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DETROIT LIONS AT TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

The Detroit Lions will travel to Tampa this week to take on the Buccaneers at Raymond James Stadium for their regular season opener Sunday, September 11 with kickoff set for 1 p.m. ET. The two met late in the 2010 season with Detroit coming away with a 23-20 overtime victory, giving them a 28-25 edge in the overall series. The game will be televised live in Metro Detroit on WJBK-TV FOX Channel 2 with **Chris Myers** handling play-by-play, **Tim Ryan** adding color commentary and **Jennifer Hale** reporting from the sideline. The game will also air live on the Lions Radio Network (WXYZ 97.1 FM) with announcer **Dan Miller** handling play-by-play, **Jim Brandstatter** adding color commentary and **Tony Ortiz** reporting from the sideline.

NFL TO SALUTE RESILIENT SPIRIT OF AMERICA

The NFL, its players and fans will take time to remember the courage and resilience that followed the events of September 11, 2001 with special tributes in stadium, on field and on television during all games on Sunday, September 11. The first Sunday of the NFL regular season falls on the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001. The games and broadcasts on that opening Sunday will unite fans to recognize those who lost their lives, honor the families who lost loved ones, and salute the American spirit, the early responders on 9/11, and other heroes that contributed to the nation's recovery.

The schedule of games for that day was designed to appropriately commemorate 9/11 on a national level and what it represents to Americans.

- Eight games will kick off at 1:00 PM ET, including the Baltimore Ravens hosting the Pittsburgh Steelers, who are based approximately 80 miles from Shanksville, Pa. (CBS).
- The 4:15 PM ET window of four games includes FOX's telecast of the Washington Redskins hosting the New York Giants.
- To conclude the day, the Dallas Cowboys visit the New York Jets on NBC's Sunday Night Football.

The NFL will unite fans on that day by synching the pregame salutes during the Sunday afternoon CBS and FOX telecasts, followed by a special Sunday night presentation from MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., on NBC. The special pregame events that will be televised nationally also will be shown on videoboards in each of the stadiums hosting games that day. All games in each of the broadcast windows (1:00 p.m., 4:15 p.m. and Sunday Night Football) will feature a special video introduction followed by performances of "Taps" from near the sites of the attacks, and moments of silence.

- For the 1:00 p.m. games, "Taps" will be performed in Shanksville, Pa.
- For the 4:15 p.m. games will feature a rendition from Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Va.
- The Sunday night game will include a performance from Hoboken, N.J., looking across the Hudson River to Ground Zero.
- Coaches, players and local first responders and other heroes will come together to hold field-length American flags for the playing of the National Anthem prior to each game.
- The nationally televised Cowboys-Jets game at MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., will feature additional special pregame and halftime presentations.

2011 DETROIT LIONS SCHEDULE

(** DATES AND TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE **)

PRESEASON

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
Fri., Aug. 12	CINCINNATI BENGALS	W, 34-3
Fri., Aug. 19	at Cleveland Browns	W, 30-28
Sat., Aug. 27	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	W, 34-10
Thurs., Sept. 1	at Buffalo Bills	W, 16-6

REGULAR SEASON

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
Sun., Sept. 11	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Sun., Sept. 18	KANSAS CITY CHIEFS	CBS 1:00 p.m.
Sun., Sept. 25	at Minnesota Vikings	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 2	at Dallas Cowboys	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 10	CHICAGO BEARS	ESPN# 8:30 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 16	SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 23	ATLANTA FALCONS	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 30	at Denver Broncos	FOX 4:05 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 6	*** BYE WEEK ***	
Sun., Nov. 13	at Chicago Bears	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 20	CAROLINA PANTHERS	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Thurs., Nov. 24	GREEN BAY PACKERS	FOX# 12:30 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 4	at New Orleans Saints	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 11	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	FOX 1:00 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 18	at Oakland Raiders	FOX 4:05 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 24	SAN DIEGO CHARGERS	CBS 4:05 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 1	at Green Bay Packers	FOX 1:00 p.m.

- All times Eastern Time; Home Games in BOLD CAPS
- # Nationally Televised
- FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING: NFL Sun. games during flexible Weeks 10-15 and 17 are subject to change 12 days in advance. Week 17 schedule is subject to change six days in advance. Games are subject to move to different time slots but dates will remain as announced.

GAME INFORMATION

Date:	Sun., Sept. 11
Kickoff:	1 p.m. ET
Stadium:	Raymond James Stadium
Capacity:	65,890
Television:	WJBK-TV FOX Ch.2
Play-By-Play:	Chris Myers
Color:	Tim Ryan
Sidelines:	Jennifer Hale

LIONS RADIO NETWORK

Flagship:	97.1 FM The Ticket (WXYZ-FM)
Play-By-Play:	Dan Miller
Color:	Jim Brandstatter
Sidelines:	Tony Ortiz
2010 Records:	Lions 6-10; Buccaneers 10-6
Playing Surface:	Natural Grass

LIONS-BUCCANEERS SERIES

The Lions-Buccaneers series dates back to 1977 when the two teams met for the first time in a 16-7 Lions victory in Detroit. The two teams have played 52 times since then with the Lions holding a 28-25 series edge. The teams met every season from 1977-2002 as division foes in the old NFC Central. They have only met once in the postseason, in 1997, when Tampa Bay beat Detroit, 20-10. They last met on Dec. 19, 2010 when the Lions went to Tampa and beat the Buccaneers, 23-20 in overtime, to snap a 26-game road losing streak.

SERIES BY THE NUMBERS

Regular Season Record vs. TB:	28-25-0
Home Record vs. TB:	15-11-0
Road Record vs. TB:	13-14
Record at Raymond James Stadium:	3-2-0
Last regular season game:	Det 23, TB 20 (OT) at TB (12/19/10)
Last postseason game:	TB 20, Det 10 at TB (12/28/97)



- Players, coaches and sideline personnel will wear a special NFL 9/11 ribbon as a patch or pin on their uniforms and sideline apparel. All stadiums hosting games on September 11 will feature the ribbon logo on the field.

It was announced on Tuesday (August 31) that the National Football League and the NFL Players Association that it will contribute \$1 million to three memorials and two charities related to the events of September 11, 2001.

- The NFL and NFLPA will contribute \$500,000 to the 9/11 Museum & Memorial in Lower Manhattan, and \$250,000 to be divided between the Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville, PA and the Pentagon Memorial Fund in Washington, D.C.
- In addition, the NFL and NFLPA will donate all proceeds from the sale of auction items from games played on Sunday, September 11. These items, which fans can bid on at www.NFL.com/Auction, will include game-worn autographed player jerseys, coaches and player hats, and commemorative game coins used during those games.
- NFL Auction proceeds will be divided equally between Tuesday's Children and MyGoodDeed. Tuesday's Children is a leading organization providing support and services to those who lost a loved one on 9/11, as well as to rescue and recovery workers who responded to the events. As the principle organizer of the September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance, MyGoodDeed is providing a positive, forward-looking way for Americans to honor and remember 9/11 victims, survivors, and first-responders.
- NFL Auction proceeds from 9/11/11 are expected to total at least \$250,000. Including the \$750,000 in charitable donations to the national 9/11 memorials, total NFL-NFLPA donations will reach \$1 million.

This marks the second time September 11 has fallen on the first Sunday of the NFL season since 2001. The fourth anniversary of September 11 in 2005 also was on a Sunday.

FINISHING PERFECT, MAKING THE CUT

The Detroit Lions closed out the preseason a perfect 4-0, finishing with a 16-6 win at Buffalo.

Through the four games, players were evaluated based on individual match-ups, not scheme, and it's their performance on the field that was taken away from the preseason, not the final stats or record.

Head Coach Jim Schwartz: "Once you get into the regular season, it's all about what you do then. We obviously won some games in the preseason, we saw some good individual performances, but you don't get any points for that. You don't get any extra wins – there's no tiebreakers based on your preseason record."

The first team offense and defense saw limited playing time in all of the four games – with the least amount of time in the fourth – giving extensive game experience opportunities to the second, third and fourth string players fighting for a roster spot.

Schwartz: "We got a lot of reps to a lot of guys. Some guys didn't get a whole lot of reps in camp and some of the preseason games, so we did a good job doing that. We saw some good individual performances. We didn't really scheme very much, but we never do during the preseason. But as far as (evaluation) goes, we'll be able to watch some good tape to be able to evaluate some of the final roster spots."

The final evaluation of the tape determined who would make the final cut to the league-mandated 53-man roster, which was announced on Saturday.

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GAME CREDENTIALS

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NEW TO DETROIT IN 2011

2011 UNRESTRICTED FREE AGENTS

Davis, Rashied	WR	5-9	187	San Jose St.	UFA-Chi '11
Durant, Justin	LB	6-1	240	Hampton	UFA-Jax '11
Harrison, Jerome	RB	5-9	205	Washington St.	UFA-Phi '11
Stovall, Maurice	WR	6-5	220	Notre Dame	UFA-TB '11
Tulloch, Stephen	LB	5-11	240	No. Carolina St.	UFA-Ten '11
Wright, Eric	CB	5-10	190	UNLV	UFA-Cle '11

2011 DRAFT CLASS

Fairley, Nick	DT	6-4	298	Auburn	D-1 '11
Young, Titus	WR	5-11	174	Boise State	D-2a '11
Leshoure, Mikel	RB	6-0	233	Illinois	D-2b '11
Hogue, Doug	LB	6-2	266	Syracuse	D-5 '11
Culbreath, Johnny	T	6-5	322	So. Carolina St.	D-7 '11

2011 FREE AGENTS

Coleman, Erik	S	5-10	207	Washington St.	FA '11
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2011 WAIVERS

McClendon, Jacques	G	6-3	324	Tennessee	W-Ind '11
Williams, Keiland	RB	5-11	230	LSU	W-Was '11

2011 UNDRAFTED ROOKIE FREE AGENTS

Donohue, Ryan	P	6-3	190	Iowa	FA '11
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PRESEASON NOTABLES

OFFENSE

- Lions QB **Matthew Stafford** was one of the NFL's best quarterbacks throughout the preseason. He was 25-of-33 for 395 yards and five touchdowns in the four games. He did not throw an interception and he finished the preseason with a passer rating of 154.7.
- All four Lions QBs, **Stafford, Shaun Hill, Drew Stanton** and **Zac Robinson**, had successful preseasons. They were a combined 81-of-123 for 1030 yards, 11 touchdowns and one interception.
- Lions WR **Maurice Stovall** was one of preseason's pleasant surprises. The former Bucs WR finished with six catches for 108 yards and two touchdowns. He was also a vital contributor on special teams.
- Lions WR **Calvin Johnson** did not see much playing time in the preseason, but produced big plays when he was on the field. In three games, he had four grabs for 106 yards, an average of 26.5 yards per catch. He had a 39-yard reception on the first play from scrimmage last week vs. Buffalo.
- Lions RB **Jerome Harrison** got more comfortable with the Lions offense as the preseason went on and had his best game last week vs. Buffalo. He had 72 yards on seven carries, including a 47-yarder.

DEFENSE

- Lions LB **Bob Carpenter** led the team with 22 tackles through the preseason.
- Lions S **Amari Spivey** showed signs that he could be in for a breakout second season. He finished the preseason with 10 tackles.
- New Lions LBs **Stephen Tulloch** and **Justin Durant** combined for 13 tackles in the preseason.

SPECIAL TEAMS

- Lions K **Jason Hanson** kicked three field goals last week vs. Buffalo and finished 8-for-8 in the preseason. He now enters his 20th season with the Lions.
- Lions P **Ryan Donohue** won the punting job this preseason. He averaged 44.1 yards per punt throughout the four games. Donohue had four punts for a 44-yard average with a long of 57 last week vs. Buffalo.
- Lions S **Erik Coleman** led the team with eight tackles on special teams.



Schwartz: "This is a very focused group, it's a hard-working group, but there's some necessity of going through what we go through in the preseason—there's a reason that we do it. But it's good to have our focus on one team, it's good to have our focus on the regular season, it's good to get in to a regular season week."

The biggest change to the Lions' line-up as a result of the cuts is the departure of P **Nick Harris**.

Harris spent seven-plus seasons with the Lions, but the team decided it was time to move in a different direction. Rookie P **Ryan Donahue**, who was signed as an undrafted free agent July 29, enters the 2011 season as Detroit's punter.

Schwartz on Donahue: "He's proven that he can punt, he can hold, and we've seen everything that we need to see from him in training camp. We're not hoping to see something different in the regular season that we haven't seen."

The Lions also parted ways with fourth-year player FB **Jerome Felton** and third-year players RB **Aaron Brown** and WR **Derrick Williams**.

CREATING A FEARED DEFENSE

When the Lions drafted DT **Ndamukong Suh** in 2010, their goal was for Suh to be a mainstay in the middle of a dominating defense, one that would develop the reputation of being the most feared in the NFL.

Suh established his role quickly during his rookie year, finishing with 66 tackles, 10.0 sacks, an interception and a fumble return for a touchdown, earning a nod to the 2011 Pro Bowl. In his second year, he feels good about how the group is coming along.

Suh: "I think we are in a good progression going into the regular season. I can really speak on the front four that we are starting to gel and have good camaraderie and more or less know where each other are going to play together and how we fit as a unit."

Eighth-year DT **Corey Williams** feels the front four has already established themselves as a defense that's able to get into the opposing offense's heads.

Williams: "We have to continue doing (playing well) week-after-week and keep our confidence level up. We know that we have a pretty good defense, but we have to go out there and show it. It's a big relief to know that you're going out there with guys who are going to go out there and go at it. We saw it (against Cincinnati), after the first couple of plays; we already knew we were in their heads a little bit and we have to take advantage of it."

The Lions added another piece to the defensive line when they selected DT **Nick Fairley** out of Auburn in the 2011 NFL Draft.

Unfortunately, Fairley missed a significant amount of training camp and then the entire preseason after suffering a foot injury that required surgery.

However, he's staying involved as much as possible off the field, and will be ready to contribute at some point early in the season.

Fairley: "I've been talking to Suh, Kyle Vanden Bosch. They've been keeping my spirit up and telling me not to get my head down. This is a setback that I have to go through and I just need to get ready so when I do finally get back out there I'll be ready to go."

PRESEASON TUNE-UP

During the preseason, the Lions prepared for the 2011 regular season with one of the League's most efficient offenses, especially in the passing game, as well as one of the top pass defenses. Among preseason leaders, the Lions finished second in total offense (385.8 yds/g) and first in scoring (114 pts, 28.5 pts/g). Defensively, the team ranked second in total defense (261.5 yds/g) and third in points allowed (11.8 pts/g).

- Detroit's offensive attack was paced by the play of the team's four quarterbacks. Detroit accumulated during the preseason, the top passer rating in the NFL (118.3).
- Among passers who attempted 20 passes, QB Matthew Stafford led with a passer rating of 154.7. He completed 25-of-33 passes (75.8) for 395 yards with 5 touchdowns.
- The Lions scored 30 points in three of its preseason games for the first time since the NFL began a 4-game preseason schedule in 1978. The last time they scored 30 points in three preseason games was 1972 (6 games).
- Defensively, the Lions allowed 10 points or less in three of its preseason games (Cincinnati 8/12, New England 8/27 and at Buffalo 9/1). In those three preseason games, the team allowed 3, 10 and 6 points respectively.

NFL Preseason Leaders, Passer Rating (Min. 15 att.)

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Cmp	Att	Yds	Pct	Avg	Lg	TD	Int	Rtg
1	Stafford	Det	4	33	25	395	75.8	12.0	5	0	52	154.7
2	Roethlisberger	Pit	4	31	21	361	67.7	11.6	4	0	77	146.6
3	Rodgers	GB	4	47	37	395	78.7	8.4	4	0	34	130.1

NFL Preseason Leaders, Passer Rating (Min. 15 att.)

Rk	Tm	G	Att	Cmp	Yds	NetY	Cmp%	Avg	TD	Int	Rtg
1	Det	4	123	81	1,030	1,007	65.9	8.0	11	1	118.3
2	Arz	4	135	84	1,202	1,166	62.2	8.4	8	2	104.6
3	Pit	4	109	61	873	794	56.0	6.7	6	0	100.4
4	GB	4	144	92	993	902	63.9	5.6	8	2	96.8
5	Den	4	116	71	1,083	1,017	61.2	8.0	5	3	95.6

NFL Preseason Leaders, Total Offense

Rk	Tm	Total	Rush	Pass	Tot/G	Ru/G	Pa/G
1	Arz	1,613	447	1,166	403.3	111.8	291.5
2	Det	1,543	536	1,007	385.8	134.0	251.8
3	Was	1,542	580	962	385.5	145.0	240.5
4	NO	1,474	480	994	368.5	120.0	248.5

NFL Preseason Leaders, Total Points

Rk	Tm	G	Pts	Pts/G	TD	Ru	Pa	Ret	FG	PAT	Saf	Zpt
1	Det	4	114	28.5	12	1	11	0	10	12	0	0
2	NE	4	105	26.3	13	8	5	0	5	12	0	0
3	Arz	4	101	25.3	11	2	8	1	8	11	0	0
4	Pit	4	98	24.5	11	3	6	2	7	11	0	0
5	Bal	4	92	23.0	10	6	3	1	7	9	0	1

NFL Preseason Leaders, Total Touchdowns

Rk	Tm	G	Pts	Pts/G	TD	Ru	Pa	Ret	FG	PAT	Saf	Zpt
1	NE	4	105	26.3	13	8	5	0	5	12	0	0
2	Det	4	114	28.5	12	1	11	0	10	12	0	0
3	Arz	4	101	25.3	11	2	8	1	8	11	0	0
3	Pit	4	98	24.5	11	3	6	2	7	11	0	0
3	NO	4	87	21.8	11	6	4	1	3	8	0	2
3	Cle	4	83	20.8	11	3	7	1	2	11	0	0

NFL Preseason Leaders, Passing Touchdowns

Rk	Tm	G	Att	Cmp	Yds	NetY	Pct	Avg	TD	Int	Rtg
1	Det	4	123	81	1030	1007	65.9	8.0	11	1	118.3
2	Arz	4	135	84	1202	1166	62.2	8.4	8	2	104.6
2	GB	4	144	92	993	902	63.9	5.6	8	2	96.8
4	Cle	4	111	67	704	647	60.4	5.3	7	4	84.8

NFL Preseason Leaders, Total Defense

Rk	Tm	Total	Rush	Pass	Tot/G	Ru/G	Pa/G
1	Chi	1020	486	534	255.0	121.5	133.5
2	Det	1046	356	690	261.5	89.0	172.5
3	Atl	1072	288	784	268.0	72.0	196.0
4	Phi	1075	378	697	268.8	94.5	174.3
5	Hou	1078	476	602	269.5	119.0	150.5

NFL Preseason Leaders, Points Allowed Per Game

Rk	Tm	G	Pts/G	Yds/G
1	Ten	4	10.5	322.0
2	Min	4	11.0	321.8
3	Det	4	11.8	261.5
4	SL	4	13.3	316.0
4	Mia	4	13.3	322.0



"I go to every meeting that they go to and when they are at practice, I try to catch extra film. Probably a couple extra games from last year, just try to catch up on the scheme a little bit. Or I'll go through and look through my playbook and learn some new plays."

