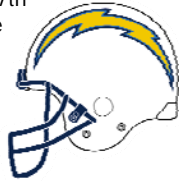




# PATRIOTS VS. CHARGERS

## SERIES HISTORY

The Patriots and Chargers will play for the 37th time overall and for the third time in a little more than a calendar year. In last season's AFC Championship Game on January 20, 2008, the Patriots claimed a 21-12 victory at Gillette Stadium to advance to Super Bowl XLII. The Patriots also defeated the Chargers, 38-14, in New England's 2007 regular-season home opener on Sept. 16, 2007. The series dates back to 1960, the inaugural season for each team, with the Patriots holding a 20-14-2 lead, including a 2-1 mark in the playoffs. In the last 35 years, the Patriots are 13-2 against San Diego, including regular-season and playoff games. Bill Belichick is 3-4 in his career against the Chargers with a 2-2 record while the Patriots head coach.



### Regular Season – Patriots 18, Chargers 13, 2 Ties

Date	Result	Score	H/A	Stadium
10/08/60	W	35-0	A	L.A. Coliseum
10/28/60	L	16-45	H	Boston University Field
10/07/61	L	27-38	H	Boston University Field
12/17/61	W	41-0	A	Balboa Stadium
10/19/62	W	24-20	H	Boston University Field
12/09/62	W	20-14	A	Balboa Stadium
09/14/63	L	13-17	A	Balboa Stadium
11/10/63	L	6-7	H	Fenway Park
09/20/64	W	33-28	A	Balboa Stadium
10/09/64	L	17-26	H	Fenway Park
10/17/65	T	13-13	H	Fenway Park
10/31/65	W	22-6	A	Balboa Stadium
09/10/66	L	0-24	A	Balboa Stadium
10/23/66	W	35-17	H	Fenway Park
09/09/67	L	14-28	A	San Diego Stadium
10/08/67	T	31-31	A	San Diego Stadium
11/10/68	L	17-27	H	Fenway Park
10/19/69	L	10-13	H	B.C. Alumni Stadium
12/07/69	L	18-28	A	San Diego Stadium
11/15/70	L	14-16	H	Harvard Stadium
12/02/73	W	30-14	H	Schaefer Stadium
11/09/75	W	33-19	A	San Diego Stadium
10/16/77	W	24-20	A	San Diego Stadium
10/01/78	W	28-23	H	Schaefer Stadium
09/23/79	W	27-21	H	Schaefer Stadium
10/16/83	W	37-21	H	Sullivan Stadium
11/20/94	W	23-17	H	Foxboro Stadium
12/01/96	W	45-7	A	Jack Murphy Stadium
08/31/97	W	41-7	H	Foxboro Stadium
10/14/01	W	29-26	H	Foxboro Stadium
09/29/02	L	14-21	A	Qualcomm Stadium
10/02/05	L	17-41	H	Gillette Stadium
09/16/07	W	38-14	H	Gillette Stadium

### Playoffs – Patriots 2, Chargers 1

Date	Result	Score	H/A	Stadium
01/05/64*	L	10-51	A	Balboa Stadium
01/14/07	W	24-21	A	Qualcomm Stadium
01/20/08	W	21-12	H	Gillette Stadium

\*-1963 American Football League Championship Game

## SERIES BREAKDOWN (Includes Postseason)

Overall Record	20-14-2
Home Record	11-8-1
Boston	2-7-1
Foxborough	9-1-0
Away Record	9-5-1
Los Angeles	1-0-0
San Diego	8-6-1
Record since 1970 AFL-NFL Merger	13-3-0
Longest winning streak	10 games (12/02/73-10/14/01)
Longest losing streak	4 games (11/10/68-11/15/70)
Bill Belichick vs. San Diego	3-4 (1-2 with Cleveland)
Norv Turner vs. New England	1-4 (0-2 with San Diego)

## TALE OF THE TAPE

2008 Regular Season Record	New England 3-1	San Diego 2-3
Divisional Standings	2nd	2nd
<b>Total Yards Gained</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>1,626</b>
Total Offense (Rank)	297.5 (23)	325.2 (15)
Rush Offense	113.0 (17)	98.6 (21)
Pass Offense	184.5 (21)	226.6 (9)
Points Per Game	19.8 (T-24)	29.6 (4)
Touchdowns Scored	7	17
Third Down Conversion Pct.	42.4	44.3
<b>Total Yards Allowed</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>1,895</b>
Total Defense (Rank)	300.0 (11)	379.0 (28)
Rush Defense	124.8 (20)	113.4 (18)
Pass Defense	175.3 (8)	265.6 (32)
Points Allowed/Game	19.8 (12)	25.8 (24)
Touchdowns Allowed	10	14
Third Down Defense (Pct.)	41.3	32.3
Field Goals Made/Attempted	10/10	9/11
Possession Avg.	32:11	27:52
Sacks Allowed/Yards Lost	16/70	8/50
Sacks Made/Yards	7/61	12/71
Interceptions For/Against	5/3	5/4
Penalties Against/Yards	11/106	23/170
Punts/Avg.	14/43.9	17/52.6
Turnover Differential	-1	+4

## PASSING PERFORMANCES

Matt Cassel played in his first career NFL contest against the Chargers at Gillette Stadium on October 2, 2005. He saw action in the fourth quarter and completed two of four passes for 15 yards with an interception. He recorded his first career NFL completion on a 3-yard pass to Patrick Pass. Philip Rivers has started against the Patriots three times, including twice in the playoffs.

### Matt Cassel vs. San Diego Chargers (0-0)

Date	A	C	Yd	%	TD	I	Rating	W/L	Score
10/02/05	4	2	15	.500	0	1	19.8	Did Not Start	

### Philip Rivers vs. New England Patriots (0-3)

Date	A	C	Yd	%	TD	I	Rating	W/L	Score
01/14/07*	32	14	230	.438	0	1	55.5	L	21-24
09/16/07	30	19	179	.633	2	2	74.2	L	14-38
01/20/08*	37	19	211	.514	0	2	46.1	L	12-21
<b>Totals</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>.525</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>57.64</b>		<b>0-3</b>

\*-Playoffs

## PATRIOTS ON THE WEST COAST

This season, the Patriots play all four of the NFL's West Coast teams – San Francisco, San Diego, Seattle and Oakland – marking the first time in team history that New England will play four times on the West Coast. The Patriots and the New York Jets both play all four West Coast teams this season, becoming the first NFL teams from the eastern time zone to play four times on the West Coast since the 2005 New York Giants (who went 2-2 in their West Coast games en route to an 11-5 season and a wild card berth).

## QUICK HITS

- Including the playoffs, the Patriots are 4-1 in their last five trips to San Diego. The streak dates back to 1975.
- The Patriots are 2-4 in their last six regular-season games against AFC West teams. New England was 1-3 against the AFC West in 2005, 0-1 in 2006 (falling to Denver) and 1-0 in 2007 (defeating San Diego).
- The Patriots and Chargers will play for the fourth time since January, 2007. The teams tangled in playoff games in Jan. 2007 and Jan. 2008 and also faced off in Sept. 2007. Following the game, the Chargers will be the Patriots' most frequent opponent since the beginning of the 2007 calendar year.



# PATRIOTS VS. CHARGERS

## CONNECTIONS

- Patriots safety **Rodney Harrison** played for the Chargers for nine seasons from 1994-2002. He earned Pro Bowl berths with San Diego in 1998 and 2001 and was selected as Chargers defensive player of the year four times (1996-97, 2000-01).
- Chargers head coach **Norv Turner** was the head coach of the Oakland Raiders in 2005, when Patriots wide receiver **Randy Moss** played for the Raiders.
- Chargers executive vice president-general manager **A.J. Smith** was a part-time scout for the New England Patriots from 1978-80. He grew up in Warwick, Rhode Island and played wide receiver for the semipro Attleboro Kings of the Eastern Football League.
- Patriots wide receiver **Wes Welker** signed with the Chargers as a rookie free agent in the spring of 2004. He served as a kick returner in the 2004 season opener returning four kicks for 102 yards. He was released on Sept. 15.
- Patriots offensive tackle **Wesley Britt** was drafted by the Chargers in the fifth round (164th selection) of the 2005 NFL Draft. He spent the 2005 training camp with the Chargers before being released on Sept. 5. The Patriots signed him to their practice squad the next day.
- Patriots quarterback **Kevin O'Connell** and Chargers guard **Brandyn Dombrowski** are both rookies out of San Diego State.
- Chargers quarterbacks coach **John Ramsdell** graduated from Springfield College in Springfield, Mass.
- Patriots cornerback **Ellis Hobbs** and Chargers linebacker **Tim Dobbins** played together at Iowa State in 2004.
- Patriots guard **Stephen Neal** was born in San Diego and attended San Diego High School, where he was a five-sport athlete, lettering in football, wrestling, swimming, tennis and track & field.
- Chargers defensive coordinator **Ted Cottrell** and assistant secondary coach/quality control coach **Kevin Ross** were on the Minnesota Vikings coaching staff during Patriots wide receiver **Randy Moss's** last season with Minnesota (2004).
- Patriots wide receiver **Wes Welker** and running back **Sammy Morris** were teammates with Chargers wide receiver **Chris Chambers** on the Miami Dolphins from 2004-06. Chambers and Chargers offensive tackle **L.J. Shelton** were on the Dolphins from 2006-07 when Patriots special assistant-secondary coach **Dom Capers** was on Miami's coaching staff.
- Patriots wide receiver **Kelley Washington** was a teammate of Chargers guard **Mike Goff** on the Cincinnati Bengals in 2003.
- Patriots offensive tackle **Matt Light** was a teammate of Chargers linebacker **Shaun Phillips** and center **Nick Hardwick** at Purdue University.
- Patriots linebacker **Eric Alexander** and Chargers wide receiver **Buster Davis** were teammates at Louisiana State University in 2003.
- Chargers head coach **Norv Turner** was the Dallas Cowboys' offensive coordinator from 1991-93, during which time Patriots strength and conditioning coach **Mike Woicik** held the same position with Dallas.
- Chargers special teams coach **Steve Crosby** was the special teams/tight ends coach for the Patriots in 1990. Crosby also served on **Bill Belichick's** coaching staff with the Cleveland Browns from 1991-94, coaching running backs (1991-93) and serving as the offensive coordinator (1994).
- Chargers inside linebackers coach **Ron Rivera** was a linebacker for the Chicago Bears in their Super Bowl XX victory over the Patriots.
- Patriots cornerback **Antwain Spann** is a native of Oceanside, Calif., in northern San Diego County.

## CONNECTIONS (Cont.)

- Patriots offensive lineman **Russ Hochstein** and defensive lineman **Le Kevin Smith** were teammates with Chargers defensive lineman **Ryon Bingham** at the University of Nebraska.
- Chargers wide receiver **Kassim Osgood** was born in Boston.
- Chargers defensive end **Jacques Cesaire** is a native of Gardner, Mass. and attended Gardner High School before playing his college ball at Southern Connecticut State.
- Patriots linebacker **Mike Vrabel** caught his first career touchdown pass against San Diego at Qualcomm Stadium on Sept. 29, 2002.

## THE LAST MEETING: PATRIOTS 21, CHARGERS 12

AFC Championship Game

January 20, 2008 ★ Gillette Stadium (Att: 68,756)

	1	2	3	4	Final
San Diego Chargers	3	6	3	0	— 12
New England Patriots	0	14	0	7	— 21

The Patriots captured their sixth AFC Championship with a 21-12 win over the Chargers on Jan. 20, 2008 at Gillette Stadium. The Patriots were led by strong performances from running backs Laurence Maroney and Kevin Faulk and a defense that kept the Chargers out of the end zone. After being shut out in the first quarter and trailing 3-0, the Patriots took a 14-9 lead into halftime after a 1-yard touchdown run by Maroney and a 12-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady to Jabar Gaffney. The Chargers picked off Brady twice in the third quarter but were only able to score a field goal off of the turnovers as the Patriots entered the final quarter with a 14-12 lead. The Patriots extended their lead early in the fourth quarter when Brady found Wes Welker for a 6-yard touchdown strike to go up 21-12 and punch New England's ticket to the Super Bowl for the fourth time in a seven-year span.

## THE LAST REGULAR-SEASON MEETING: PATRIOTS 38, CHARGERS 14

September 16, 2007 ★ Gillette Stadium (Att: 68,756)

	1	2	3	4	Final
San Diego Chargers	0	0	7	7	— 14
New England Patriots	14	10	7	7	— 38

The Patriots put together a convincing 38-14 victory over the San Diego Chargers in their 2007 home opener, beginning the season with consecutive victories for the eighth time in the franchise's 48-year history. New England led from wire-to-wire as it took a 7-0 lead on its first offensive possession and never looked back. Tom Brady threw three touchdown passes, including two to Randy Moss, and the Patriots totaled 144 rushing yards and averaged 4.5 yards per carry. New England's run defense held the Chargers to just 2.6 yards per carry, as 2006 MVP LaDainian Tomlinson managed just 43 yards on 18 carries. Adalius Thomas returned an interception 65 yards for a touchdown, while fellow linebacker Rosevelt Colvin had two sacks.

## THIS WEEK IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

October 6-12

**Oct. 10, 1961** – Mike Holovak replaces Lou Saban as Patriots head coach.

**Oct. 11, 1963** – The Patriots play their first game in Fenway Park and beat Oakland 20-14.

**Oct. 10, 2004** – The Patriots set the all-time pro football record with its 19th consecutive victory, a 24-10 win over the Miami Dolphins at Gillette Stadium. The winning streak eventually extended to 21 games.



# LAST WEEK: PATRIOTS 30, 49ERS 21

## PATRIOTS 30, 49ERS 21

October 5, 2008 ★ Candlestick Park (Att: 67,650)

	1	2	3	4	Final
<b>New England Patriots</b>	7	10	7	6	— 30
<b>San Francisco 49ers</b>	14	0	0	7	— 21

... The Patriots improved to 3-1 on the season with a 30-21 win on the road against San Francisco. Matt Cassel set career highs in passing yards and completions, while Randy Moss totaled 111 receiving yards, including a 66-yard touchdown grab. Stephen Gostkowski was a perfect three-for-three on field goals, including a crucial 49-yarder that gave the Patriots a two-score advantage in the fourth quarter. The Patriots defense came up with three interceptions to help halt the San Francisco momentum, while Kevin Faulk set a career high with two rushing touchdowns.

... The Niners got on the board first, taking a 7-0 lead on a 16-yard touchdown pass from J.T. O'Sullivan to Frank Gore. The Patriots answered just three plays later, with Cassel and Moss hooking up for a 66-yarder that tied the game at seven. San Francisco answered back just four plays after that with a 6-yard scoring pass from O'Sullivan to Isaac Bruce, capping off a sequence of three total touchdowns in less than four minutes of clock time with the 49ers claiming a 14-7 lead. The Patriots chipped back to 14-10 on a 35-yard field goal midway through the second quarter and after a three-and-out by the New England defense, the Patriots proceeded to drive 80 yards on 12 plays and take a 17-14 lead on Faulk's 2-yard scoring run with six seconds left before the half. Faulk found the end zone again in the third quarter, giving New England a 24-14 lead with a 2-yard touchdown run on a direct snap on fourth down. The Patriots began the fourth quarter with 40-yard field goal that extended the lead to 27-14, but San Francisco answered with an 8-yard drive that ended in the second scoring hookup of the game between O'Sullivan and Bruce, making the score 27-21. Gostkowski's 49-yard field goal extended the lead to 30-21 with 4:42 left and the Patriots defense used a Deltha O'Neal interception and a fourth-down stop to shut the door on the Niners and preserve the win.

### CAREER HIGHS FOR CASSEL

Quarterback Matt Cassel set single-game career highs with 259 yards, 22 completions and 32 attempts. Prior to the game against the 49ers, his previous single-game highs were 168 yards (vs. Miami on Jan. 1, 2006), 19 completions (vs. Miami on Sept. 21, 2008) and 31 attempts (vs. Miami on Sept. 21, 2008).

### FAULK'S GOAL LINE SCORES

Kevin Faulk scored on a two-yard run to give the Patriots a 17-14 lead with six seconds remaining in the first half and a two-yard run on fourth and goal to give the Patriots a 24-14 lead in the third quarter. It was the first time Faulk has scored two rushing touchdowns in a game and just the third time he has scored two total touchdowns in a game (vs. Houston, 12/17/06 and at Chicago, 11/10/02). The touchdowns were Faulk's first two of the season. Faulk's first touchdown was his first rushing score since Dec. 17, 2006, when he had an 11-yard scoring run against the Houston Texans. Last season, Faulk scored one touchdown, via a 13-yard reception at Indianapolis on Nov. 4, 2007. For his career, Faulk now has 13 rushing touchdowns, 11 receiving touchdowns and two touchdowns via kick return.

### MOSS GOES FOR 111

Randy Moss had five receptions for 111 yards, recording his second 100-yard receiving game of the season and the 57th 100-yard receiving game of his career. Moss's 57 career 100-yard receiving games rank third in NFL history, trailing only Jerry Rice (76) and Marvin Harrison (59). In 2007, Moss had nine 100-yard receiving games. Moss had four catches for 111 yards in the first half against San Francisco.

