

Steelers**NEWS**

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Sunday, Dec. 21, 2008 • 1 p.m. (ET)
 LP Field • Nashville, Tenn.



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Date: Sunday, Dec. 21, 2008

Kickoff: 1 p.m. (ET)

Site: LP Field (69,143) • Nashville, Tenn.

Playing Surface: Natural Grass

TV Coverage: CBS (locally KDKA-TV, channel 2)

Announcers: Jim Nantz (play-by-play)
 Phil Simms (color analyst)

Local Radio: Steelers Radio Network
 WDVE-FM (102.5)/WBGG-AM (970)

Announcers: Bill Hillgrove (play-by-play)
 Tunch Ilkin (color analyst)
 Craig Wolfley (sideline)

A Look at the Coaches:

Pittsburgh Steelers Head Coach Mike Tomlin
 Overall Regular-season Record: 21-9 (.700)/second season
 Regular-season Record at Pittsburgh: 21-9 (.700)/second season
 Playoff Record/Years: 0-1/one year

Tennessee Titans Head Coach Jeff Fisher
 Overall Regular-Season Record: 127-101 (.557)/15th season
 Regular-Season Record at Tennessee/Houston: 127-101 (.557)/15th season
 Playoff Record/Years: 5-5/five years

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Pittsburgh Steelers 2008 Schedule/Results

Preseason (3-1)

Friday, Aug. 8	PHILADELPHIA	W, 16-10 (KDKA/FSN Pitt.)
Thursday, Aug. 14	at Buffalo ••	L, 21-24 (KDKA/FSN Pitt.)
Saturday, Aug. 23	at Minnesota	W, 12-10 (CBS)
Thursday, Aug. 28	CAROLINA	W, 19-16 (KDKA/FSN Pitt.)

Regular Season (11-3)

Sunday, Sept. 7	HOUSTON	W, 38-17 (CBS)
Sunday, Sept. 14	at Cleveland	W, 10-6 (NBC)
Sunday, Sept. 21	at Philadelphia	L, 6-15 (CBS)
Monday, Sept. 29	BALTIMORE	W, 23-20 (OT) (ESPN)
Sunday, Oct. 5	at Jacksonville	W, 26-21 (NBC)
Sunday, Oct. 12	BYE WEEK	
Sunday, Oct. 19	at Cincinnati	W, 38-10 (CBS)
Sunday, Oct. 26	NEW YORK GIANTS	L, 14-21 (FOX)
Monday, Nov. 3	at Washington	W, 23-6 (ESPN)
Sunday, Nov. 9	INDIANAPOLIS	L, 20-24 (CBS)
Sunday, Nov. 16	SAN DIEGO	W, 11-10 (CBS)
Thursday, Nov. 20	CINCINNATI	W, 27-10 (NFL Network)
Sunday, Nov. 30	at New England	W, 33-10 (CBS)
Sunday, Dec. 7	DALLAS	W, 20-13 (FOX)
Sunday, Dec. 14	at Baltimore •••	W, 13-9 (CBS)
Sunday, Dec. 21	at Tennessee	1 p.m. (CBS)
Sunday, Dec. 28	CLEVELAND •	1 p.m. (CBS)

- Times and TV Network may change due to NFL flexible scheduling
- Game played in Toronto, Canada (Rogers Centre)
- Game switched to 4:15 p.m. ET start from its original 1 p.m. ET start.

Postseason

Sat.-Sun., Jan. 3-4	Wild Card Weekend (NBC)
Sat.-Sun., Jan. 10-11	Divisional Playoff Games (CBS & FOX)
Sunday, Jan. 18	Conference Championships (CBS & FOX)
Sunday, Feb. 1	Super Bowl XLIII (Tampa, Fla.) (NBC)
Sunday, Feb. 8	AFC-NFC Pro Bowl (Honolulu, Hawaii) (NBC)

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THE COACHES

MIKE TOMLIN was named the 16th head coach in Pittsburgh Steelers history on Jan. 22, 2007. Tomlin was the Minnesota Vikings defensive coordinator in 2006 after spending the previous five seasons (2001-05) as defensive backs coach for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Tomlin is the only head coach in Steelers' history to win division titles in his first two seasons. He already set the team record with his 21st win in Week 15 at Baltimore in his first two seasons.

Tomlin was 10-6 in his first season as the Steelers head coach. He is just the second coach in team history to have a winning record in his first season at the helm (Bill Cowher).

Tomlin guided the Steelers to the NFL's top-ranked defense in 2007, yielding only 266.4 yards per game. The Steelers' defense ranked third in the NFL against both the run (89.9 avg.) and pass (176.5 avg.), and also finished third in the league in total yards allowed per play (4.6).

The Vikings defense ranked eighth in the NFL and first against the run in Tomlin's only season as defensive coordinator. The Vikings did not allow a 100-yard rusher and held Detroit to minus-three yards rushing on Dec. 10.

Before becoming Minnesota's defensive coordinator, Tomlin was a part of one of the top defenses in the league during the previous five seasons with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers as their defensive backs coach. Tomlin's defensive backs earned numerous honors for their play during his coaching tenure. In 2005 Tampa Bay led the NFL in total defense, allowing 277.8 yards per game, and finished 6th in the NFL in passing defense at 183.1 yards per game.

Prior to joining Tampa Bay's staff, Tomlin served two seasons as the defensive backs coach at the University of Cincinnati (1999-00). He took over a secondary unit there that ranked 111th in the nation in pass defense in 1998 and helped them improve to 61st overall in his first season in '99. Under Tomlin's direction in 2000, the Bearcats ranked eighth in the nation in INTs as well as fourth nationally in total turnovers.

Prior to joining the Cincinnati staff, Tomlin had a short stint on the coaching staff at Tennessee-Martin and then spent two seasons at Arkansas State. He coached the wide receivers there in 1997 before switching to defensive backs in 1998. Tomlin spent the 1996 season as a graduate assistant at the University of Memphis, where he worked with the Tiger defensive backs and special teams units. He began his coaching career in 1995 as wide receivers coach at Virginia Military Institute.

Tomlin was a three-year starter at wide receiver at William and Mary (1990-94) and finished his career with 101 receptions for 2,046 yards and a school-record 20 TD catches. A first-team All-Yankee Conference selection in 1994, he established a school record with a 20.2 yards per catch average.

JEFF FISHER is in his 14th full season as Head Coach of the Tennessee Titans and his ninth as Executive Vice President. Fisher holds the franchise record for wins by a head coach with 127 victories and is the NFL leader in tenure with one team among active coaches.

Over the last nine seasons (1999-2007), Fisher has guided the franchise to six playoff appearances – only five teams have more appearances during that time. During his tenure, his accomplishments include the six playoff appearances (1999, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2007, 2008), three Division titles (2000, 2002, 2008), two AFC Championship Games (1999, 2002) and one Super Bowl berth (XXXIV). He presided over the most victorious (56 regular season wins and five postseason wins) and successful five-year period in the franchise's 48-year history, between 1999 and 2003.

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STEELERS RADIO COVERAGE

For the ninth consecutive year, WDVE-FM (102.5) and WBGG-AM (970) are carrying all Steelers games.

Additionally, Steelers games can be heard on a 46-station network spanning Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Tennessee and Maryland.

For the 15th straight season, Bill Hillgrove serves as the "Voice of the Steelers" and handles play-by-play duties for the broadcast. Joining Hillgrove for his 11th season as an expert analyst is Tunch Ilkin. Ilkin, the former Steelers All-Pro offensive tackle, made his radio broadcasting debut in 1998. Joining the team for his seventh season is former Steeler offensive lineman Craig Wolfley, who provides sideline analysis.

Stations on the Steelers Radio Network include:

FLAGSHIP STATIONS (2)

WDVE-FM (102.5)
 WBGG-AM (970)

PENNSYLVANIA (30)

Altoona-WVAM (1430)
 Altoona-WRKY (104.9)
 Beaver Falls-WBVP (1230)
 Beaver Falls-WMBA (1460)
 Bedford-WAYC (100.9)
 Bradford-WESB (1490)
 Butler-WISR (680)
 Chambersburg-WCHA (800)
 Clarendon-WKNC (104.3)
 Clarion-WCCR (92.7)
 Cooperstown-WUJZ (94.3)
 DuBois-WOWQ (102.1)
 Erie-WFNN (1330)
 Gettysburg-WGET (1320)
 Grove City-WWGY (95.1)
 Harrisburg-WTPA (93.5)
 Indiana-WQMU (92.5)
 Johnstown-WRKY (99.1)
 Johnstown-WNTJ (850)
 Latrobe-WCNS (1480)
 Punxsutawney-WPXZ (104.1)
 Saegertown-WUJZ (107.7)
 Scottdale-WLSW (103.9)

Somerset-WNTW (990)
 State College-WMAJ (1450)
 State College-WQWK (98.7)
 Uniontown-WMBS (590)
 Washington-WJPA (1450)
 Williamsport-WCXR (93.3)
 Williamsport-WZXR (103.7)

OHIO (3)

Findlay-WFIN (1330)
 Westerville-WTDA (103.9)
 Youngstown-WNIO (1390)

MARYLAND (3)

Cumberland-WTBO (1450)
 Frostburg-WFRB (560)
 Hagerstown-WHAG (1410)

TENNESSEE (1)

Kingsport-WPWT (870)

WEST VIRGINIA (7)

Clarksburg-WAJR (103.3)
 Elkins-WELK (94.7)
 Fairmont-WRLF (94.3)
 Fairmont-WMMN (920)
 Morgantown-WAJR (1440)
 St. Mary's-WJAW (630)
 Wheeling-WWVA (1170)

2008 AFC North Standings

	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
Pittsburgh	11	3	0	.786	302	192
Baltimore	9	5	0	.643	325	213
Cleveland	4	10	0	.286	232	305
Cincinnati	2	11	1	.179	174	358

This Week in the AFC North:

Saturday, Dec. 20:

Baltimore (9-5) at Dallas (9-5), 8:15 p.m. (NFL Network)

Sunday, Dec. 21:

Pittsburgh (11-3) at Tennessee (12-2), 1 p.m. (CBS)

Cincinnati (2-11-1) at Cleveland (4-10), 1 p.m. (CBS)

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STEELERS' PRONUNCIATIONS

Willie Colon	(Cologne)
Trai Essex	(TRAY)
Keyaron Fox	(KEY-aaron)
Brett Keisel	(KEE-sull)
Chris Kemoeatu	(kay-moy-AH-too)
Travis Kirschke	(KERSH-key)
Mewelde Moore	(Muh-WELL-dee)
Jeremy Parquet	(Par-KET)
Troy Polamalu	(Pole-uh-MAH-lu)
Jared Retkofsky	(ret-KOFF-skee)
Ben Roethlisberger	(ROTH-lis-ber-ger)
Matt Spaeth	(SPAYTH)
Limas Sweed	(LIE-mas)
LaMarr Woodley	(la-MARR)

MEDIA NOTES

Tennessee Titans Conference Call: Tennessee Titans Head Coach **Jeff Fisher** and **QB Kerry Collins** will be available for interviews via conference call on Wednesday, Dec. 17, in the Steelers' media workroom. Fisher will be at 10:45 a.m. (ET) and Collins will be at 11:50 a.m. (ET).

Weekly Press Conference: Steelers' head coach **Mike Tomlin** conducts a weekly press conference every Tuesday during the regular season beginning at noon (ET). The press conference will be broadcast live on both television and radio. FOX Sports Net (FSN) Pittsburgh will carry the conference live on television. WBGW-AM (970) will carry the press conference live on radio.

Official Steelers Website: Media and fans can read about the latest Steelers news on the official Steelers website. The site, www.steelers.com, features breaking news, statistics, player biographies and much more.

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STEELERS' LAST GAME

Pittsburgh 13, Baltimore 9

Sunday, Dec. 14 • Baltimore, Md. (M&T Bank Stadium)

Pittsburgh Team Notes:

- Pittsburgh captured its fifth straight victory overall this year and moved to 11-3. The victory clinched the AFC North Division title and guaranteed the Steelers a first-round bye in the playoffs. It marked the Steelers' 19th division title since the merger in 1970, the most in the AFC during that time.
- The Steelers improved to 16-10 all-time against the Ravens and 7-6 on the road in the series in the regular season. The win in Baltimore snapped a five-game losing streak on the road in the series, marking the first Pittsburgh victory since a 31-18 win during the 2002 season.
- The Steelers swept the season series against the Ravens for the first time since 2002.
- Pittsburgh improved to a conference-best 9-1 against AFC opponents this year.
- The Steelers are 5-0 against AFC North Division opponents this year and have won 12 of their last 14 games within the division.
- Pittsburgh improved to 6-1 on the road this year and won its fifth straight away from Heinz Field.
- The Steelers have allowed 13 points or less in each game during their five-game winning streak.
- Pittsburgh won by four points or less for the fourth time this season.
- The announced crowd of 71,502 was a new record for a Baltimore franchise record.
- With the victory, Head Coach **Mike Tomlin** set a Steelers record with 21 wins in his first two seasons as head coach. He is the first Steelers coach to win division titles in his first two years.
- After a scoreless first quarter, Baltimore grabbed a 3-0 lead with 12:30 remaining in the first half as K Matt Stover hit a 28-yard field goal. The drive was set up by a 46-yard punt return by Jim Leonhard.
- The Steelers tied the game at 3-3 on the ensuing possession as **K Jeff Reed** booted a 31-yard field goal with 5:44 remaining in the first half. The 14-play drive was highlighted by a 21-yard pass from **QB Ben Roethlisberger** to **WR Hines Ward** and a 17-yard pass to **TE Heath Miller** on a third down.
- The Ravens grabbed a 6-3 lead with less than a minute remaining in the second quarter as Stover booted a 26-yard field goal.
- **WR Santonio Holmes** caught a nine-yard pass deep in Steelers' territory in the third quarter but fumbled it, which resulted in a 28-yard field goal by Stover to make it 9-3 with 6:02 left in the quarter.
- Reed trimmed the lead to 9-6 with 9:26 remaining in the game as he kicked a 30-yard field goal.
- The Steelers embarked on a game-winning touchdown drive from their own eight yard line with three and half minutes remaining. The drive ended with a four-yard touchdown pass from Roethlisberger to Holmes with less than a minute remaining in

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Tuesday, Dec. 16	Wednesday, Dec. 17	Thursday, Dec. 18	Friday, Dec. 19	Saturday, Dec. 20	Sunday, Dec. 21	Monday, Dec. 22
Noon - Coach Tomlin Press Conference	1-3 p.m. - Practice • <i>Players available for media interviews at 12:15 p.m. and following practice in locker room</i>	1-3 p.m. - Practice • <i>Players available for media interviews at 12:15 p.m. and following practice in locker room</i>	10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Practice • <i>Players available for media interviews following practice in locker room</i>	10 a.m. - Walk-thru • <i>No coaches or players available for media interviews</i> • <i>Team travels to Nashville, Tenn.</i>	1 p.m. (ET) Away Game at Tennessee Titans (LP Field) CBS-TV (locally KDKA-TV, channel 2)	• TBA

the game, marking Roethlisberger's 17th career regular-season fourth-quarter come-from-behind victory. During the 12-play, 92-yard drive, Roethlisberger was 7-for-11 for 89 yards and the touchdown. **WR Nate Washington** caught three passes for 49 yards on the drive while Ward added two catches for 26 yards.

- Baltimore had one last chance to score a touchdown, but **CB William Gay** picked off a QB Joe Flacco pass in the end zone with less than 20 seconds left in the game. It was Gay's first career interception.

- For the 14th straight game this season, Pittsburgh did not allow its opponent to post 300 yards of total offense. The Steelers outgained the Ravens, 311-202. The 14 straight games ties the NFL record to start a season since the merger in 1970, tying the L.A. Rams (1973).

- The Steelers had 18 first downs while limiting the Ravens to just 12.

- Pittsburgh converted 8-of-17 third-down attempts (47%) and held Baltimore to just 29 percent (4 of 14).

- Each team was penalized six times (Pittsburgh 6-48; Baltimore 6-40).

- The Steelers posted two interceptions, including one each by **S Ryan Clark** and Gay. Pittsburgh has seven interceptions in its last three games and at least one in each of the past five games, giving them 18 on the year.

- Pittsburgh has now outscored its past three opponents, 37-0, in the fourth quarter and captured its second straight win after trailing with less than three minutes remaining in the game.

- Pittsburgh finished with two sacks, one each by **DE Aaron Smith** and **LB Lawrence Timmons**.

- **QB Dennis Dixon (3rd QB)**, **CB Fernando Bryant**, **LB Bruce Davis**, **OT Tony Hills**, **DT Scott Paxson**, **OT Marvel Smith**, **DE Orpheus Roye** and **DE Brett Keisel** were inactive.

Pittsburgh Individual Notes:

QB Ben Roethlisberger

- Finished 22-for-40 for 246 yards passing with one touchdown and no interceptions (81.9 passer rating). He also rushed four times for 21 yards (5.3 avg.).

- Engineered his 17th career regular-season, fourth-quarter come-from-behind victory with a 12-play drive that ended with a four-yard touchdown pass to WR Santonio Holmes with 43 seconds left in the game. On the drive, Roethlisberger was 7-for-11 for 89 yards and the touchdown.

- Became the first quarterback in NFL history to win 50 games in his first five seasons. He improved to 50-19 (.725) as a starting quarterback in the regular season.

- Improved to 22-4 (.846), including the postseason, against AFC North opponents, having won 10 straight games as the starter against such foes. He is 12-1 against the AFC North on the road.

- During the Steelers' five-game winning streak, Roethlisberger is 104-for-177 (58.8 percent) for 1,180 yards with five touchdowns and one interception (85.9 passer rating).

RB Willie Parker

- Finished with a team-high 47 yards rushing on 14 carries (3.4 avg.) and was named a co-captain for the game against the Ravens.
- Caught two passes for nine yards (4.5 avg.).

RB Mewelde Moore

- Rushed seven times for 16 yards (2.3 avg.) and returned one kickoff for 21 yards.

RB Gary Russell

- Had one carry for one yard, resulting in a first down on a third-and-one attempt.

WR Hines Ward

- Became the first receiver in team history to reach 10,000 career total yards from scrimmage as he now has 10,031 yards.

- Finished with a game-high 107 yards receiving on eight receptions (13.4 avg.), including a long of 30 yards.

- The 107 yards marked his 19th career 100-yard receiving game and his third this season.

- Caught three passes for 36 yards on the team's game-winning touchdown drive in the fourth quarter.

- Has now caught a pass in a team-record 160 consecutive games.

WR Santonio Holmes

- Finished with three catches for 21 yards (7.0 avg.), including the game-winning four-yard touchdown with 43 seconds left in the game.

- Returned three punts for five yards (1.7 avg.).

WR Nate Washington

- Had an 18-yard reception late in the first quarter on a third-and-eight play.

- Tallied three catches for 49 yards on the game-winning touchdown drive in the fourth quarter.

- Finished with five catches for 76 yards (15.2 avg.), including a long of 24 yards.

OT Max Starks

- Made his ninth straight start in place of injured OT Marvel Smith.

DE Travis Kirschke

- Made his third straight start in place of injured DE Brett Keisel.

- Finished with seven tackles (four solo).

DE Aaron Smith

- Posted an 11-yard sack in the third quarter, giving him 5.5 on the year and 42 for his career. The 42 sacks rank eighth on the team's all-time sacks list.

- Finished with eight tackles (seven solo) and was credited with two QB hurries.

LB James Farrior

- Posted a game-high 12 tackles (eight solo) with one pass defense.

LB Lawrence Timmons

- Posted his fifth sack of the season and a forced fumble on Ravens' QB Joe Flacco in the fourth quarter, knocking them out of potential field-goal range.

- Finished with four tackles (all solo).

S Ryan Clark

- Picked off his first pass of the season late in the first quarter.

- Finished with six tackles (two solo).

CB William Gay

- Posted his first career interception on the Ravens' last drive of the game, securing the Steelers' victory.

K Jeff Reed

- Finished a perfect 2-for-2 in FG attempts and 1-for-1 in PATs for seven points.

- Booted a 31-yard field goal with 5:44 remaining in the first half to tie the score at 3-3.

STEELERS-TITANS SERIES NOTES

Series History: Series began in 1970

Overall: Pittsburgh leads 38-28

At Pittsburgh: Pittsburgh leads 23-11

At Tennessee (Houston): Tennessee leads 17-15

Neutral Sites: n/a

Last Regular-Season Meeting: Sept. 11, 2005 (in Pittsburgh)
Pittsburgh 34, Tennessee 7

Postseason Series: Pittsburgh leads 3-1

(postseason record not included in overall series record)

• *Franchise in Houston prior to 1997; known as Oilers prior to 1999*

Pittsburgh is 38-28 all-time against the Tennessee Titans, including a 23-11 advantage at home and a 15-17 mark on the road...Pittsburgh defeated the Titans 34-7 on Sept. 11, 2005, a game which saw Steelers' **QB Ben Roethlisberger** throw two touchdown passes and finish with his first career perfect passer rating...Pittsburgh has an all-time record of 1-7 in Tennessee since the Titans moved there in 1997, with the only victory coming on Nov. 25, 2001 (34-24)...Tennessee had won three straight in the series and 10 of the past 12 games, including a 34-31 overtime victory in the AFC Divisional Playoff in 2002, prior to the Steelers' victory in 2005...the two Steelers' victories in that span were a season sweep in 2001, when both teams were in the AFC Central Division...included in that season sweep was a 34-7 win on Oct. 29, 2001, the first Monday Night Football game in Heinz Field history...**Mike Tomlin** has never faced the Titans.

TEAM NOTES

AFC North Division Champions: Pittsburgh captured its second straight AFC North Division championship after its 13-9 victory over the Baltimore Ravens in Week 15.

Head Coach **Mike Tomlin** became the first coach in team history to win the division in his first two seasons as head coach.

The Steelers have clinched a first-round bye in the postseason and look to possibly gain home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. In order to make the run to Super Bowl XLIII go through Heinz Field, Pittsburgh must win its last two games (at Tennessee, vs. Cleveland).

The last time the Steelers had home-field advantage throughout the playoffs was in 2004.

Pittsburgh has won an AFC-best 19 division titles since the NFL merger in 1970.

Steelers Streaking: Pittsburgh has won five straight games and has yet to allow more than 13 points in any of those five contests, surrendering just 10.2 points per game.

During the current five-game winning streak, which is the longest for the Steelers since winning four straight to close out the 2005 season and the 2006 season opener, Pittsburgh has outscored its opponents 104-52 and has given up just 235.8 yards per game, including a low of 202 against Baltimore in Week 15.

Offensively the Steelers are averaging 331.2 yards per game and 20.8 points per game. Pittsburgh is holding the ball for 33:37 compared to the opponents' 26:23.

Dominating Defense: Pittsburgh is attempting to accomplish a feat that has not been duplicated since 1991.

The Steelers lead the NFL in pass defense (163.3 avg.), total defense (239.1 avg.) and scoring defense (13.7 avg.), and are second in rush defense (75.8 avg.). Pittsburgh could become the first team since the 1991 Philadelphia Eagles to lead the league in rush defense, pass defense and total defense.

Pittsburgh could also become the first team to lead the league in all four categories since the NFL merger in 1970. The last team to lead the league in all four categories was the 1969 Kansas City Chiefs, who led the AFL that season.

Additionally, the 75.8 rushing yards per game the Steelers are allowing are the least for Pittsburgh since 2001 (74.7 avg.) and the second-least since the NFL merger in 1970.

Clamping Down: The Steelers can set an NFL record this Sunday by holding their opponent to less than 300 yards for the 15th consecutive game.

Pittsburgh has yet to allow an opponent gain 300 yards of total offense this season and is allowing just 239.1 yards per game.

The Steelers gave up 202 yards in Week 15 against the Baltimore Ravens, marking the 14th straight game this season they have held the opponent to less than 300 yards of total offense. The 14 straight games ties for the longest streak to start a season in the NFL since the merger in 1970.

The following is a look at the list of the top three longest streaks:

Team	Streak	Season
Pittsburgh Steelers	14	2008
L.A. Rams	14	1973
San Francisco 49ers	12	1997

Third-Quarter Supremacy: Pittsburgh has allowed just 22 points in the third quarter all season, which is the fewest in the NFL in any quarter.

The Steelers have outscored their opponents 77-22 in the third quarter this year. They allowed Cleveland (Week 2), Cincinnati (Week 7), Indianapolis (Week 10) and Baltimore (Week 15) to each collect field goals in the respective games, while the Dallas Cowboys had 10 points in Week 14 at Heinz Field.

Road Warriors: Pittsburgh has won five straight games on the road this year and are 6-1 away from Heinz Field on the season.

Pittsburgh continues to have great success playing away from Heinz Field. Since the beginning of the 1998 season, the Steelers own the third-best (tied) road winning percentage in the NFL.

The following is a list of the top five road winning percentages since 1998:

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	54	33	0	.621
Indianapolis	53	34	0	.609
Pittsburgh	49	38	0	.563
Tennessee	49	38	0	.563
Philadelphia	47	39	1	.546

Several Steelers and Titans are products of the same colleges, including the following:

STEELERS-TITANS COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

STEELERS	COLLEGE	TITANS
Patrick Bailey (LB)	Duke	Ryan Fowler (LB)
Max Starks (OT)	Florida	Jevon Kearse (DE)
Bryant McFadden (CB)	Florida State	Chris Davis (WR)
Orpheus Roye (DE)		Chris Hope (S)
Lawrence Timmons (LB)		
Ryan Clark (S)	LSU	Kevin Mawae (C)
Willie Parker (RB)	North Carolina	Alge Crumpler (TE)
Jeff Reed (K)		David Thornton (LB)
Santonio Holmes (WR)	Ohio State	Donnie Nickey (S)
Sean McHugh (TE)	Penn State	Kerry Collins (QB)
Scott Paxson (DT)		
Anthony Smith (S)	Syracuse	Keith Bullock (LB)
Casey Hampton (DT)	Texas	Michael Griffin (DB)
Tony Hills (OT)		Ahmad Hall (FB)
Limas Sweed (WR)		Bo Scaife (TE)
		Chris Simms (QB)
		Vince Young (QB)
Travis Kirschke (DE)	UCLA	Dave Ball (DE)
Troy Polamalu	USC	LenDale White (RB)
Chris Kemoatu (OG)	Utah	Quinton Gather (RB)

LOOKING AHEAD...

The Steelers wrap up their 2008 regular-season slate with a matchup versus their AFC North-rival Cleveland. Kickoff at Heinz Field on Dec. 28 is set for 1 p.m. and will be televised on CBS (locally KDKA-TV, channel 2). Pittsburgh is looking for its 11th straight win over the Browns and look to sweep the season series for the fifth straight year after defeating Cleveland 10-6 in Week 2 this season.

What To Look For:

PITTSBURGH TEAM NOTES

- The Steelers look to improve to 12-3 on the year and put themselves into position to have home-field advantage throughout the entire AFC playoffs.
- The Steelers look for their first win in Nashville since a 34-24 victory during the 2001 season.
- The Steelers are looking to improve to 39-29 all-time against the Tennessee franchise (formerly the Houston Oilers and Tennessee Oilers).
- The Steelers look to improve to 10-1 against AFC opponents this year.
- The Steelers look to improve to 17-18 all-time on the road in the series history.
- The Steelers look to improve to 7-1 on the road this year.

PITTSBURGH INDIVIDUAL NOTES

Head Coach Mike Tomlin

QB Ben Roethlisberger

- Needs 138 passing yards to become the first Steelers' quarterback with three straight 3,000-yard seasons. QB Terry Bradshaw had two consecutive such seasons in 1979-80.
- Needs one touchdown pass to become just the second quarterback in team history to throw 100 career touchdown passes (Terry Bradshaw - 212). Roethlisberger currently has 99 career touchdown passes.
- Needs one 300-yard passing game to move into sole possession of first place on the team's all-time list ahead of Tommy Maddox. Roethlisberger currently has six.

WR Hines Ward

- Needs 136 yards receiving to reach 1,000 yards for the season. It would be his fifth 1,000-yard season and his first since 2004.
- Needs 13 receptions for 800 in his career.

RB Willie Parker

- Needs one rushing touchdown to move into sole possession of eighth place for rushing touchdowns on the team's all-time list with Rocky Bleier. Parker currently has 23 rushing touchdowns.

K Jeff Reed

- Needs eight points to surpass Roy Gerela for second place on the team's all-time scoring list. He currently has 724 career points while Gerela finished with 731 career points.

LB James Harrison

- Needs a half-sack to break the team's single-season sacks record he shares with Mike Merriweather. Harrison currently has 15 sacks in 2008 while Merriweather finished with 15 in 1984.

Finishing The Job: Over the past three weeks, Pittsburgh has done an excellent job of closing out games. The Steelers have won two straight games after trailing with less than three minutes remaining in the contest, including a dramatic 13-9 victory over the Baltimore Ravens in Week 15.

The Steelers have outscored their last three opponents 37-0 in the fourth quarter. The Steelers outscored the Baltimore Ravens 10-0 in Week 15 and the Dallas Cowboys 17-0 in Week 14 for a come-from-behind 20-13 victory. In Week 13, Pittsburgh outscored the New England Patriots 10-0 in a 33-10 win.

Steelers-Titans Connections: Several Steelers have ties to the Titans and the Nashville area.

Linebackers coach **Keith Butler** played linebacker at the University of Memphis (1974-77) and also coached at his alma mater from 1990-97. Wide receivers coach **Randy Fichtner** coached at Memphis twice (1990-93, 2001-06).

Titans with ties to the Steelers or Western Pa. include **S Chris Hope**, who played for the Steelers from 2002-05. **QB Kerry Collins**, played collegiately at Penn State. Assistant special teams coach **Marty Galbraith** coached at Pitt in 1991, while offensive line coach **Mike Munchak** played at Penn State.

Defense! Defense! Defense! The Steelers defense is once again giving its opponents fits this year as it ranks in the top three in the NFL in several categories.

The Steelers rank first in the NFL in total defense, allowing just 239.1 yards per game. Pittsburgh has 18 interceptions in 14 games this year and has posted an AFC-best 47 sacks. The Steelers are allowing a league-low 3.9 yards per play, the lowest of any defense in the NFL since 1978.

Pittsburgh ranks in the top three in the NFL in several other defensive categories, including passing net yards/game (163.3, 1st), passing net yards/play (4.7, 1st), first-down plays/opponent (3.93, 1st), red-zone efficiency (31.7, 1st), points/game (13.7, 1st) and rushing yards/attempt (3.2, 1st), rushing yards/game (75.8, 2nd), first downs/game (15.4, 2nd), net yards/game differential (64.3, 3rd) and third-down efficiency (32.7, T-3rd).

In Week 13 at New England, Pittsburgh held QB Matt Cassel to just 169 yards passing while picking him off twice and sacking him five times, snapping his streak of consecutive 400-yard passing games.

In Week 8, the Steelers limited the New York Giants' league-leading rushing attack to just 83 yards rushing on 35 attempts (2.4 avg.). The Giants entered the game averaging 169.7 yards per game on the ground.

Pittsburgh limited Cleveland in Week 2 to just 53 yards on the ground and 166 in the air. The Steelers opened the season by limiting Houston to just 234 yards of total offense (75 rushing, 159 passing), including a mere 82 yards in the first half.

The 2008 season is piggybacking off of the Steelers' 2007 defensive efforts, when they led the league in total defense (266.4 avg.).

Picking Your Poison: The Steelers have 18 interceptions on the year, which ranks third (tied) in the AFC and fifth (tied) in the NFL. Pittsburgh has seven interceptions in the past three games and has posted at least one pick in five straight contests.

Pittsburgh picked off two passes in Week 15 at Baltimore, including one by **CB William Gay** with less than 20 seconds remaining to seal the victory.

The Steelers had three interceptions in their Week 14 victory versus the Dallas Cowboys, highlighted by a 25-yard interception return for a touchdown by **CB Deshaea Townsend** that gave Pittsburgh the victory with just under two minutes remaining in the game. **CB Ike Taylor** and **S Troy Polamalu** each had picks in the win over Dallas.

2008 REGULAR SEASON STATISTICAL COMPARISON

<u>Steelers</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Titans</u>
21.6	Points Scored Per Game	24.6
13.7	Points Allowed Per Game	14.1
17.6	First Downs Per Game	17.4
303.4	Total Yards Per Game	326.5
102.9	Rushing Yards Per Game	142.8
200.5	Passing Yards Per Game	183.7
47	Sacks By	38
18	Interceptions By	18
31:24	Avg. Time of Possession	29:41
32	Touchdowns	37
13	Rushing Touchdowns	22
17	Passing Touchdowns	12
2	Touchdowns on Returns	3
26-29	Field Goals	28-31
39.2	Punting Avg.	42.7
6.5	Punt Return Avg.	9.9
20.4	Kickoff Return Avg.	24.7

For the year, Polamalu has an NFL-best seven interceptions on the year, which is also a career high for him. Townsend and **CB Bryant McFadden** have two interceptions each.

