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## **A LOOK AT 2013 NFL KICKOFF WEEKEND ROSTERS: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LEADS ALL COLLEGES WITH 40 NFL PLAYERS**

**TROJANS LEAD THE WAY:** Southern California has the most players on NFL Kickoff 2013 rosters with 40, the NFL announced today. Last year, USC ranked first with 44 players on Kickoff Weekend rosters.

A total of 247 colleges were represented on Kickoff 2013 Weekend rosters. The colleges with the most players in the NFL:

<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>PLAYERS</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>PLAYERS</u>
Southern California	40	Alabama	30
Louisiana State	39	California	30
Miami	38	Tennessee	30
Georgia	36	Ohio State	27
Florida State	31	Oregon	27
Texas	31	Florida	26

A breakdown by position of colleges with the most players in the NFL:

<u>POS.</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>PLAYERS</u>	<u>POS.</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>PLAYERS</u>
<b>C</b>	California, Ohio State, Southern California	3	<b>DT</b>	Louisiana State	6
<b>G</b>	Alabama, Wisconsin	4	<b>DE</b>	Georgia	7
<b>T</b>	Miami, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Southern California, Virginia	4	<b>LB</b>	Southern California	10
<b>TE</b>	Stanford	6	<b>DB</b>	Louisiana State	11
<b>QB</b>	Southern California	4	<b>P</b>	Tennessee	2
<b>RB</b>	California	5	<b>K</b>	Florida State	3
<b>WR</b>	Miami	6			

**QB BREAKDOWN:** Quarterbacks were in the spotlight once again on Kickoff Weekend and since 2011, teams have started nine rookie quarterbacks in Week 1, the most during a three-year span since at least 1950.

A by-the-numbers look at the 32 starting quarterbacks on Kickoff Weekend:

<b>2</b>	Rookies	Manuel, Buf; Smith, NYJ
<b>7</b>	Rookie or second-year	Manuel, Buf; Weeden, Cle; Luck, Ind; Tannehill, Mia; Smith, NYJ; Wilson, Sea; Griffin III, Was
<b>23</b>	1st-round Draft picks	Palmer, Arz; Ryan, Atl; Flacco, Bal; Manuel, Buf; Newton, Car; Cutler, Chi; Weeden, Cle; P. Manning, Den; Stafford, Det; Rodgers, GB; Luck, Ind; Gabbert, Jax; Smith, KC; Tannehill, Mia; Ponder, Min; E. Manning, NYG; Vick, Phi; Roethlisberger, Pit; Rivers, SD; Bradford, StL; Freeman, TB; Locker, Ten; Griffin III, Was
<b>2</b>	6th-Round Draft picks or later	Romo, Dal (Undrafted); Brady, NE (Round 6)
<b>9</b>	No. 1 overall picks	Palmer, Arz; Newton, Car; P. Manning, Den; Stafford, Det; Luck, Ind; E. Manning, NYG; Vick, Phi; Smith, KC; Bradford, StL
<b>5</b>	Drafted No. 75 overall or later/Undrafted	Romo, Dal; Schaub, Hou; Brady, NE; Pryor, Oak; Wilson, Sea
<b>21</b>	Younger than 30 years old	Ryan, Atl; Flacco, Bal; Manuel, Buf; Newton, Car; Dalton, Cin; Weeden, Cle; Stafford, Det; Rodgers, GB; Luck, Ind; Gabbert, Jax; Smith, KC; Tannehill, Mia; Ponder, Min; Smith, NYJ; Pryor, Oak; Kaepernick, SF; Wilson, Sea; Bradford, StL; Freeman, TB; Locker, Ten; Griffin III, Was
<b>2</b>	Who played at Florida State, most of any school	Manuel, Buf; Ponder, Min

<b>7</b>	From Texas, most of any state	Dalton, Cin; Stafford, Det; Luck, Ind; Tannehill, Mia; Ponder, Min; Brees, NO; Griffin III, Was
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**THE TALL AND SHORT OF IT:** On NFL Kickoff rosters, there were 267 players weighing 200 pounds or less, 322 players under six feet tall, and 358 players weighing at least 300 pounds.

Buffalo has 13 players weighing 200 pounds or less, the league's highest total in that category. Houston has the most players under six-feet tall with 15. Baltimore and Cleveland each have 15 players weighing 300 pounds or more, tied for the most in the league.

