



# NOTRE DAME

## Women's Basketball 2008-09

2001 NCAA Champions • 1997 NCAA Final Four  
7 NCAA Sweet 16 Berths • 15 NCAA Tourney Appearances

### 2008-09 ND Women's Basketball: Game 24

#24/22 Notre Dame *Fighting Irish* (17-6 / 6-5 BIG EAST) vs.  
South Florida *Bulls* (18-7 / 5-6 BIG EAST)

- ◆ **DATE:** February 17, 2009
- ◆ **TIME:** 7:00 p.m. ET
- ◆ **AT:** Tampa, Fla.  
Sun Dome (10,411)
- ◆ **SERIES:** ND leads 4-2
- ◆ **1ST MTG:** ND 73-50 (12/13/97)
- ◆ **LAST MTG:** ND 92-49 (2/27/08)
- ◆ **RADIO:** Pulse FM (96.9/92.1)  
UND.com  
Bob Nagle, p-b-p
- ◆ **LIVE STATS:** GoUSFBulls.com
- ◆ **TEXT ALERT:** UND.com
- ◆ **TICKETS:** (800) 462-8557



### Storylines

- ◆ Notre Dame and USF are among the BIG EAST leaders in steals, with the Bulls in the top spot (12.3 spg.) and the Irish ranking third (10.5 spg.).
- ◆ Notre Dame is 13-3 all-time when playing in the state of Florida, with all three losses coming by two points or less or in overtime.

**W**ith the middle of the current BIG EAST standings looking more congested than Turn 4 at the recently-completed Daytona 500, No. 24/22 Notre Dame aims to break out of the pack Tuesday night when it travels to South Florida for a 7 p.m. (ET) game at the Sun Dome in Tampa.

The Irish (17-6, 6-5) will be playing for the first time in six days, following a hard-fought 71-66 loss to No. 10/12 Louisville on Feb. 11 at the Joyce Center. Notre Dame battled back from a 14-point second-half deficit to get within one possession three times in the final two minutes, but the Cardinals hung on for the win.

Sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** continued her recent resurgence, matching her career high with 18 points, while freshman guard **Natalie Novosel** provided a spark off the bench with 17 points, and junior guard **Ashley Barlow** chipped in 16 points and eight rebounds.

### Rankings

- ◆ Notre Dame is ranked 24th in this week's Associated Press poll and was 22nd in last week's ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll.
- ◆ South Florida is not ranked.

### Web Sites

- ◆ Notre Dame: <http://www.UND.com>
- ◆ South Florida: <http://www.GoUSFBulls.com>
- ◆ BIG EAST: <http://www.bigeast.org>

### Setting The Standard

Under the guidance of 22nd-year head coach **Muffet McGraw**, Notre Dame has evolved into one of the country's leading women's basketball powers. The Irish have appeared in 15 NCAA Tournaments (including a current streak of 13 in a row) and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 seven times in the past 12 years. Notre Dame also has reached the NCAA Women's Final Four twice, winning college basketball's ultimate prize with the 2001 national championship.

In its history, Notre Dame has developed nine All-Americans, 10 WNBA players (including seven draft picks in the past eight years) and four USA Basketball veterans (eight medals won). Now in their 32nd season in 2008-09, the Irish own an all-time record of **655-293 (.691)**.

### Notre Dame Head Coach Muffet McGraw

- Saint Joseph's '77
- ◆ 22nd season at Notre Dame
    - 491-194 (.717) at Notre Dame.
    - 579-235 (.711) in 27 years as head coach.

### NOTES

- ◆ 2001 consensus National Coach of the Year
- ◆ Four-time Naismith Coach of the Year finalist
- ◆ Four-time conference Coach of the Year
  - BIG EAST Conference (2001)
  - Midwestern Collegiate Conference (1991)
  - North Star Conference (1988)
  - East Coast Conference (@ Lehigh) (1983)

### Notre Dame's Probable Starting Lineup (c = captain)

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
32	Becca Bruszewski	F	6-1	So.	9.9	4.7	1.6 apg	• 15.3 ppg, 7.3 rpg past 4 gms (18 vs. LOU)
52	Erica Williamson	C	6-4	Jr.	5.4	4.0	0.8 bpg	• 10th on ND career blocks list (94)
20	Ashley Barlow (C)	G	5-9	Jr.	12.4	4.9	2.7 spg	• 24th 1,000-point scorer in ND history
23	Melissa Lechlitrner (C)	G	5-7	Jr.	10.8	2.7	3.4 apg	• 4.1 apg, 1.73 A/T/O in BE play (both 6th)
24	Lindsay Schrader (C)	G	6-0	Sr.	11.4	6.9	2.4 apg	• 7.2 rpg in BIG EAST play (ranks 12th)

### Off the Bench For the Irish

1	Erica Solomon	F	6-2	Fr.	6.3	4.8	1.3 bpg	• Team-high 14 pts, 8 rebs @ #22/24 Pitt
10	Kellie Watson	F	6-2	Fr.	4.8	2.7	0.9 apg	• 2nd on team with 26 three-pointers
12	Fraderica Miller	G	5-10	Fr.	1.1	0.7	1.0 spg	• Sparked rally vs. LOU with 2 stls, 2 rebs
14	Devereaux Peters	F	6-2	So.	7.3	4.3	2.0 bpg	• Out for season (torn ACL left knee @ BC)
21	Natalie Novosel	G	5-11	Fr.	7.7	3.0	1.4 spg	• .571 FG% in BIG EAST play (ranks 6th)
22	Brittany Mallory	G	5-10	So.	8.1	3.3	2.9 apg	• Out for season (torn ACL left knee @ UM)
44	Alena Christiansen	G	5-7	Jr.	0.8	0.3	0.3 spg	• Walk-on joined team Dec. 19; 4 GP

Pronunciations: Alena (uh-LAY-nuh); Bruszewski (broo-SHEFF-skee); Fraderica (fruh-DARE-uh-kuh); Lechlitrner (LECK-light-ner); Novosel (KNOW-vuh-sell)

2008-09 Schedule

### 17-6 / 6-5 BIG EAST

N5	Gannon (exhibition)	W, 96-30
N16	(16/14) @ LSU (24/22) <sup>1-ESPN2</sup>	W, 62-53
N19	(15/15) Evansville	W, 96-61
N23	(15/15) @ Boston College	W, 102-54
N25	(14/10) Georgia Southern	W, 85-36
N29	(14/10) Michigan State (24/rv)	W, 78-72
D2	(11/8) @ Eastern Michigan	W, 83-63
D7	(11/8) Purdue (17/20)	W, 62-51
D10	(8/8) @ Michigan <sup>BTN</sup>	L, 59-63 <sup>OT</sup>
D13	(8/8) @ Valparaiso <sup>ESPN360/FC</sup>	W, 63-55
D20	(13/7) Loyola-Chicago	W, 89-45
D28	(12/6) @ Charlotte <sup>ESPNNU</sup>	W, 68-61
D30	(12/6) @ Vanderbilt (20/19)	W, 59-57
J3	(12/6) • @ Seton Hall	W, 66-60
J6	(12/4) • @ DePaul <sup>CBS CS</sup>	W, 86-62
J10	(12/4) • Georgetown	W, 84-63
J13	(10/4) • @ Marquette <sup>CBS CS</sup>	L, 65-75
J17	(10/4) • St. John's	W, 70-67
J24	(13/9) • @ Villanova	L, 48-55
J27	(17/13) • Rutgers <sup>CBS CS</sup>	L, 68-78
J31	(17/13) • Cincinnati	W, 66-50
F3	(19/16) • @ Pittsburgh (22/24)	L, 70-82
F8	(19/16) • DePaul (25/25) <sup>ESPNNU</sup>	W, 62-59
F11	(22/22) • Louisville (10/12)	L, 66-71
F17	• @ South Florida	7:00 ET
F22	• @ Connecticut <sup>ESPNNU</sup>	2:00 ET
F24	• Syracuse	7:00 ET
F28	• @ Providence	2:00 ET
M2	• West Virginia	3:30 ET
M6	BIG EAST 1st Round <sup>2</sup>	TBA
M7	BIG EAST 2nd Round <sup>2-BETV</sup>	TBA
M8	BIG EAST Quarterfinal <sup>2-ESPNNU</sup>	TBA
M9	BIG EAST Semifinal <sup>2-ESPNNU</sup>	6/8:00 ET
M10	BIG EAST Final <sup>2-ESPN</sup>	7:00 ET
M22	NCAA 1st Round <sup>3-ESPN/ESPN2</sup>	TBA
M24	NCAA 2nd Round <sup>3-ESPN/ESPN2</sup>	TBA
M28	NCAA Regional Semifinal <sup>4-ESPN</sup>	TBA
M29	NCAA Regional Semifinal <sup>4-ESPN</sup>	TBA
M30	NCAA Regional Final <sup>4-ESPN</sup>	TBA
M31	NCAA Regional Final <sup>4-ESPN</sup>	TBA
A5	NCAA National Semifinals <sup>5-ESPN</sup>	TBA
A7	NCAA Championship Game <sup>5-ESPN</sup>	TBA

(x) = numbers before opponent name indicate ND rank in AP/ESPN-USA Today polls; numbers after are opponent rank.

- = BIG EAST Conference game
- 1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)
- 2 = BIG EAST Championship (Hartford, Conn.)
- 3 = NCAA First/Second Rounds (Notre Dame, Ind.)
- 4 = Regionals to be played at: Berkeley (Calif.), Oklahoma City, Raleigh (N.C.) and Trenton (N.J.)
- 5 = NCAA Women's Final Four (St. Louis, Mo.)

ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNNU = Game to be televised on ESPN/ESPN2/ESPNNU  
ESPN360/FC = Game televised on ESPN360.com/ESPN Full Court  
CBS CS = Games televised on CBS College Sports  
BETV = Game to be televised on BIG EAST TV package  
BTN = Game televised on Big Ten Network  
NOTE: All regular-season home games not scheduled for commercial TV broadcast will air live on UND.com.

All games will be broadcast live on South Bend's Pulse FM (96.9/92.1) and worldwide on the Internet at UND.com.

All times local to site and subject to change





## A Quick Look At The Fighting Irish

Following two seasons of impressive growth and development, Notre Dame has constructed a firm foundation upon which to build its next championship contender. The Irish enter the 2008-09 season on the heels of a seventh trip to the NCAA Sweet 16 and a highly-competitive effort in that regional semifinal that has players, coaches and followers optimistic that even greater success may be on the horizon.

Notre Dame has three starters and seven monogram winners returning this season from a squad that ranked among the top 10 in the country in scoring offense (8th - 76.2 ppg) and scoring margin (10th - +14.6 ppg) a year ago. The Irish also have many of the pieces back from the '07-08 club that led the BIG EAST in steals for the second consecutive year (school-record 397, 11.68 per game) and forced an opponent-record 737 turnovers.

Perhaps it's no surprise that Notre Dame's present upward mobility has coincided with the arrival of its current junior class, including guards and co-captains **Ashley Barlow** and **Melissa Lechlitner**. Barlow earned honorable mention all-BIG EAST status last year and is the team's top returning scorer (12.1 ppg), while also setting the defensive tone with a team-high 68 steals last season. Meanwhile, Lechlitner (5.5 ppg, 2.6 apg) assumes the mantle of leadership from the point guard position after two consistent years as a reliable understudy to Tulyah Gaines.

The Irish also should benefit from the veteran experience and guidance of senior guard and co-captain **Lindsay Schrader**, who joined Barlow on last year's BIG EAST honorable mention

squad after logging 10.3 points and a team-high 6.2 rebounds per game. She earned similar status this fall in preseason voting by the conference coaches and gives Notre Dame a unique blend of toughness and determination that has become the common thread running through the team's recent resurgence.

The Irish sophomore class proved to be an exceptional complement to their predecessors last season, led by forward **Devereaux Peters** (9.0 ppg, 5.6 rpg, 2.0 bpg), who was a BIG EAST All-Freshman Team choice despite missing the final 11 games of the year with a knee injury. Guard **Brittany Mallory** (6.3 ppg, 34 3FG) joined Peters on the conference's all-rookie squad, while forward **Becca Bruszewski** (5.0 ppg, 2.5 rpg) may be the team's most improved player heading into this season after a scintillating three-game NCAA Tournament performance that included a season-high 16 points against both SMU and Tennessee.

## Potent Notables About The Irish

- Notre Dame is among the nation's winningest programs during the past 12 seasons (1996-97 to present), ranking seventh with 309 victories.
- Notre Dame has ranked among the top 20 in the nation in attendance each of the past eight seasons. This year, the program has averaged 7,512 fans for its 11 home games. The Irish also have drawn 5,000-or-more fans to 121 of their last 123 home games, including six Joyce Center sellouts of 11,418 (most recently on Dec. 7, 2008 vs. Purdue).
- The Irish have become a regular fixture in the WNBA Draft in recent years, as seven Notre Dame players have been selected in the past eight seasons. **Charel Allen** was the most recent Irish player to be chosen, going to the Sacramento Monarchs in the third round (43rd overall pick) of the 2008 WNBA Draft. **Allen**, **Megan Duffy** (New York) and **Ruth Riley** (San Antonio) all were active in the league during the '08 season, with all three teams making the playoffs (San Antonio made the WNBA Finals, while New York was the Eastern Conference runner-up). Three of Notre Dame's eight WNBA alums have won a total of four league championships — Riley won a pair of crowns with the Detroit Shock (2003 Finals MVP, 2006), **Coquese Washington** toiled for the 2000 Houston Comets, while **Jacqueline Batteast** was Riley's teammate on the '06 title-winning squad in Detroit.
- For the third year in a row, the Irish posted a perfect 100-percent Graduation Success Rate (GSR), according to figures released by the NCAA in October 2008. Notre Dame also was one of only four teams with a perfect '07 GSR to advance to the 2008 NCAA Sweet 16 (joining Oklahoma State, Tennessee and Vanderbilt). Furthermore, since **Muffet**

### Winningest Teams (1996-97 to present)

421	Connecticut
406	Tennessee
365	Duke
331	Louisiana Tech
328	Old Dominion
323	Purdue
◆309	<b>NOTRE DAME</b>

NOTE: through games of Feb. 15.

Covering the Irish

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## Media Services

The official Notre Dame athletics web site contains schedules, rosters, updated statistics and some historical information from previous seasons. High-resolution color headshots and action photos of Notre Dame players, coaches and staff are available upon request.

**Official Notre Dame athletics web site:**

• <http://www.UND.com>

## In-Season Interview Policy

All requests for Notre Dame player, coach or staff interviews must be made through **Chris Masters** and 24 hours' notice is appreciated. Please be aware that student-athletes' academic obligations always take precedence before any interview requests.

Media members also may speak to Irish team personnel before or after practice sessions. While most practices are open to the media, some may be closed at the coaching staff's discretion — contact **Chris Masters** for the latest practice schedule and availability.

On game days, no interviews will be granted with any Notre Dame player or coach prior to competition.

## Credentials / Parking

Season credentials will be issued to all media covering the Irish on a regular basis. Please note — any Notre Dame men's basketball season credential also offers access to all Irish women's basketball games.

For single-game credentials, contact **Chris Masters** no later than 24 hours before tipoff. Credential requests may be submitted via phone, fax or e-mail. Passes will be left at the media will call entrance (Gate 1) of the Joyce Center.

Parking is free for all Irish women's basketball games in the large lot south of the Joyce Center. Due to construction in the vicinity of the arena, there are no designated parking lots or specific parking passes for media members.

**Credentials remain the property of the University of Notre Dame and may be revoked at any time.**

## Game Notes

Notre Dame's game notes package is completed and made available on-line through the official Irish athletics web site during the season, usually at least one day prior to tipoff. Notre Dame's game notes are in Adobe PDF format and will be distributed via *electronic means only* (e-mail or web). Fax distribution is by request only.

Please contact **Chris Masters** if you wish to be added to the e-mail distribution list for Notre Dame's regular women's basketball releases.

## Gameday Services

Gameday packages containing game notes, programs and other information will be available in the press box prior to all home contests. A pre-game meal also will be served in the arena level media room (exit court via Gate 8 ramp behind visitors' bench, make first right, enter first door on right) beginning 75 minutes before tipoff.

A bank of statistics monitors is located on press row for the media's convenience. Final statistics books include an official NCAA box score and play-by-play. Telephone, copier and fax services are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The Joyce Center also offers wireless Internet capability — check with **Chris Masters** for access.

## Post-Game Interviews

Following each Notre Dame home game, Irish head coach **Muffet McGraw** and selected players, followed by the visiting head coach and selected players, will be available to speak with the media. Post-game press conferences are held in the Hammes Basketball Auditorium, located between Gates 1 & 2 on the first floor of the Joyce Center (exit floor via Gate 1 ramp to right of press row, go straight and turn right at the Notre Dame women's basketball office; auditorium entrance will be on your left).

Media members should submit player requests for post-game interviews to **Chris Masters** at the final media timeout of the second half.

## LAST IRISH GAME

#10/12 Louisville 71, #22 Notre Dame 66  
February 11, 2009  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

### Louisville (71)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Rucker	8	0-2	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	1
Bingham	38	10-17	0-0	1-2	12	3	2	21
Reid	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
McCoughtry	35	8-21	0-2	4-5	11	4	4	20
Byrd	35	4-8	1-1	3-4	3	2	1	12
Burke	32	2-5	1-4	2-2	4	2	3	7
Stephen	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0
Jackson	6	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	2
Terry	9	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	4
Hines	24	2-5	0-0	0-1	2	2	4	4
Team					8			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>29-65</b>	<b>2-7</b>	<b>11-16</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>71</b>

### Notre Dame (66)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	34	7-13	2-3	2-2	4	1	3	18
Williamson	14	1-3	0-0	0-0	5	1	1	2
Barlow	35	5-18	2-7	4-6	8	2	2	16
Lechlitner	37	2-9	0-1	0-0	5	5	2	4
Schrader	25	2-8	0-0	2-2	5	0	1	6
Solomon	16	0-2	0-0	0-2	6	0	2	0
Watson	7	1-2	1-1	0-0	1	0	1	3
Miller	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	2	0
Novosel	26	7-11	0-0	3-5	3	4	0	17
Team					2			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>25-66</b>	<b>5-12</b>	<b>11-17</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>66</b>

Louisville 38 33 — 71  
Notre Dame 28 33 — 66

**FG Pct:** Louisville 44.6, Notre Dame 37.9. **3-PT FG Pct:** Louisville 28.6, Notre Dame 41.7. **FT Pct:** Louisville 68.8, Notre Dame 64.7. **Turnovers:** Louisville 19, Notre Dame 18. **Blocked Shots:** Louisville 1, Notre Dame 3 (Williamson 2). **Steals:** Louisville 12 (McCoughtry 8), Notre Dame 12 (Novosel 4). **Attendance:** 6,706.





## 2008-09 Standings (through Feb. 15)

	BIG EAST		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
(1/1) Connecticut	11	0	25	0
(8/12) Louisville	10	2	23	3
Villanova	9	2	17	8
(19/23) Pittsburgh	8	3	18	5
(rv/25) DePaul	7	5	19	7
<b>◆(24/22) NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>
South Florida	5	6	18	7
Rutgers	5	6	14	10
Marquette	5	6	14	11
Georgetown	5	7	15	10
Syracuse	4	7	15	9
St. John's	3	8	15	9
West Virginia	3	8	14	10
Cincinnati	3	8	13	11
Providence	3	8	9	15
Seton Hall	3	9	15	10

(n) Ranking in Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today polls

## Player of the Week

Nov. 24 .....	Angel McCoughtry, Louisville
Dec. 1 .....	Renee Montgomery, Connecticut
Dec. 8 .....	Shavonte Zellous, Pittsburgh
Dec. 15 .....	Angel McCoughtry, Louisville
Dec. 22 .....	Shavonte Zellous, Pittsburgh
Dec. 29 .....	Angel Robinson, Marquette
Jan. 5 .....	Monique McLean, St. John's
Jan. 12 .....	Angel McCoughtry, Louisville
Jan. 19 .....	Maya Moore, Connecticut
Jan. 26 .....	Shavonte Zellous, Pittsburgh
Feb. 2 .....	Angel McCoughtry, Louisville
Feb. 9 .....	Sarah Miles, West Virginia

## Freshman of the Week

Nov. 24 .....	Kandice Green, Seton Hall
Dec. 1 .....	<b>Kellie Watson, Notre Dame</b>
Dec. 8 .....	<b>Kellie Watson, Notre Dame</b>
Dec. 15 .....	Kandice Green, Seton Hall
Dec. 22 .....	Da'Shena Stevens, St. John's
Dec. 29 .....	<b>Natalie Novosel, Notre Dame</b>
Jan. 5 .....	Da'Shena Stevens, St. John's
Jan. 12 .....	<b>Natalie Novosel, Notre Dame</b>
Jan. 19 .....	Shanasa Sanders, Cincinnati
Jan. 26 .....	Keisha Hampton, DePaul
Feb. 2 .....	Tiffany Hayes, Connecticut
Feb. 9 .....	Kandice Green, Seton Hall

## Upcoming BIG EAST Games

Tuesday, February 17	
• Notre Dame at South Florida	7:00p
• St. John's at Louisville	7:00p
• DePaul at Syracuse	8:00p

Wednesday, February 18	
• Marquette at Cincinnati	7:00p
• Connecticut at Providence	7:00p
• Villanova at Pittsburgh	7:00p
• Rutgers at Seton Hall	7:00p
• West Virginia at Georgetown	8:00p

Thursday-Friday, February 19-20	
No games scheduled	

Saturday, February 21	
• Cincinnati at Pittsburgh	2:00p
• Louisville at Villanova	2:00p
• Providence at Rutgers	2:00p
• St. John's at Marquette	4:00p
• South Florida at West Virginia	7:00p

• indicates BIG EAST Conference game  
All times Eastern and subject to change

Around the BIG EAST

McGraw became the Irish head coach in 1987, every Notre Dame women's basketball player that has completed her athletic and academic eligibility at the University has graduated (a 57-for-57 success rate).

## A Quick Look At South Florida

Behind a high-octane offense that ranks among the nation's best (80.4 ppg.), South Florida has positioned itself to return to the NCAA Tournament for the second time in four seasons.

The Bulls (18-7, 5-6) have won three of their last four and are coming off an 80-51 victory over Seton Hall last Saturday night in Tampa. Junior guard **Janae Stokes** led four USF players in double figures with a game-high 20 points, hitting 6-of-10 from three-point range.

Senior guard **Shantia Grace** averages team highs of 14.7 points and 4.3 assists per game, while Stokes is second in scoring (13.2 ppg.) and tops in three-point percentage (.406). Senior guard **Jazmine Sepulveda** is third in scoring (12.0 ppg.) along with a team-high 2.9 steals per game.

Head coach **Jose Fernandez** is 134-130 (508) in nine seasons at USF, including a 2-2 record against Notre Dame.

## The Notre Dame-South Florida Series

Notre Dame and South Florida will meet for the seventh time on Tuesday, with the Irish holding a 4-2 series edge on the Bulls (1-1 in Tampa). USF has won two of three regular-season matchups since joining the BIG EAST in 2005-06, while the Irish downed the Bulls in the first round of the 2006 BIG EAST Championship.

## The Last Time ND And South Florida Met

After losing in overtime to South Florida the previous two seasons, No. 14 Notre Dame took all the drama out of its latest game with USF early.

The Fighting Irish used a 27-5 run in the first half to gain control and continued to pull away throughout to beat the Bulls 92-49 on Feb. 27, 2008, at the Joyce Center.

Notre Dame outrebounded South Florida 29-14, outscored them 28-2 in the paint, outshot them 47 percent to 23 percent and forced 14 turnovers.

**Lindsay Schrader** led the Irish with 17 points and 13 rebounds. **Brittany Mallory** had 14 points, making 4-of-5 three-pointers, **Charel Allen** also added 14 and **Melissa Lechlitner** had 12 points. **Melissa D'Amico** finished with 10 points for Notre Dame.

**Shantia Grace** led the Bulls with 15 points and **Melissa Dalembert** added 10 points. South Florida shot 34 percent and had 23 turnovers, leading to 28 points for the Irish. Notre Dame's reserves outscored South Florida's 38-8.

## The Last Time ND And South Florida Met In Tampa

**Erica Williamson** recorded her first career double-double with 11 points and a career-high 18 rebounds, but it wasn't quite enough as South Florida finally wore down Notre Dame in overtime and pulled out an 87-78 win on Jan. 13, 2007, at the Sun Dome in Tampa.

## LAST IRISH GAME vs. SOUTH FLORIDA

#14 Notre Dame 92, South Florida 49  
February 27, 2008  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

### South Florida (49)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Grant	25	2-4	0-0	0-0	9	0	2	4
Okpaleke	25	3-10	0-1	0-2	6	1	1	6
Dalembert	20	5-13	0-0	0-0	3	0	2	10
Grace	40	4-14	2-4	5-6	2	1	2	15
Sepulveda	31	2-4	0-0	2-4	4	3	3	6
Packer	7	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	2	0	0
Messina	25	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	6	0	0
Mitryk	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	1	0
Lawson	19	4-10	0-0	0-0	3	0	4	8
Team					7			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-59</b>	<b>2-7</b>	<b>7-12</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>49</b>

### Notre Dame (92)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Williamson	22	3-6	0-0	2-2	6	3	3	8
Gaines	21	3-4	0-0	1-1	4	2	1	7
Allen	23	7-16	0-1	0-0	8	3	0	14
Barlow	21	3-6	0-1	2-4	1	2	5	8
Schrader	32	8-15	0-0	1-2	13	4	0	17
Tsipsis	9	1-3	0-2	0-0	1	0	2	2
Mallory	18	4-7	4-5	2-2	7	3	1	14
Lechlitner	34	5-13	0-0	2-2	3	4	0	12
D'Amico	20	4-7	0-0	2-4	4	1	1	10
Team					7			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>38-77</b>	<b>4-9</b>	<b>12-17</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>92</b>

<b>South Florida</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>92</b>

**FG Pct:** South Florida 33.9, Notre Dame 49.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** South Florida 28.6, Notre Dame 44.4. **FT Pct:** South Florida 58.3, Notre Dame 70.6. **Turnovers:** South Florida 23, Notre Dame 10. **Blocked Shots:** South Florida 2 (Grant 2), Notre Dame 7 (D'Amico 4). **Steals:** South Florida 3, Notre Dame 13 (Barlow 4). **Attendance:** 5,441.

Williamson's 18 rebounds were a Notre Dame freshman record, as well as the most by any Irish player in nearly four years, and just two off the BIG EAST record for rebounds by a rookie in a conference game.

Williamson was one of five Notre Dame players in double figures, as **Melissa D'Amico** set the pace with 13 points and seven rebounds, while **Ashley Barlow** collected 12 points and nine rebounds. **Melissa Lechlitner** tied her (then) career high with 11 points, including the game-tying three-pointer with 11 seconds left in regulation, while **Charel Allen** also scored 11 points.

South Florida was led by All-America forward **Jessica Dickson**, who scored 30 points (making 14-of-18 free throws) and grabbed 11 rebounds. **Nalini Miller** added a career-high 26 points and 14 rebounds and **Daiane Packer** came off the bench to chip in 11 points for the Bulls.

## Other ND-South Florida Series Tidbits

- For the most part, the four series games played since USF joined the BIG EAST in 2005-06 have been wildly entertaining, with two of the three regular season contests going to overtime (both won by the Bulls) and the 2006 BIG EAST Championship first-round matchup going to the Irish by seven points.
- Notre Dame has scored at least 70 points in five of the six series matchups to date, while USF reached that mark for the first time in 2007 (an 87-78 overtime win for the Bulls in Tampa).
- That 2007 game at the Sun Dome (Notre





Dame's most recent visit to Tampa) featured three entries into the Notre Dame record book — team fouls (33), opponent free throw attempts (45) and rebounds by a freshman (18 by **Erica Williamson**).

