for 43 yards with a one-yard TD in the second quarter that put the Bengals ahead, 17-3. He also added one reception for eight yards against the Steelers. The rushing touchdown against the Steelers was the 29th regular-season rushing TD of Hill's three-year career, and over those three years (2014-16) he is one ahead of Tennessee RB DeMarco Murray and New England RB LaGarrette Blount for the most rushing scores in the NFL. Hill is headed toward his third team rushing title in three Bengals seasons, with 839 yards on 222 attempts (3.8-yard average). Hill has 30 total TDs in 46 career regular-season games (29 rushing and one passing), plus two more rushing TDs in a pair of playoff games. Hill scored 12 total TDs last season, the most by a Bengals RB since 2006, when Rudi Johnson also had 12 (all rushing). Fourth-year HB **Rex Burkhead** continues to produce with the increased snaps he has received since HB **Giovani Bernard** suffered a major knee injury (ACL tear) on Nov. 20 vs. Buffalo. Burkhead rushed 12 times for 42 yards (3.5) and caught four passes for 25 yards last week at Houston. On the season, Burkhead has 47 carries for 225 yards (4.8), with 15 catches for 120 yards. He also leads the team with 12

special teams tackles, and he has six kickoff returns for 114 yards (19.0). Burkhead is one of only nine NFL rushers who possess a 100-percent first-down conversion rate when rushing on third-and-one. Among those nine who are perfect, the leader is Buffalo RB Mike Gillislee, who has converted all eight of his third-and-one rushing attempts. Gillislee also is the only player among the nine with more than six attempts. With his knee injury, Bernard was placed on the season-ending Reserve/Injured list on Nov. 22. He finished his season with 673 yards from scrimmage, which still is fourth on the team. Bernard had 91 carries for 337 yards (3.7) and two touchdowns rushing, and he had 39 catches for another 336 yards and one touchdown receiving. Seventh-year HB **Cedric Peerman**, a Pro Bowl special teams player last year, has played in the last five games after missing the first 10 games due to a forearm fracture suffered in preseason. Peerman has no touches on offense yet this season, but has three total special teams tackles.

Wide receivers: Five times a Pro Bowler and heading for a sixth berth in his six seasons, **A.J. Green** played only two snaps on Nov. 27 vs. Buffalo and suffered a hamstring injury on the second. That injury has kept him out of the last five games. His status for Baltimore was undetermined at release time for this notes package. Despite having no receptions in the last five games, Green through Week 15 still is 10th in the AFC in receiving yards (964) and 17th in receptions. And, despite the injury setback, Green was nominated for this sixth straight Pro Bowl appearance in 2016. Green has four TDs on the season, and he has four 100-yard receiving games, topped by a 12-catch, 180-yard effort on Sept. 11 at the N.Y. Jets. That 180-yard performance still is a single-game high in the AFC for 2016. On Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland, Green caught eight passes for 169 yards, including hauling in the season's highlight — a 49-yard "Hail Mary" TD catch from QB Andy Dalton as time expired in the second quarter. Green's 481 career receptions rank fourth in Bengals history, and his 7135 receiving yards rank second. Green's 49 career receiving TDs rank fourth as well, and his 28 games of 100 or more receiving yards rank second behind Chad Johnson, whose total of 31 was recorded over a 10-year career. Veteran **Brandon LaFell**, who joined the Bengals as a free agent for 2016, has filled in admirably in Green's injury absence. Last week against the Texans, LaFell caught six passes for a career-high 130 yards, including an 86-yard catch and run in the fourth quarter to put the Bengals ahead, 10-6. It was the longest Bengals scoring play of the season, and second longest of LaFell's career. For the season, LaFell has 57 catches for 795 yards, ranking second on the team in both categories. His six TDs (all receiving) also rank second on the team. A seventh-year pro, LaFell caught 74 passes for 953 yards and seven TDs for New England during its 2014 Super Bowl championship season. Rookie WR **Tyler Boyd** also is helping fill the void created by Green's absence. Last week against Houston, Boyd logged two catches for 25 yards. On the season, he has 52 catches for 564 yards and one TD. Boyd leads NFL rookies by three in third down catches (22), and he also leads all rookies in first-down conversions on third down (16). In just three seasons at the University of Pittsburgh, Boyd established himself as the school's career leader in receptions (254) and receiving yards (3361). Third-year pro **James Wright** had one catch for eight yards last week. Wright has played in 12 games with two starts and has 13 receptions for 106 yards. He ranks second on the team with 10 special teams tackles. College free agent **Alex Erickson** of Wisconsin, who made a successful longshot roster bid after impressing in preseason both as a receiver and kick returner, has a 28.4-yard average on 28 kickoff returns. That average leads the AFC, and it ranks second in the NFL, behind only Minnesota WR Cordarrelle Patterson (31.5). Last week against the Texans, Erickson had four KORs for 107 yards (26.8-yard average). He also had one catch for five yards. Erickson has played in every game this season and totals six receptions for 71 yards. Sixth-round draft choice **Cody Core** of Mississippi has started the last three games in AJ Green's absence. He led the team with eight catches last week at Houston, totaling 39 yards receiving. He was targeted a team-high 12 times. Core has played in seven games (Games 5, 9 and 11-15) and has 13 total receptions for 118 yards. He has been inactive for the other eight contests. Core earned a roster spot with a solid preseason, leading the team in both receptions (eight) and receiving yards (135). First-year pro **Jake Kumerow** was signed from the practice squad to the active roster on Tuesday after spending last season and Games 1-15 of this season on the practice squad. He played in three 2016 preseason games, with four receptions for 67 yards.

Tight ends/H-back: 2015 Pro Bowl selection **Tyler Eifert** was inactive last week vs. Houston with a back injury, and was placed on the season-ending Reserve/Injured list on Monday. He played in eight games in 2016 and had 29 catches for 394 yards and five TDs. Since the start of the 2015 season, Eifert leads all NFL tight ends with 18 total TD catches. And that ranking stands

despite playing in just 21 total games over that span. Eifert missed the preseason schedule and Games 1-6 while rehabbing an ankle injury suffered in the Pro Bowl and a back strain suffered early in October in practice. He made his 2016 debut in Game 7 vs. Cleveland but played only 15 snaps. Second-year pro **Tyler Kroft** also was inactive last week with knee/ankle injuries. He had appeared in all 14 games this season prior to Game 15, with 11 starts. He is tied for fifth on the team in special teams tackles (seven). He has 10 catches for 92 yards on the season. Second year pro **C.J. Uzomah** has played in nine games and has seven starts. He started last week at Houston and caught five passes for 28 yards. He had been inactive the five previous games with a calf injury. Uzomah has 22 catches for 221 yards on the season. The Bengals also have a young standout at the H-back position, third-year pro **Ryan Hewitt**, who has played in every game and has 11 starts. Last week at Houston, he had one catch for eight yards. Hewitt made the team as a college free agent in 2014 and provided immediate impact as a blocker out of the backfield and as a situational receiver. He has played in 46 of 47 regular-season games over his first three seasons (34 starts).

Offensive linemen: Eleventh-year pro **Andrew Whitworth**, the team standout left tackle, displayed his valuable versatility last week at Houston and started at left guard in place of injured G **Clint Boling** (shoulder). Whitworth has started every game this season. Last season, he was a first-team selection on the king of All-Pro teams, the long recognized Associated Press version. He also was a first-ballot Pro Bowl selection. Boling and **Kevin Zeitler** have been Cincinnati's starting guard tandem since 2012, with Boling on the left and Zeitler on the right. Last week, however, Boling's injury landed him on the inactive list, and on Monday he was placed on the season-ending Reserve/Injured list. Zeitler has started all 15 games and played all 1019 offensive snaps this season. He is the only player on offense or defense who has not missed a snap with his unit. C **Russell Bodine** also has started all 15 games, and he has not missed a start in his Bengals career, covering 47 regular-season games and two postseason games. **Jake Fisher**, Cincinnati's 2015 second-round draft choice, saw his second straight start at ROT. He had served as the "big tight end" in extra-blocker situations most of the season, seeing increased snaps as the season progressed. Fisher's versatility includes having been moved to H-back late last season to help replace an injured Ryan Hewitt. Tenth-year veteran **Eric Winston** has played in all 15 games this season, including two starts at ROT. Since joining the team in 2014, Winston has played in 32 games with six starts, all at ROT. Second-year pro **Cedric Ogbuehi** started the first 11 games at ROT, but he was spelled by Winston in each of Games 6-11. He was active-DNP in Game 12 and recorded his first start of the season at LOT last week at Houston. Third-year pro **T.J. Johnson** saw brief action on offense against the Texans, and he has seen significant action on offense in two games this year, spelling Bodine. Johnson has played in every game. Cincinnati's only 2016 draft pick on the line is **Christian Westerman**, a fifth-round guard selection from Arizona State. Westerman was active last week at Houston for the first time in 2016, but he did not play. He had been inactive for Games 1-14.

Defensive linemen: Seventh-year DT **Geno Atkins** continued his hot streak of sacks last week, logging a seven-yard drop of Tom Savage in the first quarter. Atkins has four sacks in the last three games and now has 8.5 on the season, taking the team lead and also the lead among NFL interior linemen. Rams DT Aaron Donald is second at 8.0. Last season, Atkins' 11.0 sacks last season tied for the NFL lead among interior linemen. He also tied for the league lead in that category in 2011, and he led outright in 2012. Against the Texans, Atkins totaled three tackles. Atkins has started every game and has 31 tackles. He leads the team for the season in tackles-for-loss (13) and QB hits (24). Atkins was selected to his fifth Pro Bowl this season. DE **Carlos Dunlap** had one tackle and a forced fumble last week at Houston. He is second on the team in sacks (seven) and has 56 sacks for his career, ranking fourth all-time on the Bengals. He leads the team for the season in passes defended (15) and forced fumbles (three). He's second on the team in QB hits (22) and tied for second in tackles for loss (six). His 48 tackles lead the D-line, and he also leads the line in snaps played (791 of 1014). His 15 passes defended are first in the NFL among defensive linemen, by a margin of eight. A seventh-year pro, Dunlap had 13.5 sacks last season, the second-most in Bengals history, and went to his first Pro Bowl. For his career, Dunlap has 15 career forced fumbles, eight fumble recoveries, 41 passes defended, four blocked field goals and two touchdowns scored. DE **Michael Johnson** had four tackles last week, as well as a shared sack of Tom Savage. For the season, Johnson is second on the D-line in tackles (43) and ranks fourth on the team in sacks (3.5). His six tackles-for-loss rank tied for second, his nine QB hits rank third, and he has three passes defended. An eighth-year player for 2016, Johnson has started every game. Starting alongside Atkins on the interior line is another Bengals pillar, **Domata Peko**. The 11th-year pro has started 116 consecutive regular-season games, and last year he had a

career-best 5.0 sacks. Peko had four tackles last week against the Texans, and has 36 tackles on the season, with three passes defended and a fumble recovery. Ninth-year DT **Pat Sims** has been a productive player all season in the line rotation. He has 36 tackles on the season, good for tied for third on the line despite not being in a starting role. Sims has one sack on the season. He had three tackles last week at Houston and had five tackles Dec. 18 vs. Pittsburgh, a personal season high. Veterans at the backup DE spots are **Will Clarke** and **Margus Hunt**. Clarke had a three-yard sack on Tom Savage in the third quarter last week, as well as two tackles. For the season, Clarke has four sacks (third on the team) and 15 total tackles. He's a third-year player, a third-round 2014 Bengals draft choice, who played in 12 games last season. For the season, Hunt has played in 13 games and has 14 tackles, two passes defended, three QB hits and three special teams stops. He had one tackle last week, as well as his third blocked kick of the season, an extra point try in the fourth quarter. He also blocked a FG try at the N.Y. Jets on Sept. 11 and a PAT vs. Denver on Sept. 25. He leads the NFL blocked kicks lead for the season, with three players tied for second at two. DE **Wallace Gilberry** returned to action last week in a big way last week, after missing the last three games with a thigh injury. He had 1.5 sacks among his three tackles, including a six-yard drop of Tom Savage in the first quarter and a shared sack earlier in the quarter. He also had two additional QB hits, bringing his game total to four. The former Bengal re-signed with Cincinnati as a free agent, prior to Game 9. He has eight tackles through four games with the Bengals. From 2012-15 with the Bengals, Gilberry logged 17.5 sacks, three forced fumbles and four fumble recoveries (one for a TD). Gilberry began this season with Detroit, after joining the Lions as an unrestricted free agent. He played in Games 1-4 for the Lions, with one start and five tackles, but he was placed Oct. 4 on the Reserve/Injured list (abdomen). He became a free agent on Oct. 11, when he was released with an injury settlement. First-year DT **DeShawn Williams** had a QB hit last week vs. Houston, giving him four in just four games on the season. He saw his first action of the season Dec. 4 vs. Philadelphia and teamed with Dunlap for a shared sack against Carson Wentz. Williams was on the roster as a game day inactive for Games 1-10 and was briefly off the roster for Game 11.

Linebackers: WLB **Vontaze Burfict**, one of the league's best instinctive talents, was inactive last week due to a concussion and a knee injury suffered Dec. 18 vs. Pittsburgh. His status for the Ravens was undecided at press time for this notes package. He is second on the team in tackles (101) despite having missed four games (also Games 1-3 on an NFL suspension). On Dec. 4 vs. Philadelphia, Burfict turned in one of the finest performances of the season by a Bengals defender. He had 15 tackles, most by a Bengal in a game this season, and it was his fifth straight game 10 or more tackles. He also had two INTs against Carson Wentz, logging the first multi-INT game by a Bengal since Game 7 of last season, and he had 54 return yards. For the season, Burfict also has two sacks, eight passes defended (third on team) and a forced fumble. He has five tackles-for-loss. Burfict led the team in tackles by huge margins in 2012 and '13 and was a Pro Bowl selection in '13. Thirteenth-year NFL vet **Karlos Dansby** led the team in tackles last week at Houston (10), and he also had a pass defended. He re-took the team tackles lead from Burfict, raising his season total to 103. Dansby also leads the LBs in total snaps (717 of 1014) and has five passes defended. He has one fumble recovery. Dansby ranks among NFL's all-time best in the combo stat of sacks-plus-INTs (61, 41-19), and he joins Hall of Famers Bobby Bell and Derrick Brooks as only LBs with six career INTs for TDs. Sixth-year pro **Vincent Rey** logged seven tackles and two passes defended last week. His 72 tackles for the season rank fourth on the team. He has one INT, six total passes defended and one fumble recovery. On Nov. 14 against the Giants, Rey had 14 tackles, second most by a Bengal in a game this season. Rey can play all the LB positions and last year led the team in tackles (95). He also led the team in 2014. He has played in every game this season, with 11 starts. **Rey Mauluga** had two tackles last week at Houston. For the season he has 27 tackles, one INT and two total passes defended. Mauluga has played in 13 games, with six starts. Rookie third-round draft choice **Nick Vigil** of Utah State has played in Games 1-15, primarily on special teams, but he saw extended snaps on defense last week (20), logging two tackles. He now has eight tackles on defense for the year. He has seven special teams tackles on the season (tied for fifth) and ranks third on the special teams in snaps (287 of 417). Third-year pro **Marquis Flowers** spent 2015 on Reserve/Injured (shoulder), but the sixth-round '14 draft pick is back in action this season, having played in Games 1-15, primarily on special teams. He has eight special teams tackles (fourth on team). Flowers is second on the team in special teams snaps (290 of 417). First-year player **Trevor Roach** was signed from the practice squad to the active roster on Tuesday. He had opened this season on the roster, playing in

Games 1-3 (no statistics), and he was moved the practice squad when Burfict rejoined roster for Game 4. Roach played in three 2016 preseason games, with 13 tackles. He spent the 2015 regular season on the practice squad and made his NFL debut in the Wild Card playoff vs. Pittsburgh.