Through last season, as well as the preseason, the Lions' defensive line has proven that they're deep in talent.

Their ability to rotate guys in every position throughout the game without missing a beat is something that not all teams have.

Schwartz: "I think you've got to go past the front of the first four. We didn't have Vanden Bosch out there (against New England) – Kyle's going to be a big part of what we do. We didn't have Fairley out there – he's going to be a big part of what we do. Even guys in the rotation like Sammie (Hill), I thought rushed very well and Willie Young I thought did some good things. Again, that's not just a front four. You can probably go front seven, front eight when you talk about our defensive line."

Another position that the Lions addressed heading into 2011 was the linebacker unit.

With the acquisitions of veterans **Stephen Tulloch** and **Justin Durant**, Defensive Coordinator **Gunther Cunningham** says they can do "everything" now, in comparison to before.

Cunningham: "Stephen Tulloch – I don't know why they let him out of Tennessee, but I'm glad he's here.

"I was talking to (DeAndre) Levy and he said, 'Gun, when we're on the field we're together in it. We understand each other.' They're three pros, and Bobby Carpenter fits right in there too. We have four guys in that group that I can do a lot with, and as a coordinator it makes it a pleasure to call the defense."

In the secondary, the Lions signed CB **Eric Wright** and S **Eric Coleman** to add more veteran presence.

S Louis Delmas: "This year we added a couple of defensive backs to the defense who are very smart and gel very well with our scheme.

"It's always good to have veteran players to look up to. Eric Coleman has been in there for a minute now and anytime I have a question, that I can't ask my coach, I can go up to him, a player who has been through that situation, and I can ask him. It's always good to have a guy like that on your team."

STAFFORD IN CONTROL

Despite preseason stats and records not holding any weight in the regular season, QB **Matthew Stafford** and the Lions' first-team offense looked sharp.

Stafford, who enters his third year as the Lions' starting quarterback, looked poised and in control at the helm of the offense, and having only played in 13 games through his first two seasons, he's looking to stay healthy and on the field for the entire year.

Stafford prior to the start of training camp: "During the season, I just want to be there. That's the biggest thing. The thing I haven't been lucky enough to do is play the last couple of years. I think if I can stay out there, I don't have to make any predictions. My play will do the talking for me."

Offensive Coordinator **Scott Linehan** isn't concerned with Stafford's durability.

LIONS GO STREAKING

The Detroit Lions were one of only four teams (only NFC) to end the 2010 season on a four-game winning streak.

- With the 20-13 win over Minnesota in the finale, Detroit finished with four-straight wins. The last time the Lions won four consecutive games was October-November 1999 (25-23 vs. Min 10/17/99; 24-9 at Car 10/10/99; 20-3 vs. TB 10/31/99 and 31-27 vs. STL 11/7/99).
- The win over the Vikings marked the first four-game winning streak in December since the team won all four games in December 1995 (27-7 vs. Chi 12/4/95; 24-17 at Hou 12/10/95; 44-0 vs. Jax 12/17/10 and 37-10 at TB 12/23/95).
- Years ending 4-game winning streak: 1944 (5), 1953 (6), 1960 (4), 1970 (5), 1989 (5), 1991 (6), 1995 (7) and 2010 (4).

ROAD WORK

- The win over Miami (12/26), combined with the team's 23-20 overtime win at Tampa Bay (12/29) the prior week gave the Lions their first consecutive road wins since they opened the 2004 season with three straight road victories (20-16 at Chi 9/12/04; 17-10 at Atl 10/10/04 and 28-13 at the NYG 10/24/04).
- The road wins in those two weeks are the first road wins in consecutive weeks since October 1993 when the Lions won 16-13 at the Los Angeles Rams (10/24/93) and at Minnesota (10/31/93).
- With a win at Miami, the Lions won back-to-back road games in December for the first time since 1991 (21-17 at Green Bay 12/15/91 and 17-14 in OT at Buffalo 12/22/91).
- The victory at Tampa Bay (12/19) not only ended the club's 26-game skid on the road, but the overtime win was the club's first road overtime win since the Lions defeated the New York Giants 28-25 October 30, 1994 in sudden death.

CONNECTIONS

COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

- Lions DT **Ndamukong Suh** (2005-2009) and Bucs S **Larry Asante** (2007-2009) played together at Nebraska.
- Lions P **Ryan Donahue** (2006-2010) and Bucs DE **Adrian Clayborn** (2006-2010) were both Hawkeyes under coach Kirk Flentz at Iowa.
- Lions QB **Matthew Stafford** (2006-2008) and Bucs RB **Kregg Lumpkin** (2003-07) shared the same backfield at Georgia.
- Bucs WR **Mike Williams** (2006-2009) and Lions rookie LB **Doug Hogue** (2007-2010) were teammates at Syracuse University.
- Lions DT **Andre Fluellen** (2003-2007) and Bucs LB **Geno Hayes** (2005-2007) played for Bobby Bowden at Florida State.

LONGTIME FRIENDS

- Lions S **Louis Delmas** and Bucs CB **E.J. Biggers** played high school football together at North Miami (Fla.) Beach High School and both went on to have stellar careers at Western Michigan University.

FORMER BUC NOW HEAD LION

- Lions senior Vice President and General Manager **Martin Mayhew** played defensive back in Tampa Bay from 1993-1996. While in Tampa, Mayhew was given the Chelo Huerta Community Service Award for his off-the-field contributions.

YOU LOOK FAMILAR

- Buccaneers offensive coordinator **Greg Olson** was the Lions' quarterback coach in 2004. In 2005, he was the quarterbacks coach as well as being the offensive coordinator. Buccaneers defensive back coach **Jimmy Lake** was the Lions' secondary coach during the 2008 season.
- Lions TE **Will Heller** spent the first part of his career with Tampa Bay from 2003-05.
- WR **Maurice Stovall** played his first five seasons with the Bucs from 2006-2010.
- Lions offensive line coach **George Yarno** was the assistant offensive line coach in Tampa Bay in 2008.

YOUTH HOLDING EXPERIENCE

In Sunday's game, rookie P **Ryan Donahue** is set to make his NFL debut. Along with his punting duties, he will hold for K Jason Hanson on field goal attempts. While Donahue is playing in his first NFL season, Hanson enters his 20th career season.

- When Hanson played in his first career game at Chicago September 6, 1992, Donahue (born in 1988) was four years old.



Linehan: "He's bigger and stronger and he's still got that great head on his shoulders. I just see him physically different and he worked really hard at that. It's just paying off. He's never even shown any signs of a weary arm or anything I can tell. He's probably worked harder this offseason on his game and himself physically than he ever has in his whole career."

Stafford finished the preseason completing 25 of 33 passes for 395 yards, 5 touchdowns with no interceptions while being sacked only once. His QB rating for the preseason was a league-leading 154.7.

Schwartz: "He's been pretty efficient. You judge quarterbacks by their ability to get you in a good play, to make good decisions, to throw accurate passes and lead teams to scores – he's done that."

Part of Stafford's success was thanks to the guys up front.

The offensive line continues to excel pass protection, allowing just 3.0 sacks thru four preseason games after finishing sixth in the NFL with 27 sacks allowed in 2010.

Schwartz on protection: "I think, particularly protection-wise, they've done a good job keeping our quarterbacks clean. We've taken very few sacks in the preseason. We've run the ball effectively when it's sort of been game planned that way.

"We've had a lot of different guys play a lot of different positions. So we've got a lot of different combinations in there and that's what you want to do to be ready for a season."

OFFENSIVE ARSENAL

During the preseason all of the Lions' quarterbacks had success moving the team down the field, utilizing their weapons on offense.

Detroit acquired two new wide receivers in **Rashied Davis** and **Maurice Stovall** and drafted **Titus Young**, to add to an already talented group containing **Calvin Johnson** and **Nate Burleson**.

Schwartz: "I think that we've added a couple guys in there like Rashied Davis and Titus being drafted. Not only having Calvin and Nate Burleson and the guys that return, but we added some guys that have played in the National Football League, and guys that have made plays.

"I think No. 1, we're able to sort of have a little bit more depth. No. 2 (we've) got some guys in there that can do a lot of different things; a couple different guys that can return, guys that can play on special teams and things like that. It opens things up significantly as far as the roster spots and how you balance the roster, particularly when you have guys that can make plays on special teams."

Burleson, who scored 3 touchdowns in the preseason, believes they have the pieces in place to be successful with not only the receivers, but also the tight ends and running backs.

Burleson: "We have the potential, we have the weapons. Matthew (Stafford) and obviously Calvin (Johnson) and some of the running backs, we have some of the things that can make us a good offense. We just have to work on our consistency and work on our chemistry. But we will be okay. We are excited for what we can do."

Tight ends **Will Heller**, **Brandon Pettigrew** and **Tony Scheffler** also play a key role in the Lions receiving game.

Pettigrew who enters his third-year, finished with 4 catches for 50 yards in limited preseason action.

PROTECTING THE QUARTERBACK

The Lions offensive line was one of the top pass protecting lines in the NFL in 2010. Detroit had the third most pass attempts in the League (633) and only allowed 27 sacks.

> The Lions pass protection has been consistent despite the team starting three different quarterbacks. **Among the teams in the Top-5 in sacks per pass play, only the Lions have started more than one quarterback this season.**

> For the season, the Lions finished with a sacks per pass play percentage of 4.09. It is the third-lowest sacks per pass play percentage allowed by the Lions since 1960.

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OFFENSIVE IMPROVEMENT

NFL Leaders, Offensive Improvement - Total Yards

Rk	Tm	G	2010	2009	Diff.	Diff./G
1	Oak	16	5674	4258	1416	88.5
2	TB	16	5362	4600	762	47.6
3	KC	16	5595	4851	744	46.5
4	Det	16	5423	4784	639	39.9

NFL Leaders, Offensive Improvement - Passing Yards

Rk	Tm	G	2010	2009	Diff.	Diff./G
1	Cle	16	2989	2076	913	57.1
2	Cin	16	3767	2890	877	54.8
3	NYJ	16	3242	2380	862	53.9
4	Buf	16	3158	2515	643	40.2
5	Det	16	3810	3168	642	40.1

NFL Leaders, Offensive Improvement - Points

Rk	Tm	G	2010	2009	Diff.	Diff./G
1	Oak	16	410.0	197	213	13.3
2	StL	16	289.0	175	114	7.1
3	Det	16	362.0	262	100	6.3

NFL Leaders, Offensive Improvement - 3rd Down Offense

	Tm	2010		2009		Difference				
		Made	Pct	Made	Pct	Made	Att	Pct		
1	Buf	80	211	37.9	51	198	25.8	29	13	12.2
2	TB	89	211	42.2	71	218	32.6	18	-7	9.6
3	KC	83	226	36.7	62	227	27.3	21	-1	9.4
4t	Atl	112	240	46.7	91	216	42.1	21	24	4.5
4t	NE	95	197	48.2	90	206	43.7	5	-9	4.5
4t	Oak	75	220	34.1	63	213	29.6	12	7	4.5
4t	Cle	75	202	37.1	76	233	32.6	-1	-31	4.5
8	Det	97	242	40.1	84	234	35.9	13	8	4.2

NFL Leaders, Turnovers Improvement - Giveaways

Rk	Tm	Int	2010		2009		Difference			
			Fum	Total	Fum	Total	Int	Fum	Total	
1	Det	16	9	25	32	9	41	-16	0	-16
2	TB	6	13	19	29	5	34	-23	8	-15
3	KC	8	6	14	17	10	27	-9	-4	-13

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DEFENSIVE IMPROVEMENT

NFL Leaders, Defensive Improvement - Total Yards Allowed

Rk	Tm	G	2010	2009	Diff.	Diff./G
1	KC	16	3283	6211	-2928	-184.0
2	SD	16	4345	5232	-887	-55.4
3	NO	16	4900	5724	-824	-51.5
4	Det	16	5497	6274	-777	-48.6

NFL Leaders, Defensive Improvement - Passing Yards Allowed

Rk	Tm	G	2010	2009	Diff.	Diff./G
1	Det	16	3498	4249	-751	-46.9
2	NO	16	3103	3769	-666	-41.6
3	SD	16	2845	3348	-503	-31.4

NFL Leaders, Defensive Improvement - Points Allowed

Rk	Tm	G	2010	2009	Diff.	Diff./G
1	Det	16	369.0	494	-125	-7.8
2	StL	16	328.0	436	-108	-6.8
3	KC	16	326.0	424	-98	-6.1

NFL Leaders, Turnovers Improvement - Takeaways

Rk	Tm	Int	2010		2009		Difference			
			Fum	Total	Fum	Total	Int	Fum	Total	
1	NYG	16	23	39	13	11	24	3	12	15
2	Pit	21	14	35	12	10	22	9	4	13
3t	NE	25	13	38	18	10	28	7	3	10
3t	Was	14	13	27	11	6	17	3	7	10
5t	Cle	19	9	28	10	9	19	9	0	9
5t	Dal	20	10	30	11	10	21	9	0	9
7	Chi	21	14	35	13	15	28	8	-1	7
8t	Det	14	15	29	9	14	23	5	-1	6
8t	StL	14	12	26	8	12	20	6	0	6



Pettigrew on catching passes from Stafford: "That's a practice thing, being in a comfort-zone and knowing that I'm going to be where I'm supposed to be. It's just trust. You know where the open area is, you know where he's going to throw it and you've just got to get there. He's not going to make a bad decision."

The running game, which received some unfavorable critique early in the preseason, showed plenty of progress later on, finishing with 145 carries for 536 yards (3.5 avg. per carry) and a touchdown.

With backs **Jahvid Best**, **Jerome Harrison**, **Maurice Morris** and newly acquired **Keiland Williams**, Harrison feels they're in a good position to succeed.

Harrison: "We're rolling, you know, we just have to keep working. I'm not going to say we're satisfied, but we've got a pretty good start. We've got some stuff to get better at, and I think we're headed in the right direction. I think this team has the right mindset, a good mentality, and a good focus."

Harrison credits the offensive line for their success.

Harrison: "The offensive line blocked great, so I would be a fool to sit here and take the credit. I had running lanes. The offensive line did their job to get me to the secondary, and after that it's supposed to be on the runner. They did a great job."

Arguably the hardest blows the team took in the preseason was the loss of RB **Mikel Leshoure**, who tore his Achilles tendon early in training camp, ending his rookie season.

Schwartz: "He was doing very well. Not only running the football, but in the passing game and as a protector and in special teams. (He) really made a good impression. That was the reason we traded up and were very excited about getting him. Like I said, we still feel very strongly about him, he will be back – it just won't be this season."

Best understood the impact his loss has on the backfield but is confident that his teammate will come back full strength next year.

Best: "He's a great player. If it was any great player it's going to hurt us. He's got a bright future; this is just a minor setback. Just press the pause button for a little bit and as soon as you press play, he'll be right back where he started."

STAYING FOCUSED

With the first game of the regular season against Tampa Bay, Schwartz says the most important thing is for the team to continue with the mindset of staying focused on the game ahead of them.

Schwartz: "You don't hear us talking a whole lot about anything other than what we have coming up and that's our focus. As long as we keep our focus on that, we'll be fine. I think it's just a reflection of the leaders that we have; it's a reflection of the workman attitude of the team."

With the expectations that surround the team, Schwartz says the players have to continue with their level-headed approach to the game. Talking the playoffs is one thing they won't do.

Schwartz: "We have great expectations on things like that. We talked a lot about that when we opened training camp and things like that and the expectations that we have. We need to carry ourselves with those same kinds of things, but we don't need to talk about it; that doesn't do a whole lot of good."

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 SPECIAL TEAMS IMPROVEMENT**

NFL Leaders, Special Teams Improvement - KO Ret. Avg.

Rk	Team	G	2010			2009			Difference	
			KR	Yds	Avg	KR	Yds	Avg	KR	Avg
1	Oak	16	68	1532	22.5	66	1199	18.2	4.4	
2	Ten	16	64	1556	24.3	69	1417	20.5	3.8	
3	Det	16	61	1519	24.9	96	2050	21.4	3.5	
4	Den	16	59	1435	24.3	57	1217	21.4	3.0	
5	Atl	16	46	1221	26.5	55	1336	24.3	2.3	

NFL Leaders, Special Teams Improvement - KR Avg. Allowed

Rk	Team	G	2010			2009			Difference	
			KR	Yds	Avg	KR	Yds	Avg	KR	Avg
1	NYJ	16	73	1428	19.6	70	1685	24.1	-4.5	
2	Pit	16	77	1540	20.0	74	1795	24.3	-4.3	
3	KC	16	66	1336	20.2	60	1446	24.1	-3.9	
4	Det	16	72	1487	20.7	58	1353	23.3	-2.7	

O-LINE DOMINANCE

NFL Leaders, Defensive Improvement - Sacks

Rk	Tm	G	2010					2009					Difference				
			Att	Sk	Sk%	Att	Sk	Sk%	Sk	Sk%	Att	Sk	Sk%	Sk	Sk%		
1	Det	16	518	44	7.83	545	26	4.55	18	3.28							
2	Jax	16	506	26	4.89	510	14	2.67	12	2.22							
3	StL	16	570	43	7.01	491	25	4.84	18	2.17							
4	KC	16	581	39	6.29	509	22	4.14	17	2.15							
5	NYG	16	539	46	7.86	498	32	6.04	14	1.83							

NFL Leaders, Defensive Improvement - Sacks Per Pass Play

Rk	Team	G	2010					2009					Difference				
			Att	Sk	Sk%	Att	Sk	Sk%	Sk	Sk%	Att	Sk	Sk%	Sk	Sk%		
1	Det	16	518	44	7.83	545	26	4.55	18	3.28							
2	SD	16	488	47	8.79	534	35	6.15	12	2.63							
3	Jax	16	506	26	4.89	510	14	2.67	12	2.22							
4	StL	16	570	43	7.01	491	25	4.84	18	2.17							
5	KC	16	581	39	6.29	509	22	4.14	17	2.15							

NFL Leaders, Defensive Improvement - Defensive Line Sacks

Rk	Tm	G	2010			2009			Difference		
			Sk	Yds	Sk	Yds	Sk	Yds	Sk	Yds	
1	Det	16	39.0	269.0	15.5	90.0	23.5	179.0	0	0	
2	NYG	16	39.5	274.0	21.5	153.5	18.0	120.5	0	0	
3	StL	16	31.0	203.0	19.0	109.0	12.0	94.0	0	0	

NFL Leaders, Defensive Improvement - Def. Line Sack Yards

Rk	Tm	G	2010			2009			Difference		
			Sk	Yds	Sk	Yds	Sk	Yds	Sk	Yds	
1	Det	16	39.0	269.0	15.5	90.0	23.5	179.0	0	0	
2	NYG	16	39.5	274.0	21.5	153.5	18.0	120.5	0	0	
3	Buf	16	31.5	225.0	20.0	113.0	11.5	112.0	0	0	

THE SPECIALISTS

The Lions' special teams cover units have been opportunistic in the turnover category since the beginning of 2008.