### CASSEL BOMB TO MOSS

On third and eight from the 49ers' 34-yard line in the first quarter, Matt Cassel rolled to his right and hit Randy Moss, who had split the defense down the middle, on a 66-yard touchdown, tying the score at seven. The catch was Moss's longest reception as a Patriot and his longest reception since Oct. 2, 2005, when he snared a 79-yard catch while playing for Oakland against the Dallas Cowboys. The touchdown toss was the longest of Matt Cassel's career, the longest play of the year for the Patriots and the longest since Donté Stallworth's 69-yard touchdown reception against Dallas on Oct. 4, 2007. The touchdown was Moss's 126th career scoring reception and his 25th touchdown grab since joining the Patriots via trade prior to the 2007 season. Last season, Moss had touchdown receptions of 65 yards (at N.Y. Giants, 12/29/07) and 63 yards (vs. Pittsburgh, 12/9/07).

### GOSTKOWSKI'S FIELD GOAL STREAK

Stephen Gostkowski nailed three field goals in the game -- a 35-yarder, a 40-yarder and a 49-yarder. The kicks were Gostkowski's 15th, 16th and 17th consecutive successful field goals, extending a streak that dates back to Dec. 9, 2007. Gostkowski has made 30 of his last 32 regular-season field goals (93.8 percent) and is a perfect 10-for-10 this season following his kicks against San Francisco. Gostkowski's 17 straight successful field goals streak is the third longest in Patriots history, trailing only a 25-kick streak by Adam Vinatieri from 1996-97 and a 23-kick streak by Vinatieri in 2004.

### FIRST WIN IN SAN FRANCISCO

The Patriots' 30-21 victory over the 49ers was New England's first win in San Francisco. The Patriots had lost in each of their four previous road matchups with the 49ers. The Washington Redskins are now the only NFL team the Patriots have never beaten on the road.

### MERIWEATHER HIGHLIGHT

Brandon Meriweather recorded his second interception of the season and the second interception of his career when he made an acrobatic play to intercept a J.T. O'Sullivan pass at the San Francisco 4-yard line in the first quarter, tipping the ball in the air and corraling it with his back on the ground. Meriweather, who also had an interception in the Patriots' week two victory over the New York Jets, leads New England with two interceptions in 2008.

### HARRISON'S PICK

Rodney Harrison intercepted a J.T. O'Sullivan pass in the third quarter to give the Patriots possession at the San Francisco 24-yard line and set up Kevin Faulk's second touchdown of the day, giving the Patriots a 24-14 lead. The interception was the 34th of Harrison's 15-year career and his eighth regular-season interception since joining the Patriots in 2003. Harrison also has seven interceptions in nine playoff games with New England. Harrison now has 34 career interceptions and 30.5 career sacks and is the only player in NFL history with at least 30 career interceptions and 30 career sacks.

### O'NEAL INTERCEPTION

Deltha O'Neal intercepted a J.T. O'Sullivan pass that was deflected by Rodney Harrison with 2:45 remaining in the game and the Patriots holding a 30-21 lead. The interception was O'Neal's first in a New England uniform after being signed as a free agent on Sept. 1. The pick was the 32nd of O'Neal's nine-year NFL career. He had 14 interceptions with Denver from 2000-03 and 16 picks with Cincinnati from 2004-07.



# ROBERT KRAFT NEWS & NOTES

Since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994, the Patriots have experienced one of the most dramatic turnarounds in the history of sports. In 14 seasons of ownership, Kraft has transformed one of the league's least successful clubs into what many observers view as a model NFL franchise. In the five seasons immediately preceding his purchase (1989-93), the Patriots were a moribund team, winning just 19 of 80 games (.311 pct.) and recording the worst record in the NFL over that span. When he bought the franchise on Jan. 21, 1994, Kraft announced his intention to bring a championship to New England, a tall order considering the team's previous success rate. But under Kraft's leadership, the Patriots have won eight division titles, five conference crowns and three Super Bowl championships. The Patriots have made five Super Bowl appearances since Kraft purchased the team, a period during which no other NFL franchise has earned more than two Super Bowl berths.



	<b>Pre-Kraft</b>	<b>1989-93</b>	<b>Kraft Era</b>
	<b>1960-93</b>	<b>1989-93</b>	<b>1994-08</b>
Overall Record	225-276-9	19-61	165-87
Winning Pct.	.450	.311	.655
Super Bowl Titles	0	0	3
Conference Titles	1	0	5
Division Titles	3	0	8
Playoff Seasons	5	0	10
Playoff Record	4-6	--	17-7
Home Playoff Games	1	0	11
Home Playoff Record	0-1	--	11-0

## A CHAMPIONSHIP TRADITION

The Patriots and the San Antonio Spurs are the only teams from North America's four major professional sports leagues to have won three titles since 2001. Since 1994, the Patriots trail only the New York Yankees and San Antonio Spurs in having won three titles in the period since Robert Kraft purchased the team.

### MULTIPLE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 2001

Team	League	Titles
New England Patriots	NFL	3
San Antonio Spurs	NBA	3
Boston Red Sox	MLB	2
Los Angeles Lakers	NBA	2

### LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994

Team	League	Titles
New York Yankees	MLB	4
San Antonio Spurs	NBA	4
Detroit Red Wings	NHL	4
New England Patriots	NFL	3
Los Angeles Lakers	NBA	3
Chicago Bulls	NBA	3
New Jersey Devils	NHL	3

### CHAMPIONSHIP GAME/SERIES APPEARANCES SINCE 1994

Team	League	Appearances
New York Yankees	MLB	6
New England Patriots	NFL	5
Los Angeles Lakers	NBA	5
Detroit Red Wings	NHL	5
San Antonio Spurs	NBA	4
New Jersey Devils	NHL	4

## SELLOUT STREAK

In the early 1990s, the Patriots seemed destined for relocation until Robert Kraft's purchase of the team rejuvenated local interest. In 1991, the season ticket base was just 17,635, barely enough to support the club. Now, the season-ticket base stands at a capped total of 61,759 and more than 50,000 fans are on a waiting list. The Patriots have sold out 153 consecutive home games (dating back to the 1994 regular-season opener).

## SUCCESS STORY

Since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994, the Patriots have been one of the NFL's elite franchises. Over the first 14-plus years of Kraft's ownership, the Patriots own the NFL's highest win total, the league's highest winning percentage and have won more Super Bowl titles, more conference championships and more playoff games than any other NFL team.

### SINCE ROBERT KRAFT PURCHASED THE TEAM IN 1994...

#### TOTAL VICTORIES SINCE 1994 (Incl. Postseason)

<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>164</b>
Green Bay Packers	156
Pittsburgh Steelers	155
Denver Broncos	149
Indianapolis Colts	145
Philadelphia Eagles	135

#### WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 1994 (Incl. Postseason)

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.655</b>
Green Bay Packers	156	93	0	.627
Pittsburgh Steelers	155	93	1	.624
Denver Broncos	149	93	0	.616
Indianapolis Colts	145	101	0	.589
Philadelphia Eagles	135	110	1	.551
Minnesota Vikings	130	107	0	.549
Jacksonville Jaguars	120	104	0	.536
Dallas Cowboys	129	112	0	.535
Kansas City Chiefs	125	109	0	.534

#### SUPER BOWL CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994

<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>3</b>
Denver Broncos	2
9 Teams	1

#### CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994

<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>5</b>
Denver Broncos	2
Green Bay Packers	2
Pittsburgh Steelers	2
St. Louis Rams	2
15 Teams	1

#### PLAYOFF VICTORIES SINCE 1994

<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>17</b>
Pittsburgh Steelers	12
Green Bay Packers	11
Indianapolis Colts	9
Philadelphia Eagles	9

#### PLAYOFF GAMES PLAYED SINCE 1994

<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>24</b>
Green Bay Packers	20
Pittsburgh Steelers	20
Indianapolis Colts	18
Philadelphia Eagles	17
Denver Broncos	13
San Francisco 49ers	13

#### PLAYOFF SEASONS SINCE 1994

<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>10</b>
Green Bay Packers	10
Indianapolis Colts	10
Dallas Cowboys	8
Pittsburgh Steelers	8
Philadelphia Eagles	8

#### PLAYOFF WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 1994

Team	W	L	Pct.
<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>.708</b>
Carolina Panthers	6	3	.667
Baltimore Ravens	5	3	.625
Denver Broncos	8	5	.615
Pittsburgh Steelers	12	8	.600

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# BILL BELICHICK NEWS & NOTES

## THE HEAD COACH

**Overall Record:** 145-86 (.628)  
**Regular Season:** 130-82 (.613)  
**Postseason:** 15-4 (.789)  
**With Patriots overall:** 108-41 (.725)  
**Overall since 2001:** 103-30 (.774)  
**Super Bowl Titles:** 5 (86, 90, 01, 03, 04)  
**Conf. Titles:** 7 (86, 90, 96, 01, 03, 04, 07)  
**Division Titles:** 13 (75, 78, 86, 89, 90, 96, 98, 01, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07)



Bill Belichick is the only head coach in NFL history to win three Super Bowl titles in a four-year span. In the 2007 season, Belichick led the Patriots to the fourth undefeated and untied regular season in the NFL's 88-year history and the first since the NFL established a 16-game schedule in 1978. He has led the Patriots to the Super Bowl four times in the last seven seasons and has produced five straight AFC East titles and six division championships in the last seven seasons. Belichick's Patriots teams own the all-time NFL records for consecutive total victories (21 from 2003-04), consecutive regular-season victories (21 from 2006-08) and consecutive playoff victories (10 from 2001-05). Belichick owns the second best postseason record in NFL history (15-4) and is the winningest NFL head coach since 2001 (103-30). From 2003-04, he directed the Patriots to back-to-back Super Bowl titles while posting consecutive 17-win campaigns. Belichick has spent more seasons in the league than any other current NFL head coach, and in that time has been a part of five Super Bowl championship teams. His overall record of 108-41 with the Patriots gives him the most victories and the best winning percentage of any head coach in franchise history.

## ELITE COMPANY

Bill Belichick is one of nine NFL head coaches to win three or more championships since the league began postseason play in 1933. With the Patriots' victory in Super Bowl XXXIX, Belichick joined an exclusive club in which each of the eight other members has been enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

### HEAD COACHES WITH THREE OR MORE NFL TITLES (Listed alphabetically)

Head Coach	Championship Team(s)
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>New England Patriots</b>
Paul Brown	Cleveland Browns
Weeb Ewbank	Baltimore Colts, New York Jets
Joe Gibbs	Washington Redskins
George Halas	Chicago Bears
Earl (Curly) Lambeau	Green Bay Packers
Vince Lombardi	Green Bay Packers
Chuck Noll	Pittsburgh Steelers
Bill Walsh	San Francisco 49ers

## BELICHICK'S PATRIOTS RENAISSANCE

Any successful project requires a sound plan, and once head coach Bill Belichick implemented his design on the Patriots, his approach has given him the best record of any NFL head coach who has coached at least 30 games since 2001.

### NFL COACHES' RECORDS SINCE 2001

Coach	Team	W	L	T	Pct.
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.774</b>
Tony Dungy	TB/IND	91	38	0	.705
Bill Cowher	PIT	70	35	1	.665
Andy Reid	PHI	81	48	0	.628
Mike McCarthy	GB	24	15	0	.615
Mike Martz	STL	46	29	0	.613
Mike Shanahan	DEN	71	50	0	.587
Mike Sherman	GB	50	36	0	.581
Mike Holmgren	SEA	72	53	0	.576
Lovie Smith	CHI	41	32	1	.562

**NOTE:** Records include playoff games and includes all coaches who have coached at least 30 games since 2001

## AMONG THE GREATS

Coach Belichick has recorded a career winning percentage of .628 as a head coach, placing him fourth in NFL history among all NFL coaches with at least 140 career victories. Belichick trails only George Halas (.671), Don Shula (.665) and Joe Gibbs (.629) on that list. Among coaches who began their head coaching careers after the 1970 AFL-NFL merger, Belichick ranks second in league history among coaches with at least 140 career wins.

### TOP WINNING PERCENTAGE AMONG HEAD COACHES WITH AT LEAST 140 WINS (INCL. POSTSEASON)

Head Coach	Team(s)	Years	W	L	T	Pct.
George Halas	CHI	1920-29,33-41,46-55,58-67	324	151	31	.671
Don Shula	BAL/MIA	1963-95	347	173	6	.665
Joe Gibbs	WAS	1981-92,04-07	171	101	0	.629
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>CLV/NE</b>	<b>1991-95,00-08</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.628</b>
Curly Lambeau	GB/CHC/WAS	1921-53	229	134	22	.623

**NOTE:** Winning percentage calculated using current NFL rules, counting a tie as a half-win, half-loss.

## SUPER SUCCESS

Bill Belichick is one of just four head coaches to win three championships since the Super Bowl Era began following the 1966 season. Belichick is the only coach to win three Super Bowls in the post-1993 salary cap era.

### MOST SUPER BOWL VICTORIES

Head Coach	Team	Titles	Seasons
Chuck Noll	PIT	4	1974, 1975, 1978, 1979
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2001, 2003, 2004</b>
Joe Gibbs	WAS	3	1982, 1987, 1991
Bill Walsh	SF	3	1981, 1984, 1988

**NOTE:** Sorted by most recent championship. Super Bowls have determined NFL champion since 1966.

## PLAYOFF SUCCESS

Coach Belichick has won 15 career playoff games, a total that is the fifth-highest by a head coach in NFL history.

### MOST PLAYOFF WINS BY AN NFL HEAD COACH

Coach	Team(s)	Wins
Tom Landry	Dallas Cowboys	20
Don Shula	Baltimore Colts, Miami Dolphins	19
Joe Gibbs	Washington Redskins	17
Chuck Noll	Pittsburgh Steelers	16
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>Cleveland Browns, New England Patriots</b>	<b>15</b>

## POSTSEASON PROWESS

Bill Belichick is the second winningest head coach in NFL playoff history, trailing only the legendary Vince Lombardi, whose name is emblazoned on the Super Bowl trophy.

### BEST POSTSEASON RECORDS IN NFL HISTORY

Head Coach	Team(s)	W	L	Pct.
Vince Lombardi	GB/WAS	9	1	.900
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>CLE/NE</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.789</b>
Joe Gibbs	WAS	17	7	.709

## HUNDRED WIN CLUB

Bill Belichick has won 108 overall games since becoming Patriots head coach in 2000. He is one of three current head coaches who have won 100 or more games with their current team.

### HEAD COACHES WITH 100 WINS WITH CURRENT TEAM

Coach	Team	Yrs	Seasons	Wins
Mike Shanahan	DEN	14	1995-2008	135
Jeff Fisher	HOU/TEN	15	1994-2008	125
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2000-08</b>	<b>108</b>

**NOTE:** Includes Playoff Games

## TOPS IN TEAM HISTORY

Bill Belichick is the most successful head coach in Patriots history. He has recorded more wins (108) and a higher winning percentage (.725) than any of the 13 previous head coaches.

### WINNINGEST HEAD COACHES IN PATRIOTS HISTORY

Coach	Years	Career Winning Pct.	Overall W-L-T	Playoff W-L
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>2000-08</b>	<b>.725</b>	<b>108-41-0</b>	<b>14-3</b>
Raymond Berry	1984-89	.554	51-41-0	3-2
Pete Carroll	1997-99	.549	28-23-0	1-2
Ron Meyer	1982-84	.529	18-16-0	0-1



# COACH BELICHICK ON...

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## **Coach Belichick on Sam Aiken, July 29**

Sam did a good job in the spring. He had a real good off-season program. He worked hard in the passing camps and he showed up very positive here in training camp both as a receiver and in the kicking game. He is a big guy and strong - very strong for his position. He is tough, very professional and works hard at his job. Football is important to him. He is on top of things. If he makes a mistake, he really works hard to correct it and make sure he has it right the next time. I like his attitude, I like his work ethic and I like his versatility. He has done a good job.

## **Coach Belichick on Matt Cassel, Sept. 8**

We have a lot of confidence in Matt. Matt's grown up through the system. He has expanded his knowledge of the offense as the offense has expanded through the years. He ran it a lot in preseason this year, in training camp and some of the time that Tom [Brady] missed. I think that he is capable of handling himself in a lot of different situations because he has been through them. It is not just chalk talk but it's actually going out there and doing it on the field and doing it in practice situations. I think he showed that [against Kansas City] - that he could go out there, manage the game and manage the team.

## **Coach Belichick on Shawn Crable, Sept. 30**

I think Shawn has improved all the way through camp and in the regular season in the opportunities that he's had. If we were able to take more players to the game, I am sure Shawn would go to the game and I am sure he would play. So far this year we have to limit it to 45. He hasn't been on the active roster but we have a lot of confidence in Shawn and I'm sure that he would be able to contribute for us if he was at the game. It is just a question of whose place he would have to take and what other ramifications would come into play there. But he has done a good job and he's getting better all the time.

