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2009 NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL NOTES

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Game #6

#25/25 Notre Dame (4-1) vs. #6/5 USC (4-1)



DATE

Saturday, October 17, 2009

TIME

3:42 p.m. ET

SITE (CAPACITY)

Notre Dame Stadium (80,795); Notre Dame, Ind.

TELEVISION

NBC national telecast with Tom Hammond (play-by-play), Pat Haden (analysis), Alex Flanagan (sideline), Rob Hyland (producer) and David Michaels (director).

RADIO

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Countdown To Kickoff

- 12 Sophomore LB **Darius Fleming** is tied for 12th in the nation in tackles for loss per game, averaging 1.75 stops behind the line of scrimmage per game.
- 11 The Irish offense has continued to stretch the field even since sophomore WR **Michael Floyd** was injured. In the 10 quarters Floyd was healthy, Notre Dame's offense totaled 12 passes of at least 20 yards. In the 10 quarters without Floyd, the Irish offense has completed 11 passes of at least 20 yards.
- 10 Freshman LB **Manti Te'o** earned his first extensive playing time of his young career last game against Washington and responded by recording 10 tackles.
- 9 Notre Dame's defense has allowed just nine touchdowns to its opponents in 17 trips to the red zone. The Irish rank fourth nationally having allowed only 11 scores in those 17 trips to the red zone.
- 8 Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** has not only helped the Irish offense rank eighth nationally in passing but he has been at his best in the clutch. When Notre Dame has been tied or trailing this season, Clausen has thrown eight touchdowns and no interceptions.
- 7 The Irish have won the last three games by seven points or less, marking just the fifth time in school history Notre Dame has won three straight contests by a touchdown or less.
- 6 Freshman PK **Nick Tausch**, who has made 10 straight kicks since missing his first attempt, is tied for sixth in country in field goals made per game (2.0 per game).
- 5 Through five games this year, Notre Dame's running backs are averaging 5.0 yards per carry. Last season, the Irish running backs averaged 4.0 yards per carry on the year and just 3.8 yards per rush after five games.
- 4 Junior WR **Golden Tate** has benefited from the creativity of head coach Charlie Weis and lined up at four different positions this year (WR, RB, FB and QB). This has helped Tate elude double teams and rank fourth nationally in receiving yards per game (120.4 yards).
- 3 Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** has conducted three straight comebacks for victories, tying the school record for most comebacks in a year since 1950.
- 2 The Irish have been strong in the second quarter this year. The offense has totaled 68 points (its most productive quarter) while the defense has allowed 27 points and limited opponents to 1-for-16 on third down.
- 1 Senior SS **Kyle McCarthy** is the No. 1 tackler among all defensive backs in the FBS, averaging 9.8 tackles per game.
- 0 Senior All-America candidates OC **Eric Olsen** and RT **Sam Young** have not only helped improve the Irish rushing attack (see No. 5), but have also helped the passing offense as neither has allowed a sack.

Criqui (play-by-play), former Irish great Allen Pinkett (analysis) and Jeff Jeffers providing pre-game, sideline and post-game reports. This broadcast can be heard live on SIRIUS Satellite Radio (channel 159) and XM Satellite Radio (channel 117).

► All Notre Dame games may be heard in South Bend on Sunny 101.5 FM and NewsTalk 960 WSBT-AM.

TICKETS

Saturday is the 209th consecutive sellout at Notre Dame Stadium. Since 1966, every Irish home football game has been a sellout except one - a 1973 Thanksgiving Day game vs. Air Force. Notre Dame has now played in front of sellouts in 257 of its last 258 home games.

► Notre Dame has now played in front of sellout crowds in 215 of its previous 248 games, including 90 of its last 100 contests dating back to the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl at the end of the 2000 season (the 2001, '03, '05 and '07 games at Stanford, the 2004 game vs. Navy at the Meadowlands, the 2005 and '08 games at Washington, the 2007 game at UCLA, the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl and this season's game at Purdue were not sellouts).

WEB SITES

Notre Dame (und.com), USC (uscrojans.com)

REAL-TIME STATS

Live in-game statistics will be provided through CBS College Sports Gametracker via each school's respective official athletic website.

POLLS

Notre Dame is ranked 25th in both the AP and coaches polls. USC is ranked sixth in the AP and fifth in the coaches poll.

SERIES INFO

This meeting will be the 81st all-time meeting in NCAA college football's top intersectional rivalry. USC has captured each of the past seven meetings and 10 of 13 overall. Notre Dame did not lose to the Trojans over the previous 13 meetings (1983-95), including an 11-game winning streak. USC's seven-game winning streak is its longest in series history (more on the series history on pages 21-27).



Extended individual notes are available in the player bios that span pages 28-47.

2009 Notre Dame Schedule

September 5 September 12	NEVADA (NBC) at Michigan (ABC)	Notre Dame, Ind. Ann Arbor, Mich.	W, 35-0 L, 34-38
September 19 September 26	MICHIGAN STATE (NBC) at Purdue (ESPN)	Notre Dame, Ind. West Lafayette, Ind.	W, 33-30 W, 24-21
October 3 October 17	WASHINGTON (NBC) USC (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind. Notre Dame, Ind.	W, 37-30 (ot) 3:30 p.m.
October 24 October 31	BOSTON COLLEGE (NBC) vs. Washington State (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind. San Antonio, Texas	3:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
November 7 November 14	NAVY (NBC) at Pittsburgh (TBA)	Notre Dame, Ind. Pittsburgh, Pa.	2:30 p.m. TBA
November 21 November 28	CONNECTICUT (NBC) at Stanford (ABC)	Notre Dame, Ind. Palo Alto, Calif.	2:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.

