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**WEEKLY NEWS RELEASE**

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# CLEVELAND BROWNS (0-10) AT CINCINNATI BENGALS (4-6)

WEEK 12, GAME 11  
SUNDAY, NOV. 26  
AT PAUL BROWN STADIUM

NEXT WEEK: WEEK 13, GAME 12  
MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL, DEC. 4 VS. PITTSBURGH

## GAME NOTES

**Kickoff:** 1 p.m. Eastern.

**Television:** CBS broadcast with Andrew Catalon (play-by-play) and James Lofton (analyst). The game will air 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 Cincinnati flagship stations WLW-AM (700), WCKY-AM (ESPN 1530; all sports) and WEBN-FM (102.7). Broadcasters are Dan Hoard (play-by-play) and Dave Lapham (analyst).

**Setting the scene:** With a 4-6 record, six games left and just one game off the pace of the current projected No. 2 Wild Card, the Cincinnati Bengals suddenly are feeling more optimistic than they are discouraged.

Since 1990, the first year of the current playoff format with two Wild Cards from each conference, exactly 13 teams with a 4-6 or worse record after 10 games have qualified for postseason participation (see "Stayin' Alive" on next page). While some may consider that information to put the Bengals' playoff hopes on life support at best, the team itself, with four of its last six games at home, believes it to confirm that those hopes indeed are still alive and well.

Last week, things were a bit bleaker. The Bengals were 3-6, and only four teams with a 3-6 or worse record after nine games had made the playoffs since 1990.

But one weekend can make a big difference in the NFL, and with a 20-17 victory over the Denver Broncos at Sports Authority Field this past Sunday, Cincinnati suddenly is closing in on rejoining a crowded field of AFC playoff contenders. This week, the Bengals return home from three consecutive road games to play the first of three straight home contests against the 0-10 Cleveland Browns at 1 p.m. Sunday at Paul Brown Stadium.

"We're still in the hunt," said LB Vontaze Burfict. "Don't call us out yet."

Said QB Andy Dalton: "Everything still is out in front of us. We just have to keep winning; that's what it boils down to. What we need to do now is beat the Browns this week."

Against the Broncos, it wasn't a picture-perfect performance for the Bengals, but they made big plays when they needed them, and collectively they were enough to snap a 10-game losing streak in Denver, where they had not won since 1975. The list of big plays included:

- Midway through the first quarter, after Denver blocked a Cincinnati punt to take over on the Bengals' 29-yard line, the Broncos took advantage of the short field to drive to the four-yard line in five plays. Then on third-and-three, Bengals CB Dre Kirkpatrick stepped in front of Broncos WR Cody Latimer to intercept a Brock Osweiler pass in the end zone and returned it 101 yards to the Broncos' one-yard line. Kirkpatrick fumbled the ball on the Denver 15 while outrunning the pursuing Broncos players, but he recovered and was downed just shy of the goal line. It was the longest INT return in NFL history to not result in a touchdown. The Bengals scored three plays later on a one-yard TD pass from Dalton to TE Tyler Kroft for the game's first points.

- Early in the second quarter, with Denver leading 7-6 and the Bengals facing a third-and-four on the Broncos' 29-yard line, Dalton hit WR Alex Erickson for Erickson's first career TD and a 13-7 lead.

- On the last play of the first half, with Cincinnati holding a 13-7 lead, the Broncos were looking to reduce their deficit when K Brandon McManus took the field to attempt a 61-yard field goal. Bengals CB KeiVarae Russell, however,

blocked the attempt to preserve the Bengals' six-point advantage.

- Early in the fourth quarter, with Cincinnati leading 13-10 and Denver driving near midfield, Burfict forced a fumble by Broncos RB C.J. Anderson that S Shawn Williams recovered on the Denver 44. Six plays later, on third-and-two on the Broncos' 18-yard line, Dalton hit WR A.J. Green for a TD and a 20-10 Bengals lead.

- On third-and-three, with just over four minutes left and Cincinnati trying to hold on to their 20-17 lead, Dalton kept the ball on an option play and rushed untouched for a six-yard gain to keep the drive alive. The drive did not result in a score, but that extension helped the Bengals run an additional seven plays and take another two minutes off the clock.

- With 1:49 left and the Broncos with the ball on their own 20-yard line on second-and-10, Bengals DE Carlos Dunlap recorded his second sack of the game to set the Broncos back to their own 13-yard line. Two plays later, the Broncos turned the ball over on downs, effectively ending the game.

Despite that lengthy list of positives, Cincinnati still exhibited enough difficulties in the Denver game that the coaching staff surely will feel like they have plenty of details to work on this week on both sides of the line of scrimmage. On offense, the Bengals totaled just 190 net yards, including only 49 yards rushing, and 12 first downs. Not counting their two kneel-downs at the end of the game, they had nine rushing plays that went for either zero or negative yards (three for zero, six for negative). And, while the Bengals' offense converted seven of 15 third downs (46.6 percent), their defense allowed the Broncos to convert 12 of 21 third downs (57.1 percent). In the past three games, the defense has allowed opponents to convert 31 of 54 third downs (57.4 percent). That discrepancy has resulted in opponents running 101 more plays than the Bengals (241-140) in those three contests.

"At the end of the day, you don't feel as good about it as you should," said head coach Marvin Lewis. "We have to keep working at it together the right way, all of the time."

"We've got to keep grinding, keep plowing forward all the way there, and keep the negative thoughts out of our heads. We have an opportunity, if we handle our business. That's the key. We can't worry about anything else — just keep getting better every time we come out and understand the plan."

This weekend's game against Cleveland is the second matchup between the two squads this season. The Bengals beat the Browns handily 31-7 on Oct. 1. It was Cincinnati's first win of the season, and its sixth straight win in the long series, which they now lead 49-39.

"We need to string some wins together," Dalton said. "This game is big for us. Coach (Lewis) says there's a team every year that's in the position that we're in right now — that gets hot and makes the playoffs. We're going to do everything we can to make it be us this year."

**The series:** The Bengals lead 49-39 in the "Battle of Ohio" series and have won the last six games. Home field has been a factor over the length of the series, as the Bengals lead 29-15 at home but trail 20-24 as the road club.

The Bengals have won 20 of the last 26 meetings and lead 21-8 in games during the tenure of Cincinnati head coach Marvin Lewis, including 11-3 at home.

The Bengals have played more games against the Browns (88) than any foe except Pittsburgh. The Bengals have 96 all-time games against the Steelers.

More series notes:

- The Bengals earlier this season on Oct. 1 set a new longest win streak against the Browns at six straight victories. The current streak began the second meeting of 2014. The previous longest streak was a five-game run from Game 2

(The series, continued)

of 2004 through Game 2 of '06.

- The Browns' longest win streak over Cincinnati has been seven games, extending from Game 2 of the 1992 season through Game 2 of '95.
- Since the Browns' rebirth in 1999, the Bengals lead 24-12, including 13-5 as the home team.

Complete Bengals-Browns series results entering this season are on page 203 of the Bengals' 2017 Media Guide.

**Team bests from the series:**

**Bengals** — **MOST POINTS:** 58, in a 58-48 victory at Paul Brown Stadium in 2004. **LARGEST VICTORY MARGIN:** 34, in a 37-3 win at Cleveland last season. **FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED:** 0 (four times), most recently in a 30-0 win in 2014 at Cleveland.

**Browns** — **MOST POINTS:** 51, in a 51-45 win at Cleveland in 2007. **LARGEST VICTORY MARGIN:** 34, in a 34-0 victory at Cincinnati in 1987. **FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED:** 0 (twice), most recently in an 18-0 win at Cleveland in 2001.

**The last meeting:** A summary of the Oct. 1 Bengals-Browns meeting is on page 18 of this news release.

**Stayin' alive:** The Bengals stand at 4-6, but their hopes of making the playoffs are hardly dead.

Since 1990, the first year of the current playoff format with two Wild Cards from each conference, exactly 13 teams with a 4-6 or worse record after 10 games have qualified for postseason participation, including one in each of the past five seasons. None reached the Super Bowl, but three reached their conference championship games. Here is a look at those 13 squads:

YEAR	TEAM	10 GAMES	FINAL	PLAYOFF RESULT
1990	New Orleans	4-6-0	8-8-0	Wild Card*
1994	New England	4-6-0	10-6-0	Wild Card*
1995	Detroit	4-6-0	10-6-0	Wild Card*
1995	San Diego	4-6-0	9-7-0	Wild Card*
1996	Jacksonville	4-6-0	9-7-0	Wild Card***
1997	Detroit	4-6-0	9-7-0	Wild Card*
2008	San Diego	4-6-0	8-8-0	AFC West Champ**
2009	N.Y. Jets	4-6-0	9-7-0	Wild Card***
2012	Washington	4-6-0	10-6-0	NFC East Champ*
2013	San Diego	4-6-0	9-7-0	Wild Card***
2014	Carolina	3-6-1	7-8-1	NFC South Champ**
2015	Washington	4-6-0	9-7-0	NFC East Champ*
2016	Green Bay	4-6-0	10-6-0	NFC North Champ***

\*—Lost Wild Card Playoff. \*\*—Won Wild Card Playoff; lost Divisional Playoff. \*\*\*—Advanced to conference championship game.

**Bengals face an ex-coach for 27th time:** This week's game will mark the 27th time, and the second time in two weeks, for the Bengals to face a team whose head coach is a former Bengals assistant coach or head coach. Browns head coach Hue Jackson was Bengals offensive coordinator from 2014-15, and he also was on the staff from '04-06.

Last week at Denver, the Bengals defeated the Broncos and former Bengals assistant Vance Joseph, 20-17. The win gave Cincinnati a 15-10-1 record in the 26 previous meetings, including wins in seven of the last eight matchups.

Head coach Marvin Lewis has never lost to a former assistant, going 5-0-1 in his six tries. The Bengals have not lost to a former coach since 1995, when they fell to Sam Wyche's Tampa Bay squad.

Hue Jackson's return this week will mark the ninth time that a former Bengals assistant returns as an opposing head coach against the Bengals head coach under whom he served in Cincinnati. The Bengals are 6-1-1 in those contests. Six of the previous eight instances have come in the Marvin Lewis era, with Lewis going 5-0-1. Lewis has downed former defensive coordinator Leslie Frazier's Vikings (2013), Joseph's Broncos ('17) and Jackson's Browns (twice in '16, once in '17). Lewis' Bengals tied former offensive coordinator Jay Gruden's Redskins in 2016. The Bengals are also scheduled to play the Vikings, led by former defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer, next month.

Prior to Lewis' tenure, there were two instances of former Bengals assistants returning as an opposing head coach against the Bengals head coached under whom they served: (1) former Paul Brown assistant Rick Forzano coaching the Lions against Brown's Bengals in 1974, and (2) former Sam Wyche assistant Bruce Coslet coaching the Jets against Wyche's Bengals in 1990.

The 26 games against former coaches do not include instances of the Bengals opposing a head coach who was with Cincinnati only after the game, and the Cincinnati history listed for each coach in the chart below reflects only the Cincinnati years for him that preceded the game (notes on these and other points follow in the next item).

Below is the listing of the 26 previous games:

DATE	OPP.	HEAD COACH	WITH CIN.	RESULT
12-8-74	DET. ....	Rick Forzano	1968 (AC)	Lions, 23-19
12-6-81	S.F. ....	Bill Walsh	1968-75 (AC)	49ers, 21-3
1-24-82	vs. S.F.* .....	Bill Walsh	1968-75 (AC)	49ers, 26-21
10-26-82	SEA. ....	Mike McCormack	1976-79 (AC)	Bengals, 24-10
11-6-83	@Hou. ....	Chuck Studley	1969-78 (AC)	Bengals, 55-14
11-20-83	HOU. ....	Chuck Studley	1969-78 (AC)	Bengals, 38-10
11-4-84	@S.F. ....	Bill Walsh	1968-75 (AC)	49ers, 23-17
11-3-85	@Buff. ....	Hank Bullough	1980-83 (AC)	Bengals, 23-17
9-14-86	BUFF. ....	Hank Bullough	1980-83 (AC)	Bengals, 36-33 (OT)
10-5-86	@G.B.** .....	Forrest Gregg	1980-83 (HC)	Bengals, 34-28
9-20-87	S.F. ....	Bill Walsh	1968-75 (AC)	49ers, 27-26
12-6-87	K.C. ....	Frank Gansz	1979-80 (AC)	Bengals, 30-27 (OT)
11-13-88	@K.C. ....	Frank Gansz	1979-80 (AC)	Chiefs, 31-28
1-22-89	S.F.*** .....	Bill Walsh	1968-75 (AC)	49ers, 20-16
9-9-90	NYJ. ....	Bruce Coslet	1981-89 (AC)	Bengals, 25-20
11-15-92	@NYJ. ....	Bruce Coslet	1981-89 (AC)	Jets, 17-14
11-21-93	@NYJ. ....	Bruce Coslet	1981-89 (AC)	Jets, 17-12
10-8-95	@T.B. ....	Sam Wyche	1984-91 (HC)	Bucs, 19-16
12-22-96	IND. ....	Lindy Infante	1980-82 (AC)	Bengals, 31-24
11-9-97	@Ind. ....	Lindy Infante	1980-82 (AC)	Bengals, 28-13
12-22-13	MINN. ....	Leslie Frazier	2003-04 (AC)	Bengals, 42-14
10-23-16	CLE. ....	Hue Jackson	'04-06; '12-15 (AC)	Bengals, 31-17
10-30-16	WASH. ....	Jay Gruden	2011-13 (AC)	Tie, 27-27 (OT)
12-11-16	@Cle. ....	Hue Jackson	04-06; '12-15 (AC)	Bengals, 23-10
10-1-17	CLE. ....	Hue Jackson	04-06; '12-15 (AC)	Bengals, 31-7
11-19-17	@Den. ....	Vance Joseph	2014-15 (AC)	Bengals, 20-17

AC—Assistant coach. HC—Head coach. \*—Super Bowl XVI at Pontiac, Mich. \*\*—At Milwaukee. \*\*\*—Super Bowl XXIII at Miami.

**More on Bengals vs. ex-Bengals coaches:** Additional notes related to the previous item include:

Mike McCormack was head coach of the Eagles from 1973-75 and was 1-0 against the Bengals, but he was yet to coach in Cincinnati at that time. He coached for the Bengals from 1976-79.

Richard Williamson was head coach at Tampa Bay (1990-91), but did not play the Bengals. He later served as an assistant coach in Cincinnati ('92-94).

Gary Moeller, a Bengals assistant in 1995-96, was head coach at Detroit for eight games in 2000 but did not oppose the Bengals.

Lindy Infante was head coach at Green Bay from 1989-91 but did not oppose the Bengals, facing them as a head coach only with the Colts in 1996 and '97.

Chuck Studley, who coached the Houston Oilers against the Bengals after being a Bengals assistant (games in chart in previous item), returned to the Bengals as an assistant from 1989-91.

Bruce Coslet, who faced the Bengals three times as Jets head coach after his 1981-89 tenure as a Cincinnati assistant, later returned to the Bengals, as an assistant from '94-96 and head coach from '96-2000.

Coslet and Dick Jauron are the only former Bengals players to later oppose Cincinnati as head coaches. Coslet was a Bengals TE from 1969-76, and as head coach of the Jets from '90-93, he was 2-1 against the Bengals. He made his head coaching debut against the Bengals in 1990, losing 25-20 at Riverfront Stadium. Jauron was a Bengals safety from 1978-81. Jauron was 2-1 against the Bengals as a head coach, winning with Chicago in 2001, losing with Detroit in '05 and winning with Buffalo in '07.

Hue Jackson became Oakland Raiders head coach in 2011, following his first stint with the Bengals, but his '11 Raiders did not play the Bengals.

Mike Zimmer, Bengals defensive coordinator from 2008-13, became head coach of the Minnesota Vikings in '14. Zimmer has not yet faced the Bengals during the regular season, however the Vikings and Bengals will play in Minnesota later this season, on Dec. 17.

**Bengals seek to grow biggest 'Battle' margin:** With their victory at Cleveland on Oct. 1, the Bengals extended to 10 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 49-39, and this week the Bengals will try to

extend their series margin to 11 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 48-33 since that Cleveland high-water mark. The Browns have not led the series since the end of 2005, when they held a 33-32 edge.

Since surrendering that 33-32 lead by giving up a sweep in the 2006 meetings, 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 nearly a 12-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 2022, at the earliest. The Browns could not lead again until after the second game of '22.

**More Bengals-Browns facts:** The first-ever Bengals-Browns meeting of any kind was Aug. 29, 1970. On that Saturday, the Browns were visitors for the second preseason game of Riverfront Stadium's debut year. The Bengals won 31-24, moving to 2-0 in preseason in their new home. Also:

- The Bengals were 17-10 against the Browns at Riverfront Stadium/Cinergy Field.
- The Browns were 17-8 against the Bengals at the old Cleveland Stadium, but the Bengals lead 11-7 at FirstEnergy Stadium (formerly Cleveland Browns Stadium).
- The Bengals and Browns never played at Nippert Stadium, as Nippert was the Bengals' American Football League home.
- The Bengals have posted 12 season sweeps, and the Browns have posted eight. The teams have split 23 times. In 1982, they played only once, with the scheduled contest at Cleveland cancelled due to a players' strike.
- The first Bengals-Browns regular-season game at Cincinnati on Nov. 15, 1970 drew the first home crowd of 60,000 in Bengals history (60,007 at Riverfront Stadium). The Bengals won 14-10 behind a 110-yard rushing effort from QB Virgil Carter, the only 100-yarder by a QB in Bengals history.
- The largest Bengals home crowd for a Browns game has been 66,072, on Sept. 17, 2006 at Paul Brown Stadium. That ranks as the fifth-largest crowd in Bengals history.
- The Browns drew the largest Bengals crowd in the Riverfront Stadium/Cinergy Field era — 60,284 for a 27-24 Browns win on Oct. 17, 1971.
- The Bengals and Browns met three times in preseason at Ohio Stadium in Columbus, from 1972-74. All were Sunday afternoon games, and the Browns won two of the three.

**Coaches in Battle of Ohio:** Bengals head coach Marvin Lewis, who is 21-8 overall against Cleveland, has the most total wins and best winning percentage (.724) of any Bengals head coach in the series. Lewis also has coached the most games (29) against Cleveland. Sam Wyche is second in all three categories, with 10 wins, a .625 winning percentage (10-6) and 16 games.

Bill Belichick has been the top Browns coach in the series, having posted an 8-2 mark against the Bengals during his 1991-95 tenure.

Lewis is the only Bengals head coach whose first Cincinnati victory came against Cleveland. Lewis took over as head coach in 2003, and his first win was a 21-14 decision at Cleveland on Sept. 28 of that year. The Bengals entered that game at 0-3, but went on to finish 8-8. The six-game improvement, after a 2-14 season in 2002, was the largest in the NFL for '03.

Forrest Gregg is the only head coach to pilot both teams in the Battle of Ohio. Gregg was 1-5 as Browns coach against the Bengals from 1975-77, and he was 3-4 as Bengals coach against the Browns from '80-83.

Here's a full roundup of Bengals' head coaches, in chronological order, and their records in the Battle of Ohio: Paul Brown (5-7), Bill "Tiger" Johnson (3-2), Homer Rice (2-1), Forrest Gregg (3-4), Sam Wyche (10-6), Dave Shula (1-7), Bruce Coslet (2-1), Dick LeBeau (2-3), Marvin Lewis (21-8).

With their win in the first meeting of 2016 against the Browns and head coach Hue Jackson, the Bengals ran their record to 10-6 against Browns head coaches directing their first game in the series. Browns head coaches who won their first game have been Blanton Collier (1970), Nick Skorich ('71), Sam Rutigliano ('78), Bill Belichick ('91), Rob Chudzinski (2013) and Mike Pettine (2014). On the losing end for Cleveland have been Forrest Gregg (1975), Marty Schottenheimer ('84), Bud Carson ('89), Jim Shofner ('90), Chris Palmer ('99), Butch Davis (2001), Romeo Crennel ('05), Eric Mangini ('09), Pat Shurmur ('11) and Jackson.

Bengals coaches show a 7-2 record the first time out against Cleveland. The last five have won. The seven winners have been Bill Johnson (1976), Homer Rice ('78), Sam Wyche ('84), Dave Shula ('92), Bruce Coslet ('99), Dick LeBeau

(2000) and Marvin Lewis ('03). Losing in the first try vs. Cleveland were Paul Brown (1970) and Forrest Gregg ('80).

**Records vs. Browns:** The two highest-scoring games in Bengals history have each been against the Browns, both coming during Marvin Lewis' tenure as head coach. On Nov. 28, 2004 at Paul Brown Stadium, the Bengals won 58-48, and the 106 total points is not only a Bengals record, it is the second-most in NFL history, behind only 113 from Washington's 72-41 win over the N.Y. Giants in 1966. And on Sept. 16, 2007, the Bengals and Browns combined for 96 points at Cleveland in a 51-45 Browns win.

More on Bengals records against the Browns:

- In their 30-0 win over the Browns in Cleveland in 2014, the Bengals allowed only five first downs, fewest by an opponent in Bengals history.
- The 58-48 Bengals win on Nov. 28, 2004 is the only game in club history in which Cincinnati scored double figures in all four quarters (14-13-14-17 — 58).
- WR A.J. Green's 41-yard TD reception put the Bengals ahead to stay in the fourth quarter of the 2011 season opener at Cleveland, and at the time, it was the longest game-winning catch in NFL history by a rookie playing in his team's first game of the year. The previous long in this category was only 22 yards, and it had stood for more than 85 years, set by Jack Underwood of the Duluth Kelleys in 1924. Since Green's game winner, Kansas City rookie RB Kareem Hunt caught a 78-yard TD pass to put the Chiefs ahead for good early in the fourth quarter of their opener this season at New England.
- In the final Bengals game at Cinergy Field, on Dec. 12, 1999, Cincinnati limited the Browns to the fewest rushing yards ever by an opponent. Cleveland had only 11 net yards on 11 attempts.
- On Dec. 21, 1980 vs. Cleveland, DE Eddie Edwards set the Bengals record for sacks in a game with five. The mark stood unchallenged for 19 years, until DE Antwan Odom tied it on Sept. 20, 2009 at Green Bay.
- On Nov. 25, 2001 at Cleveland, T.J. Houshmandzadeh set the Bengals record for punt return yards in a game with 126. His 86-yarder in that game ranks tied for third-longest in club history.
- In the Sept. 16, 2007 shootout with the Browns noted above, QB Carson Palmer threw six TD passes, the most ever by a Bengals QB in a single game.
- On Nov. 17, 2013, the Bengals scored 31 points in the third quarter, a team record for most points in a quarter, en route to a 41-20 Cincinnati victory.
- On Oct 23, 2016 against Cleveland, HB Jeremy Hill had the most rushing yards in club 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.
- The Bengals' 23-20 overtime victory at Cleveland on Oct. 4, 2009 stands as the longest Bengals game not to end in a tie. Only four seconds remained in the overtime period when K Shayne Graham booted a 31-yard field goal to break a 20-all deadlock. Elapsed scoreboard clock time for the game was 74:56. The only 75-minute games in Bengals history have been three ties, in 2008 vs. Philadelphia, in '14 vs. Carolina and '16 vs. Washington in London.

**Individually vs. Browns:** P Kevin Huber has faced the Browns more times than any player on the Bengals roster, having battled with Cleveland 17 times. In total, 12 current Bengals have been with the team for 10 Bengals-Browns matchups, including 10 players listed as starters.

Here is a look at the Bengals offensive players who have posted stats against the Browns:

- QB Andy Dalton: 13 games; 10-3 W-L record; 245-for-381 passing (64.3 percent) for 2780 yards (213.8) per game, with 24 TDs and 11 INTs (passer rating of 95.0).
- WR A.J. Green: 12 games; 57 receptions for 887 yards (15.6; 73.9 per game) with seven TDs.
- HB Giovani Bernard: Seven games; 73 rushes for 351 yards (4.8); 19 receptions for 200 yards (10.5) and one TD.
- H-B Ryan Hewitt: Six games; Five receptions for 57 yards (11.4).
- TE Tyler Kroft: Four games; Eight receptions for 88 yards (11.0) and two TDs.
- WR Tyler Boyd: Three games; Eight receptions for 67 yards (8.4); Two rushes for 40 yards (20.0).
- WR Brandon LaFell: Three games; Nine receptions for 122 yards (13.6), with one TD.
- QB AJ McCarron: Three games; Two-for-three passing (66.7 percent) for 19 yards, with no TDs or INTs.
- TE C.J. Uzomah: Three games; Two receptions for 15 yards (7.5).
- WR Cody Core: Two games; One reception for eight yards.
- WR Alex Erickson: Two games; One reception for 16 yards.
- HB Joe Mixon: One game; 17 rushes for 29 yards (1.7); Four receptions for 19 yards (4.8).

**That '16 game in Cincy was something:** For the Bengals, their 559-yard offensive game vs. Cleveland on Oct. 23 of last season was:

- The highest yardage output in 26 years, since 582 in an overtime win at the Los Angeles Rams on Oct. 7, 1990.
- The highest output in a regulation-time game since Dec. 17, 1989, when the total was 584 vs. Houston.
- The game with the most rushing yards (271) in more than 30 years, since the team had 274 on Dec. 8, 1985 vs. Dallas. It ranks No. 7 in franchise history.
- The tied-for-seventh highest offensive total in franchise history.
- The first game in which the Bengals had a 300-yard passer (Andy Dalton 308), a 100-yard rusher (Jeremy Hill 168) and a 100-yard receiver (A.J. Green 169) in a regulation-time game since Sept. 16, 2007 at Cleveland. Cincinnati also did it on Oct. 12, 2014 vs. Carolina, but that was a tie that went five full quarters.
- The game with the most yards per rush (9.0) since Oct. 22, 2000, when the Bengals averaged 11.0 vs. Denver. That Denver game featured a club-record 407 rushing yards, including a club-record 278 by HB Corey Dillon, which was the NFL individual record at the time.

**Bengals career records watch:** Here is a look at potential upcoming movement in the Bengals' career records book (regular season). Team records are listed in full detail on pages 170-179 of the 2017 media guide.