- The 2007 contest in Tampa also saw three Notre Dame foul out of a game for the first time since Dec. 28, 2000 (a 70-61 win at USC where **Ruth Riley**, **Niele Ivey** and **Kelley Siemon** all were disqualified).
- Notre Dame senior guard **Lindsay Schrader** (Bartlett, Ill./Bartlett HS) and USF senior guard **Shantia Grace** (Sarasota, Fla./Riverview HS) were the 2005 Gatorade High School Players of the Year in their respective states.
- Notre Dame has had eight Florida natives suit up in the program's 32-year history. The most recent Sunshine State product to don the Irish colors joined the roster on Dec. 19, when junior walk-on guard **Alena Christiansen** (Fort Lauderdale/Cardinal Gibbons HS) came aboard.
- Vincent J. Naimoli**, the managing general partner and chief executive officer of the 2008 American League champion Tampa Bay Rays, is a 1959 Notre Dame graduate and, in 2007, he and his family donated \$5 million towards the Joyce Center arena renovation project, with the new Purcell Pavilion club/hospitality area (and two outdoor patios) to be named the Naimoli Family Club Room when it debuts next season.

### Sunshine State Success

Notre Dame is 20-5 (.800) all-time against Florida-based schools, including a 12-2 (.857) record against Sunshine State teams away from home (road/neutral combined), and a 10-2 (.833) mark on their opponent's home court.

The only true road losses the Irish have taken in the state of Florida came on Feb. 3, 1998, at Miami (77-76 on **Octavia Blue's** free throw after time expired) and Jan. 13, 2007, at South Florida (87-78 in overtime).

Notre Dame also is 13-3 (.813) when playing in the state of Florida, regardless of the opposition, with the only other loss coming to James Madison, 53-51, on Jan. 3, 1986 at Miami's Burger King Classic in Coral Gables (JMU won on a three-point play with four seconds left).

### Peaking When It Counts

When the regular season enters its stretch run in the month of February, Notre Dame historically seems to raise its level of play. Since joining the BIG EAST Conference in 1995-96, the Irish are 78-22 (.780) in February games, including a 45-5 (.900) mark at home.

In the 22-year **Muffet McGraw** era (1987-present), the Irish are 126-37 (.773) in the month of February, including a 67-11 (.859) home record. In that time, Notre Dame has not had a losing February, and only once did the Irish end the month at .500 (4-4 in 1988-89, McGraw's second season in South Bend).

Last year, Notre Dame continued its trend of winning records in February under McGraw, going 6-1 with only a 57-51 loss at No. 5/4 Rutgers on Feb. 19, 2008.

## Notre Dame In the Polls

### Associated Press Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			08-09	All Time
Nov. 1, 2008 (Pre)	374	16	1	161
Nov. 17, 2008	459	15	2	162
Nov. 24, 2008	579	14	3	163
Dec. 1, 2008	669	11	4	164
Dec. 8, 2008	784	8	5	165
Dec. 15, 2008	598	13	6	166
Dec. 22, 2008	609	12	7	167
Dec. 29, 2008	607	12	8	168
Jan. 5, 2009	644	12	9	169
Jan. 12, 2009	758	10	10	170
Jan. 19, 2009	601	13	11	171
Jan. 26, 2009	443	17	12	172
Feb. 2, 2009	261	19	13	173
Feb. 9, 2009	205	22	14	174
Feb. 16, 2009	130	24	15	175
<b>SEASON HIGHS</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>8</b>		

### ESPN/USA Today/WBCA Coaches' Poll

Week	Points	Rank	Weeks Ranked	
			08-09	All Time
Nov. 5, 2008 (Pre)	294	14	1	152
Nov. 18, 2008	367	15	2	153
Nov. 25, 2008	464	10	3	154
Dec. 2, 2008	539	8	4	155
Dec. 9, 2008	559	8	5	156
Dec. 16, 2008	550	tie-7	6	157
Dec. 23, 2008	581	6	7	158
Dec. 30, 2008	588	6	8	159
Jan. 6, 2009	648	4	9	160
Jan. 13, 2009	656	4	10	161
Jan. 20, 2009	546	9	11	162
Jan. 27, 2009	399	13	12	163
Feb. 3, 2009	294	16	13	164
Feb. 10, 2009	194	22	14	165
<b>SEASON HIGHS</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>4</b>		

### Serving Notice

Notre Dame is 5-2 against Associated Press Top 25 opponents this season, with four of those victories coming against non-conference opponents. That marks the first time in school history the Irish have registered four non-conference Top 25 victories in the regular season. The four ranked wins also currently represent nearly half of the BIG EAST's nine Top 25 wins during the 2008-09 non-conference schedule (no other league school has more than two Top 25 non-conference victories this season).

### Closer Than You Think

All six of Notre Dame's losses this season have come by 12 points or fewer, and in five of them, the Irish either led in the second half, or had a chance to take the lead down the stretch.

On **Dec. 10 at Michigan**, Notre Dame led by two with 13 seconds left in regulation, but a turnover allowed the Wolverines to send the game to OT. In the extra session, the Irish had two chances to tie or take the lead in the final 20 seconds, but came up short, falling 63-59.

On **Jan. 13 at Marquette**, Notre Dame led by as many as eight points in the second half, and trailed by only two with 4:30 to play before the Golden Eagles pulled away for a 75-65 win.

On **Jan. 24 at Villanova**, the Irish never led, but also rallied from a 14-point first-half deficit to get within one point three times in the second half. Notre Dame had four second-half possessions with a chance to tie or take the lead, but

National Polls

### Associated Press Poll

• February 16, 2009; Poll #15

Team (First-Place Votes)	Rec	Pts	LW
1 ♦Connecticut (45)	25-0	1,125	1
2 Oklahoma	22-2	1,080	2
3 Auburn	25-1	999	5
4 Stanford	20-4	979	6
5 Baylor	21-3	942	7
6 California	20-3	865	3
7 Duke	20-3	800	4
8 ♦Louisville	23-3	794	10
9 Maryland	21-4	787	11
10 North Carolina	22-4	785	8
11 Florida State	21-5	665	14
12 Texas	19-5	652	13
13 Tennessee	18-6	538	15
14 Texas A&M	19-5	505	12
15 Florida	22-4	497	9
16 Kansas State	20-3	408	20
17 Xavier	22-4	345	21
18 ♦Vanderbilt	20-6	293	24
19 ♦Pittsburgh	18-5	281	19
20 Ohio State	20-5	276	18
21 Iowa State	18-6	263	16
22 South Dakota State	24-2	200	23
23 Virginia	19-7	169	17
24 <b>NOTRE DAME</b>	17-6	130	22
25 Virginia	19-6	76	—

Others Receiving Votes: Middle Tennessee 62, ♦Michigan State 26, Bowling Green 26, ♦Villanova 23, ♦DePaul 14, VCU 7, Gonzaga 6, Wisconsin-Green Bay 4, Marist 2, Utah 1.

### ESPN/USA Today/WBCA Coaches' Poll

• February 10, 2009; Poll #14

Team (First-Place Votes)	Rec	Pts	LW
1 ♦Connecticut (31)	23-0	775	1
2 Oklahoma	20-2	744	2
3 California	20-2	702	3
4 Auburn	23-1	655	5
5 Stanford	19-4	641	6
6 Baylor	19-3	621	7
7 North Carolina	21-3	579	9
8 Texas A&M	18-4	535	4
9 Maryland	19-4	519	11
10 Duke	19-3	501	8
11 Florida	22-2	469	13
12 ♦Louisville	21-3	432	10
13 Ohio State	19-4	316	12
14 Texas	17-5	312	18
15 Virginia	19-5	303	15
16 Kansas State	19-3	300	14
17 Florida State	20-5	281	19
18 Tennessee	17-6	230	17
19 Xavier	20-4	210	21
20 Iowa State	18-4	204	23
21 South Dakota State	23-2	203	20
22 <b>NOTRE DAME</b>	17-5	194	16
23 ♦Pittsburgh	17-4	140	24
24 ♦Vanderbilt	18-6	86	22
25 ♦DePaul	18-6	45	25

Others Receiving Votes: Middle Tennessee 34, Bowling Green 19, Marist 6, ♦Boston College 4, Arkansas-Little Rock 3, Gonzaga 3, Oklahoma State 3, Arizona State 2, Georgia 1, Minnesota 1, North Carolina A&T 1, Virginia Commonwealth 1.

LW = last week

♦ = 2008-09 Notre Dame opponent





South Florida Series

### Notre Dame Leads Series 4-2

Date	Site	Result	Score
12/13/97	Notre Dame	W	73-50
12/19/98	Tampa	W	83-63
1/28/06	Notre Dame	L	64-68 (ot)
3/4/06	Hartford, Conn. <sup>1</sup>	W	73-66
1/13/07	Tampa	L	78-87 (ot)
2/27/08	Notre Dame	W	92-49

<sup>1</sup> = BIG EAST Championship (first round game)

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	463	77.2
South Florida	383	63.8

Current Win Streak: Notre Dame - 1 game

Muffet McGraw vs. South Florida: 4-2

Jose Fernandez vs. Notre Dame: 2-2

McGraw vs. Fernandez: Series tied 2-2

ND Biggest Win: 43 (92-49 on 2/27/08)

USF Biggest Win: 9 (87-78 on 1/13/07)

ND Longest Win Streak: 2 (1997-98)

USF Longest Win Streak: 1, twice (2006; 2007)

### THE TALE OF THE TAPE

	ND	USF
Overall/BIG EAST record	17-6/6-5	18-7/5-6
AP/ESPN-USA Today rank*	24/22	-

#### SCORING

Points scored per game	72.0	80.4
Points allowed per game	60.6	63.0
Field goal percentage	.440	.415
Three-point percentage	.336	.328
Free throw percentage	.683	.636

#### REBOUNDING

Rebounds per game	40.0	45.2
Opponent rebs. per game	37.0	42.6
Rebounding margin	+3.0	+2.6

#### OTHER

Assists per game	15.3	16.8
Turnovers per game	16.7	16.0
Assist/turnover ratio	0.92	1.04
Blocked shots per game	4.2	5.7
Steals per game	10.5	12.3

\* - AP poll from Feb. 16; ESPN/USA Today poll from Feb. 10

could never quite manage to break through, as the Wildcats gamely hung on for a 55-48 win.

On **Feb. 3 at No. 22/24 Pittsburgh**, Notre Dame nearly erased a 13-point first-half deficit, trimming the margin to one point twice, and even had a chance to tie, but missed one of two free throws 4:45 into the second half before the Panthers finally drew clear down the stretch.

On **Feb. 11 vs. No. 10/12 Louisville**, the Irish used a 12-2 second-half run to virtually wipe out a 14-point Cardinal lead, getting within 63-61 with 1:49 left before Louisville earned a three-shot foul with one second on the shot clock on the ensuing possession (and hit all three free throws). Notre Dame got back within three twice more in the final minute, but the Cardinals made a basket and three free throws to keep the Irish at bay.

### A Real Smart Al-Lech

Junior point guard and tri-captain **Melissa Lechlitner** had started only once in her first two seasons at Notre Dame, but the Mishawaka, Ind., native seems to be making up for lost time this year, while emerging as one of the most improved players in the BIG EAST Conference.

Lechlitner has nearly doubled her scoring average from last year to 10.8 points per game, with 12 double-figure scoring nights (after 16 in her first two seasons combined). She also tossed in a career-high 19 points on Dec. 7 in a victory over No. 17/20 Purdue at the Joyce Center.

In addition, Lechlitner ranks among the conference pacesetters in assists (12th, 3.4 apg.) and assist/turnover ratio (eighth, 1.5). Her numbers are even better since BIG EAST play began, ranking sixth in both assists (4.1 apg.) and assist/turnover ratio (1.7). Across the board, these averages are career highs, in some cases even doubling her previous bests.

Off the court, Lechlitner was a prime candidate for *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District status, having been nominated for the honor after compiling a 3.357 cumulative grade-point average (GPA) through the fall 2008 semester as she works towards her degree in psychology.

### One Killer B

Sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** is making the most of her first season as a starter for the Irish, ranking fourth on the team in scoring (9.9 ppg.) and rebounding (4.7 rpg.), and standing second in field goal percentage (.505, also 10th in the BIG EAST Conference). The Valparaiso, Ind., native has nearly doubled last year's scoring (5.0 ppg.) and rebounding (2.5 rpg.) averages, while adding a reliable three-point shot to her arsenal (.375, 12-of-32) after making 1-of-2 from beyond the arc last season.

Bruszewski has been especially sharp in the past four games, averaging 15.3 points and 7.3 rebounds per game with a .529 field goal percentage (27-of-51). After her first career double-double (14 points, career-high 12 rebounds) on Feb. 8 in a win over No. 25 DePaul, she came

back last Wednesday with a career-high-tying 18 points (7-13 FG, 2-3 3FG) against No. 10/12 Louisville, including a layup with 1:49 left that pulled the Irish within two points.

### Barlow's Grand Occasion

With 16 points against No. 10/12 Louisville on Feb. 11, junior guard and tri-captain **Ashley Barlow** became the 24th player in Notre Dame women's basketball history to score 1,000 career points. Barlow hit the milestone on the nose by making two free throws with 37 seconds left that drew the Irish within three points.

Barlow is the first Notre Dame player to score her 1,000th career point since **Charel Allen** reached the mark on Feb. 26, 2007, at DePaul. Barlow also could be joined in the Irish 1,000-Point Club later this season by senior guard and fellow captain **Lindsay Schrader**, who presently has 928 career points.

### Using Her Charge Card

Junior center **Erica Williamson** has developed an uncanny knack for drawing charges despite her 6-foot-4 frame. The Charlotte, N.C., product has taken a team-high 10 charges this season, nearly half of Notre Dame's team total of 22 to date.

This is the first season the Irish have tracked charges taken (which are an unofficial statistic and not recognized by the NCAA), although it is believed Williamson drew at least a dozen offensive fouls last year.

### Novosel Is Just Plain Nasty

Freshman guard **Natalie Novosel** earned the nickname "nasty" for her gritty and competitive style of play at Lexington Catholic High School in Lexington, Ky., but it would seem that moniker is becoming appropriate for her budding career at Notre Dame as well.

After scoring in double figures once in her first nine games (when she averaged 5.1 ppg.), Novosel has come alive with seven double-digit games in her last 14 outings, averaging 9.4 points per game in that stretch. She has been solid in BIG EAST play as well, where she ranks fifth on the team in scoring (9.5 ppg.) and sixth in the conference with a .571 field goal percentage.

A two-time BIG EAST Freshman of the Week, Novosel's progress was readily apparent in her last outing on Feb. 11 vs. No. 10/12 Louisville, when she tossed in 17 points (7-11 FG) and tied her season highs with four assists and four steals in 26 minutes of court time.

### Piping Hot Turnovers

After forcing an opponent-record 737 turnovers (21.7 per game) last season, Notre Dame is at it again this year, causing 466 turnovers (20.3 per game) through 23 games.

More than half of those turnovers have come via Irish steals, with Notre Dame registering 241 thefts (10.5 per game, third in the BIG EAST) after leading the conference in that category each of

ND 1,000-Point Scorers	
20.	Danielle Green ('95-'00)... 1,106
21.	Carrie Bates ('81-'85)..... 1,060
22.	Mollie Peirick ('94-'98)..... 1,034
23.	Kelley Siemon ('97-'01)... 1,006
24.	♦A. Barlow ('06-pres.)... 1,000
-.	♦L. Schrader ('05-pres.)... 928

Melissa Lechlitner Season Improvement		
	'07-08	'08-09
PPG	5.5	10.8
FG%	.353	.400
3FG%	.216	.380
FT%	.766	.776
RPG	2.0	2.7
APG	2.6	3.4
A/TO	1.28	1.52
SPG	1.1	1.4





the past two seasons — the first time the Irish won their league's steal title since 1990-91, when they took top honors in the old Midwestern Collegiate Conference (now known as the Horizon League) with a school-record 397 steals (12.4 spg.), while their 237 steals (14.8 spg.) in conference play remain a Horizon League standard to this day.

## Born To Run

Notre Dame has used some impressive scoring streaks to take command in several games this season. In fact, the Irish have fashioned nine game-changing runs during which they have outscored their opponent by at least 12 points.

Furthermore, Notre Dame has manufactured three streaks of at least 16 consecutive points this season, including a 27-0 blitz in the second half of its win over Georgia Southern on Nov. 25. That was the second-longest run of unanswered points in school history, topped only by a 31-0 run in the first half of a win over Pittsburgh on Jan. 18, 1997, at the Joyce Center.

ND Significant Scoring Runs	
Georgia Southern	27-0 (15:24-8:05, 2nd)
Loyola-Chicago	31-6 (16:25-5:05, 1st)
@ Vanderbilt	22-0 (15:44-7:04, 2nd)
Georgia Southern	24-5 (13:52-4:25, 1st)
@ Marquette	20-2 (7:11-1:22, 1st)
Loyola-Chicago	20-3 (20:00-13:02, 2nd)
@ Valparaiso	16-0 (11:14-2:55, 1st)
@ Boston Coll.	17-2 (4:13, 1st-19:13, 2nd)
Evansville	15-3 (15:27-12:33, 1st)

## Road Warriors

Notre Dame is 18-8 (.692) in true road games during the past two seasons. In addition, the past six road losses for the Irish have been decided by 12 points or fewer, including all four setbacks this season.

From Dec. 28-Jan. 6, the Irish embarked on a four-game road swing, their longest regular-season trip since early in the 2002-03 season, sweeping games at Charlotte (68-61), No. 20/19 Vanderbilt (59-57), Seton Hall (66-60) and DePaul (86-62). It's the first time Notre Dame won four consecutive games, all on the road (opponent's home floor) since Jan. 7-19, 1991, when the Irish won at Butler (80-64), DePaul (81-66), Loyola-Chicago (66-55) and Marquette (91-73) in succession during Notre Dame's first full week as a ranked team in program history.

## New Kids On The Block

It may not be exactly the way Irish head coach **Muffet McGraw** envisioned it prior to the season, but Notre Dame's freshman class has been getting some valuable on-the-job training this year.

With season-ending knee injuries to sophomores **Devereaux Peters** and **Brittany Mallory**, the Irish bench now basically consists of the four-player freshman class — forward **Erica Solomon** and **Kellie Watson** and guards **Natalie Novosel** and **Fraderica Miller**.

Yet, despite their relative lack of experience at the college level, all four players have made solid contributions to Notre Dame's 17-6 record. Three of the four have scored in double figures at least three times (Novosel-8, Solomon-6,

Watson-3), with both Watson and Novosel also twice being named the BIG EAST Freshman of the Week (Watson - Dec. 1 & 8; Novosel - Dec. 29 & Jan. 12).

What's more, those three aforementioned players each are averaging at least 15 minutes per night, while the speedy Miller has emerged as Notre Dame's go-to defensive stopper, averaging one steal per game in her 15 appearances this season.

Notre Dame's knack for quick player development should come as no surprise — the Irish have developed five BIG EAST All-Freshman Team selections in the past two seasons alone (including Peters and Mallory last year), the most of any team in the conference.

## Spreading The Wealth

Notre Dame has seen nine different players lead the team in scoring this season, with six of the Irish leading scorers registering a career-scoring high — **Becca Bruszewski** at Boston College/ vs. Louisville (18), **Brittany Mallory** vs. Georgia Southern (19), **Kellie Watson** vs. Michigan State (18), **Melissa Lechlitner** vs. Purdue (19), **Erica Williamson** vs. Georgetown (21) and **Natalie Novosel** vs. Rutgers (19). The other team-leading scorers this season have been junior guard **Ashley Barlow**, who has set the pace for the Irish six times, senior guard **Lindsay Schrader**, who has posted four team-high scoring games, and freshman forward **Erica Solomon**, who tossed in a team-high 14 points on Feb. 3 at No. 22/24 Pittsburgh.

The only three players on this year's Irish roster who have not taken a turn leading the team in scoring thus far are injured sophomore forward **Devereaux Peters** (out for season with torn ACL in her left knee), freshman guard **Fraderica Miller** and walk-on junior guard **Alena Christiansen**, who was added to the Irish roster on Dec. 19.

The balanced scoring load has reappeared for the Irish in the past nine games, with seven different players leading the team in scoring — in order, they have been Williamson (Georgetown), Barlow/Lechlitner (Marquette), Lechlitner (St. John's), Barlow (Villanova), Novosel (Rutgers), Schrader (Cincinnati), Bruszewski/Solomon (Pittsburgh), Barlow (DePaul) and Bruszewski (Louisville).

For the season, 10 of the 12 players on Notre Dame roster have scored in double figures at least once, with Miller and Christiansen aiming to join that club.

## More On The Balance Beam

Notre Dame was ranked among the top 50 in eight NCAA team statistical categories (as of Friday). Included in that count are a No. 28 ranking in scoring offense (72.0 ppg.) and a No. 29 ranking in field goal percentage (.440).

At the same time, only one Irish player is appearing in the top 50 of the 10 NCAA individual statistical rankings — junior guard **Ashley Barlow** currently stands 33rd in the nation in steals (2.7 spg.).

## A Start We Can Believe In

Notre Dame's 14-1 start was the second-best 15-game debut in school history. The only time

## 2008-09 Trends

Day of the Week	
Sunday	5-0
Monday	0-0
Tuesday	4-3
Wednesday	1-2
Thursday	0-0
Friday	0-0
Saturday	7-1

Time of Game	
Day games (before 6 p.m. local time)	12-1
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time)	5-5

Location	
Home games	9-2
Road games	8-4
Neutral site games	0-0

Halftime score	
Leading at the half	15-2
Tied at the half	1-0
Trailing at the half	1-4

Individual scoring	
Two or fewer double-figure scorers	0-3
Three double-figure scorers	8-2
Four double-figure scorers	7-1
Five or more double-figure scorers	2-0

Rebounding margin	
Grab more rebounds than opponents	11-1
Grab same number of rebounds as opponents	1-0
Grab fewer rebounds than opponents	5-5

Field goal shooting	
Higher pct. than opponent	13-1
Lower pct. than opponent	3-5
Same pct. as opponent	1-0
Shoot 45% or better	9-1
Shoot less than 45%	8-5
Hold opponent under 40%	13-2

Free throw margin	
Make more free throws	12-1
Make same number of free throws	0-1
Make fewer free throws	5-4

Turnovers	
Commit fewer turnovers	9-5
Commit same number of turnovers	1-1
Commit more turnovers	7-0

Miscellaneous	
Vs. Top 25 (AP or ESPN/USA Today polls)	5-2
On television	5-3
In white jerseys	7-0
In alternate white jerseys (green trim)	0-1
In alternate white jerseys (pink trim)	2-1
In blue jerseys	8-4
In green jerseys	0-0

Margin of Victory	
1-5 points	3-2
6-10 points	5-3
11-15 points	1-1
16-20 points	2-0
21+ points	6-0
In overtime games	0-1

Conference Affiliation	
Atlantic Coast	1-0
Atlantic 10	1-0
BIG EAST	6-5
Big Ten	2-1
Horizon League	2-0
Mid-American	1-0
Missouri Valley	1-0
Southeastern	2-0
Southern	1-0

Month	
November	5-0
December	6-1
January	5-3
February	1-2
March	0-0





## Notre Dame Student-Athletes Rank Among Nation's Best

Whether measured by the federal government in its Department of Education report (the 18th edition came out this fall) or by the NCAA through its newer Graduation Success Rate (GSR) numbers, graduation rates for Notre Dame student-athletes rank among the national leaders in all major categories among all major football-playing colleges and universities.

Notre Dame led the nation in the GSR ratings for all student-athletes (at 98, tied with the United States Naval Academy), while also ranking first in both the GSR and federal standings for female student-athletes (100 GSR, 93 federal) — as well as first in the federal listing for black student-athletes (84). Both the federal graduation-rate figures and the GSR numbers for Notre Dame student-athletes found the Irish ranked fourth or better nationally in five major categories among the 119 football-playing institutions in the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A).

Listing all student-athletes in all sports, Notre Dame tied for first among the Bowl Subdivision football schools in the GSR figures, initiated in 2005 by the NCAA. The University's 98 percent GSR for all its student-athletes matched that for the U.S. Naval Academy. Using the federal formula, Notre Dame graduated a four-year average of 89 percent of its student-athletes, second-best in the nation.

Notre Dame graduated 93 percent of all women competing in varsity athletics, to rank first among its peer institutions (tied with Northwestern) based on the federal calculations. Among men, Notre Dame's 87 percent federal rate was second, while the school also graduated 84 percent of its black student-athletes, ranking first based on the federal rate.

In the GSR standings, in addition to its number-one ranking for all student-athletes, Notre Dame tied for first among female student-athletes at 100 (Vanderbilt and the U.S. Naval Academy also finished at 100), second among male student-athletes at 97 percent (behind the Naval Academy at 98), and second among black student-athletes at 96 percent (behind the Naval Academy at 98).

The NCAA also calculated graduation rates over a 10-year period (student-athletes who entered from 1992-93 through 2001-02). During those 10 years, Notre Dame had 627 student-athletes who exhausted their eligibility — and 100 percent of them graduated within the allotted six-year period, a figure only Northwestern can match.

## Academic All-Americans

Entering the 2008-09 academic year, Notre Dame ranks second in the nation with 201 Academic All-America® selections, including 32 in the past three years alone. The Academic All-America® Program is administered by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA), whose membership votes on the award winners, and the program is sponsored by ESPN The Magazine.

The Notre Dame women's basketball program has produced five Academic All-America® honorees in its 32-year history, with those five players winning a total of seven citations. In addition, two-time first-team Academic All-America® pick **Ruth Riley** was tapped as the 2001 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year, as well as the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year. Riley also is one of only 10 student-athletes in Notre Dame history to earn All-American and Academic All-America® honors twice in her career.

**Megan Duffy** was the latest honoree in 2006, when she was named a first-team Academic All-America® selection, becoming the second Irish player ever to attain that distinction. Duffy graduated in May 2006 with a 3.576 grade-point average (GPA) and a degree in psychology and computer applications from Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters. She also garnered dean's list honors in four of her final five semesters (spring 2004, fall 2004, spring 2005, fall 2005).

### ND Women's Basketball Academic All-Americans

Megan Duffy	2006 (First Team)
Maggie Lally	1980, 1981 (Second Team)
Shari Matvey	1981 (Second Team)
Ruth Riley	2000, 2001* (First Team)
Mary Beth Schueth	1983 (Second Team)

\* = also Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year and Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year

## Academics

an Irish squad started better than this year's club was 2000-01, when Notre Dame opened the season with a school-record 23 consecutive wins en route to the program's first No. 1 ranking and eventually, its first national championship.

## Polling Station

Notre Dame is ranked 24th in this week's Associated Press poll, dropping two spots from the previous week's rank. Still, it is the 35th consecutive AP poll appearance for the Irish, who moved into the Top 10 for the ninth time in the past 13 seasons (1996-97 through 2008-09) with their No. 8 ranking on Dec. 8.

Notre Dame has been ranked in the AP poll for 175 weeks during the program's 32-year history, with every one of those appearances coming in the **Muffet McGraw** era (since 1987-88). McGraw ranks 13th among all active NCAA Division I head coaches for weeks in the AP poll, and also stands 25th all-time in that category.

In addition, the Irish earned their 34th consecutive ranking in last week's ESPN/USA Today/WBCA coaches' poll, dipping six spots to No. 22. Notre Dame's season-high poll position of fourth on Jan. 6 and 13 was the highest ranking for Notre Dame in the coaches poll since the week of Jan. 5, 2005, when the Irish checked in at No. 3. Notre Dame has appeared in the coaches' poll for 165 weeks during its history (all coming during McGraw's tenure).

## More Polling Data

Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** is one of 24 people in NCAA Division I women's basketball history who have both played for and coached a team that has appeared in the Associated Press Top 25 poll.

