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BEARS GAIN RODGERS AS QUARTERBACK; REPLACES CUTLER

LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS, Nov. 2, 2016 - The Chicago Bears, who have struggled to find a permanent starting quarterback this season, have acquired Aaron Rodgers for the remaining of the 2016 season in a trade with the Green Bay Packers. Bears have agreed to give Packers first-round draft pick for the 2017 season.

Rodgers was selected by the Green Bay Packers in 2005 in the first round (24 overall). Rodgers got his first career start as a quarterback in 2008, and since then has been selected to the Pro-Bowl five times, won Super Bowl XLV, and was selected Super Bowl XLV MVP in 2011.

Rodgers has thrown for 34,141 yards, 274 touchdowns and 69 interceptions in 133 career games.

“We need someone who knows our division, and Rodgers knows it,” says Chicago Bears head coach John Fox, “we are in need of a new dynamic right now and we know [Rodgers] can bring an improved atmosphere to our team.”

Jay Cutler (#6), Chicago Bears’ current starting quarterback, has only played three games in total this season. Cutler left early in week two against the Philadelphia Eagles with a sprained right thumb. Cutler was placed on injured reserved and did not play until week eight against the Minnesota Vikings, finishing with two touchdowns and 252 passing yards.

Cutler was traded to the Chicago Bears in 2009 from the Denver Broncos. The 34-year-old quarterback has thrown 32,033 yards, 206 touchdowns, and 143 interceptions in 137 career games.



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“I have a lot of respect for Cutler,” says Bears’ offensive coordinator Dowell Loggains, “but right now Chicago needs someone who can bring more consistent numbers, and we know Rodgers can bring that to our team.”

Rodgers will begin his career as Chicago Bears’ starting quarterback on Sunday, Nov. 20 at MetLife Stadium against the New York Giants at 1:00 p.m.

About the Chicago Bears: The Chicago Bears are a professional American football team based in Chicago, Illinois. The Bears compete in the National Football League (NFL) as a club member of the league's National Football Conference (NFC) North division. The Bears have won nine NFL Championships and one Super Bowl. The franchise was founded in Decatur, Illinois, in 1919 and moved to Chicago in 1921. The team headquarters, Halas Hall, is in the Chicago suburb of Lake Forest, Illinois. For more information, visit www.chicagobears.com.

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CUTLER VS. RODGERS 2015 Regular Season Statistics



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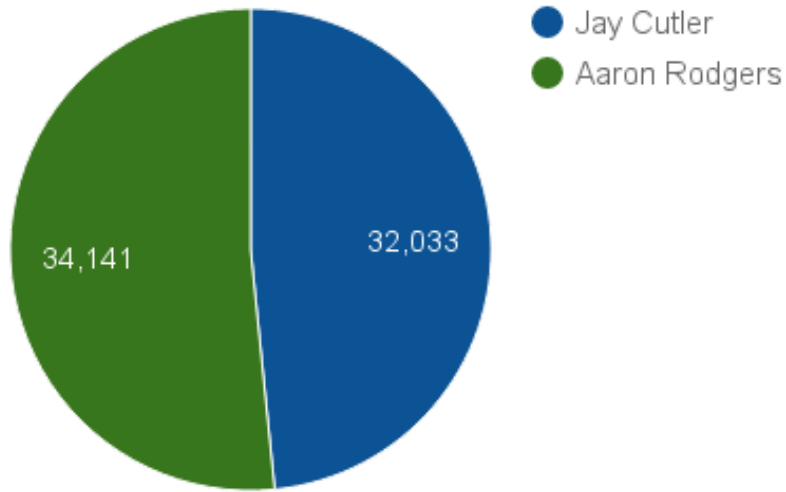
CUTLER	2015	RODGERS
15	Games Played	16
3,659	Passing Yards	3,821
21	Touchdowns	31
11	Interceptions	8
201	Rushing Yards	344
8	Fumbles	8
29	Sacks	46
92.3	Rating	92.7

*Statistics courtesy of www.nfl.com

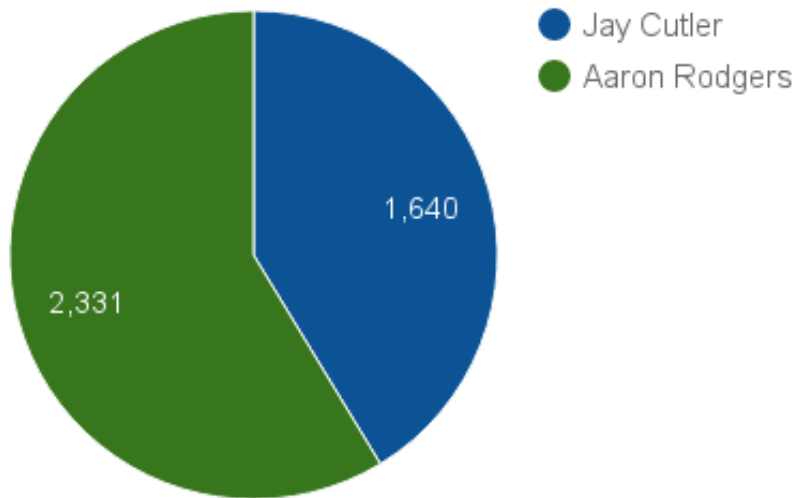


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Career Passing Yards



Career Rushing Yards



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