Turning Up the Heat: Pittsburgh is first in the AFC and second in the NFL with 47 sacks, eclipsing their total for the 2007 season (36 sacks). The Steelers recorded a season-high seven sacks (twice) in the Week 7 victory at the Cincinnati Bengals and the Week 9 victory at the Washington Redskins.

The Steelers need are eight sacks shy of the team record of 55 sacks, set in 1994 and 2001.

Since 1994, the Steelers have led the AFC in sacks four times and the entire NFL twice.

Sacks became an official NFL statistic in 1982, however, a record of "passers tackled" was kept prior to that time. Following are the Steelers' single-season sack totals dating back to 1970:

Pittsburgh Steelers Team Sack Totals (Since 1970)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>
1970	26	1990	34
1971	33	1991	38
1972	40	1992	36
1973	33	1993	42
1974	52	1994	55 *
1975	43	1995	42
1976	41	1996	51
1977	32	1997	48
1978	44	1998	41
1979	49	1999	39
1980	18	2000	39
1981	40	2001	55 *
1982	34	2002	50
1983	50	2003	35
1984	47	2004	41
1985	36	2005	47
1986	43	2006	39
1987	26	2007	36
1988	19	2008	47
1989	31		

* Team Record

Pick Six: **CB Deshea Townsend** intercepted a Tony Romo pass with less than two minutes remaining and returned it 25 yards for a touchdown in the Week 14 victory versus the Dallas Cowboys. It was the Steelers first interception return for a touchdown since **CB Ike Taylor** returned on 51 yards on Dec. 20, 2007.

Townsend's game-winning interception marked the first time in the Super Bowl era (since 1966) that the Steelers winning score came on an interception return for a touchdown in the last two minutes of the fourth quarter or overtime.

Townsend has three career interception returns for a touchdown, but this was his first since Oct. 31, 2004 when he returned one 39 yards for a score against New England at Heinz Field.

Fast To The Finish: Pittsburgh owns the second-best record in the NFL since 2000 in the months of November and December.

The Steelers are 53-24-1 (.686) in the final two months of the regular-season over the past eight years. New England owns the best record with a 57-19 (.750) mark and Philadelphia is third with a 52-24-1 (.682) record.

Covering The Field: Pittsburgh ranks first in the AFC and first in the NFL in kickoff coverage, allowing 19.4 yards per return. In 2007, the Steelers ranked eighth in the AFC and 16th in the NFL by allowing 22.6 yards per return.

Additionally the Steelers lead the AFC and rank fourth in the NFL allowing just 6.1 yards per punt return.

CB Anthony Madison leads the team with 22 special teams tackles, while **LB Keyaron Fox** is second with 18 and **LB James Harrison** and **LB Patrick Bailey** are tied for third with 12.

Turnover Advantage: The Steelers have 27 takeaways (18 interceptions nine fumble recoveries) for a plus-seven (+7) turnover advantage in 2008.

The Steelers were plus-three (+3) in 2007 and minus-eight (-8) in 2006.

Since 2001, the Steelers have, at minimum, reached the AFC Championship Game when finishing a regular-season with a plus-seven (+7) or better turnover margin.

The following is a look at how the three most recent Steelers' teams finished when having a +7 or better turnover margin since 2001:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Turnover Margin</u>	<u>Last Playoff Game/Result</u>
2001	+7	AFC Championship Game (L, 24-17 vs. N.E.)
2004	+11	AFC Championship Game (L, 41-27 vs. N.E.)
2005	+7	Super Bowl XL (W, 21-10 vs. Seattle)

Hard To Come By: The Steelers have been very tough on their opponents on first downs as they are allowing a league-low 3.93 yards on first downs this season.

Additionally, Pittsburgh has given up 216 first downs total, which ranks second in the AFC and second in the NFL.

Divisional Dominance: Pittsburgh is looking to finish the 2008 season undefeated against AFC North Division foes with a win over the Cleveland Browns in Week 17. It would mark the first time since 2002 the Steelers have an unblemished record in divisional play.

The Steelers are 5-0 this year against AFC North Division opponents after their 13-9 victory over the Baltimore Ravens in Week 15.

Pittsburgh finished the 2007 season 5-1 against AFC North foes. The Steelers' lone loss against the division last year was in the regular-season finale at Baltimore when Pittsburgh rested a number of starters after already clinching the AFC North crown.

The Steelers have won 12 of their last 14 games against divisional opponents.

Heinz Field Advantage: The Steelers own the best home record in the NFL with a 215-83-1 record (.721) since 1970. Pittsburgh is 29-8 at home over the past five seasons, including a 5-2 record this season.

Pittsburgh finished the 2004 regular season with an undefeated (8-0) home record for only the third time in team history and for the first time in 25 years, ultimately advancing to the AFC Championship Game.

The Steelers finished the 1979 regular season with an undefeated home record (8-0) and eventually won Super Bowl XIV. The Steelers were also undefeated at home (7-0) in 1972.

If You Build It, They Will Come: This year the Steelers are averaging 62,796 fans in seven home games. The Steelers averaged 62,084 at Heinz Field last year.

The Steelers set a regular-season attendance record in Week 8 when 64,991 fans watched them play against the New York Giants. The attendance of 64,991 was the largest regular-season attendance figure in Heinz Field history and second only to the 65,242 fans in attendance on Jan. 23, 2005, at the AFC Championship Game versus the New England Patriots.

Pittsburgh broke the team home attendance record in 2005 by averaging 63,429 (507,434 total).

Pittsburgh has sold out 280 straight games at home, dating back to Nov. 5, 1972 versus Cincinnati.

Pittsburgh's largest average attendance at Three Rivers Stadium was 58,077 in 1998. Following is a look at the team's average attendance in its seven years at Heinz Field:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
2001	499,191	62,399
2002	490,274	61,284
2003	477,584	59,698
2004	507,385	63,423
2005	507,434 •	63,429 •
2006	499,461	62,433
2007	496,675	62,084
2008	439,572	62,796

• Team record

Continued Success: Since the 1970 merger of the National and American Football Leagues, the Pittsburgh Steelers own the second-best record in the NFL.

The following is a look at the top five regular-season records since the merger in 1970:

<u>Team</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
1. Miami Dolphins	363	233	2	.609
2. Pittsburgh Steelers	362	234	2	.607
3. Dallas Cowboys	356	242	0	.595
4. Denver Broncos	347	245	6	.587
5. San Francisco 49ers	335	260	3	.563

Additionally, Pittsburgh owns the best record in the NFL since the free-agency era (since 1993) with a 159-94-1 (.628) record.

The following is a look at the top three regular-season records in the free agency era (since 1993):

<u>Team</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
1. Pittsburgh Steelers	159	94	1	.628
2. New England Patriots	159	95	0	.626
3. Green Bay Packers	157	97	0	.618

Sustaining Success: Pittsburgh has made the playoffs five times and won the AFC North four times since the divisional realignment in 2002. The Steelers have won the AFC North Division for the second consecutive year in 2008.

The Steelers have won 19 division titles since the NFL merger in 1970, the most in the AFC during that time. This year also marks the fourth time they have captured the AFC North Crown since 2002.

The following is a list of teams that have won the most division titles and qualified for the playoffs since 2002:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Playoffs</u>	<u>Division Titles</u>
Indianapolis	6	5
Pittsburgh	5	4
New England	5	5
Seattle	5	4
Philadelphia	4	4
Green Bay	4	4

Regular-Season Success: Pittsburgh owns the third-best record in the regular season in the entire NFL over the past 11 years. The Steelers have averaged 9.5 wins per year and have earned six playoff berths in that time period.

The following are the top five teams in regular-season winning percentage from 1998-2008:

<u>Team</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Playoff Berths</u>
New England	117	57	0	.672	7
Indianapolis	115	59	0	.661	8
Pittsburgh	106	67	1	.612	6
Denver	105	69	0	.603	5
Green Bay	102	72	0	.586	6

Among The Best: The Steelers have 552 career wins (including postseason), which is the fifth-most in NFL history.

The following is a listing of the top five teams in the NFL for career wins (including postseason):

<u>Team</u>	<u>Wins</u>
1. Chicago Bears	701
2. Green Bay Packers	667
3. New York Giants	637
4. Washington Redskins	559
5. Pittsburgh Steelers	552

Steelers In The Spotlight: The Steelers will travel to the Tennessee Titans this week and the game will be the national game on CBS Sports. It marks just the third 1 p.m. (ET) game for the Steelers this year, including Week 1 versus the Houston Texans and Week 7 at Cincinnati.

The Steelers played the maximum of five night games in 2008, including two Sunday Night games, two Monday Night games and one Thursday Night game.

Pittsburgh traveled to play Jacksonville (Week 5) after already visiting Cleveland for a Sunday Night game in Week 2.

The Steelers hosted the Baltimore Ravens in Week 4 on Monday Night Football and traveled to the Washington Redskins in Week 9 for a Monday night matchup.

Pittsburgh hosted the Cincinnati Bengals in Week 12 at Heinz Field.

Holding Their Ground: Over the past eight years, Pittsburgh's defense has been among the best at holding its opponents to the fewest rushing yards in the league. The Steelers are allowing just 75.8 rushing yards per game in 2008, including a season-low 38 against the Jacksonville Jaguars in Week 5.

Pittsburgh ranks first in the AFC and second in the NFL in rushing defense and the 75.8 rushing yards per game are the second-least the Steelers have allowed since the NFL merger in 1970 (74.4 in 2001). Last year, the Steelers ranked second in the AFC and third in the NFL by allowing 89.9 rushing yards per game in 2007.

In the past five-plus seasons, Pittsburgh has allowed an NFL-low eight 100-yard rushers. Baltimore is second with 12.

Additionally, since 1994 the Steelers have led the AFC in rushing defense seven times and the entire NFL three times.

Following is a look at the number of yards rushing the Steelers have allowed in each of the past eight seasons:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Rushing Yds. Allowed</u>	<u>Avg./Game</u>	<u>AFC/NFL Rank</u>
2001	1,195	74.7	1st/1st
2002	1,375	85.9	1st/1st
2003	1,741	108.8	8th/12th
2004	1,299	81.2	1st/1st
2005	1,376	85.5	3rd/3rd
2006	1,412	88.2	2nd/3rd
2007	1,438	89.9	2nd/3rd
2008	1,061	75.8	1st/2nd
Total	10,897	86.5	1st/1st

Run Stuffers: The Steelers have not allowed a 100-yard rusher this season and have allowed only three 100-yard rushers in the past 80 games (postseason included). The Steelers previously had a streak of 34 straight games in which it did not allow a 100-yard rusher.

The following is a look at the only three active NFL running backs who gained 100 yards rushing against the Steelers in the past 79 games:

Player	Date	Yards (Att.)
Fred Taylor, Jacksonville	12/16-07	147 yds. (25 att.)
Thomas Jones, N.Y. Jets	11/18/07	117 yds. (30 att.)
Edgerrin James, Indianapolis	11/28/05	124 yds. (29 att.)

200 Plateau: Since the NFL merger in 1970, Pittsburgh is 95-6 (.941) in the regular season when it rushes for more than 200 yards in a game. The Steelers have won 24 straight games in which they have eclipsed that mark for rushing yards.

Pittsburgh is 7-0 all-time in the postseason when rushing for more than 200 yards.

Block Party: In the Week 9 victory at Washington, **LB Andre Frazier** blocked a Redskins' punt that eventually led to the go-ahead touchdown.

Frazier's blocked punt was the first for the Steelers in 2008 and the first since **LB James Harrison** blocked a Carolina Panthers' punt on Dec. 17, 2006.

Safety Dance: Pittsburgh posted a safety in the Week 11 victory over the San Diego Chargers as **LB James Harrison** forced a Philip Rivers fumble in the end zone and then tackled Chargers' offensive lineman Marcus McNeill.

The safety was the Steelers' first since **LB Larry Foote** and former Steelers' LB Joey Porter sacked Brad Johnson in the end zone at Minnesota on Dec. 18, 2005.

Controlling The NFC: The Steelers have won 15 of their past 19 games (including their Super Bowl XL victory over Seattle) versus teams in the NFC, dating back to 2003.

The Steelers are 90-54-1 (.624) all-time against teams from the NFC, including a 51-19-1 record at home and a 34-35 mark on the road. Pittsburgh had won eight straight games versus NFC teams at home prior to its Week 8 loss to the New York Giants.

Facing The Best: The Steelers will play half of the their season against 2007 playoff teams, including both teams who played in Super Bowl XLII. No team in the league has a higher combined opponents' winning percentage from last season than the .598 of the Steelers' opponents.

Pittsburgh traveled to face defending AFC Champion, the New England Patriots, in Week 13. Earlier this year, the Steelers hosted the New York Giants, defending Super Bowl champions, at Heinz Field in Week 8.

The Steelers have already played five other teams that made it to the 2007 postseason, including at Jacksonville (Week 5), at Washington (Week 9) and at home against Indianapolis (Week 10), San Diego (Week 11) and Dallas (Week 14). They also finish the season with one other team that saw postseason play last year, including at Tennessee (Week 16).

The following is a list of the NFL's strength of schedule in 2008:

Team	Opp. Record	vs. Playoff Teams (2007)
1. Pittsburgh	153-103 (.598)	8
2. Indianapolis	152-104 (.594)	8
3. Jacksonville	143-113 (.559)	6
4. Baltimore	141-115 (.551)	8
Minnesota	141-115 (.551)	7

Close To Home: The Steelers have not had to travel that far for their eight away games. In fact, Pittsburgh's total miles traveled are the second-least in the league behind Cleveland.

The following is a listing of the teams with the most miles traveled during the 2008 season (preseason and regular season):

Team	Miles
1. Seattle Seahawks	34,766
2. Oakland Raiders	34,218
3. San Diego Chargers	33,403
4. San Francisco 49ers	31,530
5. New England Patriots	29,024
31. Pittsburgh Steelers	7,288

Merchandise Mayhem: The Steelers sell the second-most clothing in all of professional sports, according to a recent ESPN Sports Poll. Seven of the top 10 logos on clothing are affiliated with the NFL.

The following is a listing of the top five most popular team clothing among fans:

Team	League	Percent
1. Dallas Cowboys	NFL	10.1
2. Pittsburgh Steelers	NFL	8.1
3. Green Bay Packers	NFL	7.0
4. New York Yankees	MLB	6.4
5. Boston Red Sox	MLB	5.1

In the Red Zone: The Steelers have converted 41 of their 44 attempts in the red zone into points in 2008, including 25 touchdowns and 16 field goals.

Their 56.8 percent touchdown ratio inside the opponent's 20-yard line ranks sixth in the AFC and 11th in the NFL.

Following is a look at how the Steelers offense has performed in the red zone in 2008:

Opponent	Att./Scores	TDs	FGs	Pts
Houston	5/5	5	0	35
@Cleveland	1/1	1	0	7
@Philadelphia	2/1	0	1	3
Baltimore	1/1	0	1	3
@Jacksonville	3/3	2	1	17
@Cincinnati	5/5	4	1	31
New York Giants	0/0	0	0	0
@Washington	4/4	3	1	24
Indianapolis	3/3	2	1	17
San Diego	3/2	0	2	6
Cincinnati	4/4	3	1	24
@New England	6/6	3	3	30
Dallas	4/3	1	2	13
@Baltimore	3/3	1	2	13
Total	44/41	25	16	223

Red Zone Defense: The Steelers defense has allowed 32 scores (13 touchdowns, 19 field goals) in 41 possessions in the red zone this year. Their 31.7 touchdown percentage on defense ranks first in the NFL.

Following is a look at how the Steelers' defense has performed in the red zone in 2008:

Opponent	Att./Scores	TDs	FGs	Pts
Houston	3/3	2	1	17
@Cleveland	2/1	0	1	3
@Philadelphia	2/2	0	2	6
Baltimore	4/4	2	2	20
@Jacksonville	1/1	1	0	7
@Cincinnati	2/2	1	1	10
New York Giants	6/5	1	4	19
@Washington	3/0	0	0	0
Indianapolis	3/3	2	1	17
San Diego	3/2	1	1	10
Cincinnati	3/2	1	1	10
@New England	4/2	1	1	10
Dallas	2/2	1	1	10
@Baltimore	3/3	0	3	9
Total	41/32	13	19	148

Five & 10: The Steelers rank in the top five in the AFC and/or the top 10 in the NFL in several key team and individual categories in 2008. Following is a list of those rankings:

PITTSBURGH STEELERS 2008 AFC/NFL RANKINGS

<u>Team Defense</u>	<u>Statistic</u>	<u>Rank (AFC/NFL)</u>
Total Yards/Game	239.1	1st/1st
Yards/Play	3.9	1st/1st
Rushing Yards/Game	75.8	1st/2nd
Rushing Yards/Attempt	3.2	1st/1st
Passing Net Yards/Game	163.3	1st/1st
Passing Net Yards/Play	4.7	1st/1st
Sacks (Total)	47	1st/2nd
First Downs/Game	15.4	2nd/2nd
First Downs (Total)	216	2nd/2nd
Third-Down Efficiency	32.7	T-2nd/T-3rd
Fourth-Down Efficiency	41.2	4th/9th
Points/Game	13.7	1st/1st
Points/Game Differential	7.9	3rd/4th
Net Yards/Game Differential	64.3	1st/3rd
Takeaway/Turnover Ratio	+7	7th/T-8th
Red-Zone Efficiency	31.7	1st/1st
First-Down Plays/Opponent	3.93	1st/1st
Interceptions	18	T-3rd/T-5th

<u>Special Teams</u>	<u>Statistic</u>	<u>Rank (AFC/NFL)</u>
Field Goal Percentage (Offense)	89.7	4th/T-9th
Punt Return Average (Defense)	6.1	1st/4th
Kickoff Return Average (Defense)	19.4	1st/1st

<u>Individual Offense</u>	<u>Statistic</u>	<u>Rank (AFC/NFL)</u>
Roethlisberger (Third-Down Passing Yards)	920	5th/9th
Parker (Rushing Attempts/Single Game)	28	T-2nd/T-4th
Ward (Third-Down Receiving TDs)	4	T-2nd/T-2nd

<u>Individual Defense</u>	<u>Statistic</u>	<u>Rank (AFC/NFL)</u>
Harrison (Sacks - Total)	15.0	2nd/4th
Harrison (Forced Fumbles)	7	1st/1st
Woodley (Sacks - Total)	11.5	T-3rd/T-8th
Woodley (Fumble Recoveries - Total)	4	T-2nd/T-3rd
Woodley (Defensive Fumble Recov.)	4	T-1st/T-1st
Polamalu (Interceptions)	7	1st/1st

<u>Individual Special Teams</u>	<u>Statistic</u>	<u>Rank (AFC/NFL)</u>
Reed (FG Percentage)	89.7	4th/T-9th
Reed (Leading Scorers/Kickers)	108	4th/T-11th
Holmes (Punt Returns/Single Game)	6	T-2nd/T-3rd

COACHING NOTES

Few And Far Between: Head Coach **Mike Tomlin** became the first coach in Steelers history to win division titles in each of his first two seasons. Last year, the Steelers captured the AFC North in his first season.

Tomlin became just the second head coach in team history to post a winning record in his first season.

No Sophomore Jinx: Head Coach **Mike Tomlin** is guaranteed to break the team's all-time record for winning percentage for a coach in his first two seasons with just two games remaining in his second campaign.

Tomlin owns a 21-9 (.700) record in his second season as head coach of the Steelers. Former coach Bill Cowher previously had the best start in two seasons at the helm of the Steelers, posting a 20-12 (.625) mark in 1992-93.

Tomlin set the record with a win over the Baltimore Ravens.

Double-Digit Duty: Head Coach **Mike Tomlin** has led the Steelers to an 11-3 record in 2008. He became the first coach in team history to win at least 10 games in his first two seasons after finishing his rookie season with a 10-6 record.

LeBeau's Magic: Defensive coordinator **Dick LeBeau**, in his 50th NFL season as either a player or coach, is considered the creator of the "fire-zone" or "zone blitz" defensive scheme that is used in multiple varieties by many NFL and college teams.

LeBeau returned to the Steelers for a second stint as the team's defensive leader prior to the 2004 season. Since his return, the Steelers defense has ranked at or near the top of most major statistical defensive categories.

Since the beginning of the 2004 season, the Steelers rank first in fewest points allowed (1,093), fewest total yards allowed (17,745) and fewest rushing yards allowed (5,525).

INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE NOTES

Controlling The North: QB Ben Roethlisberger owns a 22-4 (.846) record, including the postseason, against AFC North opponents during his starting career with the Steelers. He has won 10 straight games against divisional foes as the starter.

Roethlisberger posted a perfect passer rating once (11/5/07 vs. Baltimore) in his 25 games against AFC North foes and has recorded a passer rating of over 100.0 a total of 12 times.

The following is a look at his statistics against the AFC North in his 26 such games as a starter:

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>26 games vs. AFC North (as a starter)</u>
Record	22-4
Completion Pct. (Comp.-Att.)	61.8 (434-702)
Passing Yards	5,532
Passing Touchdowns	42
Interceptions	24
Passer Rating	92.1

Also, the following is a look at Roethlisberger's statistics in his career against AFC North opponents as a starter at home compared to the road:

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>Home vs. AFC North</u>	<u>Away vs. AFC North</u>
Record	10-3	12-1
Completion Pct. (Comp.-Att.)	62.3 (226-363)	61.4 (208-339)
Passing Yards	2,883	2,604
Passing Touchdowns	22	20
Interceptions	15	9
Passer Rating	90.0	93.8

Starting In Style: In his first five seasons, **QB Ben Roethlisberger** owns a 50-19 (.725) record as a starting quarterback in the regular season. That mark is the third-best in the NFL among all active quarterbacks.

The following is a look at the starting records of the top five active quarterbacks in the NFL (min. 25 starts):

<u>Name</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
1. Tom Brady, Patriots	87	24	0	.784
2. Tony Romo, Cowboys	27	10	0	.730
3. Ben Roethlisberger, Steelers	50	19	0	.725
4. Philip Rivers, Chargers	31	15	0	.674
5. Peyton Manning, Colts	116	58	0	.667

Elite Company: QB Ben Roethlisberger surpassed several elite quarterbacks for most wins by a starting quarterback in his first five seasons with his 49th victory in Week 14 versus the Dallas Cowboys. He is now the only NFL quarterback to win 50 games in his first five seasons in the league.

The following is a look at the most wins by a starting quarterback in his first five seasons in the NFL (since 1950):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Wins</u>
1. Ben Roethlisberger (Pittsburgh, 2004-08)	50
2. Otto Graham (Cleveland, 1950-54)	48
Dan Marino (Miami, 1983-87)	48
Tom Brady (New England, 2000-04)	48
5. John Elway (Denver, 1983-87)	46

2008 STEELERS CAPTAINS...

WR Hines Ward (co-offense), **LB James Farrior** (defense), **QB Ben Roethlisberger** (co-offense) and **K Jeff Reed** (special teams) were named captains for the Steelers in 2008.

It marks Ward's fourth consecutive honor while it is Farrior's fifth straight. Roethlisberger and Reed both earned their first honor.

Facing The NFC: QB Ben Roethlisberger owns an impressive 15-4 (.789) record as starter against NFC teams.

Roethlisberger has a 90.7 passer rating in those 19 games against NFC foes and has 24 touchdown passes to 14 interceptions.

Roethlisberger won his first seven starts when facing teams in the NFC.

Comeback Kid: QB Ben Roethlisberger has five fourth-quarter come-from-behind victories this season, including the 17th of his career in Week 15 at Baltimore Ravens.

Roethlisberger engineered a 92-yard drive in the final three minutes of the game that ended with him finding WR Santonio Holmes for a four-yard touchdown pass, which clinched the AFC North Division title for the Steelers. On the drive, Roethlisberger was 7-for-11 for 89 yards.

Roethlisberger recorded his 16th career regular-season fourth quarter come-from-behind win in the Steelers' Week 14 victory versus the Dallas Cowboys. The Steelers trailed 13-3 entering the fourth quarter but posted 17 fourth-quarter points to capture the victory.

In the Week 11 victory versus the San Diego Chargers, Roethlisberger marched the Steelers 73 yards on 13 plays that ended with a game-winning field goal by K Jeff Reed with 11 seconds remaining. On the game-winning drive, Roethlisberger was 6-for-6 for 62 yards.

Roethlisberger posted his 14th career comeback win in the Week 5 victory at Jacksonville. The Steelers trailed 21-20 in the fourth quarter before Roethlisberger took control of the game late in the quarter. He led the Steelers on an 11-play, 80-yard drive that took nearly five minutes off the clock in the fourth quarter against the Jaguars. On the drive, he was 6-for-8 with 61 yards passing that culminated in an eight-yard touchdown pass to WR Hines Ward with less than two minutes remaining in the game.

The week prior, Roethlisberger had his 13th career come-from-behind win in either the fourth quarter or overtime as he directed the Steelers to a 23-20 victory over the Ravens in Week 4.

On the game-winning drive in overtime against Baltimore, Roethlisberger was 2-for-3 for 31 yards before K Jeff Reed booted the game-winning 46-yard field goal.

A complete listing of all of Roethlisberger's fourth quarter and overtime comebacks entering this season are available on page 197 of the Steelers media guide.

Passing Perfection: QB Ben Roethlisberger, who earned his first trip to the Pro Bowl in 2007, has achieved a number of outstanding single-season accomplishments in his four-plus-year career, including achieving a feat three times that is rarely done in the NFL.

Roethlisberger, who set the team's single-season mark for passer rating (104.1) in 2007, has had a perfect passer rating (158.3) three times in his career, tying him with QB Peyton Manning for the most in NFL history (minimum 10 attempts).

Roethlisberger most recently accomplished the feat as he finished 16-of-20 passing for 261 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions in the Week 16 of the 2007 season during a win over the St. Louis Rams.

In 2007, Roethlisberger became the first player in Steelers history to record a passer rating of 100.0 or better for an entire season. In his five seasons, Roethlisberger has 29 games in which he has a rating of 100.0 or better in a game, including his most recent against the Cincinnati Bengals in Week 7. The Steelers are 29-2 when he posts a 100-plus passer rating.

Roethlisberger's 29 career 100-plus passer rating games rank second in team history behind Terry Bradshaw, who had 31 such games since the passer rating rule was implemented in 1973.

Steelers Highest Single-Season Passer-Ratings Leaders (Among Qualifiers)

Player	Rating
1. Ben Roethlisberger (2007)	104.1
2. Ben Roethlisberger (2005)	98.6
3. Ben Roethlisberger (2004)	98.1
4. Terry Bradshaw (1975)	87.8
5. Neil O'Donnell (1995)	87.7

Steelers Top Single-Season Completion Percentage Leaders (Minimum 250 Attempts)

Player	Att.	Comp.	Pct.
1. Ben Roethlisberger (2004)	295	196	66.4
2. Ben Roethlisberger (2007)	404	264	65.3
3. Ben Roethlisberger (2005)	268	168	62.7
4. Tommy Maddox (2002)	377	234	62.1
5. Kordell Stewart (2001)	442	266	60.2

Home Cooking: QB Ben Roethlisberger owns a 27-8 (.771) mark in the regular season in his career at Heinz Field, including winning his first eight starts.

At Heinz Field, Roethlisberger is 585-of-932 (62.8%) for 7,445 yards with 49 touchdowns and 33 interceptions for a passer rating of 90.4. He has thrown for over 300 yards twice and has 15 multi-touchdown games at home (12-3 record in such games).

Roethlisberger has twice posted a perfect passer rating at home, including most recently in Week 9 of 2007 against Baltimore. He also had a perfect passer rating (158.3) against Tennessee in the 2005 season opener and has posted at least a 125.0 passer rating seven times.

The Steelers have scored at least 20 points in 29 of the 35 games at home with Roethlisberger as the starter.

300-Yard Plateau: QB Ben Roethlisberger has six 300-yard passing games in his career, which is tied with Tommy Maddox for the most in team history.

Roethlisberger has thrown for over 300 yards twice in 2008, including most recently in Week 11 versus the San Diego Chargers (308 yards). He had 309 passing yards in Week 5 at Jacksonville.

In Week 9 (2006), Roethlisberger finished with a career-high 433 yards passing against the Denver Broncos on 38-of-54 passing.

Passing Fancy: QB Ben Roethlisberger has a chance to become the first Steelers' quarterback with three consecutive 3,000-yard seasons. He has 2,862 yards this season with two games remaining.

Roethlisberger eclipsed the 3,000-yard passing mark for the second straight season in 2007, tying the team record for consecutive 3,000-yard passing seasons, set by Terry Bradshaw in 1979-80.

Roethlisberger finished with 3,154 passing yards in 2007. He finished with 3,513 passing yards in 2006, which is the second-highest single-season total in team history.

Roethlisberger averaged 234.2 passing yards per game in 2006 and finished 211 yards shy of the team's single-season yardage record set by Terry Bradshaw in 1979.

Roethlisberger became just the fifth different quarterback in Steelers' history to pass for over 3,000 yards in a single season.

He joins Terry Bradshaw (twice), Kordell Stewart (twice), Tommy Maddox (once) and Neil O'Donnell (once) as quarterbacks in team history to achieve the feat.

Still Has It: WR Hines Ward is showing he is still one of the elite receivers in the league in his 11th year in the NFL and with the Steelers.

Ward was an integral part of the Steelers' division-clinching victory over the Baltimore Ravens in Week 15 as he finished with his 19th career 100-yard receiving game, posting 107 yards on eight catches.

In Week 11 versus San Diego, Ward established season highs with 11 catches for 124 yards (11.3 avg.).

Ward now has 787 career receptions and leads the team with 68 catches, 864 yards and six receiving touchdowns in 2008. He led the team with 71 receptions for 732 yards (10.3 avg.) in 2007.

In his past six games, Ward has eclipsed 100 yards receiving three times (Week 10 versus Indianapolis, Week 11 versus San Diego, Week 15 at Baltimore).

In Week 1 versus Houston, Ward finished with a team-high six catches for 76 yards and two touchdowns in the win over the Texans. It marked his 15th career multi-touchdown game.

Chart Topper: WR Hines Ward owns many of the top receiving records in Pittsburgh history and became the first Steeler with 9,000 receiving yards in Week 5 at Jacksonville.

Ward is the team's all-time leader in receiving yards (9,601), receptions (787) and receiving touchdowns (71).

In 2007, Ward became the team's all-time leader in receiving yards in the Week 16 victory over the St. Louis Rams after finishing with six catches for 59 yards (9.8 avg.). He surpassed Hall of Famer John Stallworth, who finished his career with 8,723 receiving yards.

Additionally, Ward has 19 career 100-yard receiving games, which is second on the team's all-time list behind only Hall of Famer John Stallworth (25).

Hines Field: In his last 10 games at Heinz Field dating back to 2007, **WR Hines Ward** has done some of his best work in his own back yard.

Ward had consecutive 100-yard receiving games after posting 124 yards on 11 catches in Week 11 versus San Diego and 112 yards on eight receptions (14.0 avg.) against Indianapolis.

In the 2008 season opener versus the Texans, Ward finished with a team-high six catches for 76 yards and two touchdowns.

Red-Zone Receiver: WR Hines Ward has been a major target for Pittsburgh quarterbacks in the red zone.

Since 2002, Ward is second in the NFL with 39 red-zone touchdowns. Ward has six in 2008, including two in the season-opening victory over the Houston Texans.

The following is a look at the top five active players in the NFL with touchdowns in the red zone since 2002:

Player (Team)	# of Red-Zone TDs
1. Randy Moss (Patriots/Raiders/Vikings)	41
2. Hines Ward (Steelers)	39
3. Terrell Owens (Cowboys/Eagles/49ers)	38
4. Marvin Harrison (Colts)	37
5. Antonio Gates (Chargers)	36

Top Dawg: WR Hines Ward is the only wide receiver in Steelers history to be voted to four Pro Bowls. Ward's 1,004 receiving yards in 2004 made him the first Steelers receiver to reach 1,000 yards four times during his career with the team.

In 2002, Ward became the first receiver in Steelers history to catch 100 passes (112) in a season. He also became the first

Steelers receiver with three consecutive games with at least 100 yards receiving. His 12 touchdown receptions in 2002 tied him with Louis Lipps (1985) and Buddy Dial (1961) for the highest single-season total in team history.

Ward was selected to the 2002-05 AFC Pro Bowl squads.