- Detroit is tied for first in the NFL in special teams takeaways (12) since 2008.
- Since 2008, the Lions' special teams are tied for first with a plus-8 turnover margin (12 takeaways, 4 giveaways).
- In 2010, the Lions registered 4 takeaway on special teams (tied for second-most in NFL), including 2 fumble recoveries by WR Stefan Logan. The Lions are one of only three teams this season with 4 takeaways on special teams.

NFL Leaders, Special Teams Takeaways, Since 2008

Rk	Team	TA	GA	Margin
1	Det	12	4	+8
1	Oak	12	4	+8
3	NO	8	5	+3

NFL Leaders, Special Teams Turnovers, Since 2008

Rk	Tm	TA	GA	Margin
1	Det	12	4	+8
1	Oak	12	4	+8
3	Cle	5	1	+4

2010 NFL Leaders, Special Teams Takeaways

Rk	Tm	TA	GA	Margin
1	Oak	5	2	+3
2	Det	4	1	+3



"What does good is being well-prepared for Sunday and winning games and things like that. I don't know when the play-offs start, but they don't start on September 11th—we've got Tampa Bay then and it's a long way to go before then. If our eyes are on Tampa Bay, then (our eyes) will be on the right thing."

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

In many ways, the 2010 Detroit Lions were perhaps the most-improved team in the entire NFL.

- In 2010, the Lions were one of only 7 teams in the League to increase their win totals by at least four games.
- Improvements are found across the board in each of the team's offense, defense and special teams units. Detroit joined the New York Giants, San Diego Chargers and Tampa Bay Buccaneers as the only teams in the NFL to improve in all six key offensive and defensive League rankings (total, rushing and passing) compared to 2009.

OFFENSIVE CHARGE

On offense, the Lions improved in many areas as it increased production from the 2009 season. In total offense, the Lions were one of just seven teams to improve at least nine positions from 2009, as they went from 26 in 2009 to 17 last year in total offense. In passing, they were one of just three teams to improve their ranking by 9 spots (21 in 2009 to 12 in 2010).

- Detroit had the third-most improved scoring offense in the NFL this season, when compared to 2009. **The Lions scored 100 more points than they did last season, which accounts for an average of 6.3 more points per game.**
- In 2010, the Lions had the fourth-most improved offense in the NFL. **When compared to 2009 totals, the Lions gained 639 more yards (39.9 more yards per game).**
- **Detroit's pass offense accounted for 642 more yards in 2010 than it did in 2009,** which was a total of 40.1 more yards per game and made the Lions' pass offense fifth-most improved unit in the League.
- The Lions were also the eighth-most improved offense converting on 3rd down. The Lions' offense was confronted with eight more 3rd downs this season, but converted 13 more than it did in 2009, which is a 4.2 percent increase.

NOT AS GIVING

- Detroit's offense was the NFL's most improved unit in giveaways. **The offense gave the ball away 16 less times in 2010 (25) than it did in 2009 (41).** In 2010, the Lions giveaways occurred off 16 interceptions and nine lost fumbles.
- With 16 less interceptions this year than last year (16 in 2010 and 32 in 2009), the Lions were the second-most improved club when it came to throwing picks. They were one of only two clubs (Tampa Bay) to throw at least 10 less interceptions when compared to the year before.

GETTING DEFENSIVE

The 2010 edition of the Detroit Lions had one of the most improved defenses in the NFL, especially along the defensive line. The Lions' defense improved in several vital statistical categories.

- Detroit was one of six teams to improve their overall total defense ranking by 11 spots (32 in 2009 to 21 in 2010), and they were one just three teams to improve their pass defense by 16 (32 in 2009 to 16 in 2010).
- In the passing game, the defense was the most-improved unit in the NFL. **When compared to 2009, the Lions allowed 751 less yards, which equals 46.9 yards per game.**
- Detroit was also the most-improved defensive unit in the League in points allowed when compared to 2009. **The Lions allowed 125 points less than they did last season, which is 7.8 less points per game.**
- The Lions defense was the League's fourth-most improved unit in regards to total yards allowed compared to 2009. **The Lions gave up 777 yards less than they did in 2009, which**

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THREE-QB PRODUCTION

2010 Lions QBs with 90.0 Single Game Passer Rating (20 att.)

Player	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	Avg	TD	Int	Rtg	Opp	Date
Hill	32	21	65.6	227	7.1	3	0	117.6	StL	10/10
Stafford	45	26	57.8	212	4.7	4	1	90.2	Was	10/31
Stafford	36	20	55.6	240	6.7	2	0	94.7	NYJ	11/7
Stanton	24	16	66.7	178	7.4	1	0	102.4	Chi	12/5
Stanton	37	23	62.2	252	6.8	1	0	91.3	@TB	12/19
Hill	26	14	53.8	222	8.5	2	0	108.2	@Mia	12/26

NFL Leaders, +10 TD:Int Ratio and Starting QBs

Rk	Tm	G	TD	Int	+10 TD:Int	Starting QBs
1	NE	16	37	5	32	Brady
2	TB	16	26	6	20	Freeman
3t	Atl	16	28	9	19	Ryan
3t	KC	16	27	8	19	Cassel, Croyle
5	GB	16	31	13	18	Rodgers, Flynn
6	SD	16	30	13	17	Rivers
7	Ind	16	33	17	16	Manning
8t	Phi	16	28	13	15	Vick, Kolb
8t	Bal	16	25	10	15	Flacco
10t	Den	16	25	12	13	Orton, Tebow
10t	Pit	16	22	9	13	Roethlisberger, Batch, Dixon
12t	Hou	16	24	12	12	Shaub
13	NO	16	33	22	11	Brees
14t	Det	16	26	16	10	Stafford, Hill, Stanton
14t	Dal	16	29	19	10	Romo, Kitna, McGee

GRIDIRON MAN

Lions T Jeff Backus has the most consecutive starts among active (offensive and defensive) linemen in the NFL with 160. He has battled through injuries during his career to start every game for Detroit since being drafted in the first round of the 2001 NFL Draft.

- He is second in Lions history for most consecutive games started behind Hall of Fame CB Dick LeBeau (171). Only Backus and LeBeau have ever started 160 consecutive games during their career with the Lions.
- **According to the Elias Sports Bureau, by starting the 2010 season finale against Minnesota (1/2), Backus became the 10th offensive lineman since 1970 to start 160 consecutive games.**
- **Among offensive linemen who started their career since 1970, Backus is the first to begin their career starting their first 160 games.**

NFL, Consecutive Starts Among Active Offensive Linemen

Rk	Player	Pos	Tm	G
1	Jeff Backus	T	Det	160
2	Casey Wiegmann	C	Den	158
3	Alan Faneca	G	Arz	145
4	Todd McClure	T	Atl	143

NFL, Consecutive Starts Among Active Players

Rk	Player	Tm	Pos	G
1	Peyton Manning	Ind	QB	208
2	Ronde Barber	TB	CB	182
3	London Fletcher	Was	LB	167
4	Jeff Backus	Det	T	160

NFL Leaders, 160+ Consecutive Starts by Offensive Linemen since 1970

Rk	Player	G
1	Bruce Matthews	229
2	Will Shields	223
3	Randall McDaniel	202
4	Doug Dieken	194
5	Jon Runyan	192
6	Kevin Mawae	177
7	Dermoniti Dawson	170
8	Gene Upshaw*	165
9	Steve Wisniewski	161
10	Jeff Backus	160

*Upshaw is only other player among list above to start the first 160 games of his career. He started 207 to begin his career in 1967.



equates to 48.6 less yards per game.

- In the team's 44-6 win over St. Louis (10/10), the Lions did not allow a touchdown. The last time the Lions did not allow the opponent to score a touchdown was vs. Seattle Sept. 10, 2006 when they allowed just three field goals against the Seahawks. The Lions lost on a late field goal 9-6.
- The team's defensive effort vs. the Rams marked the first time the Lions allowed six points or less since they defeated Green Bay 17-3 Sept. 11, 2005.
- In Week 13, the defense was instrumental in the team's 7-3 win over the Green Bay Packers, and they held the Packers to 0 points in the first half. They allowed a season-low 258 total yards and a season-low 66 rushing yards.
- **In four home victories in 2010, the defense allowed just two touchdowns, which occurred against Washington (10/31). The defense did not allow a touchdown vs. St. Louis (10/10), Green Bay (12/12) and Minnesota (1/2/11).**

TAKEAWAY TALLIES

- Detroit's defense forced six more turnovers this season than they did last year, which makes that unit the eighth-most improved unit in the NFL in 2010. This past season the Lions registered 29 takeaways (14 interceptions, 15 fumble recoveries).

SPECIAL RETURN

Improvement was not only prevalent with the Lions' offensive and defensive units in 2010, but special teams also improved in some key areas. The return game that was fueled by Pro Bowl alternate WR **Stefan Logan**, who had one of the finer seasons in club history as a kick returner, and the cover teams took a step forward led by Pro Bowl alternate S **John Wendling** (special teamer).

- The Lions' kick return unit was the third-most improved unit in the League in kickoff return average. The Lions averaged 3.5 more yards per return than they did in 2009.
- The Lions' had the NFL's 10th-most significant improvement in punt return average in 2010 compared to last season. In 2009, the Lions had an 8.8 punt return average. This year, the Lions improved to average 12.1 yards per return.
- In average kickoff return yardage allowed, Detroit had the fourth-most improved coverage unit. The Lions allowed an average of 2.7 less yards per each kick return.

FRONTAL FORCE

One specific area of great improvement was up front for the Lions on defense that included a revamped defensive line built with super starters and tremendous depth. This upgrade was definitely noticed when it came to rushing the passer.

- The Lions had the most-improved pass rush in the NFL. **Even though teams threw the ball 9 times less against the Lions this season than they did in 2009, the Lions picked up 18 more sacks, which accounts for an increase of 3.28 sacks per pass play.**
- **Of the Lions 44 sacks, 39 were attributed to the defensive line, 23.5 more than the Lions defensive line accounted for last season.**
- The Detroit defensive line was also the most-improved unit in the League in regards to sack yardage, when compared to 2009. **The Lions defensive line was responsible for 179 more yards of sack yardage than last year.**

IN THE REDZONE

The Detroit Lions offense was second in the League in Red Zone efficiency. In 45 trips, the Lions converted 29 TDs.

- **QB Matthew Stafford** engineered touchdowns on 9 of 10 trips in the redzone (other possession resulted in a FG).

IMPROVEMENT

- The Detroit offense was the third-most improved unit in Red Zone touchdowns compared to 2009. **The Lions had 12 more Red Zone touchdowns in 2010 than they did the previous year.** That equates to a 17.2 percent difference, which makes the Lions' offense the second-most improved unit in Red Zone

ON THE RECEIVING END

NFL Leaders, Receiving Touchdowns Since 2008

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	25+
1	Larry Fitzgerald	Arz	48	283	3660	12.9	78t	31	29
2	Calvin Johnson	Det	45	222	3435	15.5	96t	29	32
2t	Randy Moss	Ten	48	180	2665	14.8	76t	29	27
4	Roddy White	Atl	48	288	3924	13.6	90t	28	31
5t	Dwayne Bowe	KC	43	205	2773	13.5	75t	26	22
5t	Antonio Gates	SD	42	189	2643	14.0	56	26	25

NFL Leaders, Receiving Yards Since 2008

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	25+
1	Andre Johnson	Hou	45	302	4360	14.4	72t	25	33
2	Roddy White	Atl	48	288	3924	13.6	90t	28	31
3	Reggie Wayne	Ind	48	293	3764	12.8	65t	22	24
4	Greg Jennings	GB	48	224	3670	16.4	86t	25	41
5	Larry Fitzgerald	Arz	48	283	3660	12.9	78t	31	29
6	Calvin Johnson	Det	45	222	3435	15.5	96t	29	32
7	Brandon Marshall	Mia	44	291	3399	11.7	75t	19	21

NFL Leaders, 25+ Yard Receptions Since 2008

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	25+
1	Greg Jennings	Phi	48	224	3670	16.4	86t	25	41
2	DeSean Jackson	GB	45	171	3124	18.3	91t	17	39
3	Steve Smith	Car	43	189	2957	15.6	66	15	35
4	Andre Johnson	Hou	45	302	4360	14.4	72t	25	33
5	Calvin Johnson	Det	45	222	3435	15.5	96t	29	32

2010 NFL Leaders, Points Per Game By Non-Kickers

Rk	Player	Tm	G	TD	Ru	Rc	Pts	Pts/G
1	Arian Foster	Hou	16	18	16	2	108	6.8
2	Dwayne Bowe	KC	16	15	0	15	90	5.6
3	Adrian Peterson	Min	15	13	12	1	78	5.2
4	Hakeem Nicks	NYG	13	11	0	11	66	5.1
5	BenJarvus Green-Ellis	NE	16	13	13	0	78	4.9
6	Peyton Hillis	Cle	16	13	11	2	78	4.9
7	Rashard Mendenhall	Pit	16	13	13	0	78	4.9
8	Kenny Britt	Ten	12	9	0	9	56	4.7
9	Calvin Johnson	Det	15	12	0	12	74	4.9

2010 NFL Leaders, Total Touchdowns

Rk	Player	Tm	G	TD	Ru	Rc	Pts	Pts/G
1	Arian Foster	Hou	16	18	16	2	108	6.8
2	Dwayne Bowe	KC	16	15	0	15	90	5.6
3t	BenJarvus Green-Ellis	NE	16	13	13	0	78	4.9
3t	Peyton Hillis	Cle	16	13	11	2	78	4.9
3t	Rashard Mendenhall	Pit	16	13	13	0	78	4.9
3t	Adrian Peterson	Min	15	13	12	1	78	5.2
7t	Greg Jennings	GB	16	12	0	12	74	4.5
7t	Calvin Johnson	Det	15	12	0	12	74	4.5
7t	Chris Johnson	Ten	16	12	11	1	72	4.5
7t	Michael Turner	Atl	16	12	12	0	72	4.5

2010 NFL Leaders, Receiving Touchdowns

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1	Dwayne Bowe	KC	16	72	1162	16.1	75t	15
2t	Greg Jennings	GB	16	76	1265	16.6	86t	12
2t	Calvin Johnson	Det	15	77	1120	14.5	87t	12
4t	Brandon Lloyd	Den	16	77	1448	18.8	71	11
4t	Hakeem Nicks	NYG	13	79	1052	13.3	46t	11
4t	Mike Williams	TB	16	65	964	14.8	58t	11

2010 NFL Leaders, Receiving Yards

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1	Brandon Lloyd	Den	16	77	1448	18.8	71	11
2	Roddy White	Atl	16	115	1389	12.1	46	10
3	Reggie Wayne	Ind	16	111	1355	12.2	50	6
4	Greg Jennings	GB	16	76	1265	16.6	86t	12
5	Mike Wallace	Pit	16	60	1257	21.0	56t	10
6	Andre Johnson	Hou	13	86	1216	14.0	60	8
7	Dwayne Bowe	KC	16	72	1162	16.1	75t	15
8	Larry Fitzgerald	Ari	16	90	1137	12.6	41	6
9	Calvin Johnson	Det	15	77	1120	14.5	87t	12



touchdown percentage as well.

- **The Lions scored 82 more points in the Red Zone than they did in 2009**, which tallied the third-highest improvement.
- They had the fifth-highest increase of Red Zone possessions in the League. **The Lions had 45 red zone possessions in 2010 compared to 36 in 2009.**

TURNOVER TURNAROUND

When it comes to ball security, the Lions were much better in 2010 than in 2009, giving up the ball less and taking away more. Those factored in making the Lions perhaps the most-improved team in the turnover department in 2010. Detroit registered 29 takeaways and 25 giveaways for a +4 turnover margin.

- The Lions were the most improved team in the NFL in turnover margin when compared to the 2009 season. **The Lions had a difference of +22 in turnover margin when comparing the past two seasons.** In 2010, Detroit was +4 and in 2009, it was -18.

STAFFORD'S PROGRESS

Lions QB **Matthew Stafford** enters his third NFL season and will be directing an offense that features weapons like WRs Calvin Johnson and Nate Burleson, TEs Brandon Pettigrew and Tony Scheffler and RBs Jahvid Best. He and the offense benefit from the continuity within the offensive scheme and coaching staff. Detroit scored touchdowns on nine of 10 trips in the redzone with Stafford at quarterback in 2010.

- In a showdown with the New York Jets (11/7), Stafford threw two touchdown passes and ran in another before leaving the game in the fourth quarter with a shoulder injury.
 - Against one of the NFL's best defenses, Stafford led Detroit's offense on touchdown drives of 80, 47 and 90 yards respectively. With the 11-play, 80-yard drive on the games opening possession, the Lions were the first team to score a touchdown against the Jets on their first offensive possession in 2010.
 - Stafford was 20-for-36 for 240 yards and had a quarterback rating of 94.7 against the Jets. With a 90.2 passer rating the previous week vs. Washington (10/31), it marked the first time in his career he registered passer ratings of 90.0 in back-to-back games.
- Stafford returned to action against Washington (10/31) and after showing some rust early, he emerged to lead the Lions to a 37-25 win over the Redskins. He completed 26-of-45 passes for 212 yards and 4 touchdowns, while accumulating a 90.2 passer rating.
 - In the second half, Stafford was 18-of-27 (66.7 pct) for 140 yards and threw for 3 touchdowns. His quarterback rating was 116.3, the highest tally in a second-half of a game during his career.
 - Stafford's 4 touchdown passes were the second-highest single game tally of his career. He joined QB Bobby Layne (4), QB Gary Danielson (2), QB Eric Hipple (2) and QB Scott Mitchell (2) as the only passers in team history with at least two games throwing 4 touchdown passes, and Stafford is the first player in team history to do it twice in his first two years with the club.
 - Stafford became the first quarterback in team history to throw for 4 touchdowns in a game in which each touchdown gave the Lions the lead.
 - On 4th-and-1, with 3:12 left to play in the fourth quarter, Stafford connected with WR Calvin Johnson on a 10-yard touchdown pass to take a 28-25 lead, which the Lions would not surrender. It marked Stafford's second career fourth-quarter come-from-behind win.
 - Stafford was the only quarterback in the NFC with four touchdown tosses in Week 8.
- Stafford started the 2010 season completing 11-of-15 attempts for 83 yards against the Bears (9/12) before leaving the game near the end of the second quarter with a shoulder injury.

