



DENVER BRONCOS NEWS RELEASE

Preseason Game #2 • Denver (1-0) vs. San Francisco (1-0)
 Saturday, Aug. 20, 2005 • INVESCO Field at Mile High • 7 p.m. MDT

BRONCOS HOST SAN FRANCISCO IN 2005 PRESEASON HOME OPENER

The Denver Broncos, coming off a 20-14 win at Houston last week, host the San Francisco 49ers on Saturday, Aug. 20, at INVESCO Field at Mile High in their preseason home opener. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. MDT.

The Broncos will face their most common preseason opponent in the 49ers, and Saturday's matchup marks the 31st exhibition meeting between the two teams. Denver owns a 16-14 all-time preseason record against San Francisco, which opened its preseason with a 21-13 win against Oakland last week.

NOTES FROM LAST WEEK'S GAME

Denver improved its all-time preseason record against Houston to 3-0 with its 20-14 win at Reliant Stadium... The win also evened the Broncos' all-time record in exhibition openers at 23-23 and brought Head Coach Mike Shanahan's record in exhibition openers with Denver to 10-1... Wide Receiver **Todd Devoe** recorded a 92-yard touchdown reception on a **Matt Mauck** pass to mark the second-longest scoring reception by a Bronco in the preseason in team annals (93-yd. reception by **Jack Dolbin** in 1975)... Quarterback **Jake Plummer** played three series against Houston, completing 6-of-10 passes for 76 yards with one touchdown, before he was replaced early in the second quarter by **Bradlee Van Pelt**... **Darrent Williams** started at Houston and became the first Broncos rookie to start a preseason opener at cornerback since 1974 (**Ozell Collier**, who lettered at the University of Colorado from 1972-73)... The Broncos' defense stopped Texans running back Domanick Davis on four consecutive rushing attempts from Denver's 1-yard line in the first quarter.

RADIO/TELEVISION vs. SAN FRANCISCO

The Broncos-49ers game will be broadcast locally on KCNC-TV (CBS-Channel 4). **Gary Miller** will provide the play-by-play, and joining him in the booth will be **Steve Atkinson** and **Mark Schlereth** doing the color commentary. **Vic Lombardi** and **Keith Bleyer** will be on the sidelines.

For the 36th consecutive year, KOA radio (850) is the flagship station for the Denver Broncos' radio network. **Dave Logan** and **David Diaz-Infante** will provide the play-by-play and color commentary, respectively, during Denver's game against San Francisco. The Broncos' radio network extends to nine states, and the KOA pregame show, hosted by **Mike Rice**, begins two hours before kickoff.

2005 AFC WEST PRESEASON STANDINGS

Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Home	Road	AFC	NFC	DIV	Streak
Den.	1	0	0	20	14	0-0	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	Won 1
K.C.	0	1	0	16	27	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	Lost 1
Oak.	0	1	0	13	21	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	Lost 1
S.D.	0	1	0	7	10	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	Lost 1

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The Denver Broncos have a media-only Web site, which was created to assist accredited media in their coverage of the Broncos. By going to www.DenverBroncos.com/Mediaroom, members of the press will find complete statistical packages, press releases, rosters, updated player and coach bios, transcripts, injury reports, game recaps, news clippings and much more. The 2005 Broncos Media Guide is available in .PDF format on the media Web site, and the 704-page publication may be downloaded in its entirety or by individual section.

Additionally, the site features a complete archive of game books and flip cards for every regular-season and preseason game in franchise history. Feature clippings also are available as one complete packet and are broken down individually by player, coach and members of the front office. Game clippings will be posted on the site weekly throughout the season.

The Broncos' media Web site includes a password-protected photo section where media members can download high-resolution headshots and action shots, which will be updated after every game. To obtain a username and password, please e-mail a request to photos@broncos.nfl.com. The files are posted in .PDF format and require Adobe's Acrobat Reader to access them. If you do not have a copy of Acrobat Reader, a free version may be downloaded from the media room.

DENVER BRONCOS 2005 SCHEDULE

2005 Preseason

Wk	Day	Date	Opponent	Site	Time/Res.	TV/Record
1	Sat.	Aug. 13	at Houston	Reliant Stadium	W 20-14	1-0
2	Sat.	Aug. 20	SAN FRANCISCO	INVESCO Field at Mile High	7:00 p.m. MDT	CBS 4
3	Sat.	Aug. 27	INDIANAPOLIS	INVESCO Field at Mile High	6:00 p.m. MDT	CBS
4	Fri.	Sept. 2	at Arizona	Sun Devil Stadium	7:00 p.m. MST	CBS 4

2005 Regular Season

Wk	Day	Date	Opponent	Site	Time/Res.	TV/Record
1	Sun.	Sept. 11	at Miami	Dolphins Stadium	1:00 p.m. EDT	CBS
2	Sun.	Sept. 18	SAN DIEGO	INVESCO Field at Mile High	2:15 p.m. MDT	CBS
3	Mon.	Sept. 26	KANSAS CITY	INVESCO Field at Mile High	7:00 p.m. MDT	ABC
4	Sun.	Oct. 2	at Jacksonville	ALLTEL Stadium	1:00 p.m. EDT	CBS
5	Sun.	Oct. 9	WASHINGTON	INVESCO Field at Mile High	2:15 p.m. MDT	FOX
6	Sun.	Oct. 16	NEW ENGLAND	INVESCO Field at Mile High	2:15 p.m. MDT	CBS
7	Sun.	Oct. 23	at N.Y. Giants	Giants Stadium	4:15 p.m. EDT	CBS
8	Sun.	Oct. 30	PHILADELPHIA	INVESCO Field at Mile High	2:15 p.m. MST	FOX
9	Bye					
10	Sun.	Nov. 13	at Oakland	McAfee Coliseum	1:05 p.m. PST	CBS
11	Sun.	Nov. 20	N.Y. JETS	INVESCO Field at Mile High	2:15 p.m. MST	CBS
12	Thu.	Nov. 24	at Dallas	Texas Stadium	3:15 p.m. CST	CBS
13	Sun.	Dec. 4	at Kansas City	Arrowhead Stadium	3:15 p.m. CST	CBS
14	Sun.	Dec. 11	BALTIMORE	INVESCO Field at Mile High	2:15 p.m. MST	CBS
15	Sat.	Dec. 17	at Buffalo	Ralph Wilson Stadium	8:30 p.m. EST	ESPN
16	Sat.	Dec. 24	OAKLAND	INVESCO Field at Mile High	2:15 p.m. MST	CBS
17	Sat.	Dec. 31	at San Diego	Qualcomm Stadium	1:30 p.m. PST	CBS



BRONCOS VS. 49ERS – POINTS OF INTEREST

Denver owns a 16-14 all-time record against San Francisco in the preseason, including an 8-5 mark at home... The 49ers are by far the most common preseason opponent for Denver in its 45 years of professional football, and the two teams have squared off in exhibition play 30 times, a total that is twice as many as its next common opponent (Arizona franchise-15 meetings)... The Broncos and 49ers met in 12 consecutive preseasons from 1968-79 and played in 11 consecutive exhibition schedules from 1988-97, including two meetings during the 1995 preseason... The 49ers are one of four teams that Denver has faced twice in the same preseason (1995), with the others being the Los Angeles Rams (1987) Oakland Raiders (1961 and '65) and Dallas Texans (1961)... After Denver defeated San Francisco 9-7 on July 29, 1995, at Mile High Stadium in its preseason opener, the Broncos departed for Tokyo, Japan, and beat the 49ers again, 24-10, on Aug. 6 in the American Bowl... Mike Shanahan, who was San Francisco's offensive coordinator from 1992-94, played his first game as head coach of the Broncos against San Francisco in their 1995 preseason opener (a 9-7 Denver win at Mile High Stadium)... Shanahan's three-year averages as San Francisco's offensive coordinator included being No. 1 in points (470 per year), touchdowns (61 per year) and offense (6,225 yds. per year)... Denver is 6-4 against the 49ers in the regular season (3-1 home and 3-3 away) and 0-1 in the postseason with its only playoff loss to San Francisco a 55-10 decision in Super Bowl XXIV on Jan. 28, 1990, at the Louisiana Superdome... In Denver's championship game loss to San Francisco, current Broncos wide receiver Jerry Rice set a Super Bowl record with three receiving scores in a 7-catch, 148-yard effort for the 49ers... The Broncos have won their last two regular-season meetings against San Francisco... First-year 49ers Head Coach Mike Nolan participated in the Broncos' 1981 training camp as a defensive back under then Head Coach Dan Reeves, and Reeves hired Nolan as the Broncos' special teams coach in 1987 to give the young coach his first NFL job... Nolan was on Denver's staff for six seasons (1987-92) and was a part of two Super Bowl teams, including the Broncos team that advanced to Super Bowl XXIV against San Francisco during the 1989 season.

BRONCOS/49ERS PRESEASON SERIES BREAKDOWN

Series Meeting:	31st
Broncos Overall Record:	16-14 (8-5 home; 7-7 away; 1-2 neutral)
First Game:	San Fran. 22, at Denver 6 (8/23/68)
Last Game:	San. Fran. 12, at Denver 7 (8/19/02)
Current Streak:	Lost 1
Longest Broncos Win Streak:	7 (1995-2001)
Longest 49ers Win Streak:	6 (1989-94)
Last Broncos Home Win:	at Denver 35, San Fran. 7 (8/31/01)
Last Broncos' Home Loss:	San Fran. 12, at Denver 7 (8/19/02)
Last Broncos' Road Win:	Denver 28, at San. Fran. 24 (8/25/00)
Last Broncos' Road Loss:	at San. Fran. 20, Denver 3 (8/12/94)
Broncos Shutouts:	2
49ers Shutouts:	None
Most Broncos Points:	35 (8/31/01): 35-7 W at Denver
Most 49ers Points:	44 (9/7/75): 44-10 L at San Fran.
Average Broncos Points:	17.0
Average 49ers Points:	18.2
Largest Broncos Win:	31 (9/3/99): 34-3 W at Denver
Largest 49ers Win:	36 (8/26/73): 43-7 L at San. Fran.

BRONCOS/49ERS TEAM COMPARISON

	BRONCOS	49ERS
Preseason Record	1-0	1-0
Division Standing	1st (AFCW)	T1st (NFCW)
NFL Offensive Ranking	4	28
Offense-Points Per Game	20.0	21.0
Possession Average	29:32	23:03
Total Net Yards Per Game	396.0	217.0
Net Rushing Yards Per Game	130.0	66.0
Net Passing Yards Per Game	266.0	151.0
Had Intercepted/Yards Lost	0/0	1/6
Sacks Allowed/Yards Lost	2/13	3/10
Field Goals/FGA	2/2	0/1
NFL Defensive Ranking	6	25
Defense-Points Per Game	14.0	13.0
Defense-Total Net Yards Per Game	229.0	382.0
Defense-Rushing Yards Per Game	100.0	82.0
Defense-Passing Yards Per Game	129.0	300.0
Defense-Intercepted by/Yards	0/0	3/130
Defense-Sacks For/Yards	2/11	4/25
Punts-Average Yards (Gross)	40.2	40.8
Punts-Average Yards (Net)	29.7	30.0
Punt Returns-Average Per	2.5	—
Punt Returns-Average Per Allowed	7.7	21.7
Kickoff Returns-Average Per	25.0	22.3
Kickoff Returns-Average Per Allowed	23.3	20.8
Penalties Against/Yards	10/95	8/58
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	0/0
Opponent Fumbles/Lost	1/0	1/1
Turnover Ratio	0	+3

BRONCOS/49ERS INDIVIDUAL COMPARISON

BRONCOS	49ERS	
PASSING YARDS		
Van Pelt.....	107	Rattay..... 103
Mauck.....	96	Dorsey..... 33
Plummer.....	76	A. Smith..... 25
RUSHING YARDS		
Dayne.....	56	Purify..... 31
Van Pelt.....	45	Hicks..... 14
Anderson.....	12	A. Smith..... 8
RECEIVING YARDS		
Devoe.....	92	Lloyd..... 87
Adams.....	43	Battle..... 21
Lelie.....	30	Hicks..... 12
POINTS SCORED		
Elam.....	8	Battle..... 6
S. Alexander.....	6	D. Johnson..... 6
Devoe.....	6	Lloyd..... 6
INTERCEPTIONS		
		D. Johnson..... 2
		M. Adams..... 1
SACKS		
Engelberger.....	1.0	C. Cooper..... 2.0
L. Green.....	1.0	C. Smith..... 2.0



BRONCOS/49ERS ALL-TIME PRESEASON RESULTS

1968—San Francisco 22, @Denver 6
1969—@Denver 19, San Francisco 15
 1970—San Francisco 23, Denver 7
 (game played in Eugene, Ore.)
 1971—San Francisco 33, Denver 17
 (game played in Spokane, Wash.)
1972—Denver 27, @San Francisco 24
 1973—@San Francisco 43, Denver 7
1974—Denver 10, @San Francisco 3
 1975—@San Francisco 44, Denver 10
 1976—@San Francisco 17, Denver 7
1977—Denver 20, @San Francisco 0
 1978—San Francisco 24, @Denver 13
1979—Denver 21, @San Francisco 0
1984—@Denver 21, San Francisco 20
1985—Denver 20, @San Francisco 13
1986—@Denver 14, San Francisco 9
1988—@Denver 34, San Francisco 24

1989—@San Francisco 35, Denver 17
 1990—@San Francisco 27, @Denver 24
 1991—@San Francisco 24, Denver 6
 1992—@San Francisco 13, Denver 7
 1993—San Francisco 16, @Denver 13
 1994—@San Francisco 20, Denver 3
1995—@Denver 9, San Francisco 7
1995—Denver 24, San Francisco 10
 (American Bowl - Tokyo, Japan)
1996—Denver 20, @San Francisco 17
1997—@Denver 31, San Francisco 17
1999—@Denver 34, San Francisco 3
2000—Denver 28, @San Francisco 24
2001—@Denver 35, San Francisco 7
 2002—San Francisco 12, @Denver 7

SHANAHAN AGAINST THE 49ERS AND HEAD COACH MIKE NOLAN

Broncos Head Coach Mike Shanahan owns a 7-3 overall record against San Francisco in the preseason, including a 7-1 mark as Denver's head coach... Shanahan won his first seven meetings against San Francisco in the preseason as the Broncos' head coach before dropping a 12-7 decision in the teams' last meeting Aug. 19, 2002, at INVESCO Field at Mile High... Denver's head coach lost his only two preseasons meetings (exhibition openers in 1988 and '89) with San Francisco as the Raiders' head coach... In the regular season, Shanahan is 3-1 all-time against the 49ers as a head coach, including a 2-1 mark as Denver's head coach... He has won his last two regular-season meetings against San Francisco (a 24-14 win on Sept. 15, 2002, and a 38-9 win on Dec. 23, 2000)... Shanahan faced the 49ers once in the regular season as the Raiders' head coach and defeated San Francisco 9-3 on Nov. 13, 1988, at Candlestick Park... Shanahan has never faced Mike Nolan, who is in his first season at the helm of an NFL team, when the two were head coaches in the NFL.

MASTERS OF THEIR TRADES

At the same time that Mike Shanahan was directing the 49ers' offense to new heights as their offensive coordinator in the mid 1990s, Mike Nolan was helping the New York Giants' defense achieve similar success as its defensive coordinator. From 1993-94, when both were working as coordinators, Shanahan's offense in San Francisco and Nolan's defense in New York ranked near the top of the NFL.

NFL OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE RANKINGS, 1993-94

Category (NFL rank)	Shanahan (Off. Coord.)	Nolan (Def. Coord.)
	49ers Offense	Giants Defense
Total Touchdowns	127 (1st)	53 (T3rd)
Points per game	30.6 (1st)	15.9 (2nd)
Net Yds. per game	390.5 (1st)	300.4 (7th)
Net Pass. Yds. per game	264.5 (2nd)	198.1 (10th)
Net Rush Yds. per game	125.9 (4th)	102.3 (10th)
First Downs	734 (1st)	548 (6th)

DON'T I KNOW YOU?

The Broncos face off against a familiar opponent Saturday in San Francisco, which has played Denver 30 times in the preseason. Those 30 meetings against San Francisco make it Denver's most common preseason opponent.

MOST COMMON BRONCOS PRESEASON OPPONENTS

FRANCHISE	MEETINGS	RECORD
1. San Francisco	30	16-14
2. Arizona	15	10-5
3. Indianapolis	12	6-6

Note: The Broncos have met Dallas, Oakland, Miami and Minnesota 11 times during the preseason.

TWICE AS NICE

San Francisco is one four teams that Denver has faced twice in the same preseason, and those two meetings occurred during the 1995 exhibition schedule. The Broncos, in Mike Shanahan's first season as head coach, defeated San Francisco 9-7 at Mile High Stadium on July 29, 1990, before earning a 24-10 decision against the 49ers in the American Bowl the next week in Tokyo, Japan, on Aug. 6.

Below is a look at the three other teams Denver has faced twice in the same preseason.

DENVER OPPONENTS PLAYED TWICE IN THE SAME PRESEASON

Team	Year	First Gm.	Sec. Gm.
San Francisco	1995	W, 9-7 (7/29)	W, 24-10 (8/6)
L.A. Rams	1987	L, 27-28 (8/9)	W, 24-20 (8/29)
Oakland	1965	W, 27-17 (8/14)	L, 20-30 (9/4)
Oakland	1961	W, 48-21 (8/19)	L, 12-49 (9/4)
Dallas Texans	1961	L, 13-31 (8/12)	L, 27-29 (8/25)

2005 PRESEASON - WEEK 2 NFL SCHEDULE

Thursday, August 18

New Orleans at New England (FOX) 8:00p (ET)

Friday, August 19

Minnesota at N.Y. Jets (CBS) 8:00p (ET)

Tennessee at Atlanta 7:30p (ET)

Cincinnati at Washington 8:00p (ET)

Saturday, August 20

Cleveland at Detroit 1:00p (ET)

Green Bay at Buffalo 6:00p (ET)

Jacksonville at Tampa Bay 7:30p (ET)

Miami at Pittsburgh 7:30p (ET)

Carolina at N.Y. Giants 8:00p (ET)

Chicago at Indianapolis 7:00p (EST)

Oakland at Houston 7:00p (CT)

Philadelphia at Baltimore 8:00p (ET)

Arizona at Kansas City 7:30p (CT)

San Francisco at Denver 7:00p (MT)

Sunday, August 21

St. Louis at San Diego 1:00p (PT)

Monday, August 22

Dallas at Seattle (ABC) 5:00p (PT)



TRACKING DENVER'S PRESEASON OPPONENTS

Opponent	Date/Result	Record	Last Game	Next Up
Houston	W, 20-14	0-1	Lost to Denver, 20-14 (Aug. 13)	vs. Oakland (Aug. 20)
San Francisco	Aug. 20	1-0	Def. Oakland, 21-13 (Aug. 13)	at Denver (Aug. 20)
Indianapolis	Aug. 27	0-2	Lost to Buffalo, 17-10 (Aug. 13)	vs. Chicago (Aug. 20)
Arizona	Sept. 2	1-0	Def. Dallas, 13-11 (Aug. 13)	at Kansas City (Aug. 20)

WHERE IT ALL BEGAN FOR RICE

Selected by San Francisco in the first round (No. 16 overall) of the 1985 NFL Draft, Jerry Rice went on to play 16 seasons for the 49ers, establishing himself as the top receiver in franchise history while helping the team win three Super Bowls. His time in the Bay Area with the 49ers helped him take a commanding lead on all major NFL career receiving records.

NFL RECEIVING LEADERS

DURING JERRY RICE'S TIME IN SAN FRANCISCO (1985-2000)

Player	Years	Rec.	Yards	TDs
1. Jerry Rice (San Fran.)	1985-2000	1,281	19,247	176
2. Cris Carter (Phi./Min.)	1987-2000	1,020	12,962	123
3. Andre Reed (Buf./Was.)	1985-2000	951	13,198	87
4. Tim Brown (Raiders)	1988-2000	846	12,072	86
5. Irving Fryar (N.E/Mia./Phi./Was.)	1985-2000	840	12,621	83

THE LAST TIME (Preseason) SAN FRAN. 12, at DENVER 7 (INVESCO FIELD AT MILE HIGH, 8/19/02)

The San Francisco 49ers knocked off Denver 12-7 at INVESCO Field at Mile High before 73,071 in the Broncos' second preseason game, but that was by no means the biggest event of the night. Running back Terrell Davis, after battling with various leg injuries for the better part of three seasons, ran out of the tunnel for what could be the last time.

The Broncos' all-time career rushing leader with 7,607 yards, who was placed on the injured reserve list, said before the game that unless he experiences a "miracle," he's probably played his last game in the National Football League.

In the game, the Broncos could never generate any offensive momentum, and though the defense did not allow a touchdown, they could not pull out the win. Trailing 3-0 in the first quarter, Denver took a 7-3 lead after running back Clinton Portis scored on a 1-yard touchdown run. San Francisco kicker Jose Cortez brought the 49ers to within one after a 24-yard field goal in the second quarter.

A 38-yard field goal by Jeff Chandler in the third quarter and a 46-yard kick from Cortez in the fourth gave the Niners all they needed to hold on to the win. The win snapped a 7-game preseason winning streak by the Broncos under Coach Shanahan. Denver falls to 7-1 in the Shanahan era against San Francisco in the preseason, and 4-1 at home.

Portis, a rookie out of Miami, picked up a game-high 43 yards rushing on 11 carries and the touchdown, but the 49ers held the Broncos to just 108 yards rushing in the game.

San Francisco's defense also stepped up against the pass, limiting Denver to just 140 yards passing and two interceptions.

Brian Griese finished the game eight of 13 for 73 yards and one pick, while Steve Beuerlein could only complete five of 10 passes for 51 yards.

Wide receiver Terrell Owens had a huge night for San Francisco, as he hauled in seven passes for 123 yards. Though quarterback Jeff Garcia completed 11 of 18 passes for 149 yards, back-up Tim Rattay connected on nine of 10 for 91 yards and a 104.9 quarterback rating.

The loss put Denver's record at 1-1 in the preseason. In the game, the Broncos suffered two injuries of note: kicker Jason Elam strained his right hamstring in pregame warm-ups and defensive tackle Lionel Dalton twisted his right ankle.

LAST WEEK'S GAME DENVER 20, at HOUSTON 14 (RELIANT STADIUM, 8/13/05)

The Broncos won their 2005 preseason opener, 20-14, against the Houston Texans on Saturday at Reliant Stadium. Led by a stingy defense and steady offense, Denver improved its record in preseason openers under Head Coach Mike Shanahan to 10-1.

The Broncos amassed 396 yards of total offense compared to Houston's 229 while neither team committed a turnover in the contest. Denver running back Ron Dayne led all rushers with 56 yard on 11 touches and Mike Anderson, fully recovered from a groin injury that forced him on injured reserve last preseason, had 12 yards on six attempts in his return to the field.

The Texans started strong in the contest, advancing all the way to the Denver 1-yard line with several big plays. A 26-yard pass interference play on cornerback Darrent Williams, who became the first Broncos rookie since 1974 to start a preseason opener at that position, moved the ball on the Denver 1-yard line. The Broncos' defense proved up to the challenge, however, and stuffed running back Domanick Davis on four consecutive runs to force a turnover on downs.

Late in the first quarter, the Texans struck first with a 31-yard pass from David Carr to tight end Matt Murphy. The Broncos soon answered, however, getting their first score of the game on an 11-play, 71-yard touchdown drive executed by quarterback Jake Plummer. Plummer rolled out to the right and found tight end Stephen Alexander for a 3-yard scoring play. Backup quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt took the reigns from Plummer early in the second quarter after Plummer completed 6-of-10 passes for 76 yards in three series of action.

Van Pelt quickly showed why the coaching staff promoted him to the second team by gaining 40 yards on an exciting quarterback draw in just his third play of the game. He went on to



complete passes of 17 yards to receiver Darius Watts and 11 yards to tight end Jeb Putzier, resulting in a first and goal at the Houston 8-yard line to set up the first of two Jason Elam field goals that would give Denver a 13-7 lead early in the fourth quarter.

Second-year quarterback Matt Mauck entered the game with 11:44 remaining in the fourth quarter and soon would execute one of the longest plays in Denver preseason history. In his second series, Mauck completed a 5-yard slant to receiver Todd Devoe, who raced 87 yards after the catch for a 92-yard touchdown and a 20-7 Broncos lead with just over four minutes remaining in the game. Houston answered with a 10-yard scoring pass from Dave Ragone to receiver LaTarence Dunbar and trimmed its deficit to the eventual final score of 20-14.

**POST-GAME QUOTES
DENVER 20, at HOUSTON 14
(RELIANT STADIUM, 8/13/05)**

HEAD COACH MIKE SHANAHAN:

On the play of Broncos quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt

"I thought Bradlee did a good job. I think he has been doing a good job since our off-season workout programs started. He has also been playing excellent throughout training camp. He did some good things today and you could see his athletic ability. Like all quarterbacks, you want them to play perfect, but I think he had a very good first game."

On Broncos running back Ron Dayne, who had a game-high 56 yards on 11 carries

"They did a great job against our running game. One guy that stood out with several good runs was (Broncos running back) Ron Dayne. This is like any preseason game, where you have to go back and evaluate what happened over the next few days and try to get a good feel. I have the worst seat in the house on the sideline, but it was obvious that Ron had a couple of good runs and was impressive."

On how the first-team offense played against the Texans

"I think that Jake (Plummer) played well. He has had an excellent camp, so it would surprise me if he does not play well. I like the way he has practiced throughout the summer and the first couple weeks of camp. Obviously, we are a little bit off right now. We are not perfect, but I like the effort that we showed out there tonight. We had a couple of people that were out, like our left tackle (Matt Lepsis). We had (tackle) Cornell Green come in and I think he did very well. From here, we have to keep on working and try to get better."

On the Broncos' defense and the team's overall play

"They did a good job. They (the Texans) moved the ball and we stepped up, especially after talking about the red zone as much as we have. Usually with first and goal on the 1-yard line people can move the ball, but you have to keep them out of the end zone. Then on the other touchdown that they had, I think that was good execution. They had their tight end dipped a little to the

outside and then beat (a Broncos linebacker) with a post route and all we can do is give them credit right there. We are going to keep on working on defense. I thought our second unit and the young players stepped up and were impressive. Overall, I liked our effort and as always, it does not matter if it is preseason or not. You have to come out and find a way to win these games, even in the preseason. It is all a mindset. Guys are going to get hurt and someone has to step up and make plays."

QUARTERBACK JAKE PLUMMER:

On improving Denver's red zone offense

"Well, it took us until the fourth down. We would have liked to punch it in on the run. We're going to continue to improve. We are going to keep getting better. If the guys are going to do one thing, they are going to work hard. We can't complain. We got down there in the red zone, and we came out with a touchdown."

On the biggest thing to focus on during the preseason

"Well, I have to keep going. Timing in the season is the most important. I have my timing with these guys... just to go out there and be efficient, make the right decisions, lead the team down and put the ball in the right spot. I thought I did that tonight, and I hope to do that on into the preseason and the regular season."

On quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt

"He's scrappy. He's going to go out there and play hard. I told him to go out there and have fun. It's the first time he's out there without the coaches standing five feet behind him and yelling at him as soon as the ball is out of his hands. He was able to get out there and make some good decisions. I like to see him running the ball tonight. It reminds me of a bigger, younger me. He did well. He'll continue to get better and like all of us, he'll continue to work hard."

On running back Mike Anderson

"That guy is as good as it gets back there. I know one thing... You can bring a Mack truck out there, and he's going to stand in front of it for me. To have a guy like that back there makes me feel real solid. He even said his timing was a little off, but you have to respect that being out for a whole year. He's going to continue getting his feet wet. I have total faith in him to get the job done back there."

On quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt being a 'local favorite'

"He's not from Colorado. He's from Colorado as much as I am from Colorado. He's from California. You have to remember that. Yeah, he played at Colorado State and he has a lot of fans. He's a likeable kid. He gets out there and brings a lot of fire, a lot of passion to the game. In some ways, he reminds me of myself when I was younger... just loving to get out and play."



WIDE RECEIVER TODD DEVOE:

On his 92-yard touchdown reception

"I was just trying to make up for the last ball I dropped. I guess that was the best way to make up for it."

On the praise he received from Jerry Rice on his TD reception

"That's my all-time favorite player, so him (complimenting) me is better than anyone else."

BRONCOS/49ERS CONNECTIONS

Former San Francisco 49ers:

Broncos Head Coach **Mike Shanahan** was San Francisco's offensive coordinator from 1992-94, during which time he also worked alongside Broncos Offensive Coordinator **Gary Kubiak** (quarterbacks coach – 1994) when Kubiak was on San Francisco's staff... Denver Broncos WR **Jerry Rice** spent the first 16 years of his career with San Francisco... Denver Quarterbacks Coach Pat McPherson was a volunteer defensive assistant with San Francisco in 1996 and was an All-America inside linebacker at Bellarmine College Prep in San Jose, Calif... Broncos DE **John Engelberger** played five seasons with the 49ers from 2000-2004 before he was traded to Denver a week before the start of the 2005 training camp... Broncos TE **Nate Jackson** entered the NFL with the 49ers as an undrafted free agent in 2002.

Former Denver Broncos:

San Francisco K **Joe Nedney** played three games during the 2000 season for the Broncos... 49ers CB **Willie Middlebrooks** played the first four years of his professional career with the Broncos from 2001-04 before he was traded to San Francisco a week before the start of the 2005 training camp... First-year 49ers Head Coach **Mike Nolan** participated in the Broncos' 1981 training camp as a defensive back under then Head Coach Dan Reeves, and Reeves hired Nolan as the Broncos' special teams coach in 1987 to give the young coach his first NFL job... **Nolan** was on Denver's staff for six seasons (1987-92).

From San Francisco and the surrounding area:

Denver CB **Lenny Walls** was born and raised in San Francisco, where he attended Galileo High School and City College of San Francisco... Broncos TE **Nate Jackson** played at Menlo College in Atherton, Calif., and was born in San Jose, Calif... Denver LB **D.J. Williams** played at De La Salle High School, one of the nation's premiere programs, in Concord, Calif., and was born in Pittsburg, Calif.

From Denver and the surrounding area:

San Francisco RB **Bobby Purify** played at the University of Colorado, and he attended Palmer High School in Colorado Springs... San Francisco's LB **Andre Carter** is the son of former Broncos DT **Rubin Carter**, who played for Denver from 1975-86, and was born in Denver.

Crossing Paths:

Denver Broncos DE **Courtney Brown** teamed up with San Francisco DT **Anthony Adams** on the Penn State defensive line in 1999... Broncos QB **Jake Plummer** played college ball at Arizona State with 49ers FB **Steve Bush** in 1996 and joined up again with the Arizona Cardinals in 2001 and 2002... **Bush** also teamed with Broncos T **Anthony Clement** and DT **Mario Fatifehi** while with the Cardinals... Broncos S **Jeremy LeSueur** spent 2000-03 at the University of Michigan with 49ers G **David Baas**... Denver WR **Jerry Rice** joined up with San Francisco DE **Chris Cooper** at Oakland from 2001-2004... 49ers QB **Ken Dorsey** played college ball at the University of Miami with Broncos OL **Chris Myers** from 2000-2002... **Dorsey** also teamed up with Broncos LB **D.J. Williams** on the Hurricanes' roster during the 2001 and '02 seasons... Denver WR **Todd Devoe** and 49ers DE **Marques Douglas** spent the 2004 season together with the Baltimore Ravens... Broncos DT **Monsanto Pope** was a teammate of San Francisco TE **Patrick Estes** in 2001 at the University of Virginia... Denver DT **Dorsett Davis** lined up with San Francisco DT **Ronald Fields** in 2001 at Mississippi State... 49ers RB **Frank Gore** played with Broncos OL **Chris Myers** from 2001-2004 and LB **D.J. Williams** from 2001-2003 at the University of Miami... Broncos DE **Aaron Hunt** played the 2001 and 2002 seasons at Texas Tech with San Francisco CB **Joselio Hanson**... Broncos WR **Todd Devoe** and 49ers WR **Javin Hunter** played for the Baltimore Ravens during the 2004 season... San Francisco FB **Terry Jackson** teamed up with Broncos G/T **Cooper Carlisle** and DT **Gerard Warren** at the University of Florida... Denver CB **Champ Bailey** and T **George Foster** played with 49ers T **Jonas Jennings** at the University of Georgia... Broncos CB **Roc Alexander** and 49ers CB **Derrick Johnson** played together at the University of Washington from 2000-2003... Broncos RB **Brandon Miree** played at the University of Pittsburgh in 2002 with San Francisco P **Andy Lee**... 49ers WR **Jason McAddley** spent the 2001 season at the University of Alabama with Broncos WR **Triandos Luke**... **McAddley** also played with several Broncos in 2002 and 2003 on the Arizona Cardinals roster... Broncos RB **Quentin Griffin** played college ball at Oklahoma from 1999-2001 with San Francisco LB **Brandon Moore**... Broncos LB **Luther Elliss** and 49ers WR **Johnnie Morton** were long-time teammates at Detroit from 1995-2003... Broncos QB **Jake Plummer** and T **Anthony Clement** teamed up with San Francisco K **Joe Nedney** while playing for the Arizona Cardinals... **Nedney** also played with Broncos TE/LS **Mike Leach** at Tennessee in 2001... Denver RB **Mike Anderson** spent the 1999 season at the University of Utah with San Francisco CB **Arnold Parker**... Broncos RB **Ron Dayne** played with 49ers G/C **Scott Peters** in 2003 with the New York Giants... Broncos CB **Roc Alexander** played the 2000-2003 seasons at the University of Washington with San Francisco QB **Cody Pickett**... Broncos LB **Jashon Sykes** teamed up with 49ers RB **Bobby Purify** at the University of Colorado in 2000 and 2001... Denver WR **Triandos Luke** played with San Francisco LB **Saleem Rasheed** at the University of Alabama in 2001... Denver LB **D.J. Williams** and G **Chris Myers** played with San Francisco CB **Mike Rumph** at the University of



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Miami from 2000-01... Broncos CB **Brandon Browner** spent the 2002 and '03 seasons with 49ers LB **Richard Seigler** at Oregon State... Denver WR **Triandos Luke** teamed up with San Francisco G **Justin Smiley** at the University of Alabama from 2001-2003... Broncos DT **Mario Fattefeh** attended Snow Junior College in Utah with 49ers LB **Derek Smith**... **Smith** played with Broncos QB **Jake Plummer** at Arizona State in 1995 and 1996... **Smith** also teamed up with TE **Stephen Alexander**, CB **Champ Bailey** and DE **Marco Coleman** while playing for the Washington Redskins... Broncos T **Cornell Green** and S **John Lynch** were teammates with 49ers DE **Corey Smith** at Tampa Bay during the 2002 and 2003 seasons... Denver WR **Ashley Lelie** spent the 2001 season with San Francisco DT **Isaac Sopoaga** at the University of Hawaii... Broncos RB **Brandon Miree** at the University of Pittsburgh from 2002-03 with San Francisco CB **Shawntae Spencer**... 49ers LB **Jeff Ulbrich** and Broncos WR **Ashley Lelie** played at Hawaii in 1998 and 1999... Broncos G/T **Cooper Carlisle** and DT **Gerard Warren** played college ball with 49ers TE **Aaron Walker** at the University of Florida... Broncos OL **Chris Myers** and LB **D.J. Williams** spent the 2001 and 2002 seasons at the University of Miami with San Francisco LB **Andrew Williams**... Broncos RB **Tatum Bell** and CB **Darrent Williams** played together at Oklahoma State with 49ers WR **Rashaun Woods**... San Francisco G **Tony Wragge** was on the Arizona Cardinals' roster with current Broncos T **Anthony Clement**, DT **Mario Fattefeh** and QB **Jake Plummer**... Broncos WR **Darius Watts** was teammates with San Francisco LB **Max Yates** at Marshall University during the 2000 and 2001 seasons... Denver CB **Brandon Browner** played with San Francisco K **Kirk Ylioniemi** at Oregon State in 2002 and 2003... Broncos WR **Todd Devoe** played at Baltimore with 49ers T **Brendan Darby** in 2004... In 2000 San Francisco's K **Joe Nedney** was added to the Carolina roster where he worked with Broncos defensive line coach **Jacob Burney** for a year... Denver's assistant strength and conditioning coach **Cedric Smith** played with **Nedney** for two seasons with the Arizona Cardinals... San Francisco WRs **Javin Hunter** and **Arnaz Battle** spent most of their collegiate careers at the University of Notre Dame with Broncos linebackers coach **Kirk Doll**... Broncos defensive coordinator **Larry Coyer** was on the coaching staff at the University of Pittsburgh for three seasons with the 49ers' RB **Kevan Barlow**... San Francisco RB **Terry Jackson** spent his freshman year with Broncos Strength and Conditioning Coach **Greg Saporta** at the University of Florida... San Francisco S **Tony Parrish** played for Broncos defensive backs coach **Bob Slowick** in 1998 with the Chicago Bears... San Francisco's LB **Max Yates** played with Broncos Special Teams Coach **Ronnie Bradford** for one season in 2002 with the Minnesota Vikings.

BRONCOS HEAD COACH MIKE SHANAHAN

Mike Shanahan in 2005 begins his 11th season as head coach of the Denver Broncos, and his first decade of measurement against the game's all-time coaches places him among the pro football elite. Last year, he joined the exclusive club of head coaches to post 100 wins in his first 10 seasons with one club, finishing the campaign and decade tied for fourth on this ultra-impressive list. The group that Mike Shanahan joined is listed below:

COACHES WITH 100 WINS FOR ONE TEAM THROUGH THE FIRST 10 SEASONS WITH THAT TEAM (including playoffs)

	Years	Wins by Season		TOTAL	SB
		Reg	Post		
Joe Gibbs, Washington	1981-1990	101	12	113	2
John Madden, Raiders	1969-1978	103	9	112	1
Don Shula, Miami	1970-1979	104	8	112	2
Mike Shanahan, Broncos	1995-2004	101	7	108	2
George Seifert, San Francisco	1989-1996	98	10	108	2
Mike Ditka, Chicago	1982-1991	101	6	107	1
Marv Levy, Buffalo	1986-1995	96	11	107	0
Bud Grant, Minnesota	1967-1976	98	8	106	0
Bill Cowher, Pittsburgh	1992-2001	99	6	105	0
Marty Schottenheimer, K.C.	1989-1998	101	3	104	0
Bill Walsh, San Francisco	1979-1988	92	10	102	3
Dennis Green, Minnesota	1992-2001	97	4	101	0

No head coach in the NFL has won more games than Mike Shanahan's 108 victories over the last 10 seasons. Those 108 wins by Mike Shanahan include seven consecutive in the playoffs (he is the only coach to have produced seven playoff wins in two years) during the 1997 and 1998 World Championship seasons, years in which he firmly established himself among the game's sideline greats.

In 10 seasons with Denver, Shanahan owns an impressive regular-season coaching record of **101-59 (.631)**. Including a postseason record of 7-4, he has a combined record of **108-63 (.632)** as head coach of the Broncos. Not only is that record the best among all coaches in Denver history, but his home record is a staggering **62-18 (.775)** in regular-season play.

The Broncos' success in Shanahan's 10 seasons with the club is staggering and puts Denver at the top of several offense categories during that time. From 1995-2004, Denver: tied with Green Bay for the NFL's best per-game scoring average (25.3 ppg., 4,045 points); Ranked first in the NFL in rushing yards (22,483, 140.5 per game; and ranked second in the NFL in total offense (58,469 yards, 365 per game). Below is the most updated look at how the success Denver's offense has enjoyed under Shanahan's leadership.



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BRONCOS OFFENSE CLICKS DURING THE MIKE SHANAHAN ERA

MOST RUSHING YARDS, 1995-PRESENT

TEAM	YARDS
1. Denver	22,483
2. Pittsburgh	21,749
3. Kansas City	20,101
4. San Francisco	19,951
5. Minnesota	19,471

MOST TOTAL YARDS, 1995-PRESENT

TEAM	YARDS
1. Minnesota	58,524
2. Denver	58,469
3. San Francisco	56,587
4. Green Bay	56,445
5. St. Louis	55,911

MOST FIRST DOWNS, 1995-PRESENT

TEAM	1ST DWNS
1. Denver	3,404
2. Indianapolis	3,245
3. San Francisco	3,242
4. Green Bay	3,229
5. Kansas City	3,227

MOST POINTS, 1995-PRESENT

TEAM	POINTS
1. Green Bay	4,054
2. Denver	4,045
3. Minnesota	3,917
4. Kansas City	3,856
5. Indianapolis	3,854

Under Shanahan's superb guidance, the Broncos have: posted the most wins in pro football history in a two-year period (33 in 1997-98; New England has since won 34 in 2003-04); Posted the most wins in pro football history in a three-year period (46 in 1996-98); Won the most postseason games in history over a two-year period (seven, 1997-98); Won 18 consecutive games from 1997-98 to tie the NFL record at that time for consecutive wins, going undefeated for a calendar year during that streak (Dec. 15, 1997, Dec. 13, 1998); and recorded a 22-2 record in their last 24 games during the back-to-back title years.

Since Shanahan took over the Broncos' coaching reins in 1995, Denver has scored 30 or more points at home 39 times (twice in postseason) and 20 or more points at home 72 times (four times in playoff action) in 80 regular season and four playoff games. Including road games, the Broncos have scored 30 or more points 68 times (including four times in the playoffs) and 20 or more points 128 times (including eight times in the playoffs) in the 160 regular season games and 11 postseason games under him. Denver's record in the 68 games in which it has scored 30 or more points under Shanahan is an amazing 66-2 (which includes 4-0 in playoff competition), including a 39-0 mark (which includes a 2-0 playoff record) at Mile High Stadium and INVESCO Field at Mile High.

Over the last 13 years (10 in Denver and the previous three in San Francisco), Mike Shanahan's offenses have finished number one in the NFL four times, second twice, third three times and fourth once; in two of those campaigns Denver was just 17 and 83 yards short of the number one spot.

During his NFL career, Shanahan has been a part of teams that have played in nine AFC or NFC Championship Games, in addition to his six Super Bowl appearances, five with Denver and the Super Bowl XXIX game with San Francisco. In his nine seasons as a college assistant, Shanahan's teams participated in eight bowl games, winning two national championships.

MIKE SHANAHAN YEAR-BY-YEAR

Yrs.	Pos.	Team	Record
1975	Assistant Coach	University of Oklahoma	10-1
1976	Assistant Coach	University of Oklahoma	9-2
1977	Backfield Coach	Northern Arizona	9-2
1978	Off. Coordinator	Eastern Illinois	9-2
1979	Off. Coordinator	University of Minnesota	4-6-1
1980	Off. Coordinator	University of Florida	8-3
1981	Off. Coordinator	University of Florida	7-4
1982	Off. Coordinator	University of Florida	8-3
1983	Asst. H.C. /Off. Coord.	University of Florida	8-2-1
1984	Receivers Coach	Denver Broncos	13-3
1985	Offensive Coordinator	Denver Broncos	11-5
1986	Offensive Coordinator	Denver Broncos	11-5
1987	Offensive Coordinator	Denver Broncos	10-4-1
1988	Head Coach	Los Angeles Raiders	7-9
1989	Head Coach	Los Angeles Raiders	1-3
1989	Quarterbacks Coach	Denver Broncos	6-4
1990	Quarterbacks Coach	Denver Broncos	5-11
1991	Off. Coordinator	Denver Broncos	12-4
1992	Off. Coordinator	San Francisco 49ers	14-2
1993	Off. Coordinator	San Francisco 49ers	10-6
1994	Off. Coordinator	San Francisco 49ers	13-3
1995	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	8-8
1996	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	13-3
1997	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	12-4
1998	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	14-2
1999	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	6-10
2000	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	11-5
2001	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	8-8
2002	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	9-7
2003	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	10-6
2004	Head Coach	Denver Broncos	10-6

49ERS HEAD COACH MIKE NOLAN

Mike Nolan will begin his first season as head coach of the San Francisco 49ers. Nolan enters his 19th year in the league and 24th year in coaching. He joins San Francisco after an impressive stint as the defensive coordinator of the Baltimore Ravens, a position he has held with three other teams including the New York Jets (2000), Washington Redskins (1997-99) and New York Giants (1993-96).

Over the past two seasons, Nolan's defense has yielded nine Pro Bowl starters. His stingy defensive units also produced the last two NFL Defensive Players of the Year. In 2004, Nolan's defense finished tied for second in the NFL in average rush per carry (3.6 yards). The Ravens defense allowed only 16.8 points per game, good for fourth in the AFC. Nolan's unit had 34 total takeaways, including 13 interceptions. Additionally, safety Ed Reed was named the AP NFL Defensive Player of the Year. Reed earned 20 votes from a national panel of writers and broadcasters who cover pro football to make him the first safety to win the award in 20 years. He led the NFL with nine interceptions and set an NFL mark with 358 return yards on those picks. Reed joined LB Ray Lewis, CB Cris McAlister and LB Terrell Suggs as players selected to start in the 2004 Pro Bowl.



In 2003, Nolan's defense was among the NFL's best, finishing third overall. Baltimore ranked first in the AFC with 17 fumble recoveries, led the NFL in sacks (47) and tied for first in the AFC and second in the NFL with 41 takeaways. The Ravens defense allowed just 281 points and grabbed 24 interceptions. Nolan was named to USA Today's All-Joe Team following the 2003 season and NFL Assistant Coach of the Year by the Football Digest. During the 2003 season, Baltimore allowed the fewest yards per play (4.2) and fourth fewest passing yards (175.3 per game) in the NFL. Linebacker Ray Lewis was named the AP's NFL Defensive Player of the Year and was the leading vote-getter on AP's All-Pro team (49 of 50 votes). Reed, one of eight Ravens to make the Pro Bowl, tied a Ravens' record with seven interceptions and Suggs was named the AP's NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year while setting a Ravens' rookie record with 12 sacks.

Nolan launched his coaching career as a graduate assistant at his alma mater, Oregon. Within five years, he had held positions as a linebackers or defensive backs coach at Stanford, Rice and LSU. In 1987, he joined the NFL under the Broncos' Dan Reeves. After three stints as an NFL defensive coordinator, Nolan was hired as a wide receivers coach for the Ravens in 2001. Brian Billick had envisioned Nolan as a defensive coordinator, and Nolan moved into that position with the departure of Marvin Lewis.

Nolan participated in the Broncos' 1981 training camp as a defensive back under Dan Reeves. He joined the Broncos after earning three letters at free safety for the Oregon Ducks. Nolan graduated from Woodside (CA) High School. He is the son of former NFL head coach Dick Nolan (San Francisco and New Orleans), who directed the 49ers to three NFC West Divisional titles in the 1970's.