- QB Andy Dalton has 22 career 300-yard passing games, one shy of QB Boomer Esiason for the Bengals' all-time lead.
- Dalton also has 3356 career passing attempts, 208 shy of Esiason (3564) for second place all-time. QB Ken Anderson (4475) is the Bengals' all-time leader. Dalton passed QB Carson Palmer (3217) for third place all-time in Game 5, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo.
- WR A.J. Green has 31 career 100-yard receiving games, tied with WR Chad Johnson for the Bengals' all-time lead.
- Green also has 529 career receptions, one shy of WR Carl Pickens (530) for second place all-time. Johnson (751) is the Bengals' all-time leader. Green passed WR T.J. Houshmandzadeh (507) for third place all-time in Game 5, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo.
- Green also has 55 career receiving TDs, eight shy of Pickens (63) for second place all-time. Johnson (66) is the Bengals' all-time leader. Green passed WR Isaac Curtis (53) for third place all-time in Game 9, Nov. 12 at Tennessee.
- Green also has 55 career total TDs, nine shy of Pickens and RB James Brooks (64) for third place all-time. FB Pete Johnson (70) is the Bengals' all-time leader. Green passed WR Isaac Curtis (53) for fifth place all-time in Game 9, Nov. 12 at Tennessee.
- P Kevin Huber has 30,070 career punting yards, 2126 shy of the Bengals' all-time leader, P Lee Johnson (32,196). Huber passed P Pat McNally (29,307) for second place all-time in Game 8, Nov. 5 at Jacksonville.
- CB Adam Jones has 1099 career punt return yards as a Bengal, 102 shy of CB Lemar Parrish (1201) for third place all-time. WR Brandon Tate (1411) is the Bengals' all-time leader.
- Jones also has one punt return for a TD as a Bengal. One more would tie him for second-most all-time with WR Peter Warrick, WR Craig Yeast and CB Mitchell Price (each with two). Parrish (four) is the Bengals' all-time leader.
- DE Carlos Dunlap has 61 career sacks, 1.5 shy of LB Reggie Williams for second place all-time. DE Eddie Edwards (83.5) is the Bengals' all-time leader. Dunlap passed DE Ross Browner (59) for third place all-time in Game 10, Nov. 19 at Denver.
- DT Geno Atkins has 58 career sacks, one shy of Browner (59) for third place all-time. Edwards (83.5) is the Bengals' all-time leader.

**Bengals celebrate 50th season:** The Bengals are celebrating their 50th season in 2017. A commemorative logo is featured on patches the team wears on its uniforms, on the field at Paul Brown Stadium, and on the windows of the East Club Lounge facing downtown. Three-dimensional sculptures of the 50th season logo are located throughout the Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky and Dayton areas, including outside Paul Brown Stadium.

A key component of the Bengals 50th season celebration is the Bengals First 50, which recognizes the top 50 retired Bengals players as voted by fans and media. The Bengals First 50 and other Bengals legends will be recognized during halftime ceremonies at every regular-season home game, which will include video highlights and an on-field presentation.

Bengals legends being honored at this week's Cleveland Browns game include Coy Bacon, David Fulcher, Stanford Jennings, Tim Krumrie, Jim LeClair

and Reggie Williams. Additionally, former head coaches Forrest Gregg and Sam Wyche will be recognized.

**Uniform watch:** The Bengals are scheduled to wear orange jerseys and black pants this week vs. Cleveland.

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

JERSEY	PANTS	W-L-T	PCT.
Orange*	Black	5-0-0	1.000
Orange*	White	15-6-1	.705
Black	Black	16-11-1	.589
Black	White	32-31-1	.508
White (CR)*	White (CR)*	1-1-0	.500
White	Black	26-30-0	.464
White	White	19-28-0	.404

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

**BENGALS-BROWNS NFL RANKINGS**

	BENGALS	BROWNS
<b>SCORING (AVERAGE POINTS):</b>		
Points scored	29th (16.9)	32nd (15.0)
Points allowed	T-10th (19.9)	T-27th (25.9)
<b>NET OFFENSE (AVERAGE YARDS):</b>		
Total	32nd (265.6)	29th (300.7)
Rushing	32nd (68.0)	23rd (101.2)
Passing	29th (197.6)	28th (199.5)
<b>NET DEFENSE (AVERAGE YARDS):</b>		
Total	12th (323.0)	8th (313.7)
Rushing	27th (122.4)	6th (91.7)
Passing	6th (200.6)	15th (222.0)
<b>TURNOVERS:</b>		
Differential	T-27th (minus-seven)	32nd (minus-17)

**Bengals' defense locks down the red zone:** The Bengals currently rank third in the NFL in red-zone defense, allowing touchdowns on only 41.2 percent of opponents' trips into the red zone (14 of 34). Opponents have come away with points on 88.2 percent of their trips to the red zone (16 FGs, 14 TDs).

Over the last five games, the Bengals have allowed just 10 touchdowns on 25 opponent trips into the red zone. Last week at Denver, with the Broncos on the Cincinnati four-yard line in the first quarter, CB Dre Kirkpatrick intercepted a Brock Osweiler pass in the end-zone and returned it 101 yards to set up a Bengals TD. The Broncos finished the day with two TDs in three trips into the red zone.

The Browns enter this weekend's game ranked tied for 27th in red-zone offense, scoring 12 TDs in 26 trips.

**BENGALS RED-ZONE REPORT**

OFFENSE	DEFENSE
<b>Inside-20 possessions:</b> 25	<b>Inside-20 possessions:</b> 34
<b>Total scores:</b> 19 (76.0%)	<b>Total scores:</b> 30 (88.2%)
TDs: 13 (52.0%)	TDs: 14 (41.2%)
FGs: 6 (24.0%)	FGs: 16 (47.1%)
TD% rank: T-19th	TD% rank: 3rd
<b>No scores:</b> 6 (24.0%)	<b>No scores:</b> 4 (11.8%)

**BROWNS RED-ZONE REPORT**

OFFENSE	DEFENSE
<b>Inside-20 possessions:</b> 26	<b>Inside-20 possessions:</b> 26
<b>Total scores:</b> 16 (61.5%)	<b>Total scores:</b> 25 (96.2%)
TDs: 12 (46.2%)	TDs: 20 (76.9%)
FGs: 4 (15.4%)	FGs: 5 (19.2%)
TD% rank: T-27th	TD% rank: 32nd
<b>No scores:</b> 10 (38.5%)	<b>No scores:</b> 1 (3.8%)

**Bengals-Browns connections:** Browns head coach Hue Jackson was offensive coordinator for the Bengals from 2014-15, and he also coached for Cincinnati from '04-06 and from '12-13 ... Browns OL Kevin Zeitler

was a first-round draft choice (27th overall) of the Bengals in 2012, and was with the team through the 2016 season ... Browns DB Derron Smith was a sixth-round draft choice (197th overall) of the Bengals in 2015, and was with the team until Nov. 9 of this season ... Browns TE Matt Lengel entered the NFL as a college free agent with the Bengals in 2015, and was with the team through mid-2016. Lengel also played at Eastern Kentucky University ... Bengals defensive line coach Jacob Burney was on the Browns staff from 1994-95 ... Browns tight ends coach Greg Seamon spent 13 seasons (2003-15) with the Bengals, primarily as a scout. Seamon also coached at the University of Cincinnati (1995-98) and Miami (Ohio) University ('99-00) ... Browns defensive line coach Clyde Simmons played for the Bengals in 1998 ... Browns QB DeShone Kizer is from Toledo, Ohio (Central Catholic High School) ... Browns LB James Burgess Jr.

played at the University of Louisville ... Bengals TE Mason Schreck (Reserve/Injured) is from Medina, Ohio (Medina High School) ... Browns CB Darius Hillary (practice squad) was with the Bengals briefly in 2016, and is the son of former Bengal Ira Hillary. He is also from Cincinnati (Sycamore High School) ... Bengals HB Cedric Peerman (Reserve/Injured) was briefly with the Browns in 2009 but did not play ... Browns offensive line coach Bob Wyllie coached at Ohio University (1985-87), the University of Cincinnati ('96) and with the Bengals ('97-98) ... Browns special teams quality control coach Stan Watson coached at Bowling Green State University from 2008-11, and at the University of Toledo from '12-13 ... Browns assistant defensive line coach Ken Delgado coached at the University of Louisville from 2008-09 ... Browns special teams assistant Shawn Mennenga coached at Western Kentucky University in 1997 ... Browns strength and conditioning coordinator Evan Marcus coached at the University of Louisville from 1998-99.

## THE HEAD COACHES

**Marvin Lewis** in 2017 extends his Bengals-record head coaching tenure to 15 seasons, nearly twice that of Paul Brown (1968-75) and Sam Wyche ('84-91), who are tied for second with eight seasons each.

Lewis has led his teams to the postseason seven times, including a five-year run from 2011-15. The total number of playoff trips and the five-year streak of consecutive appearances are Bengals records, and the Bengals were one of only four NFL teams to reach the playoffs every year from 2011-15. The playoff run ended in 2016, however, as Cincinnati finished 6-9-1. The Bengals' last five losses came by a total of 16 points. Injuries were a greater-than-usual factor, and crucial missed place kicks plagued the team to an extent not seen for many years.

The Bengals' 58-36-2 record over the last six full seasons (2011-16) under Lewis gave the team a .615 winning percentage for that span, ranked sixth in the NFL.

Lewis has 122 career victories, the most in Bengals history by a margin of 58 over Wyche (64). Lewis' record now is 122-109-3 in the regular season and 122-116-3 including postseason.

Lewis in 2017 ranks second among NFL head coaches in longest current tenure with one team, trailing only Bill Belichick, who is in his 18th 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 (23rd season in '17), Andy Reid (19) and John Fox (16).

Lewis has developed an impressive "coaching tree" during his Bengals tenure. Five of his former assistants have become NFL head coaches, and four of those are leading teams in 2017. The list, including their teams and head coaching tenures, includes former Bengals offensive coordinators Jay Gruden (Washington, 2014-present) and Hue Jackson (Cleveland, '16-present), former defensive coordinators Leslie Frazier (Minnesota, '10-13) and Mike Zimmer (Minnesota, '14-present), and former defensive backs coach Vance Joseph (Denver, '17).

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

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

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

In 2002, the season before he joined the Bengals, Lewis led the Washington

Redskins to a No. 5 NFL defensive ranking, serving as assistant head coach as well as defensive coordinator.

He had his first NFL assignment from 1992-95, as linebackers coach for the Pittsburgh Steelers. He aided the development of four Pro Bowl players — Kevin Greene, Chad Brown, Levon Kirkland and Greg Lloyd.

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

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

Born Sept. 23, 1958, Lewis attended Fort Cherry High School in McDonald, Pa. (near Pittsburgh), where he was an all-conference quarterback and safety. He also earned high school letters in wrestling and baseball. He and his wife, Peggy, have a daughter, Whitney, and a son, Marcus. Marcus Lewis joined the Bengals' coaching staff for 2014 and remains on the staff for '17.

**Hue Jackson** is in his second season as Browns head coach. He was named the 16th full-time head coach of the Cleveland Browns on Jan. 13, 2016.

Jackson is in his 31st year of coaching, including now 17 in the NFL. He has had two previous stints with the Bengals as an assistant coach, from 2004-06 and from 2012-15. He was Bengals offensive coordinator from 2014-15.

Jackson was head coach of the Oakland Raiders in 2011, leading a team that tied for the best record (8-8) in the AFC West but missed the division title and a postseason berth via tiebreaker. Jackson was not retained by the Raiders for 2012, but that 8-8 finish tied for the best by any Raiders team between 2002 and '15 (the Raiders went 12-4 in '16).

Jackson's NFL coaching record is 9-33.

In addition to his term with the Bengals, Jackson has been an NFL offensive coordinator at Washington (2003), Atlanta (2007) and Oakland (2010). Five of his seven Bengals teams reached the playoffs, including the last four.

Jackson's hometown is Los Angeles. He played quarterback at the University of Pacific from 1985-86. He also played basketball and earned his degree in physical education.

Jackson was born on Oct. 22, 1965, in Los Angeles. He and his wife, Michelle, have three daughters: Jordyn, Baylee and Haydyn.

**Lewis vs. Browns:** Lewis leads, 21-8.

**Lewis vs. Jackson:** Lewis leads, 3-0.

**Jackson vs. Bengals:** Bengals lead, 3-0.

## BENGALS NOTES

**Dunlap the playmaker:** Bengals DE Carlos Dunlap's playmaking ability was on display again last week at Denver, when he recorded two sacks of Brock Osweiler, including a seven-yarder on Denver's final drive as they were driving for a potential game-tying FG attempt. Two plays later, the Bengals forced the Broncos into a turnover on downs.

In Game 7 vs. Indianapolis, Dunlap made perhaps the defensive play of the year so far for Cincinnati, when he tipped a Jacoby Brissett pass in the fourth quarter, hauled it in and returned it 16 yards for a touchdown. The score, which came with 6:58 remaining in the game and the Bengals trailing by six, put Cincinnati on top to stay, 24-23. It was Dunlap's third career touchdown and second pick-six. Dunlap also recorded a sack of Brissett earlier in the contest.

For the season, Dunlap has four sacks, 14 QB hits, three passes defended, seven tackles for losses, a forced fumble and the interception for a touchdown.

Dunlap has 61 sacks for his career, good for third place all-time in Bengals history behind LB Reggie Williams (62.5 sacks). Dunlap passed DE Ross Browner (59 sacks) on the all-time list in Game 10, Nov. 19 at Denver.

And at 28 years old — he turns 29 after the season — all-time Bengals sack leader Eddie Edwards (83.0) is beginning to come into focus. Dunlap, now in his eighth season out of the University of Florida, has averaged 8.1 sacks over his seven previous seasons in stripes, while Edwards averaged seven sacks over 12 seasons (1977-88).

Dunlap earned his second Pro Bowl nod last season, after filling up the stat

sheet with eight sacks, a team-leading 15 passes defended and three forced fumbles.

In 2015, Dunlap had 13.5 sacks, second-most in Bengals history. Besides his 61 sacks, his career totals include 16 forced fumbles, eight fumble recoveries, 43 passes defended, four blocked FGs and three 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.”

**Dre’s INT a historical oddity:** In the first quarter of last week’s win at Denver, with the Broncos facing a third-and-three at the Cincinnati four-yard line, CB Dre Kirkpatrick picked off a Brock Osweiler pass in the end zone and sprinted down the field toward what would’ve been his third career pick-six. But, with about 15 yards to go before reaching the end zone, Kirkpatrick fumbled the ball without any apparent disruption by a Bronco. He did manage to recover his own fumble at the Denver one-yard line, but before the Bengals punched it into the end zone three plays later on a one-yard Tyler Kroft TD reception, the blooper had already spread around the internet like wildfire.

Kirkpatrick’s 101-yard return, which he shared a laugh about after the game, now stands as the longest INT return in NFL history to not result in a TD. The next-longest INT without a TD was 98 yards, by Cleveland CB Brandon McDonald on Dec. 15, 2008, in a game at Philadelphia.

Jamie Erdahl of the CBS broadcast reported shortly after the play that a visibly exhausted Kirkpatrick became sick upon returning to the sideline, a victim of exhaustion and the Denver altitude (he did not miss any game time).

“They were coming from both ends and I was running this way,” Kirkpatrick told reporters after the game. “[WR Emmanuel] Sanders and [WR Demaryius] Thomas were coming. I tried to catch the ball, and I thought they poked it out. I have to hold on to the ball. I didn’t know where they were, it was just an act of the moment. I have to hold on to the ball, no excuses for it. I have to put that in.”

Since the play, Kirkpatrick has been the subject of good-natured ribbing by teammates and fans. And he’s not above self-deprecation, either. After the game, he posted a photo on his Instagram account (drepic6) of a gift someone had left on his seat on the Bengals’ charter back to Cincinnati — an oxygen tank, with a note attached that read, “Who Dey. Great game.”

**Geno chasing another crown:** DT Geno Atkins has again found himself atop NFL interior defensive linemen in sacks. After 11 weeks, Atkins (6.0 sacks) is tied with Dallas DT David Irving for the NFL lead in sacks for interior linemen. Jacksonville’s Malik Jackson and Tampa Bay’s Gerald McCoy are the next-closest at 5.0.

It’s a familiar position for Atkins, who has finished in at least a tie for the NFL lead in sacks by an interior lineman in four of his seven previous seasons. Last year, he claimed the honor outright with nine sacks, besting DT Aaron Donald of the Los Angeles Rams, who was second with eight. No other interior lineman had more than seven.

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

Atkins has 58 career sacks, most by a Bengals interior lineman and fifth overall.

**Lawson leads rookies in sacks:** Through the first 11 weeks of the 2017 NFL season, Bengals LB Carl Lawson sits atop all NFL rookies in sacks, with 5.5. He leads Derek Barnett of Philadelphia (4.5) by a narrow margin. Myles Garrett of Cleveland and T.J. Watt of Pittsburgh are close behind at 4.0. Among all players, Lawson stands in a tie for 29th, with Dallas’ Demarcus Lawrence and Jacksonville’s Calais Campbell leading the NFL at 11.5.

In Game 3 at Green Bay, Lawson recorded 2.5 sacks, the most by a Bengals rookie in a game since Justin Smith in 2001.

Although he was held without a sack last week at Denver, Lawson recorded one sack the previous week at Tennessee — a one-yarder of Marcus Mariota in the third quarter that helped force a Titans punt. In Game 7 vs. Indianapolis, Lawson’s seven-yard sack of Jacoby Brissett on the Colts’ final drive as they were looking to get into range for a potential game-winning FG, helped secure a Bengals victory.

**Carl eyeing Carlos’ rookie record:** LB Carl Lawson’s impressive rookie campaign is entering rare Bengals air. Through 10 games, the pass-rushing specialist has 5.5 sacks, just four shy of Cincinnati’s rookie record of 9.5 for a full season, set by DE Carlos Dunlap in 2010.

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

Lawson, on the other hand, started hot, with a 2.5-sack effort in just his third game. He’s since maintained a steady pace, with sacks in four of his 10 games this season.

Lawson leads all NFL rookies in sacks, by a margin of one over Philadelphia’s Derek Barnett (4.5). In 2010, Dunlap narrowly missed out on the rookie sack crown when Detroit’s Ndamukong Suh logged his 10th sack late in the fourth quarter of the Lions’ finale.

As far as quarterback pressures, Lawson’s team-leading 15 QB hits through 10 games already tops Dunlap’s rookie season total of 14.

**Marvin’s youth movement:** According to information released by the NFL regarding opening-week rosters, considered the baseline for comparing year-to-year roster information, the Bengals began the 2017 season with the youngest roster (average of 25.45 years old) in Marvin Lewis’ 15 seasons as head coach. Lewis’ next-youngest editions were in 2004 (25.7) and ’11 (25.74). The Bengals’ opening-week roster also ranked as the third-youngest in the NFL this year, behind Cleveland (24.17) and the L.A. Rams (25.11). The average age league-wide was 26.05.

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

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

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

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

**Defense leans on the ‘kids’:** While the core of the Cincinnati’s defense is no doubt recognizable with veteran stalwarts like Geno Atkins, Vontaze Burfict and Carlos Dunlap filling up the stat sheets, this edition of the Bengals’ defense sports an unusually young surrounding cast. The Cincinnati defense has leaned heavily upon the ‘kids,’ a nickname coined by several analysts for the wave of young Bengals, and the results have been impressive.

Eleven of the 26 Bengals players to see time on defense this season are either rookies or second-year players, including seven who have been on the field for more than a quarter of the team’s 731 defensive snaps. That includes the defense’s leader in snaps played, second-year LB Nick Vigil, who has been on the field for 99.3 percent (726 out of 731 possible) of defensive plays this season. Vigil also leads the team in tackles, with 76.

Bengal rookie and second-year players have combined to play 2315 out of an available 8041 snaps (731 plays, multiplied by 11 players on the field at a time) this season, which works out to just under 29 percent. And from a production standpoint, they haven’t disappointed, accounting for 8.5 of the team’s 29 sacks, three of its seven INTs, 14 of its 39 passes defended, and 157 of the 629 total tackles (25.0 percent). And on special teams, rookie DE Jordan Willis has a blocked punt, and second-year CB KeiVarae Russell has a blocked FG.

Eight of the Bengals’ 18 draft choices over the last two years were used on defenders, and seven of those players have seen action this season on defense, combining for 2260 snaps. The lone defensive draft selection to not appear on defense, rookie sixth-round pick Brandon Wilson, was signed from the practice squad to the active roster on Nov. 11 and has been a special teams contributor.

Here are the Bengals’ rookie and second-year players to see time on defense this year: Vigil (726 snaps), CB William Jackson (323), LB Carl Lawson (306), DT Ryan Glasgow (255), DE Jordan Willis (234), S Clayton Fejedelem (185), DT Andrew Billings (184), LB Jordan Evans (47), CB KeiVarae Russell (23), Josh Tupou (19), and LB Hardy Nickerson (13).

**Defense’s sack streak ends at 34:** The Bengals were held without a sack in Game 6 at Pittsburgh, marking the first time in more than two

seasons they did not record at least one sack in a game. The 34-game streak (regular season only) had begun in Week 4 of 2015, in a 36-21 home win over Kansas City in which the defense tallied five sacks. It had been the longest active streak in the NFL and the longest since Green Bay's streak of 42 ended in 2015.

The sack streak registers as the second-longest in team history, behind a 50-gamer that stretched over parts of five seasons in the early 1980s (Nov. 8, 1981 to Sept. 15, 1985). The next-longest streak is 32, which spanned from Nov. 8, 2010 to Oct. 21, 2012.

Over Cincinnati's 34-game streak, the Bengals recorded 87 sacks for 545 yards. Twenty-one different Bengals had at least a half sack over the span, and the defense logged more than one sack in 24 of the 34 games. DT Geno Atkins totaled the most sacks during the stretch, with 22, and he recorded at least a half sack in 19 of the games. DE Carlos Dunlap was a close second, with 20, and logged at least a half sack in 16 different games.

Through the team's first 10 games of 2017, 11 different Bengals have recorded at least one sack. Cincinnati has 29 sacks this season, ranked tied for fourth in the NFL.

**Geno's sack streak halted at six:** Bengals DT Geno Atkins' most productive sack streak of his stellar eight-year career ended in Game 2 at Green Bay, when he was held without a sack for the first time since Game 12 of last season. Atkins had recorded at least a half sack in six consecutive games. His streak of six tied for the longest streak in Bengals history with DE Eddie Edwards (1983), LB Reggie Williams ('84) and current DE Carlos Dunlap (2010), and it had also been the longest active streak in the NFL at the time.

Over the span of the streak, Atkins recorded 7.5 sacks for 51.5 yards. He had two multi-sack efforts during the streak — two sacks for 19 yards in Game 13 at Cleveland last season (the first game in the streak), and two sacks in Game 2 of 2017 vs. Houston.

Atkins has 58 sacks for his career, fifth place all-time in team history and the most ever by a Bengals interior lineman.

**Add Jackson to the list:** Early in the second quarter of Game 3 at Green Bay, CB William Jackson jumped in front of Packers WR Jordy Nelson, snagged a pass thrown by QB Aaron Rodgers for an interception and returned it 75 yards for a touchdown.

It was a big play for the Bengals at the time, giving the Bengals a 21-7 lead, though Cincinnati eventually lost to the Packers in overtime. Despite the loss, that INT stood out from a historical perspective, not only because it was a TD, but because it also was the first INT of Jackson's career.

Jackson, a second-year player, became just the 14th Bengal to score on his first career INT and the first since DE Carlos Dunlap did it in 2012. Jackson was the first defensive back to do it since CB Johnathan Joseph scored on his first INT in 2007.

Jackson, from the University of Houston, was the Bengals' first-round pick in the 2016 NFL Draft. He spent his entire rookie season on the Reserve/Injured list with a pectoral muscle tear, thus he recorded the INT for a TD in just his third career game.

Here is a complete list of the Bengals players who scored a TD on their first career INT:

DATE	OPP.	PLAYER	RET. YARDS	CIN. RESULT
9-22-68	Buff.	LB Al Beauchamp	17	W, 34-23
10-19-75	Oak.	S Marvin Cobb	52	W, 14-10
11-11-79	@S.D.	CB Ray Griffin	96	L, 24-26
10-10-83	Pitt.	S James Griffin	41	L, 14-24
10-16-83	@Den.	CB Ray Horton	55	L, 17-24
12-30-90	Cle.	LB James Francis	15	W, 21-14
9-17-95	@Sea	CB Roger Jones	17	L, 21-24
10-31-04	@Tenn.	S Madiou Williams	51	L, 20-27
1-02-05	@Phil.	DE Robert Geathers	36	W, 38-10
11-19-06	@N.O.	S Ethan Kilmer	52	W, 31-16
10-21-07	NYJ	CB Johnathan Joseph	42	W, 38-31
12-06-09	Det.	DT Jonathan Fanene	45	W, 23-13
12-30-12	Balt.	DE Carlos Dunlap	14	W, 23-17
9-24-17	@G.B.	CB William Jackson	75	L, 24-27 (OT)

**Dalton second to go six-for-3000:** A season passing total of 3000 yards is not in itself a stupendous NFL feat. Twenty-five passers reached it in 2016. But hitting 3000 in the first six seasons of an NFL career, which Andy

Dalton reached last year in Game 11 at Baltimore, still is an event worth noting.

The only QB to do it before Dalton 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.

Carolina's Cam Newton ended up joining the same club a few weeks later last season, passing the 3000 mark on Dec. 19 at Washington, and he finished the season at 3509 yards. Newton was chosen first overall in the same 2011 draft in which the Bengals claimed Dalton at No. 35.

Dalton finished 2016 with 4206 yards. This year, he has passed for 2158 yards through 10 games, which projects to 3453 yards for the full season.

**Dalton chasing Kenny in TDs:** Although he has been held out of the end zone so far this season, QB Andy Dalton's 19 total TDs are just one short of the franchise record for touchdowns by a QB, held at 20 by Ken Anderson. Dalton is in his seventh season, while Anderson played 16 Bengals seasons (1971-86).

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

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

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

**'Crazy Legs' Andy:** QB Andy Dalton's 18 career rushing TDs not only puts him in rare company in team history, he's also among the best when compared to his current NFL peers. In the category of rushing TDs by a QB, only Carolina's Cam Newton, whose 52 rushing TDs are beyond similarity, ranks higher than Dalton since 2011. Dalton and Newton both entered the NFL in '11.

