

# 2008 Pittsburgh



←-----RUSHING PLAYS-----→-----PASSING PLAYS-----→									
# ON DICE	1 LINE PLUNGE	2 OFF TACKLE	3 END RUN	4 DRAW	5 SCREEN	6 SHORT	7 MEDIUM	8 LONG	9 SIDE-LINE
10	*	DEF 5	2*	DEF 15	9	DEF 5X	38	OFF 5*	
11	OFF 5	12	9	-5	-2	19	OFF 5	PI 43	11
12	B	6	7	DEF 5	DEF 5		22	TD	17*
13	OFF 10	1	3	2	OFF 10	5*	INT 16	QT	DEF 5
14	3	OFF 5	DEF 15	8	22	12	DEF 5	DEF 5	5
15	2	8	OFF 5	-3	4	2	11	DEF 15	OFF 5
16	6	-3	7	B	18	F 9	10	32	24*
17	10	10	-4	6	9	21		20	14
18	DEF 5	2	DEF 5	9	8	DEF 5	OFF 15	49	PI 12
19	B	DEF 5X	DEF 5	3	DEF 15		23	INT 53	OFF 15
20	4	9	B	-2		OFF 10	DEF 5	37	DEF 15
21	7	OFF 10	6	2	OFF 5	6	OFF 10	50	12*
22	-1	1	5*	3	-2	OFF 5		OFF 5	
23	6	-2	2	OFF 5	-3	4	17		7
24		5	1	4	3	QT	16		16*
25	4		2	5	7	9	13	31	8
26	-3	-1		10		2		48	
27		7	-3	2		13			6
28	OFF 5	5	4*	8		DEF 15	18	PI 38	QT
29	8	11*	6	11		INT 4	26	41	QT
30		6	8	2		15	14	INT 46	10
31	2	1	6	-4	8	10	21		19
32	4	2	1	2		6			
33	2		OFF 10			7			
34	1	3	4	B					
35	3	4	-1	3	4		QT		
36	5	2	B	6	5		19	OFF 10	
37		B	3	1	1	11	15	QT	QT
38	11	3	10	-1	2	25	14	QT	13
39	9	2	6*	OFF 10	QT	QT	27	47	9

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B	QT	
16	F -10	10
24*	F 6	11
31	2	12
31		13
34	1	14
19	-5	15
32*	-12	16
19	17*	17
15	-7	18
32*	9	19
13	5	20
13	7*	21
19*	-7	22
13*	-4	23
32	F -5	24
15	7	25
27	-7	26
13	3	27
13	F -9	28
13	F 0	29
13	-7	30
20	-1	31
15*	9	32
16	-8	33
13	-6	34
13	-9	35
13	F -6	36
17	-8	37
24*	-2	38
34	-7	39

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Fumble Recovered 10-22,24-32 \* Lost Ball 23,33-39

## Pittsburgh Steelers (12-4) 1st Place AFC North #1 Seed, Super Bowl Champions

Key Players Off: B. Roethlisberger, W. Parker, H. Ward; Def: J. Farrior, J. Harrison, T. Polamalu

The '08 Steelers epitomize the saying that defense wins championships. Their defense ranked 1st in most categories, had the defensive player of the year in J. Harrison (101 tackles, 16 sacks, 7 ff, 1 INT), and is one of the most balanced defenses in NFL history. FS T. Polamalu (7 INTs ranked 2nd in the league, 73 tackles) had an exceptional year as well. Fortunately for Pittsburgh, the defense was dominant, because the offense was below average. The running game that normally ranks among the best in the league barely managed to break the 100 yd/game milestone forcing, the Steelers to rely on the passing game. Poor pass protection disrupted the passing game's consistency, but B. Roethlisberger's (80.1 rating, 17 TDs, 15 INTs) ability to extend plays limited the number of sacks. All of Pittsburgh's losses were to playoff teams: TEN, NYG, IND, and PHI. Pittsburgh defeated DAL, NE, SD, WAS, and division rival BAL twice during the regular season, and a third time to win the AFC championship. The Super Bowl 27-23 victory over Arizona will remain as one of the most memorable with J. Harrison's INT return for a TD just before halftime, and S. Holme's game-winning catch in the corner of the end zone surrounded by three Cardinal defenders.