Besides her 174 AP poll appearances while coaching at Notre Dame, McGraw was the starting point guard at Saint Joseph's (Pa.) as a senior in 1977, helping the Hawks rise to No. 3 in the nation. Of the 24 people on this list, 13 currently are NCAA Division I head coaches (see accompanying chart).

### Best 15-Game Records

15-0	.....2000-01
◆14-1	.....2008-09
13-2	.....five times
(most recently: 2007-08)	

### AP Poll Appearances

Active D-I Coaches	
1. Summitt (Tenn)	558
2. Landers (UGa)	431
3. Stringer (RU)	388
12. Blair (TAMU)	206
13. ◆McGraw (ND)	175
14. Coale (OU)	152

### All-Time D-I Coaches

1. Summitt (Tenn)	558
2. Landers (UGa)	431
3. Conradt (Texas)	395
23. Sanderford (WKU)	182
24. Washington (KU)	176
25. ◆McGraw (ND)	175

NOTE: through Feb. 16 AP poll

### AP Poll Appearances As Player & Coach (active coaches only)

Amanda Butler (Florida)
June Daugherty (Wash. St.)
Nell Fortner (Auburn)
MaChelle Joseph (Ga. Tech)
Wendy Larry (ODU)
Joanne McCallie (Duke)
Kathy McConnell-Miller (Colo.)
◆Muffet McGraw (ND)
Kim Mulkey (Baylor)
Kathy Olivier (UNLV)
Bev Smith (Oregon)
Dawn Staley (S. Carolina)
Charli Turner Thorne (Ariz. St.)

NOTES: only current teams listed ... all coaches shown have made AP poll with current teams except Daugherty (did so at Boise State and Washington), Olivier (UCLA) and Staley (Temple) ... Butler, Larry, Olivier and Smith are coaching at their alma maters.

## Nostradamus in High Heels

With the Irish trailing at No. 20/19 Vanderbilt, 36-24, at halftime on Dec. 30, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** calmly walked into the locker room and assured her team that they were about to pull off one of the greatest comebacks in school history. As it turned out, she was right on the money.

After the Commodores expanded their lead to 18 points on two occasions (the last at 46-28 with 15:56 to play), Notre Dame went to work, blitzing Vanderbilt with a 22-0 run over the next 8:40 to take the lead. VU tied the game at 50-50, but the Irish then went on top for good on a layup by sophomore forward **Becca Bruszewski** with 4:06 left, capping the improbable rally.

The previous school-record comeback had been 16 points, which took place on March 30, 2001, at the NCAA Women's Final Four in St. Louis, when Notre Dame erased a 47-31 deficit late in the first half and charged past Connecticut, 90-75 on the way to the program's first national championship.

## Game #23 Recap: Louisville

No. 22 Notre Dame was a second away from forcing 10th-ranked Louisville into a big turnover. **Angel McCoughtry** made sure it didn't happen.

After Notre Dame used a 6-0 run to close within two points with less than two minutes left, there was one second left on the shot clock when McCoughtry threw up a hurried 3-pointer. She missed, but **Melissa Lechlitner** was called for the foul. McCoughtry hit all three free throws and the Cardinals hung on for a 71-66 victory on Wednesday night at the Joyce Center.

McCoughtry, who started the game making just 2-of-11 shots for four points in the first half, finished with 20 points, 11 rebounds and eight steals. **Candye Bingham** added 21 points and 12 rebounds.

**Becca Bruszewski** led Notre Dame (17-6, 6-5) with 18 points to tie her career high, **Natalie Novosel** had 17 and **Ashley Barlow** added 16 points and eight rebounds.

Notre Dame, which trailed by 10 at halftime, opened the second half on an 11-4 run, closing to 42-41 on a layup by Barlow with 14:52 left. The Cardinals quickly regained control, though, with a 13-0 run. McCoughtry had a pair of steals for easy layups during the run.

The Irish, though, made a game of it, getting within 63-61 on Bruszewski's basket with 1:49 remaining before McCoughtry's game-changing free throws sealed matters for the visitors.

## Noting The Louisville Game

- Notre Dame was playing its third consecutive Associated Press Top 25 opponent, the first time the Irish have faced such a challenging stretch in the regular season since the 1996 Preseason WNIT (Nov. 17-20), when Notre Dame took on #6 Iowa (W, 61-50), #3 Tennessee (L, 72-59) and #8 North Carolina State (W, 64-53).
- The Irish are 5-2 against ranked opponents this season (3-1 at home).
- The last three times Notre Dame has played an AP Top 10 opponent, it has lost by 10 points or fewer (57-51 at #5 Rutgers on Feb.





2008-09 Signees

- 19, 2008; 74-64 vs. #3 Tennessee in NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal on March 30, 2008).
- Louisville regains a 4-3 series lead on Notre Dame (2-1 at the Joyce Center), while the road team continues to hold the upper hand, winning four of the six on-campus games in the series to date.
- The seven-game aggregate point total in the series is virtually even, with the Irish edging the Cardinals, 460-459.
- Six of the seven series games have been decided by 11 points or fewer, including all four since Louisville joined the BIG EAST in 2005-06 (series tied 2-2 in BIG EAST play).
- Barlow became the 24th player in school history to score 1,000 career points, reaching the milestone exactly with her final two points of the evening (a pair of free throws with 37 seconds remaining that pulled the Irish within 66-63).
- Bruszewski tied her career high with 18 points, matching the totals she had against Evansville (Nov. 19 at the Joyce Center) and at Boston College (Nov. 23).
- Bruszewski has scored in double figures in four consecutive games and six times in the past eight contests, after posting six double-digit point games all of last season.
- For the third time this season, Novosel tied her season highs with four steals (last: at Marquette on Jan. 13) and four assists (last: at Eastern Michigan on Dec. 2), while matching her 7-of-11 shooting performance vs. Rutgers on Jan. 27.
- Novosel scored at least 17 points for the fourth time this season and logged her eighth double-figure scoring night of the year.
- Junior center **Erica Williamson** had two blocked shots and moves into sole possession of 10th place on the Notre Dame career blocks chart with 95, passing **Heidi Bunek** (93 from 1985-89) and pulling within two blocks of former teammate **Melissa D'Amico** (97 from 2004-08) for ninth place.
- McCoughtry tied the Joyce Center opponent record for steals in a game previously set by Detroit's **Amira Danforth** on Jan. 29, 1994.
- For the first time this season, Notre Dame took the floor in their alternate home white uniforms with green trim.

### Peters, Mallory Out For Season

Sophomores **Devereaux Peters** and **Brittany Mallory** will miss the remainder of the 2008-09 season after each player suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) in her left knee. Peters' injury occurred in the first half of Notre Dame's win at Boston College on Nov. 23. Meanwhile, Mallory went down in the opening minute of overtime on Dec. 10 at Michigan. Mallory underwent successful corrective surgery on Jan. 6, while Peters did the same on Feb. 6, with both players now beginning their respective rehabilitation programs.

Peters had played in only three games at the time of her injury, while Mallory had seen action in seven games. Thus, both players appear to meet the guidelines for the NCAA's hardship waiver (Rule 14.2.4; sometimes informally referred to as a "medical redshirt") that stipulates a

petitioning student-athlete may not have played in more than 30 percent of a team's scheduled number of regular-season games (Notre Dame is slated to play 28 regular-season games in 2008-09).

Both players are expected to petition for the NCAA hardship waiver. If granted, both Peters and Mallory will maintain three years of athletic eligibility beginning with the 2009-10 season.

### Christiansen Joins Irish Roster

With the injuries to **Devereaux Peters** and **Brittany Mallory**, Notre Dame added junior walk-on guard **Alena Christiansen** to its roster on Dec. 19. The Fort Lauderdale, Fla., native has appeared in four games, averaging 0.8 points and 0.3 rebounds in 2.0 minutes per contest.

A supplemental biographical sketch on Christiansen can be found in the players' section of these game notes.

### Half And Half

During the past nine seasons, Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable when it has the lead at halftime. The Irish are 161-16 (.910) since the start of the 2000-01 campaign when they go into the dressing room with the lead, including wins in 89 of their last 99 such contests.

This season, Notre Dame is 15-2 when it is ahead at the break, losing 63-59 in overtime at Michigan on Dec. 10, and 75-65 at Marquette on Jan. 13.

### The Best Offense Is A Good Defense...

During the past 14 seasons (1995-96 to present), Notre Dame has discovered that a solid defensive effort can almost certainly guarantee a victory. In fact, since the beginning of the 1995-96 season (Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference), the Irish have an amazing 193-13 (.937) record when they hold their opponents below 60 points in a game.

Notre Dame is 9-1 in such games this season, with wins over LSU, Boston College, Georgia Southern, Purdue, Valparaiso, Loyola-Chicago, Vanderbilt, Cincinnati and DePaul (second game). The lone loss came Jan. 24 at Villanova (55-48).

### ...But Sometimes You Have To Score If You Want To Win

Not resting solely on its defensive laurels, Notre Dame also seemingly has found the magic mark when it comes to outscoring its opponents. During the past 14 seasons (since 1995-96), the Irish are 121-4 (.968) when they score at least 80 points in a game. The only blemishes on that record are a pair of overtime losses to Texas A&M (88-84) and Michigan State (87-83) in 1995, a 106-81 loss to Connecticut in 1998, and an 81-80 loss to DePaul in 2008.

Notre Dame has scored at least 80 points in seven games this year, winning each time. Last season, the Irish won 14 of 15 games when reaching the 80-point mark.

### Now That's A Home Court Advantage

One of the hallmarks of Notre Dame's success has been its stellar play at home. In fact, the

University of Notre Dame head women's basketball coach Muffet McGraw has announced that two talented high school student-athletes have chosen to continue their academic and athletic careers with the Irish, signing a National Letter of Intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2009 **Skylar Diggins**, a 5-9 guard from South Bend, Ind., and a student-athlete at Washington High School, and **Kaila Turner**, a 5-8 guard from Joliet, Ill., and a student-athlete at Marian Catholic High School in Chicago Heights, Ill., both made their official commitments to Notre Dame during the early signing period, which ended Nov. 19.

A smooth, high-scoring southpaw who already is one of the top 20 all-time scorers in the storied history of Indiana high school basketball, Diggins is considered by all major recruiting services to be the top guard in this year's high school senior class and is rated as high as No. 2 in the nation (*Blue Star Basketball*). In addition, *All-Star Girls Report*, *Dan Olson Collegiate Girls Basketball Report* and ESPN Hoopurguz each rank Diggins third in the country, with Hoopurguz awarding her that outlet's highest marks ever for a point guard.

Meanwhile, Turner is a speedy, athletic player who can fill either guard position. She is ranked among the top 20 players at her position by all major recruiting services and is among the top 100 players in the nation overall, peaking a No. 82 by both *Blue Star Basketball* and *All-Star Girls Report*.

The combination of Diggins and Turner has given Notre Dame a Top 25 recruiting class for the 13th consecutive year. *All-Star Girls Report* rates the incoming Irish duo as the No. 7 class in the country, while *Dan Olson Collegiate Girls Basketball Report* has the Notre Dame pair rated 13th, ESPN Hoopurguz positions them at No. 15, and *Blue Star Basketball* ranks the Irish tandem at No. 18. Only two other schools in the country (Connecticut and Tennessee) came into the 2008-09 early signing period with a 12-year streak like the Irish.

A capsule look at the newest additions to the Notre Dame women's basketball program follows:

#### SKYLAR DIGGINS, 5-9, G (South Bend, Ind./Washington)

**Statistics/Records:** Entering fourth year as starter at Washington High School (combined record of 76-6, .927) in South Bend, Ind., where she has played for coaches Marilyn Coddens and Maurice Scott ... started 81 of 82 games she played in during in her first three seasons ... helped team reach Indiana Class 4A state championship game each year (won title in her sophomore season of 2006-07) ... career averages (entering senior season) of 24.8 points, 5.6 rebounds, 5.4 assists, 4.1 steals and 1.3 blocks per game ... holds school records for career points (2,036, 19th in state history), single-season points, rebounds, assists, steals and blocks ... career single-game highs of 43 points, 17 rebounds (Indiana Class 4A state championship game record), 11 assists and nine blocks ... enjoyed extensive AAU career playing for South Bend Soldiers and The Family.

**USA Basketball:** Two-time USA Basketball gold medalist ... started all five games at 2008 FIBA U18 Americas Championship in Buenos Aires, Argentina, leading United States to perfect 5-0 record and gold medal; averaged 10.8 ppg. (second on team), 3.2 apg., 3.6 apg. (first on team) and 2.0 spg. (tied-first on team).

**Awards/Honors:** Two-time high school All-American by *Parade Magazine* (first team 2008; third team 2007) and EA Sports (first team 2008; second team 2007) ... *USA Today* All-USA Team (2008) ... *USA Today* All-Underclass Team (2006) ... 2008 Gatorade State Player of the Year ... MaxPreps Indiana Player of the Year/first-team All-American (2008) ... three-time Associated Press all-state selection (first team in 2007, 2008; third team in 2006) and coaches' all-state choice (first team 2007, 2008; second team 2006) ... three-time *South Bend Tribune* Metro All-Area selection (2006, 2007, 2008).

#### KAILA TURNER, 5-8, G (Joliet, Ill./Marian Catholic)

**Statistics/Records:** Three-year starter at Marian Catholic High School (combined record of 75-20, .789) in Chicago Heights, Ill., where she is coached by Annie Basic ... career averages of 10.0 ppg., 3.2 apg., 2.5 rpg., with .343 3FG% (81-236) ... played AAU ball for Illinois Wolverines 16U Black, where she was coached by Ron Newquist.

**Awards/Honors:** Second-team Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA) all-state (2008) ... *Times of Northwest Indiana* Illinois Player of the Year (2008) ... two-time first-team all-area selection by *Times of Northwest Indiana*, *Illinois Times* and *Daily Southtown* (2007, 2008).

#### Notre Dame Incoming Class of 2009

Skylar Diggins	5-9, G, South Bend, Ind. (Washington HS)
Kaila Turner	5-8, G, Joliet, Ill. (Marian Catholic HS)







2008-09 Awards

### G Ashley Barlow

Dec. 19	Naismith Trophy Watch List
Nov. 24	BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll

### G Natalie Novosel

Dec. 29	BIG EAST Freshman of the Week
Jan. 12	BIG EAST Freshman of the Week

### G Lindsay Schrader

Oct. 23	Preseason Honorable Mention All-BIG EAST
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### F Kellie Watson

Dec. 1	BIG EAST Freshman of the Week
Dec. 8	BIG EAST Freshman of the Week

### C Erica Williamson

Jan. 12	BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll
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Irish have been virtually untouchable at home in recent years, winning 171 of their last 194 games (.881) at the 11,418-seat Joyce Center, including winning streaks of 51 and 25 games in that span. Notre Dame also has a 97-17 (.851) record in BIG EAST Conference play at the Joyce Center, sporting a 31-game league winning streak at home before it ended with a 48-45 loss to Villanova in the '02 home finale.

The Irish have been particularly strong when it comes to non-conference games at home, winning 76 of their last 82 non-BIG EAST contests (.927) at the Joyce Center, dating back to the 1994-95 season. Four of the losses in that span came at the hands of Big Ten Conference opponents — Wisconsin in 1996 (81-69), Purdue in 2003 (71-54), Michigan State in 2004 (82-73 OT) and Indiana in 2006 (54-51) — with the other two defeats coming to Tennessee in 2005 (62-51) and 2008 (87-63). The Purdue loss also snapped a 33-game non-conference home winning streak which began after the UW setback.

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the Joyce Center, posting a 321-84 (.793) record at the venerable facility. Three times (1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2003-04), the Irish went a perfect 15-0 at home, setting a school record for home wins in a season.

### Crowded House

The Dec. 7 home game vs. No. 17/20 Purdue was sold out, representing the sixth women's basketball sellout (11,418 capacity) in school history and the third in the past two seasons. It also was the first time in the 22-game series between the Irish and Boilermakers that an on-campus game sold out.

On Jan. 27, Notre Dame drew 10,082 fans for its game against Rutgers, marking the largest weeknight crowd in school history and the eighth-largest overall audience in the program's 32-year annals.

The Feb. 8 WBCA Pink Zone game vs. No. 25 DePaul attracted 10,011 fans, making it the ninth-largest crowd in school history and a record-tying third gathering of 10,000 fans or more this season (matching last year's record).

A full rundown of the top crowds in Joyce Center history can be found in the sidebar on page 9 of this notes package.

### Irish Have New Home On The Dial

On Aug. 27, 2008, the Notre Dame athletics department announced it had partnered with the LeSEA Broadcasting Network, making Pulse FM (96.9/92.1) the new radio home of Notre Dame women's basketball in the South Bend market.

LeSEA now originates all Notre Dame women's basketball games, with those events carried on Pulse FM (96.9/92.1), marking the first time since the 1998-99 season that the Irish are heard on an FM station. Combined, these two stations blanket the nation's No. 89 media market (South Bend-Elkhart), covering a 21-county area in northern Indiana and southwest Michigan that contains more than 1.35 million listeners (better than 800,000 in

the greater South Bend area alone). All told, Notre Dame's new women's basketball network stretches from Kalamazoo, Mich., to the north, North Judson, Ind., to the west, Macy, Ind., (home of former Irish All-America center **Ruth Riley**) to the south, and LaGrange, Ind., to the east.

Women's basketball game broadcasts also continue to be streamed live and free of charge on Notre Dame's official athletics Web site ([UND.com](http://UND.com)) through the Fighting Irish All-Access multimedia package.

**Bob Nagle**, the voice of Notre Dame women's basketball from 1996-97 through 1998-99 (including the program's first NCAA Final Four berth in 1997), returns as the play-by-play voice of the Irish this season.

### Notre Dame On The Small Screen

Notre Dame will have at least 20 regular-season games televised during the upcoming 2008-09 season. Highlighting this year's broadcast schedule are eight nationally-televised Irish women's basketball contests, including five games on the ESPN family of networks (including this coming Sunday's game at Connecticut, which will air on ESPNU) and three others on CBS College Sports.

In addition, Notre Dame continues to expand its broadcast reach globally on the Internet. All 11 Irish regular-season home games not selected for commercial TV coverage will air live on the official Notre Dame athletics web site, [UND.com](http://UND.com), via the site's free multimedia package, Fighting Irish All-Access.

This year's TV slate continues a recent trend that has seen the Irish become a regular fixture on television. Beginning with the NCAA championship season of 2000-01 and continuing through this year, Notre Dame has played in 132 televised games, including 82 that were broadcast nationally.

### Oh Captain, My Captain

Senior guard **Lindsay Schrader** and junior guards **Ashley Barlow** and **Melissa Lechlitrer** are team captains for the 2008-09 season. All three players are serving as captains for the first time in their careers, and each received the captain's honor following a vote of their teammates prior to the season.

### Irish In The Pink (Zone) All Season Long

Notre Dame is proud to be a participant in the second annual Pink Zone initiative, created by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA)  in order to heighten breast cancer awareness and raise money for research towards finding a cure for the disease.

Throughout the 2008-09 season, the Irish will take part in several activities centered around the Pink Zone initiative, including:

- **Open Practice/Tip-Off Luncheon** - On Oct. 19, the Irish open the doors to one of their preseason practice sessions and allowed approximately 600 season ticket holders to watch the team prepare for the upcoming season. A luncheon with the team followed and a total of \$3,311 was raised.

### Top Joyce Center Crowds

Rk.	Date	Opponent	Result	Atten.
T1.	1/15/01	#1 Connecticut	W, 92-76	11,418*
T1.	2/24/01	Georgetown	W, 65-53	11,418*
T1.	12/31/05	#1 Tennessee	L, 51-62	11,418*
T1.	1/5/08	#3 Tennessee	L, 63-87	11,418*
T1.	1/27/08	#1 Connecticut	L, 64-81	11,418*
<b>T1.</b>	<b>12/7/08</b>	<b>#17 Purdue</b>	<b>W, 62-51</b>	<b>11,418*</b>
7.	12/2/07	Michigan	W, 77-46	10,825
<b>8.</b>	<b>1/27/09</b>	<b>Rutgers</b>	<b>L, 68-78</b>	<b>10,082</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>2/8/09</b>	<b>#25 DePaul</b>	<b>W, 62-59</b>	<b>10,011</b>
10.	2/10/02	#16 Boston College	W, 60-44	9,676
11.	3/19/01	Michigan (NCAA)	W, 88-54	9,597
12.	12/3/06	Indiana	L, 51-54	9,494
13.	1/4/03	#7 Purdue	L, 54-71	9,483
14.	1/26/02	#16 Virginia Tech	W, 64-57	8,878
15.	2/10/08	#15 Pittsburgh	W, 81-66	8,831
16.	2/14/04	Providence	W, 81-51	8,760
17.	1/13/04	#4 Connecticut	W, 66-51	8,574
18.	1/29/02	Syracuse	W, 71-46	8,571
19.	3/17/01	Alcorn St. (NCAA)	W, 98-49	8,553
20.	1/20/03	#3 Connecticut	L, 53-72	8,265

\* = indicates capacity crowd // rankings from AP poll  
**Boldface** indicates game played this season





- **Three-Point Pledge** - Fans can pledge an amount to donate for every three-pointer the Irish make this season. Pledge cards are available at the Joyce Center Gate 10 marketing table prior to each home game.
- **Beanie Bears/Calendars** - The Irish are collecting \$5 donations for every special-edition Notre Dame women's basketball beanie bear and team calendar sold during the season.
- **T-Shirt Sales** - Specially-commissioned "Irish Believe" pink t-shirts are on sale in the Hammes Bookstore and Varsity Shop on the Notre Dame campus. Proceeds from the sales of the t-shirt will go to breast cancer awareness and research.
- **Brittany and Becca's Class** - During the fall semester, sophomores **Brittany Mallory** and **Becca Bruszewski** took a management class in Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business taught by **Chuck Lennon**, an Irish women's basketball season ticket holder, as well as Associate Vice President for University Relations and Executive Director of the Notre Dame Alumni Association. This class focused on ways to help promote and enhance the Pink Zone initiative on the Notre Dame campus and rolled out their ideas at the Dec. 7 Purdue game.
- **Pink Zone Challenge** - The Irish women's basketball program has challenged some of the other top-drawing teams in the country to a friendly fund-raising competition to see which school can raise the most money for breast cancer awareness and research during the WBCA's designated Pink Zone games (Feb. 13-22, 2009). A total of 15 schools from among the top 20 in last year's final NCAA attendance rankings have committed for this inaugural challenge — Baylor, Connecticut, Duke, LSU, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri State, New Mexico, Notre Dame, Oklahoma, Penn State, Purdue, Tennessee, Texas Tech and Vanderbilt. The school raising the most money during their specific Pink Zone game will earn the first-ever Pink Zone Challenge Trophy, to be commissioned by Notre Dame and awarded during the WBCA National Convention, to be held April 3-7, 2009, at the NCAA Women's Final Four in St. Louis.
- **Game Day (Feb. 8 vs. DePaul)** - the 62-59 win over DePaul on Feb. 8 was designated as Notre Dame's Pink Zone game, presented by Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center. The Irish sported white, pink and navy uniforms, specially-designed by the school's official athletics apparel provider, adidas, while the first 2,000 fans in attendance received a free pink Irish t-shirt, compliments of Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center, and pink pom-poms, balloons and posters filled the crowd. In addition, breast cancer survivors were recognized on the court during a special halftime ceremony. What's more, as a show of thanks for the near-capacity crowd of 10,011 fans in attendance, the Irish women's basketball program donated an additional \$5,000 to the Pink Zone initiative. Proceeds from all of Notre Dame's Pink Zone events this season (which currently have topped \$40,000, with more to come) will go to the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund, as well as three local

charities — Women's Task Force, Young Survivors Group and Secret Sisters Society. For more information on the WBCA's Pink Zone initiative, log on to the WBCA's official web site at [www.wbca.org](http://www.wbca.org).

### ND To Host NCAA Tourney Games in 2009

Notre Dame's Joyce Center will serve as one of 16 host sites for first- and second-round games in this year's NCAA Championship on March 22 & 24.

All-session tickets for this year's NCAA Championship games at the Joyce Center are available by contacting the Notre Dame athletics ticket office (574-631-7356).

Notre Dame has played in the NCAA Championship on its home floor five times before, most recently defeating Southwest Missouri State (now Missouri State) and Middle Tennessee in 2004 to make the program's sixth NCAA Sweet 16 appearance. All told, the Irish are 6-1 in NCAA tourney play at the Joyce Center, winning six in a row since an 81-76 first-round loss to Minnesota in 1994.

### Notre Dame Welcomes NCAA Pinnacle Of Fitness Challenge Program

The NCAA announced the details for the 2009 Pinnacle of Fitness challenge program which will energize middle school age children in nine cities across the United States and allow them to compete for a chance to win the national title in St. Louis during the week of the 2009 NCAA Women's Final Four.

The Joyce Center at the University of Notre Dame is one of the nine sites for the competition and will host its first Middle School Challenge at halftime of the first-round game of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship that will be played on March 22. An additional Middle School Challenge will take place on March 24 during halftime of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship second-round game at the Joyce Center. For tickets call (574) 631-7356 or go online to [www.UND.com](http://www.UND.com).

The Pinnacle of Fitness challenge is an NCAA Division I women's basketball initiative of healthy living and education that will challenge and improve individuals and their communities. The 2009 Pinnacle of Fitness challenge is expected to involve 100 middle schools in nine selected cities, with 74,000 middle school students participating.

The cornerstone of the program is the Middle School Challenge, which will educate and challenge students to improve their level of physical fitness through leading active lives, goal setting and developing life skills. The program will reward youth for improving their health and wellness and will be conducted at sites that will host a first- and second-round or regional round of competition during the 2009 NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship.

The Middle School Challenge will begin with each of the competing middle schools conducting in-school physical fitness assessment and testing. The top-10 students from the competing middle schools will compete in

BIG EAST Teleconference

The BIG EAST Conference women's basketball coaches will hold five media teleconferences during the 2008-09 season. The teleconference schedules features all 16 head coaches speaking every other Thursday during conference play, including the final call, which will occur prior to the BIG EAST Championship. Each head coach will be available for 5-8 minutes in a scheduled format. Media representatives wishing to participate in the teleconference should contact Notre Dame assistant SID **Chris Masters** (574-631-8032) or BIG EAST Director of Communications **Rachel Margolis** (401-453-0660) for the access number.

The remaining teleconference for this season will be held on **Feb. 19** and will begin at 10 a.m. (ET).

Here is a complete listing of the times when each BIG EAST coach will be available (all times Eastern and subject to change):

- 10:00 a.m. - Quentin Hillsman, Syracuse
- 10:06 a.m. - Jose Fernandez, South Florida
- 10:12 a.m. - Muffet McGraw, Notre Dame**
- 10:18 a.m. - Phil Seymour, Providence
- 10:24 a.m. - Jeff Walz, Louisville
- 10:30 a.m. - Kim Barnes Arico, St. John's
- 10:36 a.m. - Mike Carey, West Virginia
- 10:42 a.m. - Agnus Berenato, Pittsburgh
- 10:48 a.m. - Geno Auriemma, Connecticut
- 10:54 a.m. - J. Kelley Hall, Cincinnati
- 11:00 a.m. - Terri Williams-Fournoy, Georgetown
- 11:06 a.m. - Doug Bruno, DePaul
- 11:12 a.m. - Phyllis Mangina, Seton Hall
- 11:18 a.m. - Harry Perretta, Villanova
- 11:24 a.m. - Terri Mitchell, Marquette
- 11:30 a.m. - C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers

Once again this season, the coaches' teleconference will be available on-line via the BIG EAST Conference web site ([www.bigeast.org](http://www.bigeast.org)). Users can listen to the question and answer session live or replayed — check the BIG EAST web site for details. A special replay number also is available 24 hours a day after the calls are completed. Contact Masters or Margolis for details.