RIISING AMONG LIONS LEGENDS

Lions Leaders, Career Receiving Touchdowns

Rk	Player	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Years
1	Herman Moore	670	9174	13.7	62	1991-2001
2t	Johnnie Morton	469	6499	13.9	35	1994-2001
2t	Terry Barr	227	3810	16.8	35	1957-65
2t	Leonard Thompson	270	4682	16.9	35	1975-86
5	Calvin Johnson	270	4191	15.5	33	2007-

Lions Leaders, Career Receptions

Rk	Player	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Years
1	Herman Moore	670	9174	13.7	62	1991-2001
2	Johnnie Morton	469	6499	13.9	35	1994-2001
3	Brett Perriman	428	5244	12.3	25	1991-96
4	Barry Sanders	352	2903	8.2	10	1989-98
5	Charlie Sanders	336	4817	14.3	31	1968-77
6	Gail Cogdill	325	5221	16.1	28	1960-68
7	Jim Gibbons	287	3561	12.4	20	1958-68
8	James Jones	285	2318	8.1	10	1983-88
9	Leonard Thompson	277	4682	16.9	35	1975-86
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Lions Leaders, Receiving Touchdowns in First Four Seasons

Rk	Player	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Years
1	Calvin ohsdon	60	270	4191	15.5	33	2007-10
2	Cloyce Box	46	123	2612	21.2	32	49-50, 52-53

Lions Leaders, Receptions in First Four Seasons

Rk	Player	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Years
1	Calvin ohsdon	60	270	4191	15.5	33	2007-10
2	Roy Williams	55	245	3652	14.9	28	2004-07

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2	Roy Williams	55	245	3652	14.9	28	2004-07

TIGHT END PRODUCTION

2010 NFL Leaders, Receptions by Tight Ends

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1	Jason Witten	Dal	16	94	1002	10.7	33	9
2	Chris Cooley	Was	16	77	849	11.0	35	3
3	Brandon ettigrew	Det	16	71	722	10.2	35	4

2010 NFL Leaders, Receiving Yards By Tight End

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1	Jason Witten	Dal	16	94	1002	10.7	33	9
2	Vernon Davis	SF	16	56	914	16.3	66t	7
3	Chris Cooley	Was	16	77	849	11.0	35	3
4	Antonio Gates	SD	10	50	782	15.6	48t	10
5	Benjamin Watson	Cle	16	68	763	11.2	44	3
6	Kellen Winslow	TB	16	66	730	11.1	41t	5
7	Brandon ettigrew	Det	16	71	722	10.2	35	4

2010 NFL Leaders, Receptions By Tight End Teammates

Rk	Player	Tm	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Combined
1	Jason Witten	Dal	16	94	1002	9	127
	Martellus Bennett	Dal	16	33	260	0	
2	Brandon ettigrew	Det	16	71	722	4	116
	Tony Scheffler	Det	15	45	378	1	
3	Jacob Tamme	Ind	16	67	631	4	104
	Dallas Clark	Ind	6	37	347	3	

Lions Leaders, Receptions by Tight End - Season

Rk	Player	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Year
1	Brandon ettigrew	16	71	722	10.2	35	4	2010
2	David Hill	16	53	633	11.9	32	4	1978
3	Jim Gibbons	12	51	604	11.8	65t	2	1960

Lions Leaders, Receiving Yards by Tight End - Season

Rk	Player	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Year
1	Brandon Pettigrew	16	71	722	10.2	35	4	2010
2	Charlie Sanders	14	42	656	15.6	47	3	1969
3	David Hill	16	53	633	11.9	32	4	1978



The injury forced him to miss the team's next five games: vs. Philadelphia (9/19), at Minnesota (9/26), at Green Bay (10/3), vs. St. Louis (10/10) and at New York Giants (10/17).

- Before leaving the game at Chicago (9/12), Stafford directed the offense on both of their scoring drives. On the team's first scoring drive, he completed 4-of-5 for 22 yards, including 2-of-2 on third down. For the second scoring drive, he was also 4-for-5, this time for 46 yards, highlighted by a 19-yard completion to WR Nate Burleson that put Detroit at the Bears' 4-yard line.

CALVIN ON THE RISE

Fifth-year WR Calvin Johnson enters 2011 looking to continue establishing himself as one of the NFL's elite receivers. Last season, he finished seventh in the NFL (second in the NFC) in scoring (non-kickers) with 74 points (12 TDs and a 2-pt conversion). He was also ninth in the league in receiving yards (fourth in NFC) and was tied for 15th in receptions (ninth in NFC). Johnson tied for second in the NFL (tied for first in the NFC) with 12 touchdown catches.

- Johnson has 270 career receptions which is the most by a Detroit receiver in their first four seasons with the Lions.
- With 4,191 receiving yards, Johnson has the most among all Detroit receivers in their first four seasons with the Lions.
- Johnson surpassed 1,100 receiving yards on the season at Miami (12/26) which marked the second time in his four-year career he reached 1,100 yards (1,331 in 2008). He joined WR Herman Moore (4 times 1994-97) and WR Johnnie Morton (twice, 1999 and 2001) as the only receivers in team history to record 1,100 receiving yards in two-or-more single seasons.
- Last season at Tampa Bay (12/19), Johnson was virtually unstoppable as he pulled in a career-high tying 10 receptions for 152 yards, including key receptions in the fourth quarter and overtime to put Detroit in position for their game-tying and game-winning field goals.
 - With 1:39 to play in the game and no timeouts, the team mounted a 10-play, 58-yard drive that set up the game-tying field goal at the end of regulation. On that drive, Johnson caught two passes for 4 and 23 yards on consecutive plays. The 23-yarder moved the ball from the Buccaneers 45-yard line down to the 22-yard line and put the team in great position for a field goal.
 - In overtime, Johnson again put the team in great position for a field goal when he made a highlight, 12-yard reception along the sideline on 3rd-and-8 that moved the ball to the Buccaneers 25-yard line. Four plays later Detroit kicked a 34-yard game-winning FG.
- Johnson surpassed the 1,000-yard mark against the Buccaneers (12/19) and became the first player in franchise history to record 1,000 receiving yards and 12 touchdown receptions in two seasons (2008).
- Johnson also surpassed 4,000 career receiving yards at Tampa Bay (12/19), reaching the mark in 59 games to become the fastest player in team history to reach 4,000 receiving yards (previous best was WR Gail Cogdill in 62 games from 1960-64).
- Johnson's 152-yard outing was the 13th 100-yard game of his career, tying him with WR Roy Williams (2004-08) for fifth place on the team's all-time list for 100-yard receiving outings.
 - He also joined E Cloyce Box (3), WR Gail Cogdill (3), WR Leonard Thompson (3), WR Herman Moore (5) and WR Johnnie Morton (3) as the only players in team history with three 150-yard receiving games.

END IN SIGHT

TE Brandon Pettigrew had one of the best seasons ever for a Lions tight end while returning from a knee injury sustained late in his rookie year. He started all 16 games in 2010 and was second on the team with 71 receptions (most by tight end in team history) for 722 yards and four touchdowns.

- Pettigrew had the third most receptions (71) and was seventh in receiving yards (722) among all NFL tight ends.

NFL'S SCORING ELITE

NFL Leaders, Career Points

Rk	Player	Exp	G	TD	PAT	FG	Zpt	Saf	Pts
1	Morten Andersen	25	382	0	849	565	0	0	2544
2	Gary Anderson	23	353	0	820	538	0	0	2434
3	John Carney	23	302	0	628	478	0	0	2062
4	Matt Stover	19	297	0	591	471	0	0	2004
5	George Blanda	26	340	9	943	335	0	0	2002
6	Jason Elam	17	263	0	675	436	0	0	1983
7	Jason Hanson*	19	295	0	573	439	0	0	1890

NFL Leaders, Years Leading Team in Scoring

Rk	Player	Yrs
1	Gary Anderson	23
2	Morten Andersen	21
3t	Jason Hanson*	18
3t	George Blanda	18
3t	John Carney	18
3t	Norm Johnson	18
3t	Jan Stenerud	18
3t	Matt Stover	18

NFL Leaders, Career Field Goals

Rk	Player	Yrs	G	M	A	Pct	Lg
1	Morten Andersen	25	382	565	709	79.7	60
2	Gary Anderson	23	353	538	672	80.1	55
3	John Carney	22	302	478	580	82.4	54
4	Matt Stover	19	297	471	563	83.7	55
5	Jason Hanson*	19	295	439	536	81.9	56

*Active

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NFL Leaders, Career Games

Rk	Player	G
1	Morten Andersen	382
2	Gary Anderson	353
3	Jeff Feagles	352
4	George Blanda	340
5	Jerry Rice	303
6	John Carney	302
7	Brett Favre	302
8	Matt Stover	297
9	Bruce Matthews	296
10t	Darrell Green	295
10t	Jason Hanson*	295

NFL Leaders, Career Seasons

Rk	Player	Exp
1	George Blanda	26
2	Morten Andersen	25
3t	Gary Anderson	23
3t	John Carney	23
5	Jeff Feagles	22
6t	Sean Landeta	21
6t	Earl Morrall	21
6t	Vinny Testaverde	21
9t	Brett Favre	20
9t	Darrell Green	20
9t	Jim Marshall	20
9t	Jerry Rice	20
9t	Junior Seau	20
9t	Jackie Slater	20
9t	Jason Hanson*	19

Seasons with at least one game played.

NFL Leaders, Players with 19+ Seasons with Team that Drafted Them

Rk	Player	Tm	Exp
1t	Jackie Slater	LafM	20
1t	Darrell Green	Was	20
3t	Bruce Matthews	Hou/Ten	19
3t	Jason Hanson*#	Det	19

NFL Leaders, Most Games Played with One Team

Rk	Player	Tm	G
1	Bruce Matthews	Hou/Ten	296
2t	Darrell Green	Was	295
2t	Jason Hanson*	Det	295

*Active; # Through 2010



- Pettigrew caught two passes (18 yards) on the team's opening drive against Minnesota (1/2) and became the first tight end in team history to reach 70 receptions in a season.
- He also joined RB James Jones (77 in 1984) as the only Lions non-wide receiver to reach 70 receptions in a single season.
- Additionally, Pettigrew reached 100 career receptions the fastest by a Lions tight end by doing so in 27 games. The previous mark was 34 games by TE Jim Gibbons.
- By registering 100 career catches and 1,000 career yards, Pettigrew became the fifth tight end in team history to reach both milestones. He also reached 1,000 career yards in 26 career games, the second fastest tight end in team history to reach that milestone. Hall of Fame TE Charlie Sanders reached 1,000 career yards in 25 games.

BECOMING THE BEST

- Rookie RB **Jahvid Best** showed both speed and versatility when taking the field for the Lions in 2010. He lead the team in rushing (555 yards) and was third in receptions (58).
- Best was second among all NFL rookies in receptions (58) and fourth in rushing yards (555).
 - In the first half of the season finale against Minnesota (1/2), Best surpassed WR Roy Williams (54 in 2004) for the most receptions in team history by a rookie. Best finished the game with 6 catches for 23 yards, giving him 58 catches (third on team) and 487 receiving yards on the season.
 - Best tallied 1,042 total yards from scrimmage and became the sixth rookie in team history with 1,000 yards from scrimmage.
 - Best was the first rookie in the NFL to score five touchdowns in his first two career games since Lions RB Billy Sims had 5 TDs (4 rushing, 1 receiving).

NOT SUH-PRISED

- When the Detroit Lions drafted DT **Ndamukong Suh** with the second-overall pick in the 2010 NFL Draft, the expectations were high. Suh did not disappoint as he lead the team, NFL rookies and all defensive tackles with 10.0 sacks and had 66 tackles (49 solo).
- Suh registered 1.0 sack (0 yards) against Minnesota (1/2) to reach 10.0 on the season. He became only the second rookie defensive tackle in the NFL (10.5 by 49ers Dana Stubblefield in 1993) to ever record 10.0 since sacks became official in 1982.
 - He moved into sole possession of third place among Lions defensive tackles for a single season (since 1982) and is just the third Lions defensive tackle to reach that mark. The top two spots are held by DT Doug English (13.0 in 1983) and DT Henry Thomas (10.5 in 1995).
 - Suh was named the NFL Defensive Rookie of the Month for October, having 14 tackles, 4.5 sacks (29.5 yards lost), 1 interception, 1 pass defense and a 17-yard fumble return for a touchdown through four games.
 - He had more sacks (4.5) in October than any other rookie in the NFL had tallied for the entire season, and he had the most among defensive tackles in the League (Chicago DT Israel Idonije recorded 4.5 sacks but did so at LDE).

GETTING A KICK OUT OF HANSON

- The Lions' two-time Pro Bowl kicker Jason Hanson is one of the NFL's top all-around kickers. He enters his 20th season and is the franchise leader for most seasons played with the Lions. Hanson continues to show consistent accuracy and distance on both field goals and kickoffs. Hanson returns healthy, handling both kickoff and field goal duties, after missing the last eight games in 2010 due to a knee injury.
- Hanson ranks first in every statistical category for a place kicker in Lions history with longest field goal (56), field goals made (439) and attempted (536), extra points made (573) and extra points attempted (581). He also ranks as the franchise leader in games played (295) and was named to the Lions' 75th Season All-Time Team in 2008.

HANSON'S LONG RANGE

NFL Leaders, All-Time 50-Yard Field Goals

Rk	Player	Yrs	G	M	A	Pct	Lg
1	Jason Hanson	19	295	45	83	54.2	56
2t	Morten Andersen	25	382	40	84	47.6	60
2t	John Kasay	20	280	40	78	51.3	56

NFL Leaders, 50-Yard Field Goals Since 2005

Rk	Player	Exp	Tm	G	M	A	Pct	Lg
1	Josh Brown	8	StL	96	26	37	70.3	55
2	Seb. Janikowski	11	Oak	96	22	404.3	51.2	61
3	Jason Hanson	19	Det	87	20	30	66.7	56

Hanson's Career 50-Yard FG Breakdown

	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	Total
	11	7	11	8	5	1	2	45

NFL Leaders, All-Time Single Season 50-Yard Field Goals

Rk	Player	Year	Tm	Yr	G	M	A	Pct
1t	Jason Hanson	2008	Det	17	16	8	8	100.0
1t	Morten Andersen	1995	Atl	14	16	8	9	88.9
3t	Ryan Longwell	2008	Min	12	16	6	6	100.0
3t	Chris Jackie	1993	GB	5	16	6	7	85.7
3t	Neil Rackers	2005	Arz	6	15	6	7	85.7
3t	Josh Brown	2009	StL	7	16	6	7	85.7
3t	Dean Biasucci	1988	Ind	4	16	6	8	75.0
3t	Tony Zendejas	1993	LArM	9	16	6	8	75.0
3t	Josh Brown	2008	StL	6	14	6	8	75.0
3t	Seb. Janikowski	2009	Oak	10	16	6	8	75.0
3t	Mike Vanderjagt	1998	Ind	1	14	6	9	66.7
3t	Seb. Janikowski	2007	Oak	8	16	6	11	54.5

NFL Leaders, Career Games of Multiple 50-yard FGs

Rk	Player	G
1t	Jason Hanson	4
1t	Josh Brown	4
1t	John Kasay	4
1t	Martin Gramatica	4
1t	Neil Rackers	4
6t	John Carney	3
6t	Morten Andersen	3
6t	Nick Lowery	3

NFL Leaders, All-Time 56+-Yard FG by Oldest Kicker

Rk	Kicker	Yds	Age	Opp	Date
1	Jason Hanson	56	38 yrs, 152 days	Car	11/16/08
2	Morten Andersen	59	35 yrs, 127 days	SF	12/24/95

Lions Leaders, All-Time Longest Field Goals

Rk	Player	Yds	Opp	Date
1t	Jason Hanson	56	Cle	10/8/95
1t	Jason Hanson	56	at Car	11/18/08
3t	Jason Hanson	55	Ind	11/23/97
3t	Dave Rayner	55	Min	12/11
5t	Glenn Presnell	54	at GB	10/7/34
5t	Eddie Murray	54	at Cin	12/11/83
5t	Eddie Murray	54	at SF	12/31/83#
5t	Jason Hanson	54	Was	9/10/00
5t	Jason Hanson	54	GB	11/22/01
5t	Jason Hanson	54	Oak	11/2/03
5t	Jason Hanson	54	at Hou	10/19/08
5t	Jason Hanson	54	at Hou	10/19/08

LIONS RADIO NETWORK

During the 2011 season, all Detroit Lions' football games will be broadcast live in Metro Detroit on the team's flagship station, 97.1 The Ticket (WXYZ-FM). Through the Lions' radio network, fans will be able to hear the team's live game broadcasts on 29 stations in Michigan, Ohio and the state of Nebraska. Dan Miller, in his seventh season as the voice of the Lions, will provide the play-by-play analysis while Jim Brandstatter assists with color commentary and Tony Ortiz reports from the sidelines.

