



League announces 2000s NFL All-Decade Team

The NFL's annual Pro Bowl is a celebration of the season's best. The 2010 version also was a chance to honor some of the decade's biggest stars.

Twelve players selected to the [2000s NFL All-Decade Team](#) competed in the Pro Bowl before a sellout crowd Sunday at Sun Life Stadium in Miami.

All-stars from the Super Bowl-competing teams didn't participate in the Pro Bowl, but most of them attended the game and were honored as part of the pregame festivities. Three of those players also were selected to the All-Decade Team: quarterback [Peyton Manning](#) and defensive end [Dwight Freeney](#) of the [Indianapolis Colts](#) and safety [Darren Sharper](#) of the [New Orleans Saints](#).

The NFL All-Decade teams are chosen every 10 years by the Pro Football Hall of Fame Selection Committee members. The 2000s marked the ninth All-Decade team to be selected in NFL history.

This decade's 53-player team is comprised of two quarterbacks, four running backs, one fullback, four wide receivers, two tight ends, four offensive tackles, four guards, two centers, four defensive tackles, four defensive ends, six linebackers, four cornerbacks, four safeties, two kickers, two punters, two kick returners and two punt returners. Current [New England Patriots](#) coach Bill Belichick and retired Colts coach Tony Dungy also were chosen for the team.

2000s NFL All-Decade Team (* 2010 Pro Bowl pick)

Offense

Position	Name	Team(s)
Quarterback	Tom Brady	Patriots
Quarterback	Peyton Manning	Colts
Running back	Shaun Alexander	Seahawks
Running back	Jamal Lewis	Ravens, Browns
Running back	Edgerrin James	Colts, Cardinals
Running back	LaDainian Tomlinson	Chargers
Wide receiver	Marvin Harrison	Colts
Wide receiver	Torry Holt	Rams, Jaguars
Wide receiver	Randy Moss	Vikings, Raiders, Patriots
Wide receiver	Terrell Owens	49ers, Eagles, Cowboys, Bills
Fullback	Lorenzo Neal	Titans, Bengals, Chargers, Ravens
Tight end	* Antonio Gates	Chargers
Tight end	Tony Gonzalez	Chiefs, Falcons
Offensive tackle	Walter Jones	Seahawks
Offensive tackle	Jonathan Ogden	Ravens
Offensive tackle	Orlando Pace	Rams, Bears
Offensive tackle	William Roaf	Saints, Chiefs
Guard	Larry Allen	Cowboys
Guard	* Alan Faneca	Steelers, Jets

Guard	* Steve Hutchinson	Seahawks, Vikings
Guard	Will Shields	Chiefs
Center	Olin Kreutz	Bears
Center	* Kevin Mawae	Jets, Titans

Defense

Position	Name	Team(s)
Defensive end	Dwight Freeney	Colts
Defensive end	* Julius Peppers	Panthers
Defensive end	Michael Strahan	Giants
Defensive end	Jason Taylor	Dolphins
Defensive tackle	La'Roi Glover	Saints, Cowboys, Rams
Defensive tackle	Warren Sapp	Buccaneers, Raiders
Defensive tackle	Richard Seymour	Patriots, Raiders
Defensive tackle	Kevin Williams	Vikings
Linebacker	Derrick Brooks	Buccaneers
Linebacker	* Ray Lewis	Ravens
Linebacker	Joey Porter	Steelers, Dolphins
Linebacker	Zach Thomas	Dolphins, Cowboys, Chiefs
Linebacker	Brian Urlacher	Bears
Linebacker	* DeMarcus Ware	Cowboys
Safety	* Brian Dawkins	Eagles, Broncos
Safety	Troy Polamalu	Steelers
Safety	Ed Reed	Ravens
Safety	Darren Sharper	Packers, Vikings, Saints
Cornerback	Ronde Barber	Buccaneers
Cornerback	* Champ Bailey	Redskins, Broncos
Cornerback	Ty Law	Patriots, Jets, Chiefs, Broncos
Cornerback	Charles Woodson	Raiders, Packers

Special teams

Position	Name	Team(s)
Punter	* Shane Lechler	Raiders
Punter	Brian Moorman	Bills
Kicker	* David Akers	Redskins, Eagles
Kicker	Adam Vinatieri	Patriots, Colts
Kick returner	* Joshua Cribbs	Browns
Kick returner	Dante Hall	Chiefs, Rams
Punt returner	Dante Hall	Chiefs, Rams
Punt returner	Devin Hester	Bears