Andrew Luck (14), Russell Wilson (14), Colin Kaepernick (13) and Tyrod Taylor (13) round out the top five.

**Dalton piles up the wins:** Of the many things QB Andy Dalton has proven in his NFL career thus far, perhaps none is more valued than his knack for earning victories. And he has done so at a rate on-par, or better, than some of the game's best passers.

Here's a look at the most wins by QBs through their first six seasons. Dalton had 56 wins through the 2016 season, his sixth, which ties him for sixth place.

PLAYER	TEAM	WINS
Joe Flacco	Baltimore	62
Russell Wilson	Seattle	62
Ben Roethlisberger	Pittsburgh	60
Matt Ryan	Atlanta	60
Tom Brady	New England	58
Andy Dalton	Cincinnati	56
Donovan McNabb	Philadelphia	56

When extending this list to a QB's first seven seasons, the required minimum number of wins to rank in the top five is 66. Thus, Dalton would have to lead the Bengals to 10 wins this season (he currently has four) to rank in the top five. After seven seasons, Flacco (72) again leads the way, followed by Brady (70), Roethlisberger (69), Manning (66) and Ryan (66).

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

- He is one of only three QBs in the Super Bowl era to lead a team to the postseason in each of his first five campaigns. Dalton did that from 2011-15, while Baltimore's Joe Flacco did it from '08-12 and Seattle's Russell Wilson has done it from '12-16.
- Dalton has posted 41 career games with a passer rating of 100 or more, and the Bengals are 34-7 (.829) in those contests.
- Dalton's .592 winning percentage (60-41-2) ranks eighth among active QBs with 50 or more starts behind Tom Brady (.780), Russell Wilson (.702), Ben Roethlisberger (.679), Aaron Rodgers (.667), Andrew Luck (.614), Matt Ryan (.596) and Joe Flacco (.595).
- Dalton's .592 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.
- He is the only Bengals passer to throw for 300-plus yards in four consecutive games (2013).
- He opened his career with 77 consecutive regular-season starts, a

Bengals record for quarterbacks at any point during a career. The previous mark had been 61, posted by Boomer Esiason from 1985-89. Dalton's streak ranks tied for fourth in NFL history for the start of a career by a QB, trailing only Peyton Manning of Indianapolis (208), Joe Flacco of Baltimore (122) and Russell Wilson of Seattle (90 and counting). Dalton is tied with Miami QB Ryan Tannehill, whose streak of 77 ended last year due to an injury.

**Now that's fast:** To say that John Ross brings record-setting speed to the team is putting it rather mildly.

The rookie WR, the Bengals' first-round pick out of Washington (ninth overall), has speed that isn't just considered fast, it's considered exceptional. He clocked a 4.22-second 40-yard dash at the NFL Scouting Combine in February, which is considered to be an all-time combine record.

"His dynamic speed shows up on tape," said Bengals head coach Marvin Lewis. "When you watch the tape, you feel this guy playing. He gives us another option offensively and helps us balance the field (opposite WR A.J. Green).

"When you watch him, it's just play after play after play that he can turn into a big gain. Whether it's the inside slant, whether it's what we call 'lightings,' or anything else — when teams are playing against him, they feel (his speed) every time he touches the ball."

And Ross isn't just a burner — he's also a very good football player. He posted career totals of 114 catches, 1729 receiving yards and 22 receiving TDs over three seasons at Washington.

The NFL began measuring 40-yard dash times electronically at the 1991 scouting combine. However, records of those times were not kept regularly until 2003. Here is list of the 10 fastest 40 times recorded electronically since '03:

YEAR	PLAYER	COLLEGE	40 TIME
2017	WR John Ross	Washington .....	4.22
2008	RB Chris Johnson	East Carolina.....	4.24
2005	WR Jerome Mathis	Hampton.....	4.26
2014	RB Dri Archer	Kent State .....	4.26
2003	WR Tyrone Calico	Middle Tennessee.....	4.27
2005	CB Stanford Routt	Houston .....	4.27
2013	WR Marquise Goodwin	Texas .....	4.27
2010	WR Jacoby Ford	Clemson .....	4.28
2015	WR J.J. Nelson	Alabama-Birmingham.....	4.28
2005	CB Fabian Washington	Nebraska.....	4.29

Ross has played in only three games so far this season — Game 2 vs. Houston, Game 7 vs. Indianapolis and Game 9 at Tennessee — due in part to a knee injury. His only appearance in the stat column was a 12-yard run in the Houston game that ended in a fumble and Texans recovery.

**Big-play John:** Rookie WR John Ross has gained plenty of notoriety for his record-setting 4.22-second 40-yard dash at the 2017 NFL Combine, but his college numbers indicate that his speed translates to the football field as well.

Over Ross' four years at Washington (one of which was completely lost to injury), the speedster totaled five scoring plays of 90 yards or longer. And while NFL defenses are considered far superior to those at the college level, it's still worth noting that the Bengals as a team over the last 10 seasons (2007-16) have only two scoring plays of 90 yards or longer — a 100-yard kickoff return TD by Glenn Holt at Buffalo in '07, and a 96-yard kickoff return TD by Bernard Scott at Pittsburgh in '09. Current CB Adam Jones also had a 97-yard kickoff return vs. Carolina in 2014, but he was tackled just short of the end zone.

**Joe's 2016 among the best:** The University of Oklahoma's backfield has seen it's share of exemplary rushing seasons throughout history. Nine College Football Hall of Fame ball-carriers have cycled through Norman over the years, and over the last decade, players like Adrian Peterson and DeMarco Murray reached stardom there to add to the rich running back tradition.

That makes Joe Mixon's 2016 campaign all the more impressive. Only three times in school history has a back averaged better than Mixon's 6.8 yards per carry in 2016. College Football Hall of Famer Greg Pruitt, who also played 12 years in the NFL, was first to do it when he averaged 8.98 in 1971. Marcus Dupree was next, when in 1982, at the peak of his famously stellar but injury shortened football career, he averaged 7.84. The only other Oklahoma back to best Mixon's 2016 mark was Billy Sims, another College Football Hall of Famer and NFL standout, who averaged 7.41 during his Heisman Trophy-winning season of 1978.

Through 10 games as a pro, Mixon has rushed 127 times for 370 yards (2.9) and three TDs.

**Willis earns praise from a legend:** Earning praise from a 77-year-old College Football Hall of Fame coach may not be easy, but that's precisely what rookie DE Jordan Willis received from legendary Kansas State head coach Bill Snyder last year.

"Jordan is the epitome of what our program is all about," Snyder said in 2016, his 25th season as KSU head coach. "He comes to practice exactly the same way he goes to a ballgame. If you were unaware of the setting, you couldn't tell the difference between what he does on the practice field and what he does on the game field. Like I have said so many times, he is a young guy who gives you his very best of every second of every minute of every hour of every day of every week. He has learned the value of that and (realized) what it has meant to him. He has allowed that to carry over into every aspect of his life. He is going to be a highly successful young guy in a lot of ways, because he is that committed to doing the best that he can."

**Willis invades the stat sheet:** Rookie DE Jordan Willis has played in all 10 games this year, including a start at RDE in Week 2 in place of injured starter Michael Johnson. He's been on the field for 234 of the defense's 731 total plays (32.0 percent) and has totaled 17 tackles and a sack. He also blocked a punt in Game 7 vs. Indianapolis.

Willis turned heads this preseason with his pass rush and playmaking ability, tying for the NFL lead in sacks, with four, while also adding a forced fumble. But gaudy numbers are nothing new for the former Kansas State Wildcat.

Last year, while longtime KSU head coach Bill Snyder was heaping praise on Willis as one of the top people to ever pass through KSU's program (see previous item), that stat sheet identified him as one of the school's best-ever defensive players.

Willis' 17.5 tackles for losses in 2016 set a school record, and he also led the conference and tied another school record with 11.5 sacks. He recorded at least one sack in eight of KSU's 13 games last year, including four games where he logged multiple sacks. He also forced three fumbles and had one fumble recovery. Willis was named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year (AP and coaches), first team All-Big 12 (AP and coaches) and Big 12 Lineman of the Year (coaches). And that was just his senior season.

Over his four-year career, Willis totaled 114 tackles, 40.5 of which were for losses and 26 for sacks. That sack total ranked third in KSU history and tied for seventh in Big 12 history. He closed his career at KSU with a sack in 11 of his last 17 games, and at least a shared TFL in 15 of his last 17. And on top of it all, he proved to be durable, starting every game his last three seasons (39 straight).

**Lawson joins rare company:** In Week 2 vs Green Bay, rookie Carl Lawson wreaked havoc in the Packers' backfield, recording 2.5 sacks on the day. Another sack was wiped off the stat sheet by an unrelated penalty. With the outstanding performance, Lawson joined DE Justin Smith as the only Bengal rookies ever to reach the 2.5-sack plateau in a game (Smith had three on Dec. 9, 2001 vs. Jacksonville). He also became only the second NFL rookie since 2013 to reach 2.5 in a game, joining Washington's Preston Smith, who had three on Dec. 26, 2015 at Philadelphia.

Lawson cut his teeth at Auburn as a defensive end, playing with his hand on the ground and developing a reputation as one of the Southeastern Conference's most feared pass rushers. Since being drafted this spring though, Bengals coaches have added linebacker duties to his plate. Lawson is listed on the Bengals' depth chart as the No. 2 SLB.

But with great speed, quickness and strength — his 35 bench press reps of 225 pounds at the 2017 NFL Combine tied for the top mark overall — Bengals coaches have found a way to get him on the field in a fashion that suits his strength as a pass rusher. Thus far in the 2017 season, most of Lawson's time on defense has come with his hand on the ground, as an edge rusher with the No. 1 nickel defensive unit. He has eight tackles on the year, including 5.5 sacks for 31.5 yards. He started Game 4 at Cleveland, when the defense opened the game in a nickel defensive package, and has played in 306 of a possible 731 snaps on defense this season.

Lawson battled injuries while at Auburn — he lost 2014 to a torn ACL, and a hip injury cost him six games and limited him thereafter in '15 — but he still managed 14 career sacks among his 24 tackles for losses. Last year, while healthy, Lawson started 13 games for the Tigers and recorded nine sacks among his 13.5 tackles for losses, earning All-SEC First Team honors.

**Willie praises Lawson:** Bengals rookie LB Carl Lawson, a noted leader and two-time team captain in college, earned high praise from former Bengals OT and fellow Auburn alum Willie Anderson earlier this year. Anderson, whose son attended Milton High School with Lawson in Alpharetta, Ga., offered this ringing endorsement of the rookie:



“He’s a great kid. A leader. He worked his way up. (He had) no college offers before his senior year, and he and his dad worked hard to make him (one of the top recruits in the country). He dominated high school linemen and continued in college. He had the injuries, but now he knows how to train and take care of himself. He’ll give you Takeo-like (former Bengals LB Takeo Spikes) effort and intensity. He’s been a captain at both levels and has always been a positive guy that other young players like my son looked up to. Every coach he’s ever played for absolutely loves him. No one says a bad word about Carl. He’s a warrior.”

**Malone goes long:** Five games into his young pro career, Bengals rookie WR Josh Malone has shown flashes of potential that made him the reputation as one of the most explosive players in the 2017 Draft. In Game 7 vs. Indianapolis, his second career game played, Malone caught his first career pass — a 10-yarder in the first quarter — and then followed it up with his first career TD reception — a 25-yarder in the third quarter, when he adjusted to an underthrown ball in the end-zone, putting the Bengals on top 17-13.

For the season, Malone has four receptions for 54 yards and a TD. He’s played in five games, with starts as a third WR in Games 9-10.

Last year, the 6-3, 208-pound wideout wrapped up his three-year career at the University of Tennessee with a record-setting campaign, totaling 50 receptions for 972 yards on the season and setting a school record for yards per reception, at 19.4. That mark topped the previous best of 18.3, set by Robert Meachem in 2006.

Malone also displayed a nose for the end zone, scoring 11 TDs (all receiving) in the Vols’ 13 games. Six of those 11 went for longer than 40 yards.

The former Mr. Football in Tennessee finished his collegiate career with 104 catches, 1608 receiving yards (15.5 average) and 14 TDs. At the 2017 NFL Combine, his 4.40 40-yard dash ranked third among wide receivers and eighth overall.

“He’s big and long and runs fast,” said WRs coach James Urban. “He had a fine year (in 2016), and we think he can stretch the field at this level as well.”

**Green and some gold jackets:** Though a hamstring injury cost him all but two plays of 2016’s final seven games, A.J. Green finished his sixth season with nine career games with at least 150 receiving yards and a touchdown catch. The only players to have more such games in their first six seasons were Hall of Famers Lance Alworth (13) and Jerry Rice (11), and prime HOF candidate Randy Moss (10).

And thus far in 2017, Green already has added a 10th game of 150-plus and a TD — he had 189, with a 77-yard TD, in Game 5, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo.

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

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

**Dalton and Green make six-year history:** WR A.J. Green and QB Andy Dalton were the Bengals’ first two draft selections in 2011, and their first six seasons produced quite the ride.

Per Elias Sports Bureau, they stand as the most productive QB-WR duo in NFL history for players each in their first six seasons. Their 461 career completions and 6753 yards through the conclusion of 2016 were the most by any duo, and their 44 TD connections ranked second to Miami’s duo of QB Dan Marino and WR Mark Clayton (53 TDs from 1983-88).

**Only A.J.:** Cincinnati’s A.J. Green had his 2016 season cut short by a hamstring injury, which halted his bid for a sixth-straight 1000-yard season to start his career (he finished with 964). Green did, however, still manage a sixth nomination to the Pro Bowl (he did not play in the game due to the injury).

While 2016 marked the first time in his stellar career that Green did not accomplish both of those feats, he still stands as 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).

**Recovered Gio sets sights on Brooks:** HB Giovani Bernard missed the last six games in 2016, down with a major knee injury (ACL) suffered late in the fourth quarter of Game 10, Nov. 20 vs. Buffalo. But Bernard reported to training camp in July fully recovered from the injury and was a full participant in practice from the first snap.

And through 10 regular-season games this year, he hasn’t missed a beat. Bernard has played in every game this season and leads the team in yards per carry, at 3.5 (minimum five carries). He also has 18 catches for 204 yards (11.3) and two TDs, including his 61-yarder in Cleveland.

Bernard’s return has allowed him to re-start his long pursuit of the all-time Bengals leads in both receptions and receiving yards by a running back. With 205 receptions, Bernard stands 92 short of James Brooks’ record of 297. And with 1875 receiving yards, Bernard is 1137 short of Brooks’ record of 3012. Brooks played eight seasons with the Bengals (1984-91), while Bernard in 2017 is playing his fifth.

Bernard has made his mark as both a rusher and receiver throughout his career. He averaged 1147 yards from scrimmage over his first three seasons, and his injury-shortened 2016 campaign ended with 673 yards in 10 games. Bernard in ’16 was 91-for-337 rushing (3.7), with two TDs, and 39-for-336 receiving, with one TD.

Bernard last season caught a career-best nine passes for 100 yards in Game 2 at Pittsburgh. It marked the second time he has been in triple digits in receiving yards. His 128 yards at Arizona in 2015 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.

**The Huber roundup:** Already a considerable presence in the Bengals record book, P Kevin Huber in ’16 passed Lee Johnson for most career inside-20 punts in Bengals history. Johnson, who punted for more than 11 Bengals seasons (1988-98), had 186 career inside-20 punts, while Huber, now in his ninth season, currently stands at 228. A Bengals fifth-round selection in the 2009 draft, Huber also owns the franchise’s all-time best ratio of inside-20 kicks to touchbacks (3.86-to-1, with 228 inside-20s and 59 touchbacks).

Huber’s other top accomplishments with the Bengals include:

- He is the franchise leader in career gross average (45.22) and net average (39.65).
- He holds the top three Bengals season averages in gross and the top five Bengals season averages in net. His gross record is 46.84 in 2014, and his net record is 42.10, also in ’14.
- He shares the team record for longest punt (75 yards) with Kyle Larson.
- His 33 inside-20 punts in 2012 is a franchise record.

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

**Dunlap’s PD frenzy — unprecedented:** In the first 40 seasons (1976-2015) in which Bengals defensive statistics were recorded, no defensive lineman ever led the team in passes defended for a season. None were even close, really. But it happened in 2016, and it wasn’t close.

DE Carlos Dunlap had five more PDs — 15 — than anyone else on the team last season. And he had seven more PDs than any other NFL defensive lineman. The players ahead of Dunlap in the NFL were all cornerbacks, led at 24 by Brent Grimes of Miami.

The next-highest total by an NFL D-lineman was eight, by DE Jason Pierre-Paul of the Giants. The next-highest total by a Bengal was 10, 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. Dunlap had no INTs in ’16, and in the category of passes broken up without counting INTs, only four players were ahead of Dunlap, led by Grimes at 20.

The NFL has no team or league statistics to offer in terms of “most PDs ever by a D-lineman” or “highest league ranking ever by a D-lineman in passes defended,” because the statistic has been officially compiled league-wide only for a few years.

Through 10 games in 2017, Dunlap has three passes defended, including a tipped pass in Game 7 vs. Indianapolis that he also intercepted and returned for a TD.

**Jones wears two crowns:** Though the 2017 season is still young, the oldest player on the Bengals’ roster, veteran CB Adam Jones (turned

34 on Sept. 30), has again flashed his ability as a return specialist. For the season, Jones has totaled 115 yards on just five punt returns (23.0), including returns of 40 and 33 yards.

Jones is the Bengals' career leader in punt return average (11.33) and kickoff return average (26.35). 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).

With a starting role on defense though, Jones has seen his return opportunities limited in recent years. WR Alex Erickson served as the Bengals' primary returner in 2016 and again leads the team in both punt (27) and kickoff (19) return attempts in the '17 campaign.

Jones' history as a dangerous returner dates back to the beginning of his career, when he returned three punts for TDs over his first two NFL seasons (2005 and '06) as a member of the Tennessee Titans. In 2014 with Cincinnati, 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 return average (12.0).

Adding in three NFL seasons played elsewhere to his now eight years (2010-17) of Bengals play, Jones has NFL career averages of 26.0 yards per KOR and 10.5 per PR.

Jones has five career PRs for touchdowns. That total 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, and it stands as the longest play in Bengals history that did not result in a TD.

**Some very good rushing numbers:** The Bengals' record under Marvin Lewis with a 100-yard rusher stands at an impressive 44-7-1 (.856). What's more, their record with a rusher who hits the 25-carry plateau is 39-2 (951). Reaching 30 rushes as a team usually spells success under Lewis — they were 5-1-1 (.786) last season with 30 or more rushes as a team. They're 1-1 so far in 2017 when rushing 30 times as a team, with a win in Week 4 vs. Cleveland (30 rushes for 86 yards).

"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."

**Turnover tables are turned:** During the tenure of head coach Marvin Lewis (2003-present), the Bengals rank eighth in the NFL in turnover differential, at plus-44.

The Bengals are minus-seven in differential thus far in the 2017 season, with 10 takeaways (seven INTs, three via fumbles) and 17 giveaways (eight INTs, nine FL).

Last week at Denver, the Bengals were plus-two, with two takeaways (a 101-yard INT that set up a TD, and a fumble recovery) and no giveaways.

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

Since 2003, NFL teams with just a plus-one differential have won 68.3 percent of those games. At plus-two, the percentage has been 82.6. Teams with any plus have won at a 79.1 percent clip.

Here are the top six teams in differential since 2003:

TEAM	TAKEAWAYS	GIVEAWAYS	DIFFERENTIAL
New England Patriots	435	266	+169
Green Bay Packers	402	338	+64
Seattle Seahawks	398	339	+59
Kansas City Chiefs	386	331	+55
Carolina Panthers	427	377	+50
Indianapolis Colts	374	325	+49
Atlanta Falcons	387	340	+47
Cincinnati Bengals	412	368	+44

Since 2003, the Bengals rank fifth in takeaways (412) and ninth in points off turnovers (1241).

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

The Bengals are 76-18-1 in regular season under Lewis with a plus (.805 winning percentage), but they are only 18-67-2 with a minus (.218).

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

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

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

DIFFERENTIAL	W-L-T	PCT.
Plus 1	910-421-4	.683
Plus 2	729-154	.826
Plus 3	409-39-1	.912
Plus 4	216-6	.973
Plus 5	99-3	.971

Plus teams so far this season have gone 95-25, for a .792 winning percentage.

**And when it's even?** The Bengals are 28-24 in head coach Marvin Lewis' full tenure in games when the turnover differential has been even, for a winning percentage of .538. The Bengals have won 11 of their last 19 with an even differential (.578), dating back to 2012, but they have lost four of their last five, including a 1-2 record in '17.

**Bengal bites:** Marvin Lewis' winningest month is December/January (36-30-0, .545 [regular season]), followed closely by November (31-26-1, .543). His teams are also above .500 in September (27-23-0, .540). Lewis' only losing month has been October (27-30-2, .475) ... The attendance of 91,653 on Oct. 9, 2016, at Dallas was the largest ever for a Bengals regular-season game, topping a house of 87,786 for a 2004 visit to FedEx Field in Washington. The largest crowd for any Bengals game remains 92,045, for a 1990 season playoff game against the Los Angeles Raiders at the L.A. Coliseum ... The Bengals' tallest player is DE Michael Johnson, who is 6-7. There is a tie for the shortest player between K Randy Bullock and HB Giovani Bernard, both of whom are 5-9 ... At 350 pounds, DT Josh Tupou is the heaviest player ... CB Adam Jones is the lightest player, at 185 pounds ... Jones, who turned 34 on Sept. 30, is also the oldest player ... The youngest player is HB Joe Mixon, who turned 21 on July 24.

## BENGALS QUOTES

**Bengals president Mike Brown**, on the Bengals' 50th season in 2017:

"For me, it has been more than 50 years. I was working on things five years or so before we even were awarded the franchise. It has been a lifetime for me. It's what I do. It's what I like. I have been very lucky to be involved with it."

**Head coach Marvin Lewis**, on the Bengals still having hopes for the playoffs:

"We've got to keep playing. I showed them a year ago that we were in a situation where someone was going to get hot and break out of things, and last year it was Green Bay. They ran the table. This year, it's going to be somebody else. There are a lot of teams in the situation we are in and some teams are going to get hot and get going. We play some of them, and they play each other, so we have an opportunity, if we just handle our business. That's the key."

**WR A.J. Green**, on still being in the playoff race:

"We control our own destiny. Keep winning and see what happens. Nothing has changed. We just didn't win the games we needed to (early). We still have the same energy. Nobody is hanging their hats. Nobody is feeling sorry for their self. We just have to go and play."

**Lewis**, on the Bengals evolving from an older roster to a younger roster:

"Our approach has changed this year. We've had more competition since we started (offseason activities) back in April, because we knew we were going to be in this situation. This was what I envisioned, and I feel good about it — we wanted to put these young guys in situations where they would be ready to go (once the regular season began). Now they're proving who they are. We said back in April that there had to be a changing of the guard — it's inevitable in the NFL — and we've got some young, emerging guys, which is great to have."

**QB Andy Dalton**, on shaking off a bad game:

"That's how you have to play quarterback. You never know what's going to happen. You want to play well every week, but if you don't, you have to bounce back. Same thing series to series — if you have a bad play or give up an INT, you have to bounce back. You have to be resilient to play this position."

**Lewis**, on Dalton:

"He's a fine, fine player. He's a tough man, and he shows it. He's got the inner drive to just keep going, to overcome mistakes, to move on to the next play. That's a great quality that he has."

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

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

**Baltimore Ravens coach John Harbaugh**, on WR A.J. Green:

"I think I was the first coach to go on record saying he was the best in the league. That was maybe five or six years ago, and I stand by that today. I think he's a great player, and he has proven it."

**Dalton**, on TE Tyler Kroft as the No. 1 TE, with Tyler Eifert is on R/I:

"He's a guy who works really hard. Before he was playing as much as he as been lately with Tyler Eifert being out, even then I felt like he didn't get enough credit for what he does. I think everyone is starting to see what he can do. He's a reliable player, and that has shown up a lot recently."

**RBs coach Kyle Caskey**, on HB Joe Mixon:

"His skills are top notch. They're the type of skills you can trust. He can catch the ball — he brings it in with his hands — and he (holds it tightly) when he's running the ball. He can make people miss in space, and he can run people over. He's 228 pounds, he ran a mid-4.4 (second 40-yard dash), and in space he has the agility of a much smaller back."

**Director of Player Personnel Duke Tobin**, on HB Joe Mixon adjusting to the pro level:

"He has really taken to it, and our coaches have done a great job getting him up to speed. There's a lot to learn at that position — running backs have to be worthy in pass protection — and we've been working with him on that. Obviously, his run skills and his instincts are natural. He's got all the physical qualities you look for."

**Lewis**, on not giving the players Mondays off after victories ...

"We've got work to do. As I told the players — they've worked hard a long time from the beginning of the offseason until now. There's a lot more left, and it's worth it to put their heads down, go to work, and be as great as they can be. It's worth it. Sure, you'll get days off in March. But if you want to make it special, you don't want to waste time now."

**Lewis**, on DT Geno Atkins:

"He's a man of few words, but he goes out and performs. He's productive against the pass and the run, week in and week out."

**Defensive coordinator Paul Guenther**, on DT Geno Atkins mentoring the younger players:

"One thing about Geno this year is that he has done a great job of being a mentor, more so than any other year I've been around him. Everyone knows him as a quiet guy, and he is generally quiet. But I've seen him taking Billings, Glasgow, Lawson, Willis and all of the other young guys aside and talking to them about protections, opponents and everything else. Any time the young players can receive feedback like that from a guy that's been around here for years — a player they respect — is tremendous. They get tired of listening to me all the time."

**Lewis**, on all the young Bengals players on defense:

"They've done a really good job. There are times when we have three (rookies or second-year players) on the defensive line, one at linebacker and one in the secondary on the field together at the same time. That's huge when we're getting such positive plays out of those younger guys. And they aren't missing a beat. A coach's instinct is to throw vets like Michael (DE Michael Johnson) or Carlos (DE Carlos Dunlap) back in there. But then you see (rookie DE) Jordan Willis, or Glasgow (rookie DT Ryan Glasgow), or Carl (rookie LB Carl Lawson),

or Nick (second-year LB Nick Vigil), or (second-year DT) Andrew Billings or William (second-year CB William Jackson) making the types of plays their making, time and time again. They're earning their opportunities. We have to make sure the level doesn't drop, and so far, it hasn't."