WHAT'S NEW WITH THE BRONCOS

NEW ADDITIONS (PLAYERS):

Among several offseason additions for Denver were five former first-round draft picks (DE **Courtney Brown** – No. 1 in '00; DT **Gerard Warren** – No. 3 in '01; RB **Ron Dayne** – No. 11 in '00; DE **Ebenezer Ekuban** – No. 11 in '99; **Jerry Rice** – No. 16 in '85)... DT **Michael Myers** joins defensive linemen **Brown**, **Ekuban** and **Warren** as players acquired from Cleveland in the offseason... DE **Courtney Brown**, the No. 1 overall pick in the 2000 NFL Draft from Penn State, is looking to join quarterback John Elway (1983 – Stanford) as the only the second former No. 1 overall draft choice to play for the Broncos, who are one of four current teams to have never picked first in the NFL or AFL Draft... RB **Ron Dayne**, the 1999 Heisman Trophy winner at Wisconsin, is looking to join Tony Dorsett (1988-89) as only the second Heisman winner to play for the Broncos... Three-time Pro Bowl P **Todd Sauerbrun**, who has the best net punting average and second best gross average in the NFL since 2000, joined the Broncos in a trade with Carolina... WR **Jerry Rice**, who owns nearly every major NFL receiving record, joined the Broncos as a free agent from Seattle and enters his 21st season three touchdown

receptions shy of 200 for his career... LBs **Keith Burns** (1994-98, 2000-03) and **Ian Gold** (2000-03) rejoined the Broncos in the offseason after playing the 2004 campaign with Tampa Bay... Eighth-year TE **Stephen Alexander**, who has three times posted 40 or more receptions in a season and is a one-time Pro Bowl choice, was signed as an unrestricted free agent from Detroit... DE **John Engelberger**, who recorded a team and career-high six sacks for San Francisco last season, was acquired by Denver in a trade a week before training camp... T **Anthony Clement** and G **Cameron Spikes** started eight and nine games, respectively, for Arizona last season and were signed as free agents.

NEW ADDITIONS (COACHES):

Denver has six new additions to its coaching staff: **Tim Brewster** (tight ends), **Thomas McGaughey** (special teams assistant), **Andre Patterson** (defensive line/tackles), **Jim Ryan** (defensive assistant), **Bob Slowik** (defensive backs) and **Ryan Slowik** (defensive assistant)... Broncos Tight Ends Coach **Tim Brewster**, who coached the position in San Diego and helped Antonio Gates earn All-Pro honors last season, is working with another former college basketball player in rookie free agent **Wesley Duke** from Mercer University... Broncos Defensive Line/Tackles Coach **Andre Patterson** was Cleveland's defensive line coach last season and worked with defensive line additions **Courtney Brown**, **Ebenezer Ekuban**, **Michael Myers** and **Gerard Warren**... Defensive Backs Coach **Bob Slowik**, who has eight years' experience as a defensive coordinator in the NFL, was on the same coaching staff at the University of Florida in the early 1980s that included Head Coach Mike Shanahan and Strength and Conditioning Coach Rich Tuten as assistants... **Bob Slowik's** son, **Ryan Slowik**, is a defensive assistant for Denver... Defensive Assistant **Jim Ryan**, who played 10 seasons at linebacker for the Broncos (1979-88) to help the team advance to two Super Bowls, spent the second half of the 2004 season as a volunteer defensive assistant with Denver... **Jim Ryan** is one of six former Denver players on its current coaching staff.

POSITION/NUMBER CHANGES:

Veteran **Dwayne Carswell**, a former Pro Bowl player at tight end in his 12th season, has worked on the offensive line in training camp for the second consecutive season and is competing at the guard position after practicing at tackle in 2004... **Carswell** has switched to No. 77 from No. 89... Third-year player **Nate Jackson**, who had eight receptions last season as a wide receiver, has moved to tight end and switched to No. 89 from No. 14... **Jeremy LeSueur**, who was selected by the Broncos in the third round of the 2004 NFL Draft but spent his rookie year on injured reserve (hernia), has moved to safety from cornerback and switched to No. 31 from No. 43... WR **Jerry Rice** wears No. 19, marking the first time in his 20-year career he has not worn No. 80... Other Broncos to wear No. 19 are current WR **Rod Smith**, who donned that jersey as a rookie in 1994, and K **Fred Steinfort** (1979-81) and QB **Don Breaux** (1963)... LB **D.J. Williams**, who finished third in the NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year voting last season while becoming the first Broncos rookie in 32 years to lead the team in tackles, has switched to No. 55



from No. 52... LB **Patrick Chukwurah** has switched from No. 55 to No. 54... RB **Quentin Griffin** has switched to No. 21 from No. 22, which he wore at the University of Oklahoma... QB **Bradlee Van Pelt** has switched to No. 11, which he wore at Colorado State University, from No. 9... Second-year CB **Jeff Shoate** has switched to No. 28 from No. 40... WR **Triandos Luke**, who ranked second on Denver in kick and punt returns as a rookie in 2004, has switched to No. 87 from No. 10... Second-year WR **B.J. Johnson**, who spent last year on injured reserve (left ankle), has switched to No. 12 from No. 2 while WR **Romar Crenshaw** wears No. 15 instead of No. 3, which he wore as a practice squad player last season.

DENVER BRONCOS 2005 TRAINING CAMP

MEDIA ACCESS TO PRACTICE DURING TRAINING CAMP



Media access will be granted by camp credentials, which will be issued by the Broncos' media relations department. The credentials are valid for the duration of training camp and will include a photo ID. Media members may obtain credentials for training camp in the Broncos' press room, where a member of the media relations

department will be present to assist them. Please note that these credentials will not be valid for games at INVESCO Field at Mile High. On their first visit, media members are encouraged to allow a few extra minutes to get their camp press credential. Access is strictly limited to working media only, and the media may not bring guests to practice. In line with regular team policy, no cell phone activity is allowed. No tripods can be used except on the sidewalk and patio areas, and media cannot be "between fields" if there is any activity on both of those fields.

PARKING

Members of the media will park in Lot A, which is the lot located to the west of the Broncos' training facility. The media parking area will be supervised by security. A limited number of parking passes will be available for media organizations, and these will be distributed through the Broncos' media relations department.

LIVE SHOT LOCATIONS

The primary designated area for live shots is located in front of the helmet on the outside wall in front of the Broncos' training facility. The area immediately inside the press gate, off the field and immediately adjacent to the wall will be available for live shots only if the team is completely finished and no one is on the playing field.

EDITING TRAILERS FOR LOCAL TV STATIONS

Editing trailers will be located in the handicapped parking spaces in the main parking lot of the facility only as specifically approved by the Broncos' media relations department. No

telephone lines will be available from the Broncos. These editing trailers will remain in the same locations for their duration, and the Broncos have been in contact with all local stations in advance of training camp to schedule the moving in process for these trailers. Those stations that do not require a microwave truck due to existing wiring inside the team's facility should not bring one because such parking will be extremely limited.

MIKE SHANAHAN AVAILABILITY

Head Coach Mike Shanahan will be available to the press in a group setting after each practice, excluding special-teams practices, as in past years. Requests for individual interviews with Coach Shanahan should be made through the club's media relations department.

PLAYER ACCESS

As in previous camps, players will be available coming off the practice field, and the locker room will be closed. During the lunch period, players will be available adjacent to the dining hall on the patio area. There will be no evening access to players or coaches.

TRAINING CAMP PRACTICE SCHEDULE

The Denver Broncos will run a two-a-day practice schedule until Thursday, Aug. 18, when the team breaks camp. Below is a look at the tentative practice schedule for remainder of the Broncos' 2005 training camp (All practices and times subject to change):

SCHEDULE FOR THE REMAINDER OF TRAINING CAMP

	Morning Practice	Afternoon Practice
Monday, Aug. 15	NO PRACTICE	2:45 (Pads)
Tuesday, Aug. 16	8:30 (Pads)	3:40 (Special Teams)
Wednesday, Aug. 17	8:30 (Pads)	3:50 (Shorts)
Thursday, Aug. 18	8:30 (Pads)	3:40 (Special Teams)
BREAK CAMP		

A FINAL LOOK AT 2004

In 2004, Denver earned its second consecutive trip to the playoffs with a 10-6 record and a second-place finish in the AFC West. But despite losing its AFC Wild Card Game, Denver found plenty of success it can build on in 2005.

Offensively, Jake Plummer—in his second season as the Broncos' starting quarterback—passed for a franchise record 4,089 yards and tied the franchise record with 27 touchdowns passes. His primary targets, Rod Smith and Ashley Lelie, each eclipsed the 1,000-yard mark in receiving, posting 1,144 and 1,084 yards respectively. On the ground, the running game again excelled as Reuben Droughns, aided by a stellar offensive line, led the team with 1,240 yards rushing and six touchdowns.

On the other side of the ball, the team welcomed a number of offseason additions who made an immediate impact. Cornerback Champ Bailey and safety John Lynch garnered Pro Bowl selections for the NFL's fourth-ranked defense while rookie linebacker D.J. Williams led the team with 114 tackles (82 solo). In addition, defensive end Reggie Hayward had a break-out year, posting career highs in sacks (10.5) and tackles (60, 45 solo).



Denver earned its sixth trip to the postseason under Mike Shanahan, who completed a full decade as the franchise's head coach. In the process, Shanahan joined an elite group of coaches who have posted 100 wins in their first 10 seasons with one club.

2005 GAME NOTES

DEVOE GOES THE DISTANCE

First-year wide receiver Todd Devoe may have entered the Broncos' training camp with little fanfare, but that changed late in the fourth quarter of Denver's preseason opener in Houston. Devoe, a product of Division II Central Missouri State University, turned a short pass from quarterback Matt Mauck into a 92-yard touchdown reception that stands as the second-longest scoring reception in team annals during the preseason.

LONGEST SCORING RECEPTIONS, BRONCOS, PRESEASON HISTORY

Player	Scoring Rec.	QB	Game
1. Jack Dolbin	93 yds.	J. Hufnagel	vs. Bal. (8/9/75)
2. Todd Devoe	92 yds.	M. Mauck	at Hou. (8/13/05)
3. Rod Smith	80 yds.	J. Elway	vs. G.B. (8/24/98)
4. Bob Scarpitto	78 yds.	J. McCormick	vs. K.C. (8/6/66)
5. Vince Kinney	76 yds.	N. Weese	at S.F. (8/18/79)
Eugene Mingo	76 yds.	J. Lee	vs. Bos. (9/5/64)

Additionally, Devoe's 92-yard touchdown grab marked the fifth-longest scoring play in Broncos preseason history.

LONGEST SCORING PLAYS, BRONCOS, PRESEASON HISTORY

Player	Scoring Play	Game
1. Vance Joseph	99-yd. INT return	vs. Buf. (7/26/97)
Al Frazier	99-yd. kick return	vs. Oak. (8/11/63)
3. Dennis Smith	95-yd. INT return	at Cin. (8/29/81)
4. Jack Dolbin	93-yd. rec. (QB - Hufnagel)	vs. Bal. (8/9/75)
5. Todd Devoe	92-yd. rec. (QB - Mauck)	at Hou. (8/13/05)

BRONCOS ELECT 20TH MEMBER TO RING OF FAME

Steve Atwater recently was elected as the 20th member of the Denver Broncos Ring of Fame. Atwater was named to eight Pro Bowls at safety during his 10-year career with the team from 1989-98.

The induction ceremony will take place Sunday, Oct. 9, at halftime of the Broncos' 2:15 p.m. MDT game against the Washington Redskins at INVESCO Field at Mile High.

Atwater is the first former Bronco to be inducted into the franchise's Ring of Fame since tackle Gary Zimmerman (1993-97) joined the distinguished membership in 2003.

The Broncos' Ring of Fame was created in 1984 by team owner Pat Bowlen to honor former players and administrators who played significant roles in the franchise's history. The Ring of Fame is displayed on the Level 5 façade of INVESCO Field at Mile High.

MEET DENVER'S 2005 DRAFT CLASS

Rd.	Choice	Pos.	Player	College
2	56	CB	Darrent Williams	Oklahoma State
<i>Owns the Big 12 Conference career record with five INT returns for a TD.</i>				
3a	76	CB	Karl Paymah	Washington State
<i>Started the final 24 games of his career as a two-year starter.</i>				
3b	97	CB	Domonique Foxworth	Maryland
<i>Earned All-ACC honors in each of his final three seasons.</i>				
3c	101	RB	Maurice Clarett	Ohio State
<i>Named Big Ten Freshman of the Year and first-team all-conference in 2002.</i>				
6	200	OL	Chris Myers	Miami (Fla.)
<i>Started at both guard positions, right tackle and center for the Hurricanes.</i>				
7	239	P/K	Paul Ernster	Northern Arizona
<i>Led Division I-AA in 2004 with a 47.8 gross punting average on 55 punts.</i>				

SMITH ONE OF THE BEST UNRAFTED 'CATCHES'

During the 1994 NFL Draft, 222 total players and 29 wide receivers were selected by NFL teams before Rod Smith, a receiver from Division II Missouri Southern University, signed a rookie free agent contract with the Broncos. The wideout is ranked first in receptions (712), second in receiving yards (9,772) and second in receiving touchdowns (59) among undrafted players in NFL history.

CAREER RECEPTIONS AMONG UNRAFTED PLAYERS, ALL-TIME, NFL

Player	Receptions
1. Rod Smith (1995-2004)	712
2. Gary Clark (1985-95)	699
3. Wayne Chrebet (1995-2004)	565
4. J.T. Smith (1978-90)	544
5. Drew Pearson (1973-83)	489

CAREER RECEIVING YARDS AMONG UNRAFTED PLAYERS, ALL-TIME, NFL

Player	Rec. Yards
1. Gary Clark (1985-95)	10,856
2. Rod Smith (1995-2004)	9,772
3. Drew Pearson (1973-83)	7,822
4. Wayne Chrebet (1995-2004)	7,212
5. Ken Burrough (1970-81)	7,102

CAREER RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS AMONG UNRAFTED PLAYERS, ALL-TIME, NFL

Player	Rec. TDs
1. Gary Clark (1985-95)	65
2. Rod Smith (1995-2004)	59
3. Ken Burrough (1970-81)	49
Stephone Paige (1983-91)	49
5. Drew Pearson (1973-83)	48

Smith is not the only undrafted wide receiver who has found success with the Broncos. Steve Watson (1979-87), who has coached Denver's wide receivers since 2003, ranks 11th all-time in receiving yards (6,112), 11th in receiving touchdowns (36) and 13th in receptions (353) among undrafted players in NFL history.



SMITH RANKS WITH NFL'S BEST

Rod Smith has been one of the NFL's most productive receivers since 1997 and ranks second among active pass catchers in receptions (690), third in receiving yards (9,383) and fourth in receiving touchdowns (56) during that period.

MOST RECEPTIONS IN THE NFL SINCE 1997

Player	Receptions
1. Marvin Harrison (Colts)	781
2. Rod Smith (Broncos)	690
3. Jimmy Smith (Jaguars)	687
4. Terrell Owens (Eagles)	634
5. Keyshawn Johnson (Cowboys)	610

MOST RECEIVING YARDS IN THE NFL SINCE 1997

Player	Rec. Yards
1. Marvin Harrison (Colts)	10,349
2. Jimmy Smith (Jaguars)	9,732
3. Rod Smith (Broncos)	9,383
4. Terrell Owens (Eagles)	9,252
5. Randy Moss (Vikings)	9,142

MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS IN THE NFL SINCE 1997

Player	Rec. TDs
1. Terrell Owens (Eagles)	91
2. Marvin Harrison (Colts)	90
Randy Moss (Vikings)	90
4. Rod Smith (Broncos)	56
5. Tony Gonzalez (Chiefs)	54

BRONCOS WIDEOUT ON A STREAK

Rod Smith owns the Broncos' franchise record with 92 consecutive games with at least one catch after making at least one catch in all 16 games in 2004.

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RECEPTION, BRONCOS

Player	Consec. Games	Years of Streak
1. Rod Smith	92	1999-Present
2. Ed McCaffrey	68	1997-2003
3. Lionel Taylor	62	1960-64
4. Shannon Sharpe	60	1995-99
5. Steve Watson	49	1983-86

SMITH LEADS BY EXAMPLE

Wide receiver Rod Smith is widely considered one of the leaders in the locker room, but he also is the team's all-time leader in receiving yards (9,772), receptions (712) and touchdown catches (59) over his 10-year career.

MOST RECEIVING YARDS BY A BRONCO, CAREER

Player	Yards	Rec.	TDs	Years with Den.
1. Rod Smith	9,772	712	59	1995-Present
2. Shannon Sharpe	8,439	675	55	1990-99, 02-03
3. Lionel Taylor	6,872	543	44	1960-65

PLUMMER: DENVER'S ALL-TIME TOP-RATED PASSER

Jake Plummer, after his first two seasons as the Broncos' starting quarterback, has amassed the best career passer rating in Broncos history. Below is a look at the top five:

BEST PASSER RATING AMONG ALL-TIME BRONCOS (min. 500 attempts)

Quarterback	Years	Passer Rating
1. Jake Plummer	2003-04	87.0
2. Brian Griese	1998-02	84.1
3. John Elway	1983-98	79.9
4. Craig Morton	1977-82	78.8
5. Charley Johnson	1972-75	73.1

PLUMMER POSTING IMPRESSIVE TD PCT.

Jake Plummer ranks fifth in the NFL in touchdown percentage since the start of the 2003 season. He has thrown 42 touchdown passes in 823 attempts for a percentage of 5.10.

MOST TOUCHDOWNS PER PASS ATTEMPT, 2003-04 (QBs with 600 or more attempts)

Player	TD	Att.	TD Pct.
1. Peyton Manning, Ind.	78	1,063	7.34%
2. Daunte Culpepper, Min.	64	1,002	6.39%
3. Brett Favre, G.B.	62	1,011	6.13%
4. Steve McNair, Ten.	32	615	5.20%
5. Jake Plummer, Den.	42	823	5.10%
6. Tom Brady, N.E.	51	1,001	5.09%

PLUMMER GETTING BETTER WITH AGE

Jake Plummer has improved his career statistics considerably since joining the Broncos before the 2003 season. Below is a side-by-side look at Plummer's statistics from 1997-2002 and from 2003-04:

Statistical Category	1997-2002 (Arizona)	2003-04 (Denver)
Win/Loss Record	30-52	19-8
Winning Pct.	37%	70%
Passer Rating	69.1	87.0
TD/INT Ratio	90-114 (-24)	42-27 (+15)
TD%	3.3	5.1
INT%	4.2	3.3
Completion Pct.	56.1%	59.8%
Passing Yds./Game	208.7	232.3
Passing Yds./Attempt	6.39	7.62

WINNING /ISN'T EVERYTHING?

Since coming to Denver in 2003 and taking over as Denver's starting quarterback, Jake Plummer has found a way to win. He currently ranks fourth in the NFL in winning percentage by a starting quarterback, and below is a list of the top performers.

BEST REG.-SEASON WINNING PERCENTAGE BY A QB, 2003-04

Quarterback	Record	Pct.
1. Tom Brady, N.E.	28-4	88%
2. Donovan McNabb, Phi.	25-6	81%
3. Peyton Manning, Ind.	24-8	75%
4. Jake Plummer, Den.	19-8	70%
5. Marc Bulger, StL.	20-9	69%



THE START OF SOMETHING GOOD

Durability and longevity are traits every coach looks for in a quarterback, and Jake Plummer ranks among the best in both. Plummer has started 109 games since 1997, a total that ranks fifth in the NFL among active quarterbacks.

MOST STARTS BY NFL QUARTERBACKS SINCE 1997

Quarterback	Starts
1. Brett Favre, G.B.	128
2. Drew Bledsoe, N.E./Buf./Dal.	112
Peyton Manning, Ind.	112
4. Steve McNair, Ten.	111
5. Jake Plummer, Ari./Den.	109

THE COMEBACK KID

Jake Plummer has a knack for bringing his team back. In his career, Plummer has amassed 26 game-saving or game-tying drives in the fourth quarter and 19 game-winning comeback drives in the fourth quarter or overtime, which ranks first among active quarterbacks.

MOST COMEBACKS SINCE 1995

Quarterback	Comebacks
1. Jake Plummer, Ari./Den. (1997-2004)	19
2. Drew Bledsoe, N.E./Buf. (1997-2004)	18
Peyton Manning, Ind. (1998-2004)	18

NALEN TIES RECORD FOR STARTS AT CENTER

Center Tom Nalen, entering his 12th NFL season, needs to start one more regular-season game to move into sole possession of eighth place on the Broncos' all-time games started list and first place among centers. Currently, his 151 starts ties Billy Bryan (1977-88) for most starts by a center in franchise history and eighth place overall.

MOST GAMES STARTED BRONCOS HISTORY (REGULAR SEASON)

Player	Games	Years Played
1. John Elway	231	1983-98
2. Billy Thompson	178	1969-81
3. Tom Jackson	177	1973-86
Barney Chavous	177	1973-85
5. Dennis Smith	170	1981-94
6. Louis Wright	163	1975-86
7. Steve Atwater	155	1989-98
8. Tom Nalen	151	1993-Present
Billy Bryan	151	1977-88
Rubin Carter	151	1977-86

DENVER O-LINE PROVIDING PASS PROTECTION

The Broncos' offensive line, renowned for its ability to clear the way for a dominant rushing attack, also has proven to be equally adept in pass protection during the last two seasons. Denver, which set a franchise record in 2004 by allowing only 15 sacks, has given up the third fewest sacks (40) in the NFL since 2003.

FEWEST SACKS ALLOWED, NFL, SINCE 2003

Team	Sacks	Yards
1. Indianapolis	33	219
Green Bay	33	238
3. Denver	40	247
4. Detroit	48	272
5. San Diego	50	354

RICE: SIMPLY THE BEST

Few NFL players have accomplished more than wide receiver Jerry Rice, who enters 2005 owning 38 NFL records (16 regular season, 9 postseason 11 Super Bowl and 2 Pro Bowl), according to the *NFL Record & Fact Book*. The 13-time Pro Bowler and 11-time Associated Press All-Pro has a commanding lead on all three major career receiving categories.

CAREER RECEPTIONS, ALL-TIME, NFL

Player	Receptions
1. Jerry Rice (1985-2004)	1,549
2. Cris Carter (1987-2002)	1,101
3. Tim Brown (1988-2004)	1,094
4. Andre Reed (1985-2000)	951
5. Art Monk (1980-95)	940

CAREER RECEIVING YARDS, ALL-TIME, NFL

Player	Rec. Yards
1. Jerry Rice (1985-2004)	22,895
2. Tim Brown (1988-2004)	14,934
3. James Lofton (1978-93)	14,004
4. Cris Carter (1987-2002)	13,899
5. Henry Ellard (1983-98)	13,777

CAREER RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS, ALL-TIME, NFL

Player	Rec. TDs
1. Jerry Rice (1985-2004)	197
2. Cris Carter (1987-2002)	130
3. Tim Brown (1988-2004)	100
Steve Largent (1976-89)	100
5. Don Hutson (1935-45)	99

RICE BEGINS 21ST NFL SEASON

Wide receiver Jerry Rice begins his 21st season in 2005, and his longevity has placed him in elite company among NFL players who have played more than 20 seasons in the NFL. Of the nine players in NFL history to have played 20 or more seasons, Rice is the only wide receiver in that select group.

CAREER YEARS OF SERVICE, ALL-TIME, NFL

Player	Pos.	Seasons	Years
1. George Blanda	K	1949-58; '60-75	26
2. Morten Andersen	K	1982-2004	23
Gary Anderson	K	1982-2004	23
4. Earl Morrall	QB	1956-76	21
5. Jerry Rice	WR	1985-2004	20
Darrell Green	CB	1983-2002	20
Sean Landeta	P	1985-2004	20
Jim Marshall	DE	1960-79	20
Jackie Slater	T	1976-95	20



LELIE DIGS THE LONG BALL

Wide receiver Ashley Lelie steadily has emerged as one of the top deep threats in the NFL since entering the NFL in 2002. Lelie, who led all NFL pass catchers in yards-per-reception average with a franchise record 20.1 average in 2004, leads the NFL in yards per reception average (17.8) during his three-year career. Additionally, his pass-catching average ranks third in Broncos annals.

YARDS PER RECEPTION AVERAGE, NFL, SINCE 2002 (min. 60 rec.)

Player	Current Team	Rec.	Yards	Avg.
1. Ashley Lelie	Denver	126	2,237	17.8
2. Plaxico Burress	N.Y. Giants	173	2,883	16.7
3. Eddie Kennison	Kansas City	171	2,845	16.6
4. Corey Bradford	Houston	96	1,556	16.2
5. Amani Toomer	N.Y. Giants	196	3,147	16.1

YARDS PER RECEPTION AVERAGE, BRONCOS, ALL-TIME (min. 50 rec.)

Player	Years	Rec.	Yards	Avg.
1. Bill Van Heusen	1968-76	82	1,684	20.5
2. Haven Moses	1972-81	302	5,450	18.1
3. Ashley Lelie	2002-2004	126	2,237	17.8
4. Al Frazier	1961-63	58	1,010	17.4
5. Steve Watson	1979-87	353	6,112	17.3

IT STARTS WITH CHAMP

Cornerback Champ Bailey, who earned his fifth Pro Bowl nomination and first Associated Press All-Pro selection of his career in 2004, has started every game of his career since the Redskins drafted him No. 7 overall in the 1999 NFL Draft, a span of 96 consecutive starts. He is the only cornerback in the NFL to start every possible regular-season game played during that period.

MOST STARTS BY A CORNERBACK, NFL 1999-04

Cornerback	Starts
1. Champ Bailey, Den.	96
2. Ronde Barber, T.B.	95
3. Sam Madison, Mia.	93
4. Dewayne Washington, K.C.	92
5. Chris McAlister, Balt.	87

ELAM MOVES PAST 1,400 CAREER POINTS

In 188 career games, Jason Elam has scored 1,442 career points—and with his five points at San Diego in the Dec. 5 game last season—eclipsed the 1,400-point plateau faster than any player in NFL history. Nick Lowery held the NFL record, reaching the mark in 203 career games.

FASTEST TO 1,400 CAREER POINTS, NFL HISTORY

Player	Games Needed
1. Jason Elam	184 games
2. Nick Lowery	203 games
3. Gary Anderson	205 games
4. Morten Andersen	207 games

In addition, Elam surpassed the 1,300 career points mark in just his 170th career game and was the fastest player in NFL history to accomplish that feat.

FASTEST TO 1,300 CAREER POINTS, NFL HISTORY

Player	Games Needed
1. Jason Elam	170 games
2. Nick Lowery	188 games
3. Gary Anderson	191 games

ELAM REACHES ANOTHER CAREER MILESTONE

Kicker Jason Elam joined a very elite group in NFL history in 2004 by becoming just the 16th player ever to hit 300 career field goals. Elam now has 317 career field goals and ranks third among active kickers.

ACTIVE KICKERS WITH 300 OR MORE FIELD GOALS

Player	FGs
1. John Carney (NO)	365
2. Matt Stover (BAL)	350
3. Jason Elam (DEN)	317
4. Jason Hanson (DET)	308
5. John Kasay (CAR)	284

Of the kickers in league history who have reached this number, Elam did it faster than any other, taking just 177 games to accomplish the feat (11 faster than John Carney).

GAMES NEEDED TO REACH 300 CAREER FIELD GOALS

Player	Games
1. Jason Elam	177
2. John Carney	188
3. Gary Anderson	191
Nick Lowery	191

ELAM HAS NFL'S SECOND LONGEST SCORING STREAK

Jason Elam is on quite a tear. He has scored at least one point in every game of his career (188), which is the second longest streak in NFL history for scoring in consecutive games.

LONGEST CONSECUTIVE SCORING STREAKS, NFL HISTORY

Player	Games	Years
1. Morten Andersen	327	1983-Present
2. Jason Elam	188	1993-Present
3. Jim Breach	186	1979-92
4. Ray Wersching	155	1977-87

ELAM RANKS SECOND ALL-TIME IN 50+ FGS

The 50-yard field goal by Elam in Denver's 20-17 win vs. Miami in the Dec. 12 game last season was the 34th 50+yard field goal of his career during the regular season. He currently ranks second all-time in field goals of 50+ yards.

CAREER FIELD GOALS OF 50+-YARDS, ALL-TIME

Name	Field Goals
1. Morten Andersen	40
2. Jason Elam	34
3. John Kasay	26
4. Jason Hanson	25
5. Nick Lowery	22



ELAM IS 1ST IN CAREER PAT PCT.

Elam is the NFL's leader in career PAT percentage at 99.6 percent (491 of 493):

NFL'S CAREER LEADERS IN PAT PERCENTAGE

Player	Made	Att.	Pct.
1. Jason Elam (DEN)	491	493	99.6
2. Tommy Davis	348	350	99.4
3. Mike Vanderjagt (IND)	292	294	99.3
Matt Stover (BAL)	431	434	99.3
Jeff Wilkins (STL)	399	402	99.3

ELAM AMONG THE LEADERS

Jason Elam ranks among the league leaders in fields goals made inside 40 yards since he entered the league in 1993:

NFL'S MOST ACCURATE KICKERS INSIDE 40 YDS. SINCE 1993

Player	Team(s)	FG/FGA	Pct.
1. Jason Hanson	Detroit	189/198	.955
2. Matt Stover	Baltimore/Cleveland	213/224	.951
3. John Kasay	Carolina/Seattle	161/171	.942
4. Jason Elam	Denver	209/224	.933
5. Morten Andersen	MIN/K.C./N.O./ATL/N.Y.G.	182/196	.929

ELAM AMONG THE LEADERS (PART 2)

Jason Elam ranks first in the NFL in points scored (1,442) and field goals made (317) since entering the league in 1993. Here is a look at the tops in each category:

MOST POINTS SCORED, 1993-2004

Player	Current Team	Points
1. Jason Elam	Denver	1,442
2. Gary Anderson	Out of NFL	1,311
3. Matt Stover	Baltimore	1,308
4. Morten Andersen	Out of NFL	1,273
5. Jason Hanson	Detroit	1,243

MOST FIELD GOALS MADE, 1993-2004

Player	Current Team	FGs
1. Jason Elam	Denver	317
2. Matt Stover	Baltimore	313
3. John Carney	New Orleans	299
4. Jason Hanson	Detroit	287
5. Gary Anderson	Out of NFL	281

A "SCORE" TO SETTLE

In only 12 years, Jason Elam has scored 1,442 career points, which ranks third among the league's active leaders. In addition, Elam ranks 13th all-time in league history, and with 29 more points in 2005, can move past Pat Leahy for 12th. Below is a list of the NFL's top-5 active scorers:

TOP-5 ACTIVE SCORERS, NFL

Player	Yrs	TDs	PATs	FGs	Total Pts
1. John Carney, N.O.	17	0	442	365	1,537
2. Matt Stover, Bal.	14	0	431	350	1,481
3. Jason Elam, Den.	12	0	491	317	1,442
4. Jason Hanson, Det.	13	0	412	308	1,336
5. Jerry Rice, Den.	20	208	0	0	1,256

Note: Rice's totals include four 2-point conversions (8 pts.).

ELAM THIRD IN CAREER 100-POINT SEASONS

Kicker Jason Elam scored 129 points in 2004 to pass the 100-point plateau for the 12th time in his career, a total that ranks third all-time among kickers.

NFL'S CAREER LEADERS IN 100-POINT SEASONS

Name	100-pt Seasons	Years Played
1. Morten Andersen	14	1982-2004
Gary Anderson	14	1982-2004
3. Jason Elam	12	1993-2004
4. Nick Lowery	11	1980-1996

In addition, Elam's 12 consecutive 100-point seasons are the most consecutive in NFL history.

MOST CONSECUTIVE 100-POINT SEASONS, NFL HISTORY

Name	100-pt Seasons	Years
1. Jason Elam	12	1993-Present
2. Adam Vinatieri	9	1996-Present
3. Ryan Longwell	9	1997-Present
4. Mike Vanderjagt	7	1998-Present

ELAM TIED FOR THIRD IN GAMES PLAYED

By playing in all 16 games in 2004, Jason Elam has moved into third place all-time Broncos history in regular-season games played with 188.

MOST GAMES PLAYED BRONCOS HISTORY (REGULAR SEASON)

Name	Games	Years Played
1. John Elway	234	1983-98
2. Tom Jackson	191	1973-86
3. Jason Elam	188	1993-Present
4. Paul Howard	187	1973-86
5. Dennis Smith	184	1981-94

SAUERBRUN ON A ROLL

Three-time Pro Bowl punter Todd Sauerbrun, whom Denver acquired in an off-season trade with Carolina, has posted the best net punting average and second best gross average in the NFL over the last five seasons among punters with a minimum of 200 punts during that period.

NET PUNTING AVERAGE, NFL, 2000-PRESENT (min. 200 punts)

Player	Team(s)	Punts	Net Avg.
1. Todd Sauerbrun	Kansas City/Carolina	432	37.1
2. Craig Hentrich	Tennessee	370	36.6
3. Brad Maynard	N.Y. Giants/Chicago	440	36.5
4. Shane Lechler	Oakland	360	36.4
5. Matt Turk	Miami/N.Y. Jets	402	36.3

GROSS PUNTING AVERAGE, NFL, 2000-PRESENT (min. 200 punts)

Player	Team(s)	Punts	Gross Avg.
1. Shane Lechler	Oakland	360	45.9
2. Todd Sauerbrun	Kansas City/Carolina	432	45.4
3. Mitch Berger	Min./Stl./N.O.	337	43.6
4. Chris Hanson	Jacksonville	270	43.5
5. Hunter Smith	Indianapolis	315	43.4



ONE POWERFUL PUNTER

Since entering the NFL in 1995, Todd Sauerbrun has posted the highest gross punting average in the league among punters with a minimum of 500 attempts.

GROSS PUNTING AVERAGE, NFL, 1995-PRESENT (min. 500 punts)

Player	Punts	Yards	Gross Avg.
1. Todd Sauerbrun (DEN)	760	33,443	44.0
2. Chris Gardocki (PIT)	810	35,502	43.8
3. Tom Tupa (WAS)	787	34,371	43.7
4. Tom Rouen (CAR)	606	26,375	43.5
5. Darren Bennett (MIN)	828	36,016	43.5

HOLDING THE OPPONENTS AT BAY

The Broncos held 10 of their 16 opponents under 20 points in 2004 and look to improve on that total in 2005. Under Head Coach Shanahan, they are 69-15 (.821) when they hold their opponents under 20 points. In addition, the club is 45-3 (.938) when holding the opponent to 15 points or less, including seven times in 2004 (6-1, .857). Also, in that time the Broncos have only lost once when holding the opponent to 10 points or less. Below is a list of the 31 games in which Denver's defense has held the opponent to 10 points or under since 1995 (20-0 home and 10-1 on the road).

GAMES IN WHICH THE BRONCOS HAVE HELD THEIR OPPONENTS TO 10 POINTS OR LESS

Sept. 3, 1995	W 22-7	vs. Buffalo
Oct. 8, 1995	W 37-3	at New England
Oct. 16, 1995	W 27-0	vs. Oakland
Nov. 5, 1995	W 38-6	vs. Arizona
Sept. 1, 1996	W 31-6	vs. New York Jets
Sept. 29, 1996	W 14-10	at Cincinnati
Oct. 27, 1996	W 34-7	vs. Kansas City
Nov. 17, 1996	W 34-8	at New England
Dec. 1, 1996	W 34-7	vs. Seattle
Aug. 31, 1997	W 19-3	vs. Kansas City
Nov. 9, 1997	W 34-0	vs. Carolina
Nov. 24, 1997	W 31-3	vs. Oakland
Dec. 21, 1997	W 38-3	vs. San Diego
Nov. 8, 1998	W 27-10	vs. San Diego
Nov. 16, 1998	W 30-7	at Kansas City
Oct. 17, 1999	W 31-10	vs. Green Bay
Dec. 25, 1999	W 17-7	at Detroit
Oct. 8, 2000	W 21-7	at San Diego
Oct. 15, 2000	W 44-10	vs. Cleveland
Dec. 23, 2000	W 38-9	vs. San Francisco
Oct. 7, 2001	W 20-6	vs. Kansas City
Dec. 9, 2001	W 20-7	vs. Seattle
Oct. 6, 2002	W 26-9	vs. San Diego
Nov. 17, 2002	W 31-9	at Seattle
Dec. 29, 2002	W 37-7	vs. Arizona
Sept. 7, 2003	W 30-10	at Cincinnati
Sept. 22, 2003	W 31-10	vs. Oakland
Nov. 16, 2003	W 37-8	vs. San Diego
Nov. 30, 2003	W 22-8	at Oakland
Sept. 19, 2004	L 6-7	at Jacksonville
Oct. 17, 2004	W 31-3	at Oakland

CENTURY MARK AND BEYOND

The Denver Broncos have had one of the most potent rushing attacks in the NFL since Head Coach Mike Shanahan took over in 1995. In addition to having five different running backs rush for over 1,000 yards in a season (Terrell Davis, Olandis Gary, Mike Anderson, Clinton Portis and Reuben Droughns, who eclipsed the 1,000 yard mark in 2004), the Broncos are tops in the NFL with most individual 100-yard games with 75. Below is a list of the NFL's top teams in 100-yard performers since 1995.

MOST INDIVIDUAL 100-YARD GAMES SINCE 1995, NFL

Team	100-yd. Games
1. Denver	75
2. Pittsburgh	65
3. Indianapolis	55
4. Dallas	54
5. Detroit	49

100-YARDS AND RUNNING

The Broncos have won 10 of their last 12 games and 35 of their last 43 when a running back rushes for 100 yards or more.

BRONCOS' WINS WHEN A RUNNING BACK TOPS 100-YARDS

Player	Yards	Opponent	Result
1. Terrell Davis	178 yards	Seattle (12/27/98)	W 28-21
2. Olandis Gary	124 yards	Green Bay (10/17/99)	W 31-10
3. Olandis Gary	108 yards	at San Diego (11/7/99)	W 33-17
4. Olandis Gary	183 yards	Seattle (12/19/99)	W 36-30
5. Olandis Gary	185 yards	at Detroit (12/25/99)	W 17-7
6. Mike Anderson	131 yards	Atlanta (9/10/00)	W 42-14
7. Mike Anderson	187 yards	at Oakland (9/17/00)	W 33-24
8. Mike Anderson	103 yards	Cleveland (10/15/00)	W 44-10
9. Terrell Davis	115 yards	at N.Y. Jets (11/5/00)	W 30-23
10. Mike Anderson	195 yards	at Seattle (11/26/00)	W 38-31
11. Mike Anderson	251 yards	at New Orleans (12/3/00)	W 38-23
12. Mike Anderson	131 yards	Seattle (12/10/00)	W 31-24
13. Terrell Davis	101 yards	N.Y. Giants (9/10/01)	W 31-20
14. Mike Anderson	155 yards	Kansas City (10/7/01)	W 20-6
15. Mike Anderson	118 yards	at Dallas (11/22/01)	W 26-24
16. Terrell Davis	109 yards	Seattle (12/9/01)	W 20-7
17. Clinton Portis	103 yards	Buffalo (9/22/02)	W 28-23
18. Clinton Portis	102 yards	San Diego (10/6/02)	W 26-9
19. Clinton Portis	111 yards	at New England (10/27/02)	W 24-16
20. Clinton Portis	136 yards	at Seattle (11/17/02)	W 31-9
Clinton Portis	159 yards	at San Diego (12/1/02)	L 37-30 OT
Clinton Portis	103 yards	at New York (12/8/02)	L 13-19
21. Clinton Portis	130 yards	Kansas City (12/15/02)	W 31-24
22. Clinton Portis	228 yards	Arizona (12/29/02)	W 37-7
23. Clinton Portis	120 yards	at Cincinnati (9/7/03)	W 30-10
24. Clinton Portis	129 yards	at San Diego (9/14/03)	W 37-13
Clinton Portis	141 yards	at Kansas City (10/5/03)	L 23-24
Clinton Portis	117 yards	at Minnesota (10/19/03)	L 20-28
Clinton Portis	111 yards	vs. New England (11/3/03)	L 26-30
25. Clinton Portis	106 yards	vs. San Diego (11/16/03)	W 37-8
Clinton Portis	165 yards	vs. Chicago (11/23/03)	L 10-19
Clinton Portis	170 yards	at Oakland (11/30/03)	W 22-8
27. Clinton Portis	218 yards	vs. Kansas City (12/7/03)	W 45-27
28. Clinton Portis	139 yards	vs. Cleveland (12/14/03)	W 23-20 OT
29. Quentin Griffin	136 yards	at Indianapolis (12/21/03)	W 31-17
30. Quentin Griffin	156 yards	vs. Kansas City (9/12/04)	W 34-24
31. R. Droughns	193 yards	vs. Carolina (10/10/04)	W 20-17
32. R. Droughns	176 yards	at Oakland (10/17/04)	W 31-3
R. Droughns	110 yards	at Cincinnati (10/25/04)	L 10-23
33. R. Droughns	120 yards	vs. Houston (11/7/04)	W 31-13
34. R. Droughns	166 yards	at New Orleans (11/21/04)	W 34-13
R. Droughns	102 yards	vs. Oakland (11/28/04)	L 24-25
35. Tatum Bell	123 yards	vs. Miami (12/12/04)	W 20-17



SHUTOUTS, WE NO NEED NO STINKIN' SHUTOUTS

It's a rare day when the Broncos can't score any points. Denver currently holds the third longest current streak in the NFL for consecutive games without being shutout at 198. Below is a list of the top current streaks in the league.

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITHOUT BEING SHUTOUT, NFL

Team	Games
1. Minnesota	218
2. Green Bay	214
3. Denver	198

BRONCOS TOPS IN THE AFC SINCE FREE AGENCY BEGAN (1993)

Since the league's current free-agent system began in 1993, the Broncos have been extremely successful. In fact, the team has the AFC's best record, 117-75 (.609) and ranks second overall. Below are the NFL's top teams since free agency began:

NFL'S WINNINGEST TEAMS SINCE FREE AGENCY BEGAN (1993)

Team	Record	Playoff Appearances	Super Bowl Wins
1. Green Bay	127-65 (.661)	10	1
2. Denver	117-75 (.609)	7	2
3. San Francisco	112-80 (.583)	8	1
4. Kansas City	111-81 (.578)	5	0
5. Miami	109-83 (.568)	7	0

ROAD WARRIORS AGAINST THE RUN

The Broncos' run defense in road games played since 1995 has proven to be the stingiest in the NFL, allowing the fewest yards per game during that period. In the 80 contests it has played away from home, Denver is allowing an average of only 87.2 rushing yards per game.

TOP ROAD RUSHING DEFENSES SINCE 1995

Team	Rd. Games	Opp. Rush Yds.	Opp. Rush Avg.
1. Denver	80	6,973	87.2
2. Pittsburgh	80	7,159	89.5
3. Tennessee	80	7,319	91.5
4. San Francisco	80	7,444	93.1
5. San Diego	80	7,791	97.4

HOLD IT RIGHT THERE

When John Elway was ruling the roost in Denver, comebacks were often times the only thing people talked about. But since Head Coach Mike Shanahan took over the reigns in 1995, the Broncos have learned to not allow the opponents to come back on them. In Shanahan's tenure, the Broncos are 85-12 (.876) in games in which they led after three quarters, including 6-0 in '04.

BRONCOS RECORD WHEN LEADING AFTER THREE QUARTERS

Year	Record	Pct.
1995	6-1	.857
1996	10-1	.909
1997	12-0	1.000
1998	13-0	1.000
1999	5-2	.714
2000	9-1	.900
2001	7-2	.778
2002	8-2	.800
2003	9-3	.750
2004	6-0	1.000
Total	85-12	.876

RUMMY .500

With its final 10-6 record in 2004 and a 10-6 mark in 2003, Denver continued to improve its streak of 75 consecutive weeks with a .500 or better record. It is the longest such streak currently in the NFL.

CURRENT STREAKS / CONSECUTIVE WEEKS WITH .500+ RECORD

75	Denver Broncos (10/08/2000 to present)
32	Seattle Seahawks and Minnesota Vikings

HOME, SWEET HOME

The Broncos have amassed the NFL's best home record since 1974 in the regular season and postseason. Denver also has the most regular-season home victories in the league since 1974, and the most victories, regular and postseason, since 1974:

Team	Regular Season	Postseason	Total	Pct.
1. Denver	179-61-1 (.745)	11-2 (.846)	190-63-1	.750
2. Pittsburgh	170-69-1 (.710)	15-6 (.714)	185-75-1	.711
3. Miami	168-69-1 (.708)	11-6 (.647)	179-75-1	.704
4. Dallas	161-80-0 (.668)	14-4 (.778)	175-84-0	.676
5. Washington	150-88-1 (.630)	10-1 (.909)	160-89-1	.642

SHANAHAN BRINGS THE MAGIC BACK TO THE MILE HIGH AREA

Since taking over the coaching reins of the Broncos in 1995, Mike Shanahan has a 62-18 (.775) regular season record at home, the best home winning percentage among head coaches in the Broncos' 45-year history.

HOME WINNING PERCENTAGE, BRONCOS' HEAD COACHES

Head Coach (Years)	Reg. Season	Pct.
1. Mike Shanahan (1995-present)	62-18	.775
2. Dan Reeves (1981-92)	72-21	.774
3. Red Miller (1977-80)	22-9	.710
4. John Ralston (1972-76)	20-13-2	.600
5. Wade Phillips (1993-94)	9-7	.563



SHANAHAN TOPS THE CHART

Mike Shanahan's 10-year regular season record is currently first among active coaches in the league since 1995:

TOP RECORDS AMONG ACTIVE COACHES IN NFL, 1995-04

Head Coach, Team (s)	Record	Pct.
1. Mike Shanahan, Denver	101-59	.631
2. Bill Cowher, Pittsburgh	99-60-1	.622
3. Mike Holmgren, Green Bay/Seattle	98-62	.613
4. Jeff Fisher, Tennessee	93-67	.581

DENVER STRIKES FAST UNDER SHANAHAN

Since Mike Shanahan became Denver's head coach prior to the start of the 1995 season, the Broncos have not only scored the most points in the first quarter in the NFL, but they also have the biggest point-differential in the first quarter:

BEST FIRST-QUARTER POINT-DIFFERENTIAL SINCE 1995

Team	Differential	Points For	Points Against
1. Denver	+444	977	533
2. Tennessee	+228	825	593
3. Green Bay	+163	716	553

In addition, in Head Coach Mike Shanahan's career, he is first in NFL history in first-quarter leads. In Shanahan's 180 games coached, he has enjoyed a lead at the end of the first quarter 90 times (.500), which ranks first:

Coach	Games	1st-Qtr.	
		Leads	Pct.
1. Mike Shanahan	180	90	50.0
2. Greasy Neal	101	50	49.5
3. Jeff Fisher	166	82	49.4

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Denver led the NFL in 2004 with five former Broncos on its coaching staff. In 2005, six of the Broncos' 21 coaches have appeared in at least one regular-season game for the club.

Below is glance at Denver's coaches who once donned the orange and blue.