All Times Local to site

**Notre Dame's
Record When...**

	2009	Weis Era
At Home	3-0	18-11
On The Road	1-1	12-9
Neutral Site Games	0-0	3-2
In Overtime	1-0	1-3
Coming off a loss	1-0	10-11
Coming off a win	2-1	19-7
Coming of an open date	0-0	2-2
Both teams are AP-ranked	0-0	3-5
Neither team is ranked	3-0	12-9
ND is ranked higher	1-1	18-3
Opponent is ranked higher	0-0	3-10
Vs. In-state Opponents	1-0	4-1
In September	3-1	13-9
In October	1-0	10-5
In November	0-0	11-7
In December	0-0	1-0
In January	0-0	0-2
On Television	4-1	33-22
On NBC	3-0	18-11
On ABC	0-1	7-6
On ESPN	1-0	4-4
On ESPN2	0-0	1-0
On CBS	0-0	2-0
On CSTV	0-0	1-0
On Fox	0-0	0-1
Afternoon Games	3-1	26-17
Night Games	1-0	7-5
Decided By 7 or Less	3-1	11-7
Scoring First	2-0	22-7
Opponent Scores First	2-1	11-15
Leading At Halftime	2-1	23-6
Tied At Halftime	0-0	4-0
Trailing At Halftime	2-0	6-16
Leading After 3 Qtrs.	3-0	26-4
Tied After 3 Qtrs.	0-0	1-1
Trailing After 3 Qtrs.	1-1	6-17
Scoring 40+ Points	0-0	10-2
Scoring 30+ Points	3-1	22-5
Scoring 20-29 Points	1-0	17-8
Scoring 0-19 Points	0-0	2-12
Allowing 40+ Points	0-0	0-6
Allowing 30+ Points	2-1	4-16
Allowing 20-29 Points	1-0	13-7
Allowing 0-19 Points	1-0	17-1
Outrushing Opponent	3-0	18-0
Getting Outrushed	1-1	15-22
Passing For More Yds	2-1	24-13
Passing For Fewer Yds	2-0	9-9
Outgaining Opponent	3-1	23-8
Getting Outgained	1-0	10-13
Winning Time of Poss.	3-1	25-7
Losing Time of Poss.	1-0	8-15
Scoring a Def./ST TD	0-0	12-3
Allowing a Def./ST TD	1-1	3-9
Fewer Penalty Yards	3-0	16-13
More Penalty Yards	1-1	17-8
Winning Turnover Battle	3-0	23-8
Losing Turnover Battle	1-0	7-10
Individual 100-yard rusher	1-1	15-5
Individual 100-yard receiver	3-1	20-8
Individual 200-yard passer	3-1	27-11
Opponent 100-yard rusher	2-1	7-16
Opponent 100-yard receiver	2-0	14-7
Opponent 200-yard passer	3-1	16-12

AN IRISH VICTORY THIS WEEK WOULD...

- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 5-1 for the first time since 2006.
- ▶ Be the first victory for Notre Dame over a top 10 opponent since No. 3 Michigan (17-10) on Sept. 10, 2005.
- ▶ Be the first victory for Notre Dame over a top 10 opponent at home since No. 8 Michigan (28-20) on Sept. 11, 2004.
- ▶ Be the first victory for Notre Dame over a top five opponent since No. 3 Michigan (17-10) on Sept. 10, 2005.
- ▶ Be the first victory for Notre Dame over a top five opponent at home since No. 5 and defending national champion Michigan (36-20) on Sept. 5, 1998.
- ▶ Snap Notre Dame's six-game losing streak against top 10 foes.
- ▶ Snap Notre Dame's five-game losing streak against top five foes.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame's all-time record to 40-54-5 (.429) against teams ranked in the top five.
- ▶ Improve the Irish to 19-22-2 (.465) all-time at home against teams ranked in the top five.
- ▶ Snap USC's seven-game winning streak overall in the all-time series.
- ▶ Snap USC's three-game winning streak at Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Be Notre Dame's first victory at home and overall against USC since Oct. 20, 2001.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 43-33-5 (.562) in the all-time series with the Trojans.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 24-12-1 (.662) in the all-time series with USC in South Bend.
- ▶ Improve a ranked Notre Dame squad to 26-19-4 (.571) all-time against USC.
- ▶ Improve a ranked Notre Dame squad to 16-6-1 (.717) all-time against the Trojans in South Bend.
- ▶ Improve a ranked Notre Dame squad to 17-13-2 (.563) all-time against a ranked USC team.
- ▶ Improve a ranked Notre Dame squad to 10-5-1 (.656) all-time against a ranked Trojans team in South Bend.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 82-42-6 (.654) all-time against the Pac-10.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 46-15-1 (.750) all-time against the Pac-10 inside Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame's all-time record to 836-285-42 (.737).
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame's all-time record at Notre Dame Stadium to 306-98-5 (.754).
- ▶ Improve Weis' record to 34-22 (.607) overall, 10-4 (.714) against the Pac-10 and 1-4 (.200) against USC.
- ▶ Improve Weis' record to 5-10 (.333) against teams ranked in the top 25.
- ▶ Improve Weis' home record to 19-11 (.633) overall, 5-2 (.714) against the Pac-10 and 1-2 (.333) against USC.
- ▶ Improve Weis' record to 11-5 (.688) in October games.
- ▶ Improve Weis' record to 27-17 (.614) in afternoon games.
- ▶ Improve Weis' record to 20-7 (.741) following a victory.

AN IRISH DEFEAT THIS WEEK WOULD...

- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 4-2 for the second consecutive year and the third time in five years.
- ▶ Deny Notre Dame its first victory over a top 10 opponent since No. 3 Michigan (17-10) on Sept. 10, 2005.
- ▶ Deny Notre Dame its first victory over a top 10 opponent at home since No. 8 Michigan (28-20) on Sept. 11, 2004.
- ▶ Deny Notre Dame its first victory over a top five opponent since No. 3 Michigan (17-10) on Sept. 10, 2005.
- ▶ Deny Notre Dame its first victory over a top five opponent at home since No. 5 and defending national champion Michigan (36-20) on Sept. 5, 1998.
- ▶ Extend Notre Dame's losing streak against top 10 foes to seven games.
- ▶ Extend Notre Dame's losing streak against top five foes to six games.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame's all-time record to 39-55-5 (.419) all-time against teams ranked in the top five.
- ▶ Drop the Irish to 18-23-2 (.442) all-time at home against teams ranked in the top five.
- ▶ Extend USC's winning streak overall in the all-time series to eight games.
- ▶ Extend USC's winning streak at Notre Dame Stadium to four games.
- ▶ Deny Notre Dame its first victory at home and overall against USC since Oct. 20, 2001.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 42-34-5 (.549) in the all-time series with the Trojans.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 23-13-1 (.635) in the all-time series with USC in South Bend.
- ▶ Drop a ranked Notre Dame squad to 25-20-4 (.551) all-time against USC.
- ▶ Drop a ranked Notre Dame squad to 15-7-1 (.674) all-time against the Trojans in South Bend.
- ▶ Drop a ranked Notre Dame squad to 16-14-2 (.531) all-time against a ranked USC team.
- ▶ Drop a ranked Notre Dame squad to 9-6-1 (.594) all-time against a ranked Trojans team in South Bend.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 81-43-6 (.646) all-time against the Pac-10.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 45-16-1 (.734) all-time against the Pac-10 inside Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame's all-time record to 835-286-42 (.736).
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame's all-time record at Notre Dame Stadium to 305-99-5 (.752).
- ▶ Drop Weis' record to 33-23 (.589) overall, 9-5 (.643) against the Pac-10 and 0-5 (.000) against USC.
- ▶ Drop Weis' record to 4-11 (.267) against teams ranked in the top 25.
- ▶ Drop Weis' home record to 18-12 (.600) overall, 4-3 (.571) against the Pac-10 and 0-3 (.000) against USC.
- ▶ Drop Weis' record to 10-6 (.625) in October games.
- ▶ Drop Weis' record to 26-18 (.591) in afternoon games.
- ▶ Drop Weis' record to 19-8 (.704) following a victory.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR

Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen**, a native of Westlake Village, Calif., has lost just one game played in the state of California or to a school from the Golden State. Clausen was 42-0 in high school and is 2-0 against Stanford and 1-0 against both San Diego State and UCLA. His only defeat came last season at USC.

**Notre Dame
Team Notes**

CLOSE SHAVES

► With its late-game heroics against Washington, Notre Dame has won its last three games by seven points or less. The last time the Irish won three straight games by a touchdown or less came in 2002 during Tyrone Willingham's first season: 24-17 vs. Purdue; 25-23 vs. #7 Michigan; 21-17 at Michigan State.

► Prior to the 2002 streak, the last time it happened was Nov. 8-22, 1941, when rookie head coach Frank Leahy led the Irish to narrow wins over No. 6 Navy (20-13), No. 8 Northwestern (7-6) and USC (20-18).

► The Notre Dame record for consecutive wins by seven points or less is five, the first five games of the 1939 season (Sept. 30-Oct. 28) under head coach Elmer Layden.

► The current Irish streak marks just the fifth time Notre Dame has won three straight games by seven points or less. The others are the aforementioned streak in 2002, the last three games of 1941, the first five games of 1939 and the last three games of the 1937 season (Nov. 13-27).

► The Notre Dame record for wins by seven points or less in a season is six, set in 1939 when that club had a 6-1 record in games decided by seven or less. The 1937 team was 5-1-1 and the 2002 club was 5-1-0 in games decided by seven or less, while the 1929 (4-0), 1940 (4-1), 1974 (4-0), 1990 (4-3), 1997 (4-2) and 1998 (4-1) teams all had four wins by seven or less over the course of the season.

► As for winning percentage in games decided by seven points or less, the 1929 and 1974 teams were both 4-0, while the 1926, 1928, 1954 and 1957 teams finished 3-0.

► One item of note on the greatness of Knute Rockne: he was 20-3-5 (.804) in games decided by seven points or less over his Notre Dame career, including 16-0-2 (.944) over his last seven years.

FOURTH QUARTER MAGIC

► Notre Dame has rallied from fourth quarter deficits in each of its last four games (winning three) -- tying a school record for fourth quarter comebacks in a single season. The Irish had four fourth quarter comebacks during the 1998 season. Notre Dame also had three fourth quarter comebacks in each of the 1990, 1997, 2000, 2002 and 2003 seasons.

► The previous school record for consecutive fourth quarter comebacks was three during the 2000 season. Interestingly enough, those three straight fourth quarter comebacks to open the 2000 season came under the guidance of three different quarterbacks (Arnaz Battle, Gary Godsey and Matt Lovecchio)

DOWN TO THE WIRE

► With the victory over Washington, Notre Dame snapped its three-game losing streak in overtime games. The Irish had not won an overtime game since 2003.

► Notre Dame improved to 3-6 in overtime in school history. Eight of the nine Irish overtime contests have come at Notre Dame Stadium.

- W 37-30 vs. Washington (2009)
- L 33-36 vs. Pittsburgh (2008)
- L 44-46 vs. Navy (2007)
- L 41-44 vs. Michigan State (2005)
- W 29-26 vs. Washington State (2003)
- L 24-27 vs. Nebraska (2000)
- W 34-31 vs. Air Force (2000)
- L 20-27 at USC (1996)
- L 17-20 vs. Air Force (1996)

**Notre Dame
Probable Starting Lineup**

OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
X	23	Golden Tate – Jr.	Nine rec., 244 yards, TD vs. Washington; second-most receiving yds in Irish school history
LT	72	Paul Duncan – Sr.	Has started all five games in 2009; Missed the entire 2008 season with hip surgery
LG	59	Chris Stewart – Sr.	Has started all five games in 2009; Made 10 starts at RG in 2008
OC	55	Eric Olsen – Sr.	Has started 24 straight games (final six of 2007 at RG, 13 in 2008 at LG, five in 2009 at C)
RG	78	Trevor Robinson – So.	Has started all five games in 2009; Became fifth rookie OL to ever start a game at ND
RT	74	Sam Young – Sr.	Has started all 43 games over the past three seasons (33 games at RT, 10 games at LT)
Z	18	Duval Kamara – Jr.	Missed a large portion of fall practice after undergoing arthroscopic knee surgery
TE	9	Kyle Rudolph – So.	Set career-highs for receptions (six) and receiving yards (95) against Michigan State
QB	7	Jimmy Clausen – Jr.	Has led Irish to four straight fourth quarter comebacks; leads FBS in pass efficiency
FB	34	James Aldridge – Sr.	Switched from HB; rushed for 962 yards on 249 attempts during his first three seasons
HB	5	Armando Allen – Jr.	Back-to-back 100-yard rushing games against Michigan and MSU; career-high 139 vs. UM

DEFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
LDE	89	Kapron Lewis-Moore – So.	Career-high seven tackles, two tackles for loss and sack against Washington
DT	9	Ethan Johnson – So.	Made five tackles, two tackles for loss, sack and forced fumble against Washington
NT	95	Ian Williams – Jr.	Tallied 85 tackles in 2007-08 while starting nine of the 25 games played
RDE	90	John Ryan – Sr.	Voted by teammates onto leadership committee; started 10 games in '07; 30 tackles, 5.0 TFL, 2.5 sacks
SAM	45	Darius Fleming – So.	Missed the Washington game with a hamstring injury
MIKE	58	Brian Smith – Jr.	Ranks third on the team in tackles (26) and second in tackles for loss (four)
WILL	5	Manti Te'o – Fr.	Recorded a career-best 10 tackles in the victory over Washington
LCB	12	Robert Blanton – So.	Has started nine straight games; three career INTs, returning one 47 yards for a TD vs. Purdue
FS	22	Harrison Smith – Jr.	Made nine starts at LB in 2008; career-high 11 tackles and 1.5 for loss against Michigan
SS	28	Kyle McCarthy – Sr.	Set school record for most tackles by a defensive back in a season with 110 in 2008
RCB	2	Darrin Walls – Sr.	Was not enrolled at ND during first semester of 2008 due to personal reasons

SPECIAL TEAMS

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
PK	40	Nick Tausch – Fr.	Rookie kicker has connected on 10 straight field goals (longest such streak since 1984-85)
KO	40	Nick Tausch – Fr.	Rookie kicker edged out junior David Ruffer during fall practice
P	35	Ben Turk – Fr.	Ranked by Scout.com as third-best high school punter in 2008
H	43	Eric Maust – Sr.	Holds for both Nick Tausch and Brandon Walker
LSNP	60	Jordan Cowart – Fr.	Serves as snapper on punts
SSNP	52	Braxton Cave – So.	Serves as snapper on field goals
PR	23	Golden Tate – Jr.	Avg. 9.2 yds/return on four punt returns in 2009
	5	Armando Allen – Jr.	Avg. 9.4 yds/return on seven punt returns in 2008
KR	21	Barry Gallup – Sr.	Made kickoff return debut against Michigan; avg. 38.5 yds, including 52-yard return
	32	Theo Riddick – Fr.	Rookie averages 23.6 yards per kickoff return; seventh-best of any true freshman in FBS

KEY PROBABLE NON-STARTERS

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
X	11	Shaquelle Evans – Fr.	41st-overall player in ESPNU150, 4th-best WR; 44th-best player by <i>Sporting News</i> , 8th-best WR
LT	77	Matt Romine – Jr.	Fully healthy after playing in just five games in 2008
C/G	51	Dan Wenger – Sr.	Started the previous 15 games at center entering 2009; started 18 of 25 games in his career
TE	83	Mike Ragone – Jr.	Returns from a torn ACL that caused him to miss the entire 2008 season
Z	82	Robby Parris – Sr.	Ranked second on the Irish in receiving yards (361) and third in receptions (29) in 2007
Z	81	John Goodman – So.	One of 21 Notre Dame players to make his Irish debut against Nevada
QB	10	Dayne Crist – So.	5-for-10 for 45 yards and rushed for another 16 in first major action of career against Purdue
HB	33	Robert Hughes – Jr.	Moved from HB to replace injured FB James Aldridge; two career 100-yd rushing games
HB	25	Jonas Gray – So.	Powerful, quick running back rushed for 50 yards on nine carries against Nevada
HB	20	Cierre Wood – Fr.	Named to <i>USA Today</i> All-American team; 10th-best player by <i>Sporting News</i> , 2nd-best RB
HB	32	Theo Riddick – Fr.	Named <i>Superprep</i> All-American, rating him as 23rd-best running back nationally
DE	56	Kerry Neal – Jr.	One of four juniors to have played in every game of his Notre Dame career
DE	53	Morrice Richardson – Sr.	Primarily used in passing situations; played in 30 games, posted 18 tackles, 2.0 TFL and 1.5 sacks
SAM	41	Scott Smith – Sr.	One of four ND captains in '09; played in 36 career games and logged 350 special-teams appearances
MIKE	49	Toryan Smith – Sr.	Registered five tackles, two for loss and one sack in season opening victory over Nevada
CB	8	Raeshon McNeil – Sr.	11th all-time in PBUs (14); recorded third-most PBUs (11) in single-season school history in '08
CB	4	Gary Gray – Jr.	Registered 15 solo tackles, two INTs, two PBUs and added 20 yards on a fumble recovery in '08
CB	26	Jamoris Slaughter – So.	One of 21 Notre Dame players to make his Irish debut against Nevada
FS	31	Sergio Brown – Sr.	Will see majority of action as extra safety in ND nickel packages; made six starts in '08
SS	17	Zeke Motta – Fr.	Participated in '09 U.S. Army All-American Game; Rivals.com ranked him 54th-best player overall

National
Rankings

ASSOCIATED PRESS (Oct. 11)

Rk	School	Record	Pts
1.	Florida (50)	5-0	1490
2.	Alabama (10)	6-0	1430
3.	Texas	5-0	1395
4.	Virginia Tech	5-1	1283
5.	Boise State	5-0	1199
6.	USC	4-1	1161
7.	Ohio State	5-1	1048
8.	Cincinnati	5-0	1038
9.	Miami (FL)	4-1	970
10.	LSU	5-1	947
11.	Iowa	6-0	919
12.	TCU	5-0	917
13.	Oregon	5-1	776
14.	Penn State	5-1	597
15.	Nebraska	4-1	576
16.	Oklahoma State	4-1	559
17.	Kansas	5-0	551
18.	Brigham Young	5-1	490
19.	Georgia Tech	5-1	453
20.	Oklahoma	3-2	432
21.	South Florida	5-0	330
22.	South Carolina	5-1	319
23.	Houston	4-1	192
24.	Utah	4-1	76
25.	Notre Dame	4-1	75

Others Receiving Votes

Pittsburgh 58, Auburn 55, West Virginia 46, Mississippi 28, Wisconsin 27, Missouri 25, Arkansas 16, Central Michigan 6, Arizona 5, **Michigan 5**, Oregon State 2, **Stanford 1**, Texas Tech 1, **Navy 1**, Idaho 1.

