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NOTRE DAME

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NOTRE DAME (4-2)

Sept. 4	at BYU (ESPN)	L, 17-20
Sept. 11	MICHIGAN (8/7) (NBC)	W, 28-20
Sept. 18	at Michigan State (ESPN)	W, 31-24
Sept. 25	WASHINGTON (NBC)	W, 38-3
Oct. 2	PURDUE (15/15) (NBC)	L, 16-41
Oct. 9	STANFORD (NBC)	W, 23-15
Oct. 16	#vs. Navy (CBS)	Noon EDT
Oct. 23	BOSTON COLLEGE (NBC)	1:30 EST
Nov. 6	at Tennessee	TBA
Nov. 13	PITTSBURGH (NBC)	2:30 EST
Nov. 27	at USC (ABC)	5:00 PST

- at Giants Stadium (East Rutherford, N.J.)
The numbers listed after the opponent are the opponent's ranking in the AP and ESPN/USA Today polls.

NAVY (5-0)

Sept. 4	DUKE	W, 27-12
Sept. 11	NORTHEASTERN	W, 28-24
Sept. 18	at Tulsa	W, 29-0
Sept. 25	VANDERBILT	W, 29-26
Sept. 30	at Air Force (ESPN)	W, 24-21
Oct. 16	#vs. Notre Dame (CBS)	Noon EDT
Oct. 23	RICE	1:30 EDT
Oct. 30	DELAWARE	1:30 EDT
Nov. 6	at Tulane	6:00 CST
Nov. 20	RUTGERS (CSTV)	1:30 EST
Dec. 4	+vs. Army (CBS)	2:30 EST

- at Giants Stadium (East Rutherford, N.J.)
+ - at Lincoln Financial Field (Philadelphia, Pa.)

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Game No. **7**

Notre Dame Fighting Irish (4-2) vs. Navy Midshipmen (5-0)

The Date and Time: Saturday, Oct. 16, 2004 at Noon EDT (11:00 a.m. EST in South Bend).

The Site: Giants Stadium (71,000/Natural Grass) in East Rutherford, N.J.

The Tickets: A limited number of tickets still remain available — should the Navy game sell out, it will be the 168th sellout in the last 192 Irish games and the 32nd in the last 33 games involving Notre Dame, dating back to the end of the 2001 season (only last year's game at Stanford was not a sellout).

The TV Plans: CBS national telecast with **Craig Bolerjack** (play-by-play), **Spencer Tillman** (analysis), **Dwayne Ballen** (sideline), **Steve Scheer** (producer) and **Andy Goldberg** (director).

The Radio Plans: For the 37th consecutive season, all Notre Dame football games are broadcast on more than 300 stations in all 50 states by Westwood One with **Tony Roberts** (play-by-play), former Irish running back **Allen Pinkett** (analysis), **Larry Michael** (pregame/halftime) and **Al Smith** (producer). A live broadcast from the Notre Dame student station, WVFI, also is available via the Notre Dame athletics web site at www.und.com. All Notre Dame football games may be heard in South Bend on U93-FM (92.9) with pre- and post-game analysis featuring **Sean Stires**, **Shawn Lewallen**, **Jack Nolan**, **Mirko Jurkovic**, **Reggie Brooks** and **Vince DeDario**. All Irish games also are carried live in the Chicago market on ESPN Radio 1000.

Web Sites: Notre Dame (www.und.com), Navy (www.navy sports.com).

NOTRE AND NAVY SET TO MEET FOR 78TH TIME SATURDAY AT THE MEADOWLANDS

Notre Dame (4-2) will renew the nation's longest inter-sectional rivalry Saturday, taking on undefeated Navy team at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., with kickoff slated for noon (EDT). The contest will be televised nationally by CBS, marking the 143rd consecutive Irish football game to be broadcast across the country by one of the four major networks (NBC, ABC, CBS or ESPN).

Notre Dame enters the Navy contest off a 23-15 victory over Stanford last Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium, a game in which the Irish overcame a 15-10 fourth quarter deficit to take the victory from the Cardinal. The Irish used a resurgent rushing game to forge the victory as senior tailback **Ryan Grant** celebrated his return from injury with two rushing touchdowns and 67 yards on 19 carries, while the Notre Dame offense produced 149 rushing yards and controlled the ball for more than 36 minutes.

The Notre Dame defense held the Stanford offense to 67 yards on the ground, the fifth time in six games this season that the Irish have held an opponent under 100 yards rushing and the 18th time in the last 31 games that the Irish have done so. The Cardinal also converted just three of 14 third-down attempts and were limited to a single touchdown in four trips to the red zone.

The Midshipmen (5-0) enter the contest unbeaten for the first time since 1978 and just the third time in 40 seasons. Navy is looking to become bowl eligible for the second consecutive season with a victory, a triumph that also would snap the longest winning streak by one opponent over another in NCAA history (Notre Dame's current 40-game win streak over the Midshipmen dates back to 1963). Navy's success has been defined by an efficient offense and a disciplined approach that has made them one of college football's least-penalized teams this season (sixth at only 4.4 infractions per game).

According to NCAA statistics report of Oct. 10, Navy ranks sixth nationally in rushing offense averaging 267.4 yards per game on the ground. The Midshipmen also rank among the country's most efficient passing offenses (sixth, 165.70 rating). Quarterback **Aaron Polanco** leads the offense with an average of 92.8 yards per game on the ground (35th nationally) while fullback **Kyle Eckel** averages 77.4 rushing yards per game. Polanco ranks among the top 50 in total offense at 205.4 ypg. Defensively, sophomore rover **Hunter Reddick** ranks fifth nationally in interceptions with an average of 0.6 per game (three in five games).



MEDIA INFORMATION

THE WILLINGHAM TELECONFERENCES

- **Tyrone Willingham's** weekly teleconference-style press conferences will take place on Tuesday mornings prior to each Notre Dame game, with the next scheduled for Oct. 12. They are held at the WNDU-TV studios (on US 933/Business 31, west edge of campus) in South Bend. A light meal is served beginning at 10:30 a.m. (EST), and Coach Willingham will address the media from 11:00-11:30 a.m. (EST). At least one Irish player generally is available for interviews following Willingham's remarks.
- Out-of-town media can connect to the Willingham portion of the conference via phone to listen and ask questions — contact the Notre Dame sports information office at (574) 631-7516 for the access number.
- All teleconferences also are available on satellite (Galaxy 3-C, Transponder 6). Video highlights from the previous week's Notre Dame game are included at the end of each 75-minute satellite feed (11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. EST).
- The teleconferences also are carried live on WDND-AM (ESPN Radio 1580) in South Bend, as well as the official Notre Dame athletics web site (www.und.com).

TUESDAY TRANSCRIPTIONS

Transcriptions of **Tyrone Willingham's** Tuesday press conferences are available from the Notre Dame sports information office, as well as the official Notre Dame athletics web site at www.und.com.

**THE KEVIN WHITE
RADIO SHOW**

A weekly half-hour talk show featuring Notre Dame athletics director **Kevin White** will air once again this year on Chicago's ESPN Radio 1000 (1000 AM, www.espnradio1000.com). Now in its fifth season, "The Kevin White Show" welcomes a series of guests and prominent figures associated with college athletics, including administrators, coaches and media members.

NOTRE DAME'S PROBABLE STARTING OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
WR	82	Matt Shelton	Fourth on the team with 11 catches for 304 yards and 4 TDs
LT	68	Ryan Harris	Freshman All-American in '03 who has made 14 career starts
LG	76	Bob Morton	Slid over from center to guard in '04; has started 17 times
C	78	John Sullivan	Aggressive force steps in at center after not playing in 2003
RG	74	Dan Stevenson	Has played both guard and tackle for Irish, starting 17 times
RT	73	Mark LeVoir	Imposing figure (6-7, 310) who has started the last 17 games
TE	88	Anthony Fasano	Hopes to return to lineup after missing Stanford game with injury
WR	5	Rhema McKnight	Key player last 2 games; made key 34-yard grab vs. Stanford
QB	10	Brady Quinn	Set ND Stadium record with 432 passing yards vs. Purdue
FB	16	Rashon Powers-Neal	Has 7 catches for 48 yds. (6.9 avg.) & 1 rushing TD this year
RB	4	Ryan Grant	Rushed for 67 yards and 2 TDs in return to action vs. Stanford

NOTRE DAME'S PROBABLE STARTING DEFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
LE	44	Justin Tuck	Has 3.5 sacks this year; is second in ND history (22 sacks)
DT	77	Greg Pauly	Underrated lineman who has 21 tackles, 3.5 TFL this season
DT	66	Derek Landri	Hard-hitting tackle has broken up four passes this season
RE	92	Kyle Budinscak	5th-year man with 27 career starts; 3 PBU vs. Washington
ILB	39	Brandon Hoyte	Tied for fifth on the team with 29 tackles; has forced 3 fumbles
ILB	41	Mike Goolsby	Team's leading tackler with 51; has led in stops in 4 of 6 games
OLB	49	Derek Curry	Second on team with 33 tackles; also has 3 sacks, 1 INT, 2 FR
LCB	24	Dwight Ellick	Fifth on team with 29 tackles; leads ND with 2 INT and 2 FF
FS	8	Quentin Burrell	Fourth on the team with 31 total tackles
SS	9	Tom Zbikowski	Team-high 7 stops vs. Stanford; Nat'l def. player of week at MSU
RCB	15	Preston Jackson	Has 18 tackles, 1 INT (38-yd TD at BYU) and 2 PBUs in '04

NOTRE DAME'S PROBABLE SPECIALISTS

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
PK	19	D.J. Fitzpatrick	Has made 13 of last 15 attempts; 5-7 on FG in '04
P	19	D.J. Fitzpatrick	49.3 avg. on 3 punts vs. Purdue; Averaging 42.7 in '04
KO	45	Carl Gioia	Continues to improve on the length of his deep kickoffs
HLD	82	Matt Shelton	Sure-handed wideout has taken over holding duties this year
SNP-P	64	Casey Dunn	Recovered a Michigan fumble on a punt return
SNP-K	62	Scott Raridon	Handles all snaps on placements for second consecutive year
PR	7	Carlyle Holiday	Averaging 10.1 per runback including a long of 21 yards
KR	33	Justin Hoskins	Freshman who debuted with 17-yard return vs. Washington
	23	Chase Anastasio	Is averaging 20.8 yards per return in '04 with a long of 40

NOTRE DAME-NAVY SERIES NOTES

- Notre Dame and Navy will play one another for the 78th consecutive year on Saturday, making it the longest continuous intersectional rivalry in the country. The Irish hold a 67-9-1 (.877) edge in the series with the Midshipmen, including a current 40-game winning streak that is the longest against one opponent in NCAA history.
- Saturday's game will mark the 50th time Notre Dame and Navy have played at a neutral site, with the Irish owning a 42-6-1 (.867) record in such games.
- The Irish and Midshipmen will be playing at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., for the sixth time in the series with Notre Dame owning a 5-0 advantage over Navy at the home of the NFL's New York Giants and New York Jets.
- Notre Dame has had tremendous success against the U.S. service academies over the years, posting a 124-22-5 (.838) combined record against Army, Navy and Air Force. The Irish also are 31-1 (.969) against the service academies since 1986, with the only loss being a 20-17 overtime setback against Air Force in 1996 at Notre Dame Stadium.
- Notre Dame and Navy are the only two independents playing Division I-A football this season.

**IF NOTRE DAME WINS ...**

- Notre Dame will extend its NCAA-record winning streak over Navy to 41 consecutive games, dating back to the 1963 season.
- The Irish will improve to 68-9-1 (.878) all-time against the Midshipmen, including a 43-6-1 (.870) mark at neutral sites.
- Notre Dame will move its career record against the service academies to 125-22-5 (.839), including a 65-11-4 (.838) record at neutral sites and a 32-1 (.970) mark since 1986. It also will be the 11th consecutive win for the Irish over a service academy, dating back to a 20-17 overtime loss to Air Force in 1996.
- Notre Dame will remain perfect in 11 all-time games at Giants Stadium, including all six matchups with Navy at the NFL venue. In fact, the Irish will see their record in current NFL stadiums rise to 23-6-2 (.800), registering their first victory at an NFL site since a 22-0 win over Maryland in Kickoff Classic XX on Aug. 31, 2002 at Giants Stadium (**Tyrone Willingham's** debut at Notre Dame).

IF NAVY WINS ...

- The Midshipmen will end Notre Dame's 40-game series winning streak, ending an NCAA record for the most consecutive victories against one opponent in college football history. It will be Navy's first victory over the Irish since 1963, when Heisman Trophy winner **Roger Staubach** led the Midshipmen to a 35-14 win at Notre Dame Stadium.
- Navy will defeat the Irish for the first time outside of Notre Dame Stadium since Oct. 29, 1960, when they claimed a 14-7 win at Philadelphia's John F. Kennedy Stadium.
- Navy will be the first service academy to defeat Notre Dame since Air Force claimed a 20-17 overtime victory in 1996, snapping a 10-game Irish winning streak against the academies.
- Navy will be the first team to defeat Notre Dame at Giants Stadium in 11 all-time visits by the Irish.

NOTRE DAME-NAVY SERIES HISTORY

- Navy and Notre Dame are meeting for the 78th time this season, the longest series in Notre Dame football history. This year's Notre Dame-Purdue and Notre Dame-USC games are the 76th in those series (tied for second-longest in school history).
- Notre Dame leads the Navy series, 67-9-1 (.877), in the longest continuous intersectional rivalry in the country. The Irish and Midshipmen have met every year since 1927, playing 49 times at neutral sites and 28 times at Notre Dame Stadium.
- Notre Dame has won 40 consecutive games in the series. Navy's last win came in '63, when Heisman Trophy winner **Roger Staubach** helped Navy claim a 35-14 victory at Notre Dame Stadium. Notre Dame's 40 straight wins rank as the longest winning streak by one team over another in NCAA history (*note*: Nebraska's current streak of 36 wins in a row over Kansas which began in 1969 is second on this list, following the Huskers' 14-8 win over the Jayhawks back on Oct. 2).
- In addition to the 28 series games at Notre Dame, the schools have met in seven other American cities (Baltimore, Chicago, Cleveland, East Rutherford (N.J.), Orlando, Philadelphia and Rajon, Md.), as well as Dublin, Ireland. Notre Dame is 42-6-1 (.867) against Navy at neutral sites, including an active 21-game winning streak that began with a 20-12 Irish win at Philadelphia's Municipal (John F. Kennedy) Stadium in 1962.
- The Irish have scored 30 or more points in 15 of the past 19 meetings with Navy. Dating back to the 1985 contest, Notre Dame has averaged 39.0 points per game in the series, including five 50-point eruptions and back-to-back 58-point outbursts in 1993 and '94. And, the Irish have scored more points against the Midshipmen (2,071) than any of the other 134 opponents in school history. Notre Dame topped the 2,000-point mark against Navy in 2001 on an eight-yard touchdown run by **Terrance Howard** in the third quarter of a 34-16 Irish victory.

NOTRE DAME-NAVY CONNECTIONS

- Notre Dame defensive line coach **Greg Mattison** spent two seasons (1987-88) as the defensive line coach at the Naval Academy.
- Irish running backs coach **Buzz Preston** worked with three Navy coaches during his tenure at Hawaii — head coach **Paul Johnson**, slotbacks coach **Jeff Monken** and assistant head coach/offensive line coach **Ken Niumatalolo**. Preston was the wide receivers/defensive backs/special teams coach at UH from 1987-93, while Johnson was the Hawaii offensive coordinator from 1987-94. Monken was a graduate assistant coach for the Rainbow Warriors from 1989-90, and Niumatalolo

MEDIA INFORMATION**INTERVIEW REQUESTS**

- Outside his regular Tuesday teleconferences, the best time for interviews with head coach **Tyrone Willingham** is after practice Wednesday-Thursday or by special appointment. Please contact Doug Walker in the Notre Dame sports information office to make arrangements.
- Interviews with Irish players and assistant coaches will only take place on Monday-Wednesday during the week. All interviews must be coordinated through the Notre Dame sports information office by contacting either Doug Walker, Chris Masters or Alan Wasielewski.
- Selected players will be available each Monday in the Notre Dame sports information office and a schedule of that availability will be produced each Sunday during the football season. Players who are made available in this manner will not be available for interviews at any other time that week.
- ***A reminder: Media members are not permitted to call players in their dormitory rooms at any time or talk to players on Sundays, Thursdays or Fridays.***

MORE MEDIA NOTES

- The first 20 minutes of each practice session are open to the media. Contact the Notre Dame sports information office for exact times.
- Interview requests must be made prior to the end of the 20-minute open practice period on Tuesday and Wednesday. **All player and coach interviews will take place after practice in the media interview room, located at the tunnel entrance (north end) of Notre Dame Stadium.**
- Notre Dame's publicity material on football, including updated game notes, rosters and schedules, is available through www.und.com.

RELEASES AVAILABLE VIA EMAIL

Media members interested in receiving Notre Dame football releases via email should send requests to Associate SID Doug Walker at dwalker@nd.edu.

ATHLETICS WEB SITE (www.und.com)

Notre Dame's official athletics department web site, created in partnership with College Sports Online of Carlsbad, Calif., can be found at www.und.com, with extensive offerings including live GameTracker statistics for all home games.



THE NAVY SERIES

Series: ND leads 67-9-1. Games Played at Neutral Sites: ND leads 42-6-1 (5-0 at Giants Stadium). Tyrone Willingham vs. Navy: 2-0. Paul Johnson vs. Notre Dame: 0-2. Willingham vs. Johnson: Willingham leads 2-0.

Site	Year	ND-Navy Rank	W/L/T	ND	Navy
B	1927		W	19	6
SF	1928		W	7	0
B	1929		W	14	7
*	1930		W	26	2
B	1931		W	20	0
CL	1932		W	12	0
B	1933		L	0	7
CL	1934		L	6	10
B	1935		W	14	0
B	1936	13-	L	0	3
*	1937		W	9	7
B	1938	4-	W	15	0
CL	1939	2-	W	14	7
B	1940	7-	W	13	7
B	1941	7-6	W	20	13
CL	1942	4-	W	9	0
CL	1943	1-3	W	33	6
B	1944	2-6	L	13	32
CL	1945	2-3	T	6	6
B	1946	2-	W	28	0
CL	1947	1-	W	27	0
B	1948	2-	W	41	7
B	1949	1-	W	40	0
CL	1950		W	19	10
B	1951	13-	W	19	0
CL	1952	13-	W	17	6
*	1953	1-20	W	38	7
B	1954	6-15	W	6	0
*	1955	9-4	W	21	7
B	1956		L	7	33
*	1957	5-16	L	6	20
B	1958	-15	W	40	20
*	1959		W	25	22
PK	1960	-4	L	7	14
*	1961		L	10	13
PK	1962		W	20	12
*	1963	-4	L	14	35
PK	1964	2-	W	40	0
*	1965	4-	W	29	3
PK	1966	1-	W	31	7
*	1967	10-	W	43	14
PK	1968	12-	W	45	14
*	1969	10-	W	47	0
PK	1970	3-	W	56	7
*	1971	12-	W	21	0
PV	1972	12-	W	42	23
*	1973	5-	W	44	7
PV	1974	7-	W	14	6
*	1975	15-	W	31	10
CL	1976	11-	W	27	21
*	1977	5-	W	43	10
CL	1978	15-11	W	27	7
*	1979	13-	W	14	0
GS	1980	3-	W	33	0
*	1981		W	35	0
GS	1982		W	27	10
*	1983	19-	W	28	12
GS	1984		W	18	17
*	1985		W	41	17
B	1986		W	33	14
*	1987	9-	W	56	13
B	1988	2-	W	22	7
*	1989	1-	W	41	0
GS	1990	2-	W	52	31
*	1991	5-	W	38	0
GS	1992	10-	W	38	7
PV	1993	2-	W	58	27
*	1994		W	58	21
*	1995	8-	W	35	17
CP	1996	19-	W	54	27
*	1997		W	21	17
JC	1998	12-	W	30	0
*	1999		W	28	24
CIT	2000	20-	W	45	14
*	2001		W	34	16
RS	2002	9-	W	30	23
*	2003		W	27	24

Site Key: * (Notre Dame Stadium), B (Baltimore Municipal/Babe Ruth Memorial Stadium), SF (Soldier Field - Chicago), CL (Cleveland Municipal Stadium), PK (Philadelphia Municipal/JFK Stadium), PV (Veterans Stadium - Philadelphia), GS (Giants Stadium - East Rutherford, N.J.), CP (Croke Park - Dublin, Ireland), JC (Jack Kent Cooke Stadium/FedEx Field - Falton, MD), CIT (Citrus Bowl - Orlando), RS (Ravens Stadium - Baltimore)

was a three-year letterwinner as a quarterback for Hawaii from 1987-89, moving on to assume a graduate assistant post from 1990-92, and later an assistant coaching position from 1992-94. In addition, Navy quarterbacks/fullbacks coach **Ivin Jasper** was a three-year letterwinner at quarterback and slotback for the Rainbow Warriors from 1991-93.

- Seven players on Notre Dame's 2004 roster will be returning to their home state of New Jersey: freshman LB **Abdel Banda** (Orange, N.J./The Delbarton School), senior SS **Lionel Bolen** (Westhampton, N.J./Rancocas Valley), senior DE **Kyle Budinscak** (Bridgewater, N.J./Bridgewater Raritan), junior TE **Anthony Fasano** (Verona, N.J./Verona), freshman DB **Leo Ferrine** (Springfield, N.J./St. Peter's Prep), senior ILB **Brandon Hoyte** (Parlin, N.J./Sayreville War Memorial) and freshman DB **Junior Jabbie** (Parlin, N.J./The Hun School).
- Two other Irish players are from the New York City/Long Island area: junior K **Craig Cardillo** (Hauppauge, N.Y./Hauppauge), senior RB **Ryan Grant** (Nyack, N.Y./Don Bosco Prep) and senior RB **Marcus Wilson** (Staten Island, N.Y./Poly Prep).
- Seventh-year Navy director of strength and conditioning and operations **Kirk Woolfolk** was Notre Dame's strength and conditioning coordinator for three years (1995-98).
- Two current Notre Dame Olympic sports head coaches have past experience as head coaches at Navy. Irish men's tennis head coach **Bob Bayliss** — now in his 18th year at Notre Dame — spent the first 15 years of his head coaching career at Navy (1970-84). Seventh-year Notre Dame women's rowing coach **Martin Stone** held the same position at Navy for six years prior to joining the Irish staff in October 1997.
- Irish senior associate athletics director **Missy Conboy's** husband, **Bill Mountford**, played for Bayliss at Navy.
- Notre Dame assistant director of club sports **Dave Brown** was a professor, head squash coach and assistant tennis coach at the Naval Academy from 1978-98.
- Irish associate director of ticketing **Maja Hansen** spent five years (1998-2003) as assistant director of ticket operations at Navy.