CITY	STATION	CITY	STATION
DETROIT	WXYZ - 97.1 FM	Lansing	WVFN - 94.9 FM
Detroit	WXYZ - 1270 AM	Lincoln, Neb.	KLJN - 1400 AM
Battle Creek	WBCK - 930 AM	Marquette	WDMJ - 1320 AM
Benton Harbor	WSJM - 94.9 FM	Mio	WAVC - 93.9 FM
Big Rapids	WBRL - 1460 AM	South Haven	WFGF - 97.5 FM
Cleboydan	WLJZ - 94.5 FM	Newberry	WNEV - 1450 AM
Coldwater	WTVB - 1590 AM	Port Huron	WPHM - 1380 AM
Escanaba	WYKX - 104.7 FM	Saginaw	WKQZ - 93.3 FM
Flint	WTRX - 1330 AM	Sandusky	WTGW - 97.7 FM
Grand Rapids	WBBL - 107.3 FM	Sault Ste Marie	WSOJ - 1230 AM
Hillsdale	WCSR - 1340 AM	South Haven	WCSY - 103.7 FM
Hillsdale	WCSR - 92.1 FM	Surgis	WBET - 1230 AM
Holland	WHTC - 1450 AM	Toledo, Ohio	WLQR - 1470 AM
Houghton	WCCY - 1400 AM	Traverse City	WCCC - 1310 AM
Kalamazoo	WKZO - 590 AM		



- Hanson's 1,890 career points ranks first in all-time scoring amongst active players (seventh overall), and he is the seventh player in NFL history to reach 1,800 points. He has led his team in scoring 18 seasons, which is tied for third all-time.
- During his previous 19 NFL Seasons, Hanson connected on 439 field goals, which ranks first among active players and fifth all-time.
- With 295 games played, Hanson has now tied Hall of Fame CB Darrell Green (Washington Redskins, 1983-2002) for the second-most games played by a player with one team and is now one game behind C Bruce Matthews (Houston Oilers/Tennessee Texans, 1983-2001) for the most games played by a player on one team. His 295 games played are first among active players and tied for 10th all-time.
- In 2010, he became the fourth player in NFL history to play at least one game in 19 seasons with the team that drafted them. The all-time leaders among that group are T Jackie Slater (Los Angeles Rams; 20), CB Darrell Green (Washington; 20), and C Bruce Matthews (Houston Oilers, Tennessee Oilers/Titans; 19). By playing in the opener, he will join Slater and Green as the only players in NFL history to play 20 seasons for the team that originally drafted them.
- Hanson is the NFL's all-time leader with 45 50-yard field goals. He also is tied for the most games (4) connecting on 2 50-yards field goals in the same game. His 20 50-yard field goals since 2005 rank third in the NFL for the most 50-yarder over the past 6 seasons.
- During Hanson's career, he has made four field goals in a single game 22 times. He is tied with K Gary Anderson for third in NFL history for the most games with four field goals.
- Hanson is the only player in the League who was active the last time the kickoffs were placed at the 35-yard line (1993). During his first two years (1992-93) in the NFL, Hanson registered 60 touchbacks, including 46 in 1993, kicking off at the 35-yard line. Since entering the NFL in 1992, Hanson has registered the most touchbacks (248) in the NFL. From 1994-2010, when kickoffs were moved to the 30-yard line (tee was also lowered to 1 inch in 1994), Hanson has recorded the second-most touchbacks (188) during that span.

LOGAN'S RUN

WR **Stefan Logan** joined the Lions just before the start of the 2010 regular season and made a huge impact for Detroit's special teams. Logan was the team's primary kick returner, contributed on the kick coverage units and saw action on offense.

- Logan finished fifth in the NFL and third in the NFC with a 26.8 yards/KR average. He was fifth in the league (third in NFC) with a 12.1 PR average. Logan was the only player in the NFL ranked in the Top-5 in both kickoff return average and punt return average.
- Logan registered 73 total kick return yards vs. Minnesota (1/2), (16 PR, 57 KR), giving him 1,810 for the season. He reached 1,800 total kick return yards for only the third time in franchise history.
- Logan finished the season totaling 1,448 kickoff return yards. He is the first player since WR Desmond Howard (1,446 in 2001) to register 1,400 kickoff return yards in a season. His 1,448 kickoff return yards also rank second all-time in team history for a season.
- Logan was named the NFC Special Teams Player of the Week for Week 5 after his performance against the St. Louis Rams (10/10) which was highlighted by a 105-yard kickoff-return touchdown.
- His 105-yard kickoff-return touchdown tied for the longest kickoff return in team history (Terry Fair, September 28, 1998) and tied for the sixth-longest in NFL history. It also marked the first non-onside kickoff-return touchdown by a Lion since Eddie Drummond's 92-yard TD in 2004 (November 21).

STANFEL CANDIDATE FOR HALL OF FAME

1950s guard one of two senior committee nominees for Class of 2012 In August, Lions G Dick Stanfel was named one of two senior committee nominees for the Pro Football Hall of Fame Class of 2012. Stanfel was regarded as a premier guard during his era. He was an integral part of back-to-back NFL championship teams in 1952 and 1953.

- Named to NFL 1950s All-Decade Team.
- From 1952-54, Stanfel was a key contributor to the Lions success as the team won back-to-back NFL World Championships in 1952-53 and claimed the Western Division title in 1954.
- During those two championship seasons, Stanfel was named All-Pro (1952-54) and earned Pro Bowl honors after the 1953 season.
- In 1953, he was voted Team MVP, and is only of only five offensive linemen, and only the second guard in team history, to be voted either Team MVP (1952-66) or Bobby Layne Offensive MVP (1967-present).
- After four seasons with Detroit, he was traded to the Washington Redskins in 1956 where he played his final three years of his career with the Redskins.
- In all, Stanfel was named to five Pro Bowls and selected first-team All-NFL four times over a five-season span. He earned all-league accolades twice with Detroit and twice with Washington.
- Stanfel was drafted in the second round by the Lions in the 1951 Draft out of San Francisco. He missed the 1951 season after suffering a career-threatening knee injury in practicing for the College All-Star team during practices leading up to the then-annual game between the College All-Stars and previous year's NFL Champions.
- Veteran of the Army and served in the Pacific Theatre during World War II.

2011 PRONUNCIATION CHART

Cliff Avril.....	A-vrill
Jahvid Best.....	JAH-vid
Nate Burleson.....	BURL-uh-sun
Gosder Cherilus.....	GOS-der SHARE-uh-less
Rashied Davis.....	RA-sheed
Louis Delmas.....	DEL-mus
Isaiah Ekejiuba.....	ek-a-juba
Doug Hogue.....	Ho-ge
DeAndre Levy.....	LEV-ee
Don Muhlbach.....	MULE-bach
Dominic Raiola.....	rye-OH-lay
Amari Spivey.....	uh-MAR-ee spuh-VAY
Maurice Stovall.....	More-eece STOW-vall
Ndamukong Suh.....	En-dom-ah-hen Soo
Stephen Tulloch.....	TULL-uck

UPCOMING MEDIA SCHEDULE

Not For Print or Broadcast Purposes (Subject to Change)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

- 11 a.m. **PRACTICE**
Coach Schwartz available on the field immediately following practice; Locker room open to the media for 45 minutes following practice
- 12:45 p.m. Conference call with Bucs' DT **Gerald McCoy**.
- 1 p.m. Conference call with Bucs' Head Coach **Raheem Morris**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

- 11 a.m. **PRACTICE**
Coach Schwartz available on the field immediately following practice; Locker room open to the media for 45 minutes following practice

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

- 11 a.m. **PRACTICE**
Coach Schwartz available on the field immediately following practice; Locker room open to the media for 45 minutes following practice

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

TRAVEL DAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

- 1 p.m. **LIONS VS. BUCCANEERS**
Raymond James Stadium; FOX

2011 DETROIT LIONS ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

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No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Birthdate	Exp	College	Hometown	How Acq	2011		
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92	Avril, Cliff	DE	6-3	260	25	4/8/86	4	Purdue	Green Cove Springs, Fla.	D-3c '08	0	0	0
76	Backus, Jeff	T	6-5	305	33	9/21/77	11	Michigan	Norcross, Ga.	D-1 '01	0	0	0
32	Berry, Aaron	CB	5-11	180	23	6/25/88	2	Pittsburgh	Harrisburg, Pa.	FA '10	0	0	0
44	Best, Jahvid	RB	5-10	199	22	1/30/89	2	California	Richmond, Calif.	D-1b '10	0	0	0
13	Burleson, Nate	WR	6-0	198	30	8/19/81	9	Nevada	Seattle, Wash.	UFA-Sea '10	0	0	0
59	Carpenter, Bobby	LB	6-2	249	28	8/1/83	6	Ohio State	Lancaster, Ohio	FA '10	0	0	0
77	Cherilus, Gosder	T	6-7	325	27	6/28/84	4	Boston College	Somerville, Mass.	D-1 '08	0	0	0
24	Coleman, Erik	S	5-10	207	29	5/6/82	8	Washington State	Spokane, Wash.	FA '11	0	0	0
82	Davis, Rashied	WR	5-9	187	32	7/24/79	7	San Jose State	Los Angeles, Calif.	UFA-Chi '11	0	0	0
26	Delmas, Louis	S	5-11	202	24	4/12/87	3	Western Michigan	North Miami Beach, Fla.	D-2 '09	0	0	0
6	Donahue, Ryan	P	6-3	190	23	3/17/88	R	Iowa	Evergreen Park, Ill.	FA '11	0	0	0
52	Durant, Justin	LB	6-1	240	25	9/20/85	5	Hampton	Florence, S.C.	UFA-Jax '11	0	0	0
50	Ekejiuba, Isaiah	LB	6-4	240	29	10/5/81	7	Virginia	Queens, N.Y.	FA '10	0	0	0
98	Fairley, Nick	DT	6-4	298	23	1/23/88	R	Auburn	Mobile, Ala.	D-1 '11	0	0	0
96	Fluellen, Andre	DT	6-2	302	26	3/7/85	4	Florida State	Cartersville, Ga.	D-3b '08	0	0	0
70	Fox, Jason	T	6-6	314	23	5/2/88	2	Miami (Fla.)	Fort Worth, Texas	D-4 '10	0	0	0
65	Gandy, Dylan	G	6-3	295	29	3/8/82	6	Texas Tech	Hartlingen, Texas	FA '09	0	0	0
4	Hanson, Jason	K	6-0	190	41	6/17/70	20	Washington State	Spokane, Wash.	D-2b '92	0	0	0
36	Harrison, Jerome	RB	5-9	205	28	2/26/83	7	Washington State	Kalamazoo, Mich.	UFA-Phi '11	0	0	0
89	Heller, Will	TE	6-6	275	30	2/28/81	10	Georgia Tech	Dunwoody, Ga.	UFA-Sea '09	0	0	0
91	Hill, Sammie	DT	6-4	329	24	11/8/86	3	Stillman	West Blockton, Ala.	D-4 '09	0	0	0
14	Hill, Shaun	QB	6-3	220	31	1/9/80	10	Maryland	Parsons, Kan.	T-SF '10	0	0	0
78	Hilliard, Corey	T	6-6	300	26	4/26/85	5	Oklahoma State	New Orleans, La.	FA '09	0	0	0
57	Hogue, Doug	LB	6-2	226	22	2/1/89	R	Syracuse	Yonkers, N.Y.	D-5 '11	0	0	0
23	Houston, Chris	CB	5-11	178	26	10/18/84	5	Arkansas	Austin, Texas	T-Atl '10	0	0	0
94	Jackson, Lawrence	DE	6-4	271	26	8/30/85	3	Southern California	Ingleswood, Calif.	T-Sea '10	0	0	0
81	Johnson, Calvin	WR	6-5	236	25	9/29/85	5	Georgia Tech	Tyrone, Ga.	D-1 '07	0	0	0
54	Levy, DeAndre	LB	6-2	238	24	3/26/87	3	Wisconsin	Milwaukee, Wisc.	D-3a '09	0	0	0
11	Logan, Stefan	WR	5-6	180	30	6/2/81	3	South Dakota	Milwaukee, Wisc.	W-Pit '10	0	0	0
63	McClendon, Jacques	G	6-3	324	23	12/10/87	2	Tennessee	Cleveland, Tn.	W-Ind '11	0	0	0
33	McDonald, Brandon	CB	5-10	185	26	8/26/85	5	Memphis	Collins, Miss.	W-Ari '10	0	0	0
28	Morris, Maurice	RB	5-11	216	31	12/1/79	10	Oregon	Chester, S.C.	UFA-Sea '09	0	0	0
48	Muhlbach, Don	LS	6-4	265	30	8/17/81	8	Texas A&M	Lufkin, Texas	FA '04	0	0	0
58	Palmer, Ashlee	LB	6-1	236	25	4/7/86	3	Mississippi	Compton, Calif.	W-Buf '10	0	0	0
66	Peterman, Stephen	G	6-4	323	29	11/1/82	7	Louisiana State	Waveland, Miss.	FA '06	0	0	0
87	Pettigrew, Brandon	TE	6-5	265	26	2/23/85	3	Oklahoma State	Tyler, Texas	D-1b '09	0	0	0
51	Raiola, Dominic	C	6-1	295	32	12/30/78	11	Nebraska	Honolulu, Hawaii	D-2a '01	0	0	0
85	Scheffler, Tony	TE	6-5	255	28	2/15/83	6	Western Michigan	Chelsea, Mich.	T-Den '10	0	0	0
67	Sims, Rob	G	6-3	312	27	12/6/83	6	Ohio State	Macedonia, Ohio	T-Sea '10	0	0	0
27	Smith, Alphonso	CB	5-9	190	25	10/20/85	3	Wake Forest	Pahokee, Fla.	T-Den '10	0	0	0
42	Spivey, Amari	CB	5-11	195	23	4/15/88	2	Iowa	Middleton, Conn.	D-3 '10	0	0	0
9	Stafford, Matthew	QB	6-3	232	23	2/7/88	3	Georgia	Highland Park, Texas	D-1a '09	0	0	0
5	Stanton, Drew	QB	6-3	230	27	5/7/84	5	Michigan State	Farmington Hills, Mich.	D-2a '07	0	0	0
80	Stovall, Maurice	WR	6-5	220	26	2/21/85	6	Notre Dame	Radnor, Pa.	UFA-TB '11	0	0	0
90	Suh, Ndamukong	DT	6-4	307	24	1/6/87	2	Nebraska	Portland, Ore.	D-1a '10	0	0	0
55	Tulloch, Stephen	LB	5-11	240	26	1/1/85	6	North Carolina State	Miami, Fla.	UFA-Ten '11	0	0	0
93	Vanden Bosch, Kyle	DE	6-4	278	32	11/17/78	11	Nebraska	Larchwood, Iowa	UFA-Ten '10	0	0	0
29	Wendling, John	S	6-1	222	28	6/4/83	5	Wyoming	Rock Springs, Wyo.	FA '10	0	0	0
99	Williams, Corey	DT	6-4	320	31	8/17/80	8	Arkansas State	Camden, Ark.	T-Cle '10	0	0	0
34	Williams, Keland	RB	5-11	230	25	8/14/86	2	Louisiana State	Lafayette, La.	W-Wash '11	0	0	0
21	Wright, Eric	CB	5-10	190	26	7/24/85	5	Nevada-Las Vegas	San Francisco, Calif	UFA-Cle '11	0	0	0
76	Young, Titus	WR	5-11	174	22	8/21/89	R	Boise State	Los Angeles, Calif.	D-2a '11	0	0	0
19	Young, Willie	DE	6-4	251	25	9/19/85	2	North Carolina State	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.	D-7a '10	0	0	0

PRACTICE SQUAD

60	Bender, Casey	T	6-5	295	24	12/22/86	1	South Dakota State	Lindsay, Neb.	FA '11	0	0	0
64	Gerberry, Dan	C	6-3	302	25	11/10/85	1	Ball State	Austintown, Ohio	FA '09	0	0	0
86	Hughes, Nate	WR	6-2	195	26	1/18/85	2	Alcorn State	Starkville, Miss	FA '11	0	0	0
39	Silva, Ricardo	S	6-3	225	23	9/9/88	R	Hampton	Baltimore, Md.	FA '11	0	0	0

RESERVE/INJURED

72	Culbreath, Johnny	T	6-5	322	23	1/27/88	R	South Carolina State	Monroe, Ga.	D-7 '11	0	0	0
25	Leshoure, Mikel	RB	6-0	233	23	1/25/88	R	Illinois	Champaign, Ill.	D-2b '11	0	0	0
34	Phillips, Randy	S	6-1	210	24	9/14/1986	1	Miami (Fla.)	Belle Grade, Fla.	FA '10	0	0	0