USA TODAY/COACHES (Oct. 11)

Rk	School	Record	Pts
1.	Florida (53)	5-0	1468
2.	Texas (1)	5-0	1402
3.	Alabama (5)	6-0	1378
4.	Virginia Tech	5-1	1241
5.	USC	4-1	1175
6.	Boise State	5-0	1170
7.	Ohio State	5-1	1122
8.	TCU	5-0	979
9.	Cincinnati	5-0	973
10.	LSU	5-1	944
11.	Miami (FL)	4-1	847
12.	Iowa	6-0	785
13.	Penn State	5-1	782
14.	Oklahoma State	4-1	676
15.	Kansas	5-0	640
16.	Oregon	5-1	620
17.	Nebraska	4-1	491
18.	Oklahoma	3-2	447
19.	Brigham Young	5-1	441
20.	Georgia Tech	5-1	420
21.	South Florida	5-0	305
22.	South Carolina	5-1	279
23.	Houston	4-1	96
24.	Missouri	4-1	90
25.	Notre Dame	4-1	76

Others Receiving Votes

Auburn 73, Mississippi 60, **Pittsburgh 57**, Utah 49, Wisconsin 37, West Virginia 13, Arkansas 12, Oregon State 8, **Stanford 8**, Central Michigan 7, **Michigan 2**, North Carolina 1, UCLA 1.

2009 opponents in **bold**

► Prior to the victory over Washington, Notre Dame had never in its storied history won a game in overtime the week following a victory in the last minute of regulation.

► Notre Dame has now won four games in its storied history by scoring a touchdown in the last 30 seconds of regulation. Here is that list of games:

Sept. 26, 2009 Notre Dame 24, at Purdue 21 (0:25)
Nov. 14, 1992 at Notre Dame 17, Penn State 16 (0:19)

Oct. 21, 2006 at Notre Dame 20, UCLA 17 (0:27)
Jan. 1, 1979 Notre Dame 35, Houston 34 in the 1979 Cotton Bowl (:00)

► Notre Dame has now won 17 games all-time in overtime or with less than 25 seconds remaining in regulation and only five of those have come on the road.

► The Irish have never registered a longer drive (72 yards) to win a game on the road with less than 25 seconds to go in the contest in school history than it did at Purdue.

► Notre Dame scored with just 24.8 seconds remaining on the clock at Purdue. It is the latest the Irish have scored to secure a victory on the road since 1997 when Scott Cengia booted a field goal with five seconds left to secure a 23-22 victory at Hawaii.

► Notre Dame has now played four consecutive games in which the final outcome was not decided until the waning seconds.

Michigan 38, Notre Dame 34

The Wolverines scored a go-ahead touchdown with 11 seconds left to secure a 38-34 victory over the Irish.

Notre Dame 33, Michigan State 30

The Irish regained the lead with 5:18 to go in regulation on junior WR **Golden Tate's** 33-yard touchdown catch, but the Spartans drove to Notre Dame's 18-yard line before senior SS **Kyle McCarthy's** interception at the four-yard line with 57 seconds left secured the victory.

Notre Dame 24, Purdue 21

Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** completed a two-yard touchdown pass to sophomore TE **Kyle Rudolph** with 24.8 seconds to play, and Notre Dame rallied for a 24-21 win over Purdue. Clausen led the Irish on a 12-play, 72-yard drive. He went 6-for-9 on the drive for 69 yards, including the go-ahead touchdown pass.

Notre Dame 37, Washington 30 (ot)

Notre Dame waited even later than the last minute to pull out this finish. Junior RB **Robert Hughes** scored on a 1-yard run in overtime and junior FS **Harrison Smith** and senior SS **Kyle McCarthy** jarred the ball loose from Washington receiver D'Andre Goodwin near the goal line on fourth-and-19 as the Fighting Irish beat the Huskies 37-30.

► Notre Dame's last three games have been decided by a total of 10 points. The Irish have not had three consecutive games decided by seven points or less since a stretch of games during the 2004 season (Boston College, Tennessee and Pittsburgh). Notre Dame went 1-2 in that stretch of games and the games were decided by a total of seven points.

► Since the series with Purdue resumed in 1946, there have been just five games where the winning points were scored in the final five minutes. Ironically, three have come on the date of Sept. 26. Here is a list of those five games:

Sept. 26, 2009 Notre Dame 24, at Purdue 21
Sept. 26, 1998 at #23 Notre Dame 31, Purdue 30
Sept. 25, 1971 #2 Notre Dame 8, at Purdue 7

Sept. 16, 2000 at #21 Notre Dame 23, #13 Purdue 21
Sept. 26, 1981 at Purdue 15, #13 Notre Dame 14

COMING OFF A REGULAR SEASON SCHEDULED BYE WEEK

Notre Dame has won more than 80 percent of its games (62-14-2, .808) when it plays after a bye week (since 1900). The Irish have an even higher percentage (29-5, .853) playing after an off week since 1984.

NOTRE DAME IN OCTOBER

► Notre Dame is 365-90-8 (.797) all-time during the month of October.

► The Irish are 225-46-4 (.825) in October home games.

► Notre Dame has an all-time mark of 105-39-3 (.724) in road games during October.

► The Irish are 35-5-1 (.866) in October neutral games.

► The Irish have gone 9-4 in October under head coach Charlie Weis (3-1 over the last two seasons).

ON THIS DATE

Notre Dame has played 12 previous games in its history on Oct. 17. The Irish are 8-4 all-time on this date. The Irish were ranked inside the top 25 on four occasions and were victorious each time.

1987	W	(11) Air Force	35-14	A	1936	W	Wisconsin (R)	27-0	H
1970	W	(3) Missouri (18)	24-7	A	1931	W	Drake	63-0	H
1964	W	(4) UCLA	24-0	H	1925	L	Army (Yankee Stadium)	0-27	N
1959	L	Michigan State	0-19	A	1914	L	Yale	0-28	A
1953	W	(1) Pittsburgh (15)	23-14	H	1908	L	Michigan	6-12	A
1942	W	Iowa Pre-Flight	28-0	H	1903	W	DePauw (R)	56-0	H

Beginning with the 1936 season, the number in front of the opponent name indicates Notre Dame's ranking in the Associated Press poll coming into the game. The number following the opponent name indicates its ranking. The letter R indicates the game was played in rain.

Oct. 17, 1930: The following headline and comments appeared in the Chicago Tribune on this day, and concerned Rockne's recent bout with phlebitis.