DENVER COACHES WHO PLAYED AT LEAST ONE REGULAR-SEASON GAME FOR THE BRONCOS

Coach	Pos.	Gms. (Starts) with Denver	Years
1. Ronnie Bradford (Spec. Tms.)	DB	26 (3)	1993-95
<i>Started three games at cornerback for Denver during the 1993 season.</i>			
2. Rick Dennison (Offensive Line)	LB	128 (52)	1982-90
<i>Ranked second on the Broncos with 133 tackles in 1988.</i>			
3. Gary Kubiak (Off. Coordinator)	QB	119 (5)	1983-91
<i>Played the second most career games by a Broncos QB, trailing John Elway.</i>			
4. Jim Ryan (Defensive Assistant)	LB	150 (91)	1979-88
<i>Led Denver with 125 tackles in 1987 and was on two Super Bowl teams.</i>			
5. Jimmy Spencer (Assistant DBs)	CB	53 (8)	2000-03
<i>Returned two interceptions for touchdowns with the Broncos in 2000.</i>			
6. Steve Watson (Wide Receivers)	WR	126 (87)	1979-87
<i>Posted three 1,000-yard seasons for Denver and had 16 100-yard games.</i>			

WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN 2005

• The Broncos look to extend their NFL-best home record of 190-63-1 (179-61-1 regular season) since 1974. The regular season victories and total victories are the most in the NFL over that period.

RUNNING BACK MIKE ANDERSON

• **Career Rushing Yards, Broncos:** Needs 292 yards to pass Clinton Portis (3,099) for sixth place, 600 to pass John Elway (3,407) for fifth place and 1,646 to pass Otis Armstrong (4,453) for fourth place on Denver's all-time career rushing yards list.

• **Career Rushing Touchdowns, Broncos:** Needs two rushing touchdowns to move past Otis Armstrong (25) for sixth place, six to move past Clinton Portis (29) for fifth place and 10 to pass John Elway (33) on the Broncos' all-time list for career rushing scores.

• **Career Rushing Attempts, Broncos:** Needs 74 carries to move past Jon Keyworth (699) for sixth place, 149 to move past John Elway (774) for fifth place and 398 to move past Otis Armstrong (1,023) for fourth place on the Broncos' all-time list for career rushing attempts.

KICKER JASON ELAM

• **Career Points, NFL:** Needs 29 points to pass Pat Leahy (1,470) for 12th place, 35 to pass Steve Christie (1,476) for 11th place and 40 to pass Matt Stover (1,481; active) for 10th place on the NFL's all-time career points scored list.

• **Career Field Goals Made, NFL:** Needs to make 19 field goals to pass George Blanda (335) for 11th place, 20 to pass Steve Christie (336) for 10th place and 31 to pass Al Del Greco (347) for ninth place on the NFL's all-time career field goals made list.

• **Career Field Goals Attempted, NFL:** Needs to attempt eight field goals to pass Lou Groza (405) for 18th place, 18 to pass Matt Bahr (415) for 17th place, 26 to pass Matt Stover (423, active) for 16th place and 29 to pass Pat Leahy (426) for 15th place on the NFL's all-time career field goals attempted list.

• **Career Extra Points Made, NFL:** Needs to make 27 extra points to pass Jim Breech (517) for 15th place, 29 to pass Fred Cox (519) for 14th place and 31 to pass Jim Turner (521) for 13th place on the NFL's all-time extra points made list.

• **Career Extra Points Attempted, NFL:** Needs to attempt 20 extra points to pass Mark Moseley (512) for 17th place, 27 to pass Chris Bahr (519) for 16th place and 42 to pass Matt Bahr for 15th place on the NFL's all-time extra points attempted list.

• **Career Games Played, Broncos:** Needs to play four games to pass Tom Jackson (191) for second place on Denver's all-time career games played list.



CENTER TOM NALEN

- **Career Games Started, Broncos:** Needs to start one game to pass Rubin Carter and Billy Bryan (151) for sole possession of eighth place, five to pass Steve Atwater (155) for seventh place and 13 to pass Louis Wright (163) for sixth place on Denver's all-time career games started list.

QUARTERBACK JAKE PLUMMER

- **Career Yards of Total Offense, Broncos:** Needs 575 yards of total offense (rushing and passing) to pass Charley Johnson (7,252) for sixth place, 930 to pass Terrell Davis (7,607) for fifth place and 974 to pass Frank Tripucka (7,651) for fourth place on Denver's all-time career yards of total offense list.

- **Career Passing Yards, Broncos:** Needs 167 passing yards to pass Steve Ramsey (6,437) for sixth place, 968 to pass Charley Johnson (7,238) for fifth place and 1,406 to pass Frank Tripucka (7,676) for fourth place on Denver's all-time career passing yards list.

- **Career Passing Attempts, Broncos:** Needs 97 passing attempts to pass Steve Ramsey (919) for sixth place, 148 to pass Charley Johnson (970) for fifth place and 455 to pass Frank Tripucka (1,277) for fourth place on Denver's all-time career passing attempts list.

- **Career Completions, Broncos:** Needs 26 completions to pass Charley Johnson (517) for fifth place, 171 to pass Frank Tripucka (662) for fourth place and 416 to pass Craig Morton (907) for third place on Denver's all-time career completions list.

- **Career Touchdown Passes, Broncos:** Needs 10 touchdown passes to move ahead of Frank Tripucka (51) for fifth place, 11 to pass Charley Johnson (52) for fourth place and 30 to pass Brian Griese (71) for third place on Denver's all-time career touchdown passes thrown list.

- **Career 300-Yard Passing Games, Broncos:** Needs two 300-yard games to pass Steve DeBerg (3) for sixth place, three to pass Craig Morton and Charley Johnson (4) for fourth place and four to pass Frank Tripucka (5) for third place on Denver's all-time career 300-yard passing games list.

DEFENSIVE END TREVOR PRYCE

- **Career Sacks, Broncos:** Needs five sacks to pass Lyle Alzado (64.5) for fifth place, 14 to pass Rulon Jones (73.5) for fourth place and 15.5 to pass Barney Chavous (75.0) for third place on Denver's all-time career sacks list.

- **Multiple-Sack Games, Broncos:** Needs two multiple-sack games to pass Lyle Alzado (13) for fourth place, four to pass Paul Smith (15) for third place and five to pass Barney Chavous (16) for second place on Denver's all-time career multiple-sack games list.

WIDE RECEIVER ROD SMITH

- **Career Touchdowns, Broncos:** Needs to score four touchdowns to pass Terrell Davis (65) for first place on Denver's all-time career touchdowns scored list.

- **Career Points Scored, Broncos:** Needs to score 23 points to pass Terrell Davis (396) for sixth place, 35 to pass Gene Mingo (408) for fifth place and 56 to pass David Treadwell (429) for fourth on Denver's all-time career points scored list.

- **Career Receptions, NFL:** Needs 12 catches to pass Marshall Faulk (723, current) for 19th place, 32 to pass Andre Rison (743) for 18th place, 39 to pass Charlie Joiner and Michael Irvin (750) for 16th place, 44 to pass Keenan McCardell (755, current) for 15th place and 53 to pass James Lofton (764) for 14th place in NFL history for career receptions.

- **Career Receiving Yards, NFL:** Needs 60 yards receiving to pass Drew Hill (9,831) for 22nd place, 289 to pass Shannon Sharpe (10,060) for 21st place, 434 to pass Andre Rison (10,205) for 20th place, 495 to pass Lance Alworth (10,266) for 19th place and 601 to pass Harold Jackson (10,372) for 18th place in NFL history for career receiving yards.

- **Consecutive Games with a Reception, Broncos:** Every game he catches a pass in this season will increase his franchise record for consecutive games with a reception (92).

- **Combined Yardage, Broncos:** Needs 1,303 combined yards (receiving/rushing/returns) to pass Floyd Little (12,157) for first place on Denver's all-time career combined yards list.

- **Punt Return Yards, Broncos:** Needs 45 punt return yards to pass Vance Johnson (689) for eighth place, 249 to pass Floyd Little (893) for seventh place, 278 to pass Darrien Gordon (922) for sixth place and 366 to pass Gerald Willhite (1,010) for fifth place on Denver's all-time career punt return yards list.



RECORDS WATCH – WHICH BRONCOS ARE CLIMBING THE CHARTS

(as of preseason 2005)

RB MIKE ANDERSON

CAREER RUSHING YARDS, BRONCOS

1. Terrell Davis, 1995-2002	7,607
2. Floyd Little, 1967-75	6,323
3. Sammy Winder, 1982-90	5,428
4. Otis Armstrong, 1973-80	4,453
5. John Elway, 1983-98	3,407
6. Clinton Portis, 2002-03	3,099
7. Mike Anderson, 2000-04	2,808

CAREER RUSHING ATTEMPTS, BRONCOS

1. Terrell Davis, 1995-2002	1,655
2. Floyd Little, 1967-75	1,641
3. Sammy Winder, 1982-90	1,493
4. Otis Armstrong, 1973-80	1,023
5. John Elway, 1983-98	774
6. Jon Keyworth, 1974-80	699
7. Mike Anderson, 2000-04	626

CAREER RUSHING TDs, BRONCOS

1. Terrell Davis, 1995-2002	60
2. Floyd Little, 1967-75	43
3. Sammy Winder, 1982-90	39
4. John Elway, 1983-98	33
5. Clinton Portis, 2002-03	29
6. Otis Armstrong, 1973-80	25
7. Mike Anderson, 2000-04	24

K JASON ELAM

CAREER POINTS, NFL

9. John Carney, 1988-2004	1,537
10. Matt Stover, 1991-2004	1,481
11. Steve Christie, 1990-2004	1,476
12. Pat Leahy, 1974-91	1,470
13. Jason Elam, 1993-2004	1,442

CAREER FIELD GOALS MADE, NFL

8. Matt Stover, 1991-2004	350
9. Al Del Greco, 1984-2000	347
10. Steve Christie, 1990-2004	336
11. George Blanda, 1949-75	335
12. Jason Elam, 1993-2004	317

CAREER FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED, NFL

15. Pat Leahy, 1974-91	426
16. Matt Stover, 1991-2004	423
17. Matt Bahr, 1979-95	415
18. Lou Groza, 1950-67	405
19. Jason Elam, 1993-2004	398

CAREER EXTRA POINTS MADE, NFL

12. Matt Bahr, 1979-95	522
13. Jim Turner, 1964-79	521
14. Fred Cox, 1963-77	519
15. Jim Breech, 1979-92	517
16. Jason Elam, 1993-2004	491

CAREER EXTRA POINTS ATTEMPTED, NFL

13t. Jim Breach, 1979-92	539
13t. Fred Cox, 1963-77	539
15. Matt Bahr, 1979-95	534
16. Chris Bahr, 1976-89	519
17. Mark Moseley, 1970-86	512
18. Jason Elam, 1993-2004	493

CAREER GAMES PLAYED, BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	234
2. Tom Jackson, 1973-86	191
3. Jason Elam, 1993-2004	188
4. Paul Howard, 1973-86	187
5. Dennis Smith, 1981-94	184

C TOM NALEN

CAREER STARTS, BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	231
2. Bill Thompson, 1969-81	178
3. Tom Jackson, 1973-86	177
3t. Barney Chavous, 1973-85	177
5. Dennis Smith, 1981-94	170
6. Louis Wright, 1975-86	163
7. Steve Atwater, 1989-98	155
8t. Billy Bryan, 1977-88	151
8t. Ruben Carter, 1975-86	151
8t. Tom Nalen, 1994-2004	151

QB JAKE PLUMMER

CAREER PASSING YARDS, BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	51,475
2. Craig Morton, 1977-82	11,895
3. Brian Griese, 1998-2002	11,763
4. Frank Tripucka, 1960-63	7,676
5. Charley Johnson, 1972-75	7,238
6. Steve Ramsey, 1971-76	6,437
7. Jake Plummer, 2003-04	6,271

CAREER PASSING ATTEMPTS, BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	7,250
2. Brian Griese, 1998-2002	1,678
3. Craig Morton, 1977-82	1,594
4. Frank Tripucka, 1960-63	1,277
5. Charley Johnson, 1972-75	970
6. Steve Ramsey, 1971-76	919
7. Jake Plummer, 2003-04	823

CAREER COMPLETIONS, BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	4,123
2. Brian Griese, 1998-2002	1,044
3. Craig Morton, 1977-82	907
4. Frank Tripucka, 1960-63	662
5. Charley Johnson, 1972-75	517
6. Jake Plummer, 2003-04	492

CAREER TD PASSES, BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	300
2. Craig Morton, 1977-82	74
3. Brian Griese, 1998-2002	71
4. Charley Johnson, 1972-75	52
5. Frank Tripucka, 1960-63	51
6. Jake Plummer, 2003-04	42

CAREER 300-YD. GAMES, BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	40
2. Brian Griese, 1998-2002	12
3. Frank Tripucka, 1960-63	5
4t. Charley Johnson, 1972-75	4
4t. Craig Morton, 1977-82	4
5. Steve DeBerg, 1981-83	3
6. Jake Plummer, 2003-04	2

CAREER YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE (RUSHING AND PASSING), BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	54,882
2. Brian Griese, 1998-2002	12,279
3. Craig Morton, 1977-82	12,155
4. Frank Tripucka, 1960-63	7,651
5. Terrell Davis, 1995-2002	7,607
6. Charley Johnson, 1972-75	7,252
7. Jake Plummer, 2003-04	6,678

RUSHING YARDS BY A QB, BRONCOS

1. John Elway, 1983-98	3,407
2. Brian Griese, 1998-2002	516
3. Jake Plummer, 2003-04	407
4. Norris Weese, 1976-79	362
5. Mickey Slaughter, 1963-66	266

DE TREVOR PRYCE

CAREER SACKS, BRONCOS

1. Simon Fletcher, 1985-95	97.5
2. Karl Mecklenburg, 1983-94	79.5
3. Barney Chavous, 1973-85	75
4. Rulon Jones, 1980-88	73.5
5. Lyle Alzado, 1971-78	64.5
6. Trevor Pryce, 1997-2004	60

MULTIPLE-SACK GAMES, BRONCOS

1. Simon Fletcher, 1985-95	20
2. Barney Chavous, 1973-85	16
3. Paul Smith, 1968-78	15
4. Lyle Alzado, 1971-78	13
5. Trevor Pryce, 1997-04	12

WR JERRY RICE

CAREER GAMES PLAYED, NFL

1. Morten Andersen, 1982-2004	354
2. Gary Anderson, 1982-2004	353
3. George Blanda, 1949-75	340
4. Jerry Rice, 1985-2004	303
5. Bruce Matthews, 1983-2001	296



RECORDS WATCH – WHICH BRONCOS ARE CLIMBING THE CHARTS (as of preseason 2005)

CAREER POINTS, NFL

17.	Jim Bakken, 1963-78	1,380
18.	Fred Cox, 1963-77	1,365
19.	Lou Groza, 1950-67	1,349
20.	Jason Hanson, 1992-2004	1,336
21.	Jerry Rice, 1985-2004	1,256

WR ROD SMITH

CAREER TOUCHDOWNS, BRONCOS

1.	Terrell Davis, 1995-2002	65
2.	Rod Smith, 1995-2004	62
3.	Shannon Sharpe, 1990-98, '02-03	55
4.	Floyd Little, 1967-75	54
5.	Sammy Winder, 1982-90	48

POINTS SCORED, BRONCOS

1.	Jason Elam, 1993-2004	1,442
2.	Jim Turner, 1971-79	742
3.	Rich Karlis, 1982-88	655
4.	David Treadwell, 1989-92	429
5.	Gene Mingo, 1960-64	408
6.	Terrell Davis, 1995-2001	396
7.	Rod Smith, 1995-2004	374

CAREER RECEPTIONS, NFL

16t.	Michael Irvin, 1988-99	750
16t.	Charlie Joiner, 1969-86	750
18.	Andre Rison, 1989-2000	743
19.	Marshall Faulk, 1994-2004	723
20.	Rod Smith, 1995-2004	712

CAREER RECEIVING YARDS, NFL

20.	Andre Rison, 1989-2000	10,205
21.	Shannon Sharpe, 1990-2003	10,060
22.	Drew Hill, 1979-93	9,831
23t.	Rod Smith, 1995-2004	9,772
23t.	Terrell Owens, 1996-2004	9,772

COMBINED YARDAGE (RECEIVING, RUSHING, RETURNS), BRONCOS

1.	Floyd Little, 1967-75	12,157
2.	Rod Smith, 1995-2004	10,855
3.	Rick Upchurch, 1975-83	10,081
4.	Terrell Davis, 1995-2002	8,887
5.	Shannon Sharpe, 1990-99, '02-03	8,448

CAREER PUNT RETURN YARDS, BRONCOS

1.	Rick Upchurch, 1975-83	3,008
2.	Bill Thompson, 1969-81	1,814
3.	Deltha O'Neal, 2000-03	1,325
4.	Glyn Milburn, 1993-95	1,158
5.	Gerald Willhite, 1982-88	1,010
6.	Darrien Gordon, 1997-98	922
7.	Floyd Little, 1967-75	893
8.	Vance Johnson, 1985-91	689
9.	Rod Smith, 1995-2004	645



2005 BRONCOS WEEKLY RELEASE

2005 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME OFFENSIVE STARTERS

GAME	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	QB	RB	FB
at Houston	Smith	Green	Hamilton	Nalen	Carlisle	Foster	Alexander	Lelie	Plummer	Anderson	Johnson
vs. San Fran.											
vs. Ind.											
at Arizona											

2005 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME DEFENSIVE STARTERS

GAME	LE	LT	RT	RE	WLB	MLB	SLB	LCB	RCB	SS	FS
at Houston	Ekuban	Myers	Pope	Pryce	Gold	Wilson	D.J. Williams	Da. Williams	Walls	Ferguson	Lynch
vs. San Fran.											
vs. Ind.											
at Arizona											

DENVER'S PRESEASON RECORD WAS...

0-0	when leading after 1st quarter	0-0	when Denver passes for 300 yards
1-0	when leading after 2nd quarter	0-0	when opponent passes for 300 yards
1-0	when leading after 3rd quarter	1-0	when playing indoors
1-0	when trailing after 1st quarter	0-0	when playing outdoors
0-0	when trailing after 2nd quarter	0-0	when playing on an artificial surface
0-0	when trailing after 3rd quarter	1-0	when playing on natural grass
0-0	when Denver scores first	1-0	when winning the coin toss
1-0	when opponent scores first	0-0	when losing the coin toss
0-0	when tied at the half	1-0	when scoring 20 or more points
1-0	when Denver rushes for 100 yards	0-0	when yielding 20 or more points
1-0	when opponent rushes for 100 yards	0-0	in overtime games
0-0	when winning turnover margin	0-0	when losing turnover margin

2005 BRONCOS PRESEASON TURNOVER RATIO

Opponent	GIVEAWAYS			TAKEAWAYS			Difference	Result
	Interceptions	Fumbles	Total	Interceptions	Fumbles	Total		
at Houston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W
vs. San Fran.								
vs. Ind.								
at Arizona								
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1-0



2005 PRESEASON INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

BRONCOS

YARDS RUSHING.....	56, Ron Dayne, at Houston (8/13/05)
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	11, Ron Dayne, at Houston (8/13/05)
RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS.....	None
YARDS PASSING	107, Bradlee Van Pelt, at Houston (8/13/05)
PASS ATTEMPTS	17, Bradlee Van Pelt, at Houston (8/13/05)
PASS COMPLETIONS.....	10, Bradlee Van Pelt, at Houston (8/13/05)
TOUCHDOWN PASSES	1, Matt Mauck and Jake Plummer, at Houston (8/13/05)
PASSES HAD INTERCEPTED	None
RECEPTIONS	3, Charlie Adams, at Houston (8/13/05)
RECEIVING YARDS	92, Todd Devoe, at Houston (8/13/05)
RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS	1, Stephen Alexander and Todd Devoe, at Houston (8/13/05)
TOTAL YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE.....	92, Todd Devoe, at Houston (8/13/05)
FIELD GOALS	2, Jason Elam, at Houston (8/13/05)
TACKLES	4, Brandon, Foxworth, Green, Paymah, at Houston (8/13/05)
INTERCEPTIONS	None
SACKS	1.0, John Engelberger and Louis Green, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST RUN FROM SCRIMMAGE.....	40, Bradlee Van Pelt, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST PASS COMPLETION	92t, Matt Mauck, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST PASS RECEPTION	92t, Todd Devoe, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN.....	None
LONGEST PUNT RETURN	14, Darrent Williams, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN	26, Darrent Williams, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST PUNT	46, Todd Sauerbrun, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST FIELD GOAL.....	27, Jason Elam, at Houston (8/13/05)

OPPONENTS

YARDS RUSHING.....	26, Vernand Morency, at Houston (8/13/05)
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	10, Vernand Morency, at Houston (8/13/05)
RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS.....	None
YARDS PASSING	62, Tony Banks, at Houston (8/13/05)
PASS ATTEMPTS	9, Tony Banks, at Houston (8/13/05)
PASS COMPLETIONS.....	5, Dave Ragone, at Houston (8/13/05)
TOUCHDOWN PASSES	1, Tony Banks and Dave Ragone, at Houston (8/13/05)
PASSES HAD INTERCEPTED	None
RECEPTIONS	2, LaTarence Dunbar and Kevin Kasper, at Houston (8/13/05)
RECEIVING YARDS	31, Matt Murphy, at Houston (8/13/05)
RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS	1, LaTarence Dunbar and Matt Murphy, at Houston (8/13/05)
TOTAL YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE.....	34, Tony Hollings, at Houston (8/13/05)
FIELD GOALS	None
TACKLES	7, C.C. Brown, at Houston (8/13/05)
INTERCEPTIONS	None
SACKS	1.0, Shantee Orr, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST RUN FROM SCRIMMAGE.....	12, Vernand Morency, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST PASS COMPLETION	31t, Tony Banks, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST PASS RECEPTION	31t, Matt Murphy, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN.....	None
LONGEST PUNT RETURN	17, Reggie Swinton, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN	31, Kevin Kasper, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST PUNT	44, Chad Stanley, at Houston (8/13/05)
LONGEST FIELD GOAL.....	None



2005 PRESEASON BRONCOS SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

BRONCOS	HIGHS	LOWS
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	17, at Houston (8/13/05)	
TOTAL NET YARDS	396, at Houston (8/13/05)	
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS	61, at Houston (8/13/05)	
NET YARDS RUSHING	130, at Houston (8/13/05)	
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	29, at Houston (8/13/05)	
NET YARDS PASSING	266, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PASS ATTEMPTS	30, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PASS COMPLETIONS	18, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PASSES HAD INTERCEPTED	None	
TIMES SACKED	2.0, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PUNTS	6, at Houston (8/13/05)	
GROSS PUNTING AVERAGE	40.2, at Houston (8/13/05)	
NET PUNTING AVERAGE	29.7, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PUNT RETURNS	4, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PUNT RETURN YARDS	10, at Houston (8/13/05)	
KICKOFF RETURNS	2, at Houston (8/13/05)	
KICKOFF RETURN YARDS	50, at Houston (8/13/05)	
INTERCEPTION RETURNS	None	
INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS	None	
PENALTIES	10, at Houston (8/13/05)	
YARDS PENALIZED	95, at Houston (8/13/05)	
FUMBLES	1, at Houston (8/13/05)	
FUMBLES LOST	None	
SACKS MADE	2.0, at Houston (8/13/05)	
FUMBLES FORCED	1, at Houston (8/13/05)	
FUMBLES RECOVERED	None	
TIME OF POSSESSION	29:32, at Houston (8/13/05)	

2005 PRESEASON OPPONENT SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

OPPONENT	HIGHS	LOWS
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	13, at Houston (8/13/05)	
TOTAL NET YARDS	229, at Houston (8/13/05)	
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS	56, at Houston (8/13/05)	
NET YARDS RUSHING	100, at Houston (8/13/05)	
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	30, at Houston (8/13/05)	
NET YARDS PASSING	129, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PASS ATTEMPTS	24, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PASS COMPLETIONS	12, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PASSES HAD INTERCEPTED	None	
TIMES SACKED	2.0, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PUNTS	7, at Houston (8/13/05)	
GROSS PUNTING AVERAGE	38.9, at Houston (8/13/05)	
NET PUNTING AVERAGE	34.6, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PUNT RETURNS	3, at Houston (8/13/05)	
PUNT RETURN YARDS	23, at Houston (8/13/05)	
KICKOFF RETURNS	4, at Houston (8/13/05)	
KICKOFF RETURN YARDS	93, at Houston (8/13/05)	
INTERCEPTION RETURNS	None	
INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS	None	
PENALTIES	12, at Houston (8/13/05)	
YARDS PENALIZED	84, at Houston (8/13/05)	
FUMBLES	1, at Houston (8/13/05)	
FUMBLES LOST	None	
SACKS MADE	2.0, at Houston (8/13/05)	
FUMBLES FORCED	1, at Houston (8/13/05)	
FUMBLES RECOVERED	None	
TIME OF POSSESSION	30:28, at Houston (8/13/05)	



2005 BRONCOS WEEKLY RELEASE

LONGEST SCORING DRIVES OF 2005 PRESEASON

Most Plays:

Broncos: 11 (at Houston, Aug. 13, FG, 71 yards, 5:26)
 Opponent: 7 (at Houston, Aug. 13, TD, 54 yards, 2:26)

Most Yards:

Broncos: 99 (at Houston, Aug. 13, TD, 3 plays, 1:28)
 Opponent: 54 (at Houston, Aug. 13, TD, 7 plays, 2:26)

Most Time:

Broncos: 5:26 (at Houston, Aug. 13, FG, 11 plays, 71 yards)
 Opponent: 3:55 (at Houston, Aug. 13, TD, 7 plays, 54 yards)

2005 PRESEASON SACK CHART

John Engelberger (1.0) — 1.0 at Houston (8/13/05); Louis Green (1.0) — 1.0 at Houston (8/13/05).

SHORTEST SCORING DRIVES OF 2005 PRESEASON

Fewest Plays:

Broncos: 1 (at New Orleans, Nov. 21, TD, 51 yards, 0:10)
 Opponent: 1 (vs. Houston, Nov. 7, TD, 1 yds, 0:04)

Fewest Yards:

Broncos: -2 (vs. Indianapolis, Jan. 2, FG, 4 plays, 0:50)
 Opponent: -11 (at Cincinnati, Oct. 25, FG, 4 plays, 1:39)

Fewest Time:

Broncos: 0:10 (at New Orleans, Nov. 21, TD, 1 plays, 51 yards)
 Opponent: 0:04 (vs. Houston, Nov. 7, TD, 1 play, 1 yd)

2005 PRESEASON INTERCEPTION CHART

Team (0) — None.

BRONCOS INDIVIDUAL LEADERS BY STATISTICAL CATEGORY

Category	Player	AFC Rank	AFC Leader	NFL Rank	NFL Leader
Scoring	Elam — 8	5th	Radar, Miami — 12	9th	Peterson, Atlanta — 19
Rushing	Dayne — 56	4th	Turner, San Diego — 70	15th	Two Players — 90
Passing Yards	Van Pelt — 107	10th	T. Brown, Indianapolis — 299	19th	T. Brown, Indianapolis — 299
Passer Rating	Plummer — 117.1	4th	Volek, Tennessee — 127.5	11th	Rattay, San Francisco — 156.3
Receiving Yards	Devoe — 92	3rd	Mann, Miami — 111	4th	Bradley, Chicago — 194
Receptions	Adams — 3	T15th	Two Players — 8	T31st	Bradley, Chicago — 9
Punting Avg	Sauerbrun — 40.2	T11th	Graham, N.Y. Jets — 54.7	T22nd	Bidwell, Tampa Bay — 56.7
Net Punting Avg	Sauerbrun — 29.7	17th	Hentrich, Tennessee — 44.0	33rd	Bidwell, Tampa Bay — 50.0
Interceptions	None	None	14 Players — 1	None	D. Johnson, San Francisco — 2
Kickoff Ret. Avg	Da. Williams — 25.0	T7th	Cribbs, Cleveland — 35.0	T16th	Redmond, Arizona — 48.0
Punt Ret. Avg	Da. Williams — 2.5	20th	Allen, Jacksonville — 76.0	42nd	Allen, Jacksonville — 76.0

HOW THE BRONCOS RANK IN THE AFC AND NFL

Category	Broncos Total	AFC Rank	AFC Leader	NFL Rank	NFL Leader
Points Per Game	20.0	4th	Jacksonville — 27.0	T9th	Seattle — 34.0
Total Yards Per Game	396.0	1st	Denver — 396.0	4th	Chicago — 415.5
Yards Per Play	6.5	1st	Denver — 6.5	2nd	Minnesota — 6.6
Rushing Yards Per Game	130.0	4th	New England — 161.0	8th	Seattle — 216.0
Net Passing Yds. Per Game	266.0	3rd	Oakland — 300.0	5th	Washington — 330.0
Interceptions thrown (fewest)	0	T1st	Six Teams — 0	T1st	11 Teams — 0
Sacks (fewest)	2	T5th	Two Teams — 0	T10th	Five Teams — 0
First Downs Per Game	17.0	T8th	Kansas City — 26.0	T16th	Kansas City — 26.0
Third-Down Efficiency	43.8	T4th	Cincinnati — 57.1	T5th	Cincinnati — 57.1
Fourth-Down Efficiency	None	None	Four Teams — 100.0	None	Eight Teams — 100.0
Points Per Game	14.0	T5th	N.Y. Jets — 3.0	T13th	N.Y. Jets — 3
Total Yards Per Game	229.0	T4th	San Diego — 196.0	6	San Diego — 196.0
Yards Per Play	4.1	5th	New England — 3.5	8th	New England — 3.5
Rushing Yards Per Game	100.0	7th	Buffalo — -5	T14th	Buffalo — -5
Net Passing Yds. Per Game	129.0	5th	Tennessee — 100.0	7th	Tennessee — 100.0
Interceptions (most)	None	None	Three Teams — 2	None	Atlanta — 4
Sacks (most)	2	T10th	Buffalo — 6	T18th	Two Teams — 6
First Downs Allowed Per Game	13.0	3rd	Oakland — 10.0	5th	Oakland — 10.0
Third-Down Efficiency	35.7	8th	San Diego — 18.2	13th	Detroit — 11.1
Fourth-Down Efficiency	0.0	T8th	Six Teams — 0.0	T16th	15 Teams — 0.0



2005 BRONCOS WEEKLY RELEASE

BRONCOS 2005 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME SCORING DRIVES

Date	Opp.	Plays	Yards	Time	Res.	Qtr	Scoring Play	Quarterback
8-13	@HOU	10	76	5:19	TD	2	S. Alexander 3-yd. pass from Plummer (Elam kick)	Plummer
8-13	@HOU	11	71	5:26	FG	2	Elam 27-yd. field goal	Van Pelt
8-13	@HOU	10	75	4:42	FG	4	Elam 24-yd. field goal	Van Pelt
8-13	@HOU	3	99	1:28	TD	4	Devoe 92-yd. pass from Mauck (Elam kick)	Mauck

BRONCOS 2005 PRESEASON TOUCHDOWN DRIVE ANALYSIS

Yards	TD Length	TD Drive Length	Possession Time	TDs	Plays	TDs
1 - 9 yards	1	-	00:00 - 00:59	-	1	-
10 - 19 yards	-	-	01:00 - 01:59	1	2	-
20 - 29 yards	-	-	02:00 - 02:59	-	3	1
30 - 39 yards	-	-	03:00 - 03:59	-	4	-
40 - 49 yards	-	-	04:00 - 04:59	-	5	-
50 - 59 yards	-	-	05:00 - 05:59	1	6	-
60 - 69 yards	-	-	06:00 - 06:59	-	7	-
70 - 79 yards	-	1	07:00 - 07:59	-	8	-
80 - 89 yards	-	-	08:00 - 08:59	-	9	-
90 - 99 yards	1	1	09:00 - 09:59	-	10	1
			10:00 - 10:59	-	11	-
			11:00 - 11:59	-	12	-
			12:00 - 12:59	-	13	-
			13:00 - 13:59	-	14	-
			14:00 - 14:59	-	15	-
			15:00 +	-	16+	-
			TOTAL	2	TOTAL	2

2005 PRESEASON GAME OPENING DRIVES

		BRONCOS			OPPONENT		
		Pts	FD	Yds.	Pts	FD	Yds.
8-13	@HOU	0	0	-1	0	3	72
TOTAL		0	0	-1	0	3	72

2005 PRESEASON 2ND HALF OPENING DRIVES

		BRONCOS			OPPONENT		
		Pts	FD	Yds.	Pts	FD	Yds.
8-13	@HOU	0	2	28	0	0	-4
TOTAL		0	2	28	0	0	-4

2005 PRESEASON SCORING DRIVE LENGTH

	BRONCOS		OPPONENT	
	TD	FG	TD	FG
(MINUS)	-	-	-	-
0 - 9	-	-	-	-
10 - 19	-	-	-	-
20 - 29	-	-	-	-
30 - 39	-	-	-	-
40 - 49	-	-	1	-
50 - 59	-	-	1	-
60 - 69	-	-	-	-
70 - 79	1	2	-	-
80 - 89	-	-	-	-
90 - 99	1	-	-	-
TOTAL	2	2	2	0

DENVER BRONCOS 2005 PRESEASON TEAM STATISTICS (1-0)

Date	W-L	Score	OT	Opponent	Attendance	Rushing	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
08/13	W	20-14		at Houston	70,016	Dayne	11	56	5.1	23	0			
08/20				San Francisco		Van Pelt	3	45	15.0	40	0			
08/27				Indianapolis		Anderson	6	12	2.0	5	0			
09/02				at Arizona		Bell	8	11	1.4	6	0			
						Plummer	1	6	6.0	6	0			
				Denver	Opponent	Team	29	130	4.5	40	0			
						Opponents	30	100	3.3	12	0			
Total First Downs				17	13	Receiving	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
Rushing				4	4	Adams	3	43	14.3	19	0			
Passing				12	6	Smith	2	28	14.0	17	0			
Penalty				1	3	Watts	2	25	12.5	17	0			
3rd Down: Made/Att				7/16	5/14	Dayne	2	14	7.0	9	0			
3rd Down Pct.				43.8	35.7	Devoe	1	92	92.0	92t	1			
4th Down: Made/Att				0/0	0/1	Lelie	1	30	30.0	30	0			
4th Down Pct.				0.0	0.0	Putzier	1	11	11.0	11	0			
Possession Avg.				29:32	30:28	K. Johnson	1	10	10.0	10	0			
Total Net Yards				396	229	Bell	1	8	8.0	8	0			
Avg. Per Game				396.0	229.0	Rice	1	6	6.0	6	0			
Total Plays				61	56	Anderson	1	5	5.0	5	0			
Avg. Per Play				6.5	4.1	Luke	1	4	4.0	4	0			
Net Yards Rushing				130	100	S. Alexander	1	3	3.0	3t	1			
Avg. Per Game				130.0	100.0	Team	18	279	15.5	92t	2			
Total Rushes				29	30	Opponents	12	140	11.7	31t	2			
Net Yards Passing				266	129	Interceptions	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
Avg. Per Game				266.0	129.0	Team	0	0	---	---	0			
Sacked/Yards Lost				2/13	2/11	Opponents	0	0	---	---	0			
Gross Yards				279	140	Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
Att./Completions				30/18	24/12	Sauerbrun	6	241	40.2	29.7	2	1	46	0
Completion Pct.				60.0	50.0	Team	6	241	40.2	29.7	2	1	46	0
Had Intercepted				0	0	Opponents	7	272	38.9	34.6	1	3	44	0
Punts/Average				6/40.2	7/38.9	Punt Returns	Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
Net Punting Avg.				6/29.7	7/34.6	Da. Williams	4	1	10	2.5	14	0		
Penalties/Yards				10/95	12/84	Team	4	1	10	2.5	14	0		
Fumbles/Ball Lost				1/0	1/0	Opponents	3	1	23	7.7	17	0		
Touchdowns				2	2	Kickoff Returns	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
Rushing				0	0	Da. Williams	2	50	25.0	26	0			
Passing				2	2	Team	2	50	25.0	26	0			
Returns				0	0	Opponents	4	93	23.3	31	0			
Score By Periods				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	PTS					
Team				0	10	0	10	0	20					
Opponents				7	0	0	7	0	14					
Scoring	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS	Field Goals	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Elam	0	0	0	0	2/2	2/2	0	8	Elam	0/0	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/0
S. Alexander	1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6	Elam	0/0	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/0
Devoe	1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6	Team	0/0	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/0
Team	2	0	2	0	2/2	2/2	0	20	Opponents	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Opponents	2	0	2	0	2/2	0/0	0	14	Opponents	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0

2-Pt. Conversions: Team 0-0, Opponents 0-0
 Sacks: Engelberger 1.0, L. Green 1.0, Team 2.0, Opponents 2.0

Elam: (27G,24G)

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
Van Pelt	17	10	107	58.8	6.29	0	0.0	0	0.0	19	2/13	77.3
Plummer	10	6	76	60.0	7.60	1	10.0	0	0.0	30	0/0	117.1
Mauck	3	2	96	66.7	32.00	1	33.3	0	0.0	92t	0/0	149.3
Team	30	18	279	60.0	9.30	2	6.7	0	0.0	92t	2/13	113.1
Opponents	24	12	140	50.0	5.83	2	8.3	0	0.0	31t	2/11	95.8

DENVER BRONCOS 2005 PRESEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS (1-0)
(based on press box statistics)

	PLAYER	TT	UT	A	S	Yds.	I	Yds.	PD	FF	FR
1	Brandon	4	3	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0
	Foxworth	4	3	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0
	Green	4	4	0	1.0	6.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Paymah	4	4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	2	0	0
5	Pierce	3	3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Steele	3	3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Wilson	3	3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Davis	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0
	Ferguson	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Gold	2	0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	LeSueur	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	M. Myers	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Pryce	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Da. Williams	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	2	0	0
D.J. Williams	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	
16	Burns	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Chukwurah	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0
	Ekuban	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Elliss	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Engelberger	1	1	0	1.0	5.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Lynch	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sykes	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
	Walls	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0
	24 Browner	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0
	Totals	49	40	9	2.0	11.0	0	0	9	1	0

SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

	PLAYER	TT	UT	A	FF	FR	BK	BP	TD
1	LeSueur	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Adams	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	R. Alexander	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Bell	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Brandon	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Green	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sapp	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	TEAM	8	7	1	0	0	0	0	0

MISCELLANEOUS TACKLES: None.

MISCELLANEOUS FUMBLE RECOVERIES: None.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL TEAMS FUMBLE RECOVERIES: Adams 1.

MISCELLANEOUS FORCED FUMBLES: None.

DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS: None.

TWO-POINT CONVERSION STOPS: None.

BLOCKED PUNTS: None.

BLOCKED KICKS: None.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS 2005 PRESEASON TEAM STATISTICS (1-0)

Date	W-L	Score	OT	Opponent	Attendance	Rushing	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
08/13	W	21-13		Oakland	61,446	Purify	7	31	4.4	10	0
08/20				at Denver		Hicks	6	14	2.3	5	0
08/26				Tennessee		A. Smith	2	8	4.0	7	0
09/01				at San Diego		Barlow	4	6	1.5	4	0

SAN FRANCISCO				Opponent				Receiving						
						No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD				
Total First Downs	10			24		Team	21	66	3.1	10	0			
Rushing	3			3		Opponents	22	82	3.7	13	0			
Passing	6			18		Lloyd	5	87	17.4	36t	1			
Penalty	1			3		Battle	2	21	10.5	13t	1			
3rd Down: Made/Att	4/13			7/16		Hicks	1	12	12.0	12	0			
3rd Down Pct.	30.8			43.8		Jackson	1	11	11.0	11	0			
4th Down: Made/Att	0/0			1/3		Morton	1	9	9.0	9	0			
4th Down Pct.	0.0			33.3		McAddley	1	8	8.0	8	0			
Possession Avg.	23:03			36:57		Zeigler	1	6	6.0	6	0			
Total Net Yards	217			382		Purify	1	4	4.0	4	0			
Avg. Per Game	217.0			382.0		Fleck	1	3	3.0	3	0			
Total Plays	48			78		Team	14	161	11.5	36t	2			
Avg. Per Play	4.5			4.9		Opponents	31	325	10.5	27	1			
Net Yards Rushing	66			82		Interceptions								
Avg. Per Game	66.0			82.0		No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD				
Total Rushes	21			22		D. Johnson	2	89	44.5	87t	1			
Net Yards Passing	151			300		M. Adams	1	41	41.0	41	0			
Avg. Per Game	151.0			300.0		Team	3	130	43.3	87t	1			
Sacked/Yards Lost	3/10			4/25		Opponents	1	6	6.0	6	0			
Gross Yards	161			325		Punting								
Att./Completions	24/14			52/31		No.	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B	
Completion Pct.	58.3			59.6		Lee	6	245	40.8	30.0	0	1	50	0
Had Intercepted	1			3		Team	6	245	40.8	30.0	0	1	50	0
Punts/Average	6/40.8			3/34.3		Opponents	3	103	34.3	34.3	0	3	40	0
Net Punting Avg.	6/30.0			3/34.3		Punt Returns								
Penalties/Yards	8/58			7/47		Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD			
Fumbles/Ball Lost	0/0			1/1		Fleck	0	1	0	---	---	0		
Touchdowns	3			1		Team	0	1	0	---	---	0		
Rushing	0			0		Opponents	3	2	65	21.7	36	0		
Passing	2			1		Kickoff Returns								
Returns	1			0		No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD				

Score By Periods								Kickoff Returns						
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	PTS		No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
Team	0	0	21	0	0	21	Fleck	2	42	21.0	24	0		
Opponents	3	3	0	7	0	13	Marshall	1	20	20.0	20	0		
							McAddley	1	27	27.0	27	0		
Scoring	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS	Team	4	89	22.3	27	0
Battle	1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6	Opponents	4	83	20.8	25	0
D. Johnson	1	0	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	6	Field Goals					
Lloyd	1	0	1	0	0/0	0/0	0	6	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	
Nedney	0	0	0	0	3/3	0/0	0	3	Yliniemi	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0
Yliniemi	0	0	0	0	0/0	0/1	0	0	Team	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0
Team	3	0	2	1	3/3	0/1	0	21	Opponents	0/0	1/1	0/0	1/2	0/0
Opponents	1	0	1	0	1/1	2/3	0	13	Yliniemi: (24N)					

2-Pt. Conversions: Team 0-0, Opponents 0-0
 Sacks: C. Cooper 2.0, C. Smith 2.0, Team 4.0, Opponents 3.0

Opponents: (47N,20G,44G)

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
A. Smith	9	3	25	33.3	2.78	0	0.0	0	0.0	11	1/5	42.4
Rattay	8	6	103	75.0	12.88	2	25.0	0	0.0	36t	1/4	156.3
Dorsey	7	5	33	71.4	4.71	0	0.0	1	14.3	12	1/1	41.7
Team	24	14	161	58.3	6.71	2	8.3	1	4.2	36t	3/10	89.1
Opponents	52	31	325	59.6	6.25	1	1.9	3	5.8	27	4/25	60.2

DENVER BRONCOS 2005 DEPTH CHART

(AS OF MONDAY, AUG. 18, 2005)

Broncos Offense

WR	80	Rod Smith	17	Darius Watts	81	Charlie Adams	14	<u>Todd Devoe</u>
							15	<u>Romar Crenshaw</u>
LT	78	Matt Lepsis	74	Cornell Green	64	<u>Erik Pears</u>		
LG	50	Ben Hamilton	63	Tim Stuber	73	Cameron Spikes		
C	66	Tom Nalen	71	<u>Chris Watton</u>	62	<u>Chris Myers</u>	79	<u>Ben Nowland</u>
RG	65	Cooper Carlisle	77	Dwayne Carswell	69	<u>Zach Wilson</u>		
RT	72	George Foster	67	Anthony Clement	70	Tyson Clabo		
TE	82	Stephen Alexander	88	Jeb Putzier	89	Nate Jackson	86	Patrick Hape
					83	Mike Leach	84	<u>Wesley Duke</u>
WR	85	Ashley Lelie	19	Jerry Rice	87	Triandos Luke	12	B.J. Johnson
QB	16	Jake Plummer	11	<u>Bradlee Van Pelt</u>	13	Danny Kanell	8	Matt Mauck
							9	<u>Chad Frieauf</u>
RB	38	Mike Anderson	26	Tatum Bell	21	Quentin Griffin	33	Ron Dayne
							20	<u>Maurice Clarett</u>
FB	39	Kyle Johnson	37	Cecil Sapp	48	Brandon Miree	36	<u>Kris Briggs</u>

Broncos Defense

LE	98	Courtney Brown	91	Ebenezer Ekuban	92	Marco Coleman	90	Chukie Nwokorie
							71	<u>Aaron Hunt</u>
LT	76	Michael Myers	75	Monsanto Pope	94	Luther Elliss	64	<u>Patrice Majondo-Mwamba</u>
RT	61	Gerard Warren	68	Mario Fatafehi	96	Dorsett Davis	97	Demetris Veal
RE	93	Trevor Pryce	60	John Engelberger	95	Anton Palepoi	99	Raylee Johnson
WLB	52	Ian Gold	58	Terry Pierce	57	Jashon Sykes		
MLB	56	Al Wilson	51	Keith Burns				
SLB	55	D.J. Williams	54	Patrick Chukwurah	53	Louis Green	59	Markus Steele
LCB	24	Champ Bailey	22	<u>Domonique Foxworth</u>	45	Roc Alexander	40	<u>Curome Cox</u>
							23	Rod Babers
RCB	35	Lenny Walls	27	<u>Darrent Williams</u>	41	<u>Karl Paymah</u>	28	Jeff Shoate
SS	25	Nick Ferguson	31	Jeremy LeSueur	29	<u>Brandon Browner</u>		
FS	47	John Lynch	42	Sam Brandon				

Broncos Specialists

P	10	Todd Sauerbrun				
K	1	Jason Elam	3	<u>Paul Ernster</u>		
KO	10	Todd Sauerbrun	3	<u>Paul Ernster</u>		
PR	27	<u>Darrent Williams</u>	87	Triandos Luke	81	Charlie Adams
KR	27	<u>Darrent Williams</u>	45	Roc Alexander	87	Triandos Luke
PC	83	Mike Leach	86	Patrick Hape		
KC	83	Mike Leach	78	Matt Lepsis		
H	10	Todd Sauerbrun	13	Danny Kanell	3	<u>Paul Ernster</u>

Rookie and First-Year players underlined
[injured players]

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Patrick Chukwurah (chuk-WER-uh)
Tyson Clabo (CLAY-boh)
Maurice Clarett (clur-ETT)
Curome Cox (KER-ome)
Todd Devoe (deh-VOH)
Ebenezer Ekuban (EK-you-BAHN)
Jason Elam (EE-lum)
Mario Fatafehi (fah-tah-FAY-hee)
Chad Frieauf (FREE-hoff)
Ashley Lelie (luh-LEE)
Jeremy LeSueur (luh-SER)