### Shootaround With Beth & Debbie

For the second consecutive year, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) is featuring a weekly national women's basketball podcast entitled "Shootaround With Beth & Debbie". The 30-minute show, which is available for download each Wednesday during the basketball season through the WBCA web site ([www.wbca.org](http://www.wbca.org)), is hosted by national women's basketball television broadcasters **Beth Mowins** and **Debbie Antonelli**. It features in-depth analysis of all the latest happenings in the world of women's college basketball, as well as interviews with some of the game's top coaches — in fact, Notre Dame's **Muffet McGraw** was a guest on one of the podcast's first airings early last year.





Record Book Update

## SINGLE SEASON

### Highest Scoring Average

1. 81.0 ppg	1998-99
2. 78.3 ppg	1994-95
3. 78.0 ppg	1990-91
4. 77.9 ppg	1995-96
5. 77.2 ppg	2000-01
— ♦72.0 ppg	2008-09

### Highest Scoring Margin

1. +21.4 ppg	2000-01
2. +15.5 ppg	1998-99
3. +15.2 ppg	1999-2000
4. +15.1 ppg	1989-90
5. +14.6 ppg	2007-08
— ♦+11.4 ppg	2008-09

### Most Steals

1. 397	2007-08
397	1990-91
3. 394	1996-97
4. 344	1995-96
5. 335	2006-07
335	1994-95
— ♦241	2008-09

### Fewest Turnovers

1. ♦384	2008-09
2. 430	2005-06
3. 512	2007-08
4. 516	2001-02
5. 532	2006-07

## CAREER

### Total Points

21. Carrie Bates (1981-85)	1,060
22. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	1,034
23. Kelley Simon (1997-2001)	1,006
24. ♦Ashley Barlow (2006-pres.)	1,000
— ♦Lindsay Schrader (2005-pres.)	928

### Most Blocked Shots

6. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	141
7. Shari Matvey (1979-83)	133
8. Trena Keys (1982-86)	124
9. Melissa D'Amico (2004-08)	97
10. ♦Erica Williamson (2006-pres.)	95

### Blocked Shots Per Game

6. Courtney LaVere (2002-06)	1.20
7. Teresa Borton (2001-05)	1.18
8. Heidi Bunek (1985-89)	1.120
9. Trena Keys (1982-86)	1.117
10. ♦Erica Williamson (2006-pres.)	1.08

### Most Steals

7. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	207
8. Charel Allen (2004-08)	206
9. Jeannine Augustin (1993-97)	201
10. Letitia Bowen (1991-95)	199
— ♦Ashley Barlow (2006-pres.)	187

### Most Steals Per Game

1. Coquese Washington (1989-93)	2.7
2. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	2.6
3. Mary Gavin (1984-88)	2.5
4. ♦Ashley Barlow (2006-pres.)	2.2
5. Michelle Marciniak (1991-92)	2.0

### Free Throw Percentage

1. Alicia Ratay (1999-2003)	.872
2. Megan Duffy (2002-06)	.859
3. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	.819
4. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	.814
5. ♦Ashley Barlow (2006-pres.)	.811 (253-312)

progressive on-court competitions at the sites during the regular season and again during the championship.

Competing middle schools and individual students will be recognized through school rewards that include fitness support funding for equipment, special events and awards. The winning middle school from each region will be awarded the opportunity to compete in the NCAA National Pinnacle of Fitness challenge on center court at NCAA Hoop City Refreshed by Coca-Cola® during the 2009 Women's Final Four. There, one middle school will be named the 2009 Pinnacle of Fitness challenge champion.

### Irish Fans Crave Another Big Mac Attack

After a wildly-successful debut last season, Notre Dame is bringing back its "Big Mac" promotion for 2008-09, offering fans a coupon for a free Big Mac from South Bend-area McDonald's restaurants if the Irish score at least 88 points in a home game.

It hasn't take long for the burger watch to fire back up again this year, as Notre Dame has topped the 88-point mark three times — in its lone exhibition game (96-30 over Gannon on Nov. 5), as well as regular season games against Evansville (96-61 on Nov. 19) and Loyola-Chicago (89-45 on Dec. 20).

Last year, the Irish reached the magic number eight times, doing so in both exhibition wins, along with regular-season victories over Miami (Ohio), Boston College, Canisius, Valparaiso, Marquette and South Florida.

It should come as no surprise that in the short history of the promotion, the Notre Dame player with the most "Big Mac" baskets shares the same initials with the tasty burger — sophomore guard **Brittany Mallory**, who was sent the crowd home happy (and presumably with full bellies) four times.

This season, it's been the Irish freshmen who have taken on the "Big Mac" mantle of responsibility, with guard **Natalie Novosel** doing the honors in the Gannon exhibition and Loyola-Chicago game, and forward **Erica Solomon** putting Notre Dame over the top against Evansville.

### Joyce Center Arena Renovation Underway

On Sept. 13, 2008, groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Purcell Pavilion, including the Joyce Center arena addition and renovation, were held to kick off the first phase of the two-year project to upgrade the home for Notre Dame basketball and volleyball.

The first phase of the project, that began in September 2008, involves construction of a new three-story structure at the south end of the arena. That structure will include a new three-story lobby, the Notre Dame ticket operations (approximately 4,500 square feet) and a varsity

shop to sell apparel and souvenirs (approximately 3,000 square feet), in addition to a new club seating and hospitality area.

Replacement of the existing Joyce Center arena seating, including installation of chair-back seating throughout the arena, is expected to take place after the University's Commencement Exercises in May 2009. The entire project is scheduled for completion in January 2010. The arena is expected to re-open by mid-October 2009, in time for the start of the basketball season and the end of the volleyball season.

The University announced in October 2007 that this \$26.3 million project had received a \$12.5 million leadership gift from Notre Dame alumnus and Trustee **Philip J. Purcell III**, the retired chairman and chief executive officer of Morgan Stanley.

Exterior changes to the Joyce Center that began taking shape in September include a new, three-story addition on the south end of the current structure. The third floor area will include the stadium club/hospitality area. The first-floor addition will include almost 4,500 square feet for ticket offices (including four exterior and 10 interior tickets windows), 3,000 square feet for the varsity shop, as well as a completely new main entrance and lobby situated between Gates 8 and 10. The new entrance will feature graphics and theming that highlight Notre Dame's competing athletic programs.

Changes to the interior of the Joyce Center arena include:

- New, blue chair-back seating from top to bottom of the arena, including all-new upper-arena sections. All seating will be replaced in the lower bowl (including platform seats), and the wooden bleachers in the upper bowl will be removed and replaced with treads and risers and permanent arena seats. The exchange of the bleacher sections for chair back seats will change the capacity from the current 11,418 to approximately 9,800.
- A stadium club/hospitality area (approximately 16,500 square feet) in the south end of the arena, with a separate, private entry and with premium club seating for nearly 800 fans (that figure is part of the projected 9,800 capacity). Included in this area will be food service and restroom facilities.
- New fixed concession areas, increased numbers of women's restrooms and increased handicapped seating options.
- The interior seating changes provide an opportunity to consider new options for student seating. Students currently sit in both lower- and upper-arena sections behind the basket on the east end of the arena.

### Next Game: Connecticut

Notre Dame continues its two-game road swing this week with a Sunday matinee at No. 1 Connecticut. The Irish and Huskies will tangle at 2 p.m. (ET) at the XL Center in Hartford, with the game to be televised live on ESPNU.

Connecticut (25-0, 11-0) remains the nation's lone unbeaten squad following a 95-42 win over No. 19/23 Pittsburgh this past Sunday in Storrs, Conn. The Huskies will visit Providence Wednesday night before returning home to face the Irish.

### ND's "Big Mac Baskets"

<b>2008-09</b>	
*Gannon	Novosel FT
Evansville	Solomon FG
Loyola-Chicago	Novosel FG
<b>2007-08</b>	
*S. Indiana	Williamson FG
*Hillsdale	Mallory FT
Miami (Ohio)	Barlow FG
Boston Coll.	Mallory FG
Canisius	Mallory 3FG
Valparaiso	Mallory FT
Marquette	Allen FG
So. Florida	Schrader FG
* - exhibition game	





## Notre Dame on the BIG EAST Conference and NCAA statistical leaderboards

### Individual Statistics

Category	BIG EAST - All Games		NCAA Division I		BIG EAST - Conference Games Only	
	Rank	Leader	Rank	Leader	Rank	Leader
Scoring (Top 30 BIG EAST / Top 100 NCAA)						
Ashley Barlow	12.4	24	23.6, Shavonte Zellous, PITT	—	25.6, Alysha Clark, Middle Tenn.	12.5, t-19 26.4, Angel McCoughtry, LOU
Lindsay Schrader	11.4	28		—		9.6, —
Rebounding (Top 20 BIG EAST / Top 100 NCAA)						
Lindsay Schrader	6.9	17	11.6, Noteisha Womack, SHU	—	13.9, Judie Lomax, Columbia	7.2, 12 9.9, Angel McCoughtry, LOU
Assists (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 100 NCAA)						
Melissa Lechlitner	3.4	12	5.6, Renee Montgomery, UCONN	—	8.3, Whitney Boddie, Auburn	4.1, 6 6.0, Renee Montgomery, UCONN
Assist/Turnover Ratio (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 100 NCAA)						
Melissa Lechlitner	1.5	8	2.3, Maya Moore, UCONN	72	2.81, Andrea Peterson, Drexel	1.7, 6 2.2, Maya Moore, UCONN
Field Goal Percentage (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 100 NCAA)						
Becca Bruszewski	.505	10	.628, Natasha Williams, DPU	—	.680, Carolyn Swords, Boston College	.471, — .622, Natasha Williams, DPU
Lindsay Schrader	.460	15		—		.389, —
Natalie Novosel	.525	—		—		.571, 6
Free Throw Percentage (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 100 NCAA)						
Ashley Barlow	.800	6	.850, Siobhan O'Connor, VU	—	.952, Lauren Prochaska, BG	.756, — .880, Tiffany Hayes, UCONN
Melissa Lechlitner	.776	—		—		.774, 15
Steals (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 100 NCAA)						
Ashley Barlow	2.7	4	4.8, Angel McCoughtry, LOU	33	4.9, Angel McCoughtry, Louisville	2.6, t-3 5.4, Angel McCoughtry, LOU
Natalie Novosel	1.4	—		—		1.8, 12
Blocked Shots (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 100 NCAA)						
Erica Solomon	1.3	9	2.7, Brittany Denson, USF	—	5.7, Brittany Pittman, Morehead St.	1.2, 12 2.8, Brittany Denson, USF
Offensive Rebounds (Top 15 BIG EAST)						
Erica Solomon	2.4	—	4.5, Noteisha Womack, SHU	not kept		2.7, t-11 3.8, Chandra Jones, SU
Defensive Rebounds (Top 15 BIG EAST)						
Lindsay Schrader	5.0	9	7.1, Noteisha Womack, SHU	not kept		5.3, 8 7.6, Angel McCoughtry, LOU

Conference stats through Feb. 14 // NCAA stats through Feb. 12

328 Division I teams

**bold** = BIG EAST leader OR NCAA Top 25

### Team Statistics

Category	BIG EAST - All Games		NCAA Division I		BIG EAST - Conference Games Only	
	Rank	Leader	Rank	Leader	Rank	Leader
Scoring Offense	72.0	5	86.2, Connecticut	28	86.2, Connecticut	68.3, 4 82.5, Connecticut
Scoring Defense	60.6	10	51.8, Villanova	118	50.4, Kansas State	65.6, 9 49.9, Villanova
Scoring Margin	+11.5	5	+31.9, Connecticut	34	+31.9, Connecticut	+2.6, 6 +28.9, Connecticut
FT Percentage	.683 (308-451)	12	.783, Villanova	172	.835, Murray State	.690 (147-213), 11 .833, Villanova
FG Percentage	.440 (628-1428)	2	.517, Connecticut	29	.517, Connecticut	.415 (282-680), 4 .480, Connecticut
FG Pct. Defense	.377 (508-1349)	7	.337, Pittsburgh	86	.317, Xavier	.395 (257-651), 8 .334, Connecticut
3-Point FG Pct.	.336 (93-277)	4	.379, St. John's	81	.432, Maryland	.299 (40-134), 11 .372, Connecticut
3-Point FG Pct. Def.	.291 (99-340)	4	.266, Louisville	63	.237, Northwestern State	.339 (59-174), 13 .265, Villanova
3-Point FG Made	4.0	15	8.2, Villanova	244	9.6, Fresno State	3.6, 15 8.7, Villanova
Rebounding	40.0	8	45.7, Pittsburgh	not kept		39.4, 4 44.1, South Florida
Opponent Rebounding	37.0	12	31.3, Rutgers	not kept		38.3, 10 33.9, Villanova
Rebounding Margin	+3.0	9	+11.0, Pittsburgh	90	+13.2, Stanford	+1.1, 5 +7.9, Connecticut
Offensive Rebounds	14.1	11	18.7, South Florida	not kept		13.9, 6 18.4, Pittsburgh
Defensive Rebounds	25.9	7	28.8, Connecticut	not kept		25.5, t-5 28.5, Connecticut
Blocked Shots	4.2	7	6.4, Pittsburgh	73	7.1, North Carolina	3.4, 8 6.8, Providence
Assists	15.3	5	21.4, Connecticut	37	21.4, Connecticut	15.3, 2 18.9, Connecticut
Steals	10.5	3	12.3, South Florida	40	14.1, Georgia Tech	9.8, 2 11.7, Louisville
Turnover Margin	+3.6	5	+7.2, South Florida	41	+7.71, South Florida	+2.1, 4 +5.2, Connecticut
Turnover Average	16.7	not kept		87	12.0, Samford	not kept
Assist/Turnover Ratio	0.9	6	1.5, Connecticut	35	1.53, Connecticut	0.9, 3 1.2, Connecticut
Personal Fouls	16.5	not kept		115	12.6, La Salle	not kept
Won-Loss Percentage	.739	not kept		46	1.000, Connecticut	not kept

Conference stats through Feb. 14 // NCAA stats through Feb. 12

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**2008-09 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results****Overall Record: 17-6 (Home: 9-2, Away: 8-4, Neutral: 0-0); BIG EAST Conference Record: 6-5**

											----- Notre Dame Highs -----			
Date	ND NR	Opp NR	Opponent	Time/Result	Streak	Record	BEC	Scorer	Rebounder	Assists	Attendance			
Nov. 16	16/14	24/22	at LSU <sup>1-ESPN2</sup>	W 62-53	W1	1-0		Barlow-19	two with 6	Lechlitner-5	7,954			
Nov. 19	15/15		EVANSVILLE	W 96-61	W2	2-0		Barlow-19	Schrader-7	Mallory-6	5,696			
Nov. 23	15/15		at Boston College	W 102-54	W3	3-0		Bruszewski-18	Williamson-7	Barlow-6	1,567			
Nov. 25	14/10		GEORGIA SOUTHERN	W 85-36	W4	4-0		Mallory-19	Barlow-8	two with 4	6,192			
Nov. 29	14/10	24/rv	MICHIGAN STATE	W 78-72	W5	5-0		Watson-18	Watson-6	Barlow-6	6,710			
Dec. 2	11/8		at Eastern Michigan	W 83-63	W6	6-0		Novosel-18	Schrader-10	Novosel-4	649			
Dec. 7	11/8	17/20	PURDUE	W 62-51	W7	7-0		Lechlitner-19	Schrader-10	two with 4	11,418 (c)			
Dec. 10	8/8		at Michigan <sup>BTN</sup>	L 59-63 (ot)	L1	7-1		Barlow-14	two with 5	three with 3	1,377			
Dec. 13	8/8		at Valparaiso <sup>ESPN360/FC</sup>	W 63-55	W1	8-1		Lechlitner-18	Solomon-7	two with 2	2,046			
Dec. 20	13/7		LOYOLA-CHICAGO	W 89-45	W2	9-1		three with 13	two with 8	Schrader-5	6,323			
Dec. 28	12/6		at Charlotte <sup>ESPN2</sup>	W 68-61	W3	10-1		Schrader-19	Schrader-9	Barlow-4	1,587			
Dec. 30	12/6	20/19	at Vanderbilt	W 59-57	W4	11-1		two with 12	Barlow-9	Barlow-4	4,374			
Jan. 3	12/6		• at Seton Hall	W 66-60	W5	12-1	1-0	Barlow-14	Schrader-6	six with 2	775			
Jan. 6	12/4		• at DePaul <sup>CBS CS</sup>	W 86-62	W6	13-1	2-0	Williamson-20	Williamson-9	Lechlitner-5	2,452			
Jan. 10	12/4		• GEORGETOWN	W 84-63	W7	14-1	3-0	Williamson-21	Williamson-10	Barlow-6	6,561			
Jan. 13	10/4		• at Marquette <sup>CBS CS</sup>	L 65-75	L1	14-2	3-1	two with 15	Schrader-11	two with 4	1,850			
Jan. 17	10/4		• ST. JOHN'S	W 70-67	W1	15-2	4-1	Lechlitner-15	Solomon-8	Lechlitner-6	6,027			
Jan. 24	13/9		• at Villanova	L 48-55	L1	15-3	4-2	Barlow-11	Solomon-10	two with 2	2,111			
Jan. 27	17/13		• RUTGERS <sup>CBS CS</sup>	L 68-78	L2	15-4	4-3	Novosel-19	two with 6	Barlow-4	10,082			
Jan. 31	17/13		• CINCINNATI	W 66-50	W1	16-4	5-3	Schrader-19	Schrader-15	Lechlitner-7	6,902			
Feb. 3	19/16	22/24	• at Pittsburgh	L 70-82	L1	16-5	5-4	two with 14	Solomon-8	two with 4	3,813			
Feb. 8	19/16	25/25	• DEPAUL <sup>ESPN2</sup>	W 62-59	W1	17-5	6-4	Barlow-19	Bruszewski-12	two with 3	10,011			
Feb. 11	22/22	10/12	• LOUISVILLE	L 66-71	L1	17-6	6-5	Bruszewski-18	Barlow-8	Lechlitner-5	6,706			
Feb. 17			• at South Florida	7 p.m. ET										
Feb. 22			• at Connecticut <sup>ESPN2</sup>	2 p.m. ET										
Feb. 24			• SYRACUSE	7 p.m. ET										
Feb. 28			• at Providence	2 p.m. ET										
March 2			• WEST VIRGINIA	3:30 p.m. ET										

**BIG EAST Championship (Hartford, Conn. — XL Center)**

March 6	First Round	TBA
March 7	Second Round <sup>BIG EAST TV</sup>	TBA
March 8	Quarterfinals <sup>ESPN2</sup>	TBA
March 9	Semifinals <sup>ESPN2</sup>	6/8 p.m. ET
March 10	Final <sup>ESPN</sup>	7 p.m. ET

**NCAA Championship — First & Second Rounds (Notre Dame, Ind. — Joyce Center)**

March 22	First Round <sup>ESPN/ESPN2</sup>	TBA
March 24	Second Round <sup>ESPN/ESPN2</sup>	TBA

**NCAA Regionals (Berkeley, Calif./Oklahoma City, Okla./Raleigh, N.C./Trenton, N.J.)**

March 28-29	Regional Semifinals <sup>ESPN</sup>	TBA
March 30-31	Regional Finals <sup>ESPN</sup>	TBA

**NCAA Women's Final Four (St. Louis, Mo. — Scottrade Center)**

April 5	National Semifinals <sup>ESPN</sup>	TBA
April 7	National Championship <sup>ESPN</sup>	TBA

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game

(c) = indicates capacity crowd

NR = national ranking (listed as Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today)

ESPN/ESPN2/ESPN2 = Game to be televised live on ESPN, ESPN2 or ESPN2

ESPN360/FC = Game televised live on ESPN360.com/ESPN Full Court

CBS CS = Games televised live on CBS College Sports

BIG EAST TV = Game to be televised live as part of BIG EAST-Regional Sports Networks package

BTN = Game televised live on the Big Ten Network

NOTE: All home games not scheduled for commercial TV broadcast will air live on UND.com

Home games listed in ALL CAPS and played at Joyce Center (capacity 11,418)

**2008-09 ATTENDANCE**

	Totals	Avg.	High
<b>All Games:</b>	113,183	4,921	11,418 (12/7 - PUR)
<b>Home:</b>	82,628	7,512	11,418 (12/7 - PUR)
<b>Away:</b>	30,555	2,546	7,954 (11/16 - LSU)
<b>Neutral:</b>			



## 2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — All Games

Overall Record: 17-6 (Home: 9-2, Away: 8-4, Neutral: 0-0)

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	21-20	693-33.0	91-230	.396	27-80	.338	52-65	.800	37	65	102	4.9	32-0	60	59	2	56	261	12.4
Schrader, Lindsay	23-23	711-30.9	109-237	.460	1-3	.333	44-67	.657	45	114	159	6.9	34-0	56	62	11	31	263	11.4
Lechlitner, Melissa	23-23	760-33.0	96-240	.400	19-50	.380	38-49	.776	14	49	63	2.7	40-0	79	52	2	32	249	10.8
Bruszewski, Becca	23-23	586-25.5	98-194	.505	12-32	.375	20-32	.625	24	85	109	4.7	70-2	36	44	13	24	228	9.9
*Mallory, Brittany	7-3	154-22.0	21-45	.467	7-20	.350	8-13	.615	5	18	23	3.3	15-0	20	9	1	11	57	8.1
Novosel, Natalie	23-0	458-19.9	64-122	.525	1-10	.100	48-68	.706	37	32	69	3.0	39-0	37	49	2	33	177	7.7
*Peters, Devereaux	3-1	61-20.3	11-16	.688	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	3	10	13	4.3	6-0	5	4	6	5	22	7.3
Solomon, Erica	23-0	404-17.6	52-115	.452	0-0	.000	42-72	.583	55	66	111	4.8	57-0	17	34	31	13	146	6.3
Williamson, Erica	23-22	353-15.3	44-96	.458	0-0	.000	36-47	.766	31	60	91	4.0	38-0	15	26	18	10	124	5.4
Watson, Kellie	23-0	360-15.7	34-122	.279	26-81	.321	16-24	.667	14	49	63	2.7	30-1	21	32	10	10	110	4.8
Miller, Fraderica	15-0	77-5.1	8-10	.800	0-0	.000	1-5	.200	5	6	11	0.7	18-0	7	5	0	15	17	1.1
Christiansen, Alena	4-0	8-2.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	3-6	.500	1	0	1	0.3	1-0	0	0	0	1	3	0.8
Team									53	52	105						8		
<b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4625</b>	<b>628-1428</b>	<b>.440</b>	<b>93-277</b>	<b>.336</b>	<b>308-451</b>	<b>.683</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>380-3</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>1657</b>	<b>72.0</b>
Opponents	23	4625	508-1349	.377	99-340	.291	278-370	.751	291	559	850	37.0	404-10	299	466	78	187	1393	60.6

**Deadball Rebounds:** Notre Dame 63, Opponents 42 // \* - out for season (knee injury)

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Notre Dame	772	882	3	— 1657
Opponents	654	732	7	— 1393

## 2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — BIG EAST Games

Overall Record: 6-5 (Home: 4-2, Away: 2-3, Neutral: 0-0)

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	11-11	371-33.7	45-121	.372	16-45	.356	31-41	.756	20	29	49	4.5	16-0	30	32	1	29	137	12.5
Lechlitner, Melissa	11-11	381-34.6	42-121	.347	9-28	.321	24-31	.774	6	32	38	3.5	22-0	45	26	0	17	117	10.6
Bruszewski, Becca	11-11	296-26.9	49-104	.471	6-19	.316	8-11	.727	11	46	57	5.2	35-0	14	15	7	8	112	10.2
Schrader, Lindsay	11-11	341-31.0	42-108	.389	0-2	.000	22-34	.647	21	58	79	7.2	16-0	25	30	5	13	106	9.6
Novosel, Natalie	11-0	239-21.7	40-70	.571	0-1	.000	24-36	.667	20	15	35	3.2	24-0	19	25	1	20	104	9.5
Williamson, Erica	11-11	181-16.5	28-48	.583	0-0	.000	17-22	.773	13	29	42	3.8	18-0	11	12	8	6	73	6.6
Solomon, Erica	11-0	197-17.9	22-51	.431	0-0	.000	14-30	.467	30	26	56	5.1	35-0	7	17	13	5	58	5.3
Watson, Kellie	11-0	158-14.4	12-55	.218	9-39	.231	5-6	.833	5	22	27	2.5	15-0	12	15	2	3	38	3.5
Christiansen, Alena	3-0	3-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	0.7
Miller, Fraderica	8-0	33-4.1	2-2	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	4	6	0.8	7-0	5	2	0	7	4	0.5
Team									25	19	44						3		
<b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2200</b>	<b>282-680</b>	<b>.415</b>	<b>40-134</b>	<b>.299</b>	<b>147-213</b>	<b>.690</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>39.4</b>	<b>188-0</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>68.3</b>
Opponents	11	2200	257-651	.395	59-174	.339	149-199	.749	139	282	421	38.3	191-3	155	200	40	86	722	65.6

**Deadball Rebounds:** Notre Dame 29, Opponents 25

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame	344	407	— 751
Opponents	331	391	— 722

**2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Home Games****Overall Record: 9-2**

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	10-10	317-31.7	44-119	.370	17-49	.347	28-36	.778	23	28	51	5.1	15-0	31	24	1	28	133	13.3
Lechlitner, Melissa	11-11	357-32.5	46-109	.422	10-29	.345	21-25	.840	6	26	32	2.9	12-0	44	22	1	19	123	11.2
Schrader, Lindsay	11-11	320-29.1	49-104	.471	0-0	.000	23-36	.639	18	58	76	6.9	18-0	33	33	6	15	121	11.0
Bruszewski, Becca	11-11	270-24.5	47-89	.528	10-21	.476	10-13	.769	15	39	54	4.9	29-1	17	22	6	10	114	10.4
*Mallory, Brittany	4-1	90-22.5	13-29	.448	3-12	.250	6-9	.667	3	8	11	2.9	10-0	13	4	0	8	35	8.8
Novosel, Natalie	11-0	207-18.8	32-64	.500	0-7	.000	22-29	.759	16	12	28	2.5	15-0	21	20	1	16	86	7.8
Watson, Kellie	11-0	184-16.7	23-75	.307	19-51	.373	7-10	.700	10	26	36	3.3	14-0	9	18	3	8	72	6.5
Williamson, Erica	11-10	186-16.9	21-47	.447	0-0	.000	24-28	.857	16	39	55	5.0	20-0	8	12	11	5	66	6.0
*Peters, Devereaux	1-1	17-17.0	3-5	.600	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	3	4	4.0	3-0	1	1	1	0	6	6.0
Solomon, Erica	11-0	189-17.2	18-48	.375	0-0	.000	18-32	.563	23	28	51	4.6	28-0	6	12	15	7	54	4.9
Miller, Fraderica	8-0	56-7.0	6-8	.750	0-0	.000	1-5	.200	5	6	11	1.4	13-0	6	4	0	10	13	1.6
Christiansen, Alena	3-0	7-2.3	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	3-6	.500	1	0	1	0.3	1-0	0	0	0	1	3	1.0
Team									23	16	39						3		
<b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2200</b>	<b>302-698</b>	<b>.433</b>	<b>59-170</b>	<b>.347</b>	<b>163-229</b>	<b>.712</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>178-1</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>75.1</b>
Opponents	11	2200	238-644	.370	44-156	.282	133-182	.731	145	277	422	38.4	209-6	141	237	33	96	653	59.4

**Deadball Rebounds:** Notre Dame 25, Opponents 21 // \* - out for season (knee injury)

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame	381	445	826
Opponents	303	350	653