THE LAST TIME NOTRE DAME AND NAVY MET

Placekicker **D.J. Fitzpatrick** booted a 40-yard field goal as time expired to give Notre Dame a 27-24 victory over Navy before another capacity crowd of 80,795 fans at Notre Dame Stadium. The kick extended an NCAA-record 40-game winning streak for the Irish over the Mids, beginning in 1964.

Fitzpatrick wasn't the only hero for Notre Dame, as running back **Julius Jones** had another dominating performance on the ground. The Big Stone Gap, Va., native rushed a career-high 33 times for 221 yards and two touchdowns, becoming the fourth player in school history to post multiple 200-yard games in a single season.

Quarterback **Brady Quinn** also showed remarkable poise in the closing moments, leading the Irish on an 11-play, 62-yard drive in the final two minutes to set up Fitzpatrick's winning kick. Quinn wound up connecting on 14 of 27 passes for 137 yards with one touchdown.

It was evident from the outset that this game would be decided on the offensive side of the ball. Both teams drove into opposing territory on their first possessions, but came away empty. Notre Dame was the first to crack the scoreboard, as Jones bounced off a pair of would-be tacklers and scurried 48 yards off the left side for the score with 5:06 left in the first quarter.

That lead lasted all of 12 seconds, as Navy's **Tony Lane** knotted the game with a 65-yard TD run on the Mids' first play after the Jones score. From there, the game was a battle for field position, with Navy holding an edge for much of the first half, pinning the Irish inside their 20-yard line twice.

The Midshipmen took a 10-7 lead when **Eric Rolfs** kicked a 35-yard field goal early in the second quarter and it appeared that margin would hold up going into halftime, but Quinn had other ideas. He piloted the Irish offense 58 yards in 10 plays before lofting a two-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver **Rhema McKnight** with 14 seconds left in the half.

Navy countered and regained the lead early in the third quarter. Thanks to a short punt by Fitzpatrick, the Mids were set up at the Irish 40-yard line and they needed just six plays to find the end zone. Fullback **Kyle Eckel** scored from five yards out to give his team a three-point lead with 5:50 left in the third quarter. Again, that edge didn't last, as the Irish went right back downfield, taking just over three minutes to move in front. Jones did the honors with his second TD of the day from 12 yards away.

For a third time, Navy tried to deliver the knockout punch, using another short field to set up a one-yard plunge by Eckel with 9:53 to play. However, the Irish wouldn't falter, as Fitzpatrick kicked a 30-yard field goal four minutes later to tie the game and set the stage for his last-second heroics.



**NOTRE DAME vs.
SERVICE ACADEMIES**

<u>School</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Air Force	21	5	0	.808
Army	36	8	4	.792
Navy	67	9	1	.877
TOTALS	124	22	5	.838

IRISH VERSUS THE SERVICE ACADEMIES

- Notre Dame is 64-11-4 (.835) all-time when playing a service academy at a neutral site. Included in that record is an 8-0 record against the academies at Giants Stadium.
- Notre Dame has won 31 of its last 32 games against service academy opponents, dating back to 1986. The only blemish is a 20-17 overtime loss at home to Air Force in 1996.
- Notre Dame has an active 10-game winning streak vs. the academies, including last year's 27-24 win over Navy at Notre Dame Stadium.

CONFERENCE CALL

This season, Notre Dame faces teams from five different conferences. Here's a look at the conference breakdown for the 11 opponents the Irish will play in 2004:

- Big Ten (3):** Michigan, Michigan State, Purdue
- Pac-10 (3):** Stanford, USC, Washington
- BIG EAST (2):** Boston College, Pittsburgh
- Mountain West (1):** BYU
- SEC (1):** Tennessee
- Independents (1):** Navy

Notre Dame has had great overall success against the major conferences in the country:

<u>Conference</u>	<u>Winning %</u>
Western Athletic	.842
Conference USA	.831
Mountain West	.774
Atlantic Coast	.753
BIG EAST	.710
Big 12	.667
Big Ten	.662
Pac-10	.658
SEC	.613

THE LAST TIME NOTRE DAME AND NAVY MET AT GIANTS STADIUM

Behind a balanced offense that rolled up 476 yards, 10th-ranked Notre Dame defeated Navy, 38-7, on Oct. 31, 1992 in East Rutherford, N.J., at Giants Stadium. The Irish worked equally well with the run and the pass in the victory, rushing for 223 yards and throwing for 253 yards on the day.

Quarterback **Rick Mirer** led Notre Dame with 221 yards passing, completing passes to 10 different receivers in the contest. Meanwhile, tailback **Reggie Brooks** ran for 95 yards and a touchdown and also caught a TD pass for the Irish, who were without the services of fullback **Jerome Bettis** and two offensive linemen due to injury or illness.

Notre Dame kept Navy on its heels throughout the game, scoring on five of its first six possessions and taking a 31-0 halftime lead. **Jeff Burris** got the ball rolling with a five-yard touchdown run in the first quarter, setting the stage for a 24-point Irish eruption in the second period. Brooks scored twice in the quarter on a 24-yard reception and a four-yard run, and Mirer capped the surge by flipping a three-yard TD pass to tight end **Irv Smith** with 19 seconds to go before halftime.

The Midshipmen did not cross midfield until 12:55 remained in the game, but did break the shutout on **Tom Pritchard's** 22-yard catch from **Jason Van Matre** with just under five minutes to go. However, that score was neutralized with a nine-yard run by Irish tailback **Lee Becton** with 1:44 left to account for the final margin.

NOTRE DAME VS. THE SERVICE ACADEMIES

- Notre Dame has won almost 84 percent of its games (124-22-5) vs. teams from the three service academies (Army, Navy and Air Force).
- The Irish have won 10 consecutive games against the service academies, and they are 31-1 (.969) against these schools since 1986 (including a 16-1 mark at home). The only defeat in that time was a 20-17 overtime loss to Air Force in 1996 at Notre Dame Stadium.
- More than half (77) of Notre Dame's 151 games against service academies, and more than half of its victories (67) have come against Navy, part of the longest continuous intersectional rivalry in the country.
- Notre Dame and Army met every season from 1913-47, with the exception of 1918. During an 11-season span from 1937-47, one or both teams were ranked, including six meetings when either side was first or second in the nation, and back-to-back "No. 1 vs. No. 2" matchups in 1945 and 1946. However, the Irish and Black Knights have played just 14 times since 1947, with Notre Dame winning 13 of those encounters. Their last meeting came in 1998, with the Irish pulling out a 20-17 win at home. Notre Dame leads the all-time series with Army, 36-8-4 (.792).

KEEP AN EYE ON THE UNUSUAL AGAINST NAVY

If history is any indication, expect the unexpected when Notre Dame takes on Navy this weekend. In five of the past eight meetings between the Irish and Midshipmen, one of the two teams has scored at least one touchdown on defense or special teams. This recent trend began with the 1996 game in Dublin, Ireland, when Notre Dame defensive end **Renaldo Wynn** scored on a 24-yard fumble return. In 1999, Navy scored twice in an unorthodox manner, as **Chris Oliver** recovered a blocked punt in the end zone for a TD and **David Alexander** scored on a 20-yard interception return. In 2000, Irish free safety **Tony Driver** tied an NCAA record with two fumble returns for touchdowns, both coming less than seven minutes apart in the first quarter at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando. In 2001, Notre Dame strong safety **Gerome Sapp** got his team going with a 39-yard fumble return for a touchdown early in the first quarter. Then, in 2002, Irish cornerback/return specialist **Vontez Duff** ran back a third-quarter kickoff 92 yards for a touchdown to help the Irish defeat the Midshipmen in Baltimore.

HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Notre Dame will be playing at Giants Stadium for first time since 2002, when the Irish downed Maryland, 22-0, in Kickoff Classic XX. Saturday's game with Navy also will be Notre Dame's 11th visit to the East Rutherford, N.J., facility that is home to the NFL's New York Giants and Jets, as well as Major League Soccer's MetroStars. The Irish have never lost at the Meadowlands, thanks to five wins over Navy (1980, 1982, 1984, 1990 and 1992), three over Army (1977, 1983 and 1995) and one each over Virginia (1989) and Maryland (2002).

Overall, Notre Dame is 22-6-2 (.767) when playing in a current NFL stadium (Giants Stadium 9-0, Soldier Field 8-0-2, Gator Bowl/Alltel Stadium 1-2, Sun Devil Stadium 1-2, Superdome 1-1, Jack Kent Cooke Stadium/FedEx Field 1-0, Ravens/M&T Bank Stadium 1-0, Hoosier/RCA Dome 0-1).



MEMORABLE GAMES IN THE NOTRE DAME-NAVY SERIES

The following games are among Notre Dame's more memorable matchups with Navy since the series began back in 1927:

**Nov. 14, 1963
#4 Navy 35, at Notre Dame 14**

Eventual Heisman Trophy winner **Roger Staubach** throws for 91 yards and two touchdowns as Navy breaks open a 7-7 game at half-time with 21 points in the third quarter. The Midshipmen eventually win 35-14, the last victory for Navy in the series. As Navy head coach **Wayne Hardin** said of Staubach after the game: "(He) is only the best player that has ever played the game. If he doesn't win the Heisman Trophy, this game is crooked."

Staubach might have won the Heisman again as a senior the next season, but injuries derailed his final campaign.

**Nov. 4, 1978
#15 Notre Dame 27, #11 Navy 7 (at Cleveland)**

The last time Navy was ranked facing the Irish, the Midshipmen came actually ranked higher than Notre Dame at No. 11. The Irish, 15th at the time, dealt Navy a 27-7 victory behind the arm of **Joe Montana** and the feet of **Vagas Ferguson** and **Jerome Heavens**. Ferguson ran for 219 yards in the game, including an 80-yard touchdown run. Heavens added 100 yards and a touchdown of his own, while Montana was 14-26 for 145 yards and a touchdown.

This was the final game in the series played at old Cleveland Stadium, where the teams had met 10 times previously. Notre Dame was 9-1-1 vs. Navy in Cleveland.

**Nov. 3, 1984
Notre Dame 18, Navy 17 (at East Rutherford)**

In the closest game in the series between 1964 and 1999, Notre Dame defeated Navy, 18-17 on a 44-yard field goal by **John Carney** with 14 seconds remaining. Navy held a 10-point lead with four minutes remaining and in a strange twist, Midshipmen coach **Gary Tranquill** elected to

NEW JERSEY AND U(ND): PERFECT TOGETHER

Notre Dame enters the Navy game with a 13-0 all-time record in New Jersey, including a 10-0 mark at Giants Stadium. Of the other three Irish wins in the Garden State, two came at Princeton's Palmer Stadium in 1923 (25-2) and 1924 (12-0), and the third was a 45-17 triumph at Rutgers Stadium in 2000.

THE QUINN-TESSANTAL QUARTERBACK

Sophomore quarterback **Brady Quinn** continues to develop into Notre Dame's leader on offense and is on pace to a record-setting season in his second year with the Irish. Against Stanford, he compiled a solid performance by completing 11 of 24 attempts for 173 yards without an interception or a touchdown. He also rushed for a score on a two-yard sneak in the fourth period, his second rushing score of the season. One week earlier, he turned in a career performance in a loss to Purdue when he completed 26 of 46 passes for 432 yards and one touchdown, rolling up the highest individual passing yardage total in Notre Dame Stadium history, the second-highest in school history (behind **Joe Theismann's** 526 yards at USC in 1970) and the sixth-best total by any quarterback in the country this year. In addition, Quinn's .565 completion percentage was the second-best of his career (minimum 15 attempts), topped only by his .590 mark (23 of 39) last year at Boston College.

Quinn was particularly sharp in outings against Washington and Purdue, completing 43 of 78 passes (.551) for 698 yards and five touchdowns with only one interception — good for a 148.89 pass efficiency rating. In fact, his three-game stretch against Michigan State, Washington and Purdue is the second-best in Notre Dame history for most passing yards in three consecutive games, as noted below:

Player	Season	Three-Game Passing Yardage
Joe Theismann	1970	947 (272 - Georgia Tech; 149 - LSU; 526 - USC)
Brady Quinn	2004	912 (215 - Michigan St.; 265 - Washington; 432 - Purdue)
Steve Beuerlein	1986	828 (248 - Navy; 269 - SMU; 311 - Penn State)
Jarious Jackson	1999	814 (302 - Michigan; 267 - Purdue; 245 - Michigan State)
John Huarte	1964	783 (209 - UCLA, 300 - Stanford; 274 - Navy)
Terry Hanratty	1968	738 (202 - Oklahoma; 294 - Purdue; 242 - Iowa)
Ron Powlus	1995	716 (200 - Vanderbilt; 273 - Texas; 243 - Ohio State)
Joe Montana	1977	705 (260 - Navy; 273 - Georgia Tech; 172 - Clemson)

For the season, Quinn ranks 23rd in the nation in total offense (250.8 yards per game) and 46th in passing efficiency (129.09), while his 1,529 passing yards through six games put him on pace to eclipse **Jarious Jackson's** school record of 2,753 yards in 1999. In fact, there have been only six 2,000-yard passing seasons in school history, listed as follows:

Player	Season	Passing Yardage
Jarious Jackson	1999	2,753
Joe Theismann	1970	2,429
Steve Beuerlein	1986	2,211
Rick Mirer	1991	2,117
Ron Powlus	1997	2,078
Joe Montana	1978	2,010
Brady Quinn	2004	2,803 (projected)

SHELTON GETS IT DONE

Senior wide receiver **Matt Shelton** produced another solid outing against Purdue with three catches for 61 yards. For the season, Shelton ranks fourth on the team with 11 catches for 304 yards (27.6 yards per catch) and four touchdowns. Shelton enjoyed a career day (of sorts) against Washington when he nabbed a career-best four catches for 74 yards and two touchdowns, including scoring catches of 27 and 24 yards. One week earlier at Michigan State, Shelton snared three passes for 123 yards and a touchdown, including gains of 53, 35 and 35 yards. A big-play specialist at Notre Dame, Shelton has averaged 39.4 yards on his five career touchdown grabs (27 and 24 vs. Washington, 35 at MSU, 46 vs. Michigan, 65 at Stanford in '03).

WINNING THE FIELD POSITION BATTLE

One of the key (and sometimes overlooked) aspects of Notre Dame's success this season has been its ability to maintain excellent field position. After starting 11 of 15 drives against BYU at or inside their own 20-yard line, the Irish have started 50 of their last 71 drives in "plus territory" — outside their own 20-yard line — with 17 drives that began in their opponent's half of the field.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

The Irish have caused 16 turnovers (10 FUM, 6 INT) this season and have made the most of their opportunities. Notre Dame has parlayed those takeaways into 52 points, which accounts for 34 percent of the Irish scoring (153 points) thus far in 2004.

THE FIVE-FINGER DISCOUNT

Notre Dame came up with a Willingham-era record six turnovers (3 FUM, 3 INT) on Sept. 18 at Michigan State and followed up with five more turnovers one week later against Washington, marking the fourth consecutive week the Irish had at least two takeaways. That should come as no surprise to many — since the 2001 season, Notre Dame has forced two or more turnovers in 30 of its 42 games, including 24 contests where they came up with at least three takeaways. Heading into this weekend's game with Navy, the Irish are 25th in the country in turnover margin (+0.83 per game, +5 overall).

STOPPING THE RUN IS JOB ONE FOR IRISH

The Notre Dame run defense has been exceptionally sturdy since head coach **Tyrone Willingham** and defensive coordinator **Kent Baer** arrived on the scene in 2002. Over the last three seasons, the Irish have held 18 of 31 opponents to less than 100 yards rushing, including four games this year (BYU - 22; Michigan - 56; Purdue - 99; Stanford - 67). In fact, Notre Dame opponents are averaging 2.8 yards per carry through the first six games this season.

In 2002, Notre Dame was ranked 10th in the nation in rushing defense, followed by a No. 29 national ranking last year. Through their first six games this season, the Irish are 12th in the country in rushing defense, allowing an average of 86.8 yards on the ground.

WALKER POSTS UNPRECEDENTED FRESHMAN PRODUCTION

After sitting out Notre Dame's opener at BYU, freshman running back **Darius Walker** has provided a consistent threat in the Irish running game by averaging 87.2 yards rushing per game the last five contests (436 yards on 119 carries). Walker made a big splash in his home debut vs. Michigan, rushing 31 times for 115 yards and two touchdowns in a 28-20 Irish win. He followed up with another solid effort at Michigan State, rushing for 98 yards on 26 carries, before running for 81 yards and a touchdown on 23 carries versus Washington. His Michigan performance was good enough for *The Sporting News* and *Sporting News Radio* to name the Lawrenceville, Ga., native as its National Player of the Week, and for *Rivals.com* to tab him as the National Freshman of the Week for Sept. 11.

Walker's numbers in his debut game vs. Michigan also put him among some select company in Notre Dame history:

- First Irish freshman to rush for 100 yards in a game since **Julius Jones** had 146 yards against Navy on Oct. 30, 1999.
- First Notre Dame freshman to score two touchdowns in a game since **Matt LoVecchio** ran for two scores at USC on Nov. 25, 2000.
- First Irish rookie to score in a home opener since Sept. 29, 1979, when **Tony Hunter** caught a 14-yard touchdown pass in a 27-3 win over Michigan State. Walker also is the first freshman to score two touchdowns in a home opener since at least 1970.
- First Notre Dame freshman running back to score twice in a game since Nov. 18, 1995, when **Autry Denson** rushed for two touchdowns in a 44-14 win at Air Force. (Note: **Julius Jones** did score twice vs. Boston College on Nov. 20, 1999, but one of his touchdowns came as a punt returner).

SPREADING THE WEALTH

Sophomore quarterback **Brady Quinn** has spread his pass completions around through Notre Dame's first six games of the 2004 season. Quinn has completed passes to 15 different receivers in those six contests, a breakdown of seven wide receivers, five running backs, two tight ends and two passes to himself (caught off of deflections vs. Washington and Purdue). Junior wide receiver **Rhema McKnight** has been Quinn's favorite target thus far, grabbing 21 passes for 315 yards and two touchdowns. Junior tight end **Anthony Fasano** is next with 15 catches for 256 yards and two scores. Senior wide receiver **Matt Shelton** has 11 catches for 304 yards and four touchdowns while sophomore wide receiver **Jeff Samardzija** (10 for 172) and junior wide receiver **Maurice Stovall** (10 for 122) both have 10 catches to their credit this season. Quinn has tossed touchdown passes to four different players this season: McKnight, Shelton (four times), Fasano (twice) and senior fullback **Rashon Powers-Neal**.


**MEMORABLE GAMES IN
THE NOTRE DAME-NAVY
SERIES**

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keep his 10-point lead although a Notre Dame offside penalty on a field goal would have provided a first down.

Notre Dame took advantage of the choice, rallying behind an **Allen Pinkett** touchdown run, a **Joe Howard** two-point conversion catch and Carney's late heroics. Freshman receiver **Tim Brown** played a key role with three catches on the late touchdown drive, as well as Pinkett's 29-yard reception on a screen pass to set up the final field goal.

Nov. 2, 1996**#19 Notre Dame 54, Navy 27 (at Dublin, Ireland)**

The Fighting Irish appeared in Ireland for this contest, rolling past Navy, 54-27 at Croke Park in Dublin. **Autry Denson** led the Irish to victory with 125 yards rushing and two touchdowns, while **Ron Powilus** was an efficient six for 11 for 91 yards and a touchdown. Notre Dame capitalized on excellent field position all day, scoring five touchdowns after taking over possession of the ball in Navy territory.

Oct. 30, 1999**at Notre Dame 28, Navy 24**

The 1999 game was the one the Midshipmen may have come closest to ending Notre Dame's series winning streak. The Irish escaped the contest with a 28-24 victory on **Jay Johnson's** 16-yard touchdown catch with just 36 seconds remaining, but the game was ultimately decided on a fourth-and-10 play at the Navy 37.

Jarious Jackson dropped back and found **Bobby Brown** over the middle at the first down marker. Brown wiggled his way forward to earn a first down by less than an inch — setting up Johnson's catch on third down just a few plays later.

Brian Madden was the offensive star for Navy, rushing for 168 yards and a touchdown. Jackson had a 57-yard touchdown run in the game to go along with his game-winning toss to Johnson. Notre Dame was assessed 13 penalties in the game for 130 yards.



INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-GAME BESTS

TOTAL CARRIES

Ryan Grant	30 at Air Force, '02
Justin Hoskins	4 vs. Washington, '04
Jeff Jenkins	5 vs. Washington, '04
Rashon Powers-Neal	17 vs. Navy, '02
Travis Thomas	6 at BYU, '04
Darius Walker	31 vs. Michigan, '04
Marcus Wilson	10 at Air Force, '02

RUSHING YARDS

Ryan Grant	190 at Air Force, '02
Justin Hoskins	16 vs. Washington, '04
Jeff Jenkins	20 vs. Purdue, '04
Rashon Powers-Neal	108 vs. Stanford, '02
Travis Thomas	10 at Michigan State, '04
Darius Walker	115 vs. Michigan, '04
Marcus Wilson	44 at Air Force, '02

PASS COMPLETIONS

Pat Dillingham	19 vs. North Carolina State, '02
Brady Quinn	29 at Purdue, '03

PASS ATTEMPTS

Pat Dillingham	37 vs. North Carolina State, '02
Brady Quinn	59 at Purdue, '03

PASSING YARDS

Pat Dillingham	166 vs. North Carolina State, '02
Brady Quinn	432 vs. Purdue, '04

RECEPTIONS

Jared Clark	4, twice (last: vs. WSU, '03)
Jerome Collins	3 vs. Stanford, '04
Anthony Fasano	8 vs. Purdue, '04
Marcus Freeman	3 at BYU, '04
Carlyle Holiday	2 vs. Washington, '04
Rhema McKnight	8, three times (last: at BYU, '04)
Jeff Samardzija	4, twice (last: at Michigan State, '04)
Matt Shelton	4 vs. Washington, '04
Maurice Stovall	9 at Purdue, '03

RECEIVING YARDS

Jared Clark	41 vs. North Carolina State, '02
Jerome Collins	45 vs. Stanford, '04
Anthony Fasano	155 vs. Purdue, '04
Marcus Freeman	28 at BYU, '04
Carlyle Holiday	30 at Michigan State, '02
Rhema McKnight	121 at Boston College, '03
Jeff Samardzija	65 at Michigan State, '04
Matt Shelton	123 at Michigan State, '04
Maurice Stovall	171 at Purdue, '03

TACKLES

Victor Abiamiri	7 vs. Michigan State, '03
Brian Beidatsch	2 at Stanford, '03
Lionel Bolen	4 at Boston College, '03
Kyle Budinscak	5 at Purdue, '01
Quentin Burrell	10 vs. Navy, '03
Carlos Campbell	8 at BYU, '04
Derek Curry	11 at Boston College, '03
Dwight Ellick	9 vs. USC, '03
Mike Goolsby	14 vs. Michigan, '04
Brandon Hoyte	11 vs. Washington State, '03
Preston Jackson	8 at Michigan, '03
Derek Landri	5 at Michigan State, '04
Trevor Laws	5 at BYU, '04
Travis Leitko	5 vs. BYU, '03
Corey Mays	5 at Stanford, '03
Freddie Parish IV	7 vs. Washington, '04
Greg Pauly	5, four times (last: vs. Stanford, '04)
Mike Richardson	5, twice (last: vs. Stanford, '04)
Justin Tuck	14 vs. Navy, '03
Tom Zbikowski	9 at Michigan State, '04

BE LIKE MIKE

Senior linebacker **Mike Goolsby** has made a resounding return to the Notre Dame lineup this season after missing the entire 2003 slate with an injury. Through six games this season, Goolsby has been credited with 51 tackles (8.5 per game) while leading the team in four of six games thus far. In fact, the Joliet, Ill., native rolled up career-best tackle totals his first two games of the year, tallying 11 stops at BYU and 14 tackles against Michigan.

HOYTE MAKING BIG PLAYS

Senior linebacker **Brandon Hoyte** has been a catalyst for Notre Dame's physical play on defense thus far this season, making several big hits and tackles for losses. Hoyte enters the Navy game with 29 tackles to rank tied for fifth on the team, but his knack for making big hits has been a hallmark of his play thus far in 2004. Hoyte has forced three fumbles this season, collected one sack and has four tackles for loss (17 yards).

PAPER OR PLASTIC?

With 22 career sacks, senior defensive end and All-America candidate **Justin Tuck** is on the verge of becoming Notre Dame's all-time leader in that category. The Kellyton, Ala., native set a school record with 13.5 sacks last year and has added 3.5 sacks so far this season. With one sack vs. Michigan, he passed Mike Gann (1982-84) for second place on the Irish career list behind Kory Minor's 22.5 sacks from 1995-98. Here's a look at the Irish career sack leaders since 1982 (when Notre Dame began recognizing sacks as a separate statistic — prior to that, they were labeled "tackles for loss"):

Player	Seasons	Sacks
Kory Minor	1995-98	22.5
Justin Tuck	2002-04	22
Mike Gann	1982-84	21
Bryant Young	1990-93	18
Anthony Weaver	1998-01	17
Bert Berry	1993-96	16.5

FITZPATRICK SHARP IN THE PUNTING GAME

Senior punter **D.J. Fitzpatrick** has shown considerable improvement this season. Fitzpatrick currently ranks 28th in the nation with a 42.7-yard punting average, a jump of almost six yards per kick from last year's average (36.84), and he also has 10 punts of at least 50 yards, including a career-long 59-yarder vs. Purdue. In addition, the Granger, Ind., product has dropped 15 punts inside the opposition's 20-yard line and is helping Notre Dame to hold its opponents to only 6.5 yards per punt return. Earlier this season, he had career-best outings in consecutive games, averaging 46.0 yards on seven attempts against Washington (including four punts of at least 50 yards and four punts downed inside the UW 20) and an impressive 49.3 yards on three punts against Purdue.

RETURN TO SENDER

The return game has been a source of strength for Notre Dame in recent years. The Irish have logged 28 returns (punts, kickoffs, fumbles, interceptions) for touchdowns during the past six seasons (1999-2004), a figure that is tied for seventh in the country during that stretch. Here's a look at the national leaders in touchdown returns since '99 (research courtesy of the University of Colorado):

Team	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Bowls	Total
Miami (Fla.)	3	13	11	5	9	4	1	46
Virginia Tech	8	6	7	7	10	3	0	41
Kansas State	9	5	2	12	5	2	0	35
Colorado	5	4	7	7	1	3	4	31
Nebraska	6	7	5	6	4	0	3	30
N.C. State	3	2	4	9	10	1	1	30
NOTRE DAME	4	6	4	9	3	2	0	28
East Carolina	7	5	4	5	3	0	4	28
Fresno State	5	5	3	5	4	4	2	28
Texas Tech	3	7	8	5	3	1	1	28



THEY SHALL RETURN

- During the past 18-plus seasons ('86-'04), Notre Dame has produced 82 TDs via kickoff, punt, interception and fumble returns — with the most recent TD runback coming earlier this season on sophomore safety **Tom Zbikowski's** 75-yard fumble return at Michigan State.
- In contrast, opponents in the past 18 seasons have combined for 25 total TD returns vs. the Irish.
- Here's a year-by-year breakdown of the Irish return touchdowns since 1986:

<u>Year</u>	<u>PU</u>	<u>KO</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>FUM</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>PU</u>	<u>KO</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>FUM</u>
1986	0	2	0	0	1997	0	2	1	0
1987	3	0	1	0	1998	0	0	2	3
1988	2	2	3	0	1999	1	0	2	1
1989	2	2	3	0	2000	2	1	1	2
1990	0	2	0	0	2001	0	1	2	1
1991	1	1	2	0	2002	2	1	4	2
1992	0	1	0	0	2003	1	0	0	2
1993	2	1	2	1	2004	0	0	1	1
1994	0	0	1	1	ND (82)	21	17	27	17
1995	1	0	2	1	Opp. (25)	7	4	9	5
1996	4	1	0	2					

CLOSE SHAVES

Including four close games this season, Notre Dame is 12-4 (.750) in "one-possession games" (decided by eight points or less) since **Tyrone Willingham** took over as the Irish head coach in 2002. The only times the Irish have not won a close ball game under Willingham's guidance were against Boston College in 2002 (14-7) and 2003 (27-25), Michigan State in 2003 (22-16) and BYU in 2004 (20-17). The one-possession games in 2004 have been as follows: BYU (17-20 loss), Michigan (28-20 win), Michigan State (31-24 win) and Stanford (23-15 win).

IRISH HEAD COACH TYRONE WILLINGHAM

A veteran with 27 years of coaching experience at the collegiate and professional levels, **Tyrone Willingham** is in the midst of his third season as head football coach at the University of Notre Dame in 2004. Willingham has a record of 19-12 (.613) in two-plus seasons with the Irish, leading Notre Dame to a 10-3 record and a trip to the Gator Bowl in 2002 before a 5-7 campaign in 2003 and a 4-2 start in 2004.

In 2002, Willingham became the first Irish head coach ever to win 10 games in his first season, was named the ESPN/Home Depot College Coach of the Year, the Scripps College Coach of the Year, the Black Coaches Association Male Coach of the Year and received the George Munger Award College Coach of the Year by the Maxwell Football Club of Philadelphia. In addition, he made history in 2002 as the first college football coach ever to earn *The Sporting News* Sportsman of the Year award. In nine-plus years as a college head coach, Willingham has compiled a solid 62-47-1 (.574) record and has guided his teams to bowl games on five occasions.

Willingham was introduced as the new Irish mentor on Jan. 1, 2002, following seven seasons as the head coach at Stanford. He compiled a 44-36-1 (.549) record during his tenure at Stanford, guiding the Cardinal to four bowl games, including the Rose Bowl following the 1999 season. Willingham was a two-time Pacific-10 Conference Coach of the Year (1995 and 1999), the only Stanford coach to earn that award more than once, and he was a finalist for national coach-of-the-year honors in '95 and '99. All told, Willingham spent 10 years at Stanford, initially serving as running backs coach from 1989-91.

Between his stints with the Cardinal, Willingham coached in the professional ranks for three seasons (1992-94) with the Minnesota Vikings, helping his team win a pair of NFC Central Division championships and reach the playoffs all three years. Willingham began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at his alma mater, Michigan State, in 1977, before moving to Central Michigan as the defensive secondary coach for two years (1978-79). He returned to MSU from 1980-82, working with the secondary and special teams units, and also served on the coaching staffs at North Carolina State (1983-85) and Rice (1986-88).

CURRY NAMED TO AFCA GOOD WORKS TEAM

Senior linebacker **Derek Curry** has been named to the 2004 American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Good Works Team, the AFCA announced Sept. 15. Curry was one of only 11 football student-athletes chosen for the NCAA Division I-A Team. Another 11 student-athletes were named to the team representing schools from NCAA Divisions I-AA, II, III and NAIA.

**TEAM
SINGLE-GAME BESTS**

NOTRE DAME BESTS (2004)

Rushing Yards	173 at Michigan State
Passing Yards	460 vs. Purdue
Total Yards	536 vs. Purdue
First Downs	28 vs. Purdue
Low Rush Yds. Allowed	22 at BYU
Low Pass Yds. Allowed	176 at Michigan State
Low Total Yds. Allowed	285 at BYU
Fewest 1st Downs Allowed	13 at BYU
Sacks By	4 at BYU
Turnovers Forced	6 at Michigan State
Points (Game)	38 vs. Washington
Points (Half)	28 (2nd) vs. Michigan
Points (Quarter)	21, twice (last: 1st vs. Wash.)
Victory Margin	35 (38-3) vs. Washington

NOTRE DAME BESTS (Willingham era)

Rushing Yards	352 at Pittsburgh, '03
Passing Yards	460 vs. Purdue, '04
Total Yards	536 vs. Purdue, '04
First Downs	28 vs. Purdue, '04
Low Rush Yds. Allowed	8 at Pittsburgh, '03
Low Pass Yds. Allowed	46 vs. Navy, '03
Low Total Yds. Allowed	133 vs. Maryland, '02
Fewest 1st Downs Allowed	8 vs. Maryland, '02
Sacks By	8, twice (last: at Pittsburgh, '03)
Turnovers Forced	6 at Michigan State, '04
Points (Game)	57 at Stanford, '03
Points (Half)	34 (1st) at Stanford, '03
Points (Quarter)	28 (3rd) vs. Rutgers, '02
Victory Margin	50 (57-7) at Stanford, '03

NOTRE DAME BESTS (1990-present)

Rushing Yards	458 vs. Purdue, '92
Passing Yards	460 vs. Purdue, '04
Total Yards	650 in two games
First Downs	34 vs. Michigan State, '91
Low Rush Yds. Allowed	(-6) vs. Rutgers, '96
Low Pass Yds. Allowed	12 vs. Army, '98
Low Total Yds. Allowed	43 vs. Rutgers, '96
Fewest 1st Downs Allowed	5 in two games
Sacks By	9 vs. Rutgers, '96
Turnovers Forced ...	6, twice (MR: at Michigan St., '04)
Points (Game)	62 vs. Rutgers, '96
Points (Half)	42 (2nd) vs. Navy, '90
Points (Qtr)	40 (2nd) vs. Pittsburgh, '96
Victory Margin	62 (62-0) vs. Rutgers, '96



**PAST PERFORMANCES BY
CURRENT IRISH PLAYERS
vs. NAVY**

DE Victor Abiamiri - 2003: made four tackles.
DE Kyle Budinscak - 2002: had four tackles and shared one tackle for loss for one yard.
FS Quentin Burrell - 2003: made career-high 10 tackles.
CB Carlos Campbell - 2001: as wide receiver, caught one pass for 32 yards. 2003: made two tackles.
TE Jared Clark - 2003: caught three passes for 32 yards.
LB Derek Curry - 2002: made four tackles, including one sack for a four-yard loss. 2003: had four tackles and one fumble recovery.
CB Dwight Ellick - 2002: had one kickoff return for seven yards.
K/P D.J. Fitzpatrick - 2003: kicked two field goals, including game-winning 40-yard FG as time expired; also averaged 37.0 yards on four punts.
LB Mike Goolsby - 2000: made one tackle. 2001: made two tackles. 2002: had eight tackles.
RB Ryan Grant - 2001: rushed three times for 11 yards. 2002: carried 10 times for 13 yards. 2003: ran six times for 16 yards.
WR/QB Carlyle Holiday - 2001: completed six of 11 passes for 94 yards; also rushed 11 times for 46 yards. 2002: completed 13 of 21 passes for career-high 272 yards and one TD; also threw game-tying two-point conversion pass and ran 10 times for one yard. 2003: had one carry for 16 yards.
LB Brandon Hoyte - 2002: made nine tackles, including two for loss of seven yards. 2003: had seven tackles, including 0.5 for loss.
CB Preston Jackson - 2001: made one tackle.
DE Travis Leitko - 2003: had two tackles.
LB Corey Mays - 2002: made one tackle. 2003: had three tackles, including one for loss.
WR Rhema McKnight - 2003: had four catches for 50 yards and one touchdown.
TE Billy Palmer - 2002: had one catch for four yards.
DT Greg Pauly - 2002: made one tackle.
FB Rashon Powers-Neal - 2002: rushed 17 times for 51 yards and one TD.
QB Brady Quinn - 2003: completed 14 of 27 passes for 137 yards and one touchdown; also rushed seven times for 24 yards.
CB Mike Richardson - 2003: made one tackle.
LB Anthony Salvador - 2003: had one tackle.
FB Josh Schmidt - 2003: caught one pass for 11 yards.
WR Matt Shelton - 2003: returned two kickoffs for 26 yards.
WR Maurice Stovall - 2002: caught one pass for 38 yards.
DE Justin Tuck - 2002: made nine tackles. 2003: had career-high 14 tackles, including two for losses with 1.5 sacks (14 yds.).
RB Marcus Wilson - 2002: rushed twice for four yards.

Nominations for the Good Works Team are submitted to the AFCA by college sports information departments. Nominees must be actively involved and committed to working with a charitable organization, service group or involved in other community service activities and must display sincere concern and reliability, while also having made a favorable impression on the organizations with which they are involved. Athletic ability is not a criterion.

Curry is currently in his third season as a starting linebacker for the Irish. A three-time monogram winner at Notre Dame, Curry has distinguished himself as one of the team's undisputed leaders. In addition to his prowess on the football field, Curry has been a three-year volunteer for the Student-Athlete Advisory Council Pediatric Oncology Christmas Party; has volunteered at the Boy's and Girl's Club of downtown South Bend and the Robinson Community Learning Center; is in his third year of "Iron Sharpens Iron", an interdenominational Christian group at Notre Dame that brings students together in worship, prayer and bible studies; has volunteered for two years at "There Are Children Here"; and is a huddle leader for the Notre Dame chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Curry is the third Notre Dame football player named to the squad over the past six seasons. **Grant Irons** received the award as a junior in 1999 and went on to be a rare five-year monogram winner and two-time captain with the Irish while playing at linebacker and defensive end. He served as president of Notre Dame's Student-Athlete Advisory Council and was involved in numerous community service programs at Notre Dame and in the surrounding South Bend community.

All-America linebacker **Courtney Watson** received the honor in 2003. Watson was responsible for creating and developing the football team's community service initiative entitled "Tackle The Arts", an interactive approach that helps inspire children to explore different areas of the arts including reading, creative writing and poetry, drawing and music. Watson also installed a food drive dimension to the event and combined with current Irish players **Brandon Hoyte** and **Dan Stevenson** as hosts of a picnic for at-risk children in the South Bend area. He regularly made surprise visits to the pediatric floor at Memorial Hospital in South Bend, addressed the Jackson Middle School football team at its banquet and participated in the St. Joseph County City Bureau Youth Fest. On a campus level, Watson was nominated and then elected a member of the Notre Dame Student Senate in 2002-03 and served as a member of the Residence Life and Academic Council committees.

BIG CROWDS

Notre Dame has played in front of sellout crowds in 167 of its previous 191 games, including 31 of its last 32 games dating back to the end of the 2001 season (the '03 game at Stanford was not a sellout). At Michigan in 2003, the Irish and Wolverines helped bring in the largest crowd in NCAA history (111,726), marking the third time in the history of that series that an NCAA attendance record has been set. It also represented the sixth time in the last three seasons that Notre Dame has been a part of establishing a new stadium attendance record (at Nebraska and Texas A&M in 2001; at Air Force and Florida State, home vs. Boston College in 2002).

TICKET UPDATE

The Notre Dame ticket office received 52,179 ticket requests for the Oct. 2 game vs. Purdue, making it the fifth-highest requested Irish home game in history. The Notre Dame Stadium record of 59,368 ticket requests was set in '01 when the Irish took on West Virginia. Demand for that game was based on parents of current Notre Dame students being guaranteed four tickets for that contest — plus contributing alumni having the opportunity to apply for four tickets instead of the usual two, based on its designation as an alumni family game. After last week's game vs. Stanford, the Irish have posted 177 consecutive sellouts at Notre Dame Stadium and 225 in their last 226 home games.

Here are the top 10 games in terms of alumni ticket demand at Notre Dame Stadium:

1. West Virginia	2001	59,368
2. USC	1997	57,048
3. Boston College	2002	55,482
4. USC	2003	54,244
5. Purdue	2004	52,179
6. Florida State	2003	51,051
7. Michigan	2002	50,883
8. Michigan State	2001	48,404
9. Nebraska	2000	47,865
10. Michigan State	1997	47,681



**NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL
SHOWS ON RADIO/TV**

INSIDE NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL

"Inside Notre Dame Football," featuring head coach **Tyrone Willingham**, is a half-hour, weekly television show syndicated nationally by Notre Dame Sports Properties and hosted by **Jeff Jeffers**. The show is carried by WNDU-TV in South Bend on Saturdays (one hour before kickoff), and also is offered to cable systems nationwide, including the new Comcast SportsNet Chicago (first showing on Tuesdays at 5 p.m. CT; replays shown three times the rest of the week). In addition, the show will be archived on the official Notre Dame athletics web site (www.und.com).

THE OFFICIAL NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL COACHES RADIO SHOW

"The Official Notre Dame Football Coaches Radio Show," presented by Boling Laser Center, is a half-hour, weekly radio program which is broadcast Mondays at 7:00 p.m. (EST) on U93 (92.9 FM) in South Bend. The show, which is hosted by U93 sports director **Sean Stires** and former Irish wide receiver **Bobby Brown**, originates from Logan's Roadhouse in Mishawaka (4225 N. Main Street) and will feature a live or taped segment with Irish head coach **Tyrone Willingham**, a live appearance by a Notre Dame player, plus other features involving the Irish staff and program.

This program is a cooperative venture of Notre Dame Sports Properties, the Notre Dame athletics department, plus U93 and its parent company, Artistic Media Partners. The show is slated to air for 10 weeks during the football season (remaining dates are: Oct. 11, 18 and 25; and Nov. 8), and it will be broadcast live on the official Notre Dame athletics web site (www.und.com).

THE OFFICIAL NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL POSTGAME RADIO SHOW

"The Official Notre Dame Football Postgame Radio Show" airs on U93 (92.9 FM) in South Bend and the official Notre Dame athletics web site (www.und.com) immediately following the conclusion of Westwood One's broadcasts of Notre Dame football games. The 90-minute show is co-hosted by **Jack Nolan**, and former Irish football players **Mirko Jurkovic** and **Reggie Brooks**. After home games, the show originates outside Gate 3 of the Joyce Center (directly across Juniper Road from Notre Dame Stadium). The home broadcasts feature live feeds from the postgame interview room, as well as an on-site visit from an Irish assistant coach.

This program is a cooperative venture of Notre Dame Sports Properties, the Notre Dame athletics department, plus U93 and its parent company, Artistic Media Partners.

IRISH HAVE TOUGHEST REMAINING SLATE FOR 2004 SEASON

The five games remaining on Notre Dame's 2004 football schedule comprise the most difficult slate in the country, according to NCAA figures released this week.

Notre Dame's five opponents yet to be played have compiled an 18-4 record (.818) against other Division I-A opponents. The Irish hold a lead in that category over Cincinnati (second at 15-5, .750) and Oklahoma State and Texas A&M (tied for third at 22-8, .733).

Here's the top 10 listing for teams based on remaining games:

Team	Opp. Record	Pct.	This Week
1. Notre Dame	18-4	.818	vs. Navy
2. Cincinnati	15-5	.750	Idle
3. Oklahoma State	22-8	.733	Texas A&M
Texas A&M	22-8	.733	at Oklahoma State
5. Baylor	21-8	.724	at Nebraska
UCLA	21-8	.724	at California
7. Alabama	18-7	.720	Southern Mississippi
8. Texas	23-9	.718	Missouri
9. Kansas	17-7	.708	Idle
10. Virginia Tech	16-7	.695	Florida A&M

IRISH ALSO HAVE NATION'S TOUGHEST CUMULATIVE SCHEDULE

Notre Dame's 11 opponents for 2004 have combined to form the nation's toughest schedule overall based on a combined 35-14 mark (.714) by Irish opponents in games played to date, according to NCAA figures released this week.

Here's the top 10 listing for teams based on their cumulative schedules:

Team	Opp. Record	Pct.	This Week
1. Notre Dame	35-14	.714	vs. Navy
2. North Carolina	29-12	.707	at Utah
3. Baylor	32-14	.695	at Nebraska
4. Texas	35-16	.692	Missouri
5. Texas A&M	32-15	.680	at Oklahoma State
6. Arizona	31-15	.673	at Oregon
7. Northwestern	38-20	.655	Idle
8. Temple	26-15	.634	at Rutgers
9. Oklahoma State	31-18	.632	Texas A&M
Illinois	31-18	.632	Michigan

2004 NOTRE DAME OPPONENT UPDATE

The following is a look at Notre Dame opponents' upcoming games. Since 1977, when the NCAA started rating strength of schedule, Notre Dame's schedule has been rated the most difficult five times (1978, 1985, 1987, 1989 and 1995) and has appeared in the top 30 a total of 22 times in the last 27 years. The 2004 Irish ledger currently is the toughest in the nation, based on cumulative opposition.