Triandos Luke (tree-AN-dus)
Patrice Majondo-Mwamba (muh-JOHN-doe ma-WAHM-ba)
Brandon Miree (my-REE)
Ben Nowland (NAW-land)
Chukie Nwokorie (CHOO-kee wah-KOR-ee)
Anton Palepoi (AN-TAWN PAL-a-poy)
Erik Pears (PEERS)
Jeb Putzier (putz-EER)
Jeff Shoate (SHOTE)
Jashon Sykes (JAY-shon)
Demetris Veal (du-MEE-trin)

Denver Broncos 2005 Alphabetical Roster

(updated 8/15/05)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthdate	NFL Exp.	College	High School Hometown	2004 How Acq.	P-S-DNP-INA
81	Adams, Charlie	WR	6-2	190	10/23/79	3	Hofstra	Mechanicsburg, Pa.	FA-'04	4-0-0-3
45	Alexander, Roc	CB	5-10	190	9/23/81	2	Washington	Colorado Springs, Colo.	CFA-'04	16-1-0-0
82	Alexander, Stephen	TE	6-4	250	11/7/75	8	Oklahoma	Chickasha, Okla.	UFA(Det)-'05	16-15-0-0
38	Anderson, Mike	RB	6-0	230	9/21/73	6	Utah	Winnsboro, S.C.	D6-'00	0-0-0-0
24	Bailey, Champ	CB	6-0	192	6/22/78	7	Georgia	Folkston, Ga.	T(Was)-'04	16-16-0-0
26	Bell, Tatum	RB	5-11	213	3/2/81	2	Oklahoma State	Dallas, Texas	D2a-'04	14-0-0-2
42	Brandon, Sam	S	6-2	200	7/5/79	4	UNLV	Riverside, Calif.	D4-'02	9-0-0-7
36	Briggs, Kris	RB	5-11	242	4/17/81	1	Southern Methodist	Carthage, Texas	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
98	Brown, Courtney	DE	6-4	285	2/14/78	6	Penn State	Alvin, S.C.	FA-'05	2-2-0-0
29	Browner, Brandon	CB	6-4	221	8/2/84	R	Oregon State	Sylmar, Calif.	CFA-'05	0-0-0-0
51	Burns, Keith	LB	6-2	235	5/16/72	12	Oklahoma State	Alexandria, Va.	UFA(TB)-'05	16-0-0-0
65	Carlisle, Cooper	G/T	6-5	295	8/11/77	6	Florida	McComb, Miss.	D4b-'00	16-3-0-0
77	Carswell, Dwayne	G	6-3	290	1/18/72	12	Liberty	Jacksonville, Fla.	CFA-'94	15-14-0-0
54	Chukwurah, Patrick	LB	6-1	250	3/1/79	5	Wyoming	Irving, Texas	FA-'04	14-0-0-2
70	Clabo, Tyson	G/T	6-6	314	10/17/81	2	Wake Forest	Knoxville, Tenn.	CFA-'04	0-0-0-2
20	Clarett, Maurice	RB	5-11	234	10/29/83	R	Ohio State	Youngstown, Ohio	D3c-'05	0-0-0-0
67	Clement, Anthony	T	6-8	320	4/10/76	8	Louisiana-Lafayette	Cecilia, La.	FA-'05	16-8-0-0
92	Coleman, Marco	DE	6-3	270	12/18/69	14	Georgia Tech	Dayton, Ohio	UFA(Phi)-'04	16-16-0-0
40	Cox, Curome	CB	6-1	199	2/28/81	1	Maryland	Washington, D.C.	FA-'04	0-0-0-0
15	Crenshaw, Romar	WR	6-0	185	9/22/80	1	S.E. Oklahoma State	Broken Bow, Okla.	CFA-'04	0-0-0-0
96	Davis, Dorsett	DT	6-5	305	1/24/79	4	Mississippi State	Cleveland, Miss.	D3-'02	0-0-0-0
33	Dayne, Ron	RB	5-10	245	3/14/78	6	Wisconsin	Berlin, N.J.	UFA(NYG)-'05	14-2-0-2
14	Devoe, Todd	WR	6-2	198	4/5/80	1	Central Missouri State	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
84	Duke, Wesley	TE	6-5	225	6/21/81	R	Mercer	Norcross, Ga.	CFA-'05	0-0-0-0
91	Ekuban, Ebenezer	DE	6-3	275	5/29/76	7	North Carolina	Bowie, Md.	T(Cle)-'05	16-11-0-0
1	Elam, Jason	K	5-11	200	3/8/70	13	Hawaii	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.	D3b-'93	16-0-0-0
94	Elliss, Luther	DT	6-5	318	3/22/73	11	Utah	Mancos, Colo.	FA-'04	8-0-0-5
60	Engelberger, John	DE	6-4	268	10/18/76	6	Virginia Tech	Springfield, Va.	T(SF)-'05	16-15-0-0
3	Ernstler, Paul	P/K	6-0	217	1/26/82	R	Northern Arizona	Glendale, Ariz.	D7-'05	0-0-0-0
68	Fatafehi, Mario	DT	6-2	300	1/27/79	5	Kansas State	Honolulu, Hawaii	FA-'03	16-16-0-0
25	Ferguson, Nick	S	5-11	201	11/27/74	6	Georgia Tech	Miami, Fla.	FA-'03	16-1-0-0
72	Foster, George	T	6-5	338	6/9/80	3	Georgia	Macon, Ga.	D1-'03	16-16-0-0
22	Foxworth, Dmonique	CB	5-11	180	3/27/83	R	Maryland	Catonsville, Md.	D3b-'05	0-0-0-0
9	Friehauf, Chad	QB	6-6	211	8/31/82	R	Colo. School of Mines	Brush, Colo.	CFA-'05	0-0-0-0
52	Gold, Ian	LB	6-0	223	8/23/78	6	Michigan	Belleville, Mich.	FA-'05	16-13-0-0
74	Green, Cornell	T	6-6	315	8/25/76	6	Central Florida	St. Petersburg, Fla.	UFA(TB)-'04	0-0-3-13
53	Green, Louis	LB	6-3	228	9/23/79	2	Alcorn State	Vicksburg, Miss.	FA-'03	6-0-0-0
21	Griffin, Quentin	RB	5-7	195	1/12/81	3	Oklahoma	Houston, Texas	D4a-'03	6-4-0-1
50	Hamilton, Ben	G/C	6-4	283	8/18/77	5	Minnesota	Minneapolis, Minn.	D4a-'01	16-16-0-0
86	Hape, Patrick	TE	6-4	262	6/6/74	9	Alabama	Killen, Ala.	UFA(TB)-'01	16-5-0-0
71	Hunt, Aaron	DE	6-2	265	6/19/80	1	Texas Tech	Denison, Texas	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
89	Jackson, Nate	TE	6-3	235	6/4/79	3	Menlo	San Jose, Calif.	T(SF)-'03	12-0-0-0
12	Johnson, B.J.	WR	5-11	207	8/4/82	2	Texas	Grand Prairie, Texas	CFA-'04	0-0-0-0
39	Johnson, Kyle	FB	6-0	242	12/15/78	3	Syracuse	Woodbridge, N.J.	FA-'03	14-3-0-2
99	Johnson, Raylee	DE	6-3	272	6/1/70	13	Arkansas	Fordyce, Ark.	FA-'04	14-1-0-2
13	Kanell, Danny	QB	6-3	218	11/21/73	8	Florida State	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	FA-'03	0-0-16-0
83	Leach, Mike	TE/LS	6-2	245	10/18/76	6	William & Mary	Jefferson Township, N.J.	FA-'02	16-0-0-0
85	Lelie, Ashley	WR	6-3	200	2/16/80	4	Hawaii	Honolulu, Hawaii	D1-'02	16-16-0-0
78	Lepis, Matt	T	6-4	290	1/13/74	9	Colorado	Conroe, Texas	CFA-'97	16-16-0-0
31	LeSueur, Jeremy	S	6-0	204	10/5/80	2	Michigan	Holly Springs, Miss.	D3-'04	0-0-0-0
87	Luke, Triandos	WR	5-10	195	12/24/81	2	Alabama	Phenix City, Ala.	D6a-'04	10-0-0-6
47	Lynch, John	S	6-2	220	9/25/71	13	Stanford	Del Mar, Calif.	FA-'04	15-15-0-1
64	Majondo-Mwamba, Patrice*	DL	6-4	293	7/29/79	R	Texas Tech	Republic of Congo	CFA-'05	0-0-0-0
8	Mauck, Matt	QB	6-1	213	2/12/79	2	Louisiana State	Jasper, Ind.	D7a-'04	0-0-0-2
48	Miree, Brandon	RB	5-11	237	4/14/81	2	Pittsburgh	Cincinnati, Ohio	D7b-'04	0-0-0-0
62	Myers, Chris	OL	6-4	300	9/15/81	R	Miami	Miami, Fla.	D6-'05	0-0-0-0
76	Myers, Michael	DT	6-2	300	1/20/76	8	Alabama	Vicksburg, Miss.	T(Cle)-'05	16-7-0-0
66	Nalen, Tom	C	6-3	286	5/13/71	12	Boston College	Foxboro, Mass.	D7c-'94	16-16-0-0
79	Nowland, Ben**	C	6-2	298	5/27/80	1	Auburn	St. Augustine, Fla.	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
90	Nwokorie, Chukie	DE	6-3	285	7/10/75	6	Purdue	West Lafayette, Ind.	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
95	Palepoi, Antton	DE	6-3	283	1/19/78	4	UNLV	Salt Lake City, Utah	FA-'04	11-0-0-3*
41	Paymah, Karl	CB	6-0	200	11/29/82	R	Washington State	Culver City, Calif.	D3a-'05	0-0-0-0
64	Pears, Erik	T	6-8	305	6/25/82	R	Colorado State	Denver, Colo.	CFA-'05	0-0-0-0
58	Pierce, Terry	LB	6-1	251	6/21/81	3	Kansas State	Fort Worth, Texas	D2-'03	15-0-1-0
16	Plummer, Jake	QB	6-2	212	12/19/74	9	Arizona State	Boise, Idaho	UFA(Ari)-'03	16-16-0-0
75	Pope, Monsanto	DT	6-3	300	1/27/78	4	Virginia	Hopewell, Va.	D7b-'02	16-15-0-0
93	Pryce, Trevor	DE	6-5	286	8/3/75	9	Clemson	Winter Park, Fla.	D1-'97	2-1-0-14
88	Putzier, Jeb	TE	6-4	256	1/20/79	4	Boise State	Eagle, Idaho	D6-'02	16-5-0-0
19	Rice, Jerry	WR	6-2	200	10/13/62	21	Mississippi Valley State	Crawford, Miss.	FA-'05	17-14-0-0
37	Sapp, Cecil	RB	5-11	229	12/23/78	3	Colorado State	Miami, Fla.	CFA-'03	5-0-0-4
10	Sauerbrun, Todd	P	5-10	215	1/4/73	11	West Virginia	East Setauket, N.Y.	T(Car)-'05	16-0-0-0
28	Shoate, Jeff	CB	5-10	189	3/23/81	2	San Diego State	San Diego, Calif.	D5-'04	7-0-0-9
80	Smith, Rod	WR	6-0	200	5/15/70	11	Missouri Southern	Texarkana, Ark.	CFA-'94	16-16-0-0
73	Spikes, Cameron	G	6-4	313	11/6/76	7	Texas A&M	Bryan, Texas	UFA(Ari)-'05	16-8-0-0
59	Steele, Markus	LB	6-3	240	7/24/79	4	Southern California	Bedford, Ohio	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
63	Stubber, Tim	G	6-5	315	2/2/78	3	Colorado State	Northglenn, Colo.	FA-'04	0-0-0-2
57	Sykes, Jashon	LB	6-2	236	9/25/79	3	Colorado	Los Angeles, Calif.	CFA-'02	3-0-0-13
11	Van Pelt, Bradlee	QB	6-2	220	7/3/80	1	Colorado State	Santa Barbara, Calif.	D7c-'04	0-0-0-0
97	Veal, Demetris	DT	6-2	288	8/11/81	3	Tennessee	Paramount, Calif.	FA-'04	0-0-0-3
35	Walls, Lenny	CB	6-4	195	9/26/79	4	Boston College	San Francisco, Calif.	CFA-'02	7-1-1-3
61	Warren, Gerard	DT	6-4	325	7/25/78	5	Florida	Raiford, Fla.	T(Cle)-'05	13-13-0-3
71	Watton, Chris	C/G	6-3	305	10/6/77	1	Baylor	Sioux Falls, S.D.	W-'05	0-0-0-0
17	Watts, Darius	WR	6-2	190	12/19/81	2	Marshall	Atlanta, Ga.	D2b-'04	16-2-0-0
27	Williams, Darrent	CB	5-8	188	9/27/82	R	Oklahoma State	Fort Worth, Texas	D2-'05	0-0-0-0
55	Williams, D.J.	LB	6-1	242	7/20/82	2	Miami	Concord, Calif.	D1-'04	16-14-0-0
56	Wilson, Al	LB	6-0	240	6/21/77	7	Tennessee	Jackson, Tenn.	D1-'99	16-16-0-0
69	Wilson, Zach**	G	6-5	302	10/14/79	1	Southern California	Lakewood, Calif.	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
32	Young, Chris	S	6-0	210	1/23/80	3	Georgia Tech	Senoia, Ga.	D7a-'02	10-0-0-6

Reserve/Non-Football Injury List

69 Alexander, P.J. G 6-4 297 12/23/78 3 Syracuse Tallahassee, Fla. FA-'03 5-0-11-0

Reserve/NFL Europe Injury List

71 Renteria, D.J. DT 6-2 300 1/15/81 1 New Mexico Roswell, N.M. FA-'04 0-0-0-0

Reserve/Left Squad

79 Sewell, Josh C/G 6-2 288 7/26/81 1 Nebraska Lincoln, Neb. D6b-'04 0-0-0-0

Head Coach: Mike Shanahan (11th year). **Assistant Coaches:** Gary Kubiak (Offensive Coordinator), Larry Coyer (Defensive Coordinator), Ronnie Bradford (Special Teams), Tim Brewster (Tight Ends), Jacob Burney (Defensive Line/Ends), Troy Calhoun (Asst. to Head Coach), Rick Dennison (Offensive Line), Kirk Doll (Linebackers), Thomas McGaughey (Special Teams Asst.), Pat McPherson (Quarterbacks), Andre Patterson (Defensive Line/Tackles), Jim Ryan (Defensive Asst.), Greg Saporta (Asst. Strength & Conditioning), Bob Slowik (Defensive Backs), Ryan Slowik (Defensive Asst.), Cedric Smith (Asst. Strength & Conditioning), Jimmy Spencer (Asst. Defensive Backs), Bobby Turner (Running Backs), Rich Tuten (Strength & Conditioning), Steve Watson (Wide Receivers).

KEY: CFA-college free agent; D-drafted; FA-acquired as free agent; RFA-acquired as restricted free agent; UFA-acquired as unrestricted free agent; T-trade; W-waivers. Palepoi was with Seattle (1 game). *Majondo-Mwamba was assigned by the NFL to the International Practice Squad. He cannot see regular season game action this season. ** Ben Nowland and Zach Wilson are NFL Europe exemptions.

Denver Broncos 2005 Numerical Roster

(updated 8/15/05)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	NFL Exp.	College	High School Hometown	2004 How Acq.	P-S-DNP-INA
1	Jason Elam	K	5-11	200	35	13	Hawaii	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.	D3b-'93	16-0-0-0
3	Paul Erster	P/K	6-0	217	23	R	Northern Arizona	Glendale, Ariz.	D7-'05	0-0-0-0
8	Matt Mauck	QB	6-1	213	26	2	Louisiana State	Jasper, Ind.	D7a-'04	0-0-0-2
9	Chad Friehauf	QB	6-6	211	22	R	Colo. School of Mines	Brush, Colo.	RFA-'05	0-0-0-0
10	Todd Sauerbrun	P	5-10	215	32	11	West Virginia	East Setauket, N.Y.	T(Car)-'05	16-0-0-0
11	Bradlee Van Pelt	QB	6-2	220	25	1	Colorado State	Santa Barbara, Calif.	D7c-'04	0-0-0-0
12	B.J. Johnson	WR	5-11	207	23	2	Texas	Grand Prairie, Texas	CFA-'04	0-0-0-0
13	Danny Kanell	QB	6-3	218	31	8	Florida State	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	FA-'03	0-0-16-0
14	Todd Devoe	WR	6-2	198	25	1	Central Missouri State	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
15	Romar Crenshaw	WR	6-0	185	24	1	S.E. Oklahoma State	Broken Bow, Okla.	CFA-'04	0-0-0-0
16	Jake Plummer	QB	6-2	212	30	9	Arizona State	Boise, Idaho	UFA(Ari)-'03	16-16-0-0
17	Darius Watts	WR	6-2	190	23	2	Marshall	Atlanta, Ga.	D2b-'04	16-2-0-0
19	Jerry Rice	WR	6-2	200	42	21	Mississippi Valley State	Crawford, Miss.	FA-'05	17-14-0-0
20	Maurice Claret	RB	5-11	234	21	R	Ohio State	Youngstown, Ohio	D3c-'05	0-0-0-0
21	Quentin Griffin	RB	5-7	195	24	3	Oklahoma	Houston, Texas	D4a-'03	6-4-0-1
22	Domonique Foxworth	CB	5-11	180	22	R	Maryland	Catonsville, Md.	D3b-'05	0-0-0-0
24	Champ Bailey	CB	6-0	192	27	7	Georgia	Folkston, Ga.	T(Was)-'04	16-16-0-0
25	Nick Ferguson	S	5-11	201	30	6	Georgia Tech	Miami, Fla.	FA-'03	16-1-0-0
26	Tatum Bell	RB	5-11	213	24	2	Oklahoma State	Dallas, Texas	D2a-'04	14-0-0-2
27	Darrent Williams	CB	5-8	188	22	R	Oklahoma State	Fort Worth, Texas	D2-'05	0-0-0-0
28	Jeff Shoate	CB	5-10	189	24	2	San Diego State	San Diego, Calif.	D5-'04	7-0-0-9
29	Brandon Browner	CB	6-4	221	21	R	Oregon State	Sylmar, Calif.	CFA-'05	0-0-0-0
31	Jeremy LeSueur	S	6-0	204	24	2	Michigan	Holly Springs, Miss.	D3-'04	0-0-0-0
32	Chris Young	S	6-0	210	25	3	Georgia Tech	Senoia, Ga.	D7a-'02	10-0-0-6
33	Ron Dayne	RB	5-10	245	27	6	Wisconsin	Berlin, N.J.	UFA(NYG)-'05	14-2-0-2
35	Lenny Walls	CB	6-4	195	25	4	Boston College	San Francisco, Calif.	CFA-'02	7-1-1-3
36	Kris Briggs	RB	5-11	242	23	1	Southern Methodist	Carthage, Texas	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
37	Cecil Sapp	RB	5-11	229	26	3	Colorado State	Miami, Fla.	CFA-'03	5-0-0-4
38	Mike Anderson	RB	6-0	230	31	6	Utah	Winnsboro, S.C.	D6-'00	0-0-0-0
39	Kyle Johnson	FB	6-0	242	26	3	Syracuse	Woodbridge, N.J.	FA-'03	14-3-0-2
40	Curome Cox	CB	6-1	199	24	1	Maryland	Washington, D.C.	FA-'04	0-0-0-0
41	Karl Paymah	CB	6-0	200	22	R	Washington State	Culver City, Calif.	D3a-'05	0-0-0-0
42	Sam Brandon	S	6-2	200	26	4	UNLV	Riverside, Calif.	D4-'02	9-0-0-7
45	Roc Alexander	CB	5-10	190	23	2	Washington	Colorado Springs, Colo.	CFA-'04	16-1-0-0
47	John Lynch	S	6-2	220	33	13	Stanford	Del Mar, Calif.	FA-'04	15-15-0-1
48	Brandon Miree	RB	5-11	237	24	2	Pittsburgh	Cincinnati, Ohio	D7b-'04	0-0-0-0
50	Ben Hamilton	G/C	6-4	283	27	5	Minnesota	Minneapolis, Minn.	D4a-'01	16-16-0-0
51	Keith Burns	LB	6-2	235	33	12	Oklahoma State	Alexandria, Va.	UFA(TB)-'05	16-0-0-0
52	Ian Gold	LB	6-0	223	26	6	Michigan	Belleville, Mich.	FA-'05	16-13-0-0
53	Louis Green	LB	6-3	228	25	2	Alcorn State	Vicksburg, Miss.	FA-'03	6-0-0-0
54	Patrick Chukwurah	LB	6-1	250	26	5	Wyoming	Irving, Texas	FA-'04	14-0-0-2
55	D.J. Williams	LB	6-1	242	23	2	Miami	Concord, Calif.	D1-'04	16-14-0-0
56	Al Wilson	LB	6-0	240	28	7	Tennessee	Jackson, Tenn.	D1-'99	16-16-0-0
57	Jashon Sykes	LB	6-2	236	25	3	Colorado	Los Angeles, Calif.	CFA-'02	3-0-0-13
58	Terry Pierce	LB	6-1	251	24	3	Kansas State	Fort Worth, Texas	D2-'03	15-0-1-0
59	Markus Steele	LB	6-3	240	26	4	Southern California	Bedford, Ohio	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
60	John Engelberger	DE	6-4	268	28	6	Virginia Tech	Springfield, Va.	T(SF)-'05	16-15-0-0
61	Gerard Warren	DT	6-4	325	27	5	Florida	Raiford, Fla.	T(Cle)-'05	13-13-0-3
62	Chris Myers	OL	6-4	300	23	R	Miami	Miami, Fla.	D6-'05	0-0-0-0
63	Tim Stuber	G	6-5	315	27	3	Colorado State	Northglenn, Colo.	FA-'04	0-0-0-2
64	Patrice Majondo-Mwamba*	DL	6-4	293	26	R	Texas Tech	Republic of Congo	RFA-'05	0-0-0-0
64	Erik Pears	T	6-8	305	23	R	Colorado State	Denver, Colo.	CFA-'05	0-0-0-0
65	Cooper Carlisle	G/T	6-5	295	28	6	Florida	McComb, Miss.	D4b-'00	16-3-0-0
66	Tom Nalen	C	6-3	286	34	12	Boston College	Foxboro, Mass.	D7c-'94	16-16-0-0
67	Anthony Clement	T	6-8	320	29	8	Louisiana-Lafayette	Cecilia, La.	FA-'05	16-8-0-0
68	Mario Fatafehi	DT	6-2	300	26	5	Kansas State	Honolulu, Hawaii	FA-'03	16-16-0-0
69	Zach Wilson**	G	6-5	302	25	1	Southern California	Lakewood, Calif.	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
70	Tyson Clabo	G/T	6-6	314	23	2	Wake Forest	Knoxville, Tenn.	CFA-'04	0-0-0-2
71	Aaron Hunt	DE	6-2	265	25	1	Texas Tech	Denison, Texas	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
71	Chris Watton	C/G	6-3	305	27	1	Baylor	Sioux Falls, S.D.	W-'05	0-0-0-0
72	George Foster	T	6-5	338	25	3	Georgia	Macon, Ga.	D1-'03	16-16-0-0
73	Cameron Spikes	G	6-4	313	28	7	Texas A&M	Bryan, Texas	UFA(Ari)-'05	16-8-0-0
74	Cornell Green	T	6-6	315	28	6	Central Florida	St. Petersburg, Fla.	UFA(TB)-'04	0-0-3-13
75	Monsanto Pope	DT	6-3	300	27	4	Virginia	Hopewell, Va.	D7b-'02	16-15-0-0
76	Michael Myers	DT	6-2	300	29	8	Alabama	Vicksburg, Miss.	T(Cle)-'05	16-7-0-0
77	Dwayne Carswell	G	6-3	290	33	12	Liberty	Jacksonville, Fla.	CFA-'94	15-14-0-0
78	Matt Lepsis	T	6-4	290	31	9	Colorado	Conroe, Texas	CFA-'97	16-16-0-0
79	Ben Nowland**	C	6-2	298	25	1	Auburn	St. Augustine, Fla.	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
80	Rod Smith	WR	6-0	200	35	11	Missouri Southern	Texarkana, Ark.	CFA-'94	16-16-0-0
81	Charlie Adams	WR	6-2	190	25	3	Hofstra	Mechanicsburg, Pa.	FA-'04	4-0-0-3
82	Stephen Alexander	TE	6-4	250	29	8	Oklahoma	Chickasha, Okla.	UFA(Det)-'05	16-15-0-0
83	Mike Leach	TE/LS	6-2	245	28	6	William & Mary	Jefferson Township, N.J.	FA-'02	16-0-0-0
84	Wesley Duke	TE	6-5	225	24	R	Mercer	Norcross, Ga.	CFA-'05	0-0-0-0
85	Ashley Lelie	WR	6-3	200	25	4	Hawaii	Honolulu, Hawaii	D1-'02	16-16-0-0
86	Patrick Hape	TE	6-4	262	31	9	Alabama	Killen, Ala.	UFA(TB)-'01	16-5-0-0
87	Triandos Luke	WR	5-10	195	23	2	Alabama	Phenix City, Ala.	D6a-'04	10-0-0-6
88	Jeb Putzier	TE	6-4	256	26	4	Boise State	Eagle, Idaho	D6-'02	16-5-0-0
89	Nate Jackson	TE	6-3	235	26	3	Menlo	San Jose, Calif.	T(SF)-'03	12-0-0-0
90	Chukie Nwokorie	DE	6-3	285	30	6	Purdue	West Lafayette, Ind.	FA-'05	0-0-0-0
91	Ebenezer Ekuban	DE	6-3	275	29	7	North Carolina	Bowie, Md.	T(Cle)-'05	16-11-0-0
92	Marco Coleman	DE	6-3	270	35	14	Georgia Tech	Dayton, Ohio	UFA(Phi)-'04	16-16-0-0
93	Trevor Pryce	DE	6-5	286	30	9	Clemson	Winter Park, Fla.	D1-'97	2-1-0-14
94	Luther Elliss	DT	6-5	318	32	11	Utah	Mancos, Colo.	FA-'04	8-0-0-5
95	Anton Palepoi	DE	6-3	283	27	4	UNLV	Salt Lake City, Utah	FA-'04	11-0-0-3*
96	Dorsett Davis	DT	6-5	305	26	4	Mississippi State	Cleveland, Miss.	D3-'02	0-0-0-0
97	Demetrian Veal	DT	6-2	288	24	3	Tennessee	Paramount, Calif.	FA-'04	0-0-0-3
98	Courtney Brown	DE	6-4	285	27	6	Penn State	Alvin, S.C.	FA-'05	2-2-0-0
99	Raylee Johnson	DE	6-3	272	35	13	Arkansas	Fordyce, Ark.	FA-'04	14-1-0-2
Reserve/Non-Football Injury List										
69	P.J. Alexander	G	6-4	297	27	3	Syracuse	Tallahassee, Fla.	FA-'03	5-0-11-0
Reserve/NFL Europe Injury List										
71	D.J. Renteria	DT	6-3	300	24	1	New Mexico	Roswell, N.M.	FA-'04	0-0-0-0
Reserve/Left Squad										
79	Josh Sewell	C/G	6-2	288	24	1	Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.	D6b-'04	0-0-0-0

Head Coach: Mike Shanahan (11th year). **Assistant Coaches:** Gary Kubiak (Offensive Coordinator), Larry Coyer (Defensive Coordinator), Ronnie Bradford (Special Teams), Tim Brewster (Tight Ends), Jacob Burney (Defensive Line/Ends), Troy Calhoun (Asst. to Head Coach), Rick Dennison (Offensive Line), Kirk Doll (Linebackers), Thomas McGaughey (Special Teams Asst.), Pat McPherson (Quarterbacks), Andre Patterson (Defensive Line/Tackles), Jim Ryan (Defensive Asst.), Greg Saporta (Asst. Strength & Conditioning), Bob Slowik (Defensive Backs), Ryan Stowik (Defensive Asst.), Cedric Smith (Asst. Strength & Conditioning), Jimmy Spencer (Asst. Defensive Backs), Bobby Turner (Running Backs), Rich Tuten (Strength & Conditioning), Steve Watson (Wide Receivers).

KEY: CFA-college free agent; D-drafted; FA-acquired as free agent; RFA-acquired as restricted free agent; UFA-acquired as unrestricted free agent; T-trade; W-waivers. Palepoi was with Seattle (1 game). *Majondo-Mwamba was assigned by the NFL to the International Practice Squad. He cannot see regular season game action this season. **Ben Nowland and Zach Wilson are NFL Europe exemptions.

DENVER BRONCOS 2004-05 TRANSACTIONS — by date/by player
(Updated August 16, 2005)

BY DATE

12/30/03	Signed WR MarTay Jenkins to future contract Signed DT Thomas Pittman to future contract Signed QB Tory Woodbury to future contract		Placed CB Jermaine Chatman on reserve/injured list (left hand) Placed WR B.J. Johnson on reserve/injured list (left ankle)	11/30/04	Placed CB Lenny Walls on reserve/injured (right shoulder) Signed LB Louis Green from practice squad Signed CB Curome Cox to practice squad
12/31/03	Signed G Calvin Collins to future contract Signed S Ron Israel to future contract Signed T Jamain Stephens to future contract		Waived DE Luis Almanzar Waived RB Antonio Beard Waived WR Atnaf Harris Waived S Ron Israel	12/1/04	Signed CB Curome Cox to practice squad
1/6/04	Signed WR Atnaf Harris to future contract		Waived LB Riall Johnson Waived DT Brandon Kennedy	12/7/04	Placed WR Nate Jackson on reserve/injured (left ankle)
1/7/04	Signed DT Luis Almanzar to future contract		Waived G Tyler Lenda Waived QB Mike Quinn Waived TE O.J. Santiago	12/8/04	Re-signed WR Charlie Adams
1/13/04	Signed LB Patrick Chukwurah to future contract		Waived T Jamain Stephens Waived CB Scott Turner	12/9/04	Waived P Micah Knorr Claimed P Jason Baker off Waivers (IND)
2/9/04	Signed RB Antonio Beard		Placed CB Jeremy LeSueur on reserve/injured list (hernia)	12/17/04	Placed CB Willie Middlebrooks on reserve/injured (right knee) Placed DT Luther Elliss on reserve/injured (lower back)
2/17/04	Signed P Hayden Epstein	9/5/04	Waived LB Cornelius Anthony Waived LB Charles Burton Waived TE Byron Chamberlain Waived G Tyson Clabo Waived WR Romar Crenshaw Waived DT Nick Eason Waived P Hayden Epstein Waived RB Ahmaad Galloway Waived DE Randy Garner Waived LB Louis Green Waived DE Bryant McNeal Waived DE Clint Mitchell Waived DT Thomas Pittman Waived LB Johnny Rutledge Waived RB Cecil Sapp Waived C/G Josh Sewell Waived G Shannon Snell Waived QB Bradlee Van Pelt Waived G/C Chris Watton Waived TE Jed Weaver	12/18/04	Signed DT Demetrian Veal
2/24/04	Re-signed LB Al Wilson		Signed WR Romar Crenshaw to practice squad Signed DT Nick Eason to practice squad Signed LB Louis Green to practice squad Signed DE Bryant McNeal to practice squad Signed RB Cecil Sapp to practice squad Signed C/G Josh Sewell to practice squad Signed QB Bradlee Van Pelt to practice squad Signed TE John Paul Foschi to practice squad	12/21/04	Waived DT Darius Holland Signed G Tyson Clabo from practice squad Signed DT D.J. Renteria to practice squad Signed G Tim Stuber Signed WR Grant Mattos to practice squad DE Bryant McNeal signed to Tampa Bay's active roster
3/2/04	Placed WR Ed McCaffrey on reserve/retired list Waived T Ephraim Salaam		Signed WR Romar Crenshaw to practice squad Signed DT Nick Eason to practice squad Signed LB Louis Green to practice squad Signed DT Darius Holland Waived LB Louis Green Signed LB Louis Green to practice squad Waived TE John Paul Foschi from practice squad Signed RB Antonio Beard to practice squad	12/22/04	Signed G Tim Stuber Signed WR Grant Mattos to practice squad DE Bryant McNeal signed to Tampa Bay's active roster
3/4/04	Acquired CB Champ Bailey and a 2004 second-round (41 st overall) draft choice from Washington in exchange for RB Clinton Portis	9/6/04	Signed WR Romar Crenshaw to practice squad Signed DT Nick Eason to practice squad Signed LB Louis Green to practice squad Signed DE Bryant McNeal to practice squad Signed RB Cecil Sapp to practice squad Signed C/G Josh Sewell to practice squad Signed QB Bradlee Van Pelt to practice squad Signed TE John Paul Foschi to practice squad	12/28/04	Placed RB Garrison Hearst on reserve/injured (left hand) Signed RB Johnathan Reese
3/10/04	Signed QB Mike Quinn (UFA-Houston) Re-signed CB Scott Turner (UFA)		Waived DT Darius Holland Signed LB Louis Green from practice squad Signed DT Darius Holland Waived LB Louis Green	1/7/05	Signed RB Johnathan Reese Signed RB Kris Briggs to future contract Signed WR Todd Devoe to future contract Signed DE Randy Garner to future contract Signed G Reese Hicks to future contract Signed TE Mike Pinkard to future contract Signed LB Markus Steele to future contract
3/11/04	Signed DE Marco Coleman (UFA-Philadelphia) Re-signed TE Mike Leach	9/7/04	Signed WR Romar Crenshaw to practice squad Signed DT Nick Eason to practice squad Signed LB Louis Green to practice squad Signed DE Bryant McNeal to practice squad Signed RB Cecil Sapp to practice squad Signed C/G Josh Sewell to practice squad Signed QB Bradlee Van Pelt to practice squad	1/8/05	Signed QB Matt Mauck from practice squad Waived RB Johnathan Reese
3/12/04	Signed WR Willie Jackson	9/11/04	Waived DT Darius Holland Signed LB Louis Green from practice squad Signed DT Darius Holland Waived LB Louis Green	1/10/05	Signed RB Antonio Beard to future contract Signed CB Curome Cox to future contract Signed WR Romar Crenshaw to future contract Signed WR Grant Mattos to future contract Signed DT D.J. Renteria to future contract Signed TE Keith Willis to future contract
3/15/04	Re-signed CB Jimmy Spencer (UFA) Signed CB Reggie Stephens	9/13/04	Signed LB Louis Green to practice squad Waived TE John Paul Foschi from practice squad Signed RB Antonio Beard to practice squad	1/9/05	Signed DE Chukie Nwokorie to future contract
3/19/04	Re-signed RB Reuben Droughns (UFA) Signed TE Jed Weaver (UFA-San Francisco) Signed DE Raylee Johnson	9/15/04	Waived TE John Paul Foschi from practice squad Signed RB Antonio Beard to practice squad	1/26/05	Signed P/K Mark Mariscal to future contract
3/22/04	Signed DE Raylee Johnson	9/20/04	Acquired DT Ellis Johnson from Atlanta in exchange for a 2005 conditional draft pick	1/27/05	Signed G/C Josh Sewell to future contract
3/23/04	Signed S John Lynch	9/22/04	Waived QB Matt Mauck Signed DE Anton Palepoi	1/31/05	Signed QB Bradlee Van Pelt to future contract
3/24/04	Signed DT Luther Elliss	9/24/04	Signed QB Matt Mauck to practice squad Waived DT Nick Eason from practice squad	2/24/05	Released G Dan Neil
3/25/04	Signed RB Garrison Hearst	10/2/04	Activated DT Ellis Johnson from exempt/commissioner permission to 53-man roster	3/3/05	Traded a 2005 fourth round pick to Cleveland in exchange for DT Gerard Warren Signed LB Ian Gold Signed DE Aaron Hunt Re-signed G Ben Hamilton (UFA) Re-signed TE Jeb Putzier (RFA) Re-signed LS/TE Mike Leach (UFA)
3/26/04	Signed T Cornell Green (UFA-Tampa Bay)	10/4/04	Waived WR Charlie Adams	3/11/05	Waived P/K Mark Mariscal Signed P/K Jeff Crowell Signed P/K Tyler Fredrickson
4/9/04	Traded CB Deltia O'Neal, a 2004 first round (24 th overall) pick and a 2004 fourth round (117 th overall) pick to Cincinnati in exchange for a 2004 first round (17 th overall) selection	10/11/04	Moved WR Adrian Madise from reserve/suspended to exempt/commissioner permission list	3/18/05	Re-signed P/K Jason Baker (UFA) Re-signed G/T Cooper Carlisle (UFA)
4/15/04	Re-signed TE Patrick Hape (UFA) Signed TE O.J. Santiago (UFA-Oakland)	10/18/04	NFL placed TE Dwayne Carswell on reserve/suspended list	3/25/05	Signed TE Stephen Alexander (UFA-Detroit) Signed LB Keith Burns (UFA-Tampa Bay)
4/26/04	Waived QB Tory Woodbury	10/26/04	TE Dwayne Carswell reinstated from reserve/suspended list by NFL	3/30/05	Traded RB Reuben Droughns to Cleveland in exchange for DE Ebenezer Ekuban and DT Michael Myers Signed DE Courtney Brown
4/28/04	Signed G Tyson Clabo (rookie free agent)	10/27/04	Place RB Quentin Griffin on reserve/injured list (right knee) Sign RB Cecil Sapp from practice squad Sign RB Kris Briggs to practice squad	4/1/05	Signed RB Ron Dayne (UFA-N.Y. Giants) Re-signed DT Luther Elliss (UFA) Re-signed TE Patrick Hape (UFA) Re-signed DT Monsanto Pope (RFA) Re-signed DT Dorsett Davis (RFA)
5/3/04	Signed CB Roc Alexander (rookie free agent) Signed WR Romar Crenshaw (rookie free agent)			4/5/05	Re-signed CB Lenny Walls (RFA)
5/7/04	Signed WR B.J. Johnson (rookie free agent) Signed DT Brandon Kennedy (rookie free agent) Signed G Shannon Snell (rookie free agent)			4/15/05	Re-signed DE Marco Coleman (UFA)
5/10/04	Waived QB Steve Beuerlein			4/19/05	Re-signed DE Anton Palepoi (RFA)
5/11/04	Signed LB Johnny Rutledge			4/21/05	Re-signed DE Anton Palepoi (RFA)
5/14/04	Signed TE Byron Chamberlain			4/26/05	Signed T Anthony Clement Signed CB Brandon Browner (rookie free agent) Signed Wesley Duke (rookie free agent) Signed T Erik Pears (rookie free agent) Waived RB Antonio Beard Waived TE Keith Willis
6/2/04	Waived DT Daryl Gardener			5/3/05	Re-signed S Sam Brandon (RFA)
6/9/04	Waived G Calvin Collins			5/12/05	Signed QB Chad Frieauff (rookie free agent) Waived TE Mike Pinkard
6/11/04	Signed WR Triandos Luke (draft choice)				
6/14/04	Signed LB Charles Burton Signed DE Randy Garner Signed G Tyler Lenda				
7/27/04	Signed WR Darius Watts Signed CB Jeremy LeSueur Signed CB Jeff Shoate Signed C Jeff Sewell Signed QB Matt Mauck Signed RB Brandon Miree Signed QB Bradlee Van Pelt Waived S Jarious Jackson Waived WR MarTay Jenkins Waived CB Reggie Stephens				
7/28/04	Waived LB John Mobley				
7/30/04	Signed CB Reggie Stephens				
7/31/04	Placed DT Dorsett Davis on reserve/injured list (left finger)				
8/12/04	Signed CB Jermaine Chatman				
8/16/04	Placed RB Brandon Miree on reserve/injured list (left thumb) Waived CB Reggie Stephens				
8/17/04	Signed LB Cornelius Anthony Waived WR Willie Jackson				
8/23/04	Signed LB Riall Johnson				
8/31/04	Placed CB Jimmy Spencer on reserve/retired list Placed RB Mike Anderson on reserve/injured list (groin)				

5/19/05 Traded P Jason Baker and a 2006 seventh round pick to Carolina in exchange for P Todd Sauerbrun
 5/23/05 Signed G Cameron Spikes (UFA – Arizona)
 Waived DE Randy Garner
 6/1/05 Signed WR Jerry Rice FA
 6/3/05 Placed G P.J. Alexander on reserve/non-football injury list
 6/14/05 Signed G Zach Wilson (RFA)
 Assigned Patrice Majondo-Mwamba by NFL as Intl. Practice Squad Player
 7/15/05 Traded CB Willie Middlebrooks to San Francisco in exchange for DE John Engelberger
 7/25/05 Waived P/K Jeff Crowell. Waived P/K Tyler Fredrickson. Waived G Reese Hicks.
 7/27/05 Waived WR Grant Mattos
 7/30/05 Placed DT D.J. Renteria on reserve/NFL Europe injury list
 7/31/05 Placed C/G Josh Sewell on Exempt/Left Squad list. Signed C Ben Nowland
 8/2/05 Claimed C/G Chris Watton off Waivers
 8/9/05 Placed C/G Josh Sewell on Reserve/Left Squad list
 8/16/05 Signed CB Rod Babers

BY PLAYER

ADAMS, Charlie — WR

10/2/04 Waived
 12/8/04 Re-signed

ALEXANDER, P. J. — G

6/3/05 Placed on reserve/non-football injury list

ALEXANDER, Roc — CB

5/3/04 Signed (rookie free agent)

ALEXANDER, Stephen — TE

3/25/05 Signed (UFA-Detroit)

ALMANZAR, Luis — DT

1/7/04 Signed to future contract
 8/31/04 Waived

ANDERSON, Mike — RB

8/31/04 Placed on reserve/injured list (groin)

ANTHONY, Cornelius — LB

8/17/04 Signed
 9/5/04 Waived

BABERS, Rod — CB

8/16/05 Signed

BAILEY, Champ — CB

3/4/04 Acquired from Washington with a 2004 second-round (41st overall) draft choice for RB Clinton Portis

BAKER, Jason — P

12/9/04 Claimed off Waivers (Indianapolis)
 3/18/05 Re-signed (UFA)
 5/19/05 Traded to Carolina for P Todd Sauerbrun

BEARD, Santonio — RB

2/9/04 Signed
 8/31/04 Waived
 9/15/04 Signed to practice squad
 1/10/05 Signed to future contract
 4/26/05 Waived

BEUERLEIN, Steve — QB

5/10/04 Waived

BRANDON, SAM — S

5/3/05 Re-signed (RFA)

BRIGGS, Kris — RB

10/27/04 Signed to practice squad
 11/17/04 Waived from practice squad
 1/7/05 Signed to future contract

BROWN, Courtney — DE

3/30/05 Signed

BROWNER, Brandon — CB

4/26/05 Signed (rookie free agent)

BURNS, Keith — LB

3/25/05 Signed (UFA-Tampa Bay)

BURTON, Charles — LB

6/14/04 Signed
 9/5/04 Waived

CARLISLE, Cooper — G/T

3/18/05 Re-signed (UFA)

CARSWELL, Dwayne — T

10/11/04 Placed on reserve/suspended list by NFL

10/26/04 Reinstated by NFL from reserve/suspended list

CHAMBERLIN, Byron — TE

5/14/04 Signed
 9/5/04 Waived

CHATMAN, Jermaine — CB

8/12/04 Signed
 8/31/04 Placed on reserve/injured list (left hand)
 10/11/04 Waived from reserve/injured list

CHUKWURAH, Patrick — LB

1/13/04 Signed to future contract

CLABO, Tyson — G/T

4/28/04 Signed (rookie free agent)
 9/5/04 Waived
 11/17/04 Signed to practice squad
 12/21/04 Signed from practice squad

CLEMENT, Anthony — T

4/26/05 Signed

COLEMAN, Marco — DE

3/11/04 Signed (UFA-Philadelphia)
 4/19/05 Re-signed (UFA)

COLLINS, Calvin — G

12/31/03 Signed to future contract
 6/9/04 Waived

COX, Curome — CB

12/1/04 Signed to practice squad
 1/10/05 Signed to future contract

CRENSHAW, Romar — WR

5/3/04 Signed (rookie free agent)
 9/5/04 Waived
 9/6/04 Signed to practice squad
 1/10/05 Signed to future contract

CROWELL, Jeff — P/K

3/11/05 Signed
 7/25/05 Waived

DAYNE, Ron — RB

4/1/05 Signed (UFA-N.Y. Giants)

DAVIS, Dorsett — DT

7/31/04 Placed on reserve/injured list (left finger)
 4/6/05 Re-signed (RFA)

DEVOE, Todd — WR

1/7/05 Signed to future contract

DROUGHNS, Reuben — RB

3/19/04 Re-signed (UFA)
 3/30/05 Traded to Cleveland for DE Ebenezer Ekuban and DT Michael Myers

DUKE, Wesley — TE

4/26/05 Signed (rookie free agent)

EASON, Nick — DT

9/5/04 Waived
 9/6/04 Signed to practice squad
 9/24/04 Waived

EKUBAN, EBENEZER — DE

3/30/05 Acquired from Cleveland with DT Michael Myers in exchange for RB Reuben Droughns

ELLISS, Luther — DT

3/24/04 Signed
 12/17/04 Placed on reserve/injured (lower back)
 4/1/05 Re-signed (UFA)

ENGELBERGER, John — DE

5/23/05 Acquired from San Francisco in exchange for CB Willie Middlebrooks

EPSTEIN, Hayden — P

2/17/04 Signed
 9/5/04 Waived

FOSCHI, John Paul — TE

9/7/04 Signed to practice squad
 9/15/04 Waived

FREDRICKSON, Tyler — P/K

3/11/05 Signed
 7/25/05 Waived

FRIEHAUF, Chad — QB

5/12/05 Signed (rookie free agent)

GALLOWAY, Ahmaad — RB

9/5/04 Waived

GARDENER, Daryl — DT

6/2/04 Waived

GARNER, Randy — DE

6/14/04 Signed
 9/5/04 Waived
 1/7/05 Signed to future contract

5/23/05 Waived

GOLD, Ian — LB

3/3/05 Signed

GREEN, Cornell — T

3/26/04 Signed (UFA-Tampa Bay)

GREEN, Cornell — T

9/5/04 Waived
 9/6/04 Signed to practice squad
 9/11/04 Signed
 9/13/04 Waived and re-signed to practice squad

GREEN, Louis — LB

9/5/04 Waived
 9/6/04 Signed to practice squad
 9/11/04 Signed from practice squad
 9/11/04 Waived; re-signed to practice squad
 11/30/04 Signed from practice squad

GRIFFIN, Quentin — RB

10/27/04 Placed on reserve/injured list (right knee)

HAPE, Patrick — TE

4/15/04 Re-signed (UFA)
 4/1/05 Re-signed (UFA)

HARRIS, Atnaf — WR

1/6/04 Signed to future contract
 8/31/04 Waived

HEARST, Garrison — RB

3/25/04 Signed
 12/28/04 Placed on reserve/injured (left hand)