**2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Road Games****Overall Record: 8-4 (Away: 8-4, Neutral: 0-0)**

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Schrader, Lindsay	12-12	391-32.6	60-133	.451	1-3	.333	21-31	.677	27	56	83	6.9	16-0	23	29	5	16	142	11.8
Barlow, Ashley	11-10	376-34.2	47-111	.423	10-31	.323	24-29	.828	14	37	51	4.6	17-0	29	35	1	28	128	11.6
Lechlitner, Melissa	12-12	403-33.6	50-131	.382	9-21	.429	17-24	.708	8	23	31	2.6	28-0	35	30	1	13	126	10.5
Bruszewski, Becca	12-12	316-26.3	51-105	.486	2-11	.182	10-19	.526	9	46	55	4.6	41-1	19	22	7	14	114	9.5
*Peters, Devereaux	2-0	44-22.0	8-11	.727	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	2	7	9	4.5	3-0	4	3	5	5	16	8.0
Solomon, Erica	12-0	215-17.9	34-67	.507	0-0	.000	24-40	.600	32	28	60	5.0	29-0	11	22	16	6	92	7.7
Novosel, Natalie	12-0	251-20.9	32-58	.552	1-3	.333	26-39	.667	21	20	41	3.4	24-0	16	29	1	17	91	7.6
*Mallory, Brittany	3-2	64-21.3	8-16	.500	4-8	.500	2-4	.500	2	10	12	4.0	5-0	7	5	1	3	22	7.3
Williamson, Erica	12-12	167-13.9	23-49	.469	0-0	.000	12-19	.632	15	21	36	3.0	18-0	7	14	7	5	58	4.8
Watson, Kellie	12-0	176-14.7	11-47	.234	7-30	.233	9-14	.643	4	23	27	2.3	16-1	12	14	7	2	38	3.2
Miller, Fraderica	7-0	21-3.0	2-2	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	5-0	1	1	0	5	4	0.6
Christiansen, Alena	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team									30	36	66						5		
<b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2425</b>	<b>326-730</b>	<b>.447</b>	<b>34-107</b>	<b>.318</b>	<b>145-222</b>	<b>.653</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>39.2</b>	<b>202-2</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>69.2</b>
Opponents	12	2425	270-705	.383	55-184	.299	145-188	.771	146	282	428	35.7	195-4	158	229	45	91	740	61.7

**Deadball Rebounds:** Notre Dame 38, Opponents 32 // \* - out for season (knee injury)

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Notre Dame	391	437	3	831
Opponents	351	382	7	740



## 2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Past 5 Games

Overall Record: 2-3 (Home: 2-2, Away: 0-1, Neutral: 0-0)

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	5-5	174-34.8	22-61	.361	8-24	.333	14-21	.667	16	7	23	4.6	8-0	14	14	1	14	66	13.2
Bruszewski, Becca	5-5	145-29.0	28-53	.528	4-9	.444	4-5	.800	5	25	30	6.0	13-0	6	7	5	3	64	12.8
Novosel, Natalie	5-0	114-22.8	21-39	.538	0-1	.000	10-14	.714	11	4	15	3.0	6-0	12	9	0	10	52	10.4
Lechlitner, Melissa	5-5	173-34.6	19-64	.297	3-16	.188	9-12	.750	4	18	22	4.4	9-0	21	10	0	11	50	10.0
Schrader, Lindsay	5-5	146-29.2	17-53	.321	0-0	.000	11-19	.579	12	26	38	7.6	9-0	8	16	0	6	45	9.0
Williamson, Erica	5-5	82-16.4	7-15	.467	0-0	.000	5-6	.833	6	9	15	3.0	12-0	5	6	5	4	19	3.8
Watson, Kellie	5-0	70-14.0	6-31	.194	5-23	.217	1-2	.500	4	11	15	3.0	6-0	3	3	1	2	18	3.6
Solomon, Erica	5-0	83-16.6	8-25	.320	0-0	.000	2-8	.250	15	8	23	4.6	15-0	3	5	6	2	18	3.6
Christiansen, Alena	1-0	1-1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Miller, Fraderica	3-0	12-4.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	3	5	1.7	4-0	3	1	0	4	0	0.0
Team									14	12	26				3				
<b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>128-341</b>	<b>.375</b>	<b>20-73</b>	<b>.274</b>	<b>56-87</b>	<b>.644</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>42.4</b>	<b>82-0</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>66.4</b>
Opponents	5	1000	125-302	.414	24-70	.343	66-88	.750	66	146	212	42.4	81-1	77	93	20	33	340	68.0

**Deadball Rebounds:** Notre Dame 9, Opponents 10

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame	151	181	— 332
Opponents	166	174	— 340

## 2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Ranked Opponents

Overall Record: 5-2 (Home: 3-1, Away: 2-1, Neutral: 0-0)

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Barlow, Ashley	6-6	210-35.0	27-77	.351	8-29	.276	18-24	.750	17	17	34	5.7	11-0	16	19	0	9	80	13.3
*Peters, Devereaux	1-0	28-28.0	6-7	.857	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	2	4	6	6.0	2-0	2	2	3	3	12	12.0
Bruszewski, Becca	7-7	197-28.1	31-63	.492	5-11	.455	8-12	.667	7	35	42	6.0	25-1	13	14	5	5	75	10.7
Schrader, Lindsay	7-7	214-30.6	29-80	.363	0-0	.000	17-26	.654	17	26	43	6.1	12-0	14	23	1	8	75	10.7
Lechlitner, Melissa	7-7	245-35.0	24-68	.353	4-15	.267	12-18	.667	3	18	21	3.0	10-0	25	16	0	8	64	9.1
Watson, Kellie	7-0	98-14.0	15-36	.417	13-27	.481	2-2	1.000	6	15	21	3.0	2-0	6	3	3	2	45	6.4
Solomon, Erica	7-0	125-17.9	17-40	.425	0-0	.000	8-17	.471	21	17	38	5.4	20-0	6	9	8	3	42	6.0
Novosel, Natalie	7-0	109-15.6	13-32	.406	0-3	.000	9-11	.818	11	4	15	2.1	6-0	8	16	0	9	35	5.0
Williamson, Erica	7-7	114-16.3	9-28	.321	0-0	.000	8-9	.889	9	15	24	3.4	20-0	6	8	6	2	26	3.7
*Mallory, Brittany	2-1	46-23.0	1-9	.111	0-4	.000	3-4	.750	2	5	7	3.5	4-0	4	1	0	4	5	2.5
Miller, Fraderica	4-0	14-3.5	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	3	4	1.0	3-0	1	1	0	3	0	0.0
Team									19	14	33				5				
<b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1400</b>	<b>172-440</b>	<b>.391</b>	<b>30-89</b>	<b>.337</b>	<b>85-126</b>	<b>.675</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>115-1</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>65.6</b>
Opponents	7	1400	170-424	.401	21-80	.263	84-115	.730	99	180	279	39.9	116-3	102	124	23	63	445	63.6

**Deadball Rebounds:** Notre Dame 14, Opponents 13 // \* - out for season (knee injury)

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Notre Dame	201	258	— 459
Opponents	225	220	— 445



**2008-09 Single Game Highs & Lows****Team Superlatives**

NOTRE DAME HIGH	NOTRE DAME LOW	CATEGORY	OPPONENT HIGH	OPPONENT LOW
102 at Boston College (11/23/08)	48 at Villanova (1/24/09)	<b>Points/Game</b>	82 by Pittsburgh (2/3/09)	36 by Ga. Southern (11/25/08)
53 (2nd) at Boston College (11/23/08)	20, twice (MR: 1st at Villanova, 1/24/09)	<b>Points/Half</b>	47 (2nd) by Rutgers (1/27/09)	17 (1st) by Ga. Southern (11/25/08)
42 at Boston College (11/23/08)	16 at Villanova (1/24/09)	<b>Field Goals Made</b>	30 by Pittsburgh (2/3/09)	12 by Ga. Southern (11/25/08)
79 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	46 at Seton Hall (1/3/09)	<b>Field Goal Attempts</b>	68 by Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	47 by Villanova (1/24/09)
.646 at Boston College (11/23/08)	.327 at Villanova (1/24/09)	<b>FG Percentage</b>	.458 by Marquette (1/13/09)	.214 by Ga. Southern (11/25/08)
9 vs. Michigan State (11/29/08)	0 at Seton Hall (1/3/09)	<b>3-Point FG Made</b>	10 by Villanova (1/24/09)	0 by LSU (11/16/08)
25 vs. Michigan State (11/29/08)	4 at LSU (11/16/08)	<b>3-Point FG Attempts</b>	27 by Villanova (1/24/09)	4 by LSU (11/16/08)
.875 at Boston College (11/23/08)	.000 at Seton Hall (1/3/09)	<b>3-Point FG Percentage</b>	.583 by Pittsburgh (2/3/09)	.000 by LSU (11/16/08)
25, twice (MR: vs. Loyola, 12/20/08)	3 at Vanderbilt (12/30/08)	<b>Free Throws Made</b>	22 by Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	2 by Boston College (11/23/08)
40 at Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	6, twice (MR: at Vanderbilt, 12/30/08)	<b>Free Throw Attempts</b>	28 by Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	3 by Boston College (11/23/08)
.917 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	.333 vs. Cincinnati (1/31/09)	<b>FT Percentage</b>	.905 by Rutgers (1/27/09)	.455 by Vanderbilt (12/30/08)
60 at Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	26 at Seton Hall (1/3/09)	<b>Rebounds</b>	48, three times (MR: by Pitt, 2/3/09)	22 by Boston College (11/23/08)
23, twice (MR: at Boston Coll., 11/23/08)	7, twice (MR: at Villanova, 1/24/09)	<b>Assists</b>	21 by Marquette (1/13/09)	7 by Ga. Southern (11/25/08)
21 vs. Cincinnati (1/31/09)	2 at Vanderbilt (12/30/08)	<b>Steals</b>	14 by St. John's (1/17/09)	1 by Pittsburgh (2/3/09)
8, twice (MR: at Valparaiso, 12/13/08)	1, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 2/8/09)	<b>Blocked Shots</b>	7 by DePaul (1/6/09)	1, four times (MR: by Louisville, 2/11/09)
23, twice (MR: vs. Georgetown, 1/10/09)	8 vs. Evansville (11/19/08)	<b>Turnovers</b>	31, twice (MR: by Loyola, 12/20/08)	11 by Vanderbilt (12/30/08)
24 at Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	11 at Valparaiso (12/13/08)	<b>Fouls</b>	31 by Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	10 by Michigan (12/10/08)

**Individual Superlatives**

	NOTRE DAME	OPPONENT
<b>Points Scored</b>	21 by Erica Williamson vs. Georgetown (1/10/09)	34 by Aisha Jefferson of Michigan State (11/29/08)
<b>Field Goals Made</b>	9, three times (MR: by Lindsay Schrader vs. Cincinnati, 1/31/09)	14 by Aisha Jefferson of Michigan State (11/29/08)
<b>Field Goal Attempts</b>	19 by Melissa Lechlitner at Marquette (1/13/09)	28 by Aisha Jefferson of Michigan State (11/29/08)
<b>Highest FG Percentage (min. 5 made)</b>	1.000 (6-6) by Melissa Lechlitner vs. Loyola (12/20/08)	.909 (10-11) by Stephany Skrba of Michigan (12/10/08)
<b>3-Point Field Goals Made</b>	6* by Kellie Watson vs. Michigan State (11/29/08)	4, five times (MR: by Shavonte Zellous of Pittsburgh, 2/3/09)
<b>3-Point Field Goal Attempts</b>	9, twice (MR: by Ashley Barlow vs. Rutgers, 1/27/09)	12 by Mary Lawson of Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)
<b>3-Point FG Percentage (min. 2 made)</b>	1.000 (3-3) by Brittany Mallory at Boston College (11/23/08)	1.000 (2-2) by Morgan Williams of Georgetown (1/10/09)
<b>Free Throws Made</b>	7 by Erica Williamson vs. Georgetown (1/10/09)	12 by Epiphanny Prince of Rutgers (1/27/09)
<b>Free Throw Attempts</b>	10 by Erica Solomon at Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	14 by Cassie Schrock of Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)
<b>Free Throw Percentage (min. 3 made)</b>	1.000 (7-7) by Erica Williamson vs. Georgetown (1/10/09)	1.000 (12-12)** by Epiphanny Prince of Rutgers (1/27/09)
<b>Rebounds</b>	15 by Lindsay Schrader vs. Cincinnati (1/31/09)	18 by Shayla Scott of Pittsburgh (2/3/09)
<b>Assists</b>	7 by Melissa Lechlitner vs. Cincinnati (1/31/09)	9 by Traci Ray of Charlotte (12/28/08)
<b>Steals</b>	8 by Ashley Barlow vs. Cincinnati (1/31/09)	8*** by Angel McCoughtry of Louisville (2/11/09)
<b>Blocked Shots</b>	4 by Erica Solomon at Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)	4 by Shana McKinney of Eastern Michigan (12/2/08)
<b>Turnovers</b>	5, 11 times (MR: by Lindsay Schrader vs. Louisville, 2/11/09)	7 by Jessica Minnfield of Michigan (12/10/08)
<b>Minutes Played</b>	40, twice (MR: by Melissa Lechlitner vs. St. John's, 1/17/09)	45 by Jessica Minnfield of Michigan (12/10/08)

\* - tied ND Joyce Center record // \*\* - Joyce Center opponent record // \*\*\* - tied Joyce Center opponent record



## 2008-09 Notre Dame Game-By-Game Team Statistics

Opponent (Attendance)	Overall		3-Point		FT-A	Pct.	Rebs.		A	TO	B	S	Pts
	FG-A	Pct.	FG-A	Pct.			Off-Def-Tot	PF-DQ					
(1) NOTRE DAME	21-47	.447	2-4	.500	18-27	.667	10-28-38	17-0	9	21	4	12	62
at LSU (7,954)	18-53	.340	0-4	.000	17-21	.810	9-23-32	19-1	10	18	2	11	53
NOTRE DAME (5,696)	39-79	.494	7-19	.368	11-12	.917	14-22-36	17-0	23	8	7	17	96
vs. Evansville	20-54	.370	6-18	.333	15-19	.789	15-27-42	15-0	9	31	2	6	61
NOTRE DAME	42-65	.646	7-8	.875	11-16	.688	12-24-36	12-0	23	18	6	17	102
at Boston College (1,567)	25-59	.424	2-6	.333	2-3	.667	9-13-22	18-0	12	28	3	5	54
NOTRE DAME (6,192)	32-57	.561	6-13	.462	15-22	.682	8-33-41	15-0	16	14	6	9	85
vs. Georgia Southern	12-56	.214	2-14	.143	10-15	.667	14-19-33	17-0	7	24	2	8	36
NOTRE DAME (6,710)	28-66	.424	9-25	.360	13-19	.684	14-18-32	19-0	21	15	6	9	78
vs. Michigan State	28-66	.424	2-13	.154	14-17	.824	22-26-48	19-0	16	24	6	9	72
NOTRE DAME	28-72	.389	2-7	.286	25-40	.625	22-38-60	24-1	16	18	8	10	83
at Eastern Michigan (649)	18-68	.265	5-20	.250	22-28	.786	13-31-44	31-3	12	16	6	9	63
NOTRE DAME (11,418)	21-61	.344	5-12	.417	15-21	.714	17-30-47	14-1	14	18	2	7	62
vs. Purdue	20-56	.357	2-7	.286	9-12	.750	8-27-35	19-1	16	18	4	10	51
Notre Dame	26-57	.456	3-6	.500	4-6	.667	10-21-31	17-1	11	23	3	12	59
at MICHIGAN (1,377)	24-54	.444	4-19	.211	11-13	.846	11-23-34	10-0	11	23	6	9	63
NOTRE DAME	26-59	.441	1-9	.111	10-14	.714	13-26-39	11-0	7	19	8	9	63
at Valparaiso (2,046)	21-63	.333	5-22	.227	8-11	.727	16-23-39	12-0	11	18	2	8	55
NOTRE DAME (6,323)	30-65	.462	4-13	.308	25-37	.676	21-27-48	14-0	19	14	2	17	89
vs. Loyola-Chicago	17-50	.340	3-12	.250	8-12	.667	10-21-31	27-2	10	31	3	7	45
NOTRE DAME	27-59	.458	3-12	.250	11-18	.611	12-22-34	15-0	12	20	3	12	68
at Charlotte (1,587)	24-57	.421	5-14	.357	8-9	.889	10-25-35	14-0	17	24	1	8	61
NOTRE DAME	26-61	.426	4-15	.267	3-6	.500	18-27-45	17-0	14	19	4	2	59
at Vanderbilt (4,374)	24-62	.387	4-17	.235	5-11	.455	15-19-34	12-0	13	11	1	11	57
• NOTRE DAME	25-46	.543	0-7	.000	16-24	.667	5-21-26	20-0	14	18	3	6	66
at Seton Hall (775)	19-55	.345	4-11	.364	18-23	.783	17-21-38	20-0	9	23	3	5	60
• NOTRE DAME	34-70	.486	3-8	.375	15-20	.750	19-31-50	15-0	17	13	2	6	86
at DePaul (2,452)	22-62	.355	5-21	.238	13-17	.765	11-18-29	19-0	11	15	7	10	62
• NOTRE DAME (6,561)	28-52	.538	4-12	.333	24-29	.828	10-30-40	22-0	22	23	7	12	84
vs. Georgetown	20-63	.317	5-15	.333	18-27	.667	16-17-33	27-2	12	18	1	10	63
• Notre Dame	26-67	.388	5-15	.333	8-14	.571	12-23-35	21-0	15	17	3	14	65
at MARQUETTE (1,850)	27-59	.458	4-11	.364	17-22	.773	12-30-42	14-0	21	20	4	9	75
• NOTRE DAME (6,027)	25-55	.455	6-13	.462	14-17	.824	8-27-35	13-0	18	18	3	7	70
vs. St. John's	26-63	.413	7-19	.368	8-11	.727	12-24-36	18-0	13	16	1	14	67
• Notre Dame	16-49	.327	2-6	.333	14-22	.636	10-25-35	15-0	7	14	1	7	48
at VILLANOVA (2,111)	18-47	.383	10-27	.370	9-11	.818	5-26-31	12-0	12	15	4	5	55
• Notre Dame (10,082)	24-63	.381	4-22	.182	16-22	.727	13-25-38	19-0	13	13	6	9	68
vs. RUTGERS	26-67	.388	7-14	.500	19-21	.905	17-31-48	22-0	18	14	4	5	78
• NOTRE DAME (6,902)	28-73	.384	6-18	.333	4-12	.333	20-28-48	15-0	19	17	2	21	66
vs. Cincinnati	19-48	.396	4-17	.235	8-13	.615	4-30-34	12-0	12	26	6	6	50
• Notre Dame	29-78	.372	2-10	.200	10-15	.667	21-21-42	18-0	19	9	6	7	70
at PITTSBURGH (3,813)	30-66	.455	7-12	.583	15-19	.789	18-30-48	14-0	19	18	6	1	82
• NOTRE DAME (10,011)	22-61	.361	3-11	.273	15-21	.714	15-28-43	16-0	10	17	1	7	62
vs. DePaul	21-56	.375	4-20	.200	13-19	.684	9-29-38	17-1	14	16	3	9	59
• Notre Dame (6,706)	25-66	.379	5-12	.417	11-17	.647	20-21-41	14-0	14	18	3	12	66
vs. LOUISVILLE	29-65	.446	2-7	.286	11-16	.688	18-26-44	16-0	14	19	1	12	71

Winners listed in ALL CAPS // Attendance listed next to home team (where applicable)

• = BIG EAST Conference game // 1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)

**2008-09 Notre Dame Points-Rebounds-Assists**

Opponent	Solomon	Watson	Miller	Peters*	Barlow	Novosel	Mallory*	Lechlitner	Schrader	Bruszewski	Christiansen^	Williamson
(1) at LSU	6-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	12-6-2	<b>19-5-0</b>	2-2-0	DNP	2-5-5	13-6-1	6-3-0		2-4-1
EVANSVILLE	4-3-2	3-2-2	2-0-0	<b>6-4-1</b>	<b>19-6-0</b>	6-3-4	11-2-6	<b>11-2-4</b>	<b>12-7-4</b>	<b>18-4-0</b>		4-1-0
at Boston College	15-1-1	3-3-0	0-0-0	4-3-2	<b>10-2-6</b>	7-2-2	14-4-2	<b>8-3-4</b>	<b>13-4-2</b>	<b>18-2-4</b>		<b>10-7-0</b>
GEORGIA SOUTHERN	12-5-0	7-2-1	2-0-0		<b>13-8-2</b>	7-4-1	19-2-3	<b>7-0-4</b>	<b>8-6-4</b>	<b>6-5-1</b>		<b>4-6-0</b>
MICHIGAN STATE	12-4-2	18-6-2	DNP		<b>14-5-6</b>	0-0-0	2-2-2	<b>6-1-3</b>	<b>15-2-1</b>	<b>5-4-4</b>		<b>6-4-1</b>
at Eastern Michigan	12-9-2	5-3-0	2-0-0		DNP	18-8-4	<b>3-3-2</b>	<b>15-3-3</b>	<b>17-10-3</b>	<b>5-6-2</b>		<b>6-5-0</b>
PURDUE	0-8-0	13-6-0	DNP		DNP	4-1-1	<b>3-5-2</b>	<b>19-3-4</b>	<b>13-10-4</b>	<b>6-6-2</b>		<b>4-7-1</b>
at Michigan	8-2-0	3-1-0	DNP		14-5-3	2-1-0	<b>5-5-3</b>	<b>9-2-1</b>	<b>8-4-3</b>	<b>10-3-1</b>		<b>0-2-0</b>
at Valparaiso	5-7-0	1-2-0	DNP		<b>15-3-1</b>	0-2-1		<b>18-3-2</b>	<b>14-6-1</b>	<b>8-6-2</b>		<b>2-2-0</b>
LOYOLA-CHICAGO	6-5-0	9-5-0	7-5-2		<b>8-5-4</b>	13-3-3		<b>13-0-1</b>	<b>13-8-5</b>	<b>10-1-4</b>	1-1-0	<b>9-8-0</b>
at Charlotte	0-2-1	4-2-2	DNP		<b>6-5-4</b>	12-5-2		<b>13-3-2</b>	<b>19-9-0</b>	<b>12-5-0</b>	DNP	<b>2-1-1</b>
at Vanderbilt	8-7-2	6-4-2	0-0-0		<b>6-9-4</b>	2-3-0		<b>11-0-1</b>	<b>12-8-3</b>	<b>12-7-2</b>	DNP	<b>2-2-0</b>
• at Seton Hall	13-3-1	4-4-2	0-0-0		<b>14-4-2</b>	8-2-2		<b>9-1-2</b>	<b>11-6-2</b>	<b>6-3-1</b>	DNP	<b>1-1-2</b>
• at DePaul	4-8-1	2-2-1	2-0-1		<b>12-3-3</b>	18-7-1		<b>9-4-5</b>	<b>11-6-1</b>	<b>8-4-2</b>	0-0-0	<b>20-9-2</b>
• GEORGETOWN	7-3-0	9-3-3	0-1-0		<b>6-2-6</b>	12-4-3		<b>11-2-5</b>	<b>10-8-4</b>	<b>6-4-1</b>	2-0-0	<b>21-10-0</b>
• at Marquette	2-1-0	3-3-3	0-0-0		<b>15-6-2</b>	10-4-0		<b>15-3-4</b>	<b>7-11-4</b>	<b>12-5-1</b>	DNP	<b>1-0-1</b>
• ST. JOHN'S	9-8-0	0-0-0	2-0-1		<b>13-5-3</b>	0-2-0		<b>15-4-6</b>	<b>13-4-5</b>	<b>13-6-2</b>	DNP	<b>5-5-1</b>
• at Villanova	5-10-2	2-0-0	DNP		<b>11-6-0</b>	4-1-1		<b>8-2-2</b>	<b>9-6-1</b>	<b>3-5-1</b>	DNP	<b>6-2-0</b>
• RUTGERS	2-4-1	0-5-0	0-1-2		<b>18-4-4</b>	19-4-3		<b>17-2-2</b>	<b>4-6-0</b>	<b>3-1-0</b>	DNP	<b>5-6-1</b>
• CINCINNATI	0-2-0	10-5-1	DNP		<b>7-4-4</b>	6-2-2		<b>7-8-7</b>	<b>19-15-3</b>	<b>15-7-1</b>	0-0-0	<b>2-2-1</b>
• at Pittsburgh	14-8-1	5-3-2	DNP		<b>6-3-4</b>	8-4-3		<b>9-2-4</b>	<b>8-7-2</b>	<b>14-6-3</b>	DNP	<b>6-1-0</b>
• DePAUL	2-3-1	0-1-0	0-2-0		<b>19-4-0</b>	2-2-0		<b>13-5-3</b>	<b>8-5-3</b>	<b>14-12-1</b>	DNP	<b>4-1-2</b>
• LOUISVILLE	0-6-0	3-1-0	0-2-1		<b>16-8-2</b>	17-3-4		<b>4-5-5</b>	<b>6-5-0</b>	<b>18-4-1</b>	DNP	<b>2-5-1</b>

Home games in ALL CAPS // Games started in **boldface**

DNP = did not play // \* - out for season (knee injury) // ^ - added to roster Dec. 19

• = BIG EAST Conference game // 1 = State Farm Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)



## 2008-09 Miscellaneous Statistics

	ALL GAMES	vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS
<b>Most First Half Points Scored</b>	49, twice (MR: at Boston College, 11/23)	44 at DePaul (1/6)
<b>Most First Half Points Allowed</b>	40 by Pittsburgh (2/3)	40 by Pittsburgh (2/3)
<b>Most Second Half Points Scored</b>	53 at Boston College (11/23)	52 vs. Georgetown (1/10)
<b>Most Second Half Points Allowed</b>	47 by Rutgers (1/27)	47 by Rutgers (1/27)
<b>Fewest First Half Points Scored</b>	20 at Villanova (1/24)	20 at Villanova (1/24)
<b>Fewest First Half Points Allowed</b>	17 by Georgia Southern (11/25)	23 by Seton Hall (1/3)
<b>Fewest Second Half Points Scored</b>	20 at Michigan (12/10)	28 at Villanova (1/24)
<b>Fewest Second Half Points Allowed</b>	19 by Georgia Southern (11/25)	24 by Cincinnati (1/31)

### Largest Leads

**Notre Dame:** 55 — 78-23 (8:05, 2nd) vs. Georgia Southern (ND 85-36), 11/25

**Opponent:** 19, three times — 63-44 (6:50, 2nd), 73-54 (1:51, 2nd) and 76-57 (1:16, 2nd) by Rutgers (RU 78-68), 1/27

**Largest Deficit Overcome in a Win:** 18, twice — 44-26 (17:41, 2nd) and 46-28 (15:56, 2nd) at Vanderbilt (ND 59-57), 12/30 (**school record**)

**Largest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win:** 12 — 36-24 at Vanderbilt (ND 59-57), 12/30

**Largest Lead Surrendered in a Loss:** 9 — 34-25 (1:22, 1st) at Marquette (MU 75-65), 1/13

**Largest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss:** 4 — 34-30 at Marquette (MU 75-65), 1/13

**Halftime Leads:** ND: 17 (ND Record — 15-2; 6-1 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 5 (ND Record — 1-4; 0-4 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

**Rebound Advantage:** ND: 12 (ND Record — 11-1; 4-1 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 10 (ND Record — 5-5; 2-4 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

**Bench Scoring Advantage:** ND: 17 (ND Record — 12-5; 3-4 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 5 (ND Record — 4-1; 2-1 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 1-0 vs. BIG EAST)

**Notre Dame Margin:** +197 points, +8.6 ppg. (ND — 533 pts., 23.2 ppg.; Opponents — 336 pts., 14.6 ppg.)

Point Differential	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	16	20	21	24	35	44	48	49
<b>Notre Dame Wins</b>	1	2	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Notre Dame Losses</b>	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### Starting Lineups (F-C-G-G-G) & W-L Marks

	ALL GAMES	vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS
Bruszewski, Williamson, Barlow, Lechlitner, Schrader	14-5	6-5
Bruszewski, Williamson, Lechlitner, Mallory, Schrader	2-1	
Bruszewski, Peters (F), Barlow, Lechlitner, Schrader	1-0	