Defensive backs: Fifth-year pro **George Iloka**, Cincinnati's starting SS since 2013, led the secondary with six tackles last week at Houston. On Dec. 11 at Cleveland, he had his third INT of the year, picking off a long Robert Griffin III pass from the end zone at the Cleveland 47, with a 21-yard return to the 26. Iloka is tied for the team lead in INTs. He has 65 tackles on the season, ranked fifth on the team, and he ranks tied for fourth in total passes defended (seven). Iloka has eight career INTs and 29 total passes defended. Fourth-year pro **Shawn Williams** has taken over this season as the starting FS, and he ranks third on the team in tackles (74). He also has two INTs. He had three tackles and a QB hit last week against the Texans. He has played and started 14 games, missing only Nov. 27 at Baltimore, due to a hamstring injury. The Baltimore game stands as the only one Williams has missed (regular season or postseason) in his four-year Bengals career. Williams on the season also has four total passes defended and eight QB hits. Tenth-year CB **Adam Jones** earned his first Pro Bowl berth in 2015, and this season he has started Games 1-15 at RCB, leading the defense in snaps (996 of 1014). He has 60 tackles (sixth on the team), one INT, seven total passes defended and a forced fumble. Jones' time as a kick returner has been limited the past two seasons by his starting CB duties, but he's a longtime threat in that area. In 2014, he led the NFL with a Bengals record 31.3 average on KOR and was second in PR (12.0). This season, he has nine punt returns for a 4.0 average and four kickoff returns for a 19.8 average. He is the Bengals' all-time leader in kickoff return average (26.4) and punt return average (10.6). CB **Dre Kirkpatrick**, a 2012 Bengals first-round draft choice, had one tackle and a pass defended last week. Kirkpatrick has started 13 games, missing only Game 4 vs. Miami, due to a hamstring injury. He is tied for the team lead in INTs (three), and he has 39 tackles and nine passes defended (second on team). He has played in 62 of the last possible 63 games (including postseason). Kirkpatrick has two career INTs for TDs. CB **Josh Shaw** has played in every game, with 11 starts as a nickel back. He one tackle on defense and two on special teams last week against the Texans, and for the season has 45 tackles, an INT, and three total PDs. On special teams, he's third in tackles with nine. Shaw had the game-clinching play in the season opener against the Jets, intercepting a Ryan Fitzpatrick pass intended for Eric Decker at the Jets 40 with 0:40 to play. Shaw played in 15 games as a rookie and also has the ability to play safety. The CB room also includes 2014 first-round draft pick **Darqueze Dennard** of Michigan State. He had one tackle and one QB hit on defense last week, as well as one special teams tackle. On special teams this season, Dennard has downed two punts at the opponent one-yard line and has also downed one at the two. Dennard has 38 tackles on defense for the season and one pass defended. On special teams, as well as the downed punts, he has six tackles. Rookie CB **KeiVarae Russell** has played in Games 11-14 on special teams. He was inactive last week. He logged his first special teams tackle Dec. 18 vs. Pittsburgh. He joined the team for Game 2 and was inactive for Games 2-10. Second-year S **Derron Smith** played in the first 27 games (including postseason) of his Bengals career, and returned to action last week after missing the previous four games with a thigh injury. He has six tackles and one pass defended, and he has one stop on special teams. S **Clayton Fejedelem** comes to Cincinnati as a seventh-round draft choice after last year being named Illinois' Defensive Player of the Year. He has played in every game. He has played primarily on special teams, but has seen some action on defense in recent games. He has three tackles on defense and seven on special teams, and he leads the special teams in snaps (298). CB **William Jackson**, the team's 2016 first-round draft choice out of the University of Houston, is on the Reserve/Injured list, due to a torn pectoral muscle tendon he suffered in an early training camp practice. Jackson led the nation in 2015 with a school-record 23 pass breakups and added a career-best five interceptions, also leading nation in total passes defended (28).

Special teams: K **Randy Bullock**, acquired on Dec. 13 on waivers from Pittsburgh, was one-for-two on FGs last week at Houston. He converted a 43-yarder as time expired in the second quarter, giving the Bengals a 3-0 lead, but he missed what would have been a game-winning 43-yarder at the final gun, as the kick went wide right. Bullock made his Bengals debut Dec. 18 vs. Pittsburgh and was two-for-two on FGs (23, 22) and on PATs. Bullock also has handled kickoffs, and five of his seven kicks have reached the end zone, with four of those going for touchbacks. Bullock has replaced Mike Nugent, who was released Dec. 13 after kicking in the first 13 games. LS **Clark Harris** successfully snapped for eight punts and three place kicks last week at Houston. Harris was back for second straight game, after missing Games 11-13 due to a groin injury that ended a streak of 123 straight Bengals games played (including

postseason). The streak dated back to his joining the Bengals in Game 6 of the 2009 season. Harris, has handled all 1139 (1141?) snaps in his Bengals career without an unplayable delivery. Harris is also a solid player on punt coverage, with 21 career tackles, including four this season. P **Kevin Huber** has posted the top two seasons in Bengals history for gross average and the top four for net average. Last week at Houston, he had eight punts, for a 45.8 average and 41.8 net, with no touchbacks and three inside-20s. Huber is at 46.1 gross and 39.7 net for the season, and he has 22 inside-20s against seven touchbacks. Huber was an initial-ballot Pro Bowler in 2014. He boasts the franchise's all-time best ratio of inside-20 kicks to touchbacks (3.8 to-1, with 204 inside-20s and 53 touchbacks). Huber has also been a proven reliable holder on placekicks during his career. College free agent **Alex Erickson** of Wisconsin, who made a successful longshot roster bid after impressing in preseason both as a receiver and kick returner, ranks second in the NFL and first in the AFC in kickoff return average, at 28.4 on 28 returns. He trails only Cordarrelle Patterson of Minnesota

(31.5). He is just over two yards ahead of the second-place AFC returner, Tyler Lockett of Seattle at 26.3. Erickson has returns of 65, 72, and 84 yards this season, his 84-yarder at the N.Y. Giants standing as the longest Bengals kickoff return since Bernard Scott in 2009 (96 yards). He is the only Bengal to ever post three KORs of 65-plus yards in a season. Erickson also has 27 punt returns for a 7.2 average. HB **Rex Burkhead** leads the team by two in special teams tackles for the season, with 12. WR **James Wright** is second, with 10. S **Clayton Fejedelem** is first on the team in special teams snaps (298), and LB Marquis Flowers is second with (290). DE **Margus Hunt** has three blocked kicks this season, leading the NFL. He got his third block last week, blocking a Houston PAT try in the fourth quarter. He moved ahead of Philadelphia DT Bennie Logan, Atlanta DT Ra'Shede Hageman and New England LB Shea McClellin, who each have two. Earlier this season, Hunt blocked a 22-yard FG try on Sept. 11 at the Jets and a PAT on Sept. 25 vs. Denver. HB **Cedric Peerman**, a Pro Bowl coverage player in 2015, has seen his first action of the season in the last five games, with three special teams tackles. He had missed Games 1-10 due to a forearm fracture suffered in preseason on Aug. 28 at Jacksonville.

IMPORTANT DATES

2017	
Jan. 2	— Earliest permissible date for clubs to renegotiate or extend the rookie contract of a drafted rookie who was selected in any round of the 2014 NFL Draft. Any permissible renegotiated or extended player contract will not be considered a rookie contract, and will not be subject to the rules that limit rookie contracts.
Jan. 2	— Option exercise period begins for Fifth-Year Option for First-Round Selections from the 2014 NFL Draft. To exercise the option, the club must give written notice to the player on or after Jan. 2, 2017, but prior to May 3, 2017.
Jan. 7-8	— Wild Card Playoffs.
Jan. 8	— Assistant coaches under contract to playoff clubs that have byes in the Wild Card weekend may be interviewed for head coaching positions through the conclusion of the Wild Card games.
Jan. 14-15	— Divisional Playoffs.
Jan. 15	— Assistant coaches under contract to playoff clubs that won their Wild Card games may be interviewed for head coaching positions through the conclusion of Divisional Playoff games.
Jan. 16	— Deadline for college players that are underclassmen to apply for special eligibility. A list of players who are accepted into the NFL Draft will be transmitted to clubs on Jan. 20.
Jan. 21	— East-West Shrine Game, Tropicana Field, St. Petersburg, Fla.
Jan. 22	— AFC and NFC Championship Games.
Jan. 28	— Senior Bowl, Ladd-Peebles Stadium, Mobile, Ala.
Jan. 29	— NFL Pro Bowl, Camping World Stadium, Orlando, Fla.
Jan. 29	— An assistant coach, whose team is participating in the Super Bowl, who has previously interviewed for another club's head coaching job may have a second interview with such club no later than the Sunday preceding the Super Bowl.
Feb. 5	— Super Bowl LI, NRG Stadium, Houston, Texas.
Feb. 15	— First day for clubs to designate Franchise or Transition Players.
Feb. 28-March 6	— Combine Timing and Testing, Lucas Oil Stadium,

March 1	— Indianapolis, Ind. Prior to 4 p.m. Eastern, deadline for clubs to designate Franchise or Transition Players.
March 7-9	— During the period beginning at noon Eastern on March 7 and ending at 3:59:59 p.m. Eastern on March 9, clubs are permitted to contact, and enter into contract negotiations with the certified agents of players who will become Unrestricted Free Agents upon the expiration of their 2016 player contracts at 4 p.m. Eastern on March 9. However, a contract cannot be executed with a new club until 4 p.m. Eastern on March 9.
March 7-9	— During the above two-day negotiating period, no direct contact is permitted between a prospective unrestricted free agent and any employee or representative of a club, other than the player's current club.
March 9	— The 2017 League Year and Free Agency period begin at 4 p.m. Eastern. The first day of the 2017 League Year will end at 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern on March 9. Clubs will receive a personnel notice that will include all transactions submitted to the League office during the period between 4 p.m. Eastern and 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern on March 9.
March 9	— Trading period for 2017 begins at 4 p.m. Eastern, after expiration of all 2016 contracts.
March 26-29	— Annual League Meeting, Phoenix, Ariz.
April 3	— Clubs that hired a new head coach after the end of the 2016 regular season may begin offseason workout programs.
April 17	— Clubs with returning head coaches may begin offseason workout programs.
April 21	— Deadline for Restricted Free Agents to sign Offer Sheets.
April 26	— Deadline for prior club to exercise Right of First Refusal to Restricted Free Agents.
April 27-29	— NFL Draft (site TBD).

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Feb. 4*	— Super Bowl LII, U.S. Bank Stadium, Minneapolis, Minn.
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* Tentative date.

MEDIA SCHEDULE

Tues., Dec. 27	— Locker room open from 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Team will meet, but no open practice.
Wed., Dec. 28	— Locker room open from 11:15 a.m.-noon; Andy Dalton news conference at 11:15 a.m.; Marvin Lewis news conference at noon; Conference call Baltimore Ravens head coach John Harbaugh at 12:50 p.m.; Practice from 1-3 p.m. (practice open to media from 1-1:30 p.m., but no video after 1:20 p.m.); Coaches available briefly coming off the practice field; Player availability after practice is limited, and interviews must be arranged in advance; Conference call from Baltimore Ravens player TBD.
Thurs., Dec. 29	— Practice from 11:15 a.m.-1:20 p.m. (practice open to media

	from 11:15-11:45 a.m., but no video after 11:35 a.m.); Coaches available briefly coming off practice field; Locker room open from 1:15-2 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 30	— Locker room open from 10-10:45 a.m.; Practice from 10:45 a.m.-11:50 p.m.; (practice open to media from 10:45-11:15 a.m., but no video or still cameras).
Sat., Dec. 31	— No media access.
Sun., Jan. 1	— Game 16, Bengals vs. Baltimore at Paul Brown Stadium, 1 p.m.
Mon., Jan 2	— Locker room open from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Marvin Lewis news conference at 3 p.m.

2016 GAME SUMMARIES

WEEK 1, GAME 1

Cincinnati Bengals 23, N.Y. Jets 22 Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016 at MetLife Stadium

The Bengals survived a seesaw battle to win a road season opener for the third year in a row. They trailed 7-0 but blocked a 22-yard Jets FG try to avoid getting two scores down. They came back to lead 10-7, but trailed 16-13 at halftime. They led 20-16, but later trailed 22-20. With 58 seconds left, K Mike Nugent got the winning points on a 47-yard FG. The Jets' last chance for a comeback was snuffed with 40 seconds remaining when second-year CB Josh Shaw intercepted a pass from QB Ryan Fitzpatrick. QB Andy Dalton posted a 114.0 passer rating despite being sacked seven times. It was the first Bengals win with seven or more sacks allowed since 1990. WR A.J. Green posted NFL-leading totals for Week 1 with 12 receptions and 180 receiving yards.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	3	10	7	3	—	23
N.Y. Jets.....	7	9	0	6	—	22

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
NYJ — Q.Enunwa 3 pass from R.Fitzpatrick (N.Folk kick).....	1-7:40
Cin. — M.Nugent 33 field goal.....	1-1:29
Cin. — A.Green 54 pass from A.Dalton (M.Nugent kick).....	2-11:23
NYJ — E.Decker 15 pass from R.Fitzpatrick (kick failed).....	2-9:38
NYJ — N.Folk 45 field goal.....	2-3:19
Cin. — M.Nugent 21 field goal.....	2-0:00
Cin. — J.Hill 12 run (M.Nugent kick).....	3-3:09
NYJ — N.Folk 20 field goal.....	4-11:26
NYJ — N.Folk 23 field goal.....	4-3:23
Cin. — M.Nugent 47 field goal.....	4-0:54

Missed FGs: M.Nugent (52WR), N.Folk (22B).
Attendance: 78,160. **Time:** 3:01.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	NYJ
First downs.....	18	22
Third down conversions-attempts.....	3-11	4-12
Total net yards.....	381	340
Net yards rushing.....	57	152
Net yards passing.....	324	188
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	30-23-1	35-19-1
Sacks against-yards lost.....	7-42	1-1
Punts-average.....	3-48.0	3-51.3
Punt returns-yards.....	2-21	2-11
Kickoff returns-yards.....	3-50	3-110
Penalties-yards.....	5-44	7-95
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	1-0
Time of possession.....	25:07	34:53

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	NYJ	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Hill	9	31	12t	1	M.Forte	22	96	14	0
G.Bernard	5	25	11	0	B.Powell	4	41	16	0
A.Dalton	3	7	5	0	R.Fitzpatrick	4	15	9	0
J.Wright	2	-6	2	0					
TOTALS	19	57	12	1	TOTALS	30	152	16	0

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	NYJ	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
A.Dalton	30	23	366	1-1	R.Fitzpatrick	35	19	189	2-1
TOTALS	30	23	366	1-1	TOTALS	35	19	189	2-1

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	NYJ	NO	YDS	LG	TD
A.Green	12	180	54t	1	Q.Enunwa	7	54	23	1
B.LaFell	4	91	49	0	M.Forte	5	59	24	0
C.Uzomah	2	59	54	0	B.Marshall	3	32	18	0
T.Boyd	2	24	14	0	E.Decker	2	37	22	1
G.Bernard	2	5	4	0	B.Powell	2	7	7	0
J.Wright	1	7	7	0					
TOTALS	23	366	54t	1	TOTALS	19	189	24	2