## **Coach Belichick on Heath Evans, Sept. 19**

He's a just good all around player. He does a lot of things for us and does a lot of things well. He's a bigger guy that can hold up against bigger people in pass protection. As a run blocker, he runs the ball effectively as a power back. He plays in the kicking game on the coverage teams and also on the return teams. He's a smart guy with some versatility and he does a lot of different roles for us. He's been our third down back in the past when Kevin [Faulk] wasn't available. He's really done a lot of fullback, halfback and special teams. He's been a very versatile player for us. He's another dependable guy that works hard and he's a smart kid. He's got very good playing strength. He's a strong player.

## **Coach Belichick on Jabar Gaffney, Sept. 3**

I think he is appreciated around here by the coaching staff, the offensive coaches, the players and the quarterback. He is a very versatile player. He does a lot of different things for us. I don't think there is any way for someone outside this organization to understand how versatile a player he is and how much he patches together, in one way or another, on different plays and formations. He is smart, versatile and a good receiver that has been effective in a lot of different situations - man, zone, red area, third down. He has a good skill set and is a very flexible player that helps our offense in many different ways - some subtle and some not so subtle. He is one of the bonding agents that holds things together.

## **Coach Belichick on Gary Guyton, Sept. 3**

He is a smart kid. He has good size. He runs well. He is instinctive. He is versatile and does some different things for us. He has shown up in the kicking game. Even the tackle he made in the Baltimore game, you could see his speed just on that play on the punt return. He has shown good versatility. He is smart. He gives us good depth and he has made some plays. He played at a good level of competition at Georgia Tech and showed some of those same things in college. He's a good run player, pass player and blitzer. Like I said, he has come in, picked up things quickly, showed a lot of versatility for a rookie, and done a good job when he has been given the opportunity.

## **Coach Belichick on Rodney Harrison, July 31**

He brings a level of play and intensity out there to the practice field that is good for everybody. It is good for the defense, offense and for the entire football team. Nobody practices harder than Rodney. I don't think, in my career, I have ever coached a player that practices any harder than Rodney practices on a daily basis. He has a tremendous work ethic and is as good as anybody I have been around, especially on the defensive side of the ball. That carries over to other players and forces them to rise up to his level. It is good to have him back out there.

## **Coach Belichick on Russ Hochstein, Aug. 4**

I don't know where we would be without [Russ's versatility]. Russ is one of the most solid and consistent players we have on our team. He is really the same guy everyday, whether it be practice, games, preseason or postseason, the first quarter, or the fourth quarter - it doesn't matter. He is a very consistent and dependable guy.

## **Coach Belichick on LaMont Jordan, Aug. 12**

Every player has their own set of skills. I think LaMont has a good set. He is a powerful guy, has some quickness and catches the ball well. He has good speed, he is not a track guy, but he has competitive speed, good quickness and can get through the hole. He breaks tackles. He has some things going for him.

## **Coach Belichick on Jerod Mayo, Sept. 19**

He's been very consistent. He's learning something every time he walks out onto the field both in practice and in the games. I think he's shown, in both of the regular season games against Kansas City and the Jets, his speed, his range, toughness and his playmaking ability. He's made big plays in both of those games, open field tackling and things like that. There are things that Jerod [Mayo] hasn't, that every rookie hasn't, seen before. Things that are a little bit different than the situation in practice. [Things] that we went through in practice, he learns from those, improves on them the next time and they're usually not problems. I think he's gaining a little more experience and reacting a little bit quicker each time he goes out on the field. He works awfully hard at it. He is a very attentive and detailed young man.

## **Coach Belichick on Brandon Meriweather, July 31**

I thought he made a lot of improvement last season during the course of the year and in training camp. He had a good off-season and a good spring. He is having a good training camp. I think he is much better now than where he was last year at this time. He continues to improve on a regular basis. He works hard and takes coaching well.



# COACH BELICHICK ON...

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## **Coach Belichick on Kevin O'Connell, Aug. 14**

Kevin has kind of gotten better each day. He is making a big transition from college to the NFL. He is going from a shotgun offense to an offense that is less than 50 percent shotgun. In addition, there are a lot of other differences with the reads, terminology and so forth. Kevin has gotten better every day. He works hard and is a smart kid. He is a talented athlete because he is big and can run. He has a good arm and pretty good accuracy. There are still a lot of things he has to work on just from a mechanics standpoint, with terminology, learning our system and getting comfortable with the reads and the adjustments. He has made a lot of progress and seems to get better each day.

## **Coach Belichick on Lewis Sanders, Aug. 4**

Lewis is working hard. He is another guy that has had a lot of different responsibilities for us in the kicking game, playing both corner and safety defensively. He's got good experience in a couple different systems so I don't think anything he is doing here is anything that new. It is just a question on some new terminology or adapting it to a different situation but he is an experienced guy and he keeps showing up. He shows up with a play or two everyday and he is a hard working guy.

## **Coach Belichick on Richard Seymour, Aug. 13**

I think Richard has [tipped as many passes and disrupted the quarterback] as well as anybody. Year in and year out, he has tipped more balls than anybody around here and more than anyone I have coached. He is tall and has long arms. He is athletic, can jump and has a good sense of timing of when to try and get in the throwing lane, when to keep rushing the quarterback and attack the blocker. He is probably as good as you are going to get at that.

## **Coach Belichick on Matthew Slater, Aug. 4**

Matthew is a smart kid. We have been working him at some different spots since he has gotten here in all three phases of the game. We will see how that all comes together but he is a smart guy that has a good set of skills.

## **Coach Belichick on Adalius Thomas, Aug. 13**

Adalius is a smart guy who works hard. He has played in multiple positions in our defense. Last year at this time he was playing inside, getting some reps outside, involved in different things in the sub defense, playing off and on the line, playing in coverage and playing as part of the pass rush. He has a lot of experience from doing different things. He has played 16 regular season games and three postseason games plus the preseason last year. He has a lot of game situations under his belt. I think he has really become one of the leaders on defense, not that he wasn't last year but more so going into his second year. Going into his second year he knows more of what he is doing as opposed to feeling like 'I have to learn this and learn that.' I am not saying he doesn't have anything to learn; we all have more to learn. He is a lot further ahead than he was last year. He has been very positive in his work ethic and with helping some of the younger linebackers like Shawn [Crawley], Vince [Redd], Pierre [Woods] and those guys. He really stepped up and gave a lot of leadership and good work ethic to the entire unit. He has done well and we are glad to have him.

## **Coach Belichick on David Thomas, Aug. 19**

The bad news for David [Thomas] was '07. The good news was he really got off to a good start in '08. Kind of getting off to a good start, he's been able to maintain that momentum and the start there in the spring has carried over in the training camp and the preseason ... David works hard. He works hard at everything. He's a very competitive kid. He's smart. He knows how to use his strengths, leverage and position to his advantage. He competes hard. He has good playing strength and good quickness. He has done a good job with that.

## **Coach Belichick on Ray Ventrone, Sept. 15**

No one has worked harder than Ray. He's just continued to improve the last couple years. He has good playing strength. He has good speed and he's a tough, fearless guy. He will throw his body in there, anywhere, in any situation. He has good concentration, like we saw in preseason, catching the ball - taking hits in traffic, hanging onto it and running with it after the catch. He's really been able to develop as an offensive and a defensive player, as well as, his role in the kicking game. That's kind of self-contained. But, on offense and defense he's been able to work into roles on those sides of the ball and actually take reps in both areas on a pretty consistent basis. He's kind of a unique player in his role, his niche and his versatility. You usually don't see a player have the kind of exceptional toughness and the kind of physical play that he does - that does all that. That's kind of a rare combination of forces coming together in his skill set

## **Coach Belichick on Wes Welker, Sept. 16**

His quickness [and] his running style make him effective after the catch. He's strong for his size. He has good balance and he's a hard guy to wrap up and tackle. [He is] similar to but also different than Troy Brown, who was another smaller type of guy who was hard to tackle because he could make people miss and bounce off some tackles because of his size, lower body strength and balance. He's able to stay on his feet and gain some extra yards. So, it's a combination of quickness, running style and vision. I think Wes does a good job of finding where there is a soft spot on defense and getting what's there.

## **Coach Belichick on Terrence Wheatley and Jonathan Wilhite, Sept. 30**

I think [Terrence] Wheatley and Jonathan Wilhite have both improved quite a bit. They worked hard, got a lot of snaps in training camp and in the preseason games, especially Wheatley. As we have gotten into the regular season we have cut down because of our scheme, we just game plan for one team. Instead of running everything against everything, we narrow it down to the calls we are going to make in this particular game plan. I think that helps young players and new players coming into your team because they don't have to worry about every defense against every formation and every adjustment. It's more simplified based on the team that you're playing. I think there has been some improvement there with both Wheatley and Wilhite.

## **Coach Belichick on Pierre Woods, July 27**

Pierre [Woods] is one of our hardest workers and one of our most diligent players. He works hard at his job and tries to do everything right, just the way you want it.



# PATRIOTS NEWS & NOTES

## ON THE ROAD TO VICTORY

The Patriots have won 12 consecutive regular-season road games dating back to a 24-21 win at Jacksonville on Dec. 24, 2006. New England's road winning streak is the second longest in NFL history, trailing only the San Francisco 49ers' 18 straight road wins from 1988-90.

### MOST CONSECUTIVE ROAD VICTORIES / NFL HISTORY

Team	Victories	First Win	Final Win
San Francisco 49ers	18	11/27/88	12/30/90
<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12/24/06</b>	<b>Current</b>
San Diego/LA Chargers	11	10/02/60	11/12/61
San Francisco 49ers	11	09/20/87	10/16/88
Pittsburgh Steelers	11	09/26/04	11/06/05

## SNAPSHOTS OF SUCCESS

The Patriots are in the midst of one of the most prosperous periods for any team in NFL history. Their run of success began with a 29-26 overtime victory against the San Diego Chargers on Oct. 14, 2001, sparking a streak of 102 wins in the Patriots' last 129 games, including the playoffs.

### PATRIOTS SUCCESS STREAKS (Including Postseason)

- 21 wins in last 23 games, dating to Sept. 9, 2007 (21-2, .913)
- 26 wins in last 29 games, dating to Dec. 17, 2006 (26-3, .897)
- 35 wins in last 42 games, dating to Sept. 10, 2006 (35-7, .833)
- 42 wins in last 52 games, dating to Nov. 13, 2005 (42-10, .808)
- 57 wins in last 72 games, dating to Nov. 7, 2004 (57-15, .792)
- 78 wins in last 94 games, dating to Oct. 5, 2003 (78-16, .830)
- 86 wins in last 107 games, dating to Nov. 3, 2002 (86-21, .804)
- 98 wins in last 123 games, dating to Nov. 25, 2001 (98-25, .797)
- 102 wins in last 129 games, dating to Oct. 14, 2001 (102-27, .791)

## TOUGH AT HOME

The Patriots own an overall record of 47-10 (.825) at Gillette Stadium. Since their state-of-the-art facility opened at the beginning of the 2002 season, the Patriots own the NFL's best record at home.

### BEST HOME RECORDS SINCE 2002

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
<b>New England</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.825</b>	<b>1395</b>	<b>892</b>
Indianapolis	42	14	0	.750	1565	1050
Seattle	41	14	0	.745	1438	1006
Denver	37	15	0	.712	1286	1015
Pittsburgh	37	15	1	.708	1359	1010
Baltimore	36	17	0	.679	1204	889

NOTE: Records include regular-season and playoff games

## HOMELAND DEFENSE

Since Gillette Stadium opened in 2002, the Patriots have had the NFL's best defense at home. New England has allowed an average of just 15.65 points per game, a figure that leads the league since 2002.

### FEWEST POINTS PER GAME ALLOWED AT HOME SINCE GILLETTE STADIUM OPENED IN 2002

Team	Stadium	GP	Pts	Pts/Gm
<b>New England</b>	<b>Gillette Stadium</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>15.65</b>
Jacksonville	Jacksonville Municipal Stad.	51	839	16.45
Tampa Bay	Raymond James Stadium	53	877	16.55
Baltimore	M&T Bank Stadium	53	889	16.77

NOTE: Records include regular-season and playoff games

## ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

The Patriots are the only team in the NFL to have recorded nine or more wins in each of the last seven seasons.

### MOST SEASONS OF 9+ WINS SINCE 2001

<b>New England</b> .....	<b>7</b>	Green Bay.....	5
Indianapolis.....	6	Pittsburgh.....	5
Philadelphia.....	5	Denver.....	5
Seattle.....	5	Dallas.....	4

## DOMINATING DEFENSE

Since the beginning of the 2003 season, the Patriots have allowed an average of 17.19 points per game (including playoffs), a mark that leads the NFL over that span. In regular-season play only, the Patriots' 16.93 points per game allowed since 2003 also leads the NFL over that span. In 2007, the Patriots allowed 274 points, marking the fourth time in the last five seasons (since 2003) that New England has allowed fewer than 275 points in a season.

### FEWEST PPG ALLOWED 2003-PRESENT

Team	2003-07 TOTALS			R. Season 03-08			Playoffs 03-07		
	GP	Pts	PPG	GP	Pts	PPG	GP	Pts	PPG
<b>NE</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>1688</b>	<b>17.22</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>1426</b>	<b>16.98</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>18.71</b>
BAL	86	1524	17.72	84	1489	17.73	2	35	17.50
PIT	92	1650	17.93	85	1499	17.64	7	151	21.57
TB	87	1600	18.39	85	1559	18.34	2	41	20.50

## PATRIOTS WINNING STREAKS

The Patriots recorded the longest regular-season winning streak in NFL history, winning 21 consecutive regular-season games from Dec. 17, 2006 to Sept. 14, 2008. New England's 21-game regular-season winning streak eclipsing the previous NFL record of 18 consecutive regular-season wins, achieved by the Patriots from Oct. 5, 2003 to Oct. 24, 2004.

### NFL'S LONGEST REGULAR-SEASON WIN STREAKS

Team	Years	Streak
<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>2006-08</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>2003-04</b>	<b>18</b>
Chicago Bears	1933-34	17
Pittsburgh Steelers	2004-05	16
Miami Dolphins	1983-84	16
Miami Dolphins	1971-73	16
Chicago Bears	1941-42	16

## DIVISIONAL DOMINANCE

The New England Patriots own a 36-10 (.783) record in regular season AFC East games since the beginning of the 2001 season, compiling the best intra-division record of any team in the NFL over the last seven-plus seasons.

### NFL'S TOP DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.783</b>
Pittsburgh Steelers	35	13	0	.729
Green Bay Packers	32	14	0	.696
Indianapolis Colts	32	14	0	.696

### AFC EAST DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	Div. Titles	Years
<b>New England</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.783</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2001, 2003-06</b>
New York Jets	22	24	0	.478	1	2002
Buffalo	17	27	0	.386	0	---
Miami	17	29	0	.370	0	---

NOTES: The Indianapolis Colts were members of the AFC East in 2001 and compiled a 3-5 divisional record that season. In 2002, the Patriots and Jets both finished with a 9-7 overall record and a 4-2 divisional record, but the Jets claimed the division title by virtue of having a better record against common opponents.

## TITLE TOWN

The Patriots have won five straight AFC East titles, setting the all-time record for consecutive titles in that division. The Patriots have won six of the last seven division crowns.

### MOST CONSECUTIVE AFC EAST TITLES

Team	Streak	Years
<b>New England Patriots</b> .....	<b>5</b> .....	<b>2003-07</b>
Buffalo Bills.....	4 .....	1988-91
Miami Dolphins .....	4 .....	1981, 1983-85*
Miami Dolphins .....	4 .....	1971-74

\*-Due to 1982 strike, the NFL played just a 9-game season and the standings were not divided into divisions that season.

### CURRENT STREAKS OF CONSECUTIVE DIVISION TITLES

<b>New England Patriots</b> .....	<b>5</b>
Indianapolis Colts.....	5
Seattle Seahawks .....	4





# OFFENSE NEWS & NOTES

## MOSS AMONG ALL-TIME LEADERS

RANDY MOSS is among the NFL's all-time leaders in two major receiving categories – career touchdown receptions and receiving yards per game. In his 10-plus seasons, Moss has caught 126 touchdown passes and is one of just four receivers in NFL history to break the 125-touchdown mark. Additionally, Moss has averaged 79.8 receiving yards per game during his career, a mark that ranks second all-time.



### NFL ALL-TIME LEADERS / RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	Years	Team(s)	TDs
Jerry Rice	1985-2004	SF/OAK/SEA	197
Terrell Owens	1996-2008	SF/PHI/DAL	134
Cris Carter	1987-2002	PHI/MIN/MIA	130
<b>Randy Moss</b>	<b>1998-2008</b>	<b>MIN/OAK/NE</b>	<b>126</b>
Marvin Harrison	1996-2008	IND	124
Tim Brown	1988-2004	LA(A)/OAK/TB	100
Steve Largent	1976-1989	SEA	100

### NFL ALL-TIME LEADERS / RECEIVING YARDS PER GAME (Minimum 100 Games Played)

Player	Years	Team(s)	Gms	Yds	Yd/G
Torry Holt	1999-2008	STL	146	12,051	82.5
<b>Randy Moss</b>	<b>1998-2008</b>	<b>MIN/OAK/NE</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>12,467</b>	<b>78.9</b>
Marvin Harrison	1996-2008	IND	179	14,108	78.8
Jerry Rice	1985-2004	SF/OAK/SEA	303	22,895	75.6

### NFL ALL-TIME LEADERS / 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Player	Team(s)	Years	Gms
Jerry Rice	SF/OAK/SEA	1985-2004	76
Marvin Harrison	IND	1996-2008	59
<b>Randy Moss</b>	<b>MIN/OAK/NE</b>	<b>1998-2008</b>	<b>57</b>
Don Maynard	NYG/NYJ/STL	1958, 60-73	50

## MOSS: ALL-TIME LEADER IN RECEPTIONS PER TD

Over his 10-plus year NFL career, Randy Moss has averaged one touchdown for every 6.28 receptions, a total that is the best in NFL history among any receiver with at least 500 receptions. Moss has caught 126 touchdowns out of 791 career receptions.

