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**NFL TRAINING CAMPS OPEN THIS WEEK;**  
**BROWNS, RAVENS & SAINTS ROOKIES IN ON WEDNESDAY;**  
**STEELERS, VIKINGS VETS FIRST TO REPORT ON SATURDAY**

Back to work!

NFL clubs will begin their on-field preparations for Kickoff 2015 this week, starting tomorrow with the Baltimore Ravens, Cleveland Browns and New Orleans Saints as their rookies report. Pittsburgh's and Minnesota's rookies and veterans will head to camp on Saturday, July 25, as the Steelers and Vikings become the first teams to fully begin training camp. By Sunday, August 2, every NFL team will be in camp.

More and more, teams are training at their regular-season headquarters or home stadiums. This year, more than half the league (20 of 32, 62.5 percent) will be "staying home" for training camp. In 2000, only five of 31 (16 percent) teams stayed close to home.

The numbers may prove home-base popularity is a growing league-wide trend, but there are still teams employing the "old-time" philosophy of encamping away.

The Steelers are one of the teams that "come together" away from home (Saint Vincent College in Latrobe, Pennsylvania).

"I love camp," says Pittsburgh head coach **MIKE TOMLIN** of the Steelers' training camp site in Latrobe. "I love the environment where you get an opportunity to be singularly focused on football, live together and dine together. It's a good environment for team building."

The NFL training camp longevity king? The Green Bay Packers, who return on July 25 for their 58th consecutive summer at St. Norbert College in De Pere, Wisconsin.

Here's a look at the number of NFL teams that stayed home for training camp since 2000:

YEAR	NFL TEAMS WITH HOME TRAINING CAMPS (PCT.)	YEAR	NFL TEAMS WITH HOME TRAINING CAMPS (PCT.)
2000	5 of 31 (16%)	2008	14 of 32 (44%)
2001	5 of 31 (16%)	2009	17 of 32 (53%)
2002	7 of 32 (22%)	2010	17 of 32 (53%)
2003	12 of 32 (38%)	2011	19 of 32 (59%)
2004	12 of 32 (38%)	2012	18 of 32 (56%)
2005	15 of 32 (47%)	2013	19 of 32 (59%)
2006	13 of 32 (41%)	2014	18 of 32 (56%)
2007	17 of 32 (53%)	<b>2015</b>	<b>20 of 32 (62.5%)</b>

The longest active NFL training camp tenures:

TEAM	TRAINING CAMP	CITY	YEARS
Green Bay Packers	Saint Norbert College	De Pere, Wisconsin	58
Minnesota Vikings	Minnesota State, Mankato	Mankato, Minnesota	50
Pittsburgh Steelers	Saint Vincent College	Latrobe, Pennsylvania	50

Following is the training camp list of sites and rookie and veteran reporting dates:

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TEAM	SITE	LOCATION	ROOKIES	VETERANS
Baltimore	Under Armour Performance Center	Owings Mills, MD	7/22	7/29
Buffalo	St. John Fisher College	Pittsford, NY	7/30	7/30
Cincinnati	Paul Brown Stadium	Cincinnati, OH	7/27	7/30
Cleveland	Cleveland Browns Training Complex	Berea, OH	7/22	7/29
Denver	Paul D. Bowlen Memorial Broncos Centre	Englewood, CO	7/27	7/30
Houston	Houston Methodist Training Center	Houston, TX	7/26	7/31
Indianapolis	Anderson University	Anderson, IN	8/1	8/1
Jacksonville	Florida Blue Health & Wellness Practice Fields	Jacksonville, FL	7/27	7/30
Kansas City	Missouri Western State University	St. Joseph, MO	7/28	7/31
Miami	Doctors Hospital Training Facility	Davie, FL	7/29	7/29
New England	Gillette Stadium	Foxborough, MA	7/23	7/29
NY Jets	Atlantic Health Jets Training Center	Florham Park, NJ	7/29	7/29
Oakland	Napa Valley Marriott	Napa, CA	7/26	7/30
Pittsburgh	Saint Vincent College	Latrobe, PA	7/25	7/25
San Diego	Chargers Park	San Diego, CA	7/29	7/29
Tennessee	Saint Thomas Sports Park	Nashville, TN	7/30	7/30

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TEAM	SITE	LOCATION	ROOKIES	VETERANS
Arizona	University of Phoenix Stadium	Glendale, AZ	7/28	7/31
Atlanta	Atlanta Falcons Training Facility	Flowery Branch, GA	7/30	7/30
Carolina	Wofford College	Spartanburg, SC	7/30	7/30
Chicago	Olivet Nazarene University	Bourbonnais, IL	7/29	7/29
Dallas	River Ridge Playing Fields	Oxnard, CA	7/29	7/29
Detroit	Detroit Lions Training Facility	Allen Park, MI	7/28	8/2
Green Bay	St. Norbert College	De Pere, WI	7/29	7/29
Minnesota	Minnesota State University – Mankato	Mankato, MN	7/25	7/25
New Orleans	The Greenbrier	White Sulphur Springs, WV	7/22	7/29
NY Giants	Quest Diagnostics Training Center	East Rutherford, NJ	7/30	7/30
Philadelphia	NovaCare Complex	Philadelphia, PA	8/1	8/1
St. Louis	Rams Park Training Center	Earth City, MO	7/27	7/31
San Francisco	SAP Performance Facility	Santa Clara, CA	7/27	7/31
Seattle	Virginia Mason Athletic Center	Renton, WA	7/30	7/30
Tampa Bay	One Buccaneer Place	Tampa, FL	7/27	7/31
Washington	Bon Secours Training Center	Richmond, VA	7/29	7/29

Note: The first official practice of training camp for each club at the site designated above is generally held the day after the veteran reporting date.

**2015 NFL PRESEASON NATIONAL TELEVISION SCHEDULE**

(All times Eastern)

DATE	GAME	NETWORK (TIME)
Sunday, August 9	NFL/Hall of Fame Game, Canton, OH: Pittsburgh vs. Minnesota	NBC (8:00 PM)
<b>Preseason Week 2 (August 20-24)</b>		
Thursday, August 20	Buffalo at Cleveland	ESPN (8:00 PM)
Sunday, August 23	St. Louis at Tennessee	FOX (8:00 PM)
Monday, August 24	Cincinnati at Tampa Bay	ESPN (8:00 PM)
<b>Preseason Week 3 (August 27-30)</b>		
Friday, August 28	Detroit at Jacksonville	CBS (8:00 PM)
Saturday, August 29	Seattle at San Diego	CBS (8:00 PM)
Sunday, August 30	Houston at New Orleans	FOX (4:00 PM)
Sunday, August 30	Arizona at Oakland	NBC (8:00 PM)