Opponent (Ranking*)	'04 Record	'03 Record	Oct. 16	Oct. 23
BYU	2-4	4-8	Wyoming	at Air Force
Michigan (14/13)	5-1	10-3	at Illinois	at Purdue
Michigan State	3-3	8-5	Minnesota	at Michigan
Washington	1-4	6-6	Oregon State	at USC
Purdue (5/5)	5-0	9-4	Wisconsin	Michigan
Stanford	3-2	4-7	at Washington State	Oregon
Navy	5-0	8-5	vs. Notre Dame	Rice
Boston College	4-1	8-5	at Pittsburgh	at Notre Dame
Tennessee (13/14)	4-1	10-3	at Mississippi	Alabama
Pittsburgh	3-2	8-5	at Boston College	Rutgers
USC (1/1)	5-0	12-1	Arizona State	Washington

* - current Associated Press poll ranking listed first, followed by ESPN/USA Today poll ranking

Notre Dame Opponents' Combined Record in 2003: 89-49 (.645); Record in 2004: 35-14 (.714)



GRADUATION RATES

The University of Notre Dame ranks among the top 10 Division I-A institutions in five major student-athlete graduate rate categories - overall, football, men, women and African-American - according to statistics released in September 2003 by the NCAA.

The federally mandated 2003 NCAA Graduation Rates Report, the 13th such survey issued by the association, covers students who enrolled between 1993 and 1996 at Division I institutions, including 117 in Division I-A. The NCAA bases graduation rates on the raw percentage of student-athletes who entered an institution and graduated within six years. Students who leave or transfer, regardless of academic standing, are considered non-graduates.

Among student-athletes who completed all four years of athletic eligibility at Notre Dame, 99 percent earned their degrees. The national average was 83 percent.

In August 2003, the NCAA presented an Academic Achievement Award to Notre Dame for its best-in-the-nation one-year graduation rate of 92 percent for all student-athletes who enrolled in 1996.

All Student-Athletes

1. (tie) Duke 89%
- (tie) Northwestern 89
3. **(tie) Notre Dame 87**
- (tie) Stanford 87

Football Student-Athletes

1. Vanderbilt 84%
2. (tie) Duke 83
- (tie) Northwestern 83
- (tie) Syracuse 83
7. **Notre Dame 81**

Male Student-Athletes

1. Duke 88%
2. **Notre Dame 85**
3. Stanford 83
4. Northwestern 82

Female Student-Athletes

1. Northwestern 98%
2. **(tie) Notre Dame 92**
- (tie) Duke 92
- (tie) Stanford 92

African-American Student-Athletes

1. Rice 87%
2. (tie) Stanford 85
- (tie) Vanderbilt 85
4. Northwestern 83
5. Duke 82
6. **Notre Dame 78**

NOTRE DAME ON THE SMALL SCREEN

With the Navy game slated to be televised nationally by CBS, the Irish will extend their streak of appearances on one of four major networks (NBC, ABC, CBS or ESPN) to 143 straight games, a stretch that spans 10 full seasons (1993-2003). The last time the Irish didn't appear on one of those four networks was more than 11 years ago (Oct. 31, 1992), when Notre Dame downed Navy, 38-7, at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J. That game was shown locally in South Bend on WNDU-TV. Here's a breakdown of the networks on which the Irish have played during this impressive streak:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>GAMES</u>	<u>NBC</u>	<u>ABC</u>	<u>CBS</u>	<u>ESPN</u>
1992	4	3	1	—	—
1993	12	7	4	—	1
1994	12	7	5	—	—
1995	12	6	4	1	1
1996	11	6	2	2	1
1997	13	6	3	2	2
1998	12	7	3	2	—
1999	12	7	3	1	1
2000	12	6	3	3	—
2001	11	6	4	—	1
2002	13	7	4	1	1
2003	12	6	5	—	1
2004	7	4	—	1	2
Totals	143	78	41	13	11

WHEN THE EYES OF THE NATION ARE UPON THEM

Notre Dame is 170-86-3 (.662) all-time when it is playing in front of a national television audience. The 2003 game at Michigan was another milestone for the Irish program — it was the 300th time a Notre Dame football game appeared on national or regional television.

During their 115-year history, the Irish have posted a combined 198-113-4 (.632) record in these national or regional TV games, beginning with a 27-21 victory over No. 4 Oklahoma on Nov. 8, 1952 in a game that was shown nationwide on ABC. Here's a breakdown of Notre Dame's success over the years when appearing on each of the various networks on both a national and regional basis (the current Irish win/loss streak on the four major networks is listed in parentheses):

NATIONAL TELEVISION

NBC (won 1) 66-25-1 (.723)	
ABC (lost 3) 44-36-2 (.549)	
CBS (won 6) 22-11-0 (.667)	
ESPN/ESPN2 (won 1) 20-11-0 (.645)	
WGN 10-2-0 (.833)	
SportsChannel 4-1-0 (.800)	
Raycom 2-0-0 (1.000)	
TBS 1-0-0 (1.000)	
Katz 1-0-0 (1.000)	
Totals	170-86-3 (.662)

REGIONAL TELEVISION

ABC (lost 2) 23-24-1 (.490)	
CBS (won 1) 4-2-0 (.667)	
TBS 1-0-0 (1.000)	
Big Ten Syndication 0-1-0 (.000)	
Totals	28-27-1 (.509)

NOTRE DAME FEATURED PROMINENTLY ON TELEVISION THIS YEAR

In addition to continuing its streak of consecutive games played on one of the four major television networks (NBC, ABC, CBS or ESPN), Notre Dame will be spotlighted on the small screen in several other ways during the 2004 season. Here's a thumbnail look at each of the individual TV projects which are featuring the Irish this year:

- ESPN's "College GameDay" is in its 11th season of live remotes from college football's top games.



IN OTHER IRISH SPORTS ACTION THIS WEEK ...

WOMEN'S SOCCER

The No. 1 Notre Dame women's soccer team (14-0-0) plays just once this week, welcoming Boston College to town Saturday for a 7:30 p.m. (EST) match at Alumni Field.

MEN'S SOCCER

The ninth-ranked Irish men's soccer team (9-2-1) faces a rugged schedule this week, playing host to Michigan Wednesday at 7 p.m. (EST) Alumni Field before visiting No. 13 St. John's Saturday for a 7:30 p.m. (EST) match.

HOCKEY

The Irish hockey team (0-1-1) embarks on its first road trip of the 2004-05 season, visiting CCHA rival Miami (Ohio) Friday and Saturday. Faceoff time for both games is set for 7:35 p.m. (EDT) in Oxford, Ohio.

VOLLEYBALL

The Notre Dame volleyball team (8-5) finally returns home after a month-long road trip, taking on Illinois State Wednesday at 7 p.m. (EST) at the Joyce Center.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

The Irish women's tennis team will play host to the annual Eck Classic Friday through Sunday at the Courtney Tennis Center and Eck Tennis Pavilion.

MEN'S TENNIS

The Notre Dame men's tennis team will split up and send players to two tournaments. Part of the squad will compete at the Midland (Texas) Invitational Thursday-Sunday, while the remainder of the team heads to Ann Arbor, Mich., for the Wolverine Invitational Friday-Sunday.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Notre Dame men's and women's cross country teams will head to Terre Haute, Ind., on Saturday for the Pre-National Championship meet. The Irish women are ranked fifth and the men are ninth in the latest national polls.

- College Sports Television (CSTV), the 24-hour cable channel devoted exclusively to college sports, once again highlights Irish athletics during a two-hour block on Sunday nights called "Notre Dame Primetime." The show, which is co-hosted by former Irish split end **Derrick Mayes**, focuses on all 26 Notre Dame sports and the continuing growth of Irish athletics.
- Besides these features, Notre Dame is now in the 14th season of its unique relationship with NBC. All Irish home football games since 1991 have been televised on the network, with the current agreement slated to continue through 2010. **Tom Hammond** (play-by-play) and **Pat Haden** (analysis) are in their fourth full season broadcasting the action for NBC in '04.

NOTRE DAME-MICHIGAN GARNERS NBC'S HIGHEST SEASON-OPENING RATING SINCE 1998

NBC's coverage of Notre Dame's 28-20 win over No.8 Michigan on Sept. 11 delivered a 4.0 national rating/10 share, making it the highest-rated season opener since a 5.1/14 on Sept. 5, 1998 for a 36-20 Irish win over fifth-ranked Michigan, according to Nielsen Media Research.

The 4.0/10 represents a 29 percent hike over last year's opener — a 29-26 overtime win over Washington State that produced a 3.1/8. It's the best rating for any Notre Dame telecast on NBC since a 4.4/11 vs. Boston College on Nov. 2, 2002.

NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS DEBUT ON SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO

In addition to its unparalleled television coverage, Notre Dame also has increased its radio footprint, announcing an agreement on Aug. 31 with SIRIUS Satellite Radio to become the official satellite radio partner for Notre Dame athletics. SIRIUS will broadcast every Irish football game this season, and also will air selected men's and women's basketball games, as well as other sporting events. In addition, SIRIUS will aid in the development of marketing initiatives with the University's athletic department as a member of "Team Notre Dame."

Notre Dame's agreement with SIRIUS is one of the cornerstones in the formation of SIRIUS College Sports Radio, a partnership between SIRIUS and College Sports Television (CSTV) that includes 23 major universities around the country. SIRIUS radios for the car and home start at \$149 and are available at major retailers nationwide. For more information, visit www.sirius.com.

NOTRE DAME IS AMERICA'S FAVORITE COLLEGE FOOTBALL PROGRAM

According to an ESPN Sports Poll of nearly 7,000 college sports fans ages 12 and older taken from January to December 2003, Notre Dame is the nation's favorite college football team, garnering 6.1 percent of the popular vote. Furthermore, the Irish were the only team to finish in the top 10 in all four regions of the country where the ESPN Sports Poll was conducted. Ohio State was the only other school to earn at least four percent of the vote, finishing at 5.3 percent.

KEVIN WHITE NAMED PRESIDENT OF DIVISION I-A ATHLETIC DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION

Notre Dame athletics director **Kevin White** is the new president of the Division I-A Athletic Directors Association for 2004-05. His appointment became effective Sept. 27 at the Association's annual meeting in Dallas.

White, who is now in his fifth year at Notre Dame, served as first vice president in 2003-04 under **Gene DeFilippo**, director of athletics at Boston College. In addition to his new leadership role with the Division I-A Athletic Directors Association, White also is the third vice president of NACDA, the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, for 2004-05.

MAKING THE GRADE

The first two seasons of the **Tyrone Willingham** era have produced some impressive semesters in the classroom for the Notre Dame football team. In fact, the Irish are coming off a 2004 spring semester in which the team's 104 players combined for a 2.96 grade-point average that ranks as the program's best semester GPA on record (dating back to 1992). The Notre Dame football program's top six semester GPAs since '92 all have been posted during the past seven semesters (prior to the fall of '04), including the first three semesters of Willingham's tenure (2.84 in the fall of '02, 2.79 in the spring of '03 and 2.82 in the fall of '03). The football program's second-best semester GPA of the past 12 years came in the spring of 2002 (2.90), followed by a 2.80 in the spring of 2001 and a 2.69 in the fall of '01.

Upon closer examination, the 2004 spring semester saw 11 Irish football players post a Dean's List GPA (sliding scale, based on major) while 21 turned in a semester GPA of 3.4-plus and more than half (53) had a GPA of 3.0 or better. In addition, two players — current fifth-year DE **Kyle Budinscak** and



NOTRE DAME ALUMS IN RARE NFL COMPANY

Notre Dame is the only school to boast three former players who have totaled 10,000-plus rushing or receiving yards in NFL history. Entering games of Oct. 17, **Jerome Bettis** ranks sixth on the NFL's all-time rushing yards list and second among active rushers with 12,409 yards, while **Ricky Watters** retired with 10,643 yards (currently in 15th place). At the same time, **Tim Brown** ranks second on the NFL's all-time receiving yards list (14,856), trailing only Oakland Raiders' wideout, Jerry Rice.

Only one other Division I-A school — Syracuse (**Jim Brown** and **Art Monk**) — has produced both an NFL 10,000-yard rusher and receiver. Three others — Oklahoma State (**Barry Sanders** and **Thurman Thomas**), Pittsburgh (**Tony Dorsett** and **Curtis Martin**) and USC (**Marcus Allen** and **O.J. Simpson**) — have produced two 10,000-yard NFL rushers.

THE NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL REVIEW

Notre Dame Sports Properties offers a condensed two-hour delayed replay of the NBC broadcast of each Notre Dame home football game. These replays are available in many major markets via over-the-air syndication, including WAAT-TV, Channel 69 in South Bend (Sundays at 10 a.m. EST; Fridays at 7 p.m. EST).

senior LB **Brandon Hoyte** — received Academic All-District V honors in 2003, marking Budinscak's third selection and Hoyte's second to the prestigious squad.

NOTRE DAME EXCELS IN THE CLASSROOM AS WELL AS ON THE FIELD

The American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) annually honors the school with the highest graduation rate based on a particular entering freshman football class — and Notre Dame has won the award six times, most recently in 2001 with its 100-percent graduation rate (22 of 22 entering freshmen from 1996 earned their degrees within five years). The 2001 award followed Notre Dame's previous honors in 1982, '83, '84, '88 and '91. Notre Dame also holds the distinction of producing the first 100-percent rate in a single years after 24 of 24 student-athletes earned their degrees within a five-year period out of the entering class of 1982 (and 16 of those 24 did so within four years). Only eight other times has a school registered a 100-percent graduation rate.

The 1988 award had special meaning, as it was the first time a school won the national championship on the football field — as Notre Dame did, finishing 12-0 after a Fiesta Bowl win over unbeaten West Virginia — and in the classroom. Including the special mention category, the Irish have received some sort of recognition in 23 of 24 years the award has been presented — with Duke next at 21.

TAKING ACADEMIC SUCCESS TO THE NEXT LEVEL

The high graduation rate of the Notre Dame football program extends to the elite group of former players who have moved on to play in the National Football League. Notre Dame has seen 88 of its former players appear on NFL opening-day rosters during the past eight seasons (1996-2003) and 93.1 percent of those players (82) have earned their degrees from the University. In fact, Notre Dame's own institutional research shows that 99 percent of scholarship football players who have entered the University since 1962 have received their degrees (896 of 905, based only on individuals who remained at the school at least four years). Those figures do not include players who transferred or withdrew before completing four or more years at Notre Dame.

The 93.1 percent graduation rate for NFL participants ranks even higher than Notre Dame's most recent NCAA graduation rates for all student-athletes (87 percent), male student-athletes (85), female student-athletes (92), football student-athletes (81) and African-American student-athletes (78). Those numbers, released last fall, comprised all student-athletes entering Notre Dame from 1993-96.

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR 2004 FOOTBALL KICKOFF LUNCHEONS

Tickets are now on sale for the 2004 Notre Dame Kickoff Luncheons held the Friday prior to each Irish home football game. The luncheons feature Notre Dame head coach **Tyrone Willingham**, Irish players and assistant coaches, plus special guests and other attractions.

Tickets are \$18 each, with a handling fee of \$3 (payment may be made with one check for more than one luncheon). There are 10 seats per table — and if you wish to sit as a group at the same table with other guests, please return all reservations in one envelope. Checks should be made payable to "University of Notre Dame" and mailed to: Athletics Business Office, 112 Joyce Center, Notre Dame, IN 46556. Telephone and credit card reservations are not accepted. A printed reservation form also is available on Notre Dame's athletics web site at www.und.com.

The luncheons are held in the Joyce Center fieldhouse (north dome) on the Notre Dame campus, with a noon (EST) start. Be aware that advance reservations are required for tickets, and tickets are not routinely available at the door. This year's remaining luncheon dates are: Oct. 22 (Boston College) and Nov. 12 (Pittsburgh).

PEP RALLIES

All 2004 pep rallies will be held in the Joyce Center Arena (south dome) on Fridays before Saturday home games, beginning at 6 p.m. (EST). The Irish squad enters the arena at 6:30 p.m.

"NOTRE DAME EXPERIENCE" RETURNS FOR 2004 SEASON

For years, the Joyce Center Fieldhouse has been the "pregame meeting place" for several thousand Notre Dame alumni. In an effort to add to this tradition, the Notre Dame Athletics Department is providing an interactive fan experience for each of the 2004 home football games. For the third consecutive season, the "Notre Dame Experience" will combine the Notre Dame Alumni Association Hospitality Center with interactive inflatables, photo booths, autograph sessions, football trivia and stage activities. Gates open three hours prior to kickoff and admission is free for all "Notre Dame Experience" events.

THE 2004 NCAA STATISTICS REPORT

The NCAA statistical rankings for Notre Dame and Navy in 2004 (top 50 only):

Team Rankings	Notre Dame	Navy
Rushing Offense	115.0	6th at 267.4
Passing Offense	24th at 259.5	112.6
Total Offense	374.5	380.0
Scoring Offense	25.5	27.4
Rushing Defense	12th at 86.8	143.6
Pass Defense	263.7	33rd at 179.0
Pass Efficiency Defense	117.06	118.59
Total Defense	350.5	38th at 322.6
Scoring Defense	44th at 20.5	25th at 16.6
Net Punting	32nd at 38.5	30.0
Punt Returns	10.3	5.2
Kickoff Returns	18.8	21.5
Turnover Margin	25th at +0.8 (+5 overall)	48th at +0.2 (+1 overall)

Individual Rankings	Notre Dame	Navy
Rushing	Darius Walker 48th at 87.2	Aaron Polanco 35th at 92.8
Passing Efficiency	Brady Quinn 46th at 129.09	
Total Offense	Brady Quinn 23rd at 250.8	Aaron Polanco 47th at 205.4
Interceptions		Hunter Reddick 5th at 0.60
Punting	D.J. Fitzpatrick 28th at 42.7	
Punt Returns	Carlyle Holiday 44th at 10.1	
Kickoff Returns		Jeremy McGown 47th at 22.0
Scoring		Aaron Polanco 34th at 8.4

NEXT WEEK: BOSTON COLLEGE

A clash between the nation's only two Catholic universities playing Division I-A college football is on tap when Boston College visits Notre Dame Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 23, for a 1:30 p.m. (EST) kickoff in a game that will be televised nationally by NBC. The 2004 meeting with the Eagles marks the 13th consecutive season in which the Irish have clashed with Boston College and will be the 16th meeting overall in the series.

Notre Dame holds a 9-6 edge in the series with the Eagles entering this game, although BC has won the last three meetings between the two schools, including a 27-25 win last year in Chestnut Hill and a 14-7 verdict at Notre Dame Stadium in 2002. The current streak is the Eagles' longest in the series. Notre Dame's last win in the series was a 28-16 victory at Notre Dame Stadium in 2000.

The winner of the Notre Dame-BC game is presented the Frank Leahy Memorial Bowl, given by the Notre Dame Club of Boston, and the Ireland Trophy, present by Notre Dame Student Government. The Leahy Bowl is named for former Notre Dame head coach Frank Leahy, who coached the Irish from 1941-43 & 1946-53 after coaching at Boston College during the 1939 and 1940 seasons. Boston College enters this weekend off to a 4-1 start (1-0 in the BIG EAST), heading into a matchup at Pittsburgh.



**39 FORMER IRISH ON '04
NFL OPENING-DAY ROSTERS**

Notre Dame has 39 of its former football players, including three rookies, listed on the opening-day rosters for National Football League teams in 2004. Last season, the Irish had 40 former players on NFL opening-day rosters, tying Florida for the most of any school. Florida State (37), Georgia (36), Miami (36) and Tennessee (36) rounded out the top five.

The Irish have produced either the first- or second-highest total in that category for nine consecutive years (1995-2003). Notre Dame led all Division I schools for five years in a row from 1995-99. Here are the former Notre Dame players now active in the pros (R - indicates rookie):

- Arizona:** DE Bertrand Berry
- Atlanta:** DB/KR Allen Rossum
- Baltimore:** SS Gerome Sapp, DE Anthony Weaver
- Chicago:** OT Mike Gandy
- Cleveland:** C Jeff Faine
- Dallas:** RB Julius Jones (R), OT Kurt Vollers
- Detroit:** QB Rick Mirer, TE John Owens
- Green Bay:** RB Tony Fisher, LB Tyreo Harrison
- Houston:** SS Glenn Earl (R)
- Indianapolis:** FB Tom Lopienski, P Hunter Smith
- Jacksonville:** S Deke Cooper, FB Marc Edwards
- Kansas City:** OL Jordan Black
- Minnesota:** OG Mike Rosenthal
- New England:** WR David Givens
- New Orleans:** K John Carney, DB Deveron Harper, LB Courtney Watson (R)
- New York Giants:** DT Lance Legree, OT Luke Petitgout
- Oakland:** DT Grant Irons
- Philadelphia:** DT Paul Grasmanis
- Pittsburgh:** RB Jerome Bettis, OG Jim Jones
- San Francisco:** WR Arnaz Battle, DT Bryant Young
- St. Louis:** FB Joey Goodspeed
- Seattle:** CB Bobby Taylor
- Tampa Bay:** WR Tim Brown, OG Sean Mahan
- Tennessee:** LB Rocky Boiman, P Craig Hentrich
- Washington:** OT Jim Molinaro, DL Renaldo Wynn

Other former Fighting Irish players affiliated with NFL teams include DT Darrell Campbell (rookie - Chicago Bears reserve/non-football injury list), OT Brennan Curtin (Green Bay Packers injured reserve) and S Shawn Wooden (Miami Dolphins injured reserve).