### ALL-TIME NFL LEADERS / RECEPTIONS PER TOUCHDOWN (Minimum 500 career receptions)

Player	Team(s)	Years	Rec	TD	Rec/TD
<b>Randy Moss</b>	<b>MIN/OAK/NE</b>	<b>1998-2008</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>6.28</b>
Lance Alworth	SD/DAL	1962-1972	542	85	6.38
Terrell Owens	SF/PHI/DAL	1996-2008	901	134	6.72
Nat Moore	MIA	1974-1986	510	74	6.89
Mark Clayton	MIA/GB	1983-1993	582	84	6.93
Don Maynard	NYG/NYJ/STL	1958, 60-73	633	88	7.19

## WELKER SECOND IN RECEPTIONS SINCE 2007

WES WELKER leads the Patriots and ranks second in the NFL with 139 receptions since the beginning of last season. Last season, he set a Patriots franchise record with 112 receptions, tying him for the NFL lead and setting a league record for most receptions in a player's first season with a new team. He joined the Patriots via trade prior to the 2007 season.



### 2008 NFL RECEPTION LEADERS, 2007-Present

Player	Team	Rec.	Yds	TD
T.J. Houshmandzadeh	CIN	143	1,494	15
<b>Wes Welker</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>1,426</b>	<b>8</b>
Brandon Marshall	DEN	136	1,748	10
Larry Fitzgerald	ARZ	131	1,876	14
Jason Witten	DAL	131	1,587	9
Reggie Wayne	IND	129	1,860	13
Derrick Mason	BLT	124	1,348	5

## CASSEL OFF TO SOLID START

MATT CASSEL is 2-1 as the Patriots' starting quarterback and won his first career start on the road against the New York Jets on Sept. 14, a week after playing the final three-plus quarters of the Patriots' season-opening win over Kansas City on Sept. 7. Through four games, Cassel has completed 67.3 percent of his passes, a completion rate that ranks fourth in the NFL. **In September 2008, the Patriots as a team completed 58-of-87 passes, with their 66.7 percent completion rate standing as the third highest in team history for that month, trailing only the 2007 (79.5) and 2002 (69.4) Patriots squads.**

### 2008 NFL COMPLETION PERCENTAGE LEADERS

Player	Team	Att	Cmp	Pct
Brett Favre	NYJ	124	87	70.2
Kurt Warner	ARZ	183	127	69.4
Drew Brees	NO	192	133	68.6
<b>Matt Cassel</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>67.3</b>
Chad Pennington	MIA	112	75	67.0
Trent Edwards	BUF	122	81	66.4

## FAULK: FRANCHISE RB RECEPTIONS LEADER

KEVIN FAULK is the Patriots' all-time leader in receptions by a running back, totaling 333 career receptions. His receiving total ranks fifth on the Patriots' overall receptions list. He moved past Terry Glenn into fifth place in the Patriots' win at San Francisco on Oct. 5, a game in which Faulk set a career high with two rushing touchdowns. Faulk needs 31 more receptions to pass Irving Fryar and move into fourth place on the Patriots' all-time receptions list.

### RECEPTIONS BY PATRIOTS RUNNING BACKS

Player	Years	Rec.
<b>Kevin Faulk</b>	<b>1999-2008</b>	<b>333</b>
Tony Collins	1981-1987	261
Sam Cunningham	1973-79, 1981-82	210
Larry Garron	1960-68	185

### PATRIOTS ALL-TIME CAREER RECEPTIONS LIST

Rk	Player	Pos.	Years	Rec.
1	Troy Brown	WR	1993-2007	557
2	Stanley Morgan	WR	1977-1989	534
3	Ben Coates	TE	1991-1999	490
4	Irving Fryar	WR	1984-1992	363
5	<b>Kevin Faulk</b>	<b>RB</b>	<b>1999-2008</b>	<b>333</b>
6	Terry Glenn	WR	1996-2001	329
7	Gino Cappelletti	WR	1960-1970	292
8	Jim Colclough	WR	1960-1968	283

## FAULK: TOP RETURN MAN

KEVIN FAULK is the top return specialist in Patriots history. Faulk leads the franchise with 4,785 overall return yards, and is the club's all-time leading kickoff returner with 3,929 career yards.

### PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LEADING RETURNERS

Player	Years	Overall		Punt Returns		Kick Ret.			
		Yards	TD	PR Yds	TD	KR Yds	TD		
<b>Kevin Faulk</b>	<b>1999-08</b>	<b>4,804</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>3,929</b>	<b>2</b>
Troy Brown	1993-07	4,487	3	252	2,625	3	87	1,862	0
Dave Meggett	1995-97	3,999	1	142	1,438	1	105	2,561	0
Carl Garrett	1969-72	2,738	0	43	487	0	92	2,251	0

## CAPTAINS ELECTED

The following players were elected as Patriots captains by their teammates during the week leading into the season opener—Offense: QB Tom Brady, T Matt Light, WR Randy Moss; Defense: LB Tedy Bruschi, S Rodney Harrison, LB Mike Vrabel, NT Vince Wilfork; Special Teams: LB Larry Izzo.



# DEFENSE/SP. TEAMS NEWS & NOTES

## CHARTER MEMBER OF 30/30 CLUB

RODNEY HARRISON is the only player in NFL history to record at least 30 sacks and at least 30 interceptions in his career. He has 30.5 career sacks and 34 career interceptions over 14-plus seasons with the San Diego Chargers (1994-2002) and New England Patriots (2003-08). Harrison established the 30/30 club on Oct. 21, 2007, when a sack against the Miami Dolphins raised his career sack total to 30.5. Harrison is the NFL's all-time leader in sacks by a defensive back, dating back to when sacks became an official NFL statistic in 1982.



## NFL ALL-TIME LEADERS: SACKS BY A DEFENSIVE BACK

Player	Pos.	Team(s)	Years	Sacks	INT
<b>Rodney Harrison</b>	S	SD/NE	1994-08	30.5	34
Carnell Lake	S	PIT/JAX/BAL	1989-2001	25.0	16
Ronde Barber	CB	TB	1997-2008	22.0	33
LeRoy Butler	S	GB	1990-2001	20.5	38

## PLAYERS WITH 20 CAREER SACKS / 20 CAREER INTS

Player	Pos.	Team(s)	Years	Sacks	INT
<b>Rodney Harrison</b>	S	SD/NE	1994-08	30.5	34
Seth Joyner	LB	PHI/ARZ/GB/DEN	1986-1998	51.5	24
Wilber Marshall	LB	CHI/WAS/HOU/AZ/NYJ	1984-1995	45.0	23
William Thomas	LB	PHI/OAK	1991-2001	37.0	27
Ray Lewis	LB	BAL	1996-2008	30.0	25
Donnie Edwards	LB	KC/SD	1996-2008	23.5	28
LeRoy Butler	S	GB	1990-2001	20.5	38
Ronde Barber	CB	TB	1997-2008	22.0	33

## VRABEL=VERSATILITY

In proving to be one of the NFL's most versatile players, linebacker MIKE VRABEL has made important contributions for the Patriots on offense and defense. He led the Patriots and with 12.5 sacks in 2007, and also scored two touchdowns for the Patriots in 2007 – on a 1-yard reception against Cincinnati on Monday Night Football on Oct. 1 and on a two-yard catch against Washington on Oct. 28. Vrabel has recorded 10 career receptions, all resulting in touchdowns.

## MIKE VRABEL'S CAREER TOUCHDOWNS

Date	Opponent	Scoring Play	Yds
09/29/02	at San Diego	Reception	1
02/01/04	* Carolina	Reception	1
11/07/04	at St. Louis	Reception	2
01/02/05	San Francisco	Reception	1
02/06/05	^ Philadelphia	Reception	2
09/18/05	at Carolina	Interception Return	24
11/20/05	New Orleans	Reception	1
12/26/05	at N.Y. Jets	Reception	1
12/26/05	at N.Y. Jets	Reception	2
10/01/07	at Cincinnati	Reception	1
10/28/07	Washington	Reception	2

\*-Super Bowl XXXVIII ^-Super Bowl XXXIX

## LINEBACKERS ARE SACK LEADERS

MIKE VRABEL and ADALIUS THOMAS are among the top five active linebackers in terms of total career sacks. Vrabel ranks fourth with 53.0 sacks, while Thomas ranks fifth with 48.0 career sacks. This season, Thomas leads the Patriots with three sacks and Vrabel is second on the team with two sacks.

## ACTIVE LINEBACKERS SACKS LEADERS

Player	Team(s)	Seasons	GP	Sacks
Willie McGinest	NE/CLV	15	200	85.0
Greg Ellis	DAL	11	151	71.0
Joey Porter	PIT/MIA	10	142	71.0
<b>Mike Vrabel</b>	<b>PIT/NE</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>53.0</b>
<b>Adalius Thomas</b>	<b>BAL/NE</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>48.0</b>
Julian Peterson	SF/SEA	9	115	43.0

## HOBBS IS TOP RETURNER

ELLIS HOBBS is the Patriots' all-time leader in kickoff return average (28.4) and leads the NFL this season by averaging 34.2 yards per return. Against Miami on Sept. 21, Hobbs set a team single-game record with 237 kickoff return yards and had long returns of 81 yards and 50 yards. Last season, Hobbs recorded the longest kickoff return in NFL history, a 108-yard touchdown return against the New York Jets on Sept. 9, 2007.

## PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LEADING KICKOFF RETURNERS (AVG.)

(Minimum 50 Returns)

Player	Years	KR	Yds	Avg.	TD
<b>Ellis Hobbs</b>	<b>2005-08</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>2,076</b>	<b>28.4</b>	<b>2</b>
Raymond Clayborn	1977-89	57	1,538	27.0	3
Larry Garron	1960-68	89	2,299	25.8	2
Mack Herron	1973-75	71	1,796	25.3	1
Bethel Johnson	2003-05	102	2,557	25.1	2

## 2008 NFL KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS (AVG.)

Player	Team	KR	Yds	Avg.	TD
<b>Ellis Hobbs</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>34.2</b>	<b>0</b>
Leon Washington	NYJ	8	250	31.3	0
Darren Sproles	SD	17	524	30.8	1
Chris Carr	TEN	11	320	29.1	0

## EVEN STEPHEN

Since joining the Patriots as a fourth-round draft choice in 2006, STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI has connected on 85 percent of his regular-season field goals (51-for-60), achieving the best field goal percentage in Patriots history. Additionally, he has hit 17 straight field goals dating back to last season, recording the third-longest consecutive field goal streak in team annals.

## PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LEADERS / FIELD GOAL PCT.

(Minimum 50 Attempts)

Player	Years	FGM	FGA	Pct.
<b>Stephen Gostkowski</b>	<b>2006-08</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>.850</b>
Adam Vinatieri	1996-05	263	321	.819
Matt Bahr	1993-95	55	72	.764
Tony Franklin	1984-87	93	125	.744
Jason Staurovsky	1988-91	50	69	.725

## MOST CONSECUTIVE FIELD GOALS MADE / TEAM HISTORY

Player	Strk Began	Strk Ended	Consec. FGs
Adam Vinatieri	11/24/96	11/09/97	25
Adam Vinatieri	10/10/04	12/26/04	23
<b>Stephen Gostkowski</b>	<b>12/09/07</b>	<b>(Current)</b>	<b>17</b>
Adam Vinatieri	10/08/00	12/04/00	16
Tony Franklin	10/26/86	11/23/86	14

## WORKING OVERTIME

The Patriots have won their last eight overtime games (including the playoffs). New England's eight-game overtime winning streak is the longest in NFL history, topping the seven straight overtime wins by Denver from 1978-85.

## NEW ENGLAND'S OVERTIME STREAK

DATE	OPP	PLAY	DRIVE INFO	FINAL SCORE
11/23/03	at HST	28-yd FG	9 plays, 76 yds; 3:39	23-20
10/19/03	at MIA	82-yd TD	1-82; 0:12	19-13
12/29/02	vs. MIA+	35-yd FG	7-43; 2:03	27-24
09/22/02	vs. KC+	35-yd FG	9-53; 4:40	41-38
01/19/02	vs. OAK+*	23-yd FG	15-61; 8:29	16-13
12/16/01	at BUF+	23-yd FG	8-75; 3:18	12-9
10/14/01	vs. SD+	44-yd FG	6-51; 2:59	29-26
12/17/00	at BUF	24-yd FG	14-83; 5:56	13-10
11/05/00	vs. BUF	32-yd FG	6-52-2:50	L, 13-16

\*playoffs +NE scored on its first possession in overtime



# GAME RECAPS: WEEKS 2 & 3

## WEEK 3: DOLPHINS 38, PATRIOTS 13

September 21, 2008 ★ Gillette Stadium (Att: 68,756)

	1	2	3	4	Final
<b>Miami Dolphins</b>	7	14	7	10	— 38
<b>New England Patriots</b>	0	6	7	0	— 13

The Patriots fell to 2-1 on the season, dropping a 38-13 decision to the Miami Dolphins at Gillette Stadium. New England's 21-game regular-season winning streak was broken as the Patriots lost in regular season play for the first time since Dec. 10, 2006, when they fell 21-0 at Miami. The Patriots lost at home for the first time since Nov. 12, 2006, snapping a streak of 15 straight home victories in the regular season and playoffs.

## 2008 PATRIOTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION WEEKEND

The Patriots will conclude the inaugural Patriots Hall of Fame Induction Weekend with a halftime ceremony at the Dolphins game. Patriots Hall of Famers honored on the field at halftime included: **Nick Buoniconti, Gino Cappelletti, Ben Coates, Steve Grogan, John Hannah, Mike Haynes, Stanley Morgan, Steve Nelson, Babe Parilli and Andre Tippett.** The late **Bob Dee** was represented by his son, Bob Dee, Jr., and the late **Jim Lee Hunt** was represented by his wife, Rosa Hunt. The weekend's events included a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday Sept. 18 for **The Hall at Patriot Place Presented by Raytheon**, and a re-induction of all Patriots Hall of Famers and the enshrinement of 2008 Patriots Hall of Fame inductee Ben Coates on Saturday, Sept. 20.

## HOBBS SETS PATRIOTS RECORD FOR MOST KICKOFF RETURN YARDAGE IN A GAME

Ellis Hobbs totaled 237 yards on six kickoff returns, setting a Patriots record for most kickoff return yardage in a game. Hobbs topped the previous Patriots record of 220 kickoff return yards, set by Kevin Faulk against the New York Jets on Dec. 22, 2002. Hobbs had long kickoff returns of 81 yards and 50 yards en route to his record against the Dolphins. His 82-yard return in the third quarter set up Matt Cassel's 5-yard touchdown pass to Jabar Gaffney. Playing in his 50th career game, Hobbs returned the opening kickoff of the game 50 yards to the Miami 49-yard line. In his 50-game career, Hobbs has now recorded six kickoff returns of 50 yards or longer and nine kickoff returns of 40 yards or longer.

## GAFFNEY SCORES

Jabar Gaffney snared a 5-yard touchdown pass from Matt Cassel on fourth-and-three with 3:20 remaining in the third quarter to cut the Miami lead to 28-13. The touchdown catch was Gaffney's first of the season and the 14th of his career. Last season, Gaffney set a career high with five touchdown receptions.

## QUICK HITS

- 2008 Patriots Hall of Fame inductee Ben Coates served as an honorary captain at the coin toss.
- The Dolphins game was the 153rd straight home sellout for the Patriots. The streak is now in its 15th season and includes every Patriots preseason, regular-season and playoff game since the 1994 regular-season opener.
- Patriots tackle Matt Light played in his 100th career game. Light, a 2008 offensive captain, was drafted by the Patriots in the second round (48th overall) of the 2001 NFL Draft.
- Sam Aiken made his Patriots debut after missing the first two games of the season. Aiken, signed as a free agent from the Buffalo Bills in the offseason, caught his first pass in a New England uniform in the second quarter, a 9-yard catch on third-and-two.

## WEEK 2: PATRIOTS 19, JETS 10

September 14, 2008 ★ Giants Stadium (Att: 78,554)

	1	2	3	4	Final
<b>New England Patriots</b>	3	3	10	3	— 19
<b>New York Jets</b>	0	3	0	7	— 10

The Patriots began the season with a 2-0 record for the third straight season and won their 21st consecutive regular-season game, a 19-10 road divisional victory over the New York Jets. Matt Cassel, in his first career start at quarterback, completed nearly 70 percent of his passes, while Stephen Gostkowski hit all four of his field goal attempts to help the Patriots to victory. New England's defense allowed just 10 points for the second straight week, and a key interception by Brandon Meriweather in the third quarter set up a New England touchdown that gave the Patriots a solid lead.