The following is where Ward ranks in Steelers history in several key receiving categories:

Ward's Rankings Among Steelers Receivers (All-Time)

Category	Statistic	Rank
Receptions	787	1 st
Receiving Yards	9,601	1 st
Receiving TDs	71	1 st
Consecutive Games w/ Catch	160	1 st
1,000-Yd. Seasons (2001-04)	4	1 st
Consecutive 1,000-Yd. Seasons (2001-04)	4	1 st
90-plus Catch Seasons (2001-03)	3	1 st
Consecutive 90-plus Catch Seasons (2001-03)	3	1 st
Receptions in a Season (2002)	112	1 st
TD Receptions in a Season (2002)	12	T-1 st
Receptions in a Single Game (11/30/03)	13	2 nd
Receiving Yards in a Season (2002)	1,329	3 rd
Receiving Yards in a Game (10/22/06)	171	11 th
Career 100-Yard Games	18	2 nd
100-Yard Games in a Season (2002, 2005)	4	T-4 th
Consecutive 100-Yard Games (2002)	3	1 st
Rushing Yards by a Receiver	430	1 st
Consecutive Pro Bowls by Receiver (2002-05)	4	1 st

Climbing the Charts: WR Hines Ward is the leading receiver in Steelers history in receptions, receiving yardage and touchdown catches. He has more than 200 catches more than the next closest receiver in team history.

Following are the Steelers career receiving leaders:

Steelers All-Time Leading Receivers

Rank	Player	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1.	Hines Ward (1998-present)	787	9,601	12.2	71
2.	John Stallworth (1974-87)	537	8,723	16.2	63
3.	Louis Lipps (1984-91)	358	6,018	16.8	39
4.	Lynn Swann (1974-82)	336	5,462	16.3	51
5.	Elbie Nickel (1947-57)	329	5,133	15.6	37
6.	Franco Harris (1972-83)	306	2,284	7.5	9
7.	Plaxico Burress (2000-2004)	261	4,164	16.0	22
8.	Charles Johnson (1994-98)	250	3,400	13.6	15
9.	Merril Hoge (1987-93)	241	2,054	8.5	13
10.	Ray Mathews (1951-59)	230	3,919	16.1	34

Steelers All-Time Receiving Yardage Leaders

Rank	Player	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1.	Hines Ward (1998-present)	787	9,601	12.2	71
2.	John Stallworth (1974-87)	537	8,723	16.2	63
3.	Louis Lipps (1984-91)	358	6,018	16.8	39
4.	Lynn Swann (1974-82)	336	5,462	16.3	51
5.	Elbie Nickel (1947-57)	329	5,133	15.6	37
6.	Buddy Dial (1959-63)	229	4,723	20.6	42
7.	Plaxico Burress (2000-04)	261	4,164	16.0	22
8.	Ray Mathews (1951-59)	230	3,919	16.1	34
9.	Roy Jefferson (1965-69)	199	3,671	18.4	29
10.	Yancey Thigpen (1992-97)	222	3,641	16.4	21

Steelers' All-Time Scoring Leaders

Rank	Player	TDs	PAIs	2pt.	FGs	Pts
1.	Gary Anderson (1982-93)	0	416	0	309	1,343
2.	Roy Gerela (1971-78)	0	293	0	146	731
3.	Jeff Reed (2002-present)	0	241	0	161	724
4.	Franco Harris (1972-83)	100	0	0	0	600
5.	Jerome Bettis (1996-2005)	80	0	1	0	482
6.	Norm Johnson (1995-98)	0	137	0	105	452
7.	Hines Ward (1998-present)	72	0	5	0	442
8.	John Stallworth (1974-87)	64	0	0	0	384
9.	Kris Brown (1999-01)	0	98	0	80	338
10.	Lynn Swann (1974-82)	53	0	0	0	318

Catching Consistency: WR Hines Ward has caught at least one pass in a Steelers' record 160 consecutive games. That streak ranks third among active players for consecutive games with at least one reception.

Jerry Rice (274) owns the top all-time record for consecutive games with a reception.

The following is a look at the top three active players in the NFL with at least one reception in consecutive regular-season games:

<u>Player (Team)</u>	<u>Consecutive Games</u>
Marvin Harrison (Colts)	189
Terrell Owens (Cowboys)	181
Hines Ward (Steelers)	160

Movin' On Up: WR Hines Ward ranks eighth among active receivers in the NFL with 787 career receptions.

The following is a list of the top 10 active receivers in the league:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TDs</u>
Marvin Harrison (Colts)	12	1,095	14,549	128
Isaac Bruce (49ers)	15	993	14,873	90
Terrell Owens (Cowboys)	13	940	13,956	140
Tony Gonzalez (Chiefs)	12	904	10,821	74
Torry Holt (Rams)	10	859	12,515	74
Randy Moss (Patriots)	11	840	13,101	134
Muhsin Muhammad (Panthers)	13	796	10,698	60
Hines Ward (Steelers)	11	787	9,601	71
Derrick Mason (Ravens)	12	778	9,918	51
Joey Galloway (Buccaneers)	14	681	10,706	77

Hines Hanging Around: WR Hines Ward has been with the Steelers since he was drafted in the third round in the 1998 NFL Draft.

Ward owns the third-longest tenure among wide receivers with their current team. The following is a list of the longest-tenured wideouts with the current team:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>First Year With Team</u>
Marvin Harrison	Colts	1996
Amani Toomer	Giants	1996
Hines Ward	Steelers	1998
Donald Driver	Packers	1999
Torry Holt	Rams	1999

Ward On The Run: WR Hines Ward's versatility makes him a threat to run the football as well as catch a pass.

Ward has 430 career rushing yards to mark the most by a Steelers wide receiver in team history.

Ward scored his first career rushing touchdown in 2004 against Philadelphia.

Gimme The Rock: RB Willie Parker has 644 yards on 168 attempts (3.8 avg.) this season and has rushed for over 100 yards three times this season.

Parker had 115 yards rushing on 25 carries (4.6 avg.) in the Week 11 win versus the San Diego Chargers.

Parker rushed 25 times for 138 yards in the season-opening victory over the Texans. Last year, he rushed a league-high 321 times for 1,316 yards (4.1 avg.) before suffering a season-ending injury in Week 16.

Season-Opening Gem: RB Willie Parker, in his first regular-season game since suffering a season-ending ankle injury in Week 16 of last season, made the most of his opportunity in the season-opening victory over the Houston Texans to show he is back at full strength.

Parker finished with 138 yards rushing on 25 carries (5.5 avg.) with a career-high three touchdowns, marking the 22nd time in his career he has rushed for over 100 yards. His 138 yards rushing are the fourth-highest by Parker. Parker was named AFC Offensive Player of the Week for his efforts against the Texans.

In four season openers as a starter, Parker had four 100-yard rushing games. In those contests, he has 99 rushes for 540 yards (5.5 avg.) with five touchdowns for an average of 135.0 yards per game on the ground.

In 2005 against Tennessee in the season opener, Parker finished with 22 carries for 161 yards (7.3 avg.) and a touchdown while also hauling in a pass for 48 yards. That performance ranks seventh over the past 10 years for most rushing yards on Kickoff Weekend.

Big Play Parker: RB Willie Parker made a number of big plays for the Steelers in 2007 as he led the team in rushing with 1,316 yards.

Of those yards, Parker broke 12 plays of at least 20 yards, including a season-long of 32 yards against Cincinnati in Week 8. His 12 plays of 20-plus yards ranked second in the NFL behind LaDainian Tomlinson's 13.

The following is a list of the top five "big play" rushers in 2007:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>20+ rushes</u>
LaDainian Tomlinson	San Diego	13
Willie Parker	Pittsburgh	12
Ryan Grant	Green Bay	11
Adrian Peterson	Minnesota	11
Brian Westbrook	Philadelphia	11

Parker Proving His Worth: RB Willie Parker rushed for over 1,000 yards for the third consecutive season as he finished the 2007 season with 1,316 yards. He became just the third running back in team history to accomplish the feat (Jerome Bettis, Franco Harris).

In 2007, Parker had a league-leading eight 100-yard rushing games, which is fourth in team history.

Parker has 24 career 100-yard rushing games and the Steelers are 21-3 in those contests.

Parker finished the 2007 season just 179 yards shy of his career-high 1,494 yards before suffering a season-ending injury in Week 16. He finished the year ranked third in the AFC and sixth in the NFL.

Parker surpassed his previous best from the 2005 season (1,202) after rushing for over 100 yards in seven games last year. His 1,494 rushing yards in 2006 are the third-highest single-season total in team history, finishing just shy of reaching 1,500 for the year.

Home Sweet Home: RB Willie Parker has done some of his best work at Heinz Field throughout his career. Fourteen of his 24 100-yard rushing games have come at home.

The following is a comparison of Parker's production at Heinz Field compared to regular-season road contests as a starter during his five-year career:

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>Heinz Field (27 gms.)</u>	<u>Away (28 gms.)</u>
Team record	20-7	16-12
Rushing Yards (Total)	2,651	2,004
Rushing Yards (Avg./Game)	98.2	71.6
Rushing Attempts (Total)	585	496
Rushing Attempts (Avg./Game)	21.7	17.7
Rushing Touchdowns (Total)	13	10
100-Yard Rushing Games	14	10

Moore Making His Case: RB Mewelde Moore has done an excellent job of filling in for the injured RB Willie Parker and also splitting time in the backfield when Parker has played.

On the year, Moore is second on the team with 537 yards rushing on 133 carries (4.0 avg.) with five touchdowns and has caught 37 passes for 290 yards (7.8 avg.) with one touchdown.

In four games replacing Parker as the starter in the backfield, Moore had 360 yards rushing on 80 carries (4.5 avg.) with five touchdowns and 16 catches for 89 yards (5.6 avg.) with one touchdown.

In Week 10 versus Indianapolis, Moore had two rushing touchdowns and 54 yards rushing and added six catches for 48 yards.

In Week 7 at Cincinnati, Moore finished with 120 yards rushing on 20 carries (6.0 avg.) with two rushing touchdowns and had five catches for 14 yards (2.8 avg.) with one touchdown, marking a career high in scoring. The 120 yards were his most since he had 122 at Green Bay on Nov. 21, 2005, while playing for the Minnesota Vikings, and it was his fifth career 100-yard rushing game.

Moore became the first Steelers running back other than Parker or Jerome Bettis to have over 100 yards rushing and two rushing touchdowns in a regular-season game since RB Bam Morris finished with 101 yards rushing and three touchdowns on Nov. 19, 1995.

Moore made his first start in a Steelers uniform in Week 5 at Jacksonville and came up just shy of his fifth career 100-yard rushing performance as he finished with 99 yards on 17 carries (5.8 avg.). He also caught three passes for 17 yards in the Steelers' victory on Sunday Night Football.

In Week 4 versus Baltimore, Moore saw his first significant action of the season in the overtime victory. His biggest contribution was a 24-yard catch on a third-and-eight play in overtime that set up the game-winning field goal for Pittsburgh.

Holmes Heating Up: WR Santonio Holmes has 47 receptions for 697 yards (14.8 avg.) with four touchdowns this season.

Holmes caught the game-winning, four-yard touchdown pass in the Week 15 victory over the Baltimore Ravens with less than a minute remaining that clinched the AFC North Division title for the Steelers. He finished with three catches for 21 yards against the Ravens.

Holmes led the Steelers with 942 yards (18.1 avg.) and eight touchdown receptions in 2007 despite missing three games.

Holmes' 942 yards receiving in 2007 were a new career high, surpassing his 2006 total of 824 yards. He had a career-high 133 yards receiving on four catches (33.3 avg.) in the Week 16 win over St. Louis, marking his third 100-yard receiving game of the season and fourth of his career. His performance was highlighted by a career-long 83-yard catch.

Deep Threat: WR Nate Washington has proven to be a very dangerous deep threat in the Steelers' offense this season.

For the year, Washington is averaging a team-best 16.1 yards per catch and has three touchdowns, all of which are longer than 45 yards.

Washington came up big in the Steelers' Week 15 victory at the Baltimore Ravens as he finished with five catches for 76 yards. He caught three passes for 49 yards on the game-winning drive against the Ravens.

In Week 14 versus the Cowboys, Washington finished with four catches for 58 yards. However, on the game-winning drive, he had three catches for 41 yards that set up the tying touchdown.

Washington hauled in a 48-yard touchdown at Jacksonville (Week 5), a 50-yard touchdown at Cincinnati (Week 7) and a 65-yard touchdown versus the New York Giants (Week 8).

On the year, Washington has 36 catches for 580 yards (16.1 avg.) with three touchdowns and has four receptions of over 25 yards.

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Miller Time: TE Heath Miller, who missed two weeks with an ankle injury, has developed into one of the Steelers most potent offensive weapons. He has 35 catches for 390 yards (11.1 avg.) with three touchdowns this year.

Miller has 21 career touchdowns, which is third on the team's all-time list for touchdowns by a tight end. Pittsburgh is 14-5 when Miller finds the end zone.

In Week 12 versus the Cincinnati Bengals, Miller returned to action after missing two games with an ankle injury and posted four passes for 44 yards (11.0 avg.) with one touchdown, his second of the season.

In 2007, Miller was third on the team with 47 catches for 566 yards (12.0 avg.) and seven touchdowns, which were both career highs.

Miller's blocking ability separates him from many "receiving" tight ends and has played a major role in the success of the Steelers running game.

INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE NOTES

Harrison In Charge: LB James Harrison is fourth in the NFL with a career-high 15 sacks after posting one in the Week 14 victory versus the Dallas Cowboys. His outstanding play in 2008 is a continuation of his dominance in 2007, when he earned his first Pro Bowl berth (starter).

Harrison has 93 tackles on the year, which ranks third on the team, and has posted a team-best 33 pressures. He has 27.5 sacks in his career and the Steelers are 14-6 when he posts a sack. For the year, Harrison has seven forced fumbles, which leads the NFL.

Harrison tied the team's single-season sack record in the win over the Cowboys with his 15th sack, tying Mike Merriweather.

Harrison, the Steelers' 2007 Team MVP, had a dominant performance in Week 13 against the Patriots as he finished with two sacks, two forced fumbles and nine tackles. He was named GMC Defensive Player of the Week for his efforts against the Patriots.

Harrison posted his 12th sack of the season and his first interception of 2008 in the Week 11 victory versus the San Diego Chargers.

Harrison had an outstanding game in Week 1 of 2008 as he finished with a team-high eight tackles (six solo), three sacks and one forced fumble. It marked the second time in his career he posted at least three sacks in a game as he tallied 3.5 sacks versus Baltimore on Nov. 5, 2007.

In Week 4 versus the Ravens this year, Harrison had a team-high 10 tackles (five solo), 2.5 sacks and one forced fumble.

Harrison is the first player since 1982 (when the NFL recognized sacks as an official stat) to record 3.5 sacks, a fumble recovery and an interception in one game (11/5/07 vs. Baltimore).

Sack Attack: LB James Harrison has a career-high 15 sacks on the year and is just a half-sack shy of setting a new team single-season record for sacks.

Harrison tied the Steelers' single-season sack record with his one sack against the Cowboys in Week 14. He tied Mike Merriweather, who posted 15 sacks in 1984.

The following is a list of the top 5 single-season sack leaders in team history:

Rk.	Name (Year)	# of Sacks
1.	James Harrison (2008)	15
	Mike Merriweather (1984)	15
3.	Kevin Greene (1994)	14
	Keith Willis (1983)	14
5.	Jason Gildon (2000)	13.5

Outside Presence: LB James Harrison leads the NFL with seven forced fumbles, which is tied for the most for the Steelers during the free agency era (1992-2008).

The following is a list of the top 5 single-season forced fumble leaders for the Steelers since 1992:

Rk.	Name (Year)	# of FF
1.	James Harrison (2008)	7
	Greg Lloyd (1994)	7
3.	James Harrison (2007)	6
	Greg Lloyd (1995)	6
5.	Joey Porter (2005)	5
	Jason Gildon (2000)	5
	Greg Lloyd (1993)	5

Double Trouble: The Steelers have a tradition of fielding some of the best pass-rushing linebackers in the NFL.

This season, LB James Harrison and LB LaMarr Woodley have broken the team's top sack duo record (since 1982) by combining for 26.5 sacks. The 26.5 sacks by Harrison (15) and Woodley (11.5) breaks the record previously held by Jason Gildon (13.5) and Joey Porter (10.5) in 2000 and Kevin Greene (14) and Greg Lloyd (10) in 1994.

Harrison is fourth in the NFL in sacks while Woodley ranks eighth (tied). In 2007, Harrison finished with a team-high 8.5 sacks while earning his first trip to the Pro Bowl (starter). Woodley, just a rookie last year, posted four sacks in a limited role.

The following is a list of the Steelers' top sack duos since 1982, when sacks became an official NFL statistic:

STEELERS TOP SACK DUOS (SINCE 1982)

Year	Players (Ind. sacks)	Total Sacks
2008	James Harrison (15) LaMarr Woodley (11.5)	26.5
2000	Jason Gildon (13.5) Joey Porter (10.5)	24*
1994	Kevin Greene (14) Greg Lloyd (10)	24*
1984	Mike Merriweather (15*) Edmund Nelson (7)	22
1983	Keith Willis (14) Keith Gary (7.5)	21.5

* Steelers Record

Bringing The Wood: LB LaMarr Woodley has a career-high 11.5 sacks and 67 tackles (46 solo) on the year in his first season as a starter. Woodley has tallied at least one sack in eight of the 13 games he has started and the Steelers are 11-2 in those contests.

Despite missing Week 10 versus the Indianapolis Colts with a calf injury, he ranks eighth (tied) in the NFL in sacks with 11.5. Woodley ranks first (tied) in the NFL with four fumble recoveries for a defensive player.

Woodley made his first NFL start in the season-opening victory over the Houston Texans and did not disappoint.

Woodley, in his second season in the NFL, finished with three tackles (all solo), one sack, one interception and one fumble recovery. His pick was his first career interception.

Woodley has twice earned GMC Defensive Player of the Week honors for his efforts this season.

Fantastic Farior: LB James Farior signed a new five-year deal prior to the 2008 season. He has responded by leading the team in tackles with 127 on the year, surpassing last year's total, and also has 3.5 sacks.

Farior had a game-high 13 tackles (eight solo) in the Week 15 victory at Baltimore. He posted a sack and finished with a team-high 11 tackles in the Week 14 victory over the Dallas Cowboys. Farior had 13 tackles and defensed three passes in the Week 9 victory at Washington while collecting a half-sack.

Farior led the team with 111 tackles and had a career-high six sacks last season.

2008 Honors and Awards

Head Coach Mike Tomlin

- Motorola Coach of the Week (Week 5)
- Motorola Coach of the Week (Week 9)
- Motorola Coach of the Week (Week 13)

S Ryan Clark

- 2008 Ed Block Courage Award

LB James Harrison

- AFC Defensive Player of the Week (Week 11)
- GMC Sierra Defensive Player of the Week (Week 11)
- GMC Sierra Defensive Player of the Week (Week 13)

RB Willie Parker

- AFC Offensive Player of the Week (Week 1)

S Troy Polamalu

- AFC Defensive Player of the Week (Week 2)
- GMC Sierra Defensive Player of the Week (Week 2)
- Pro Football Weekly Midseason All-Pro

K Jeff Reed

- AFC Special Teams Player of the Week (Week 4)

QB Ben Roethlisberger

- AFC Offensive Player of the Week (Week 5)
- FedEx Air Player of the Week (Week 5)

LB LaMarr Woodley

- GMC Sierra Defensive Player of the Week (Week 1)
- GMC Sierra Defensive Player of the Week (Week 7)
- AFC Defensive Player of the Week (Week 2)

For his career, Farior has 10 interceptions, including seven with Pittsburgh and three while playing for the Jets.

Timmons Time: LB Lawrence Timmons, the Steelers' No. 1 pick in the 2007 NFL Draft, was a major factor in the Steelers' Week 15 victory over the Baltimore Ravens.

Timmons finished with six tackles against the Ravens, including a 14-yard sack in the fourth quarter that knocked Baltimore out of field goal range.

Timmons posted his first career interception in Week 13 versus the Patriots and returned it 89 yards to the one-yard line. The 89-yard interception return was the third-longest in team history and the longest since Jack Hinkle returned one 91 yards versus the New York Giants on Oct. 9, 1943. Timmons finished with five tackles against New England.

Timmons made his first career start in place of the injured LB LaMarr Woodley during Week 10 versus the Indianapolis Colts. He finished with six tackles (four solo).

Timmons, who is seeing action in both base defensive packages and the nickel package, has 56 tackles on the year to go with his five sacks. He had a career-best two sacks in the Steelers' Week 7 victory at Cincinnati.

Timmons recorded his first career sack, while registering three tackles and one defensed pass in the Steelers' Week 4 win against the Baltimore Ravens.

Putting His Foote Down: LB Larry Foote has 73 tackles (49 solo) in 2008 to rank fifth on the team, including 12 in the Week 15 victory over the Baltimore Ravens.

In the Week 2 victory over the Cleveland Browns, Foote finished with nine tackles (six solo).

Foote put his best foot forward in Week 3 at Philadelphia as he finished with four tackles, 1.5 sacks and two QB pressures. It marked the first time in his career he had more than one sack in a game.

Last year, Foote had 89 tackles along with three sacks and three forced fumbles as he was a main reason the Steelers defense ranked first in the NFL. His 89 tackles ranked third on the team.

Man Of Troy: **SS Troy Polamalu** is having one of the finest seasons of his career, posting a league-leading and career-high seven interceptions among a number of big plays. He had an interception in a career-high four straight games (Weeks 12-15).

Polamalu's seven interceptions are the most for the Steelers since Willie Williams had seven picks in 1995. He now has 17 career interceptions and the Steelers are 13-3 when Polamalu has an interception.

Polamalu looks to become the first Steeler to lead the league in interceptions since Hall of Fame CB Mel Blount posted an NFL-best and team-record 11 picks in 1975.

Polamalu, who also picked off a pass in each of the first three games, has 75 tackles on the year, including 55 solo, to rank fourth on the team.

Polamalu, who signed a four-year extension with the team in the 2007 offseason, was selected to his fourth straight Pro Bowl last year.

Clark Return Is Key: **S Ryan Clark** has 101 tackles, including a season-high nine in Week 3 at Philadelphia, and seven passes defensed. His 101 tackles rank second on the team despite missing the Week 9 matchup against his former team, the Washington Redskins, with a shoulder injury.

Clark, who had season-ending surgery in 2007 (after Week 7) at Denver, returned to regular-season action for the first time and had a very productive afternoon against the Houston Texans in the 2008 season opener.

Clark finished with seven tackles (five solo) while helping the Steelers shut down the Texans' offense much of the afternoon. The Steelers limited Houston to just 234 yards of total offense in the 38-17 victory.

Face Me Ike: **CB Ike Taylor** has a team-best 13 pass breakups this season and ranks seventh on the team with 61 tackles (45 solo).

Taylor posted his first interception of the season with his pick against the Dallas Cowboys in Week 14. The interception set up the Steelers' first score of the game versus Dallas.

Taylor, who finished second on the team in 2007 with 90 tackles, posted six solo tackles in the Week 1 victory over the Houston Texans at Heinz Field.

Young At Heart: **CB Deshea Townsend** is in his 11th year in the NFL but still continues to be a major factor in the Steelers defensive success this season.

Townsend had arguably the biggest play of his career in the Week 14 victory over the Dallas Cowboys. With the score tied at 13-13 with less than two minutes remaining, Townsend picked off a Tony Romo pass and returned it 25 yards for the go-ahead touchdown. It marked his third career interception return for a score.

Townsend missed four games earlier in the season and has started just four contests. His two interceptions are still second (tied) on the team.

Gay Gearing Up: **CB William Gay** made four straight starts this year and ranks second on the team with 11 pass breakups.

Gay notched his first career interception in the Week 15 victory over the Baltimore Ravens. He picked off a Joe Flacco pass in the end zone with less than 20 seconds remaining to seal the Steelers' victory.

Gay has 34 tackles on the year and has posted eight special teams tackles in his first season of significant playing time.

Turning The Corner: **CB Bryant McFadden** returned to the starting lineup in the Week 15 victory at Baltimore and finished with five tackles.

McFadden had started five games in place of CB Deshea Townsend prior to suffering an arm injury in Week 7 at Cincinnati. He missed six weeks of action before returning in Week 14 against the Dallas Cowboys.

McFadden stepped up and posted an interception in two of those five games that he started. In Week 2 at Cleveland, he finished with five tackles and two passes defensed with an interception.

In addition to his Week 3 interception against Philadelphia, McFadden deflected a pass that led to an interception by S Troy Polamalu.

On the year, McFadden has 46 tackles.

Age Is Just A Number: Pittsburgh's defensive line may have an average age of over 30 years old, but it does not mean the unit is not as productive as ever.

DE Aaron Smith (32 years old), **DE Brett Keisel** (30) and **DT Casey Hampton** (31), along with backups **DE Travis Kirschke** (34), **DE Nick Eason** (28), **DT Chris Hoke** (32) and **DE Orpheus Roye** (35), have helped the Steelers rank among the league's best in rushing defense and open gaps for their linebackers to make plays.

The Steelers are giving up just 75.8 rushing yards per game, which ranks first in the AFC and second in the NFL.

The defensive line has combined for 10 of the Steelers' 47 sacks (Smith - 5, Eason - 1.5, Kirschke - 1.5, Hampton - 1, Keisel 1).

INDIVIDUAL SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

Chart Topper: **K Jeff Reed** owns the team's all-time mark for career field goal percentage.

Reed is 161-of-194 (.830) for his career in the regular season, which is first in team history. Former K Norm Johnson finished his career with the Steelers making 105-of-127 field goal attempts, a .827 career field goal percentage.

Mr. Clutch: **K Jeff Reed** has booted two game-winning field goals in 2008.

In the Week 11 victory over the San Diego Chargers, Reed booted a 32-yard field goal with 11 seconds remaining to give Pittsburgh the win. It was his seventh career regular-season game-winning field goal.

Earlier in the year, Reed had a game-winning 46-yard field goal in Week 4 to defeat the Baltimore Ravens in overtime.

Getting His Kicks: **K Jeff Reed** is 30-for-31 on PATs and a 26-for-29 in FGs for a team-best 108 points.

Reed's performance in 2008 is that much more impressive considering his adjustment to both a new holder and new long-snapper midway through the season. He set a career long when he booted a 53-yard field goal in Week 3 at Philadelphia. It marked the fourth-longest (tied) field goal in team history and the longest since Kris Brown hit a team-record-tying 55-yard field goal on Oct. 14, 2001 at Kansas City.

Reed began the 2008 season perfect as he was 5-for-5 in PATs and 1-for-1 in FGs in the win over the Texans in Week 1.

Reed was 23-for-25 (.920) in field goals in 2007, with his only misses being a 65-yard attempt at Denver in Week 7 and a 44-yard field goal on a rain-soaked Heinz Field versus Miami in Week 12. He was a perfect 44-for-44 in PATs for a team-high 113 points.

Reed ranks third in scoring in Steelers' history with 724 career points. He has 161 field goals (second in team history) and 241 PATs during his seven-year career with the Steelers. He is just the fourth kicker in team history to boot at least 100 field goals in a career, joining Gary Anderson (309), Roy Gerela (146) and Norm Johnson (105), and just the third player in team history to reach 700 points (Anderson, Gerela).

Reed Right On the Road: K Jeff Reed had made 18 straight field goals on the road prior to missing a 40-yard attempt in Week 13 at New England. He has made 21 of his last 22 (.955) away from Heinz Field and 38 of his last 40 (.950) field goal attempts on the road.

Mr. Dependable: K Jeff Reed continues to be one of the most productive field goal kickers in the NFL. Reed's 121 field goals since the beginning of the 2004 season place him third among kickers who have kicked in at least one Pro Bowl since the beginning of the 2004 season.

Following is a list of the most field goals made since the beginning of the 2004 season among Reed and former Pro Bowl kickers:

<u>Rk.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>FG</u>
1.	Neil Rackers	Arizona	133
2.	Shayne Graham	Cincinnati	129
3.	Jeff Reed	Pittsburgh	121
4.	Adam Vinatieri	Indianapolis	115
5.	David Akers	Philadelphia	114

Last Man Standing: K Jeff Reed continues to deliver for the Steelers at the end of regulation. Since the beginning of the 2004 season, Reed has hit 20-of-23 field goals in the last two minutes of games. Reed's 87.0 percentage in such situations ranks third when compared to kickers who have made at least one Pro Bowl appearance since the 2004 season (min. — 15 attempts).

Following is a list of the top five percentages of field goals made during the last two minutes of games since the beginning of the 2004 season by Reed and former Pro Bowl kickers:

<u>Rk.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>FG-FGA</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
1.	Robbie Gould	Chicago	13-13	100.0
2.	Shayne Graham	Cincinnati	25-28	89.3
3.	Jeff Reed	Pittsburgh	20-23	87.0
4.	Adam Vinatieri	Indianapolis	28-35	80.0
5.	Nate Kaeding	San Diego	13-17	76.5

Consistent Effort: K Jeff Reed has been among the most consistent kickers in the NFL over the past five seasons. Since the beginning of the 2004 season, Reed has amassed 564 points, a figure that is third among kickers who have made at least one Pro Bowl since the 2004 season.

Following is a list of the top five scorers among Reed and former Pro Bowl kickers since the beginning of the 2004 season:

<u>Rk.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Points</u>
1.	Nate Kaeding	San Diego	586
2.	Neil Rackers	Arizona	568
3.	Jeff Reed	Pittsburgh	564
	Shayne Graham	Cincinnati	564
5.	Adam Vinatieri	Indianapolis	557

Special Teams Quick Hits: The following is a quick look at some of the performances on special teams this year:

- **CB Anthony Madison** has a team-high 22 special teams tackles (15 solo) on the year.

- **LB Keyaron Fox**, who was signed by the Steelers during the 2008 offseason, is second on the team with 18 special teams tackles (11 solo).

- **LB James Harrison**, who leads the team with 15 sacks and is third with 93 tackles, is third (tied) on the team in special teams tackles as he has tallied 12 (10 solo).

- **LB Patrick Bailey**, who was an undrafted rookie free agent this season, is tied for third on the team with 12 special teams tackles.

- **RB Gary Russell** has taken over the role of the kick returner and has averaged an impressive 23.6 yards per return, which is the highest on the team. Russell has 14 kickoff returns for 331 yards and has accounted for the top four kickoff returns this season for the Steelers, including a long of 43 yards.

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Following is a look at some of the Steelers' top performers in 2008:

- **WR Hines Ward**, a four-time Pro Bowl player and team co-captain this year for the fourth consecutive year, again leads the team with 68 receptions for 864 yards (12.7 avg.) and six receiving touchdowns. Arguably the best blocking receiver in NFL history, Ward holds the team's career marks for receptions (787), receiving yards (9,601) and receiving touchdowns (71). In his 11th season in the NFL, Ward has caught a pass in a team-record 160 straight games and can record his fifth 1,000-yard season and his first since 2004.

- **DE Aaron Smith** is arguably having one of his more productive seasons as he is a major reason the Steelers are first in the AFC and second in the NFL in rush defense, allowing a mere 75.8 yards per game. Smith has 57 tackles and 5.5 sacks on the season, but constantly disrupts the opponents' backfields and takes on a number of blockers, freeing up lanes for Pittsburgh's linebacking corps. Smith, a Pro Bowl selection following the 2004 season, had a career-high three passes batted down in the Week 12 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals.

- **LB James Harrison** has a career-high 15 sacks on the year, ranking second in the AFC and fourth in the NFL. A first-time Pro Bowler last season, Harrison is again having a dominating season as he is just a half-sack shy of breaking the Steelers' single-season record for sacks he shares with Mike Merriweather (15, 1984). The 2007 team MVP, Harrison has forced a career-high seven fumbles, which leads the NFL.

- **LB LaMarr Woodley** is having a breakout season and has a career-best 11.5 sacks in just his second year in the NFL. Woodley ranks third (tied) in the AFC and eighth (tied) in the NFL in sacks and also has a league-best four fumble recoveries. He was named GMC Defensive Player of the Week twice this season and has 67 tackles, which ranks sixth on the team.

- **LB James Farrior** is again leading the team with 127 tackles after signing a new five-year deal prior to the 2008 season. He has 3.5 sacks on the year and is the anchor of the Steelers' defense which leads the NFL in total defense (239.1 avg.). Farrior was named captain of the defense for the fifth straight season.

- **S Troy Polamalu** has made four straight Pro Bowls and is having another outstanding season in 2008. Polamalu has a career-high seven interceptions, which is first in the NFL, and has 75 tackles on the year to rank fourth on the team. He has made a number of big plays for the Steelers while helping the Steelers rank first in the NFL in pass defense (163.3), total defense (239.1) and scoring defense (13.7).

- **K Jeff Reed** is having an excellent year as he is 26 of 29 in field goal attempts and 30 of 31 in PATs for a team-high 108 points, having done so with multiple holders and long snappers. He has booted two game-winning field goals (Week 11 vs. San Diego, Week 4 vs. Baltimore) and ranks second on the team's all-time list with 161 career field goals. Reed had made 18 straight field goals on the road and 38 of his last 40 attempts away from Heinz Field.