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TEAM STATISTICS	ND	OPP
SCORING.....	153	123
Points Per Game.....	25.5	20.5
FIRST DOWNS.....	116	104
Rushing.....	42	31
Passing.....	65	64
Penalty.....	9	9
RUSHING YARDAGE.....	690	521
Yards gained rushing.....	826	692
Yards lost rushing.....	136	171
Rushing Attempts.....	242	187
Average Per Rush.....	2.9	2.8
Average Per Game.....	115.0	86.8
TDs Rushing.....	9	3
PASSING YARDAGE.....	1557	1582
Att-Comp-Int.....	197-104-5	221-118-6
Average Per Pass.....	7.9	7.2
Average Per Catch.....	15.0	13.4
Average Per Game.....	259.5	263.7
TDs Passing.....	9	6
TOTAL OFFENSE.....	2247	2103
Total Plays.....	439	408
Average Per Play.....	5.1	5.2
Average Per Game.....	374.5	350.5
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	16-301	26-601
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	18-186	16-104
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	6-147	5-9
KICK RETURN AVERAGE.....	18.8	23.1
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE.....	10.3	6.5
INT RETURN AVERAGE.....	24.5	1.8
FUMBLES-LOST.....	12-6	19-10
PENALTIES-YARDS.....	40-300	41-328
Average Per Game.....	50.0	54.7
PUNTS-YARDS.....	41-1682	37-1574
Average Per Punt.....	41.0	42.5
Net punt average.....	38.5	37.5
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME.....	31:33	28:27
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS.....	36/97	28/90
3rd-Down Pct.....	37%	31%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS.....	5/11	0/4
4th-Down Pct.....	45%	0%
SACKS BY-YARDS.....	11-84	15-85
MISC YARDS.....	79	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED.....	20	12
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS.....	5-7	13-15
PAT-ATTEMPTS.....	18-18	10-10
ATTENDANCE.....	646360	280426
Games/Avg Per Game.....	8/80795	4/70106
Neutral Site Games.....		0/0

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Notre Dame.....	38	23	41	51	- 153
Opponents.....	39	19	47	18	- 123

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RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Walker, D.	5	119	460	24	436	3.7	3	19	87.2
Grant, R.	3	34	148	6	142	4.2	3	19	47.3
Wilson, M.	6	19	62	6	56	2.9	0	12	9.3
Jenkins, J.	3	7	39	2	37	5.3	0	14	12.3
Powers-Neal, R.	6	11	22	0	22	2.0	1	7	3.7
Hoskins, J.	3	4	16	0	16	4.0	0	6	5.3
Thomas, T.	5	16	19	12	7	0.4	0	7	1.4
Shelton, M.	6	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
TEAM	3	1	0	2	-2	-2.0	0	0	-0.7
Quinn, B.	6	30	60	84	-24	-0.8	2	11	-4.0
Total.....	0	242	826	136	690	2.9	9	19	0.0
Opponents.....	0	187	692	171	521	2.8	3	18	0.0

PASSING	GP	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
Quinn, B.	6	129.09	193-101-5	52.3	1529	9	54	254.8
Dillingham, P.	2	178.40	3-3-0	100.0	28	0	13	14.0
Wilson, M.	6	0.00	1-0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total.....	0	129.18	197-104-5	52.8	1557	9	54	0.0
Opponents.....	0	117.05	221-118-6	53.4	1582	6	97	0.0

RECEIVING	GP	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
McKnight, R.	6	24	366	15.2	2	54	61.0
Fasano, A.	5	15	256	17.1	2	42	51.2
Stovall, M.	4	13	181	13.9	0	49	45.2
Shelton, M.	6	11	304	27.6	4	53	50.7
Samardzija, J.	6	11	180	16.4	0	41	30.0
Powers-Neal, R.	6	7	48	6.9	1	10	8.0
Freeman, M.	6	5	50	10.0	0	16	8.3
Collins, J.	6	4	58	14.5	0	21	9.7
Walker, D.	5	3	19	6.3	0	14	3.8
Thomas, T.	5	2	28	14.0	0	15	5.6
Holiday, C.	6	2	21	10.5	0	14	3.5
Jenkins, J.	3	2	10	5.0	0	7	3.3
Quinn, B.	6	2	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Anastasio, C.	6	1	15	15.0	0	15	2.5
Schmidt, J.	6	1	14	14.0	0	14	2.3
Vaughn, C.	4	1	7	7.0	0	7	1.8
Total.....	0	104	1557	15.0	9	54	0.0
Opponents.....	0	118	1582	13.4	6	97	0.0

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Holiday, C.	14	142	10.1	0	21
McKnight, R.	3	16	5.3	0	8
Collins, J.	1	28	28.0	0	0
Total.....	18	186	10.3	0	21
Opponents.....	16	104	6.5	1	18

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Ellick, D.	2	20	10.0	0	18
Richardson, M.	1	32	32.0	0	32
Curry, D.	1	35	35.0	0	35
Jackson, P.	1	38	38.0	1	38
Zbikowski, T.	1	22	22.0	0	22
Total.....	6	147	24.5	1	38
Opponents.....	5	9	1.8	0	5

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Anastasio, C.	11	229	20.8	0	40
Hoskins, J.	2	27	13.5	0	17
Stovall, M.	2	29	14.5	0	16
Holiday, C.	1	16	16.0	0	16
Total.....	16	301	18.8	0	40
Opponents.....	26	601	23.1	2	100

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Curry, D.	1	4	4.0	0	4
Zbikowski, T.	1	75	75.0	1	75
Total.....	2	79	39.5	1	75
Opponents.....	1	0	0.0	0	0

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|----- PATs -----|

SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Points
Fitzpatrick, D.	0	5-7	18-18	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	33
Shelton, M.	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
Walker, D.	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Grant, R.	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
McKnight, R.	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Powers-Neal, R.	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Fasano, A.	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Quinn, B.	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-2	0	0	12
Jackson, P.	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Zbikowski, T.	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Ellick, D.	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0
Total.....	20	5-7	18-18	0-0	0	0-2	0	0	153
Opponents.....	12	13-15	10-10	0-0	1	1-2	0	0	123

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Quinn, B.	6	223	-24	1529	1505	250.8
Walker, D.	5	119	436	0	436	87.2
Grant, R.	3	34	142	0	142	47.3
Wilson, M.	6	20	56	0	56	9.3
Jenkins, J.	3	7	37	0	37	12.3
Dillingham, P.	2	3	0	28	28	14.0
Powers-Neal, R.	6	11	22	0	22	3.7
Hoskins, J.	3	4	16	0	16	5.3
Thomas, T.	5	16	7	0	7	1.4
TEAM	3	1	-2	0	-2	-0.7
Total.....	0	439	690	1557	2247	0.0
Opponents.....	0	408	521	1582	2103	0.0

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
Fitzpatrick, D.	5-7	71.4	0-0	3-3	1-2	1-2	0-0	45	0

FG SEQUENCE	Notre Dame	OPPONENTS
Brigham Young	(21)	(44), (53)
Michigan	-	(38), (33), (22), (47)
Michigan State	37, (23)	42, (46)
Washington	(45)	(26), 47
Purdue	(26), 44	(31), (39)
Stanford	(38)	(27), (20), (38)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
Fitzpatrick, D.	38	1623	42.7	59	4	4	15	0
TEAM	2	21	10.5	21	0	0	0	2
Price, G.	1	38	38.0	38	0	1	1	0
Total.....	41	1682	41.0	59	4	5	16	2
Opponents.....	37	1574	42.5	63	1	1	10	1

KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB
Gioia, C.	24	1329	55.4	0	2
Fitzpatrick, D.	3	151	50.3	0	0
Renkes, B.	3	167	55.7	1	0
Total.....	30	1647	54.9	1	2
Opponents.....	28	1735	62.0	10	2

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ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Walker, D.	5	436	19	0	0	0	455	91.0
McKnight, R.	6	0	366	16	0	0	382	63.7
Shelton, M.	6	0	304	0	0	0	304	50.7
Fasano, A.	5	0	256	0	0	0	256	51.2
Anastasio, C.	6	0	15	0	229	0	244	40.7
Stovall, M.	4	0	181	0	29	0	210	52.5
Samardzija, J.	6	0	180	0	0	0	180	30.0
Holiday, C.	6	0	21	142	16	0	179	29.8
Grant, R.	3	142	0	0	0	0	142	47.3
Collins, J.	6	0	58	28	0	0	86	14.3
Powers-Neal, R.	6	22	48	0	0	0	70	11.7
Wilson, M.	6	56	0	0	0	0	56	9.3
Freeman, M.	6	0	50	0	0	0	50	8.3
Jenkins, J.	3	37	10	0	0	0	47	15.7
Hoskins, J.	3	16	0	0	27	0	43	14.3
Jackson, P.	6	0	0	0	0	38	38	6.3
Curry, D.	6	0	0	0	0	35	35	5.8
Thomas, T.	5	7	28	0	0	0	35	7.0
Richardson, M.	6	0	0	0	0	32	32	5.3
Zbikowski, T.	6	0	0	0	0	22	22	3.7
Ellick, D.	6	0	0	0	0	20	20	3.3
Schmidt, J.	6	0	14	0	0	0	14	2.3
Vaughn, C.	4	0	7	0	0	0	7	1.8
TEAM	3	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-0.7
Quinn, B.	6	-24	0	0	0	0	-24	-4.0
Total.....	0	690	1557	186	301	147	2881	0.0
Opponents.....	0	521	1582	104	601	9	2817	0.0

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DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	-----Tackles-----			TFL/Yds	-Sacks-	---Pass Def---			-Fumbles-		Blkd	
		Solo	Ast	Total			No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick
41 Goolsby, M.	6	23	28	51	2.0-3	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
49 Curry, D.	6	19	14	33	5.5-34	3.0-29	1-35	2	.	2-4	.	.	.
9 Zbikowski, T.	6	21	11	32	2.5-5	.	1-22	1	.	1-75	2	.	.
8 Burrell, Q.	6	17	14	31	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
24 Ellick, D.	6	22	7	29	1.0-4	.	2-20	3	.	1-0	2	.	.
39 Hoyte, B.	6	18	11	29	4.0-17	1.0-8	.	1	.	.	3	.	.
77 Pauly, G.	6	11	10	21	3.5-8	0.5-5	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
44 Tuck, J.	6	8	10	18	6.5-29	3.5-22	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
15 Jackson, P.	6	13	5	18	.	.	1-38	2	1	.	.	.	.
30 Richardson, M.	6	12	3	15	.	.	1-32	1	.	.	2	.	.
6 Campbell, C.	6	11	4	15	1.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
66 Landri, D.	6	6	9	15	1.5-3	.	.	4	.	.	1	.	.
98 Laws, T.	6	7	6	13	2.0-11	1.0-8	.	1	.	1-0	1	.	.
92 Budinscak, K.	6	8	3	11	1.0-4	1.0-4	.	3	.	1-0	1	.	.
2 Parish IV, F.	6	5	4	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
46 Mays, C.	6	1	6	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
95 Abiamiri, V.	6	4	2	6	4.0-15	1.0-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
89 Carlson, J.	6	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
75 Frome, C.	4	3	1	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
23 Anastasio, C.	6	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
56 Borseti, N.	5	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97 Leitko, T.	5	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
48 Collins, J.	6	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
80 Vaughn, C.	4	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31 Carney, J.	3	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18 Ndukwe, C.	3	1	2	3	.	.	.	1	.	1-0	1	.	.
22 Wooden, A.	5	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26 Thomas, T.	5	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM TEAM	3	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	1	.	.
88 Fasano, A.	5	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27 Bolen, L.	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90 Beidatsch, B.	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
87 Freeman, M.	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
82 Shelton, M.	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
64 Dunn, C.	6	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21 Stovall, M.	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total.....	0	236	164	400	35-137	11-84	6-147	24	1	10-79	14	1	.
Opponents.....	0	252	184	436	32-127	15-85	5-9	17	7	6-0	7	2	.

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INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	31	Walker, D. vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Rushing.....	115	Walker, D. vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
TD Rushes.....	2	Walker, D. vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004) Grant, R. vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Long Rush.....	19	Walker, D. at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) Grant, R. at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) Walker, D. vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Pass attempts.....	47	Quinn, B. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Pass completions....	26	Quinn, B. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) Quinn, B. vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Yards Passing.....	432	Quinn, B. vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
TD Passes.....	4	Quinn, B. vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Long Pass.....	54	Quinn, B. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Receptions.....	8	McKnight, R. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) Fasano, A. vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Yards Receiving.....	155	Fasano, A. vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
TD Receptions.....	2	Shelton, M. vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004) Fasano, A. vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Long Reception.....	54	McKnight, R. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Field Goals.....	1	Fitzpatrick, D. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) Fitzpatrick, D. at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) Fitzpatrick, D. vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004) Fitzpatrick, D. vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004) Fitzpatrick, D. vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Long Field Goal.....	45	Fitzpatrick, D. vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Punts.....	10	Fitzpatrick, D. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Punting Avg.....	49.3	Fitzpatrick, D. vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Long Punt.....	59	Fitzpatrick, D. vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Long Punt Return....	21	Holiday, C. at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
Long Kickoff Return.	40	Anastasio, C. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Tackles.....	14	Goolsby, M. vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Sacks.....	2.0	Tuck, J. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Tackles For Loss....	2.0	Hoyte, B. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) Tuck, J. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) Pauly, G. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) Abiamiri, V. vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Interceptions.....	1	Jackson, P. at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) Ellick, D. vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004) Zbikowski, T. at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) Richardson, M. at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) Curry, D. at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) Ellick, D. vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)

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TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	51	vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Yards Rushing.....	173	at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
Yards Per Rush.....	3.6	at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
TD Rushes.....	3	vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Pass attempts.....	49	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Pass completions....	29	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Yards Passing.....	460	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Yards Per Pass.....	9.4	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
TD Passes.....	4	vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Total Plays.....	85	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Total Offense.....	536	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Yards Per Play.....	6.3	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Points.....	38	vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Sacks By.....	5	at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
First Downs.....	28	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Penalties.....	10	vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Penalty Yards.....	101	vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Turnovers.....	4	vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Interceptions By....	3	at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)

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OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	15	Jackson, J., vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004) Caulcrick, J., at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
Yards Rushing.....	85	Caulcrick, J., at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
TD Rushes.....	1	TAHI, Naufahu, at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) Stanton, Drew, at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) Lemon, J.R., vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Long Rush.....	18	Teague, Jason, at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
Pass attempts.....	40	Henne, Chad, vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Pass completions....	25	Henne, Chad, vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Passing.....	385	Kyle Orton, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
TD Passes.....	4	Kyle Orton, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Long Pass.....	97	Kyle Orton, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Receptions.....	12	Edwards, B., vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Receiving.....	181	T. Stubblefield, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
TD Receptions.....	2	T. Stubblefield, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Long Reception.....	97	T. Stubblefield, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Field Goals.....	4	Rivas, Garrett, vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Long Field Goal.....	53	PAYNE, Matt, at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Punts.....	9	PAYNE, Matt, at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Punting Avg.....	46.8	PAYNE, Matt, at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Long Punt.....	63	PAYNE, Matt, at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Long Punt Return....	18	Marrero, David, vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Long Kickoff Return.	100	Jerome Brooks, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Tackles.....	13	George Hall, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004) Bergeron, David, vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Sacks.....	2.5	Ray Edwards, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Tackles For Loss....	2.5	Ray Edwards, vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Interceptions.....	1	Mundy, Ryan, vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004) Curry, Markus, vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004) Reid, Lawrence, vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004) Dortch, Tyrell, at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) Fountaine, Matt, vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)

2004 Notre Dame Football
 Notre Dame Game Superlatives (as of Oct 09, 2004)
 All games

OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes.....	35	at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
Yards Rushing.....	165	at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
Yards Per Rush.....	4.7	at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
TD Rushes.....	1	at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004) vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Pass attempts.....	44	vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Pass completions....	25	vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)
Yards Passing.....	413	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Yards Per Pass.....	12.9	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
TD Passes.....	4	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Total Plays.....	78	vs Washington (Sep 25, 2004)
Total Offense.....	512	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Yards Per Play.....	8.5	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Points.....	41	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Sacks By.....	7	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
First Downs.....	22	vs Purdue (Oct 02, 2004)
Penalties.....	9	at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004) vs Stanford (Oct 09, 2004)
Penalty Yards.....	74	at Brigham Young (Sep 4, 2004)
Turnovers.....	6	at Michigan State (Sep 18, 2004)
Interceptions By....	3	vs Michigan (Sep 11, 2004)

2004 Notre Dame Football
 Notre Dame Game Results (as of Oct 09, 2004)
 All games

Date	Opponent	Score		Overall Record	Conference Record	Time	Attend
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Sep 4, 2004	at Brigham Young	17-20	L	0- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:29	65251
Sep 11, 2004	#8 MICHIGAN	W 28-20		1- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:24	80795
Sep 18, 2004	at Michigan State	W 31-24		2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:20	74962
Sep 25, 2004	WASHINGTON	W 38-3		3- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:39	80795
Oct 02, 2004	#15 PURDUE	16-41	L	3- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	3:35	80795
Oct 09, 2004	STANFORD	W 23-15		4- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	3:34	80795

* indicates conference game

NOTRE DAME VS. NAVY

2004 Game-by-Game Starters

OFFENSE	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	QB	FB	RB
@BYU	McKnight	Harris	Morton	Sullivan	Stevenson	LeVoir	Fasano	Stovall	Quinn	Freeman*	T. Thomas
UM	McKnight	Harris	Morton	Sullivan	Stevenson	LeVoir	Fasano	Stovall	Quinn	Freeman*	Grant
@MSU	McKnight	Harris	Morton	Sullivan	Stevenson	LeVoir	Fasano	Stovall	Quinn	Freeman*	Grant
WASH	McKnight	Harris	Morton	Sullivan	Stevenson	LeVoir	Fasano	Shelton	Quinn	Freeman*	Walker
PUR	McKnight	Harris	Morton	Sullivan	Stevenson	LeVoir	Freeman	Shelton	Quinn	Powers-Neal	Walker
STAN	McKnight	Harris	Morton	Sullivan	Stevenson	LeVoir	Freeman	Stovall	Quinn	Carlson*	Grant

vs. NAVY
BC
@TENN
PITT
@USC

* - opened in two tight end formation

DEFENSE	DE	DT	NG	DE	OLB	ILB	ILB	CB	FS	SS	CB
@BYU	Budinscak	Pauly	Landri	Tuck	Curry	Goolsby	Campbell*	Ellick	Burrell	Zbikowski	Jackson
UM	Budinscak	Pauly	Landri	Tuck	Curry	Goolsby	Campbell*	Ellick	Burrell	Zbikowski	Jackson
@MSU	Budinscak	Pauly	Landri	Tuck	Curry	Goolsby	Campbell*	Ellick	Burrell	Zbikowski	Jackson
WASH	Budinscak	Pauly	Landri	Tuck	Curry	Goolsby	Hoyte	Ellick	Burrell	Zbikowski	Jackson
PUR	Budinscak	Pauly	Landri	Tuck	Curry	Goolsby	Richardson*	Ellick	Burrell	Zbikowski	Jackson
STAN	Budinscak	Pauly	Landri	Tuck	Curry	Goolsby	Richardson*	Ellick	Burrell	Zbikowski	Jackson

vs. NAVY
BC
@TENN
PITT
@USC

* - opened in nickel defense

Red Zone Statistics

ND	Inside 20			Touchdowns			FG		Failed to score			
	#	√	Pts	Tot	Run	Pass	M	A	Dns	Int	Fmb	Half
@BYU	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
UM	4	3	21	3	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
@MSU	5	3	17	2	2	0	1	2	0	1	0	0
WASH	3	3	21	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	4	2	9	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
STAN	3	3	20	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	15	91	12	9	3	3	4	2	1	1	0

Notre Dame Red Zone Efficiency: 15 of 20 (.750) / Touchdown Efficiency: 12 of 20 (.600)

Opponent	Inside 20			Touchdowns			FG		Failed to score			
	#	√	Pts	Tot	Run	Pass	M	A	Dns	Int	Fmb	Half
@BYU	1	1	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UM	3	3	9	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0
@MSU	2	1	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
WASH	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
PUR	4	4	24	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
STAN	4	4	15	1	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	14	65	6	3	3	8	8	0	0	2	0

Opponent Red Zone Efficiency: 14 of 16 (.875) / Touchdown Efficiency: 6 of 16 (.375)

Third-Down Conversions

Player	Rush	Rec	Tot
Jerome Collins	0	2	2
Anthony Fasano	0	7	7
Ryan Grant	4	0	4
Rhema McKnight	0	3	3
Brady Quinn	5	0	5
Jeff Samardzija	0	6	6
Matt Shelton	0	2	2
Maurice Stovall	0	3	3
Darius Walker	4	0	4
Totals	13	23	36

ND on 3rd down: 36-97 (.371)

Fourth-Down Conversions

Player	Rush	Rec	Tot
Ryan Grant	1	0	1
Rhema McKnight	0	1	1
Brady Quinn	2	0	2
Matt Shelton	0	1	1
Totals	3	2	5

ND on 4th down: 5-11 (.455)

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2004 Team Game-by-Game Statistics

	RUSHING (No.-Yds.-TD)	PASSING (A-C-I-Yds.-TD)	TOTAL OFFENSE (Plays-Yds.)	FIRST DOWNS (Tot-R-Pa-Pn)	FUMBLES (No.-Lost)	TIME OF POSSESSION (Min:Sec)
Notre Dame	21-11-0	47-26-0-265-1	68-276	15-3-9-3	2-1	26:28
@ BYU	35-22-1	33-22-1-263-1	68-285	13-2-10-1	3-1	33:32
@ Notre Dame	40-135-2	21-10-3-178-2	61-313	13-7-6-0	2-1	27:22
Michigan	30-56-0	40-25-1-240-1	70-296	15-6-8-1	2-2	32:38
Notre Dame	48-173-2	24-11-1-215-1	72-388	19-11-8-0	2-2	34:01
@ Michigan State	35-165-1	34-15-3-176-0	69-341	18-10-8-0	5-3	25:59
@ Notre Dame	46-146-1	32-17-1-266-4	78-412	22-8-12-2	1-0	31:57
Washington	34-112-0	44-17-1-223-0	78-335	20-4-12-4	5-4	28:03
@ Notre Dame	36-76-1	49-29-0-460-1	85-536	28-4-21-3	2-1	33:12
Purdue	28-99-0	32-22-0-413-4	60-512	22-6-15-1	0-0	26:48
@ Notre Dame	51-149-3	24-11-0-173-0	75-322	19-9-9-1	3-1	36:20
Stanford	25-67-1	38-17-0-267-0	63-334	16-3-11-2	4-0	23:40
Notre Dame						
vs. Navy						
@ Notre Dame						
Boston College						
Notre Dame						
@ Tennessee						
@ Notre Dame						
Pittsburgh						
Notre Dame						
@ USC						