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** K.Dansby 5-6-11, V.Rey 5-4-9, S.Williams 4-5-9, A.Jones 5-1-6, C.Dunlap 4-1-5, G.Atkins 3-1-4, G.Iloka 2-2-4, J.Shaw 3-0-3, C.Lewis-Harris 2-1-3, M.Johnson 0-2-2, D.Peko 0-2-2, P.Sims 0-2-2, M.Hunt 1-0-1, D.Kirkpatrick 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** G.Atkins 1-1. **INT.-YDS.:** Shaw 1-0. **PD:** C.Dunlap 2, M.Hunt 2, M.Johnson 1, D.Kirkpatrick 1, J.Shaw 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.
N.Y. Jets (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** D.Revis 5-2-7, M.Wilkerson 5-2-7, D.Lee 3-3-6, L.Williams 3-3-6, S.McLendon 5-0-5, M.Williams 3-1-4, D.Harris 2-2-4, B.Skrine 2-1-3, L.Mauldin 1-2-3, M.Gilchrist 2-0-2, L.Thomas 1-1-2, E.Henderson 1-0-1. **SKS-YDS.:** L.Williams 2-5-19.5, M.Wilkerson 1-5-7.5, S.McLendon 2-14, L.Mauldin 1-1. **INT.-YDS.:** M.Williams 1-14. **PD:** D.Harris 1, M.Williams 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

WEEK 2, GAME 2

Pittsburgh Steelers 24, Cincinnati Bengals 16 Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016 at Heinz Field

The red zone told a big part of the story as the Bengals fell one score short against the Steelers. Cincinnati was held to FGs on each of its three possessions inside the Pittsburgh 20-yard line, while the Steelers score TDs on each of their two penetrations. Trailing 24-9 after Pittsburgh scored a TD with 6:48 left, the Bengals got their first TD of the day on a 75-yard drive. Cincinnati's defense then got a three-and-out, and the offense drove to a first down at the Steelers' 39 at the two-minute warning. But rookie WR Tyler Boyd, who had posted good numbers for the day in his hometown, had a lost fumble on the next play. The Bengals contended that replay video did not support the fumble call, but the fumble ruling was upheld after review. Bengals QB Andy Dalton passed for 366 yards for the second straight game and ended Week 2 as the NFL passing yards leader, but Cincinnati had a poor rushing output for the second straight week, netting only 46 yards on 18 carries. The Bengals fell to 1-1 on the season, and Pittsburgh improved to 2-0.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	3	3	3	7	—	16
Pittsburgh.....	7	3	7	7	—	24

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Pitt. — X.Grimble 20 pass from B.Roethlisberger (C.Boswell kick).....	1-3:46
Cin. — M.Nugent 25 field goal.....	1-0:23
Pitt. — C.Boswell 49 field goal.....	2-4:10
Cin. — M.Nugent 33 field goal.....	2-0:00
Pitt. — J.James 9 pass from B.Roethlisberger (C.Boswell kick).....	3-6:16
Cin. — M.Nugent 21 field goal.....	3-2:10
Pitt. — D.Williams 4 pass from B.Roethlisberger (C.Boswell kick).....	4-6:48
Cin. — G.Bernard 25 pass from A.Dalton (M.Nugent kick).....	4-3:25

Missed FGs: None. **Attendance:** 65,072. **Time:** 3:14.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	PITT.
First downs.....	21	19
Third down conversions-attempts.....	4-16	7-17
Total net yards.....	412	374
Net yards rushing.....	46	124
Net yards passing.....	366	250
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	54-31-0	37-19-2
Sacks against-yards lost.....	1-0	1-9
Punts-average.....	9-45.2	8-47.1
Punt returns-yards.....	3-19	5-45
Kickoff returns-yards.....	0-0	1-22
Penalties-yards.....	5-31	5-54
Fumbles-lost.....	2-2	0-0
Time of possession.....	27:05	32:55

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	PITT.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Hill	11	22	5	0	D.Williams	32	94	11	0
G.Bernard	5	17	10	0	B.Roethlisberger	1	14	14	0
A.Dalton	2	7	5	0	S.Coates	1	6	6	0
					D.Richardson	1	6	6	0
					F.Toussaint	1	4	4	0
TOTALS	18	46	10	0	TOTALS	36	124	14	0

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	PITT.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
A.Dalton	54	31	366	1-0	B.Roethlisberger	37	19	259	3-2
TOTALS	54	31	366	1-0	TOTALS	37	19	259	3-2

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PITT.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
G.Bernard	9	100	25t	1	A.Brown	4	39	17	0
T.Boyd	6	78	29	0	D.Williams	4	38	20	1
B.LaFell	3	39	17	0	J.James	3	29	11	1
J.Hill	3	37	25	0	S.Coates	2	97	53	0
T.Kroft	3	35	21	0	X.Grimble	2	26	20t	1
C.Uzomah	3	9	5	0	E.Rogers	1	9	9	0
A.Green	2	38	21	0	F.Toussaint	1	9	9	0
A.Erickson	1	20	20	0	D.Heyward-Bey	1	7	7	0
J.Wright	1	10	10	0	D.Johnson	1	5	5	0
TOTALS	31	366	29	1	TOTALS	19	259	53	3

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** K.Dansby 8-2-10, R.Mauluga 6-1-7, V.Rey 3-3-6, S.Williams 5-0-5, C.Dunlap 3-2-5, D.Peko 3-2-5, G.Iloka 3-1-4, M.Johnson 3-1-4, A.Jones 3-1-4, D.Dennard 3-0-3, P.Sims 2-1-3, G.Atkins 1-2-3, D.Kirkpatrick 2-0-2, M.Hunt 1-1-2, W.Clarke 1-0-1, J.Shaw 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** W.Clarke 1-9. **INT.-YDS.:** A.Jones 1-2, D.Kirkpatrick 1-0. **PD:** A.Jones 2, D.Kirkpatrick 2, K.Dansby 1, G.Iloka 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.
Pittsburgh (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** R.Shazier 6-6-12, R.Golden 5-3-8, L.Timmons 6-1-7, W.Gay 4-0-4, M.Mitchell 3-1-4, S.Tuitt 3-1-4, R.Cockrell 2-1-3, A.Moats 1-2-3, C.Heyward 2-0-2, A.Burns 1-1-2, J.Jones 1-1-2, A.Chickillo 1-0-1, S.Davis 1-0-1, J.Hargrave 1-0-1, J.Harrison 1-0-1, D.McCullers 1-0-1, R.Mathews 0-1-1. **SKS-YDS.:** A.Moats 1-0. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** R.Cockrell 2, W.Gay 2, C.Heyward 2. **FF:** J.Harrison 1. **FR-YDS.:** R.Golden 1-21, C.Heyward 1-1.

WEEK 3, GAME 3

Denver Broncos 29, Cincinnati Bengals 17
Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016 at Paul Brown Stadium

The Bengals took a 17-16 lead early in the fourth quarter, on a 34-yard FG by K Mike Nugent, but the defending NFL champion Broncos ruled Paul Brown Stadium's "Jungle" from that point.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Denver: 3, 13, 0, 13, —, 29. Cincinnati: 7, 7, 0, 3, —, 17.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY table with columns QTR.-LEFT. Includes plays like J.Hill 3 run, B.McManus 20 field goal, E.Sanders 41 pass from T.Siemian.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 63,850. Time: 3:05.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns DEN., CIN. Includes First downs, Total net yards, Net yards rushing, etc.

RUSHING table with columns DEN., CIN. Includes C.Anderson, D.Booker, T.Siemian, A.Janovich, J.Norwood.

PASSING table with columns DEN., CIN. Includes T.Siemian, A.Dalton.

RECEIVING table with columns DEN., CIN. Includes E.Sanders, D.Thomas, J.Phillips, J.Heurman, D.Booker, A.Janovich, B.Fowler, C.Latimer, C.Anderson.

DEFENSE table with columns DEN., CIN. Includes B.Marshall, D.Stewart, S.Ray, B.Roby, T.Ward, J.Crick, V.Miller, A.Gotsis, S.Barrett, S.Keo, D.Kilgo, C.Nelson, D.Watson, B.Winn.

Denver (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: B.Marshall 4-5-9, D.Stewart 4-2-6, S.Ray 3-3-6, T.Davis 5-0-5, A.Talib 5-0-5, C.Harris Jr. 4-1-5, D.Wolfe 4-0-4, W.Parks 2-0-2, B.Roby 2-0-2, T.Ward 2-0-2, J.Crick 1-1-2, V.Miller 1-1-2, A.Gotsis 0-2-2, S.Barrett 1-0-1, S.Keo 1-0-1, D.Kilgo 1-0-1, C.Nelson 1-0-1, D.Watson 1-0-1, B.Winn 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: S.Ray 3-17, V.Miller 1-5. INT.-YDS.: W.Parks 1-1. PD: C.Harris Jr. 1, W.Parks 1, A.Talib 1, T.Ward 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: A.Jones 5-2-7, V.Rey 5-2-7, D.Peko 4-1-5, S.Williams 2-3-5, G.Iloka 4-0-4, R.Mauluga 2-2-4, M.Hunt 2-1-3, C.Dunlap 1-2-3, J.Shaw 1-2-3, D.Kirkpatrick 2-0-2, G.Atkins 1-1-2, W.Clarke 1-1-2, P.Sims 1-1-2, D.Smith 0-2-2, K.Dansby 1-0-1, D.Dennard 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: C.Dunlap 1-6, W.Clarke 1-3. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: K.Dansby 1, C.Dunlap 1, A.Jones 1, R.Mauluga 1, S.Williams 1. FF: A.Jones. FR-YDS.: K.Dansby 1-0.

WEEK 4, GAME 4

Cincinnati Bengals 22, Miami Dolphins 7
Thursday night, Sept. 29, 2016 at Paul Brown Stadium

Miami stunned the Bengals with a 74-yard TD pass on its second offensive play, but the Bengals weathered the blow and dominated the Dolphins, particularly on defense, for the remainder of the Thursday night game.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Miami: 7, 0, 0, 0, —, 7. Cincinnati: 10, 6, 3, 3, —, 22.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY table with columns QTR.-LEFT. Includes plays like M.Nugent 42 field goal, K.Stills 74 pass from R.Tannehill, A.Green 7 pass from A.Dalton.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 60,834. Time: 2:51.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns MIA., CIN. Includes First downs, Total net yards, Net yards rushing, etc.

RUSHING table with columns MIA., CIN. Includes J.Ajayi, K.Drake, D.Williams, I.Pead.

PASSING table with columns MIA., CIN. Includes R.Tannehill, A.Dalton.

RECEIVING table with columns MIA., CIN. Includes J.Landry, D.Parker, J.Ajayi, K.Stills, D.Sims, D.Williams, I.Pead.

DEFENSE table with columns MIA., CIN. Includes R.Jones, K.Alonso, X.Howard, I.Abul-Quddus, J.Jones, T.Lippett, N.Suh, N.Hewitt, B.McCain, A.Branch, D.Butler, M.Thomas, M.Williams, J.Phillips, S.Paysinger, J.Warmsley.

Miami (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: R.Jones 5-4-9, K.Alonso 5-3-8, X.Howard 5-1-6, I.Abul-Quddus 2-4-6, J.Jones 2-4-6, T.Lippett 1-5-6, N.Suh 3-2-5, N.Hewitt 3-1-4, B.McCain 2-2-4, A.Branch 2-1-3, D.Butler 2-1-3, M.Thomas 2-1-3, M.Williams 2-1-3, J.Phillips 2-0-2, S.Paysinger 1-1-2, J.Warmsley 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: B.McCain 1-11. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: T.Lippett 2, R.Jones 1, B.McCain 1, S.Paysinger 1, M.Williams 1. FF: A.Branch 1. FR-YDS.: None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: D.Dennard 4-2-6, C.Dunlap 4-1-5, K.Dansby 2-2-4, S.Williams 3-0-3, V.Burfict 2-1-3, G.Iloka 2-1-3, J.Shaw 1-2-3, G.Atkins 1-1-2, W.Clarke 1-1-2, A.Jones 1-1-2, D.Peko 0-2-2, R.Mauluga 0-2-2, P.Sims 0-2-2, C.Lewis-Harris 1-0-1, V.Rey 1-0-1, M.Johnson 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: C.Dunlap 2-14, G.Atkins 1.5-10.5, W.Clarke 1-0, M.Johnson 0.5-4.5. INT.-YDS.: C.Lewis-Harris 1-11. PD: C.Dunlap 2, C.Lewis-Harris 2, V.Burfict 1, D.Peko 1, V.Rey 1. FF: C.Dunlap 1. FR-YDS.: D.Peko 1-0.

WEEK 5, GAME 5

Dallas Cowboys 28, Cincinnati Bengals 14
Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016 at AT&T Stadium

The Bengals trailed by 28 points in a game (28-0) for the first time since the 2012 season opener and suffered only their fifth loss in the last 21 games against an NFC opponent. The Dallas rookie duo of QB Dak Prescott and RB Ezekiel Elliott, supported by one of the NFL's best offensive lines, ruled the day. Prescott posted a 117.9 passer rating, and Elliott gained 171 yards from scrimmage, including 134 yards rushing on 15 carries (8.9-yard average). The Bengals offense was unable to get on track until the fourth quarter. The Cowboys scored TDs on their first three possessions and put the game effectively out of reach when Elliott authored a 60-yard TD run on Dallas' first offensive play of the second half. The Bengals fell to 2-3 while the Cowboys improved to 4-1.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Dallas: 7, 14, 7, 0, 0, 28. Cincinnati: 0, 0, 0, 14, 0, 14.

TEAM - SCORING PLAY table with columns QTR.-LEFT and time. Includes plays like E.Elliott 13 run (D.Bailey kick) 1-11:09.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 91,653. Time: 2:47.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns CIN. and DALL. for metrics like First downs, Total net yards, Sacks against-yards lost, etc.

RUSHING table with columns CIN. and DALL. for player stats like G.Bernard, A.Dalton, J.Hill.

PASSING table with columns CIN. and DALL. for player stats like A.Dalton, D.Prescott.

RECEIVING table with columns CIN. and DALL. for player stats like B.LaFell, G.Bernard, C.Uzomah.

DEFENSE table with columns CIN. and DALL. for player stats like A.Jones, D.Kirkpatrick, V.Rey.

Cincinnati (press box stats) - ST-AT-TT: V.Burfict 9-1-10, M.Johnson 5-1-6, A.Jones 4-1-5, C.Dunlap 3-1-4, P.Sims 2-2-4, K.Dansby 2-1-3, S.Williams 2-1-3, D.Kirkpatrick 2-0-2, V.Rey 1-1-2, J.Shaw 1-1-2, D.Dennard 1-0-1, R.Mauluga 1-0-1, G.Iloka 0-1-1, D.Peko 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: C.Dunlap 1-5. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: A.Jones 1, D.Kirkpatrick 1. FF: C.Dunlap 1. FR.-YDS.: V.Rey 1-10.

Dallas (press box stats) - ST-AT-TT: S.Lee 5-5-10, B.Church 7-1-8, T.McClain 4-2-6, A.Brown 3-3-6, J.Durant 3-3-6, B.Jones 4-0-4, A.Hitchens 1-3-4, M.Claiborne 3-0-3, J.Wilcox 3-0-3, B.Mayowa 1-2-3, B.Carr 2-0-2, C.Thornton 1-1-2, T.Crawford 0-2-2, R.Davis 1-0-1, M.Collins 0-1-1, J.Crawford 0-1-1, A.Gachkar 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: T.McClain 1-5-8.5, C.Thornton 1-6, B.Mayowa 1-4, J.Crawford 0.5-1.5. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: M.Claiborne 2, B.Carr 1, B.Jones 1. FF: None. FR.-YDS.: None.

WEEK 6, GAME 6

New England Patriots 35, Cincinnati Bengals 17
Sunday, Oct. 16, 2016 at Gillette Stadium

The Bengals got off to a promising start against the Patriots, who were 48-1 in their last 49 regular-season home games against AFC opponents. Cincinnati held leads of 7-3 in the second quarter and 14-10 in the third. But the roof fell in for Cincinnati after New England closed the gap to 14-12 in the third quarter by sacking QB Andy Dalton for a safety. The Patriots took the ensuing Bengals free kick and drove 68 yards in five plays for a TD, and after a Cincinnati three-and-out, New England went 53 yards in just four plays for another TD and a 25-14 lead entering the fourth quarter. Dalton posted a 103.4 passer rating, but New England QB Tom Brady, in his first home game of the season after missing time due to a suspension, scorched the Bengals for a 140.0 rating, completing 29 of 35 (82.9 percent) for 376 yards, three TDs and no INTs. The Bengals fell to 2-4, while New England improved to 5-1.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Cincinnati: 0, 7, 7, 3, 0, 17. New England: 3, 7, 15, 10, 0, 35.