THE STEELERS IN 2008

	Regular Season	Post Season
Overall:	11-3	0-0
At Home:	5-2	0-0
On the Road:	6-1	0-0
Neutral:	0-0	0-0
By Month:		
September:	3-1	0-0
October:	2-1	0-0
November:	4-1	0-0
December:	2-0	0-0
January:	0-0	0-0
vs. AFC:	9-1	0-0
vs. AFC North	5-0	0-0
vs. AFC East	1-0	0-0
vs. AFC South	2-1	0-0
vs. AFC West	1-0	0-0
vs. NFC:	2-2	0-0
vs. NFC East	2-2	0-0
vs. NFC North	0-0	0-0
vs. NFC South	0-0	0-0
vs. NFC West	0-0	0-0
When Scoring First:	5-3	0-0
When Opponent Scored First:	6-0	0-0
When Scoring 20 or More Points:	8-1	0-0
When Scoring Less Than 20 Points:	3-2	0-0
When Leading after the first quarter:	2-2	0-0
When Trailing after the first quarter:	5-0	0-0
When Tied after the first quarter:	4-1	0-0
When Leading at the Half:	6-1	0-0
When Trailing at the Half:	3-2	0-0
When Tied at the Half:	2-0	0-0
When Leading after three quarters:	9-1	0-0
When Trailing after three quarters:	2-1	0-0
When Tied after three quarters:	0-1	0-0
When Outrushing the Opponent:	8-1	0-0
With 35 or More Rushing Attempts:	2-0	0-0
With Less Than 25 Passing Attempts:	3-0	0-0
When Led in Time of Possession:	8-1	0-0
When Trailing in Time of Possession:	3-2	0-0
On Turf:	3-0	0-0
On Grass:	8-3	0-0
When led in Takeaway/Turnover Ratio:	7-0	0-0
When even in Takeaway/Turnover Ratio:	3-1	0-0
When trailed in Takeaway/Turnover Ratio:	1-2	0-0
With an Individual 100-Yard Rusher:	4-0	0-0
With an Individual 300-Yard Passer:	2-0	0-0
With an Individual 100-Yard Receiver:	2-1	0-0
With an Ind. Opponent 100-Yard Rusher:	0-0	0-0
With an Ind. Opponent 300-Yard Passer:	0-0	0-0
With an Ind. Opponent 100-Yard Receiver:	3-1	0-0
When winning the coin toss:	7-2	0-0
When losing the coin toss:	4-1	0-0
When playing outdoors:	11-3	0-0
When playing indoors:	0-0	0-0
In overtime games:	1-0	0-0

Preseason Game #1
Pittsburgh 16, Philadelphia 10
Aug. 8, 2008
Heinz Field (57,410)

PITTSBURGH — Pittsburgh won its preseason opener for the third time in four years as it defeated the visiting Philadelphia Eagles, 16-10, at Heinz Field on Aug. 8. The win was the Steelers' fifth in the past six preseason games.

The Steelers first-team offense looked solid as they took the opening kickoff 80 yards that was capped off with a 19-yard touchdown strike from **QB Ben Roethlisberger** to **WR Santonio Holmes** to give Pittsburgh an early 7-0 advantage. On the drive, Roethlisberger was 2-for-2 for 38 yards as he also connected with **WR Hines Ward** for a 19-yard completion.

Philadelphia responded on the ensuing drive and trimmed the lead to 7-3 as K David Akers booted a 28-yard field goal with just over three minutes remaining in the first quarter.

The Eagles grabbed a 10-7 lead early in the second quarter as QB Donovan McNabb found FB Jason Davis for a three-yard score.

Pittsburgh tied the game at 10-10 later in the second quarter on a 20-yard field goal by **K Jeff Reed**. However, on the drive backup **QB Charlie Batch** suffered a fractured collarbone and was replaced by rookie **QB Dennis Dixon**.

After a scoreless third quarter Reed connected on a pair of field goals in the fourth quarter, including a 50-yarder with 7:28 left in the game to cap the scoring for both teams.

The Steelers managed just 189 yards of total offense, but 80 of them came on the opening drive when the starters saw their only action. Philadelphia collected 271 yards of total offense in the game.

Rookie **RB Rashard Mendenhall** led the Steelers with 34 yards rushing on seven carries (4.9 avg.). **RB Justin Vincent** added nine carries for 28 yards (3.1 avg.).

Rookie **WR Limas Sweed** caught three passes for 23 yards to lead all Steelers.

LB James Farrior, **LB Donovan Woods** and **DE Nick Eason** all posted a sack for the Steelers.

GAME SUMMARY

Eagles (0-1)	3	7	0	0	10
STEELERS (1-0)	7	3	0	6	16

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	1	10:27	Holmes 19 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	8-80: 4:33	7-0
PHI	1	3:08	Akers 28 FG	14-70: 7:19	7-3
PHI	2	12:56	Davis 3 pass from McNabb (Akers kick)	8-65: 3:31	7-10
PIT	2	3:29	Reed 20 FG	9-43: 5:13	10-10
PIT	4	12:02	Reed 24 FG	7-15: 3:20	13-10
PIT	4	7:28	Reed 50 FG	6-18: 2:49	16-10

TEAM STATISTICS

	Eagles	Steelers
1st Downs	19 (4-13-2)	9 (6-2-1)
3rd Downs	3-14 (21%)	4-14 (29%)
4th Downs	0-1 (0%)	0-0 (0%)
Total Net Yards	271	189
Plays-Avg.	71-3.8	52-3.6
Rushing Yards	61	118
Rush Att.-Avg.	20-3.1	35-3.4
Passing Yards	210	71
Att.-Comp.-Int.	48-28-0	16-9-0
Sacks By	1-0	3-19
Punts-Avg.	7-38.1	7-42.0
Penalties	10-78	5-67
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Time of Poss.	30:29	29:31

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Phi. — Hunt 6-18; Buckhalter 5-18; Booker 4-16; Moats 3-9; Feeley 1-0; Kolb 1-0. Pit. — Mendenhall 7-34; Vincent 9-28; Russell 10-25; Parker 3-20; Batch 1-6; Davis 2-4; Moore 1-2; Bloom 1-0; Potts 1-(-1).

PASSING: Phi. — Kolb 21-12-0, 81; Feeley 14-6-0, 51; McNabb 13-10-0, 97, 1 TD. Pit. — Dixon 9-6-0, 30; Batch 3-1-0, 3; Roethlisberger 2-2-0, 38, 1 TD; Potts 2-0-0, 0.

RECEIVING: Phi. — Jackson 5-51; Lewis 3-38; Avant 3-24; Buckhalter 3-15; Baskett 2-17; McBride 2-14; Booker 2-2; Hardy 1-17; Smith 1-14; Curtis 1-8; Gasperson 1-8; Moats 1-7; Hunt 1-6; Jones 1-5; Davis 1-3, 1 TD. Pit. — Sweed 3-23; Russell 2-2; Holmes 1-19, 1 TD; Ward 1-19; Reid 1-5; Davis 1-3.

Preseason Game #2
Buffalo 24, Pittsburgh 21
Aug. 14, 2008
Rogers Centre (48,434)

TORONTO — Playing their first preseason game in Canada since 1990, the Pittsburgh Steelers suffered a 24-21 setback to the host Buffalo Bills on Aug. 14 at the Rogers Centre. The loss dropped the Steelers to 1-1 in the preseason while the Bills improved to 1-1.

The Steelers came out on their first offensive series of the game and moved the ball to the Bills' 27-yard line before **QB Ben Roethlisberger's** pass was tipped and picked off by Donte Whitner. Buffalo responded with a 10-play drive that ended with Trent Edwards finding Robert Royal in the end zone for a seven-yard score, giving it a 7-0 lead midway through the first quarter.

Buffalo upped the lead to 14-0 on its next possession as Edwards and Royal connected again, this time a 13-yard touchdown strike.

Pittsburgh's first-team offense got on the board on the ensuing drive as Roethlisberger engineered a five-play, 75-yard drive that ended with a 40-yard pass to **WR Santonio Holmes** for a touchdown.

The Steelers had a chance to cut the lead to 14-10 later in the half but a 42-yard field goal by **K Jeff Reed** sailed wide left.

After Buffalo took a 17-7 lead on its first drive of the second half, Pittsburgh again cut the lead to three points, 17-14, as rookie first-round draft pick **RB Rashard Mendenhall** scored from six yards out with 1:56 remaining in the third. However, Buffalo's Leodis McKelvin returned the kickoff 95 yards for a touchdown to stretch the Bills' lead to 24-14.

Rookie **QB Dennis Dixon** gave Pittsburgh hope as he scrambled around the right side with under five minutes to go in the game for a 47-yard score. He later tossed a hail mary pass as time expired that would have given the Steelers the victory, but Buffalo batted away the pass in the end zone.

Pittsburgh finished with 338 yards of total offense to the Bills' 263.

Roethlisberger had another solid game as he finished 9-for-11 for 142 yards with one touchdown and one interception (111.2 passer rating). Dixon was 6-for-15 for 79 yards with one rushing touchdown, while newly-acquired **QB Byron Leftwich** finished 5-for-11 for 41 yards.

Pittsburgh had three defensive sacks, including one each by **LB Lawrence Timmons**, **LB James Harrison** and **DE Brett Keisel**. Timmons led the Steelers with seven total tackles (four solo).

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (1-1)	0	7	7	7	21
Bills (1-1)	7	7	10	0	24

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
BUF	1	5:03	Royal 7 pass from Edwards (Lindell kick)	10-67: 4:55	0-7
BUF	2	9:43	Royal 13 pass from Edwards (Lindell kick)	11-90: 6:43	0-14
PIT	2	6:26	Holmes 40 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	5-75: 3:17	7-14
BUF	3	9:33	Lindell 43 FG	9-45: 5:27	7-17
PIT	3	1:51	Mendenhall 6 run (Reed kick)	5-18: 2:33	14-17
BUF	3	1:38	McKelvin 95 kickoff return (Lindell kick)	—;—	14-24
PIT	4	4:32	Dixon 47 run (Reed kick)	4-56: 2:20	21-24

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Bills
1st Downs	15 (4-11-0)	15 (8-7-0)
3rd Downs	5-14 (36%)	4-11 (36%)
4th Downs	2-2 (100%)	0-0 (0%)
Total Net Yards	338	263
Plays-Avg.	61-5.5	52-5.1
Rushing Yards	108	159
Rush Att.-Avg.	22-4.9	31-5.1
Passing Yards	230	104
Att.-Comp.-Int.	37-20-1	18-14-0
Sacks By	3-22	2-32
Punts-Avg.	5-47.0	6-44.8
Penalties	5-30	4-26
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Time of Poss.	28:37	31:23

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Dixon 2-54, 1 TD; Mendenhall 11-30, 1 TD; Parker 5-14; Russell 3-10; Vincent 1-0. Buf. — Omon 10-44; Wright 7-31; Lynch 5-25; Edwards 1-22; Hall 3-19; Jackson 5-18.

PASSING: Pit. — Dixon 15-6-0, 79; Roethlisberger 11-9-1, 142, 1 TD; Leftwich 11-5-0, 41. Buf. — Edwards 11-9-0, 104, 2 TDs; Losman 5-4-0, 19; Baker 2-1-0, 3.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Baker 3-57; Ward 3-48; Reid 3-21; Holmes 2-53, 1 TD; Washington 2-30; Spaeth 2-23; Sweed 2-9; Moore 1-14; Parker 1-4; Latsko 1-3. Buf. — L. Evans 3-55; Jackson 3-10; Royal 2-20, 2 TDs; Parrish 2-19; Lynch 1-8; Wright 1-6; Huggins 1-5; J. Evans 1-3.

Preseason Game #3
Pittsburgh 12, Minnesota 10
Aug. 23, 2008
Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome (62,625)

MINNEAPOLIS — **K Jeff Reed** booted a 47-yard, game-winning field goal with four seconds left in the game to give Pittsburgh a come-from-behind 12-10 victory over the Minnesota Vikings on Aug. 23 at the Metrodome. The win upped the Steelers preseason record to 2-1 while the Vikings fell to 1-2.

Reed was a perfect 4-for-4 in field goals on the night, providing all the points for the Steelers in the victory. He connected on field goals of 35, 43 and 37 yards prior to his game-winning 47-yarder.

The Steelers fell behind 7-0 early in the second quarter as RB Adrian Peterson scored from one yard out. The 47-yard drive began after Steelers' **RB Rashard Mendenhall** fumbled near midfield.

Reed put Pittsburgh on the board later in the quarter with his 35-yard field goal, which was set up by an interception by **CB Ike Taylor** off of a QB Gus Frerotte pass attempt.

Minnesota tacked on a 37-yard field goal on its first drive of the second half to make the score 10-3. However, a 56-yard drive by Pittsburgh extended over seven minutes and culminated with a 43-yarder by Reed at the 2:50 mark of the third quarter.

A pair of Reed field goals in the fourth quarter capped the scoring for the Steelers.

Pittsburgh finished with 281 yards of total offense (102 rushing, 179 passing) while limiting the Vikings to just 163 yards, including a mere 32 yards rushing.

QB Ben Roethlisberger finished 10-for-17 for 65 yards passing while backup **QB Byron Leftwich** was 16-for-23 for 129 yards.

Mendenhall tallied a game-high 79 yards rushing on 15 attempts (5.3 avg.). He also caught two passes for 15 yards out of the backfield.

WR Willie Reid posted five receptions for 55 yards (11.0 avg.), while **TE Heath Miller** added three catches for 30 yards (10.0 avg.).

Pittsburgh finished with four sacks in the game, including one each by **DE Aaron Smith**, **LB James Harrison**, **LB LaMarr Woodley** and **LB Arnold Harrison**. Smith, Harrison, Woodley and **S Tyrone Carter** each added a team-high five tackles.

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (2-1)	0	3	3	6	12
Vikings (1-2)	0	7	3	0	10

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
MIN	2	14:12	Peterson 1 run (Longwell kick)	6-47; 1:44	0-7
PIT	2	6:40	Reed 35 FG	9-18; 4:06	3-7
MIN	3	10:06	Longwell 37 FG	11-60; 4:54	3-10
PIT	3	2:50	Reed 43 FG	13-56; 7:16	6-10
PIT	4	10:02	Reed 37 FG	13-65; 5:50	9-10
PIT	4	0:04	Reed 47 FG	11-45; 2:12	12-10

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Vikings
1st Downs	19 (4-13-2)	12 (1-9-2)
3rd Downs	5-17 (29%)	4-12 (33%)
4th Downs	3-4 (75%)	0-0 (0%)
Total Net Yards	281	163
Plays-Avg.	74-3.8	50-3.3
Rushing Yards	102	32
Rush Att.-Avg.	31-3.3	22-1.5
Passing Yards	179	131
Att.-Comp.-Int.	40-26-0	24-17-1
Sacks By	4-21	3-15
Punts-Avg.	4-48.0	7-48.6
Penalties	8-65	10-75
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Time of Poss.	36:23	23:37

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Mendenhall 15-79; Parker 10-18; Moore 1-4; Russell 1-4; Roethlisberger 1-0. Min. — Peterson 12-21, 1 TD; Taylor 4-5; Hicks 3-5; Frerotte 1-1; Young 2-0.

PASSING: Pit. — Leftwich 23-16-0, 129; Roethlisberger 17-10-0, 65. Min. — Frerotte 19-13-1, 133; Booty 5-4-0, 19.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Reid 5-55; Miller 3-30; Sweed 3-28; Baker 3-23; Moore 3-12; Mendenhall 2-15; Sherrad 2-10; Parker 2-2; Washington 1-11; Ward 1-6; Latsko 1-2. Min. — Allison 5-56; Peterson 3-11; Shiancoe 2-36; Nance 2-25; Tahj 2-6; N. Jones 1-7; B. Jones 1-6; Tapeh 1-5.

Preseason Game #4
Pittsburgh 19, Carolina 16
Aug. 28, 2008
Heinz Field (50,485)

PITTSBURGH — For the second consecutive week, **K Jeff Reed** played the role of hero for the Steelers as he booted a 43-yard field goal as time expired to give the Steelers a 19-16 victory over the Carolina Panthers on August 28 at Heinz Field.

Reed's game-winning kick was his fourth field goal of the night after he previously hit from distances of 41, 49 and 41 yards. The victory gave the Steelers a 3-1 preseason record while the Panthers fell to 2-2.

Carolina struck first on a 32-yard field goal by K John Kasay but the Steelers answered by taking a 16-6 lead into the fourth quarter after a six-yard touchdown run by **FB Carey Davis** and three Reed field goals sandwiched around another 32-yard field goal by Kasay.

Carolina came from behind to tie the game in the fourth quarter behind a 48-yard field goal from Kasay and a 29-yard touchdown pass from QB Brett Basanez to WR Chris Hannon with only 1:54 remaining in the game. Steelers' **QB Dennis Dixon** responded by leading the Steelers on an eight play, 47-yard drive that was culminated with Reed hitting the game-winner from 43-yards out. On the drive Dixon was a perfect 4-of-4 for 32 yards, along with an 11-yard scramble.

The Steelers finished the evening with 302 yards of total offense (178 rushing, 124 passing) while the Panthers amassed 323 yards, with only 62 of those coming on the ground on 25 attempts (2.5 avg.).

RB Rashard Mendenhall led the Steelers with 79 yards on 21 carries (3.8 avg.) while **RB Gary Russell** added 43 yards on 14 attempts (3.1 avg.) as the Steelers controlled the ball for 32:29 and finished with 44 rushes for 178 yards (4.0 avg.) as a team.

Defensively, the Steelers forced two turnovers on interceptions by **CB Bryant McFadden** and **LB Keyaron Fox**. Fox also led the team with eight tackles (four solo) while rookie **LB Donovan Woods** recorded the Steelers only sack of the evening.

GAME SUMMARY

Panthers (2-2)	3	3	0	10	16
STEELERS (3-1)	10	3	3	3	19

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
CAR	1	9:43	Kasay 32 FG	8-37; 3:51	0-3
PIT	1	6:47	Davis 6 run (Reed kick)	5-77; 2:56	7-3
PIT	1	0:57	Reed 41 FG	6-18; 2:29	10-3
PIT	2	8:42	Reed 49 FG	10-60; 4:24	13-3
CAR	2	0:33	Kasay 32 FG	11-44; 1:37	13-6
PIT	3	6:02	Reed 41 FG	12-51; 6:56	16-6
CAR	4	11:33	Kasay 48 FG	7-20; 3:18	16-9
CAR	4	1:54	Hannon 29 pass from Basanez (Kasay kick)	7-67; 2:28	16-16
PIT	4	0:00	Reed 43 FG	8-47; 1:54	19-16

TEAM STATISTICS

	Panthers	Steelers
1st Downs	17 (3-13-1)	18 (9-7-2)
3rd Downs	4-14 (29%)	4-14 (29%)
4th Downs	0-1 (0%)	0-1 (0%)
Total Net Yards	323	302
Plays-Avg.	64-5.0	67-4.5
Rushing Yards	62	178
Rush Att.-Avg.	25-2.5	44-4.0
Passing Yards	261	124
Att.-Comp.-Int.	38-21-2	23-11-0
Sacks By	0-0	1-9
Punts-Avg.	5-40.2	5-35.8
Penalties	8-80	4-20
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Time of Poss.	27:21	32:39

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Car. — Birmingham 9-38; Toefield 13-18; Basanez 1-4; Fleming 1-2; Moore 1-0. Pit. — Mendenhall 21-79; Russell 14-43; Parker 4-34; Davis 3-11, 1 TD; Dixon 1-11; Roethlisberger 1-0.

PASSING: Car. — Moore 27-15-2, 164; Basanez 11-6-0, 106, 1 TD. Pit. — Leftwich 14-6-0, 82; Dixon 9-5-0, 42.

RECEIVING: Car. — Jarrett 6-56; Thompson 5-74; Barnidge 3-33; Taylor 2-25; Fleming 2-20; Hannon 1-29, 1 TD; Rosario 1-21; Birmingham 1-12. Pit. — Baker 2-35; Allen 2-22; Drummond 2-10; Moore 1-26; Russell 1-13; Rucker 1-10; Davis 1-5; Sherrad 1-3.

Game #1

Pittsburgh 38, Houston 17
Sept. 7, 2008
Heinz Field (64,001)

PITTSBURGH — The Steelers scored touchdowns on their first three offensive possessions, and an opportunistic defense turned two interceptions, five sacks and a forced fumble into a 38-17 season-opening victory over the Houston Texans on Sept. 7 at Heinz Field. It marked Pittsburgh's sixth straight season-opening victory, the longest in the NFL.

The Steelers stopped the Texans on a fourth-and-one during the opening possession. **QB Ben Roethlisberger** then led the Steelers on an eight-play, 52-yard drive that was punctuated by a seven-yard touchdown run by **RB Willie Parker**, the first of his career-high three touchdowns on the day.

Parker put the Steelers up 14-0 early in the second quarter when he ran 13 yards for his second touchdown of the game. On the Steelers' next possession, Roethlisberger found **WR Hines Ward** from 13 yards out for the first of two hookups between the two. A 34-yard field goal by Texans K Kris Brown late in the second quarter made the score 21-3 Steelers at the half.

Pittsburgh picked right up where it left off early in the third quarter as Parker finished a 10-play, 71-yard drive by scoring his third touchdown of the game. Ward added a 16-yard touchdown reception from Roethlisberger on the next series.

K Jeff Reed added a 44-yard field goal in the fourth quarter, sandwiched between a 14-yard touchdown pass from Schaub to WR Kevin Walter and a four-yard touchdown run by Schaub to give the Steelers a 38-17 victory.

Pittsburgh outgained the Texans 305-234 in total offense, including 183 rushing yards to Houston's 75.

Roethlisberger finished the game 13-for-14 passing for 137 yards with two touchdowns and a passer rating of 147.0

The Steelers ran the ball 39 times for 183 yards (4.7 avg.) as Parker had 25 carries for 138 yards (5.5 avg.) with three touchdowns and rookie **RB Rashard Mendenhall** added 10 carries for 28 yards (2.8 avg.) in his NFL debut. Ward led the Steelers with six catches for 76 yards (12.7 avg.) with two touchdowns.

S Troy Polamalu and **LB LaMarr Woodley** each had an interception. The Steelers registered five sacks in the game, including three by **LB James Harrison**, one by Woodley and a half-sack each by **LB James Farrior** and **DE Nick Eason**.

GAME SUMMARY

Texans (0-1)	0	3	0	14	17
STEELERS (1-0)	7	14	14	3	38

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	1	5:44	Parker 7 run (Reed kick)	8-52; 4:48	7-0
PIT	2	11:00	Parker 13 run (Reed kick)	11-76; 6:03	14-0
PIT	2	9:03	Ward 13 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	2-32; 0:28	21-0
HOU	2	4:29	Brown 34 FG	4-(-); 2:06	21-3
PIT	3	9:10	Parker 4 run (Reed kick)	10-71; 5:50	28-3
PIT	3	2:04	Ward 16 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	9-80; 5:36	35-3
HOU	4	9:00	Walter 14 pass from Schaub (Brown kick)	8-57; 4:14	35-10
PIT	4	5:24	Reed 44 FG	4-2; 0:54	38-10
HOU	4	1:14	Schaub 4 run (Brown kick)	10-74; 4:10	38-17

TEAM STATISTICS

	Texans	Steelers
1st Downs	20 (5-13-2)	21 (10-9-2)
3rd Downs	3-10 (30%)	6-10 (60%)
4th Downs	0-1 (0%)	0-0 (0%)
Total Net Yards	234	305
Plays-Avg.	58-4.0	59-5.2
Rushing Yards	75	183
Rush Att.-Avg.	20-3.8	39-4.7
Passing Yards	159	122
Att.-Comp.-Int.	33-25-2	18-13-0
Sacks By	2-15	5-43
Punts-Avg.	4-43.3	3-43.0
Penalties	5-43	4-41
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-1
Time of Poss.	28:29	31:31

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Hou. — Slaton 13-43; Green 5-28; Schaub 2-4, 1 TD. Pit. — Parker 25-138, 3 TDs; Mendenhall 10-28; Roethlisberger 2-17; Leftwich 2-0.

PASSING: Hou. — Schaub 33-25-2, 202, 1 TD. Pit. — Roethlisberger 14-13-0, 137, 2 TDs; Leftwich 4-0-0, 0.

RECEIVING: Hou. — Johnson 10-112; Green 4-3; Walter 3-41, 1 TD; Daniels 3-33; Slaton 3-6; Leach 1-5; Anderson 1-2. Pit. — Ward 6-76, 2 TDs; Miller 3-26; Holmes 2-19; Davis 1-10; Spaeth 1-6.

Game #2

Pittsburgh 10, Cleveland 6
Sept. 14, 2008
Cleveland Browns Stadium (73,048)

CLEVELAND — The Steelers jumped out to a 10-0 lead by the middle of the third quarter and held on down the stretch to defeat the Cleveland Browns 10-6 at Cleveland Browns Stadium on Sept. 14. Pittsburgh captured its 10th straight win over the Browns in the series, improving to 2-0 on the year with the victory while the Browns fell to 0-2.

Swirling rain and wind helped to keep both offenses in check, as neither team was able to put points on the board until midway through the second quarter. Steelers' **CB Bryant McFadden** recorded his first interception of the season when he picked off Cleveland's Derek Anderson at the Pittsburgh 30-yard line. The Steelers proceeded to march 50 yards in 12 plays with **QB Ben Roethlisberger** hooking up with **WR Hines Ward** for the third time this season on an 11-yard touchdown reception, giving the Steelers a 7-0 lead.

Cleveland appeared poised to tie the score at the end of the first half, driving all the way to the Pittsburgh 13-yard line. Steelers **S Troy Polamalu** ended that threat when he picked off Anderson to ensure a 7-0 Steelers lead at the break.

Pittsburgh built on their lead on their second possession of the third quarter when they drove 54 yards in five plays, with the big play being a 48-yard pass from Roethlisberger to **WR Antonio Holmes**. **K Jeff Reed** kicked a 48-yard field goal to put the Steelers up 10-0.

Cleveland answered Reed's field goal by marching 47 yards in 12 plays, as K Phil Dawson's 31-yard field goal cut Pittsburgh's advantage to 10-3. Dawson would add a 38-yard field goal with just under four minutes remaining in the fourth quarter to cut Cleveland's deficit to 10-6, but Pittsburgh held the Browns in check from there to secure the victory.

Roethlisberger finished the game 12-of-19 passing for 186 yards with one touchdown and a passer rating of 113.0. **RB Willie Parker** led the way on the ground with his second straight 100-yard rushing performance of the season (28-105, 3.8 avg.).

Ward finished with five catches for 59 yards (11.8 avg.) with one touchdown while Holmes also caught five passes for a team-leading 94 yards (18.8 avg.).

The Steelers held Cleveland to only 53 yards rushing on 25 carries (2.1 avg.), with Browns RB Jamal Lewis netting only 38 yards on 19 attempts (2.0 avg.). Pittsburgh's defense also kept Anderson in check as the Browns signal caller completed only 18-of-32 passes for 166 yards with two interceptions and a passer rating of 44.5.

DE Aaron Smith registered two sacks for Pittsburgh.

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (2-0)	0	7	3	0	10
Browns (0-2)	0	0	3	3	6

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	2	6:26	Ward 11 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	12-70; 6:29	7-0
PIT	3	7:58	Reed 48 FG	5-54; 2:18	10-0
CLE	3	1:25	Dawson 31 FG	12-67; 6:33	10-3
CLE	4	3:21	Dawson 38 FG	14-60; 7:29	10-6

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Browns
1st Downs	14 (5-8-1)	17 (5-9-3)
3rd Downs	3-12 (25%)	7-15 (47%)
4th Downs	1-2 (50%)	0-0 (0%)
Total Net Yards	281	208
Plays-Avg.	53-5.3	59-3.5
Rushing Yards	117	53
Rush Att.-Avg.	31-3.8	25-2.1
Passing Yards	164	155
Att.-Comp.-Int.	19-12-0	32-18-2
Sacks By	2-11	3-22
Punts-Avg.	6-45.5	5-53.0
Penalties	7-60	10-65
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Time of Poss.	29:43	30:17

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Parker 28-105; Holmes 1-10; Davis 1-2; Roethlisberger 1-0. Cle. — Lewis 19-38; Anderson 3-6; Cribbs 1-5; Vickers 1-2; Harrison 1-2.

PASSING: Pit. — Roethlisberger 19-12-0, 186, 1 TD. Cle. — Anderson 32-18-2, 166.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Holmes 5-94; Ward 5-59, 1 TD; Miller 2-33. Cle. — Winslow 7-55; Edwards 3-32; Lewis 3-28; Steptoe 2-16; Harrison 1-23; Wright 1-9; Vickers 1-3.

Game #3

Philadelphia 15, Pittsburgh 6
Sept. 21, 2008
Lincoln Financial Field (69,144)

PHILADELPHIA — The Steelers could not build upon their early momentum en route to a 15-6 loss on the road to the Philadelphia Eagles. Philadelphia improved to 2-1 with the victory while the Steelers suffered their first setback of the 2008 campaign as they fell to 2-1.

Philadelphia was driving deep into Pittsburgh territory on the first possession of the game when **LB James Farrior** hit Eagles RB Tony Hunt, forcing a fumble at the Pittsburgh 20-yard line. The Steelers offense proceeded to march 61 yards in 12 plays and **K Jeff Reed** kicked a 37-yard field goal to give the Steelers the early 3-0 advantage.

Philadelphia answered right back on their ensuing drive by covering 85 yards in 13 plays when QB Donovan McNabb connected with RB Correll Buckhalter on a swing pass that Buckhalter converted into a 20-yard touchdown reception and a 7-3 Eagles advantage.

K David Akers kicked a 31-yard field goal on the Eagles' next offensive possession to increase Philadelphia's lead to 10-3 before the Steelers responded again following another takeaway. McFadden posted his second interception in as many weeks when he picked off McNabb, which led to Reed's second field goal, this time from a career-long 53 yards, to cut the Eagles lead to 10-6 at the half.

Pittsburgh appeared poised to take the lead back early in the second half when Steelers **S Troy Polamalu** recorded his third interception of the season when he picked off backup QB Kevin Kolb, who subbed briefly for one series, at the Eagles' 49-yard line, but Pittsburgh could not take advantage of the turnover.

The two teams then traded possessions for much of second half until Steelers **QB Ben Roethlisberger** was penalized for intentional grounding in the end zone, resulting in a safety for the Eagles, with eight minutes remaining in the fourth quarter. Akers would add his second 31-yard field goal of the afternoon late in the contest to give the Eagles the 15-6 victory.

The Steelers offense was held in check by a swarming Eagles defense. Roethlisberger finished the contest 13-of-25 for 131 yards while throwing his first interception of the season. **RB Willie Parker** was limited to just 20 yards on 13 carries (1.5 avg.), as the Steelers amassed only 180 yards of total offense.

Pittsburgh forced three turnovers and post three sacks, including **LB Larry Foote** (1.5), **LB LaMarr Woodley** (1.0) and **DE Travis Kirschke** (0.5).

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (2-1)	3	3	0	0	6
Eagles (2-1)	0	10	0	5	15

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	1	2:51	Reed 37 FG	12-61; 6:39	3-0
PHI	2	9:23	Buckhalter 20 pass from McNabb (Akers kick)	13-85; 8:28	3-7
PHI	2	2:36	Akers 31 FG	7-32; 3:18	3-10
PIT	2	0:13	Reed 53 FG	6-13; 1:24	6-10
PHI	4	8:00	Safety (Roethlisberger intentional grounding)	—;—	6-12
PHI	4	2:26	Akers 31 FG	4-5; 1:03	6-15

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Eagles
1st Downs	14 (1-10-3)	16 (3-13-0)
3rd Downs	2-13 (15%)	6-14 (43%)
4th Downs	0-1 (0%)	0-0 (0%)
Total Net Yards	180	260
Plays-Avg.	60-3.0	64-4.1
Rushing Yards	33	65
Rush Att.-Avg.	19-1.7	23-2.8
Passing Yards	147	195
Att.-Comp.-Int.	32-17-1	38-26-2
Sacks By	3-19	9-44
Punts-Avg.	5-41.4	5-44.4
Penalties	7-35	7-62
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Time of Poss.	27:26	32:34

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Parker 13-20; Roethlisberger 4-6; Moore 1-6; Davis 1-1. Phi. — Buckhalter 10-43; Westbrook 5-12; Booker 5-11; Jackson 1-1; McNabb 2-(-2).

PASSING: Pit. — Roethlisberger 25-13-1, 131; Leftwich 7-4-0, 60. Phi. — McNabb 35-24-1, 196, 1 TD; Kolb 3-2-1, 18.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Washington 5-51; Miller 4-63; Ward 4-34; Holmes 3-32; Mendenhall 1-11. Phi. — Baskett 8-85; Buckhalter 6-44, 1 TD; Jackson 5-40; Avant 2-24; Hunt 2-12; Booker 2-5; Lewis 1-4.