Turnovers

Opponent	Takeaways			Giveaways			Differential	Result
	Fmb	INT	Total	Fmb	INT	Total		
@BYU	1	1	2	1	0	1	+1	L, 17-20
UM	2	1	3	1	3	4	-1	W, 28-20
@MSU	3	3	6	2	1	3	+3	W, 31-24
WASH	4	1	5	0	1	1	+4	W, 38-3
PUR	0	0	0	1	0	1	-1	L, 16-41
STAN	0	0	0	1	0	1	-1	W, 23-15
vs. NAVY								
BC								
@TENN								
PITT								
@USC								
Totals	10	6	16	6	5	11	+5	4-2

Turnover Analysis

16 opponent turnovers led to 52 of 153 (.340) Notre Dame points (7 TD/7 PAT/1 FG)
 11 Notre Dame turnovers led to 16 of 123 (.130) opponent points (1 TD/1 PAT/3 FG)

Field Position

	Notre Dame	Opponent
Drives Started	84	85
Cumulative Starting Yardline	2,767	2,319
Avg. Starting Field Position	own 33	own 28
Drives Started in Plus Territory	53	52
Scores (TD/FG)	22 (18/4)	16 (5/11)
Punts/Downs/Missed FG	16/4/2	21/2/2
Turnovers/End of Half	8/1	8/3
Drives Started at/inside own 20	31	33
Scores (TD/FG)	1 (0/1)	6 (4/2)
Punts/Downs/Missed FG	25/1/0	16/1/0
Turnovers/End of Half	3/1	8/2

First Downs Earned

Player	Rush	Rec	Tot
Chase Anastasio	0	1	1
Jerome Collins	0	4	4
Anthony Fasano	0	12	12
Marcus Freeman	0	3	3
Ryan Grant	10	0	10
Justin Hoskins	1	0	1
Jeff Jenkins	2	0	2
Rhema McKnight	0	13	13
Rashon Powers-Neal	1	1	2
Brady Quinn	6	0	6
Jeff Samardzija	0	10	10
Josh Schmidt	0	1	1
Matt Shelton	0	11	11
Maurice Stovall	0	8	8
Travis Thomas	0	1	1
Darius Walker	19	0	19
Marcus Wilson	3	0	3
Penalty			9
Team Totals	42	65	116

NOTRE DAME VS. NAVY

2004 Individual Game-by-Game Statistics

RUSHING

(No.-Yds.-TD)	Grant	Powers-Neal	Quinn	T.Thomas	Walker	Wilson	TOTAL
@BYU	DNP	1-0-0	5-(-13)-0	6-2-0	DNP	9-22-0	21-11-0
Michigan	4-9-0	0-0-0	2-7-0	DNP	31-115-2	3-4-0	40-135-2
@Michigan State	11-66-1	1-0-0	4-1-1	5-10-0	26-98-0	0-0-0	48-173-2
Washington	DNP	3-17-0	0-0-0	5-(-5)-0	23-81-1	5-20-0	46-146-1
Purdue	DNP	2-1-1	12-(-7)-0	0-0-0	19-60-0	1-2-0	36-76-1
Stanford	19-67-2	4-4-0	7-(-12)-1	0-0-0	20-82-0	1-8-0	51-149-3
vs. Navy							
Boston College							
@Tennessee							
Pittsburgh							
@USC							

PASSING

(Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD)	Dillingham	Quinn	TOTAL
@BYU	DNP	47-26-0-265-1	47-26-0-265-1
Michigan	DNP	20-10-3-178-2	21-10-3-178-2
@Michigan State	DNP	24-11-1-215-1	24-11-1-215-1
Washington	0-0-0-0-0	32-17-1-266-4	32-17-1-266-4
Purdue	3-3-0-28-0	46-26-0-432-1	49-29-0-460-1
Stanford	0-0-0-0-0	24-11-0-173-0	24-11-0-173-0
vs. Navy			
Boston College			
@Tennessee			
Pittsburgh			
@USC			

RECEIVING

(No.-Yds.-TD)	Collins	Fasano	Freeman	Holiday	McKnight	Powers-Neal	Samardzija	Shelton	Stovall	TOTAL
@BYU	0-0-0	4-60-0	3-28-0	0-0-0	8-92-1	4-24-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-23-0	26-265-1
Michigan	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-42-0	1-8-1	0-0-0	1-46-1	5-82-0	10-178-2
@Michigan State	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	4-65-0	3-123-1	2-17-0	11-215-1
Washington	0-0-0	3-41-2	0-0-0	2-21-0	3-68-0	0-0-0	3-48-0	4-74-2	DNP	17-266-4
Purdue	1-13-0	8-155-0	2-22-0	0-0-0	7-113-1	1-6-0	3-59-0	3-61-0	DNP	29-460-1
Stanford	3-45-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-51-0	1-10-0	1-8-0	0-0-0	3-59-0	11-173-0
vs. Navy										
Boston College										
@Tennessee										
Pittsburgh										
@USC										

FIELD GOALS

(x-missed FG)	@BYU	UM	@MSU	WASH	PUR	STAN	v. NAVY	BC	@TENN	PITT	USC
Fitzpatrick	21	None	37x, 23	45	26, 44x	38					

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2004 Individual Game-by-Game Statistics

TACKLES

(UT-AT-TT-TFL-FR-INT-PBU-SK)

	@BYU	UM	@MSU	WASH	PUR	STAN	vs. NAVY
Abiamiri	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	0-1-1-0.5-0-0-0	2-0-2-2-0-0-0-1	1-1-2-1.5-0-0-0-0	
Budinscak	1-1-2-0-0-0-0	1-1-2-0-0-0-0	3-1-4-1-1-0-0-1	1-0-1-0-0-0-2	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	
Burrell	4-2-6-0-0-0-0	2-4-6-0-0-0-0	2-3-5-0-1-0-0-0	2-2-4-0-0-0-0	4-3-7-0-0-0-0	3-0-3-0-0-0-0	
Campbell	7-1-8-1-0-0-0	2-2-4-0-0-0-0	1-1-2-1-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	
Curry	2-4-6-2-1-0-0-1	2-4-6-1-0-0-0-1	4-0-4-1-0-1-0	3-3-6-0-1-0-1	5-2-7-1-0-0-0	3-1-4-1-0-0-1-1	
Ellick	3-0-3-0-0-0-0	4-2-6-1-1-1-0-0	4-0-4-0-0-0-0	5-2-7-0-0-1-1	2-1-3-0-0-0-1	4-2-6-0-0-0-1	
Frome	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	1-1-2-0-0-0-1	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	
Goolsby	2-9-11-1-0-0-1	7-7-14-0-0-0-0	4-2-6-1-0-0-2	3-4-7-0-0-0-0	5-2-7-0.5-0-0-0	2-4-6-0.5-0-0-0	
Hoyte	5-1-6-2-0-0-0-1	3-6-9-1-0-0-0	4-0-4-1-0-0-0	5-1-6-0-0-0-1	1-2-3-0-0-0-0	0-1-1-0-0-0-0	
Jackson	0-3-3-0-1-0-0	5-0-5-0-0-0-1	3-1-4-0-0-0-1	2-1-3-0-0-0-0	3-0-3-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	
Landri	1-2-3-1-0-0-0	0-1-1-0-0-0-2	4-1-5-0-0-0-1	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-2-2-0.5-0-0-1	1-3-4-0.5-0-0-0	
Laws	3-2-5-1-0-0-0-1	2-2-4-1-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-1	2-0-2-0-1-0-0	0-1-1-0-0-0-0	0-1-1-0-0-0-0	
Leitko	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-1-1-0-0-0-0	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	1-0-1-0-1-0-0	0-1-1-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	
Mays	1-1-2-0-0-0-0	0-3-3-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-1-1-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-1-1-0-0-0-0	
Parish	0-1-1-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	4-3-7-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	
Pauly	2-3-5-2-0-0-0	1-2-3-0-0-0-1	1-0-1-0-0-0-0	3-2-5-0-0-0-0	0-2-2-0.5-0-0-0.5	4-1-5-1-0-0-0	
Richardson	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	3-1-4-0-0-1-1	2-1-3-0-0-0-0	2-1-3-0-0-0-0	5-0-5-0-0-0-0	
Tuck	1-4-5-2-0-0-0-2	1-2-3-1-0-0-0-1	0-0-0-0-0-0-0	2-1-3-1.5-0-0-0	2-3-5-0.5-0-0-0.5	1-1-2-1.5-0-0-0	
Zbikowski	3-2-5-2-0-0-0	3-1-4-0-0-0-1	6-3-9-0-1-1-0	0-2-2-0-0-0-0	5-0-5-1-0-0-0	4-3-7-0-0-0-0	

TACKLES

(UT-AT-TT-TFL-FR-INT-PBU-SK)

	BC	@TENN	PITT	USC
Abiamiri				
Budinscak				
Burrell				
Campbell				
Curry				
Ellick				
Frome				
Goolsby				
Hoyte				
Jackson				
Landri				
Laws				
Leitko				
Mays				
Parish				
Pauly				
Richardson				
Tuck				
Zbikowski				

NOTRE DAME VS. NAVY

2004 Notre Dame Scoring Drives

GAME	Q	Time/Scoring Play	Drive
@ BYU	2	0:00/D.J. Fitzpatrick 21 field goal	10p, 77yd, 1:34
	3	4:24/Rhema McKnight 54 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	1p, 54yd, 0:13
	4	8:19/Preston Jackson 38 interception return (Fitzpatrick kick)	no drive
Michigan	3	11:02/Matt Shelton 46 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	3p, 61yd, 1:14
	4	13:48/Darius Walker 6 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	6p, 29yd, 1:42
	4	11:23/Darius Walker 5 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	1p, 5yd, 0:06
	4	5:49/Rashon Powers-Neal 8 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	5p, 40yd, 2:13
@ Michigan State	1	4:42/Brady Quinn 1 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	6p, 13yd, 3:37
	1	0:07/Tom Zbikowski 75 fumble return (Fitzpatrick kick)	no drive
	2	8:52/Matt Shelton 35 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	3p, 59yd, 1:10
	3	5:39/Ryan Grant 6 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	7p, 75yd, 2:56
Washington	4	0:57/D.J. Fitzpatrick 23 field goal	7p, 40yd, 2:32
	1	8:59/Matt Shelton 24 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	5p, 45yd, 1:37
	1	0:20/Matt Shelton 27 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	11p, 79yd, 3:40
	1	0:00/Anthony Fasano 18 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	1p, 18yd, 0:03
Purdue	2	9:14/Anthony Fasano 15 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	7p, 65yd, 2:39
	2	0:34/D.J. Fitzpatrick 45 field goal	9p, 34yd, 1:33
	4	12:19/Darius Walker 17 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	3p, 75yd, 1:18
	1	6:30/D.J. Fitzpatrick 26 field goal	11p, 69yd, 4:19
Stanford	3	8:54/Rhema McKnight 40 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick)	7p, 63yd, 2:57
	3	4:17/Rashon Powers-Neal 1 run (Brady Quinn pass failed)	7p, 76yd, 2:23
	2	12:14/D.J. Fitzpatrick 38 field goal	7p, 48yd, 2:29
Stanford	3	5:56/Ryan Grant 1 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	13p, 73yd, 6:27
	4	11:59/Ryan Grant 3 run (Brady Quinn pass failed)	7p, 27yd, 3:40
	4	4:10/Brady Quinn 2 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	6p, 47yd, 2:17

Goin' The Distance

ND plays covering 25+ yards this season

Opp	Player(s)	dist	play
@BYU	Chase Anastasio	40	KR
	Rhema McKnight	54*	rec
	Anthony Fasano	27	rec
	Preston Jackson	38*	INT
UM	Maurice Stovall	49	rec
	Matt Shelton	46*	rec
	Rhema McKnight	27	rec
@MSU	Tom Zbikowski	75*	FR
	Matt Shelton	53	rec
	Matt Shelton	35*	rec
	Derek Curry	35	INT
	Mike Richardson	32	INT
	Matt Shelton	35	rec
WASH	Jeff Samardzija	31	rec
	Matt Shelton	27*	rec
PUR	Rhema McKnight	53	rec
	Anthony Fasano	42	rec
STAN	Anthony Fasano	26	rec
	Anthony Fasano	25	rec
	Chase Anastasio	30	KR
	Rhema McKnight	40*	rec
	Jeff Samardzija	41	rec
	Matt Shelton	34	rec
STAN	Chase Anastasio	27	KR
	Maurice Stovall	43	rec
	Rhema McKnight	34	rec

** - scoring play / KR - kickoff return / PR - punt return / BPR - blocked punt return / INT - interception return / FR - fumble return*

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2004 Opponent Scoring Drives

GAME	Q	Time/Scoring Play	Drive
@ BYU	1	9:47/Naufahu Tahu 5 run (Payne kick)	6p, 75yd, 1:58
	1	1:31/Matt Payne 44 field goal	8p, 29yd, 3:24
	2	1:34/Matt Payne 53 field goal	4p, (-4)yd, 2:04
	3	7:47/Austin Collie 42 pass from Matt Berry (Payne kick)	4p, 62yd, 1:27
Michigan	1	8:29/Garrett Rivas 38 field goal	7p, 17yd, 2:37
	1	0:11/Garrett Rivas 33 field goal	13p, 41yd, 5:58
	2	0:00/Garrett Rivas 22 field goal	9p, 75yd, 3:52
	3	5:57/Garrett Rivas 47 field goal	7p, 14yd, 2:38
@Michigan State	4	2:27/Steve Breaston 25 pass from Chad Henne (Rivas kick)	7p, 80yd, 1:13
	1	12:18/Jerramy Scott 0 blocked punt return (Rayner kick)	no drive
	3	5:28/DeAndra Cobb 89 kickoff return (Rayner kick)	no drive
	4	14:55/Dave Rayner 46 field goal	8p, 31yd, 3:38
Washington	4	0:09/Drew Stanton 4 run (Rayner kick)	8p, 63yd, 0:41
	2	11:53/Michael Braunstein 26 field goal	10p, 58yd, 3:07
Purdue	1	10:49/Ben Jones 31 field goal	10p, 63yd, 4:11
	1	6:16/Jerome Brooks 100 kickoff return (Jones kick)	no drive
Purdue	2	11:24/Ben Jones 39 field goal	7p, 52yd, 1:52
	2	1:03/Rob Ninkovich 2 pass from Kyle Orton (Jones kick)	11p, 97yd, 3:36
	3	11:51/Taylor Stubblefield 97 pass from Kyle Orton (Jones kick)	3p, 97yd, 0:19
	3	6:40/Kyle Ingraham 9 pass from Kyle Orton (Jones kick)	5p, 56yd, 2:14
	3	0:45/Taylor Stubblefield 12 pass from Kyle Orton (Jones kick)	8p, 75yd, 3:32
Stanford	1	9:45/Michael Sgroi 27 field goal	9p, 42yd, 2:04
	1	5:22/Michael Sgroi 20 field goal	8p, 75yd, 2:26
	3	12:23/Michael Sgroi 38 field goal	7p, 60yd, 2:37
	3	3:28/J.R. Lemon 1 run (Sgroi kick)	9p, 80yd, 2:28

IRISH CAREER RECORDS

Rushing Yards

13. Marchy Schwartz (1929-31)	1,945
14. Don Miller (1922-24)	1,933
15. Tony Rice (1987-89)	1,921
16. Jerome Bettis (1990-92)	1,912
17. Tony Fisher (1998-01)	1,849
18. Ryan Grant (2001-present)	1,847

Pass Completions

6. Blair Kiel (1980-83)	297
7. Joe Theismann (1968-70)	290
8. Joe Montana (1975, '77-78)	268
9. Tom Clements (1972-74)	265
10. Brady Quinn (2003-present)	258

Pass Attempts

3. Rick Mirer (1989-92)	698
4. Blair Kiel (1980-83)	609
5. Terry Hanratty (1966-68)	550
6. Jarious Jackson (1996-99)	536
7. Brady Quinn (2003-present)	525

Passing Yardage

6. Terry Hanratty (1966-68)	4,152
7. Joe Montana (1975, '77-78)	4,121
8. Blair Kiel (1980-83)	3,650
9. Tom Clements (1972-74)	3,594
10. Brady Quinn (2003-present)	3,360

Passing Yards Per Game

1. Brady Quinn (2003-pres.)	186.7 (3,360/18)
2. Ron Powlus (1994-97)	172.7 (7,602/44)
3. Terry Hanratty (1966-68)	159.7 (4,152/26)
4. Steve Beuerlein (1983-86)	155.4 (6,527/42)
5. Joe Montana (1975, '77-78)	152.6 (4,121/27)

Pass Receptions

3. Tim Brown (1984-87)	137
4. Derrick Mayes (1992-95)	129
5. Ken MacAfee (1974-77)	128
6. Tony Hunter (1979-82)	120
-- Rhema McKnight (2002-present)	80
-- Maurice Stovall (2002-present)	53

Field Goals Made

3. (tie) Craig Hentrich (1989-92)	39
(tie) Dave Reeve (1974-77)	39
5. Mike Johnston (1982-83)	31
6. Jim Sanson (1996-99)	28
7. Harry Oliver (1980-81)	24
-- D.J. Fitzpatrick (2002-present)	17

The Last Time It Happened ...

NOTRE DAME ...

RUSHING

Had 400 or more yards: at Boston College, 1996 (426)
 Had 300 or more yards: at Stanford, 2003 (320)
 Had 70 or more rushing attempts: vs. Michigan State, 1991 (76)
 Had 60 or more rushing attempts: vs. West Virginia, 2001 (69)
 Had 50 or more rushing attempts: vs. Stanford, 2004 (51)
 Had six or more rush TDs: vs. Navy, 1996 (6)
 Had five or more rush TDs: at USC, 2000 (5)
 Had four or more rush TDs: at Stanford, 2003 (4)
 Had two players with 100 rush yards in a game: vs. Stanford, 2002
 (Rashon Powers-Neal 108, Ryan Grant 103)

PASSING

Had 500 or more yards: at USC, 1970 (526)
 Had 400 or more yards: vs. Purdue, 2004 (460)
 Had 300 or more yards: vs. Purdue, 2004 (460)
 Had 40 or more pass attempts: vs. Purdue, 2004 (49)
 Had 30 or more pass attempts: vs. Purdue, 2004 (49)
 Had 25 or more pass completions: vs. Purdue, 2004 (29)
 Had 20 or more pass completions: vs. Purdue, 2004 (29)
 Had five passing TDs: vs. Rutgers, 1996 (5)
 Had four passing TDs: vs. Washington, 2004 (4)
 Had three passing TDs: vs. Washington, 2004 (4)
 Had five passes intercepted: vs. USC, 1967 (7)
 Had four passes intercepted: at Purdue, 2003 (4)
 Had three passes intercepted: vs. Michigan, 2004 (3)

RECEIVING

Had two players with 100 receiving yards in a game: vs. Purdue, 2004
 (Anthony Fasano 155, Rhema McKnight 113)
 Had a player with over 150 receiving yards in a game: vs. Purdue, 2004
 (Anthony Fasano, 155)

COMBINATION OFFENSE

Had a 200-yard passer and 100-yard rusher in a game: vs. Navy, 1999
 (Jarious Jackson 200 passing, Julius Jones 146 rushing)
 Had a 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in a game: ... at Air Force, 2002
 (Arnaz Battle 112 receiving, Ryan Grant 190 rushing)

TOTAL OFFENSE

Had 600 or more yards total offense: vs. Washington, 1996 (650)
 Had 500 or more yards total offense: vs. Purdue, 2004 (536)
 Had 400 or more yards total offense: vs. Purdue, 2004 (536)
 Had 85 or more plays total offense: vs. Purdue, 2004 (85)
 Had 75 or more plays total offense: vs. Stanford, 2004 (75)

SCORING

Scored 60 or more points: vs. Rutgers, 1996 (62)
 Scored 50 or more points: at Stanford, 2003 (57)
 Scored 40 or more points: at Stanford, 2003 (57)
 Scored 30 or more points: vs. Washington, 2004 (38)
 Allowed 60 or more points: Never
 Allowed 50 or more points: at Miami (FL), 1985 (58)
 Allowed 40 or more points: vs. Purdue, 2004 (41)
 Allowed 30 or more points: vs. Purdue, 2004 (41)
 Was held scoreless: vs. Florida State, 2003 (37-0)
 Was held scoreless at home: vs. Florida State, 2003 (37-0)
 Was held scoreless on the road: at Michigan, 2003 (38-0)
 Held opponent scoreless: vs. Rutgers, 2002 (42-0)
 Held opponent scoreless at home: vs. Rutgers, 2002 (42-0)
 Held opponent scoreless on the road: at Purdue, 1993 (17-0)
 Held opponent scoreless at neutral site: vs. Maryland
 (Giants Stadium - East Rutherford, NJ), 2002 (22-0)
 Held two opponents scoreless in a season: 2002 vs. Maryland (22-0),
 vs. Rutgers (42-0)
 Held three opponents scoreless in a season: 1976 vs. Purdue (23-0), at
 Northwestern (49-0), vs. Oregon (41-0)
 Held four opponents scoreless in a season: 1966 vs. Army (35-0), vs.
 North Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0), vs. Pittsburgh (40-0),
 vs. Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)
 Held five opponents scoreless in a season: 1966 vs. Army (35-0), vs. North
 Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0), vs. Pittsburgh (40-0), vs.
 Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)
 Held six opponents scoreless in a season: 1966 vs. Army (35-0), vs.
 North Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0), vs. Pittsburgh (40-0),
 vs. Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)
 Had multiple players with multiple TDs in a game: vs. Washington, 2004
 (Matt Shelton - 2, Anthony Fasano - 2)

TURNOVERS

Did not commit a turnover: vs. Navy, 2003
 Committed six or more turnovers: vs. Navy, 1984 (6)
 Committed five or more turnovers: vs. Boston College, 2002 (5)
 Committed four or more fumbles lost: vs. Michigan State, 1999 (4)
 Committed three or more fumbles lost: vs. Washington State (3)
 Recorded six or more takeaways: at Michigan State, 2004 (6)
 Recorded five or more takeaways: vs. Washington, 2004 (5)
 Returned two or more interceptions for TDs: vs. Stanford, 2002 (2)
 (Shane Walton - 18 yards, Courtney Watson - 34 yards)
 Returned an interception for a TD: at BYU, 2004 (1)
 (Preston Jackson, 38 yards)
 Returned a fumble for a TD: at Michigan State, 2004 (1)
 (Tom Zbikowski - 75 yards)

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DEFENSE

Held opponent 50 or fewer rushing yards: at BYU, 2004 (22)
Held opponent to 100 or fewer passing yards: vs. Navy, 2003 (46)
Held opponent to 300 or fewer yards total offense: . vs. Michigan, 2004 (296)
Held opponent to 200 or fewer yards total offense: at Pittsburgh, 2003 (175)
Intercepted five or more passes: vs. Purdue, 1988 (5)
Intercepted four or more passes: vs. Indiana, 1991 (4)
Intercepted three or more passes: at Michigan State, 2004 (3)
Scored a safety: at Stanford, 2003
Recorded nine or more sacks: vs. Rutgers, 1996 (9)
Recorded eight or more sacks: vs. Pittsburgh, 2003 (8)
Recorded seven or more sacks: vs. Pittsburgh, 2003 (8)
Recorded six or more sacks: vs. Pittsburgh, 2003 (8)
Recorded five or more sacks: at BYU, 2004 (5)
Held opponent to 10 or fewer first downs: at Pittsburgh, 2003 (9)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Returned a punt for a TD: vs. Purdue, 2002
(Vontez Duff - 33 yards)
Returned a blocked punt for a TD: at Boston College, 2003
(Carlos Campbell - 25 yards)
Returned a kickoff for a TD: vs. Navy, 2002
(Vontez Duff - 92 yards)
Blocked a punt: vs. Michigan, 2004
Had a punt blocked: at Michigan State, 2004
Punted 10 or more times: at BYU, 2004 (11)
Did not punt: vs. Pittsburgh, 1993
Blocked a field goal: vs. Stanford, 2002
Had a field goal blocked: vs. Navy, 2002
Blocked a PAT kick: vs. LSU, 1998
Had a PAT kick blocked: at Stanford, 2003
Missed a PAT kick: vs. Boston College, 1999
Scored on a two-point conversion vs. Navy, 2002
Scored a defensive PAT: vs. Texas, 1995
(Allen Rossum - 98-yard blocked PAT kick return)

MISCELLANEOUS

Had 30 or more first downs: vs. Washington, 1996 (31)
Had 20 or more first downs: vs. Purdue, 2004 (28)
Was not penalized: at LSU, 1997
Had 10 or more penalties: vs. Washington, 2004 (10)
Had 120 or more yards in penalties: at Rutgers, 2000 (120)
Had 35 minutes or more of possession time: vs. Stanford, 2004 (36:20)
Was involved in a tie game: at USC, 1994 (17-17)
Was involved in an overtime game: .. vs. Washington State, 2003 (W, 29-26)

A NOTRE DAME PLAYER ...