TEAM - SCORING PLAY table with columns QTR.-LEFT and time. Includes plays like S.Gostkowski 46 field goal 1-12:06.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 66,829. Time: 3:03.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns CIN. and N.E. for metrics like First downs, Total net yards, Sacks against-yards lost, etc.

RUSHING table with columns CIN. and N.E. for player stats like G.Bernard, J.Hill, A.Dalton.

PASSING table with columns CIN. and N.E. for player stats like A.Dalton, T.Brady.

RECEIVING table with columns CIN. and N.E. for player stats like A.Green, T.Boyd, G.Bernard.

DEFENSE table with columns CIN. and N.E. for player stats like S.Williams, J.Shaw, V.Burfict.

Cincinnati (press box stats) - ST-AT-TT: S.Williams 5-4-9, J.Shaw 7-1-8, V.Burfict 4-4-8, K.Dansby 1-7-8, D.Kirkpatrick 4-1-5, G.Atkins 2-1-3, G.Iloka 2-1-3, M.Johnson 2-1-3, A.Jones 1-2-3, P.Sims 1-2-3, M.Hunt 2-0-2, R.Mauluga 1-1-2, V.Rey 1-1-2, D.Peko 1-0-1, D.Smith 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: V.Burfict 1-8, M.Johnson 1-5, P.Sims 1-5. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: None. FF: None. FR.-YDS.: None.

New England (press box stats) - ST-AT-TT: D.Hightower 3-10-13, D.McCourty 6-1-7, A.Branch 3-3-6, E.Roberts 1-5-6, L.Ryan 5-0-5, P.Chung 2-3-5, M.Brown 1-4-5, R.Ninkovich 2-2-4, D.Harmon 3-0-3, M.Butler 2-1-3, C.Long 1-2-3, B.Mingo 2-0-2, T.Flowers 1-1-2, A.Johnson 1-1-2, J.Sheard 0-2-2, E.Rowe 1-0-1, W.Hamilton 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: D.Hightower 1-5-12.5, J.Sheard 0.5-4.5. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: M.Butler 4, D.McCourty 1, E.Rowe 1. FF: None. FR.-YDS.: None.

WEEK 7, GAME 7

Cincinnati Bengals 31, Cleveland Browns 17
Sunday, Oct. 23, 2016 at Paul Brown Stadium

The Bengals won their fourth straight game in the "Battle of Ohio" series and extended their series lead to 47-39, establishing a new largest margin (eight games) in series history. They did it with a 559-yard offensive explosion, their most net yards since 1990 and the seventh-highest total in franchise history.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. for Cleveland and Cincinnati.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT

Scoring play list for Cincinnati including G. Bernard 5 run, C. Parkey 28 field goal, I. Crowell 1 run, B. LaFell 44 pass, A. Green 48 pass, K. Hogan 28 run, J. Hill 74 run, M. Nugent 36 field goal.

Missed FGs: M.Nugent (40WR, 45RU). Attendance: 65,047. Time: 2:50.

TEAM STATISTICS CLE. CIN.

Team statistics table for Cleveland and Cincinnati including First downs, Third down conversions, Total net yards, Net yards rushing, Net yards passing, Pass attempts, Sacks, Punts, Kickoff returns, Penalties, Fumbles, and Time of possession.

RUSHING

Rushing statistics table with columns CLE., ATT, YDS, LG, TD, CIN., ATT, YDS, LG, TD.

PASSING

Passing statistics table with columns CLE., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, CIN., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I.

RECEIVING

Receiving statistics table with columns CLE., NO, YDS, LG, TD, CIN., NO, YDS, LG, TD.

DEFENSE

Cleveland (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: C.Kirksey 4-4-8, E.Ogbah 5-1-6, J.Taylor 3-2-5, B.Boddy-Calhoun 4-0-4, X.Cooper 3-1-4, T.Howard 3-1-4, D.Davis 2-2-4, D.Kindred 2-2-4, J.Meder 2-2-4, C.Nassib 2-2-4, D.Shelton 3-0-3, T.Williams 2-1-3, I.Campbell 2-0-2. SKS.-YDS.: E.Ogbah 2-12, C.Kirksey 0.5-4, C.Nassib 0.5-4. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: B.Boddy-Calhoun 1, C.Kirksey 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: K.Dansby 9-2-11, G.Iloka 8-2-10, V.Burfict 5-3-8, S.Williams 3-2-5, D.Kirkpatrick 4-0-4, M.Johnson 3-0-3, C.Dunlap 1-2-3, W.Clarke 1-1-2, R.Mauluga 1-1-2, D.Peko 1-1-2, P.Sims 1-1-2, A.Jones 1-0-1, V.Rey 1-0-1, D.Smith 1-0-1, D.Dennard 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: C.Dunlap 1-6, S.Williams 1-4. INT.-YDS.: S.Williams 1-13, V.Rey 1-6. PD: V.Rey 2, V.Burfict 1, K.Dansby 1, D.Dennard 1, C.Dunlap 1, S.Williams 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 8, GAME 8

Cincinnati Bengals 27, Washington Redskins 27 (OT)
Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016 at Wembley Stadium (London, England)

Appearing for the first time in the NFL's International Series, at London's famed Wembley Stadium, the Bengals played their third tie in their last nine seasons, with missed place kicks playing a significant role in the deadlocked result. Bengals K Mike Nugent missed a PAT in the third quarter, a factor in the game reaching OT, and Redskins K Dustin Hopkins missed a 34-yard FG try late in the OT period.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. for Washington and Cincinnati.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT

Scoring play list for Washington including R. Kelley 4 run, G. Bernard 8 run, D. Hopkins 20 field goal, T. Eifert 15 pass, A. Dalton (kick failed), A. Dalton 1 run, J. Reed 23 pass, J. Crowder 33 pass, K. Cousins (D. Hopkins kick), J. Hill 1 run, D. Hopkins 40 field goal.

Missed FGs: D.Hopkins (55SH, 34WL), M.Nugent (51WL).

Attendance: 84,488. Time: 3:56.

TEAM STATISTICS WASH. CIN.

Team statistics table for Washington and Cincinnati including First downs, Third down conversions, Total net yards, Net yards rushing, Net yards passing, Pass attempts, Sacks, Punts, Kickoff returns, Penalties, Fumbles, and Time of possession.

RUSHING

Rushing statistics table with columns WASH., ATT, YDS, LG, TD, CIN., ATT, YDS, LG, TD.

PASSING

Passing statistics table with columns WASH., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, CIN., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I.

RECEIVING

Receiving statistics table with columns WASH., NO, YDS, LG, TD, CIN., NO, YDS, LG, TD.

DEFENSE

Washington (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: W.Compton 8-2-10, D.Whitner 8-1-9, K.Fuller 7-0-7, J.Norman 6-0-6, C.Baker 5-0-5, D.Ihenacho 4-0-4, M.Foster 3-1-4, B.Breeland 3-0-3, R.Kerrigan 3-0-3, P.Smith 3-0-3, S.Cravens 2-0-2, Q.Dunbar 2-0-2, T.Murphy 2-0-2, E.Hood 1-1-2, R.Jean Francois 1-0-1, C.Jenkins 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: C.Baker 1-9, R.Kerrigan 1-8, S.Cravens 1-4. INT.-YDS.: W.Compton 1-5. PD: J.Norman 3, W.Compton 1, S.Cravens 1, D.Ihenacho 1, R.Kerrigan 1. FF: C.Baker 1. FR-YDS.: A.Lanier 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: V.Burfict 10-0-10, S.Williams 9-0-9, K.Dansby 6-0-6, D.Kirkpatrick 6-0-6, V.Rey 6-0-6, J.Shaw 6-0-6, G.Iloka 5-0-5, A.Jones 4-0-4, D.Peko 4-0-4, C.Dunlap 3-0-3, G.Atkins 2-0-2, R.Mauluga 2-0-2, W.Clarke 1-0-1, D.Dennard 1-0-1, M.Johnson 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: G.Atkins 1-12. INT.-YDS.: G.Iloka 1-0. PD: C.Dunlap 1, G.Iloka 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 10, GAME 9

N.Y. Giants 21, Cincinnati Bengals 20
Monday night, Nov. 14, 2016 at MetLife Stadium

Trailing 14-10 at halftime at MetLife Stadium, the Bengals came out strong to start the third quarter. Rookie WR Alex Erickson took the opening kickoff 84 yards to the New York 13-yard line, setting up a nine-yard TD from by HB Jeremy Hill for a 17-14 lead. The Bengals defense then forced a Giants three-and-out, and back came the Bengals offense again. QB Andy Dalton led the team 41 yards in six plays to the Giants' 20, and on play seven, it seemed for an instant that rookie WR Tyler Boyd had made an excellent mid-air catch on third down for another TD. But Boyd could not control the ball through his collision with the turf, and an incompleteness was ruled. Cincinnati had to settle for a FG, keeping the game a one-score affair at 20-14, and the Giants scored what proved to be the winning TD early in the fourth quarter, converting a fourth-and-goal gamble from the Cincinnati three on a pass from QB Eli Manning to rookie WR Sterling Shepard. The Bengals fell to 3-5-1, while the Giants improved to 7-3.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Cincinnati: 7, 3, 10, 0, —, 20. N.Y. Giants: 7, 7, 0, 7, —, 21.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT table listing plays like NYG — J.Adams 10 pass from E.Manning (R.Gould kick) 1-11:05.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 76,218. Time: 3:12.

TEAM STATISTICS CIN. NYG table with rows for First downs, Third down conversions-attempts, Total net yards, etc.

RUSHING CIN. table with columns ATT, YDS, LG, TD, NYG, ATT, YDS, LG, TD.

PASSING CIN. table with columns ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, NYG, ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I.

RECEIVING CIN. table with columns NO, YDS, LG, TD, NYG, NO, YDS, LG, TD.

DEFENSE Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: V.Rey 9-5-14, V.Burfict 9-2-11, G.Iloka 6-3-9, D.Dennard 5-1-6, M.Johnson 4-1-5, D.Kirkpatrick 2-3-5, S.Williams 4-0-4, K.Dansby 2-2-4, A.Jones 2-1-3, D.Peko 0-3-3, G.Atkins 2-0-2, W.Clarke 2-0-2, J.Shaw 1-1-2, P.Sims 1-1-2, C.Dunlap 1-0-1, W.Gilberry 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: G.Atkins 1-11. INT.-YDS.: D.Kirkpatrick 1-21, G.Iloka 1-0. PD: V.Burfict 1, K.Dansby 1, C.Dunlap 1, G.Iloka 1, D.Kirkpatrick 1. FF: V.Burfict 1. FR-YDS.: None. N.Y. Giants (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: O.Vernon 4-6-10, D.Harrison 6-2-8, J.Jenkins 6-0-6, L.Collins 5-0-5, J.Casillas 3-2-5, J.Pierre-Paul 2-3-5, K.Sheppard 3-0-3, C.Sensabaugh 2-1-3, D.Kennard 2-0-2, T.Wade 2-0-2, D.Rodgers-Cromartie 1-1-2, K.Robinson 0-2-2, E.Apple 1-0-1, J.Bromley 1-0-1, J.Hankins 1-0-1, R.Thomas 1-0-1, A.Adams 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: O.Vernon 1-7, R.Thomas 1-4, J.Casillas 0.5-3.5, D.Harrison 0.5-3.5. INT.-YDS.: L.Collins 1-0. PD: J.Pierre-Paul 2, O.Beckham 1, L.Collins 1, J.Jenkins 1, D.Rodgers-Cromartie 1, T.Wade 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 11, GAME 10

Buffalo Bills 16, Cincinnati Bengals 12
Sunday, Nov. 20, 2016 at Paul Brown Stadium

The Bengals allowed Buffalo only six points in the second half, on a pair of FGs, but Cincinnati was blanked in the second half for the first time on the season and was unable to hold a 12-10 halftime lead. Cincinnati had the ball at the Buffalo 27 with :03 to play, but a FG to tie or win the game was not an option, largely because K Mike Nugent had missed both his PAT tries in the first half, each one bouncing off an upright. The Bengals' only chance to win at the gun was with a Hail Mary pass, and QB Andy Dalton's attempt fell incomplete. The Bengals played virtually the entire game without leading WR A.J. Green, who suffered a hamstring injury on the third offensive snap, and at the very end of the game, HB Giovani Bernard suffered a major knee injury (ACL). Cincinnati fell to 3-6-1, its poorest 10-game record since 2010, but the team remained alive for a possible AFC North Division title, trailing Baltimore and Pittsburgh by only one and one-half games. Buffalo improved to 5-5.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Buffalo: 7, 3, 3, 3, —, 16. Cincinnati: 6, 6, 0, 0, —, 12.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT table listing plays like Buff. — L.McCoy 7 run (D.Carpenter kick) 1-8:52.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 61,356. Time: 3:05.

TEAM STATISTICS BUFF. CIN. table with rows for First downs, Third down conversions-attempts, Total net yards, etc.

RUSHING BUFF. CIN. table with columns ATT, YDS, LG, TD, CIN., ATT, YDS, LG, TD.

PASSING BUFF. CIN. table with columns ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, CIN., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I.

RECEIVING BUFF. CIN. table with columns NO, YDS, LG, TD, CIN., NO, YDS, LG, TD.

DEFENSE Buffalo (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: Z.Brown 8-4-12, S.Gilmore 5-1-6, C.Graham 4-2-6, L.Alexander 2-3-5, P.Brown 3-1-4, K.Williams 3-1-4, R.Darby 2-2-4, M.Dareus 2-2-4, N.Robey-Coleman 2-1-3, K.Seymour 2-0-2, J.Worthy 1-1-2, A.Washington 0-2-2, L.Douzable 1-0-1, J.Hughes 1-0-1, J.Ihedigbo 1-0-1, S.Lawson 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: M.Dareus 0.5-0, A.Washington 0.5-0. INT.-YDS.: S.Gilmore 2-56. PD: S.Gilmore 3, P.Brown 1, R.Darby 1, M.Dareus 1, C.Graham 1, N.Robey-Coleman 1, K.Seymour 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None. Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: V.Burfict 11-2-13, K.Dansby 4-5-9, V.Rey 5-3-8, D.Dennard 4-1-5, A.Jones 4-1-5, M.Johnson 3-2-5, J.Shaw 2-1-3, C.Dunlap 1-2-3, N.Vigil 2-0-2, D.Kirkpatrick 1-1-2, S.Williams 1-1-2, D.Peko 0-2-2, D.Smith 0-2-2, G.Atkins 1-0-1, W.Gilberry 1-0-1, G.Iloka 1-0-1, P.Sims 1-0-1, W.Clarke 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: V.Burfict 1-3, C.Dunlap 0.5-2, M.Johnson 0.5-2. INT.-YDS.: D.Kirkpatrick 1-0. PD: D.Kirkpatrick 1, M.Johnson 1, A.Jones 1, D.Peko 1, D.Smith 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 12, GAME 11

Baltimore Ravens 19, Cincinnati Bengals 14
Sunday, Nov. 27, 2016 at M&T Bank Stadium

The Bengals were looking for a sixth straight victory over Baltimore, as well as a third straight win at M&T Stadium. But they had an uphill fight all the way and fell 16 yards short in a final bid to force OT or try for a lead with a two-point conversion.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Cincinnati 0, 3, 6, 5, —, 14; Baltimore 10, 6, 0, 3, —, 19

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT table listing plays like B.Perriman 14 pass from J.Flacco (J.Tucker kick) 1-10:15

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 70,903. Time: 3:05.