Game #4

Pittsburgh 23, Baltimore 20 (OT)
Sept. 29, 2008
Heinz Field (64,038)

PITTSBURGH — **K Jeff Reed** booted a 46-yard game-winning field goal in overtime as Pittsburgh defeated the visiting Baltimore Ravens, 23-20, on Sept. 29 on Monday Night Football. The Steelers improved to 3-1 while the Ravens fell to 2-1.

Reed's 46-yard field goal was his third of the game (49, 19) and marked his seventh career game-winning field goal.

The Steelers game-winning drive in overtime came after Pittsburgh's defense stopped the Ravens three-and-out on the first series. On the game-winning drive, backup **RB Mewelde Moore** caught a 24-yard pass from **QB Ben Roethlisberger** that set up the eventual game-winner. Moore was seeing every down action after starting **RB Rashard Mendenhall**, who was filling in for the injured **RB Willie Parker**, and **FB Carey Davis** both left the game with injuries.

The Steelers struggled in the first half to put any drives together as it finished with just 46 yards of total offense in the first two quarters, finding themselves trailing 13-3 at the half.

However, Pittsburgh scored 14 points in 15 seconds in the third quarter to take a 17-13 lead. After Roethlisberger hit **WR Santonio Holmes** for a 38-yard touchdown, **LB LaMarr Woodley** picked up a fumble on the Ravens' first play from scrimmage and darted seven yards for a touchdown.

Reed's 19-yard field goal with 9:19 left in the fourth quarter made it 20-13, but Baltimore responded with a nine-play drive that ended with Le'Ron McClain running in from two yards out to eventually force overtime.

The Steelers limited the Ravens to just 97 yards of total offense in the second half and overtime. For the game, Baltimore had 243 yards of offense to Pittsburgh's 237.

Roethlisberger finished 14-for-24 for 191 yards passing with one touchdown and one interception. Mendenhall had 30 rushing yards on nine carries (3.3 avg.) before leaving with a shoulder injury.

LB James Harrison led the Steelers with 2.5 sacks, 10 tackles and a forced fumble. Woodley added eight tackles, 1.5 sacks and fumble return for a score.

GAME SUMMARY

Ravens (2-1)	3	10	0	7	0	20
STEELERS (3-1)	3	0	14	3	3	23

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	1	6:44	Reed 49 FG	11-45; 6:41	3-0
BAL	1	0:18	Stover 33 FG	10-33; 4:51	3-3
BAL	2	3:48	Stover 20 FG	11-48; 5:39	3-6
BAL	2	0:17	Wilcox 4 pass from Flacco (Stover kick)	6-44; 1:35	3-13
PIT	3	4:09	Holmes 38 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	4-67; 1:40	10-13
PIT	3	3:54	Woodley 7 fumble return (Reed kick)	—;—	17-13
PIT	4	9:19	Reed 19 FG	7-60; 4:44	20-13
BAL	4	4:02	McClain 2 run (Stover kick)	9-76; 5:17	20-20
PIT	OT	8:55	Reed 46 FG	7-29; 3:56	23-20

TEAM STATISTICS

	Ravens	Steelers
1st Downs	16 (4-12-0)	11 (2-7-2)
3rd Downs	7-17 (41%)	5-15 (33%)
4th Downs	0-0 (0%)	0-0 (0%)
Total Net Yards	243	237
Plays-Avg.	69-3.5	55-4.3
Rushing Yards	103	69
Rush Att.-Avg.	33-3.1	28-2.5
Passing Yards	140	168
Att.-Comp.-Int.	31-16-0	24-14-1
Sacks By	3-23	5-52
Punts-Avg.	8-47.4	7-40.1
Penalties	8-72	5-29
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	2-0
Time of Poss.	34:22	31:43

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Bal. — McClain 16-63, 1 TD; McGahee 13-42; Rice 1-0; Flacco 2-(-1); Clayton 1-(-1). Pit. — Mendenhall 9-30; Davis 8-15; Moore 8-13; Washington 1-8; Roethlisberger 2-3.

PASSING: Bal. — Flacco 31-16-0, 192, 1 TD. Pit. — Roethlisberger 24-14-1, 191, 1 TD.

RECEIVING: Bal. — Mason 8-137; McClain 3-26; McGahee 3-19; Williams 1-6; Wilcox 1-4, 1 TD. Pit. — Holmes 3-61, 1 TD; Moore 3-37; Ward 2-57; Washington 2-23; Miller 2-8; Mendenhall 1-6; Davis 1-(-1).

Game #5

Pittsburgh 26, Jacksonville 21

Oct. 5, 2008

Jacksonville Municipal Stadium (65,908)

JACKSONVILLE — QB Ben Roethlisberger led the team on an 11-play, 80-yard drive that ended with an eight-yard touchdown pass to WR Hines Ward to secure the 26-21 victory on Oct. 5 on Sunday Night Football.

Roethlisberger directed the Steelers on the game-winning drive as he tossed his third touchdown pass of the game. The two-point conversion attempt failed but the Steelers defense hung on during the Jaguars' final offensive possession to preserve the 26-21 victory.

Jacksonville struck first when CB Rashean Mathis picked off a Roethlisberger pass and returned it 72 yards for a touchdown. The Steelers answered that right back on the ensuing possession as they drove 71 yards in 12 plays, as Roethlisberger threw the first of his three touchdown passes when he found TE Heath Miller for a one-yard touchdown reception.

Jacksonville then had their first offensive possession and Jaguars QB David Garrard drove his squad 74 yards in seven plays, with they key playing being a 41-yard pass interference call against Steelers CB Ike Taylor which placed the ball at the one-yard line, setting up a one-yard touchdown run by RB Maurice Jones-Drew.

The Steelers dominated the second quarter as K Jeff Reed nailed the first of his two field goals when he connected from 38 yards away to cut the Jaguars lead to 14-10. Less than three minutes after Reed's field goal, Roethlisberger threw his second touchdown pass, this one a 48-yard strike down the left sideline to a wide open WR Nate Washington for a 17-14 lead. Reed's second field goal of the quarter, a 23-yarder with only 45 seconds remaining in the half, gave the Steelers a 20-14 lead at the half.

After a scoreless third quarter, Jacksonville took the lead back less than a minute into the fourth quarter when Garrard hit TE Mercedes Lewis on a 24-yard touchdown strike to give Jacksonville the 21-20 advantage.

Roethlisberger had his best outing of 2008, completing 26-of-41 passes for 309 yards with a season-high three touchdowns and one interception for a passer rating of 100.6. RB Mewelde Moore, making his first start as a member of the Steelers, finished with 99 yards rushing on 17 attempts (5.8 avg.). Ward led all receivers with seven receptions for 90 yards (12.9 avg.) and the game-winning score.

The Steelers held the Jaguars to only 213 yards of total offense, with just 38 of those yards coming on the ground. Pittsburgh had three sacks (LB LaMarr Woodley - 2; LB James Harrison - 1).

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (4-1)	7	13	0	6	26
Jaguars (2-3)	14	0	0	7	21

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
JAC	1	12:49	Mathis 72 interception (Scobee kick)	—;—	0-7
PIT	1	5:18	Miller 1 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	12-71; 7:31	7-7
JAC	1	2:27	Jones-Drew 1 run (Scobee kick)	7-74; 2:51	7-14
PIT	2	12:38	Reed 38 FG	11-59; 4:49	10-14
PIT	2	9:20	Washington 48 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	4-82; 1:57	17-14
PIT	2	0:45	Reed 23 FG	10-66; 2:07	20-14
JAC	4	14:05	Lewis 24 pass from Garrard (Scobee kick)	6-76; 3:13	20-21
PIT	4	1:53	Ward 8 pass from Roethlisberger (pass failed)	11-80; 4:40	26-21

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Jaguars
1st Downs	28 (6-18-4)	14 (2-9-3)
3rd Downs	7-15 (47%)	3-13 (23%)
4th Downs	0-0 (0%)	2-4 (50%)
Total Net Yards	415	213
Plays-Avg.	70-5.9	54-3.9
Rushing Yards	129	38
Rush Att.-Avg.	26-5.0	19-2.0
Passing Yards	286	175
Att.-Comp.-Int.	41-26-1	32-18-0
Sacks By	3-25	3-23
Punts-Avg.	4-49.5	5-46.6
Penalties	10-129	8-89
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Time of Poss.	33:23	26:37

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Moore 17-99; Russell 6-25; Davenport 1-3; Roethlisberger 2-2. Jac. — Taylor 10-19; Garrard 4-12; Jones-Drew 5-7, 1 TD.

PASSING: Pit. — Roethlisberger 41-26-1, 309, 3 TDs. Jac. — Garrard 32-18-0, 200, 1 TD.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Ward 7-90, 1 TD; Washington 6-94, 1 TD; Miller 5-45, 1 TD; Holmes 4-65; Moore 3-17; Russell 1-(-2). Jac. — Walker 6-107; Jones-Drew 6-23; M. Jones 2-25; Taylor 2-6; Lewis 1-24, 1 TD; G. Jones 1-15.

Game #6

Pittsburgh 38, Cincinnati 10

Oct. 19, 2008

Paul Brown Stadium (65,860)

CINCINNATI — The Steelers scorched the Cincinnati Bengals for 21 fourth-quarter points en route to a 38-10 victory on Oct. 19. The win improved the Steelers' record to 5-1 while Cincinnati fell to 0-7.

The Steelers jumped out to a 7-0 lead on their first drive of the game as QB Ben Roethlisberger engineered a 75-yard drive to open the game and found RB Mewelde Moore for a two-yard touchdown pass.

K Jeff Reed kicked a 21-yard field goal with 42 seconds remaining in the first quarter to stretch the lead to 10-0. However, Cincinnati came back with a 92-yard drive before halftime to make it 10-7.

Following a Bengals punt, the Steelers added to their lead on their first possession of the second half when Moore darted in from 13 yards out, his second touchdown of the game, to give the Steelers a 17-7 lead. Bengals K Dave Rayner hit a 26-yard field goal late in the third quarter to draw the Bengals to within 17-10 heading into the fourth quarter.

Pittsburgh dominated the fourth quarter, scoring 21 unanswered points to secure the victory. WR Nate Washington started the scoring when he hauled in a 50-yard touchdown reception from Roethlisberger to put the Steelers up 24-10. Exactly three minutes after that score, Moore scored his third touchdown of the day when he bounced in off of the right side for a two-yard touchdown run. Backup QB Byron Leftwich tossed a late 16-yard touchdown to WR Hines Ward for the games' final points.

Roethlisberger had another superb performance in his home state, completing 17-of-28 passes for 216 yards with two touchdowns and a passer rating of 108.6, his fourth 100-plus passer rating of the season. Moore recorded his fifth career 100-yard rushing performance, and his first as a Steeler, as he finished 120 yards on 20 carries (6.0 avg.) with two touchdowns. He also tied for the team lead with five receptions for 14 yards (1.8 avg.) and another touchdown. Holmes also had five receptions for 89 yards (17.8 avg.).

Defensively, the Steelers applied pressure to Bengals' quarterbacks all day long. They finished with a season-high seven sacks as LB James Harrison and LB LaMarr Woodley again led the way with two sacks apiece. LB Lawrence Timmons also had two sacks, his first career multiple-sack performance. LB James Farrior had the other Steelers' sack. Woodley also created the games only turnover, forcing and recovering a Ryan Fitzpatrick fumble late in the fourth quarter.

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (5-1)	10	0	7	21	38
Bengals (0-7)	0	7	3	0	10

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	1	9:56	Moore 2 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	9-75; 5:04	7-0
PIT	1	0:42	Reed 21 FG	8-27; 2:35	10-0
CIN	2	0:36	C. Johnson 5 pass from Fitzpatrick (Rayner kick)	14-92; 4:48	10-7
PIT	3	8:29	Moore 13 run (Reed kick)	6-55; 2:47	17-7
CIN	3	2:42	Rayner 26 FG	12-49; 5:51	17-10
PIT	4	8:17	Washington 50 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	6-91; 2:53	24-10
PIT	4	5:17	Moore 2 run (Reed kick)	3-52; 1:36	31-10
PIT	4	1:54	Ward 16 pass from Leftwich (Reed kick)	6-34; 2:56	38-10

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Bengals
1st Downs	20 (9-10-1)	16 (5-11-0)
3rd Downs	6-12 (50%)	4-16 (25%)
4th Downs	0-0 (0%)	2-2 (100%)
Total Net Yards	375	212
Plays-Avg.	58-6.5	68-3.1
Rushing Yards	125	84
Rush Att.-Avg.	27-4.6	22-3.8
Passing Yards	250	128
Att.-Comp.-Int.	31-20-0	39-24-0
Sacks By	7-47	0-0
Punts-Avg.	5-40.8	8-37.9
Penalties	3-15	4-55
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	2-1
Time of Poss.	30:35	29:25

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Moore 20-120, 2 TDs; Washington 1-6; Russell 4-0; Roethlisberger 2-(-1). Cin. — Benson 15-52; Watson 4-17; Fitzpatrick 4-15.

PASSING: Pit. — Roethlisberger 28-17-0, 216, 2 TDs; Leftwich 3-3-0, 34, 1 TD. Cin. — Fitzpatrick 35-21-0, 164, 1 TD; J. Palmer 4-3-0, 11.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Holmes 5-89; Moore 5-14, 1 TD; Ward 4-60, 1 TD; Washington 2-57, 1 TD; Miller 2-13; Sweed 1-11; Spaeth 1-6. Cin. — Houshmandzadeh 8-58; Johnson 8-52, 1 TD; Henry 3-44; Chatman 2-8; Benson 1-10; Simpson 1-2; Watson 1-1.

Game #7

New York Giants 21, Pittsburgh 14
Oct. 26, 2008
Heinz Field (64,991)

PITTSBURGH — The New York Giants scored the game's final 12 points, all in the fourth quarter, to complete a 21-14 comeback victory over the Steelers at Heinz Field. Pittsburgh fell to 5-2 with the loss, while the Giants improved to 6-1.

Pittsburgh struck first as it marched 60 yards in four plays after forcing the Giants to a three-and-out on New York's opening drive of the game. **RB Mewelde Moore**, who accounted for 38 of those 60 yards, bounced 32 yards around right end for the touchdown to give the Steelers a 7-0 advantage.

New York was able to chip away at its deficit as Pittsburgh struggled to move the ball throughout the rest of the first half. Giants K John Carney kicked three field goals, a 26-yarder in the first quarter; 35 and 25-yarders in the second quarter; to give the Giants a 9-7 halftime lead.

QB Ben Roethlisberger erased that lead five minutes into the second half when he connected with **WR Nate Washington** on a season-long 65-yard touchdown strike to allow the Steelers to reclaim a 14-9 lead. Washington's touchdown marked the third consecutive game that he and Roethlisberger have combined for a score.

New York again cut into the Steelers' lead when Carney made his fourth field goal of the afternoon from 24 yards away with 8:18 left in the fourth quarter. One minute and 30 seconds later the Giants tied the game at 14-14 when Steelers **LB James Harrison**, filling in for the injured **LS Greg Warren**, snapped the ball over **P Mitch Berger's** head and out of the end zone for a safety.

Given a short field after the ensuing free kick, New York went 62 yards in 12 plays, including a key 25-yard completion from QB Eli Manning to WR Steve Smith on third-and-seven from midfield, to take a 21-14 lead on Manning's two-yard touchdown toss to TE Kevin Boss for the game's final points.

Roethlisberger was 13-of-29 for 189 yards with one touchdown and four interceptions. Moore led the Steelers for the third consecutive game with 84 yards on 19 attempts (4.4 avg.) with one touchdown.

The Steelers limited the Giants' league-leading rushing attack to just 83 yards on the ground. New York entered the game averaging nearly 170 yards per game.

GAME SUMMARY

Giants (6-1)	3	6	0	12	21
STEELERS (5-2)	7	0	7	0	14

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	1	11:15	Moore 32 run (Reed kick)	4-60: 1:27	7-0
NYG	1	4:39	Carney 26 FG	11-57: 6:36	7-3
NYG	2	10:30	Carney 35 FG	4-2: 0:57	7-6
NYG	2	3:31	Carney 25 FG	7-22: 4:23	7-9
PIT	3	10:00	Washington 65 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	1-65: 0:10	14-9
NYG	4	8:18	Carney 24 FG	12-62: 5:42	14-12
NYG	4	6:48	Safety — fumble out of bounds in end zone	—; —	14-14
NYG	4	3:07	Boss 2 pass from Manning (Carney kick)	7-53: 3:41	14-21

TEAM STATISTICS

	Giants	Steelers
1st Downs	14 (4-9-1)	12 (4-7-1)
3rd Downs	6-17 (35%)	1-10 (10%)
4th Downs	1-2 (50%)	0-4 (0%)
Total Net Yards	282	249
Plays-Avg.	67-4.2	56-4.4
Rushing Yards	83	95
Rush Att.-Avg.	35-2.4	22-4.3
Passing Yards	199	154
Att.-Comp.-Int.	32-19-0	29-13-4
Sacks By	5-35	0-0
Punts-Avg.	5-41.0	4-44.3
Penalties	7-71	8-59
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	3-0
Time of Poss.	34:24	25:36

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: N.Y.G. — Jacobs 18-47; Ward 13-37; Manning 4-(-1). Pit. — Moore 19-84, 1 TD; Russell 1-8; Roethlisberger 1-3; Berger 1-0.

PASSING: N.Y.G. — Manning 32-19-0, 199, 1 TD. Pit. — Roethlisberger 29-13-4, 189, 1 TD.

RECEIVING: N.Y.G. — Ward 5-43; Boss 4-34, 1 TD; Smith 3-45; Burress 3-15; Toomer 2-39; Hixon 1-17; Jacobs 1-6. Pit. — Miller 3-52; Ward 3-30; Sweed 3-28; Moore 2-10; Washington 1-65, 1 TD; Davis 1-4.

Game #8

Pittsburgh 23, Washington 6
Nov. 3, 2008
FedEx Field (90,512)

LANDOVER, Md. — Pittsburgh overcame a sluggish start and scored 23 unanswered points on its way to a convincing 23-6 victory over the Washington Redskins at FedEx Field on Monday Night Football. The Steelers improved to 6-2 on the year while the Redskins fell to 6-3.

The Steelers fell behind 6-0 less than four minutes into the game after a failed onside kick to open the game was recovered by Washington and an interception on the following drive led to a pair of field goals by K Shaun Suisham.

However, the Redskins were unable to score again as the Steelers defense clamped down on the NFL's top rusher, RB Clinton Portis. Portis was held to 51 yards rushing on 13 carries (3.9 avg.).

As Pittsburgh's defense dominated on one side of the ball, the Steelers' offense came alive and scored all 10 points in the second quarter to take a 10-6 halftime lead. A 35-yard field goal by **K Jeff Reed** put Pittsburgh on the board at the 8:09 mark of the second quarter and a one-yard touchdown run by **QB Ben Roethlisberger** with 32 seconds left in the half gave the Steelers a four-point lead at intermission.

Roethlisberger, who injured his shoulder prior to the half, was replaced in the second half by **QB Byron Leftwich**. Leftwich led the Steelers on a scoring drive to open the third quarter as they marched 72 yards on eight plays that culminated with a one-yard touchdown run by **RB Willie Parker**, stretching the lead to 16-6 after a missed PAT by Reed. On the drive, Leftwich connected with **WR Nate Washington** for a 50-yard pass play.

The Steelers capped the scoring with a five-yard touchdown pass by Leftwich to **WR Santonio Holmes** in the fourth quarter. It was Holmes' second touchdown of the season.

On three separate drives, Pittsburgh's defense kept the Redskins off the scoreboard despite three trips to the red zone. For the night, the Steelers limited Washington to 221 yards of total offense, including just 60 yards on the ground. The Steelers collected a season-high (tied) seven sacks, including two by **LB LaMarr Woodley**.

In relief of Roethlisberger, Leftwich finished 7-for-10 for 129 yards passing with one touchdown (145.8 passer rating). Parker, in his first game back after missing the previous four games, finished with a game-high 70 yards rushing on 21 attempts (3.3 avg.) with one touchdown.

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (6-2)	0	10	6	7	23
Redskins (6-3)	6	0	0	0	6

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
WAS	1	12:57	Suisham 44 FG	4-9: 2:03	0-3
WAS	1	11:02	Suisham 43 FG	4-5: 0:55	0-6
PIT	2	8:09	Reed 35 FG	7-62: 3:13	3-6
PIT	2	0:32	Roethlisberger 1 run (Reed kick)	4-13: 1:39	10-6
PIT	3	10:22	Parker 1 run (Reed missed PAT)	8-72: 4:38	16-6
PIT	4	11:58	Holmes 5 pass from Leftwich (Reed kick)	12-77: 6:43	23-6

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Redskins
1st Downs	15 (4-10-1)	13 (2-10-1)
3rd Downs	7-17 (41%)	3-15 (20%)
4th Downs	0-0 (0%)	0-2 (0%)
Total Net Yards	224	221
Plays-Avg.	61-3.7	65-3.4
Rushing Yards	64	60
Rush Att.-Avg.	29-2.2	15-4.0
Passing Yards	160	161
Att.-Comp.-Int.	27-12-1	43-24-2
Sacks By	7-45	5-19
Punts-Avg.	8-36.3	7-37.4
Penalties	4-41	5-78
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Time of Poss.	30:43	29:17

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Parker 21-70, 1 TD; Davenport 1-2; Roethlisberger 1-1, 1 TD; Leftwich 1-(-1); Moore 4-(-2); Washington 1-(-6). Was. — Portis 13-51; Campbell 1-5; Alexander 1-4.

PASSING: Pit. — Roethlisberger 17-5-1, 50; Leftwich 10-7-0, 129, 1 TD. Was. — Campbell 43-24-2, 206.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Moore 3-45; Ward 3-39; Holmes 3-30, 1 TD; Washington 2-59; Spaeth 1-6. Was. — Cooley 8-78; Portis 7-73; Randle El 3-22; Thomas 3-14; Moss 2-14; Thrash 1-5.

Game #9
Indianapolis 24, Pittsburgh 20
Nov. 9, 2008
Heinz Field (64,043)

PITTSBURGH — Indianapolis QB Peyton Manning hit RB Dominic Rhodes for a 17-yard touchdown reception with just over three minutes remaining in the fourth quarter to give the Colts a 24-20 come-from-behind victory over Pittsburgh at Heinz Field. The Steelers fell to 6-3 with the loss while the Colts improved to 5-4, marking their first win in Pittsburgh since 1968.

The Steelers jumped on the board first, taking the opening kickoff 62 yards in 10 plays as **RB Mewelde Moore** scored the first of his two rushing touchdowns when he scored from one-yard out to give Pittsburgh the 7-0 advantage.

Indianapolis answered right back when Manning's deep pass down the left sideline was tipped by Steelers **CB Ike Taylor**, but caught by WR Reggie Wayne for a 65-yard touchdown reception to tie the game at 7-7.

After Moore scored his second touchdown on another one-yard plunge early in the second quarter and **K Jeff Reed** nailed a 42-yard field goal near the end of the half, it appeared that the Steelers would take a 10-point lead into the half. With time running out, Colts DB Keiwan Ratliff intercepted Steelers **QB Ben Roethlisberger** deep in Steelers' territory, setting up a two-yard touchdown strike from Manning to TE Dallas Clark to cut the Steelers halftime lead to 17-14.

Indianapolis tied the score with 8:14 to play in the third quarter when K Adam Vinatieri converted a 36-yard field goal to knot the game at 17-17.

Pittsburgh regained the lead midway through the fourth quarter when Reed hit his second field goal of the contest, this time from 24 yards away, to give the Steelers a 20-17 advantage. However, the Steelers were stopped short on three tries inside the five-yard line prior to Reed's field goal.

After Roethlisberger threw his second interception of the game, this time to Colts DB Tim Jennings, Manning found Rhodes for his third touchdown pass of the game. DB Melvin Bullitt intercepted Roethlisberger's last-ditch attempt in the end zone as time expired to secure the 24-20 victory for the Colts.

Roethlisberger finished 29-of-41 for 280 yards with three interceptions. **WR Hines Ward** established season highs with eight receptions for 112 yards (14.0 avg.). It marked his 17th career 100-yard receiving game, second-best in team history.

DE Aaron Smith and **LB James Harrison** recorded the Steelers only two sacks.

GAME SUMMARY

Colts (5-4)	7	7	3	7	24
STEELERS (6-3)	7	10	0	3	20

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	1	9:07	Moore 1 run (Reed kick)	10-62: 5:53	7-0
IND	1	7:41	Wayne 65 pass from Manning (Vinatieri kick)	4-77: 1:26	7-7
PIT	2	13:21	Moore 1 run (Reed kick)	8-77: 4:19	14-7
PIT	2	4:18	Reed 42 FG	9-34: 4:28	17-7
IND	2	0:06	Clark 2 pass from Manning (Vinatieri kick)	6-30: 1:18	17-14
IND	3	8:14	Vinatieri 36 FG	12-56: 6:46	17-17
PIT	4	7:57	Reed 24 FG	14-64: 8:27	20-17
IND	4	3:04	Rhodes 17 pass from Manning (Vinatieri kick)	4-32: 1:40	20-24

TEAM STATISTICS

	Colts	Steelers
1st Downs	17 (5-11-1)	18 (6-12-0)
3rd Downs	9-16 (56%)	10-18 (56%)
4th Downs	0-0 (0%)	0-1 (0%)
Total Net Yards	290	326
Plays-Avg.	61-4.8	70-4.7
Rushing Yards	62	59
Rush Att.-Avg.	19-3.3	27-2.1
Passing Yards	228	267
Att.-Comp.-int.	40-21-0	41-29-3
Sacks By	2-13	2-12
Punts-Avg.	6-42.5	3-37.7
Penalties	6-45	3-20
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Time of Poss.	25:55	34:05

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Ind. — Addai 12-34; Rhodes 7-28. Pit. — Moore 24-57, 2 TDs; Ward 1-4; Holmes 1-(-1); Roethlisberger 1-(-1).

PASSING: Ind. — Manning 40-21-0, 240, 3 TDs. Pit. — Roethlisberger 41-29-3, 280.

RECEIVING: Ind. — Wayne 6-114, 1 TD; Gonzalez 4-26; Harrison 3-37; Clark 3-24, 1 TD; Rhodes 2-24, 1 TD; Addai 2-13; Garcon 1-2. Pit. — Ward 8-112; Spaeth 6-53; Moore 6-48; Holmes 4-29; Washington 3-30; Baker 1-6; McHugh 1-2.

Game #10
Pittsburgh 11, San Diego 10
Nov. 16, 2008
Heinz Field (62,051)

PITTSBURGH — The Steelers gave up a fourth quarter lead for the third consecutive home game, but unlike the previous two, they were able to rally in the game's final minutes and secure an 11-10 victory over the San Diego Chargers on a 32-yard field goal by **K Jeff Reed** with 11 seconds remaining in regulation. Pittsburgh improved to 7-3 on the season, and a perfect 13-0 all-time in the regular-season against the Chargers in Pittsburgh. The Chargers fell to 4-6.

San Diego started the scoring after Reed missed a 51-yard field goal, his first miss of 2008, when they took over at their own 41-yard line and marched 59 yards in six plays, capped by a three-yard touchdown run by RB LaDainian Tomlinson, to make it 7-0 Chargers.

Pittsburgh pinned San Diego deep in their own territory early in the second quarter, and **LB James Harrison** sacked Chargers QB Philip Rivers in the end zone, at the same time forcing a fumble which was recovered by Chargers OT Marcus McNeill, who was subsequently sacked by Harrison for the safety. A 21-yard field goal by Reed as time expired on the half cut the San Diego halftime lead to 7-5.

The Steelers took their first lead of the game when they took the opening possession of the second half and drove 54 yards in 14 plays, with Reed making his second field goal of the evening, this time from 41 yards away, giving the Steelers an 8-7 advantage.

The score stayed that way until San Diego marched down the field midway through the fourth quarter and reclaimed the lead when K Nate Kaeding nailed a 22-yard field goal to put the Chargers back up by a score of 10-8.

After a penalty on the ensuing kickoff trapped Pittsburgh deep inside their own territory, **QB Ben Roethlisberger** led his squad on a 13-play, 73 yard drive down to the Chargers 14-yard line, where Reed's third field goal gave the Steelers an 11-10 victory. Roethlisberger was 6-for-6 for 62 yards passing on the game-winning drive, his 15th career regular-season come-from-behind fourth-quarter victory.

Roethlisberger had one of his strongest performances of 2008 by finishing 31-of-41 for 308, his sixth career 300-yard passing performance.

WR Hines Ward established season highs with 11 receptions for 124 yards (11.3 avg.), his second consecutive 100-yard receiving effort. **RB Willie Parker** returned from a shoulder injury to rush 25 times for 115 yards (4.6 avg.), his third 100-yard rushing performance in five starts.

DE Brett Keisel and **LB James Harrison** recorded the Steelers two sacks.

GAME SUMMARY

Chargers (4-6)	7	0	0	3	10
STEELERS (7-3)	0	5	3	3	11

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
SD	1	6:46	Tomlinson 3 run (Kaeding kick)	6-59: 3:30	0-7
PIT	2	14:46	McNeill tackled by J. Harrison in end zone for safety	—; —	2-7
PIT	2	0:00	Reed 21 FG	8-54: 1:23	5-7
PIT	3	8:41	Reed 41 FG	14-54: 6:19	8-7
SD	4	6:41	Kaeding 22 FG	17-78: 7:34	8-10
PIT	4	0:11	Reed 32 FG	13-73: 6:30	11-10

TEAM STATISTICS

	Chargers	Steelers
1st Downs	16 (7-8-1)	24 (8-16-0)
3rd Downs	5-10 (50%)	7-14 (50%)
4th Downs	0-0 (0%)	0-1 (0%)
Total Net Yards	213	410
Plays-Avg.	50-4.3	73-5.6
Rushing Yards	66	124
Rush Att.-Avg.	22-3.0	28-4.4
Passing Yards	147	286
Att.-Comp.-int.	26-15-2	41-31-0
Sacks By	4-22	2-12
Punts-Avg.	2-43.5	4-31.0
Penalties	2-5	13-115
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Time of Poss.	23:29	36:31

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: S.D. — Tomlinson 18-57, 1 TD; Rivers 1-5; Tolbert 2-4; Sproles 1-0. Pit. — Parker 25-115; Russell 2-10; Moore 1-(-1).

PASSING: S.D. — Rivers 26-15-2, 159. Pit. — Roethlisberger 41-31-0, 308.

RECEIVING: S.D. — Tomlinson 3-40; Chambers 3-21; Floyd 2-29; Jackson 2-25; Gates 2-10; Manumaleuna 1-17; Sproles 1-9; Naanee 1-8. Pit. — Ward 11-124; Spaeth 6-55; Holmes 5-63; Moore 5-33; Washington 2-14; McHugh 1-15; Parker 1-4.

Game #11

Pittsburgh 27, Cincinnati 10
Nov. 20, 2008
Heinz Field (59,854)

PITTSBURGH — The Steelers reeled off 20 consecutive points after falling behind early to the Cincinnati Bengals en route to a 27-10 victory at Heinz Field on Nov. 20. It marked the fifth consecutive time that Pittsburgh has defeated Cincinnati, and improved the Steelers record to 8-3.

Cincinnati momentarily grabbed an early lead when QB Ryan Fitzpatrick found WR Glenn Holt on a crossing pattern over the middle for a 10-yard touchdown pass and a 7-0 Bengals lead with 3:08 remaining in the first quarter.

The Steelers responded with a touchdown of their own less than five minutes into the second quarter when QB Ben Roethlisberger threw a three-yard touchdown strike to TE Heath Miller, who was back in the lineup for the first time since missing two consecutive games with an ankle injury. K Jeff Reed's 37-yard field goal with time winding down in the half gave Pittsburgh the lead for good at 10-7.

The Steelers built on their lead on the opening possession of the third quarter when Reed's 38-yard field goal upped the Pittsburgh lead to 13-7. RB Gary Russell stretched the lead to 20-7 with 16 seconds remaining in the third quarter when he ran around right end for a two-yard touchdown run, the first touchdown of his NFL career.

Cincinnati cut the deficit in half when K Shayne Graham capped an 11 play, 37-yard drive with a 26-yard field goal with 6:47 remaining in regulation. Pittsburgh answered that score as Roethlisberger completed a 73-yard drive by diving into the end zone from eight yards out with 2:15 left to play to make the score 27-10.

The Bengals tried putting together one final desperation drive, advancing to the Pittsburgh 15-yard line before Steelers' S Troy Polamalu ended that threat by recording his team-leading fifth interception of the season to put the finishing touches on a second consecutive victory.

Roethlisberger had his second straight strong performance, completing 17-of-30 (56.7 pct.) passes for 243 yards with one touchdown and a passer rating of 94.2 while rushing for one touchdown.

WR Antonio Holmes led the team with five receptions for 84 yards (16.8 avg.), while RB Mewelde Moore paced the ground game with 56 yards on 15 attempts (3.7 avg.).