HICKS, Reese — G

1/7/05 Signed to future contract

HOLLAND, Darius — DT

9/11/04 Waived
 9/13/04 Signed
 12/21/04 Waived

HUNT, Aaron — DE

3/3/05 Signed

ISRAEL, Ron — S

12/31/03 Signed to future contract
 8/31/04 Waived

JACKSON, Jarious — QB

7/27/04 Waived

JACKSON, Nate — TE

12/7/04 Placed on reserve/injured list (left ankle)

JACKSON, Willie — WR

3/12/04 Signed
 8/17/04 Waived

JENKINS, MarTay — WR

12/30/03 Signed to future contract
 7/27/04 Waived

JOHNSON, B. J. — WR

5/7/04 Signed (rookie free agent)
 8/31/04 Placed on reserve/injured list (left ankle)

JOHNSON, Ellis — DE

9/20/04 Acquired in a trade from Atlanta in exchange for a 2005 conditional draft pick
 10/2/04 Activated from exempt/commissioner permission to 53-man roster

JOHNSON, Raylee — DE

3/22/04 Signed

JOHNSON, Riall — LB

8/23/04 Signed

KENNEDY, Brandon — DT

5/7/04 Signed (rookie free agent)
 8/31/04 Waived

KNORR, Micah — P

2/9/04 Waived

LEACH, Mike — LS/TE

3/11/04 Re-signed (UFA)
 3/10/05 Re-signed (UFA)

LENDA, Tyler — G

6/14/04 Signed
 8/31/04 Waived

LeSUEUR, Jeremy — S

7/27/04 Signed
 9/5/04 Placed on reserve/injured list (hernia)

LUKE, Triandos — WR

6/11/04 Signed

LYNCH, John — S

3/23/04 Signed

MADISE, Adrian — WR

10/4/04 Moved from reserve/suspended to exempt/commissioner permission list

10/11/04 Waived

MARISCAL, Mark — P/K

1/26/05 Signed to future contract
3/11/05 Waived

MATTOS, Grant — WR

12/22/04 Signed to practice squad
1/10/05 Signed to future contract
7/27/05 Waived

MAUCK, Matt — QB

7/27/04 Signed
9/22/04 Waived
9/24/04 Signed to practice squad
1/8/05 Signed from practice squad

McNEAL, Bryant — DE

9/5/04 Waived
9/6/04 Signed to practice squad
12/22/04 Signed to Tampa Bay's active roster

MIDDLEBROOKS, Willie — CB

12/17/04 Placed on reserve/injured (right knee)
7/15/05 Traded to San Francisco in exchange for DE John Engelberger

MIREE, Brandon — RB

7/27/04 Signed
8/16/04 Place on reserve/injured list (left thumb)

McCaffrey, Ed — WR

3/2/04 Placed on reserve/retired list

MITCHELL, Clint — DE

9/5/04 Waived

MOBLEY, John — LB

7/28/04 Waived

MAJONDO-MWAMBA, Patrice — DL

6/14/05 Assigned by NFL to the Int'l. Practice Squad

MYERS, Michael — DT

3/30/05 Acquired from Cleveland with DE Ebenezer Ekuban in exchange for RB Reuben Droughns

NEIL, Dan — G

2/24/05 Released

NOWLAND, Ben — C

7/31/05 Signed

NWOKORIE, Chukie — DE

1/19/05 Signed to future contract

O'NEAL, Deltha — CB

4/9/04 Traded to Cincinnati along with a 2004 first round (24th overall) pick and a 2004 fourth round (117th overall) pick, in exchange for the Bengals 2004 first round (17th overall) selection

PALEPOI, Anton — DE

9/22/04 Signed
4/21/05 Re-signed (RFA)

PEARS, Erik — T

4/26/05 Signed (rookie free agent)

PINKARD, Mike — TE

1/7/05 Signed to future contract
5/12/05 Waived

PITTMAN, Thomas — DT

12/30/03 Signed to future contract
9/5/04 Waived

POPE, Monsanto — DT

4/1/05 Re-signed (RFA)

PORTIS, Clinton — RB

3/4/04 Traded to Washington for CB Champ Bailey and a 2004 second-round (41st overall) draft choice

PUTZIER, Jeb — TE

3/10/05 Re-signed (RFA)

QUINN, Mike — QB

3/10/04 Signed (UFA-Houston)
8/31/04 Waived

REESE, Johnathan — RB

12/28/04 Signed
1/8/05 Waived

RENTERIA, D.J. — DT

12/21/04 Signed to practice squad
1/10/05 Signed to future contract
7/30/05 Placed on reserve/NFL Europe injury list

RICE, Jerry — WR

6/1/05 Signed

RUTLEDGE, Johnny — LB

5/11/04 Re-signed

9/5/04 Waived

SALAAM, Ephraim — T

3/2/04 Waived

SANTIAGO, O.J. — TE

4/15/04 Signed (UFA-Oakland)
8/31/04 Waived

SAPP, Cecil — RB

9/5/04 Waived
9/6/04 Signed to practice squad
10/27/04 Signed

SAUERBRUN, Todd — P

5/19/05 Acquired from Carolina for P Jason Baker and a 2006 seventh round pick

SEWELL, Josh — C

7/27/04 Signed
9/5/04 Waived
9/6/04 Signed to practice squad
12/27/05 Signed to future contract
7/31/05 Placed on exempt/left squad list
8/9/05 Placed on reserve/left squad list

SHOATE, Jeff — CB

7/27/04 Signed

SNELL, Shannon — G

5/7/04 Signed (rookie free agent)
9/5/04 Waived

SPENCER, Jimmy — CB

3/15/04 Re-signed (UFA)
8/31/04 Placed on reserve/retired list

SPIKES, Cameron — G

5/23/05 Signed (UFA-Arizona)

STEELE, Markus — LB

1/7/05 Signed to future contract

STEPHENS, Jamain — T

12/31/03 Signed to future contract
8/31/04 Waived

STEPHENS, Reggie — CB

3/15/04 Signed
7/27/04 Waived
7/30/04 Signed
8/16/04 Waived

STUBER, Tim — G

12/22/04 Signed

TURNER, Scott — CB

3/10/04 Re-signed (UFA)
8/31/04 Waived

VAN PELT, Bradlee — QB

7/27/04 Signed
9/5/04 Waived
9/6/04 Signed to practice squad
1/31/05 Signed to future contract

VEAL, Demetris — DT

12/18/04 Signed

WALLS, Lenny — CB

11/30/04 Placed on reserved/injured list (right shoulder)
4/21/05 Re-signed (RFA)

WARREN, Gerard — DT

3/3/05 Acquired from Cleveland for a 2005 fourth-round pick

WATTON, Chris — C/G

9/5/04 Waived
8/2/05 Claimed off Waivers (Tampa Bay)

WATTS, Darius — WR

7/27/04 Signed

WEAVER, Jed — TE

3/19/04 Signed (UFA-San Francisco)
9/5/04 Waived

WILLIS, Keith — TE

1/10/05 Signed to future contract

WILSON, Al — LB

2/24/04 Re-signed

WILSON, Zach — G

6/14/05 Signed

WOODBURY, Tory — QB

12/30/03 Signed to future contract
4/26/04 Waived

HOW THE BRONCOS ARE BUILT

Updated 8/16/05

Year	Draft/College Free Agent	Trades	Free Agents/Waivers
1993 9-7 (3rd AFC West)	K Jason Elam (3b)		
1994 7-9 (4th AFC West)	C Tom Nalen (7c) T Dwayne Carswell (CFA) WR Rod Smith (CFA)		
1995 8-8 (4th AFC West)			
1996 13-3 (1st AFC West)			
1997 12-4 (2nd AFC West) Super Bowl Champs	DT Trevor Pryce (1) T Matt Lepsis (CFA)		
1998 14-2 (1st AFC West) Super Bowl Champs			
1999 6-10 (5th AFC West)	LB Al Wilson (1)		
2000 11-5 (2nd AFC West)	G/T Cooper Carlisle (4b) RB Mike Anderson (6)		
2001 8-8 (3rd AFC West)	C Ben Hamilton (4a)		TE Patrick Hape*** (UFA-Tampa Bay)
2002 9-7 (2nd AFC West)	WR Ashley Lelie (1) DT Dorsett Davis (3) S Sam Brandon (4) TE Jeb Putzier (6) S Chris Young (7a) DT Monsanto Pope (7b) WR Charlie Adams (CFA) LB Jashon Sykes (CFA) CB Lenny Walls (CFA)		FB Kyle Johnson** TE/LS Mike Leach**
2003 10-6 (2nd AFC West)	T George Foster (1) LB Terry Pierce (2) RB Quentin Griffin (4a) RB Cecil Sapp (CFA)	TE Nate Jackson (S.F.)**	DT Mario Fatafehi** S Nick Ferguson** LB Louis Green** QB Danny Kanell** QB Jake Plummer*** (UFA-Arizona)
2004 10-6 (2nd AFC West)	LB DJ. Williams (1) RB Tatum Bell (2a) WR Darius Watts (2b) S Jeremy LeSueur (3) CB Jeff Shoate (5) WR Triandos Luke (6a) QB Matt Mauck (7a) RB Brandon Miree (7b) QB Bradlee Van Pelt (7c) CB Roc Alexander (CFA) G/T Tyson Clabo (CFA) WR Romar Crenshaw (CFA) WR B.J. Johnson (CFA)	CB Champ Bailey (Was)**	LB Patrick Chukwurah** DE Marco Coleman*** (UFA-Philadelphia) CB Curome Cox** DT Luther Elliss** T Cornell Green*** (UFA-Tampa Bay) DE Raylee Johnson** S John Lynch** DT D.J. Renteria** DE Anton Palepoi** G Tim Stuber** DT Demetrin Veal**
2005	CB Darrent Williams (2) CB Karl Paymah (3a) CB Domonique Foxworth (3b) RB Maurice Clarett (3c) OL Chris Myers (6) P/K Paul Ernster (7) CB Brandon Browner (CFA) TE Wesley Duke (CFA) T Erik Pears (CFA) QB Chad Friehtauf (CFA) DL Patrice Majondo-Mwamba (CFA)	DE Ebenezer Ekuban (Cle)** DE John Engelberger (SF)** DT Michael Myers (Cle)** P Todd Sauerbrun (Car)** DT Gerard Warren (Cle)**	TE Stephen Alexander*** (UFA-Detroit) CB Rod Babers** DE Courtney Brown** RB Kris Briggs** LB Keith Burns*** (UFA-Tampa Bay) T Anthony Clement** RB Ron Dayne*** (UFA-N.Y. Giants) WR Todd Devoe** LB Ian Gold** (D2a-2000) DE Aaron Hunt** (D6-2003) C Ben Nowland** DE Chukie Nwokorie** WR Jerry Rice** G Cameron Spikes*** (UFA-Arizona) LB Markus Steele** C/G Chris Watton** G Zach Wilson**

Number in parenthesis after draft choice indicates the round in which the player was taken.

CFA – indicates player was a rookie free agent when he joined the Broncos.

** – indicates player was an NFL veteran or had been in other camps before joining the Broncos.

*** – indicates player was an unrestricted free agent who had not been released by previous team.

(year) – indicates a player who had a previous tenure with the club, and the year it began.



JOHN ENGELBERGER

6-4 • 268 • 6TH YR. • VIRGINIA TECH

BORN: Oct. 18, 1976, in Heidelberg, Germany
High School: Robert E. Lee High School, Springfield, Va.
Acquired: Trade with San Francisco, 2005
NFL Year: 6th • **Year with Broncos:** 1st
NFL Games Played/Started: 78/58 • **Postseason:** 2/0

DEFENSIVE END

ENGELBERGER AT A GLANCE:

- A sixth-year defensive end who joined the Broncos on July 15, 2005, in a trade with San Francisco in exchange for CB Willie Middlebrooks.
- Recorded a team and career-high six sacks (40.5 yds.) in 2004, starting 15-of-16 games played for the 49ers.
- San Francisco's leader with four forced fumbles last season, Engelberger finished the 2004 campaign ranked second in tackles among 49ers linemen with a career-best 64 stops (34 solo).
- Started 16 games in 2003 and tallied a then career-high 4.5 sacks (31 yds.) to help San Francisco tie for fourth in the NFL with 42 sacks.
- Missed only two games in five NFL seasons and was a key member of 49ers run defenses that posted three consecutive top-10 NFL rankings in 2001-03.
- Selected as a second-team All-American by the Associated Press and All-Big East first-team honoree his junior and senior campaigns at Virginia Tech.
- Placed second on Virginia Tech with seven sacks as a senior in 1999.
- Selected by San Francisco in the second round (35th overall) of the 2000 NFL Draft.



2004: Engelberger started 15 of 16 games played at left defensive end for the San Francisco 49ers, recording career-highs for tackles (64), and sacks (6) while matching his personal best with four forced fumbles. He also dropped St. Louis Rams quarterbacks twice for his best single-game performance. He posted single-game highs with six tackles (three times) and two forced fumbles in the season finale at New England. He finished the year with 64 tackles (34 solo), six sacks (40.5 yds.), four forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and three passes defensed. He started at defensive end and amassed three tackles (1 solo) in the opener vs. Atl. (9/12). At N.O. (9/19), he started at defensive end on a unit that limited the Saints' offense to 46 rushing yards. He made three tackles (1 solo), one sack (11 yds.), one forced fumble and one pass defensed against the Saints. The following week, he started at defensive end and made four stops (3 solo) and a half-sack at Sea. (9/26). On 10/3 vs. Stl., he started at defensive end and contributed to two tackles. He had an assisted tackle in a win against Ari. (10/10). Engelberger returned to the starting lineup at defensive end and recorded five tackles (4 solo) and a pass defensed at N.Y. Jets (10/17). Engelberger contributed to five tackles and a half sack (5.5 yds.) while starting at defensive end at Chi. (10/31). He started at defensive end and made two solo tackles, including a four-yard sack vs. Seattle (11/7). He contributed three tackles (2 solo) and one pass defensed to a defense that allowed only 57 rushing yards against Car. (11/14). He posted a season-high six tackles (3 solo) as a starter at defensive end at T.B. (11/21). He started at defensive end and matched his season-high six tackles (3 solo) to contribute to a defense that yielded just 49 rushing yards vs. Mia. (11/28). He posted a career-high two sacks (14 yds.) as part of a five-tackle (two solo), one-forced fumble effort as a starter at defensive end at Stl. (12/5). He made five stops (4 solo) as a starting defensive end on a unit that limited Arizona to 75 rushing yards in a win at Ari. (12/12). Against Was. (12/18), he registered four tackles (2 solo). He started at defensive end and made four solo tackles vs. Buf. (12/26). He started at defensive end at N.E. (1/2) and matched his career high with six tackles (3 solo) and two forced fumbles. He also recovered a fumble and had one sack (5 yds.) in the season finale against the Patriots.

2003: Engelberger started all 16 games at defensive end, recording 35 tackles (25 solo) while setting a then career-high 4.5 sacks (31 yds.). He contributed to a rush defense that placed in the league's top-10 for the third consecutive campaign. In the season-opening win vs. Chi. (9/7), he made one solo tackle and a half-sack (two yards) to contribute to a defense that allowed only 55 rushing yards. At Stl. (9/14), he tallied three tackles (2 solo) in limiting the Rams to 88 rushing yards. For the third consecutive week, the 49ers defensive unit did not yield 100 rushing yards as Engelberger made two tackles (1 solo) and a sack (6 yds.) to help limit Cle. (9/21) to 51 yards on the ground. He registered three tackles (2 solo) and a sack (11.0 yards) at Min. (9/28). He made two tackles (1 solo) in a victory vs. Det. (10/5). At Sea. (10/12) he made two solo tackles. In a victory vs. T.B.,

(10/19), he contributed two tackles (1 solo) in limiting the Buccaneers to 68 rushing yards. At Ari. (10/26), he made two solo tackles. In a victory vs. Stl. (11/2), he contributed to a defense that allowed just nine rushing yards to the Rams, the second-fewest rushing yards allowed in a single game in 49ers history. He tallied four solo tackles in back-to-back games vs. Pit. (11/17) and at G.B. (11/23). In the win against the Steelers, the defense yielded 44 rushing yards. At Bal. (11/30), he recorded one solo tackle, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery and one sack (12 yds.). He contributed to a defense that allowed 59 rushing yards in a winning effort vs. Ari. (12/7). He made three tackles (1 solo) at Cin. (12/14). He contributed two solo tackles and one sack (0 yds.) to a win at Phi. (12/21). He recorded two tackles (1 solo) vs. Sea. (12/27).

2002: Engelberger played in 15 regular season and both postseason contests for San Francisco, compiling 12 tackles (11 solo) and one special teams tackle while contributing to a unit that finished in the league's top-10 run defenses for the second consecutive season. The defense held its opponent under 100 yards rushing seven times, and twice under 50 yards. He recorded one solo tackle in a win at N.Y. Giants (9/5) in helping to limit the Giants just 43 rushing yards. He played on a defense that yielded under 100 rushing in consecutive weeks, allowing only 57 rushing yards in a win vs. Was. (9/22) and 88 yards vs. Stl. (10/6). He recorded two tackles to contribute to the win against the Rams. He left the victory at Sea. (10/14) with an ankle injury, forcing him to miss the following game against N.O. (10/20). He returned to the action, but saw limited play in a victory vs. Ari. (10/27). The defense again held consecutive opponents to under 100 rushing yards in back-to-back wins, limiting Oakland (11/3) to 81 yards and Kansas City (11/10) to 80 yards. He recorded one solo tackle vs. K.C. He made a special teams tackle vs. Phi. (11/25). He made two solo stops in a win against Sea. (12/1). Vs. G.B. (12/15), he made three solo tackles. He contributed two tackles (1 solo) to a win at Ari. (12/21). At Stl. (12/30), he made one solo stop to contribute to a defense which yielded just 35 rushing yards. He recorded a sack (6 yds.), a pass defensed and a special teams tackle in the Wild Card Game win vs. N.Y. Giants (1/5). In the Divisional Playoff Game, he contributed two tackles (1 solo) at T.B. (1/12).

2001: Engelberger started 14 of the 15 games he played at defensive end and set his career high with four forced fumbles. He also contributed 36 tackles (32 solo) and four sacks (29 yds.) to a defense which ranked in the league's top-10 rushing defenses. The unit held its opponents under 100 yards eight times and under 60 yards three times. He recorded two tackles (1 solo) as a starter in a win vs. Atl. (9/9). Vs. Stl. (9/23), he was credited with three tackles (2 solo), a sack (12 yds.) and a forced fumble. The 49ers defense did not yield 100 yards in three consecutive victories at N.Y. Jets (10/1), vs. Car. (10/7) and at Atl. (10/14). He registered four tackles (3 solo) against the Jets to contribute to a defense that allowed 82 rushing yards. He recorded three solo tackles to help limit the Panthers to 61 rushing yards. He noticed two solo tackles and a pass defensed to curb the Falcons to just 88 rushing yards. He also made a special teams stop against the Falcons. He made three stops (1 solo) at Chi. (10/28). He contributed two tackles and a sack to help limit Dal. (11/4) to 58 rushing yards in the first of a five-game winning streak. He recorded one solo tackle at Car. (11/18). He was credited with four solo tackles, a sack (6 yds.) and a forced fumble at Ind. (11/25). He recorded two solo tackles in a 35-0 win vs. Buf. (1/22). He was credited with one solo tackle at Stl. (1/29). He did not play in the win vs. Mia. (1/21/6) due to a left heel injury. He returned to action in a win vs. Phi. (1/22/2) and recorded a sack (11 yds.), one forced fumble and two solo tackles. He set his then-career high with five solo tackles at Dal. (1/23/0). He chipped in two solo tackles and a forced fumble to help limit at N.O. (1/6) to 40 rushing yards in a win. He was inactive for the Wild Card Game at G.B. (1/13) due to a right ankle injury which forced him from the game against the Saints.

2000: Selected by the 49ers in the second round (35th overall) of the 2000 NFL Draft, Engelberger played in all 16 games and started 13 as a rookie. He recorded 28 tackles (20 solo), three sacks (22 yds.) and a forced fumble. He contributed to a defense which held its opponents to under 100 rushing yards eight times. He added six special teams stops. In his NFL debut at Atl. (9/3), he made one solo tackle in helping to limit the Falcons to 95 rushing yards. He assisted on one tackle the following week vs. Car. (9/10). He recorded his first pro sack at Stl. (9/17) when he dropped Kurt Warner for a 5-yard loss. He finished the game with three tackles (2 solo).

ENGELBERGER'S SACKS BY QUARTERBACK

*Denotes win (Engelberger's teams are 7-12 in games in which he records a sack, including 1-0 in the postseason)

QB	Sacks	Dates
Chris Chandler	2	2 at Stl., 12/5/04
Dwain White	2	2 vs. Phi., 12/22/01*, 1 at Phi., 12/21/03*
Kurt Warner	2	1 at Stl., 9/17/00, 1 vs. Stl., 9/23/01
Matt Hasselbeck	15	1 vs. Sea., 11/17/04, 5 at Sea., 9/28/04
Tommy Armstrong	1	1 at Dal., 9/24/00*
Charlie Batch	1	1 vs. Dal., 11/4/01*
Tom Brady	1	1 at N.E., 1/2/05
Aaron Brooks	1	1 at N.O., 9/19/04
Kerry Collins	1	1 vs. N.Y. Giants, 1/5/03* (APFC/WildCard Game)
Gus Frazier	1	1 at Min., 9/28/03
Trent Green	1	1 vs. Stl., 10/29/00
Kelly Holcomb	1	1 vs. Cle., 9/21/00*
Payton Manning	1	1 at Ind., 11/26/01*
Anthony Wright	1	1 at Bal., 11/30/03
Craig Krenzel	5	5 at Chi., 10/31/04
Kordell Stewart	5	5 vs. Chi., 9/7/03*

The following week he made his first NFL start in place of injured Junior Bryant at Dal. (9/24) and made one solo tackle, a sack (7 yds.) to contribute to a defense that held the Cowboys to just 76 rushing yards in a win. He remained in the starting lineup for the rest of the season. He made three tackles (2 solo) in a win vs. Ari. (10/1). He was credited with two solo stops vs. Oak. (10/8). Posted a season-high four tackles (2 solo) at G.B. (10/15). At Car. (10/22), he registered a solo tackle. He recorded three solo tackles, including a 10-yard sack vs. Stl. (10/29). He added a special teams tackle against the Rams. He made two solo tackles at N.O. (11/5). In a win vs. K.C. (11/12), he registered four tackles (3 solo) to help the defense limit the Chiefs to 49 rushing yards. In a win the following week vs. Atl. (11/19), he recorded two tackles

(1 solo) to help cap the Falcons at 93 rushing yards. In a victory at S.D. (12/3), he played on a defensive unit that limited the Chargers to 49 rushing yards. He recorded an assisted tackle and a pass defensed vs. N.O. (12/10). He added a solo special teams stop against the Saints. In a winning effort vs. Chi. (12/17), he played on a defensive unit that held the Bears to 104 total offensive yards (39 rushing and 65 passing).

COLLEGE: Engelberger was a second-team All-America selection by the Associated Press and All-Big East first-team honoree following a senior season at Virginia Tech which saw him record 53 tackles (32 solo) and seven sacks. During his four years at Virginia Tech, the Hokies played in four bowl games, including an appearance in the National Championship Game. His senior season, he spearheaded a defense that ranked third in the nation in total defense (247.3 yards per game) and rushing defense (75.9 yds. per game) en route to a berth in the National Championship Game against Florida State University. At the conclusion of his senior season, he was awarded the Paul Torgersen Award as the Hokie player who shows a commitment to hard work and great effort everytime he takes the field. As a junior he recorded 66 tackles and 7.5 sacks (59 yds.) to help garner a All-Big East second-team selection. The Hokies defense placed seventh in the country in yards allowed per game (284.9 yds. per game) and eleventh in the nation in both rushing defense (102.2 yds. per game) and pass efficiency, defense (103.4 rating) as they were chosen to play in the Music City Bowl. He was named the team's outstanding defensive lineman following his junior campaign. He finished his sophomore season with 70 tackles (43 solo) and six sacks (47 yds.) en route to a second-team All Big East selection. The Hokies were chosen to play in the Gator Bowl. As a freshman he contributed 64 tackles (33 solo) and six sacks (40 yds.) to a team that was undefeated at home (7-0) en route to a berth in the Orange Bowl. Engelberger started his collegiate career as a walk on at Virginia Tech.

PERSONAL: Engelberger lettered two years at Robert E. Lee High School in Springfield, Va. where he played tight end and linebacker in high school. He caught 19 passes for 422 yards and four touchdowns as a senior. He added 94 tackles and three sacks as a linebacker during his senior campaign. He earned a bachelors degree in interdisciplinary studies from Virginia Tech. John Albert Engelberger was born Oct. 18, 1976, in Heidelberg, Germany.

ENGELBERGER'S REGULAR SEASON RECORD

Year	Club	G	S	UT	A	TT	S-Yds.	I-Yds.	PD	FF	FR	TD-Int.	TD-FF	S	Pts.
2000	San Fran.	16	13	20	8	28	3-22	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
2001	San Fran.	15	14	32	4	36	4-29	0-0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
2002	San Fran.	15	0	11	1	12	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2003	San Fran.	16	16	25	10	62	4-5-31	0-0	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
2004	San Fran.	16	15	34	30	64	6-40-5	0-0	3	4	1	0	0	0	0
CAREER TOTALS		78	58	122	53	178	17-5-122.5	0-0	4	9	2	0	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS: Miscellaneous tackles — 2000 (6), 2001 (1), 2002 (1), 2003 (8).

ENGELBERGER'S POSTSEASON RECORD

Year	Club	G	S	UT	A	TT	S-Yds.	I-Yds.	PD	FF	FR	TD-Int.	TD-FF	S	Pts.
2001	San Fran.	2	0	2	1	3	1-6	INACTIVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2002	San Fran.	2	0	2	1	3	1-6	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAREER TOTALS		4	0	4	2	6	2-12	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS: Miscellaneous tackles — 2002 (1), TOTAL (1),(10/27/02).

ENGELBERGER'S SINGLE GAME HIGHS


(Postseason in parentheses)

Sacks — 2 at St. Louis, 12/5/04 (1 vs. N.Y. Giants, 1/5/03). **Sack yards** — 14 at St. Louis, 12/5/04 (6 vs. N.Y. Giants, 1/5/03). **Interceptions** — None (none). **Interception return yards** — None (none).

ENGELBERGER'S MULTIPLE-SACK GAMES (1)

Date	Opponent	S-Yds.
12/5/04	at St. Louis	2-14

*denotes win (Engelberger's teams are 0-1 when he records more than one sack in a game.)



PATRICE MAJONDO-MWAMBA
6-4 • 293 • TEXAS TECH
 Born: July 29, 1979, in Democratic Republic of Congo
 High School: Athenee of the Waterloo High School, Belgium
 Acquired: Rookie Free Agent, 2005

DEFENSIVE LINE MAN

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MAJONDO-MWAMBA AT A GLANCE:

- A 25-year-old rookie who played three games for the Rhein Fire of NFL Europe.
 - Recorded his first collegiate sack as a Red Raider when he dropped Aaron Rogers of California for a 1-yard loss in the third quarter of the Pacific Life Holiday Bowl.
 - Graduated from Hartnell Community College before attending Texas Tech University.
 - Started his first collegiate contest on Oct. 18, 2003 against Oklahoma State.
- CAREER TRANSACTIONS:** Assigned to the International Practice Squad by the NFL, 6/14/05.



2004: Majondo-Mwamba played three games for the Rhein Fire, but did not record any stats. He recorded 15 stops (10 solo), including 3.5 for a combined loss of eight yards and one sack. He recorded the lone sack of his collegiate career when he dropped Aaron Rogers for a one-yard loss in the Pacific Life Holiday Bowl, his final collegiate outing. Contributed two tackles (1 solo) for a combined loss of six yards against Texas A&M. Made his only start of the season against Oklahoma State.

2003: Majondo-Mwamba stopped 18 ballcarriers (12 solo), including 2.5 for a combined loss of 21 yards while seeing action in all 13 contests. Started consecutive games (Nov. 1 vs. Colorado and Nov. 8 at Baylor) for his first two collegiate starts. He started the season finale and turned in a solid outing against Navy with three tackles, one for a loss and a forced fumble. He contributed to a defense that shut the Midshipmen out for the first half, the first time in 14 years a Navy team had been blanked in the first half of a game. The following week, The previous week he contributed to a defense that limited Oklahoma to 78 rushing yards. His cousin Loliki Bongo-Wanga was a running back on the Texas Tech Red Raiders.

2002: Majondo-Mwamba sat out as a redshirt at Texas Tech.

COLLEGE: Majondo-Mwamba graduated from Hartnell Community College (Salinas, Calif.) before attending Texas Tech. In his second season at Hartnell he amassed 67 tackles, 11 sacks and five tackles for loss. Following his final season at Hartnell, he was named to the JUCO Top 100 list and was named First-Team All-Conference. He majored in human development and family studies at Texas Tech.

PERSONAL: Patrice Majondo-Mwamba was born July 29, 1979 in Congo. He and his cousin Loliki Bongo-Wanga moved to Georgia together and began learning English. They soon moved to Salinas, California to attend Hartnell Community College. In his first season of organized football, Majondo-Mwamba was selected All-Coast Conference first team defensive end.



BEN NOWLAND

6-2 • 298 • 1ST YR. • AUBURN

Born: May 27, 1980, in Jacksonville, Fla.
 High School: Nease High School, St. Augustine, Fla.
 Acquired: Free Agent, 2005
 NFL Year: 1st • Year with Broncos: 1st
 NFL Games Played/Started: 0/0



CENTER

NOWLAND AT A GLANCE:

- Played the last two seasons in NFL Europe for the Frankfurt Galaxy.
- Started four games at center in 2005 for Frankfurt in NFL Europe.
- Helped Frankfurt advance to the World Bowl and pace the league in rushing in 2004.
- Earned a spot on the All-Southeastern Conference first team in 2002.
- Signed as an undrafted free agent by San Francisco on May 2, 2003.

CAREER TRANSACTIONS: Signed by San Francisco as an undrafted free agent 5/2/03; Waived by San Francisco 8/1/03; Signed by Carolina 8/11/03; Waived by Carolina 8/25/03; Signed by Washington (practice squad) 11/18/03; Signed by Washington 9/5/04; Signed by Washington (practice squad) 9/7/04; Released by Washington 9/21/04; Signed by Washington (practice squad) 11/30/04; Released by Washington 1/10/05; Signed by Washington (future contract) 1/11/05; Waived by Washington 7/28/05; Signed by Denver 7/31/05;




2004: Nowland had two stints on the Washington Redskins' practice squad. He spent the first two weeks of the season on Washington's practice squad before his release on Sept. 21. Nowland again signed to the Redskins' practice squad on Nov. 30, 2004, for the duration of the season. He was signed to a future contract by Washington on Jan. 11, 2005, and was allocated to the Frankfurt Galaxy of NFL Europe. Nowland started four games for the Galaxy at center.

2003: Nowland entered the NFL on Nov. 18, 2003, the San Francisco 49ers signed Nowland as an undrafted free agent but waived him on Aug. 4. A week later, the Carolina Panthers signed Nowland, but waived him two weeks later. Nowland was out of football until joining the Washington Redskins' practice squad on Nov. 18, 2003. He was later allocated to NFL Europe, where he played nine games for the Frankfurt Galaxy. He helped the Galaxy pace the circuit in rushing en route to a World Bowl berth.

COLLEGE: Nowland started 33 games in his four seasons at Auburn. He garnered first All-Southeastern Conference honors as a senior. He received the Pat Dye Leadership Award after spring drills. *The Sporting News* rated him one of the top 12 centers in the nation going into his senior campaign. As a junior, Nowland started 11 games, missing one contest with a sprained knee. He was named to the SEC Academic Honor Roll. Nowland started 10 of the 12 games he played as a sophomore, helping the Tigers reach the Citrus Bowl. As a redshirt freshman, Nowland played on special teams and served as the backup center. As a freshman, he earned one start, but broke his foot and was granted a medical redshirt season. Nowland earned his degree in industrial design.


PERSONAL: Nowland was a three-year starter at tackle and guard. He was an honor student and was selected as a *Florida Times-Union* "Top 10 Scholastic Athlete" and ESPN's *Scholastic Sports America* student of the week. He also was a standout wrestler at Nease High School in St. Augustine, Fla., posting a 34-4 record and winning a regional championship. He competed in shootput and discus on the track team. Benjamin Lee Nowland was born May 27, 1980, in Jacksonville, Fla.



CHRIS WATTON

6-3 • 305 • 1ST YR. • BAYLOR

Born: Oct. 6, 1977, in Sioux Falls, S.D.
 High School: Foley High School, Foley, Ala.
 Acquired: Waivers, 2005
 NFL Year: 1st • Year with Broncos: 1st
 NFL Games Played/Started: 0/0



CENTER/GUARD

WATTON AT A GLANCE:

- Played 14 regular season games and three postseason contests on the offensive and defensive lines for the ArenaBowl XIX winning Colorado Crush in 2005.
- Recorded his first Arena Football League sack on June 5, 2005, when he stopped Raymond Philpaw for a 9-yard loss in a playoff win against Chicago.
- Earned two letters at Baylor after transferring from Southwest Mississippi Community College.
- Spent 14 weeks on the Denver Broncos' practice squad in 2003 and in 2002.
- Entered the NFL as a rookie free agent by Arizona on April 28, 2000, after playing two seasons at Baylor.

CAREER TRANSACTIONS: Signed by Arizona as an undrafted free agent 4/28/00; Waived by Arizona 6/30/00; Signed by Baltimore 7/27/01; Waived by Baltimore 9/1/01; Signed by Green Bay (future contract); Waived by Green Bay 8/27/02; Signed by Denver (practice squad) 9/18/02; Waived by Denver 8/31/03; Signed by Denver (practice squad) 9/2/03; Released by Denver 11/11/03; Signed by Denver (practice squad) 11/26/03; Signed by Denver (future contract) 1/13/04; Waived by Denver 9/5/04; Signed by Tampa Bay 6/15/05; Waived by Tampa Bay 8/1/05; Claimed by Denver off waivers 8/2/05.



2004: Watton competed in Broncos' training camp, but was waived on Sept. 5, 2004. He spent the NFL season out of football before signing with the Colorado Crush of the Arena Football League. He played on the offensive and defensive lines for the Crush in 14 consecutive regular season games after missing the first two with a sprained ankle. He also played in all three playoff games en route to winning ArenaBowl XIX. He recorded 5.5 total tackles during the regular season and 1.5 stops in the postseason. He stopped Chicago's Raymond Philpaw for a 9-yard sack in the second round of the playoffs.

2003: Watton had two stints totaling 14 weeks with Denver (practice squad) during the 2003 campaign. He signed with the Broncos (practice squad) on Sept. 2, but was released on Nov. 11. Two weeks later, he re-signed with the Broncos (practice squad).

2002: Watton started the 2002 season in Green Bay's training camp, but was waived on Aug. 27 before signing with Denver (practice squad) on Sept. 18. Watton spent 14 weeks on Denver's practice squad.

2001: Watton spent training camp with the Baltimore Ravens' training camp roster, but was waived on Sept. 1, 2001. Watton spent the regular season out of football before signing with Green Bay (future contract) on Jan. 17, 2002.

2000: Watton entered the NFL with Arizona as an undrafted free agent on April 28. He was waived on June 30 and spent the remainder of the season out of football. He competed for the Scottish Claymores in the spring of 2001.

COLLEGE: Watton lettered two years (1996-97) at Southwest Mississippi Community College before transferring to Baylor (1998-99). Watton started 20 games in his two seasons at Baylor.

PERSONAL: Watton attended Foley (Ala.) High School, where he lettered four times in football, twice in track and once in baseball. He was named to all-county, all-region and all-state teams his senior year. Watton is married, and he and his wife, Emily, have a daughter, Zoey (4) and a son, Gage (3). Christopher Lee Watton was born Oct. 6, 1977, in Sioux Falls, S.D.



ZACH WILSON

6-5 • 302 • 3RD YR. • USC

BORN: Oct. 14, 1979, in Little Rock, Ark.

HIGH SCHOOL: Mayfair High School, Lakewood, Calif.

ACQUIRED: Free Agent, 2005

NFL YEAR: 1st • YEAR WITH BRONCOS: 1st

NFL GAMES PLAYED/STARTED: 0/0

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GUARD

WILSON AT A GLANCE:

- Played two seasons in NFL Europe for the Cologne Centurions.
 - Started at guard and helped Cologne to a third-place ranking in 2005 and fourth place in NFL Europe in 2004. Cologne finished third in the league in rushing yards per game (122.4) in the 2005 campaign.
 - Played with WR Todd Devoe in his initial stint in Cologne.
 - Started four seasons at the University of Southern California at guard. Earned second-team All-Pac 10 honors, named first-team All-Pac 10 by *The Sporting News*, and was the Trojans' Offensive Lineman of the Year 2002.
 - Started all 11 games in 2001. Inserted into the Trojans' starting lineup for the 2000 season's final seven games after seeing action as a backup and on special teams.
 - Signed as a rookie free agent by Detroit on May 2, 2003 after playing four seasons at the University of Southern California.
- CAREER TRANSACTIONS:** Signed by Detroit as a rookie free agent 5/2/03. Released by Detroit 8/25/03. Re-signed to the reserve/future list by Detroit 12/29/03. Released by Detroit (2005). Signed by Denver 6/14/05.



2004: Wilson started all 10 games for the Cologne Centurions. Cologne boasted the most rushing touchdowns (12) in NFL Europe.

2003: Wilson signed with Detroit as an undrafted free agent May 2 and practiced with the team through training camp before his release on Aug. 25. He was signed to Detroit's reserve/future list on Dec. 29. He was allocated to NFL Europe, where he started seven of the 10 games he played in for the Cologne Centurions. He contributed to an offensive line that yielded the second-fewest sacks (12) in NFL Europe.

COLLEGE: Wilson started four seasons (1999-02) at guard after redshirting the 1998 season. He gained a starting position for the final seven games of his redshirt freshman season. He missed the opening game of his senior season with a sprained foot, but returned to action the next game (but did not start) of the season against Colorado. Played but did not start one game his junior season. Inserted into the Trojans' starting lineup for the final seven games of the season. Wilson played well enough to garner 1999 Freshman All-American second team (*The Sporting News*) honors. He majored in public policy and management. **COLLEGE:** Majordo-Mwanba graduated from Hartnell Community College (Salinas, Calif.) before attending Texas Tech. In his second season at Hartnell he amassed 67 tackles, 11 sacks and five tackles for loss. Following his final season at Hartnell, he was named to the JUCO Top 100 list and was named First-Team All-Conference. He majored in human development and family studies at Texas Tech.

PERSONAL: Wilson was named to the 1997 Prep Star All-American, ESPN/National Recruiting Advisor All-American second team, Super Prep All-Farwest, Prep Star All-Western Region, *Long Beach Press-Telegram* Best of the Rest, Cal-Hi Sports All-State second team, Cal-Hi Sports All-State Medium Schools first team, All-CIF Division VIII first team, *Los Angeles Times* All-Southeast, *Long Beach Press-Telegram* Dream Team second team and All-Suburban League (offense and defense) as a senior at Mayfair High in Lakewood (Calif.). A two-way lineman, he had 40-plus tackles, five sacks, one fumble recovery and a deflection on defense in 1997. Mayfair went 7-3 in 1997. As a junior in 1996, he earned *Long Beach Press-Telegram* Dream Team honorable mention and All-Suburban League (offense and defense) honors and posted 57 tackles (42 solo), 24 tackles for losses, four sacks, three forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries on defense. He had an 87% blocking grade in 1996. Mayfair was 10-1 in 1996. He started for three years (Mayfair went 8-2 in 1995). He posted 111 tackles and 16.5 sacks in his career. On offense during his career, Mayfair ran behind him 23 times on fourth down and converted 22 times. He also wrestled at Mayfair, twice winning the league championship, and was on the track team (shot put and discus). Zach Wilson was both Oct. 14, 1979, in Little Rock, Ark.

WILSON'S REGULAR SEASON RECORD

Year	Club	G	S
2003	Detroit	0	0
2004	Detroit	0	0
CAREER TOTALS		0	0

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National Football League Game Summary

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Date: Saturday, 8/13/2005

Denver Broncos At Houston Texans
at Reliant Stadium, Houston

Start Time: 7:07 PM CDT

Game Day Weather

Game Weather: Clear & Hot

Played Retractable Roof - Closed on Turf: Natural

Outdoor Weather: Mostly Cloudy

Officials

Referee: Walt Anderson (66)	Umpire: Butch Hannah (40)	Head Linesman: Phil McKinnely (110)
Line Judge: Gary Arthur (108)	Side Judge: Rick Patterson (15)	Field Judge: Bill Lovett (98)
Back Judge: Billy Smith (2)	Replay Official: Dick Creed ()	Video Operator:

Lineups

Denver Broncos		Houston Texans	
Offense		Offense	
WR 80 R.Smith	DE 91 E.Ekuban	WR 80 A.Johnson	LE 96 G.Walker
LT 74 C.Green	LT 76 M.Myers	LT 68 V.Riley	NT 91 S.Payne
LG 50 B.Hamilton	RT 75 M.Pope	LG 69 C.Pitts	RE 99 R.Smith
C 66 T.Nalen	RE 93 T.Pryce	C 76 S.McKinney	LOLB 93 J.Babin
RG 65 C.Carlisle	WLB 52 I.Gold	RG 72 Z.Wiegert	BLB 52 K.Wong
RT 72 G.Foster	MLB 56 A.Wilson	RT 71 T.Wade	MLB 56 M.Greenwood
TE 82 S.Alexander	SLB 55 DJ.Williams	TE 81 M.Murphy	ROLB 98 A.PEEK
WR 85 A.Lelie	LCB 27 D.Williams	WR 85 C.Bradford	LCB 31 P.Buchanon
QB 16 J.Plummer	RCB 35 L.Walls	QB 8 D.Carr	RCB 23 D.Robinson
RB 38 M.Anderson	SS 25 N.Ferguson	RB 37 D.Davis	SS 30 J.Simmons
FB 39 K.Johnson	FS 47 J.Lynch	FB 44 M.Norris	FS 42 M.Coleman

Substitutions

K 1 J.Elam, P/K 3 P.Ernster, QB 8 M.Mauck, P 10 T.Sauerbrun, QB 11 B.Van Pelt, WR 12 B.Johnson, WR 14 T.Devoe, WR 15 R.Crenshaw, WR 17 D.Watts, WR 19 J.Rice, CB 22 D.Foxworth, RB 26 T.Bell, CB 28 J.Shoate, CB 29 B.Browner, S 31 J.LeSueur, S 32 C.Young, RB 33 R.Dayne, RB 36 K.Briggs, RB 37 C.Sapp, CB 40 C.Cox, CB 41 K.Paymah, S 42 S.Brandon, CB 45 R.Alexander, LB 51 K.Burns, LB 53 L.Green, LB 54 P.Chukwurah, LB 57 J.Sykes, LB 58 T.Pierce, LB 59 M.Steele, DE 60 J.Engelberger, OL 62 C.Myers, G 63 T.Stuber, T 64 E.Pears, DL 64 P. Majondo-Mamba, T 67 A.Clement, G 69 Z.Wilson, G/T 70 T.Clabo, C/G 71 C.Walton, DE 71 A.Hunt, G 73 C.Spikes, G 77 D.Carswell, C 79 B.Nowland, WR 81 C.Adams, TE/LS 83 M.Leach, TE 86 P.Hape, WR 87 T.Luke, TE 88 J.Putzier, TE 89 N.Jackson, DE 90 C.Nwokorie, DE 92 M.Coleman, DT 94 L.Elliss, DE 95 A.Palepoi, DT 96 D.Davis, DT 97 D.Veal, DE 99 R.Johnson

Substitutions

QB 2 B.Symons, K 3 K.Brown, WR 6 L.Dunbar, P 7 C.Stanley, WR 10 K.Kasper, QB 12 T.Banks, WR 13 J.Mathis, P 14 C.Scates, QB 15 D.Ragone, WR 17 K.Starling, WR 18 D.Pitts, FS 20 J.Lord, CB 21 L.Sanders, SS 22 R.Walker, SS 24 C.Brown, RB 25 T.Hollings, RB 27 J.Anderson, RB 28 A.Matthews, RB 32 J.Wells, CB 33 J.Bell, RB 34 V.Morency, CB 38 D.Faggins, CB 41 J.Wishom, CB 43 Cedrick.Williams, CB 45 C.McKenzie, LB 46 A.Dunn, FB 47 J.Baxter, LS 48 B.Pittman, TE 49 A.Halterman, LB 50 C.Anderson, LB 53 S.Orr, LB 54 T.Evans, LB 55 K.Pettway, LB 57 Q.Monk, LB 59 F.Chamberlin, LB 60 T.Cheatwood, OT 61 T.Brown, OT 62 C.Johnson, C 63 D.Hodgdon, OG 65 B.Evans, DE 66 A.Malone, G 67 M.Brown, G 70 F.Weary, OT 73 G.Jones, DE 74 Carlos.Williams, DE 75 T.Johnson, OT 78 S.Wand, OT 79 C.Beasley, TE 84 M.Rivers, WR 88 D.Armstrong, WR 89 R.Swinton, LB 90 D.Acholonu, DT 94 J.Ioane, DE 95 J.DeLoach, DE 97 J.Davis

Did Not Play

QB 9 C.Friehauf, QB 13 D.Kanell, RB 48 B.Miree, TE 84 W.Duke

Did Not Play

K 9 C.Snyder, DE 92 C.Sears

Not Active

RB 20 M.Clarett, RB 21 Q.Griffin, CB 24 C.Bailey, DT 61 G.Warren, DT 68 M.Fatafeh, T 78 M.Lepis, DE 98 C.Brown

Not Active

WR 19 S.Thomas, SS 26 G.Earl, CB 29 J.Pendergrass, LB 51 D.Polk, LB 58 Z.Moreno, DT 64 D.Stewart, C 77 T.Washington, TE 82 B.Miller, WR 86 J.Gaffney, TE 87 M.Bruener

Field Goals (made) & missed

J.Elam (27) (24)

		1	2	3	4	OT	Total
VISITOR:	Denver Broncos	0	10	0	10	0	20
HOME:	Houston Texans	7	0	0	7	0	14

Scoring Plays

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Texans	1	3:40	M.Murphy 31 yd. pass from T.Banks (K.Brown kick) (6-44, 3:55)	0	7
Broncos	2	13:21	S.Alexander 3 yd. pass from J.Plummer (J.Elam kick) (10-76, 5:19)	7	7
Broncos	2	3:47	J.Elam 27 yd. Field Goal (11-71, 5:26)	10	7
Broncos	4	13:29	J.Elam 24 yd. Field Goal (10-75, 4:42)	13	7
Broncos	4	4:18	T.Devoe 92 yd. pass from M.Mauck (J.Elam kick) (3-99, 1:28)	20	7
Texans	4	1:52	L.Dunbar 10 yd. pass from D.Ragone (K.Brown kick) (7-54, 2:26)	20	14

Paid Attendance: 70,016

Time: 3:00

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8/13/2005 at Reliant Stadium

Final Individual Statistics

Denver Broncos							Houston Texans										
RUSHING							RUSHING										
	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD		ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD						
R.Dayne	11	56	5.1	23	0	V.Morency	10	26	2.6	12	0						
B.Van Pelt	3	45	15.0	40	0	D.Davis	7	20	2.9	8	0						
M.Anderson	6	12	2.0	5	0	J.Wells	4	18	4.5	7	0						
T.Bell	8	11	1.4	6	0	J.Anderson	3	16	5.3	10	0						
J.Plummer	1	6	6.0	6	0	T.Hollings	4	11	2.8	8	0						
						D.Carr	1	11	11.0	11	0						
						T.Banks	1	-2	-2.0	-2	0						
Total	29	130	4.5	40	0	Total	30	100	3.3	12	0						
PASSING							PASSING										
	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT		ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
B.Van Pelt	17	10	107	2/13	0	19	0	77.3	T.Banks	9	4	62	0/0	1	31	0	104.9
J.Plummer	10	6	76	0/0	1	30	0	117.1	D.Ragone	8	5	56	1/5	1	24	0	122.9
M.Mauck	3	2	96	0/0	1	92	0	149.3	B.Symons	5	2	7	1/6	0	5	0	47.9
									D.Carr	2	1	15	0/0	0	15	0	75.0
Total	30	18	279	2/13	2	92	0	113.1	Total	24	12	140	2/11	2	31	0	95.8
PASS RECEIVING							PASS RECEIVING										
	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD				NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD				
C.Adams	3	43	14.3	19	0	L.Dunbar	2	15	7.5	10	1						
R.Smith	2	28	14.0	17	0	K.Kasper	2	7	3.5	6	0						
D.Watts	2	25	12.5	17	0	M.Murphy	1	31	31.0	31	1						
R.Dayne	2	14	7.0	9	0	D.Pitts	1	24	24.0	24	0						
T.Devoe	1	92	92.0	92	1	T.Hollings	1	23	23.0	23	0						
A.Lellie	1	30	30.0	30	0	A.Johnson	1	15	15.0	15	0						
J.Putzier	1	11	11.0	11	0	K.Starling	1	15	15.0	15	0						
K.Johnson	1	10	10.0	10	0	D.Armstrong	1	8	8.0	8	0						
T.Bell	1	8	8.0	8	0	M.Rivers	1	2	2.0	2	0						
J.Rice	1	6	6.0	6	0	J.Wells	1	0	0.0	0	0						
M.Anderson	1	5	5.0	5	0												
T.Luke	1	4	4.0	4	0												
S.Alexander	1	3	3.0	3	1												
Total	18	279	15.5	92	2	Total	12	140	11.7	31	2						
INTERCEPTIONS							INTERCEPTIONS										
	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD						
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0	Total	0	0	0.0	0	0						
PUNTING							PUNTING										
	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN20	LG		NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN20	LG		
T.Sauerbrun	6	241	40.2	29.7	2	1	46	C.Stanley	5	201	40.2	37.0	1	2	44		
								C.Scates	2	71	35.5	28.5	0	1	36		
Total	6	241	40.2	29.7	2	1	46	Total	7	272	38.9	34.6	1	3	44		
PUNT RETURNS							PUNT RETURNS										
	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD				
D.Williams	4	10	2.5	1	14	0	R.Swinton	3	23	7.7	1	17	0				
[DOWNED]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	[TOUCHBACK]	2	0	0.0	0	0	0				
[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	Returns	3	23	7.7	1	17	0				
Returns	4	10	2.5	1	14	0											
KICKOFF RETURNS							KICKOFF RETURNS										
	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD		NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD				
D.Williams	2	50	25.0	0	26	0	R.Swinton	2	39	19.5	0	20	0				
[OUT OF BOUNDS]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	K.Kasper	1	31	31.0	0	31	0				
							J.Anderson	1	23	23.0	0	23	0				
Returns	2	50	25.0	0	26	0	[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0				
							Returns	4	93	23.3	0	31	0				

Denver Broncos

FUMBLES	FUM LOST	OWN-REC	YDS	TD	FORCED	OPP-REC	YDS	TD	OUT-BDS
T.Bell	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Adams	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
P.Chukwurah	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0

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Final Individual Statistics**Houston Texans**

FUMBLES	FUM LOST	OWN-REC	YDS	TD	FORCED	OPP-REC	YDS	TD	OUT-BDS
V.Morency	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Murphy	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.McKenzie	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0

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Final Team Statistics

	Visitor Broncos	Home Texans
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	17	13
By Rushing	4	4
By Passing	12	6
By Penalty	1	3
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	7-16-44%	5-14-36%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-0-0%	0-1-0%
TOTAL NET YARDS	396	229
Total Offensive Plays (inc. times thrown passing)	61	56
Average gain per offensive play	6.5	4.1
NET YARDS RUSHING	130	100
Total Rushing Plays	29	30
Average gain per rushing play	4.5	3.3
Tackles for a loss-number and yards	4-4	3-12
NET YARDS PASSING	266	129
Times thrown - yards lost attempting to pass	2-13	2-11
Gross yards passing	279	140
PASS ATTEMPTS-COMPLETIONS-HAD INTERCEPTED	30-18-0	24-12-0
Avg gain per pass play (inc.# thrown passing)	8.3	5.0
KICKOFFS Number-In End Zone-Touchbacks	5-1-1	3-1-0
PUNTS Number and Average	6-40.2	7-38.9
Had Blocked	0	0
FGs - PATs Had Blocked	0-0	0-0
Net Punting Average	29.7	34.6
TOTAL RETURN YARDAGE (Not Including Kickoffs)	10	23
No. and Yards Punt Returns	4-10	3-23
No. and Yards Kickoff Returns	2-50	4-93
No. and Yards Interception Returns	0-0	0-0
PENALTIES Number and Yards	10-95	12-84
FUMBLES Number and Lost	1-0	1-0
TOUCHDOWNS	2	2
Rushing	0	0
Passing	2	2
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	2-2	2-2
Kicking Made-Attempts	2-2	2-2
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	2-2	0-0
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	1-3-33%	1-2-50%
GOAL TO GO EFFICIENCY	1-3-33%	0-1-0%
SAFETIES	0	0
FINAL SCORE	20	14
TIME OF POSSESSION	29:32	30:28

1st Quarter

Play By Play

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DEN wins toss, elects to Receive, and HST elects to defend the North goal.