**Guenther**, on playing young players:

"In my first year in coaching, the AD told me that for every freshman you play, you're going to lose one ballgame. That always stuck in my mind. At this point in the NFL, the way contracts are constructed, you have to get young players out there and playing. If they can play, you've got to let them go. I felt good enough (about this group) in the preseason. We played a lot of them early in games against good players (on other teams) in the preseason, so we felt good about them. They get it."

**Lewis**, on Andrew Billings:

"Andrew has played increasingly better. He's done a really good job of playing physical. He's been able to penetrate — that's what his responsibility is. He's been disruptive. He's still trying to put it all together, but he keeps making positive plays."

**Guenther**, on DE Jordan Willis:

"He's learning how we do some things here — our techniques, and how to use his legs and his back. We're asking him to do things a little bit different here than he did in college. But he understands, and he's getting better every day."

**Lewis**, on LB Carl Lawson:

"He's been the early-to-work guy, and the late-at-work guy. He wants to do everything correctly. He may not seem like someone who talks a lot, but he talks out there on the field, and he comes into my office and wants to sit down and watch film with me. I really like that about him."

**LB Vontaze Burfict**, on rookies Jordan Willis and Carl Lawson:

"They come off the edge, and they don't even think about it — they just go after it. They're young, hungry and fast. Jordan (Willis) is going to be somebody to reckon with. He comes off the edge fast. And Carl — Carl's pretty good at getting to the quarterback."

**Lewis**, on LB Kevin Minter:

"He plays hard, with his pads at the right level. He understands the passing game and where he fits in on run defense, depending on the defense and coverage. I've been very pleased with him. It's been a good fit."

**Lewis**, on Nick Vigil:

"He has been very special. He keeps getting better, and he improves each week. He's very coachable, and he understands the finer points of things, both with coverage and assignments we have at the line of scrimmage."

**Lewis**, on Jordan Evans:

"Since he's been here, when he has been put in situation to have an opportunity, Jordan has shown the ability to make plays. For the most part, he's pretty sound on his assignments. He just has to keep making sure that way we can depend on him that way. That's important. When we've put him in there, he has responded with good plays — every time he gets an opportunity, he's been great. Part of his role here is being a stalwart on special teams, with his speed, athleticism, size and stature. He just has to continue to do that."

**DE Carlos Dunlap**, on knocking down opponents' passes at the line of scrimmage:

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

**CB Adam Jones**, on helping the team to get back on track after disappointing losses:

"All anyone can do is keep working and keep your eyes focused. When things aren't going right, you need to keep your mouth shut and keep working. I'm just going to keep working and doing what I can do to help the team win."

**Lewis**, on CB William Jackson:

"He's done some things that have been stellar. There are other things that we're just trying to get him caught up on a little bit — get him up to speed. That's part of being a young player. We know he has the athletic tools and the intellect to play the position, now it's just (refining) the nuances of things that you do within the scheme. We're trying to make sure that he's good to go."

**Lewis**, on Jackson's ability to cover receivers:

"He's as good a guy at that as I've had an opportunity to be around. I said that last year. I've been around a lot of guys that are very good at that, and William, as a young player, has that ability."

## POSITION BY POSITION

**Quarterbacks:** Seventh-year pro **Andy Dalton** threw for 154 yards and three TDs on 15-of-25 passing (60.0 percent; 117.3 rating) in Game 10 vs. Denver, bringing his 2017 totals to 183 of 296 passing (61.8 percent) for 2158 yards, 16 TDs and eight INTs (rating of 90.7). Dalton's career passer rating now stands at 89.2, the best in Bengals history, topping Carson Palmer's mark of 86.9. His 60-41-2 regular-season record as a starter also works out to the best winning percentage (.592) of any Bengals QB with 10 or more starts (next-best is Virgil Carter, who was 12-10, for a .545 percentage). His 300-yard outing in Game 5 vs. Buffalo was the 22nd of his career, the second-most in Bengals' history and one behind Boomer Esiason's all-time team record. In Game 9 vs. Tennessee, Dalton passed Palmer for third in team history in passing TDs, where he currently stands at 158. In 2016, Dalton completed 364 of 563 passes (64.7 percent), with 18 TDs and eight INTs. His 4206 yards passing in 2016 were the second most in team history, surpassed only by his own mark of 4293, posted in '13. Dalton also holds the club record for TD passes in a season (33, also in '13). Though the Bengals missed the playoffs in his sixth season in 2016, Dalton still is only the third NFL QB in the Super Bowl era to lead his team to the playoffs in each of his first five seasons, from '11-15. Third-year pro **AJ McCarron** saw his first action of the regular season in the waning moments of a Game 4 win vs. the Browns, but had no statistics. McCarron showed much promise while filling in for Dalton after Dalton's thumb injury in 2015, 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.

**Running backs:** Rookie HB **Joe Mixon**, a second-round pick out of Oklahoma, leads the Cincinnati backfield in carries through 10 games (127). He has twice topped 100 scrimmage yards this season — in Game 3 against the Packers (101 total yards, on 62 yards rushing and 39 receiving), and in Game 7 vs. Indianapolis (109 total yards, on 18 yards rushing and 91 receiving). Mixon picked up his third rushing TD of 2017 in Game 9 vs. Tennessee, finding the end zone from three yards out. Mixon's three rushing TDs this season lead the team and put him third in TDs overall. In 2016 at Oklahoma, Mixon posted a school-record 2331 all-purpose yards (194.3 per game). For his collegiate career, he totaled 300 carries for 2027 yards (6.8) and 17 TDs, as well as 65 receptions for 894 yards (13.8) and nine TDs. Fifth-year player **Giovani Bernard** is reprising his role as a third-down back in the Bengals backfield this season, having worked his way completely back from an ACL tear a season ago. He has 31 carries for 109 yards (3.5) this season as well as 18 receptions for 204 yards and two TDs. In Game 4 vs. Cleveland, Bernard flashed some of his signature speed and agility, taking a screen pass 61 yards for the score. In his 10 games before the injury last season, Bernard racked up 673 yards from scrimmage, a total that stood fourth on the team at year's end. Rookie HB **Brian Hill** was signed off of Atlanta's practice squad on Nov. 14, adding depth to the HB position. Hill was a fifth-round draft pick of the Falcons in April's draft after a record-setting career at Wyoming.

**Wide receivers:** Leading the Bengals in receiving through 10 games is **A.J. Green**, who tied Chad Johnson for most 100-yard receiving games in a Bengal uniform (31) with his 115-yard outing in Game 9 vs. Tennessee. A 70-yard TD catch in the fourth quarter at Tennessee was Green's second TD reception of at least 70 yards this season. The last time a Bengal had two TD receptions of at least 70 yards in one season was in 2014, when Green had TD receptions of 77 and 81 yards. Green has the fifth-most receiving yards in the AFC and is tied for third in the NFL in receiving TDs, having grabbed 48 receptions for 743 yards and six TDs so far this year. Green's TD in Game 10 vs. Denver came from 18-yards out and gave the Bengals a two-possession lead in the fourth quarter. Through the first nine games of 2016, before a hamstring injury ended his season, Green was averaging 107.1 yards receiving per game. He finished the 2016 regular season with 964 receiving yards on 66 catches. Green's 529 career receptions rank third in Bengals history, one behind Carl Pickens for second all-time, and his 7878 receiving yards rank second. Green's 55 career receiving TDs rank third, and his 31 games of 100 or more receiving yards ties him for first with Johnson, whose total of 31 was recorded over a 10-year career. Veteran **Brandon LaFell** lines up opposite Green as the other starting WR, having grabbed 34 receptions for 340 yards and two TDs through

**Lewis**, on players needing to contribute on special teams:

"We need to have the best offensive and defensive players, and a part of it is that they have to be a part of special teams. From the day they walk in through this door, they're beat over their heads with it. They're a part of 'teams' all the time, and that means everybody. They may not have done it at their college, but they all are a part of it now in some capacity."

the first 10 games. LaFell had his best game of the season in Game 9 vs. Tennessee, with a season-high in receptions (six) and yards (95), while pulling in a 37-yard TD pass. In the 2016 season, LaFell logged 64 catches for 862 yards and six TDs (all receiving), ranking second on the team in all three categories. After a rookie year in which he grabbed 54 receptions for 603 yards and one TD, second-year man **Tyler Boyd** has been hampered by injury this season, having played in just five of the 10 contests. A knee injury caused him to miss four consecutive weeks, but he returned to action in Game 10 vs. Denver. Boyd led all NFL rookies last season with 22 third-down receptions and has seven receptions for 48 yards on the current campaign. Rookies **John Ross** and **Josh Malone** add vertical speed to the Bengals receiving corps this season, having both excelled in that at the collegiate level. Ross, the Bengals' first-round selection (No. 9 overall) out of Washington in April's draft, has been active for just three contests this season, due in part to a knee injury (no statistics). Ross gained notoriety during the pre-draft process when he ran 4.22-second 40-yard dash at the NFL Combine, considered to be a combine record, breaking RB Chris Johnson's mark of 4.24 seconds from 2008. Ross piled up his share of impressive numbers at Washington as well, totaling 114 receptions for 1729 yards and 22 receiving TDs over three seasons of action. Malone, the second of two Bengals fourth-round selections (No. 128 overall) in this year's draft, is also known for his ability to stretch the field. Malone has played in five games this season, with starts as a 3rd WR in each of the last two weeks. For the season, he has four receptions for 54 yards and one TD — a 25-yarder from Dalton in Game 7 vs. Indianapolis, the first of his career. Malone finished his three-year college career at Tennessee with 104 receptions, 1608 receiving yards (15.5-yard average) and 14 receiving TDs. In 2016, he averaged a school-record 19.4 yards per reception to go with 11 receiving TDs in 13 games. Malone's 4.40-second 40-yard dash at the NFL Combine in March was third best among participating wide receivers. Second-year pro **Alex Erickson**, a 2016 college free agent out of Wisconsin, posted career-highs in receptions and receiving yards in Game 2 against the Texans, nabbing four receptions for 62 yards. In Game 10 vs. Denver, Erickson hauled in his first career TD reception, catching a Dalton pass in stride for a 29-yard score. Though gaining a larger role in the offense this season, Erickson is also known for his kick return prowess, having led the AFC in kick return average in 2016 (27.9 yards on 29 KORs). This season, Erickson ranks fourth in the conference in kick return average (22.3). Erickson is also the team's leading punt returner, with 27 returns for 203 yards (7.5) in 2017 thus far. WR **Cody Core**, a sixth-round Bengals draft choice out of Mississippi in 2016, provides depth at wide receiver this season. He has been targeted four times and has two special teams tackles.

**Tight ends/H-backs:** Now in his third Bengals season, TE **Tyler Kroft** has become more of a factor in the Bengals offense as the season has progressed, particularly since star TE **Tyler Eifert** was placed on Reserve/Injured on Oct. 12. Kroft has 28 receptions for 303 yards (10.8) on the season and is currently third in the conference in TD receptions by a tight end (four), including a one-yard TD reception in Game 10 vs. Denver that gave Cincinnati its first points of the game. Kroft had a memorable outing in Game 4 vs. Cleveland, grabbing his first two TDs of the season as well as a career-high in receptions (six) and receiving yards (68). In Game 8 vs. Jacksonville, Kroft had a career-long 59-yard catch and run to the Jacksonville 19 that helped set up a Bengals touchdown. Fellow third-year pro **C.J. Uzomah** has seen consistent action since Game 3, after being sidelined for the first two games with an ankle injury. Uzomah has three receptions for 39 yards on the current campaign. Known for his blocking ability, fourth-year pro **Ryan Hewitt** has manned the H-back position since joining the Bengals in 2014 as a college free agent out of Stanford. Despite missing three games with a knee injury this season, Hewitt has played in 54 of 58 possible regular-season games since joining the team, with 37 starts, and has one catch for 16 yards on the year. Joining Hewitt at H-back is **Cethan Carter**, who made a successful roster bid as a college free agent out of Nebraska. Carter was the lead H-back in Hewitt's absence, and has three special teams tackles this season. In his four years at Nebraska, Carter had 59 receptions for 744 yards and four TDs.

**Offensive linemen:** G **Clint Boling**, the longest consecutively tenured lineman on the roster, is in his seventh season in Cincinnati. Boling has started every game at LG this season, and has only missed six games since

taking over the starting LG spot in 2012. C **Russell Bodine**, who has been the Bengals' starting C since his rookie year in 2014, has started all 10 games at C this season. Bodine has not missed a start in his Bengals career, covering 58 regular-season games and two postseason games. G **Trey Hopkins**, a new addition to the starting unit, battled injuries early this season, with a knee injury holding him out of Games 2-4. The second-year pro out of Texas first joined Cincinnati as a CFA in 2014, and he's spent most of his time since between Reserve/Injured and the practice squad. The starting LOT for nine of the first 10 weeks of 2017, **Cedric Ogbuehi**, is a 2015 Bengals first-round draft selection out of Texas A&M. Ogbuehi started 12 games (11 at ROT, one at LOT) in 2016, before an injury ended his season prior to Game 16. Re-joining the Bengals' offensive line for 2017 is a familiar face — **Andre Smith**. A first-round Bengals draft pick in 2009, Smith was a mainstay at ROT until '16, when he signed with Minnesota as an unrestricted free agent. Now in his second Bengals' stint after opting to re-join the team, Smith has assumed the starting ROT duties in the wake of ROT **Jake Fisher's** season-ending illness. Fourth-year pro **T.J. Johnson** started four games earlier this seasons in place of an injured Hopkins. He also serves as the backup C and contributes on special teams. Johnson has played in 43 games (including playoffs) in his career, with five starts. First-year G **Alex Redmond**, a 2016 college free agent out of UCLA, made a successful preseason roster bid this year after spending all of his rookie season on the Bengals' practice squad. Redmond adds depth to the interior of the line and rotated in at the guard spot in Game 4 at Cleveland. G **Christian Westerman**, a fifth-round Bengals draft selection out of Arizona State in 2016, brings depth to the interior of the Bengals' line. Westerman has been inactive for nine of the first 10 games, and was an active-DNP in Game 2 vs. Houston. Veteran **Eric Winston** re-joined the team on Nov. 8, adding depth at both tackle positions in Fisher's absence. Winston was in Cincinnati from 2014-16 prior to being cut before the '17 regular season.

**Defensive linemen:** Pro Bowl DT **Geno Atkins**, now in his eighth season, has recorded a team-leading six sacks in 2017, including two in Game 2 vs. Houston. The two sacks in the Houston game marked the sixth-consecutive game in which Atkins had recorded at least one sack, a streak that came to an end against the Packers in Game 3. Atkins finished last season with a team-leading nine sacks, a total that also finished tops among NFL interior linemen (one ahead of Rams DT Aaron Donald). It's the fourth time Atkins has finished in at least a tie for that crown, and last season marked the second time for him to win the title outright (also in 2012). Atkins has 58 sacks in his career, placing him one behind Ross Browner for fourth in team history. DE **Carlos Dunlap** was the star in Game 7 against the Colts, as he tipped a ball at the line and ran it back for a go-ahead touchdown with just under seven minutes remaining in the contest. The touchdown marked the first score by a Bengals defensive lineman since Dunlap recorded a 14-yard interception return touchdown in Game 17 of the 2012 season. Dunlap recorded a pair of sacks in Game 10 vs. Denver, giving him 61 for his career. That total places him third all-time in Bengals history, breaking the tie he held with DE Ross Browner. Dunlap is now 1.5 sacks behind LB Reggie Williams for second in team history. Dunlap earned a trip to the Pro Bowl last year, his second selection, after he led the team with a remarkable 15 passes defended. That total was seven more than any other NFL defensive lineman and it was the first time a Bengals defensive lineman has ever led the team in passes defended. For his career, Dunlap has 16 forced fumbles, eight fumble recoveries, 44 passes defended, four blocked field goals, two interceptions and three touchdowns scored. Though he missed Game 2 vs. Houston with a concussion, DE **Michael Johnson** currently stands fourth on the team in sacks (three). His sack total includes two in Game 5 vs. Buffalo, marking his first two-sack game in a Bengals uniform since Game 17 of the 2012 season. Now in his ninth NFL season, eight of which have been as a Bengal (spent 2014 with Tampa Bay), Johnson has spent more time in the interior of the defensive line, showing his versatility while opening up playing time for some of Cincinnati's young edge rushers. The Bengals waived DT **Pat Sims** on Nov. 18, who was in his 10th NFL season and eighth in Cincinnati. Sims had recorded 19 tackles on the season in seven starts. Rookie DE **Jordan Willis**, who started in place of Johnson in Game 2 and recorded his first sack in Game 5 vs. Buffalo, leads all Cincinnati rookies in tackles, with 17. Willis made his mark early in Game 7 vs. Indianapolis, recording a blocked punt that set up a Bengals field goal drive. The Bengals' third-round draft choice this year and 2016 Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year out of Kansas State, Willis finished his four-year college career widely considered one of the top defensive players in Kansas State history. He totaled 114 tackles, including 40.5 for losses, and 26 sacks (third in school history). Willis tied for the preseason NFL lead in sacks, with four — one in each game — while also adding a forced fumble. DE **Chris Smith**, a third-year pro who the

Bengals acquired in an April 11 trade with Jacksonville, added a tally to his sack total in Game 9 vs. Tennessee, giving him 2.5 on the season. Smith also forced a fumble in Game 8 at Jacksonville, when he halted the Jaguars' opening drive of the game by hitting RB T.J. Yeldon in the backfield and jarring the ball loose (Bengals recovered). Currently at the top of the depth chart at NT is second-year DT **Andrew Billings**, a 2016 fourth-round Bengals draft selection out of Baylor who spent all of his rookie season on the Reserve/Injured list due to a knee injury suffered in training camp. Billings has started the last two contests and has eight tackles on the season. In the rotation of the Bengals' interior defensive line is rookie **Ryan Glasgow** of Michigan, a fourth-round Bengals draft choice (No. 138 overall). A former walk-on for the Wolverines, Glasgow developed into a key contributor on one of college football's top rush defenses over the last two years. He played in 45 games (33 starts) at Michigan over five seasons (one redshirt), recording 91 tackles, including 18.5 for losses, and five sacks, two forced fumbles and a fumble return. Rookie DT **Josh Tupou**, who has spent most of the season on Cincinnati's practice squad, has been on the 53-man roster for the past two games. He was active in Game 9 vs. Tennessee and inactive in Game 10 vs. Denver.

**Linebackers:** Sixth-year pro **Vontaze Burfict**, who missed games 1-3 this season due to a league suspension, has spent more time at MLB the past few weeks than at his usual spot of WLB. Burfict currently sits fourth on the team in tackles (53), with two sacks and two passes defended. Despite missing five games last season, Burfict still finished second on the team in tackles. He led the team in tackles by wide margins in 2012 and '13, and was a Pro Bowl selection in '13. Burfict had his best game of the season in Game 10 vs. Denver, recording his second sack of the season, a forced fumble in the fourth quarter that led to a Cincinnati touchdown, as well as 11 solo tackles. The 11 solo-tackles are tied for the second-most in a single game in Burfict's career, and tied for the most since he had 13 in Game 7 of the 2012 season. Perhaps one of the most impressive second-year players in football this season is **Nick Vigil**, who recorded his first career interception in Game 1 vs. Baltimore and his first career sack in Game 4 vs. the Browns. The team's leading tackler thus far (76), Vigil was a third-round 2016 draft choice out of Utah State and played in all 16 games a season ago, primarily on special teams. Unrestricted free agent signee **Kevin Minter**, who spent his first four seasons with Arizona, has missed the past four weeks with an elbow injury after getting off to a hot start this season. His status for this week's contest is unknown. Minter logged 24 tackles before his injury, which ranked fourth on the team at the time of his last game. Seventh-year pro **Vincent Rey**, the second-leading tackler through the first 10 games (55), has filled in admirably when starters have been out, both during Burfict's suspension as well as in Minter's absence. Rey can play all the LB positions, and led the Bengals in tackles in both 2014 and '15. Rey left Game 10 vs. Denver with a hamstring injury, and his status for this week's contest is unknown. A promising new addition to the Bengals' LB corps comes in the form of rookie fourth-round pick **Carl Lawson** of Auburn, who posted 2.5 sacks in Game 3 against the Packers. Lawson's 2.5 sacks were the first few sacks of his career and the most sacks in a single game by a Bengals player since Carlos Dunlap had three sacks against the Broncos in Game 16 of the 2015 season. At 5.5 sacks on the season, Lawson is the leader amongst all NFL rookies in that category. A defensive end in college, Bengals coaches have added LB to his repertoire, in addition to duties as an edge rusher in the defense's No. 1 nickel package. At Auburn, Lawson played in 33 games in three years of action, with 20 starts, and notched 67 tackles, including 24 for losses and 14 sacks. Rookie LB **Jordan Evans** of Oklahoma, a sixth-round Bengals draft choice, impressed during preseason, finishing with 18 tackles (second on the team) and two passes defended. Evans was known for his speed and production in college and excelled in coverage. In 2016, he recorded four INTs and returned two for TDs. His 16 career breakups tied for second in school history among LBs. LB **Hardy Nickerson** successfully made the team to open the season as a college free agent out of Illinois, and is now on his third stint on the 53-man roster. He is the son of former All-Pro LB Hardy Nickerson Sr.

**Defensive backs:** Sixth-year pro **George Iloka** has been a staple of the Cincinnati secondary since joining the starting unit at the beginning of the 2013 campaign. Iloka recorded his first interception of the season in Game 5 vs. Buffalo, forcing a turnover with time expiring and the Bengals owning just a six-point lead. Iloka is currently fifth on the team in tackles (48), with the one INT and four passes defended. For his career, Iloka has nine INTs. Sixth-year CB **Dre Kirkpatrick** is now in his third season as the Bengals' full-time starter at the No. 1 LCB position. The 2012 Bengals first-round draft choice has started all 10 games at LCB this season, with 33 tackles, six PDs, an INT, a sack and a forced fumble. The INT came in Game 10 vs. Denver, with Kirkpatrick jumping a route and taking the ball 101 yards before fumbling at the Denver goal line. Kirkpatrick recovered his own fumble, and the Bengals scored three plays later. Kirkpatrick's

101-yard INT return is the longest INT return in NFL history that did not result in a TD. In Game 9 vs. Tennessee, Kirkpatrick recorded the first forced fumble of his career. Kirkpatrick knocked the ball out of the hands of Titans WR Corey Davis, who was reaching for the goal line, and instead fumbled the ball out of bounds in the end zone. That gave the Bengals the ball and prevented the Titans from taking a two-possession lead. For his career, Kirkpatrick has 10 INTs, two of which he returned for TDs, and 44 passes defended. He has proven to be a durable performer over the years, having played in 71 of the last 72 possible games (including postseason). Eleventh-year CB **Adam Jones** has started seven games at RCB this season, having missed Game 1 due to a suspension, Game 6 with a back injury, and Game 10 with a concussion. His status for this week's game is uncertain. Jones, now in his eighth Bengals season, has 20 tackles and three PDs on the current campaign. Jones' time as a kick returner has been limited in recent seasons by his starting CB duties, but he's a longtime threat in that area. He is the Bengals' all-time leader in kickoff return average (26.4) and punt return average (11.1). Fifth-year pro **Shawn Williams** has also missed a pair of games this season, missing Game 1 with an elbow injury and missing Game 9 with a hamstring injury. Williams is third in the secondary in tackles this season (37), and has the Bengals' only two fumble recoveries of 2017. Williams' first fumble recovery in Game 8 vs. Jacksonville marked the Bengals' first fumble recovery in 18 games, and the second one came in the fourth quarter of Game 10 vs. Denver, with the Bengals owning just a three-point lead. The Bengals scored on the possession following Williams' recovery. 2014 first-round pick **Darqueze Dennard** is turning in the best season of his career, as he leads the secondary in tackles (57) and sacks (two) so far this season, with one interception and five passes defended. Dennard's interception in Game 9 vs. Tennessee came with the Titans backed up in their own territory, and gave way to a Joe Mixon TD run just one play later. Another Bengals first-round draft pick, CB **William Jackson** was a headline-grabber in Game 3 after recording his first career INT on Packers QB Aaron Rodgers and returning it 75 yards for a TD. The last Bengal to score a TD on his first career INT was DE Carlos Dunlap on Dec. 30, 2012 against Baltimore. Through 10 games, Jackson leads the Bengals in passes defended, with seven. He got his first career start in Game 6 vs. Pittsburgh, replacing the injured Jones, and nabbed his first career sack in Game 9 vs. Tennessee. Jackson missed Game 10 vs. Denver with a toe injury, and his status for this week's game is uncertain. CB **Josh Shaw**, who can play both S and CB, is in his third season in Cincinnati and acts as a versatile piece of the

Bengals' secondary. Shaw has played in every game this season and has 21 tackles on the year. Second-year S **Clayton Fejedelem**, who started in place of Williams in Game 1 vs. Baltimore and Game 9 vs. Tennessee, was a seventh-round Bengals draft choice in 2016 out of Illinois. Fejedelem recorded his first career interception in Game 4 vs. the Browns, coming down with a tipped pass as Cleveland was entering the red zone. Fejedelem has turned into a special teams ace this season, leading the team with 12 special teams stops to go along with 12 defensive tackles. Adding depth to the CB room is second-year CB **KeiVarae Russell**, who has seen action in six games this season. In Game 10 vs. Denver, Russell blocked a Brandon McManus FG attempt right before halftime, marking Cincinnati's first blocked FG of the season. S **Brandon Wilson**, a rookie out of the University of Houston, has been active for two consecutive games after spending most of the season on the Bengals' practice squad. Wilson was a Bengals sixth-round selection in the 2017 draft after excelling in college as a S, RB and kick returner.

