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NFL SETS ALL-TIME PAID ATTENDANCE RECORD FOURTH STRAIGHT YEAR; SURPASSES 21 MILLION IN TOTAL ATTENDANCE FOURTH YEAR IN ROW; WASHINGTON LEADS IN HOME ATTENDANCE

Paid attendance for **all** NFL games set a record for the fourth consecutive year, the NFL announced today.

NFL paid attendance for all 2005 games was 21,792,096, an increase of nearly 84,000 (83,472) over the previous record total of 21,708,624 in 2004. It marked the fourth year in a row – and only the fourth time in league history -- that the 21-million paid attendance mark was reached.

The 2005 NFL regular-season total paid attendance of 17,012,453 and the average of 66,455 per game were both all-time records as well.

A total of 3,977,388 tickets were sold for 66 preseason games for an average of 60,263. Twelve postseason games produced a sale of 802,255, including 68,206 for Super Bowl XL.

For the sixth consecutive year, the **Washington Redskins** led all teams in regular-season home paid attendance. The Redskins drew 707,614 for their eight home games, the second highest total in NFL history to their 707,920 of 2004. Three other teams topped the 600,000 paid total at home in 2005: the New York Giants (628,527), Kansas City (625,081) and the New York Jets (619,842).

Eight teams drew more than 1.1 million paid attendance home and away during the regular season, led by Washington (1,240,223). The others were: New York Jets (1,197,224), Kansas City (1,177,580), New York Giants (1,152,672), Denver (1,147,265), New England (1,146,847), San Diego (1,108,840), and Miami (1,105,023).

2005 NFL PAID ATTENDANCE BREAKDOWN

	<u>Games</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Average</u>
<u>NFL Preseason Total</u>	66	3,977,388	60,263
<u>NFL Regular-Season Total</u>	256	17,012,453	66,455
<u>NFL Postseason Total</u>	12	802,255	66,855
<u>NFL ALL GAMES</u>	334	21,792,096	65,246

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