TEAM STATISTICS CIN. BALT. table with rows for First downs, Third down conversions, Total net yards, etc.

RUSHING CIN. BALT. table with columns CIN., ATT, YDS, LG, TD, BALT., ATT, YDS, LG, TD

PASSING CIN. BALT. table with columns CIN., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, BALT., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I

RECEIVING CIN. BALT. table with columns CIN., NO, YDS, LG, TD, BALT., NO, YDS, LG, TD

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: V.Burfict 10-3-13, D.Dennard 4-4-8, M.Johnson 6-0-6, J.Shaw 5-1-6, K.Dansby 4-1-5, P.Sims 2-2-4, C.Dunlap 3-0-3, C.Fejedelem 3-0-3, W.Gilberry 3-0-3, A.Jones 3-0-3, G.Iloka 2-1-3, D.Kirkpatrick 1-1-2, W.Clarke 1-0-1, R.Maulaluga 1-0-1, V.Rey 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: C.Dunlap 1-10, M.Johnson 1-5. INT.-YDS.: R.Maulaluga 1-9. PD: C.Dunlap 2, D.Kirkpatrick 1, R.Maulaluga 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

Baltimore (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: Z.Orr 6-5-11, L.Webb 7-1-8, E.Weddle 5-2-7, T.Young 4-0-4, S.Wright 3-1-4, C.Mosley 2-2-4, B.Williams 2-2-4, T.Suggs 3-0-3, J.Powers 2-1-3, A.McClellan 2-0-2, M.Pierce 1-1-2, E.Dumervil 1-0-1, L.Guy 1-0-1, M.Judon 1-0-1, T.Jernigan 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: T.Suggs 2-17, E.Dumervil 1-5. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: M.Judon 2, T.Young 2, C.Mosley 1, T.Suggs 1, B.Urban 1, L.Webb 1, E.Weddle 1. FF: T.Suggs 2, E.Dumervil 1. FR-YDS.: E.Dumervil 1-0, L.Guy 1.

WEEK 13, GAME 12

Cincinnati Bengals 32, Philadelphia Eagles 14
Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016 at Paul Brown Stadium

The Bengals scored on their first six possessions (three TDs and three FGs) for the first time since Game 7 of 2009, and with a defensive performance that was particularly strong early in the game, the Eagles were quickly dispatched.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Philadelphia 0, 0, 7, 7, —, 14; Cincinnati 10, 9, 10, 3, —, 32

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT table listing plays like M.Nugent 32 field goal 1-10:22

Missed FGs: C.Sturgis (51RU). Attendance: 55,456. Time: 3:03.

TEAM STATISTICS PHIL. CIN. table with rows for First downs, Third down conversions, Total net yards, etc.

RUSHING PHIL. CIN. table with columns PHIL., ATT, YDS, LG, TD, CIN., ATT, YDS, LG, TD

PASSING PHIL. CIN. table with columns PHIL., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, CIN., ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I

RECEIVING PHIL. CIN. table with columns PHIL., NO, YDS, LG, TD, CIN., NO, YDS, LG, TD

DEFENSE

Philadelphia (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: L.McKelvin 7-2-9, B.Graham 6-3-9, N.Bradham 5-3-8, R.McLeod 3-4-7, J.Watkins 5-1-6, M.Jenkins 0-5-5, N.Carroll 2-2-4, J.Hicks 2-1-3, C.Barwin 1-2-3, J.Mills 2-0-2, B.Allen 0-2-2, F.Cox 0-2-2, M.Smith 1-0-1, V.Curry 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: None. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: F.Cox 1. FF: N.Bradham 1, B.Logan 1. FR-YDS.: M.Kendricks 1-15, B.Logan 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: V.Burfict 10-5-15, A.Jones 9-0-9, K.Dansby 3-2-5, S.Williams 3-2-5, G.Iloka 2-3-5, D.Dennard 3-1-4, C.Dunlap 0-4-4, D.Kirkpatrick 3-0-3, V.Rey 2-1-3, P.Sims 2-1-3, M.Hunt 1-1-2, M.Johnson 1-0-1, G.Atkins 0-1-1, W.Clarke 0-1-1, R.Maulaluga 0-1-1, D.Peko 0-1-1, J.Shaw 0-1-1, D.Williams 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: C.Dunlap 0-5-1, D.Williams 0-5-1. INT.-YDS.: V.Burfict 2-54, S.Williams 1-1. PD: V.Burfict 4, C.Dunlap 4, G.Iloka 3, D.Peko 1, V.Rey 1, J.Shaw 1, S.Williams 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 14, GAME 13

Cincinnati Bengals 23, Cleveland Browns 10
Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016 at FirstEnergy Stadium

The Bengals ran their record in the "Battle of Ohio" series to 48-39, extending to nine games the largest margin in series history. Cincinnati scored TDs on its first two possessions on a windy and snowy day, and the Bengals added a second-quarter TD for a 20-0 intermission lead.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Cincinnati: 13, 7, 0, 3, —, 23. Cleveland: 0, 0, 7, 3, —, 10.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY table with columns QTR-LEFT. Cincinnati: T.Eifert 14 pass from A.Dalton (M.Nugent kick) 1-12:21, J.Hill 1 run (kick failed) 1-6:27, T.Eifert 5 pass from A.Dalton (M.Nugent kick) 2-5:06, R.Griffin 1 run (C.Parkey kick) 3-8:11, C.Parkey 30 field goal 4-14:14, M.Nugent 44 field goal 4-8:38.

Missed FGs: M.Nugent (36WR). Attendance: 60,028. Time: 2:54.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns CIN, CLE. First downs: 21, 13. Total net yards: 360, 254. Net yards rushing: 213, 169. Net yards passing: 147, 85.

RUSHING table with columns CIN, ATT, YDS, LG, TD, CLE, ATT, YDS, LG, TD. J.Hill: 25, 111, 11, 1. R.Burkhead: 9, 45, 11, 0. T.Boyd: 2, 40, 39, 0. A.Dalton: 2, 17, 9, 0. TOTALS: 38, 213, 39, 1.

PASSING table with columns CIN, ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, CLE, ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I. A.Dalton: 28, 20, 180, 2-0. R.Griffin: 28, 12, 104, 0-1. TOTALS: 28, 20, 180, 2-0.

RECEIVING table with columns CIN, NO, YDS, LG, TD, CLE, NO, YDS, LG, TD. T.Boyd: 6, 49, 11, 0. T.Eifert: 5, 48, 14, 2. J.Hill: 3, 31, 18, 0. B.LaFell: 3, 22, 11, 0. A.Erickson: 1, 16, 16, 0. C.Core: 1, 8, 8, 0. R.Burkhead: 1, 6, 6, 0. TOTALS: 20, 180, 18, 2.

DEFENSE Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: K.Dansby 11-1-12, G.Atkins 4-1-5, S.Williams 4-0-4, A.Jones 3-0-3, D.Kirkpatrick 3-0-3, G.Iloka 2-1-3, V.Rey 1-1-2, V.Burfict 1-0-1, C.Dunlap 1-0-1, N.Vigil 1-0-1, D.Williams 1-0-1, M.Johnson 0-1-1, J.Shaw 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: G.Atkins 2-19, K.Dansby 1-0. INT.-YDS.: G.Iloka 1-21. PD: G.Iloka 1, M.Johnson 1, S.Williams 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

DEFENSE Cleveland (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: J.Collins 13-2-15, D.Davis 5-2-7, D.Shelton 5-2-7, J.Haden 4-2-6, E.Ogbah 3-3-6, J.Taylor 5-0-5, I.Campbell 2-2-4, B.Boddy-Calhoun 3-0-3, J.Meder 3-0-3, T.Williams 3-0-3, C.Johnson 1-2-3, C.Kirksey 1-2-3, S.Paea 0-3-3, C.Nassib 1-0-1, E.Reynolds 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: E.Ogbah 1.5-12.5, C.Johnson 1-10, J.Collins 1-8, S.Paea 0.5-2.5. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: None. FF: C.Johnson 1. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 15, GAME 14

Cincinnati Bengals 20, Pittsburgh Steelers 24
Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016 at Paul Brown Stadium

The Bengals led the Steelers by 17-3 early in the second quarter and by 20-9 at halftime, but they fell victim to a season-long trend of reduced production in the second half. The Steelers won the second half by 15-0 and limited Cincinnati to 38 net yards after intermission.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Pittsburgh: 3, 6, 6, 9, —, 24. Cincinnati: 10, 10, 0, 0, —, 20.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY table with columns QTR-LEFT. Cincinnati: R.Bullock 23 field goal 1-7:39, C.Boswell 45 field goal 1-3:42, A.Dalton 1 run (R.Bullock kick) 1-0:00, J.Hill 4 run (R.Bullock kick) 2-9:02, C.Boswell 49 field goal 2-5:25, R.Bullock 22 field goal 2-2:51, C.Boswell 49 field goal 2-0:06, C.Boswell 40 field goal 3-10:38, C.Boswell 49 field goal 3-2:05, C.Boswell 30 field goal 4-12:25, E.Rogers 24 pass from B.Roethlisberger (pass failed) 4-7:29.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 62,096. Time: 3:15.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns PITT, CIN. First downs: 26, 19. Total net yards: 222, 382. Net yards rushing: 97, 76. Net yards passing: 285, 146. Pass attempts-completions-interceptions: 36-21-0, 27-16-1.

RUSHING table with columns PITT, ATT, YDS, LG, TD, CIN, ATT, YDS, LG, TD. L.Bell: 23, 93, 12, 0. S.Coates: 2, 9, 15, 0. B.Roethlisberger: 4, -5, 0, 0. TOTALS: 29, 97, 15, 0.

PASSING table with columns PITT, ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, CIN, ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I. B.Roethlisberger: 36, 21, 286, 1-0. A.Dalton: 27, 16, 157, 0-1. TOTALS: 36, 21, 286, 1-0.

RECEIVING table with columns PITT, NO, YDS, LG, TD, CIN, NO, YDS, LG, TD. E.Rogers: 5, 75, 28, 1. L.Green: 5, 72, 28, 0. L.Bell: 5, 38, 10, 0. A.Brown: 3, 58, 32, 0. C.Hamilton: 1, 21, 21, 0. D.Johnson: 1, 12, 12, 0. S.Coates: 1, 10, 10, 0. TOTALS: 21, 286, 32, 1.

DEFENSE Pittsburgh (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: J.Harrison 4-5-9, L.Timmons 5-3-8, S.Davis 4-2-6, M.Mitchell 4-2-6, R.Shazier 3-2-5, A.Burns 2-1-3, B.Dupree 2-1-3, D.McCullers 2-1-3, R.Cockrell 1-2-3, R.Mathews 1-1-2, W.Gay 1-1-2, S.Tuitt 1-0-1, J.Hargrave 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: R.Shazier 1-11. INT.-YDS.: L.Timmons 1-16. PD: A.Burns 2, R.Cockrell 1, R.Shazier 1, L.Timmons 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

DEFENSE Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: V.Burfict 2-7-9, S.Williams 5-3-8, C.Dunlap 3-4-7, J.Shaw 3-2-5, P.Sims 0-5-5, G.Iloka 2-2-4, D.Peko 2-2-4, K.Dansby 0-4-4, A.Jones 2-1-3, N.Vigil 2-1-3, G.Atkins 1-2-3, R.Mauluga 1-2-3, V.Rey 1-2-3, M.Hunt 0-3-3, D.Kirkpatrick 1-1-2, M.Johnson 1-0-1, D.Dennard 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: G.Atkins 1-1. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: A.Jones 2, V.Burfict 1, C.Dunlap 1, D.Kirkpatrick 1, J.Shaw 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 16, GAME 15

Houston Texans 12, Cincinnati Bengals 10
Saturday night, Dec. 24, 2016 at NRG Stadium

The Bengals drove 60 yards in 12 plays as the clock wound down in the fourth quarter at Houston, setting up a 43-yard FG attempt that could have won the game for them on the final play. But K Randy Bullock's try sailed wide right, and Houston escaped with a two-point win that clinched the AFC South Division title for the Texans. Ironically, Bullock had made a 43-yard FG on the last play of the first half, the first score of the game. The Bengals took a 10-6 lead early in the fourth quarter when WR Brandon LaFell took a short pass from QB Andy Dalton and turned it into an 86-yard sprint for a TD. It was the longest completion of Dalton's career and the longest by a Bengal since 1995. But after the LaFell score, the Texans struck back on their next possession for a 75-yard, four-play TD drive. Bengals DE Margus Hunt blocked Houston's PAT try, keeping the Bengals within a FG of re-taking the lead, but the opportunity proved moot when Bullock's kick at the gun was wide. The Bengals fell to 5-9-1 on the season, and Houston improved to 9-6.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	0	3	0	7	—	10
Houston.....	0	0	3	9	—	12

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — R.Bullock 43 field goal.....	2-0:00
Hou. — N.Novak 25 field goal.....	3-9:05
Hou. — N.Novak 22 field goal.....	4-13:31
Cin. — B.LaFell 86 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick).....	4-10:45
Hou. — A.Blue 24 run (kick blocked).....	4-8:41

Missed FGs: R.Bullock (43WR). Attendance: 71,836. Time: 2:43.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	HOU.
First downs.....	15	17
Third down conversions-attempts.....	7-16	4-14
Total net yards.....	294	250
Net yards rushing.....	50	95
Net yards passing.....	244	155
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	41-28-1	29-18-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	3-24	4-21
Punts-average.....	8-45.8	8-46.4
Punt returns-yards.....	7-15	4-32
Kickoff returns-yards.....	4-107	0-0
Penalties-yards.....	6-60	3-25
Fumbles-lost.....	1-0	1-0
Time of possession.....	28:54	31:06

RUSHING

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	HOU.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
R.Burkhead	12	42	9	0	A.Blue	21	73	24t	1
J.Hill	7	8	4	0	T.Savage	1	11	11	0
					A.Hunt	1	6	6	0
					J.Prosch	1	5	5	0
TOTALS	19	50	9	0	TOTALS	24	95	24t	1

PASSING

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	HOU.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
A.Dalton	41	28	268	1-1	T.Savage	29	18	176	0-0
TOTALS	41	28	268	1-1	TOTALS	29	18	176	0-0

RECEIVING

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	HOU.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
C.Core	8	39	9	0	C.Fiedorowicz	4	42	14	0
B.LaFell	6	130	86t	1	A.Blue	4	17	5	0
C.Uzomah	5	28	8	0	D.Hopkins	3	43	21	0
R.Burkhead	4	25	11	0	W.Fuller	3	39	19	0
T.Boyd	2	25	21	0	A.Hunt	2	28	24	0
R.Hewitt	1	8	8	0	K.Mumphery	2	7	5	0
J.Wright	1	8	8	0					
A.Erickson	1	5	5	0					
TOTALS	28	268	86t	1	TOTALS	18	176	24	0

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: K.Dansby 5-5-10, V.Rey 3-4-7, G.Iloka 3-3-6, M.Johnson 2-2-4, D.Peko 1-3-4, G.Atkins 3-0-3, S.Williams 3-0-3, W.Gilberry 2-1-3, P.Sims 2-1-3, W.Clarke 2-0-2, A.Jones 2-0-2, R.Mauluga 2-0-2, N.Vigil 2-0-2, D.Dennard 1-0-1, C.Dunlap 1-0-1, D.Kirkpatrick 1-0-1, J.Shaw 1-0-1, M.Hunt 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: W.Gilberry 1.5-8.5, G.Atkins 1-7, W.Clarke 1-3, M.Johnson 0.5-2.5. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: V.Rey 2, K.Dansby 1, D.Kirkpatrick 1. FF: C.Dunlap 1. FR-YDS.: None.