Will Rockne Coach In '31?

To know the Rockne of today and the Rockne of several years ago makes it easy to understand that he might be serious about abandoning the work that has had him in the headlines.

Rockne was well known for giving personal physical demonstrations of offensive and defensive techniques and he was frustrated that he might not be able to continue teaching football this way. His worries were unfounded and he recovered sufficiently to lead the Irish to an undefeated season and their second straight national title. The headline was tragically prophetic, as 1930 was Rockne's last season.

Oct. 17, 1903: Frank Lonergan recorded four rushing touchdowns, tied for the third most in single-game Notre Dame history, to lead the Irish to a 56-0 rout of DePauw. He would register another four-rushing TD day against Chicago Physicians & Surgeons later in the season. Lonergan and Allen Pinkett remain the only Notre Dame players to ever have multiple games with four or more rushing touchdowns.

HISTORIC NOTRE DAME STADIUM

The 2009 football season marks the 79th year of Irish football in fabled Notre Dame Stadium. The Irish have played 408 games in the facility to date and own a 305-98-5 (.754) record in the "House that Rockne Built." The most wins in a season by the Irish at home is seven by the 1988 national championship team and the longest home winning streak in Notre Dame football history is 28 games (from 11/21/42 through 9/30/50).

NUMBER CHANGE

Junior OT **Matt Romine** changed his uniform number from #70 to #77. Mike Turkovich previously wore #77 before graduating after the 2008 season.

2009 NOTRE DAME OPPONENT UPDATE

Below is a look at Notre Dame opponents' upcoming games. Since 1977, when the NCAA started rating strength of schedule, Notre Dame's schedule has been rated the most difficult five times (1978, 1985, 1987, 1989 and 1995).

Opponent	'09 Record	Oct. 17	Opponent	'09 Record	Oct. 17
Nevada	2-3	at Utah State	Boston College	4-2	NC State
Michigan	4-2	Delaware State	Washington State	1-5	BYE
Michigan State	3-3	Northwestern	Navy	4-2	at SMU
Purdue	1-5	Ohio State	Pittsburgh	5-1	at Rutgers
Washington	3-3	at Arizona State	UConn	3-2	Louisville
USC	4-1	at Notre Dame	Stanford	4-2	at Arizona

Opponents' combined 2009 record: 38-31 (.551)

IRISH OFFENSIVE LINE PASSES CENTURY MARK FOR CAREER STARTS

► First-year offensive line coach Frank Verducci is charged with improving the Irish rushing attack in 2009 and will attempt to do so with one of the most experienced offensive line units in Notre Dame's recent history.

► Six players having starting experience for the Irish, led by right tackle **Sam Young's** 43 starts. **Eric Olsen** (24 starts), **Dan Wenger** (18 starts), **Paul Duncan** (17 starts), **Chris Stewart** (15 starts) and **Trevor Robinson** (eight starts) help bring the Irish total to 125 combined career starts. Notre Dame's total of 100, entering this season, was the second most in the past decade at Notre Dame.

Starts (Players with Starting Experience)	Year	Starts (Players with Starting Experience)	Year
102 (Six)	2005	60 (Five)	2008
100 (Six)	2009	49 (Seven)	2000
91 (Four)	2006	46 (Two)	2007
79 (Six)	2002	46 (Six)	2004
60 (Six)	2001	21 (Three)	2003

List above was calculated entering the 2009 season.

IRISH DEBUTS

The following players made their Notre Dame debuts in the season opener against Nevada: sophomore LB **Anthony McDonald**, freshman S **Zeke Motta**, freshman RB **Theo Riddick**, senior TE **Bobby Burger**, freshman LB **Manti Te'o**, sophomore LB **David Posluszny**, sophomore CB **Jamoris Slaughter**, sophomore DE **Kapron Lewis-Moore**, sophomore QB **Dayne Crist**, freshman PK **Nick Tausch**, freshman LS **Jordan Cowart**, freshman WR **Shaquille Evans**, sophomore DT **Hafis Williams**, sophomore WR **Deion Walker**, freshman TE **Tyler Eifert**, sophomore OT **Lane Clelland**, sophomore WR **John Goodman**, sophomore DB **Dan McCarthy**, junior WR **Chris Gurries**, sophomore OC **Mike Golic, Jr.** and sophomore DT **Sean Cwynar**.

2009 Irish Honors/Awards

James Aldridge

- Irish Leadership Committee
- Phil Steele's #54 RB

Armando Allen

- Doak Walker Award Candidate
- Phil Steele's #17 KR
- Phil Steele's #47 RB

Mike Anello

- Irish Leadership Committee
- Lott Award Watch List

Sergio Brown

- Irish Leadership Committee

Jimmy Clausen

- Irish Offensive Co-Captain
- Maxwell Award Watch List
- Davey O'Brien Award Watch List
- Manning Award Watch List
- Allstate / AFCA Good Works Team® Candidate
- Phil Steele's #10 QB
- Lindy's #23 QB
- AT&T/ESPN All-America Player of the Week (9.7)
- College Football Performance Awards Performer of the Week (9.6)
- Davey O'Brien QB of the Week (10.5)

Michael Floyd

- Irish Leadership Committee
- Lindy's #20 WR
- College Football Performance Awards Performer of the Week (9.6)
- College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention (9.13)

Gary Gray

- Phil Steele's #59 CB

Duval Kamara

- Phil Steele's #22 WR

Eric Maust

- Phil Steele's #17 P

Kyle McCarthy

- Irish Defensive Captain
- Phil Steele's #21 SS

Raeshon McNeil

- Phil Steele's #47 CB

Kerry Neal

- Irish Leadership Committee

Eric Olsen

- Irish Offensive Co-Captain
- *Sporting News* Preseason Third Team All-American
- Lombardi Award Watch List
- Phil Steele's #25 OG

Mike Ragone

- Phil Steele's #19 TE

Kyle Rudolph

- Irish Leadership Committee
- Mackey Award Watch List
- College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention (9.20)
- John Mackey Tight End Of The Week (9.20)