K.Brown kicks 66 yards from HST 30 to DEN 4. D.Williams to DEN 30 for 26 yards (S.Orr).

Denver Broncos at 15:00, (1st play from scrimmage 14:53)

1-10-DEN 30 (14:53) M.Anderson left guard to DEN 29 for -1 yards (S.Payne, G.Walker).

2-11-DEN 29 (14:20) J.Plummer pass incomplete to A.Lelie.

3-11-DEN 29 (14:12) J.Plummer pass incomplete to D.Watts.

4-11-DEN 29 (14:08) T.Sauerbrun punts 43 yards to HST 28, Center-M.Leach. R.Swinton to HST 27 for -1 yards (R.Alexander).

Houston Texans at 13:58

1-10-HST 27 (13:58) D.Davis left tackle to HST 33 for 6 yards (T.Pryce).

2-4-HST 33 (13:17) D.Carr pass to A.Johnson ran ob at HST 48 for 15 yards (I.Gold; N.Ferguson). (18 yards after catch.) P1

1-10-HST 48 (12:49) D.Davis left end to DEN 44 for 8 yards (A.Wilson).

2-2-DEN 44 (12:13) D.Carr right end ran ob at DEN 33 for 11 yards (N.Ferguson). R2

1-10-DEN 33 (11:50) D.Davis right tackle to DEN 27 for 6 yards (DJ.Williams). (HST #72 Wiegert was injured on the play.)

2-4-DEN 27 (11:07) D.Carr pass incomplete to A.Johnson (D.Williams).

3-4-DEN 27 (11:01) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass incomplete to C.Bradford.

PENALTY on DEN-D.Williams, Defensive Pass Interference, 26 yards, enforced at DEN 27 - No Play. X3

1-1-DEN 1 (10:55) D.Davis right tackle to DEN 1 for no gain (DJ.Williams; I.Gold).

2-1-DEN 1 (10:18) D.Davis right tackle to DEN 1 for no gain (J.Lynch).

3-1-DEN 1 (9:45) D.Davis left end to DEN 1 for no gain (M.Myers).

4-1-DEN 1 (9:04) D.Davis right tackle to DEN 1 for no gain (T.Pryce).

Denver Broncos at 8:59

1-10-DEN 1 (8:59) J.Plummer pass to R.Smith ran ob at DEN 12 for 11 yards (D.Robinson). P1

1-10-DEN 12 (8:34) M.Anderson right end to DEN 15 for 3 yards (G.Walker).

2-7-DEN 15 (8:00) J.Plummer pass incomplete to R.Smith (J.Babin).

3-7-DEN 15 (7:55) J.Plummer pass incomplete to R.Smith (D.Robinson).

4-7-DEN 15 (7:50) T.Sauerbrun punts 46 yards to HST 39, Center-M.Leach. R.Swinton to DEN 44 for 17 yards (S.Brandon). (HST's #12 Banks (QB) and #32 Wells (RB) entered the game on this play.)

Houston Texans at 7:35

1-10-DEN 44 (7:35) J.Wells left tackle to DEN 37 for 7 yards (A.Wilson).

2-3-DEN 37 (6:54) J.Wells up the middle to DEN 32 for 5 yards (A.Wilson). R4

1-10-DEN 32 (6:10) T.Banks pass incomplete to D.Armstrong (L.Walls).

2-10-DEN 32 (6:04) T.Banks pass to D.Armstrong to DEN 24 for 8 yards (L.Walls).

3-2-DEN 24 (5:23) J.Wells left guard to DEN 21 for 3 yards (D.Williams). R5

1-10-DEN 21 (4:37) *PENALTY on HST-T.Banks, Delay of Game, 5 yards, enforced at DEN 21 - No Play.*

1-15-DEN 26 (4:12) *PENALTY on HST-D.Hodgdon, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at DEN 26 - No Play.*

1-20-DEN 31 (3:47) **T.Banks pass to M.Murphy for 31 yards, TOUCHDOWN. (8 yards after catch.)** P6
K.Brown extra point is GOOD, Center-B.Pittman, Holder-C.Stanley.

DEN 0 HST 7, 6 plays, 44 yards, 3:55 drive, 11:20 elapsed

K.Brown kicks 70 yards from HST 30 to DEN 0. D.Williams to DEN 24 for 24 yards (R.Walker).

Denver Broncos at 3:40, (1st play from scrimmage 3:33)

1-10-DEN 24 (3:33) M.Anderson left guard to DEN 29 for 5 yards (J.Babin).

2-5-DEN 29 (2:58) J.Plummer pass to R.Smith ran ob at DEN 46 for 17 yards (A.PEEK). (No yards after catch.) P2

1-10-DEN 46 (2:34) *PENALTY on DEN-C.Carlisle, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at DEN 46 - No Play.*

1-15-DEN 41 (2:14) J.Plummer pass to M.Anderson to DEN 46 for 5 yards (A.PEEK, K.Wong). (8 yards after catch of the screen pass.)

2-10-DEN 46 (1:30) M.Anderson left guard to HST 49 for 5 yards (K.Wong, A.PEEK).

3-5-HST 49 (:53) J.Plummer pass to A.Lelie to HST 19 for 30 yards (P.Buchanon). (6 yards after catch.) P3

1-10-HST 19 (:13) M.Anderson up the middle to HST 18 for 1 yard (S.Payne; J.Simmons).

END OF QUARTER	Score	Time	First Downs				Efficiencies	
==== Quarter Summary =====		Poss	R	P	X	T	3Down	4Down
Denver Broncos	0	6:06	0	3	0	3	1/3	0/0
Houston Texans	7	8:54	3	2	1	6	1/2	0/1

2nd Quarter

Play By Play

Denver Broncos continued.

- 2-9-HST 18 (15:00) J.Plummer pass to K.Johnson ran ob at HST 8 for 10 yards (J.Simmons). (9 yards after catch.) P4
- 1-8-HST 8 (14:32) J.Plummer right end ran ob at HST 2 for 6 yards (K.Wong).
- 2-2-HST 2 (14:05) M.Anderson right tackle to HST 3 for -1 yards (J.Ioane, J.Babin).
- 3-3-HST 3 (13:24) **J.Plummer pass to S.Alexander for 3 yards, TOUCHDOWN.** P5

J.Elam extra point is GOOD, Center-M.Leach, Holder-T.Sauerbrun.

DEN 7 HST 7, 10 plays, 76 yards, 5:19 drive, 1:39 elapsed

P.Ernster kicks 61 yards from DEN 30 to HST 9. R.Swinton to HST 28 for 19 yards (L.Green, C.Sapp).

Houston Texans at 13:21, (1st play from scrimmage 13:06)

- 1-10-HST 28 (13:06) J.Wells left tackle to HST 31 for 3 yards (M.Myers, D.Foxworth).
- 2-7-HST 31 (12:26) T.Banks pass to J.Wells to HST 31 for no gain (D.Williams).
- 3-7-HST 31 (11:43) (Shotgun) T.Banks pass to T.Hollings to DEN 46 for 23 yards (T.Pierce). (35 yards after the catch. DEN #94 Elliss tipped the pass in the backfield.) P7
- 1-10-DEN 46 (10:54) T.Hollings right tackle to 50 for -4 yards (E.Ekuban).
- 2-14-50 (10:12) T.Hollings up the middle to DEN 42 for 8 yards (S.Brandon, J.LeSueur).
- 3-6-DEN 42 (9:29) (Shotgun) T.Banks pass incomplete to R.Swinton (K.Paymah).
- 4-6-DEN 42 (9:24) C.Stanley punts 42 yards to end zone, Center-B.Pittman, Touchback.

Denver Broncos at 9:13

- 1-10-DEN 20 (9:13) B.Van Pelt pass incomplete to D.Watts. (DEN's #11 Van Pelt (QB) and #26 Bell (RB) entered the game on this play.)
- 2-10-DEN 20 (9:07) T.Bell left guard to DEN 26 for 6 yards (J.Babin, T.Johnson).
- 3-4-DEN 26 (8:29) B.Van Pelt left guard ran ob at HST 34 for 40 yards (C.Brown). R6
- 1-10-HST 34 (7:44) T.Bell left end to HST 33 for 1 yard (C.Brown, J.Babin).
- 2-9-HST 33 (7:04) B.Van Pelt sacked at HST 36 for -3 yards (sack split by J.Ioane and J.DeLoach).
- 3-12-HST 36 (6:29) B.Van Pelt pass to D.Watts to HST 19 for 17 yards (T.Evans). (2 yards after catch.) P7
- 1-10-HST 19 (5:46) B.Van Pelt pass to J.Putzier ran ob at HST 8 for 11 yards (J.Simmons). (No yards after catch.) P8
- 1-8-HST 8 (5:13) T.Bell up the middle to HST 8 for no gain (C.Anderson).
- 2-8-HST 8 (4:34) B.Van Pelt pass incomplete to D.Watts.
- PENALTY on HST-A.Peek, Defensive Offside, 4 yards, enforced at HST 8 - No Play.*
- 2-4-HST 4 (4:29) *PENALTY on DEN-G.Foster, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at HST 4 - No Play.*
- 2-9-HST 9 (4:29) T.Bell right guard to HST 9 for no gain (J.Ioane, T.Evans).
Timeout #1 by DEN at 03:56.
- 3-9-HST 9 (3:56) B.Van Pelt pass incomplete to J.Rice (D.Faggins).
- 4-9-HST 9 (3:51) **J.Elam 27 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-M.Leach, Holder-T.Sauerbrun.**

DEN 10 HST 7, 11 plays, 71 yards, 1 penalty, 5:26 drive, 11:13 elapsed

P.Ernster kicks 60 yards from DEN 30 to HST 10. R.Swinton to HST 30 for 20 yards (J.LeSueur).

PENALTY on HST-T.Cheatwood, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at HST 30.

Houston Texans at 3:47, (1st play from scrimmage 3:39)

- 1-10-HST 20 (3:39) T.Hollings left end to HST 24 for 4 yards (D.Foxworth).
- 2-6-HST 24 (3:00) *PENALTY on HST-D.Hodgdon, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at HST 24 - No Play.*
- 2-11-HST 19 (2:41) T.Hollings left guard to HST 22 for 3 yards (D.Davis, J.Sykes).
Timeout #2 by DEN at 02:32.
- 3-8-HST 22 (2:32) (Shotgun) T.Banks pass incomplete to R.Swinton.
- 4-8-HST 22 (2:26) C.Stanley punts 30 yards to DEN 48, Center-B.Pittman, fair catch by D.Williams. (Punt hang time 4.7 seconds.)

Denver Broncos at 2:17

- 1-10-DEN 48 (2:17) R.Dayne up the middle to 50 for 2 yards (T.Evans).

Two-Minute Warning

- 2-8-50 (2:00) B.Van Pelt pass to J.Rice to HST 44 for 6 yards (C.Brown; D.Faggins).
- 3-2-HST 44 (1:55) *PENALTY on DEN-R.Dayne, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at HST 44 - No Play.*
- 3-7-HST 49 (1:55) B.Van Pelt pass to R.Dayne to HST 44 for 5 yards (T.Evans). (1 yard after catch.)
Timeout #3 by DEN at 01:09.
- 4-2-HST 44 (1:09) T.Sauerbrun punts 33 yards to HST 11, Center-M.Leach, fair catch by R.Swinton. (Punt hang time 4.5 seconds.)

Houston Texans at 1:00

- 1-10-HST 11 (1:00) (Shotgun) T.Banks pass incomplete to R.Swinton (D.Williams).
- 2-10-HST 11 (:55) T.Hollings right end ran ob at HST 22 for 11 yards (P.Chukwurah).
PENALTY on HST-F.Weary, Offensive Holding, 5 yards, enforced at HST 11 - No Play.
- 2-15-HST 6 (:48) T.Banks pass incomplete to K.Starling (D.Foxworth).
- 3-15-HST 6 (:40) T.Banks kneels to HST 4 for -2 yards.

END OF QUARTER	Score	Time	First Downs					Efficiencies	
==== Quarter Summary =====			Poss	R	P	X	T	3Down	4Down
Denver Broncos	10	8:22	1	4	0	0	5	3/5	0/0
Houston Texans	7	6:38	0	1	0	0	1	1/4	0/0

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First Half Summary

	PERIOD SCORES			TIME OF POSSESSION	
Broncos (Visitor)	0	10 = 10	Broncos	14:28	
Texans (Home)	7	0 = 7	Texans	15:32	

Scoring Plays

Team	Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	Score	
				Visitor	Home
Texans	1	3:40	M.Murphy 31 yd. pass from T.Banks (K.Brown kick) (6-44, 3:55)	0	7
Broncos	2	13:21	S.Alexander 3 yd. pass from J.Plummer (J.Elam kick) (10-76, 5:19)	7	7
Broncos	2	3:47	J.Elam 27 yd. Field Goal (11-71, 5:26)	10	7

	Broncos	Texans
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	8	7
First Downs Rushing-Passing-by Penalty	1 - 7 - 0	3 - 3 - 1
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	4-8-50%	2-6-33%
TOTAL NET YARDS	179	135
Total Offensive Plays	30	28
NET YARDS RUSHING	67	58
NET YARDS PASSING	112	77
Gross Yards Passing	115	77
Times thrown-yards lost attempting to pass	1-3	0-0
Pass Attempts-Completions-Had Intercepted	16 - 10 - 0	11 - 5 - 0
Punts-Number and Average	3 - 40.7	2 - 36
Penalties-Number and Yards	4 - 41	6 - 34
Fumbles-Number and Lost	0 - 0	0 - 0
Red Zone Efficiency	1-2-50%	0-1-0%
Average Drive Start	DEN 25	HST 28

Denver Broncos						Houston Texans											
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD						
B.Van Pelt	1	40	40.0	40	0	D.Davis	7	20	2.9	8	0						
M.Anderson	6	12	2.0	5	0	J.Wells	4	18	4.5	7	0						
T.Bell	4	7	1.8	6	0	T.Hollings	4	11	2.8	8	0						
J.Plummer	1	6	6.0	6	0	D.Carr	1	11	11.0	11	0						
R.Dayne	1	2	2.0	2	0	T.Banks	1	-2	-2.0	-2	0						
Total	13	67	5.2	40	0	Total	17	58	3.4	11	0						
PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT	PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
J.Plummer	10	6	76	0/0	1	30	0	117.1	T.Banks	9	4	62	0/0	1	31	0	104.9
B.Van Pelt	6	4	39	1/3	0	17	0	84.7	D.Carr	2	1	15	0/0	0	15	0	75.0
Total	16	10	115	1/3	1	30	0	104.9	Total	11	5	77	0/0	1	31	0	99.4
PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD						
R.Smith	2	28	14.0	17	0	M.Murphy	1	31	31.0	31	1						
A.Lelie	1	30	30.0	30	0	T.Hollings	1	23	23.0	23	0						
D.Watts	1	17	17.0	17	0	A.Johnson	1	15	15.0	15	0						
J.Putzier	1	11	11.0	11	0	D.Armstrong	1	8	8.0	8	0						
K.Johnson	1	10	10.0	10	0	J.Wells	1	0	0.0	0	0						
J.Rice	1	6	6.0	6	0												
M.Anderson	1	5	5.0	5	0												
R.Dayne	1	5	5.0	5	0												
S.Alexander	1	3	3.0	3	1												
Total	10	115	11.5	30	1	Total	5	77	15.4	31	1						

Denver Broncos	Regular Defensive Plays										Special Teams					Misc			
	TKL	AST	COMB	SACK / YRDS	IN	PD	FF	FR	FR	FR	TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
A.Wilson	3	0	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Myers	2	0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Pryce	2	0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Williams	2	0	2	0.0	0.0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Houston Texans	Regular Defensive Plays										Special Teams					Misc			
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3rd Quarter

Play By Play

HST elects to Receive, and DEN elects to defend the North goal.

P.Ernster kicks 70 yards from DEN 30 to end zone, Touchback.

Houston Texans at 15:00

- 1-10-HST 20 (15:00) D.Ragone pass to K.Kasper to HST 21 for 1 yard (K.Paymah). (HST's #15 Ragone (QB) entered the game on this play.)
- 2-9-HST 21 (14:24) D.Ragone pass incomplete to K.Kasper (D.Davis).
- 3-9-HST 21 (14:20) (Shotgun) PENALTY on HST-F.Weary, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at HST 21 - No Play.
- 3-14-HST 16 (14:20) (Shotgun) D.Ragone pass incomplete to K.Starling. (Punt hang time 4.9 seconds.)
- 4-14-HST 16 (14:16) C.Stanley punts 41 yards to DEN 43, Center-B.Pittman. D.Williams to DEN 43 for no gain (J.Simmons). PENALTY on DEN-J.Shoate, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at DEN 43.

Denver Broncos at 14:05

- 1-10-DEN 33 (14:05) T.Bell right end to DEN 37 for 4 yards (J.Bell).
- 2-6-DEN 37 (13:31) B.Van Pelt pass to D.Watts to DEN 45 for 8 yards (J.Bell). (2 yards after catch.) P9
- 1-10-DEN 45 (12:57) T.Bell left end to DEN 44 for -1 yards (S.Orr, T.Evans).
- 2-11-DEN 44 (12:24) B.Van Pelt pass incomplete to J.Putzier.
- 3-11-DEN 44 (12:18) B.Van Pelt pass to C.Adams to HST 43 for 13 yards (C.Brown). (9 yards after catch.) P10
- 1-10-HST 43 (11:39) R.Dayne up the middle to HST 41 for 2 yards (C.Brown, A.Malone).
- 2-8-HST 41 (11:03) B.Van Pelt left tackle to HST 39 for 2 yards (A.Malone, J.Lord).
- 3-6-HST 39 (10:20) B.Van Pelt pass incomplete to D.Watts.
- 4-6-HST 39 (10:15) T.Sauerbrun punts 39 yards to end zone, Center-M.Leach, Touchback. PENALTY on HST-J.Lord, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at HST 20. (Punt hang time 4.3 seconds.)

Houston Texans at 10:05

- 1-10-HST 10 (10:05) V.Morency up the middle to HST 15 for 5 yards (T.Pierce).
- 2-5-HST 15 (9:31) V.Morency right end to HST 15 for no gain (P.Chukwurah). FUMBLES (P.Chukwurah), recovered by HST-M.Murphy at HST 15. M.Murphy to HST 15 for no gain (T.Pierce).
- 3-5-HST 15 (8:45) (Shotgun) V.Morency up the middle to HST 19 for 4 yards (K.Burns, L.Elliss).
- 4-1-HST 19 (8:05) C.Scates punts 35 yards to DEN 46, Center-B.Pittman. D.Williams pushed ob at HST 40 for 14 yards (K.Pettway).

Denver Broncos at 7:52

- 1-10-HST 40 (7:52) R.Dayne up the middle to HST 36 for 4 yards (A.Malone, S.Orr). PENALTY on DEN-D.Carswell, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at HST 40 - No Play.
- 1-20-50 (7:26) B.Van Pelt pass to R.Dayne to HST 41 for 9 yards (C.Anderson). (12 yards after catch.)
- 2-11-HST 41 (6:49) B.Van Pelt pass incomplete to C.Adams.
- 3-11-HST 41 (6:43) B.Van Pelt pass incomplete to T.Luke (J.Bell).
- 4-11-HST 41 (6:35) T.Sauerbrun punts 41 yards to end zone, Center-M.Leach, Touchback. (Punt hang time 5.3 seconds.)

Houston Texans at 6:23

- 1-10-HST 20 (6:23) D.Ragone sacked at HST 15 for -5 yards (J.Engelberger).
- 2-15-HST 15 (5:51) V.Morency up the middle to HST 27 for 12 yards (S.Brandon).
- 3-3-HST 27 (5:07) (Shotgun) D.Ragone pass to K.Kasper pushed ob at HST 33 for 6 yards (K.Paymah). (1 yards after catch.) P8
- 1-10-HST 33 (4:41) V.Morency left guard to HST 32 for -1 yards (S.Brandon).
- 2-11-HST 32 (4:06) V.Morency left end to HST 36 for 4 yards (M.Steele).
- 3-7-HST 36 (3:27) (Shotgun) D.Ragone pass incomplete to K.Starling (S.Brandon).
- 4-7-HST 36 (3:22) C.Stanley punts 44 yards to DEN 20, Center-B.Pittman. D.Williams to DEN 19 for -1 yards (S.Orr). (Punt hang time 4.9 seconds.)

Denver Broncos at 3:11

- 1-10-DEN 19 (3:11) B.Van Pelt pass to C.Adams pushed ob at DEN 30 for 11 yards (J.Bell). P11
PENALTY on HST-T.Johnson, Roughing the Passer, 15 yards, enforced at DEN 30. X12
- 1-10-DEN 45 (2:44) B.Van Pelt sacked at DEN 35 for -10 yards (S.Orr).
Timeout #1 by HST at 02:11.
- 2-20-DEN 35 (2:11) B.Van Pelt pass to C.Adams to HST 46 for 19 yards (S.Orr).
- 3-1-HST 46 (1:32) B.Van Pelt up the middle to HST 43 for 3 yards (C.Anderson; S.Orr). R13
- 1-10-HST 43 (:51) B.Van Pelt pass to T.Bell to HST 35 for 8 yards (C.McKenzie). FUMBLES (C.McKenzie), recovered by DEN-C.Adams at HST 30. C.Adams to HST 30 for no gain (C.Brown). P14
- 1-10-HST 30 (:13) R.Dayne right end to HST 7 for 23 yards (C.Brown). R15

END OF QUARTER

==== Quarter Summary =====

	Score	Time	First Downs				Efficiencies	
	Poss	R	P	X	T	3Down	4Down	
Denver Broncos	10	8:40	2	4	1	7	2/4	0/0
Houston Texans	7	6:20	0	1	0	1	1/4	0/0

4th Quarter

Play By Play

Denver Broncos continued.

- 1-7-HST 7 (15:00) R.Dayne up the middle to HST 8 for -1 yards (T.Evans).
- 2-8-HST 8 (14:24) R.Dayne right tackle to HST 6 for 2 yards (F.Chamberlin; T.Cheatwood).
- 3-6-HST 6 (13:42) B.Van Pelt pass incomplete to J.Putzier (C.Brown).
- 4-6-HST 6 (13:33) **J.Elam 24 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-M.Leach, Holder-T.Sauerbrun.**

DEN 13 HST 7, 10 plays, 75 yards, 1 penalty, 4:42 drive, 1:31 elapsed

T.Sauerbrun kicks 61 yards from DEN 30 to HST 9. K.Kasper to HST 40 for 31 yards (J.LeSueur).

Houston Texans at 13:29, (1st play from scrimmage 13:22)

- 1-10-HST 40 (13:22) V.Morency right tackle to HST 42 for 2 yards (L.Green). (HST's #2 Symons (QB) entered the game on this play.)
- 2-8-HST 42 (12:39) B.Symons pass incomplete to L.Dunbar (K.Paymah). (No yards after catch.)
- 3-8-HST 42 (12:33) (Shotgun) B.Symons pass to L.Dunbar to HST 47 for 5 yards (K.Paymah).
- 4-3-HST 47 (12:01) C.Stanley punts 44 yards to DEN 9, Center-B.Pittman. D.Williams to DEN 6 for -3 yards (C.Anderson).
PENALTY on DEN-C.Cox, Personal Foul, 3 yards, enforced at DEN 6. (DEN's #40 Cox ran out of bounds to block an opponent, drawing the penalty.)

Denver Broncos at 11:44

- 1-10-DEN 3 (11:44) T.Bell right guard to DEN 4 for 1 yard (A.Malone).
- 2-9-DEN 4 (11:10) M.Mauck pass to T.Luke to DEN 8 for 4 yards (J.Wishom).
- 3-5-DEN 8 (10:30) M.Mauck pass incomplete to T.Devoe (J.Bell).
- 4-5-DEN 8 (10:24) T.Sauerbrun punts 39 yards to DEN 47, Center-M.Leach. R.Swinton to DEN 40 for 7 yards (T.Bell).

Houston Texans at 10:11

- 1-10-DEN 40 (10:11) B.Symons pass incomplete to D.Pitts.
- 2-10-DEN 40 (10:05) B.Symons pass incomplete to D.Pitts.
PENALTY on DEN-K.Paymah, Defensive Pass Interference, 11 yards, enforced at DEN 40 - No Play. X9
- 1-10-DEN 29 (10:01) B.Symons pass to M.Rivers to DEN 27 for 2 yards (M.Steele). (2 yards after catch.)
- 2-8-DEN 27 (9:27) V.Morency left end to DEN 34 for -7 yards (L.Green).
- 3-15-DEN 34 (8:44) (Shotgun) B.Symons sacked at DEN 37 for -3 yards (R.Johnson).
PENALTY on DEN-D.Foxworth, Defensive Holding, 5 yards, enforced at DEN 34 - No Play. X10
- 1-10-DEN 29 (8:19) V.Morency up the middle to DEN 25 for 4 yards (D.Foxworth).
- 2-6-DEN 25 (7:41) V.Morency right end to DEN 20 for 5 yards (L.Green).
PENALTY on HST-C.Johnson, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at DEN 25 - No Play.
- 2-16-DEN 35 (7:13) V.Morency up the middle to DEN 32 for 3 yards (M.Steele).
- 3-13-DEN 32 (6:30) *PENALTY on HST-G.Jones, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at DEN 32 - No Play.*
- 3-18-DEN 37 (6:04) B.Symons pass incomplete to K.Starling (B.Browner).
- 4-18-DEN 37 (5:56) C.Scates punts 36 yards to DEN 1, Center-B.Pittman, downed by HST-K.Kasper. (Punt hang time 5.1 seconds.)

Denver Broncos at 5:46

- 1-10-DEN 1 (5:46) R.Dayne right guard to DEN 4 for 3 yards (Carlos.Williams).
- 2-7-DEN 4 (5:15) R.Dayne left end to DEN 8 for 4 yards (R.Walker).
- 3-3-DEN 8 (4:32) **M.Mauck pass to T.Devoe for 92 yards, TOUCHDOWN. (87 yards after catch.)** P16
J.Elam extra point is GOOD, Center-M.Leach, Holder-T.Sauerbrun.

DEN 20 HST 7, 3 plays, 99 yards, 1:28 drive, 10:42 elapsed

T.Sauerbrun kicks 62 yards from DEN 30 to HST 8. J.Anderson to HST 31 for 23 yards (C.Adams).

PENALTY on DEN-B.Browner, Low Block, 15 yards, enforced at HST 31.

Houston Texans at 4:18, (1st play from scrimmage 4:10)

- 1-10-HST 46 (4:10) J.Anderson left end to DEN 44 for 10 yards (D.Foxworth, S.Brandon). R11
- 1-10-DEN 44 (3:42) (Shotgun) B.Symons sacked at 50 for -6 yards (L.Green). (HST's #2 Symons was injured on the play.)
- 2-16-50 (3:14) (Shotgun) D.Ragone pass to K.Starling ran ob at DEN 35 for 15 yards (K.Paymah).
- 3-1-DEN 35 (3:07) *PENALTY on HST-T.Brown, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at DEN 35 - No Play.*
- 3-6-DEN 40 (3:07) (Shotgun) D.Ragone pass to D.Pitts pushed ob at DEN 16 for 24 yards (J.LeSueur). (2 yards after catch.) P12
- 1-10-DEN 16 (2:41) J.Anderson right tackle to DEN 14 for 2 yards (D.Davis).
- 2-8-DEN 14 (2:20) J.Anderson up the middle to DEN 10 for 4 yards (L.Green).

Two-Minute Warning

- 3-4-DEN 10 (2:00) (Shotgun) **D.Ragone pass to L.Dunbar for 10 yards, TOUCHDOWN.** P13
K.Brown extra point is GOOD, Center-B.Pittman, Holder-C.Stanley.

DEN 20 HST 14, 7 plays, 54 yards, 2:26 drive, 13:08 elapsed

K.Brown kicks inside 21 yards from HST 30 to DEN 49, out of bounds.

Denver Broncos at 1:52

- 1-10-DEN 49 (1:52) R.Dayne right tackle to HST 49 for 2 yards (J.Davis).
Timeout #2 by HST at 01:46.
- 2-8-HST 49 (1:46) R.Dayne up the middle to HST 36 for 13 yards (J.Lord, R.Walker). R17
Timeout #3 by HST at 01:37.
- 1-10-HST 36 (1:37) R.Dayne up the middle to HST 34 for 2 yards (Carlos.Williams).
- 2-8-HST 34 (:55) R.Dayne up the middle to HST 30 for 4 yards (A.Dunn).
- 3-4-HST 30 (:11) T.Bell up the middle to HST 30 for no gain (A.Malone).

END OF QUARTER	Score	Time	First Downs				Efficiencies		
==== Quarter Summary =====			Poss	R	P	X	T	3Down	4Down
Denver Broncos	20	6:24	1	1	0	2		1/4	0/0
Houston Texans	14	8:36	1	2	2	5		2/4	0/0

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Ball Possession And Drive Chart

Denver Broncos

#	Time Recd	Time Lost	Time Poss	How Ball Obtained	Drive Began	# Play	Yds Gain	Yds Pen	Net Yds	1st Down	Last Scrm	How Given Up
1	15:00	13:58	1:02	Kickoff	DEN 30	3	-1	0	-1	0	DEN 29	Punt
2	8:59	7:35	1:24	Downs	DEN 1	4	14	0	14	1	DEN 15	Punt
3	3:40	13:21	5:19	Kickoff	DEN 24	10	81	-5	76	4	* HST 3	Touchdown
4	9:13	3:47	5:26	Punt	DEN 20	11	72	-1	71	3	* HST 9	Field Goal
5	2:17	1:00	1:17	Punt	DEN 48	3	13	-5	8	0	HST 44	Punt
6	14:05	10:05	4:00	Punt	DEN 33	8	28	0	28	2	HST 39	Punt
7	7:52	6:23	1:29	Punt	HST 40	3	9	-10	-1	0	HST 41	Punt
8	3:11	13:29	4:42	Punt	DEN 19	10	60	15	75	5	* HST 6	Field Goal
9	11:44	10:11	1:33	Punt	DEN 3	3	5	0	5	0	DEN 8	Punt
10	5:46	4:18	1:28	Punt	DEN 1	3	99	0	99	1	DEN 8	Touchdown
11	1:52	0:00	1:52	Kickoff	DEN 49	5	21	0	21	1	HST 30	End of Game

(288) Average DEN 26

Houston Texans

#	Time Recd	Time Lost	Time Poss	How Ball Obtained	Drive Began	# Play	Yds Gain	Yds Pen	Net Yds	1st Down	Last Scrm	How Given Up
1	13:58	8:59	4:59	Punt	HST 27	10	46	26	72	3	* DEN 1	Downs
2	7:35	3:40	3:55	Punt	DEN 44	6	54	-10	44	3	DEN 31	Touchdown
3	13:21	9:13	4:08	Kickoff	HST 28	6	30	0	30	1	DEN 42	Punt
4	3:47	2:17	1:30	Kickoff	HST 20	3	7	-5	2	0	HST 22	Punt
5	1:00	0:00	1:00	Punt	HST 11	3	-2	-5	-7	0	HST 6	End of Half
6	15:00	14:05	0:55	Kickoff	HST 20	3	1	-5	-4	0	HST 16	Punt
7	10:05	7:52	2:13	Punt	HST 10	3	9	0	9	0	HST 19	Punt
8	6:23	3:11	3:12	Punt	HST 20	6	16	0	16	1	HST 36	Punt
9	13:29	11:44	1:45	Kickoff	HST 40	3	7	0	7	0	HST 47	Punt
10	10:11	5:46	4:25	Punt	DEN 40	6	2	1	3	2	DEN 37	Punt
11	4:18	1:52	2:26	Kickoff	HST 46	7	59	-5	54	3	* DEN 10	Touchdown

(338) Average HST 31

*** inside opponent's 20**

Time of Possession by Quarter	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Visitor Denver Broncos	6:06	8:22	8:40	6:24		29:32
Home Houston Texans	8:54	6:38	6:20	8:36		30:28
Kickoff Drive No.-Start Average	Broncos: 2 - DEN 27		Texans: 5 - HST 31			

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TEXANS			TEXANS OFFENSE			TEXANS DEFENSE			TEXANS OFFENSE			TEXANS DEFENSE			BRONCOS					
No	Name	Pos	No	Name	Pos	No	Name	Pos	No	Name	Pos	No	Name	Pos	No	Name	Pos			
2	Symons,B.J.	QB	WR	80	A.Johnson	WR	86	J.Gaffney	WR	85	C.Bradford	WR	88	D.Armstrong	WR	89	R.Swinton	WR		
3	Brown,Kris	K	WR						LE	96	G.Walker	LE	92	C.Sears	TE	75	T.Johnson	TE		
6	Dunbar,Latrance	WR	WR						NT	91	S.Payne	NT	95	J.DeLoach	QB	74	Carlos,Williams	QB		
7	Stanley,Chad	P	WR						RE	99	R.Smith	RE	94	J.Ioane	QB	97	J.Davis	QB		
8	Carr,David	QB	LT	68	V.Riley	K			RE						66	A.Malone	P	64	D.Stewart	P
9	Snider,Chris	K	LG	69	C.Pitts				LOLB	93	J.Babin	LOLB	57	Q.Monk	60	T.Cheatwood	WR	60	T.Cheatwood	WR
10	Kasper,Kevin	WR	LG	69	C.Pitts				BLB	52	K.Wong	BLB	51	D.Polk	59	F.Chamberlin	WR	59	F.Chamberlin	WR
12	Banks,Tony	QB	C	76	S.McKinney				BLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	46	A.Dunn	WR	46	A.Dunn	WR
13	Mathis,Jerome	WR	C	76	S.McKinney				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	53	S.Or	WR	53	S.Or	WR
14	Scates,Cody	P	RG	72	Z.Wiegert				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
15	Ragone,Dave	WR	RT	71	T.Wade				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
17	Staring,Kendrick	WR	TE	87	M.Brueher				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
18	Pitts,Devin	WR	TE	87	M.Brueher				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
19	Thomas,Sloan	WR	TE	87	M.Brueher				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
20	Lord,Jamall	FS	TE	87	M.Brueher				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
21	Sanders,Lewis	SS	TE	87	M.Brueher				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
22	Walker,Ramon	SS	TE	87	M.Brueher				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
23	Robinson,Dunta	CB	WR	85	C.Bradford				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
24	Brown,C.C.	CB	WR	85	C.Bradford				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
25	Hollings,Tony	SS	WR	85	C.Bradford				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
26	Earl,Glenn	SS	WR	85	C.Bradford				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
27	Anderson,Jason	RB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
28	Mathews,Adam	RB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
29	Pendergrass,Jon	SS	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
30	Simmons,Jason	SS	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
31	Buchanon,Phillip	CB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
32	Wells,Jonathan	CB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
33	Bell,Jason	CB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
34	Morency,Vernard	RB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
37	Davis,Demarcus	RB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
38	Faggins,Demarcus	CB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
41	Wisnom,Jerren	CB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
42	Coleman,Marcus	FS	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
43	Williams,Cedrick	CB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
44	Norris,Moran	CB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
45	Mckenzie,Chris	FB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
46	Dunn,Anthony	FB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
47	Baxter,Jarrod	FB	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
48	Pittman,Bryan	LS	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
49	Halterman,Aaron	TE	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
50	Anderson,Charlie	TE	WR	8	D.Carr				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
51	Polk,Dashon	LB	DL	76	M.Myers				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
52	Wong,Kaltee	LB	DL	76	M.Myers				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
53	Ort,Shantee	LB	DL	76	M.Myers				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
54	Evans,Troy	LB	DT	61	G.Warren				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
55	Pattway,Kenneth	LB	DT	61	G.Warren				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
56	Greenwood,Morlon	LB	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
57	Mork,Quincy	LB	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
58	Moreno,Zake	LB	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
59	Chamberlin, Frank	LB	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
60	Cheatwood,Tim	LB	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
61	Brown,Tim	LB	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
62	Johnson,Chris	OT	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
63	Hodgdon,Drew	C	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
64	Stewart,Daleov	OG	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
66	Evans,Brandon	OG	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
67	Brown,Wilford	DE	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
68	Riley,Victor	DE	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
69	Pitts,Chester	OT	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
70	Weary,Fred	G	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
71	Wade,Todd	G	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
72	Wiegert,Zach	OT	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
73	Jones,Garrick	OT	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
74	Williams,Carlos	DE	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
75	Johnson,Travis	DE	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
76	McKinney,Steve	DE	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR
77	Washington,Todd	C	RE	93	T.Pryce				MLB	56	M.Greenwood	MLB	54	T.Evans	58	Z.Moreno	WR	58	Z.Moreno	WR

BRONCOS OFFENSE

91	E.Ekuban	WR	80	R.Smith	WR	17	D.Watts	WR	81	C.Adams	WR	81	C.Adams	WR
92	M.Coleman	WR	80	R.Smith	WR	17	D.Watts	WR	81	C.Adams	WR	81	C.Adams	WR
90	C.Nwokorie	WR	80	R.Smith	WR	17	D.Watts	WR	81	C.Adams	WR	81	C.Adams	WR
71	A.Hunt	WR	78	M.Lepsis	LT	74	C.Green	LT	74	C.Green	LT	74	C.Green	LT
94	L.Elliss	LT	78	M.Lepsis	LT	74	C.Green	LT	74	C.Green	LT	74	C.Green	LT
64	P.Malindo-Ma	LG	50	B.Hamilton	LG	63	T.Stuber	LG	63	T.Stuber	LG	63	T.Stuber	LG
96	D.Davis	C	66	T.Nalen	C	71	C.Walton	C	71	C.Walton	C	71	C.Walton	C
97	D.Veal	WR	65	C.Carlsle	RG	77	D.Carswell	WR	77	D.Carswell	WR	77	D.Carswell	WR
95	A.P													