A team-by-team player dimension breakdown based on 2013 Kickoff rosters:

### AFC

<b>TEAM</b>	<b>200 LBS. OR LESS</b>	<b>UNDER 6-FEET</b>	<b>300-POUNDERS</b>
<b>Baltimore</b>	6	7	15
<b>Buffalo</b>	13	11	12
<b>Cincinnati</b>	8	10	11
<b>Cleveland</b>	7	14	15
<b>Denver</b>	11	12	13
<b>Houston</b>	6	15	8
<b>Indianapolis</b>	8	11	13
<b>Jacksonville</b>	7	10	11
<b>Kansas City</b>	7	10	11
<b>Miami</b>	9	11	13
<b>New England</b>	8	13	9
<b>NY Jets</b>	8	7	13
<b>Oakland</b>	10	6	12
<b>Pittsburgh</b>	9	11	10
<b>San Diego</b>	9	12	11
<b>Tennessee</b>	8	7	12

### NFC

<b>TEAM</b>	<b>200 LBS. OR LESS</b>	<b>UNDER 6-FEET</b>	<b>300-POUNDERS</b>
<b>Arizona</b>	7	12	10
<b>Atlanta</b>	9	8	10
<b>Carolina</b>	9	13	13
<b>Chicago</b>	11	7	7
<b>Dallas</b>	8	7	11
<b>Detroit</b>	10	11	9
<b>Green Bay</b>	7	9	12
<b>Minnesota</b>	7	7	11
<b>New Orleans</b>	8	9	9
<b>NY Giants</b>	5	5	13
<b>Philadelphia</b>	9	10	10
<b>St. Louis</b>	10	13	10
<b>San Francisco</b>	10	9	9
<b>Seattle</b>	4	13	12
<b>Tampa Bay</b>	9	9	11
<b>Washington</b>	10	13	12

## HEIGHT, WEIGHT & AGE AVERAGES FOR 2013 AFC & NFC ROSTERS

<b>AFC</b>						
<b>Team</b>	<b>Height</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Age (Years)</b>	<b>Experience</b>	<b>Rookie &amp; 1st year</b>	<b>Players Age 30 &amp; Over</b>
Baltimore	6.17	255.75 *	26.45	4.36	11	11
Buffalo	6.17	243.60 +	25.45	3.25	14	4
Cincinnati	6.20 *	249.34	26.04	4.13	7	8
Cleveland	6.15	251.72	25.25 +	2.94 +	15 *	3 +
Denver	6.16	245.17	26.70 *	4.66 *	6 +	11
Houston	6.15	246.60	26.15	3.98	13	10
Indianapolis	6.14 +	253.32	26.57	4.43	8	6
Jacksonville	6.14 +	244.66	25.38	3.51	15 *	3 +
Kansas City	6.16	246.21	25.57	3.60	13	4
Miami	6.17	247.15	25.87	3.47	12	6
New England	6.17	245.49	25.87	3.53	14	8
NY Jets	6.18	250.83	25.58	3.36	9	5
Oakland	6.19	248.74	26.09	4.00	13	9
Pittsburgh	6.15	244.87	26.42	4.49	9	12 *
San Diego	6.17	249.26	26.34	4.38	9	10
Tennessee	6.18	249.51	26.23	4.32	8	8
<b>AFC Average</b>	<b>6.17</b>	<b>248.26</b>	<b>26.00</b>	<b>3.90</b>	<b>11.00</b>	<b>7.38</b>
<b>NFC Average</b>	<b>6.17</b>	<b>246.74</b>	<b>26.18</b>	<b>4.19</b>	<b>11.19</b>	<b>9.13</b>
<b>All NFL Average</b>	<b>6.17</b>	<b>247.50</b>	<b>26.09</b>	<b>4.04</b>	<b>11.09</b>	<b>8.25</b>
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Arizona	6.19	250.28	26.81	4.62	10	11
Atlanta	6.16	244.26	26.23	3.98	13	9
Carolina	6.13	248.45	26.70	4.51	9	11
Chicago	6.18	243.77	26.26	4.85	12	11
Dallas	6.19	247.89	25.58	4.00	13	8
Detroit	6.18	242.85 +	27.06 *	4.92 *	10	14
Green Bay	6.13	249.60	25.64	3.64	12	5 +
Minnesota	6.21 *	245.57	26.04	3.91	10	7
New Orleans	6.14	244.23	26.30	4.19	13	10
NY Giants	6.20	251.19 *	26.66	4.70	10	15 *
Philadelphia	6.15	247.69	25.77	3.85	11	9
St. Louis	6.17	245.28	24.98 +	3.02 +	15 *	5 +
San Francisco	6.13	244.55	26.64	4.64	11	10
Seattle	6.16	248.36	25.43	3.49	11	5 +
Tampa Bay	6.20	248.96	25.92	3.98	11	7
Washington	6.12 +	244.89	26.89	4.66	8 +	9
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