## CASSEL WINS FIRST CAREER START

Matt Cassel made his first career start at quarterback and completed 16-of-23 passes (69.6 percent) for 165 yards and a passer rating of 89.9 in helping the Patriots to a 19-10 divisional win on the road. New England started the season with a 2-0 record for the third straight year and for the fifth time in the nine seasons since Bill Belichick became head coach in 2000.

## DEFENSE: 20 POINTS THROUGH TWO GAMES

The Patriots allowed the Jets to score 10 points and allowed a total of just 20 points through two games (Kansas City also scored 10 points in a 17-10 Patriots win on Sept. 7). The 20 points allowed through the season's first two games is the lowest total by a Patriots team since Bill Belichick became head coach in 2000. The last time the Patriots allowed a total of 20 points or fewer in the season's first two games was in 1997, when New England allowed a total of 13 points, beginning the season with a 41-7 win over San Diego at Foxboro Stadium and following that up with a 31-6 win at Indianapolis.

## GOSTKOWSKI TIES CAREER HIGH

Stephen Gostkowski nailed all four of his field goals – from 21, 37, 28 and 27 yards – improving to a perfect 5-for-5 on the season. He tied his career high for field goals in a game, matching his 4-for-4 performance against Houston as a rookie on Dec. 17, 2006.

## MERIWEATHER'S FIRST CAREER INTERCEPTION SETS UP TOUCHDOWN

Brandon Meriweather recorded his first career interception, picking off a Brett Favre pass at the Jets' 44-yard line in the third quarter and returning it 13 yards to give the Patriots possession at the New York 31-yard line. The play set up a 6-play, 31-yard drive that ended in a 1-yard scoring plunge by Sammy Morris that gave the Patriots a 13-3 lead. Meriweather was selected by the Patriots in the first round (24th overall) of the 2007 NFL Draft out of Miami.

## SERIES STREAKS

- With their win over the Jets, the Patriots took the lead in the all-time series against New York, 49-48-1 (including a 2-0 playoff record). The last time the Patriots were above .500 in their all-time series with New York was in entering the 1967 season, when they led 7-6-1.
- The Patriots defeated the Jets for the eighth consecutive time on the road. The streak dates back to a 17-16 win at Giants Stadium on Dec. 2, 2001.
- The Patriots have now held the Jets to 17 points or fewer in 10 of their last 11 meetings.



# WEEK 1: PATRIOTS 17, CHIEFS 10

## PATRIOTS 17, CHIEFS 10

September 7, 2008 ★ Gillette Stadium (Att: 68,756)

	1	2	3	4	Final
<b>Kansas City Chiefs</b>	0	3	0	7	— 10
<b>New England Patriots</b>	0	7	7	3	— 17

The Patriots won their 20th consecutive regular-season game, a 17-10 victory over Kansas City to open the 2008 season. Randy Moss had six catches for 116 yards and a touchdown, while the Patriots totaled 126 rushing yards on 28 carries (4.5 avg.) and quarterback Matt Cassel completed 13-of-18 passes (72.2 percent) and threw for a touchdown in relief of an injured Tom Brady.

After losing starting quarterback Tom Brady for the season due to a left knee injury in the scoreless first quarter, the Patriots got on the board as quarterback Matt Cassel directed a 10-play, 98-yard drive that ended in a 10-yard touchdown pass to Randy Moss and a 7-0 Patriots lead. The Chiefs closed the gap to 7-3 with a field goal in the final minute of the first half, but the Patriots used their only possession of the third quarter to march 80 yards on 11 plays and extend their lead to 14-3 on a 5-yard touchdown run by Sammy Morris. The Chiefs answered back with a touchdown to open the fourth quarter, cutting the New England lead to 14-10. After two three-and-outs by the Patriots and one by the Chiefs, Ellis Hobbs intercepted a Damon Huard pass and gave the Patriots possession near midfield, setting up a field goal that extended New England's lead to 17-10 with 2:26 left in the game. The Chiefs mounted one last charge, gaining a first-and-goal from the Patriots' 5-yard line with 53 seconds left, but the Patriots defense bore down with a key red zone stop to keep Kansas City out of the end zone and preserve the 17-10 victory.

### RED ZONE STOP IN FINAL MINUTE

The Patriots defense clinched the 17-10 win by keeping Kansas City out of the end zone after the Chiefs had gained a first-and-goal from the 5-yard line with 53 seconds left in the game. The Patriots did not allow the Chiefs to even gain a yard. The Patriots forced an incompletion on first down, Richard Seymour and Mike Vrabel combined to stop Larry Johnson for no gain on second down, and then New England forced two straight Kansas City incompletions on third and fourth downs.

### CASSEL LEADS 98-YARD DRIVE

In his first drive at quarterback in the first quarter, Matt Cassel directed a 10-play, 98-yard drive that ended in a 10-yard scoring strike to Randy Moss and a 7-0 Patriots lead. The drive was the longest for the Patriots since Sept. 23, 2007, when they also embarked on a 10-play, 98-yard drive against Buffalo at Gillette Stadium.

### MOSS SCORES 126th CAREER TOUCHDOWN

Randy Moss caught a 10-yard touchdown pass from Matt Cassel in the second quarter, recording his 126th career overall touchdown and his 125th career receiving touchdown. His 126 total touchdowns (125 receiving, 1 via punt return) tying him with Jim Brown (106 rushing, 20 receiving) for eighth on the NFL's all-time touchdowns list.

### MOSS BREAKS 100-YARD MARK IN 1ST QUARTER

Randy Moss had 101 yards on four receptions in the first quarter, marking the third time in his career that he has broken the 100-yard receiving mark in the first quarter. The last time he achieved the feat was on Oct. 3, 1999, while playing for Minnesota in a game against Tampa Bay. Last season, Moss had 100 or more receiving yards in a quarter on one occasion—in the second quarter at Miami on Oct. 21, 2007, when he had 104 yards on three receptions.

### MOSS TOPS 100 YARDS FOR 56th TIME

Randy Moss recorded his 56th career 100-yard receiving game. That total ranks third in NFL history, trailing only Jerry Rice (76) and Marvin Harrison (59). Last season, Moss had nine 100-yard receiving games and broke the mark in each of the first four games in 2007.

### PATRIOTS DEBUTS

Nine players made their Patriots debuts against the Chiefs: LB Gary Guyton, T Mark LeVoi, RB LaMont Jordan, LB Jerod Mayo, CB Deltha O'Neal, CB Lewis Sanders, WR Matthew Slater, CB Terrence Wheatley and CB Jonathan Wilhite.

### HOBBS INTERCEPTION

Ellis Hobbs intercepted a Damon Huard pass at the Kansas City 41-yard line with 7:21 remaining in the game and the Patriots holding a 14-10 lead. Hobbs pounced on the pass intended for Dwayne Bowe and returned the ball to the 38-yard line. The interception was the seventh of Hobbs's regular-season career. He also has two career postseason interceptions. Including his interception against Kansas City, Hobbs had four interceptions in a five-game span—he had one in the 2007 regular season finale and added two in three playoff games last season.

### MORRIS SCORES

Sammy Morris gave the Patriots a 14-3 lead on a 5-yard scoring run with 3:01 left in the third quarter. The touchdown was the 19th of Morris's career (18 rushing, one receiving). Last season, Morris played in six games with two starts and totaled 384 yards on 85 rushes (4.5 avg.) before being placed on injured reserve with a chest injury on Nov. 2, 2007.

### CASSEL-TO-MOSS

Matt Cassel's 51-yard completion to Randy Moss on the final play of the first quarter was the longest completion of his career at the time, topping his 36-yard completion to Andre Davis in the 2005 regular-season finale against Miami on Jan. 1, 2006.

### BIG BOOT FOR HANSON

Chris Hanson's 70-yard punt in the second quarter was the longest punt by a Patriot since 2001 and was his longest boot since 2005. The play pinned the Chiefs at their own 9-yard line following no return. The last time a Patriots player had a punt of 70 yards or longer was on Sept. 9, 2001, when Lee Johnson had a 76-yard boot in the season opener at Cincinnati.

### BRUSCHI ENTERS 13th SEASON

Tedy Bruschi is in his 13th season with New England since being selected in the third round of the 1996 NFL Draft. Bruschi's 13 seasons as a Patriot tie Raymond Clayborn, John Hannah, Stanley Morgan and Mosi Tatupu for sixth on the team's all-time list.

### QUICK HITS

- The Chiefs game was the 152nd straight home sellout for the Patriots. The streak is now in its 15th season and includes every Patriots preseason, regular-season and playoff game since the 1994 regular-season opener.
- The Patriots won their fifth straight regular season opener, and won their first game of the season for the sixth time in the last seven years.





# INSIDE THE NUMBERS

## SOLID STARTS

**3-1**

The Patriots' record through the first four games of 2008.

**3**

The number of consecutive seasons in which the Patriots have begun the season by winning at least three of their first four games, achieving the feat in each season since 2006.

**0**

The number of other NFL teams besides the Patriots that have won at least three of their first four games in each season since 2006.

**14**

The number of times in the Patriots' 49-season history that they have begun the season with a record of 3-1 or better through four games, including 2008.

**5**

The number of times in the last seven seasons (2002-08) that the Patriots have started the season with a record of 3-1 or better through four games (71.4 percent).

**9**

The number of times in the Patriots' first 42 seasons (1960-2001) that they started the season with a record of 3-1 or better through four games (21.4 percent).

## MILESTONES APPROACHING

**1**

The number of interceptions Rodney Harrison needs to reach 35 career interceptions and become the 30th safety in NFL history to reach 35 career interceptions.

**2**

The number of victories the Patriots need to reach a total of 150 regular-season victories since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994.

**4**

The number of rushing yards Sammy Morris needs to top 2,000 rushing yards for his career. Morris enters this week's game with 1,996 career rushing yards.

**4**

The number of sacks Mike Vrabel needs to reach 50 sacks in his Patriots career, becoming the sixth player in team history to total 50 sacks in a Patriots uniform.

**5**

The number of victories Patriots head coach Bill Belichick needs to reach 150 total wins for his career. Belichick has 145 career wins (130 regular season, 15 playoffs). There are 16 coaches in NFL history who have reached the 150-win mark.

**6**

The number of touchdown receptions Randy Moss needs to pass Cris Carter for third place on the NFL's all-time touchdown receptions list. Moss enters this week's game with 126 career touchdown catches, while Carter had 130 career scoring grabs.

**9**

The number of receptions Randy Moss needs to reach 800 for his career. He enters this week's game with 791 career receptions. Moss would become the 19th player in NFL history to break the 800-catch mark.

**62**

The number of rushing yards Kevin Faulk needs to pass Antowain Smith for ninth place on the Patriots' all-time leading rushing yardage list. Faulk enters this week's game with 2,720 rushing yards, and Smith ranks ninth with 2,781 rushing yards.

**255**

The number of receiving yards Randy Moss needs to pass Art Monk for 12th place on the NFL's all-time receiving yardage list. Moss is currently ranked 13th in league history with 12,467 career receiving yards. Monk ranks 12th with 12,721 career receiving yards.

## AMONG THE LEADERS

**40.5**

The percentage of the time that the Patriots defense has forced its opponent into a three-and-out (17 three-and-outs in 42 defensive series). That mark leads the NFL (Baltimore, 36.2).

**11**

The number of drives of 10 or more plays that the Patriots offense has compiled this season, tying them with Arizona, Denver and Washington for the NFL lead in that category.

**11**

The number of accepted penalties against the Patriots through four games this season. Only Houston (10) has had fewer accepted penalties called against it this season.

**33.9**

The average yard line at which the Patriots have begun their 44 offensive possessions this season. The mark gives them the second best starting field position in the NFL, trailing only the New York Jets (35.7).

**29.6**

The Patriots' average kickoff return through four games this season, a mark that leads the NFL (San Diego, 29.1).

**3**

The number of kickoff returns of 50 yards or longer that the Patriots have had this season, a mark that leads the NFL (San Diego, Oakland and the N.Y. Jets each have two).

**42.9**

The percentage of time that the Patriots' kickoff team has produced a touchback this season (nine touchbacks on 21 kickoffs). The mark leads the NFL (Carolina, 42.3).

**5.9**

The percentage of the time that Patriots opponents have had touchbacks on kickoffs (one touchback in 17 kickoffs). The figure is the lowest in the NFL (Green Bay, 7.1).

## STREAKING

**12**

The number of consecutive road games the Patriots have won, dating back to Dec. 24, 2006. The streak is the second longest in NFL history, trailing only the San Francisco 49ers' NFL-record 18 straight road wins from 1988-90.

**11**

The number of consecutive games the Patriots have won in the month of October. New England has not lost in October since 2005.

**17**

The number of consecutive field goals Stephen Gostkowski has made. The streak is the third longest in NFL history, trailing only Adam Vinatieri's 25 straight kicks from 1996-97 and Vinatieri's 23 straight boots in 2004.

**153**

The number of consecutive home games the Patriots have sold out. The streak includes ever preseason, regular-season and playoff game since the 1994 regular-season opener.

**7**

The number of consecutive seasons in which the Patriots have won nine or more regular-season games. They are the only team in the NFL to have won at least nine games in each of the last seven seasons.





# PATRIOTS FOOTBALL NETWORK

The **Patriots Football Network (PFN)** is the full portfolio of media offerings from the three-time Super Bowl Champion New England Patriots. PFN provides Patriots content produced both in-house and with media partners spanning print, television, radio and the Internet.

## PATRIOTS ALL ACCESS

**P**atriots All Access, winner of the 2007 New England Emmy Award for Best Sports Series, airs weekly throughout the season on WCVB-TV and a network of regional affiliates. The show can also be seen anytime on Comcast On Demand. Patriots All Access features exclusive, behind-the-scenes access and in-depth weekly features on Patriots players and personnel. Hosted by WCVB's Mike Lynch, the show features weekly sit-downs with Coach Bill Belichick including the popular "Belestrator" segment where the coach breaks down upcoming opponents.



Saturdays at 7:00 p.m and Sundays at 10:00 a.m. on **WCVB-TV Channel 5 in Boston**  
 Sundays at 10:00 a.m. on **WNAC-TV in Providence**; Saturdays at 12:05 a.m. on **WMUR-TV in Manchester, N.H.**  
 Saturdays at 5:00 a.m. on **WMTW-TV in Portland, Maine**; Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. on **WCTX-TV in Hartford, Conn.**  
 Saturdays at 7:00 p.m. on **WFXQ-TV in Springfield, Mass.**; Sundays at 11:00 a.m. on **WVII-TV in Bangor, Maine**  
**Also available 24 hours a day on Comcast On Demand**

## TOTALLY PATRIOTS



**T**otally Patriots, a youth-oriented football show, airs each Sunday morning on WCVB, Channel 5 in Boston and a network of regional affiliates. The show, is geared towards young fans and includes a health and fitness segment as well as a weekly football tips feature with Hall of Fame linebacker Andre Tippett and a current Patriots player. Other features and segments emphasize the importance of an active lifestyle and let young football players hear directly from the pros. Check your local listings for other times and locations.

Sundays at 11:00 a.m. on **WCVB-TV Channel 5**; Saturdays at 12:30 p.m. on **WNAC-TV in Providence**  
 Saturdays at 6:30 a.m. on **WCTX-TV in Hartford, Conn.**; Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. on **WFXQ-TV in Springfield, Mass.**;  
**Also available 24 hours a day on Comcast On Demand**

## PATRIOTS TODAY AND PATRIOTS THIS WEEK

**PATRIOTS TODAY:** Available daily on Comcast On Demand and at Patriots.com

**PATRIOTS THIS WEEK:** Saturdays at 10:30 p.m. on WSBK Channel 38

*Patriots Today* gives fans a daily, in-depth look at the club that is unmatched by any other outlet. The show is hosted by Kristina Akra with daily reports from Brian Lowe. This daily Webcast is dedicated exclusively to the Patriots and provides daily features, reports and commentary that will satisfy every fan's daily Patriots fix. Every Saturday night during the season on Channel 38, Kristina Akra will bring you *Patriots This Week*, providing a thorough recap of each week's developments.

## PATRIOTS.COM NEWS

Patriots.com features daily updates and exclusive content from the writers of *Patriots Football Weekly*, offering everything from breaking news to player features and the popular "Ask PFW" postings.

## VIDEO

The first professional sports team website to offer streaming video provides Patriots fans with a variety of exclusive video content. Visitors can choose their channel and watch exclusive video from news to cheerleaders. Patriots.com also features video of every Patriots press conference, including postgame press conferences and Coach Belichick's weekday media updates.

## AUDIO

"PFW In Progress," available exclusively on Patriots.com, is a weekly online program that features candid commentary from the writers of *Patriots Football Weekly*. Patriots.com also offers podcasts and streaming audio of every press conference.

## PATRIOTS FRIDAY ON WEEI

Sports Radio WEEI has the exclusive rights to broadcast "Patriots Friday" from Gillette Stadium each week during the season. WEEI programming from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. will feature exclusive Patriots player interviews previewing the upcoming game.