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HOUSTON TEXANS

No	Name	Pos	No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Ex	School	
90	Acholonu, D.D.	LB	2	B.J. Symons	CB	6'11"	206	0	106	R Texas Tech	
27	Anderson, Charlie	LB	3	Kris Brown	K	5'11"	195	29	7	Nebaska	
50	Anderson, Jason	RB	6	Latarence Dunbar	WR	5'10"	195	25	2	Texas Christian	
88	Armstrong, Derick	WR	7	Chad Stanley	P	6'03"	205	29	7	Stephen F. Austin	
93	Babin, Jason	LB	8	David Carr	CB	6'03"	230	26	4	Fresno State	
12	Banks, Tony	QB	9	Chris Snyder	K	6'0"	212	24	1	Montana	
47	Baxter, Jared	FB	10	Kevin Kasper	WR	6'01"	193	28	5	Iowa	
79	Beasley, Chad	OT	12	Tony Banks	CB	6'04"	230	32	10	Michigan State	
33	Bell, Jason	CB	13	Jerome Mathis	WR	6'11"	200	0	106	R Hampton	
85	Bradford, Corey	WR	14	Cody Scates	P	6'4"	200	24	1	Texas A&M	
24	Brown, C.C.	SS	15	Dave Ragone	CB	6'04"	245	26	2	Louisville	
3	Brown, Kris	K	17	Kerndrick Starling	WR	6'0"	0	26	2	San Jose State	
67	Brown, Milford	G	18	Devin Pitts	WR	6'4"	208	24	1	San Diego State	
61	Brown, Tim	OT	19	Shawn Thomas	WR	6'2"	205	24	1	Texas	
87	Bruener, Mark	TE	20	Jammal Lord	FS	6'2"	220	24	1	Nebaska	
31	Buchanan, Phillip	CB	21	Lewis Sanders	CB	6'00"	200	27	5	Maryland	
8	Carr, David	QB	22	Ramton Walker	SS	5'11"	197	26	3	Pittsburgh	
59	Chamberlin, Frank	LB	23	Dunta Robinson	CB	5'10"	185	23	2	South Carolina	
60	Cheatwood, Tim	LB	24	C.C. Brown	SS	6'00"	206	22	1	Louisiana-Lafayette	
42	Coleman, Marcus	FS	25	Tony Hollings	RB	5'11"	220	24	3	Georgia Tech	
37	Davis, Dominick	RB	26	Glenn Earl	SS	6'2"	218	24	2	Notre Dame	
97	Davis, Jason	DE	27	Jason Anderson	RB	6'0"	200	25	1	South Dakota	
6	Dunbar, Latarence	WR	28	Adam Matthews	CB	5'10"	205	24	1	Northern Illinois	
95	DelCoch, Jerry	DE	29	Jon Pendergrass	CB	6'00"	210	27	1	Southern California	
6	Dunn, Anthony	LB	30	Jason Simmons	SS	5'09"	198	29	8	Arizona State	
26	Earl, Glenn	SS	31	Phillip Buchanan	CB	5'10"	186	25	4	Miami	
65	Evans, Brandon	OG	32	Jonathan Wells	RB	6'01"	245	26	4	Ohio State	
54	Evans, Troy	LB	33	Jason Bell	CB	6'00"	182	27	5	UCLA	
38	Fagqins, Demarcus	CB	34	Vernard Morency	RB	5'09"	220	0	106	R Oklahoma State	
86	Gaffney, Jabar	WR	37	Domnick Davis	CB	5'11"	180	26	3	Louisiana State	
56	Greenwood, Motton	LB	38	Demarcus Fagqins	CB	5'11"	180	26	3	Kansas State	
49	Hallerman, Aaron	TE	41	Jerron Wishom	CB	6'0"	195	23	1	Louisiana Tech	
63	Hodgdon, Drew	C	42	Marcus Coleman	FS	6'02"	210	31	10	Texas Tech	
25	Hollings, Tony	RB	43	Cedrick Williams	CB	5'10"	179	26	1	Kansas State	
94	Ioane, Junior	DT	44	Moran Norris	FB	6'01"	250	27	5	Kansas	
80	Johnson, Andre	WR	45	Chris Mckerzie	CB	5'8"	185	23	1	Arizona State	
62	Johnson, Chris	OT	46	Anthony Dunn	LB	6'03"	255	25	1	Northern Colorado	
75	Johnson, Travis	DE	47	Jarrod Baxter	FB	6'00"	245	26	3	New Mexico	
73	Jones, Garrick	OT	48	Bryan Pittman	LS	0	0	28	3	Washington	
10	Kasper, Kevin	WR	49	Aaron Hallerman	TE	6'4"	260	23	1	Indiana	
20	Lord, Jarrmal	FS	50	Charlie Anderson	LB	6'4"	258	24	2	Mississippi	
66	Malone, Alfred	DE	51	Dashon Polk	LB	6'02"	235	28	6	Arizona	
13	Mathis, Jerome	WR	52	Kalile Wong	LB	6'02"	250	29	8	Stanford	
28	Matthews, Adam	RB	53	Shantee Orr	LB	6'00"	250	24	3	Michigan	
45	Mckenzie, Chris	CB	54	Troy Evans	LB	6'03"	243	28	4	Cincinnati	
76	Mckinney, Steve	C	55	Kenneth Pathway	LB	6'3"	242	23	1	Grambling	
82	Miller, Billy	TE	56	Morton Greenwood	LB	6'00"	239	27	5	Syracuse	
57	Morek, Quincy	LB	57	Quincy Monk	LB	6'03"	250	27	3	North Carolina	
34	Morency, Vernard	RB	58	Zake Moreno	LB	6'02"	245	26	5	Southern California	
58	Moreno, Zake	LB	59	Frank Chamberlin	LB	6'01"	238	27	5	Boston College	
81	Murphy, Matt	TE	60	Tim Chestwood	LB	6'01"	238	0	105	1	Ohio State
44	Norris, Moran	FB	61	Tim Brown	OT	6'5"	315	25	1	West Virginia	
53	Orr, Sharlee	LB	62	Chris Johnson	OT	6'3"	330	23	1	Arizona	
91	Payne, Seth	DT	63	Drew Hodson	C	0	106	1	106	R Arizona State	
29	Pendergrass, Jon	LB	64	Daleory Stewart	DT	6'04"	318	27	3	Southern Mississippi	
55	Pathway, Kenneth	LB	65	Brandon Evans	OG	6'3"	362	24	1	Houston	
48	Pitman, Bryan	LS	66	Alfred Malone	DE	0	106	1	106	R Troy	
69	Pitts, Chester	G	67	Milford Brown	OT	6'04"	316	26	3	Florida State	
18	Pitts, Devin	WR	68	Victor Riley	OT	6'05"	328	31	8	Auburn	
51	Polk, Dashon	LB	69	Chester Pitts	G	6'04"	320	26	4	San Diego State	
15	Ragone, Dave	OB	70	Todd Weary	OT	6'04"	305	28	3	Tennessee	
68	Riley, Victor	OT	71	Fred Wade	OT	6'08"	325	29	6	Mississippi	
84	Rivers, Marcellus	TE	72	Zach Wiegert	G	6'05"	312	33	11	Nebaska	
23	Robinson, Dunta	CB	73	Garrick Jones	OT	6'05"	305	27	1	Arkansas State	
21	Sanders, Lewis	CB	74	Carlos Williams	DE	211	106	1	106	R Arizona	
14	Scates, Cody	P	75	Travis Johnson	DE	0	106	1	106	R Florida State	
			76	Steve McKinney	C	6'04"	302	30	8	Texas A&M	

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No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Ex	School	
1	Jason Elam	K	5'11"	200	35	13	Hawaii	
3	Paul Emsler	P	6'2"	215	23	1	Northern Arizona	
8	Matt Mauck	QB	6'2"	220	26	1	Louisiana State	
9	Chad Frieheauf	QB	6'6"	210	32	1	Colorado-Mines	
10	Todd Sauerbrun	P	6'10"	211	33	1	West Virginia	
11	Bradlee Van Pelt	QB	6'2"	225	25	1	Colorado State	
12	B.J. Johnson	WR	5'11"	205	23	3	Texas	
13	Danny Kanell	CB	6'03"	218	32	8	Florida State	
14	Todd Devore	WR	6'02"	208	25	1	Central Missouri	
15	Romar Crenshaw	WR	6'02"	202	31	6	Oklahoma State	
16	Jake Plummer	WR	6'2"	240	24	2	Arizona State	
17	Darius Watts	WR	6'02"	205	43	20	Mississippi Valley	
19	Jerry Rice	WR	6'02"	205	44	20	Mississippi Valley	
20	Maurice Claret	RB	6'0"	0	106	1	Ohio State	
21	Quentin Griffin	RB	5'07"	198	24	3	Oklahoma	
22	Dominique Foxworth	CB	6'00"	192	0	106	1	Maryland
24	Champ Bailey	CB	6'00"	192	27	7	Georgia	
25	Nick Ferguson	S	5'11"	201	31	6	Georgia Tech	
26	Tatum Bell	RB	5'11"	212	24	1	Oklahoma State	
27	Barratt Williams	CB	6'10"	187	24	1	Oklahoma State	
28	Jeff Shioate	CB	5'10"	187	21	1	San Diego State	
29	Brandon Browner	CB	6'4"	210	21	1	Oregon State	
31	Jeremy LeSueur	S	6'00"	200	25	1	Michigan	
32	Chris Young	S	6'00"	215	27	5	Wisconsin	
33	Ron Dayne	CB	5'10"	195	26	4	Boston College	
35	Lenny Walls	CB	6'04"	195	24	1	Southern Methodist	
36	Kris Biggs	RB	5'11"	235	24	1	Southern Methodist	
37	Cecil Sapp	RB	5'11"	230	27	2	Colorado State	
38	Mike Anderson	RB	6'00"	230	32	5	Utah	
39	Kyle Johnson	FB	6'00"	242	27	2	Syracuse	
40	Curume Cox	CB	5'11"	198	24	1	Maryland	
41	Karl Payman	CB	6'0"	0	106	1	Washington State	
42	Sam Brandon	S	6'02"	200	26	4	Nevada-Las Vegas	
45	Roc Alexander	CB	6'0"	193	24	2	Washington	
47	John Lynch	S	6'02"	220	34	13	Stanford	
48	Brandon Mfwee	RB	6'0"	226	24	1	Pittsburgh	
50	Ben Hamilton	G/C	6'04"	283	28	4	Minnesota	
51	Keith Burns	LB	6'02"	235	33	12	Oklahoma State	
52	Ian Gold	LB	6'00"	223	27	6	Michigan	
53	Louis Green	LB	6'03"	224	26	2	Alcorn State	
54	Patrick Chukwurah	LB	6'01"	250	26	4	Wyoming	
55	D.J. Williams	LB	6'01"	250	23	1	Miami	
56	Al Wilson	LB	6'00"	240	28	7	Tennessee	
57	Jashon Sykes	LB	6'03"	239	26	3	Colorado	
58	Terry Pierce	LB	6'02"	255	24	3	Kansas State	
59	Markus Steele	LB	6'03"	240	26	4	Southern California	
60	John Engelberger	DE	6'04"	268	29	6	Virginia Tech	
61	Gerard Warren	DT	6'04"	322	27	5	Florida	
62	Chris Myers	OL	0	106	1	106	R Miami	
63	Tim Sluder	G	6'05"	315	27	1	Colorado State	
64	Patrice Malondo-Mwambi	DL	6-4	283	106	1	Texas Tech	
64	Erik Pears	T	6'7"	315	23	1	Colorado State	
65	Cooper Carlisle	G/T	6'05"	295	28	5	Florida	
66	Tom Nalen	C	6'03"	286	34	12	Boston College	
67	Anthony Clement	T	6'08"	350	29	6	Louisiana-Lafayette	
68	Wario Fatatehli	DE	6'02"	296	26	5	Kansas State	
69	Zach Wilson	G	0	0	26	1	Southern California	
70	Tyson Clabo	DE	6'7"	315	25	1	Wake Forest	
71	Aaron Hunt	DE	6'03"	270	25	1	Texas Tech	
71	Chris Walton	C/G	6-3	305	106	1	Baylor	
72	George Foster	T	6'05"	329	25	2	Georgia	
73	Cameron Spikes	G	6'04"	323	29	7	Texas A&M	
74	Cornell Green	T	6'06"	315	29	4	Central Florida	
75	Monsanto Pope	DT	6'03"	300	27	4	Virginia	
76	Michael Myers	DT	6'02"	292	29	8	Alabama	
77	Dwayne Carswell	G	6'03"	260	33	12	Liberty	
78	Matt Leipsis	T	6'04"	290	31	8	Colorado	

No	Name	Pos
81	Adams, Charlie	WR
45	Alexander, Roc	TE
82	Alexander, Stephen	CB
38	Anderson, Mike	RB
24	Bailey, Champ	CB
26	Bell, Tatum	RB
42	Brandon, Sam	S
36	Biggs, Kris	RB
98	Brown, Courtney	DE
29	Browner, Brandon	CB
51	Burns, Keith	LB
65	Carlisle, Cooper	G/T
77	Carswell, Dwayne	G
54	Chukwurah, Patrick	LB
70	Clabo, Tyson	G/T
20	Claret, Maurice	RB
67	Clement, Anthony	T
92	Coleman, Marco	DE
40	Cox, Curume	CB
15	Crenshaw, Romar	WR
96	Davis, Dorsett	DT
33	Dayne, Ron	RB
14	Devore, Todd	WR
84	Duke, Wesley	TE
91	Eklund, Ebenezer	DE
1	Elam, Jason	K
94	Eliss, Luther	DT
60	Engelberger, John	DE
3	Emsler, Paul	P/K
68	Fatatehli, Marlo	DT
25	Ferguson, Nick	S
72	Foster, George	CB
22	Foxworth, Dominique	CB
9	Frieheauf, Chad	OB
52	Gold, Ian	LB
74	Green, Cornell	T
53	Green, Louis	LB
21	Griffin, Quentin	RB
83	Leach, Mike	G/C
86	Hape, Patrick	TE
71	Hunt, Aaron	DE
99	Johnson, Raylee	DE
13	Kanell, Danny	CB
85	Leach, Mike	TE/LS
78	Leipsis, Matt	WR
31	LeSueur, Jeremy	S
87	Luke, Triandos	WR
47	Lynch, John	S
64	Malondo-Mwamba, Patri	DL
8	Mauck, Matt	CB
48	Mfwee, Brandon	RB
62	Myers, Chris	OL
72	Myers, Michael	DT
66	Nalen, Tom	C
79	Nawdon, Ben	C
90	Nwokorie, Chukie	DE
95	Palepoi, Anton	DE
41	Payman, Karl	CB
64	Pears, Erik	T
58	Pierce, Terry	LB
16	Plummer, Jake	OB
75	Pope, Monsanto	DT
93	Pyce, Trevor	DE

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92	Sears, Corey	DE	77	Todd Washington	C 6'03"	324	29	8	Virginia Tech	79	Ben Nowland	C 6'03"	300	25	1	Auburn	88	Putzler, Jeb	TE
30	Simmons, Jason	SS	78	Seh Ward	OT 6'07"	297	26	3	N.W. Missouri	80	Rod Smith	WR 6'00"	200	35	11	Missouri Southern	19	Rice, Jerry	WR
99	Smith, Robaire	DE	79	Chad Beasley	OT 6'05"	297	27	2	Virginia Tech	81	Charlie Adams	WR 6'02"	190	26	3	Hofstra	37	Sapp, Cecil	RB
9	Snyder, Chris	K	80	Andre Johnson	WR 6'02"	221	24	3	Miami	82	Stephen Alexander	TE 6'04"	246	30	8	Oklahoma	10	Sauerbrun, Todd	P
7	Stanley, Chad	P	81	Matt Murphy	TE 6'05"	255	25	3	Maryland	83	Mike Leach	TE/S 6'04"	245	29	6	William & Mary	28	Shoate, Jeff	CB
17	Staring, Kendrick	WR	82	Billy Miller	TE 6'03"	225	28	6	Southern California	84	Wesley Duke	TE 6'5"	233	24	R Mercer	80	Smith, Rod	WR	
64	Stewart, Daleyov	DT	84	Marcellus Rivers	TE 6'04"	255	27	5	Oklahoma State	85	Ashley Lefle	WR 6'03"	200	25	4	Hawaii	73	Spikes, Cameron	G
89	Swinton, Reynald	WR	85	Corey Bradford	WR 6'01"	197	30	7	Jackson State	86	Patrick Hape	WR 6'04"	262	31	9	Alabama	59	Steele, Markus	LB
2	Symons, B. J.	QB	86	Jabar Gaffney	WR 6'01"	195	25	4	Florida	87	Trandoss Luke	WR 5'11"	193	24	R Alabama	63	Stuber, Tim	G	
19	Thomas, Sloan	WR	87	Mark Bruener	TE 6'04"	262	33	11	Washington	88	Jeb Putzier	TE 6'04"	256	26	4	Boise State	57	Sykes, Jashon	LB
71	Wade, Todd	OT	88	Derik Armstrong	WR 6'02"	196	26	3	Arkansas-Monticello	89	Nate Jackson	TE 6'03"	217	26	2	Memlo	11	Van Pelt, Bradlee	QB
96	Walker, Gary	DE	89	Reynald Swinton	WR 6'00"	186	30	5	Murray State	90	Chukie Nwokorie	DE 6'02"	284	30	5	Purdue	97	Veal, Darnell	DT
22	Walker, Ramon	SS	90	D.D. Achonou	LB 6'2"	241	25	1	Washington State	91	Ebenezer Ekuban	DE 6'03"	265	29	6	North Carolina	35	Walls, Lenny	CB
78	Ward, Seth	OT	91	Seth Payne	DT 6'04"	303	30	8	Cornell	92	Marco Coleman	DE 6'05"	270	36	14	Georgia Tech	71	Walton, Chris	C/G
77	Washington, Todd	C	92	Corey Sears	DE 6'03"	319	32	7	Mississippi State	93	Trevor Pryce	DE 6'05"	295	30	8	Clemson	61	Warren, Gerard	DT
70	Weary, Fred	G	93	Jason Babin	LB 6'03"	260	25	R	Western Michigan	94	Luther Elliss	DT 6'05"	318	32	11	Utah	17	Watts, Darius	WR
32	Weils, Jonathan	RB	94	Junior Ioane	DT 6'04"	320	28	5	Arizona State	95	Anton Palepoi	DE 6'03"	280	27	4	Nevada-Las Vegas	55	Williams, D.J.	LB
72	Wiegert, Zach	G	95	Jerry DeLoach	DE 6'02"	315	28	5	California	96	Dorsett Davis	DT 6'06"	302	26	2	Mississippi State	27	Williams, Darent	CB
74	Williams, Carlos	DE	96	Gary Walker	DE 6'02"	305	32	11	Auburn	97	Demetris Veal	DT 6'02"	290	24	2	Tennessee	56	Wilson, Al	LB
43	Williams, Cedrick	CB	97	Jason Davis	DE 6'04"	291	25	1	West Virginia	98	Courtney Brown	DE 6'04"	280	27	5	Penn State	69	Wilson, Zach	G
41	Wisnom, Jerron	CB	98	Antwan Peck	LB 6'03"	230	26	3	Cincinnati	99	Raylee Johnson	DE 6'03"	272	35	12	Arkansas	32	Young, Chris	S
52	Wong, Kalisee	LB	99	Robaire Smith	DE 6'04"	310	28	6	Michigan State										

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Defense takes stand with goal-line stop

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Houston - The Broncos' defense jumped ahead of the Broncos' offense early in training camp and felt good about it. Smacking around your teammates, knowing their quirks and building momentum on familiar ground is one thing.

Accomplishing it against an AFC team on its turf is another.

Thus, after two days of practice against the Texans in staid humidity and heat, the Broncos met the Texans for real, sort of, in the teams' first preseason game Saturday night at Reliant Stadium.

The Texans' offense is far from the perfect gauge for a defense. This bunch finished 18th in passing offense and 19th in total offense last season. Entering their fourth season, the Texans are still building, still trying to get it right in a crawl from expansion to, they hope, exquisite.

Fresh bodies to slap? The Denver defense would take it. This jaunty group believes it is on to something big this fall.

And then the first drive for the Texans went this way:

A run for 6 yards. A pass for 15 against rookie cornerback Darrent Williams, who played soft on receiver Andre Johnson, then rushed up and blew the tackle. A run for 8 yards. A quarterback scramble for 11. Another run for 6 yards. A 26-yard pass interference penalty on Williams that put the ball at the Denver 1.

Can you say soft? Confused? Overrated?

The early joke was on the Denver defense and it was rapidly becoming a salacious hoot.

The Texans' best showing on offense last season was in their running game. They finished 12th in rushing, near the middle among all teams. They led in the run game in nearly every category vs. their opponents, including rushing attempts (481 to 417), rushing yards (1,882 to 1,843), rushing first downs (103 to 89) and rushing touchdowns (16 to four). With the focus on back Domanick Davis, the Texans have proved they can run it, push it, power it in short-yardage and goal-line circumstances.

Thus, it was significant what happened in the next four plays from the Denver 1.

Davis ran for no gain and was belted by linebackers D.J. Williams and Ian Gold.

Davis ran for no gain and was bunged by safety John Lynch.

Davis ran for no gain, this time hemmed by tackle Michael Myers.

One more try? Of course, Davis again, and this stop was end Trevor Pryce's plum.

Ball back to Denver. Goal-line stand complete.

Linebacker Al Wilson late in the first quarter would be beaten over the middle on a tough isolation-coverage play on a tight end, one that any linebacker would find a nasty challenge. Other than that, only seven points for the Texans vs. the Broncos' best defenders and only 14 points allowed all night long.

Plus that game-altering goal-line stand.

This is what the Broncos were looking for. This is what you want your exhibition games to be about. If your new-fangled calling card is defense, a good time to show it is in the moment, right from the start.

And, despite a shaky first few plays, the Broncos did in their 20-14 victory.

"In our first meeting of the year," Lynch said, "we talked about keeping people out of the end zone. We did it tonight at the goal

line and won by six points. In my Super Bowl year in Tampa, we had three or four goal-line stands like that. It carries over for your defense. We have a high standard on this defense. I'm used to that."

There was no Courtney Brown, no Gerard Warren, no Champ Bailey, three defensive starters nursing injuries. Yet, the Broncos' defensive linemen presented a solid push for most of the night and the young players, Darrent Williams included, grew bold while on the job.

For so long with the Broncos it has been about offense. This defense is intent on changing that.

"We've got speed, we've got size, some depth and a great attitude," Wilson said. "We are becoming the kind of defense that does not care what the offense is doing; we want to win the game on our side of the ball. That is a new brand of football for the Broncos and for the entire organization."

This was only one preseason game, but it set the right mind-set for this defense.

In training camp, in preseason a team often becomes what it will be.

This is where a team gains its character and identity for the season. Imagine that, a Broncos season where there is more excitement when the Broncos do not have the ball compared with when they do have it.

"It can happen," Wilson said.

I could not find a single Bronco who disagrees.

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Dayne delivers as Denver newcomer

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Houston - In the first two weeks of training camp, the Broncos' tailback who emerged as the sharpest was newly signed Ron Dayne, a Heisman Trophy winner at Wisconsin trying to resurrect his NFL career in a system similar to the one in which he enjoyed collegiate glory.

The Broncos signed Dayne because he fits their one-cut, downhill running scheme. In their first preseason game together, the lumbering Dayne clearly was the most productive of the Denver running backs.

"One player who stood out is Ron Dayne," Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said. "He made some nice runs."

Dayne led all rushers with 56 yards on 11 carries Saturday night at Reliant Stadium, including a run of 23 yards, in the Broncos' 20-14 victory over the Houston Texans.

"I'm just glad to get the opportunity," said Dayne, the New York Giants' first-round pick in the 2000 draft. "I helped contribute in a win, and that's what I'm looking to do."

Dayne is listed fourth on Denver's depth chart behind starter Mike Anderson, Tatum Bell and Quentin Griffin, who didn't play because he's recovering from a torn anterior cruciate ligament. The only tailback Dayne is listed ahead of is rookie Maurice Clarett, who didn't make the trip because of a groin injury.

Dayne's performance will go a long way in determining whether he makes the team. Anderson had 12 yards on six carries, Bell just 11 yards on eight carries.

Shanahan said it was difficult to get a read on the backfield battle because Houston played the run so well.

Pryce feels good

Defensive end Trevor Pryce missed most of last season with a back injury that required surgery. Pryce, who started Saturday night and played some with the second unit to get extended playing time, said he felt two things.

First, he felt rusty. Second, and more important, he felt completely healthy.

"The back wasn't an issue," Pryce said. "I'm totally healthy, but I was a deer in the headlights out there for a while because I hadn't played much. It was just a rust thing."

Pryce said he felt more comfortable as the game went on.

"Next week I should feel even better," Pryce said. "I can't wait to get to the quarterback."

Injury report

Broncos backup safeties Jeremy LeSueur and Chris Young collided trying to make a tackle and injured their knees. Neither injury was considered serious.

Clarett and cornerback Champ Bailey (hamstring), offensive tackle Matt Lepsis (hamstring), defensive tackles Gerard Warren (hamstring) and Mario Fatafehi (knee) and defensive end Courtney Brown (elbow) did not play against the Texans. The Broncos hope Clarett returns to practice Monday.

Davis shines for Denver

Defensive tackle Dorsett Davis came into training camp needing a strong preseason. With the Broncos' crowded defensive line, it appeared Davis' best chance was to catch the eye of another team.

Davis may have opened eyes around the league Saturday, but he also opened the eyes of the Broncos. He finished with two tackles

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Williams shows team more than Broncos bargained for

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Houston - When the Broncos drafted Darrent Williams in April, the initial plan was to use the diminutive but explosive player primarily as a return man.

The idea was the second-round pick from Oklahoma State would give the Broncos' return game an immediate spark. Any help Williams might give the Denver defense as a rookie would be a bonus.

That was the plan, anyway.

"We got a player," veteran safety John Lynch said Saturday night after Denver's 20-14 victory over the Houston Texans at Reliant Stadium. "Not bad for a guy who I was told was expected to help just as a returner right away."

Williams continued his dynamic preseason Saturday when he started at cornerback alongside veteran Lenny Walls. Williams got his chance because star left cornerback Champ Bailey has been hampered by a sore hamstring the past 10 days. Williams, who worked as the Broncos' top nickel cornerback when Bailey was in, has been practicing with the first team with Bailey on the sideline.

While Williams has stood out the first two weeks of training camp, he knew his start Saturday would be the most challenging task of his short NFL career. He often lined up against Andre Johnson, the Texans' star wide receiver.

"I was really pretty nervous at the start," Williams said. "They went after me right away, and I felt it. But I settled down, and the game slowed down for me. I felt much more comfortable as the game went on."

Playing in front of family members and friends from Fort Worth, Texas, his hometown, Williams had his ups and downs. It was clear Houston quarterback David Carr had designs on picking on the rookie.

Carr hit Johnson for a 15-yard gain with Williams covering on the Texans' second offensive play. Five snaps later, Williams was called for pass interference at the Broncos' 1-yard line while covering Johnson. The Broncos overcame the penalty with a goal-line stand.

"They're going to come after me," Williams said. "That's fine with me."

Williams had some bright spots, breaking up two passes. Despite his 5-foot-8, 188-pound frame, Williams was known in college as a strong tackler and displayed that ability.

Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said Williams' performance was an extension of his strong training camp and excellent play in the three practices with the Texans last week before the teams' preseason opener.

"I'm pretty impressed," Shanahan said of Williams. "I was impressed the way he's handled himself."

Williams had kickoff returns of 26 and 24 yards and gained 10 yards on four punt returns.

Williams was the first of three cornerbacks Denver took in the second and third rounds. Karl Paymah and Domonique Foxworth were selected in the third round. Like Williams, Foxworth has been praised often by Shanahan the first two weeks of camp. Foxworth also is expected to play often for Denver this season.

Foxworth and Paymah played extensively and well Saturday, though Paymah was called for pass interference in the fourth quarter.

"All three rookie corners had a good night," Lynch said. "The early returns are we hit home runs on all three."

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Broncos watch

A look at five areas of focus in Denver's first preseason game:

1. Trevor and the ex-Browns: A four-down, goal-line stand Saturday night saved an otherwise unsettling first-team defensive effort. Ebenezer Ekuban made a big tackle for a 4-yard loss.
2. Competition at running back: Mike Anderson was in for all 18 first-team plays, but gained just 12 yards on six carries. Tatum Bell and Ron Dayne alternated from there, with Dayne rushing for a game-high 56 yards on 11 carries. Bell gained 11 yards.
3. Jerry Rice in a Broncos uniform: Hobbled by plantar fasciitis in his left heel, the NFL's all-time leading receiver was held to a 6-yard catch from Bradlee Van Pelt.
4. Rookie cornerbacks: Darrent Williams, Karl Paymah and Domonique Foxworth got hit with penalties, but they also demonstrated skills. Williams had a big hit and Foxworth maintained great coverage on an isolation deep throw near half's end.
5. Kicking game: Paul Ernster's kickoffs went to the 9, 6 and end zone. Todd Sauerbrun punted well, but one was returned 17 yards. Jason Elam made 27- and 24-yard field goals.

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Plummer starts strong with Van Pelt pushing

QB's productive in Broncos' preseason opener

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Houston - A quarterback usually can see the pressure coming from the end, or the corner or right before his eyes.

This year, for the first time in many years, Broncos quarterback Jake Plummer may feel some heat coming up from behind.

As the Broncos were beating the Houston Texans 20-14 in the teams' preseason opener Saturday night at Reliant Stadium, backup quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt showed his greatest asset might not have been his ability to lead, escape, scramble or throw.

It may be his presence will help bring out the best in Plummer.

So this is why Broncos coach Mike Shanahan made the rather daring, early-in-camp decision to propel Van Pelt to No. 2 on the depth chart.

"He brings a lot of fire, a lot of passion to the game," Plummer said of Van Pelt. "In some ways, he reminds me of myself when I was younger."

Before Van Pelt made his much-anticipated debut as an NFL backup quarterback, Plummer showed who's No. 1. Down 7-0, Plummer was given a third series with the first-team offense and efficiently moved the Broncos on an 11-play, 71-yard, game-tying drive against the Texans' first-team defense.

The march culminated with Plummer rolling out on third down and making a 3-yard touchdown toss to new tight end Stephen Alexander.

That's right, Denver fans. The Broncos' first-team offense is 1-for-1 in red zone touchdowns.

Plummer passed with precision, hitting Rod Smith for 17 yards along the sideline and Ashley Lelie on a 30-yard go-route during the touchdown drive.

"It's all the work we've done in the offseason," said Plummer, who was 6-for-10 for 76 yards and no mistakes. "We put a lot of time in those camps. I felt comfortable out there."

The game tied and his job done after 18 plays - six to eight more than planned - Plummer gave way to Van Pelt, a former Colorado State star.

Given his big chance, Van Pelt almost overslept. On Friday morning, Van Pelt said he got up early before the team's walk-through practice to study the playbook. When his eyelids got heavy, he set the alarm, but made the near-critical mistake of hitting the snooze button.

The team bus wound up leaving the hotel without him.

Fortunately for Van Pelt, his biological clock went off before he was officially late - he walked into the team's indoor workout Friday precisely as it started at 8:30 a.m. - but nevertheless, on time is late in the NFL. He was grounded to his hotel room for the afternoon and expects to be fined.

"It was a bonehead mistake on my part," Van Pelt said. "In hindsight, it was an honest mistake, but that's kind of me. Now if I sleep another five, 10 minutes, we have a problem."

Awake and adrenaline pumping by the time he stepped on the field in the second quarter Saturday, Van Pelt didn't wait long to exhibit athletic excitement. With his father, former NFL linebacker great Brad Van Pelt, looking on from the sideline, Bradlee Van Pelt's third play was a quarterback draw that he turned into a 40-yard gain to the Texans' 34. He then completed passes for 17 yards to Darius Watts and Jeb Putzier for 11, and the Broncos had first-and-goal at the 8.

That drive stalled and ended in a short Jason Elam field goal, as did another Van Pelt-led move to the 6 early in the fourth quarter.

But for a first preseason game, Shanahan was pleased with his quarterbacks' play - especially after third-stringer Matt Mauck hit Todd Devoe on a short slant that turned into a game-clinching, 92- yard touchdown pass. That finished off a splendid quarterback game that started with the starter.

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Broncos get first preseason win

By Jeff Legwold, Rocky Mountain News
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HOUSTON — For the better part of the Broncos' four days in southeast Texas, Bradlee Van Pelt pronounced himself ready, willing and able for what came his way in Denver's preseason opener.

Well, Broncos coach Mike Shanahan certainly gave Van Pelt the chance to prove it.

Shanahan let Van Pelt drive the offense for more than two quarters Saturday night as the Broncos defeated the Texans, 20-14, in Reliant Stadium in the preseason opener for both teams.

Van Pelt, who has spent the last two weeks in an extended audition to be Jake Plummer's backup at quarterback, handled himself fairly well. He finished 10-of-17 passing for 107 yards for a passer rating of 77.3.

He threw neither a touchdown nor an interception, but did flash some of the improvisational skills and mobility that pushed him up the depth chart in the first place. He had a 40-yard run and was sacked twice against a Texans defense that tested him with blitzes several times.

Van Pelt left the game with 11 minutes, 44 seconds left in the fourth quarter.

At halftime Plummer described Van Pelt as "a little nervous, but he's a gamer ... I just told him to go out there and have some fun."

"I think Bradlee did a good job," Shanahan said. "I thought he's done a good job since the offseason program started ... I thought you could see his athletic ability. Like all quarterbacks, he wants to play that perfect game, but I thought it was a good first game for Bradlee."

Matt Mauck entered the game at quarterback after Van Pelt and veteran Danny Kanell, who was Plummer's backup all of last season, did not play. Mauck finished 2-of-3 for 96 yards, including a 92-yard touchdown pass to Todd Devoe with just over four minutes to play in the game.

Earlier in the game Shanahan, after watching his starters manufacture just one first down in their first two possessions of the game, made the group put in a little preseason overtime keeping it on the field for a third possession.

The third drive more closely resembled what the Broncos had been hoping to put together.

The Broncos went 74 yards in 10 plays for their first touchdown of the night, finishing it off with a 3-yard scoring pass from Plummer to tight end Stephen Alexander. Plummer had completions of 17, 22 and 10 yards on the drive.

"It's nice to get Stephen Alexander his first touchdown as a Bronco," Plummer said. "Hopefully there are many more in the regular season."

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Denver Broncos' Stephen Alexander (82) is congratulated by Rod Smith (80) after catching a touchdown pass against the Houston Texans during the second quarter of a preseason game Saturday.

After saying he wanted only "to be efficient" coming into the game, Plummer finished his night 6-of-10 for 76 yards and a touchdown — with a passer rating of 117.1. Plummer did leave another touchdown on the field, however.

He rolled right on the Broncos' first pass attempt of the night, chased by the Texans' defense, and had Ashley Lelie wide open, behind the Texans defenders up the Broncos sideline, but the pass drifted right landing out of bounds.

In all, the Broncos' first-team offense worked 17 plays, a handful more than the 10-12 Shanahan had originally planned for the group.

"There were a couple situations where they had the perfect defense for what we had called and that's going to happen sometimes," Plummer said. " ... We wanted to score on the very first drive to get the guys off the field."

For its part the Broncos starting defense surrendered 100 yards worth offense in just under a quarter's worth of work, but also put together a fierce goal-line stand to finish off the Texans' first possession of the night.

The Texans had moved to the Broncos 1-yard line in seven plays, but Denver held on four consecutive running plays — all by Texans running back Domanick Davis — to give the ball back to the Broncos offense just shy of the goal-line.

"(The Broncos) just kind of clamped down on me at the line," Davis said. "Their defensive line got under the offensive line."

"I was really proud of us on the goal-line," said Broncos safety John Lynch.

In all the Texans' regulars rushed for 46 yards on their 11 carries and Houston quarterback David Carr threw just two passes, completing one for 15 yards.

The Texans' second-team quarterback, Tony Banks, did put together a touchdown drive against the Broncos starters, covering a short field — 44 yards. Banks finished it off with a 31-yard touchdown pass to reserve tight end Matt Murphy.

The Broncos players will have Sunday off and will be back on the practice field Monday afternoon at 2:45. They will play their second preseason game Saturday against the San Francisco 49ers at Invesco Field at Mile High.

INJURIES: Safety Chris Young and safety Jeremy LeSueur briefly left the game in the third quarter after banging their right knees on a play. LeSueur returned to the game, but Young was wearing an ice pack on his knee for the remainder of the game. The Broncos said they didn't think either injury was serious.

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Broncos deliver mixed signals

Starters show flashes of good, bad play

By FRANK SCHWAB THE GAZETTE

HOUSTON c The Denver Broncos' starting offense has been outplayed by the starting defense for most of training camp. In Saturday's preseason opener against the Houston Texans, the roles reversed a bit.

The offensive starters took a couple of series to warm up but had a long scoring drive before taking the rest of the night off.

The defensive starters played two series, and the Texans had little trouble moving the ball each time. But the Broncos did have a goal-line stand.

Denver won 20-14 in front of an announced crowd of 70,016 at Reliant Stadium, putting the game away with a 92-yard touchdown pass from Matt Mauck to Todd Devoe with just more than four minutes left.

Backup quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt was one of Denver's more impressive performers. He played about a half, completing 10-of-17 passes for 107 yards and rushing for 45 yards.

"Obviously, we're a little off right now," coach Mike Shanahan said. "We're not perfect, but I liked the effort."

The Texans drove to the 1-yard line on their first possession, but the Broncos stopped running back Domanick Davis on four straight carries.

"That was just a great job by their defense," Texans quarterback David Carr said. "We've got to give them credit."

The Broncos weren't as fortunate on Houston's second drive.

The Texans' second-string offense gained 44 yards on six plays and scored when tight end Matt Murphy beat Broncos linebacker Al Wilson down the middle for a 31-yard touchdown catch.

"I think we were just OK," safety John Lynch said. "I was really proud of us on the goal-line stand."

"I think the one thing we didn't do that well was tackling — that will be the strength of this team."

In the Broncos' first two offensive possessions, Jake Plummer completed 1-of-5 passes, missing a wide-open Ashley Lelie on one play and watching receiver Darius Watts drop a third-down pass on another.

But Denver went 76 yards on 10 plays in its third drive and scored on tight end Stephen Alexander's 3-yard catch.

Plummer connected with Lelie on a 30-yard pass during the drive after Lelie beat cornerback Phillip Buchanon.

"There's some things we want to improve on, but that's why we got a few more of these (preseason) games before the (regular season) starts," Plummer said.

Van Pelt led a scoring drive on his first possession. He gained 40 yards on a third-and-four play with a draw to Houston's 34-yard line.

The Broncos moved inside the 20-yard line on that drive but settled for a field goal after Van Pelt's third-down pass to Jerry Rice in the end zone fell incomplete.

"I've just got to keep plugging," said Van Pelt, who is in his second season. "I made a lot of mistakes tonight."

"I've got to get better. And if I get better, I'll be OK."

In the fourth quarter, each team used third- and fourth-string players. Devoe, a rookie from Central Missouri State, caught a short pass and took it 92 yards for a touchdown to give Denver a 20-7 lead.

"Luckily, I caught the end zone before anyone caught me," Devoe said.

Little settled in battle for starting tailback

By FRANK SCHWAB THE GAZETTE

HOUSTON c The Denver Broncos' starting tailback battle wasn't settled in their preseason opener on Saturday.

Mike Anderson and Tatum Bell, who have split time with the starting offense in training camp, each struggled against the Houston Texans. Anderson, who started, gained 12 yards on six carries. Bell had 11 yards on eight carries.

"I got to get timing, get that feel back," Anderson said. "I went down on some shoestring tackles, and I usually don't do that."

Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said the running back who stood out was Ron Dayne. Dayne gained 56 yards on 11 carries, including a 23-yard run that set up a Jason Elam field goal.

"Ron had a couple good runs in there and was impressive," Shanahan said.

Bell got in the game after most of the starters were done. Bell, who has had fumbling problems, also coughed up the ball in the third quarter when he was hit after a short catch. The Broncos recovered that fumble.

Rice plays

Receiver Jerry Rice made his Broncos debut in the second quarter. Rice's first and only catch came on Denver's next possession. He picked up 6 yards and was forced out of bounds.

Rice sat out some practices this week with tendinitis in his heel but said that wasn't a problem in the game.

"My foot felt OK and I'm happy with that," said Rice, who didn't play in the second half.

Etc.

The Broncos had seven players who did not dress for Saturday's game: cornerback Champ Bailey (hamstring), running backs Maurice Claret (groin) and Quentin Griffin (knee), defensive tackles Gerard Warren (hamstring) and Mario Fatafehi (knee), offensive tackle Matt Lepsis (hamstring) and defensive end Courtney Brown (elbow). . . . Rookie Paul Ernster kicked off but didn't have much success. His first kickoff reached the 9-yard line, his second kickoff reached the 10-yard line, and his third bounced at the 5-yard line and went in the end zone. Punter Todd Sauerbrun kicked off in the fourth quarter, and neither of his kickoffs reached the end zone. . . . The Broncos reported no injuries after the game.



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Devoe turns heads with long TD

By Ryan Thorburn, Camera Sports Writer

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HOUSTON — Undrafted receiver from Central Missouri State leads Broncos to win.

Rod Smith? No, Denver's No. 1 receiver went to Missouri Southern.

The small college hero from the Show-me State on Saturday night was Todd Devoe, whose 92-yard touchdown reception in the fourth quarter was the difference in the Broncos' 20-14 exhibition victory over the Houston Texans at Reliant Stadium.

"Coming from a small school I'm just trying to compete every day, that's the biggest adjustment," said Devoe, who was given a game ball by Mike Shanahan that he plans on presenting to his daughter. "I feel good, but I feel like there are a lot of plays for me to make (in order) to make this team. I've been making enough in practice to open eyes, but not enough."

Devoe entered the game fourth on the depth chart at one receiver spot behind Smith, Darius Watts and Charlie Adams. The three players ahead of him combined for seven catches totaling 96 yards.

With 4:18 left in the game, Devoe slipped one tackle and took a routine pass from Matt Mauck to the house to give the Broncos a 20-7 lead.

"I was just thinking, 'Get as many yards as you can before somebody catches you.' Luckily, I caught the end zone before somebody caught me," he said. "The game-time situation will probably help me out a little more. We've got three more left and I have three more opportunities to impress the coaches."

'D' bends, holds

Houston marched the ball right through the heart of Denver's first-team defense on its first possession, but was unable to score after getting a first-and-goal at the 1.

Domanick Davis was stopped four consecutive times with D.J. Williams, John Lynch, Michael Myers and Trevor Pryce all making tackles.

"I was really proud of us on the goal-line stand," Lynch said. "I think our-goal line and red zone will continue to get better. I think the one thing we didn't do that well was tackling. That will be the strength of the team. That often happens in the first preseason game ... something we have to shore up."

The Texans took a 7-0 lead when backup quarterback Tony Banks threw a 31-yard touchdown pass to tight end Matt Murphy, a fourth-stringer, who beat Al Wilson.

Injury report

Backup safeties Jeremy LeSueur and Chris Young both left the game after banging knees with five minutes left in the third quarter.

LeSueur, who spent his rookie season on injured reserve, returned moments later to make a special teams tackle.

Matt Lepsis (hamstring), Champ Bailey (hamstring), Gerard Warren (hamstring) and Courtney Brown (dislocated elbow) did not suit up. Quentin Griffin practiced all week but was held out.

"I'm doing pretty good, feeling all right in practice, taking it one day at a time," Griffin said earlier in the week. "I think I've got to go lift weights now. Thank you for your time."

As Terrell turns

So far, Jerry Rice hasn't been much of a distraction to the Broncos. Even the young players competing against the greatest receiver of all time for a roster spot have embraced the 42-year-old veteran.

Before making his debut in a Denver uniform, Rice — who made one catch for six yards — was asked about the greatest distraction of all time, Terrell Owens.

T.O. — whose talents and ego helped push Rice out of San Francisco — has been the focus of Philadelphia's camp, despite sitting out with an "injury" before getting suspended by head coach Andy Reid.

"Terrell Owens is a great football player, very productive on the football field. I wish the situation was handled differently on the management's part and also on Terrell's part," Rice said. "I don't think that team needs to have this distraction right now. They need to be thinking about how to get back to the Super Bowl. They came close last year."

Owens has been blasting Reid and the Eagles during national television appearances all week, while the rest of his teammates sweat it out on the field.

"It's a bad one," Rice said. "It's going to have to be dealt with, and I guess we have to sit back and see what happens."

Notable

Backup quarterbacks Danny Kanell and Chad Friehauf did not play. Neither did cornerback Jeff Shoate, fullback Brandon Miree and tight end Wesley Duke. ... Former Bronco Billy Miller did not suit up for the Texans due to injury. ... The roof at Reliant Stadium was closed for Saturday's game.



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Thorburn: Bronco QBs pass their first tests

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HOUSTON — Observations from Reliant Stadium while wondering if Maurice Clarett dozed off on his couch before this one ended:

- Jake Plummer is ahead of his normal preseason pace.

During Denver's 20-14 victory over Houston on Saturday night, the third-year Broncos quarterback led the first-team offense on a lengthy touchdown drive.

If you recall, Plummer struggled through his first two exhibition schedules with Denver, snapping the famous quote — "What's the date?" — at reporters last August.

Early on, it looked like the same old Jake after he missed a wide-open Ashley Lelie down the sideline, had a pass dropped by Darius Watts and forced a couple of balls to a well-covered Rod Smith for incompletions. But on the Broncos' third possession, Plummer was crisp during a 10-play touchdown drive that tie the score 7-7.

Two years ago, Plummer's favorite target in the red zone was Shannon Sharpe. Stephen Alexander isn't headed for the Hall of Fame, but the tight end looked the part on his 3-yard TD.

"It's nice to get Stephen Alexander his first touchdown as a Bronco," Plummer said. "Hopefully there are many more in the regular season."

A good sign, but the date is Aug. 13.

- Bradlee Van Pelt belongs in the NFL.

BVP was in classic CSU form on his first series under center when he took off for a 40-yard carry, the longest run of the night for the Broncos. The drive ended with a field goal, but credit Van Pelt for throwing the ball to Jerry Rice — his hands, if nothing else, are still pretty reliable — in the end zone on third-and-goal from the 9.

It was a good pass by Van Pelt and better coverage by Texans cornerback Demarcus Faggins.

The other highlights for Mike Shanahan's surprise No. 2 man was a 13-yard completion to Charlie Adams on third-and-11 with a defender in his face.

"He has heart," Smith said of Van Pelt. "He does his best. I'm sure he would like to take a few back, but he made a lot of good plays out there. And he gave us a chance to win."

- Clarett still has a chance.

It may be slim, but the four running backs ahead of the rookie from Ohio State — Mike Anderson (2.0 yards per carry), Tatum Bell (1.4 yards per carry), Ron Dayne (5.1 yards per carry) and Quentin Griffin (did not play) — did nothing to separate themselves from the pack in the race to win the starting job.

Dayne had 56 yards on 11 carries, but the statistics came against the Texans' scrubs.

- The first-team defense got pushed around.

Domanick Davis and Jonathan Wells had no trouble picking up yards on the ground early, especially on first down, and Al

Wilson allowed a fourth-string tight end to beat him for a touchdown reception.

That said, the goal-line stand was impressive, especially considering that Gerard Warren and Courtney Brown weren't out there for it.

The Broncos' defensive line is better in August than it was in January.

- The young cornerbacks are keepers.

Darrent Williams, Domonique Foxworth and Karl Paymah all looked cool and comfortable in the Houston heat this week. Like all rookies, they will have their embarrassing moments this season, but no one is going to be able to pick on them the way Peyton Manning did Roc Alexander in the playoffs.

They're too fast on the field and apparently in Larry Coyer's classroom.

- The jury is still out on Ronnie Bradford's special teams units.

Todd Sauerbrun is clearly a major upgrade at punter. Jason Elam is still the guy you want attempting field goals. And Paul Ernster has a chance to make the roster as the kickoff dude.

The key will be to find the right backups to make some tackles. Rice isn't going to help on special teams. Neither is Dayne.

And what about Clarett? Hopefully his alarm will go off.

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Van Pelt not lone star in Texas

Backup QB helps lead Broncos past Texans

By **Ryan Thorburn, Camera Sports Writer**

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HOUSTON — The highlight of the evening was a Bradlee Van Pelt run.

"Yeah, kind of felt like old times," the former Colorado State standout admitted.

That was good and bad news for the Broncos as they kicked off the audition for backup quarterback on Saturday night at Reliant Stadium.

Denver's No. 2 man of the moment showed off the athleticism that made him a collegiate star during a 20-14 victory over the Houston Texans in the exhibition opener. Van Pelt also struggled at times throwing the ball like the cocky kid Sonny Lubick once tried to switch to tailback.

Van Pelt entered the game with 9:13 remaining in the second quarter and the score tied 7-7. On the third snap of the drive he ran for a 40-yard gain — easily the longest rush by either team — to get the second-string offense into scoring range.

"It was interesting," Van Pelt said. "I wasn't even thinking about the 40-yard run. I'm thinking about the sacks I took. I shouldn't be taking sacks, I'm too good of an athlete and too quick. I've got to get the ball gone or find a crease and run. Right now, as you can tell, I'm concentrating more on the negative than the positive."

After an incompletion to Jerry Rice in the end zone on third-and-goal from the 9, the Broncos settled for a Jason Elam field goal. Same story on Van Pelt's final drive early in the fourth quarter when he avoided a sack on third-and-goal from the 6, but was unable to hook up with Jeb Putzier in the end zone as C.C. Brown nearly intercepted the pass.