LB LaMarr Woodley posted the Steelers only sack of the evening as Pittsburgh limited the Bengals to only 208 yards of total offense, including 43 on the ground.

GAME SUMMARY

Bengals (1-9-1)	7	0	0	3	10
STEELERS (8-3)	0	10	10	7	27

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
CIN	1	3:08	Holt 10 pass from Fitzpatrick (Graham kick)	11-62: 6:02	0-7
PIT	2	10:16	Miller 3 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	8-54: 4:33	7-7
PIT	2	1:52	Reed 37 FG	11-72: 5:39	10-7
PIT	3	8:18	Reed 38 FG	12-57: 5:37	13-7
PIT	3	0:16	Russell 2 run (Reed kick)	7-64: 4:13	20-7
CIN	4	6:47	Graham 26 FG	11-37: 5:19	20-10
PIT	4	2:15	Roethlisberger 8 run (Reed kick)	11-73: 4:32	27-10

TEAM STATISTICS

	Bengals	Steelers
1st Downs	11 (3-8-0)	20 (9-11-0)
3rd Downs	4-15 (27%)	6-14 (43%)
4th Downs	0-1 (0%)	1-1 (100%)
Total Net Yards	208	364
Plays-Avg.	58-3.6	67-5.4
Rushing Yards	43	121
Rush Att.-Avg.	20-2.2	37-3.3
Passing Yards	165	243
Att.-Comp.-int.	37-20-1	30-17-0
Sacks By	0-0	1-3
Punts-Avg.	8-36.6	5-28.4
Penalties	2-15	4-40
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Time of Poss.	24:40	35:20

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Cin. — Benson 16-35; Fitzpatrick 2-8; Perry 2-2. Pit. — Moore 15-56; Parker 14-37; Roethlisberger 3-13, 1 TD; Davis 1-6; Russell 3-5, 1 TD; Washington 1-4.

PASSING: Cin. — Fitzpatrick 37-20-1, 168, 1 TD. Pit. — Roethlisberger 30-17-0, 243, 1 TD.

RECEIVING: Cin. — Houshmandzadeh 4-20; Kelly 3-41; Utecht 3-36; Caldwell 3-26; Henry 2-25; Holt 2-16, 1 TD; Perry 2-0; Benson 1-4. Pit. — Holmes 5-84; Miller 4-44, 1 TD; Moore 4-41; Sweed 2-25; Ward 1-37; Washington 1-12.

Game #12

Pittsburgh 33, New England 10
Nov. 30, 2008
Gillette Stadium (68,756)

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — The Steelers maintained a one-game lead over the Baltimore Ravens in the battle for the AFC North division crown by defeating the New England Patriots 33-10 at Gillette Stadium. Pittsburgh used a 13-point third quarter to turn a 10-10 contest into a victory that improved the Steelers overall record to 9-3.

New England struck first following a LB Mike Vrabel interception of Steelers QB Ben Roethlisberger. Three plays later RB Sammy Morris scoring from two yards out to put New England up 7-0. Both teams then exchanged field goals as K Jeff Reed connected from 20 yards and Pats' K Stephen Gostkowski nailed a 29-yard field goal.

Pittsburgh tied the game at 10-10 heading into the half when Roethlisberger led the team on a nine-play, 63-yard drive that ended with him finding WR Antonio Holmes all alone in the end zone for the touchdown.

The third quarter belonged to the Steelers as Roethlisberger found WR Hines Ward for an 11-yard touchdown reception sandwiched around 25 and 20-yard field goals by Reed to take a 23-10 lead into the fourth.

New England was driving into Pittsburgh territory when S Troy Polamalu established a career high by recording his sixth interception of the season, returning it 23 yards to the Pittsburgh 34-yard line. Reed's third field goal of the day, this time from 45 yards, made the score 26-10 Steelers.

Steelers LB Lawrence Timmons ended any potential drama when he picked Cassel off at the Pittsburgh 10-yard line and returned the ball 89 yards to the New England one-yard line, setting up a one-yard touchdown run by RB Gary Russell, clinching a 33-10 victory for the Steelers.

Roethlisberger completed 17-of-33 passes for 179 yards with two touchdowns and one interception. RB Willie Parker led the Steelers ground attack with 87 yards on 16 attempts (5.4 avg.). Ward finished with five receptions for 37 yards (7.4 avg.) and his team-leading sixth touchdown reception of the season.

Defensively, LB James Harrison led the charge with two sacks and two forced fumbles. LB LaMarr Woodley recorded one sack and had a fumble recovery. LB James Farrior had 0.5 sacks and one fumble recovery while NT Casey Hampton had his first sack of the season and DE Aaron Smith had 0.5 sacks. LB Keyaron Fox recovered a fumble on special teams.

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (9-3)	3	7	13	10	33
Patriots (7-5)	7	3	0	0	10

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
NE	1	12:01	Morris 2 run (Gostkowski kick)	3-14: 0:45	0-7
PIT	1	2:51	Reed 20 FG	11-62: 5:48	3-7
NE	2	6:48	Gostkowski 29 FG	11-49: 4:55	3-10
PIT	2	1:55	Holmes 10 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	9-63: 4:53	10-10
PIT	3	5:39	Reed 25 FG	14-79: 6:53	13-10
PIT	3	5:04	Ward 11 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	2-8: 0:35	20-10
PIT	3	2:50	Reed 20 FG	5-25: 2:01	23-10
PIT	4	5:43	Reed 45 FG	6-39: 3:35	26-10
PIT	4	2:44	Russell 1 run (Reed kick)	2-1: 0:45	33-10

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Patriots
1st Downs	19 (8-11-0)	19 (7-7-5)
3rd Downs	8-16 (50%)	1-13 (8%)
4th Downs	0-0 (0%)	2-2 (100%)
Total Net Yards	333	267
Plays-Avg.	68-4.9	64-4.2
Rushing Yards	161	122
Rush Att.-Avg.	34-4.7	20-6.1
Passing Yards	172	145
Att.-Comp.-int.	33-17-1	39-19-2
Sacks By	5-24	1-7
Punts-Avg.	3-38.3	4-43.3
Penalties	8-88	6-45
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	3-3
Time of Poss.	35:05	24:55

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Parker 16-87; Moore 12-67; Roethlisberger 3-6; Russell 3-1, 1 TD. N.E. — Faulk 6-73; Morris 10-45, 1 TD; Green-Ellis 2-3; Cassel 2-1.

PASSING: Pit. — Roethlisberger 33-17-1, 179, 2 TDs. N.E. — Cassel 39-19-2, 169.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Ward 5-37, 1 TD; Miller 4-60; Washington 3-41; Holmes 2-28, 1 TD; Moore 2-9; Spaeth 1-4. N.E. — Faulk 7-48; Moss 4-45; Welker 4-30; Green-Ellis 1-20; Morris 1-12; Watson 1-12; Gaffney 1-2.

Game #13

Pittsburgh 20, Dallas 13
Dec. 7, 2008
Heinz Field (60,594)

PITTSBURGH — The Steelers stunned the visiting Dallas Cowboys by scoring 17 points in the final 7:15 of regulation to turn a 13-3 deficit into a 20-13 victory at Heinz Field. Pittsburgh improved to 10-3 with the victory and remained one game ahead of the Baltimore Ravens in the AFC North Division.

Scoring was at a premium in the first half as neither offense was able to get on track against two of the NFL's better defenses. Pittsburgh started the scoring with a 24-yard field goal by **K Jeff Reed** but Dallas answered with a 44-yard field goal by K Nick Folk as time expired in the second quarter to tie the game at 3-3 heading into the intermission.

Dallas struck first after the break when QB Tony Romo marched his team 67 yards in eight plays to take a 10-3 lead when he hit WR Terrell Owens over the middle for a 12-yard touchdown reception. That marked the first time this season that the Steelers defense gave up a touchdown on the opening drive of the second half. Romo and the Cowboys stretched that lead to 13-3 on their next possession when Folk connected from 33 yards away to make the score 13-3 in favor of the Cowboys.

The Steelers began their comeback when Reed nailed a 41-yard field goal with 7:15 to play to get the Steelers to within seven points. **QB Ben Roethlisberger** was able to tie the game at 13 on the Steelers next possession when he engineered an eight play, 67-yard drive of his own that culminated with a six-yard touchdown strike from Roethlisberger to **TE Heath Miller**.

Overtime appeared imminent when **CB Deshea Townsend** capped the comeback for the Steelers. Townsend intercepted a Romo pass intended for TE Jason Witten and took it 25-yards down the left sideline into the end zone for an improbable 20-13 victory for the Steelers.

Roethlisberger finished 17-of-33 passes for 204 yards with one touchdown for a passer rating of 80.9. **WR Nate Washington** led the Steelers with four receptions for 58 yards (14.5 avg.) while **RB Mewelde Moore** also had four catches for 36 yards (9.0 avg.).

LB James Harrison tied a team record by recording his 15th sack of the season. **DE Travis Kirschke** and **LB James Farrior** also registered sacks. **SS Troy Polamalu** had his league-leading 7th interception of the season and **CB Ike Taylor** added his first interception of the season.

GAME SUMMARY

Cowboys (8-5)	0	3	10	0	13
STEELERS (10-3)	0	3	0	17	20

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
PIT	2	2:40	Reed 24 FG	6-16; 2:45	3-0
DAL	2	0:00	Folk 44 FG	8-49; 2:40	3-3
DAL	3	9:36	Owens 12 pass from Romo (Folk kick)	8-67; 4:18	3-10
DAL	3	3:32	Folk 33 FG	7-57; 2:48	3-13
PIT	4	7:15	Reed 41 FG	4-2; 1:27	6-13
PIT	4	2:04	Miller 6 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	8-67; 3:06	13-13
PIT	4	1:40	Townsend 25 interception return (Reed kick)	—; —	20-13

TEAM STATISTICS

	Cowboys	Steelers
1st Downs	15 (5-10-0)	13 (4-8-1)
3rd Downs	3-14 (21%)	3-16 (19%)
4th Downs	0-3 (0%)	1-2 (50%)
Total Net Yards	289	238
Plays-Avg.	65-4.4	64-3.7
Rushing Yards	95	70
Rush Att.-Avg.	26-3.7	26-2.7
Passing Yards	194	168
Att.-Comp.-Int.	36-19-3	33-17-0
Sacks By	5-36	3-16
Punts-Avg.	4-40.0	6-32.8
Penalties	5-24	2-10
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-2
Time of Poss.	30:30	29:30

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Dal. — Choice 23-88; Romo 1-6; Owens 1-1; Anderson 1-0. Pit. — Parker 12-25; Moore 5-22; Roethlisberger 5-17; Russell 4-6.

PASSING: Dal. — Romo 36-19-3, 210, 1 TD. Pit. — Roethlisberger 33-17-0, 204, 1 TD.

RECEIVING: Dal. — Witten 6-62; Choice 5-78; Owens 3-32, 1 TD; Bennett 2-19; Roy Williams 2-16; Curtis 1-3. Pit. — Washington 4-58; Moore 4-36; Holmes 3-82; Miller 3-20, 1 TD; Spaeth 1-6; Ward 1-2; Davis 1-0.

Game #14

Pittsburgh 13, Baltimore 9
Dec. 14, 2008
M&T Bank Stadium (71,502)

BALTIMORE — The Steelers came back from a fourth-quarter deficit for the second consecutive week by scoring 10 points in the final frame to stretch their winning streak to five games with a 13-9 victory over the Baltimore Ravens at M&T Bank Stadium. Pittsburgh clinched their second straight AFC North Division title.

After a scoreless first quarter, Baltimore struck first following a 46-yard punt return by Ravens S Jim Leonhard. QB Joe Flacco led the Ravens to the Pittsburgh 10-yard line before the drive stalled, and K Matt Stover came on to hit a 28-yard field goal to give Baltimore a 3-0 advantage.

Pittsburgh responded with a field goal on the ensuing possession. **QB Ben Roethlisberger** drove the Steelers deep into Ravens' territory, but this time it was Baltimore stopping Pittsburgh inside the red zone, and **K Jeff Reed** came on to tie the score at 3-3 with a 31-yard field goal.

Baltimore regained the lead when Stover hit a 26-yard field goal with 52 seconds remaining in the first half to help Baltimore regain the lead 6-3. The Ravens upped their lead to 9-3 midway through the third quarter when Stover nailed his third field goal, another 28-yard boot, following an S Ed Reed recovery of a **WR Santonio Holmes** fumble at the Pittsburgh 16-yard line.

Pittsburgh cut into Baltimore's advantage just over five minutes into the fourth quarter as Reed hit from 30 yards away to make it 9-6 Ravens.

That lead looked like it was going to hold up when the Ravens pinned the Steelers at their own eight-yard line with 3:36 remaining in regulation. But Roethlisberger drove the Steelers 92 yards in 12 plays, culminated by Roethlisberger throwing a four-yard scoring strike to Holmes with less than one minutes remaining. **CB William Gay** picked off a Flacco pass intended for WR Derrick Mason, and the Steelers secured their sixth road win of the season.

Roethlisberger completed 22-of-40 passes for 246 yards with one touchdown for a passer rating of 81.9. **WR Hines Ward** caught eight passes for 107 yards (13.4 avg.).

Defensively, the Steelers gave up only 202 yards to the Ravens, including 90 net yards passing. **DE Aaron Smith** and **LB Lawrence Timmons** had the Steelers' sacks. **S Ryan Clark** had the Steelers other interception.

GAME SUMMARY

STEELERS (11-3)	0	3	0	10	13
Ravens (9-5)	0	6	3	0	9

TEAM	Q	TIME	PLAY	DRIVE	SCORE
BAL	2	12:30	Stover 28 FG	7-33; 2:30	0-3
PIT	2	5:44	Reed 31 FG	14-68; 6:46	3-3
BAL	2	0:49	Stover 26 FG	15-69; 4:55	3-6
BAL	3	6:02	Stover 28 FG	4-6; 1:32	3-9
PIT	4	9:26	Reed 30 FG	9-54; 3:52	6-9
PIT	4	0:43	Holmes 4 pass from Roethlisberger (Reed kick)	12-92; 2:53	13-9

TEAM STATISTICS

	Steelers	Ravens
1st Downs	18 (5-13-0)	12 (4-8-0)
3rd Downs	8-17 (47%)	4-14 (29%)
4th Downs	0-0 (0%)	0-0 (0%)
Total Net Yards	311	202
Plays-Avg.	70-4.4	61-3.3
Rushing Yards	91	112
Rush Att.-Avg.	27-3.4	31-3.6
Passing Yards	220	90
Att.-Comp.-Int.	40-22-0	28-11-2
Sacks By	2-25	3-26
Punts-Avg.	6-42.0	7-41.7
Penalties	6-48	6-40
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-0
Time of Poss.	31:38	28:22

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Pit. — Parker 14-47; Roethlisberger 4-21; Moore 7-16; Washington 1-6; Russell 1-1. Bal. — McClain 23-87; McGahee 6-18; Flacco 1-5; Neal 1-2.

PASSING: Pit. — Roethlisberger 40-22-0, 246, 1 TD. Bal. — Flacco 28-11-2, 115.

RECEIVING: Pit. — Ward 8-107; Washington 5-76; Miller 3-26; Holmes 3-21, TD; Parker 2-9; McHugh 1-7. Bal. — Clayton 3-38; Mason 3-23; Neal 2-15; McGahee 2-15; Heap 1-24.

2008 PITTSBURGH STEELERS DEFENSIVE/SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

Player				Sacks/		Int./	SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS								
	U	A	Tot	Yds.	QH/P	Yards	U	A	Tot	FF	FR	BL			
Farrior	86	41	127	3.5/23.0	5/9	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Clark	48	53	101	0.0/0.0	0/2	1/0	5	0	5	0	0	0			
Harrison	65	28	93	15.0/104.5	10/33	1/33	10	2	12	0	0	0			
Polamalu	55	20	75	0.0/0.0	0/0	7/59	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Foote	49	24	73	1.5/8.5	3/2	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Woodley	46	21	67	11.5/85.0	8/20	1/6	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Taylor	45	16	61	0.0/0.0	0/4	1/0	3	2	5	0	0	0			
Aa. Smith	49	8	57	5.5/38.5	6/15	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Timmons	39	17	56	5.0/43.0	5/7	1/89	5	1	6	0	1	0			
McFadden	39	7	46	0.0/0.0	0/1	2/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Kirschke	29	11	40	1.5/9.5	3/7	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Gay	30	4	34	0.0/0.0	0/0	1/12	8	0	8	0	0	0			
Keisel	21	8	29	1.0/9.0	1/9	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Hampton	18	5	23	1.0/6.0	0/4	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Townsend	18	3	21	0.0/0.0	0/3	2/27	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Hoke	13	3	16	0.0/0.0	0/7	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Eason	9	3	12	1.5/7.0	3/3	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Carter	7	3	10	0.0/0.0	0/0	1/14	3	1	4	0	0	0			
Bryant	3	0	3	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Roye	2	0	2	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Madison	1	1	2	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	15	7	22	0	0	0			
An. Smith	1	0	1	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	3	1	4	0	0	0			
Fox	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	11	7	18	0	1	0			
Bailey	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	8	4	12	0	0	0			
Russell	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	5	2	7	0	0	0			
Frazier	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/1	0/0	4	3	7	0	0	1			
Woods	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	3	2	5	0	0	0			
C. Davis	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	3	2	5	0	0	0			
Davenport	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	3	1	4	0	0	0			
Retkofsky	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	1	3	4	0	0	0			
Reed	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	3	0	3	0	0	0			
Warren	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	2	0	2	0	0	0			
Berger	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	2	0	2	0	0	0			
Spaeth	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	1	0	1	0	0	0			
Miller	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	0	1	1	0	0	0			
Paxson	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0/0	0	1	1	0	0	0			
TOTALS	667	276	943	47/334	47/128	17/240	79	11	8	95	42	137	0	2	1
OPPONENTS	591	297	888	44/278	73/28	12/116	72	13	7	62	31	93	1	2	0

2008 PITTSBURGH STEELERS DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE

WR	86	HINES WARD (6-0, 205, 11)	85	Nate Washington (6-1, 185, 4)		
LT	78	MAX STARKS (6-8, 345, 5)	77	Marvel Smith (6-5, 321, 9)	66	Tony Hills (6-5, 304, R)
LG	68	CHRIS KEMOEAU (6-3, 344, 4)	65	Jeremy Parquet (6-6, 315, 4)		
C	62	JUSTIN HARTWIG (6-4, 312, 7)				
RG	72	DARNELL STAPLETON (6-3, 305, 2)	79	Trai Essex (6-4, 324, 4)		
RT	74	WILLIE COLON (6-3, 315, 3)	79	Trai Essex (6-4, 324, 4)		
TE	83	HEATH MILLER (6-5, 256, 4)	89	Matt Spaeth (6-7, 270, 2)	49	Sean McHugh (6-5, 265, 5)
RB	39	WILLIE PARKER (5-10, 209, 5)	21	Mewelde Moore (5-11, 209, 5)	33	Gary Russell (5-11, 215, 2)
FB	38	CAREY DAVIS (5-10, 225, 3)				
QB	7	BEN ROETHLISBERGER (6-5, 241, 5)	4	Byron Leftwich (6-5, 250, 6)	2	Dennis Dixon (6-3, 195, R)
WR	10	SANTONIO HOLMES (5-11, 189, 3)	14	Limas Sweed (6-4, 220, R)		

DEFENSE

DE	91	AARON SMITH (6-5, 298, 10)	90	Travis Kirschke (6-3, 298, 12)	96	Orpheus Roye (6-4, 330, 13)
NT	98	CASEY HAMPTON (6-1, 325, 8)	76	Chris Hoke (6-2, 305, 8)	71	Scott Paxson (6-4, 292, 1)
DE	99	BRETT KEISEL (6-5, 285, 7)	93	Nick Eason (6-3, 305, 6)		
LOLB	56	LAMARR WOODLEY (6-2, 265, 2)	54	Andre Frazier (6-5, 255, 4)	55	Patrick Bailey (6-4, 235, R)
LILB	51	JAMES FARRIOR (6-2, 243, 12)	57	Keyaron Fox (6-3, 235, 5)		
RILB	50	LARRY FOOTE (6-1, 239, 7)	94	Lawrence Timmons (6-1, 234, 2)		
ROLB	92	JAMES HARRISON (6-0, 242, 5)	53	Bruce Davis (6-3, 252, R)		
LCB	24	IKE TAYLOR (6-2, 195, 6)	22	William Gay (5-10, 190, 2)	37	Anthony Madison (5-9, 180, 3)
FS	25	RYAN CLARK (5-11, 205, 7)	27	Anthony Smith (6-1, 200, 3)		
SS	43	TROY POLAMALU (5-10, 207, 6)	23	Tyrone Carter (5-9, 195, 9)		
RCB	20	BRYANT McFADDEN (6-0, 190, 4)	26	Deshea Townsend (5-10, 190, 11)	31	Fernando Bryant (5-10, 175, 10)

SPECIAL TEAMS

P	17	MITCH BERGER (6-4, 228, 13)		
PK	3	JEFF REED (5-11, 225, 7)		
LS	61	JARED RETKOFSKY (6-5, 260, 1)		
H	17	MITCH BERGER (6-4, 228, 13)		
KR	33	GARY RUSSELL (5-11, 215, 2)	21	Mewelde Moore (5-11, 209, 5)
PR	10	SANTONIO HOLMES (5-11, 189, 3)	21	Mewelde Moore (5-11, 209, 5)

- Rookies

PITTSBURGH STEELERS 2008 ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

												12/16/2008
NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	DOB	AGE	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ	2007	GPI/GS
55	Bailey, Patrick	LB	6-4	235	07/27/85	23	R	Duke	Elmendorf, TX	FA '08		0/0
17	Berger, Mitch	P	6-4	228	06/24/72	36	13	Colorado	Kamloops, Canada	FA '08		5/0
31	Bryant, Fernando	CB	5-10	175	03/26/77	31	10	Alabama	Murfeesboro, TN	FA '08		16/16
23	Carter, Tyrone	S	5-9	195	03/31/76	32	9	Minnesota	Pompano Beach, FL	FA '04		16/5
25	Clark, Ryan	S	5-11	205	10/12/79	29	7	Louisiana State	Merraro, LA	UFA '06 (Was)		6/6
74	Colon, Willie	OT	6-3	315	04/09/83	25	3	Hofstra	Bronx, NY	D4a '06		16/16
53	Davis, Bruce	LB	6-3	252	09/02/85	22	R	UCLA	Houston, TX	D3 '08		0/0
38	Davis, Carey	RB	5-10	225	03/27/81	27	3	Illinois	St. Louis, MO	FA '06		16/7
2	Dixon, Dennis	QB	6-3	195	01/11/85	22	R	Oregon	San Leandro, CA	D5 '08		0/0
93	Eason, Nick	DE	6-3	305	05/29/80	28	6	Clemson	Lyons, GA	FA '07		16/1
79	Essex, Trai	OT	6-4	324	12/05/82	26	4	Northwestern	Fort Wayne, IN	D3 '05		3/0
51	Farrior, James	LB	6-2	243	01/06/75	33	12	Virginia	Ettrick, VA	UFA '02 (NYJ)		16/16
50	Foote, Larry	LB	6-1	239	06/12/80	28	7	Michigan	Detroit, MI	D4 '02		16/16
57	Fox, Keyaron	LB	6-3	235	01/24/82	26	5	Georgia Tech	Atlanta, GA	FA '08		10/0
54	Frazier, Andre	LB	6-5	245	06/29/82	26	4	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, OH	FA '07		10/0
22	Gay, William	CB	5-10	190	01/01/85	23	2	Louisville	Tallahasee, FL	D5b '07		16/0
98	Hampton, Casey	DT	6-1	325	09/03/77	31	8	Texas	Galveston, TX	D1 '01		15/15
92	Harrison, James	LB	6-0	242	05/04/78	30	5	Kent State	Akron, OH	FA '04		16/16
62	Hartwig, Justin	C	6-4	312	11/21/78	30	7	Kansas	Mankato, MN	UFA '08 (Car)		15/15
66	Hills, Tony	OT	6-5	304	11/04/84	23	R	Texas	Houston, TX	D4 '08		0/0
76	Hoke, Chris	DT	6-2	305	04/06/76	32	8	Brigham Young	Long Beach, CA	FA '01		16/1
10	Holmes, Santonio	WR	5-11	192	03/03/84	24	3	Ohio State	Belle Glade, FL	D1 '06		13/13
99	Keisel, Brett	DE	6-5	285	09/19/78	30	7	Brigham Young	Greybull, WY	D7b '02		16/16
68	Kemoeatu, Chris	OG	6-3	344	01/04/83	25	4	Utah	Kahuka, HI	D6 '05		15/0
90	Kirschke, Travis	DE	6-3	298	09/06/74	34	12	UCLA	Highland Ranch, CO	UFA '04 (SF)		16/4
4	Leftwich, Byron	QB	6-5	250	01/14/80	28	6	Marshall	Washington, D.C.	FA '08		3/2
37	Madison, Anthony	CB	5-9	180	10/08/81	27	3	Alabama	Thomasville, AL	FA '07		9/0
20	McFadden, Bryant	CB	6-0	190	11/21/81	27	4	Florida State	Hollywood, FL	D2 '05		13/0
49	McHugh, Sean	TE	6-5	265	05/27/82	26	5	Penn State	University Heights, OH	FA '08		15/12
83	Miller, Heath	TE	6-5	256	10/22/82	26	4	Virginia	Swords Creek, VA	D1 '05		16/16
21	Moore, Mewelde	RB	5-11	209	07/24/82	26	5	Tulane	Hammond, LA	UFA '08 (Min)		12/0
39	Parker, Willie	RB	5-10	209	11/11/80	28	5	North Carolina	Clinton, NC	FA '04		15/15
65	Parquet, Jeremy	OL	6-6	321	04/11/82	26	4	Southern Mississippi	Norco, LA	FA '07		0/0
71	Paxson, Scott	DL	6-4	292	02/03/83	25	1	Penn State	Philadelphia, PA	FA '06		0/0
43	Polamalu, Troy	S	5-10	207	04/19/81	27	6	Southern California	Tenmile, OR	D1 '03		11/11
3	Reed, Jeff	K	5-11	225	04/09/79	29	7	North Carolina	Charlotte, NC	FA '02		16/0
61	Retkofsky, Jared	LS	6-5	260	03/16/83	25	1	TCU	Justin, Texas	FA '08		0/0
7	Roethlisberger, Ben	QB	6-5	241	03/02/82	26	5	Miami (OH)	Findlay, OH	D1 '04		15/15
96	Roye, Orpheus	DE	6-4	330	01/21/73	35	13	Florida State	Miami, FL	FA '08		13/6
33	Russell, Gary	RB	5-11	215	09/08/86	22	2	Minnesota	Columbus, OH	FA '07		3/0
91	Smith, Aaron	DE	6-5	298	04/19/76	32	10	Northern Colorado	Colorado Springs, CO	D4 '99		11/11
27	Smith, Anthony	S	6-1	200	09/20/83	25	3	Syracuse	Hubbard, OH	D3a '06		16/10
77	Smith, Marvel	OT	6-5	321	08/06/78	30	9	Arizona State	Oakland, CA	D2 '00		12/12
89	Spaeth, Matt	TE	6-7	270	11/24/84	24	2	Minnesota	St. Michael, MN	D3 '07		14/6
72	Stapleton, Darnell	G/C	6-3	305	09/21/85	23	2	Rutgers	Union, NJ	FA '07		0/0
78	Starks, Max	OT	6-8	345	01/10/82	26	5	Florida	Orlando, FL	D3 '04		16/4
14	Sweed, Limas	WR	6-4	220	12/25/84	23	R	Texas	Brenham, TX	D2 '08		0/0
24	Taylor, Ike	CB	6-2	195	05/05/80	28	6	LA-Lafayette	Gretna, LA	D4 '03		16/16
94	Timmons, Lawrence	LB	6-1	234	05/14/86	22	2	Florida State	Florence, SC	D1 '07		16/0
26	Townsend, Deshea	CB	5-10	190	09/08/75	33	11	Alabama	Batesville, MS	D4a '98		16/16
86	Ward, Hines	WR	6-0	205	03/08/76	32	11	Georgia	Forest Park, GA	D3b '98		13/13
85	Washington, Nate	WR	6-1	185	08/28/83	25	4	Tiffin	Toledo, OH	FA '05		16/4
56	Woodley, LaMarr	LB	6-2	265	11/03/84	24	2	Michigan	Saginaw, MI	D2 '07		13/0
PRACTICE SQUAD												
13	Allen, Marvin	WR	5-10	185	03/05/83	25	1	None	Croydon, England	FA '08		0/0
81	Baker, Dallas	WR	6-3	206	11/10/82	26	1	Florida	New Smyrna Beach, FL	D7 '07		0/0
64	Legursky, Doug	G	6-1	323	7/9/1986	22	R	Marshall	Frankfurt, Germany	FA '08		0/0
30	Lewis, Roy	CB	5-10	190	05/19/85	23	R	Washington	Los Angeles, CA	FA '08		0/0
29	Mundy, Ryan	S	6-1	215	02/11/85	23	R	West Virginia	Pittsburgh, PA	D6b '08		0/0
15	Nance, Martin	WR	6-3	212	05/26/83	25	1	Miami (OH)	Maryland Heights, MO	FA '08		0/0
84	Sherrrod, Dezmond	TE	6-2	250	05/11/85	22	R	Mississippi State	Newport, RI	FA '08		0/0
28	Vincent, Justin	RB	5-10	219	01/25/83	25	1	LSU	Lake Charles, LA	FA '07		0/0
95	Woods, Donovan	LB	6-2	230	07/27/85	23	R	Oklahoma State	Oklahoma City, OK	FA '08		0/0
RESERVE/INJURED												
16	Batch, Charlie	QB	6-2	216	12/05/74	34	11	Eastern Michigan	Homestead, PA	FA '02		7/1
67	Clement, Kyle	DL	6-3	315	04/10/85	23	R	Northwood	Hudsonville, MI	FA '08		0/0
88	Dekker, Jon	TE	6-5	250	05/15/83	25	2	Princeton	Greenfield, WI	FA '06		3/0
97	Harrison, Arnold	LB	6-3	241	09/20/82	26	3	Georgia	Augusta, GA	FA '05		13/0
55	Humpal, Mike	LB	6-3	240	02/17/85	23	R	Iowa	New Hampton, IA	D6a '08		0/0
34	Mendenhall, Rashard	RB	5-10	225	06/19/87	20	R	Illinois	Skokie, IL	D1 '08		0/0
9	Sepulveda, Daniel	P	6-3	230	01/12/84	23	2	Baylor	Austin, Texas	D4a '07		16/0
73	Simmons, Kendall	OG	6-3	315	03/11/79	29	7	Auburn	Ripley, MS	D1 '02		16/16
60	Warren, Greg	LS	6-3	252	10/18/81	27	4	North Carolina	Goldsboro, NC	FA '05		16/0

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PITTSBURGH STEELERS 2008 NUMERICAL ROSTER