## WBCN PATRIOTS ROCK RADIO NETWORK

For the 14th consecutive season, WBCN is proud to be the flagship station for the Patriots Rock Radio Network. Every Patriots game was heard on WBCN (104.1 FM) and its network of 36 stations throughout all six New England states. WBCN's pregame and postgame shows can be heard before and after each game, beginning three hours before kickoff.

**FLAGSHIP STATION**  
**WBCN**  
**Boston ★ 104.1 FM**



### MASSACHUSETTS

WAQY	Springfield	102.1 FM
WBEC	Pittsfield	1420 AM
WEIM	Fitchburg	1280 AM
WNAW	N. Adams	1230 AM
WBSM	New Bedford	1420 AM
WPVQ	Greenfield	95.3 FM
WSAR	Fall River	1480 AM
WSBS	Gt. Barrington	860 AM
WWFX	Worcester	100.1 FM
WXTK	Hyannis	95.1 FM

### NEW HAMPSHIRE

WTPL	Concord	107.7 FM
WSAK	Hampton	102.1 FM
WWHO	Laconia	101.5 FM
WWBK	Keene	1220AM/103.1 FM
WGAM	Nashua	900 AM
WPKQ	N. Conway	103.7 FM
WGHM	Manchester	1250 AM
WSHK	Portsmouth	105.3 FM

### RHODE ISLAND

WPRO	Providence	630 AM
WEAN	Providence	99.7 FM

### VERMONT

WBTV	Bennington	1370 AM
WORK	Barre	107.1 FM
WKVT	Brattleboro	92.7 FM
WXZO	Burlington	96.7 FM
WIKI	Newport	1490 AM
WEXP	Rutland	101.5 FM
WSTJ	St Johnsbury	1340 AM
WMXR	Woodstock	93.9 FM

### MAINE

WEBB	Augusta	98.5 FM
WWMJ	Bangor	97.7 FM
WBLM	Portland	102.9 FM
WEGP	Presque Isle	1390 AM

### CONNECTICUT

WCCC	Hartford	106.9 FM
WLML	New London	104.7 FM
WINY	Putnam	1350 AM

### NEW YORK

WEAV	Plattsburgh	960 AM
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## PATRIOTS MONDAY ON WEEI

Sports Radio WEEI has the exclusive rights to broadcast "Patriots Monday" from Gillette Stadium every week during the season. The daylong programming lineup offers fans unique access from Bill Belichick, Matt Cassel and other star players.



# 2008 OFFENSIVE STATISTICS

WON 3, LOST 1

09/07	W 17-10	Kansas City	68,756
09/14	W 19-10	at New York Jets	78,554
09/21	L 13-38	Miami	68,756
10/05	W 30-21	at San Francisco	67,650
10/12		at San Diego	
10/20		Denver	
10/26		St. Louis	
11/02		at Indianapolis	
11/09		Buffalo	
11/13		New York Jets	
11/23		at Miami	
11/30		Pittsburgh	
12/07		at Seattle	
12/14		at Oakland	
12/21		Arizona	
12/28		at Buffalo	

TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	75	61
Rushing	29	22
Passing	39	37
Penalty	7	2
3rd Down: Made/Att	25/59	19/46
3rd Down Pct.	42.4	41.3
4th Down: Made/Att	4/5	0/3
4th Down Pct.	80.0	0.0
POSSESSION AVG.	32:11	27:49
TOTAL NET YARDS	1190	1200
Avg. Per Game	297.5	300.0
Total Plays	257	216
Avg. Per Play	4.6	5.6
NET YARDS RUSHING	452	499
Avg. Per Game	113.0	124.8
Total Rushes	122	102
NET YARDS PASSING	738	701
Avg. Per Game	184.5	175.3
Sacked/Yards Lost	16/70	7/61
Gross Yards	808	762
Att./Completions	119/80	107/69
Completion Pct.	67.2	64.5
Had Intercepted	3	5
PUNTS/AVERAGE	14/43.9	19/46.3
NET PUNTING AVG.	14/34.6	19/38.5
PENALTIES/YARDS	11/106	19/147
FUMBLES/BALL LOST	6/3	1/0
TOUCHDOWNS	7	10
Rushing	4	4
Passing	3	6
Returns	0	0

* SCORE BY PERIODS	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	PTS
TEAM	10	26	31	12	0	79
OPPONENTS	21	20	7	31	0	79

* SCORING	TD	Ru	Pa	Rt	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS
Gostkowski	0	0	0	0	7/ 7	10/10	0	37
Faulk	2	2	0	0			0	12
Morris	2	2	0	0			0	12
Moss	2	0	2	0			0	12
Gaffney	1	0	1	0			0	6
TEAM	7	4	3	0	7/ 7	10/10	0	79
OPPONENTS	10	4	6	0	10/10	3/ 4	0	79

2-Pt. Conversions: TEAM 0-0, OPPONENTS 0-0

**SACKS:** A. Thomas 3, Vrabel 2, Hobbs 1, Seymour 1, TEAM 7, OPPONENTS 16

FUM/LOST: Cassel 2/1, Hobbs 1/0, Moss 1/1, Slater 1/0, Welker 1/1

* PASSING	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
Cassel	104	70	707	67.3	6.80	3	2.9	3	2.9	66t	15/ 68	84.1
Brady	11	7	76	63.6	6.91	0	0.0	0	0.0	26	0/ 0	83.9
O'Connell	4	3	25	75.0	6.25	0	0.0	0	0.0	12	1/ 2	90.6
TEAM	119	80	808	67.2	6.79	3	2.5	3	2.5	66t	16/ 70	84.3
OPPONENTS	107	69	762	64.5	7.12	6	5.6	5	4.7	68	7/ 61	84.7

* RUSHING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Morris	43	143	3.3	22	2
Jordan	24	106	4.4	11	0
Maroney	28	93	3.3	17	0
Faulk	11	54	4.9	10	2
Cassel	11	29	2.6	9	0
Welker	1	19	19.0	19	0
Evans	3	6	2.0	3	0
Moss	1	2	2.0	2	0
TEAM	122	452	3.7	22	4
OPPONENTS	102	499	4.9	62t	4

* RECEIVING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Welker	27	251	9.3	26	0
Moss	17	274	16.1	66t	2
Faulk	10	85	8.5	22	0
Gaffney	9	86	9.6	13	1
Morris	8	41	5.1	11	0
D. Thomas	4	42	10.5	18	0
Watson	3	17	5.7	7	0
Aiken	1	9	9.0	9	0
Washington	1	3	3.0	3	0
TEAM	80	808	10.1	66t	3
OPPONENTS	69	762	11.0	68	6

* INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Meriweather	2	6	3.0	6	0
Hobbs	1	3	3.0	3	0
Harrison	1	0	0.0	0	0
O'Neal	1	0	0.0	0	0
TEAM	5	9	1.8	6	0
OPPONENTS	3	21	7.0	13	0

* PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
Hanson	14	615	43.9	34.6	5	3	70	0
TEAM	14	615	43.9	34.6	5	3	70	0
OPPONENTS	19	880	46.3	38.5	2	5	82	0

* PUNT RETURNS	Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Faulk	7	3	106	15.1	24	0
O'Neal	2	1	2	1.0	2	0
TEAM	9	4	108	12.0	24	0
OPPONENTS	3	2	30	10.0	13	0

* KICKOFF RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Hobbs	13	444	34.2	81	0
Slater	2	18	9.0	18	0
Faulk	1	11	11.0	11	0
TEAM	16	473	29.6	81	0
OPPONENTS	12	252	21.0	34	0

* FIELD GOALS	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Gostkowski	0/ 0	3/ 3	4/ 4	3/ 3	0/0
TEAM	0/ 0	3/ 3	4/ 4	3/ 3	0/0
OPPONENTS	0/ 0	1/ 1	1/ 2	1/ 1	0/0

Gostkowski: (37G)(21G,37G,28G,27G)(37G,44G)  
 (35G,40G,49G)  
 OPPONENTS: (40G)(31N,21G)(39G)( )



# 2008 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Tackle Statistics based on Coaches Film Review

PLAYER Name	TACKLES			SACKS			INTERCEPTIONS				FUMBLES				SP. TEAMS				
	TT	UT	A	S/	Yds	QH	Int/	Yds	TD	PD	FF	FR/	Yds	TD	TT	UT	A	FF	FR
Rodney Harrison	36	21	15	-	-	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-
Jerod Mayo	34	23	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tedy Bruschi	24	14	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ty Warren	21	12	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adalius Thomas	18	13	5	3.0	38.0	3	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vince Wilfork	17	11	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James Sanders	16	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	2	1	-	-
Brandon Meriweather	13	11	2	-	-	-	1	6	0	2	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	-	-
Deltha O'Neal	12	11	1	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ellis Hobbs	12	11	1	1.0	6.0	-	1	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	-	-
Richard Seymour	11	5	6	1.0	9.0	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mike Vrabel	9	5	4	2.0	8.0	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jarvis Green	6	3	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pierre Woods	5	5	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	1	-	-
Lewis Sanders	5	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gary Guyton	4	4	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	2	-	-
Jonathan Wilhite	1	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mike Wright	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Le Kevin Smith	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ray Ventrone	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	0	-	-
Kelley Washington	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	0	-	-
Sam Aiken	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0	2	-	-
Matthew Slater	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0	2	-	-
Larry Izzo	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	-	-
Chris Hanson	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	-	-
Heath Evans	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	1	-	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>61.0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

FUMBLES - LOST (6-3)				
	Own			
	No.	Lost	Rec	O.B.
Matt Cassel	2	1	1	0
Randy Moss	1	1	0	0
Wes Welker	1	1	0	0
Ellis Hobbs	1	0	1	0
Matthew Slater	1	0	0	0
Sammy Morris	0	0	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>

MISC. OFFENSIVE STATS				
	Tkl	Ast	FF	FR
Randy Moss	3	0	0	0
Wes Welker	1	0	0	0
Logan Mankins	1	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

KEY	
TT-Total Tackles	Int/Yds-Interceptions/Yards Returned
UT-Unassisted Tackles	PD-Passes Defensed
A-Assisted Tackles	FF-Forced Fumbles
S/YL-Sacks/Yards Lost	FR/Yds-Fumble Recoveries/Yards Returned
QH-Quarterback Hits	

BLOCKED KICKS			
	XP	FG	P
<b>Totals</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>





# 2008 NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS ROSTER

AS OF OCTOBER 7, 2008

## ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
88	Aiken, Sam	WR	6-2	215	12/14/1980	6	North Carolina	Kenansville, N.C.
52	Alexander, Eric	LB	6-2	240	2/8/1982	4	Louisiana State	Port Arthur, Texas
65	Britt, Wesley	T	6-8	320	11/21/1981	3	Alabama	Cullman, Ala.
54	Bruschi, Tedy	LB	6-1	247	6/9/1973	13	Arizona	Roseville, Calif.
16	Cassel, Matt	QB	6-4	230	5/17/1982	4	Southern California	Northridge, Calif.
63	Connolly, Dan	C	6-4	313	9/2/1982	3	Southeast Missouri St.	St. Louis, Mo.
98	Crable, Shawn	LB	6-5	243	12/26/1984	R	Michigan	Massillon, Ohio
44	Evans, Heath	RB	6-0	250	12/30/1978	8	Auburn	West Palm Beach, Fla.
33	Faulk, Kevin	RB	5-8	202	6/5/1976	10	Louisiana State	Carencro, La.
10	Gaffney, Jabar	WR	6-1	200	12/1/1980	7	Florida	Jacksonville, Fla.
3	Gostkowski, Stephen	K	6-1	210	1/28/1984	3	Memphis	Madison, Miss.
97	Green, Jarvis	DL	6-3	285	1/12/1979	7	Louisiana State	Donaldsonville, La.
7	Gutierrez, Matt	QB	6-4	230	6/9/1984	2	Idaho State	Concord, Calif.
59	Guyton, Gary	LB	6-3	242	11/14/1985	R	Georgia Tech	Hinesville, Ga.
6	Hanson, Chris	P	6-2	202	10/25/1976	10	Marshall	Sharpsburg, Ga.
27	Harrison, Rodney	S	6-1	220	12/15/1972	15	Western Illinois	Chicago, Ill.
37	Hobbs, Ellis	CB	5-9	195	5/16/1983	4	Iowa State	DeSoto, Texas
71	Hochstein, Russ	G/C	6-4	305	10/7/1977	8	Nebraska	Hartington, Neb.
53	Izzo, Larry	LB	5-10	228	9/26/1974	13	Rice	Houston, Texas
32	Jordan, LaMont	RB	5-10	230	11/11/1978	8	Maryland	Suitland, Md.
77	Kaczur, Nick	T	6-4	315	7/28/1979	4	Toledo	Brantford, Ontario
67	Koppen, Dan	C	6-2	296	9/12/1979	6	Boston College	Whitehall, Pa.
64	LeVoi, Mark	T	6-7	306	7/29/1982	2	Notre Dame	Eden Prairie, Minn.
72	Light, Matt	T	6-4	305	6/23/1978	8	Purdue	Greenville, Ohio
70	Mankins, Logan	G	6-4	310	3/10/1982	4	Fresno State	Cathays Valley, Calif.
39	Maroney, Laurence	RB	5-11	220	2/5/1985	3	Minnesota	St. Louis, Mo.
51	Mayo, Jerod	LB	6-1	242	2/23/1986	R	Tennessee	Hampton, Va.
31	Meriweather, Brandon	DB	5-11	200	1/14/1984	2	Miami (Fla.)	Apopka, Fla.
34	Morris, Sammy	RB	6-0	220	3/23/1977	9	Texas Tech	San Antonio, Texas
81	Moss, Randy	WR	6-4	210	2/13/1977	11	Marshall	Rand, W. Va.
5	O'Connell, Kevin	QB	6-5	225	5/25/1985	R	San Diego State	Carlsbad, Calif.
21	O'Neal, Deltha	CB	5-11	194	1/30/1977	9	California	Milpitas, Calif.
66	Paxton, Lonie	LS	6-2	260	3/13/1978	9	Sacramento State	Corona, Calif.
17	Price, Maurice	WR	6-1	197	9/11/1985	2	Charleston Southern	Olympia, Fla.
36	Sanders, James	S	5-10	210	11/11/1983	4	Fresno State	Porterville, Calif.
29	Sanders, Lewis	CB	6-1	210	6/22/1978	9	Maryland	Staten Island, N.Y.
93	Seymour, Richard	DL	6-6	310	10/6/1979	8	Georgia	Gadsden, S.C.
18	Slater, Matthew	WR	6-0	198	9/9/1985	R	UCLA	Anaheim, Calif.
90	Smith, Le Kevin	DL	6-3	308	7/21/1982	3	Nebraska	Macon, Ga.
96	Thomas, Adalius	LB	6-2	270	8/18/1977	9	Southern Mississippi	Equality, Ala.
86	Thomas, David	TE	6-3	248	7/5/1983	3	Texas	Wolfforth, Texas
41	Ventrone, Ray	DB	5-10	200	10/21/1982	3	Villanova	Pittsburgh, Pa.
50	Vrabel, Mike	LB	6-4	261	8/14/1975	12	Ohio State	Akron, Ohio
94	Warren, Ty	DL	6-5	300	2/6/1981	6	Texas A&M	Bryan, Texas
15	Washington, Kelley	WR	6-3	215	8/21/1979	6	Tennessee	Stephens City, Va.
84	Watson, Benjamin	TE	6-3	255	12/18/1980	5	Georgia	Rock Hill, S.C.
83	Welker, Wes	WR	5-9	185	5/1/1981	5	Texas Tech	Oklahoma City, Okla.
22	Wheatley, Terrence	CB	5-9	183	5/5/1985	R	Colorado	Plano, Texas
75	Wilfork, Vince	NT	6-2	325	11/4/1981	5	Miami (Fla.)	Boynton Beach, Fla.
24	Wilhite, Jonathan	CB	5-11	185	2/23/1984	R	Auburn	Monroe, La.
58	Woods, Pierre	LB	6-5	250	1/6/1982	3	Michigan	Cleveland, Ohio
99	Wright, Mike	DL	6-4	295	3/1/1982	4	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio
74	Yates, Billy	G	6-2	305	4/15/1980	5	Texas A&M	Fort Worth, Texas

## NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	NAME	POS
3	Stephen Gostkowski	K
5	Kevin O'Connell	QB
6	Chris Hanson	P
7	Matt Gutierrez	QB
10	Jabar Gaffney	WR
15	Kelley Washington	WR
16	Matt Cassel	QB
17	Maurice Price	WR
18	Matthew Slater	WR
21	Deltha O'Neal	CB
22	Terrence Wheatley	CB
24	Jonathan Wilhite	CB
27	Ellis Hobbs III	CB
29	Lewis Sanders	CB
31	Brandon Meriweather	DB
32	LaMont Jordan	RB
33	Kevin Faulk	RB
34	Sammy Morris	RB
36	James Sanders	S
37	Rodney Harrison	S
39	Laurence Maroney	RB
41	Ray Ventrone	DB
44	Heath Evans	RB
50	Mike Vrabel	LB
51	Jerod Mayo	LB
52	Eric Alexander	LB
53	Larry Izzo	LB
54	Tedy Bruschi	LB
58	Pierre Woods	LB
59	Gary Guyton	LB
63	Dan Connolly	C
64	Mark LeVoi	T
65	Wesley Britt	T
66	Lonie Paxton	LS
67	Dan Koppen	C
70	Logan Mankins	G
71	Russ Hochstein	G/C
72	Matt Light	T
74	Billy Yates	G
75	Vince Wilfork	NT
77	Nick Kaczur	T
81	Randy Moss	WR
83	Wes Welker	WR
84	Benjamin Watson	TE
86	David Thomas	TE
88	Sam Aiken	WR
90	Le Kevin Smith	DL
93	Richard Seymour	DL
94	Ty Warren	DL
96	Adalius Thomas	LB
97	Jarvis Green	DL
98	Shawn Crable	LB
99	Mike Wright	DL

## PRACTICE SQUAD

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
62	Adams, Titus	DL	6-4	305	1/28/1983	1	Nebraska	Omaha, Neb.
60	Bender, Jacob	T	6-6	315	5/25/1985	2	Nicholls State	Mayo, Md.
46	DeVree, Tyson	TE	6-6	245	11/12/1984	R	Colorado	Hudsonville, Mich.
42	Green-Ellis, BenJarvus	RB	5-11	215	7/2/1985	R	Mississippi	New Orleans, La.
49	Redd, Vince	LB	6-6	260	9/1/1985	R	Liberty	Elizabethton, Tenn.
35	Richardson, Mike	CB	5-11	190	2/18/1984	2	Notre Dame	Warner Robins, Ga.
28	Spann, Antwain	S	6-0	195	2/22/1983	3	Louisiana-Lafayette	Oceanside, Calif.
69	Wendell, Ryan	G	6-2	275	3/4/1986	R	Fresno State	Diamond Bar, Calif.