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4	Jason Hanson	K	6-0	190	41	6/17/70	20	Washington State	Spokane, Wash.	D-2b '92	0	0	0
5	Drew Stanton	QB	6-3	230	27	5/7/84	5	Michigan State	Farmington Hills, Mich.	D-2a '07	0	0	0
6	Ryan Donahue	P	6-3	190	23	3/17/88	R	Iowa	Eastbrook, Ill.	FA '11	0	0	0
9	Matthew Stafford	QB	6-3	232	23	2/7/88	3	Georgia	Highland Park, Texas	D-1a '09	0	0	0
11	Stefan Logan	WR	5-6	180	30	6/2/81	3	South Dakota	Miami, Fla.	W-Pit '10	0	0	0
13	Nate Burleson	WR	6-0	198	30	8/19/81	9	Nevada	Seattle, Wash.	UFA-Sea '10	0	0	0
14	Shaun Hill	QB	6-3	220	31	1/9/80	10	Maryland	Parsons, Kan.	T-SF '10	0	0	0
16	Titus Young	WR	5-11	174	22	8/21/89	R	Boise State	Los Angeles, Calif.	D-2a '11	0	0	0
21	Eric Wright	CB	5-10	190	26	7/24/85	5	Nevada-Las Vegas	San Francisco, Calif	UFA-Cle '11	0	0	0
23	Chris Houston	CB	5-11	178	26	10/18/84	5	Arkansas	Austin, Texas	T-Atl '10	0	0	0
24	Erik Coleman	S	5-10	207	29	5/6/82	8	Washington State	Spokane, Wash.	FA '11	0	0	0
26	Louis Delmas	S	5-11	202	24	4/12/87	3	Western Michigan	North Miami Beach, Fla.	D-2 '09	0	0	0
27	Alphonso Smith	CB	5-9	190	25	10/20/85	3	Wake Forest	Pahokee, Fla.	T-Den '10	0	0	0
28	Maurice Morris	RB	5-11	216	31	12/1/79	10	Oregon	Chester, S.C.	UFA-Sea '09	0	0	0
29	John Wendling	S	6-1	222	28	6/4/83	5	Wyoming	Rock Springs, Wyo.	FA '10	0	0	0
32	Aaron Berry	CB	5-11	180	23	6/25/88	2	Pittsburgh	Harrisburg, Pa.	FA '10	0	0	0
33	Brandon McDonald	CB	5-10	185	26	8/26/85	5	Memphis	Collins, Miss.	W-Ari '10	0	0	0
34	Keiland Williams	RB	5-11	230	25	8/14/86	2	Louisiana State	Lafayette, La.	W-Wash '11	0	0	0
36	Jerome Harrison	RB	5-9	205	28	2/26/83	7	Washington State	Kalamazoo, Mich.	UFA-Phi '11	0	0	0
42	Amari Spivey	CB	5-11	195	23	4/15/88	2	Iowa	Middleton, Conn.	D-3 '10	0	0	0
44	Jahvid Best	RB	5-10	199	22	1/30/89	2	California	Richmond, Calif.	D-1b '10	0	0	0
48	Don Muhlbach	LS	6-4	265	30	8/17/81	8	Texas A&M	Lufkin, Texas	FA '04	0	0	0
50	Isaiah Ekejiuba	LB	6-4	240	29	10/5/81	7	Virginia	Queens, N.Y.	FA '10	0	0	0
51	Dominic Raiola	C	6-1	295	32	12/30/78	11	Nebraska	Honolulu, Hawaii	D-2a '01	0	0	0
52	Justin Durant	LB	6-1	240	25	9/20/85	5	Hampton	Florence, S.C.	UFA-Jax '11	0	0	0
54	DeAndre Levy	LB	6-2	238	24	3/26/87	3	Wisconsin	Milwaukee, Wisc.	D-3a '09	0	0	0
55	Stephen Tulloch	LB	5-11	240	26	1/1/85	6	North Carolina State	Miami, Fla.	UFA-Ten '11	0	0	0
57	Doug Hogue	LB	6-2	226	22	2/1/89	R	Syracuse	Yonkers, N.Y.	D-5 '11	0	0	0
58	Ashlee Palmer	LB	6-1	236	25	4/7/86	3	Mississippi	Compton, Calif.	W-Buf '10	0	0	0
59	Bobby Carpenter	LB	6-2	249	28	8/1/83	6	Ohio State	Lancaster, Ohio	FA '10	0	0	0
63	Jacques McClendon	G	6-3	324	23	12/10/87	2	Tennessee	Cleveland, Tn.	W-Ind '11	0	0	0
65	Dylan Gandy	G	6-3	295	29	3/8/82	6	Texas Tech	Harlingen, Texas	FA '09	0	0	0
66	Stephen Peterman	G	6-4	323	29	1/11/82	7	Louisiana State	Waveland, Miss.	FA '06	0	0	0
67	Rob Sims	G	6-3	312	27	12/6/83	6	Ohio State	Macedonia, Ohio	T-Sea '10	0	0	0
70	Jason Fox	T	6-6	314	23	5/2/88	2	Miami (Fla.)	Fort Worth, Texas	D-4 '10	0	0	0
76	Jeff Backus	T	6-5	305	33	9/21/77	11	Michigan	Norcross, Ga.	D-1 '01	0	0	0
77	Gosder Cherilus	T	6-7	325	27	6/28/84	4	Boston College	Somerville, Mass.	D-1 '08	0	0	0
78	Corey Hilliard	T	6-6	300	26	4/26/85	5	Oklahoma State	New Orleans, La.	FA '09	0	0	0
79	Willie Young	DE	6-4	251	25	9/19/85	2	North Carolina State	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.	FA '10	0	0	0
80	Maurice Stovall	WR	6-5	220	26	2/21/85	6	Notre Dame	Radnor, Pa.	UFA-TB '11	0	0	0
81	Calvin Johnson	WR	6-5	236	25	9/29/85	5	Georgia Tech	Tyrone, Ga.	D-1 '07	0	0	0
82	Rashied Davis	WR	5-9	187	32	7/24/79	7	San Jose State	Los Angeles, Calif.	UFA-Chi '11	0	0	0
85	Tony Scheffler	TE	6-5	255	28	2/15/83	6	Western Michigan	Chelsea, Mich.	T-Den '10	0	0	0
87	Brandon Pettigrew	TE	6-5	265	26	2/23/85	3	Oklahoma State	Tyler, Texas	D-1b '09	0	0	0
89	Will Heller	TE	6-6	275	30	2/28/81	10	Georgia Tech	Dunwoody, Ga.	UFA-Sea '09	0	0	0
90	Ndamukong Suh	DT	6-4	307	24	1/6/87	2	Nebraska	Portland, Ore.	D-1a '10	0	0	0
91	Sammie Hill	DT	6-4	329	24	11/8/86	3	Stillman	West Blocton, Ala.	D-4 '09	0	0	0
92	Cliff Avril	DE	6-3	260	25	4/8/86	4	Purdue	Green Cove Springs, Fla.	D-3c '08	0	0	0
93	Kyle Vanden Bosch	DE	6-4	278	32	11/17/78	11	Nebraska	Larchwood, Iowa	UFA-Ten '10	0	0	0
94	Lawrence Jackson	DE	6-4	271	26	8/30/85	3	Southern California	Inglewood, Calif.	T-Sea '10	0	0	0
96	Andre Fluellen	DE	6-2	302	26	3/7/85	4	Florida State	Cartersville, Ga.	D-3b '08	0	0	0
98	Nick Fairley	DT	6-4	298	23	1/23/88	R	Auburn	Mobile, Ala.	D-1 '11	0	0	0
99	Corey Williams	DT	6-4	320	31	8/17/80	8	Arkansas State	Camden, Ark.	T-Cle '10	0	0	0
PRACTICE SQUAD													
39	Ricardo Silva	S	6-3	225	23	5/9/88	R	Hampton	Baltimore, Md.	FA '11	0	0	0
60	Bender, Casey	T	6-5	295	24	12/22/86	1	South Dakota State	Lindsay, Neb.	FA '11	0	0	0
64	Gerberry, Dan	C	6-3	302	25	11/10/85	1	Ball State	Austintown, Ohio	FA '09	0	0	0
86	Nate Hughes	WR	6-2	195	26	1/18/85	2	Alcorn State	Starkville, Miss	FA '11	0	0	0
RESERVE/INJURED													
25	Mikel Leshoure	RB	6-0	233	23	1/25/88	R	Illinois	Champaign, Ill.	D-2b '11	0	0	0
34	Randy Phillips	S	6-1	210	24	9/14/1986	1	Miami (Fla.)	Belle Grade, Fla.	FA '10	0	0	0
72	Johnny Culbreath	T	6-5	322	23	1/27/88	R	South Carolina State	Monroe, Ga.	D-7 '11	0	0	0

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OFFENSE

Quarterbacks

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
14	Hill, Shaun	QB	6-3	220	31	10	Maryland
9	Stafford, Matthew	QB	6-3	232	23	3	Georgia
5	Stanton, Drew	QB	6-3	230	27	5	Michigan State

Running Backs

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
44	Best, Jahvid	RB	5-10	199	22	2	California
26	Harrison, Jerome	RB	5-9	205	28	7	Washington State
38	Morris, Maurice	RB	5-11	216	31	10	Oregon
34	Williams, Keiland	RB	5-11	230	25	2	Louisiana State

Wide Receivers

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
13	Burleson, Nate	WR	6-0	198	30	9	Nevada
82	Davis, Rashied	WR	5-9	187	32	7	San Jose State
81	Johnson, Calvin	WR	6-5	236	25	5	Georgia Tech
11	Logan, Stefan	WR	5-6	180	30	3	South Dakota
80	Stovall, Maurice	WR	6-5	220	26	6	Notre Dame
16	Young, Titus	WR	5-11	174	23	R	Boise State

Tight Ends

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
89	Heller, Will	TE	6-6	275	30	9	Georgia Tech
87	Pettigrew, Brandon	TE	6-5	265	26	3	Oklahoma State
85	Scheffler, Tony	TE	6-5	255	28	6	Western Michigan

Offensive Line

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
51	Raiola, Dominic	C	6-1	295	32	11	Nebraska
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63	McClendon, Jacques	G	6-3	324	23	2	Tennessee
66	Peterman, Stephen	G	6-4	323	29	7	Louisiana State
67	Sims, Rob	G	6-3	312	27	6	Ohio State
76	Backus, Jeff	T	6-5	305	33	11	Michigan
77	Cherilus, Gosder	T	6-7	325	27	4	Boston College
70	Fox, Jason	T	6-6	314	23	2	Miami (Fla.)
78	Hilliard, Corey	T	6-6	300	26	5	Oklahoma State

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60	Bender, Casey	T	6-5	295	24	1	South Dakota State
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86	Hughes, Nate	WR	6-2	195	26	2	Alcorn State
39	Silva, Ricardo	S	6-3	225	23	R	Hampton

RESERVE/INJURED

72	Culbreath, Johnny	T	6-5	322	23	R	South Carolina State
25	Leshoure, Mikel	RB	6-0	233	23	R	Illinois
34	Phillips, Randy	S	6-1	210	24	1	Miami (Fla.)

DEFENSE

Defensive Line

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
92	Avril, Cliff	DE	6-3	260	25	4	Purdue
94	Jackson, Lawrence	DE	6-4	271	26	3	Southern California
93	Vanden Bosch, Kyle	DE	6-4	278	32	11	Nebraska
79	Young, Willie	DE	6-4	251	25	2	North Carolina State
98	Fairley, Nick	DT	6-4	298	23	R	Auburn
96	Fluelten, Andre	DT	6-2	302	26	4	Florida State
91	Hill, Sammie	DT	6-4	329	24	3	Stillman
90	Suh, Ndamukong	DT	6-4	307	24	2	Nebraska
99	Williams, Corey	DT	6-4	320	31	8	Arkansas State

Linebackers

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
59	Carpenter, Bobby	LB	6-2	249	28	6	Ohio State
52	Durant, Justin	LB	6-1	240	25	5	Hampton
50	Ekejiuba, Isaiah	LB	6-4	240	29	7	Virginia
57	Hogue, Doug	LB	6-2	266	22	R	Syracuse
54	Levy, DeAndre	LB	6-2	238	24	3	Wisconsin
58	Palmer, Ashlee	LB	6-1	236	25	3	Mississippi
55	Tulloch, Stephen	LB	5-11	240	26	6	North Carolina State

Defensive Backs

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
32	Berry, Aaron	CB	5-11	180	23	2	Pittsburgh
23	Houston, Chris	CB	5-11	178	26	5	Arkansas
33	McDonald, Brandon	CB	5-10	185	26	5	Memphis
27	Smith, Alphonso	CB	5-9	190	25	3	Wake Forest
42	Spivey, Amari	CB	5-11	195	23	2	Iowa
21	Wright, Eric	CB	5-10	190	26	5	Nevada-Las Vegas
24	Coleman, Erik	S	5-10	207	29	9	Washington State
26	Delmas, Louis	S	5-11	202	24	3	Western Michigan
29	Wendling, John	S	6-1	222	28	5	Wyoming

SPECIAL TEAMS

Specialists

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Exp	College
4	Hanson, Jason	K	6-0	190	41	20	Washington State
6	Donahue, Ryan	P	6-3	190	23	R	Iowa
48	Muhlbach, Don	LS	6-4	265	30	8	Texas A&M

2011 DETROIT LIONS ROSTER

OFFENSE	NO.	DEFENSE	NO.
Quarterbacks	3	Defensive Line	9
Running Backs	4	Defensive End	4
Running Backs	4	Defensive Tackle	5
Fullbacks	0	Linebackers	7
Wide Receivers	6	Defensive Backs	9
Tight Ends	3	Cornerbacks	6
Offensive Linemen	9	Safeties	3
Centers	1	TOTALS	25
Guards	4		
Tackles	4	ROSTER TOTALS	53
TOTALS	25		

SPECIAL TEAMS

NO.	Practice Squad	4
Kickers	1 Reserve/PUP	0
Punters	1 Reserve/Injured	3
Long Snappers	1 PS Reserve/Injured	0
TOTALS		3

2011 DETROIT LIONS DEPTH CHART

**** UNOFFICIAL ****

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OFFENSE

WR	13	Nate Burleson	<u>16</u>	<i>Titus Young</i>	82	Rashied Davis
LT	76	Jeff Backus	<u>70</u>	<i>Jason Fox</i>		
LG	67	Rob Sims	63	Jacques McClendon		
C	51	Dominic Raiola				
RG	66	Stephen Peterman	65	Dylan Gandy		
RT	77	Gosder Cherilus	78	Corey Hilliard		
TE	87	Brandon Pettigrew	89	Will Heller		
TE	85	Tony Scheffler				
WR	81	Calvin Johnson	80	Maurice Stovall	11	Stefan Logan
QB	9	Matthew Stafford	14	Shaun Hill	5	Drew Stanton
RB	44	Jahvid Best	28	Maurice Morris	36	Jerome Harrison
					34	Keiland Williams

DEFENSE

LE	92	Cliff Avril	94	Lawrence Jackson		
DT	90	Ndamukong Suh	91	Sammie Hill		
DT	99	Corey Williams	96	Andre Fluellen	<u>98</u>	<i>Nick Fairley</i>
RE	93	Kyle Vanden Bosch	79	Willie Young		
OLB	52	Justin Durant	59	Bobby Carpenter	<u>57</u>	<i>Doug Hogue</i>
MLB	55	Stephen Tulloch	58	Ashlee Palmer		
OLB	54	DeAndre Levy	50	Isaiah Ekejiuba		
LCB	23	Chris Houston	27	Alphonso Smith	32	Aaron Berry
RCB	21	Eric Wright	33	Brandon McDonald		
SS	42	Amari Spivey	24	Erik Coleman		
FS	26	Louis Delmas	29	John Wendling		

SPECIAL TEAMS

PK	4	Jason Hanson				
P	<u>6</u>	<i>Ryan Donahue</i>				
H	<u>6</u>	<i>Ryan Donahue</i>				
LS	48	Don Muhlbach				
PR	11	Stefan Logan	13	Nate Burleson		
KR	11	Stefan Logan				

Italics indicate injured player; Underline indicates rookie player

Practice Squad: T Casey Bender, C Dan Gerberry, WR Nate Hughes, S Ricardo Silva

Reserve/Injured: T Johnny Culbreath, S Randy Phillips, RB Mikel Leshoure,

Practice Squad Reserve/Injured:

2011 DETROIT LIONS COACHING STAFF

HEAD COACH: Jim Schwartz

Gunther Cunningham (Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator)

Scott Linehan (Offensive Coordinator)

Danny Crossman (Special Teams Coordinator)

Jason Arapoff (Coordinator of Physical Development); **Bradford Banta** (Assistant Special Teams); **Matt Burke** (Linebackers); **Don Clemons** (Defensive Quality Control); **Todd Downing** (Assistant Quarterbacks Coach); **Brandon Fisher** (Defensive Coaching Assistant); **Sam Gash** (Running Backs); **Shawn Jefferson** (Wide Receivers); **Kris Kocurek** (Defensive Line); **Tim Lappano** (Tight Ends); **Ted Rath** (Assistant Strength and Conditioning); **Kyle Valero** (Offensive Coaching Assistant); **Tim Walton** (Secondary); **Jeremiah Washburn** (Assistant Offensive Line); **George Yarno** (Offensive Line)

LIONS ROSTER MOVES

JUNE 2010

- June 3.....Lions release CB Jahi Word-Daniels.
June 17.....Lions claim K Justin Medlock from the Washington Redskins.
June 23.....Lions release LS Sam Scroggins and claim LB Lee Campbell from the New York Giants.
June 25.....Lions sign T Jason Fox and release WR Marko Mitchell.
June 29.....Lions release K Jason Medlock and G Kurt Quarterman.
June 30.....Lions sign K Aaron Pettrey, CB Amari Splevey and DE Willie Young.

JULY 2010

- July 1.....Lions sign WR Tim Toone and claim DT Leger Douzable from the St. Louis Rams.
July 2.....Lions sign CB Dre' Bly, release T Kirk Barton and CB Paul Pratt and place DE Copeland Bryan on reserve/injured list.
July 13.....Lions release S Daniel Bullocks and sign draft choice DE Willie Young.
July 30.....Lions agree to terms with RB Jahvid Best on five-year deal.
July 31.....The Detroit Lions sign LB Isaiah Ekejiuba and released LB Lee Campbell.

AUG. 2010

- Aug. 4.....Lions sign first-round draft selection DT Ndamukong Suh. The Lions also sign S Randy Phillips and release DT Leger Douzable and S Marquand Manuel.
Aug. 7.....Lions signed DB Paul Pratt and release DT RB Callaway.
Aug. 9.....Lions release DT Joe Cozen and re-sign DT RB Callaway.
Aug. 16.....Lions place LB Jordan Dixon on injured/reserve and re-sign LB Lee Campbell. The Lions also release DE Jason Hunter.
Aug. 17.....Lions release TE Richard Dickson and sign DE Corey Bosworth and DB Jahi Word-Daniels.
Aug. 18.....Lions claim K Steven Hauschka from the Atlanta Falcons and release FB Matt Clapp, S Marvin White and DB Jahi-Word Daniels. The Lions also sign CB T.J. Rushing.
Aug. 19.....Lions trade for DE Lawrence Jackson and claim DB David Roach.
Aug. 20.....Lions sign G Noah Franklin and release G Roy Schuening.
Aug. 23.....Lions release WR Contrevious Parks.
Aug. 24.....Lions picked up T Cliff Louis from the New York Giants.
Aug. 25.....Lions claim T Tyler Polunbus and release from the Denver Broncos and waived/injured G Trevor Canfield.
Aug. 27.....Lions claim DT Jaron Baston and DS John Wendling and have placed DE Jared DeVries on Injured Reserve and also waived/injured DB David Roach.
Aug. 30.....Lions sign LB Rocky Boiman; release WR Eric Fowler, LB Lee Campbell and DE Chima Ihekwoaba; waived/injured FB Jake Nordin.
Aug. 31.....Lions trade T Tyler Polunbus to Seattle for a 2012 draft pick and place CB Jack Williams on Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform List.

SEPT. 2010

- Sept. 3.....Lions release DT Jaron Baston.
Sept. 4.....Lions release the following players: CB Dre' Bly, DE Corey Bosworth, DT Rob Callaway, LB Caleb Campbell, LB Vinny Curciu, WR Brian Clark, DT Landon Cohen, RB DeDe Dorsey, G Noah Franklin, C Dan Gerberry, K Steven Hauschka, CB Jonathan Hefney, T Jon Jansen, CB Eric King, T Cliff Louis, WR Michael Moore, CB Paul Pratt, CB T.J. Rushing, WR Tim Toone and S Ko Simpson, CB Dante Wesley.
Sept. 5.....Lions release LB Rocky Boiman and WR Dennis Northcutt.
Sept. 6.....Lions claim LB Spencer Havner and RS Stefan Logan and trade TE Dan Gronkowski to the Denver Broncos for CB Alphonso Smith. The Lions and Broncos also exchanged undisclosed 2011 draft picks.
Sept. 8.....Lions sign TE Joe Jon Finley to the practice squad.
Sept. 14.....Lions sign CB Nathan Vasher and place CB Aaron Berry on Injured Reserve.
Sept. 21.....Lions sign C Cody Wallace to the practice squad and release DB Jonathan Hefney from the practice squad.
Sept. 30.....Lions sign S Dante Wesley and release S Randy Phillips.