**Complete Games Played:** 2 (Lechlitner 2) // Opponents: 3

**Most Minutes:** 40, twice (Melissa Lechlitner at Valparaiso, 12/13; Lechlitner vs. St. John's, 1/17)

**Charges Taken:** 22 (Williamson 10, Barlow 3, Watson 3, Bruszewski 2, Solomon 2, Novosel 1, Schrader 1) // Opponents: 19

**Most Charges Taken (Individual - Game):** 1, 22 times (MR: Erica Williamson/Ashley Barlow vs. Louisville, 2/11)

**Most Charges Taken (Team - Game):** 3 at Pittsburgh, 2/3

**Shot Clock Violations Forced:** 17 // Opponents: 9

**Most Shot Clock Violations Forced (Game):** 3 at Michigan, 12/10

### Scoring

**Double-Figure Games:** 78 (Barlow 15, Schrader 15, Bruszewski 12, Lechlitner 12, Novosel 8, Solomon 6, Mallory 3, Watson 3, Williamson 3, Peters 1) // Opponents: 47

**20-29-Point Games:** 2 (Williamson 2) // Opponents: 9

**30-39-Point Games:** 0 // Opponents: 1

**Game-High Honors\*:** 14 (Lechlitner 3, Schrader 3, Barlow 2, Novosel 2, Williamson 2, Bruszewski 1, Mallory 1)

**Team-High Honors\*:** 28 (Barlow 7, Lechlitner 5, Bruszewski 4, Schrader 4, Novosel 3, Williamson 2, Mallory 1, Solomon 1, Watson 1)

### Rebounding

**Double-Figure Games:** 7 (Schrader 4, Bruszewski 1, Solomon 1, Williamson 1) // Opponents: 10

**Game-High Honors\*:** 15 (Schrader 6, Williamson 4, Barlow 2, Solomon 2, Bruszewski 1)

**Team-High Honors\*:** 27 (Schrader 10, Williamson 5, Barlow 4, Solomon 4, Bruszewski 1, Mallory 1, Peters 1, Watson 1)

### Assists

**Double-Figure Games:** 0 // Opponents: 0

**Game-High Honors\*:** 11 (Lechlitner 5, Barlow 2, Schrader 2, Mallory 1, Novosel 1)

**Team-High Honors\*:** 37 (Lechlitner 13, Barlow 9, Schrader 7, Mallory 2, Novosel 2, Bruszewski 1, Solomon 1, Watson 1, Williamson 1)

### Double-Doubles

**Points/Rebounds:** 5 (Schrader 3 - EMU, PUR, CIN; Bruszewski 1 - DPU\*\*; Williamson 1 - GU) // Opponents: 9

\* = totals may not add up to games played due to ties // \*\* = indicates second game vs. opponent



## The Last Time It Happened...

### Notre Dame recorded a...

30-point win ..... was on 12/20/08 — ND 89, Loyola-Chicago 45 (44 points)\*  
 40-point win ..... was on 12/20/08 — ND 89, Loyola-Chicago 45 (44 points)\*  
 50-point win ..... was on 11/20/07 — ND 94, Central Michigan 41 (53 points)  
 30-point loss ..... was on 3/17/02 — Tennessee 89, ND 50 (39 points) (*NCAA Mideast Region Second Round at Knoxville, Tenn.*)

### Notre Dame shot...

60% on FGs ..... was on 11/23/08 — 64.6% (42-65) at Boston College (ND 102-54)  
 65% on FGs ..... was on 2/12/97 — 68.0% (34-50) vs. Boston College (ND 91-64)\*  
 90% on FTs ..... was on 11/19/08 — 91.7% (11-12) vs. Evansville (ND 96-61)\*

### Notre Dame...

won 10 games in a row ..... was from 11/20/07 thru 1/2/08 — 10 straight  
 won 15 games in a row ..... was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight  
 won 20 games in a row ..... was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight  
 lost 5 games in a row ..... was from 3/21/91 thru 11/24/91 — 5 straight (across two seasons)  
 • lost 5 games in a row (one season) ..... was from 2/16/82 thru 3/6/82 — 5 straight  
 scored 100 points ..... was on 11/23/08 (ND 102, Boston College 54)  
 • scored 100 points at home ..... was on 11/26/02 (ND 107, Cleveland State 65)\*  
 • scored 100 points at a neutral site ..... was on 11/24/89 vs. Liberty (ND 113-35) (*Rotary Classic at Orlando, Fla.*)  
 • scored 100 points & lost ..... never  
 allowed 100 points ..... was on 12/8/98 (Connecticut 106, ND 81)\*  
 scored less than 50 points ..... was on 1/24/09 (Villanova 55, ND 48)  
 allowed less than 50 points ..... was on 12/20/08 (ND 89, Loyola-Chicago 45)\*  
 played an overtime game ..... was on 12/10/08 (Michigan 63, ND 59 - ot)  
 • played a multiple-overtime game ..... was on 11/30/97 (ND 93, UCLA 91 - 2ot)  
 rallied from a double-digit deficit to win ..... was on 12/30/08 — 18 points (44-26, 17:41, 2nd/46-28, 15:56, 2nd) at Vanderbilt (ND 59-57) (**school record**)  
 gave up a double-digit deficit and lost ..... was on 3/9/08 — 12 points (14-2, 11:04, 1st) vs. Pittsburgh (PITT 64-53) (*BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Hartford, Conn.*)  
 won on a "last second" shot ..... was on 12/5/07 (ND 86, Bowling Green 84 - ot — Charel Allen jumper at 0:00.8 in overtime)  
 lost on a "last second" shot ..... was on 1/12/02 (Villanova 60, ND 59 — Mimi Riley jumper at 0:00.4)  
 had five double-figure scorers ..... was on 11/23/08 (ND 102, Boston College 54) — Becca Bruszewski 18, Erica Solomon 15, Brittany Mallory 14, Lindsay Schrader 13, Ashley Barlow 10, Erica Williamson 10  
 had six double-figure scorers ..... was on 11/23/08 (ND 102, Boston College 54) — Becca Bruszewski 18, Erica Solomon 15, Brittany Mallory 14, Lindsay Schrader 13, Ashley Barlow 10, Erica Williamson 10  
 had seven double-figure scorers ..... was on 1/19/08 (ND 104, Georgetown 86) — Ashley Barlow 21, Brittany Mallory 15, Charel Allen 14, Melissa Lechlitner 13, Lindsay Schrader 12, Becca Bruszewski 10, Erica Williamson 10  
 had no double-figure scorers ..... was on 2/8/04 (Seton Hall 51, ND 45)  
 had two double-figure rebounders ..... was on 3/23/08 (ND 75, SMU 62) — Ashley Barlow 12, Charel Allen 11 (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)  
 had two players with "double-doubles" ..... was on 3/23/08 (ND 75, SMU 62) — Ashley Barlow (20p, 12r) & Charel Allen (14p, 11r) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region First Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)  
 had three players with "double-doubles" ..... was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Crystal Erwin (14p, 10r), Megan Duffy (14p, 10a) & Jacqueline Batteast (10p, 10r)\*  
 had two 20-point scorers ..... was on 12/6/06 (ND 67, Purdue 58) — Breona Gray 22, Tulyah Gaines 20\*  
 had three 20-point scorers ..... was on 1/7/99 (ND 111, West Virginia 90) — Danielle Green 28, Sheila McMillen 26, Ruth Riley 23\*  
 had a "point-a-minute" scorer (min. 10 minutes) ..... was on 11/23/08 (ND 102, Boston College 54) — Erica Solomon 15p/14m  
 made 10 three-point field goals ..... was on 3/3/02 (Syracuse 84, ND 79) — 10-26 (38.5%) on threes (*BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Piscataway, N.J.*)  
 committed 10 turnovers or less ..... was on 2/3/09 (Pittsburgh 82, ND 70) — 9 turnovers  
 committed 25 turnovers ..... was on 12/30/06 (Tennessee 78, ND 54) — 29 turnovers  
 forced 25 turnovers ..... was on 1/31/09 (ND 66, Cincinnati 50) — 26 turnovers\*

### An Irish player had...

25 points ..... was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)  
 30 points ..... was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)  
 35 points ..... was on 3/25/08 — Charel Allen (35) vs. Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Region Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)  
 40 points ..... was on 1/30/99 — Ruth Riley (41) at Providence (ND 97-59) (**school record**)  
 15 rebounds ..... was on 1/31/09 — Lindsay Schrader (15) vs. Cincinnati (ND 66-50)\*  
 20 rebounds ..... was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (20) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)  
 10 assists ..... was on 2/26/05 — Megan Duffy (10) vs. West Virginia (ND 82-57)\*  
 5 blocks ..... was on 11/9/07 — Devereaux Peters (5) vs. Miami (Ohio) (ND 98-50)\* (*Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)  
 5 steals ..... was on 1/31/09 — Ashley Barlow (8) vs. Cincinnati (ND 66-50)\*  
 a "double-double" ..... was on 2/8/09 — Becca Bruszewski (14p, 12r) vs. DePaul (ND 62-59)\*  
 a "triple-double" ..... was on 2/15/90 — Sara Liebscher (17p, 12r, 10a) vs. Detroit (ND 99-58)\* (**only triple-double in school history**)  
 20 pts & 10 rebs ..... was on 1/10/09 — Erica Williamson (21p, 10r) vs. Georgetown (ND 84-63)\*  
 20 pts & 20 rebs ..... was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (25p, 20r) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)  
 a 4-point play ..... was on 2/16/03 — Alicia Ratay (2:24, 1st) at Providence (ND 67-61)  
 a halfcourt shot ..... was on 1/2/07 — Breona Gray (0:00, 1st) at Seton Hall (ND 64-61)

### An opposing player had...

25 points ..... was on 2/3/09 — Shavonte Zellous (29), Pittsburgh (PITT 82-70)  
 30 points ..... was on 11/29/08 — Aisha Jefferson (34), Michigan State (ND 78-72)\*  
 35 points ..... was on 1/16/95 — Angela Simpson (37), Northwestern State (La.) (NSU 103-93) (*NWIT Semifinal at Amarillo, Texas*)  
 10 rebounds ..... was on 2/11/09 — Candyce Bingham (12) & Angel McCoughtry (11), Louisville (LOU 71-66)\*  
 15 rebounds ..... was on 2/3/09 — Shayla Scott (18), Pittsburgh (PITT 82-70)  
 20 rebounds ..... was on 1/8/89 — Wendy Scholtens (20), Vanderbilt (VU 86-64)  
 10 assists ..... was on 1/27/08 — Keti Swannier (11), Connecticut (UCONN 81-64)\*  
 5 blocks ..... was on 3/25/08 — Courtney Paris (5), Oklahoma (ND 79-75, ot) (*NCAA Oklahoma City Second Round at West Lafayette, Ind.*)  
 5 steals ..... was on 2/11/09 — Angel McCoughtry (8), Louisville (LOU 71-66)\*  
 a "double-double" ..... was on 2/11/09 — Candyce Bingham (21p, 12r) & Angel McCoughtry (20p, 11r), Louisville (LOU 71-66)\*  
 a "triple-double" ..... was on 2/7/06 — Liad Suez-Karni (14p, 10r, 10a), Villanova (VU 69-65 - ot)\*

\* = indicates Notre Dame home game





2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 4

#14/10 Notre Dame 85, Georgia Southern 36
November 25, 2008
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Georgia Southern (36)

Table with 10 columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists players like Ogburn, Geiger, Whitney, etc.

Notre Dame (85)

Table with 10 columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists players like Bruszewski, Williamson, Barlow, etc.

Georgia Southern 17 19 - 36
Notre Dame 37 48 - 85

FG Pct: Georgia Southern 21.4, Notre Dame 56.1. 3-PT FG Pct: Georgia Southern 14.3, Notre Dame 46.2. FT Pct: Georgia Southern 66.7, Notre Dame 68.2. Turnovers: Georgia Southern 24, Notre Dame 14. Blocked Shots: Georgia Southern 2 (Ogburn 2), Notre Dame 6 (Schrader, Solomon 2). Steals: Georgia Southern 8 (Melson 3), Notre Dame 9 (Mallory 2). Attendance: 6,192.

NOTES: The Irish improve to 38-5 (.884) against first-time opponents since 1995-96, and stretch their current winning streak against new foes to 13 in a row, dating back to the 2001-02 season ... Notre Dame posts back-to-back wins by at least 48 points for the first time in school history ... the Irish also notch their third consecutive 35-point win, which likewise, is a first in the 32-year history of the program ... the 49-point margin of victory is the largest for Notre Dame in a home game since March 17, 2001, when the Irish defeated Alcorn State at home, 98-49 in the first round of the NCAA Tournament (an event they eventually won to secure the program's first national championship) ... Notre Dame's defense allowed just 36 points, the fewest given up by the Irish in a game since March 1, 2005, when Notre Dame earned a 41-35 win at Seton Hall; it's the fewest opponent points at the Joyce Center since Jan. 2, 2005, when the Irish downed SHU, 54-33 ... Notre Dame went on a staggering 27-0 run midway through the second half, the second-longest run of consecutive points in school history ... on Jan. 18, 1997 against Pittsburgh at the Joyce Center, the Irish went on a 31-0 run in the first half en route to a 65-49 win ... Notre Dame held Georgia Southern to a .214 field goal percentage, the lowest by an Irish opponent since Dec. 22, 2001, when Marquette shot just .185 (10-of-54) in a 60-33 Irish win at the Joyce Center ... Georgia Southern did not have a single player score in double figures, the first time the Notre Dame defense has managed that feat since Nov. 20, 2007, when Central Michigan's leading scorer had eight points in a 94-41 Irish win at Mount Pleasant, Mich. ... for the second time in four games this season, every Notre Dame player in uniform got into the scoring column (also vs. Evansville on Nov. 19) ... Mallory scored a career-high 19 points, topping her old high-water mark of 15 set on Jan. 19, 2008, at Georgetown; she had narrowly missed her career-high point total two days earlier at Boston College, finishing with 14 points ... Barlow extended her streak of double-digit scoring games to nine, dating back to last year; she also plucked a season-high eight rebounds against Georgia Southern ... Solomon scored in double figures for the second time in as many games, while adding a season-best five rebounds to her 12 points.

GAME 5

#14/10 Notre Dame 78, #24/rv Michigan State 72
November 29, 2008
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Michigan State (72)

Table with 10 columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists players like Jefferson, Keane, DeHaan, etc.

Notre Dame (78)

Table with 10 columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists players like Bruszewski, Williamson, Barlow, etc.

Michigan State 34 38 - 72
Notre Dame 39 39 - 78

FG Pct: Michigan State 42.4, Notre Dame 42.4. 3-PT FG Pct: Michigan State 15.4, Notre Dame 36.0. FT Pct: Michigan State 82.4, Notre Dame 68.4. Turnovers: Michigan State 24, Notre Dame 15. Blocked Shots: Michigan State 6 (DeHaan 3), Notre Dame 6 (Bruszewski, Williamson, Solomon 2). Steals: Michigan State 9 (Keane 4), Notre Dame 9 (Barlow 3). Technical Fouls: MSU bench, Keane (MSU). Attendance: 6,710.

NOTES: Notre Dame picks up its second win over a ranked opponent in five games this season ... the Irish are off to a 5-0 start for the first time since 2005-06, when they opened with a 6-0 record ... Notre Dame earns its first win over Michigan State since Dec. 11, 1999, when the Irish downed the Spartans, 84-54 at the Joyce Center ... MSU still leads the all-time series 8-5, although the margin is just 4-3 in South Bend ... seven of the 13 games in the series have been decided by single digits ... Notre Dame collects its 10th win in its last 14 games against Big Ten Conference opponents, moving to 37-46 (.446) all-time against that conference and 16-11 (.593) at home ... the Irish also chalk up their eighth consecutive win over a Michigan school, rising to 51-19 (.729) all-time and 21-13 (.618) at home against the Great Lakes State ... Notre Dame jumps to 19-13 (.594) all-time in its first game after Thanksgiving with an 8-3 (.727) mark at home ... the Irish have made a combined 29 three-pointers in their last four games, the most in a four-game stretch for Notre Dame since Nov. 21-Dec. 2, 2001, when they canned 32 treys in games at Colorado State (7), at Arizona (7), home vs. Army (10) and vs. Michigan at Grand Rapids, Mich. (8) ... Notre Dame's nine three-pointers and 25 three-point attempts against Michigan State are the most for the Irish in a single game since March 3, 2002, when they went 10-for-26 from beyond the arc in an 84-79 loss to Syracuse in the quarterfinals of the BIG EAST Championship at Piscataway, N.J. ... Watson tied the Notre Dame Joyce Center record for three-pointers in a game, which had been set six times before by four different players (most recently on Dec. 4, 2003, by Megan Duffy on 10 attempts in an 82-64 win over Wisconsin); Duffy's six triples vs. UW also marked the last time a Notre Dame player hit that many shots from distance in any game ... Watson is the fourth different player to lead the Irish in scoring in as many games; only Barlow has finished with team-high scoring honors more than once this year ... Barlow tied her career high with six assists, a mark she last set less than a week ago on Nov. 23 at Boston College ... Barlow also extended her streak of double-digit scoring games to 10 in a row, dating back to last year ... Solomon scored in double figures for the third consecutive game, averaging 13.0 points with a .765 field goal percentage (13-of-17) in that span ... Notre Dame has had at least three double-figure scorers in all five games this season, with four or more for the third time ... Bruszewski tied her career highs with four assists (last set in last weekend's Boston College game) and two blocks (last set on March 3, 2008 at St. John's).

GAME 6

#11/8 Notre Dame 83, Eastern Michigan 63
December 2, 2008
Convocation Center (Ypsilanti, Mich.)

Notre Dame (83)

Table with 10 columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists players like Bruszewski, Williamson, Mallory, etc.

Eastern Michigan (63)

Table with 10 columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Lists players like Johnson, Lawson, McKinney, etc.

Notre Dame 37 46 - 83
Eastern Michigan 25 38 - 63

FG Pct: Notre Dame 38.9, Eastern Michigan 26.5. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 28.6, Eastern Michigan 25.0. FT Pct: Notre Dame 62.5, Eastern Michigan 78.6. Turnovers: Notre Dame 18, Eastern Michigan 16. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 8 (Solomon 4), Eastern Michigan 6 (McKinney 4). Steals: Notre Dame 10 (Williamson, Schrader, Novosel 2), Eastern Michigan 9 (Schrock 4). Attendance: 649.

NOTES: Notre Dame and Eastern Michigan were playing one another for the first time in more than 24 years (Nov. 30, 1984 - a 70-59 Irish win in Ypsilanti) ... the Irish lead the all-time series with EMU, 3-0, with two of those victories coming on the road ... Notre Dame is off to its best start since a similar 6-0 debut in 2005-06 ... the Irish pick up their 17th consecutive win against current Mid-American Conference schools and are 34-14 (.708) all-time against the present MAC alignment (19-5, .792, in the 22-year Muffet McGraw era) ... Notre Dame also collects its ninth consecutive win over a Michigan school, rising to 52-19 (.732) all-time against the Great Lakes State and 32-7 (.821) in the McGraw era ... Notre Dame and Eastern Michigan combined for a Convocation Center-record 104 rebounds in the contest ... the Irish pulled down 60 rebounds in the victory, their highest total on the glass since Nov. 26, 2001, when they also grabbed 60 boards in an 89-57 win over Army at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame's 40 free throw attempts were the most for the Irish in one game since Dec. 4, 2002, when they went 30-for-40 from the stripe in a 74-68 win at Valparaiso ... Notre Dame's +16 rebounding margin was an exact 180-degree turn from its last game against 24th-ranked Michigan State (32-48) ... Novosel became the fifth different high scorer in six games for the Irish this season; she also was the second Notre Dame rookie in as many games to toss in a game-high 18 points (Watson vs. Michigan State on Nov. 29) ... in addition, Novosel became the 10th different Irish player to score in double figures at least once this year, with Miller still aiming to reach that mark ... Schrader notched her fifth career double-double and first of the year, with season highs of 17 points and 10 rebounds; it was her first double-double since Feb. 27, 2008, when she piled up 17 points and 13 rebounds in a win over South Florida at the Joyce Center ... Lechlitner added a season-best 15 points, her best offensive day since late in her freshman season (16 points at Providence on Feb. 17, 2007) ... playing in front of a numerous family members and supporters less than one hour from her hometown of Oak Park, Mich., Solomon narrowly missed her first career double-double, "settling" for 12 points and season highs of nine rebounds and four blocked shots ... collectively, the four Irish freshmen accounted for 37 points at Eastern Michigan ... Mallory drew her first career starting assignment, becoming the second Irish player to earn her first career start this year (Bruszewski).



## 2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

**GAME 7**

#11/8 Notre Dame 62, #17/20 Purdue 51  
December 7, 2008  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

**GAME 8**

Michigan 63, #8 Notre Dame 59 (OT)  
December 10, 2008  
Crisler Arena (Ann Arbor, Mich.)

**GAME 9**

#8 Notre Dame 63, Valparaiso 55  
December 13, 2008  
Athletics-Recreation Ctr. (Valparaiso, Ind.)

**Purdue (51)**

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Freeman	33	5-12	0-0	2-2	3	2	0	12
Wisdom-Hylton	35	8-19	0-0	2-4	10	3	1	18
Campbell	21	0-4	0-0	3-4	5	1	4	3
Howell	28	2-3	2-3	0-0	2	2	2	6
Mioton	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Bogdanova	16	2-5	0-0	0-0	4	1	3	4
Rayburn	16	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	2
Malone	34	1-7	0-2	2-2	3	6	5	4
Guyton	7	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	2
Poston	6	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	1	0
Team					3			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-56</b>	<b>2-7</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>51</b>

**Notre Dame (62)**

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	26	3-7	0-1	0-1	6	2	5	6
Williamson	15	1-4	0-0	2-2	7	1	4	4
Mallory	30	0-5	0-2	3-4	5	2	1	3
Lechlitner	38	7-13	2-3	3-4	3	4	2	19
Schrader	36	5-14	0-0	3-6	10	4	0	13
Solomon	19	0-7	0-0	0-0	8	0	2	0
Watson	24	4-6	3-4	2-2	6	0	0	13
Novosel	12	1-5	0-2	2-2	1	1	0	4
Team					1			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-61</b>	<b>5-12</b>	<b>15-21</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>62</b>

Purdue	22	29	-	51
Notre Dame	23	39	-	62

**FG Pct:** Purdue 35.7, Notre Dame 34.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Purdue 28.6, Notre Dame 41.7. **FT Pct:** Purdue 75.0, Notre Dame 71.4. **Turnovers:** Purdue 18, Notre Dame 18. **Blocked Shots:** Purdue 4 (Wisdom-Hylton 2), Notre Dame 2. **Steals:** Purdue 10 (Malone 4), Notre Dame 7 (Mallory, Novosel 2). **Attendance:** 11,418 (capacity).

**NOTES:** Notre Dame is off to its best start since the 2004-05 season (also 7-0) ... the Irish pick up their third win over a Top 25 team in their first seven games this season, the first time they have done that since 1998-99 ... Notre Dame extends its winning streak over Purdue to a series-long three games and has won four of its last five meetings with the Boilermakers ... in the past three matchups, the Irish have held Purdue to its three lowest point totals in the series ... the Boilermakers still lead the overall series, 14-8, although Notre Dame has taken a 5-4 lead in games played at the Joyce Center ... the sellout crowd of 11,418 was not only the sixth in school history (third in the past two seasons), but also the first in 18 on-campus games between Notre Dame and Purdue (the 2001 NCAA title game in St. Louis also was sold out) ... the Irish have won 11 of their last 15 games against Big Ten Conference opponents, including both matchups this season (also Michigan State on Nov. 29) ... Notre Dame has led at the half in its last six games, while the season-opening win at LSU was tied at halftime ... the Irish knocked down at least five three-pointers for the fifth time in the past six games ... Notre Dame has posted a plus-28 rebound margin in its last two games, following a minus-16 spread against Michigan State ... Schrader notched her second consecutive double-double, becoming the first Irish player to do that in back-to-back games since Dec. 11 & 19, 2004, when Jacqueline Batteast pulled off that feat at home against Washington and at Marquette ... Lechlitner scored a career-high 19 points and became the sixth different player to lead Notre Dame in scoring this season (all in the past six games) ... Mallory earned her second consecutive start and the first of her career at home.

**Notre Dame (59)**

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	23	4-5	0-0	2-4	3	1	5	10
Williamson	10	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	1	0
Mallory	34	2-5	1-2	0-0	5	3	2	5
Lechlitner	32	4-11	1-1	0-0	2	1	3	9
Schrader	38	4-7	0-0	0-0	4	3	1	8
Solomon	14	4-9	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	8
Watson	18	1-4	1-2	0-0	1	0	1	3
Barlow	37	7-13	0-1	0-0	5	3	3	14
Novosel	19	0-2	0-0	2-2	1	0	1	2
Team					6			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>26-57</b>	<b>3-6</b>	<b>4-6</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>59</b>

**Michigan (63)**

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Skrba	31	10-11	0-0	0-0	3	1	1	20
Benson	34	3-6	1-4	1-2	8	1	0	8
Queen	37	0-5	0-2	1-2	3	1	3	1
Hicks	34	3-10	0-4	2-2	3	2	2	8
Minnfield	45	4-13	1-5	7-7	6	5	2	16
Boylan	12	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
Phillips	14	1-5	0-1	0-0	4	1	1	2
Reynolds	18	2-3	2-3	0-0	1	0	1	6
Team					6			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>24-54</b>	<b>4-19</b>	<b>11-13</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>63</b>

Notre Dame	36	20	3	-	59
Michigan	35	21	7	-	63

**FG Pct:** Notre Dame 45.6, Michigan 44.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 50.0, Michigan 21.1. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 66.7, Michigan 84.6. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 23, Michigan 23. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3, Michigan 6 (Skrba, Hicks 2). **Steals:** Notre Dame 12 (Barlow 4), Michigan 9 (Skrba, Hicks 3). **Attendance:** 1,377.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame played its first overtime game since March 25, 2008, when the Irish downed No. 14/13 Oklahoma, 79-75 in the second round of the NCAA Tournament at West Lafayette, Ind. ... the loss at Michigan is the first for the Irish in OT since Jan. 13, 2007, when they dropped an 87-78 decision at South Florida ... Notre Dame sees its season-opening seven-game winning streak snapped after matching the second-best start in school history ... the Irish fall to 9-7 all-time against Michigan and also had their three-game series win streak come to an end, with the Wolverines earning their first victory over Notre Dame since Dec. 2, 2001 (78-63 at the Women's College Basketball Showcase in Grand Rapids, Mich.) ... UM has historically had the upper hand over the Irish in Ann Arbor, improving to 5-2 all-time against Notre Dame at Crisler Arena ... the verdict bucked a series trend that had seen the Irish go 8-0 when holding the Wolverines to fewer than 65 points ... it was the second overtime game in the series, along with a 66-60 UM win on Dec. 8, 1979, in South Bend ... the loss also marked just the third time in the past 31 opportunities that Notre Dame has lost after leading at halftime ... the Irish committed a season-high 23 turnovers ... Notre Dame's four free throws were its fewest from the foul line since Nov. 16, 2007, when the Irish also made four foul shots at Maryland ... Notre Dame's six free throw attempts were its fewest in its BIG EAST Conference era (1995-96 to present) ... the last time the Irish visited the free throw line so infrequently was March 10, 1995, when they went 5-of-6 in an 87-64 loss at Northern Illinois in the Midwestern Collegiate Conference Tournament semifinals ... Barlow returned to action and scored a team-high 14 points, extending her streak of double-figure scoring games to 11 in a row, going back to last season ... Bruszewski posted her third double-digit scoring night of the year.

