

Table 1207. College and Professional Football Summary: 1990 to 2008

[35,330 represents 35,330,000. For definition of median, see Guide to Tabular Presentation]

Sport	Unit	1990	1995	2000	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
NCAA college: ¹									
Teams	Number.	533	565	606	612	615	615	619	628
Attendance	1,000 . .	35,330	35,638	39,059	43,106	43,487	47,909	48,752	48,839
National Football League: ²									
Teams	Number.	28	30	31	32	32	32	32	32
Attendance, total ³	1,000 . .	17,666	19,203	20,954	21,709	21,792	22,200	22,256	21,859
Regular season	1,000 . .	13,960	15,044	16,387	17,001	17,012	17,341	17,345	17,057
Average per game ⁴	Number.	62,321	62,682	66,078	66,409	66,455	67,738	67,755	66,629
Postseason games ⁴	1,000 . .	848	(NA)	809	789	802	776	792	807
Players' salaries: ⁵									
Average	\$1,000 .	354	584	787	1,331	1,400	1,700	1,750	1,824
Median base salary	\$1,000 .	275	301	441	537	569	722	772	830

NA Not available. ¹ Source: National Collegiate Athletic Assn., Indianapolis, IN (copyright); <<http://www.ncaa.org/wps/portal>>. ² Source: National Football League, New York, NY; <<http://www.nfl.com/>>. ³ Preseason attendance data are not shown. ⁴ Includes Pro Bowl (a nonchampionship game) and Super Bowl. ⁵ Source: National Football League Players Association, Washington, DC; <<http://www.nflpa.org/>>.

Source: Compiled from sources listed in footnotes.