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NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	DOB	AGE	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ	2007 GP/GS
2	Dennis Dixon	QB	6-3	195	01/11/85	22	R	Oregon	San Leandro, CA	D5 '08	0/0
3	Jeff Reed	K	5-11	225	04/09/79	29	7	North Carolina	Charlotte, NC	FA '02	16/0
4	Byron Leftwich	QB	6-5	250	01/14/80	28	6	Marshall	Washington, D.C.	FA '08	3/2
7	Ben Roethlisberger	QB	6-5	241	03/02/82	26	5	Miami (OH)	Findlay, OH	D1 '04	15/15
10	Santonio Holmes	WR	5-11	192	03/03/84	24	3	Ohio State	Belle Glade, FL	D1 '06	13/13
14	Limas Sweed	WR	6-4	220	12/25/84	23	R	Texas	Brenham, TX	D2 '08	0/0
17	Mitch Berger	P	6-4	228	06/24/72	36	13	Colorado	Kamloops, Canada	FA '08	5/0
20	Bryant McFadden	CB	6-0	190	11/21/81	27	4	Florida State	Hollywood, FL	D2 '05	13/0
21	Mewelde Moore	RB	5-11	209	07/24/82	25	5	Tulane	Hammond, LA	UFA '08 (Min)	12/0
22	William Gay	CB	5-10	190	01/01/85	23	2	Louisville	Tallahassee, FL	D5b '07	16/0
23	Tyrone Carter	S	5-9	195	03/31/76	32	9	Minnesota	Pompano Beach, FL	FA '04	16/5
24	Ike Taylor	CB	6-2	195	05/05/80	28	6	LA-Lafayette	Gretna, LA	D4 '03	16/16
25	Ryan Clark	S	5-11	205	10/12/79	29	7	Louisiana State	Merraro, LA	UFA '06 (Was)	6/6
26	Deshea Townsend	CB	5-10	190	09/08/75	33	11	Alabama	Batesville, MS	D4a '98	16/16
27	Anthony Smith	S	6-1	200	09/20/83	25	3	Syracuse	Hubbard, OH	D3a '06	16/10
31	Fernando Bryant	CB	5-10	175	03/26/77	31	10	Alabama	Murfreesboro, TN	FA '08	16/16
33	Gary Russell	RB	5-11	215	09/08/86	22	2	Minnesota	Columbus, OH	FA-'07	3/0
37	Anthony Madison	CB	5-9	180	10/08/81	27	3	Alabama	Thomasville, AL	FA '07	9/0
38	Carey Davis	RB	5-10	225	03/27/81	27	3	Illinois	St. Louis, MO	FA '06	16/7
39	Willie Parker	RB	5-10	209	11/11/80	28	5	North Carolina	Clinton, NC	FA '04	15/15
43	Troy Polamalu	S	5-10	207	04/19/81	27	6	Southern California	Tenmile, OR	D1 '03	11/11
49	Sean McHugh	TE	6-5	265	05/27/82	26	5	Penn State	University Heights, OH	FA '08	15/12
50	Larry Foote	LB	6-1	239	06/12/80	28	7	Michigan	Detroit, MI	D4 '02	16/16
51	James Farrior	LB	6-2	243	01/06/75	33	12	Virginia	Ettrick, VA	UFA '02 (NYJ)	16/16
53	Bruce Davis	LB	6-3	252	09/02/85	22	R	UCLA	Houston, TX	D3 '08	0/0
54	Andre Frazier	LB	6-5	245	06/29/82	26	4	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, OH	FA '07	10/0
55	Patrick Bailey	LB	6-4	235	07/27/85	23	R	Duke	Elmendorf, TX	FA '08	0/0
56	LaMarr Woodley	LB	6-2	265	11/03/84	24	2	Michigan	Saginaw, MI	D2 '07	13/0
57	Keyaron Fox	LB	6-3	235	01/24/82	26	5	Georgia Tech	Atlanta, GA	FA '08	10/0
61	Jared Retkofsky	LS	6-5	260	03/16/83	25	1	TCU	Justin, Texas	FA '08	0/0
62	Justin Hartwig	C	6-4	312	11/21/78	30	7	Kansas	Mankato, MN	UFA '08 (Car)	15/15
65	Jeremy Parquet	OL	6-6	321	04/11/82	26	4	Southern Mississipp	Norco, LA	FA '07	0/0
66	Tony Hills	OT	6-5	304	11/04/84	23	R	Texas	Houston, TX	D4 '08	0/0
68	Chris Kemoeatu	OG	6-3	344	01/04/83	25	4	Utah	Kahuka, HI	D6 '05	15/0
71	Scott Paxson	DL	6-4	292	02/03/83	25	1	Penn State	Philadelphia, PA	FA '06	0/0
72	Darnell Stapleton	G/C	6-3	305	09/21/85	23	2	Rutgers	Union, NJ	FA '07	0/0
74	Willie Colon	OT	6-3	315	04/09/83	26	3	Hofstra	Bronx, NY	D4a '06	16/16
76	Chris Hoke	DT	6-2	305	04/06/76	32	8	Brigham Young	Long Beach, CA	FA '01	16/1
77	Marvel Smith	OT	6-5	321	08/06/78	30	9	Arizona State	Oakland, CA	D2 '00	12/12
78	Max Starks	OT	6-8	345	01/10/82	26	5	Florida	Orlando, FL	D3 '04	16/4
79	Trai Essex	OT	6-4	324	12/05/82	26	4	Northwestern	Fort Wayne, IN	D3 '05	3/0
83	Heath Miller	TE	6-5	256	10/22/82	26	4	Virginia	Swords Creek, VA	D1 '05	16/16
85	Nate Washington	WR	6-1	185	08/28/83	25	4	Tiffin	Toledo, OH	FA '05	16/4
86	Hines Ward	WR	6-0	205	03/08/76	32	11	Georgia	Forest Park, GA	D3b '98	13/13
89	Matt Spaeth	TE	6-7	270	11/24/84	24	2	Minnesota	St. Michael, MN	D3 '07	14/6
90	Travis Kirschke	DE	6-3	298	09/06/74	34	12	UCLA	Highland Ranch, CO	UFA '04 (SF)	16/4
91	Aaron Smith	DE	6-5	298	04/19/76	32	10	Northern Colorado	Colorado Springs, CO	D4 '99	11/11
92	James Harrison	LB	6-0	242	05/04/78	30	5	Kent State	Akron, OH	FA '04	16/16
93	Nick Eason	DE	6-3	305	05/29/80	28	6	Clemson	Lyons, GA	FA '07	16/1
94	Lawrence Timmons	LB	6-1	234	05/14/86	22	2	Florida State	Florence, SC	D1 '07	16/0
96	Orpheus Roye	DE	6-4	330	01/21/73	35	13	Florida State	Miami, FL	FA '08	13/6
98	Casey Hampton	DT	6-1	325	09/03/77	31	8	Texas	Galveston, TX	D1 '01	15/15
99	Brett Keisel	DE	6-5	285	09/19/78	30	7	Brigham Young	Greybull, WY	D7b '02	16/16
PRACTICE SQUAD											
13	Marvin Allen	WR	5-10	185	03/05/83	25	1	None	Croydon, England	FA '08	0/0
15	Martin Nance	WR	6-3	212	05/26/83	25	1	Miami (OH)	Maryland Heights, MO	FA '08	0/0
28	Justin Vincent	RB	5-10	219	01/25/83	25	1	LSU	Lake Charles, LA	FA '07	0/0
29	Ryan Mundy	S	6-1	215	02/11/85	23	R	West Virginia	Pittsburgh, PA	D6b '08	0/0
30	Roy Lewis	CB	5-10	190	05/19/85	23	R	Washington	Los Angeles, CA	FA '08	0/0
64	Doug Legursky	G	6-1	323	7/9/1986	22	R	Marshall	Frankfurt, Germany	FA '08	0/0
81	Dallas Baker	WR	6-3	206	11/10/82	26	1	Florida	New Smyrna Beach, FL	D7 '07	0/0
84	Dezmond Sherrod	TE	6-2	250	05/11/85	22	R	Mississippi State	Newport, RI	FA '08	0/0
95	Donovan Woods	LB	6-2	230	07/27/85	23	R	Oklahoma State	Oklahoma City, OK	FA '08	0/0
RESERVE/INJURED											
9	Daniel Sepulveda	P	6-3	230	01/12/84	23	2	Baylor	Austin, Texas	D4a '07	16/0
16	Charlie Batch	QB	6-2	216	12/05/74	34	11	Eastern Michigan	Homestead, PA	FA '02	7/1
34	Rashard Mendenhall	RB	5-10	225	06/19/87	20	R	Illinois	Skokie, IL	D1 '08	0/0
55	Mike Humpal	LB	6-3	240	02/17/85	23	R	Iowa	New Hampton, IA	D6a '08	0/0
60	Greg Warren	LS	6-3	252	10/18/81	27	4	North Carolina	Goldsboro, NC	FA '05	16/0
67	Kyle Clement	DL	6-3	315	04/10/85	23	R	Northwood	Hudsonville, MI	FA '08	0/0
73	Kendall Simmons	OG	6-3	315	03/11/79	29	7	Auburn	Ripley, MS	D1 '02	16/16
88	Jon Dekker	TE	6-5	250	05/15/83	25	2	Princeton	Greenfield, WI	FA '06	3/0
97	Arnold Harrison	LB	6-3	241	09/20/82	26	3	Georgia	Augusta, GA	FA '05	13/0

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OFFENSE (26)											
NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	DOB	AGE	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ	2007 GP/GS
QUARTERBACKS (3)											
2	Dennis Dixon	QB	6-3	195	01/11/85	22	R	Oregon	San Leandro, CA	D5 '08	0/0
4	Byron Leftwich	QB	6-5	250	01/14/80	28	6	Marshall	Washington, D.C.	FA '08	3/2
7	Ben Roethlisberger	QB	6-5	241	03/02/82	26	5	Miami (OH)	Findlay, OH	D1 '04	15/15
RUNNING BACKS (4)											
21	Mewelde Moore	RB	5-11	209	07/24/82	26	5	Tulane	Hammond, LA	UFA '08 (Min)	12/0
33	Gary Russell	RB	5-11	215	09/08/86	22	2	Minnesota	Columbus, OH	FA '07	3/0
38	Carey Davis	RB	5-10	225	03/27/81	27	3	Illinois	St. Louis, MO	FA '06	16/7
39	Willie Parker	RB	5-10	209	11/11/80	28	5	North Carolina	Clinton, NC	FA '04	15/15
WIDE RECEIVERS (4)											
10	Santonio Holmes	WR	5-11	192	03/03/84	24	3	Ohio State	Belle Glade, FL	D1 '06	13/13
14	Limas Sweed	WR	6-4	220	12/25/84	23	R	Texas	Brenham, TX	D2 '08	0/0
85	Nate Washington	WR	6-1	185	08/28/83	25	4	Tiffin	Toledo, OH	FA '05	16/4
86	Hines Ward	WR	6-0	205	03/08/76	32	11	Georgia	Forest Park, GA	D3b '98	13/13
TIGHT ENDS (3)											
49	Sean McHugh	TE	6-5	265	05/27/82	26	5	Penn State	University Heights, OH	FA '08	15/12
83	Heath Miller	TE	6-5	256	10/22/82	26	4	Virginia	Swords Creek, VA	D1 '05	16/16
89	Matt Spaeth	TE	6-7	270	11/24/84	24	2	Minnesota	St. Michael, MN	D3 '07	14/6
OFFENSIVE LINEMEN (9)											
62	Justin Hartwig	C	6-4	312	11/21/78	30	7	Kansas	Mankato, MN	UFA '08 (Car)	15/15
65	Jeremy Parquet	OL	6-6	321	04/11/82	26	4	Southern Mississippi	Norco, LA	FA '07	0/0
66	Tony Hills	OT	6-5	304	11/04/84	23	R	Texas	Houston, TX	D4 '08	0/0
68	Chris Kemoeatu	OG	6-3	344	01/04/83	25	4	Utah	Kahuka, HI	D6 '05	15/0
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78	Max Starks	OT	6-8	345	01/10/82	26	5	Florida	Orlando, FL	D3 '04	16/4
79	Trai Essex	OT	6-4	324	12/05/82	26	4	Northwestern	Fort Wayne, IN	D3 '05	3/0
SPECIALISTS (3)											
3	Jeff Reed	K	5-11	225	04/09/79	29	7	North Carolina	Charlotte, NC	FA '02	16/0
17	Mitch Berger	P	6-4	228	06/24/72	36	13	Colorado	Kamloops, Canada	FA '08	5/0
61	Jared Retkofsky	LS	6-5	260	03/16/83	25	1	TCU	Justin, Texas	FA '08	0/0
DEFENSE (27)											
DEFENSIVE LINEMEN (8)											
71	Scott Paxson	DL	6-4	292	02/03/83	25	1	Penn State	Philadelphia, PA	FA '06	0/0
76	Chris Hoke	DT	6-2	305	04/06/76	32	8	Brigham Young	Long Beach, CA	FA '02	16/1
90	Travis Kirschke	DE	6-3	298	09/06/74	34	12	UCLA	Highland Ranch, CO	UFA '04 (SF)	16/4
91	Aaron Smith	DE	6-5	298	04/19/76	32	10	Northern Colorado	Colorado Springs, CO	D4 '99	11/11
93	Nick Eason	DE	6-3	305	05/29/80	28	6	Clemson	Lyons, GA	FA '07	16/1
96	Orpheus Roye	DE	6-4	330	01/21/73	35	13	Florida State	Miami, FL	FA '08	13/6
98	Casey Hampton	DT	6-1	325	09/03/77	31	8	Texas	Galveston, TX	D1 '01	15/15
99	Brett Keisel	DE	6-5	285	09/19/78	30	7	Brigham Young	Greybull, WY	D7b '02	16/16
LINEBACKERS (9)											
50	Larry Foote	LB	6-1	239	06/12/80	28	7	Michigan	Detroit, MI	D4 '02	16/16
51	James Farrior	LB	6-2	243	01/06/75	33	12	Virginia	Ettrick, VA	UFA '02 (NYJ)	16/16
53	Bruce Davis	LB	6-3	252	09/02/85	22	R	UCLA	Houston, TX	D3 '08	0/0
54	Andre Frazier	LB	6-5	245	06/29/82	26	4	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, OH	FA '07	10/0
55	Patrick Bailey	LB	6-4	235	07/27/85	23	R	Duke	Elmendorf, TX	FA '08	0/0
56	LaMarr Woodley	LB	6-2	265	11/03/84	24	2	Michigan	Saginaw, MI	D2 '07	13/0
57	Keyaron Fox	LB	6-3	235	01/24/82	26	5	Georgia Tech	Atlanta, GA	FA '08	10/0
92	James Harrison	LB	6-0	242	05/04/78	30	5	Kent State	Akron, OH	FA '04	16/16
94	Lawrence Timmons	LB	6-1	234	05/14/86	22	2	Florida State	Florence, SC	D1 '07	16/0
DEFENSIVE BACKS (10)											
20	Bryant McFadden	CB	6-0	190	11/21/81	27	4	Florida State	Hollywood, FL	D2 '05	13/0
22	William Gay	CB	5-10	190	01/01/85	23	2	Louisville	Tallahasee, FL	D5b '07	16/0
23	Tyrone Carter	S	5-9	195	03/31/76	32	9	Minnesota	Pompano Beach, FL	FA '04	16/5
24	Ike Taylor	CB	6-2	195	05/05/80	28	6	LA-Lafayette	Gretna, LA	D4 '03	16/16
25	Ryan Clark	S	5-11	205	10/12/79	29	7	Louisiana State	Merraro, LA	UFA '06 (Was)	6/6
26	Deshea Townsend	CB	5-10	190	09/08/75	33	11	Alabama	Batesville, MS	D4a '98	16/16
27	Anthony Smith	S	6-1	200	09/20/83	25	3	Syracuse	Hubbard, OH	D3a '06	16/10
31	Fernando Bryant	CB	5-10	175	03/26/77	31	10	Alabama	Murfreesboro, TN	FA '08	16/16
37	Anthony Madison	CB	5-9	180	10/08/81	27	3	Alabama	Thomasville, AL	FA '07	9/0
43	Troy Polamalu	S	5-10	207	04/19/81	27	6	Southern California	Tenmile, OR	D1 '03	11/11

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2008 PITTSBURGH STEELERS BY EXPERIENCE

											12/16/2008	
NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	DOB	AGE	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	HOW ACQ	2007 GS/GP	
13th YEAR (2)												
17	Berger, Mitch	P	6-4	228	06/24/72	36	13	Colorado	Kamloops, Canada	FA '08	5/0	
96	Roye, Orpheus	DE	6-4	330	01/21/73	35	13	Florida State	Miami, FL	FA '08	13/6	
12th YEAR (2)												
51	Farrior, James	LB	6-2	243	01/06/75	33	12	Virginia	Etrick, VA	UFA '02 (NYJ)	16/16	
90	Kirschke, Travis	DE	6-3	298	09/06/74	34	12	UCLA	Highland Ranch, CO	UFA '04 (SF)	16/4	
11th YEAR (2)												
26	Townsend, Deshea	CB	5-10	190	09/08/75	33	11	Alabama	Batesville, MS	D4a '98	16/16	
86	Ward, Hines	WR	6-0	205	03/08/76	32	11	Georgia	Forest Park, GA	D3b '98	13/13	
10th YEAR (2)												
31	Bryant, Fernando	CB	5-10	175	03/26/77	31	10	Alabama	Murfreesboro, TN	FA '08	16/16	
91	Smith, Aaron	DE	6-5	298	04/19/76	32	10	Northern Colorado	Colorado Springs, CO	D4 '99	11/11	
9th YEAR (2)												
23	Carter, Tyrone	S	5-9	195	03/31/76	32	9	Minnesota	Pompano Beach, FL	FA '04	16/5	
77	Smith, Marvel	OT	6-5	321	08/06/78	30	9	Arizona State	Oakland, CA	D2 '00	12/12	
8th YEAR (2)												
98	Hampton, Casey	DT	6-1	325	09/03/77	31	8	Texas	Galveston, TX	D1 '01	15/15	
76	Hoke, Chris	DT	6-2	305	04/06/76	32	8	Brigham Young	Long Beach, CA	FA '01	16/1	
7th YEAR (5)												
25	Clark, Ryan	S	5-11	205	10/12/79	29	7	Louisiana State	Merraro, LA	UFA '06 (Was)	6/6	
50	Foote, Larry	LB	6-1	239	06/12/80	28	7	Michigan	Detroit, MI	D4 '02	16/16	
62	Hartwig, Justin	C	6-4	312	11/21/78	30	7	Kansas	Mankato, MN	UFA '08 (Car)	15/15	
99	Keisel, Brett	DE	6-5	285	09/19/78	30	7	Brigham Young	Greybull, WY	D7b '02	16/16	
3	Reed, Jeff	K	5-11	225	04/09/79	29	7	North Carolina	Charlotte, NC	FA '02	16/0	
6th YEAR (4)												
93	Eason, Nick	DE	6-3	305	05/29/80	28	6	Clemson	Lyons, GA	FA '07	16/1	
4	Leftwich, Byron	QB	6-5	250	01/14/80	28	6	Marshall	Washington, D.C.	FA '08	3/2	
43	Polamalu, Troy	S	5-10	207	04/19/81	27	6	Southern California	Tenmile, OR	D1 '03	11/11	
24	Taylor, Ike	CB	6-2	195	05/05/80	28	6	LA-Lafayette	Gretna, LA	D4 '03	16/16	
5th YEAR (7)												
92	Harrison, James	LB	6-0	242	05/04/78	30	5	Kent State	Akron, OH	FA '04	16/16	
57	Fox, Keyaron	LB	6-3	235	01/24/82	26	5	Georgia Tech	Atlanta, GA	FA '08	10/0	
49	McHugh, Sean	TE	6-5	265	05/27/82	26	5	Penn State	University Heights, OH	FA '08	15/12	
21	Moore, Mewelde	RB	5-11	209	07/24/82	25	5	Tulane	Hammond, LA	UFA '08 (Min)	12/0	
39	Parker, Willie	RB	5-10	209	11/11/80	28	5	North Carolina	Clinton, NC	FA '04	15/15	
7	Roethlisberger, Ben	QB	6-5	241	03/02/82	26	5	Miami (OH)	Findlay, OH	D1 '04	15/15	
78	Starks, Max	OT	6-8	345	01/10/82	26	5	Florida	Orlando, FL	D3 '04	16/4	
4th YEAR (7)												
79	Essex, Trai	OT	6-4	324	12/05/82	26	4	Northwestern	Fort Wayne, IN	D3 '05	3/0	
54	Frazier, Andre	LB	6-5	245	06/29/82	26	4	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, OH	FA '07	10/0	
68	Kemoeatu, Chris	OG	6-3	344	01/04/83	25	4	Utah	Kahuka, HI	D6 '05	15/0	
20	McFadden, Bryant	CB	6-0	190	11/21/81	27	4	Florida State	Hollywood, FL	D2 '05	13/0	
83	Miller, Heath	TE	6-5	256	10/22/82	26	4	Virginia	Swords Creek, VA	D1 '05	16/16	
65	Parquet, Jeremy	OL	6-6	321	04/11/82	26	4	Southern Mississippi	Norco, LA	FA '07	0/0	
85	Washington, Nate	WR	6-1	185	08/28/83	25	4	Tiffin	Toledo, OH	FA '05	16/4	
3rd YEAR (5)												
74	Colon, Willie	OT	6-3	315	04/09/83	26	3	Hofstra	Bronx, NY	D4a '06	16/16	
38	Davis, Carey	RB	5-10	225	03/27/81	27	3	Illinois	St. Louis, MO	FA '06	16/7	
10	Holmes, Santonio	WR	5-11	192	03/03/84	24	3	Ohio State	Belle Glade, FL	D1 '06	13/13	
37	Madison, Anthony	CB	5-9	180	10/08/81	27	3	Alabama	Thomasville, AL	FA '07	9/0	
27	Smith, Anthony	S	6-1	200	09/20/83	25	3	Syracuse	Hubbard, OH	D3a '06	16/10	
2nd YEAR (6)												
22	Gay, William	CB	5-10	190	01/01/85	23	2	Louisville	Tallahasee, FL	D5b '07	16/0	
33	Russell, Gary	RB	5-11	215	09/08/86	22	2	Minnesota	Columbus, OH	FA '07	3/0	
89	Spaeth, Matt	TE	6-7	270	11/24/84	24	2	Minnesota	St. Michael, MN	D3 '07	14/6	
72	Stapleton, Darnell	G/C	6-3	305	09/21/85	23	2	Rutgers	Union, NJ	FA '07	0/0	
56	Woodley, LaMarr	LB	6-2	265	11/03/84	24	2	Michigan	Saginaw, MI	D2 '07	13/0	
94	Timmons, Lawrence	LB	6-1	234	05/14/86	22	2	Florida State	Florence, SC	D1 '07	16/0	
1st YEAR (2)												
71	Paxson, Scott	DL	6-4	292	02/03/83	25	1	Penn State	Philadelphia, PA	FA '06	0/0	
61	Retkofsky, Jared	LS	6-5	260	03/16/83	25	1	TCU	Justin, Texas	FA '08	0/0	
ROOKIES (5)												
55	Bailey, Patrick	LB	6-4	235	07/27/85	23	R	Duke	Elmendorf, TX	FA '08	0/0	
53	Davis, Bruce	LB	6-3	252	09/02/85	22	R	UCLA	Houston, TX	D3 '08	0/0	
2	Dixon, Dennis	QB	6-3	195	01/11/85	22	R	Oregon	San Leandro, CA	D5 '08	0/0	
66	Hills, Tony	OT	6-5	304	11/04/84	23	R	Texas	Houston, TX	D4 '08	0/0	
14	Sweed, Limas	WR	6-4	220	12/25/84	23	R	Texas	Brenham, TX	D2 '08	0/0	

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Date	Pos.	Name	Transaction	Date	Pos.	Name	Transaction
01/03/08	TE	Cody Boyd	Signed contract	8/16/08	DE	Kevin Huntley	Released
01/11/08	WR	Dallas Baker	Signed contract	8/17/08	DE	Orpheus Roye	Signed contract
01/11/08	WR	Jeremy Bloom	Signed contract	8/21/08	LB	James Farrior	Signed contract extension
01/11/08	S	Mike Lorello	Signed contract	8/25/08	P	Daniel Sepulveda	Placed on Reserve/Injured List
01/11/08	LB	Anthony Trucks	Signed contract	8/25/08	QB	Mike Potts	Released
01/11/08	RB	Justin Vincent	Signed contract	8/25/08	DL	Martavius Prince	Released
01/11/08	WR	Gerran Walker	Signed contract	8/25/08	WR	Jeremy Bloom	Released
01/11/08	OG	Matt Lentz	Signed contract	8/26/08	TE	Cody Boyd	Placed on Waived/Injured List
01/14/08	RB	Billy Latsko	Signed contract	8/30/08	LB	Patrick Bailey	Released
01/14/08	LS	Jared Retkofsky	Signed contract	8/30/08	QB	Charlie Batch	Placed on Reserve/Injured List
01/15/08	DT	Scott Paxson	Signed contract	8/30/08	WR	Eddie Drummond	Released
02/06/08	WR	Matt Trannon	Signed contract	8/30/08	P	Paul Ernster	Released
02/06/08	QB	Jared Zabransky	Signed contract	8/30/08	LB	Mike Humpal	Placed on Waived/Injured List
02/19/08	DE	Travis Kirschke	Signed contract extension	8/30/08	FB	Billy Latsko	Released
02/22/08	LB	Clint Kriewaldt	Released	8/30/08	OL	Doug Legursky	Released
02/22/08	CB/RS	Allen Rossum	Released	8/30/08	OL	Matt Lentz	Released
02/22/08	TE	Jerame Tuman	Released	8/30/08	CB	Roy Lewis	Released
03/03/08	QB	Ben Roethlisberger	Signed contract	8/30/08	S	Grant Mason	Released
03/03/08	RB	Mewelde Moore	Signed contract	8/30/08	LB	Arnold Harrison	Placed on Waived/Injured List
03/07/08	LB	Andre Frazier	Signed contract	8/30/08	DE	Ryan McBean	Released
03/12/08	LB	Keyaron Fox	Signed contract	8/30/08	S	Ryan Mundy	Released
03/18/08	G	Chris Kemoeatu	Signed contract	8/30/08	OL	Jeremy Parquet	Released
3/18/08	OT	Trai Essex	Signed contract	8/30/08	DL	Scott Paxson	Released
3/20/08	WR	Cedrick Wilson	Released	8/30/08	DL	Jordan Reffett	Released
3/25/08	C	Justin Hartwig	Signed contract	8/30/08	WR	Willie Reid	Released
3/26/08	LS	Greg Warren	Signed contract	8/30/08	WR	Micah Rucker	Released
3/27/08	DL	Nick Eason	Signed contract	8/30/08	TE	Dezmond Sherrod	Released
4/16/08	WR	Nate Washington	Signed contract	8/30/08	TE	Lee Vickers	Released
4/21/08	OT	Max Starks	Signed contract	8/30/08	RB	Justin Vincent	Released
4/28/08	LB	Patrick Bailey	Signed contract	8/30/08	CB	Travis Williams	Released
4/28/08	WR	Dorien Bryant	Signed contract	8/31/08	LB	Patrick Bailey	Signed to practice squad
4/28/08	C	Doug Legursky	Signed contract	8/31/08	CB	Roy Lewis	Signed to practice squad
4/28/08	CB	Roy Lewis	Signed contract	8/31/08	S	Grant Mason	Signed to practice squad
4/28/08	QB	Mike Potts	Signed contract	8/31/08	OL	Jeremy Parquet	Signed to practice squad
4/28/08	DL	Martavius Prince	Signed contract	8/31/08	DL	Scott Paxson	Signed to practice squad
4/28/08	K	Julian Rauch	Signed contract	8/31/08	WR	Micah Rucker	Signed to practice squad
4/28/08	DL	Jordan Reffett	Signed contract	8/31/08	TE	Dezmond Sherrod	Signed to practice squad
4/28/08	WR	Micah Rucker	Signed contract	8/31/08	RB	Justin Vincent	Signed to practice squad
4/28/08	TE	Dezmond Sherrod	Signed contract	9/2/08	C	Sean Mahan	Traded to Tampa Bay
4/28/08	CB	Travis Williams	Signed contract	9/3/08	TE	Sean McHugh	Signed contract
4/28/08	LB	Donovan Woods	Signed contract	9/9/08	WR	Micah Rucker	Released from practice squad
4/29/08	DL	Kyle Clement	Signed contract	9/9/08	WR	Martin Nance	Signed to practice squad
5/03/08	WR	Dorien Bryant	Released	9/20/08	RB	Gary Russell	Released
5/03/08	WR	Kevin Marion	Signed contract	9/20/08	LB	Patrick Bailey	Signed to active roster
6/28/08	RB	Najeh Davenport	Released	9/22/08	RB	Gary Russell	Signed to the practice squad
6/28/08	S	Mike Lorello	Released	10/1/08	RB	Najeh Davenport	Signed to contract
6/28/08	OL	Doug Legursky	Released	10/1/08	RB	Gary Russell	Signed to active roster
6/28/08	LS	Jared Retkofsky	Released	10/1/08	RB	Rashard Mendenhall	Placed on Reserve/Injured List
7/2/08	QB	Jared Zabransky	Released	10/1/08	G	Kendall Simmons	Placed on Reserve/Injured List
7/2/08	WR	Marvin Allen	Signed contract	10/1/08	DL	Jordan Reffett	Signed to practice squad
7/7/08	OT	Tony Hills	Signed contract	10/1/08	G	Doug Legursky	Signed to practice squad
7/9/08	LB	Bruce Davis	Signed contract	10/1/08	S	Grant Mason	Released from practice squad
7/14/08	QB	Dennis Dixon	Signed contract	10/4/08	LB	Patrick Bailey	Released
7/14/08	DB	Ryan Mundy	Signed contract	10/4/08	DL	Scott Paxson	Signed to active roster
7/16/08	LB	Mike Humpal	Signed contract	10/6/08	LB	Patrick Bailey	Signed to practice squad
7/24/08	WR	Matt Trannon	Released	10/14/08	DL	Jordan Reffett	Released from practice squad
7/25/08	RB	Rashard Mendenhall	Signed contract	10/14/08	RS	Jayson Foster	Signed to practice squad
7/27/08	WR	Limas Sweed	Signed contract	10/18/08	DL	Scott Paxson	Released
7/29/08	P	Paul Ernster	Claimed on Waivers	10/18/08	OL	Jeremy Parquet	Signed to active roster
7/29/08	WR	Kevin Marion	Released	10/22/08	DL	Scott Paxson	Re-signed to practice squad
7/31/08	OT	Jason Capizzi	Placed on Waived/Injured List	10/23/08	RB	Justin Vincent	Released from practice squad
7/31/08	WR	Eddie Drummond	Signed contract	10/23/08	S	Grant Mason	Re-signed to practice squad
8/2/08	K	Julian Rauch	Released	10/25/08	LB	Donovan Woods	Released
8/2/08	OL	Doug Legursky	Signed contract	10/25/08	LB	Patrick Bailey	Signed to active roster
8/10/08	LB	Anthony Trucks	Released	10/28/08	LS	Greg Warren	Place on the Reserve/Injured List
8/10/08	WR	Gerran Walker	Released	10/28/08	LS	Jared Retkofsky	Signed contract
8/10/08	P	Mitch Berger	Signed contract	10/28/08	P	Ricky Schmitt	Signed to the practice squad
8/10/08	QB	Byron Leftwich	Signed contract	11/1/08	P	Ricky Schmitt	Released from practice squad
8/12/08	DL	Kyle Clement	Released	11/1/08	LB	Donovan Woods	Signed to practice squad
8/12/08	DE	Kevin Huntley	Claimed on Waivers	11/5/08	P	Mitch Berger	Released
8/16/08	TE	Jonathan Dekker	Placed on Waived/Injured List	11/5/08	P	Paul Ernster	Signed contract
8/16/08	TE	Lee Vickers	Signed contract	11/6/08	RS	Jayson Foster	Released from practice squad

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11/6/08	RB	Justin Vincent	Re-signed to practice squad
11/8/08	RB	Najeh Davenport	Released
11/8/08	LB	Donovan Woods	Signed from practice squad
11/11/08	CB	Grant Mason	Released from practice squad
11/11/08	CB	Ryan Mundy	Signed to practice squad
11/11/08	LB	Donovan Woods	Released
11/11/08	CB	Fernando Bryant	Signed contract
11/12/08	LB	Donovan Woods	Re-signed to the practice squad
11/15/08	WR	Dallas Baker	Released
11/15/08	CB	Roy Lewis	Signed from practice squad
11/17/08	WR	Dallas Baker	Signed to practice squad
11/24/08	P	Paul Ernster	Released
11/24/08	P	Mitch Berger	Re-signed to active roster
11/27/08	CB	Roy Lewis	Released
11/27/08	RB	Najeh Davenport	Re-signed to active roster
12/1/08	CB	Roy Lewis	Re-signed to the practice squad
12/1/08	RB	Najeh Davenport	Released
12/1/08	DL	Scott Paxson	Re-signed to active roster

HOW THE 2008 STEELERS WERE BUILT

Year-Record (Finish)	Draft Choices (26)			Free Agents (21) Unrestricted Free Agents (6) Trade (0)		
1998: 7-9 (3rd AFC Central)	WR	Hines Ward	(#3b)			
	CB	Deshea Townsend	(#4a)			
1999: 6-10 (4th AFC Central)	DE	Aaron Smith	(#4)			
2000: 9-7 (3rd AFC Central)	OT	Marvel Smith	(#2)			
2001: 13-3 (1st AFC Central)	DT	Casey Hampton	(#1)	DT	Chris Hoke	FA
2002: 11-5-1 (1st AFC North)	LB	Larry Foote	(#4)	LB	James Farrior	UFA (NYJ)
	DE	Brett Keisel	(#7b)	K	Jeff Reed	FA
2003: 6-10 (3rd AFC North)	S	Troy Polamalu	(#1)			
	CB	Ike Taylor	(#4)			
2004: 15-1 (1st AFC North)	QB	Ben Roethlisberger	(#1)	S	Tyrone Carter	FA
	OT	Max Starks	(#3)	LB	James Harrison	FA
				DE	Travis Kirschke	UFA (S.F.)
				RB	Willie Parker	FA
2005: 11-5 (2nd AFC North)	TE	Heath Miller	(#1)	WR	Nate Washington	FA
	CB	Bryant McFadden	(#2)			
	OT	Trai Essex	(#3)			
	OG	Chris Kemoeatu	(#6)			
2006: 8-8 (T-2nd AFC North)	WR	Santonio Holmes	(#1)	S	Ryan Clark	UFA (WAS)
	FS	Anthony Smith	(#3a)	RB	Carey Davis	FA
	OT	Willie Colon	(#4a)			
2007: 10-6 (1st AFC North)	LB	Lawrence Timmons	(#1)	LB	Andre Frazier	FA
	LB	LaMarr Woodley	(#2)	C	Darnell Stapleton	FA
	TE	Matt Spaeth	(#3)	DE	Nick Eason	FA
	CB	William Gay	(#5b)	CB	Anthony Madison	FA
				RB	Gary Russell	FA
2008: 0-0 (AFC North)	WR	Limas Sweed	(#2)	QB	Byron Leftwich	FA
	LB	Bruce Davis	(#3)	LB	Patrick Bailey	FA
	OT	Tony Hills	(#4)	DE	Orpheus Roye	FA*
	QB	Dennis Dixon	(#5)	RB	Mewelde Moore	UFA (MIN)
				LB	Keyaron Fox	UFA (KC)
				C	Justin Hartwig	UFA (CAR)
				TE	Sean McHugh	FA
				P	Mitch Berger	FA
				CB	Fernando Bryant	FA
				OL	Jeremy Parquet	FA
				LS	Jared Retkofsky	FA
				DL	Scott Paxson	FA

*Roye was originally drafted by the Steelers in 1996 before leaving the team in free agency following the 1999 season.