**Notre Dame (63)**

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	29	4-8	0-1	0-2	6	2	2	8
Williamson	8	1-3	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	2
Barlow	38	6-11	1-3	2-3	3	1	0	15
Lechlitner	40	7-16	0-2	4-4	3	2	2	18
Schrader	36	6-8	0-0	2-2	6	1	2	14
Solomon	23	2-8	0-0	1-1	7	0	2	5
Watson	19	0-5	0-3	1-2	2	0	2	1
Novosel	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	1	0
Team					8			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26-59</b>	<b>1-9</b>	<b>10-14</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>63</b>

**Valparaiso (55)**

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Kenney	31	4-9	0-0	3-4	15	4	1	11
Litka	32	3-15	2-10	0-0	4	0	3	8
Zabielewicz	16	3-4	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	6
Kulaga	39	4-13	2-6	2-2	5	3	1	12
Hochstetler, La.	38	3-10	1-5	1-2	5	2	2	8
Adams	4	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Farris	23	1-5	0-0	1-2	1	2	2	3
Emig	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Varnier	12	3-4	0-0	1-1	1	0	0	7
Team					5			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-63</b>	<b>5-22</b>	<b>8-11</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>55</b>

Notre Dame	32	31	-	63
Valparaiso	24	31	-	55

**FG Pct:** Notre Dame 44.1, Valparaiso 33.3. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 11.1, Valparaiso 22.7. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 71.4, Valparaiso 72.7. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 19, Valparaiso 18. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 8 (Solomon 3), Valparaiso 2 (Kenney 2). **Steals:** Notre Dame 9 (Lechlitner, Solomon 3), Valparaiso 8 (Kulaga 4). **Attendance:** 2,046.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame remains unbeaten in 22 series games against Valparaiso, the most wins against one opponent without a loss in school history ... the Irish also improve to 10-0 all-time at the Athletics-Recreation Center, with this being the fourth consecutive series game at the ARC that was decided by 10 points or fewer (and six of the past eight series games overall) ... Notre Dame has held Valparaiso to 60 points or fewer in 20 of 22 series games, while the Irish have scored at least 60 points in 15 of 22 games (including 13 of the past 15) ... Notre Dame's 22 wins over the Crusaders are the most against an Indiana opponent in school history ... the Irish move to 102-14 (.879) all-time against current Horizon League members, including a 44-9 (.830) record on the road ... Notre Dame's three-point defense continues to be stout this season, with the Irish holding Valparaiso to a .227 mark (5-of-22) and limiting all nine opponents this season to a combined .228 three-point percentage (28-of-123); specifically, the Irish held the Horizon League's top three-point shooter, Valparaiso's Aimee Litka, to 2-of-10 from beyond the arc ... Notre Dame had at least three double-figure scorers for the eighth time in nine games this season, going 8-0 in those contests ... the Irish held their sixth opponent this year to less than 40 percent shooting, moving to 6-0 in those games ... the Irish have led at the half in their last eight games, going 7-1 in that time ... Lechlitner scored in double figures for the third time in four games, finishing one point off her career high (Dec. 7 vs. No. 17/20 Purdue) ... Barlow scored in double digits for the 12th consecutive game, dating back to last year ... Schrader posted her seventh double-figure scoring game in nine outings this year, and is shooting .667 (10-of-15) from the floor in her last two games ... Solomon registered a season-high three steals and tied her season best with 23 minutes played, while winding up one block off her personal high (set at Eastern Michigan on Dec. 2); Solomon also has been a force on the glass of late, averaging 6.0 rebounds in her last four games ... Irish head coach Muffet McGraw coached the 800th game of her career, improving to 570-230 (.713) in 27 seasons, the past 22 at Notre Dame.







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GAME 10 #13/7 Notre Dame 89, Loyola-Chi. 45 December 20, 2008 Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Box score for Game 10: Loyola (45) vs Notre Dame (89). Includes player stats for Loyola and totals for both teams.

Box score for Game 10: Notre Dame (89) vs Loyola (45). Includes player stats for Notre Dame and totals for both teams.

Summary table for Game 10: Loyola 21, Notre Dame 47.

FG Pct: Loyola 34.0, Notre Dame 46.2. 3-PT FG Pct: Loyola 25.0, Notre Dame 30.8. FT Pct: Loyola 66.7, Notre Dame 67.6. Turnovers: Loyola 31, Notre Dame 14. Blocked Shots: Loyola 3 (VanBogaert 3), Notre Dame 2 (Williamson 2). Steals: Loyola 7 (Samplawski 2), Notre Dame 17 (Miller, Novosel 3). Attendance: 6,323.

NOTES: Notre Dame is off to a 9-1 start for the fourth time in the past five seasons and the sixth time in school history (others were 1998-99, 2000-01, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2007-08) ... the Irish also now have won 10 consecutive home games ... Notre Dame is 76-6 (.927) in its last 82 non-conference home games, dating back to the 1994-95 season ... Notre Dame posts its fourth win by 35+ points this season, extending its own school record ... Notre Dame's 26-point halftime lead was its largest this season ... the Irish win their 13th consecutive game heading into the Christmas break and are 23-9 (.719) all-time in their final pre-Yuletide contest ... Notre Dame also has won 21 consecutive games coming off the final exam break (no games held between exams and Christmas in 1994 and 1997), with the last loss coming on Dec. 21, 1985 (73-67 vs. UCLA at home) ... Notre Dame improves to 21-3 all-time against Loyola and picks up its 14th consecutive win over the Ramblers, as well as its 20th in the past 21 series meetings; the 21 series victories tie for the sixth-most against one opponent in Notre Dame women's basketball history ... the 44-point margin of victory and Loyola's 45 points were series highs/lows ... Notre Dame moves to 103-14 (.880) all-time against the current Horizon League membership and has won 28 consecutive games against that league's present alignment (13 in a row at the Joyce Center) ... Schrader became the seventh different Irish player to own at least a share of the team scoring lead this season ... Lechlittner's perfect 6-for-6 shooting day was the best by a Notre Dame player since Schrader went 6-for-6 at Wisconsin on Dec. 4, 2005; it's also the best by an Irish player at the Joyce Center since Dec. 11, 2004 against Washington, when Crystal Erwin went 9-for-9 en route to a career-high 24 points ... Williamson pulled down a season-high eight rebounds, while Miller had season bests of seven points, five rebounds, three steals and two assists in 17 minutes ... Barlow had her 12-game double-figure scoring streak snapped with eight points vs. Loyola in a season-low 23 minutes; it was her first single-digit scoring game since March 1, 2008, against Seton Hall at the Joyce Center (six points) ... junior walk-on guard Alena Christiansen made her collegiate debut, logging one point, one rebound and one steal in five minutes; Christiansen was added to the Irish roster Dec. 19.

GAME 11 #12/6 Notre Dame 68, Charlotte 61 December 28, 2008 Halton Arena (Charlotte, N.C.)

Box score for Game 11: Notre Dame (68) vs Charlotte (61). Includes player stats for Notre Dame and totals for both teams.

Box score for Game 11: Charlotte (61) vs Notre Dame (68). Includes player stats for Charlotte and totals for both teams.

Summary table for Game 11: Notre Dame 31, Charlotte 29.

FG Pct: Notre Dame 45.8, Charlotte 42.1. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 25.0, Charlotte 35.7. FT Pct: Notre Dame 61.1, Charlotte 88.9. Turnovers: Notre Dame 20, Charlotte 24. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 3 (Solomon 2), Charlotte 1. Steals: Notre Dame 12 (Novosel 4), Charlotte 8 (McCallum 4). Attendance: 1,587.

NOTES: Notre Dame is off to a 10-1 start or better for the fourth time in school history and the second consecutive season (also 2000-01 when the Irish started 23-0, 2004-05 when they opened 13-1, and last year when they began 12-1) ... this was the first-ever meeting between Notre Dame and Charlotte ... the Irish improve to 39-5 (.886) against first-time opponents since joining the BIG EAST Conference (1995-96 to present), including wins in 19 of 20 games this decade and 14 in a row ... Notre Dame moves to 11-2 (.846) all-time against teams from the state of North Carolina, including a 3-1 record on the road; the Irish were playing their first game in the Tar Heel State since Nov. 22, 1997 (an 80-62 loss at 19th-ranked Duke) ... Notre Dame rises to 65-18 (.783) all-time against the current Atlantic 10 Conference alignment, including a 29-10 (.744) record on the road and a current 12-game overall winning streak against the A-10 ... the Irish lift their record in the first game after Christmas to 21-11 (.656), with a 9-5 (.643) record on the road and 15-7 (.682) mark in the Muffet McGraw era (1987-88 to present) ... Notre Dame now has led at halftime in its last 10 games, going 9-1 in that stretch ... for the 10th time in 11 games this season, the Irish held their opponent to 63 points or fewer (one exception was 78-72 win over #24 Michigan State on Nov. 29 at the Joyce Center) ... Notre Dame had at least four players score in double figures for the sixth time this season (6-0 record) with four other games in which the Irish had three double-digit scorers (4-0 record); however, no Notre Dame player has scored more than 19 points in a game this season ... Schrader scored a season-high 19 points and added a season-high-tying three steals, while narrowly missing her third double-double of the season (although she did knock down her first three-pointer on her first attempt of the year) ... Novosel posted her second consecutive double-figure scoring game with 12 points, while adding a season-high four steals ... Lechlittner notched her fifth double-digit scoring game in the past six outings (and sixth of the season), while Bruszewski collected her third double-figure game in the past four contests (and fifth of the season).

GAME 12 #12/6 Notre Dame 59, #20/19 Vanderbilt 57 December 30, 2008 Memorial Gymnasium (Nashville, Tenn.)

Box score for Game 12: Notre Dame (59) vs Vanderbilt (57). Includes player stats for Notre Dame and totals for both teams.

Box score for Game 12: Vanderbilt (57) vs Notre Dame (59). Includes player stats for Vanderbilt and totals for both teams.

Summary table for Game 12: Notre Dame 24, Vanderbilt 36.

FG Pct: Notre Dame 42.6, Vanderbilt 38.7. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 26.7, Vanderbilt 23.5. FT Pct: Notre Dame 50.0, Vanderbilt 45.5. Turnovers: Notre Dame 19, Vanderbilt 11. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 4, Vanderbilt 1. Steals: Notre Dame 2, Vanderbilt 11 (Wirth 4). Attendance: 4,374.

NOTES: Notre Dame set a school record by rallying from 18 points down in the second half to win (trailed 44-26 and 46-28, the latter with 15:56 remaining) ... in their previous school-record comeback over Connecticut in the 2001 NCAA Final Four semifinals (March 30, 2001 in St. Louis), the Irish trailed the Huskies, 47-31 with two minutes left in the first half, before outscoring UConn, 59-28 the rest of the way ... Notre Dame used a 22-0 second-half run to highlight its rally at Vanderbilt, but it wasn't even its longest string of unanswered points this season -- on Nov. 25, Notre Dame reeled off 27 consecutive points in the second half of an 85-36 win over Georgia Southern at the Joyce Center ... the Irish improve to 4-0 against AP Top 25 opponents this season, accounting for half of the BIG EAST's eight wins over ranked teams this season (no other conference team has more than one) ... prior to this season, Notre Dame had never defeated an SEC opponent on its home floor -- the Irish now have two victories at SEC schools in the past six weeks, having also downed #24/22 LSU, 62-53 in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic on Nov. 16 ... this marks the second time in school history Notre Dame has defeated multiple SEC opponents in the same season, having also done in 2000-01 (d. Georgia, 75-73, in Coaches vs. Cancer Challenge final at Madison, Wis.; d. Vanderbilt, 72-64, in NCAA Midwest Regional final at Denver) ... the Irish move to 3-1 all-time against Vanderbilt, picking up their first-ever win over the Commodores in Nashville ... Notre Dame trailed at the half for the first time all season, and was held to its second-lowest first-half point total of the season (23 vs. Purdue on Dec. 7) ... Notre Dame has held 11 of 12 opponents to 63 points or fewer, including three of four Top 25 opponents to 57 points or fewer (only exception in both cases was a 78-72 win over #24 Michigan State on Nov. 29) ... the Irish limited Vanderbilt to a .387 field goal percentage after the Commodores came into the game ranked fifth in the nation in that category with a .477 percentage at tipoff (they were at .482 in the last NCAA rankings on Dec. 22) ... Bruszewski tied her career high with seven rebounds (twice before, most recently on Jan. 5, 2008, vs. Tennessee) ... Barlow collected a season-high nine rebounds (previous was eight on Nov. 25 vs. Georgia Southern) ... Solomon posted her second perfect shooting night of the season, having gone 5-for-5 on the way to a season-high 15 points on Nov. 23 at Boston College ... Notre Dame had at least three double-figure scorers for the 11th time in 12 games this season, going 11-0 in those games.





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### GAME 13

#12/6 Notre Dame 66, Seton Hall 60  
January 3, 2009  
Walsh Gymnasium (South Orange, N.J.)

#### Notre Dame (66)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	30	3-9	0-2	0-0	3	1	3	6
Williamson	13	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	2	1	1
Barlow	35	5-9	0-1	4-4	4	2	2	14
Lechlitner	26	3-6	0-1	3-6	1	2	3	9
Schrader	35	5-8	0-0	1-2	6	2	2	11
Solomon	24	5-6	0-0	3-6	3	1	4	13
Watson	18	1-5	0-3	2-2	4	2	1	4
Miller	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Novosel	17	3-3	0-0	2-2	2	2	4	8
Team					2			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>25-46</b>	<b>0-7</b>	<b>16-24</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>66</b>

#### Seton Hall (60)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Womack	34	4-9	0-0	3-3	13	3	3	11
Emery	29	3-9	0-2	9-12	8	3	3	15
Green	30	2-12	0-0	2-2	5	0	0	6
Booker	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Williams	38	6-14	3-6	3-4	1	0	3	18
Brown	25	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	3	1	0
Joseph	7	1-1	0-0	0-0	3	0	3	2
Heber	16	1-3	0-0	1-2	1	0	3	3
Rhodin	15	2-6	1-3	0-0	1	0	3	5
Team					3			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>19-55</b>	<b>4-11</b>	<b>18-23</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>60</b>

Notre Dame	29	37	-	66
Seton Hall	23	37	-	60

**FG Pct:** Notre Dame 54.3, Seton Hall 34.5. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 0.0, Seton Hall 36.4. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 66.7, Seton Hall 78.3. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 18, Seton Hall 23. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3 (Solomon 2), Seton Hall 3 (Womack 2). **Steals:** Notre Dame 6 (Bruszewski 2), Seton Hall 5 (Williams 3). **Attendance:** 775.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame earns the 650th victory in the 32-year history of Irish women's basketball ... Notre Dame's 12-1 start matches the second-best 13-game debut in school history (also achieved in 2004-05 and last year), exceeded only by a 13-0 start in 2000-01 ... the Irish now have won 10 of their 14 BIG EAST Conference openers since joining the conference in 1995-96 ... Notre Dame also have won its last three BIG EAST lidifiers, all on the road, including two at Seton Hall (64-61 in 2007 and 66-60 in 2009) ... the Irish improve to 17-4 all-time against Seton Hall and have won five of their last six games against the Pirates ... the close outcome should come as no surprise — six of the past nine series games between Notre Dame and SHU have been decided by six points or fewer; in addition, the past five meetings at Walsh Gymnasium also have had margins of six points or fewer ... the Irish shot better than 50 percent from the floor for the third time this season and first since Nov. 25 vs. Georgia Southern (.561) ... Solomon scored in double figures for the fifth time this season and first since Dec. 2 at Eastern Michigan (12 points) ... Barlow returned to double figures for the eighth time this season, but the first since Dec. 13 at Valparaiso.

### GAME 14

#12/4 Notre Dame 86, DePaul 62  
January 6, 2009  
McGrath Arena (Chicago, Ill.)

#### Notre Dame (86)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	29	4-8	0-1	0-0	4	2	3	8
Williamson	28	9-11	0-0	2-4	9	2	0	20
Barlow	29	3-14	2-3	4-4	3	3	0	12
Lechlitner	35	3-8	1-2	2-2	4	5	2	9
Schrader	30	5-11	0-1	1-2	6	1	0	11
Solomon	13	2-5	0-0	0-0	8	1	4	4
Watson	9	1-2	0-1	0-0	2	1	2	2
Miller	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2
Novosel	22	6-10	0-0	6-8	7	1	3	18
Christiansen	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					7			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>34-70</b>	<b>3-8</b>	<b>15-20</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>86</b>

#### DePaul (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Williams	26	1-4	0-0	3-7	2	2	1	5
Hampton	30	7-19	3-8	2-2	8	0	3	19
Chester	32	9-11	0-0	2-2	4	0	4	20
Quigley	31	2-8	1-5	4-4	5	1	4	9
Naughton	23	0-8	0-3	0-0	1	7	4	0
Cattell	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Threatt	25	3-6	1-2	0-0	2	0	1	7
Webb	4	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0
Medley	2	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0
Ortiz	13	0-2	0-1	2-2	1	0	0	2
Havel	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0
Team					4			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>22-62</b>	<b>5-21</b>	<b>13-17</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>62</b>

Notre Dame	44	42	-	86
DePaul	30	32	-	62

**FG Pct:** Notre Dame 48.6, DePaul 35.5. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 37.5, DePaul 23.8. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 75.0, DePaul 76.5. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 13, DePaul 15. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 2, DePaul 7 (Williams, Threatt, Ortiz 2). **Steals:** Notre Dame 6 (Miller 2), DePaul 10 (Threatt 3). **Attendance:** 2,452.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame's 13-1 start matches the second-best debut in school history, as the 2004-05 Irish also began 13-1; the only better start for Notre Dame came in its 2000-01 national championship season, when the Irish opened 23-0 ... Notre Dame still trails the all-time series with the Blue Demons, 18-13, while trimming its deficit in Chicago to 10-6; Notre Dame also takes a slim 4-3 edge in games played since DePaul joined the BIG EAST Conference in 2005-06 ... the Irish post back-to-back series wins over DePaul for only the second time in series history and first since they won three in a row from 1985-86 ... the Irish earn consecutive series wins over DePaul in Chicago for the first time since 1986 and 1987, while also logging their largest margin of victory ever on the Blue Demons' home court (topping 15-point spreads in 1986 and 1991) ... Notre Dame's 86 points are the most it has scored against DePaul since Jan. 31, 1995 (a 96-87 loss to the Blue Demons at their old arena, Alumni Hall) ... the Irish held DePaul to its lowest series point total since Dec. 31, 2001, when they downed the Blue Demons, 79-50 at the Joyce Center (which also represents the last time the Irish had a larger winning margin vs. DePaul) ... Notre Dame improves to 18-5 in its last 23 true road games, including 8-1 this season ... the Irish complete a sweep of their four-game, 10-day road swing from Dec. 28-Jan. 6, the first time they have won four consecutive games, all on the road (opponent's home court), since Jan. 7-19, 1991, when they capitalized on the first AP Top 25 ranking in program history by topping Butler (80-64), DePaul (81-66), Loyola-Chicago (66-55) and Marquette (91-73) in succession ... Williamson became the eighth different Irish player to lead the team in scoring this season, while also becoming the first to score 20 points in a game this year ... Williamson's career-high 20 points topped her old standard of 16, set three times before (most recently on Notre Dame's last visit to DePaul on Feb. 24, 2008) ... Williamson also pulled down a season-high nine rebounds, finishing one shy of her third career double-double ... Novosel tied her season (and career) scoring high with 18 points, a mark she first established on Dec. 2 at Eastern Michigan ... Novosel's seven rebounds also were one off the season high she set at EMU ... head coach Muffet McGraw picked up her 575th career coaching win in 27 seasons (487 at Notre Dame in the past 22 years).

### GAME 15

#12/4 Notre Dame 84, Georgetown 63  
January 10, 2009  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

#### Georgetown (63)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Crawford	24	0-5	0-0	9-12	7	0	3	9
Hatton	11	1-1	0-0	1-2	4	0	5	3
Houlette	18	1-7	0-3	1-2	0	0	2	3
McNutt	31	6-10	3-5	1-2	3	0	0	16
Fuller	10	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	1	5	2
Widding	6	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	1	0	0
Magee	17	1-5	0-1	4-6	1	1	1	6
Bunstine	3	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	1	2	0
Cox	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
McBride	25	5-10	0-0	0-0	2	1	4	10
Williams	31	5-12	2-2	2-3	5	7	2	14
Kirkland	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Reese	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Butler	14	0-4	0-0	0-0	5	0	1	0
Team					2			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-63</b>	<b>5-15</b>	<b>18-27</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>63</b>

#### Notre Dame (84)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	23	3-8	0-2	0-0	4	1	4	6
Williamson	23	7-9	0-0	7-7	10	0	2	21
Barlow	22	3-7	0-2	0-0	2	6	3	6
Lechlitner	34	2-5	1-2	6-6	2	5	1	11
Schrader	31	4-9	0-0	2-2	8	4	2	10
Solomon	18	2-2	0-0	3-6	3	0	4	7
Watson	20	3-7	3-6	0-0	3	3	1	9
Miller	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Novosel	24	4-5	0-0	4-6	4	3	4	12
Christiansen	1	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	2
Team					3			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>28-52</b>	<b>4-12</b>	<b>24-29</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>84</b>

Georgetown	25	38	-	63
Notre Dame	32	52	-	84

**FG Pct:** Georgetown 31.7, Notre Dame 53.8. **3-PT FG Pct:** Georgetown 33.3, Notre Dame 33.3. **FT Pct:** Georgetown 66.7, Notre Dame 82.8. **Turnovers:** Georgetown 18, Notre Dame 23. **Blocked Shots:** Georgetown 1, Notre Dame 7 (Williamson 3). **Steals:** Georgetown 10 (four with 2), Notre Dame 12 (Barlow, Schrader 3). **Attendance:** 6,561.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame is off to the second-best 15-game start in school history, exceeded only by a 15-0 debut in 2000-01 ... the Irish also open BIG EAST Conference play at 3-0 for the sixth time in their 14-year conference membership, but the first time since 2001-02 ... Notre Dame rises to 10-4 (.714) in BIG EAST home openers, including wins in eight of their last 10 tries ... Notre Dame extends its home winning streak to 11 games, with its last loss at the Joyce Center coming on Jan. 27, 2008 (81-64 vs. Connecticut) ... the Irish match their longest winning streak of the season, having also won seven in a row to open the year ... Notre Dame's 52 second-half points were one off its season-high total in a single half (53 in the 2nd half at Boston College on Nov. 23) ... the 22 assists for the Irish were one off their season high, achieved twice before (last at Boston College) ... Notre Dame improves to 23-2 all-time against Georgetown (12-0 at the Joyce Center), with the 23 series wins being the second-most against one opponent in school history (Marquette - 28) ... since they joined the BIG EAST in 1995-96, the Irish are 19-1 against Georgetown and have held the Hoyas to less than 70 points in 18 of those 20 contests (18-0 record) ... Notre Dame matched its season high with 23 turnovers (Dec. 10 in overtime loss at Michigan) ... the Irish have held 14 of 15 opponents to 63 points or fewer this season (78-72 win over #24 Michigan State on Nov. 29 at the Joyce Center) ... Notre Dame is 12-1 when leading at halftime this season, and 8-0 when fielding at least four double-figure scorers ... for the second consecutive game, Williamson set her career scoring high with 21 points, adding a season-best 10 rebounds and three blocks on the way to her third career double-double (first since Feb. 16, 2008, at Syracuse, when she had 14 points and 11 rebounds) ... Williamson also is the first Irish player to log 20 points and 10 rebounds in a game since March 23, 2008, when Ashley Barlow chalked up 20 points and 12 rebounds in a 75-62 win over SMU in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in West Lafayette, Ind. ... for the third time this season and fourth time in her career, Barlow dished out a career-high-tying six assists, most recently hitting the mark on Nov. 29 vs. Michigan State.



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GAME 16

Marquette 75, #10/4 Notre Dame 65  
January 13, 2009  
Al McGuire Center (Milwaukee, Wis.)

## Notre Dame (65)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	25	6-11	0-1	0-1	5	1	4	12
Williamson	8	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	1	2	1
Barlow	36	5-11	3-7	2-2	6	2	2	15
Lechlitner	37	6-19	1-3	2-2	3	4	3	15
Schrader	33	3-10	0-0	1-2	11	4	1	7
Solomon	14	1-3	0-0	0-1	1	0	3	2
Watson	19	1-6	1-4	0-0	3	3	3	3
Miller	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Novosel	26	4-6	0-0	2-4	4	0	3	10
Team					2			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26-67</b>	<b>5-15</b>	<b>8-14</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>65</b>

## Marquette (75)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Pachko	33	6-8	0-0	2-2	8	2	1	14
Jones	19	3-3	0-0	0-0	5	0	2	6
Robinson	34	6-20	1-3	6-9	9	6	3	19
Ellis	32	7-13	2-5	2-3	2	5	2	18
McMorris	26	4-8	1-3	2-2	4	4	0	11
Monfre	13	1-1	0-0	0-0	3	3	0	2
Harris	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Thomas-Johnson	15	0-5	0-0	3-4	2	0	2	3
Fiedorowicz	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	1	0
Thrower	20	0-1	0-0	2-2	6	1	3	2
Team					1			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>27-59</b>	<b>4-11</b>	<b>17-22</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>75</b>

Notre Dame 34 31 - 65  
Marquette 30 45 - 75

**FG Pct:** Notre Dame 38.8, Marquette 45.8. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 33.3, Marquette 36.4. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 57.1, Marquette 77.3. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 17, Marquette 20. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3, Marquette 4. **Steals:** Notre Dame 14 (Barlow 6), Marquette 9 (McMorris, Thrower 2). **Attendance:** 1,850.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame lost for just the sixth time in the past 24 road games, and only the second time in 10 outings this season ... the Irish still lead the all-time series with Marquette, 28-6, although the Golden Eagles have won two of the past three games after Notre Dame had won 26 of 27 from 1982-2006 ... five of MU's six series wins over Notre Dame have come in Milwaukee ... the Irish drop to 10-2 all-time in conference play against Marquette, covering three leagues (4-0 in North Star, 4-0 in Midwestern Collegiate and 2-2 in BIG EAST) ... the Golden Eagles scored at least 70 points against Notre Dame for the fifth time in series history, but the third consecutive game ... MU's 75 points were one off its series high, set in last year's 99-76 Notre Dame win at the Joyce Center ... prior to the game, Notre Dame had allowed more than 63 points in a game only once this season (Nov. 29 in a 78-72 win over #24 Michigan State at the Joyce Center) or more than 38 points in a single half (three times, most recently in the second half of an 84-63 win over Georgetown on Jan. 10) ... the Irish also posted their second-lowest field goal percentage of the season, behind only a .344 mark on Dec. 7 in a 62-51 win over #17/20 Purdue, also at the Joyce Center ... conversely, Marquette's .458 field goal percentage was the best by a Notre Dame opponent this season, topping the old mark of .444 by Michigan on Dec. 10 (the only other loss on the Notre Dame resume this season, 63-59 in overtime) ... the Irish forced at least 20 opponent turnovers for the ninth time this season ... Notre Dame also chalked up double-digit steals for the ninth time, registering a season-high 17 thefts on Nov. 19 and 23 vs. Evansville and at Boston College, respectively ... Notre Dame lost when leading at the half for the second time in 14 games this season ... the Irish lost for the first time this season when fielding four or more double-digit scorers (now 8-1) ... Schrader grabbed a season-high 11 rebounds, also the most by any Notre Dame player in a game this year (three others had 10 boards, most recently Williamson vs. Georgetown) ... Barlow's six steals were one off her career high set back on Nov. 23 at Boston College; Barlow also dropped in a career-high-tying three three-pointers, matching a mark she last reached on Nov. 19 vs. Evansville ... Novosel tied her season (and career) high with four steals, matching her production on Dec. 28 at Charlotte; Novosel also posted her sixth double-figure scoring night of the year, and fifth in seven games ... the starting lineup of Bruszewski, Williamson, Barlow, Lechlitner and Schrader had been 11-0 this season (3-0 in the BIG EAST) prior to the loss at Marquette.