**Special teams:** Sixth-year pro **Randy Bullock**, who has been a reliable leg for the Bengals thus far, missed Game 8 vs. Jacksonville with a back injury before returning to his kicking duties in Game 9 vs. Tennessee. Bullock has drilled eight of his 10 FG attempts so far this season, one of which was blocked, with the longest coming from 46 yards. Now in his sixth NFL season out of Texas A&M, Bullock owns a career 81.3 percent average (91 for 112) on FGs and 95.0 percent average (115 for 121) on PATs. P **Kevin Huber**, the top Bengals punter in history in terms of gross average (45.22) and net average (39.65), now owns the top three seasons in Bengals history for gross average and the top five for net average. Huber boasts the franchise's all-time best ratio of inside-20 kicks to touchbacks (3.86 to-1, with 228 inside-20s and 59 touchbacks). LS **Clark Harris**, the ninth-year player out of Rutgers, has handled all 1237 snaps in his Bengals career without an unplayable delivery. On Oct. 16, Harris was signed to a one-year contract extension. WR **Alex Erickson**, a college free agent out of Wisconsin in 2016, is picking up right where he left off last season in the kick return department, where he finished second in the NFL and first in the AFC in kickoff return average, at 27.9 yards on 29 returns. Erickson had returns of 65, 72, and 84 yards last season, and his 84-yarder in Game 9 at the N.Y. Giants stands as the longest Bengals kickoff return since CB **Adam Jones'** 97-yarder vs. Carolina in 2014. He is the only Bengal to ever post three KORs of 65-plus yards in a season. Erickson also serves as the team's primary punt returner, averaging 7.5 yards on 27 punt returns. S **Clayton Fejedelem** leads the Bengals in special teams tackles this season with 12 (nine solo).

## IMPORTANT DATES

2017	
Dec. 1	— Beginning this date through Jan. 31, 2018, NFL clubs are permitted to conduct non-contact tryouts and negotiate with CFL players whose 2017 contracts are due to expire on Feb. 13, 2018. Prior to any tryout or negotiation, NFL clubs must first receive written permission from the player's CFL club.
Dec. 1	— Deadline for all clubs to submit their individual lists of players who received, or filed a grievance for, the Basic or Extended Injury Protection Benefit for the 2017 season.
Dec. 1	— Deadline at 4 p.m. Eastern time, for reinstatement of players in Reserve List categories of Retired, Did Not Report, and Exclusive Rights, and of players who were placed on Reserve/Left Squad in a previous season.
Dec. 2	— All salary paid to a practice squad player during the postseason will count as salary if the player's practice player contract was executed or renegotiated on or after this date for more than the minimum practice squad salary.
Dec. 12	— NFLMC Labor Seminar, Four Seasons-Las Colinas, Irving, Texas.
Dec. 13	— Special League Meeting, Four Seasons-Las Colinas, Irving, Texas.
Dec. 29	— Deadline at 4 p.m. Eastern time, for waiver requests in 2017, except for "special waiver requests" which have a 10-day claiming period, with termination or assignment delayed until after the Super Bowl.

Jan. 1	— the club's 2018 Team Salary.
Jan. 1	— Clubs may begin signing free agent players for the 2018 season.
Jan. 1	— Earliest permissible date for clubs to renegotiate or extend the Rookie Contract of a Drafted Rookie who was selected in any round of the 2015 College 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. 1	— Option exercise period begins for Fifth-Year Option for First-Round Selections from the 2015 College Draft. To exercise the option, the club must give written notice to the player on or after Jan. 1, 2018, but prior to May 3, 2018.
Jan. 6-7	— Wild Card Playoff Games.
Jan. 7	— 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. 8	— NCAA National Championship Game, Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta, Georgia.
Jan. 13-14	— Divisional Playoff Games.
Jan. 14	— 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. 15	— Deadline for college players who are underclassmen to apply for Special Eligibility. A list of underclassmen who have been approved for entry into the 2018 College Draft will be sent to clubs on Jan. 19.
Jan. 20	— East-West Shrine Game, Tropicana Field, St. Petersburg, Florida.
Jan. 20	— NFLPA Collegiate Bowl, TBD.

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Jan. 1	— Prior to 4 p.m. Eastern time, clubs must provide the Management Council with written notice, signed by the individual club's owner, indicating the amount, if any, of the club's 2017 League Year Salary Cap Room to be credited to

(Important dates, continued)

Jan. 21	— AFC and NFC Championship Games.	March 14	— Free Agent and any employee or representative of a club, other than the player's current club.
Jan. 27	— Senior Bowl, Ladd-Peebles Stadium, Mobile, Alabama.	— Prior to 4 p.m. Eastern time, clubs must exercise options for 2018 on all players who have option clauses in their 2017 contracts.	
Jan. 28	— NFL Pro Bowl, Camping World Stadium, Orlando, Florida.	March 14	— Prior to 4 p.m. Eastern time, clubs must submit Qualifying Offers to their Restricted Free Agents with expiring contracts to retain a Right of First Refusal/Compensation.
Jan. 28	— 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.	March 14	— Prior to 4 p.m. Eastern time, clubs must submit a Minimum Salary Tender to retain exclusive negotiating rights to their players with expiring 2017 contracts who have fewer than three accrued seasons of free agency credit.
Jan. 31	— Deadline for NFL clubs to try out and negotiate with CFL players whose 2017 contracts are due to expire at noon Eastern time, on Feb. 13, 2018.	March 14	— Top 51 Rule is in effect. All clubs must be under the 2018 Salary Cap prior to 4 p.m. Eastern time.
Feb. 2	— Deadline for non-playoff clubs to submit their individual lists of Physician-Certified 2018 Basic Injury Protection Benefit Candidates to the Management Council.	March 14	— All 2017 player contracts will expire at 4 p.m. Eastern time.
Feb. 4	— Super Bowl LII, U.S. Bank Stadium, Minneapolis, Minnesota.	March 14	— The 2018 League Year and Free Agency period begin at 4 p.m. Eastern time. The first day of the 2018 League Year will end at 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern time, on March 14. Clubs will receive a Personnel Notice that will include all transactions submitted to the League office during the period between 4 p.m. Eastern time, and 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern time, on March 14.
Feb. 5	— Waiver system begins for 2018. A 24-hour claiming period will be in effect through the Friday prior to the last regular season game (waivers requests made on Friday and Saturday of each week will expire at 4 p.m. Eastern time, on the following Monday.) Players with at least four previous pension-credited seasons whom a club desires to terminate are not subject to the waiver system until after the trading deadline.	March 14	— Trading period for 2018 begins at 4 p.m. Eastern time, after expiration of all 2017 contracts.
Feb. 13	— Beginning at 12 noon Eastern time, NFL clubs may begin to sign players whose 2017 CFL contracts have expired. Players under contract to a CFL club for the 2018 season or who have an option for the 2018 season are not eligible to be signed.	March 14	— Commencing at 4 p.m. Eastern time, clubs may designate up to two Player Contracts that, if terminated on or prior to June 1, 2018, and if not renegotiated after Dec. 31, 2017, shall be treated as if terminated on June 2, subject to the further requirements of CBA Article 13, Section 6(b)(ii)(1).
Feb. 16	— Deadline for playoff clubs to submit their individual lists of Physician-Certified 2018 Basic Injury Protection Benefit Candidates to the Management Council.	March 15	— Deadline for all clubs to submit their individual lists of Physician-Certified Candidates for the 2018 Extended Injury Protection Benefit.
Feb. 20	— First day for clubs to designate Franchise or Transition Players.	March 25-28	— Annual League Meeting, Ritz Carlton, Orlando, Florida.
Feb. 27-Mar. 5	— Combine timing and testing, Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, Indiana.	April 2	— Deadline for clubs to meet 2018 funding requirements for guaranteed or deferred compensation in NFL Player Contracts and contracts for non-player Club employees.
March 1	— Deadline for all clubs to conduct physical examinations pursuant to CBA Article 45, Section 4(a) for players claiming the Extended Injury Protection Benefit for the 2018 season.	April 2	— Clubs that hired a new head coach after the end of the 2017 regular season may begin offseason workout programs.
March 2	— Beginning this date, if a club seeks permission to discuss employment with an assistant coach, who is under contract for the succeeding season or seasons to another club, to offer him a position as its head coach, the employer club is under no obligation to grant the coach the opportunity to discuss the position with the interested club. At the discretion of the employer club, however, such permission may be voluntarily granted.	April 16	— Clubs with returning head coaches may begin offseason workout programs.
March 2	— Beginning this date through the conclusion of the annual Selection Meeting, if a club seeks permission to discuss employment with an individual, who is under contract for the succeeding season or seasons to another club, to offer him a position as a high-level club employee, the employer club is under no obligation to grant the individual the opportunity to discuss the position with the interested club if his current responsibilities include gathering information on and evaluating draft-eligible players or veteran free agent players. At the discretion of the employer club, however, such permission may be voluntarily granted.	April 18	— Deadline to bring draft-eligible players to their facilities for a physical examination.
March 6	— Prior to 4 p.m. Eastern time, deadline for clubs to designate Franchise or Transition Players.	April 20	— Deadline for Restricted Free Agents to sign Offer Sheets.
March 12-14	— During the period beginning at noon Eastern time, on March 12 and ending at 3:59:59 p.m. Eastern time, on March 14, 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 2017 Player Contracts at 4 p.m. Eastern time, on March 14. However, a contract cannot be executed with a new club until 4 p.m. Eastern time, on March 14. During the above two-day negotiating period, no direct contact is permitted between a prospective Unrestricted	April 25	— Deadline for Prior Club to exercise Right of First Refusal to Restricted Free Agents.
		April 25	— Deadline to time, test, and interview draft-eligible players.
		April 26-28	— NFL Draft (site TBD).
		May 2	— Deadline for clubs to exercise Fifth-Year Option for players selected in the first round of the 2015 Draft.
		May 4-7	— Clubs may elect to hold their one three-day post-Draft rookie minicamp from Friday through Sunday or Saturday through Monday.
		May 8	— Deadline for Prior Club to send "May 8 Tender" to its unsigned Unrestricted Free Agents. If the player has not signed a Player Contract with a Club by July 22 or the first scheduled day of the first NFL training camp, whichever is later, he may negotiate or sign a Player Contract from that date until the Tuesday following the 10th weekend of the regular season, at 4 p.m. Eastern time, only with his Prior Club.
		May 11-14	— Clubs may elect to hold their one three-day post-Draft rookie minicamp from Friday through Sunday or Saturday through Monday.
		May 14	— Rookie Football Development Programs begin.
		May 17-20	— NFLPA Rookie Premiere. Invited Rookies (typically, first and/or second-round selections) must be permitted by their respective clubs to attend. Such players are unavailable for offseason workouts, OTA days, and minicamps during this period.
		May 21-23	— Spring League Meeting, Ritz Carlton, Buckhead, Georgia.

## MEDIA SCHEDULE

<p>Tues., Nov. 21 — Players' off day; No media access.</p> <p>Wed., Nov. 22 — Locker room open from 11:15 a.m.-noon; Andy Dalton news conference at 11:15 a.m.; Marvin Lewis news conference at noon; 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 with Cleveland Browns head coach Hue Jackson at 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>Thurs., Nov. 23 — THANKSGIVING DAY; Team will practice, but no media access.</p> <p>Fri., Nov. 24 — Locker room open from 10-10:45 a.m.; Practice from 10:45-11:50 a.m.; (practice open to media from 10:45-11:15 a.m., but no video or still cameras).</p> <p>Sat., Nov. 25 — No media access.</p> <p>Sun., Nov. 26 — Game 11, Bengals vs. Cleveland Browns at Paul Brown Stadium, 1 p.m. Eastern.</p> <p>Mon., Nov. 27 — Marvin Lewis news conference at 3 p.m.; Locker room open from 3:15-4 p.m.</p> <p>Tues., Nov. 28 — Players' off day; No media access.</p> <p>Wed., Nov. 29 — Locker room open from 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.; Team will</p>	<p>practice, but practice is not open to media and there is no player or coach availability after practice.</p> <p>Thurs., Nov. 30 — Locker room open from 11:15 a.m.-noon; Andy Dalton news conference at 11:15 a.m.; Marvin Lewis news conference at noon; 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 Pittsburgh Steelers head coach Mike Tomlin TBD.</p> <p>Fri., Dec. 1 — Practice from 11:15 a.m.-1:15 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.</p> <p>Sat., Dec. 2 — Locker room open from 10-10:45 a.m.; Practice from 10:45-11:50 a.m.; (practice open to media from 10:45-11:15 a.m., but no video or still cameras).</p> <p>Sun., Dec. 3 — No media access.</p> <p>Mon., Dec. 4 — Game 12, Bengals vs. Pittsburgh Steelers at Paul Brown Stadium, 8:30 p.m. Eastern.</p> <p>Tues., Dec. 5 — Players' off day; No media access.</p>
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# 2017 GAME SUMMARIES

## WEEK 1, GAME 1

### Baltimore Ravens 20, Cincinnati Bengals 0 Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017 at Paul Brown Stadium

The Bengals had looked forward to their first regular-season opener at home in eight seasons (the last opener at home had been in 2009), but the Ravens made sure that Cincinnati's three-game winning streak in openers ended in front of the team's home crowd at Paul Brown Stadium. Turnover differential and drives inside the opponent's 20-yard line proved to be the major differences in this game. The Bengals were minus-four in turnover differential (four INTs and one fumble to the Ravens' one INT) and failed to score on any of their three drives inside the Ravens' 20-yard line (those drives ended on an INT, a fumble, and on downs). Meanwhile, on three drives inside the Bengals' 20-yard line, the Ravens came away with three scores (one TD and two FGs). QB Andy Dalton recorded his lowest passer rating since November of 2014, though two of his four interceptions occurred on deflected passes. The shutout was just the second in a regular-season opener in Bengals history, and the first since 1979.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Baltimore.....	3	14	3	0	—	20
Cincinnati.....	0	0	0	0	—	0

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Balt. J.Tucker 25 field goal.....	1-4:44
Balt. J.Maclin 48 pass from J.Flacco (J.Tucker kick).....	2-1:52
Balt. T.West 2 run (J.Tucker kick).....	2-1:28
Balt. J.Tucker 25 field goal.....	3-1:06

**Missed FGs:** None. **Attendance:** 55,254. **Time:** 2:57.

TEAM STATISTICS	BALT.	CIN.
First downs.....	17	14
Third down conversions-attempts.....	6-14	4-13
Total net yards.....	268	221
Net yards rushing.....	157	77
Net yards passing.....	111	144
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	17-9-1	31-16-4
Sacks against-yards lost.....	1-10	5-26
Punts-average.....	6-41.7	5-42.4
Punt returns-yards.....	3-23	3-14
Kickoff returns-yards.....	0-0	1-11
Penalties-yards.....	11-85	9-66
Fumbles-lost.....	1-0	1-1
Time of possession.....	34:00	26:00

#### RUSHING

BALT.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
T.West	19	80	11	1	G.Bernard	7	40	23	0
J.Allen	21	71	17	0	J.Hill	6	26	12	0
D.Woodhead	1	4	4	0	J.Mixon	8	9	8	0
M.Campanaro	1	2	2	0	A.Dalton	1	2	2	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>

#### PASSING

BALT.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
J.Flacco	17	9	121	1-1	A.Dalton	31	16	170	0-4
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>0-4</b>

#### RECEIVING

BALT.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
D.Woodhead	3	33	13	0	A.Green	5	74	27	0
J.Maclin	2	56	48	1	B.LaFell	3	24	13	0
N.Boyle	1	14	14	0	J.Mixon	3	15	9	0
M.Wallace	1	8	8	0	G.Bernard	1	39	39	0
B.Perriman	1	5	5	0	T.Boyd	1	11	11	0
M.Williams	1	5	5	0	T.Kroft	1	5	5	0
					T.Eifert	1	4	4	0
					J.Hill	1	-2	-2	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0</b>

#### DEFENSE

**Baltimore** (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** T.Jefferson 5-4-9, C.Mosley 5-3-8, T.Suggs 5-1-6, M.Pierce 3-1-4, K.Correa 3-0-3, J.Smith 3-0-3, L.Webb 3-0-3, Z.Smith 2-1-3, B.Carr 2-0-2, E.Weddle 1-1-2, T.Bowser 1-0-1, M.Judon 1-0-1, A.Levine 1-0-1, P.Ricard 1-0-1, B.Urban 1-0-1, B.Williams 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** T.Suggs 2-11, Z.Smith 1-9, M.Pierce 1-5, T.Jefferson 1-1. **INT.-YDS.:** C.Mosley 1-31, B.Carr 1-20, L.Webb 1-10, J.Smith 1-8, **PD:** B.Carr 2, M.Judon 1, C.Mosley 1, M.Judon 1, J.Smith 1, T.Suggs 1, L.Webb 1. **FF:** T.Suggs 1. **FR.-YDS.:** M.Pierce 1-0.

**Cincinnati** (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** V.Rey 6-5-11, K.Minter 4-6-10, N.Vigil 5-4-9, G.Atkins 4-3-7, D.Kirkpatrick 3-2-5, D.Dennard 2-2-4, P.Sims 1-3-4, C.Fejedelem 2-1-3, G.Iloka 1-2-3, W.Jackson 2-0-2, A.Billings 1-0-1, R.Glasgow 1-0-1, M.Johnson 1-0-1, J.Shaw 1-0-1, C.Smith 1-0-1, C.Dunlap 0-1-1, J.Willis 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** G.Atkins 1-10. **INT.-YDS.:** N.Vigil 1-0. **PD:** D.Dennard 1, W.Jackson 1, D.Kirkpatrick 1, N.Vigil 1. **FF:** None. **FR.-YDS.:** None.

## WEEK 2, GAME 2

### Houston Texans 13, Cincinnati Bengals 9 Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017 at Paul Brown Stadium

The Bengals' defense had a solid game, but for the second straight week, the offense's inability to score a TD crippled the team's chances for a win. The defense gave up just 13 points, 98 net passing yards and 266 yards overall, but story of the game was three Cincinnati drives inside the Texans' 20-yard line, and just three field goals to show for it. The Texans had huge play in the game, and it proved to be the difference. QB Deshaun Watson scrambled 49 yards on a broken pass play on third-and-15 for a 49-yard TD with 50 seconds left in the first half. With just under seven minutes left in the third quarter, Bengals QB Andy Dalton hit TE Tyler Eifert for an apparent TD, but the play was taken away because Eifert had stepped out of bounds and the officials ruled he had not re-established himself inbounds before becoming the first player to touch the ball. Bengals DT Geno Atkins had two sacks for the Bengals, extending to six the number of consecutive games in which he had recorded at least a half sack, which tied for the longest such streak in Bengals history. The Bengals fell to 0-2, while the Texans improved to 1-1.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Houston.....	3	7	0	3	—	13
Cincinnati.....	0	6	3	0	—	9

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Hou. K.Fairbairn 26 field goal.....	1-1:28
Cin. R.Bullock 39 field goal.....	2-13:44
Hou. D.Watson 49 run.....	2-0:50
Cin. R.Bullock 29 field goal.....	2-0:02
Cin. R.Bullock 30 field goal.....	3-6:26
Hou. K.Fairbairn 42 field goal.....	4-1:56

**Missed FGs:** None. **Attendance:** 52,942. **Time:** 3:04.

TEAM STATISTICS	HOU.	CIN.
First downs.....	14	12
Third down conversions-attempts.....	4-15	4-15
Total net yards.....	266	295
Net yards rushing.....	168	82
Net yards passing.....	98	213
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions.....	24-15-0	35-20-0
Sacks against-yards lost.....	3-27	3-11
Punts-average.....	9-48.9	7-47.7
Punt returns-yards.....	3-15	6-98
Kickoff returns-yards.....	1-17	2-76
Penalties-yards.....	9-61	7-45
Fumbles-lost.....	0-0	1-1
Time of possession.....	32:15	27:45

#### RUSHING

HOU.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
D.Watson	5	67	49t	1	J.Mixon	9	36	7	0
L.Miller	18	61	19	0	J.Hill	6	17	6	0
D.Foreman	12	40	9	0	J.Ross	1	12	12	0
					G.Bernard	5	10	6	0
					A.Dalton	2	5	3	0
					A.Erickson	1	2	2	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>49t</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

#### PASSING

HOU.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
D.Watson	24	15	125	0-0	A.Dalton	35	20	224	0-0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>0-0</b>

#### RECEIVING

HOU.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
D.Hopkins	7	73	25	0	A.Green	5	67	50	0
L.Miller	3	26	12	0	A.Erickson	4	62	37	0
T.Ervin	3	16	7	0	B.LaFell	4	30	12	0
B.Miller	2	10	8	0	T.Eifert	3	42	22	0
					G.Bernard	2	16	8	0
					J.Mixon	1	5	5	0
					J.Hill	1	2	2	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>

#### DEFENSE

**Houston** (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** K.Jackson 5-3-8, J.Watt 5-1-6, B.McKinney 4-2-6, D.Reader 1-4-5, Z.Cunningham 4-0-4, J.Clowney 3-1-4, K.Johnson 3-1-4, E.Pleasant 3-0-3, J.Joseph 2-1-3, C.Covington 1-2-3, C.Moore 1-2-3, D.Cole 0-3-3, A.Hal 1-1-2, M.Gilchrist 1-0-1, J.Heath 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** B.McKinney 2-7, K.Jackson 1-4. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** J.Clowney 1, E.Pleasant 1, J.Watt 1. **FF:** K.Jackson 1. **FR.-YDS.:** J.Clowney 1-49.

**Cincinnati** (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** V.Rey 6-5-11, G.Iloka 4-2-6, S.Williams 4-2-6, C.Smith 3-3-6, A.Jones 5-0-5, N.Vigil 3-2-5, G.Atkins 2-3-5, J.Willis 1-4-5, C.Dunlap 2-2-4, D.Dennard 3-0-3, P.Sims 1-2-3, D.Kirkpatrick 2-0-2, K.Minter 1-1-2, R.Glasgow 0-2-2. **SKS.-YDS.:** G.Atkins 2-13, C.Smith 1-14. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** A.Jones 3, D.Dennard 1, N.Vigil 1. **FF:** None. **FR.-YDS.:** None.

**WEEK 3, GAME 3**

**Green Bay Packers 27, Cincinnati Bengals 24**  
Sunday, Sept. 24, 2017 at Lambeau Field

The Bengals' offense, which had not scored a TD in either of the first two games, scored TDs on two of its first three possessions. Behind those scores and an INT returned for a TD by CB William Jackson, the Bengals jumped out to a 21-7 lead on the defending NFC North Champions and controlled that advantage for most of the game. In the first half, Cincinnati outgained Green Bay in net yards, 192-78, while winning on third downs on both sides of the line of scrimmage, converting four of seven while holding the Packers to two of seven. In the second half, however, the Packers flipped the third downs, converting five of eight and holding the Bengals to zero of five. Behind the direction of QB Aaron Rodgers, Green Bay rallied late with a 12-play, 71-yard TD drive with 17 seconds left to send the game into OT. Then, after the Bengals' offense stalled with a three-and-out on the opening drive of OT, Rodgers connected with WR Geronimo Allison on third-and-10 for a 72-yard pass to the Bengals' seven-yard line, and two plays later, the Packers converted on a 27-yard FG. QB Andy Dalton completed 21 of 27 passes for 212 yards, two TDs and no INTs (124.1 rating), and WR A.J. Green caught 10 passes for 111 yards and a TD. Rookie LB Carl Lawson had 2.5 sacks. The Bengals fell to 0-3, while the Packers improved to 2-1.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	7	14	0	3	0	24
Green Bay .....	7	0	7	10	3	27

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. A.Green 10 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick) .....	1-9:40
G.B. L.Kendricks 1 pass from A.Rodgers (M.Crosby kick) .....	1-7:46
Cin. G.Bernard 6 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick) .....	2-12:29
Cin. W.Jackson 75 interception return (R.Bullock kick) .....	2-10:20
G.B. J.Nelson 1 pass from A.Rodgers (M.Crosby kick) .....	3-9:54
G.B. M.Crosby 28 field goal .....	4-14:43
Cin. R.Bullock 46 field goal .....	4-3:46
G.B. J.Nelson 3 pass from A.Rodgers (M.Crosby kick) .....	4-0:17
G.B. M.Crosby 27 field goal .....	5-6:22

**Missed FGs:** R.Bullock (48WR). **Attendance:** 78,323. **Time:** 3:18.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	G.B.
First downs .....	21	22
Third down conversions-attempts .....	4-12	7-15
Total net yards .....	301	344
Net yards rushing .....	110	64
Net yards passing .....	191	280
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions .....	27-21-0	42-28-1
Sacks against-yards lost .....	3-21	6-33
Punts-average .....	6-49.3	6-49.3
Punt returns-yards .....	5-31	5-70
Kickoff returns-yards .....	1-20	0-0
Penalties-yards .....	7-68	4-33
Fumbles-lost .....	1-1	0-0
Time of possession .....	34:17	29:21

**RUSHING**

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	G.B.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Mixon	18	62	20	0	T.Montgomery	12	35	8	0
G.Bernard	3	27	25	0	A.Rodgers	4	23	13	0
J.Hill	7	23	8	0	J.Williams	1	6	6	0
A.Dalton	2	-2	-1	0					
TOTALS	30	110	25	0	TOTALS	17	64	13	0

**PASSING**

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	G.B.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
A.Dalton	27	21	212	2-0	A.Rodgers	42	28	313	3-1
TOTALS	27	21	212	2-0	TOTALS	42	28	313	3-1

**RECEIVING**

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	G.B.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
A.Green	10	111	20	1	T.Montgomery	8	15	5	0
J.Mixon	3	39	21	0	G.Allison	6	122	72	0
T.Kroft	3	28	14	0	J.Nelson	6	52	23	2
G.Bernard	2	12	6t	1	D.Adams	3	60	41	0
T.Boyd	1	11	11	0	M.Bennett	3	12	6	0
J.Hill	1	6	6	0	L.Kendricks	2	52	51	1
B.LaFell	1	5	5	0					
TOTALS	21	212	21	2	TOTALS	28	313	72	3

**DEFENSE**

**Cincinnati** (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** D.Dennard 7-3-10, N.Vigil 3-4-7, V.Rey 3-3-6, K.Minter 2-3-5, S.Williams 2-3-5, C.Lawson 3-1-4, G.Iloka 2-2-4, C.Dunlap 3-0-3, W.Jackson 3-0-3, M.Johnson 3-0-3, A.Jones 3-0-3, C.Smith 2-1-3, D.Kirkpatrick 2-0-2, G.Atkins 1-0-1, J.Shaw 1-0-1, J.Willis 1-0-1, P.Sims 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** C.Lawson 2-5-19.5, D.Dennard 1-0, C.Dunlap 1-0, C.Smith 0.5-6.5. **INT.-YDS.:** W.Jackson 1-75. **PD:** W.Jackson 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

**Green Bay** (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** J.Jones 11-1-12, B.Martinez 7-4-11, K.King 5-2-7, K.Clark 4-1-5, M.Burnett 3-2-5, M.Evans 4-0-4, D.Randall 3-1-4, H.Clinton-Dix 2-1-3, C.Matthews 1-2-3, A.Brooks 2-0-2, D.Lowery 2-0-2, Q.Dial 1-0-1, K.Fackrell 0-1-1, C.Odom 0-1-1, J.Thomas 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** J.Jones 2-14, A.Brooks 1-7. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** None. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

**WEEK 4, GAME 4**

**Cincinnati Bengals 31, Cleveland Browns 7**  
Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017 at FirstEnergy Stadium

Both Cincinnati and Cleveland entered the game with 0-3 records, but the Bengals' offense erupted for 31 points while their defense held the Browns scoreless until after the two-minute warning to give the team a much-needed first win. Bengals QB Andy Dalton completed 25 of 30 passes for 286 yards, four TDs and zero INTs (146.0 passer rating). It was his fourth career game with four or more TD passes, and his first since Game 15 of the 2013 season. At one point in the Browns game, Dalton had logged 16 consecutive completions. That was the second-longest streak of completions in a game in team history, behind only the team record of 20 straight completions by former QB Ken Anderson in the 1982 regular-season finale on Jan. 2, 1983 at Houston. TE Tyler Kroft had six receptions for 68 yards and two TDs (all three of those stat categories were career highs for Kroft). HB Giovanni Bernard added three catches for 67 receiving yards and TD. The game marked the return of LB Vontaze Burfict, who missed the team's first three games due to a league suspension. The defense held the Browns to only 21.5 net yards, including just 45 rushing. Cincinnati improved to 1-3, while Cleveland fell to 0-4.