RUSHING

Rushed for 300 or more yards: Never
Rushed for 250 or more yards: Julius Jones at Pittsburgh, 2003 (262)
Rushed for 200 or more yards: Julius Jones at Stanford, 2003 (218)
Rushed for 175 or more yards: Julius Jones at Stanford, 2003 (218)
Rushed for 150 or more yards: Julius Jones at Stanford, 2003 (218)
Rushed for 125 or more yards: Julius Jones at Stanford, 2003 (218)
Rushed for 100 or more yards: Darius Walker vs. Michigan, 2004 (115)
Quarterback rushed for 100 or more yards: Carlyle Holiday
..... at Boston College, 2001 (109)
Rushed 40 or more times: Allen Pinkett at LSU, 1984 (40)
Rushed 35 or more times: Julius Jones vs. BYU, 2003 (35)
Rushed 30 or more times: Darius Walker vs. Michigan, 2004 (31)
Rushed 25 or more times: Darius Walker at Michigan State, 2004 (26)
Rushed for four or more TDs: Emmett Mosley vs. Navy, 1994 (4)
Rushed for three or more TDs: Julius Jones vs. BYU, 2003 (3)
Rushed for two or more TDs: Ryan Grant vs. Stanford, 2004 (2)
Had a run of 80 yards or more: Terrance Howard at West Virginia, 2000 (80)
Had a run of 70 yards or more: Terrance Howard at West Virginia, 2000 (80)
Had a run of 60 yards or more: Carlyle Holiday vs. Pittsburgh, 2001 (67)
Had a run of 50 yards or more: Carlyle Holiday at Air Force, 2002 (53)

PASSING

Passed for 500 or more yards: Joe Theismann at USC, 1970 (526)
Passed for 400 or more yards: Brady Quinn vs. Purdue, 2004 (432)
Passed for 300 or more yards: Brady Quinn vs. Purdue, 2004 (432)
Attempted 50 or more passes: Brady Quinn vs. Florida State, 2003 (52)
Attempted 40 or more passes: Brady Quinn vs. Purdue, 2004 (46)
Attempted 30 or more passes: Brady Quinn vs. Purdue, 2004 (46)
Completed 20 or more passes: Brady Quinn vs. Purdue, 2004 (26)
Threw five or more TDs: Never
Threw four or more TDs: Brady Quinn vs. Washington, 2004 (4)
Threw five or more interceptions: Before 1975
Threw four or more interceptions: Brady Quinn at Purdue, 2003 (4)
Threw three or more interceptions: Brady Quinn vs. Michigan, 2004 (3)
Completed a pass of 80 yards or more: Brady Quinn at Purdue, 2003 (85)
Completed a pass of 70 yards or more: Brady Quinn at Purdue, 2003 (85)
Completed a pass of 60 yards or more: .. Brady Quinn at Stanford, 2003 (65)
Completed a pass of 50 yards or more: Brady Quinn vs. Wash., 2004 (53)

RECEIVING

Caught 15 or more passes: Never
Caught 10 or more passes: Amaz Battle vs. North Carolina St., 2003 (10)
Caught seven or more passes: Anthony Fasano vs. Purdue, 2004 (8)
Had 200 or more yards receiving: Bobby Brown at Pittsburgh, 1999 (208)
Had 175 or more yards receiving: Bobby Brown at Pittsburgh, 1999 (208)
Had 150 or more yards receiving: ... Anthony Fasano vs. Purdue, 2004 (155)
Had 100 or more yards receiving: ... Anthony Fasano vs. Purdue, 2004 (155)

NOTRE DAME VS. NAVY

Caught three or more TDs: Tom Gatewood vs. Purdue, 1970 (3)
Caught two or more TDs: Matt Shelton vs. Washington, 2004 (2)
Anthony Fasano vs. Washington, 2004 (2)

TOTAL OFFENSE

Had 500 or more yards total offense: Joe Theismann at USC, 1970 (512)
Had 400 or more yards total offense: Brady Quinn vs. Purdue, 2004 (425)
Had 100 yards both passing and rushing: Jarious Jackson
vs. Oklahoma, 1999 (276 passing, 107 rushing)

SCORING

Accounted for four or more touchdowns: Brady Quinn
vs. Washington, 2004 (4 passing)
Accounted for three or more touchdowns: Brady Quinn
vs. Washington, 2004 (4 passing)

DEFENSE

Intercepted three or more passes: Shane Walton vs. Maryland, 2002 (3)
Intercepted two or more passes: .. Gerome Sapp at Michigan State, 2002 (2)
Recovered three or more fumbles: Never
Recovered two or more fumbles: Gerome Sapp vs. Navy, 2001 (2)
Recorded 15 or more tackles: ... Courtney Watson at Michigan St., 2002 (15)
Recorded 10 or more tackles: Mike Goolsby vs. Michigan, 2004 (14)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Scored 15 or more points kicking: D.J. Fitzpatrick vs. BYU, 2003 (15)
Scored 10 or more points kicking: D.J. Fitzpatrick vs. BYU, 2003 (15)
Kicked five or more field goals: Nicholas Setta vs. Washington State (5)
Kicked four or more field goals: D.J. Fitzpatrick vs. BYU, 2003 (4)
Kicked two field goals of 50 or more yards: Never
Kicked a field goal of 50 or more yards: Nicholas Setta
vs. Maryland, 2002 (51)
Kicked a punt 70 or more yards: Jim Yoder vs. Texas, 1971 Cotton Bowl (71)
Kicked a punt 60 or more yards: Joey Hildbold vs. Purdue, 2000 (63)
Punted 10 or more times: D.J. Fitzpatrick at BYU, 2004 (10)
Totaled 150 or more kick return yards: Raghil Ismail at Michigan, 1989 (192)
Totaled 100 or more punt return yards: Joey Getherall
at West Virginia, 2000 (122)

AN OPPOSING TEAM ...

RUSHING

Had 400 or more yards: Pittsburgh, 1975 (411)
Had 300 or more yards: Stanford, 1997 (322)
Had 50 or more rushing attempts: Navy, 2003 (53)
Had five or more rush TDs: Stanford, 1990 (5)
Had four or more rush TDs: Michigan, 2003 (4)
Had two or more players with 100 rush yards in a game: Stanford, 1997
(Anthony Bookman 142, Mike Mitchell 135)

PASSING

Had 400 or more yards: Purdue, 2004 (413)
Had 300 or more yards: Purdue, 2004 (413)
Had 60 or more pass attempts: Tennessee, 1990 (60)
Had 50 or more pass attempts: Purdue, 2001 (52)
Had 40 or more pass attempts: Washington, 2004 (44)
Had 30 or more pass completions: USC, 2002 (32)
Had five or more passing TDs: Never
Had four or more passing TDs: Purdue, 2004 (4)
Had three or more passing TDs: Purdue, 2004 (4)

RECEIVING

Had two players with 100 receiving yards in a game: USC, 2003
(Mike Williams 112, Keary Colbert 120)

TOTAL OFFENSE

Had 600 or more yards total offense: USC, 2002 (610)
Had 500 or more yards total offense: Purdue, 2004 (512)
Had 400 or more yards total offense: Purdue, 2004 (512)
Had 80 or more plays: USC, 2003 (81)
Had 70 or more plays: Washington, 2004 (78)

SCORING

Scored 60 or more points: Never
Scored 50 or more points: Miami (Fla.), 1985 (58)
Scored 40 or more points: Purdue, 2004 (41)
Scored 30 or more points: Purdue, 2004 (41)
Scored a two-point conversion: Michigan, 2004

TURNOVERS

Did not commit a turnover: Stanford, 2004
Had three or more fumbles lost: Washington, 2004 (4)
Intercepted five or more passes: USC, 1967 (7)
Intercepted four or more passes: Purdue, 2003 (4)
Intercepted three or more passes: Michigan, 2004 (3)
Returned an interception for a TD: Florida State, 2003
(Leroy Smith, 90 yards)
Returned a fumble for a TD: Air Force, 2002
(Marchello Graddy, 21 yards)

DEFENSE

Held ND to 10 or fewer first downs: Michigan, 2003 (7)
Scored a safety: LSU, 1998
Held ND to 50 or fewer rushing yards: BYU, 2004 (11)
Held ND to 200 or fewer passing yards: Stanford, 2004 (173)
Held ND to 100 or fewer passing yards: Pittsburgh, 2003 (33)
Held ND to 300 or fewer yards total offense: BYU, 2004 (276)
Held ND to 200 or fewer yards total offense: Michigan, 2003 (140)

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SPECIAL TEAMS

Returned a punt for a TD: Purdue, 2002 (Anthony Chambers - 76 yards)
Returned a blocked punt for a TD: Michigan State, 2004
(Jerramy Scott - 0 yards)
Returned a kickoff for a TD: Purdue, 2004 (Jerome Brooks - 100 yards)
Punted 10 or more times: Rutgers, 2002 (10)
Did not punt: Miami (Fla.), 1985
Missed a kicking PAT: Washington State, 2003

MISCELLANEOUS

Had 30 or more first downs: USC, 2002 (31)
Had 20 or more first downs: Purdue, 2004 (22)
Had 10 or more penalties: Washington State, 2003 (13)
Had 100 or more yards in penalties: Washington State, 2003 (118)
Had 35 minutes or more of possession time: Michigan, 2003 (37:47)
Had one 100-yard receiver and one 100-yard rusher: Syracuse, 2003
(Johnnie Morant, 103 receiving, Walter Reyes, 189 rushing)

AN OPPOSING PLAYER ...

RUSHING

Rushed for 300 or more yards: Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh, 1975 (303)
Rushed for 200 or more yards: Rondell Mealey, LSU
1997 Independence Bowl (222)
Rushed for 150 or more yards: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (189)
Rushed for 100 or more yards: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (189)
Rushed 40 or more times: Craig Heyward, Pittsburgh, 1987 (42)
Rushed 30 or more times: Chris Perry, Michigan, 2003 (31)
Rushed 25 or more times: Chris Perry, Michigan, 2003 (31)
Rushed for five or more TDs: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (5)
Rushed for four or more TDs: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (5)
Rushed for three or more TDs: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (5)
Rushed for two or more TDs: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (5)
Had a run of 80 yards or more: ... Sherman Lewis, Michigan State, 1963 (85)
Had a run of 70 yards or more: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (71)
Had a run of 60 yards or more: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (71)
Had a run of 50 yards or more: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (71)

PASSING

Passed for 500 or more yards: Never
Passed for 400 or more yards: Carson Palmer, USC, 2002 (425)
Passed for 300 or more yards: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (385)
Attempted 60 or more passes: Andy Kelly, Tennessee, 1990 (60)
Attempted 50 or more passes: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2001 (52)
Attempted 40 or more passes: Chad Henne, Michigan, 2004 (40)
Completed 30 or more passes: Carson Palmer, USC, 2002 (32)
Completed 20 or more passes: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (21)
Threw four or more TDs: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (4)
Threw three or more TDs: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (4)

Completed a pass of 80 yards or more: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (97)
Completed a pass of 70 yards or more: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (97)
Completed a pass of 60 yards or more: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (97)
Completed a pass of 50 yards or more: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (56)

RECEIVING

Caught 10 or more passes: Braylon Edwards, Michigan, 2004 (12)
Caught seven or more passes: Taylor Stubblefield, Purdue, 2004 (7)
Had 200 or more yards receiving: Craphonso Thorpe
Florida State, 2003 (217)
Had 150 or more yards receiving: Taylor Stubblefield, Purdue, 2004 (181)
Had 100 or more yards receiving: Taylor Stubblefield, Purdue, 2004 (181)
Caught three or more TD passes: Pat Fitzgerald, Texas, 1995 (3)
Caught two or more TD passes: Taylor Stubblefield, Purdue, 2004 (2)

SCORING

Accounted for four or more touchdowns: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004
(4 passing)
Accounted for three or more touchdowns: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004
(4 passing)

DEFENSE

Intercepted three or more passes: Rod Johnson, N.C. State, 2003 (3)
Intercepted two or more passes: Rod Johnson, N.C. State, 2003 (3)
Recorded three or more sacks: Ennis Davis, USC, 1999 (3)
Recorded two or more sacks: Julian Jenkins, Stanford, 2004 (2)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Kicked four or more field goals: Garrett Rivas, Michigan, 2004 (4)
Kicked a field goal 50 or more yards: Matt Payne, BYU, 2004 (53)
Kicked a punt of 70 or more yards: .. Brandon Fields, Michigan St., 2004 (79)
Kicked a punt of 60 or more yards: .. Brandon Fields, Michigan St., 2004 (79)
Totalled 100 or more kick return yards: ... Jerome Brooks, Purdue, 2004 (118)

2004 NOTRE DAME BOX SCORES

Game 1

Notre Dame 17
BYU 20

LaVell Edwards Stadium
Sept. 4, 2004

PROVO, Utah — Brigham Young held off a late push by Notre Dame for a 20-17 victory in the season opener for both teams. Matt Berry passed for 167 yards, including a 42-yard touchdown pass and a clutch 37-yard completion in the final minutes to Todd Watkins, after relieving BYU starter John Beck in the second quarter.

The Fighting Irish were about to get a final chance with BYU facing a third-and-8 play from its own 25. But Berry, who replaced injured starter John Beck in the second quarter, threw a long pass toward the Notre Dame sideline that Watkins leaped to pull in and give BYU a first down with 1:34 remaining. Watkins, a junior college transfer making his BYU debut, also caught a 50-yard pass from Beck to set up the Cougars' opening touchdown.

Notre Dame's Brady Quinn completed 26 of 47 passes for 265 yards, including a screen pass that Rhema McKnight took 54 yards for a touchdown. Preston Jackson returned an interception 38 yards in the fourth quarter to get the Irish within a field goal, but they had to punt on their last possession and the Cougars didn't give up the ball again.

McKnight had a career-high eight catches for 92 yards in the game as Quinn distributed completions to seven different receivers. Tight end Anthony Fasano added four catches for 60 yards for the Irish while full-back Rashon Powers-Neal caught four passes for 24 yards.

Berry, BYU's starter until breaking a bone in his hand early last season, completed 15 of 23 passes yards and an interception. He was shaky early in relief of Beck, who left in the second quarter after being leveled on an option play by Irish linebacker Brandon Hoyte. X-rays on Beck were negative for any breaks, but he did not return.

The Cougars prevailed on a night when the most effective ways to move the ball were do anything but run with it. Only 22 of BYU's 285 yards came on the ground. The Fighting Irish had 21 carries for 11 yards on the ground. Matt Payne had field goals of 44 and 53 yards for BYU and his punting was clutch, pinning the Irish inside their own 15 all night and handcuffing the already struggling offense. Payne averaged 46.8 yards per kick even with a few short ones he tried to place in the corner.

BYU was the first to score when Fahu Tahī ran in from 5 yards out. The score was set up by Watkins, who was double covered and had his legs wrapped up but pulled in a 50-yard pass from Beck anyway. The Irish didn't score until late in the second quarter when Brady ran the hurry-up offense to get within range for D.J. Fitzpatrick's 21-yard field goal for Notre Dame's first points of the season.

SCORING SUMMARY

Notre Dame 0 3 7 7 — 17
BYU 10 3 7 0 — 20

First Quarter

BYU - Naufahu Tahī 5 run (Matt Payne kick), 9:47

BYU - FG Payne 44, 1:31

Second Quarter

BYU - FG Payne 53, 1:34

ND - FG D.J. Fitzpatrick 21, 0:00

Third Quarter

BYU - Austin Collie 42 pass from Matt Berry (Payne kick), 7:47

ND - Rhema McKnight 54 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick), 4:24

Fourth Quarter

ND - Preston Jackson 38 interception return (Fitzpatrick kick), 8:19

Team Statistics

	ND	BYU
First downs	15	13
Rushes-yards	21-11	35-22
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	47-26-0	33-22-1
Passing yards	265	263
Total plays-yards	68-276	68-285
Kick returns-yards	3-51	6-63
Sacks by	5-36	3-22
Punts-average	11-40.8	9-46.8
Fumbles-lost	2-1	3-1
Penalties-yards	7-55	9-74
Third-down conversions	3-16	7-19
Fourth-down conversions	1-2	0-0
Time of possession	26:28	33:32

Individual Leaders

Rushing (Carries-Yards):

ND: Marcus Wilson 9-22; Travis Thomas 6-2; Rashon Powers-Neal 1-0; Brady Quinn 5-(-13).

BYU: Naufahu Tahī 12-31; Curtis Brown 12-15; John Beck 3-12; TEAM 2-(-2); Austin Collie 1-(-3); Matt Berry 5-(-31).

Passing (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD):

ND: Brady Quinn 47-26-0-265-1.

BYU: Matt Berry 23-15-1-167-1; John Beck 10-7-0-96-0.

Receiving (Catches-Yards):

ND: Rhema McKnight 8-92; Anthony Fasano 4-60; Rashon Powers-Neal 4-24; Marcus Freeman 3-28; Maurice Stovall 3-23; Travis Thomas 2-28; Jeff Jenkins 2-10.

BYU: Todd Watkins 5-115; Curtis Brown 5-15; Austin Collie 3-54; Naufahu Tahī 3-31; David Coats 2-32; Jason Kukahiko 2-14; Dennis Pitta 1-4; Chris Hale 1-(-2).

Attendance - 65,251 (c)

Game 2

#8/7 Michigan 20
Notre Dame 28

Notre Dame Stadium
Sept. 11, 2004

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — Freshman running back Darius Walker ran for two fourth-quarter touchdowns as Notre Dame pulled off a 28-20 upset of No. 8/7 Michigan, which self-destructed in the second half.

Walker's first score from six yards out gave the Irish (1-1) their first lead, 14-12, just over a minute into the fourth quarter. After a blocked punt on Michigan's next possession, Walker scampered five yards around left end to extend the lead to 21-12.

"This was a big win. Any time you knock off a top 10 team, it's a big win," Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham said. "This was just one game, though. I can't get ahead of myself; I won't let my team get ahead of itself. Today was fantastic; tomorrow we start over again."

Walker finished with 115 yards on 31 carries, becoming the first Notre Dame freshman to top the 100-yard mark since Julius Jones in 1999. He also was the first Irish rookie running back to score twice since Jerome Heavens in 1975.

"(Running backs coach) Buzz Preston and I talked during the week. We wanted to get him in the first quarter, but we didn't know how many carries he would get," Willingham said. "He gave us a spark. The right person at the right time can give you that spark that everyone feeds off of."

Michigan (1-1) was undone by miscues in the second half, turning the ball over three times in addition to the blocked punt. The Wolverines also were unable to establish their running game, gaining just 55 yards on 28 carries.

The Wolverines held a 9-0 lead at the half as Garrett Rivas connected on field goals of 38, 33 and 22 yards. Notre Dame got on the board in the third period when Brady Quinn, who completed 10-of-20 passes for 178 yards and two touchdowns, hit Matt Shelton with a 46-yard scoring strike. Rivas' fourth field goal from 47 yards gave Michigan a 12-7 lead heading into the final period.

Michigan freshman Chad Henne was 25-of-40 for 240 yards and a touchdown to Steve Breaston with 2:27 to play. Henne found Breaston for the two-point conversion to provide the final margin.

The loss was Michigan's third straight at Notre Dame Stadium. The Wolverines have not won at Notre Dame Stadium since 1994. The Wolverines hold an 18-13-1 all-time lead in the series but are just 4-8-1 since 1987, including 1-5-1 at Notre Dame.

