

NEW MEXICO, NEBRASKA, HAWAII, AND OREGON JOIN THE NFL

NFL announces the addition of one more team to each the AFC and NFC conferences, resulting in a new total of 36 NFL teams.

NEW YORK, Ny. (March 1, 2022) – The National Football League announced the addition of four more NFL teams, two to each conference. The league approved the increase to improve competition and make the NFL range larger, as the total number of teams will increase to 36. New Mexico and Hawaii will join the NFC division; Nebraska and Oregon will join the AFC division.

“With the growing enthusiasm for the sport of football, we have decided to expand the league to include more cities across the country,” NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell said. “This expansion will pave the way for our goal to have every state possess an NFL football team. We are very excited about this opportunity to spread the love of football to even more fans.”

The NFL will announce the team names, mascots, and uniforms on April 1, 2022, during a press conference. The stadiums have already begun construction and are set to be finished by next season. The stadiums will be in Albuquerque (New Mexico), Omaha (Nebraska), Honolulu (Hawaii), and Portland (Oregon). The stadium names will also be included in the April 1st reveal.

“We are thrilled to be chosen to home a new NFL team,” Mayor Tim Keller, mayor of Albuquerque, said. “We are certain that this will bring success to our beautiful city. Albuquerque is thankful for this opportunity, and we welcome all of America to our homes.”

The four new teams will be included in the 2022 NFL Draft, beginning on April 28, and ending on April 30. The owners of each team will be revealed at the draft, and each is expected to give a speech. The coaching staffs are to be determined.

The National Football League is a professional American football league that currently is comprised of 32 teams. The NFL was founded in 1920 in Canton, OH. The current commissioner is Roger Goodell, with the headquarters located in New York, NY.