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS.
Cincinnati.....	0	21	10	0	—	31
Cleveland.....	0	0	0	7	—	7

TEAM — SCORING PLAY	QTR.-LEFT
Cin. — A.Green 7 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick) .....	2-14:56
Cin. — T.Kroft 3 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick) .....	2-2:33
Cin. — G.Bernard 61 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick) .....	2-0:47
Cin. — R.Bullock 41 field goal .....	3-11:28
Cin. — T.Kroft 16 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick) .....	3-3:37
Cle. — D.Johnson 1 run (Z.Gonzalez kick) .....	4-1:54

**Missed FGs:** Z.Gonzalez (48WL). **Attendance:** 67,431. **Time:** 2:56.

TEAM STATISTICS	CIN.	CLE.
First downs .....	25	16
Third down conversions-attempts .....	6-11	5-16
Total net yards .....	350	215
Net yards rushing .....	86	45
Net yards passing .....	264	170
Pass attempts-completions-interceptions .....	30-25-0	42-21-1
Sacks against-yards lost .....	3-22	2-13
Punts-average .....	4-47.8	6-49.2
Punt returns-yards .....	6-73	3-4
Kickoff returns-yards .....	1-7	5-116
Penalties-yards .....	8-66	4-28
Fumbles-lost .....	3-1	1-0
Time of possession .....	35:02	24:58

**RUSHING**

CIN.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD	CLE.	ATT	YDS	LG	TD
J.Mixon	17	29	10	0	I.Crowell	7	20	14	0
A.Dalton	4	29	12	0	D.Johnson	4	13	9	1
J.Hill	6	16	13	0	D.Kizer	5	10	4	0
G.Bernard	3	12	6	0	M.Dayes	1	2	2	0
TOTALS	30	86	13	0	TOTALS	17	45	14	1

**PASSING**

CIN.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I	CLE.	ATT	CMP	YDS	TD-I
A.Dalton	30	25	286	4-0	D.Kizer	34	16	118	0-1
					K.Hogan	8	5	65	0-0
TOTALS	30	25	286	4-0	TOTALS	42	21	183	0-1

**RECEIVING**

CIN.	NO	YDS	LG	TD	CLE.	NO	YDS	LG	TD
T.Kroft	6	68	21	2	D.Johnson	9	47	9	0
A.Green	5	63	25	1	R.Louis	5	64	31	0
J.Mixon	4	19	10	0	K.Britt	3	52	26	0
G.Bernard	3	67	61t	1	D.Njoku	2	11	8	0
B.LaFell	2	17	9	0	I.Crowell	1	7	7	0
T.Boyd	2	15	9	0	S.DeValve	1	2	2	0
R.Hewitt	1	16	16	0					
C.Uzomah	1	11	11	0					
J.Hill	1	10	10	0					
TOTALS	25	286	61	4	TOTALS	21	183	31	0

**DEFENSE**

**Cincinnati** (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** N.Vigil 7-4-11, V.Burfict 4-2-6, K.Russell 5-0-5, D.Dennard 3-1-4, C.Dunlap 2-1-3, D.Kirkpatrick 2-1-3, S.Williams 2-0-2, M.Johnson 1-1-2, J.Shaw 1-1-2, J.Willis 1-1-2, G.Atkins 1-0-1, G.Iloka 1-0-1, W.Jackson 1-0-1, C.Smith 1-0-1, A.Jones 0-1-1, V.Rey 0-1-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** N.Vigil 1-7, D.Dennard 1-6. **INT.-YDS.:** C.Fejedelem 1-5. **PD:** W.Jackson 2, C.Dunlap 1, C.Fejedelem 1, M.Johnson 1. **FF:** None. **FR-YDS.:** None.

**Cleveland** (press box stats) — **ST-AT-TT:** J.Schobert 4-7-11, C.Kirksey 4-4-8, J.McCourty 7-0-7, E.Ogbah 4-2-6, J.Taylor 3-3-6, J.Burgess 2-3-5, T.Coley 2-2-4, J.Peppers 2-2-4, B.Boddy-Calhoun 2-1-3, N.Orchard 2-1-3, J.Meder 1-2-3, L.Ogunjobi 1-2-3, C.Brantley 2-0-2, C.Nassib 2-0-2, D.Kindred 1-1-2, M.Jordan 1-0-1. **SKS.-YDS.:** E.Ogbah 1-11, C.Brantley 1-7, T.Coley 1-4. **INT.-YDS.:** None. **PD:** J.McCourty 2, J.Taylor 1. **FF:** E.Ogbah 2. **FR-YDS.:** E.Ogbah 1-0.

WEEK 5, GAME 5

Cincinnati Bengals 20, Buffalo Bills 16
Sunday, Oct. 8, 2017 at Paul Brown Stadium

Cincinnati bested a 3-1 Buffalo Bills squad for their second straight win. The Bengals' defense was the story of the game. The Bengals allowed the Bills to score just one offensive touchdown and held Bills QB Tyrod Taylor to a passer rating of just 63.6 while sporting a relentless pass rush that sacked him six times, including three times in the fourth quarter alone.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns for 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Buffalo: 3, 7, 3, 3, —, 16. Cincinnati: 7, 3, 0, 10, —, 20.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT table listing plays such as A.Green 77 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick) 1-11:29 and S.Hauschka 31 field goal 1-0:10.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 52,367. Time: 3:00.

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

RUSHING BUFF. CIN. table with columns for ATT, YDS, LG, TD, CIN. and rows for L.McCoy, M.Tolbert, T.Taylor, K.Clay, and TOTALS.

PASSING BUFF. CIN. table with columns for ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, CIN. and rows for T.Taylor and TOTALS.

RECEIVING BUFF. CIN. table with columns for NO, YDS, LG, TD, CIN. and rows for L.McCoy, N.O'Leary, M.Tolbert, C.Clay, B.Tate, Z.Jones, L.Thomas, and TOTALS.

DEFENSE Buffalo (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: S.Wright 8-3-11, P.Brown 4-4-8, L.Alexander 5-1-6, M.Hyde 2-4-6, J.Hughes 1-3-4, J.Poyer 3-0-3, C.Thornton 2-1-3, M.Milano 1-2-3, T.White 2-0-2, M.Dareus 1-1-2, L.Johnson 1-1-2, A.Washington 1-1-2, S.Lawson 0-2-2, K.Williams 0-2-2. SKS.-YDS.: M.Dareus 1-5. INT.-YDS.: M.Hyde 1-13, J.Poyer 1-13. PD: T.White 3, S.Wright 2, M.Hyde, L.Johnson 1, G.Mabin 1, J.Poyer 1. FF: L.Alexander 1. FR-YDS.: J.Poyer 1-32. Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: V.Burfict 10-3-13, N.Vigil 4-5-9, K.Minter 4-1-5, G.Iloka 3-2-5, M.Johnson 4-0-4, G.Atkins 3-0-3, J.Willis 3-0-3, D.Dennard 2-1-3, S.Williams 2-1-3, C.Fejedelem 1-1-2, W.Jackson 1-1-2, C.Dunlap 1-0-1, R.Glasgow 1-0-1, D.Kirkpatrick 1-0-1, C.Lawson 1-0-1, J.Shaw 1-0-1, A.Jones 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: M.Johnson 2-8, V.Burfict 1-6, G.Atkins 1-5, J.Willis 1-4, C.Lawson 1-4. INT.-YDS.: G.Iloka 1-14. PD: V.Burfict 1, G.Iloka 1, N.Vigil 1. FF: C.Dunlap 1. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 7, GAME 6

Pittsburgh Steelers 29, Cincinnati Bengals 14
Sunday, Oct. 22, 2017 at Heinz Field

Cincinnati's offense and defense had an uneven balance between them in the game's two halves that led to the disappointing defeat. Entering the game, the Bengals ranked No. 2 in the NFL in both average net yards allowed (262.8) and average points allowed (16.6). But in the first half alone, the Bengals gave up nearly their average in net yards allowed to the Steelers (251) and more than their average in points (20).

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns for 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Cincinnati: 7, 7, 0, 0, —, 14. Pittsburgh: 7, 13, 6, 3, —, 29.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY QTR.-LEFT table listing plays such as A.Brown 7 pass from B.Roethlisberger (C.Boswell kick) 1-9:25 and B.LaFell 6 pass from A.Dalton (R.Bullock kick) 1-0:10.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 65,363. Time: 3:03.

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

RUSHING CIN. PIT. table with columns for ATT, YDS, LG, TD, PIT. and rows for J.Mixon, G.Bernard, A.Dalton, J.Hill, and TOTALS.

PASSING CIN. PIT. table with columns for ATT, CMP, YDS, TD-I, PIT. and rows for A.Dalton and TOTALS.

RECEIVING CIN. PIT. table with columns for NO, YDS, LG, TD, PIT. and rows for A.Dalton and TOTALS.

DEFENSE CIN. PIT. table with columns for NO, YDS, LG, TD, PIT. and rows for B.LaFell, T.Kroft, A.Green, J.Mixon, A.Erickson, C.Uzomah, G.Bernard, and TOTALS.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: V.Rey 4-4-8, P.Sims 4-4-8, N.Vigil 3-5-8, S.Williams 6-1-7, D.Dennard 5-2-7, C.Dunlap 4-1-5, M.Johnson 3-2-5, R.Glasgow 1-4-5, G.Iloka 3-1-4, V.Burfict 2-2-4, G.Atkins 1-1-2, K.Minter 1-1-2, A.Billings 1-0-1, A.Erickson 1-0-1, W.Jackson 1-0-1, J.Shaw 1-0-1, J.Willis 1-0-1, D.Kirkpatrick 0-1-1, C.Lawson 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: None. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: W.Jackson 2, D.Kirkpatrick 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

Pittsburgh (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: R.Shazier 5-3-8, T.Watt 5-1-6, T.Alualu 4-0-4, C.Heyward 4-0-4, S.Davis 3-1-4, M.Hilton 2-2-4, B.Dupree 1-2-3, J.Hargrave 1-2-3, V.Williams 2-0-2, A.Burns 1-0-1, R.Golden 1-0-1, J.Haden 1-0-1, M.Mitchell 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: B.Dupree 1-13, T.Alualu 1-11, T.Watt 1-7, C.Heyward 1-1. INT.-YDS.: J.Haden 1-1, W.Gay 1-(-1). PD: A.Chickillo 1, S.Davis 1, W.Gay, J.Haden 1. FF: S.Davis 1. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 8, GAME 7

Cincinnati Bengals 24, Indianapolis Colts 23 Sunday, Oct. 29, 2017 at Paul Brown Stadium

Cincinnati survived a gut-check game and recorded one of its most peculiar victories in recent memory. The underdog Colts entered the game with the league's 28th-ranked offense and 31st-ranked defense, yet dominated both sides of the line of scrimmage. The Bengals suffered a blocked FG, they lost two fumbles with no takeaways, and they had a rookie halfback (Joe Mixon) lead the team in rushing yards with just 18 as well as receiving yards with 91. The game itself had five lead changes and was tied twice. And the contest's most decisive play was no less unusual. With Cincinnati down 23-17 with just over seven minutes left, Bengals DE Carlos Dunlap batted up a pass in the Indianapolis backfield, caught it when it came down, and then outran the pursuing Colts offensive players for 16-yard INT return for a TD and the game's final points. Indianapolis had two more possessions to try to regain the lead, but the Bengals' defense held both times. QB Andy Dalton was sacked three times and under duress for much of the game, yet still managed to record a solid 108.8 passer rating after completing 17 of 29 passes for 243 yards, two TDs and no INTs. The Bengals improved to 3-4, and the Colts fell to 2-6.

SCORE BY PERIODS table with columns 1, 2, 3, 4, OT, PTS. Indianapolis 0, 13, 7, 3, —, 23. Cincinnati 3, 7, 7, 7, —, 24.

TEAM — SCORING PLAY table with columns QTR.-LEFT, CIN., IND. listing plays like R.Bullock 29 field goal, A.Vinatieri 29 field goal, etc.

Missed FGs: R.Bullock (34B). Attendance: 57,901. Time: 3:11.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns IND., CIN. listing First downs, Third down conversions, Total net yards, etc.

RUSHING

RUSHING table with columns IND., CIN. listing players like F.Gore, M.Mack, J.Brissett and J.Mixon, A.Erickson, J.Hill.

PASSING

PASSING table with columns IND., CIN. listing players like J.Brissett and A.Dalton.

RECEIVING

RECEIVING table with columns IND., CIN. listing players like J.Doyle, F.Gore, M.Mack, K.Aiken, T.Hilton, C.Rogers.

DEFENSE

Indianapolis (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: J.Bostic 4-4-8, A.Morrison 3-5-8, H.Anderson 5-2-7, B.Mingo 2-3-5, T.Green 4-0-4, P.Desir 3-1-4, V.Davis 2-2-4, D.Butler 1-2-3, T.Basham 1-1-2, H.Ridgeway 1-0-1, J.Sheard 1-0-1, A.Woods 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: T.Basham 1-14, H.Anderson 1-8, J.Bostic 1-3. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: V.Davis 1, J.Sheard 1. FF: D.Butler 1, B.Mingo 1. FR-YDS.: J.Bostic 1-0.

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: D.Dennard 7-3-10, V.Burfict 5-3-8, V.Rey 5-2-7, S.Williams 2-4-6, G.Atkins 4-1-5, G.Iloka 4-1-5, N.Vigil 3-1-4, C.Dunlap 3-0-3, D.Kirkpatrick 3-0-3, C.Smith 2-1-3, P.Sims 0-3-3, R.Glasgow 1-0-1, M.Johnson 1-0-1, A.Jones 1-0-1, C.Lawson 1-0-1, J.Shaw 1-0-1, J.Willis 1-0-1, W.Jackson 0-1-1. SKS.-YDS.: C.Lawson 1-7, G.Atkins 1-6, C.Dunlap 1-2, D.Kirkpatrick 1-2. INT.-YDS.: C.Dunlap 1-16. PD: V.Burfict 1, D.Dennard 1, C.Dunlap 1, G.Iloka 1, W.Jackson 1, D.Kirkpatrick 1, N.Vigil 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 9, GAME 8

Jacksonville Jaguars 23, Cincinnati Bengals 7 Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017 at EverBank Field

Cincinnati totaled a season-low 148 net yards, including just 29 yards rushing, on a season-low total of just 37 offensive plays, while Jacksonville totaled 407 net yards, including 148 rushing, on 78 plays. The Bengals converted just one of eight third downs (12.5 percent) while the Jaguars converted 12 of 18 (66.7). Despite the obvious lopsided numbers, the Bengals were down by only six points at halftime, and just nine points after three quarters. Not until Jacksonville WR Jaydon Mickens scored on a 63-yard punt return on the second play of the fourth quarter was Cincinnati forced to resort virtually entirely to pass plays in an attempt to close the deficit. By that point, however, the Jaguars' defense, which entered the game leading the league in both net passing yards allowed and sacks, was able to shift all of its attention to shutting down the Bengals' passing game. QB Andy Dalton finished with just a 79.9 passer rating, completing 10 of 18 passes for 136 yards. Just before halftime, WR A.J. Green was ejected for fighting with Jaguars CB Jalen Ramsey, who also was disqualified. Green left the game with only one reception for six yards, and no other Bengals WR or TE ended up catching more than two passes. The Bengals fell to 3-5, and the Jaguars improved to 5-3.

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

TEAM — SCORING PLAY table with columns QTR.-LEFT, Jax., Cin. listing plays like J.Lambo 32 field goal, M.Lee 3 pass from B.Bortles, etc.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 60,720. Time: 2:57.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns CIN., JAX. listing First downs, Third down conversions, Total net yards, etc.

RUSHING

RUSHING table with columns CIN., JAX. listing players like J.Mixon, A.Dalton, G.Bernard and C.Ivory, T.Yeldon, B.Bortles, C.Grant.

PASSING

PASSING table with columns CIN., JAX. listing players like A.Dalton and B.Bortles.

RECEIVING

RECEIVING table with columns CIN., JAX. listing players like J.Mixon, T.Kroft, B.LaFell, J.Malone, A.Green, G.Bernard, J.O'Shaughnessy, T.Bohanon.

DEFENSE

Cincinnati (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: N.Vigil 6-3-9, G.Iloka 7-0-7, V.Burfict 6-0-6, A.Jones 6-0-6, D.Kirkpatrick 6-0-6, D.Dennard 5-1-6, S.Williams 4-0-4, G.Atkins 3-0-3, M.Johnson 3-0-3, V.Rey 2-1-3, R.Glasgow 2-0-2, J.Shaw 2-0-2, C.Smith 2-0-2, J.Willis 1-1-2, C.Dunlap 1-0-1, C.Fejedelem 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: None. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: None. FF: C.Smith 1. FR-YDS.: S.Williams 1-0.

Jacksonville (press box stats) — ST-AT-TT: B.Church 3-2-5, T.Smith 3-2-4, M.Dareus 3-0-3, T.Gipson 3-0-3, C.Campbell 2-0-2, M.Jackson 2-0-2, Y.Ngakoue 2-0-2, P.Posluszny 2-0-2, A.Colvin 1-0-1, M.Jack 1-0-1, A.Jones 1-0-1, J.Ramsey 1-0-1. SKS.-YDS.: M.Jackson 1-9, C.Campbell 1-8. INT.-YDS.: None. PD: L.McCray 1, T.Smith 1. FF: None. FR-YDS.: None.

WEEK 10, GAME 9

Tennessee Titans 24, Cincinnati Bengals 20
Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017 at Nissan Stadium

Cincinnati had a good chance to win the game, trailing Tennessee by three points at halftime, 17-14. After a scoreless third period, the Bengals took their first lead of the game when QB Andy Dalton hit WR A.J. Green for a 70-yard TD and a 20-17 advantage with 5:03 left.

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

TEAM - SCORING PLAY table with columns for QTR.-LEFT and play descriptions.

Missed FGs: None. Attendance: 67,432. Time: 3:17.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns for CIN. and TENN. for various stats like First downs, Total net yards, etc.

RUSHING table with columns for CIN. and TENN. for individual player stats.

PASSING table with columns for CIN. and TENN. for individual player stats.

RECEIVING table with columns for CIN. and TENN. for individual player stats.

Cincinnati (press box stats) - ST-AT-TT: N.Vigil 3-5-8, J.Shaw 7-0-7, G.Iloka 3-4-7, D.Kirkpatrick 5-1-6, C.Fejedelem 4-2-6, V.Rey 4-2-6, C.Dunlap 5-0-5, A.Billings 3-1-4, D.Dennard 3-0-3, A.Jones 2-1-3, V.Burfict 1-2-3, G.Atkins 2-0-2, W.Jackson 2-0-2, C.Smith 2-0-2, M.Johnson 1-1-2, J.Evans 1-0-1, C.Lawson 1-0-1, J.Willis 1-0-1, R.Glasgow 0-1-1.

Tennessee (press box stats) - ST-AT-TT: W.Woodyard 3-4-7, K.Byard 4-2-6, J.Brown 4-0-4, J.Cyprien 3-1-4, L.Ryan 3-1-4, A.Jackson 2-0-2, L.Sims 2-0-2, E.Walden 1-1-2, J.Casey 1-0-1, B.Orakpo 1-0-1, S.Williams 1-0-1, A.Johnson 0-1-1.

WEEK 11, GAME 10

Cincinnati Bengals 20, Denver Broncos 17
Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017 at Sports Authority Field at Mile High

It wasn't a picture-perfect performance for the Bengals, but they made big plays when they needed them, and collectively they were enough to snap a 10-game losing streak in Denver, where they had not won since 1975. The list of big plays included a 101-yard INT return by CB Dre Kirkpatrick in the first quarter (it was the longest in NFL history not to result in a TD).

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

TEAM - SCORING PLAY table with columns for QTR.-LEFT and play descriptions.

Missed FGs: B.McManus (61B). Attendance: 75,707. Time: 3:04.

TEAM STATISTICS table with columns for CIN. and DEN. for various stats like First downs, Total net yards, etc.

RUSHING table with columns for CIN. and DEN. for individual player stats.

PASSING table with columns for CIN. and DEN. for individual player stats.

RECEIVING table with columns for CIN. and DEN. for individual player stats.

Cincinnati (press box stats) - ST-AT-TT: V.Burfict 11-1-12, D.Dennard 8-0-8, N.Vigil 6-0-6, G.Iloka 3-3-6, J.Shaw 3-2-5, C.Dunlap 4-0-4, D.Kirkpatrick 4-0-4, M.Johnson 3-1-4, S.Williams 3-1-4, R.Glasgow 3-0-3, V.Rey 2-0-2, J.Evans 1-1-2, G.Atkins 1-0-1, C.Smith 1-0-1, A.Billings 0-1-1.

Denver (press box stats) - ST-AT-TT: D.Peko 5-1-6, J.Simmons 5-0-5, D.Wolfe 5-0-5, T.Davis 3-2-5, A.Talib 4-0-4, B.Marshall 3-0-3, W.Parks 1-2-3, V.Miller 2-0-2, S.Ray 2-0-2, A.Gotsis 1-1-2, S.Barrett 1-0-1, C.Harris 1-0-1, S.Harris 1-0-1, D.Stewart 1-0-1, B.Roby 0-1-1.