SCORING SUMMARY

Michigan 6 3 3 8 — 20
Notre Dame 0 0 7 21 — 28

First Quarter

UM - FG Garrett Rivas 38, 8:29

UM - FG Rivas 33, 0:11

Second Quarter

UM - FG Rivas 22, 0:00

Third Quarter

ND - Matt Shelton 46 pass from Brady Quinn (D.J. Fitzpatrick kick), 11:02

UM - FG Rivas 47, 5:57

Fourth Quarter

ND - Darius Walker 6 run (Fitzpatrick kick), 13:48

ND - Darius Walker 5 run (Fitzpatrick kick), 11:23

ND - Rashon Powers-Neal 8 pass from Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick), 5:49

UM - Steve Breaston 25 pass from Chad Henne (Rivas kick), 2:27

Team Statistics

	UM	ND
First downs	15	13
Rushes-yards	30-56	40-135
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	40-25-1	21-10-3
Passing yards	240	178
Total plays-yards	70-296	61-313
Kick returns-yards	5-94	12-162
Sacks by	0-0	2-18
Punts-average	8-38.4	7-37.6
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-1
Penalties-yards	6-50	5-49
Third-down conversions	6-18	3-12
Fourth-down conversions	0-0	0-1
Time of possession	32:38	27:22

Individual Leaders

Rushing (Carries-Yards):

UM: Jerome Jackson 15-32; Pierre Rembert 4-23; Michael Hart 5-17; Kevin Dudley 1-4; David Underwood 1-0; Steve Breaston 1-(-4); Chad Henne 3-(-16).

ND: Darius Walker 31-115; Ryan Grant 4-9; Brady Quinn 2-7; Marcus Wilson 3-4.

Passing (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD):

UM: Chad Henne 40-25-1-240-1.

ND: Brady Quinn 20-10-3-178-2; Marcus Wilson 1-0-0-0-0.

Receiving (Catches-Yards):

UM: Braylon Edwards 12-129; Steve Breaston 5-42; Jason Avant 3-30; Tim Massaquoi 1-11; Tyler Ecker 1-9; Kevin Dudley 1-9; Michael Hart 1-8; Pierre Rembert 1-2.

ND: Maurice Stovall 5-82; Rhema McKnight 3-42; Matt Shelton 1-46; Rashon Powers-Neal 1-8.

Attendance - 80,795 (c)

2004 NOTRE DAME BOX SCORES

Game 3

Notre Dame 31
Michigan State 24

Spartan Stadium
Sept. 18, 2004

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Irish safety Tom Zbikowski returned a fumble 75 yards for a touchdown and had an interception that set up another score for Notre Dame, which forced six turnovers and beat Michigan State 31-24. The Fighting Irish (2-1) got three interceptions and recovered three fumbles in their second straight victory.

Zbikowski's interception of Stephen Reaves' pass led to a 13-yard scoring drive for the Irish that was capped by a fourth-down, 1-yard bootleg by quarterback Brady Quinn to tie the game at 7. Zbikowski struck again on the next possession. He read a Michigan State option play and stripped running back Jason Teague of the ball, then raced the length of the field for a 14-7 lead.

Michigan State scored early in the first quarter on a blocked punt by Marshall Campbell. The punt was recovered in the end zone by Jerramy Scott to give Michigan State a 7-0 lead. But the Spartans couldn't keep the momentum, committing four first-half turnovers. Reaves, a freshman, was benched at halftime after throwing three interceptions. He was 7-for-20 for 66 yards.

The Irish had several scoring opportunities in the first half and extended their lead to 21-7 midway through the second period on a 59-yard, three-play drive capped by a 35-yard pass from Quinn to wide receiver Matt Shelton. Shelton finished with three catches for 123 yards and a touchdown.

An impressive 75-yard drive in the third period extended the Irish lead to 28-7. Notre Dame used seven consecutive running plays to reach the end zone. Grant started the drive with a 16-yard run before Walker carried four consecutive times for a total of 45 yards, including runs of 16 and 19 yards. Grant then returned to finish off the march with runs of nine and six yards, scoring from the six with 5:39 left in the third period.

That 21-point lead was short-lived as DeAndra Cobb returned the ensuing kickoff 89 yards for a Spartan touchdown. The Spartans followed with a 31-yard march to a field goal on their next possession to cut the lead to 28-17 and MSU threatened to make another charge in the fourth period by marching 85 yards to the Irish one-yard line before Notre Dame's Corey Mays forced a fumble by MSU tailback Jahuu Caulcrick that Quentin Burrell recovered in the end zone.

An exchange of fumbles preceded Notre Dame's clinching score, a 23-yard field goal by D.J. Fitzpatrick with 57 seconds remaining for a 31-17 Irish lead. Reaves' replacement, sophomore Drew Stanton, led the Spartans to their only offensive TD with 9 seconds left in the game. Stanton ran in from 4 yards out.

The Irish had enough on offense to secure the victory, running for 173 yards. Ryan Grant had 66 yards on 11 carries, including a 6-yard touchdown. Quinn was 11-of-24

passing for 215 yards, including the 35-yard scoring pass to Shelton.

Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham, a 1977 Michigan State graduate, improved to 2-1 against his alma mater as Irish coach. He is 3-1 all-time against the Spartans, including a win while at Stanford. Michigan State had dominated the recent series against the Irish, winning six of the previous seven.

SCORING SUMMARY

Notre Dame	14	7	7	3	—	31
Michigan State	7	0	7	10	—	24

First Quarter

MSU - Jerramy Scott 0 blocked punt return (Dave Rayner kick), 12:18

ND - Brady Quinn 1 run (D.J. Fitzpatrick kick), 4:42

ND - Tom Zbikowski 75 fumble return (Fitzpatrick kick), 0:07

Second Quarter

ND - Matt Shelton 35 pass from Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick), 8:52

Third Quarter

ND - Ryan Grant 6 run (Fitzpatrick kick), 5:39

MSU - DeAndra Cobb 89 kickoff return (Rayner kick), 5:28

Fourth Quarter

MSU - FG Rayner 46, 14:55

ND - FG Fitzpatrick 23, 0:57

MSU - Drew Stanton 4 run (Rayner kick), 0:09

Team Statistics

	ND	MSU
First downs	19	18
Rushes-yards	48-173	35-165
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	24-11-1	34-15-3
Passing yards	215	176
Total plays-yards	72-388	69-341
Kick returns-yards	5-73	10-212
Sacks by	1-4	2-11
Punts-average	6-33.3	5-44.8
Fumbles-lost	2-2	3-3
Penalties-yards	4-22	3-20
Third-down conversions	7-16	4-14
Fourth-down conversions	1-1	0-0
Time of possession	34:01	25:59

Individual Leaders

Rushing (Carries-Yards):

ND: Darius Walker 26-98; Ryan Grant 11-66; Travis Thomas 5-10; Brady Quinn 4-1; Rashon Powers-Neal 1-0; TEAM 1-(-2).

MSU: Jahuu Caulcrick 15-85; Drew Stanton 8-49; Jason Teague 6-21; Matt Trannon 1-12; DeAndra Cobb 3-3; Stephen Reaves 1-(-1); TEAM 1-(-4).

Passing (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD):

ND: Brady Quinn 24-11-1-215-1.

MSU: Stephen Reaves 20-7-3-66-0; Drew Stanton 12-8-0-110-0; TEAM 2-0-0-0-0.

Receiving (Catches-Yards):

ND: Jeff Samardzija 4-65; Matt Shelton 3-123; Maurice Stovall 2-17; Chris Vaughn 1-7; Darius Walker 1-3.

MSU: Jason Teague 4-14; Jerramy Scott 3-71; Kyle Brown 3-43; Matt Trannon 2-27; Agim Shabaj 2-14; Eric Knott 1-7.

Attendance - 74,962 (c)

Game 4

Washington 3
Notre Dame 38

Notre Dame Stadium
Sept. 25, 2004

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — Finally, Notre Dame had room to relax.

Brady Quinn tied a school record with four touchdown passes to lead the Fighting Irish to a 38-3 victory over Washington, improving the Irish's record to 3-1. Quinn was 15-of-23 passing for 196 yards with two touchdowns each to Matt Shelton and Anthony Fasano in the first half, leading Notre Dame to its first easy victory of the season.

Quinn completed only two passes in the second half, one for 53 yards that set up the Fighting Irish's final score, but it hardly mattered. Quinn, a sophomore, finished 17 of 32 for 266 yards with one interception. Quinn spread his completions around to seven different receivers, including one play in which he caught his own deflected pass, and has completed passes for 14 different receivers this season. Quinn's fourth touchdown pass tied a school record done eight times, the last time by Carlyle Holiday in 2002.

About the only disappointment for Notre Dame on Saturday was that after playing their best half offensively, the Irish could not move the ball in the second half. But the Huskies — who were held without a touchdown for the first time since a 16-3 loss to Arizona in 1992 — never got back in the game. The three points were the fewest allowed by the Irish since a 42-0 victory over Rutgers on Nov. 23, 2002.

Quinn guided Notre Dame to scores on five of its eight first-half possessions. He started the run on Notre Dame's second possession, pump faking a screen pass, then throwing 24 yards into the end zone to Shelton, who was wide open. Two possessions later, Quinn capped a 79-yard drive, Notre Dame's longest scoring drive of the season, with a 27-yard pass to a leaping Shelton. Making his first starting appearance for the Irish, Shelton finished the day with a career-high four catches for 74 yards.

The Notre Dame defense, which had set up or scored half of the Irish touchdowns entering the game, set the offense up again on Washington's next play. Nose guard Trevor Laws jarred the ball loose from tailback Kenny James, then fell on the ball at the Washington 18. The Irish scored on the next play when Quinn threw an 18-yard TD pass to Fasano, giving Notre Dame a 21-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Washington made it 21-3 on a 26-yard field goal by Michael Braunstein. But the Irish went ahead, 28-3, on a 15-yard scoring pass from Quinn to Fasano in the second quarter. Notre Dame moved ahead 31-3 when D. J. Fitzpatrick kicked a 45-yard field goal with 34 seconds left in the half. The Irish went ahead, 38-3, on a 17-yard run by the freshman Darius Walker, who finished with 81 yards on 23 carries. Walker made his first start in place on injured senior Ryan Grant.

It was Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham's first victory over the Huskies. Willingham's Stanford teams were 0-5 against Washington. The Huskies are now 0-5 against the Irish, losing by combined scores of 194-51. The victory was Notre Dame's sixth in its last eight games and marked the first time the Fighting Irish had held an opponent without a touchdown since a 42-0 win over Rutgers in 2002. The Irish have averaged 35.7 points per game in their last six victories.

SCORING SUMMARY

Washington	0	3	0	0	—	3
Notre Dame	21	10	0	7	—	38

First Quarter

ND - Matt Shelton 24 pass from Brady Quinn (D.J. Fitzpatrick kick), 8:59

ND - Shelton 27 pass from Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick), 0:20

ND - Anthony Fasano 18 pass from Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick), 0:00

Second Quarter

WASH - FG Michael Braunstein 26, 11:53

ND - Fasano 15 pass from Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick), 9:14

ND - FG Fitzpatrick 45, 0:34

Fourth Quarter

ND - Darius Walker 17 run (Fitzpatrick kick), 12:19

Team Statistics

	WASH	ND
First downs	20	22
Rushes-yards	34-112	46-146
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	44-17-1	32-17-1
Passing yards	223	266
Total plays-yards	78-335	78-412
Kick returns-yards	11-135	3-37
Sacks by	0-0	0-0
Punts-average	7-40.6	8-45.0
Fumbles-lost	5-4	1-0
Penalties-yards	6-55	10-101
Third-down conversions	3-15	5-16
Fourth-down conversions	0-2	0-1
Time of possession	28:03	31:57

Individual Leaders

Rushing (Carries-Yards):

WASH: Kenny James 11-33; James Sims 4-30; Louis Rankin 5-25; Carl Bonnell 6-16; Zach Tuiasosopo 2-8; Anthony Russo 1-7; Shelton Sampson 3-6; Casey Paus 2-(-13).

ND: Darius Walker 23-81; Marcus Wilson 5-20; Rashon Powers-Neal 3-17; Jeff Jenkins 5-17; Justin Hoskins 4-16; Matt Shelton 1-0; Travis Thomas 5-(-5).

Passing (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD):

WASH: Casey Paus 26-10-0-130-0; Carl Bonnell 18-7-1-93-0.

ND: Brady Quinn 32-17-1-266-4.

Receiving (Catches-Yards):

WASH: Corey Williams 5-72; Sonny Shackelford 3-38; Bobby Whithorne 2-36; Joe Toledo 2-27; Kenny James 2-15; Anthony Russo 1-13; Charles Frederick 1-11; Quintin Daniels 1-11.

ND: Matt Shelton 4-74; Rhema McKnight 3-68; Jeff Samardzija 3-48; Anthony Fasano 3-41; Carlyle Holiday 2-21; Josh Schmidt 1-14; Brady Quinn 1-0.

Attendance - 80,795 (c)

2004 NOTRE DAME BOX SCORES

Game 5

#15/15 Purdue 41
Notre Dame 16

Notre Dame Stadium
Oct. 2, 2004

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — It was an offensive showcase that has seldom been matched at Notre Dame Stadium.

An amazing performance by Notre Dame quarterback Brady Quinn was overshadowed by an incredible performance by Purdue quarterback Kyle Orton, whose pinpoint passing and poise in the pocket helped No. 15 Purdue end 30 years of frustration at Notre Dame. Off to a phenomenal start to the season, Orton passed for 385 yards — including a 97-yard touchdown to Taylor Stubblefield — and four scores as the Boilermakers defeated the Fighting Irish, 41-16.

Jerome Brooks ran back a kickoff 100 yards for a score for Purdue (4-0), which snapped a 13-game road losing streak in Notre Dame Stadium and became the first Big Ten team in three tries to beat Notre Dame this season. The Irish had defeated Michigan and Michigan State.

Orton completed 21-of-31 passes, including a pair of scores to Stubblefield, his favorite target. Through four games, Orton has 17 touchdowns without an interception this season. Just as impressive was Quinn, who went 26-of-46 for 432 yards — a record by a quarterback at Notre Dame Stadium — and one touchdown without an interception for the Irish (3-2). It was the second-most passing yards ever produced by a Notre Dame quarterback.

After Notre Dame tied the game at 3-3 on D.J. Fitzpatrick's 26-yard field goal with just over six minutes left in the first quarter, Brooks took the ensuing kickoff on the goal line, broke a pair of tackles and raced diagonally to his left for the score.

It was 13-3 when Notre Dame freshman Darius Walker lost a fumble at the Purdue 3 and Orton marched the Boilermakers on a 97-yard drive, which he capped with a two-yard pass to Rob Ninkovich to make it 20-3 with 1:03 left in the half.

Orton added three TD passes in the third quarter, including his bomb down the right sideline to Stubblefield just over three minutes into the half. It was the second-longest TD pass in Purdue history and the longest ever allowed by Notre Dame.

Stubblefield had seven catches for 181 yards and moved into second place on the school's career receiving yards and receptions lists. Despite both teams being held to double figures in rushing yards, the game featured more than 1,000 yards of total offense (Notre Dame - 536; Purdue - 512).

The Irish produced a pair of 100-yard receiving efforts in the game as tight end Anthony Fasano caught eight passes for 155 yards and receiver Rhema McKnight grabbed seven for 113 yards and a touchdown. Fasano's total yardage set a new Notre Dame record for receiving yards by a tight end in a single game.

SCORING SUMMARY

Purdue 10 10 21 0 — 41
Notre Dame 3 0 13 0 — 16

First Quarter

PUR - FG Ben Jones 31, 10:49

ND - FG D.J. Fitzpatrick 26, 6:30

PUR - Jerome Brooks 100 kickoff return (Jones kick), 6:16

Second Quarter

PUR - FG Jones 39, 11:24

PUR - Rob Ninkovich 2 pass from Kyle Orton (Jones kick), 1:03

Third Quarter

PUR - Taylor Stubblefield 97 pass from Orton (Jones kick), 11:51

ND - Rhema McKnight 40 pass from Brady Quinn (Fitzpatrick kick), 8:54

PUR - Kyle Ingraham 9 pass from Orton (Jones kick), 6:40

ND - Rashon Powers-Neal 1 run (Quinn pass failed), 4:17

PUR - Stubblefield 12 pass from Orton (Jones kick), 0:45

Team Statistics

	PUR	ND
First downs	22	28
Rushes-yards	28-99	36-75
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	32-22-0	49-29-0
Passing yards	413	460
Total plays-yards	60-512	85-536
Kick returns-yards	2-118	6-100
Sacks by	7-31	2-17
Punts-average	3-35.7	3-49.3
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-yards	8-70	7-40
Third-down conversions	5-10	8-18
Fourth-down conversions	0-0	2-4
Time of possession	26:48	33:12

Individual Leaders

Rushing (Carries-Yards):

PUR: Jerod Void 11-53; Brandon Jones 9-44; Kyle Orton 6-3; Ray Williams 1-1; TEAM 1-(-2).

ND: Darius Walker 19-60; Jeff Jenkins 2-20; Marcus Wilson 1-2; Rashon Powers-Neal 2-1; Brady Quinn 12-(-7).

Passing (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD):

PUR: Kyle Orton 31-21-0-385-4; Brandon Jones 1-1-0-28-0.

ND: Brady Quinn 46-26-0-432-1; Pat Dillingham 3-3-0-28-0.

Receiving (Catches-Yards):

PUR: Taylor Stubblefield 7-181; Ray Williams 5-59; Kyle Ingraham 4-29; Dorien Bryant 2-78; Brian Hare 1-36; Jerod Void 1-15; Charles Davis 1-13; Rob Ninkovich 1-2.

ND: Anthony Fasano 8-155; Rhema McKnight 7-113; Matt Shelton 3-61; Jeff Samardzija 3-59; Marcus Freeman 2-22; Darius Walker 1-16; Chase Anastasio 1-15; Jerome Collins 1-13; Rashon Powers-Neal 1-6; Brady Quinn 1-0.

Attendance - 80,795 (c)

Game 6

Stanford 15
Notre Dame 23

Notre Dame Stadium
Oct. 9, 2004

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — Notre Dame head coach Tyrone Willingham found a way to beat his former Stanford team for a third straight time as the Irish claimed a 23-15 win. This one, though, was nowhere near as easy as the previous two. With the victory, Notre Dame became just the second Division I-A team to win 800 games (Michigan won its 838th vs. Minnesota on Saturday).

Notre Dame looked as if it was in trouble until a muffed punt snap by Stanford set up a go-ahead touchdown by Ryan Grant from 3 yards out early in the fourth quarter. The Irish added an insurance score on quarterback Brady Quinn's two-yard run with 4:10 left and turned back Stanford's last-gasp drive for a tying score. Quinn was 11-of-24 passing for 173 yards, but didn't play the last series after being shaken up on the TD run.

"It was a barnburner," Willingham said. "We weren't trying to burn down the barn. It was hard for me because I didn't think we were playing the way I know we can."

Stanford (3-2), which lost to the Irish (4-2) by 24 and 50 points the past two seasons, looked as though it might finally beat its former coach. The Cardinal were leading 15-10 until punter Jay Ottovegio dropped the snap late in the third quarter despite no pressure by the Irish. Ottovegio picked the ball up and tried to get the punt off, but was tackled by Corey Mays just as he released the ball and fanned on the kick. Stanford's David Bergeron recovered the ball on the 27 for Stanford, but the Irish took over on downs.

Grant, who missed the past two games and the season-opener against Brigham Young because of an injured left hamstring, also had a 1-yard TD run in the third quarter. Grant finished with 67 yards on 19 carries for Notre Dame. Willingham said having Grant back was a key for the Irish.

"We said all along that Ryan is not only an excellent player, he's an excellent leader," Willingham said. "When you have him in there, it just multiplies your experience."

Darius Walker ran for 82 yards on 20 carries. Notre Dame, held to 76 yards rushing in its loss to Purdue and 11 yards in its loss to Brigham Young, rushed for 149 yards and improved to 4-0 in games when it rushes for at least 100 yards.

"I hope we can get out of this week-to-week situation and we can get consistent with our running game because that is critical to our success," Willingham said. "Having a run game allows us to be a better football team. That's the bottom line."

The Cardinal couldn't finish their drives, settling for three field goals by Michael Sgroi, including two on their first two possessions when they drove inside the Notre Dame 10. Despite all their troubles, Stanford had a chance to tie it from the 39-yard line on the

last play of the game. But Notre Dame knocked down the pass by Trent Edwards into the end zone to preserve the victory. Edwards was 17-of-38 passing for 267 yards for the Cardinal.

SCORING SUMMARY

Stanford 6 0 9 0 — 15
Notre Dame 0 3 7 13 — 23

First Quarter

STAN - FG Michael Sgroi 27, 9:45

STAN - FG Sgroi 20, 5:22

Second Quarter

ND - FG D.J. Fitzpatrick 38, 12:14

Third Quarter

STAN - FG Sgroi 38, 12:23

ND - Ryan Grant 1 run (Fitzpatrick kick), 5:56

STAN - J.R. Lemon 1 run (Trent Edwards pass intercepted), 3:28

Third Quarter

ND - Ryan Grant 3 run (Brady Quinn pass failed), 11:59

ND - Quinn 2 run (Fitzpatrick kick), 4:10

Team Statistics

	STAN	ND
First downs	16	19
Rushes-yards	25-67	51-149
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	38-17-0	24-11-0
Passing yards	267	173
Total plays-yards	63-334	75-322
Kick returns-yards	8-83	5-64
Sacks by	3-21	1-9
Punts-average	5-46.2	6-43.7
Fumbles-lost	4-0	3-1
Penalties-yards	9-59	7-33
Third-down conversions	3-14	10-19
Fourth-down conversions	0-2	1-2
Time of possession	23:40	36:20

Individual Leaders

Rushing (Carries-Yards):

STAN: J.R. Lemon 13-41; Mark Bradford 1-16; Kenneth Tolon 4-8; Trent Edwards 6-8; Jay Ottovegio 1-(-6).

ND: Darius Walker 20-82; Ryan Grant 19-67; Marcus Wilson 1-8; Rashon Powers-Neal 4-4; Brady Quinn 7-(-12).

Passing (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD):

STAN: Trent Edwards 38-17-0-267-0.

ND: Brady Quinn 24-11-0-173-0.

Receiving (Catches-Yards):

STAN: Alex Smith 5-73; Evan Moore 5-72; Greg Camarillo 2-50; Matt Traverso 1-30; Justin McCullum 1-24; Mark Bradford 1-9; Kenneth Tolon 1-7; J.R. Lemon 1-2.

ND: Maurice Stovall 3-59; Rhema McKnight 3-51; Jerome Collins 3-45; Rashon Powers-Neal 1-10; Jeff Samardzija 1-8.

Attendance - 80,795 (c)