John Ryan

- Irish Leadership Committee

Brian Smith

- Irish Leadership Committee
- Lombardi Award Watch List
- Phil Steele's #14 ILB

Harrison Smith

- Phil Steele's #15 FS
- Lindy's #37 FS

Scott Smith

- Irish Special Teams Captain

Toryan Smith

- Phil Steele's #53 ILB

Chris Stewart

- Phil Steele's #13 OG

Golden Tate

- Phil Steele Preseason First Team All-American
- *Sporting News* Preseason Third Team All-American
- Maxwell Award Watch List
- Biletnikoff Award Watch List
- Phil Steele's #6 WR
- Lindy's #15 WR
- Phil Steele's #19 PR
- College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Performer of the Week (9.13)
- AT&T/ESPN All-America Player of the Week (10.8)

Brandon Walker

- Lou Groza Watch List

Darrin Walls

- Phil Steele's #15 CB

Dan Wenger

- Rimington Trophy Watch List
- Phil Steele's #11 OC

Ian Williams

- Phil Steele's #20 DT

Sam Young

- Irish Leadership Committee
- Phil Steele Preseason Second Team All-American
- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Lombardi Award Watch List
- Phil Steele's #4 OT
- Lindy's #7 OT

PRESEASON UNIT RANKINGS

- Phil Steele's #1 WR/TE
- Athlon's #2 WR/TE
- Lindy's #4 WR
- Phil Steele's #5 OL
- Phil Steele's #7 DB
- Phil Steele's #12 QB
- Phil Steele's #14 LB
- Phil Steele's #17 RB
- Phil Steele's #19 ST

PRESEASON TEAM RANKINGS

- Phil Steele #7
- *Sporting News* #18
- Athlon #24

Eye On Notre Dame Career Records

Pass Attempts

1. Brady Quinn	1602 (2003-06)
2. Ron Powlus	969 (1994-97)
3. Steve Beuerlein	850 (1983-86)
4. Jimmy Clausen	833 (2007-)
5. Rick Mirer	698 (1989-92)
6. Blair Kiel	609 (1980-83)
7. Terry Hanratty	550 (1966-68)
8. Jarious Jackson	536 (1996-99)
9. Joe Montana	515 (1975-78)
10. Joe Theismann	509 (1968-70)

Pass Attempts per Game

1. Brady Quinn	32.7 (1602/49), 2003-06
2. Jimmy Clausen	29.8 (833/28), 2007-
3. Ron Powlus	22.0 (964/44), 1994-97
4. Terry Hanratty	21.2 (550/26), 1966-68

Completions

1. Brady Quinn	929 (2003-06)
2. Ron Powlus	558 (1994-97)
3. Jimmy Clausen	506 (2007-)
4. Steve Beuerlein	473 (1983-86)
5. Rick Mirer	377 (1989-92)
6. Jarious Jackson	306 (1996-99)
7. Terry Hanratty	304 (1966-68)
8. Blair Kiel	297 (1980-83)
9. Joe Theismann	290 (1968-70)
10. Joe Montana	268 (1975-78)

Consecutive Passes Without INT - Multiple Games

1. Brady Quinn	226
Michigan State 2006 - Army 2006	
2. Jimmy Clausen	147
USC 2008 - Purdue 2009	
3. Brady Quinn	143
Stanford 2005 - Michigan 2006	
4. Jimmy Clausen	132
Michigan State 2008 - North Carolina 2008	
5. Brady Quinn	130
USC 2005 - Navy 2005	
6. Carlyle Holiday	126
Pittsburgh 2002 - Rutgers 2002	

Pass Completions per Game

1. Brady Quinn	19.0 (929/49), 2003-06
2. Jimmy Clausen	18.1 (506/28), 2007-
3. Ron Powlus	12.6 (558/44), 1994-97
4. Terry Hanratty	11.7 (304/26), 1966-68

Completion Percentage (min 150 att.)

1. Kevin McDougal	62.2 (1990-93)
2. Jimmy Clausen	60.7 (2007-)
3. Brady Quinn	58.0 (2003-06)
4. Ron Powlus	57.5 (1994-97)
5. Jarious Jackson	57.1 (1996-99)
6. Joe Theismann	56.9 (1968-70)

Efficiency Rating - Career (min 100 attempts)

1. Kevin McDougal	154.4 (1990-93)
2. Brady Quinn	134.4 (2003-06)
3. Jimmy Clausen	132.4 (2007-)

ONLY THE BIG BOYS

Notre Dame is one of just four NCAA FBS programs to have not faced a non-FBS opponent since the current setup was established in 1978. The three other remaining schools that have yet to play a non-FBS opponent are USC, UCLA and Washington. The list shrunk from five following Michigan State's contest with Montana State on Sept. 5.

PLAYING STREAKS

► The following players extended active starting streaks last week against Michigan: senior OT **Sam Young** 43, senior OC **Eric Olsen** 24, junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** 21, sophomore TE **Kyle Rudolph** 18 and senior SS **Kyle McCarthy** 18.

LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE '09

Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen**, senior SS **Kyle McCarthy**, senior OC **Eric Olsen** and senior LB **Scott Smith** have been selected captains of the 2009 Notre Dame football team.

Voting was conducted Friday, Aug. 14, with the results announced to the team by head coach Charlie Weis. Clausen and Olsen will captain the offense, McCarthy will serve as the defensive captain and Smith will represent the special teams. The results from the vote also helped form the leadership committee. Joining the four captains on the leadership committee are: senior FB **James Aldridge**, senior CB **Mike Anello**, senior S **Sergio Brown**, sophomore WR **Michael Floyd**, junior DE **Kerry Neal**, sophomore TE **Kyle Rudolph**, senior DE **John Ryan**, junior LB **Brian Smith** and senior OT **Sam Young**.

Player, Pos.	Cl.	Hometown	Player, Pos.	Cl.	Hometown
James Aldridge, FB	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.	Eric Olsen, OC	Sr.	Staten Island, N.Y.
Mike Anello, DB	Sr.	Orland Park, Ill.	Kyle Rudolph, TE	So.	Cincinnati, Ohio
Sergio Brown, DB	Sr.	Maywood, Ill.	John Ryan, DE	Sr.	Westlake, Ohio
Jimmy Clausen, QB	Jr.	Westlake Village, Calif.	Brian Smith, LB	Jr.	Overland Park, Kan.
Michael Floyd, WR	So.	St. Paul, Minn.	Scott Smith, LB	Sr.	Highland Park, Ill.
Kyle McCarthy, SS	Sr.	Youngstown, Ohio	Sam Young, OT	Sr.	Coral Springs, Fla.
Kerry Neal, DE	Jr.	Bunn, N.C.			