## IN 2017, THE BENGALS ARE:

### REGULAR SEASON

**2-2** at home  
**2-4** on the road  
**4-1** when scoring first  
**0-5** when opponent scored first  
**2-1** in games decided by three points or fewer  
**3-3** in games decided by seven points or fewer  
**2-1** when leading at halftime  
**1-0** when tied at halftime  
**1-5** when trailing at halftime  
**2-1** when leading after three quarters  
**0-0** when tied after three quarters  
**2-5** when trailing after three quarters  
**0-1** when rushing for 100 net yards

**2-1** when opponent rushes for less than 100 net yards  
**1-1** with plus turnover differential  
**1-2** with even turnover differential  
**2-3** with minus turnover differential  
**2-1** when passing for 250 net yards  
**0-3** when opponent passes for 250 net yards  
**4-2** when scoring 20 points or more  
**1-5** when opponent scored 20 points or more  
**4-6** when game is outdoors (open-air/open retractable roof)  
**0-0** when game is inside (dome/closed retractable roof)  
**2-4** on natural grass  
**2-2** on synthetic surface  
**1-2** with fewer penalty yards

## UNDER MARVIN LEWIS, THE BENGALS ARE:

### 2003-PRESENT (REGULAR SEASON)

**69-44-3** at home (or as home team at neutral site)  
**53-65-0** on the road (or a visitor at neutral site)  
**85-35-1** when scoring first  
**37-74-2** when opponent scores first  
**23-23-3** in games decided by three points or fewer  
**56-52-3** in games decided by seven points or fewer  
**86-30-2** when leading at halftime  
**12-2-0** when tied at halftime  
**24-77-1** when trailing at halftime  
**97-19-2** when leading after three quarters  
**7-5-0** when tied after three quarters  
**18-85-1** when trailing after three quarters  
**81-37-2** when rushing for 100 net yards

**76-31-1** when opponent rushes for less than 100 net yards  
**76-18-1** with plus turnover differential  
**28-24-0** with even turnover differential  
**18-67-2** with minus turnover differential  
**43-34-2** when passing for 250 net yards  
**34-42-3** when opponent passes for 250 net yards  
**101-40-2** when scoring 20 points or more  
**40-94-2** when opponent scores 20 points or more  
**117-101-3** when game is outdoors (open-air/open retractable roof)  
**5-8-0** when game is inside (dome/closed retractable roof)  
**42-39-1** on natural grass  
**80-70-2** on synthetic surface  
**65-54-2** with fewer penalty yards

## 2017 BEST PERFORMANCES

### REGULAR SEASON

#### RUSHING YARDS

62 — Joe Mixon, Sept. 24 at Green Bay  
 51 — Joe Mixon, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 49 — Joe Mixon, Nov. 19 at Denver

#### RUSHING ATTEMPTS

20 — Joe Mixon, Nov. 19 at Denver  
 18 — Joe Mixon, Sept. 24 at Green Bay  
 17 — Joe Mixon, Oct. 1 at Cleveland

#### LONGEST RUSHES

25 — Giovani Bernard, Sept. 24 at Green Bay  
 25 — Joe Mixon, Oct. 22 at Pittsburgh  
 23 — Giovani Bernard, Sept. 10 vs. Baltimore

#### RECEPTIONS

10 — A.J. Green, Sept. 24 at Green Bay  
 7 — A.J. Green, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 6 — (two times)

#### RECEIVING YARDS

189 — A.J. Green, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 115 — A.J. Green, Nov. 12 at Tennessee  
 111 — A.J. Green, Sept. 24 at Green Bay

#### PASSING YARDS

328 — Andy Dalton, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 286 — Andy Dalton, Oct. 1 at Cleveland  
 265 — Andy Dalton, Nov. 12 at Tennessee

#### PASS ATTEMPTS

36 — Andy Dalton, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 35 — Andy Dalton, Sept. 14 vs. Houston  
 35 — Andy Dalton, Nov. 12 at Tennessee

#### PASS COMPLETIONS

25 — Andy Dalton, Oct. 1 at Cleveland  
 22 — Andy Dalton, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 21 — Andy Dalton, Sept. 24 at Green Bay

#### LONGEST PASSES

77 — Andy Dalton to A.J. Green, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo (TD)  
 70 — Andy Dalton to A.J. Green, Nov. 12 at Tennessee (TD)  
 67 — Andy Dalton to Joe Mixon, Oct. 29 vs. Indianapolis

#### YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE

189 — A.J. Green, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 115 — A.J. Green, Nov. 12 at Tennessee  
 111 — A.J. Green, Sept. 24 at Green Bay

#### LONGEST KICKOFF RETURNS

41 — Alex Erickson, Sept. 14 vs. Houston  
 35 — Alex Erickson, Sept. 14 vs. Houston  
 32 — Alex Erickson, Nov. 5 at Jacksonville

#### LONGEST PUNT RETURNS

40 — Adam Jones, Oct. 1 at Cleveland  
 33 — Adam Jones, Sept. 14 vs. Houston  
 29 — Alex Erickson, Oct. 29 vs. Indianapolis

#### TOTAL TACKLES\*

13 — Vontaze Burfict, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 12 — Vontaze Burfict, Nov. 19 at Denver  
 11 — (three times)

#### SOLO TACKLES\*

11 — Vontaze Burfict, Nov. 19 at Denver  
 10 — Vontaze Burfict, Oct. 8 vs. Buffalo  
 8 — Darqueze Dennard, Nov. 19 at Denver

\*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. 10	BALTIMORE	221	22-77	144	16-31	0/4	5-26	14	4-13	1-1	26:00
Sept. 14	HOUSTON	295	24-82	213	20-35	0/0	3-11	12	4-15	1-1	27:45
Sept. 24	at Green Bay	301	30-110	191	21-27	2/0	3-21	21	4-12	1-1	34:17
Oct. 1	at Cleveland	350	30-86	264	25-30	4/0	3-22	25	6-11	3-1	35:02
Oct. 8	BUFFALO	388	27-65	323	22-36	1/2	1-5	18	6-15	2-1	30:01
Oct. 15	— BYE —										
Oct. 22	at Pittsburgh	179	17-71	108	17-30	2/2	4-32	11	3-11	1-0	24:45
Oct. 29	INDIANAPOLIS	276	21-58	218	17-29	2/0	3-25	17	4-11	4-2	26:47
Nov. 5	at Jacksonville	148	17-29	119	10-18	0/0	2-17	8	1-8	0-0	19:46
Nov. 12	at Tennessee	308	14-53	255	20-35	2/0	1-10	15	1-10	2-2	19:51
Nov. 19	at Denver	190	26-49	141	15-25	3/0	2-13	12	7-15	2-0	24:49
Nov. 26	CLEVELAND										
Dec. 4	PITTSBURGH										
Dec. 10	CHICAGO										
Dec. 17	at Minnesota										
Dec. 24	DETROIT										
Dec. 31	at Baltimore										
<b>TOTALS</b>		2656	228-680	1976	183-296	16/8	27-182	153	40-121	17-9	26:45

## DEFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	YDS	RUSH-YDS	PASS YDS	COMP-ATT	TD-P/INT	SKD-YDS	1D	3D-CONV	F-FL	POSS
Sept. 10	BALTIMORE	268	42-157	111	9-17	1/1	1-10	17	6-14	1-0	34:00
Sept. 14	HOUSTON	266	35-168	98	15-24	0/0	3-27	14	4-15	0-0	32:15
Sept. 24	at Green Bay	344	17-64	280	28-42	3/1	6-33	22	7-15	0-0	29:21
Oct. 1	at Cleveland	215	17-45	170	21-42	0/1	2-13	16	5-16	1-0	24:58
Oct. 8	BUFFALO	221	24-82	139	20-37	1/1	6-27	17	6-18	1-0	29:45
Oct. 15	— BYE —										
Oct. 22	at Pittsburgh	420	43-152	268	15-25	2/0	0-0	21	2-11	0-0	35:15
Oct. 29	INDIANAPOLIS	331	28-115	216	25-39	2/1	4-17	19	8-16	0-0	33:13
Nov. 5	at Jacksonville	408	40-149	259	24-38	1/0	0-0	26	12-18	1-1	40:14
Nov. 12	at Tennessee	416	36-180	236	25-44	1/1	4-28	27	7-15	1-1	40:09
Nov. 19	at Denver	341	34-112	229	23-42	1/1	3-25	20	12-21	1-1	35:11
Nov. 26	CLEVELAND										
Dec. 4	PITTSBURGH										
Dec. 10	CHICAGO										
Dec. 17	at Minnesota										
Dec. 24	DETROIT										
Dec. 31	at Baltimore										
<b>TOTALS</b>		3230	316-1224	2006	205-350	12/7	29-180	199	69-159	6-3	33:15

# TRANSACTIONS

(TRANSACTIONS FROM 7-28-16 THROUGH 6-8-17 ARE IN BENGALS' 2017 MEDIA GUIDE)

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| <p>June 8, 2017 — Signed DE <b>Jordan Willis</b> (D3).</p> <p>June 27, 2017 — Signed G <b>Cameron Lee</b> (FA).</p> <p>July 29, 2017 — Signed WR <b>Kermit Whitfield</b> (FA); Waived WR <b>Monty Madaris</b> (failed physical).</p> <p>July 30, 2017 — WR <b>Monty Madaris</b> cleared waivers and reverted to the Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform list.</p> <p>July 31, 2017 — Signed S <b>Cedric Thompson</b> (FA); Waived K <b>Jonathan Brown</b>.</p> <p>Aug. 1, 2017 — Waived WR <b>Monty Madaris</b> from the Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform list (injury settlement).</p> <p>Aug. 9, 2017 — Signed P <b>Will Monday</b> (FA); Waived WR <b>Jake Kumerow</b> (injured).</p> <p>Aug. 10, 2017 — WR <b>Jake Kumerow</b> cleared waivers and reverted to the Reserve/Injured list.</p> <p>Aug. 19, 2017 — Waived S <b>Cedric Thompson</b> (injury settlement).</p> <p>Aug. 20, 2017 — Terminated the contract of DT <b>Brandon Thompson</b>; Waived WR <b>Karel Hamilton</b> and HB <b>Stanley Williams</b>.</p> <p>Aug. 28, 2017 — Waived P <b>Will Monday</b>.</p> <p>Aug. 29, 2017 — Acquired a seventh-round pick in the 2018 NFL Draft in a trade with New England for LB <b>Marquis Flowers</b>; Placed HB <b>Cedric Peerman</b> on the Reserve/Injured list.</p> <p>Sept. 2, 2017 — Acquired a conditional sixth-round draft pick in the 2019 NFL Draft in a trade with the Dallas Cowboys for CB <b>Bene Benwikere</b>; Placed the following two players on the Reserve/Injured list: HB <b>Tra Carson</b> and TE <b>Mason Schreck</b>; Terminated the contract of the following two players: DE <b>Wallace Gilberry</b> and OT <b>Eric Winston</b>; Waived the following 23 players: LB <b>Bryson Albright</b>, LB <b>Brandon Bell</b>, WR <b>Chris Brown</b>, DE <b>Ryan Brown</b>, DE <b>Will Clarke</b>, S <b>Demetrious Cox</b>, LB <b>P.J. Dawson</b>, DT <b>David Dean</b>, G <b>J.J. Dielman</b>, K <b>Jake Elliott</b>, DE <b>Marcus Hardison</b>, FB <b>Darrin Laufasa</b>, OT <b>Landon Lechler</b>, G <b>Cameron Lee</b>, CB <b>Tony McRae</b>, OT <b>Kent Perkins</b>, WR <b>Alonzo Russell</b>, G <b>Dustin Stanton</b>, DT <b>Josh Tupou</b>, WR <b>Kermit Whitfield</b>, DT <b>DeShawn Williams</b>, HB <b>Jarveon Williams</b>, S <b>Brandon Wilson</b>; Placed the following two players on the Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner list: LB <b>Vontaze Burfict</b> and CB <b>Adam Jones</b>.</p> <p>Sept. 3, 2017 — Signed the following eight players to the practice squad: LB <b>Brandon Bell</b>, K <b>Jake Elliott</b>, OT <b>Kent Perkins</b>, DT <b>Josh Tupou</b>, WR <b>Kermit Whitfield</b>, DT <b>DeShawn Williams</b>, HB <b>Jarveon Williams</b> and S <b>Brandon Wilson</b>.</p> <p>Sept. 4, 2017 — Placed QB <b>Jeff Driskel</b> on the Reserve/Injured list; Signed</p> | <p>CB <b>Sojourn Shelton</b> (FA) and G <b>Cole Toner</b> (FA) to the practice squad.</p> <p>Sept. 6, 2017 — Acquired DT <b>Christian Ringo</b> on waivers from Green Bay.</p> <p>Sept. 11, 2017 — Announced that the NFL granted CB <b>Adam Jones</b> (Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner list) a one-day roster exemption to participate in team activities.</p> <p>Sept. 12, 2017 — Activated CB <b>Adam Jones</b> from exemption status to the 53-player roster; Waived DT <b>Christian Ringo</b>; K <b>Jake Elliott</b> signed off practice squad by Philadelphia.</p> <p>Sept. 13, 2017 — Signed G <b>J.J. Dielman</b> to the practice squad.</p> <p>Sept. 22, 2017 — Waived WR <b>Jake Kumerow</b> from the Reserve/Injured list.</p> <p>Sept. 25, 2017 — Announced that the NFL granted LB <b>Vontaze Burfict</b> (Reserve/Suspended by Commissioner list) a three-day roster exemption to participate in team activities.</p> <p>Sept. 28, 2017 — Activated LB <b>Vontaze Burfict</b> from exemption status to the 53-player roster; Waived LB <b>Hardy Nickerson</b>.</p> <p>Sept. 29, 2017 — Signed LB <b>Hardy Nickerson</b> to the practice squad; Released G <b>Cole Toner</b> from the practice squad.</p> <p>Oct. 12, 2017 — Placed TE <b>Tyler Eifert</b> on the Reserve/Injured list.</p> <p>Oct. 16, 2017 — Signed LS <b>Clark Harris</b>* to a contract extension; Signed LB <b>Hardy Nickerson</b> from the practice squad; Signed TE <b>Scott Orndoff</b> (FA) to the practice squad.</p> <p>Oct. 27, 2017 — Signed CB <b>Tony McRae</b> (FA) to the practice squad; Released CB <b>Sojourn Shelton</b> from the practice squad.</p> <p>Nov. 4, 2017 — Signed K <b>Marshall Koehn</b> (FA); Waived S <b>Derron Smith</b>.</p> <p>Nov. 7, 2017 — Signed S <b>Derron Smith</b> to the practice squad; Released TE <b>Scott Orndoff</b> from the practice squad.</p> <p>Nov. 8, 2017 — Signed OT <b>Eric Winston</b> (FA); Placed OT <b>Jake Fisher</b> on the Reserve/Non-Football Illness list.</p> <p>Nov. 9, 2017 — Signed TE <b>Scott Orndoff</b> to the practice squad; S <b>Derron Smith</b> signed off practice squad by Cleveland.</p> <p>Nov. 11, 2017 — Signed DT <b>Josh Tupou</b> and S <b>Brandon Wilson</b> from the practice squad; Placed HB <b>Jeremy Hill</b> on Reserve/Injured; Waived K <b>Marshall Koehn</b>.</p> <p>Nov. 14, 2017 — Signed HB <b>Brian Hill</b> off Atlanta's practice squad; Waived LB <b>Hardy Nickerson</b>; Signed CB <b>Sojourn Shelton</b> (FA) to the practice squad.</p> <p>Nov. 15, 2017 — Signed LB <b>Hardy Nickerson</b> to the practice squad.</p> <p>Nov. 18, 2017 — Signed LB <b>Hardy Nickerson</b> from the practice squad; Waived DT <b>Pat Sims</b>.</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><b>P</b> — played as a substitute</p> <p><b>DNP</b> — did not play</p> <p><b>IL</b> — inactive list</p> <p><b>PS</b> — practice squad</p> | <p><b>RI</b> — reserve/injured list</p> <p><b>RPUP</b> — reserve/physically unable to perform list</p> <p><b>RNFI</b> — reserve/non-football injury list</p> <p><b>RNF-I</b> — reserve/non-football illness list</p> <p><b>RSBC</b> — reserve/suspended by commissioner list</p> | <p><b>RF</b> — reserve/future list</p> <p><b>REX</b> — roster exemption</p> <p><b>^</b> — reserve/injured player designated for return</p> <p><b>*</b> — eligible to practice while on a reserve list</p> <p><b>NWT</b> — not with team</p> |
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NAME	Cin.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
	G-S	BALT.	HOU.	@G.B.	@Cle.	BUFF.	@Pitt.	IND.	@Jax	@Tenn.	@Den.	CLE.	PITT.	CHI.	@Minn.	DET.	@Balt.	
Atkins, Geno.....	10-10	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT
Bell, Brandon.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Bernard, Giovanni.....	10-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Billings, Andrew.....	10-2	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
Bodine, Russell.....	10-10	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
Boling, Clint.....	10-10	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG
Boyd, Tyler.....	5-1	P	IL	3rdWR	P	P	P	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL
Bullock, Randy.....	9-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IL	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Burfict, Vontaze.....	7-7	RSBC	RSBC	RSBC	LB	LB	WLB	MLB	MLB	MLB	MLB	MLB	MLB	MLB	MLB	MLB	MLB	MLB
Carson, Tra.....	0-0	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Carter, Cethan.....	10-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Core, Cody.....	9-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	IL	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Dalton, Andy.....	10-10	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB
Dennard, Darqueze.....	10-4	RCB	P	P	nkIDB	nkIDB	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	RCB
Dielman, J.J.....	0-0	NWT	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Driskel, Jeff.....	0-0	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Dunlap, Carlos.....	10-10	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE	LDE
Eifert, Tyler.....	2-1	P	TE	IL	IL	IL	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Elliott, Jake.....	0-0	PS	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Erickson, Alex.....	10-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Evans, Jordan.....	9-0	P	P	P	IL	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Fejedelem, Clayton.....	10-2	SS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	SS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Fisher, Jake.....	8-7	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	P	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	RNF-I	RNF-I	RNF-I	RNF-I	RNF-I	RNF-I	RNF-I	RNF-I
Glasgow, Ryan.....	10-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Green, A.J.....	10-10	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR
Harris, Clark.....	10-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hewitt, Ryan.....	7-3	H-B	P	P	H-B	IL	IL	IL	H-B	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Hill, Brian.....	1-0	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Hill, Jeremy.....	7-7	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	IL	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Hopkins, Trey.....	7-6	RG	IL	IL	IL	P	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG
Huber, Kevin.....	10-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Iloka, George.....	10-10	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS
Jackson, William.....	9-1	P	P	P	P	P	RCB	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IL
Johnson, Michael.....	9-9	RDE	IL	RDE	DT	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE	RDE
Johnson, T.J.....	10-4	P	RG	RG	RG	RG	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jones, Adam.....	7-7	RSBC	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	IL	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	IL
Kirkpatrick, Dre.....	10-10	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB	LCB
Koehn, Marshall.....	1-0	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	P	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Kroft, Tyler.....	10-10	TE	2ndTE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE
Kumerow, Jake.....	0-0	RI	RI	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
LaFell, Brandon.....	10-9	WR	P	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR
Lawson, Carl.....	10-1	P	P	P	RDE	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Malone, Josh.....	5-2	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	P	P	P	3rdWR	3rdWR	3rdWR	3rdWR	3rdWR	3rdWR	3rdWR	3rdWR
McCarron, AJ.....	1-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	P	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
McRae, Tony.....	0-0	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Minter, Kevin.....	6-4	MLB	MLB	MLB	P	P	MLB	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL
Mixon, Joe.....	10-3	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB
Nickerson, Hardy.....	8-0	P	P	P	PS	PS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Ogbuehi, Cedric.....	10-9	LOT	LOT	LOT	P	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT	LOT
Orndoff, Scott.....	0-0	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Peerman, Cedric.....	0-0	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Perkins, Kent.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Redmond, Alex.....	1-0	IL	IL	DNP	P	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL
Rey, Vincent.....	10-7	WLB	WLB	WLB	P	P	P	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	MLB
Ringo, Christian.....	0-0	IL	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Ross, John.....	3-1	IL	WR	IL	IL	IL	IL	P	IL	P	IL	P	IL	P	IL	P	IL	IL
Russell, KeiVarae.....	6-0	P	IL	IL	P	P	P	IL	P	IL	P	IL	P	IL	P	IL	P	P
Schreck, Mason.....	0-0	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI	RI
Shaw, Josh.....	10-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Shelton, Sojourn.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	NWT	NWT	NWT	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Sims, Pat.....	8-7	NT	NT	NT	P	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	IL	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Smith, Andre.....	9-4	DNP	P	P	LOT	ROT	P	P	P	P	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT	ROT
Smith, Chris.....	10-0	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Derron.....	3-0	P	P	IL	IL	IL	IL	P	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Toner, Cole.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT
Tupou, Josh.....	1-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL
Uzomah, C.J.....	8-3	IL	IL	P	P	2ndTE	2ndTE	2ndTE	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Vigil, Nick.....	10-10	SLB	SLB	SLB	LB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB	SLB
Westerman, Christian.....	0-0	IL	DNP	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL	IL
Whitfield, Kermit.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Williams, DeShawn.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Williams, Jarveon.....	0-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Williams, Shawn.....	8-8	IL	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	IL	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS
Willis, Jordan.....	10-1	P	RDE	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Wilson, Brandon.....	2-0	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS
Winston, Eric.....	2-0	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	NWT	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

# STARTING LINEUPS

## OFFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	WR	LOT	LG	C	RG	ROT	TE	H-B	WR	QB	HB
Sept. 10	BALTIMORE	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	Hopkins	Fisher	Kroft	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Sept. 14	HOUSTON	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	T.Johnson	Fisher	Eifert	Kroft(2ndTE)	Ross	Dalton	Hill
Sept. 24	at Green Bay	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	T.Johnson	Fisher	Kroft	Boyd(3rdWR)	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Oct. 1	at Cleveland	Green	A.Smith	Boling	Bodine	T.Johnson	Fisher	Kroft	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Oct. 8	BUFFALO	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	T.Johnson	A.Smith	Kroft	Uzomah(2ndTE)	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Oct. 15	— BYE —											
Oct. 22	at Pittsburgh	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	Hopkins	Fisher	Kroft	Uzomah(2ndTE)	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Oct. 29	INDIANAPOLIS	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	Hopkins	Fisher	Kroft	Uzomah(2ndTE)	LaFell	Dalton	Hill
Nov. 5	at Jacksonville	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	Hopkins	Fisher	Kroft	Hewitt	LaFell	Dalton	Mixon
Nov. 12	at Tennessee	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	Hopkins	A.Smith	Kroft	Malone(3rdWR)	LaFell	Dalton	Mixon
Nov. 19	at Denver	Green	Ogbuehi	Boling	Bodine	Hopkins	A.Smith	Kroft	Malone(3rdWR)	LaFell	Dalton	Mixon
Nov. 26	CLEVELAND											
Dec. 4	PITTSBURGH											
Dec. 10	CHICAGO											
Dec. 17	at Minnesota											
Dec. 24	DETROIT											
Dec. 31	at Baltimore											

## DEFENSE

DATE	OPPONENT	LDE	NT	DT	RDE	SLB	MLB	WLB	LCB	RCB	SS	FS
Sept. 10	BALTIMORE	Dunlap	Sims	Atkins	M.Johnson	Vigil	Minter	Rey	Kirkpatrick	Dennard	Fejedelem	Iloka
Sept. 14	HOUSTON	Dunlap	Sims	Atkins	Willis	Vigil	Minter	Rey	Kirkpatrick	Jones	Williams	Iloka
Sept. 24	at Green Bay	Dunlap	Sims	Atkins	M.Johnson	Vigil	Minter	Rey	Kirkpatrick	Jones	Williams	Iloka
Oct. 1	at Cleveland	Dunlap	M.Johnson(DT)	Atkins	Lawson	Vigil(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Dennard(nickel)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	Williams	Iloka
Oct. 8	BUFFALO	Dunlap	Sims	Atkins	M.Johnson	Vigil(LB)	Burfict(LB)	Dennard(nickel)	Kirkpatrick	Jones	Williams	Iloka
Oct. 15	— BYE —											
Oct. 22	at Pittsburgh	Dunlap	Sims	Atkins	M.Johnson	Vigil	Minter	Burfict	Kirkpatrick	Jackson	Williams	Iloka
Oct. 29	INDIANAPOLIS	Dunlap	Sims	Atkins	M.Johnson	Vigil	Burfict	Rey	Kirkpatrick	Jones	Williams	Iloka
Nov. 5	at Jacksonville	Dunlap	Sims	Atkins	M.Johnson	Vigil	Burfict	Rey	Kirkpatrick	Jones	Williams	Iloka
Nov. 12	at Tennessee	Dunlap	Billings	Atkins	M.Johnson	Vigil	Burfict	Rey	Kirkpatrick	Jones	Fejedelem	Iloka
Nov. 19	at Denver	Dunlap	Billings	Atkins	M.Johnson	Vigil	Rey	Burfict	Kirkpatrick	Dennard	Williams	Iloka
Nov. 26	CLEVELAND											
Dec. 4	PITTSBURGH											
Dec. 10	CHICAGO											
Dec. 17	at Minnesota											
Dec. 24	DETROIT											
Dec. 31	at Baltimore											

# DEPTH CHART

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## OFFENSE

<b>WR</b>	18	A.J. Green	16	Cody Core	80	<u>Josh Malone</u>
<b>LOT</b>	70	Cedric Ogbuehi	73	Eric Winston		
<b>LG</b>	65	Clint Boling	63	Christian Westerman		
<b>C</b>	61	Russell Bodine	60	T.J. Johnson		
<b>RG</b>	66	Trey Hopkins	62	Alex Redmond		
<b>ROT</b>	71	Andre Smith	73	Eric Winston		
<b>TE</b>	81	Tyler Kroft	87	C.J. Uzomah		
<b>H-B</b>	89	Ryan Hewitt	82	<u>Cethan Carter</u>		
<b>WR</b>	11	Brandon LaFell	83	Tyler Boyd	15	<u>John Ross</u>
					12	Alex Erickson
<b>QB</b>	14	Andy Dalton	5	AJ McCarron		
<b>HB</b>	28	<u>Joe Mixon</u>	25	Giovani Bernard	23	<u>Brian Hill</u>

## DEFENSE

<b>LDE</b>	96	Carlos Dunlap	94	Chris Smith		
<b>NT</b>	99	Andrew Billings	68	<u>Josh Tupou</u>		
<b>DT</b>	97	Geno Atkins	98	<u>Ryan Glasgow</u>		
<b>RDE</b>	90	Michael Johnson	75	<u>Jordan Willis</u>		
<b>SLB</b>	59	Nick Vigil	58	<u>Carl Lawson</u>		
<b>MLB</b>	51	Kevin Minter	57	Vincent Rey	56	<u>Hardy Nickerson</u>
<b>WLB</b>	55	Vontaze Burfict	50	<u>Jordan Evans</u>		
<b>LCB</b>	27	Dre Kirkpatrick	21	Darqueze Dennard	20	KeiVarae Russell
<b>RCB</b>	24	Adam Jones	22	William Jackson		
<b>SS</b>	36	Shawn Williams	42	Clayton Fejedelem	40	<u>Brandon Wilson</u>
<b>FS</b>	43	George Iloka	26	Josh Shaw		

## SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>P</b>	10	Kevin Huber				
<b>K</b>	4	Randy Bullock				
<b>LS</b>	46	Clark Harris				
<b>H</b>	10	Kevin Huber				
<b>PR</b>	12	Alex Erickson	24	Adam Jones	83	Tyler Boyd
<b>KOR</b>	12	Alex Erickson	28	<u>Joe Mixon</u>		

NOTE: Rookies are underlined.