## PRACTICE SQUAD

#	NAME	POS
28	Antwain Spann	S
35	Mike Richardson	CB
42	BenJarvus Green-Ellis	RB
46	Tyson DeVree	TE
49	Vince Redd	LB
60	Jacob Bender	T
62	Titus Adams	DL
69	Ryan Wendell	G

## RESERVE/PUP LIST

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
61	Neal, Stephen	G	6-4	305	10/9/1976	7	Cal State-Bakersfield	San Diego, Calif.

## RESERVE/PUP LIST

#	NAME	POS
61	Stephen Neal	G

## RESERVE/NFI LIST

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
76	Ross, Oliver	T	6-4	327	9/27/1974	11	Iowa State	Los Angeles, Calif.

## RESERVE/NFI LIST

#	NAME	POS
76	Oliver Ross	T

## RESERVE/INJURED LIST

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
12	Brady, Tom	QB	6-4	225	8/3/1977	9	Michigan	San Mateo, Calif.
68	O'Callaghan, Ryan	T	6-7	330	7/19/1983	3	California	Redding, Calif.
91	Ruud, Bo	LB	6-3	235	9/2/1984	R	Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.
95	Smith, Kenny	DL	6-4	303	9/8/1977	6	Alabama	Meridian, Miss.
75	Stokes, Barry	OL	6-4	310	12/20/1973	11	Eastern Michigan	Flint, Mich.
26	Williams, Tank	S	6-2	223	6/30/1980	7	Stanford	Bay St. Louis, Miss.

## RESERVE/INJURED LIST

#	NAME	POS
12	Tom Brady	QB
26	Tank Williams	S
68	Ryan O'Callaghan	T
75	Barry Stokes	OL
91	Bo Ruud	LB
95	Kenny Smith	DL

## HEAD COACH: BILL BELICHICK

**ASSISTANTS:** Dom Capers, Special Assistant/Secondary; Ivan Fears, Running Backs; Pepper Johnson, Defensive Line; Pete Mangurian, Tight Ends; Josh McDaniels, Offensive Coordinator/QBs; Harold Nash, Assistant Strength and Conditioning; Bill O'Brien, Wide Receivers; Matt Patricia, Linebackers; Dean Pees, Defensive Coordinator; Dante Scarnecchia, Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Line; Brad Seely, Special Teams; Mike Woicik, Strength and Conditioning



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#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	YR	COLLEGE	HOW ACQ.
3	Stephen Gostkowski	K	6-1	210	24	3	Memphis	D4b-06
5	Kevin O'Connell	QB	6-5	225	23	R	San Diego State	D3b-08
6	Chris Hanson	P	6-2	202	31	10	Marshall	FA-07
7	Matt Gutierrez	QB	6-4	230	24	2	Idaho State	FA-07
10	Jabar Gaffney	WR	6-1	200	27	7	Florida	FA-06
15	Kelley Washington	WR	6-3	215	29	6	Tennessee	UFA (CIN)-07
16	Matt Cassel	QB	6-4	230	26	4	Southern California	D7a-05
17	Maurice Price	WR	6-1	197	23	2	Charleston Southern	FA-08
18	Matthew Slater	WR	6-0	198	23	R	UCLA	D5-08
21	Deltha O'Neal	CB	5-11	194	31	9	California	FA-08
22	Terrence Wheatley	CB	5-9	183	23	R	Colorado	D2-08
24	Jonathan Wilhite	CB	5-11	185	24	R	Auburn	D4-08
27	Ellis Hobbs III	CB	5-9	195	25	4	Iowa State	D3a-05
29	Lewis Sanders	CB	6-1	210	30	9	Maryland	FA-08
31	Brandon Meriweather	DB	5-11	200	24	2	Miami (Fla.)	D1-07
32	LaMont Jordan	RB	5-10	230	29	8	Maryland	FA-08
33	Kevin Faulk	RB	5-8	202	32	10	Louisiana State	D2-99
34	Sammy Morris	RB	6-0	220	31	9	Texas Tech	UFA (MIA)-07
36	James Sanders	S	5-10	210	24	4	Fresno State	D4-05
37	Rodney Harrison	S	6-1	220	35	15	Western Illinois	FA-03
39	Laurence Maroney	RB	5-11	220	23	3	Minnesota	D1-06
41	Ray Ventrone	DB	5-10	200	25	3	Villanova	FA-07
44	Heath Evans	RB	6-0	250	29	8	Auburn	FA-05
50	Mike Vrabel	LB	6-4	261	33	12	Ohio State	UFA (PIT)-01
51	Jerod Mayo	LB	6-1	242	22	R	Tennessee	D1-08
52	Eric Alexander	LB	6-2	240	26	4	Louisiana State	FA-04
53	Larry Izzo	LB	5-10	228	34	13	Rice	UFA (MIA)-01
54	Tedy Bruschi	LB	6-1	247	35	13	Arizona	D3-96
58	Pierre Woods	LB	6-5	250	26	3	Michigan	FA-06
59	Gary Guyton	LB	6-3	242	22	R	Georgia Tech	FA-08
63	Dan Connolly	C	6-4	313	26	3	Southeast Missouri St.	FA-08
64	Mark LeVoi	T	6-7	306	26	2	Notre Dame	CW (STL)-08
65	Wesley Britt	T	6-8	320	26	3	Alabama	FA-06
66	Lonie Paxton	LS	6-2	260	30	9	Sacramento State	FA-00
67	Dan Koppen	C	6-2	296	29	6	Boston College	D5-03
70	Logan Mankins	G	6-4	310	26	4	Fresno State	D1-05
71	Russ Hochstein	G/C	6-4	305	31	8	Nebraska	FA-02
72	Matt Light	T	6-4	305	30	8	Purdue	D2-01
74	Billy Yates	G	6-2	305	28	5	Texas A&M	FA-05
75	Vince Wilfork	NT	6-2	325	26	5	Miami (Fla.)	D1a-04
77	Nick Kaczur	T	6-4	315	29	4	Toledo	D3b-05
81	Randy Moss	WR	6-4	210	31	11	Marshall	TR (OAK)-07
83	Wes Welker	WR	5-9	185	27	5	Texas Tech	TR (MIA)-07
84	Benjamin Watson	TE	6-3	255	27	5	Georgia	D1b-04
86	David Thomas	TE	6-3	248	25	3	Texas	D3-06
88	Sam Aiken	WR	6-2	215	27	6	North Carolina	UFA (BUF)-08
90	Le Kevin Smith	DL	6-3	308	26	3	Nebraska	D6c-06
93	Richard Seymour	DL	6-6	310	29	8	Georgia	D1-01
94	Ty Warren	DL	6-5	300	27	6	Texas A&M	D1-03
96	Adalius Thomas	LB	6-2	270	31	9	Southern Mississippi	UFA (BAL)-07
97	Jarvis Green	DL	6-3	285	29	7	Louisiana State	D4b-02
98	Shawn Crable	LB	6-5	243	23	R	Michigan	D3a-08
99	Mike Wright	DL	6-4	295	26	4	Cincinnati	FA-05

## PRACTICE SQUAD

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	YR	COLLEGE	HOW ACQ.
28	Antwain Spann	S	6-0	195	25	3	Louisiana-Lafayette	FA-06
35	Mike Richardson	CB	5-11	190	24	2	Notre Dame	D6b-07
42	BenJarvus Green-Ellis	RB	5-11	215	23	R	Mississippi	FA-08
46	Tyson DeVree	TE	6-6	245	23	R	Colorado	FA-08
49	Vince Redd	LB	6-6	260	23	R	Liberty	FA-08
60	Jacob Bender	OL	6-6	315	23	2	Nicholls State	FA-08
62	Titus Adams	DL	6-4	305	25	1	Nebraska	FA-08
69	Ryan Wendell	G	6-2	275	22	R	Fresno State	FA-08

## RESERVE/PUP LIST

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	YR	COLLEGE	HOW ACQ.
61	Stephen Neal	G	6-4	305	32	7	Cal State-Bakersfield	FA-01

## RESERVE/NFI LIST

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	YR	COLLEGE	HOW ACQ.
76	Oliver Ross	T	6-4	327	34	11	Iowa State	FA-08

## RESERVE/INJURED LIST

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	YR	INJURY	IR DATE
12	Tom Brady	QB	6-4	225	31	9	Knee	Sept. 9
26	Tank Williams	S	6-2	223	28	7	Knee	Aug. 9
68	Ryan O'Callaghan	T	6-7	330	25	3	Shoulder	Aug. 26
75	Barry Stokes	OL	6-4	310	34	11	Back	Aug. 15
91	Bo Ruud	LB	6-3	235	24	R	Ankle	Aug. 30
95	Kenny Smith	DL	6-4	303	31	6	Arm	Aug. 30



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## DEFENSE (24)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
<b>DEFENSIVE LINE (6)</b>								
97	Green, Jarvis	DL	6-3	285	1/12/1979	7	Louisiana State	Donaldsonville, La.
93	Seymour, Richard	DL	6-6	310	10/6/1979	8	Georgia	Gadsden, S.C.
90	Smith, Le Kevin	DL	6-3	308	7/21/1982	3	Nebraska	Macon, Ga.
94	Warren, Ty	DL	6-5	300	2/6/1981	6	Texas A&M	Bryan, Texas
75	Wilfork, Vince	NT	6-2	325	11/4/1981	5	Miami (Fla.)	Boynton Beach, Fla.
99	Wright, Mike	DL	6-4	295	3/1/1982	4	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio
<b>LINEBACKER (9)</b>								
52	Alexander, Eric	LB	6-2	240	2/8/1982	4	Louisiana State	Port Arthur, Texas
54	Bruschi, Tedy	LB	6-1	247	6/9/1973	13	Arizona	Roseville, Calif.
98	Crable, Shawn	LB	6-5	243	12/26/1984	R	Michigan	Massillon, Ohio
59	Guyton, Gary	LB	6-3	242	11/14/1985	R	Georgia Tech	Hinesville, Ga.
53	Izzo, Larry	LB	5-10	228	9/26/1974	13	Rice	Houston, Texas
51	Mayo, Jerod	LB	6-1	242	2/23/1986	R	Tennessee	Hampton, Va.
96	Thomas, Adalius	LB	6-2	270	8/18/1977	9	Southern Mississippi	Equality, Ala.
50	Vrabel, Mike	LB	6-4	261	8/14/1975	12	Ohio State	Akron, Ohio
58	Woods, Pierre	LB	6-5	250	1/6/1982	3	Michigan	Cleveland, Ohio
<b>DEFENSIVE BACK (9)</b>								
37	Harrison, Rodney	S	6-1	220	12/15/1972	15	Western Illinois	Chicago, Ill.
27	Hobbs, Ellis	CB	5-9	195	5/16/1983	4	Iowa State	DeSoto, Texas
31	Meriweather, Brandon	DB	5-11	200	1/14/1984	2	Miami (Fla.)	Apopka, Fla.
21	O'Neal, Deltha	CB	5-11	194	1/30/1977	9	California	Milpitas, Calif.
36	Sanders, James	S	5-10	210	11/11/1983	4	Fresno State	Porterville, Calif.
29	Sanders, Lewis	CB	6-1	210	6/22/1978	9	Maryland	Staten Island, N.Y.
41	Ventrone, Ray	DB	5-10	200	10/21/1982	3	Villanova	Pittsburgh, Pa.
22	Wheatley, Terrence	CB	5-9	183	5/5/1985	R	Colorado	Plano, Texas
24	Wilhite, Jonathan	CB	5-11	185	2/23/1984	R	Auburn	Monroe, La.

## OFFENSE (26)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
<b>OFFENSIVE LINE (9)</b>								
65	Britt, Wesley	T	6-8	320	11/21/1981	3	Alabama	Cullman, Ala.
63	Connolly, Dan	C	6-4	313	9/2/1982	3	Southeast Missouri St.	St. Louis, Mo.
71	Hochstein, Russ	G/C	6-4	305	10/7/1977	8	Nebraska	Hartington, Neb.
77	Kaczur, Nick	T	6-4	315	7/28/1979	4	Toledo	Brantford, Ontario
67	Koppen, Dan	C	6-2	296	9/12/1979	6	Boston College	Whitehall, Pa.
64	LeVoir, Mark	T	6-7	306	7/29/1982	2	Notre Dame	Eden Prairie, Minn.
72	Light, Matt	T	6-4	305	6/23/1978	8	Purdue	Greenville, Ohio
70	Mankins, Logan	G	6-4	310	3/10/1982	4	Fresno State	Catheys Valley, Calif.
74	Yates, Billy	G	6-2	305	4/15/1980	5	Texas A&M	Fort Worth, Texas
<b>QUARTERBACK (3)</b>								
16	Cassel, Matt	QB	6-4	230	5/17/1982	4	Southern California	Northridge, Calif.
7	Gutierrez, Matt	QB	6-4	230	6/9/1984	2	Idaho State	Concord, Calif.
5	O'Connell, Kevin	QB	6-5	225	5/25/1985	R	San Diego State	Carlsbad, Calif.
<b>WIDE RECEIVER (7)</b>								
88	Aiken, Sam	WR	6-2	215	12/14/1980	6	North Carolina	Kenansville, N.C.
10	Gaffney, Jabar	WR	6-1	200	12/1/1980	7	Florida	Jacksonville, Fla.
81	Moss, Randy	WR	6-4	210	2/13/1977	11	Marshall	Rand, W. Va.
17	Price, Maurice	WR	6-1	197	9/11/1985	2	Charleston Southern	Olympia, Fla.
18	Slater, Matthew	WR	6-0	198	9/9/1985	R	UCLA	Anaheim, Calif.
15	Washington, Kelley	WR	6-3	215	8/21/1979	6	Tennessee	Stephens City, Va.
83	Welker, Wes	WR	5-9	185	5/1/1981	5	Texas Tech	Oklahoma City, Okla.
<b>RUNNING BACK (5)</b>								
44	Evans, Heath	RB	6-0	250	12/30/1978	8	Auburn	West Palm Beach, Fla.
33	Faulk, Kevin	RB	5-8	202	6/5/1976	10	Louisiana State	Carencro, La.
32	Jordan, LaMont	RB	5-10	230	11/11/1978	8	Maryland	Suitland, Md.
39	Maroney, Laurence	RB	5-11	220	2/5/1985	3	Minnesota	St. Louis, Mo.
34	Morris, Sammy	RB	6-0	220	3/23/1977	9	Texas Tech	San Antonio, Texas
<b>TIGHT END (2)</b>								
86	Thomas, David	TE	6-3	248	7/5/1983	3	Texas	Wolfforth, Texas
84	Watson, Benjamin	TE	6-3	255	12/18/1980	5	Georgia	Rock Hill, S.C.

## SPECIALISTS (3)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
<b>SPECIALISTS (3)</b>								
3	Gostkowski, Stephen	K	6-1	210	1/28/1984	3	Memphis	Madison, Miss.
6	Hanson, Chris	P	6-2	202	10/25/1976	10	Marshall	Sharpsburg, Ga.
66	Paxton, Lonie	LS	6-2	260	3/13/1978	9	Sacramento State	Corona, Calif.

## RESERVE/PUP (1)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
<b>RESERVE/PUP (1)</b>								
61	Neal, Stephen	G	6-4	305	10/9/1976	7	Cal State-Bakersfield	San Diego, Calif.

## RESERVE/NFI (1)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
<b>RESERVE/NFI (1)</b>								
76	Ross, Oliver	T	6-4	327	9/27/1974	11	Iowa State	Los Angeles, Calif.