Houston (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: A.Bouye 9-0-9, B.McKinney 5-2-7, A.Hal 4-3-7, Q.Demps 3-4-7, B.Cushing 3-2-5, W.Mercilus 3-0-3, C.Moore 3-0-3, K.Jackson 2-1-3, E.Pleasant 2-1-3, J.Clowney 1-2-3, J.Joseph 2-0-2, C.Covington 0-2-2, D.Reader 0-2-2, A.Smith 1-0-1, V.Wilfork 1-0-1, J.Simon 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: W.Mercilus 2-14, J.Clowney 1-10. INT.-YDS.: Q.Demps 1-0. PD: A.Bouye 3, Q.Demps 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

IN 2016, THE BENGALS ARE:

REGULAR SEASON

3-3-1 at home (or as designated home team at neutral site)
2-6-0 on the road (or as designated visitor at neutral site)
4-3-0 when scoring first
1-6-1 when opponent scored first
1-2-1 in games decided by three points or fewer
1-5-1 in games decided by seven points or fewer
4-3-0 when leading at halftime
0-0-0 when tied at halftime
1-6-1 when trailing at halftime
5-2-1 when leading after three quarters
0-1-0 when tied after three quarters
0-6-0 when trailing after three quarters
2-2-1 when rushing for 100 net yards

2-5-0 when opponent rushes for less than 100 net yards
4-2-0 with plus turnover differential
1-2-0 with even turnover differential
0-5-1 with minus turnover differential
4-2-1 when passing for 250 net yards
1-4-1 when opponent passes for 250 net yards
5-2-1 when scoring 20 points or more
1-6-1 when opponent scored 20 points or more
5-7-1 when game is outdoors (open-air/open retractable roof)
0-2-0 when game is inside (dome/closed retractable roof)
1-2-1 on natural grass
4-7-0 on synthetic surface
4-5-1 with fewer penalty yards

UNDER MARVIN LEWIS, THE BENGALS ARE:

2003-PRESENT (REGULAR SEASON)

66-42-3 at home (or as home team at neutral site)
51-61-0 on the road (or a visitor at neutral site)
80-34-1 when scoring first
37-69-2 when opponent scores first
21-22-3 in games decided by three points or fewer
53-49-3 in games decided by seven points or fewer
83-29-2 when leading at halftime
11-2-0 when tied at halftime
23-72-1 when trailing at halftime
94-18-2 when leading after three quarters
7-5-0 when tied after three quarters
16-80-1 when trailing after three quarters
80-36-2 when rushing for 100 net yards

72-30-1 when opponent rushes for less than 100 net yards
74-17-1 with plus turnover differential
27-22-0 with even turnover differential
16-64-2 with minus turnover differential
41-33-2 when passing for 250 net yards
33-39-3 when opponent passes for 250 net yards
96-38-2 when scoring 20 points or more
39-89-2 when opponent scores 20 points or more
112-95-3 when game is outdoors (open-air/open retractable roof)
5-8-0 when game is inside (dome/closed retractable roof)
40-35-1 on natural grass
77-68-2 on synthetic surface
63-52-2 with fewer penalty yards

BEST PERFORMANCES

REGULAR SEASON

RUSHING YARDS

168 — Jeremy Hill, Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland
111 — Jeremy Hill, Dec. 11 at Cleveland
97 — Jeremy Hill, Sept. 25 vs. Denver

RUSHING ATTEMPTS

25 — Jeremy Hill, Dec. 11 at Cleveland
23 — Jeremy Hill, Dec. 4 vs. Philadelphia
21 — Jeremy Hill, Sept. 29 vs. Miami

LONGEST RUSHES

74 — Jeremy Hill, Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland (TD)
50 — Jeremy Hill, Sept. 25 vs. Denver
40 — Jeremy Hill, Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland

RECEPTIONS

12 — A.J. Green, Sept. 11 at N.Y. Jets
10 — A.J. Green, Sept. 29 vs. Miami
9 — (three times)

RECEIVING YARDS

180 — A.J. Green, Sept. 11 at N.Y. Jets
173 — A.J. Green, Sept. 29 vs. Miami
169 — A.J. Green, Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland

PASSING YARDS

366 — Andy Dalton, Sept. 11 at N.Y. Jets
366 — Andy Dalton, Sept. 18 at Pittsburgh
332 — Andy Dalton, Dec. 4 vs. Philadelphia

PASS ATTEMPTS

54 — Andy Dalton, Sept. 18 at Pittsburgh
48 — Andy Dalton, Nov. 27 at Baltimore
43 — Andy Dalton, Nov. 20 vs. Buffalo

PASS COMPLETIONS

31 — Andy Dalton, Sept. 18 at Pittsburgh
29 — Andy Dalton, Oct. 9 at Dallas
28 — Andy Dalton, Dec. 24 at Houston

LONGEST PASSES

86 — Andy Dalton to Brandon LaFell, Dec. 24 at Houston (TD)
71 — Andy Dalton to Tyler Eifert, Nov. 14 at N.Y. Giants
54 — (two times)

YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE

192 — Jeremy Hill, Oct. 23 vs. Cleveland
180 — A.J. Green, Sept. 11 at N.Y. Jets
173 — A.J. Green, Sept. 29 vs. Miami

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURNS

84 — Alex Erickson, Nov. 14 at N.Y. Giants
72 — Alex Erickson, Dec. 18 vs. Pittsburgh
65 — Alex Erickson, Oct. 30 vs. Washington at London

LONGEST PUNT RETURNS

24 — Alex Erickson, Dec. 11 at Cleveland
18 — Alex Erickson, Nov. 14 at N.Y. Giants
15 — Alex Erickson, Sept. 11 at N.Y. Jets

TOTAL TACKLES*

15 — Vontaze Burfict, Dec. 4 vs. Philadelphia
14 — Vincent Rey, Nov. 14 at N.Y. Giants
13 — (two times)

SOLO TACKLES*

11 — Vontaze Burfict, Nov. 20 vs. Buffalo
11 — Karlos Dansby, Dec. 11 at Cleveland
10 — (three times)

*NOTE: The defensive statistics above are press box statistics produced at the games.

TEAM STATISTICS

OFFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	YDS	RUSH-YDS	PASS YDS	COMP-ATT	TD-P/INT	SKD-YDS	1D	3D-CONV	F-FL	POSS
Sept. 11	at N.Y. Jets	381	19-57	324	23-30	1/1	7-42	18	3-11	0-0	25:07
Sept. 18	at Pittsburgh	412	18-46	366	31-54	1/0	1-0	21	4-16	2-2	27:05
Sept. 25	DENVER	332	29-143	189	21-31	0/1	4-17	20	5-12	1-1	32:06
Sept. 29	MIAMI	362	37-77	285	22-31	1/0	1-11	19	3-15	2-0	38:02
Oct. 9	at Dallas	345	19-96	249	29-41	2/0	4-20	27	5-12	0-0	32:17
Oct. 16	at New England	357	32-120	237	21-31	1/0	2-17	20	5-12	0-0	32:03
Oct. 23	CLEVELAND	559	30-271	288	19-28	2/0	3-20	23	5-10	2-1	28:12
Oct. 30	VS. WASHINGTON	415	36-152	263	27-42	1/1	3-21	35	8-15	2-1	35:18
Nov. 6	— BYE —										
Nov. 14	at N.Y. Giants	264	23-78	186	16-29	1/1	3-18	12	2-11	0-0	28:37
Nov. 20	BUFFALO	300	27-93	207	24-43	1/2	1-0	23	8-15	2-0	27:49
Nov. 27	at Baltimore	325	20-64	261	26-48	1/0	3-22	22	5-16	4-2	28:43
Dec. 4	PHILADELPHIA	412	33-80	332	23-31	2/0	0-0	21	7-14	2-2	28:02
Dec. 11	at Cleveland	360	38-213	147	20-28	2/0	4-33	21	8-15	1-0	34:53
Dec. 18	PITTSBURGH	222	28-76	146	16-27	0/1	1-11	19	6-12	0-0	27:28
Dec. 24	at Houston	294	19-50	244	28-41	1/1	3-24	15	7-16	1-0	28:54
Jan. 1	BALTIMORE										
TOTALS		5340	408-1616	3724	346-535	17/8	40-256	316	81-202	19-9	29:49

DEFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	YDS	RUSH-YDS	PASS YDS	COMP-ATT	TD-P/INT	SKD-YDS	1D	3D-CONV	F-FL	POSS
Sept. 11	at N.Y. Jets	340	30-152	188	19-35	2/1	1-1	22	4-12	1-0	34:53
Sept. 18	at Pittsburgh	374	36-124	250	19-37	3/2	1-9	19	7-17	1-0	32:55
Sept. 25	DENVER	355	23-52	303	23-35	4/0	2-9	21	6-12	1-1	27:54
Sept. 29	MIAMI	222	13-62	160	15-25	1/1	5-29	8	2-11	1-1	21:58
Oct. 9	at Dallas	402	29-180	222	18-24	1/0	1-5	21	4-8	3-1	27:43
Oct. 16	at New England	437	23-79	358	29-35	3/0	3-18	25	4-10	0-0	27:57
Oct. 23	CLEVELAND	352	26-180	172	21-35	0/2	2-10	22	6-14	0-0	31:48
Oct. 30	VS. WASHINGTON	546	31-100	446	38-56	2/1	1-12	30	8-17	0-0	39:42
Nov. 6	— BYE —										
Nov. 14	at N.Y. Giants	351	27-122	229	28-44	3/2	1-11	23	6-14	1-0	31:23
Nov. 20	BUFFALO	342	34-183	159	19-27	0/1	2-7	20	3-12	1-0	32:11
Nov. 27	at Baltimore	311	30-92	219	25-36	1/1	2-15	16	5-16	1-0	31:17
Dec. 4	PHILADELPHIA	359	19-53	306	36-60	1/3	1-2	22	8-17	0-0	31:58
Dec. 11	at Cleveland	254	22-169	85	12-28	0/1	3-19	13	6-14	0-0	25:07
Dec. 18	PITTSBURGH	382	29-97	285	21-36	1/0	1-1	26	5-13	1-0	32:32
Dec. 24	at Houston	250	24-95	155	18-29	0/0	4-21	17	4-14	1-0	31:06
Jan. 1	BALTIMORE										
TOTALS		5277	396-1740	3537	341-542	22/15	30-169	305	78-201	12-3	30:11

TRANSACTIONS

(TRANSACTIONS FROM 6-24-15 THROUGH 7-28-16 ARE IN BENGALS' 2016 MEDIA GUIDE)

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| <p>July 28, 2016 — Signed S Jimmy Wilson (FA).</p> <p>Aug. 2, 2016 — Signed H-B Ryan Hewitt* to a contract extension.</p> <p>Aug. 3, 2016 — Signed CB Corey Tindal (FA).</p> <p>Aug. 9, 2016 — Signed CB Tony McRae (FA).</p> <p>Aug. 29, 2016 — Waived the following 11 players: WR Michael Bennett; LB Jayson DiManche; DE Jack Gangwish; WR Antwane Grant; LB Darien Harris; K Zach Hocker; QB Joe Licata; FB Jeff Luc; TE John Peters; S Floyd Raven; CB Corey Tindal.</p> <p>Aug. 30, 2016 — Placed DT Andrew Billings on the Reserve/Injured list; Placed DT Brandon Thompson on the Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform list; Waived WR Mario Alford (injured); Waived K Jonathan Brown from the Reserve/Injured list; Terminated the contract of WR Brandon Tate.</p> <p>Aug. 31, 2016 — WR Mario Alford cleared waivers and reverted to the Reserve/Injured list.</p> <p>Sept. 2, 2016 — Terminated the contract of S Jimmy Wilson.</p> <p>Sept. 3, 2016 — Placed DT Marcus Hardison on the Reserve Injured list; Placed LB Vontaze Burfict on the Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner list; Terminated the contract of CB Chykie Brown; Waived WR Mario Alford from the Reserve/Injured list (injury settlement); Waived the following 18 players: FB Andrew Bonnet, DE Ryan Brown, HB Tra Carson, C Alex Cooper, DT David Dean, OT Aaron Epps, HB Bronson Hill, CB Darius Hillary, G Trey Hopkins, WR Jake Kumerow, TE Matt Lengel, CB Tony McRae, G Alex Redmond, WR Alonzo Russell, WR Rashaun Simonise, G Trip Thurman, OT John Weidenaar and QB Keith Wenning.</p> <p>Sept. 4, 2016 — Acquired QB Jeff Driskel on waivers from San Francisco; Waived LB P.J. Dawson; Placed CB William Jackson and HB Cedric Peerman on the Reserve/Injured list; Re-signed CB Chykie Brown and G Trey Hopkins; Signed the following nine players to the practice squad: DE Ryan Brown, HB Tra Carson, DT David Dean, CB Darius Hillary, WR Jake Kumerow, TE Matt Lengel, CB Tony McRae, G Alex Redmond, WR Alonzo Russell.</p> <p>Sept. 7, 2016 — Signed LB P.J. Dawson to the practice squad.</p> <p>Sept. 15, 2016 — Acquired CB KeiVarae Russell on waivers from Kansas</p> | <p>City; Waived G Trey Hopkins.</p> <p>Sept. 16, 2016 — Signed G Trey Hopkins to the practice squad; Released CB Tony McRae from the practice squad.</p> <p>Sept. 26, 2016 — Announced that the NFL granted LB Vontaze Burfict (Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner list) a three-day roster exemption to participate in team activities.</p> <p>Sept. 29, 2016 — Activated LB Vontaze Burfict from exemption status to the 53-player roster; Waived LB Trevor Roach.</p> <p>Sept. 30, 2016 — Signed LB Trevor Roach to the practice squad; Released CB Darius Hillary from the practice squad.</p> <p>Nov. 2, 2016 — TE Matt Lengel (practice squad) signed with New England.</p> <p>Nov. 3, 2016 — Waived CB Chris Lewis-Harris.</p> <p>Nov. 7, 2016 — Signed DE Wallace Gilberry (FA).</p> <p>Nov. 22, 2016 — Placed HB Giovani Bernard on the Reserve/Injured list; Signed LS Tyler Ott (FA) to the practice squad; Announced that DT Brandon Thompson (Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform list) was eligible to return to practice.</p> <p>Nov. 23, 2016 — Announced that HB Cedric Peerman was designated for return from the Reserve/Injured list and eligible to practice.</p> <p>Nov. 26, 2016 — Activated HB Cedric Peerman to the 53-player roster from the Reserve/Injured list; Signed LS Tyler Ott signed from practice squad; Waived DT DeShawn Williams.</p> <p>Nov. 28, 2016 — Re-signed DT DeShawn Williams; Placed CB Chykie Brown on the Reserve/Injured list.</p> <p>Nov. 29, 2016 — Signed CB Tony McRae to the practice squad.</p> <p>Dec. 13, 2016 — Acquired K Randy Bullock on waivers from Pittsburgh; Terminated the contract of K Mike Nugent; The three-week period in which DT Brandon Thompson (Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform list) was eligible for practice and/or activation to the 53-player roster expired.</p> <p>Dec. 20, 2016 — Waived LS Tyler Ott.</p> <p>Dec. 23, 2016 — Signed LB P.J. Dawson from the practice squad.</p> <p>Dec. 26, 2016 — Placed G Clint Boling and TE Tyler Eifert on the Reserve/Injured list.</p> <p>Dec. 27, 2016 — Signed WR Jake Kumerow and LB Trevor Roach from the practice squad.</p> |
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* *NOTE: Signed a new contract before finishing the final season(s) of existing contract.*

PARTICIPATION CHART

LEGEND

(NOTE: Position designation indicates start.)