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

<p><b>Geno Atkins</b>..... JEE-no</p> <p><b>Giovani Bernard</b>.....jee-o-VAHN-ee</p> <p><b>Russell Bodine</b>.....BO-dine</p> <p><b>Randy Bullock</b>.....BULL-luck</p> <p><b>Vontaze Burfict</b>.....VONN-tez BER-fict (rhymes with "perfect")</p> <p><b>Tra Carson (Reserve/Injured)</b>.....(pronounced as "tray")</p> <p><b>Cethan Carter</b>.....SEE-thin</p> <p><b>Darqueze Dennard</b>.....dar-KWEZ deh-NARD</p> <p><b>J.J. Dielman (Practice Squad)</b>.....DEAL-man</p> <p><b>Tyler Eifert (Reserve/Injured)</b>.....IE(rhymes with "tie")-fert</p> <p><b>Clayton Fejedelem</b>.....FEDGE-uh-lemm (the "d" is silent)</p> <p><b>Ryan Glasgow</b>.....GLASS-go</p>	<p><b>Paul Guenther (Defensive Coordinator)</b>.....GUN-thur</p> <p><b>Jim Haslett (Linebackers Coach)</b>.....HAZ-lett</p> <p><b>Ryan Hewitt</b>.....HUE-it</p> <p><b>George Iloka</b>.....ie(rhymes with "tie")-LO-kuh</p> <p><b>Dre Kirkpatrick</b>.....DRAY</p> <p><b>Bill Lazor (Offensive Coordinator)</b>.....(pronounced as "laser")</p> <p><b>Cedric Ogbuehi</b>.....o-BWAY-hee</p> <p><b>Vincent Rey</b>.....RAY</p> <p><b>KeiVarae Russell</b>.....kee-VAR-ay</p> <p><b>Josh Tupou</b>.....TEW-po</p> <p><b>C.J. Uzomah</b>.....yew-ZAH-mah</p> <p><b>Jarveon Williams (Practice Squad)</b>.....JAR-vee-ahn</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	8	Georgia	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	D4a'10
25	Bernard, Giovani	HB	5-9	205	11-22-91	5	North Carolina	Boca Raton, Fla.	D2a'13
99	Billings, Andrew	DT	6-1	325	3-6-95	2	Baylor	Waco, Texas	D4'16
61	Bodine, Russell	C	6-3	308	6-30-92	4	North Carolina	Scottsville, Va.	D4'14
65	Boling, Clint	G	6-5	305	5-9-89	7	Georgia	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4'11
83	Boyd, Tyler	WR	6-2	197	11-15-94	2	Pittsburgh	Clairton, Pa.	D2'16
4	Bullock, Randy	K	5-9	214	12-16-89	6	Texas A&M	Klein, Texas	W(Pitt.)'16
55	Burfict, Vontaze	LB	6-1	255	9-24-90	6	Arizona State	Inglewood, Calif.	CFA'12
82	Carter, Cethan	H-B	6-3	245	9-5-95	R	Nebraska	New Orleans, La.	CFA'17
16	Core, Cody	WR	6-3	214	4-17-94	2	Mississippi	Auburn, Ala.	D6'16
14	Dalton, Andy	QB	6-2	220	10-29-87	7	Texas Christian	Katy, Texas	D2'11
21	Dennard, Darqueze	CB	5-11	205	10-10-91	4	Michigan State	Dry Branch, Ga.	D1'14
96	Dunlap, Carlos	DE	6-6	280	2-28-89	8	Florida	North Charleston, S.C.	D2'10
12	Erickson, Alex	WR	6-0	195	11-6-92	2	Wisconsin	Darlington, Wis.	CFA'16
50	Evans, Jordan	LB	6-3	240	1-27-95	R	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	D6a'17
42	Fejedelem, Clayton	S	6-0	205	6-2-93	2	Illinois	Lemont, Ill.	D7'16
98	Glasgow, Ryan	DT	6-3	302	9-30-93	R	Michigan	Aurora, Ill.	D4c'17
18	Green, A.J.	WR	6-4	210	7-31-88	7	Georgia	Summerville, S.C.	D1'11
46	Harris, Clark	LS	6-5	250	7-10-84	9	Rutgers	Manahawkin, N.J.	FA'09
89	Hewitt, Ryan	H-B	6-4	255	1-24-91	4	Stanford	Denver, Colo.	CFA'14
23	Hill, Brian	HB	6-1	219	11-9-95	R	Wyoming	Belleville, Ill.	PS(Atl.)'17
66	Hopkins, Trey	G	6-3	310	7-6-92	2	Texas	Houston, Texas	CFA'14
10	Huber, Kevin	P	6-1	210	7-16-85	9	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	D5'09
43	Iloka, George	S	6-4	225	3-31-90	6	Boise State	Houston, Texas	D5c'12
22	Jackson, William	CB	6-0	190	10-27-92	2	Houston	Houston, Texas	D1'16
90	Johnson, Michael	DE	6-7	280	2-7-87	9	Georgia Tech	Selma, Ala.	FA'15
60	Johnson, T.J.	C	6-4	295	7-17-90	4	South Carolina	Aynor, S.C.	D7b'13
24	Jones, Adam	CB	5-10	185	9-30-83	11	West Virginia	Atlanta, Ga.	FA'10
27	Kirkpatrick, Dre	CB	6-2	185	10-26-89	6	Alabama	Gadsden, Ala.	D1a'12
81	Kroft, Tyler	TE	6-6	260	10-15-92	3	Rutgers	Downingtown, Pa.	D3a'15
11	LaFell, Brandon	WR	6-3	210	11-4-86	8	Louisiana State	Houston, Texas	FA'16
58	Lawson, Carl	LB	6-2	260	6-29-95	R	Auburn	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4a'17
80	Malone, Josh	WR	6-3	208	3-21-96	R	Tennessee	Gallatin, Tenn.	D4b'17
5	McCarron, A.J.	QB	6-3	215	9-13-90	3	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	D5'14
51	Minter, Kevin	LB	6-0	246	12-3-90	5	Louisiana State	Suwanee, Ga.	UFA(Ariz.)'17
28	Mixon, Joe	HB	6-1	228	7-24-96	R	Oklahoma	Oakley, Calif.	D2'17
56	Nickerson, Hardy	LB	6-0	235	1-5-94	R	Illinois	Oakland, Calif.	CFA'17
70	Ogbuehi, Cedric	OT	6-5	310	4-25-92	3	Texas A&M	Allen, Texas	D1'15
62	Redmond, Alex	G	6-5	330	1-18-95	1	UCLA	Cerritos, Calif.	CFA'16
57	Rey, Vincent	LB	6-0	245	9-6-87	7	Duke	Far Rockaway, N.Y.	CFA'10
15	Ross, John	WR	5-11	190	11-27-95	R	Washington	Long Beach, Calif.	D1'17
20	Russell, KeiVarae	CB	5-11	196	10-19-93	2	Notre Dame	Everett, Wash.	W(K.C.)'16
26	Shaw, Josh	S	6-1	190	3-27-92	3	Southern California	Palmdale, Calif.	D4a'15
71	Smith, Andre	OT	6-4	330	1-25-87	9	Alabama	Birmingham, Ala.	UFA(Minn.)'17
94	Smith, Chris	DE	6-1	266	2-11-92	4	Arkansas	Mount Ulla, N.C.	T(Jax.)'17
68	Tupou, Josh	DT	6-3	350	5-2-94	R	Colorado	Long Beach, Calif.	CFA'17
87	Uzomah, C.J.	TE	6-6	265	1-14-93	3	Auburn	Suwanee, Ga.	D5'15
59	Vigil, Nick	LB	6-2	240	8-20-93	2	Utah State	Plain City, Utah	D3'16
63	Westerman, Christian	G	6-3	305	2-23-93	2	Arizona State	Chandler, Ariz.	D5'16
36	Williams, Shawn	S	6-0	210	5-13-91	5	Georgia	Damascus, Ga.	D3'13
75	Willis, Jordan	DE	6-4	260	5-2-95	R	Kansas State	Kansas City, Mo.	D3'17
40	Wilson, Brandon	S	5-10	199	7-27-94	R	Houston	Shreveport, La.	D6b'17
73	Winston, Eric	OT	6-7	310	11-17-83	11	Miami (Fla.)	Midland, Texas	FA'17

**PRACTICE SQUAD (date assigned)**

52	Bell, Brandon (9-3-17)	LB	6-1	230	1-9-95	R	Penn State	Mays Landing, N.J.	CFA'17
67	Dielman, J.J. (9-14-17)	G	6-5	309	12-16-93	R	Utah	Phoenix, Ariz.	FA'17
29	McRae, Tony (10-27-17)	CB	5-10	185	5-3-93	1	North Carolina A&T	Laurinburg, N.C.	FA'17
84	Orndoff, Scott (11-9-17)	TE	6-5	255	12-16-93	R	Pittsburgh	Waynesburg, Pa.	FA'17
76	Perkins, Kent (9-3-17)	OT	6-5	320	11-19-94	R	Texas	Dallas, Texas	CFA'17
31	Shelton, Sojour (11-14-17)	CB	5-9	168	12-25-94	R	Wisconsin	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	FA'17
17	Whitfield, Kermit (9-3-17)	WR	5-8	184	10-8-93	R	Florida State	Orlando, Fla.	FA'17
69	Williams, DeShawn (9-3-17)	DT	6-1	292	12-29-92	2	Clemson	Central, S.C.	CFA'15
39	Williams, Jarveon (9-3-17)	HB	5-9	205	1-3-95	R	Texas-San Antonio	Converse, Texas	CFA'17

**RESERVE/INJURED (date assigned; injury)**

33	Carson, Tra (9-2-17; groin)	HB	5-11	228	10-24-92	1	Texas A&M	Texarkana, Texas	CFA'16
6	Driskel, Jeff (9-4-17; hand)	QB	6-4	238	4-23-93	2	Louisiana Tech	Oviedo, Fla.	W(S.F.)'16
85	Eifert, Tyler (10-12-17; back)	TE	6-6	255	9-8-90	5	Notre Dame	Fort Wayne, Ind.	D1'13
32	Hill, Jeremy (11-11-17; ankle)	HB	6-1	230	10-20-92	4	Louisiana State	Baton Rouge, La.	D2'14
30	Peerman, Cedric (8-29-17; shoulder)	HB	5-10	212	10-10-86	8	Virginia	Gladys, Va.	W(Det.)'10
86	Schreck, Mason (9-2-17; knee)	TE	6-5	252	11-4-93	R	Buffalo	Medina, Ohio	D7'17

**RESERVE/NON-FOOTBALL ILLNESS (date assigned)**

74	Fisher, Jake (11-8-17)	OT	6-6	310	4-23-93	3	Oregon	Traverse City, Mich.	D2'15
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**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 (offensive coordinator), 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).

# NUMERICAL ROSTER

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NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	BORN	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ.
4	Randy Bullock	K	5-9	214	12-16-89	6	Texas A&M	Klein, Texas	W(Pitt.)'16
5	AJ McCarron	QB	6-3	215	9-13-90	3	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	D5'14
10	Kevin Huber	P	6-1	210	7-16-85	9	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	D5'09
11	Brandon LaFell	WR	6-3	210	11-4-86	8	Louisiana State	Houston, Texas	FA'16
12	Alex Erickson	WR	6-0	195	11-6-92	2	Wisconsin	Darlington, Wis.	CFA'16
14	Andy Dalton	QB	6-2	220	10-29-87	7	Texas Christian	Katy, Texas	D2'11
15	John Ross	WR	5-11	190	11-27-95	R	Washington	Long Beach, Calif.	D1'17
16	Cody Core	WR	6-3	214	4-17-94	2	Mississippi	Auburn, Ala.	D6'16
18	A.J. Green	WR	6-4	210	7-31-88	7	Georgia	Summerville, S.C.	D1'11
20	KeiVarae Russell	CB	5-11	196	10-19-93	2	Notre Dame	Everett, Wash.	W(K.C.)'16
21	Darqueze Dennard	CB	5-11	205	10-10-91	4	Michigan State	Dry Branch, Ga.	D1'14
22	William Jackson	CB	6-0	190	10-27-92	2	Houston	Houston, Texas	D1'16
23	Brian Hill	HB	6-1	219	11-9-95	R	Wyoming	Belleville, Ill.	PS(Atl.)'17
24	Adam Jones	CB	5-10	185	9-30-83	11	West Virginia	Atlanta, Ga.	FA'10
25	Giovani Bernard	HB	5-9	205	11-22-91	5	North Carolina	Boca Raton, Fla.	D2a'13
26	Josh Shaw	S	6-1	190	3-27-92	3	Southern California	Palmdale, Calif.	D4a'15
27	Dre Kirkpatrick	CB	6-2	185	10-26-89	6	Alabama	Gadsden, Ala.	D1a'12
28	Joe Mixon	HB	6-1	228	7-24-96	R	Oklahoma	Oakley, Calif.	D2'17
36	Shawn Williams	S	6-0	210	5-13-91	5	Georgia	Damascus, Ga.	D3'13
40	Brandon Wilson	S	5-10	199	7-27-94	R	Houston	Shreveport, La.	D6b'17
42	Clayton Fejedelem	S	6-0	205	6-2-93	2	Illinois	Lemont, Ill.	D7'16
43	George Iloka	S	6-4	225	3-31-90	6	Boise State	Houston, Texas	D5c'12
46	Clark Harris	LS	6-5	250	7-10-84	9	Rutgers	Manahawkin, N.J.	FA'09
50	Jordan Evans	LB	6-3	240	1-27-95	R	Oklahoma	Norman, Okla.	D6a'17
51	Kevin Minter	LB	6-0	246	12-3-90	5	Louisiana State	Suwanee, Ga.	UFA(Ariz.)'17
55	Vontaze Burfict	LB	6-1	255	9-24-90	6	Arizona State	Inglewood, Calif.	CFA'12
56	Hardy Nickerson	LB	6-0	235	1-5-94	R	Illinois	Oakland, Calif.	CFA'17
57	Vincent Rey	LB	6-0	245	9-6-87	7	Duke	Far Rockaway, N.Y.	CFA'10
58	Carl Lawson	LB	6-2	260	6-29-95	R	Auburn	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4a'17
59	Nick Vigil	LB	6-2	240	8-20-93	2	Utah State	Plain City, Utah	D3'16
60	T.J. Johnson	C	6-4	295	7-17-90	4	South Carolina	Aynor, S.C.	D7b'13
61	Russell Bodine	C	6-3	308	6-30-92	4	North Carolina	Scottsville, Va.	D4'14
62	Alex Redmond	G	6-5	330	1-18-95	1	UCLA	Cerritos, Calif.	CFA'16
63	Christian Westerman	G	6-3	305	2-23-93	2	Arizona State	Chandler, Ariz.	D5'16
65	Clint Boling	G	6-5	305	5-9-89	7	Georgia	Alpharetta, Ga.	D4'11
66	Trey Hopkins	G	6-3	310	7-6-92	2	Texas	Houston, Texas	CFA'14
68	Josh Tupou	DT	6-3	350	5-2-94	R	Colorado	Long Beach, Calif.	CFA'17
70	Cedric Ogbuehi	OT	6-5	310	4-25-92	3	Texas A&M	Allen, Texas	D1'15
71	Andre Smith	OT	6-4	330	1-25-87	9	Alabama	Birmingham, Ala.	UFA(Minn.)'17
73	Eric Winston	OT	6-7	310	11-17-83	11	Miami (Fla.)	Midland, Texas	FA'17
75	Jordan Willis	DE	6-4	260	5-2-95	R	Kansas State	Kansas City, Mo.	D3'17
80	Josh Malone	WR	6-3	208	3-21-96	R	Tennessee	Gallatin, Tenn.	D4b'17
81	Tyler Kroft	TE	6-6	260	10-15-92	3	Rutgers	Downingtown, Pa.	D3a'15
82	Cethan Carter	H-B	6-3	245	9-5-95	R	Nebraska	New Orleans, La.	CFA'17
83	Tyler Boyd	WR	6-2	197	11-15-94	2	Pittsburgh	Clairton, Pa.	D2'16
87	C.J. Uzomah	TE	6-6	265	1-14-93	3	Auburn	Suwanee, Ga.	D5'15
89	Ryan Hewitt	H-B	6-4	255	1-24-91	4	Stanford	Denver, Colo.	CFA'14
90	Michael Johnson	DE	6-7	280	2-7-87	9	Georgia Tech	Selma, Ala.	FA'15
94	Chris Smith	DE	6-1	266	2-11-92	4	Arkansas	Mount Ulla, N.C.	T(Jax.)'17
96	Carlos Dunlap	DE	6-6	280	2-28-89	8	Florida	North Charleston, S.C.	D2'10
97	Geno Atkins	DT	6-1	300	3-28-88	8	Georgia	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	D4a'10
98	Ryan Glasgow	DT	6-3	302	9-30-93	R	Michigan	Aurora, Ill.	D4c'17
99	Andrew Billings	DT	6-1	325	3-6-95	2	Baylor	Waco, Texas	D4'16

**PRACTICE SQUAD (date assigned)**

17	Kermit Whitfield (9-3-17)	WR	5-8	184	10-8-93	R	Florida State	Orlando, Fla.	FA'17
29	Tony McRae (10-27-17)	CB	5-10	185	5-3-93	1	North Carolina A&T	Laurinburg, N.C.	FA'17
31	Sojournt Shelton (11-14-17)	CB	5-9	168	12-25-94	R	Wisconsin	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	FA'17
39	Jarveon Williams (9-3-17)	HB	5-9	205	1-3-95	R	Texas-San Antonio	Converse, Texas	CFA'17
52	Brandon Bell (9-3-17)	LB	6-1	230	1-9-95	R	Penn State	Mays Landing, N.J.	CFA'17
67	J.J. Dielman (9-14-17)	G	6-5	309	12-16-93	R	Utah	Phoenix, Ariz.	FA'17
69	DeShawn Williams (9-3-17)	DT	6-1	292	12-29-92	2	Clemson	Central, S.C.	CFA'15
76	Kent Perkins (9-3-17)	OT	6-5	320	11-19-94	R	Texas	Dallas, Texas	CFA'17
84	Scott Orndoff (11-9-17)	TE	6-5	255	12-16-93	R	Pittsburgh	Waynesburg, Pa.	FA'17

**RESERVE/INJURED (date assigned; injury)**

6	Jeff Driskel (9-4-17; hand)	QB	6-4	238	4-23-93	2	Louisiana Tech	Oviedo, Fla.	W(S.F.)'16
30	Cedric Peerman (8-29-17; shoulder)	HB	5-10	212	10-10-86	8	Virginia	Gladys, Va.	W(Det.)'10
32	Jeremy Hill (11-11-17; ankle)	HB	6-1	230	10-20-92	4	Louisiana State	Baton Rouge, La.	D2'14
33	Tra Carson (9-2-17; groin)	HB	5-11	228	10-24-92	1	Texas A&M	Texarkana, Texas	CFA'16
85	Tyler Eifert (10-12-17; back)	TE	6-6	255	9-8-90	5	Notre Dame	Fort Wayne, Ind.	D1'13
86	Mason Schreck (9-2-17; knee)	TE	6-5	252	11-4-93	R	Buffalo	Medina, Ohio	D7'17

**RESERVE/NON-FOOTBALL ILLNESS (date assigned)**

74	Jake Fisher (11-8-17)	OT	6-6	310	4-23-93	3	Oregon	Traverse City, Mich.	D2'15
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**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 (offensive coordinator), 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).

# STATISTICS

## RECORD: 4-6

DATE	W-L	SCORE	OPPONENT	ATTENDANCE
9-10-17	L	0-20	BALTIMORE	55,254
9-14-17	L	9-13	HOUSTON	52,942
9-24-17	L	24-27 (OT)	at Green Bay	78,323
10-01-17	W	31-7	at Cleveland	67,431
10-08-17	W	20-16	BUFFALO	52,367
10-15-17			— BYE —	
10-22-17	L	14-29	at Pittsburgh	65,363
10-29-17	W	24-23	INDIANAPOLIS	57,901
11-05-17	L	7-23	at Jacksonville	60,720
11-12-17	L	20-24	at Tennessee	67,432
11-19-17	W	20-17	at Denver	75,707
11-26-17			CLEVELAND	
12-04-17			PITTSBURGH	
12-10-17			CHICAGO	
12-17-17			at Minnesota	
12-24-17			DETROIT	
12-31-17			at Baltimore	

TEAM STATISTICS		BENGALS	OPPONENTS
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	153	199	
Rushing	39	62	
Passing	97	108	
Penalty	17	29	
3rd Down: Made-Att	40-121	69-159	
3rd Down Pct.	33.1	43.4	
4th Down: Made-Att	3-6	3-9	
4th Down Pct.	50.0	33.3	
POSSESSION AVG.	26:45	33:15	
TOTAL NET YARDS	2656	3230	
Avg. Per Game	265.6	323.0	
Total Plays	551	695	
Avg. Per Play	4.8	4.6	
NET YARDS RUSHING	680	1224	
Avg. Per Game	68.0	122.4	
Total Rushes	228	316	
NET YARDS PASSING	1976	2006	
Avg. Per Game	197.6	200.6	
Sacked-Yards Lost	27-182	29-180	
Gross Yards	2158	2186	
Att.-Completions	296-183	350-205	
Completion Pct.	61.8	58.6	
Had Intercepted	8	7	
PUNTS-AVG.	57-46.7	54-46.7	
Net Punting Avg.	57-40.6	54-39.0	
PENALTIES-YARDS	70-599	57-483	
FUMBLES-BALLS LOST	17-9	6-3	
TOUCHDOWNS	21	19	
Rushing	3	6	
Passing	16	12	
Returns	2	1	

SCORE BY PERIODS	1	2	3	4	OT	PTS
BENGALS	36	79	20	34	0	169
OPPONENTS	40	74	32	50	3	199

SCORING	TD	TD-R	TD-P	TD-Rt	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS
Randy Bullock	0	0	0	0	18-20	8-10	0	42
A.J. Green	6	0	6	0	—	—	0	36
Tyler Kroft	4	0	4	0	—	—	0	24
Joe Mixon	3	3	0	0	—	—	0	18
Giovani Bernard	2	0	2	0	—	—	0	12
Brandon LaFell	2	0	2	0	—	—	0	12
Carlos Dunlap	1	0	0	1	—	—	0	6
Alex Erickson	1	0	1	0	—	—	0	6
William Jackson	1	0	0	1	—	—	0	6
Josh Malone	1	0	1	0	—	—	0	6
Marshall Koehn	0	0	0	0	1-1	0-0	0	1
BENGALS	21	3	16	2	19-21	8-10	0	169
OPPONENTS	19	6	12	1	19-19	22-25	0	199

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

**Sacks-yards:** Geno Atkins 6-43, Carl Lawson 5.5-31.5, Carlos Dunlap 4-15, Michael Johnson 3-15, Chris Smith 2.5-31.5, Vontaze Burfict 2-18, Darqueze Dennard 2-6, William Jackson 1-7, Nick Vigil 1-7, Jordan Willis 1-4, Dre Kirkpatrick 1-2. BENGALS 29-180, OPPONENTS 27-182.

**Fumbles-lost:** Andy Dalton 4-4, Alex Erickson 4-1, Joe Mixon 2-1, A.J. Green 1-1, William Jackson 1-1, John Ross 1-1, Russell Bodine 1-0, Jeremy Hill 1-0, Dre Kirkpatrick 1-0, Brandon LaFell 1-0. BENGALS 17-9, OPPONENTS 6-3.

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	CMP%	YDS/ATT	TD	TD%	INT	INT%	LG	SKD-YDS	RAT
Andy Dalton	296	183	2158	61.8	7.29	16	5.4	8	2.7	77t	27-182	90.7
BENGALS	296	183	2158	61.8	7.29	16	5.4	8	2.7	77t	27-182	90.7
OPPONENTS	350	205	2186	58.6	6.25	12	3.4	7	2.0	72	29-180	80.0

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Joe Mixon	127	370	2.9	25	3
Jeremy Hill	37	116	3.1	13	0
Giovani Bernard	31	109	3.5	25	0
Andy Dalton	27	57	2.1	12	0
Alex Erickson	5	16	3.2	14	0
John Ross	1	12	12.0	12	0
BENGALS	228	680	3.0	25	3
OPPONENTS	316	1224	3.9	49t	6

RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
A.J. Green	48	743	15.5	77t	6
Brandon LaFell	34	340	10.0	37t	2
Tyler Kroft	28	303	10.8	59	4
Joe Mixon	23	207	9.0	67	0
Giovani Bernard	18	204	11.3	61t	2
Alex Erickson	9	142	15.8	37	1
Tyler Boyd	7	48	6.9	11	0
Josh Malone	4	54	13.5	25t	1
Tyler Eifert	4	46	11.5	22	0
Jeremy Hill	4	16	4.0	10	0
C.J. Uzomah	3	39	13.0	21	0
Ryan Hewitt	1	16	16.0	16	0
BENGALS	183	2158	11.8	77t	16
OPPONENTS	205	2186	10.7	72	12

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Dre Kirkpatrick	1	101	101.0	101	0
William Jackson	1	75	75.0	75t	1
Darqueze Dennard	1	20	20.0	20	0
Carlos Dunlap	1	16	16.0	16t	1
George Iloka	1	14	14.0	14	0
Clayton Fejedelem	1	5	5.0	5	0
Nick Vigil	1	0	0.0	0	0
BENGALS	7	231	33.0	101	2
OPPONENTS	8	95	11.9	31	0

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN-20	LG	BLK.
Kevin Huber	56	2672	47.7	40.6	3	23	63	1
BENGALS	57	2672	46.9	40.6	3	23	63	1
OPPONENTS	54	2524	46.7	39.0	5	16	74	1

PUNT RETURNS	NO	FC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Alex Erickson	27	11	203	7.5	29	0
Adam Jones	5	0	115	23.0	40	0
William Jackson	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
BENGALS	33	11	318	9.6	40	0
OPPONENTS	27	12	298	11.0	63t	1

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Alex Erickson	19	424	22.3	41	0
Giovani Bernard	1	7	7.0	7	0
BENGALS	20	431	21.6	41	0
OPPONENTS	15	320	21.3	32	0

FIELD GOALS	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Randy Bullock	0-0	3-3	3-4	2-3	0-0
BENGALS	0-0	3-3	3-4	2-3	0-0
OPPONENTS	0-0	12-12	4-4	5-7	1-2

**Randy Bullock:** (—), (39G, 29G, 30G), (48WR, 46G), (41G), (30G, 29G), (—), (29G, 34B), (—), (—), (—).

**Opponents:** (25G, 25G), (26G, 42G), (28G, 27G), (48WL), (31G, 38G, 28G), (22G, 24G, 41G, 49G, 25G), (29G, 33G, 29G), (32G, 56G, 25G), (48WR, 44G), (61B, 45G).

DEFENSE*	ST	AT	TT	SKS-YDS	INT-YDS	PD	FF	FR-YDS
Nick Vigil	43	33	76	1-7	1-0	5	0	0-0
Darqueze Dennard	44	13	57	2-6	1-20	5	0	0-0
Vincent Rey	32	23	55	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Vontaze Burfict	40	13	53	2-18	0-0	2	1	0-0
George Iloka	31	17	48	0-0	1-14	4	0	0-0
Shawn Williams	25	12	37	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Dre Kirkpatrick	28	5	33	1-2	1-101	6	1	0-0
Carlos Dunlap	25	6	31	4-15	1-16	3	1	0-0
Geno Atkins	21	9	30	6-43	0-0	0	0	0-0
Michael Johnson	20	5	25	3-15	0-0	1	0	0-0
Kevin Minter	12	12	24	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Josh Shaw	18	3	21	0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
Adam Jones	17	3	20	0-0	0-0	3	0	0-0
Chris Smith	14	5	19	2.5-31.5	0-0	1	0	0-0
Pat Sims	6	13	19	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Jordan Willis	10	7	17	1-4	0-0	0	0	0-0
Ryan Glasgow	8	7	15	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
William Jackson	10	2	12	1-7	1-75	7	0	0-0
Clayton Fejedelem	8	4	12	0-0	1-5	2	0	0-0
Andrew Billings	6	2	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Carl Lawson	6	2	8	5.5-31.5	0-0	0	0	0-0
KeiVarae Russell	5	0	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Jordan Evans	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
Alex Erickson	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

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

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