2008 PLAYER PARTICIPATION

Games	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16				
	Sep	Sep	Sep	Sep	Oct	Oct	Oct	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov	Dec	Dec	Dec	Dec				
	7	14	21	29	5	19	26	3	9	16	20	30	7	14	21	28				
	@	@			@	@			@			@		@	@					
	HOUCLE	PHI	BAL	JAC	CIN	CIN	NYG	WAS	IND	SD	CIN	NE	DAL	BAL	TEN	CLE	Career	Consec.	2008 Injury	2008
																	G-S	G-S	Games Missed	Games/ Starts
Names																				
Allen, Marvin	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	SI	SI	SI			0-0	0-0	0	0/0
Bailey, Patrick	PS	PS	P	P	-	PS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			10-0	8-0	0	10/0
Baker, Dallas	P	P	P	P	P	SI	P	P	P	-	PS	PS	PS	PS			8-0	0-0	1	8/0
Batch, Charlie	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR			70-50	0-0	14	0/0
Berger, Mitch	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	-	-	P	P	P			175-0	3-0	0	11/0
Bryant, Fernando	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	P	SI	SI	SI			112-109	0-0	0	2/0
Carter, Tyrone	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	FS	P	P	P	P	P	P			133-40	62-0	0	14/1
Clark, Ryan	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	SI	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS			82-59	6-6	1	13/13
Colon, Willie	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT			32-32	32-32	0	14/14
Davenport, Najeh	-	-	-	-	P	P	P	P	-	-	-	SI	-	-			71-3	0-0	0	4/0
Davis, Bruce	SI	SI	SI	P	P	P	P	SI	P	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI			5-0	0-0	0	5/0
Davis, Carey	FB	P	P	FB	SI	SI	P	FB	FB	P	P	P	P	P			29-10	8-0	2	12/4
Dixon, Dennis	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP			0-0	0-0	0	0/0
Eason, Nick	P	P	P	P	SI	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			59-4	9-0	1	13/0
Ernster, Paul	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	P	P	-	-	-			22-0	0-0	0	3/0
Essex, Trai	P	SI	SI	SI	P	P	P	P	P	P	DNP	DNP	DNP	P			32-4	1-0	0	8/0
Farrior, James	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB			182-148	52-52	0	14/14
Foote, Larry	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB			108-81	99-78	0	14/14
Foster, Jayson	-	-	-	-	-	PS	PS	PS	-	-	-	-	-	-			0-0	0-0	0	0/0
Fox, Keyaron	P	P	P	P	P	SI	SI	SI	P	P	P	P	P	P			51-4	6-0	3	11/0
Frazier, Andre	P	P	P	P	SI	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			44-0	9-0	1	13/0
Gay, William	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	CB	CB	CB	CB	P		30-4	30-0	0	14/4
Hampton, Casey	NT	NT	NT	SI	SI	SI	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT			111-104	8-8	3	11/11
Harrison, Arnold	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR			20-2	0-0	14	0/0
Harrison, James	OLB	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL	BOL			74-38	37-31	0	14/14
Hartwig, Justin	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C			81-77	14-14	0	14/14
Hills, Tony	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI			0-0	0-0	0	0/0
Hoke, Chris	P	P	P	NT	NT	NT	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			75-15	50-0	0	14/3
Holmes, Santonio	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	SI	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR		42-30	7-7	0	13/13
Keisel, Brett	RE	RE	SI	SI	SI	RE	RE	RE	RE	RE	RE	SI	SI	SI			74-40	0-0	6	8/8
Kemoeatu, Chris	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG			32-16	26-14	0	14/14
Kirschke, Travis	P	P	RE	RE	RE	P	P	P	P	P	P	RE	RE	RE			155-36	78-3	0	14/6
Leftwich, Byron	P	DNP	P	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP			53-46	0-0	0	4/0
Lewis, Roy	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	SI	-	PS	PS			1-0	0-0	0	1/0
Madison, Anthony	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			36-0	23-0	0	14/0

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2008 PLAYER PARTICIPATION

Games	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16				
	Sep 7	Sep 14	Sep 21	Sep 29	Oct 5	Oct 19	Oct 26	Oct 3	Nov 9	Nov 16	Nov 20	Nov 30	Dec 7	Dec 14	Dec 21	Dec 28				
	@	@		@	@		@				@		@	@						
	HOUCLE	PHI	BAL	JAC	CIN	CIN	NYG	WAS	IND	SD	CIN	NE	DAL	BAL	TEN	CLE	Career G-S	Consec. G-S	2008 Injury Games Missed	2008 Games/ Starts

Names

Mason, Grant	PS	PS	PS	PS	-	-	PS	PS	PS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5-0	0-0	0	0/0
McFadden, Bryant	P	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	P	CB			49-16	2-1	6	8/6
McHugh, Sean	SI	P	TE	P	P	TE	P	P	P	TE	P	P	P	P			38-17	13-0	0	13/3
Mendenhall, Rashard	P	P	P	HB	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR			4-1	0-0	10	4/1
Miller, Heath	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	SI	SI	TE	TE	TE	TE			60-59	4-4	2	12/12
Moore, Mewelde	P	P	P	P	HB	HB	HB	P	HB	P	P	P	P	P			68-15	16-0	0	14/4
Nance, Martin	-	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS		1-1	0-0	0	0/0
Parker, Willie	HB	HB	HB	SI	SI	SI	SI	HB	SI	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB	HB		63-55	5-5	5	9/9
Parquet, Jeremy	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	DNPP		DNPP	DNPP	DNPP	DNPP	DNPP				3-0	1-0	0	3/0
Paxson, Scott	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	-	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	SI	SI			1-0	0-0	0	1/0
Polamalu, Troy	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS		86-70	14-14	0	14/14
Reed, Jeff	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		100-0	100-0	0	14/0
Retkofsky, Jared	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			7-0	7-0	0	7/0
Roethlisberger, Ben	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB		70-69	14-14	0	14/14
Roye, Orpheus	SI	SI	P	P	P	P	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	P	SI	SI			179-128	0-0	0	5/0
Rucker, Micah	PS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		0-0	0-0	0	0/0
Russell, Gary	SI	SI	-	PS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		13-0	10-0	0	10/0
Sepulveda, Daniel	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR		16-0	0-0	14	0/0
Sherrod, Dezmond	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS		0-0	0-0	0	0/0
Simmons, Kendall	RG	RG	RG	RG	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR		80-80	0-0	10	4/4
Smith, Aaron	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE	LE		143-135	14-14	0	14/14
Smith, Anthony	SI	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		45-14	13-0	0	13/0
Smith, Marvel	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI	SI		110-107	0-0	9	5/5
Spaeth, Matt	P	TE	TE	TE	TE	P	TE	P	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE		28-16	26-6	0	14/11
Stapleton, Darnell	P	P	P	P	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG		14-10	14-10	0	14/10
Starks, Max	P	P	P	P	P	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT		70-43	30-9	0	14/9
Sweed, Limas	SI	SI	SI	SI	DNPP		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			9-0	9-0	0	9/0
Taylor, Ike	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB		91-58	73-31	0	14/14
Timmons, Lawrence	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	OLBP	P	P	P	P			30-1	30-0	0	14/1
Townsend, Deshea	CB	SI	SI	P	P	P	CB	CB	CB	SI	SI	P	P	P			165-79	3-0	4	10/4
Vincent, Justin	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	-	-	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS		0-0	0-0	0	0/0
Ward, Hines	WR	WR	P	P	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR		168-147	14-10	0	14/12
Warren, Greg	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR		55-0	0-0	7	7/0
Washington, Nate	P	P	P	P	P	P	WR	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			47-6	46-0	0	14/1
Woodley, LaMarr	OLB	BOLB	BOLB	BOLB	BOLB	BOLB	BOLB	BOLB	SI	OLB	BOLB	BOLB	BOLB	BOLB	BOLB		26-13	5-5	1	13/13
Woods, Donovan	P	P	SI	SI	P	P	-	PS	P	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS			5-0	0-0	2	5/0

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2008 INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

<u>OPPONENTS</u>			<u>STEELERS</u>			
			<u>RUSHING</u>			
vs. Dal (12/7)	Tashard Choice	23	Rushes	28	Willie Parker	at Cle (9/14)
at Bal (12/14)	Le'Ron McClain					
vs. Dal (12/7)	Tashard Choice	88	Yards	138	Willie Parker	vs. Hou (9/7)
at N.E. (11/30)	Kevin Faulk	41	Long	32	Willie Parker	vs. Hou (9/7)
					Mewelde Moore	vs. NYG (10/26)
vs. Bal (9/29)	Le'Ron McClain	1	TDs	3	Willie Parker	vs. Hou (9/7)
vs. S.D. (11/16)	LaDainian Tomlinson					
at N.E. (11/30)	Sammy Morris					
			<u>RECEIVING</u>			
vs. Hou (9/7)	Andre Johnson	10	Receptions	11	Hines Ward	vs. S.D. (11/16)
vs. Bal (9/29)	Derrick Mason	137	Yards	124	Hines Ward	vs. S.D. (11/16)
vs. Ind (11/9)	Reggie Wayne	65	Long	65	Nate Washington	vs. NYG (10/26)
vs. Hou (9/7)	Kevin Walter	1	TDs	2	Hines Ward	vs. Hou (9/7)
vs. Bal (9/29)	Daniel Wilcox					
at Jax (10/5)	Mercedes Lewis					
at Cin (10/19)	Chad Ocho Cinco					
vs. NYG (10/26)	Kevin Boss					
vs. Ind (11/9)	Reggie Wayne					
vs. Ind (11/9)	Dallas Clark					
vs. Ind (11/9)	Dominic Rhodes					
vs. Cin (11/20)	Glenn Holt					
vs. Dal (12/7)	Terrell Owens					
			<u>PASSING</u>			
at Was (11/3)	Jason Campbell	43	Attempts	41	Ben Roethlisberger	vs. Ind (11/9)
					Ben Roethlisberger	vs. S.D. (11/16)
vs. Hou (9/7)	Matt Schaub	25	Completions	31	Ben Roethlisberger	vs. S.D. (11/16)
vs. Ind (11/9)	Peyton Manning	240	Yards	309	Ben Roethlisberger	at Jax (10/5)
vs. Bal (9/29)	Joe Flacco	35	Long	65	Ben Roethlisberger	vs. NYG (10/26)
vs. Ind (11/9)	Peyton Manning	3	TDs	3	Ben Roethlisberger	at Jax (10/5)
vs. Dal (12/7)	Tony Romo	3	INTs	4	Ben Roethlisberger	vs. NYG(10/26)
			<u>PUNT RETURNS</u>			
at Cle (9/14)	Joshua Cribbs	5	Returns	6	Santonio Holmes	vs. Bal (9/29)
at Bal (12/14)	Jim Leonhard					
at Bal (12/14)	Jim Leonhard	90	Yards	40	Santonio Holmes	vs. Ind (11/9)
at Bal (12/14)	Jim Leonhard	46	Long	35	Santonio Holmes	vs. Dal (12/7)
		N/A	TDs	N/A		
			<u>KICKOFF RETURNS</u>			
vs. Hou (9/7)	Andre' Davis	6	Returns	4	Najeh Davenport	vs. NYG (10/26)
					Gary Russell	vs. Ind (11/9)
vs. Bal (9/29)	Yamon Figurs	118	Yards	103	Gary Russell	vs. Ind (11/9)
at N.E. (11/30)	Ellis Hobbs	44	Long	43	Gary Russell	vs. Cin (11/20)
		N/A	TDs	N/A		
			<u>PUNTS</u>			
vs. Bal (9/29)	Sam Koch	8	Punts	8	Mitch Berger	at Was (11/3)
at Cin (10/19)	Kyle Larson					
vs. Cin (11/20)	Kyle Larson					
vs. Bal (9/29)	Sam Koch	379	Yards	290	Mitch Berger	at Was (11/3)
at Cle (9/14)	Dave Zastudil	53.0	Avg.	49.5	Mitch Berger	at Jax (10/5)
at Cle (9/14)	Dave Zastudil	52.8	Net	44.5	Mitch Berger	at Jax (10/5)
at Phi (9/21)	Sav Rocca	64	Long	61	Mitch Berger	at Jax (10/5)
at Bal (12/14)	Sam Koch	4	In 20	4	Mitch Berger	at Cle (9/14)
vs. Hou (9/7)	Matt Turk	1	Touchbacks	1	Mitch Berger	at Jax (10/5)
at Jax (10/5)	Adam Podlesh				Mitch Berger	at Cin (10/19)
at Cin (10/19)	Kyle Larson					

INTERCEPTIONS

at Phi (9/21)	Asante Samuel	1	Interceptions	1	Troy Polamalu	vs. Hou (9/7)
vs. Bal (9/29)	Haloti Ngata				LaMarr Woodley	vs. Hou (9/7)
at Jax (10/5)	Rashean Mathis				Troy Polamalu	at Cle (9/14)
vs. NYG (10/26)	Bryan Kehl				Bryant McFadden	at Cle (9/14)
vs. NYG (10/26)	Corey Webster				Bryant McFadden	at Phi (9/21)
vs. NYG (10/26)	James Butler				Troy Polamalu	at Phi (9/21)
vs. NYG (10/26)	Kenny Phillips				Deshea Townsend	at Was (11/3)
at Was (11/3)	Cornelius Griffin				Tyrone Carter	at Was (11/3)
vs. Ind (11/9)	Tim Jennings				Troy Polamalu	vs. S.D. (11/16)
vs. Ind (11/9)	Keiwan Ratliff				James Harrison	vs. S.D. (11/16)
vs. Ind (11/9)	Melvin Bullitt				Troy Polamalu	vs. Cin (11/20)
at N.E. (11/30)	Mike Vrabel				Lawrence Timmons	at N.E. (11/30)
					Troy Polamalu	at N.E. (11/30)
					Troy Polamalu	vs. Dal (12/7)
					Ike Taylor	vs. Dal (12/7)
					Deshea Townsend	vs. Dal (12/7)
					Ryan Clark	at Bal (12/14)
					William Gay	at Bal (12/14)
					Lawrence Timmons	at N.E. (11/30)
					Deshea Townsend	vs. Dal (12/7)
at Jax (10/5)	Rashean Mathis	72	Long Return	89		
at Jax (10/5)	Rashean Mathis	1	TDs	1		

TACKLES

vs. Hou (9/7)	Zac Diles	13	Total	13	James Farrior	at Was (11/3)
vs. Bal (9/29)	Ray Lewis				James Farrior	at Bal (12/14)
vs. Hou (9/7)	Zac Diles	11	Solo	12	James Farrior	at Was (11/3)
vs. Bal (9/29)	Ray Lewis	6	Assisted	6	James Farrior	vs. NYG (10/26)
					James Harrison	at Bal (12/14)
vs. NYG (10/26)	Mathias Kiwanuka	3.0	Sacks	3.0	James Harrison	vs. Hou (9/7)

2008 DRIVE ENGINEERING

REGULAR SEASON

<u>STEELERS</u>	<u>No.</u> <u>Drives</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Missed Blkd</u>			<u>Blkd</u>					<u>Safety</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Scoring</u>		<u>1st</u> <u>Drive</u>
			<u>FG</u>	<u>FG</u>	<u>FG</u>	<u>Punt</u>	<u>Punt</u>	<u>Downs</u>	<u>Fum.</u>	<u>Int.</u>			<u>Pts</u>	<u>Effic.</u>	
Sept. 7 vs. Hou	12	5	1	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	2	38	50.0	TD
Sept. 14 at Cle	9	1	1	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	22.2	Punt
Sept. 21 at Phi	12	0	2	0	0	5	0	1	2	1	1	0	6	16.7	FG
Sept. 29 vs. Bal	13	1	3	0	0	7	0	0	0	1	0	1	23	30.8	FG
Oct. 5 at Jac	11	3	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	26	45.5	INT
Oct. 19 at Cin	12	5	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	38	50.0	TD
Oct. 26 vs. NYG	12	2	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	4	1	0	14	16.7	TD
Nov. 3 at Was	14	3	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	1	0	1	23	28.6	INT
Nov. 9 vs. Ind	11	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	1	20	36.4	TD
Nov. 16 vs. S.D.	9	0	3	1	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	33.3	Missed FG
Nov. 20 vs. Cin	12	3	2	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	27	41.7	Punt
Nov. 30 at N.E.	13	3	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	33	53.8	INT
Dec. 7 vs. Dal	14	2	2	1	0	6	0	1	2	0	0	1	20	28.6	Missed FG
Dec. 14 at Bal	13	1	2	0	0	6	0	0	2	0	0	2	13	23.1	Punt
Dec. 21 at Ten															
Dec. 28 vs. Cle															
TOTAL	167	31	26	3	0	69	0	5	7	12	2	13	302	34.1	

REGULAR SEASON

<u>STEELERS</u>	<u>No.</u> <u>Drives</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Missed Blkd</u>			<u>Blkd</u>					<u>Safety</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Scoring</u>		<u>1st</u> <u>Drive</u>
			<u>FG</u>	<u>FG</u>	<u>FG</u>	<u>Punt</u>	<u>Punt</u>	<u>Downs</u>	<u>Fum.</u>	<u>Int.</u>			<u>Pts</u>	<u>Effic.</u>	
Sept. 7 vs. Hou	11	2	1	0	0	4	0	1	1	2	0	0	17	27.2	Downs
Sept. 14 at Cle	10	0	2	0	0	5	0	0	0	2	0	1	6	20.0	Punt
Sept. 21 at Phi	13	1	2	0	0	5	0	0	1	2	0	2	15	23.1	Fumble
Sept. 29 vs. Bal	14	2	2	0	0	8	0	0	1	0	0	1	20	28.6	Punt
Oct. 5 at Jac	10	3	0	0	0	5	0	2	0	0	0	1	21	30.0	TD
Oct. 19 at Cin	12	1	1	0	0	8	0	0	1	0	0	1	10	19.7	Punt
Oct. 26 vs. NYG	13	1	4	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	2	21	38.5	Punt
Nov. 3 at Was	14	0	2	0	0	6	1	2	0	2	0	1	6	14.3	FG
Nov. 9 vs. Ind	10	3	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	40.0	TD
Nov. 16 vs. S.D.	9	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	1	10	22.2	INT
Nov. 20 vs. Cin	12	1	1	0	0	8	0	1	0	1	0	0	10	16.7	Punt
Nov. 30 at N.E.	12	1	1	1	0	4	0	0	2	2	0	1	10	16.7	TD
Dec. 7 vs. Dal	14	1	2	0	0	4	0	3	1	3	0	0	13	21.4	INT
Dec. 14 at Bal	12	0	3	0	0	7	0	0	0	2	0	0	9	25.0	Punt
Dec. 21 at Ten															
Dec. 28 vs. Cle															
TOTAL	166	17	23	2	0	77	1	10	7	18	1	11	192	24.1	

2008 STEELERS SCORING DRIVES
REGULAR SEASON

Opponent	Obtained	Scoring Play	Plays	Yards	Drive	Score	Qtr	Time Remain
					Time	Pit-Opp		
vs. Houston	Downs	Parker 7 yd. run	8	52	04:48	7-0	1	05:44
vs. Houston	Punt	Parker 13 yd. run	11	76	06:03	14-0	2	11:00
vs. Houston	Interception	Ward 13 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	2	32	00:28	21-0	2	09:03
vs. Houston	Kickoff	Parker 4 yd. run	10	71	05:50	28-3	3	09:10
vs. Houston	Punt	Ward 16 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	9	80	05:36	35-3	3	02:04
vs. Houston	Fumble	Reed 44 yd. FG	4	2	00:54	38-10	4	05:24
at Cleveland	Interception	Ward 11 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	12	70	06:29	7-0	2	06:26
at Cleveland	Punt	Reed 48 yd. FG	5	54	02:18	10-0	3	07:58
at Philadelphia	Fumble	Reed 37 yd. FG	12	61	06:39	3-0	1	02:51
at Philadelphia	Interception	Reed 53 yd. FG	6	13	01:24	6-10	2	00:13
vs. Baltimore	Punt	Reed 49 yd. FG	11	45	06:41	3-0	1	06:44
vs. Baltimore	Punt	Holmes 38 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	4	67	01:40	10-13	3	04:09
vs. Baltimore	Fumble	Woodley 7 yd. fumble return	-	-	-	17-13	3	03:54
vs. Baltimore	Punt	Reed 19 yd. FG	7	60	04:44	20-13	4	09:19
vs. Baltimore	Punt	Reed 46 yd. FG	7	29	03:56	23-20	5	08:55
at Jacksonville	Kickoff	Miller 1 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	12	71	07:31	7-7	1	05:18
at Jacksonville	Kickoff	Reed 38 yd. FG	11	59	04:49	10-14	2	12:38
at Jacksonville	Punt	Washington 48 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	4	82	01:57	17-14	2	09:20
at Jacksonville	Punt	Reed 23 yd. FG	10	66	02:07	20-14	2	00:45
at Jacksonville	Punt	Ward 8 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	11	80	04:40	26-21	4	01:53
at Cincinnati	Kickoff	Moore 2 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	9	75	05:04	7-0	1	09:56
at Cincinnati	Punt	Reed 21 yd. FG	8	27	02:35	10-0	1	00:42
at Cincinnati	Punt	Moore 13 yd. run	6	55	02:47	17-7	3	08:29
at Cincinnati	Punt	Washington 50 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	6	91	02:53	24-10	4	08:17
at Cincinnati	Punt	Moore 2 yd. run	3	52	01:36	31-10	4	05:17
at Cincinnati	Fumble	Ward 16 yd. pass from Leftwich	6	34	02:56	38-10	4	01:54
vs. New York Giants	Punt	Moore 32 yd. run	4	60	01:27	7-0	1	11:15
vs. New York Giants	Punt	Washington 65 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	1	65	00:10	14-9	3	10:00
at Washington	Punt	Reed 35 yd. FG	7	62	03:13	3-6	2	08:09
at Washington	Blocked Punt	Roethlisberger 1 yd. run	4	13	01:39	10-6	2	00:32
at Washington	Kickoff	Parker 1 yd. run	8	72	04:38	16-6	3	10:22
at Washington	Interception	Holmes 5 yd. pass from Leftwich	12	77	06:43	23-6	4	11:58
vs. Indianapolis	Kickoff	Moore 1 yd. run	10	62	05:53	7-0	1	09:07
vs. Indianapolis	Punt	Moore 1 yd. run	8	77	04:19	14-7	2	13:21
vs. Indianapolis	Punt	Reed 42 yd. FG	9	34	04:28	17-7	2	04:18
vs. Indianapolis	Punt	Reed 24 yd. FG	14	64	08:27	20-17	4	07:57
vs. San Diego		(Safety) McNeill tackled in end zone	-	-	-	2-7	2	14:46
vs. San Diego	Interception	Reed 21 yd. FG	8	54	01:23	5-7	2	00:00
vs. San Diego	Kickoff	Reed 41 yd. FG	14	54	06:19	8-7	3	08:41
vs. San Diego	Kickoff	Reed 32 yd. FG	13	73	06:30	11-10	4	00:11
vs. Cincinnati	Punt	Miller 3 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	8	54	04:33	7-7	2	10:16
vs. Cincinnati	Punt	Reed 37 yd. FG	11	72	05:39	10-7	2	01:52
vs. Cincinnati	Punt	Reed 38 yd. FG	12	57	05:37	13-7	3	08:18
vs. Cincinnati	Punt	Russell 2 yd. run	7	64	04:13	20-7	3	00:16
vs. Cincinnati	Kickoff	Roethlisberger 8 yd. run	11	73	04:32	27-10	4	02:15
at New England	Punt	Reed 20 yd. FG	11	62	05:48	3-7	1	02:51
at New England	Kickoff	Holmes 19 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	9	63	04:53	10-10	2	01:55
at New England	Punt	Reed 25 yd. FG	14	79	06:53	13-10	3	05:39
at New England	Fumble	Ward 11 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	2	8	00:35	20-10	3	05:04
at New England	Fumble	Reed 20 yd. FG	5	25	02:01	23-10	3	02:50
at New England	Interception	Reed 45 yd. FG	6	39	03:35	26-10	4	05:43
at New England	Interception	Russell 1 yd. run	2	1	00:42	33-10	4	02:44
vs. Dallas	Interception	Reed 24 yd. FG	6	16	02:45	3-0	2	02:40
vs. Dallas	Punt	Reed 41 yd. FG	4	2	01:27	6-13	4	07:15
vs. Dallas	Punt	Miller 6 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	8	67	03:06	13-13	4	02:04
vs. Dallas	Interception	Townsend 25 yd. interception return	-	-	-	20-13	4	01:40
at Baltimore	Kickoff	Reed 31 yd. FG	14	68	06:46	3-3	2	05:44
at Baltimore	Punt	Reed 30 yd. FG	9	54	03:52	6-9	4	09:26
at Baltimore	Punt	Holmes 4 yd. pass from Roethlisberger	12	92	02:53	13-9	4	00:43

2008 OPPONENTS SCORING DRIVES
REGULAR SEASON

Opponent	Obtained	Scoring Play	Plays	Yards	Drive Time	Score Pit-Opp	Qtr	Time Remain
vs. Houston	Fumble	K. Brown 34 yd. FG	4	-4	02:06	21-3	2	04:29
vs. Houston	Punt	Walter 14 yd. pass from Schaub	7	57	04:14	35-10	4	09:00
vs. Houston	Kickoff	Schaub 4 yd. run	10	74	04:10	38-17	4	01:14
at Cleveland	Kickoff	Dawson 31 yd. FG	12	67	06:33	10-3	3	01:25
at Cleveland	Punt	Dawson 38 yd. FG	14	60	07:29	10-6	4	03:21
at Philadelphia	Kickoff	Buckhalter 20 yd. pass from McNabb	13	85	08:28	3-7	2	09:23
at Philadelphia	Fumble	Akers 31 yd. FG	7	32	03:18	3-10	2	02:36
at Philadelphia		Safety (Penalty on Roethlisberger)	-	-	-	6-12	4	08:00
at Philadelphia	Fumble	Akers 31 yd. FG	4	5	01:03	6-15	4	02:26
vs. Baltimore	Interception	Stover 33 yd. FG	10	33	04:51	3-3	1	00:18
vs. Baltimore	Punt	Stover 20 yd. FG	11	48	05:39	3-6	2	03:48
vs. Baltimore	Punt	Wilcox 4 yd. pass from Flacco	6	44	01:35	3-13	2	00:17
vs. Baltimore	Kickoff	L. McClain 2 yd. run	9	76	05:17	20-20	4	04:02
at Jacksonville	Interception	Mathis 72 yd. interception return	-	-	-	0-7	1	12:49
at Jacksonville	Kickoff	Jones-Drew 1 yd. run	7	74	02:51	7-14	1	02:27
at Jacksonville	Punt	Lewis 24 yd. pass from Garrard	6	76	03:13	20-21	4	14:05
at Cincinnati	Punt	Ocho Cinco 5 yd. pass from Fitzpatrick	14	92	04:48	10-7	2	00:36
at Cincinnati	Kickoff	Rayner 26 yd. FG	12	49	05:51	17-10	3	02:38
vs. New York Giants	Kickoff	Carney 26 yd. FG	11	57	06:36	7-3	1	04:39
vs. New York Giants	Punt	Carney 35 yd. FG	4	2	00:57	7-6	2	10:30
vs. New York Giants	Interception	Carney 25 yd. FG	7	22	04:23	7-9	2	03:31
vs. New York Giants	Interception	Carney 24 yd. FG	12	62	05:42	14-12	4	08:18
vs. New York Giants		Safety (Harrison fumble out of end zone)	-	-	-	14-14	4	06:48
vs. New York Giants	Kickoff	Boss 2 yd. pass from Manning	7	53	03:41	14-21	4	03:07
at Washington	Kickoff	Suisham 44 yd. FG	4	9	02:03	0-3	1	12:57
at Washington	Interception	Suisham 43 yd. FG	4	5	00:55	0-6	1	11:02
vs. Indianapolis	Kickoff	Wayne 65 yd. pass from Manning	4	77	01:26	7-7	1	07:41
vs. Indianapolis	Interception	Clark 2 yd. pass from Manning	6	30	01:18	17-14	2	00:06
vs. Indianapolis	Kickoff	Vinatieri 36 yd. FG	12	56	06:46	17-17	3	08:14
vs. Indianapolis	Interception	Rhodes 17 yd. pass from Manning	4	32	01:40	20-24	4	03:04
vs. San Diego	Missed FG	Tomlinson 3 yd. run	6	59	03:30	0-7	1	06:46
vs. San Diego	Punt	Kaeding 22 yd. FG	17	78	07:34	8-10	4	06:41
vs. Cincinnati	Punt	Holt 10 yd. pass from Fitzpatrick	11	62	06:02	0-7	1	03:08
vs. Cincinnati	Punt	Graham 26 yd. FG	11	37	05:19	27-10	4	06:47
at New England	Interception	Morris 2 yd. run	3	14	00:45	0-7	1	12:01
at New England	Punt	Gostkowski 29 yd. FG	11	49	04:55	3-10	2	06:48
vs. Dallas	Kickoff	Folk 44 yd. FG	8	49	02:40	3-3	2	00:00
vs. Dallas	Punt	Owens 12 yd. pass from Romo	8	67	04:18	3-10	3	09:36
vs. Dallas	Punt	Folk 33 yd. FG	7	57	02:48	3-13	3	03:32
at Baltimore	Punt	Stover 28 yd. FG	7	33	02:30	0-3	2	12:30
at Baltimore	Kickoff	Stover 26 yd. FG	15	69	04:55	3-6	2	00:49
at Baltimore	Fumble	Stover 28 yd. FG	4	6	01:32	3-9	3	06:02

THIRD/FOURTH DOWN CONVERSIONS

REGULAR SEASON

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>THIRD DOWN</u>			<u>FOURTH DOWN</u>		
		<u>Made</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Made</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
9/7/08	STEELERS vs. Houston	6	10	60%	0	0	0%
		3	10	30%	0	1	0%
9/14/08	STEELERS at Cleveland	3	12	25%	1	2	50%
		7	15	47%	0	0	0%
9/21/08	STEELERS at Philadelphia	2	13	15%	0	1	0%
		6	14	43%	0	0	0%
9/29/08	STEELERS vs. Baltimore	7	17	41%	0	0	0%
		5	15	33%	0	0	0%
10/5/08	STEELERS at Jacksonville	7	15	47%	0	0	0%
		3	13	23%	2	4	50%
10/19/08	STEELERS at Cincinnati	6	12	50%	0	0	0%
		4	16	25%	2	2	100%
10/26/08	STEELERS vs. New York Giants	1	10	10%	0	4	0%
		6	17	35%	1	2	50%
11/3/08	STEELERS at Washington	7	17	41%	0	0	0%
		3	15	20%	0	2	0%
11/9/08	STEELERS vs. Indianapolis	10	18	56%	0	1	0%
		9	16	56%	0	0	0%
11/16/08	STEELERS vs. San Diego	7	14	50%	0	1	0%
		5	10	50%	0	0	0%
11/20/08	STEELERS vs. Cincinnati	6	14	43%	1	1	100%
		4	15	27%	0	1	0%
11/30/08	STEELERS at New England	8	16	50%	0	0	0%
		1	13	8%	2	2	100%
12/7/08	STEELERS at Dallas	3	16	19%	1	2	50%
		3	14	21%	0	3	0%
12/14/08	STEELERS at Baltimore	8	17	47%	0	0	0%
		4	14	29%	0	0	0%
12/21/08	STEELERS at Tennessee						
12/28/08	STEELERS vs. Cleveland						
STEELERS		81	201	40%	3	12	25%
OPPONENTS		63	197	32%	7	16	44%