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	# ON DICE	1 LINE PLUNGE	2 OFF TACKLE	3 END RUN	4 DRAW	5 SCREEN	6 SHORT	7 MEDIUM	8 LONG	9 SIDE-LINE
<b>A</b> STANDARD 4-3-4	1	-3		(2)		-2	-4			-4
	2	-2	(1)		(1)				-10	
	3							-4	(20)	
	4	(1)		(2)	(1)	(12)	QT			(10)
	5		F -3		8		INT 7	QT	INT 38	
<b>B</b> SHORT YARDAGE 6-1-4 or 7-1-3	1	(0)	(0)	(1)		-3				-3
	2				-4			(12)	(20)	
	3	(1)	(1)	(1)	-3					(17)
	4	(-1)		(0)				(25)		
	5		(0)		9	QT	F 5			
<b>C</b> SPREAD 4-4-3	1	-1	(1)	(-1)	-1	-8	(9)		-4	
	2	(2)			1			-4		
	3		(1)	(-1)		-5				-5
	4				(0)	(17)		(12)		
	5		F 3				QT		INT 24	INT 4
<b>D</b> PASS PREVENT SHORT 3-5-3	1	(2)	(5)		4			-3	-12	
	2			(3)			-3			-5
	3					-4				
	4	(14)	(5)	(15)		(17)	INT 3	QT	QT	INT 15
	5				17		INT -1	INT 13	INT 24	QT
<b>E</b> PASS PREVENT LONG 3-3-5	1	(2)	(3)	-1			-2			-5
	2				3				-14	
	3		1			2	-4			-2
	4		1		8	14	(16)		INT 32	QT
	5			6				INT 13	INT 39	
<b>F</b> BLITZ	1			(1)	3			-6	QT	
	2	(0)							-16	
	3		(3)		3	5	QT	QT		QT
	4	(-2)	(-3)	(-4)	(13)	(20)			(20)	(12)
	5		6	6			(15)	INT 13	INT 39	QT

QR

(5)
-2
-2
(4)

Special Teams

(20)		(5)
		-3
(12)		(0)
(15)		

Defense

		1
		2
		3
		4
		5

Kickoff	Kickoff Return	Punt	Punt Return	Fumble Return	Int Return	Field Goal	# On Dice
67	7	F -18	35	2	6	OFF 5	10
OFF 40	27	24*	17		21	30	11
61	F 14	DEF 5	12		25	32	12
75	43	43	23		25	30	13
58	31	30*	1		19	28	14
54	26	53	8		33	15	15
71	DEF 15	46	2		32	32	16
74	39	55	-4		F 0	34	17
79	31	43	FC	2	89	20	18
65	26	F -18	35		F 0	32	19
79		DEF 5	13	-2	33	32	20
55	16	36	3		F 0	OFF 5	21
59	17	49	FC		6	21	22
73	16	32			1	33	23
65	22	41	8		OFF 10	31	24
65	24	OFF 5	FC		23	31	25
59	14	28*	OFF 15	18	89	27	26
57	24	48	FC		TD	21	27
67	OFF 15	43*	11		19	32	28
65	7	41*	29		12	32	29
60	13	35	-3		DEF 15	32	30
68	19	45	FC	4	18	29	31
64	OFF 10	44	OFF 10			24	32
69	27	38	FC			36	33
66	18	51	4			28	34
77	21	41	5		12	29	35
72	23	39	F 0			31	36
70	20	33	FC	7	14	32	37
63	22	34	6		21	21	38
74	12	61	-2		DEF 15	NG	39