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| <p>P — played as a substitute</p> <p>DNP — did not play</p> <p>IL — inactive list</p> <p>PS — practice squad</p> | <p>RI — reserve/injured list</p> <p>RPUP — reserve/physically unable to perform list</p> <p>RNFI — reserve/non-football injury list</p> <p>RNF-I — reserve/non-football illness list</p> <p>RSBC — reserve/suspended by commissioner list</p> | <p>RF — reserve/future list</p> <p>REX — roster exemption</p> <p>^ — reserve/injured player eligible for return</p> <p>* — eligible to practice while on a reserve list</p> <p>NWT — not with team</p> |
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NAME	Cin. G-S	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		@NYJ	@Pitt.	DEN.	MIA.	@Dal.	@N.E.	CLE.	WASH.	@NYG	BUFF.	@Balt.	PHIL.	@Cle.	PITT.	@Hou.	BALT.
Atkins, Geno.....	15-15	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT
Bernard, Giovanni.....	10-2	P	P	P	P	HB	HB	P	P	P	P	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Billings, Andrew.....	0-0	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Bodine, Russell.....	15-15	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
Boling, Clint.....	14-14	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	IL
Boyd, Tyler.....	15-1	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	WR	P	P	P	P
Brown, Chykie.....	5-0	P	IL	IL	P	IL	IL	IL	IL	P	P	P	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Brown, Ryan.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Bullock, Randy.....	2-0	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	P	P	P
Burfict, Vontaze.....	11-11	RSBC	RSBC	RSBC	LB	WLB	LB	LB	WLB	LB	LB	LB	LB	WLB	LB	IL	IL
Burkhead, Rex.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Carson, Tra.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Clarke, Will.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Core, Cody.....	7-3	IL	IL	IL	IL	P	IL	IL	IL	P	IL	P	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR
Dalton, Andy.....	15-15	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB
Dansby, Karlos.....	15-6	LB	P	SLB	P	SLB	P	P	SLB	P	P	P	P	SLB	P	LB	LB
Dawson, P.J.....	1-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	P
Dean, David.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Dennard, Darqueze.....	14-3	IL	P	P	LCB	P	P	P	P	P	P	nkIDB	P	P	P	LCB	LCB
Driskel, Jeff.....	0-0	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	DNP	IL	IL
Dunlap, Carlos.....	15-15	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE
Eifert, Tyler.....	8-2	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	P	P	P	TE	P	P	P	TE	IL	IL
Erickson, Alex.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Fejedelem, Clayton.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Fisher, Jake.....	14-2	P	P	P	P	DNP	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	ROT	ROT	ROT
Flowers, Marquis.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Gilberry, Wallace.....	4-0	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	P	P	P	IL	IL	IL	P	P
Green, A.J.....	10-10	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL
Hardison, Marcus.....	0-0	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Harris, Clark.....	12-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IL	IL	IL	P	P	P
Hewitt, Ryan.....	15-11	H-B	H-B	H-B	P	H-B	P	P	H-B	H-B	H-B	H-B	H-B	H-B	P	H-B	H-B
Hill, Jeremy.....	15-13	HB	HB	HB	HB	P	P	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB
Hillary, Darius.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Hopkins, Trey.....	0-0	IL	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Huber, Kevin.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hunt, Margus.....	14-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IL	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Iloka, George.....	15-15	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS
Jackson, William.....	0-0	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Johnson, Michael.....	15-15	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE
Johnson, T.J.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jones, Adam.....	15-15	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB
Kirkpatrick, Dre.....	14-13	LCB	LCB	LCB	IL	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	P
Kroft, Tyler.....	14-11	P	P	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	2ndTE	IL
Kumerow, Jake.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
LaFell, Brandon.....	15-13	WR	WR	P	WR	P	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR
Lengel, Matt.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Lewis-Harris, Chris.....	7-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	IL	P	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Mauluga, Rey.....	13-6	P	LB	MLB	LB	MLB	P	P	MLB	IL	IL	P	P	MLB	P	P	P
McCarron, A.J.....	1-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	P	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
McRae, Tony.....	0-0	PS	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Nugent, Mike.....	13-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Ogbuehi, Cedric.....	14-12	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	DNP	P	P	LOT	LOT
Ott, Tyler.....	3-0	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	P	P	IL	IL	NWT	NWT
Peerman, Cedric.....	5-0	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	RI^	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peko, Domata.....	15-15	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
Redmond, Alex.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Rey, Vincent.....	15-11	LB	LB	WLB	P	P	LB	LB	P	LB	LB	LB	P	LB	P	LB	LB
Roach, Trevor.....	3-0	P	P	P	NWT	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Russell, Alonzo.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Russell, KeiVarae.....	4-0	NWT	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	P	P	P	P	IL	IL
Shaw, Josh.....	15-11	nkIDB	nkIDB	P	nkIDB	P	nkIDB	nkIDB	P	nkIDB	nkIDB	SS	nkIDB	P	nkIDB	nkIDB	nkIDB
Sims, Pat.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Derron.....	11-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IL	IL	IL	IL	P	P
Thompson, Brandon.....	0-0	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP	RPUP*	RPUP*	RPUP*	RPUP	RPUP
Uzomah, C.J.....	9-7	TE	TE	P	2ndTE	2ndTE	2ndTE	2ndTE	IL	P	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	TE	TE
Vigil, Nick.....	15-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Westerman, Christian.....	0-0	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	DNP
Whitworth, Andrew.....	15-15	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LG
Williams, DeShawn.....	4-0	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	NWT	P	P	P	P	P
Williams, Shawn.....	14-14	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	IL	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS
Winston, Eric.....	15-2	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	ROT	ROT	P	P	P
Wright, James.....	12-2	P	P	WR	P	IL	P	P	P	IL	P	WR	P	IL	P	P	P
Zeitler, Kevin.....	15-15	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG

STARTING LINEUPS

OFFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	WR	LOT	LG	C	RG	ROT	TE	H-B	WR	QB	HB
Sept. 11	at N.Y. Jets	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Uzomah	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Sept. 18	at Pittsburgh	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Uzomah	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Sept. 25	DENVER	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Kroft	Hewitt	Wright	Dalton	Hill
Sept. 29	MIAMI	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Kroft	Uzomah(2ndTE)	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Oct. 9	at Dallas	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Kroft	Hewitt	Uzomah(2ndTE)	Dalton	Bernard
Oct. 16	at New England	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Kroft	Uzomah(2ndTE)	LaFell	Dalton	Bernard
Oct. 23	CLEVELAND	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Kroft	Uzomah(2ndTE)	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Oct. 30	VS. WASHINGTON	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Kroft	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Nov. 6	— BYE —											
Nov. 14	at N.Y. Giants	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Kroft	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Nov. 20	BUFFALO	Green	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Eifert	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Nov. 27	at Baltimore	Wright	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Ogbuehi	Kroft	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Dec. 4	PHILADELPHIA	Boyd	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Winston	Kroft	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Dec. 11	at Cleveland	Core	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Winston	Kroft	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Dec. 18	PITTSBURGH	Core	Whitworth	Boling	Bodine	Zeitler	Fisher	Eifert	Kroft(2ndTE)	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Dec. 24	at Houston	Core	Ogbuehi	Whitworth	Bodine	Zeitler	Fisher	Uzomah	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Jan. 1	BALTIMORE											

DEFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	LDE	NT	DT	RDE	SLB	MLB	WLB	LCB	RCB	SS	FS
Sept. 11	at N.Y. Jets	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Dansby(LB)	Shaw(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Sept. 18	at Pittsburgh	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Shaw(nickel)	Mauluga(LB)	Rey(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Sept. 25	DENVER	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Dansby	Mauluga	Rey	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Sept. 29	MIAMI	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Shaw(nickel)	Mauluga(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Dennard	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Oct. 9	at Dallas	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Dansby	Mauluga	Burfict	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Oct. 16	at New England	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Shaw(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Oct. 23	CLEVELAND	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Shaw(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Oct. 30	VS. WASHINGTON	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Dansby	Mauluga	Burfict	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Nov. 6	— BYE —											
Nov. 14	at N.Y. Giants	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Shaw(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Nov. 20	BUFFALO	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Shaw(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Nov. 27	at Baltimore	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Dennard(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	Shaw	Iloka
Dec. 4	PHILADELPHIA	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Shaw(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Dec. 11	at Cleveland	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Dansby	Mauluga	Burfict	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Dec. 18	PITTSBURGH	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Shaw(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Dec. 24	at Houston	Dunlap	Peko	Atkins	M.Johnson	Dansby(LB)	Shaw(nickel)	Rey(LB)	Dennard	Jones	S.Williams	Iloka
Jan. 1	BALTIMORE											

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OFFENSE

WR	18	A.J. GREEN	<u>16</u>	Cody Core	86	James Wright
					84	Jake Kumerow
LOT	70	CEDRIC OGBUEHI	77	Andrew Whitworth		
LG	77	ANDREW WHITWORTH	<u>63</u>	<u>Christian Westerman</u>		
C	61	RUSSELL BODINE	60	T.J. Johnson		
RG	68	KEVIN ZEITLER	<u>63</u>	<u>Christian Westerman</u>		
ROT	74	JAKE FISHER	73	Eric Winston		
TE	81	TYLER KROFT	87	C.J. Uzomah		
H-B/TE	89	RYAN HEWITT (H-back)	87	C.J. Uzomah (tight end)		
WR	11	BRANDON LaFELL	<u>83</u>	<u>Tyler Boyd</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>Alex Erickson</u>
QB	14	ANDY DALTON	5	AJ McCarron	<u>6</u>	<u>Jeff Driskel</u>
HB	32	JEREMY HILL	33	Rex Burkhead	30	Cedric Peerman

DEFENSE

LDE	96	CARLOS DUNLAP	99	Margus Hunt		
NT	94	DOMATA PEKO	92	Pat Sims		
DT	97	GENO ATKINS	69	DeShawn Williams		
RDE	90	MICHAEL JOHNSON	93	Will Clarke	95	Wallace Gilberry
SLB	56	KARLOS DANSBY	53	Marquis Flowers	47	P.J. Dawson
MLB	58	REY MAUALUGA	57	Vincent Rey	52	Trevor Roach
WLB	55	VONTAZE BURFICT	<u>59</u>	<u>Nick Vigil</u>		
LCB	27	DRE KIRKPATRICK	26	Josh Shaw	<u>20</u>	<u>KeiVarae Russell</u>
RCB	24	ADAM JONES	21	Darqueze Dennard		
SS	36	SHAWN WILLIAMS	<u>42</u>	<u>Clayton Fejedelem</u>		
FS	43	GEORGE ILOKA	31	Derron Smith		

SPECIAL TEAMS

P	10	Kevin Huber				
K	4	Randy Bullock				
LS	46	Clark Harris				
H	10	Kevin Huber				
PR	24	Adam Jones	<u>12</u>	<u>Alex Erickson</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>Tyler Boyd</u>
KOR	<u>12</u>	<u>Alex Erickson</u>	24	Adam Jones	33	Rex Burkhead

NOTE: Players whose names are CAPITALIZED are projected starters in the team's base units. Rookies are underlined.

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

<p>Geno Atkins..... JEE-no</p> <p>Giovani Bernard (Reserve/Injured).....jee-o-VAHN-ee</p> <p>Russell Bodine.....BO-dine</p> <p>Chykie Brown (Reserve/Injured).....CHAH-kee</p> <p>Randy Bullock.....BULL-luck</p> <p>Vontaze Burfict.....VONN-tez BER-fict (rhymes with "perfect")</p> <p>Darqueze Dennard.....dar-KWEZ deh-NARD</p> <p>Tyler Eifert.....IE(rhymes with "tie")-fert</p> <p>Clayton Fejedelem.....FEDGE-uh-lemm (the "d" is silent)</p> <p>Marquis Flowers.....mar-KEECE(rhymes with "peace")</p> <p>Paul Guenther (defensive coordinator).....GUN-thur</p> <p>Jim Haslett (linebackers coach).....HAZ-lett</p> <p>Ryan Hewitt.....HUE-it</p> <p>Margus Hunt.....MAR-guss</p>	<p>George Iloka.....ie(rhymes with "tie")-LO-kuh</p> <p>Dre Kirkpatrick.....DRAY</p> <p>Jake Kumerow (Practice Squad).....KOO-mer-o</p> <p>Bill Lazor (quarterbacks coach).....(pronounced as "laser")</p> <p>Rey Maualuga.....RAY mow(rhymes with "now")-uh-LOO-guh</p> <p>Cedric Ogbuehi.....o-BWAY-hee</p> <p>Domata Peko.....DOE-mah-tah PECK-o</p> <p>Vincent Rey.....RAY</p> <p>KeiVarae Russell.....kee-VAR-ay</p> <p>Derron Smith.....duh-RONN</p> <p>C.J. Uzomah.....yew-ZAH-mah</p> <p>Ken Zampese (offensive coordinator).....zam-PEE-zee</p> <p>Kevin Zeitler.....ZITE-ler</p>
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ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