OCT. 2010

- Oct. 2.....Lions sign S Randy Phillips to the practice squad and release S Cody Wallace from the practice squad.
Oct. 5.....Lions release G Manny Ramirez.
Oct. 6.....Lions claim T Jamon Meredith from the Buffalo Bills.
Oct. 7.....Lions sign WR Alric Arnett to the practice squad and place WR Tim Toone on Practice Squad Reserve/Injured.
Oct. 14.....Lions release LB Spencer Havner and sign LB Vinny Curciu.
Oct. 16.....Lions waive T Jamon Meredith and activate DB Paul Pratt from the practice squad to the active roster.
Oct. 19.....Lions release DB Paul Pratt and DB Dante Wesley.
Oct. 20.....Lions sign LB Bobby Carpenter, sign C Cody Wallace from the New York Jets practice squad, and sign DB Paul Pratt to the practice squad.
Oct. 27.....Lions place LB Zack Follett on Injured Reserve.
Oct. 28.....Lions claim CB Brandon McDonald off waivers from the Arizona Cardinals.

NOV. 2010

- Nov. 9.....Lions release DB Jonathan Wade and C Cody Wallace, sign K Dave Rayner and claim QB Zac Robinson from the Seattle Seahawks. DB Jack Williams remains on Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform.
Nov. 20.....Lions place RB Kevin Smith on Injured Reserve and sign LB Caleb Campbell from the practice squad to the active roster.
Nov. 23.....Lions release LB Caleb Campbell and sign G Donald Thomas.
Nov. 24.....Lions re-sign LB Caleb Campbell to the practice squad.

DEC. 2010

- Dec. 1.....Lions place K Jason Hanson on Injured Reserve and sign CB Tye Hill.
Dec. 8.....Lions place CB Alphonso Smith and DE Kyle Vanden Bosch on Injured Reserve and sign CB Prince Miller from the Baltimore Ravens practice squad.
Dec. 9.....Lions claim DE Barry Turner from the Chicago Bears.
Dec. 10.....Lions place WR Derrick Williams on Injured Reserve and sign WR Brian Clark.
Dec. 11.....Lions place LB Isaiah Ekejiuba on Injured Reserve and sign T Tony Ugoch.
Dec. 14.....Lions place DB Brandon McDonald on Injured Reserve, sign LB Caleb

Campbell from the Practice Squad, and sign WR Roy Hall to the Practice Squad.

- Dec. 15.....Lions place T Gosder Cherilus on Injured Reserve.
Dec. 16.....Lions claim DB Eric King off waivers from the Cleveland Browns.
Dec. 24.....Lions place QB Matthew Stafford on Injured Reserve and activate S Randy Phillips from the practice squad to the active roster.
Dec. 30.....Lions place LB Landon Johnson on Injured Reserve, sign DB Paul Pratt from the practice squad to the active roster, and release WR Michael Moore from the practice squad.

JAN. 2011

- Jan. 3.....Lions re-sign G Rob Callaway, TE Jon Joe Finley, C Dan Gerberry, RB Ian Johnson, WR Michael Moore and WR Tim Toone.
Jan. 31.....Lions sign FB Matt Clapp.

FEBRUARY 2011

- Feb. 1.....The Lions sign RB Matt Clapp for the 2011 season.
Feb. 11.....The Lions release G Trevor Canfield.
Feb. 14.....The Lions release CB Eric King.
Feb. 23.....The Lions sign S Erik Coleman.

MAR. 2011

- Mar. 4.....The Lions re-sign CB Nathan Vasher and release LB Julian Peterson.

JULY 2011

- July 29.....The Lions sign the following 2011 draft choices: T Johnny Culbreath, DT Nick Fairley, LB Doug Hogue, RB Mikel Leshoure and WR Titus Young.
July 29.....The Detroit Lions sign the following rookie free agents: LB Daunte Akra, WR Demario Ballard, WR Dominique Barnes, DB Branden Bufford, LB Quentin Davie, TE Preston Dial, P Ryan Donahue, LB DeJuan Fulghum, WR Marcus Harris, OL Pat Illig, WR Jared Jenkins, DB Marquise Liverpool, OL Jeff Maddux, LB Cobrani Mixon, DB Jamal Robinson, DB Ricardo Silva, DB Brandon Stephens and DE Narada Williams
July 29.....The Lions released LB Jordan Dixon and WR Bryant Johnson.
July 29.....The Lions sign the following unrestricted free agents: WR Rashied Davis, LB Justin Durant, C Dylan Gandy, K Dave Rayner, QB Drew Stanton and S John Wendling.
July 29.....The Lions sign free agents CB Maurice Leggett and DT Quinn Pitcock; the Lions also sign restricted free agents: FB Jerome Felton and DT Andre Fluellen
July 29.....The Lions sign exclusive rights players: LB Corey Bosworth, LB Caleb Campbell, T Corey Hilliard, WR Stefan Logan, CB Prince Miller, LB Ashlee Palmer, S Randy Phillips and CB Paul Pratt.
July 29.....The Lions place T Jeff Backus and CB Alphonso Smith on the Active/Non-Football Injury List.
July 30.....The Lions sign unrestricted free agents CB Brandon McDonald and CB Eric Wright and release CB Marquis Liverpool.

AUG. 2011

- Aug. 1.....The Lions sign unrestricted free agent LB Stephen Tulloch.
Aug. 2.....The Lions sign WR Maurice Stovall and release LB Zack Follett and WR Jared Jenkins.
Aug. 3.....The Lions release LB Corey Bosworth, LB Zack Follett and CB Jack Williams and sign DE Greg Banks.
Aug. 4.....The Lions sign LB Bobby Carpenter, CB Chris Houston, DE Cliff Avril and T Isaac Sowells and release CB Branden Bufford, G Pat Illig, WR Michael Moore and CB Brandon Stephens.
Aug. 4.....The Lions claimed WR Nate Hughes (Jacksonville) and G Greg Niland (Arizona) from waivers.
Aug. 8.....The Lions release LB Daunte Akra, DE Greg Banks and CB Jamal Robinson and sign DE Keyunta Dawson and DT Montavious Stanley.
Aug. 9.....The Lions sign RB Mike Bell and RB Jerome Harrison, release FB Preston Dial and waive/injure CB Maurice Leggett.
Aug. 10.....The Lions sign S Michael Johnson and C Rudy Niswanger and release LB Quentin Davie.
Aug. 11.....The Lions sign T Kirk Chambers and waived/injured G Jeff Maddux.
Aug. 13.....The Lions place RB Mikel Leshoure on the reserve/injured list.
Aug. 14.....The Lions sign CB Anthony Madison and release T Tony Ugoch.
Aug. 16.....The Lions sign DB Aaron Francisco
Aug. 21.....The Lions place S Randy Phillips on Reserve/Injured and release T Isaac Sowells.
Aug. 22.....The Lions sign TE Gijon Robinson
Aug. 24.....The Lions sign C Chris Morris and release G Greg Niland
Aug. 29.....The Lions release WR Demario Ballard, RB Mike Bell, TE Richard Dickson, LB DeJuan Fulghum, WR Marcus Harris, DB Michael Johnson, K Dave Rayner, and DT Montavious Stanley
Aug. 30.....The Lions release FB Jerome Felton.

SEPT. 2011

- Sept. 3.....The Lions activate CB Alphonso Smith off the Active/Non-Football injury list and place T Johnny Culbreath on Reserve/Injured.
Sept. 3.....The Lions release the following players: WR Dominique Barnes, DT Robert Callaway, LB Caleb Campbell, T Kirk Chambers, RB Matt Clapp, DE Keyunta Dawson, TE Joe Jon Finley, DB Aaron Francisco, C Dan Gerberry, P Nick Harris, WR Nate Hughes, RB Ian Johnson, DB Anthony Madison, DB Prince Miller, LB Cobrani Mixon (waived/injured), C Rudy Niswanger, DT Quinn Pitcock, DB Paul Pratt, TE Gijon Robinson, QB Zac Robinson, DB Ricardo Silva, G Donald Thomas, WR Tim Toone, DB Nathan Vasher, WR Derrick Williams, and DE Narada Williams.
Sept. 4.....The Lions release RB Aaron Brown and C Chris Morris and claim G Jacques McClendon and RB Keiland Williams off of waivers.
Sept. 5.....The Lions sign the following players to the practice squad: C Dan Gerberry, WR Nate Hughes, S Ricardo Silva, and T Casey Bender.

2011 DETROIT LIONS PRESEASON STATISTICS

Won 4, Lost 0					Rushing					Receiving							
Date	W-L	Score	OT	Opponent	Attendance	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD		
08/12	W	34-3		Cincinnati	42,768	27	131	4.9	47	0	12	118	9.8	16	1		
08/19	W	30-28		at Cleveland	56,004	36	130	3.6	22	0	7	88	12.6	22t	2		
08/27	W	34-10		New England	58,665	23	64	2.8	17	0	6	108	18.0	35	2		
09/01	W	16-6		at Buffalo	40,047	16	38	2.4	9	0	6	97	16.2	37	3		
Team Stats					Det	Opp	Team					Opponents					
Total First Downs					80	60	145					82					
Rushing					26	17	145					82					
Passing					49	34	37					24					
Penalty					5	9	1					1					
3rd Down: Made/Att					21/59	15/53	14/53					11/53					
3rd Down Pct.					35.6	28.3	26.3					20.8					
4th Down: Made/Att					4/5	1/5	4/5					1/5					
4th Down Pct.					80.0	20.0	80.0					20.0					
Possession Avg.					33:13	26:47	33:13					26:47					
Total Net Yards					1543	1046	145					82					
Avg. Per Game					385.8	261.5	37					24					
Total Plays					271	234	12					118					
Avg. Per Play					5.7	4.5	7					88					
Net Yards Rushing					536	356	6					108					
Avg. Per Game					134.0	89.0	6					97					
Total Rushes					145	82	6					61					
Net Yards Passing					1007	690	5					65					
Avg. Per Game					251.8	172.5	5					38					
Sacked/Yards Lost					3/23	8/59	4					106					
Gross Yards					1030	749	4					64					
Att./Completions					123/81	144/81	4					50					
Completion Pct.					65.9	56.3	4					49					
Had Intercepted					1	3	3					36					
Punts/Average					20/44.6	27/46.9	3					35					
Net Punting Avg.					20/34.4	27/41.3	3					26					
Penalties/Yards					32/293	28/221	2					30					
Fumbles/Ball Lost					6/2	5/3	2					14					
Touchdowns					12	6	1					17					
Rushing					1	2	1					14					
Passing					11	4	1					10					
Returns					0	0	1					8					
Score By Periods					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	Pts							
Team					41	33	10	30	0	114							
Opponents					7	7	7	6	0	47							
Scoring					TD	Ru	Rec	Ret	PAT	FG	S	Pts					
Hanson					0	0	0	0	8/8	8/8	0	32					
Burleson					3	0	3	0	0	0	0	18					
Stovall					2	0	2	0	0	0	12						
Rayner TM					0	0	0	0	4/4	2/3	0	10					
A. Brown					1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6					
Finley					1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6					
Sh. Hill					1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6					
Hughes					1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6					
C. Johnson					1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6					
Scheffler					1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6					
D. Williams					1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6					
Team					12	1	11	0	12/12/10/11	0	114						
Opponents					6	2	4	0	5/5	2/4	0	47					
2-Pt Conv: Team: 0-0; Opponent: 0-1																	
Sacks: Avril 2, Callaway 1, Pitcock 1, Pratt 1, C. Williams 1, N. Williams 1, W. Young 1, TM 8																	
FUM/Lost: Bell 1/0, Best 1/1, M. Harris 1/0, Hughes 1/1, Z. Robinson 1/0, Stanton 1/0																	
Interceptions					Int	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD								
Silva					2	11	5.5	11	0								
Houston					1	0	0.0	0	0								
Team					3	11	3.7	11	0								
Opponents					1	0	0.0	0	0								
Punting					Pnt	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B					
Donahue					12	529	44.1	34.4	1	3	58	0					
N. Harris					8	362	45.3	34.4	2	2	55	0					
Team					20	891	44.6	34.4	3	5	58	0					
Opponents					27	1265	46.9	41.3	3	8	61	0					
Punt Returns					PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD							
Hughes					9	2	49	5.4	11	0							
Logan					2	2	25	12.5	13	0							
Toone					2	0	18	9.0	12	0							
M. Harris					1	0	-1	-1.0	-1	0							
Team					14	4	91	6.5	13	0							
Opponents					11	2	143	13.0	26	0							
Kickoff Returns					KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD								
Hughes					3	77	25.7	32	0								
Logan					2	58	29.0	31	0								
A. Brown					1	22	22.0	22	0								
Team					6	157	26.2	32	0								
Opponents					14	321	22.9	46	0								
Field Goals					1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+								
Hanson					0/0	1/1	3/3	4/4	0/0								
Rayner TM					0/0	0/0	0/0	2/3	0/0								
Team					0/0	1/1	3/3	6/7	0/0								
Opponents					0/0	1/1	1/1	0/2	0/0								

Hanson: (37G)(25G,49G)(33G,46G)(44G,46G,35G)
 TM: (37G,44G)(25G,49G,48G)(33G,46G,49N)(44G,46G,35G)
 OPP: (27G,42N)(1)(33G)(48N)

Player	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Avg	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sk/Y	Rtg
Stanton	44	25	314	56.8	7.14	3	6.8	1	2.3	36	0/0	92.4
Stafford	33	25	395	75.8	11.97	3	15.2	0	0.0	52	1/8	134.7
Sh. Hill	31	22	230	71.0	7.42	2	6.5	0	0.0	25	1/4	113.6
Z. Robinson	15	9	91	60.0	6.07	1	6.7	0	0.0	28t	1/11	99.6
Team	123	81	1030	65.9	8.37	11	8.9	1	0.8	52	3/23	118.3
Opponents	144	81	749	56.3	5.20	4	2.8	3	2.1	53	8/59	71.2

2011 DETROIT LIONS PRESEASON STATISTICS

Based on Press Box Statistics as of September 2, 2011

DEFENSE	TT	ST	AT	Sk	SkY	Int	IntY	PD	FF	FR	Saf
Carpenter, Bobby	22	14	8	0	0						
Silva, Ricardo	14	12	2	0	0	2	11	3	1	0	
McDonald, Brandon	12	10	2	0	0	0	0	1			
Young, Willie	12	6	6	0	0	0	0	1			
Pratt, Paul	10	8	2	0	0	0	0	1			
Spievey, Amari	10	6	4	0	0						
Mixon, Cobrani	8	8	0	0	0						
Hogue, Doug	7	5	2	0	0	0	0	1			
Delmas, Louis	7	5	2	0	0						
Tulloch, Stephen	7	3	4	0	0						
Durant, Justin	6	3	3	0	0						
Miller, Prince	6	3	3	0	0				1	1	
Calloway, Robert	5	5	0	0	0				1	0	
Campbell, Caleb	5	4	1	0	0						
Levy, DeAndre	5	3	2	0	0						
Dawson, Keyunta	5	2	3	0	0						
Francisco, Aaron	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	2			
Avril, Cliff	4	3	1	2	6				1	0	
Johnson, Michael	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	1			
Williams, Corey	4	3	1	1	6						
Williams, Narada	4	3	1	0	0						
Madison, Anthony	4	2	2	0	0						
Berry, Aaron	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	2			
Stanley, Montavious	4	1	3	1	0						
Wright, Eric	3	3	0	0	0						
Jackson, Lawrence	3	2	1	0	0						
Fluellen, Andre	3	2	1	0	0						
Fulghum, Dejuan	2	2	0	0	0						
Palmer, Ashlee	2	2	0	0	0						
Pitcock, Quinn	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1			
Vasher, Nathan	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1			
Suh, Ndamukong	2	1	1	0	0						
Wendling, John	1	1	0	0	0						
Hill, Sammie	1	1	0	0	0						
Coleman, Erik	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	
Houston, Chris	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	2			
Ekejiuba, Isaiah	0	0	0	0	0						
Fairley, Nick	0	0	0	0	0						
Muhlbach, Don	0	0	0	0	0						
Phillips, Randy	0	0	0	0	0						
Smith, Alphonso	0	0	0	0	0						
VandenBosch, Kyle	0	0	0	0	0						
TOTALS	196	135	61	4	12	3	11	17	4	2	0
Opponents	252	178	71	3	23	1	0	22	1	1	0

Special Teams	TT	ST	AT	FF	FR	Bl-XP	Bl-FG	Bl-Pnt	TD	Saf
Coleman, Erik	8	7	1							
Campbell, Caleb	3	3	0							
Clapp, Matt	2	2	0							
Stovall, Maurice	2	2	0	1	0					
Barnes, Dominique	1	1	0							
Ekejiuba, Isaiah	1	1	0							
Fulghum, Dejuan	1	1	0							
Miller, Prince	1	1	0							
Harrison, Jerome	1	1	0							
Francisco, Aaron	1	1	0							
McDonald, Brandon	1	1	0							
Heller, Will	1	1	0							
Williams, Derrick	1	1	0							
Hanson, Jason	1	1	0							
Davis, Rashied				0	1					
TOTALS	25	24	1	1	1					
Opponent	21	21	0	1	1					

MISCELLANEOUS	TT	ST	AT	FF	FR	Saf
Hilliard, Corey	1	1	0	0	0	
Bell, Mike	0	0	0	0	1	
Harrison, Jerome	0	0	0	0	1	
Robinson, Zac	0	0	0	0	1	
LIONS	1	1	0	0	3	
Opponent	6	6	0	0	0	

Game	Date	W/L	TAKEAWAYS			GIVEAWAYS			MARGIN	
			Int	Fum	Tot	Int	Fum	Tot	Gm	2011
CINCINNATI	8/12	W	2	1	3	0	0	0	3	3
at Cleveland	8/19	W	0	2	2	0	1	1	1	4
NEW ENGLAND	8/27	W	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	4
at Buffalo	9/1	W	0	0	0	0	1	1	-1	3
Totals		4-0	3	3	6	1	2	3		3



PRESEASON GAME #1

LIONS 34, BENGALS 3
FORD FIELD, AUGUST 12, 2011
ATTENDANCE: 42,768

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	OT	Final
CINCINNATI BEGALS	0	3	0	0	-	3
DETROIT LIONS	14	10	0	10	-	34

LIONS.....C. Johnson 26 yd. pass from Stafford (Hanson kick)
 LIONS.....Burleson 7 yd. pass from Stafford (Hanson kick)
 BENGALS.....Nugent 27 yd. Field Goal
 LIONS.....S. Hill 7 yd. run (Hanson kick)
 LIONS.....Hanson 37 yd. Field Goal
 LIONS.....N. Hughes 28 yd. pass from Robinson (Rayner kick)
 LIONS.....Rayner 44 yd. Field Goal