Van Pelt finished the game 10 of 17 passing for 107 yards. He did not throw a touchdown or an interception and was sacked twice for a loss of 13 yards before giving way to Matt Mauck with Denver leading 13-7.

"I thought Bradlee did a good job," Broncos head coach Mike Shanahan said. "He has really played good throughout training camp ... good first game for him."

Shanahan, who moved Van Pelt ahead of Mauck and veteran Danny Kanell on the depth chart three days into camp, didn't sound like he was ready to shuffle the pecking order after an up-and-down preseason performance at the position.

"I don't want to say anything right after the game," Shanahan said. "But I was impressed with Bradlee."

Jake Plummer got off to a shaky start — completing one of his first five passes for 11 yards on Denver's first two possessions — before leading the first-team offense on a 10-play, 76-yard touchdown drive. The Snake slipped a nice pass to new starting tight end Stephen Alexander on third-and-goal to cap off the red-zone opportunity with seven points.

On the first series, Plummer threw a potential touchdown pass to Ashley Lelie out of bounds and watched Darius Watts drop a potential first down to kill the drive.

"I feel good. I feel relaxed out there. There were a couple situations where they just had the perfect defense for what we had called, and that's going to happen sometimes," Plummer said. "We wanted to score on the very first drive to get the guys off the field, but we got a touchdown in the red zone and that's what we needed."

Associated Press

Denver's Rod Smith (80) congratulates Stephen Alexander on his touchdown catch Saturday.

The Broncos had a tough time running the ball against the Texans' first-team defense. Starter Mike Anderson had only 12 yards on six carries, and No. 2 tailback Tatum Bell only added 11 yards on eight carries.

"The one guy who stood out with a couple of good runs was Ron Dayne," Shanahan said.

Dayne entered the game fourth on the depth chart behind Quentin Griffin, who did not play as the team eases him back from last season's knee injury. The former Heisman Trophy winner finished with 56 yards on 11 carries, including a 23-yard burst.

"I love football. I just love being out there and helping the team win," said Dayne, who seems to really be enjoying life with the Broncos after several frustrating seasons with the New York Giants. "Whenever I get an opportunity to play I'm going to do my best."

Dayne doesn't think he is now the No. 1 guy. At least not yet.

"(Anderson and Bell) are both great backs, and I just want to get in," Dayne said. "Last year they had four or five backs and they all got some playing time. Whenever it's my time to get in and play I'm going to do it. Hopefully I get the opportunity to step up."

Mauck entered the game in the fourth quarter and delivered the what proved to be the game-winning touchdown pass to Todd Devoe, who slipped one tackle and sprinted down the field for the 92-yard score that gave the Broncos a 20-7 lead.

Houston's third-string quarterback, Dave Ragone, completed a 10-yard touchdown pass to La Tarence Dunbar with 1:52 remaining, but the ensuing on-sides kick by Kris Brown skipped harmlessly out of bounds.



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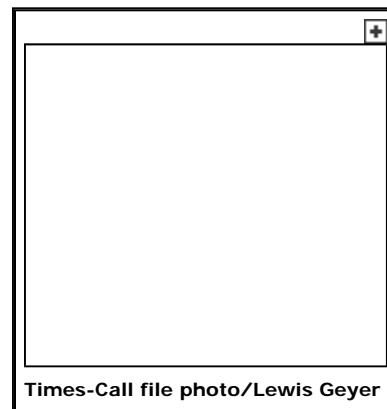
League of their own?

They have the speed and the potential. Now, if the Broncos linebackers can help generate more big plays and turnovers, they'll stake their claim as the NFL's best.

*By Pat Graham
The Daily Times-Call*

HOUSTON — Kevin Kasper never learns.

The Houston Texans wide receiver made the mistake of taunting Denver middle linebacker Al Wilson during a Wednesday night scrimmage at Reliant Park.



Kasper should know better, given that he used to be with Denver. Never tease, taunt or feed Wilson. Just leave him alone.

“I remember practice once, he was about to beat me up about 10 times when I was his teammate,” Kasper said.

Wilson jawed at Kasper for throwing a football at safety Jeremy LeSueur. Kasper yapped back, and the feud was officially on. Wilson was on Kasper the rest of the scrimmage, even seeking him out on occasion.

“If there was one guy I’d pay to watch, it would be Al Wilson,” Kasper said. “I respect him more than any defensive player I’ve seen.”

Flattery won’t get Wilson off Kasper’s back.

But now you have a glimpse at the intensity inside Wilson. He’s a different breed of linebacker.

“I have great respect for him,” defensive coordinator Larry Coyer said. “He’s one of our leaders.”

After Wednesday’s dual practices against the Texans, Wilson gave his stamp of approval to the defense’s effort. Wilson, cornerbacks Lenny Walls and Darrent Williams, and safety Nick Ferguson all had interceptions during the course of the day.

“We did pretty good,” said Wilson, who’s had at least 100 tackles in each of the last five seasons. “We made some plays.”

Denver may be making a lot of plays this season, especially given its strength at linebacker. There’s Wilson, who likely will be his usual reliable self. Then there’s free-agent pickup Ian Gold playing the weak side and up-and-comer D.J. Williams taking over at strong side. One publication ranked Denver’s linebackers as the best in the league.

Their biggest asset will be speed. All three have impressive wheels.

“As far as their ability to run, oh my Lord,” Coyer said. “Sometimes you stand there and you say, ‘I can’t believe what I just saw.’”

A problem was brewing, though, during the offseason. Neither Williams nor Gold wanted to play the strong side, where you have to line up over the tight end. Williams played weak side last season and led the team with 114 tackles. He finished third in the NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year voting. So he was reluctant to move.

But Gold loved to play weak side, too. He played strong side with Tampa Bay last season and didn’t really care for it. Gold, who was originally drafted by Denver in 2000, signed on for a second tour of duty with Denver because he thought he had a chance to play the weak side.

An agreement was reached. Williams gave Gold the weak-side spot and also surrendered his number, 52, which Gold used to wear. Williams switched to No. 55.

So far, Williams is settling into his new spot.

“The position I’m playing now is not too much different than last year,” he said. “I just had to tweak a few things.”

With Gold, Wilson and Williams in the middle of the field, there are high expectations.

“There’s no question we can be the best in the league,” Wilson said. “No doubt about it.”

But what the defense craves more than notoriety is turnovers. Last year’s defense was fourth in the league in total yards allowed per game (278.7) but 27th in interceptions (12). Carolina had 27 interceptions last year, and that makes the defense envious.

“We know we’re one of the top defenses in the NFL, but we’re last in big plays,” Williams said. “If we could maybe get four or five more picks and a few more fumbles, it would make us that much better.

“We can be one of the top linebacker corps in the league. With Al anchoring us down and the speed of Ian and me on the outside, we could be real good.”

Williams feels like he’s the key to making that happen.

“Al has been to Pro Bowls, and Ian makes big plays,” Williams said. “Now it’s my turn to step up.”

Wilson sees big things down the road for Williams. He could be mentioned in the same breath as outside linebackers like Tampa Bay’s Derrick Brooks.

The same goes for Gold. The Broncos hope the linebacker, who is two years removed from an ACL injury, can play like he did in 2002. Gold had 166 tackles that season, second only to Wilson’s 199.

“We’re getting a good taste of what we can do,” Wilson said. “The one thing we have to work on is our communication. If we can do that and just really stay on top of our game, we’ll be OK.”

Just OK?

“We can be pretty good,” Wilson said as he flashed a mischievous smile.

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Taking a shot at TE

Free agent Duke has a resumé filled with hoops, knee injuries

*By Pat Graham
The Daily Times-Call*

HOUSTON — There he was, all alone in the middle of the field.

Someone had blown an assignment, and all the quarterback had to do was wait for tight end Wesley Duke to break out of his cut and release the football. So wide open was Duke, then a senior at Meadowcreek (Ga.) High School, he could run for days.

“Wes is open! Throw it to him!” tight ends coach John Meme screamed into the headset as he watched the play from a press box.

All of a sudden, Duke wasn’t open anymore. He was on the ground, holding his left knee.

“Wes is down,” a subdued Meme said.

Meme knew it was bad. He knew Duke had blown out his ACL making the cut.

Standing close to Meme was Kent Doehrman, who was filming the game. He saw the incident and took a minute to process what he’d just seen. Doehrman, the head basketball coach at Meadowcreek, realized he’d just lost his star player.

“I walked to the edge of the press box, and I was going to jump,” Doehrman said. “I was like, ‘There goes the basketball season.’”

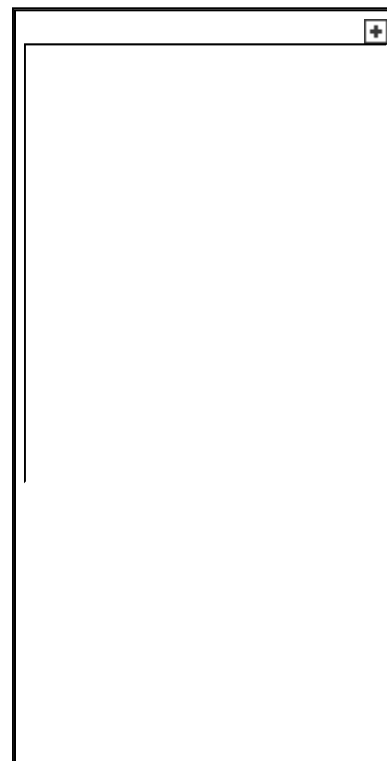
Remember in “The Natural” how Robert Redford was shot, gave up baseball for years and then returned to the New York Giants?

Duke’s life is similar, except that the bullet has been replaced by a knee, and the Giants by the Denver Broncos.

After blowing out his knee in high school, Duke didn’t think football would ever be a part of his life again. So he walked away from the game.

“You knew he could be good. He was just coming into his own,” Meme said.

Instead, Duke concentrated on basketball. He earned a scholarship to Mercer University in Macon, Ga., and went on to have a successful career. He blew out his left knee two more times, but each time he came back stronger than ever. He left Mercer as the Atlantic Sun Conference’s all-time leader in blocked shots (173) and finished eighth in rebounds (687). Duke also became the school’s 30th member of the 1,000-point club (1,141



points).

But the NBA or a team in Europe never came calling. With three ACL tears on his resume, Duke's athletic career appeared finished.

And then he remembered football.

The San Diego Chargers successfully turned a basketball player into a football star. The team made Antonio Gates, a stud player at Kent State, into a Pro Bowler.

So why not Denver? The Broncos are hoping lightning strikes twice.

"He's a great athlete," Denver coach Mike Shanahan said of Duke. "You can see that. He hasn't played football, so there's a learning curve."

That curve is closing. When Duke first arrived in camp, he looked raw. Now he looks like he could make the practice squad. He's currently listed sixth on the depth chart.

"He's a competitor, and he keeps getting better and better," Shanahan said. "He's got a chance."

That's all he wants. That's all he expects.

"I feel like if I can just play football and just relax and be an athlete, I'll be all right," Duke said. "But until I learn the plays, I can't do that. I'm working hard to learn the plays."

Duke certainly chose the right number. He was handed No. 84, the former number of Shannon Sharpe.

"Big shoes to fill," Duke said with a smile.

Duke wasn't supposed to play at all for Doehrman his senior season. He tore the ACL on Sept. 1, 1999, and the team's last game was in January. No way could he recover in time, right?

"He's such a high-character kid and a hard worker, anything was possible," Doehrman said.

So in the final game of the season, Duke — with the blessing of his doctor and family — returned to the court. He played two quarters, having not practiced that year, and still looked good.

"He had a play where he snatched a rebound down, and I just thought (about) what could've been," Doehrman said. "He's a fantastic athlete."

That's why Meme thinks Duke has a chance.

"I was surprised when he still could play basketball (after the ACL tears)," Meme said. "Now nothing he does surprises me."

Meme has pictures of Duke all over a cabinet at school. Students frequently ask about him.

"I just tell him he's a fantastic kid who always has a smile on his face," Meme said. "He did everything with a smile. Even when he was rehabbing his knee, he was smiling."

Stephen Alexander recently challenged Duke to a game of H-O-R-S-E.

Big mistake for Alexander, the Broncos' starting tight end.

“He was tapping the basketball off the backboard and dunking it,” Alexander said. “That’s not really fair. He’s a great athlete. That guy could play any sport he wanted if he put his mind to it.

“He’s a freaky, freaky athlete.”

No way could Alexander envision switching from hoops to football. Not after nearly a six-year layoff.

“It’s really amazing,” Alexander said. “But he’s really into it. This is something he wants to do; it’s not a fluke. He’s doing a great job.”

Back home, they’re closely following Duke’s progress.

“How’s he doing?” Meme asked. “Can he make it? We talk about him all the time.

“He could’ve used the injuries as an excuse. What would most people do after three ACL injuries? They’d quit. But he’s in Denver’s training camp. He’s amazing.”

Duke is not expected to play much in today’s preseason game against the Houston Texans. He’s behind Alexander, Jeb Putzier, Nate Jackson, Patrick Hape and Mike Leach. But he’s far from frustrated.

“I’m coming along,” Duke said. “I still have steps to take. I still have a lot of work to do.”

Duke always carries around a thick binder. When he has any free time, he cracks it open and studies the playbook.

“Our playbook in high school, you just memorized it,” he said. “We ran veers all the time. There were a lot of fullback dives. Once you learn that and how to block it, you’re good. This is a lot different.”

As for the knee, it feels as good as ever.

“I haven’t had any problems,” Duke said. “Hopefully, nothing bad will happen again.”

But why do this? Why play football and risk another knee injury?

“I made up my mind I was going to try this,” Duke said. “I’m going to put my all into it and see what I can do.

“This is America’s game. Everybody dreams about playing football.”

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For love of the Broncos

Denver fans don't just make their home in the Centennial State

*By Pat Graham
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HOUSTON — Not many men can admit this, especially with their wife standing so close.

But if Sonny Dunlap of Spring, Texas, had to name the three most important days in his life, in precise order, this would be how the list would go: Birth of his twins, the Denver Broncos winning their first Super Bowl on Jan. 25, 1998, and then his wedding.

Debra Dunlap wasn't upset over the admission. She's come to accept the importance of the Broncos in her husband's life. In fact, she's grown to love them just as much.

Even deep in the heart of Texas, you can find Broncos fans. The Dunlaps were tail-gating with fellow Broncos fans in the parking lot of Reliant Stadium before Denver's 20-14 win over the Houston Texans in the preseason opener Saturday.

"Biggest Broncos fans in Texas," Sonny Dunlap proudly proclaimed. "We love the Broncos."

That's readily apparent when you talk to Dunlap. He said he misted up when John Elway was inducted into the Hall of Fame last year, and outright wept after Denver's Super Bowl win over the Packers. A week later, he and his wife were married.

But this best illustrates his love of the Broncos. He named his dog "Mobley" after former Denver linebacker John Mobley.

All week long, as the Broncos practiced against the Texans, Dunlap took his 5-year-old twins, Paige and Dylan, to watch the team. Paige wore an Ed McCaffrey jersey, and Dylan donned a Tatum Bell uniform.

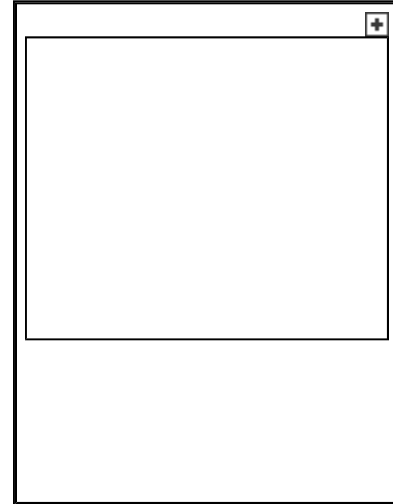
"Someone told Dylan if he gave up his Broncos hat he'd give him a free Texans hat," Dunlap said. "He wouldn't give up his hat."

Dunlap came by his love of the Broncos thanks to friends. He was going to high school in the San Francisco area in 1987, and his buddies were all Oakland Raiders fans.

"I had to find a team they hated," Dunlap said.

So his love of the Broncos was born. Ever since, he's been a Denver fanatic, and his family has caught that fanaticism as well. When McCaffrey retired in 2003, Dunlap broke the news to his daughter on the way home from daycare.

"Once I explained to her what retirement meant, she cried and cried," he said. "McCaffrey was her favorite player."



For Lauren Williams, who was tail-gating with the Dunlaps, this was a rare opportunity to watch a team she used to see all the time. Williams recently moved to Houston from Aurora. All day long she counted down the time until kickoff.

"I've been stoked all day. I even painted my nails (Broncos colors) and painted my face," she said. "I plan on waving my Bronco flag all game long."

Don't ask what these fans expect out of the Broncos this season. That's a loaded question.

"They'll go 11-5," Dunlap said. "After that, well, I expect them to go to the Super Bowl."

His wife just smiled.

"He loves this team," Debra Dunlap said. "He can tell you everything about the team and probably doesn't even know our anniversary date."

"I do, too," Sonny Dunlap said with a smile.

The anniversary date is easy to remember. After all, it's a week after the Broncos' first Super Bowl victory.

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Launch party

Van Pelt proves he can play in the NFL as Denver wins its preseason opener

*By Pat Graham
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HOUSTON — So the kid couldn't play quarterback.

He wasn't built, didn't act or couldn't perform like one.

Well, so much for what the critics had to say. In his first extended playing time, the kid did all right. Denver Broncos quar-

terback Bradlee Van Pelt proved his doubters wrong during a 20-14 win over the Houston Texans in the preseason opener Saturday at Reliant Stadium.

"He was a little nervous, but he's a gamer," Denver starting quarterback Jake Plum-

mer said. "I just told him to go out there and have fun."

Van Pelt had plenty of fun. Like when he scrambled for a 40-yard gain on his third snap from center. Van Pelt finished 10 of 17 for 107 yards. He also ran the ball three times for 45 yards.

However, Van Pelt was his own worst critic. He was more disappointed in the two sacks than anything else he accomplished.

"I thought I played below where I could," Van Pelt said. "I tend to look at the negatives more than the positives. I try to be a perfectionist."

Van Pelt was the only one finding fault with his effort. No one else had any quibbles.

"I thought Bradlee did a good job," Denver coach Mike Shanahan said. "He's been playing excellent throughout camp."

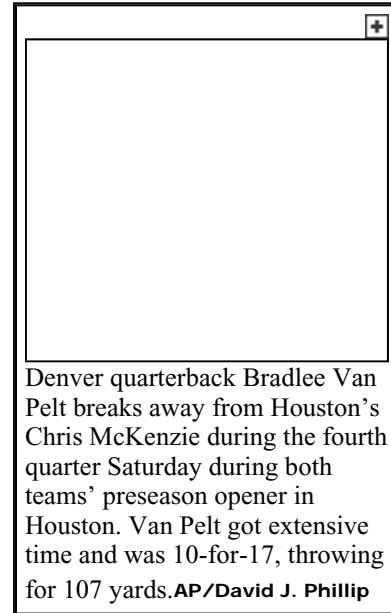
There was a father keeping a close eye on his son, also. Brad Van Pelt, a former NFL linebacker, paced the back of the end zone, and watched every move his son made.

"He's waited so long for this," the father said. "I know the work Bradlee put in, and everyone telling him you're not a quarterback.

"I can't be happier for him."

One player not happy with his preseason opener was receiver Jerry Rice. In his Broncos debut, Rice had one catch for six yards.

"I'll have to go look at the film; I didn't feel as sharp as I wanted to," Rice said.



Denver quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt breaks away from Houston's Chris McKenzie during the fourth quarter Saturday during both teams' preseason opener in Houston. Van Pelt got extensive time and was 10-for-17, throwing for 107 yards. AP/David J. Phillip

“The exhibition season is hard; you don’t know when you’re going to play.”

Or who’s going to be the hero. The preseason is a time for someone under the radar to shine. That someone Saturday night was receiver Todd Devoe, who caught a slant pass from quarterback Matt Mauck and raced 92 yards for a score.

Not that the play guarantees Devoe a place on the opening day roster, but it doesn’t hurt.

“Hopefully I opened some eyes,” Devoe said. “I think I showed that the little guy can play a little.”

The Broncos’s defense showed it could play a little as well. The first-team unit bent a little bit, but when it mattered most, the defense turned in the play of the game. Houston had the ball 1st and goal at the 1 yard line, but Denver made a goal-line stand. The Broncos stopped Houston running back Domanick Davis on four straight carries.

“Anytime you can do that to a team, it’s devastating,” Denver safety John Lynch said. “I was really proud of us.”

So was Denver defensive lineman Courtney Brown.

He may have been sidelined with a dislocated elbow, but that didn’t mean he couldn’t take pride in the defense’s accomplishment.

“They played great,” Brown said. “You never want to sit out, you want to be out there with the guys.”

“But they did a great job.”

The offense took a little time to kick it in gear. On the Broncos’ third series, Plummer and company found a rhythm. They marched the ball 71 yards in 11 plays and scored on a 3-yard catch by tight end Stephen Alexander.

“There are things we can improve on, but that’s why we’ve got a few more of these before the real ones start,” said Plummer, who was 6-of-10 for 76 yards.

As Plummer talked, Van Pelt sat on a stool, lost in thought. The questions snapped him back to reality.

“I missed some really easy balls,” Van Pelt said. “It’s hard to accept. When you’re a perfectionist, it bugs you.”

Van Pelt’s dad, though, had another opinion.

“He played very well,” the elder Van Pelt said.

Van Pelt should listen. After all, fathers do know best.

First downs: Running back Ron Dayne led the Broncos in rushing with 56 yards. ... The Broncos outgained the Texans on the ground, 130-100. ... Denver safeties Chris Young and Jeremy LeSueur bumped knees on a tackle and left the game. ... There were no turnovers in the game. ... Denver leads the preseason series with Houston, 3-0. ... Cornerback Karl Paymah and linebacker Louis Green led the team in tackles with four. ... Kicker Jason Elam had 27- and 24-yard field goals.

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A Devoe-ted Win

Late touchdown gives Broncos year's first win

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Jake Plummer accomplished his goal to get an early touchdown for the Denver Broncos, then turned the game over to the guys hoping to be his understudy.

Bradlee Van Pelt and Matt Mauck both made their case.

Todd Devoe broke free with a short pass from Mauck, then scampered 92 yards late in the fourth quarter to provide the winning margin in the Broncos' 20-14 preseason victory over the Houston Texans on Saturday night.

Devoe, who spent his rookie year last season on the Baltimore practice squad, broke a tackle inside his own 20, then raced down the sideline for the touchdown with 4 minutes, 18 seconds to go in the game.

The late score came after Van Pelt, who played more than half the game, improved his chances to become Plummer's chief relief by leading the Broncos to a pair of field goals by Jason Elam.

"It felt good to get out there, but I wanted to play better," Van Pelt said. "I wanted to get some touchdowns and hit some more passes. I felt I played below what I was capable of."

Denver coach Mike Shanahan gave Van Pelt a positive review.

"This was his first game, and you could see his athletic ability," Shanahan said. "I'm proud of the way we came back and had a big-time drive against an excellent defense."

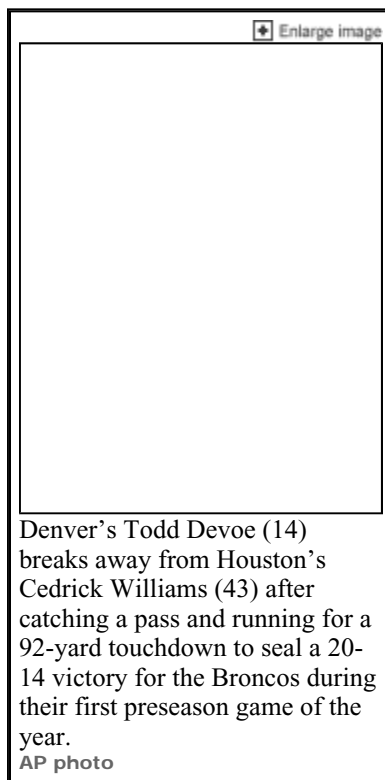
Van Pelt, who was 10-for-17 for 107 yards, spent all of last season on the practice squad and hadn't appeared in a game since last preseason. He took over early in the second quarter for Plummer, who played three series and tossed a 3-yard TD pass to tight end Stephen Alexander that tied the game at 7.

"We wanted to score on the very first drive to get the guys off the field," Plummer said. "We got a touchdown in the red zone, and that's what we needed."

"I feel real relaxed out there. There were a couple of situations where they just had the perfect defense for what we had called, and that's going to happen sometimes."

The Broncos, who retooled their defensive line by dipping into the free-agent market in the offseason, got a lift early when the Texans failed to score after a first-and-goal the 1.

Four straight running plays by Domanick Davis went nowhere, even with 328-pound



defensive end Robaire Smith making his debut as a blocking back in the short-yardage situation.

It was the lone series for starting quarterback David Carr, who threw just two passes, completing one for 15 yards, and ran for another 11 yards.

He was not sacked in his brief appearance, however, a priority this year for the Texans, who allowed a league-worst 49 sacks last season.

“We executed pretty much flawlessly, except when we got down obviously inside the 1-yard-line we’d like to get that in,” Carr said. “There’s no doubt they’re going to be able to 9 million more times after this. That was just a great job by their defense.”

Davis said, “The guys just pinched down and brought the outside guys and kind of just cramped down on me at the line. I didn’t put it in, but before that I think we did pretty good moving the ball.”

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Broncos' rookie corner is proving to be big surprise

By CHAREAN WILLIAMS
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HOUSTON - It didn't take the Denver Broncos long to size up their newest cornerback. Darrent Williams, a second-round pick, has convinced them he is a player, despite his 5-foot-8, 188-pound frame.

"He's practiced well, and he's played well," Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said last week as his team worked against the Texans. "You can tell he has a big passion for the game. I'll get a chance to evaluate him as time goes on, but we've been very impressed since we've had him in camp."

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Williams, a Wyatt High School graduate, has outplayed veteran Jeremy LeSueur and rookie Domonique Foxworth for the nickel back spot. And while starter Champ Bailey was nursing a strained left hamstring last week, Williams saw action in the team's base defense.

"I just play with a lot of confidence," said Williams, who missed much of his senior season at Oklahoma State with a broken right forearm. "... I'm a small guy, but I go out there and work hard every play.

"It has come pretty quickly for me, but I'm surely not where I want to be."

Bryant stands out

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The best player in Browns camp has been receiver Antonio Bryant. He's motivated, working hard, has a positive attitude and is making catches all over the secondary.

Rookie cornerback Darrent Williams, left, is hoping he can catch on as a starter for Denver this season.

"I'll tell you right now, he's a totally different player than he was when I played against him," said cornerback Gary Baxter, who played with the Ravens last season. "The biggest thing is his attitude is so positive."

Bryant, a second-round pick of the Cowboys in 2002, threw a sweaty jersey in the face of Cowboys' coach Bill Parcells last June. Bryant was traded to the Browns for Quincy Morgan in October.

The fourth-year receiver said he is all grown up now.

"You get older, you mature," said Bryant, 24. "I've paid my dues. I've been in three training camps. There's nothing new to me."

Awasom gets a chance

Giants defensive end Adrian Awasom, a rookie free agent from North Texas, got a break when sixth-round pick Eric Moore sprained the medial collateral ligament in his left knee early in camp.

"My opportunity has come at somebody else's expense," Awasom said. "I understand that. When Eric Moore gets

back, he's going to do his thing, but I've got to take advantage of this opportunity I have."

Awason is listed third on the depth chart at left end behind Michael Strahan and third-round pick Justin Tuck. But the Giants lack proven depth which gives Awason a chance to make the roster.

Advice to Benson

Lions receiver Roy Williams was a Texas teammate of Bears' first-round draft choice Cedric Benson. Benson remains in a contract holdout with the Bears.

"That would help us," said Williams, whose Lions will see the division-rival Bears twice this season.

Williams signed a six-year, \$27 million contract two days after the Lions began camp last year.

"He needs to get in camp," Williams said. "He has to handle his business part first, but he has to get in camp and get his legs going.

"You're going to get bumps and bruises. You want to get them early in camp and get them rested up."

In the know Stock rising

Some players who have improved their stock in training camp:

Kicker Todd France, Bucs: He played at Toledo and earned All-NFL Europe honors in the spring. He is outkicking Matt Bryant.

Cornerback Marlin Jackson, Colts: The first-round pick started and had two big-time plays against the Falcons.

Receiver Derrick Mason, Ravens: The former Titan, who had 96 catches for 1,168 yards and seven touchdowns last season, could threaten team records for catches and yards.

Offensive tackle John Tait, Bears: He has moved from right tackle to left, where he held his own against Miami's Jason Taylor.

Safety Sean Taylor, Redskins: He lost his starting job after skipping the entire off-season program. He likely won't be a backup much longer.

Stock falling

Some players who have lowered their stock in training camp:

Running back Maurice Claret, Broncos: His sore groin kept him from making the trip to Houston. He hasn't yet accepted that he will be a special teams player.

Running back Reuben Droughns, Browns: Incumbent Lee Suggs has widened his lead over the former Bronco, who missed a week with a hamstring pull.

Cornerback Adam "Pacman" Jones, Titans: While out of camp in a contract holdout, Jones traded barbs with teammates through the media.

Receiver Terrell Owens, Eagles: He might have played his last game for Andy Reid.

Linebacker Robert Thomas, Rams: Thomas, who has started 32 games since he was the Rams' first-round draft choice in 2002, has fallen out of favor.

Other NFL writers contributed to this report.

Texans fall to Broncos in pre-season opener

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By Carter Toole / HoustonTexans.com

It was the classic preseason case of the glass sometimes being half full, and sometimes being half empty.

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The full? A Texans' offense that looked terrific on its first two drives and two highlight-reel touchdown catches. The empty? Giving up a late 92-yard touchdown pass and committing a dozen penalties.

Then again, that's why these dress rehearsals exist. The Texans dropped a 20-14 decision to the Denver Broncos before 70,016 at Reliant Stadium Saturday night in the preseason opener for both teams.

Denver racked up 396 total yards and put the game away in the fourth quarter with the aforementioned 92-yard touchdown pass from Matt Mauck to Todd Devoe. The Texans managed to cut into the lead late with a touchdown pass from Dave Ragone to LaTarence Dunbar but the Broncos ran the clock out.

In the first half, both teams scored on touchdown passes to tight ends -- a 31-yard touchdown pass from Tony Banks to Matt Murphy for the Texans, and a three-yard scoring toss from Jake Plummer to Stephen Alexander for the Broncos. But Jason Elam's two field goals (27, 24) proved to be the difference.

Houston's offensive triplets (quarterback David Carr, running back Domanick Davis and wide receiver Andre Johnson) saw just one series of action, marching 72 yards but failing to score.

The Broncos' offense got the ball to start the game and the Texans held firm, forcing a quick three-and-out. Reggie Swinton caught the ensuing punt at the Texans 27, where Houston's offense took over.

After running back Domanick Davis scampered six yards, quarterback David Carr hit wide receiver Andre Johnson on a quick screen for 15 yards to the Texans 48. Two plays later, Carr scrambled 11 yards to the Broncos 33.

On the ensuing play, Davis again gained six yards but right guard Zach Wiegert left the field with an injury. He went in for x-rays and was later diagnosed with a high left ankle sprain. Carr threw incomplete on second down before lofting a pass to wide receiver Corey Bradford in the left corner of

the end zone. The pass fell incomplete, but Broncos rookie cornerback Darrent Williams was flagged for pass interference.

The Texans had first and goal at the one-yard line. It seemed much farther. Davis was stopped on four consecutive snaps and Denver took over with 8:59 left in the opening quarter.

"I thought it was pretty smooth until we got down to the one-yard line," Carr said. "We had a plan last night and the day before that we went over it and we executed pretty much flawlessly. Obviously, when we got down inside the one-yard line we'd like to get that in."

The Broncos managed one first down before cornerback Dunta Robinson broke up a pass on 3rd and 7 from the 15-yard line. Swinton returned the ensuing punt 17 yards to the Broncos 44.

Quarterback Tony Banks replaced Carr for Houston's second series and Jonathan Wells entered the game at running back. Wells picked up 12 yards on his first two carries before Banks hit wide receiver Derick Armstrong for eight yards before Wells picked up another first down to the Broncos 21.

After two five-yard penalties, Banks threaded the needle to Murphy right down the middle of the field for a 31-yard touchdown pass, giving the Texans a 7-0 lead. In two drives, Houston had outgained Denver 100 yards to 13.

"We had a 142-stutter-go-play, in which I run down the middle if the middle is open," Murphy said. "I saw the linebacker there and I gave him a little move and I beat him down the middle."

But Plummer bounced back, hitting wide receiver Rod Smith for 17 yards and fellow wideout Ashley Lelie for 30 yards to the Texans 19. Rookie first-round pick Travis Johnson entered the game for the first time.

Five plays later, on 3rd and goal from the three-yard line, Plummer rolled right and found Alexander in the end zone to tie the score.

Banks answered with a nifty screen pass to running back Tony Hollings, who scampered 23 yards to the Broncos 46. But the drive stalled at the 42-yard line and Chad Stanley landed his first punt of the night in the end zone for a touchback.

Broncos quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt faced a 3rd and 4 from the Denver , dropped back and saw nothing but daylight in front of him. Forty yards later, the Broncos were in business at the Texans 34. Two plays later, Van Pelt hit wide receiver Darius Watts for 17 yards to the 19-yard line.

On 3rd and goal from the eight-yard line, Van Pelt threw a fade pass to wide receiver Jerry Rice, but cornerback Demarcus Faggins broke up the pass, forcing Denver to settle for a 27-yard field goal from Elam and a 10-7 lead with 3:47 left in the half. The Broncos took that lead into the locker room.

The Texans and Broncos exchanged punts on their opening two possessions of the second half. Quarterback Dave Ragone finally got the chains moving with a third-down completion to wide receiver Kevin Kasper. The Texans had to punt again but Stanley nailed a 44-yard punt and linebacker Shantee Orr made a terrific tackle to pin the Broncos back at their own 19 with 3:11 left in the third quarter.

But Johnson was flagged for his first penalty, a 15-yard unnecessary roughness, that pushed the ball to the 45-yard line. Orr got some of the back on the very next snap, sacking Van Pelt for 10 yards. But Van

Pelt answered with a 19-yard completion to wide receiver Charlie Adams. Three plays later, running back Ron Dayne (yes, that Ron Dayne) rumbled 23 yards to the Texans 7 as the quarter ended.

But the Texans held as Dayne gained just one yard on two runs before rookie strong safety C.C. Brown broke up a pass in the end zone. Elam's 24-yard field goal pushed Denver's lead to 13-7.

Kasper returned the ensuing kickoff 31 yards to the Texans 40 and B.J. Symons came in at quarterback. The Texans went three-and-out, but Stanley launched another booming punt and linebacker Charlie Anderson tackled Williams at the Broncos 6. A penalty on Denver moved the ball back to the three-yard line. Matt Mauck took over under center for the Broncos and couldn't engineer a first down. Swinton returned the punt to the Broncos 40 with 10:11 on the clock.

Two plays later, Denver cornerback Karl Paymah was flagged for pass interference, pushing the ball to the 29-yard line. Running back Vernand Morency then lost seven yards on one carry and Symons was sacked on third down. But another penalty -- this one defensive holding on cornerback Domonique Foxworth -- gave the Texans an automatic first down back at the 29.

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Rice feels like a rookie

Veteran nervous about today's game against Houston

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HOUSTON — Butterflies before the first preseason game would be the norm for a rookie.

But a 21-year veteran? Yet, Denver Broncos receiver Jerry Rice claimed he'd be nervous before today's game against the Houston Texans, (6 p.m., Ch. 4), at Reliant Stadium.

"I'm sure I'm going to have butterflies," Rice said. "I'm looking forward to putting that uniform on."

Although he's hampered by

tendinitis in the heel, Rice will see some action today.

"Where they have me now is the second quarter," Rice said. "I'm going to get some work in and get out. I want to be on the field with the guys."

While Rice will be out there, cornerback Champ Bailey (hamstring), offensive tackle Matt Lepsis (hamstring), running back Quentin Griffin

(knee) and defensive lineman Gerard Warren (hamstring) will watch from the sideline. All four will not dress.

"We'll keep those guys out for obvious reasons," Denver coach Mike Shanahan said.

Rice would've been on the sideline in civilian clothes, too, but he talked Shanahan into allowing him to play.

"Mike knows I'm not going to sit anything out," Rice said.

When informed what Rice said about having butterflies, Shanahan just laughed.

"Right. Jerry hasn't had many reps in the NFL," Shanahan said. "He'll probably be nervous."

Denver backup quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt should see significant playing time, but he hasn't been told how much.

"They haven't told me and I haven't asked," he said.

Now Van Pelt has genuine butterflies.

"For the last week, it's felt like a Super Bowl for me," Van Pelt said. "But I remind myself that I'm not going to put all my chips in this game. I'm going to go out there, and perform well.

"You've got to go out there relaxed. You're going to make mistakes. You've got to wipe it off and play the next down."

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Youth Movement

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HOUSTON – Some rookies are lucky just to get their cleats grass stained in the first exhibition game of the season. [Darrent Williams](#) got that and a whole lot more during the Broncos 20-14 victory at Houston Saturday night.

The rookie cornerback was on the field from the opening kickoff – which he returned – and stayed on the field when the first team defense was called out. He was even on the field when the punt team was pulled from the sideline.

While veterans and other rookies on the team came and went, Williams was still seeing action in the fourth quarter.

All in all, the 5-foot-8, 188-pounder out of Oklahoma State, proved himself worthy of being Denver's first selection in the 2004 Draft.

Williams finished the game with two kickoff returns for 50 yards and four punt returns for 10 yards. On defense, he was credited with two passes defended and two tackles, including one hit on Jonathan Wells that froze the 252-pound Texans running back for no gain. Williams lowered his shoulder into Wells, who has a wider frame and weighs 64 pounds more than the cornerback.

"I'm pretty impressed," [Head Coach Mike Shanahan](#) said of the rookie. "I've been pretty impressed in the way he's handled himself in camp. I'm more impressed in the three practice against them. How he's competed and how he's performed."

Coaches were pleased, fans saw flashes of brilliance and Williams showed a humble nature almost as quick as his foot work on his first punt return.

"I feel like I won't be as nervous (in the next preseason game)," he said. "I've kind of settled down."

Williams was drafted with his special teams ability in mind. His size may look like a disadvantage, but don't be fooled and lose sight of his speed. When coaches decided to rest starting cornerback [Champ Bailey](#) in the team's first preseason game, Williams was willing and waiting.

"I knew taking Champ's place I had big shoes to fill, even in a preseason game," he said. "So I just wanted to go out there and make some plays and not be the weak link on defense because we have a lot of great veteran players. I just wanted to go out there and play hard and show them I could play on this level."

The rookie returned the first kickoff of his career 24-yards, then had a little break before he took the field with the defense.

That's one of the few times things got shaky for the speedster.

He was burned once by Texans wide receiver Andre Johnson. He knew teams would pick on him, so he learned.

Williams was also flagged for pass interference on Texans wide receiver Corey Bradford in the front corner of the end zone. He said he doesn't completely understand the call, but knew that he probably should have looked back for the ball sooner and expected officials to throw more flags in the preseason.

The call gave Houston the ball first-and-goal at the 1-yard line. The Broncos responded with a solid stand, turning back four-straight rushing attempts and keeping the Texans out of the end zone.

That made it a little easier, but Williams is not one to settle. There is work to be done, and three more preseason games to do it.

"I'm going to go watch some film and coach is going to coach me up so I'll be prepared and more ready than I was for this game," Williams said matter-of-factly. "I treat every game I play as a real game because there really isn't a preseason to me, a young guy who has never really played an NFL season."

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Taking Themselves to Task

Even With Solid Performances, 'Perfectionists' Like Van Pelt Leave 20-14 Win Over Texans Expecting More of Themselves

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HOUSTON -- A 20-14 win over the Houston Texans. An efficient, no-turnover performance. Success for the offense in scoring a goal-to-go touchdown and for the defense in stopping the opposition from doing the same, thus forecasting that the offseason of emphasis on red-zone work just might provide a harvest of benefits come the regular season.

Yet one wouldn't have known the night was all smiles and sunshine from three of the key players of the Broncos' 10th preseason-opening win in their last 11 tries.

Start with [Bradlee Van Pelt](#). The recently promoted quarterback saw the first extended action of his professional career and demonstrated that his touchdown drive in the 2004 preseason wasn't a fluke, that he could move the Broncos' offense consistently and with a flair for the improvisational, that he could locate receivers on the fly -- completing 10 of 17 passes -- and use his ability to elude a pass rush to his utmost advantage.

Yet he was dissatisfied. He wanted more.

"I could have drawn it up a lot better," Van Pelt said. "I'm a perfectionist."

Van Pelt spent a good portion of the evening handing off to [Ron Dayne](#), who merely led both teams in rushes and yardage by powering for 56 yards on 11 carries. The Broncos' other two running backs, Mike Anderson and Tatum Bell, combined for 23 yards on 14 carries.

Dayne, too, was dissatisfied. He wanted more.

"I didn't really feel good about it," Dayne said.

Safety [John Lynch](#) was the ringleader of a four-play sequence in which the Broncos' defense demonstrated the first tangible fruits of an offseason of steady growth and unremitting work on resuscitating the team's red-zone efforts. He was part of the swarm as Denver stopped Houston's Domanick Davis on four consecutive carries.

But he was as displeased with the defense's tackling as he was pleased by the brick wall that he and his fellow defenders constructed in the shadow of the goalpost. That was particularly true early in the game, as some missed tackles helped Houston build massive early advantages in yardage (100 to 13 after two possessions for each team) and first downs (six to one, also after two drives for each side).

"I don't think we tackled the way we're capable of tackling, and that led to a lot of the yardage that they had," Lynch said. "We've had a tremendous camp in terms of being physical, so I was kind of surprised by that."

As the cliché goes, one's an accident, two's a trend and three's a pattern. It's particularly true when it comes from three of the men who helped make the win possible. Without their contributions, the Broncos might not have made the progress which they'd hoped to extract from this preseason lid-lifter.

SELF-CRITICISM

The reflective and critical prism through which Van Pelt viewed his performance Saturday was hardly anything new; he's been wont to readily admit his struggles on the practice field and to be the first to understand when he's done something wrong.

So when the topic of conversation turned to his performance, it wasn't the 40-yard quarterback draw or a 17-yard, third-and-12 pass to [Darius Watts](#) that immediately popped into his mind. Rather, he thought of sequences such as one midway through the third quarter where he threw back-to-back incompletions.

"I want to complete every ball," Van Pelt said. "I seemed to miss a couple of easy passes that I should have hit, and those are the things that stick with me and bug me."

Even the long scamper, which was the Broncos' longest play until the final period, was anything but worthy of congratulation in his mind.

"It got it going," Van Pelt said, "but you can't run all the time."

As a running back, Dayne can, and he did so with consistency and -- as he showed in bowling over some would-be-tacklers -- with a wisp of authority, as well, drawing postgame praise from [Head Coach Mike Shanahan](#). But Dayne's self-assessment was harsh for a man who'd just averaged 5.1 yards per carry. The 1999 Heisman Trophy winner's grade of his performance Saturday night?

"C, D," Dayne said. "I didn't really feel good about it. Jumping offsides is something I don't do. I think I could have lifted my legs up a couple of times (so) when I was hitting the hole, I could have gotten a couple of more yards."

It was the possibilities of what might have been that rankled Lynch, as well.

"It's frustrating, because we have a high standard," Lynch said. "It wasn't anything schematically. We just weren't tackling. When you do that, people are going to get yards, so we've got to improve that, and we will. That will be a strength of this defense because we've got too many good tacklers on our defense."

BUT THE BOSS WAS PLEASED ...

And when the preseason is compressed to its essential element, isn't that really the primary goal for the 80-plus players in a collective scrum for 53 active-roster spots?

When Shanahan was asked about Van Pelt, Dayne and the red-zone defense, he was effusive in his praise -- not only of the work Saturday night, but throughout the two weeks of training camp that built up to the proceedings under the closed roof of Reliant Stadium.

Of Van Pelt, Shanahan noted: "What I saw today, I was impressed with Bradlee, so that should give you a little idea what I think about him."

With Dayne, Shanahan specifically mentioned him by name without a reporter's prompting: "One guy that stood out in the game (with) a couple of good runs was Ron Dayne ... It was obvious Ron had a couple of good runs in there. It was pretty impressive."

Then there was the work in the red zone. Yes, the defense allowed the Texans to march downfield on the only drive their first-team offense saw, and the Broncos abetted the march with a third-down, end-zone pass-interference call against rookie Darrent Williams.

But the next four plays saw the same result -- no gain, stopped at the 1-yard-line. A rip current of Broncos defenders swarmed Davis and pulled him underneath, leaving him little room to breathe and no place to go.

Given the intense work the defense has put into its goal-line and backs-to-the-end-zone packages over the past few months, it was understandable that the defenders would celebrate as though it was a divisional playoff in front of a standing-room-only

through, not a preseason game where many patrons had open but sold seats within earshot.

"We've been talking about the red zone," Shanahan said. "First-and-goal at the 1-yard-line. People can move the ball (up and down the field), but you've got to keep them out of the end zone."

Mission accomplished. Just like Van Pelt and Dayne, the defense's collective work received the coach's stamp of approval.

AND A PROUD PAPA WATCHED ...

So what if Van Pelt's performance didn't live up to his lofty expectations of himself. It was just fine by his father, Brad. A field-level perch gave him the spot from which he could analyze as a former NFL player and beam with pride as a father.

"They started blitzing him quite a bit," the elder Van Pelt said. "I was happy; I thought he handled them really well.

"Overall, I thought he played well. He had poise. He had a couple of high passes."

The father and the son share so much beyond a last name. The jutting, monument-worthy cheekbones and pronounced jawlines. The intelligent respect and thoughtfulness to any question that a reporter or fan could ask. On-the-fly resourcefulness -- which Van Pelt displayed most prominently on his 40-yard draw play where he dropped back, stepped to the left and didn't stop until he'd moved the Broncos into field-goal range.

Runs like that come from an unlikely source, the elder Van Pelt points out.

"I've been telling him he needs to keep dribbling the soccer ball," Brad Van Pelt said. "He played soccer out in California, and I really think it's helped his footwork and control with his body."

Brad Van Pelt can encourage his son. But he can't keep him from being hard on himself.

"He gave himself a 'C' for his performance. That's Bradlee," Brad Van Pelt said. "I thought it was a B-plus first half and a B overall."

BOTTOM LINE: A WIN

Brad Van Pelt's assessment could possibly have translated to the team as a whole, especially since the final result came out in the Broncos' favor. After all Even with the other considerations in play during the preseason, winning still counts for something.

"It doesn't matter if it's preseason or not," Shanahan said. "You've got to find a way to win these games -- even in preseason. That's a mindset. You're going to lose guys during the season, and when these backup guys come in, they've got to perform. I was pleased with the way they performed."

So far, so good.

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