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NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	BORN	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ.
97	Atkins, Geno	DT	6-1	300	3-28-88	7	Georgia	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	D4a'10
61	Bodine, Russell	C	6-3	308	6-30-92	3	North Carolina	Scottsville, Va.	D4'14
83	Boyd, Tyler	WR	6-2	197	11-15-94	R	Pittsburgh	Clairton, Pa.	D2'16
4	Bullock, Randy	K	5-9	206	12-16-89	5	Texas A&M	Klein, Texas	W(Pitt.)'16
55	Burfict, Vontaze	LB	6-1	255	9-24-90	5	Arizona State	Corona, Calif.	CFA'12
33	Burkhead, Rex	HB	5-10	210	7-2-90	4	Nebraska	Plano, Texas	D6a'13
93	Clarke, Will	DE	6-6	280	5-4-91	3	West Virginia	Pittsburgh, Pa.	D3'14
16	Core, Cody	WR	6-3	210	4-17-94	R	Mississippi	Auburn, Ala.	D6'16
14	Dalton, Andy	QB	6-2	220	10-29-87	6	Texas Christian	Katy, Texas	D2'11
56	Dansby, Karlos	LB	6-3	251	11-3-81	13	Auburn	Birmingham, Ala.	FA'16
47	Dawson, P.J.	LB	6-0	245	1-13-93	2	Texas Christian	Dallas, Texas	D3b'15
21	Dennard, Darqueze	CB	5-11	198	10-10-91	3	Michigan State	Dry Branch, Ga.	D1'14
6	Driskel, Jeff	QB	6-4	231	4-23-93	R	Louisiana Tech	Oviedo, Fla.	W(S.F.)'16
96	Dunlap, Carlos	DE	6-6	280	2-28-89	7	Florida	North Charleston, S.C.	D2'10
12	Erickson, Alex	WR	6-0	195	11-6-92	R	Wisconsin	Darlington, Wis.	CFA'16
42	Fejedelem, Clayton	S	6-0	205	6-2-93	R	Illinois	Lemont, Ill.	D7'16
74	Fisher, Jake	OT	6-6	305	4-23-93	2	Oregon	Traverse City, Mich.	D2'15
53	Flowers, Marquis	LB	6-3	245	2-16-92	3	Arizona	Phoenix, Ariz.	D6'14
95	Gilberry, Wallace	DE	6-2	270	12-5-84	9	Alabama	Bay Minette, Ala.	FA'16
18	Green, A.J.	WR	6-4	210	7-31-88	6	Georgia	Summerville, S.C.	D1'11
46	Harris, Clark	LS	6-5	250	7-10-84	8	Rutgers	Manahawkin, N.J.	FA'09
89	Hewitt, Ryan	H-B	6-4	255	1-24-91	3	Stanford	Denver, Colo.	CFA'14
32	Hill, Jeremy	HB	6-1	235	10-20-92	3	Louisiana State	Baton Rouge, La.	D2'14
10	Huber, Kevin	P	6-1	211	7-16-85	8	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	D5'09
99	Hunt, Margus	DE	6-8	295	7-14-87	4	Southern Methodist	Karksi-Nuia (Estonia)	D2b'13
43	Iloka, George	S	6-4	225	3-31-90	5	Boise State	Houston, Texas	D5c'12
90	Johnson, Michael	DE	6-7	272	2-7-87	8	Georgia Tech	Selma, Ala.	FA'15
60	Johnson, T.J.	C	6-4	300	7-17-90	3	South Carolina	Aynor, S.C.	D7b'13
24	Jones, Adam	CB	5-10	180	9-30-83	10	West Virginia	Atlanta, Ga.	FA'10
27	Kirkpatrick, Dre	CB	6-2	185	10-26-89	5	Alabama	Gadsden, Ala.	D1a'12
81	Kroft, Tyler	TE	6-6	250	10-15-92	2	Rutgers	Downingtown, Pa.	D3a'15
84	Kumerow, Jake	WR	6-4	206	2-17-92	1	Wisconsin-Whitewater	Bartlett, Ill.	CFA'15
11	LaFell, Brandon	WR	6-3	210	11-4-86	7	Louisiana State	Houston, Texas	FA'16
58	Mauluga, Rey	LB	6-2	258	1-20-87	8	Southern California	Eureka, Calif.	D2'09
5	McCarron, A.J.	QB	6-3	220	9-13-90	2	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	D5'14
70	Ogbuehi, Cedric	OT	6-5	310	4-25-92	2	Texas A&M	Allen, Texas	D1'15
30	Peerman, Cedric	HB	5-10	212	10-10-86	7	Virginia	Gladys, Va.	W(Det.)'10
94	Peko, Domata	DT	6-3	325	11-27-84	11	Michigan State	Pago Pago (American Samoa)	D4'06
57	Rey, Vincent	LB	6-0	250	9-6-87	6	Duke	Far Rockaway, N.Y.	CFA'10
52	Roach, Trevor	LB	6-2	247	3-6-92	1	Nebraska	Elkhorn, Neb.	CFA'15
20	Russell, Kei'Varae	CB	5-11	196	10-19-93	R	Notre Dame	Everett, Wash.	W(K.C.)'16
26	Shaw, Josh	CB	6-1	200	3-27-92	2	Southern California	Palmdale, Calif.	D4a'15
92	Sims, Pat	DT	6-2	330	11-29-85	9	Auburn	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	UFA(Oak.)'15
31	Smith, Derron	S	5-10	200	2-4-92	2	Fresno State	Banning, Calif.	D6'15
87	Uzomah, C.J.	TE	6-6	265	1-14-93	2	Auburn	Suwanee, Ga.	D5'15
59	Vigil, Nick	LB	6-2	239	8-20-93	R	Utah State	Plain City, Utah	D3'16
63	Westerman, Christian	G	6-3	300	2-23-93	R	Arizona State	Chandler, Ariz.	D5'16
77	Whitworth, Andrew	OT	6-7	330	12-12-81	11	Louisiana State	West Monroe, La.	D2'06
69	Williams, DeShawn	DT	6-1	295	12-29-92	1	Clemson	Central, S.C.	CFA'15
36	Williams, Shawn	S	6-0	210	5-13-91	4	Georgia	Damascus, Ga.	D3'13
73	Winston, Eric	OT	6-7	310	11-17-83	10	Miami (Fla.)	Midland, Texas	FA'14
86	Wright, James	WR	6-1	201	12-31-91	3	Louisiana State	Buras, La.	D7a'14
68	Zeitler, Kevin	G	6-4	320	3-8-90	5	Wisconsin	Waukesha, Wis.	D1b'12

PRACTICE SQUAD (date assigned)

76	Brown, Ryan (9-4-16)	DE	6-6	276	6-10-94	R	Mississippi State	New Orleans, La.	CFA'16
39	Carson, Tra (9-4-16)	HB	5-11	231	10-24-92	R	Texas A&M	Texarkana, Texas	CFA'16
71	Dean, David (9-4-16)	DT	6-1	302	2-16-93	R	Virginia	Virginia Beach, Va.	CFA'16
66	Hopkins, Trey (9-16-16)	G	6-3	310	7-6-92	2	Texas	Houston, Texas	CFA'14
29	McRae, Tony (11-29-16)	CB	5-10	185	5-3-93	R	North Carolina A&T	Laurinburg, N.C.	FA'16
62	Redmond, Alex (9-4-16)	G	6-5	310	1-18-95	R	UCLA	Cerritos, Calif.	CFA'16
17	Russell, Alonzo (9-4-16)	WR	6-4	206	9-29-92	R	Toledo	Washington, D.C.	CFA'16

RESERVE/PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO PERFORM (date assigned; injury)

98	Thompson, Brandon (8-30-16; knee)	DT	6-2	310	10-19-89	5	Clemson	Thomasville, Ga.	D3b'12
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RESERVE/INJURED (date assigned; injury)

25	Bernard, Giovanni (11-22-16; knee)	HB	5-9	205	11-22-91	4	North Carolina	Boca Raton, Fla.	D2a'13
75	Billings, Andrew (8-30-16; knee)	DT	6-1	325	3-6-95	R	Baylor	Waco, Texas	D4'16
65	Boling, Clint (12-26-16; shoulder)	G	6-5	305	5-9-89	6	Georgia	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4'11
23	Brown, Chykie (11-28-16; knee)	CB	5-11	191	12-26-86	5	Texas	Houston, Texas	FA'16
85	Eifert, Tyler (12-26-16; back)	TE	6-6	255	9-8-90	4	Notre Dame	Fort Wayne, Ind.	D1'13
91	Hardison, Marcus (9-3-16; shoulder)	DT	6-3	310	2-14-92	2	Arizona State	Natchitoches, La.	D4b'15
22	Jackson, William (9-4-16; pectoral)	CB	6-0	187	10-27-92	R	Houston	Houston, Texas	D1'16

COACHING STAFF: Head coach: Marvin Lewis. Assistants: Paul Alexander (assistant head coach/offensive line), Jacob Burney (defensive line), Kyle Caskey (running backs), Brayden Coombs (assistant special teams/defensive quality control), Robert Couch (offensive quality control/offensive line), Kevin Coyle (secondary), Jeff Friday (assistant strength and conditioning), Paul Guenther (defensive coordinator), Jim Haslett (linebackers), Jonathan Hayes (tight ends), Bill Lazor (quarterbacks), Marcus Lewis (defensive quality control/defensive line), David Lippincott (assistant linebackers/quality control), Robert Livingston (secondary), Chip Morton (strength and conditioning), Dan Pitcher (offensive assistant/wide receivers), Darrin Simmons (special teams coordinator), James Urban (wide receivers), Ken Zampese (offensive coordinator).

NUMERICAL ROSTER

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NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	BORN	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ.
4	Randy Bullock	K	5-9	206	12-16-89	5	Texas A&M	Klein, Texas	W(Pitt.)'16
5	AJ McCarron	QB	6-3	220	9-13-90	2	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	D5'14
6	Jeff Driskel	QB	6-4	231	4-23-93	R	Louisiana Tech	Oviedo, Fla.	W(S.F.)'16
10	Kevin Huber	P	6-1	211	7-16-85	8	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	D5'09
11	Brandon LaFell	WR	6-3	210	11-4-86	7	Louisiana State	Houston, Texas	FA'16
12	Alex Erickson	WR	6-0	195	11-6-92	R	Wisconsin	Darlington, Wis.	CFA'16
14	Andy Dalton	QB	6-2	220	10-29-87	6	Texas Christian	Katy, Texas	D2'11
16	Cody Core	WR	6-3	210	4-17-94	R	Mississippi	Auburn, Ala.	D6'16
18	A.J. Green	WR	6-4	210	7-31-88	6	Georgia	Summerville, S.C.	D1'11
20	KeiVarae Russell	CB	5-11	196	10-19-93	R	Notre Dame	Everett, Wash.	W(K.C.)'16
21	Darqueze Dennard	CB	5-11	198	10-10-91	3	Michigan State	Dry Branch, Ga.	D1'14
24	Adam Jones	CB	5-10	180	9-30-83	10	West Virginia	Atlanta, Ga.	FA'10
26	Josh Shaw	CB	6-1	200	3-27-92	2	Southern California	Palmdale, Calif.	D4a'15
27	Dre Kirkpatrick	CB	6-2	185	10-26-89	5	Alabama	Gadsden, Ala.	D1a'12
30	Cedric Peerman	HB	5-10	212	10-10-86	7	Virginia	Gladys, Va.	W(Det.)'10
31	Derron Smith	S	5-10	200	2-4-92	2	Fresno State	Banning, Calif.	D6'15
32	Jeremy Hill	HB	6-1	235	10-20-92	3	Louisiana State	Baton Rouge, La.	D2'14
33	Rex Burkhead	HB	5-10	210	7-2-90	4	Nebraska	Plano, Texas	D6a'13
36	Shawn Williams	S	6-0	210	5-13-91	4	Georgia	Damascus, Ga.	D3'13
42	Clayton Fejedelem	S	6-0	205	6-2-93	R	Illinois	Lemont, Ill.	D7'16
43	George Iloka	S	6-4	225	3-31-90	5	Boise State	Houston, Texas	D5c'12
46	Clark Harris	LS	6-5	250	7-10-84	8	Rutgers	Manahawkin, N.J.	FA'09
47	P.J. Dawson	LB	6-0	245	1-13-93	2	Texas Christian	Dallas, Texas	D3b'15
52	Trevor Roach	LB	6-2	247	3-6-92	1	Nebraska	Elkhorn, Neb.	CFA'15
53	Marquis Flowers	LB	6-3	245	2-16-92	3	Arizona	Phoenix, Ariz.	D6'14
55	Vontaze Burfict	LB	6-1	255	9-24-90	5	Arizona State	Corona, Calif.	CFA'12
56	Karlos Dansby	LB	6-3	251	11-3-81	13	Auburn	Birmingham, Ala.	FA'16
57	Vincent Rey	LB	6-0	250	9-6-87	6	Duke	Far Rockaway, N.Y.	CFA'10
58	Rey Mauluga	LB	6-2	258	1-20-87	8	Southern California	Eureka, Calif.	D2'09
59	Nick Vigil	LB	6-2	239	8-20-93	R	Utah State	Plain City, Utah	D3'16
60	T.J. Johnson	C	6-4	300	7-17-90	3	South Carolina	Aynor, S.C.	D7b'13
61	Russell Bodine	C	6-3	308	6-30-92	3	North Carolina	Scottsville, Va.	D4'14
63	Christian Westerman	G	6-3	300	2-23-93	R	Arizona State	Chandler, Ariz.	D5'16
68	Kevin Zeitler	G	6-4	320	3-8-90	5	Wisconsin	Waukesha, Wis.	D1b'12
69	DeShawn Williams	DT	6-1	295	12-29-92	1	Clemson	Central, S.C.	CFA'15
70	Cedric Ogbuehi	OT	6-5	310	4-25-92	2	Texas A&M	Allen, Texas	D1'15
73	Eric Winston	OT	6-7	310	11-17-83	10	Miami (Fla.)	Midland, Texas	FA'14
74	Jake Fisher	OT	6-6	305	4-23-93	2	Oregon	Traverse City, Mich.	D2'15
77	Andrew Whitworth	OT	6-7	330	12-12-81	11	Louisiana State	West Monroe, La.	D2'06
81	Tyler Kroft	TE	6-6	250	10-15-92	2	Rutgers	Downingtown, Pa.	D3a'15
83	Tyler Boyd	WR	6-2	197	11-15-94	R	Pittsburgh	Clairton, Pa.	D2'16
84	Jake Kumerow	WR	6-4	206	2-17-92	1	Wisconsin-Whitewater	Bartlett, Ill.	CFA'15
86	James Wright	WR	6-1	201	12-31-91	3	Louisiana State	Buras, La.	D7a'14
87	C.J. Uzomah	TE	6-6	265	1-14-93	2	Auburn	Suwanee, Ga.	D5'15
89	Ryan Hewitt	H-B	6-4	255	1-24-91	3	Stanford	Denver, Colo.	CFA'14
90	Michael Johnson	DE	6-7	272	2-7-87	8	Georgia Tech	Selma, Ala.	FA'15
92	Pat Sims	DT	6-2	330	11-29-85	9	Auburn	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	UFA(Oak.)'15
93	Will Clarke	DE	6-6	280	5-4-91	3	West Virginia	Pittsburgh, Pa.	D3'14
94	Domata Peko	DT	6-3	325	11-27-84	11	Michigan State	Pago Pago (American Samoa)	D4'06
95	Wallace Gilberry	DE	6-2	270	12-5-84	9	Alabama	Bay Minette, Ala.	FA'16
96	Carlos Dunlap	DE	6-6	280	2-28-89	7	Florida	North Charleston, S.C.	D2'10
97	Geno Atkins	DT	6-1	300	3-28-88	7	Georgia	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	D4a'10
99	Margus Hunt	DE	6-8	295	7-14-87	4	Southern Methodist	Karksi-Nuia (Estonia)	D2b'13

PRACTICE SQUAD (date assigned)

17	Alonzo Russell (9-4-16)	WR	6-4	206	9-29-92	R	Toledo	Washington, D.C.	CFA'16
29	Tony McRae (11-29-16)	CB	5-10	185	5-3-93	R	North Carolina A&T	Laurinburg, N.C.	FA'16
39	Tra Carson (9-4-16)	HB	5-11	231	10-24-92	R	Texas A&M	Texarkana, Texas	CFA'16
62	Alex Redmond (9-4-16)	G	6-5	310	1-18-95	R	UCLA	Cerritos, Calif.	CFA'16
66	Trey Hopkins (9-16-16)	G	6-3	310	7-6-92	2	Texas	Houston, Texas	CFA'14
71	David Dean (9-4-16)	DT	6-1	302	2-16-93	R	Virginia	Virginia Beach, Va.	CFA'16
76	Ryan Brown (9-4-16)	DE	6-6	276	6-10-94	R	Mississippi State	New Orleans, La.	CFA'16

RESERVE/PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO PERFORM (date assigned; injury)

98	Brandon Thompson (8-30-16; knee)	DT	6-2	310	10-19-89	5	Clemson	Thomasville, Ga.	D3b'12
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RESERVE/INJURED (date assigned; injury)

22	William Jackson (9-4-16; pectoral)	CB	6-0	187	10-27-92	R	Houston	Houston, Texas	D1'16
25	Giovani Bernard (11-22-16; knee)	HB	5-9	205	11-22-91	4	North Carolina	Boca Raton, Fla.	D2a'13
23	Chykie Brown (11-28-16; knee)	CB	5-11	191	12-26-86	5	Texas	Houston, Texas	FA'16
65	Clint Boling (12-26-16; shoulder)	G	6-5	305	5-9-89	6	Georgia	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4'11
75	Andrew Billings (8-30-16; knee)	DT	6-1	325	3-6-95	R	Baylor	Waco, Texas	D4'16
85	Tyler Eifert (12-26-16; back)	TE	6-6	255	9-8-90	4	Notre Dame	Fort Wayne, Ind.	D1'13
91	Marcus Hardison (9-3-16; shoulder)	DE	6-3	310	2-14-92	2	Arizona State	Natchitoches, La.	D4b'15

COACHING STAFF: Head coach: Marvin Lewis. Assistants: Paul Alexander (assistant head coach/offensive line), Jacob Burney (defensive line), Kyle Caskey (running backs), Brayden Coombs (assistant special teams/defensive quality control), Robert Couch (offensive quality control/offensive line), Kevin Coyle (secondary), Jeff Friday (assistant strength and conditioning), Paul Guenther (defensive coordinator), Jim Haslett (linebackers), Jonathan Hayes (tight ends), Bill Lazor (quarterbacks), Marcus Lewis (defensive quality control/defensive line), David Lippincott (assistant linebackers/quality control), Robert Livingston (secondary), Chip Morton (strength and conditioning), Dan Pitcher (offensive assistant/wide receivers), Darrin Simmons (special teams coordinator), James Urban (wide receivers), Ken Zampese (offensive coordinator).