	BENGALS	LIONS
First Downs	14	18
Total Net Yards	205	350
Net Yards Rushing	70	70
Net Yards Passing	135	280
(Att/Comp/Int)	31-19-2	33-23-0
Punts-Average	5-50.6	5-42.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Sacks-Yards	0-0	1-6
Penalties-Yards	4-9	6-74
Time of Possession	27:34	32:26

RUSHING

BENGALS: Benson 6-37; Finley 7-15; Leonard 4-10; Griffin 2-8; Williams 2-0.
 LIONS: Johnson 9-21; Brown 4-21; Best 4-12; Harrison 6-8; Hill 1-7, 1TD;
 Bell 5-5; Robinson 4-(-4)

PASSING

BENGALS: Dalton 11-15, 69, 1 INT; Gradkowski 6-11 58; Palmer 1-4, 7, 1 INT; LeFevour 1-1, 7.
 LIONS: Stafford 6-7, 71, 2 TD; Stanton 7-15, 110; Hill 8-9, 63; Robinson 2-23, 1 TD

RECEIVING

BENGALS: Shipley 4-37; Green 4-29; Finley 3-14; Standeford 2-25; Simpson 2-17; Coffman 1-9; Williams 1-7; Gresham 1-3; Scaife 1-0
 LIONS: Brown 5-49; Scheffler 3-34; Heller 3-21; Johnson 2-37, 1 TD; Best 2-17; Burleson 2-17, 1 TD; Williams 1-32; Hughes 1-28, 1 TD; Dickson 1-22; Felton 1-17; Finley 1-8; Harrison 1-(-2)

SUMMARY

The Lions opened their 2011 preseason with an impressive showing at Ford Field. Lions QB Matthew Stafford and the first-team offense got rolling on the very first possession of the game. The third-year signal-caller went 4-for-4 on the drive, concluding it with a 26-yard touchdown pass to his favorite target, WR Calvin Johnson, on a well-thrown back shoulder fade. On the subsequent kickoff, LB Isaiah Ekejiuba hit rookie returner John Griffin, causing a fumble and Lions WR Rashid Davis recovered the ball at the Bengals 16-yard line. Four plays later, on 4th and 1, Stafford hit WR Nate Burleson for a 7-yard score. Initially, the play was ruled incomplete, but Coach Jim Schwartz challenged the call and the replay showed that both of Burleson's feet were in bounds and he controlled the ball so the ruling was reversed. After the score, the Cincinnati offense, led by rookie QB Andy Dalton, finally got a chance to get on the field, but they did not stay on long. On the first play, Dalton threw a deep pass for fellow rookie, WR A.J. Green, but Lions CB Chris Houston picked it off. The Bengals would finally get on the board early in the second quarter on a 27-yard field goal by K Mike Nugent. On the next possession for the Lions, QB Shaun Hill, who took over for Stafford halfway through the first quarter, led the team on a 11 play, 77-yard drive resulting in a 7-yard TD scramble and flip by the quarterback. The Lions ended the first half in style as well as third QB Drew Stanton led a 2-minute drive that led to a last-second field goal by K Jason Hanson giving the Lions a 24-3 halftime edge. During the drive, Stanton connected on an 11 yard pass to RB Aaron Brown and a 32-yard grab by WR Derrick Williams. After another 15-yard catch and run by Brown, the Lions ran the field goal unit on with 0:13 remaining and successfully snapped the ball before time expired. The third quarter was dominated by the defenses as both teams did not get much going offensively. The fourth quarter, however, started with a big offensive play when the fourth Lions QB of the night, Zac Robinson, replaced Stanton and quickly found WR Nate Hughes on a 28-yard touchdown strike down the left sideline. Even with a comfortable 31-3 lead, the Lions defense did not ease up and caused a third Bengals' turnover when rookie S Ricardo Silva picked off Cincinnati QB Jordan Palmer at the Bengals 28-yard line. After three runs by Lions RB Ian Johnson, K Dave Rayner booted a 44-yard field goal to conclude the scoring.

PRESEASON GAME #2

LIONS 30, BROWNS 28
CLEVELAND BROWNS STADIUM, AUGUST 19, 2011
ATTENDANCE: 56,004

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	OT	Final
CLEVELAND LMS	10	3	7	10	-	30
DETROIT BROWNS	7	14	7	0	-	28

BROWNS.....E. Moore 2 yd. pass from McCoy (Dawson kick)
 LIONS.....Burleson 4 yd. pass from Stafford (Hanson kick)
 LIONS.....Hanson 25 yd. Field Goal
 BROWNS.....E. Moore 21 yd pass from McCoy (Dawson kick)
 BROWNS.....Little 13 yd. pass from McCoy (Dawson kick)
 LIONS.....Hanson 43 yd. Field Goal
 BROWNS.....A. Smith 81 yd run (Dawson kick)
 LIONS.....Stovall 7 yd. pass from Stanton (Rayner kick)
 LIONS.....Finley 20 yd. pass from Stanton (Rayner kick)
 LIONS.....Rayner 48 yd. Field Goal

	LIONS	BROWNS
First Downs	24	15
Total Net Yards	407	271
Net Yards Rushing	176	135
Net Yards Passing	231	136
(Att/Comp/Int)	29-19-0	30-16-0
Punts-Average	5-41.0	8-45.3
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	3-2
Sacks-Yards	0-0	1-4
Penalties-Yards	14-123	12-88
Time of Possession	36:51	23:09

RUSHING

LIONS: Johnson 7-34; Bell 11-33; Harrison 6-27; Burleson 1-26; Felton 2-20; Hughes 1-12; Brown 6-11; Robinson 6-3; Best 2-(-1)
 BROWNS: A. Smith 6-90 1 TD.; Jackson 8-19; Brown 2-9; Wallace 1-9; Porter 4-5; McCoy 1-3

PASSING

LIONS: Stafford 6-10, 85, 1 TD; Hill 5-8, 53; Stanton 6-8, 80 2 TD; Robinson 2-3, 17.
 BROWNS: McCoy 10-18, 96, 3 TD; Wallace 6-8, 40; Brown 0-4, 0

RECEIVING

LIONS: Stovall 4-67, 1 TD; Burleson 2-34 1 TD; Finley 2-27, 1 TD; Heller 2-17; Bell 2-14; Pettigrew 1-27; Brown 1-12; Davis 1-10; Toone 1-10; Best 1-8; Dickson 1-8
 BROWNS: Moore 3-40 2 TD; Little 2-25 1 TD; Cribbs 2-10; Cameron 2-7; Windsor 1-14; Al. Smith 1-10; Porter 1-8; A. Smith 1-7; Marecic 1-6; Jackson 1-5; Clutts 1-4

SUMMARY

The Lions went to Cleveland for the annual Great Lakes Classic preseason matchup with the Browns and overcame a 15-point deficit in the third quarter for a 30-28 victory. Following an early fumble by Lions RB Jahvid Best, the Browns' offense, led by second-year QB Colt McCoy, struck first with a 3-yard TD pass to TE Evan Moore. QB Matthew Stafford and the Lions' offense answered quickly with a tremendous 4-yard TD catch from WR Nate Burleson. For the second week in a row, Burleson was able to keep his feet in bounds on a tough catch for a score. He also helped set up the TD with a 26-yard reverse earlier in the drive. A 25-yard field goal by Lions K Jason Hanson would give Detroit a 10-7 lead entering the second quarter, but two more McCoy TD throws would give the Browns an advantage at the half. McCoy found Moore once again from 21-yards out early in the quarter and then WR Greg Little on a 10-yard strike on the next Cleveland possession giving the Browns a 21-10 edge. Another Hanson field goal, this one from 49 yards away cut the lead to eight at the half. The second-half began with some excitement for the hometown Browns fans as RB Armond Smith ran off left tackle 81 yards for a score. The rookie from Union College showed good speed outrunning the Lions secondary on his way to the end zone. On the next Cleveland possession, Smith would fumble a screen pass from QB Seneca Wallace and Lions S Ricardo Silva recovered the ball. Lions third QB Drew Stanton would find WR Maurice Stovall from 7 yards out to cut the deficit to eight, 28-20. Stanton to Stovall would be a popular connection as the QB would find his WR a couple more times in the third quarter, including a 35-yarder. Stovall would end the day as the Lions' leading receiver with four catches for 67 yards. The fourth quarter began with another Browns turnover as Lions' CB Prince Miller hit Armond Smith to cause another fumble. Miller would recover the ball, setting the Lions up in prime field position to cut into the Browns lead. It didn't take long for Detroit to strike, as Stanton hit TE Joe Jon Finley down the middle for a 20-yard score making it 28-27 Cleveland. On the next Lions possession, fourth QB Zac Robinson methodically took the team down the field to set up a 48-yard field goal from K Dave Rayner, which turned out to be the game-winner.



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PRESEASON GAME #3

LIONS 34, PATRIOTS 10
 FORD FIELD, AUGUST 27, 2011
 ATTENDANCE: 58,665

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	OT	Final
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	0	10	0	0	-	10
DETROIT LIONS	0	17	0	7	-	34

LIONS.....Hanson 33 yd. Field Goal
 LIONS.....Burlerson 9 yd. pass from Stafford (Hanson kick)
 PATRIOTS.....Gostkowski 33 yd Field Goal
 LIONS.....Scheffler 22 yd. pass from Stafford (Hanson kick)
 PATRIOTS.....Welker 44 yd. pass from Brady (Gostkowski kick)
 LIONS.....Hanson 46 yd. Field Goal
 LIONS.....Brown 9 yd. pass from Hill (Hanson kick)
 LIONS.....Williams 4 yd. pass from Stanton (Rayner kick)

	PATRIOTS	LIONS
First Downs	16	24
Total Net Yards	353	468
Net Yards Rushing	61	114
Net Yards Passing	292	354
(Att/Comp/Int)	48-27-1	38-26-1
Punts-Average	6-42.2	4-49.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-19	0-0
Sacks-Yards	2-19	2-6
Penalties-Yards	10-74	7-59
Time of Possession	26:52	33:08

RUSHING

PATRIOTS: Woodhead 4-28; Green-Ellis 8-18; Morris 3-8; Brady 1-6; Medlin 1-1.

LIONS: Ian Johnson 11-32; Brown 9-30; Harrison 8-24; Stanton 2-18; Logan 3-10.

PASSING

PATRIOTS: Brady 12-22, 145 1 TD 1 INT; Mallett 9-14, 65; Hoyer 6-12 88.
 LIONS: Stafford 12-14, 200 2 TD; Stanton 9-14 93 1 TD 1 INT; Hill 5-9 80 1 TD; Brown 0-1

RECEIVING

PATRIOTS: Hernandez 5-46; Medlin 5-27; Welker 3-44 1 TD; Tate 3-41; Woodhead 3-21; Edelman 2-12; Jenkins 2-7; Slater 1-53; Mills 1-11; Gronkowski 1-7; Smith 1-2.

LIONS: Brown 4-48 1 TD; Harrison 3-51; Toone 3-47; Scheffler 3-38 1 TD; Williams 3-32 1 TD; Pettigrew 3-23; Burlerson 2-46 1 TD; Johnson 1-30; Stovall 1-25; Young 1-19; Clapp 1-8; Finley 1-6.

SUMMARY

A pair of teams with 2-0 preseason records met at Ford Field when the Lions hosted the New England Patriots. Often referred to as the "dress rehearsal" for the regular season, the third preseason game saw the majority of the starters for both teams playing at least a full half, if not more. The Lions offensive starters got off to a quick start by scoring on their first two possessions. Quarterback Matthew Stafford picked up right where he left off in the first two games and was sharp from the opening snap. On the first drive, he found WR Nate Burleson down the right sideline on a 37-yard fade pass to set up a 33-yard field goal by K Jason Hanson. On the very next offensive possession, offensive coordinator Scott Linehan called a perfectly-timed screen pass from Stafford to RB Jerome Harrison, who broke a couple tackles and sprinted 52 yards. Two plays later, Stafford would find Burleson on a play-action pass for a 9-yard touchdown. It was Burleson's third TD grab of the preseason, one in each game. Down 10-0, Patriots QB Tom Brady would answer with a 16-play, 69-yard drive to get New England on the scoreboard with a 33-yard field goal from K Stephen Gostkowski. The six-year kicker's boot cut the deficit to seven on the first play of the second quarter. The Lions would regain their double-digit lead later in the quarter when Stafford would throw his second touchdown pass of the game, this one to TE Tony Scheffler from 22 yards out. After each team punted on the ensuing possessions, the Patriots were able to cut the Lions lead to seven when Brady found WR Wes Welker behind the Lions second-team defense for a 44-yard touchdown strike. But once again, the Lions would respond. QB Shaun Hill would take over for Stafford, who finished the night with a perfect passer rating of 158.3, with just under four minutes to go in the first half and led the team down the field to set up a 46-yard field goal from Hanson. On that drive, rookie WR Titus Young, who missed the Lions' first two games, made his first professional grab on a 19-yard pitch and catch. With just over a minute to play in the half, Brady and the Patriots offense tried to get in position to score before the intermission, but S Ricardo Silva picked off the 2010 NFL MVP and returned it 11 yards to the NE 46-yard line. After a nice 25-yard pass to WR Maurice Stovall and a 12-yard pass to RB Aaron Brown, Hill would find Brown again on a 9-yard pass over the middle for another Lions touchdown to put them up 27-10 at the half. The defenses for both teams would control the majority of the second half, but the Lions did manage to add to their lead early in the fourth quarter when third Lions QB Drew Stanton connected with WR Derrick Williams for a 4-yard score on a 4th down play. All night long, the Lions defense made life difficult for the Patriots offense, especially their quarterbacks, with constant pressure up front. In the first half, Brady was continuously feeling the heat and QBs Brian Hoyer and Ryan Mallett had the same fate in the second half. Lions DE Cliff Avril had two sacks of Brady, including a forced fumble (recovered by New England).

PRESEASON GAME #4

LIONS 16, BILLS 6
 RALPH WILSON STADIUM, SEPTEMBER 1, 2011
 ATTENDANCE: 40,047

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	OT	Final
DETROIT LIONS	7	3	3	3	-	16
BUFFALO BILLS	0	0	0	6	-	6

LIONS.....Stovall 16 yd. pass from Hill (Hanson kick)
 LIONS.....Hanson 44 yd. Field Goal
 LIONS.....Hanson 46 yd. Field Goal
 LIONS.....Hanson 35 yd. Field Goal
 BILLS.....Hall 1 yd. run (pass failed)

	LIONS	BILLS
First Downs	14	15
Total Net Yards	318	217
Net Yards Rushing	176	90
Net Yards Passing	142	127
(Att/Comp/Int)	23-13-0	35-19-0
Punts-Average	6-46.5	8-49.6
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Sacks-Yards	5-47	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-37	2-10
Time of Possession	30:28	29:32

RUSHING

LIONS: Harrison 7-72; I. Johnson 9-43; Clapp 7-26; Robinson 3-13; Williams 1-11; Stanton 1-7; Brown 4-2; Best 2-2. BILLS: Spiller 2-29; Hall 4-25 1 TD; White 14-21; Brown 2-15.

PASSING

LIONS: Robinson 5-9, 38; Stanton 3-7 31; Hill 4-5 34 1 TD; Stafford 1-2 39. BILLS: Thigpen 12-21 92; Brown 5-9 83; Fitzpatrick 2-5 (-1)

RECEIVING

LIONS: Finley 2-20; Young 2-17; Brown 2-9; C. Johnson 1-39; Stovall 1-16 1 TD; Scheffler 1-16; Barnes 1-14; Toone 1-8; Hughes 1-7; I. Johnson 1(-4). BILLS: Davis 6-38; Caussain 4-32; Aiken 2-37; Martin 2-31; Pianalto 2-31; Spiller 2(-1); White 1-6.

SUMMARY

The Lions traveled to Buffalo for the final preseason game in hopes of heading into the regular season on a high note. They got off to a good start on the opening drive when QB Matthew Stafford found his favorite target, WR Calvin Johnson, on the first play down the right sideline for 39 yards. The Bills (1-2) defense would hold after that big play and force a punt. That was the only drive for the Lions' first-team offense. Both defenses were in control early as the teams traded punts on the first four possessions. On the Lions third drive, however, QB Shaun Hill would get the offense going - with a little help from the ground game. On a 2nd-and-8 from the Lions 36-yard line, RB Jerome Harrison took a draw out of the shotgun, followed pulling guard Donald Thomas through a hole off the right side and raced 47 yards before being pushed out of bounds by Bills CB Reggie Corer to save a touchdown. The 47-yard run was the longest by the Lions in the preseason. Two plays later, Hill would find WR Maurice Stovall on a crossing route and after breaking a tackle gleided into the end zone for the opening score. It was Stovall's second touchdown reception of the preseason. The rest of the first half would be dominated by the Lions defense. They would put constant pressure on Bills quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick and Tyler Thigpen. They had a pair of sacks, one by CB Paul Pratt and the other by DE Willie Young. The Lions held the Bills to 43 total yards, only three through the air, forced six first half punts, and didn't allow a point. The Bills had a couple golden opportunities to get on the scoreboard in the second quarter, but could not take advantage. First, K Rian Lindell hit the upright on a 48-yard field goal attempt and later, had great field position after Lions WR Nate Hughes fumbled a punt which was recovered by Buffalo at the Lions 27-yard line. Two incompletions and a sack later, however, they were forced to punt it away. Minutes before the fumbled punt, Detroit and third Lions QB Drew Stanton would add three more to their lead on a 44-yard field goal by K Jason Hanson. The Lions would take that 10-0 lead into the halftime break. The third quarter was much of the same as the defenses for both teams continued to cause havoc for the opposing offenses - as each team only scored six points in the second half. QB Zac Robinson would play the entire second half for the Lions and led two consecutive scoring drives. In their final possession of the third quarter, Robinson drove the team down the field and into position for another Hanson field goal, this time from 46 yards away. On the next possession, Robinson led a 12-play drive to set up Hanson's third field goal of the night. The veteran kicker booted a 35-yard field goal and finished the preseason a perfect 8-for-8 on field goal attempts. The Bills were finally able to break the shutout with just over four minutes remaining in the fourth quarter when RB Bruce Hall plunged in from one yard out. Buffalo went for the 2-point conversion to cut the lead to eight, but a pass from QB Levi Brown to WR Craig Davis was ruled incomplete. Initially, the call on the field was that Davis had possession of the ball for a touchdown, but after review, the call was overturned.