GAME 17

#10/4 Notre Dame 70, St. John's 67  
January 17, 2009  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

## St. John's (67)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Stevens	22	3-10	0-0	5-5	5	1	4	11
Hart	27	4-9	0-0	0-0	4	1	2	8
Lindsay	34	4-8	0-2	1-2	5	3	4	9
Murphy	21	1-2	0-0	1-2	3	2	0	3
McLean	37	6-18	4-10	1-1	8	1	3	17
McManmon	28	3-8	3-7	0-0	1	2	3	9
McCorvey	19	2-2	0-0	0-1	3	2	1	4
Mitchell	12	3-6	0-0	0-0	3	1	1	6
Team					4			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26-63</b>	<b>7-19</b>	<b>8-11</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>67</b>

## Notre Dame (70)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	22	4-9	1-3	4-5	6	2	4	13
Williamson	16	2-5	0-0	1-1	5	1	1	5
Barlow	36	4-11	3-6	2-2	5	3	1	13
Lechlitner	40	6-10	2-3	1-1	4	6	0	15
Schrader	33	5-6	0-0	3-3	4	5	1	13
Solomon	22	3-7	0-0	3-5	8	0	2	9
Watson	9	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0
Miller	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2
Novosel	13	0-4	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	0
Team					1			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>25-55</b>	<b>6-13</b>	<b>14-17</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>70</b>

St. John's 27 40 - 67  
Notre Dame 34 36 - 70

**FG Pct:** St. John's 41.3, Notre Dame 45.5. **3-PT FG Pct:** St. John's 36.8, Notre Dame 46.2. **FT Pct:** St. John's 72.7, Notre Dame 82.4. **Turnovers:** St. John's 16, Notre Dame 18. **Blocked Shots:** St. John's 1, Notre Dame 3 (Solomon 2). **Steals:** St. John's 14 (six with 2), Notre Dame 7 (Lechlitner 3). **Attendance:** 6,027.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame improves to 17-2 all-time against St. John's, including 9-0 at the Joyce Center ... four of the past five series games have been decided by 10 points or fewer, with the teams splitting those four nailbiters ... Notre Dame has scored at least 66 points in 17 of 19 series games vs. St. John's, winning all 17 times ... the Red Storm scored a series-high 67 points, one more than they totaled in a 66-63 win over the Irish on Jan. 4, 2006, in Queens ... Notre Dame rises 43-4 (.915) all-time against New York schools, including 23-0 at home, although this was just the third single-digit margin in those 23 victories ... the Irish extend their current Joyce Center winning streak to 12 games ... Notre Dame fielded four double-figure scorers for the fourth consecutive game and the 10th time this season (9-1 record) ... for some reason, the Irish also love playing during the afternoon, when they are 10-0 this season ... Notre Dame's six three-pointers were the most the Irish have knocked down in a game since Nov. 29, when they canned a season-high nine treys in a 78-72 win over #24 Michigan State ... the seven three-pointers by St. John's were a Notre Dame opponent season high, one more than Evansville made on Nov. 19 ... the Red Storm's .368 three-point percentage also was an Irish opponent season high, edging out the .364 ratio achieved twice before (most recently on Jan. 13 by Marquette) ... St. John's had an opponent season-high 14 steals, three more than the totals posted by LSU (Nov. 16) and Vanderbilt (Dec. 30) ... Lechlitner tallied a season-high six assists and is averaging 5.0 assists in her last four games (with a 1.82 assist/turnover ratio) ... Lechlitner also logged her second career complete game, going all 40 minutes to match her ironman performance on Dec. 13 at Valparaiso ... Schrader tied her season high with five assists and is averaging 4.3 assists over her last three contests ... for the 10th time in her career (and second time in as many games), Barlow tied her personal best with three three-pointers.

GAME 18

Villanova 55, #13/9 Notre Dame 48  
January 24, 2009  
The Pavilion (Villanova, Pa.)

## Notre Dame (48)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	22	1-6	1-1	0-0	5	1	4	3
Williamson	11	3-7	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	6
Barlow	39	3-8	0-2	5-8	6	0	0	11
Lechlitner	36	3-9	1-1	1-2	2	2	4	8
Schrader	33	3-11	0-1	3-4	6	1	1	9
Solomon	23	1-3	0-0	3-4	10	2	3	5
Watson	13	0-2	0-1	2-2	0	0	1	2
Novosel	23	2-3	0-0	0-2	1	1	2	4
Team					3			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>16-49</b>	<b>2-6</b>	<b>14-22</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>48</b>

## Villanova (55)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Kurz	31	6-13	2-5	2-2	6	1	2	16
Karcic	34	3-9	2-6	0-0	5	3	2	8
Elliott	10	2-5	2-5	0-0	1	0	0	6
Getty	29	2-5	2-4	2-2	4	2	1	8
Dougherty	11	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	4
Weiss	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
O'Connor	30	2-8	1-3	3-4	0	3	0	8
Jones	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Grant	24	0-2	0-2	0-0	4	2	2	0
Swiezynski	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Scanlon	25	1-2	1-2	2-3	5	1	3	5
Team					6			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>18-47</b>	<b>10-27</b>	<b>9-11</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>55</b>

Notre Dame 20 28 - 48  
Villanova 30 25 - 55

**FG Pct:** Notre Dame 32.7, Villanova 38.3. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 33.3, Villanova 37.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 63.6, Villanova 81.8. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 14, Villanova 15. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 1, Villanova 4 (Karcic 2). **Steals:** Notre Dame 7 (Novosel 3), Villanova 5 (Getty 2). **Attendance:** 2,111.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame sees its two-game series winning streak against Villanova snapped, but still holds a 15-9 lead all-time over the Wildcats ... exactly half of the 24 games in the series have been decided by eight points or fewer (teams have split those 12 close games), including seven of the past nine contests (VU has won five of those seven) ... Notre Dame now has forced 59 Villanova turnovers in the past three series games, an average of 19.7 per game (VU was averaging 12.8 turnovers per game coming into this year's contest) ... all three Irish losses this season have come on the road by 10 points or fewer ... Notre Dame falls to 7-1 this season (191-13 in its 14-year BIG EAST membership) when holding its opponent to fewer than 60 points ... the Irish were held to season lows for points in a game (previous was 59 on two occasions), points in a half (tied the second-half total at Michigan on Dec. 10), field goal percentage (previously was .344 vs. #17/20 Purdue on Dec. 7) and assists (tied the total at Valparaiso on Dec. 13) ... Notre Dame's 48 points were the fewest it has scored in a game since Jan. 27, 2007, in a 64-47 loss at Connecticut ... for the first time all season, Notre Dame did not have multiple double-digit point scorers, something the Irish had not done since Jan. 13, 2008, in a 56-50 loss at West Virginia ... Villanova's 10 three-pointers were the most by an Irish opponent since Jan. 5, 2008, when Tennessee made 11 treys in an 87-63 win at the Joyce Center ... Solomon collected a season-high 10 rebounds, one more than her previous best that she set on Dec. 2 at Eastern Michigan.



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**GAME 19**

Rutgers 78, #17/13 Notre Dame 68  
January 27, 2009  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Rutgers (78)									
Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp	
Junaid	18	4-8	0-0	0-0	7	1	3	8	
Rushdan	20	1-4	1-2	2-2	5	4	3	5	
Prince	38	5-12	2-4	12-12	9	6	4	24	
Zurich	38	2-12	0-1	0-0	7	2	2	4	
Ray	38	9-17	4-7	4-6	3	2	0	26	
Speed	17	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	3	4	0	
Sykes	4	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
Vaughn	19	3-8	0-0	0-0	7	0	3	6	
McCurdy	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
Pope	2	2-2	0-0	1-1	3	0	0	5	
Lee	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	3	0	
Team					4				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26-67</b>	<b>7-14</b>	<b>19-21</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>78</b>	

Notre Dame (68)									
Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp	
Bruszewski	16	1-2	0-0	1-1	1	0	2	3	
Williamson	20	1-1	0-0	3-4	6	1	1	5	
Barlow	38	6-16	3-9	3-4	4	4	2	18	
Lechlitner	33	6-14	1-4	4-4	2	2	2	17	
Schrader	26	2-5	0-0	0-2	6	0	3	4	
Solomon	18	1-5	0-0	0-0	4	1	4	2	
Watson	19	0-9	0-8	0-0	5	0	3	0	
Miller	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	2	2	0	
Novosel	27	7-11	0-1	5-7	4	3	0	19	
Team					5				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>24-63</b>	<b>4-22</b>	<b>16-22</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>68</b>	

Rutgers 31 47 - 78  
Notre Dame 24 44 - 68

**FG Pct:** Rutgers 38.8, Notre Dame 38.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** Rutgers 50.0, Notre Dame 18.2. **FT Pct:** Rutgers 90.5, Notre Dame 72.7. **Turnovers:** Rutgers 14, Notre Dame 13. **Blocked Shots:** Rutgers 4 (Junaid 2), Notre Dame 6 (Williamson, Solomon 2). **Steals:** Rutgers 5 (Ray 4), Notre Dame 9 (Lechlitner 3). **Attendance:** 10,082.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame loses consecutive games for the first time this season ... the Irish see their 12-game home winning streak snapped, losing at the Joyce Center for the first time in exactly one year (81-64 to top-ranked Connecticut on Jan. 27, 2008) ... Rutgers earns its fifth consecutive victory over the Irish, extending the longest winning streak by either side in the series ... the Scarlet Knights now hold a 16-9 series lead on Notre Dame, with the Irish maintaining a 5-4 edge at the Joyce Center ... RU's 78 points were the most scored by either side in a regulation series game since Dec. 3, 1997, when Rutgers posted an 80-67 win in Piscataway ... Notre Dame registered its highest point total against the Scarlet Knights in a regulation game since March 2, 1997, when the Irish downed RU, 86-58 in the BIG EAST Championship quarterfinals at Storrs, Conn. ... Rutgers' 48 rebounds matched an Irish opponent season high originally established by #24 Michigan State on Nov. 29 in a 78-72 Irish win at the Joyce Center ... RU guard Epiphanny Prince set a Joyce Center opponent record by going 12-for-12 at the foul line, eclipsing the old mark of 10-for-10 set by Connecticut's Nykesha Sales on Feb. 21, 1998 ... Novosel scored a season- (and career-) high 19 points, one more than her output in wins at Eastern Michigan (Dec. 2) and DePaul (Jan. 6) ... Barlow once again tied her career high by knocking down three three-pointers, the 11th time she has made exactly that many treys ... the attendance of 10,082 was the eighth-largest crowd in school history and second crowd of 10,000+ fans this season (a sellout crowd of 11,418 saw the Irish topple #17/20 Purdue, 62-51 on Dec. 7); it also was the largest weeknight crowd in school history, easily surpassing the old standard of 8,574 who saw Notre Dame defeat fourth-ranked Connecticut, 66-51, on Jan. 13, 2004 ... the top 20 crowds in school history all have been set in the past nine seasons (2000-01 to present), including six sellouts and eight crowds of 10,000 fans or more ... the Irish wore special white uniforms trimmed with pink in honor of the late North Carolina State head coach Kay Yow, who passed away on Jan. 24 following a courageous two-decade battle with breast cancer.

**GAME 20**

#17/13 Notre Dame 66, Cincinnati 50  
January 31, 2009  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Cincinnati (50)									
Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp	
Morgan	39	4-9	0-3	2-4	9	2	2	10	
Stephens	21	4-8	1-3	0-0	3	0	1	9	
Sanders	16	1-3	0-1	0-0	2	1	1	2	
Roudebush	40	5-10	3-5	0-2	6	6	2	13	
Bellman	29	1-5	0-2	0-0	5	0	3	2	
Schuster	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	
Stevens	24	2-6	0-3	3-3	2	0	1	7	
Jones	19	2-6	0-0	3-4	5	3	0	7	
Team					1		1		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>19-48</b>	<b>4-17</b>	<b>8-13</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>50</b>	

Notre Dame (66)									
Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp	
Bruszewski	30	7-11	1-2	0-0	7	1	2	15	
Williamson	14	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	3	2	
Barlow	34	2-8	1-4	2-4	4	4	2	7	
Lechlitner	35	3-17	1-5	0-0	8	7	0	7	
Schrader	35	9-18	0-0	1-4	15	3	2	19	
Solomon	10	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	0	2	0	
Watson	18	3-9	3-7	1-2	5	1	2	10	
Novosel	23	3-6	0-0	0-0	2	2	2	6	
Christiansen	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
Team					3				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>28-73</b>	<b>6-18</b>	<b>4-12</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>66</b>	

Cincinnati 26 24 - 50  
Notre Dame 36 30 - 66

**FG Pct:** Cincinnati 39.6, Notre Dame 38.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Cincinnati 23.5, Notre Dame 33.3. **FT Pct:** Cincinnati 61.5, Notre Dame 33.3. **Turnovers:** Cincinnati 26, Notre Dame 17. **Blocked Shots:** Cincinnati 6 (Schuster 3), Notre Dame 2. **Steals:** Cincinnati 6 (Stephens 2), Notre Dame 21 (Barlow 8). **Technical Foul:** Cincinnati bench. **Attendance:** 6,902.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame improves to 5-0 all-time against Cincinnati, including wins in all four matchups since the Bearcats joined the BIG EAST Conference in 2005-06 ... since entering the BIG EAST 14 seasons ago, Notre Dame is 50-13 (.794) in its first game after a double-digit loss, including a 2-0 mark this season in these so-called "bounce back" games ... the Irish also stretch their record against Ohio schools to 70-16 (.814), with a 35-7 (.833) home record, including an active 15-game winning streak at the Joyce Center vs. the Buckeye State ... Notre Dame turns in its best defensive performance in a month, with Cincinnati's 50 points the fewest allowed by the Irish since Dec. 20, when they defeated Loyola-Chicago, 89-45 at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame's 21 steals were the most it has had in a single game in almost exactly one year, since the Irish tallied 23 thefts against Providence on Jan. 30, 2008, at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame forced at least 25 turnovers for the fourth time this season, and first since tying their season high with 31 takeaways in the victory over Loyola-Chicago ... the Irish allowed only four offensive rebounds, the best mark since Jan. 22, 2008, when DePaul also had four offensive boards ... Schrader posted her third double-double of the season (and seventh of her career) with a season-high-tying 19 points (also at Charlotte on Dec. 28) and a career-best 15 rebounds; the latter total was one more than Schrader's previous mark set in her first college game on Nov. 18, 2005, vs. Michigan at the Joyce Center ... Schrader is the first Irish player with at least 15 points and 15 rebounds in the same game since Feb. 17, 2001, when Kelley Siemon had 19 points and 15 rebounds in a 54-53 loss at Rutgers (the lone regular-season defeat in Notre Dame's run to the national championship) ... Barlow collected a career-high eight steals, one more than her previous best that she set on Nov. 23 at Boston College ... Barlow's eight steals tied for the second-most in school and Joyce Center history (two off Mary Gavin's record of 10 set exactly 22 years earlier vs. Marquette), and were the most for any Irish player in a game since Feb. 5, 2003, when LeTania Severe notched eight steals against Georgetown, also at the Joyce Center ... Lechlitner tallied a career-high eight rebounds (previous best was six vs. Syracuse on Jan. 20, 2007) and a season-best seven assists (previous high was six vs. St. John's on Jan. 17) ... Bruszewski tied her career high with seven rebounds, a mark she's hit three times before (most recently on Dec. 30 at #20/19 Vanderbilt) ... the victory assured Notre Dame of finishing with a winning record for the 17th consecutive season, 21st time in the 22-year Muffet McGraw era (1987-present) and 28th time in the 32-year history of the Irish program ... for the second consecutive game, Notre Dame wore its alternate home white uniforms with pink trim in honor of the late Kay Yow.

**GAME 21**

#22/24 Pittsburgh 82, #19/16 Notre Dame 70  
February 3, 2009  
Petersen Events Center (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

Notre Dame (70)									
Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp	
Bruszewski	30	7-13	0-1	0-0	6	3	3	14	
Williamson	10	2-4	0-0	2-2	1	0	4	6	
Barlow	32	3-9	0-1	0-0	3	4	2	6	
Lechlitner	31	3-11	1-3	2-4	2	4	3	9	
Schrader	28	3-15	0-0	2-3	7	2	0	8	
Solomon	23	6-11	0-0	2-4	8	1	4	14	
Watson	19	2-8	1-5	0-0	3	2	0	5	
Novosel	27	3-7	0-0	2-2	4	3	2	8	
Team					8				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>29-78</b>	<b>2-10</b>	<b>10-15</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>70</b>	

Pittsburgh (82)									
Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp	
Sallard	25	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	2	
Scott	35	5-13	1-3	0-0	18	3	3	11	
Wilson	35	2-7	0-0	0-1	12	1	2	4	
Zellous	31	10-18	4-5	5-7	7	3	2	29	
Stewart	37	5-10	2-3	5-6	4	7	0	17	
Harrison	25	6-13	0-1	5-5	3	3	4	17	
Cole	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	
Ogoke	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
Popovec	6	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	2	
Team					3				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>30-66</b>	<b>7-12</b>	<b>15-19</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>82</b>	

Notre Dame 31 39 - 70  
Pittsburgh 40 42 - 82

**FG Pct:** Notre Dame 37.2, Pittsburgh 45.5. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 20.0, Pittsburgh 58.3. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 66.7, Pittsburgh 78.9. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 9, Pittsburgh 18. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 6 (Bruszewski 3), Pittsburgh 6 (Wilson 3). **Steals:** Notre Dame 7 (Lechlitner, Novosel 2), Pittsburgh 1. **Attendance:** 3,813.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame has dropped three of its last four series games vs. Pittsburgh after winning the first 16 matchups with the Panthers ... Pitt posted its highest point total in the 20-game series, while the Irish lost for the first time when scoring at least 65 points against the Panthers ... all five Notre Dame losses this season have come by 12 points or less, with the Irish having had the lead or a chance to take the lead in the second half of four of those defeats ... Notre Dame falls to 4-1 against Associated Press Top 25 opponents this season (2-1 on the road) ... Pitt's 82 points were the most allowed by the Irish this year (previous: 78 by Rutgers on Jan. 27), as were the Panthers' .538 three-point percentage (previous: 500 by Rutgers on Jan. 27) and 48 rebounds (previous: twice, last by Rutgers on Jan. 27) ... Notre Dame's nine turnovers were its second-lowest total of the season, exceeding only by the eight giveaways vs. Evansville on Nov. 19 ... Notre Dame's 21 offensive rebounds tied for its second-highest mark of the season, one behind the 22 offensive boards collected at Eastern Michigan on Dec. 2 ... Solomon finished one point and two rebounds off her season and career highs (15 points at Boston College on Nov. 23; 10 rebounds at Villanova on Jan. 24) ... Solomon also became the ninth different Irish player to post team-high scoring honors at least once this season ... Bruszewski logged her second consecutive double-digit scoring night and fourth in six games (10th of the year after having six all of last season) ... Bruszewski also wound up one rebound from her career high, set four times before (most recently on Jan. 31 vs. Cincinnati), and did record a new career-high three blocked shots (previously having had two blocks twice, the last vs. #24 Michigan State on Nov. 29, 2008), while playing a career-high-tying 30 minutes for the third time (second in as many games).





## 2008-09 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 22

#19/16 Notre Dame 62, #25 DePaul 59  
February 8, 2009  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

## DePaul (59)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Williams	38	8-11	0-0	4-6	10	2	2	20
Hampton	13	2-5	1-3	0-0	1	1	2	5
Chester	25	0-3	0-0	4-4	2	2	5	4
Quigley	38	3-11	0-4	2-2	6	5	2	8
Naughton	35	2-11	0-3	2-5	9	3	1	6
Cattell	15	1-2	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	2
Threath	26	4-10	2-6	1-2	4	1	4	11
Medley	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	1	0
Ortiz	4	1-3	1-3	0-0	0	0	0	3
Havel	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					3			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>21-56</b>	<b>4-20</b>	<b>13-19</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>59</b>

## Notre Dame (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	35	6-14	1-3	1-2	12	1	3	14
Williamson	24	2-5	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	4
Barlow	35	6-10	2-3	5-7	4	0	0	19
Lechlitner	37	5-13	0-3	3-4	5	3	2	13
Schrader	32	1-7	0-0	6-8	5	3	3	8
Solomon	16	1-5	0-0	0-0	3	1	3	2
Watson	7	0-3	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Miller	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Novosel	11	1-4	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	2
Team					8			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>22-61</b>	<b>3-11</b>	<b>15-21</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>62</b>

DePaul 31 28 — 59  
Notre Dame 32 30 — 62

**FG Pct:** DePaul 37.5, Notre Dame 36.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** DePaul 20.0, Notre Dame 27.3. **FT Pct:** DePaul 68.4, Notre Dame 71.4.  
**Turnovers:** DePaul 16, Notre Dame 17. **Blocked Shots:** DePaul 3 (Williams 2), Notre Dame 1. **Steals:** DePaul 9 (Chester, Quigley 3), Notre Dame 7 (Lechlitner 3). **Attendance:** 10,011.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame improves to 5-1 this season against ranked opponents (3-0 at home) ... the Irish sweep the season series from DePaul, winning twice in the same season over the Blue Demons for the first time since the 1985-86 season, when Notre Dame took both North Star Conference meetings with DePaul (55-53 on Jan. 26, 1986, at the Joyce Center; 73-58 on Feb. 23, 1986, in Chicago) ... the Blue Demons still lead the all-time series with Notre Dame, 18-14, although the Irish posted their third consecutive win over DePaul, matching their longest streak in the 32-game series (ND also won the second matchup in 1984-85 before the 1985-86 season sweep) ... the Irish move to 8-6 all-time against the Blue Demons at the Joyce Center and 5-3 in BIG EAST regular-season play ... this marked just the second time in the past 13 series games that neither team reached the 70-point mark — last year's 66-64 Irish win in Chicago was the other low-scoring contest during this span (which dates back to the 1992-93 season) ... Notre Dame held DePaul to 59 points, its lowest total in the series since Dec. 31, 2001, when the Irish registered a 79-50 win at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame's 62 points were the fewest it has scored in the series since Feb. 12, 2006 (a 79-50 DePaul win in Chicago) ... the Irish continue their run of success in the month of February, improving to 45-4 (.918) at home in the second month since joining the BIG EAST in 1995-96 ... Notre Dame is 78-21 (.788) in February games during its BIG EAST membership and 126-36 (.778) in the 22-year McGraw era, including a 67-10 (.870) home record ... Notre Dame held DePaul to a .200 three-point percentage, the lowest by an Irish opponent since Nov. 29, when #24 Michigan State shot 15.4 percent (2-of-13) from distance in a 78-72 Notre Dame win at the Joyce Center ... Bruszewski collected her first career double-double with 14 points and a career-high 12 rebounds (previous high was seven rebounds on four occasions, most recently on Jan. 31 vs. Cincinnati at the Joyce Center) ... Barlow tied her season high with 19 points after reaching that mark in the season's first two games (at #24/22 LSU, home vs. Evansville) ... the Irish drew a crowd of 10,011, the ninth-largest crowd in school history and the third attendance of 10,000 fans or more this season (tying the program record set last year); in fact, Notre Dame has had at least 10,000 fans in the stands for six of its last 22 home games (better than one out of every four) ... the contest also was designated as Notre Dame's WBCA Pink Zone game, with the Irish wearing their special white and pink uniforms to help support the national initiative calling attention to breast cancer and the search for a cure.

GAME 23

#10/12 Louisville 71, #22 Notre Dame 66  
February 11, 2009  
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

## Louisville (71)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Rucker	8	0-2	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	1
Bingham	38	10-17	0-0	1-2	12	3	2	21
Reid	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
McCoughtry	35	8-21	0-2	4-5	11	4	4	20
Byrd	35	4-8	1-1	3-4	3	2	1	12
Burke	32	2-5	1-4	2-2	4	2	3	7
Stephen	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0
Jackson	6	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	2
Terry	9	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	4
Hines	24	2-5	0-0	0-1	2	2	4	4
Team					8			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>29-65</b>	<b>2-7</b>	<b>11-16</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>71</b>

## Notre Dame (66)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Bruszewski	34	7-13	2-3	2-2	4	1	3	18
Williamson	14	1-3	0-0	0-0	5	1	1	2
Barlow	35	5-18	2-7	4-6	8	2	2	16
Lechlitner	37	2-9	0-1	0-0	5	5	2	4
Schrader	25	2-8	0-0	2-2	5	0	1	6
Solomon	16	0-2	0-0	0-2	6	0	2	0
Watson	7	1-2	1-1	0-0	1	0	1	3
Miller	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	2	0
Novosel	26	7-11	0-0	3-5	3	4	0	17
Team					2			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>25-66</b>	<b>5-12</b>	<b>11-17</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>66</b>

Louisville 38 33 — 71  
Notre Dame 28 38 — 66

**FG Pct:** Louisville 44.6, Notre Dame 37.9. **3-PT FG Pct:** Louisville 28.6, Notre Dame 41.7. **FT Pct:** Louisville 68.8, Notre Dame 64.7.  
**Turnovers:** Louisville 19, Notre Dame 18. **Blocked Shots:** Louisville 1, Notre Dame 3 (Williamson 2). **Steals:** Louisville 12 (McCoughtry 8), Notre Dame 12 (Novosel 4). **Attendance:** 6,706.

**NOTES:** Notre Dame was playing its third consecutive Associated Press Top 25 opponent, the first time the Irish have faced such a challenging stretch in the regular season since the 1996 Preseason WNIT (Nov. 17-20), when Notre Dame took on #6 Iowa (W, 61-50), #3 Tennessee (L, 72-59) and #8 North Carolina State (W, 64-53) ... the Irish are 5-2 against ranked opponents this season (3-1 at home) ... the last three times Notre Dame has played an AP Top 10 opponent, it has lost by 10 points or fewer (57-51 at #5 Rutgers on Feb. 19, 2008; 74-64 vs. #3 Tennessee in NCAA Oklahoma City Regional Semifinal on March 30, 2008) ... Louisville regains a 4-3 series lead on Notre Dame (2-1 at the Joyce Center), while the road team continues to hold the upper hand, winning four of the six on-campus games in the series to date ... the seven-game aggregate point total in the series is virtually even, with the Irish edging the Cardinals, 460-459 ... six of the seven series games have been decided by 11 points or fewer, including all four since Louisville joined the BIG EAST in 2005-06 (series tied 2-2 in BIG EAST play) ... each of Notre Dame's six losses this season has been decided by 12 points or fewer, with five of them seeing the Irish either leading, or with a possession to tie or take the lead in the second half or overtime ... Barlow became the 24th player in school history to score 1,000 career points, reaching the milestone exactly with her final two points of the evening (a pair of free throws with 37 seconds remaining that pulled the Irish within 66-63) ... Bruszewski tied her career high with 18 points, matching the total she had earlier this season against Evansville (Nov. 19 at the Joyce Center) and at Boston College (Nov. 23) ... Bruszewski has scored in double figures in four consecutive games and six times in the past eight contests, after posting six double-digit point games all of last season ... for the third time this season, Novosel tied her season highs with four steals (last: at Marquette on Jan. 13) and four assists (last: at Eastern Michigan on Dec. 2), while matching her 7-of-11 shooting performance vs. Rutgers on Jan. 27 ... Novosel also scored at least 17 points for the fourth time this season while logging her eighth double-figure scoring night of the year ... Williamson had two blocked shots and moves into sole possession of 10th place on the Notre Dame career blocks chart with 95, passing Heidi Bunek (93 from 1985-89) and pulling within two blocks of former teammate Melissa D'Amico (97 from 2004-08) for ninth place ... McCoughtry tied the Joyce Center opponent record for steals in a game previously set by Detroit's Amira Danforth on Jan. 29, 1994 ... for the first time this season, Notre Dame took the floor in their alternate home white uniforms with green trim.