## RESERVE/INJURED (6)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
<b>RESERVE/INJURED (6)</b>								
12	Brady, Tom	QB	6-4	225	8/3/1977	9	Michigan	San Mateo, Calif.
68	O'Callaghan, Ryan	T	6-7	330	7/19/1983	3	California	Redding, Calif.
91	Ruud, Bo	LB	6-3	235	9/2/1984	R	Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.
95	Smith, Kenny	DL	6-4	303	9/8/1977	6	Alabama	Meridian, Miss.
75	Stokes, Barry	OL	6-4	310	12/20/1973	11	Eastern Michigan	Flint, Mich.
26	Williams, Tank	S	6-2	223	6/30/1980	7	Stanford	Bay St. Louis, Miss.



# HOW THE PATRIOTS WERE BUILT

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<u>YEAR</u>	<u>DRAFTEES (25)</u>	<u>VETERAN FREE AGENTS (17)</u>	<u>WAIVERS (1) / TRADES (2)</u>	<u>ROOKIE AND FIRST-YEAR FREE AGENTS (8)</u>
1996	Tedy Bruschi (3)			
1997				
1998				
1999	Kevin Faulk (2)			
2000				Lonie Paxton (fa)
2001	Richard Seymour (1) Matt Light (2)	Larry Izzo (fa)(MIA) Mike Vrabel (3)(PIT)		
2002	Jarvis Green (4b)			Russ Hochstein (5)(TB)
2003	Ty Warren (1) Dan Koppen (5)	Rodney Harrison (5)(SD)		
2004	Vince Wilfork (1a) Benjamin Watson (1b)	Billy Yates (fa)(MIA)		Eric Alexander (fa)
2005	Logan Mankins (1) Ellis Hobbs III (3a) Nick Kaczur (3b) James Sanders (4) Matt Cassel (7a)	Heath Evans (3)(MIA)		Wesley Britt (5)(SD)
2006	Laurence Maroney (1) David Thomas (3) Stephen Gostkowski (4b) Le Kevin Smith (6c)	Jabar Gaffney (2)(PHI)		Pierre Woods (fa) Mike Wright (fa)
2007	Brandon Meriweather (1)	Chris Hanson (fa)(NO) Adalius Thomas (6)(BAL) Ray Ventrone (fa)(NYJ) Kelley Washington (3)(CIN) Sammy Morris (5)(MIA)	Randy Moss (1)(tr-OAK) Wes Welker (fa)(tr-MIA)	Matt Gutierrez (fa)
2008	Jerod Mayo (1) Terrence Wheatley (2) Shawn Crable (3a) Kevin O'Connell (3b) Jonathan Wilhite (4) Matthew Slater (5)	Sam Aiken (4)(BUF) Dan Connolly (fa)(JAX) LaMont Jordan (2)(OAK) Deltha O'Neal (1)(CIN) Maurice Price (fa)(KC) Lewis Sanders (4)(ATL)	Mark LeVoir (fa)(cw-STL)  <b>RESERVE/PUP (1)</b> Stephen Neal (fa)(FA-01)  <b>RESERVE/NFI (1)</b> Oliver Ross (5)(ARZ)(FA-08)	Gary Guyton (fa)  <b>RESERVE/INJURED (6)</b> Tom Brady (6b)(D6b-00) Ryan O'Callaghan (5)(D5-06) Bo Ruud (6)(D6-08) Kenny Smith (3)(TB)(FA-08) Barry Stokes (fa)(DET)(FA-08) Tank Williams (2)(MIN)(FA-08)

**NOTE:** Team in parenthesis is the player's last team prior to joining the Patriots  
 (#) – indicates round drafted  
 (fa) – indicates non-drafted free agents





# UNOFFICIAL DEPTH CHART

Unofficial depth chart compiled by Patriots media relations, Oct. 7, 2008

## OFFENSE

<b>WR:</b>	83 Wes Welker	88 Sam Aiken	<u>18 Matthew Slater</u>	
<b>LT:</b>	72 Matt Light	64 Mark LeVoi		
<b>LG:</b>	70 Logan Mankins			
<b>C:</b>	67 Dan Koppen	63 Dan Connolly		
<b>RG:</b>	74 Billy Yates	71 Russ Hochstein		
<b>RT:</b>	77 Nick Kaczur	65 Wesley Britt		
<b>TE:</b>	84 Benjamin Watson	86 David Thomas		
<b>WR:</b>	81 Randy Moss	10 Jabar Gaffney	15 Kelley Washington	17 Maurice Price
<b>QB:</b>	16 Matt Cassel	<u>5 Kevin O'Connell</u>	7 Matt Gutierrez	
<b>RB:</b>	39 Laurence Maroney	33 Kevin Faulk	34 Sammy Morris	32 LaMont Jordan
<b>FB:</b>	44 Heath Evans			

## DEFENSE

<b>LE:</b>	94 Ty Warren	99 Mike Wright		
<b>NT:</b>	75 Vince Wilfork	90 Le Kevin Smith		
<b>RE:</b>	93 Richard Seymour	97 Jarvis Green		
<b>OLB:</b>	50 Mike Vrabel	58 Pierre Woods		
<b>ILB:</b>	<u>51 Jerod Mayo</u>	52 Eric Alexander		
<b>ILB:</b>	54 Tedy Bruschi	<u>59 Gary Guyton</u>	53 Larry Izzo	
<b>OLB:</b>	96 Adalius Thomas	<u>98 Shawn Crable</u>		
<b>LCB:</b>	21 Deltha O'Neal	29 Lewis Sanders	<u>24 Jonathan Wilhite</u>	
<b>RCB:</b>	27 Ellis Hobbs	<u>22 Terrence Wheatley</u>		
<b>SS:</b>	37 Rodney Harrison	31 Brandon Meriweather		
<b>FS:</b>	36 James Sanders	41 Ray Ventrone		

## SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>K:</b>	3 Stephen Gostkowski	6 Chris Hanson		
<b>P:</b>	6 Chris Hanson	3 Stephen Gostkowski		
<b>H:</b>	6 Chris Hanson	16 Matt Cassel		
<b>PR:</b>	33 Kevin Faulk	83 Wes Welker		
<b>KR:</b>	27 Ellis Hobbs	<u>18 Matthew Slater</u>		
<b>LS:</b>	66 Lonie Paxton	71 Russ Hochstein		

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Tedy Bruschi	BREW-ski	Mark LeVoi	le-VORE
Matt Cassel	CASTLE	Jerod Mayo	je-ROD
Stephen Gostkowski	gust-OW-ski	Deltha O'Neal	DELL-thuh
Russ Hochstein	HOKE-stine	Le Kevin Smith	Lee-KEE-vin
Nick Kaczur	KÄ-zur	Adalius Thomas	ah-DAY-lus
Dan Koppen	COPE-en		



# 2008 TRANSACTIONS

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For transactions prior to March 2008, please see p.226 of the Patriots' 2008 Media Guide

## MARCH, 2008

3/3/2008	Aiken, Sam	Signed as Unrestricted Free Agent (BUF)
3/3/2008	Moss, Randy	Re-Signed
3/4/2008	Webster, Jason	Signed as Unrestricted Free Agent (BUF)
3/5/2008	Gaffney, Jabar	Re-Signed
3/6/2008	Sanders, Lewis	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
3/6/2008	Williams, Tank	Signed as Unrestricted Free Agent (MIN)
3/11/2008	Ventrone, Ray	Re-Signed
3/14/2008	Wright, Mike	Re-Signed
3/20/2008	Bryant, Fernando	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
3/25/2008	Britt, Wesley	Re-Signed
3/25/2008	Woods, Pierre	Re-Signed

## APRIL, 2008

4/7/2008	Hobson, Victor	Signed as Unrestricted Free Agent (NYJ)
4/23/2008	Player, Scott	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
4/23/2008	Pollard, Marcus	Signed as Unrestricted Free Agent (SEA)
4/23/2008	Smith, Kenny	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
4/26/2008	Mayo, Jerod	Drafted
4/26/2008	Wheatley, Terrence	Drafted
4/26/2008	Crable, Shawn	Drafted
4/27/2008	O'Connell, Kevin	Drafted
4/27/2008	Wilhite, Jonathan	Drafted
4/27/2008	Slater, Matthew	Drafted
4/27/2008	Ruud, Bo	Drafted
4/29/2008	Mixon, Tim	Waived
4/29/2008	Slaughter, T.J.	Waived

## MAY, 2008

5/2/2008	Coffman, Josh	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Dillard, Mark	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Feliciano, Carlos	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Green-Ellis, BenJarvus	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Guyton, Gary	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Norwell, Chris	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Redd, Vince	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Smith, Henry	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Stupar, Jonathan	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Tyler, Casey	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/2/2008	Wendell, Ryan	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/5/2008	Fifita, Steve	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
5/5/2008	DeVree, Tyson	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/5/2008	Dragosavich, Mike	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
5/5/2008	Coffman, Josh	Waived
5/5/2008	Feliciano, Carlos	Waived
5/13/2008	Ortiz, Robert	Signed as First-Year Free Agent

## JUNE, 2008

6/2/2008	Ross, Oliver	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
6/5/2008	Dragosavich, Mike	Waived
6/6/2008	Mruczkowski, Gene	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
6/11/2008	Alexander, Eric	Re-Signed
6/11/2008	DeVree, Tyson	Waived
6/11/2008	Smith, Henry	Waived
6/11/2008	Tyler, Casey	Waived
6/12/2008	Player, Scott	Released
6/14/2008	Slater, Matthew	Signed/Draft Choice

## JULY, 2008

7/1/2008	Andrews, Willie	Released
7/1/2008	Ruud, Bo	Signed/Draft Choice
7/17/2008	Wilhite, Jonathan	Signed/Draft Choice
7/21/2008	Crable, Shawn	Signed/Draft Choice
7/21/2008	O'Connell, Kevin	Signed/Draft Choice
7/21/2008	Clement, Anthony	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
7/21/2008	Dunlap, Chris	Signed as First-Year Free Agent
7/22/2008	Bauta, Lavdrim	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
7/22/2008	Wheatley, Terrence	Signed/Draft Choice
7/24/2008	Mayo, Jerod	Signed/Draft Choice
7/24/2008	Adams, Titus	Signed as First-Year Free Agent
7/24/2008	Bauta, Lavdrim	Released
7/26/2008	Jordan, LaMont	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
7/26/2008	Bauta, Lavdrim	Re-Signed
7/26/2008	Mruczkowski, Gene	Retired
7/26/2008	Ortiz, Robert	Released
7/27/2008	Bauta, Lavdrim	Released
7/27/2008	McMahon, Pete	Signed as First-Year Free Agent

## AUGUST, 2008

8/2/2008	Stokes, Barry	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
8/2/2008	Clement, Anthony	Placed on Reserve/Injured (Knee)
8/4/2008	Welbourn, John	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
8/4/2008	Norwell, Chris	Released
8/9/2008	Shoate, Jeff	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
8/9/2008	Williams, Tank	Placed on Reserve/Injured (Knee)
8/13/2008	Jimoh, Ade	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
8/13/2008	McMahon, Pete	Released
8/14/2008	Sene, Stephen	Signed as First-Year Free Agent
8/14/2008	Dunlap, Chris	Released
8/15/2008	Lynch, John	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
8/15/2008	Stokes, Barry	Placed on Reserve/Injured (Back)
8/19/2008	DeVree, Tyson	Signed as Rookie Free Agent
8/19/2008	Pollard, Marcus	Released
8/21/2008	Flynn, Mike	Signed
8/21/2008	Jimoh, Ade	Released
8/26/2008	Neal, Stephen	Placed on Reserve/PUP (Shoulder)
8/26/2008	O'Callaghan, Ryan	Placed on Reserve/Injured (Shoulder)
8/26/2008	Eckel, Kyle	Released
8/26/2008	Webster, Jason	Released
8/26/2008	Wendell, Ryan	Released
8/29/2008	Fifita, Steve	Released
8/29/2008	Martin, Jimmy	Released
8/29/2008	Shoate, Jeff	Released
8/29/2008	Stupar, Jonathan	Released
8/30/2008	Ross, Oliver	Placed on Reserve/NFI (Shoulder)
8/30/2008	Ruud, Bo	Placed on Reserve/Injured (Ankle)
8/30/2008	Smith, Kenny	Placed on Reserve/Injured (Arm)
8/30/2008	Adams, Titus	Released
8/30/2008	Bryant, Fernando	Released
8/30/2008	DeVree, Tyson	Released
8/30/2008	Dillard, Mark	Released
8/30/2008	Flynn, Mike	Released
8/30/2008	Green-Ellis, BenJarvus	Released
8/30/2008	Gutierrez, Matt	Released
8/30/2008	Hobson, Victor	Released
8/30/2008	Redd, Vince	Released
8/30/2008	Richardson, Mike	Released
8/30/2008	Sene, Stephen	Released
8/30/2008	Spann, Antwain	Released
8/30/2008	Thomas, Santonio	Released
8/30/2008	Welbourn, John	Released
8/31/2008	Adams, Titus	Signed to Practice Squad
8/31/2008	Dillard, Mark	Signed to Practice Squad
8/31/2008	Green-Ellis, BenJarvus	Signed to Practice Squad
8/31/2008	Redd, Vince	Signed to Practice Squad
8/31/2008	Richardson, Mike	Signed to Practice Squad
8/31/2008	Spann, Antwain	Signed to Practice Squad
8/31/2008	Jackson, Chad	Released
8/31/2008	Lynch, John	Released

## SEPTEMBER, 2008

9/1/2008	O'Neal, Deltha	Signed as Veteran Free Agent
9/1/2008	LeVoi, Mark	Claimed off Waivers (STL)
9/1/2008	Pociask, Jason	Claimed off Waivers (NYJ)
9/1/2008	Spach, Stephen	Released
9/1/2008	Bender, Jacob	Signed to Practice Squad
9/1/2008	DeVree, Tyson	Signed to Practice Squad
9/4/2008	Spach, Stephen	Re-Signed
9/4/2008	Pociask, Jason	Released
9/4/2008	Hodges, Reggie	Signed to Practice Squad
9/4/2008	DeVree, Tyson	Released from Practice Squad
9/7/2008	Hodges, Reggie	Released from Practice Squad
9/9/2008	Brady, Tom	Placed on Reserve/Injured (Knee)
9/10/2008	Gutierrez, Matt	Signed to Practice Squad
9/10/2008	Malone, Tom	Signed to Practice Squad
9/10/2008	Dillard, Mark	Released from Practice Squad
9/13/2008	Gutierrez, Matt	Signed to Active Roster
9/13/2008	Jones, C.J.	Released
9/15/2008	Eckel, Kyle	Signed
9/15/2008	Spach, Stephen	Released
9/15/2008	Dillard, Mark	Signed to Practice Squad
9/15/2008	Malone, Tom	Released from Practice Squad
9/16/2008	DeVree, Tyson	Signed to Practice Squad
9/22/2008	Eckel, Kyle	Released
9/24/2008	Price, Maurice	Signed
9/24/2008	Wendell, Ryan	Signed to Practice Squad
9/24/2008	Dillard, Mark	Released from Practice Squad



# PATRIOTS IN THE COMMUNITY

## PATRIOTS, SHAW'S AND GREATER BOSTON FOOD BANK LAUNCH FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN TO SUPPORT KIDS CAFES

The New England Patriots Charitable Foundation, Shaw's Supermarkets and The Greater Boston Food Bank have kicked off a joint fundraising campaign to support local Kids Cafe programs and food banks throughout New England. Operated in partnership with Boys & Girls Clubs, Kids Cafes provide nutritious meals to at-risk children after school each day.

From October 3 through October 31, shoppers can purchase paper helmets at their local Shaw's or Star Market. Red football helmets will be available for a \$1 donation and silver paper helmets will be available for a \$5 donation. The goal is to raise enough money through the campaign to provide 350,000 meals.



"We need everyone to realize that hunger is a problem that affects all of our communities, and is especially hard-hitting among children," said Josh Kraft, President of the New England Patriots Charitable Foundation. "While it's a problem that doesn't often command headlines, it should and we hope that this program will bring light and support to the issue. If everyone makes a small donation, collectively we can make a very big impact."

Each person that purchases a helmet at checkout will also be eligible to win Patriots prizes, including a trip to a Patriots away game, VIP tickets to a home game, and autographed memorabilia.

The number of people seeking emergency food assistance in our region has doubled in the past ten years and a third of those receiving assistance are children. The Patriots, Shaw's and local food banks hope to decrease childhood hunger by supporting this unique Kids Cafe program. The goal is to open three new Kids Cafes by the end of 2009 and to continue to support the program throughout New England.

## PATRIOTS VISIT FLOATING HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN



Players left to right: Sammy Morris, Pierre Woods and Logan Mankins visited the Floating Hospital for Children during the Patriots' bye week in September.

During the bye week, three Patriots players spent their day at Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts Medical Center visiting patients and handing out Patriots treats. Despite being given the weekend off, running back Sammy Morris, offensive lineman Logan Mankins and linebacker Pierre Woods spent their Friday afternoon visiting pediatric patients in the hospital's bone marrow transplant center before heading to the hospital playroom to play pool and air hockey with the kids. The players passed out books and Patriots trinkets to the kids while making sure to pose for photographs and sign autographs for dozens of patients and medical staff.