Irish Among National Leaders

Category	Rank	Stat	National Leader	Stat
Rushing Offense	60	148.00	Nevada	288.80
Passing Offense	8	322.00	Houston	443.60
Total Offense	10	470.00	Houston	569.20
Scoring Offense	27	32.60	Texas	47.20
Rushing Defense	68	139.60	Texas	46.20
Pass Efficiency Defense	80	131.71	Florida	78.32
Total Defense	100	403.20	Florida	202.60
Scoring Defense	59	23.80	Florida	6.40
Net Punting	86	34.19	Georgia	44.00
Punt Returns	37	11.00	Georgia Tech	26.71
Kickoff Returns	26	24.89	Texas	34.64
Turnover Margin	26	.80	Air Force	2.67
Pass Defense	110	263.60	Florida	115.20
Passing Efficiency	1	172.51	Notre Dame	172.51
Sacks	68	1.80	Southern California	4.20
Tackles For Loss	39	6.40	Cincinnati	10.00
Sacks Allowed	62	1.80	Iowa St.	.33
Rushing				
Armando Allen	t-32nd	91.25	Passing Efficiency	
			Jimmy Clausen	1st 179.25
Total Offense				
Jimmy Clausen	11th	299.80	Receptions	
			Golden Tate	27th 6.60
			Kyle Rudolph	t-98th 4.20
Receiving Yards				
Golden Tate	4th	120.40	Interceptions	
			Kyle McCarthy	t-10th 0.60
Kickoff Returns				
Theo Riddick	65th	23.62	Field Goals	
			Nick Tausch	t-6th 2.00
Scoring				
Nick Tausch	t-25th	9.00	All-Purpose Runners	
			Golden Tate	24th 146.40
			Armando Allen	85th 110.00
Tackles				
Kyle McCarthy	t-21st	9.80	Tackles For Loss	
			Darius Fleming	t-12th 1.75
Sacks				
Darius Fleming	t-93rd	0.50		

2009 NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME GRADUATES

The 2009 Notre Dame roster features eight players who have already earned their undergraduate degree from the University. **Paul Duncan, Evan Sharpley, Mike Anello, Ray Herring, Kyle McCarthy, Scott Smith, Barry Gallup** and **Chris Stewart** all graduated from Notre Dame in May of 2009. Here is a list of the graduates on the 2009 Notre Dame football team.

- ▶ OT Paul Duncan: degree in management-entrepreneurship from the Mendoza College of Business.
 - ▶ QB Evan Sharpley: degree in history from the College of Arts and Letters.
 - ▶ CB Mike Anello: degree in finance from the Mendoza College of Business.
 - ▶ S Ray Herring: degree in sociology from the College of Arts and Letters.
 - ▶ S Kyle McCarthy: degree in finance from the Mendoza College of Business.
 - ▶ LB Scott Smith: degrees in management from the Mendoza College of Business and sociology from the College of Arts and Letters.
 - ▶ WR Barry Gallup: degree in finance from the Mendoza College of Business.
 - ▶ OG Chris Stewart: degree in history from the College of Arts and Letters.
- ▶ Notre Dame's eight graduates is tied with Auburn, Penn State, Texas Tech, UNLV, Miami, Fla. and East Carolina for the fourth-most graduates on a 2009 FBS roster.

YOUNG PUPS NOW GROWING UP

- ▶ Notre Dame had 20 scholarship players make their respective Irish debuts in the season opener against Nevada. That group included seven freshmen and 12 more sophomores for a total of 19 first-year players.
- ▶ The Irish have already had 15 different players start on defense. Of those 15 players, 10 have at least one year of eligibility remaining and six have at least two years remaining.
- ▶ Notre Dame has a tremendous amount of experience on its offensive line. The Irish have a total of 125 combined starts amongst six different players. As experienced as Notre Dame's front line is on the offensive side of the ball, the defensive line is equally inexperienced. Sophomore DE **Kapron Lewis-Moore** made his first career start against Michigan State and sophomore DT **Ethan Johnson** made just his seventh career start.
- ▶ Of the 24 players that started the Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl (including punter and placekicker), 18 players return in 2009 and 11 of those players have at least two seasons of eligibility remaining.
- ▶ Entering the game at Purdue, Notre Dame was the only offense among all 120 FBS schools that had a running back rank among the top 20 in rushing yards per game (Armando Allen), two wide receivers rank among the top 20 in receiving yards per game (**Michael Floyd, Golden Tate**) and a quarterback rank among the top 20 in passing yards per game (**Jimmy Clausen**). All four of those players, as well as sophomore TE **Kyle Rudolph**, who leads all FBS tight ends in yards per reception among qualifying receivers, are eligible to return in 2010 and both Floyd and Rudolph have two more years.
- ▶ The Irish still managed to come away with a victory on the road against the Boilermakers despite the absence of both Floyd and Allen (each missed the game completely) and a limited Clausen. Notre Dame's depth was on display. The Irish got quality performances from sophomore QB **Dayne Crist** (5-for-10 for 45 yards in the air and four carries for 16 yards on the ground), freshman RB **Theo Riddick** (24-yard rush), sophomore RB **Jonas Gray** (18 yards rushing and 42 yards receiving) and freshman WR **Shaq Evans** (one catch for 12 yards). Crist guided the Irish on both of their first half touchdown drives.

HOW DO THEY STACK UP?

Average weight of the offensive and defensive lines:

Notre Dame OL 315.0 lbs. vs. USC DL 278.8 lbs.

Notre Dame DL 275.0 lbs. vs. USC OL 292.0 lbs.

Average height of the receivers and the secondaries:

Notre Dame WR/TE 6' 3 1/3" vs. USC DB 6' 1 1/2"

Notre Dame DB 6' 1" vs. USC WR/TE 6' 3 1/3"

LEAVE NO DOUBT

Notre Dame dominated Nevada in every facet of the game, including, and most importantly, the scoreboard. The 35-point margin of victory was the largest under head coach Charlie Weis and the largest since Sept. 25, 2004 when the Irish defeated Washington 38-3.

Return To Sender (since 1999)

The return game has been a source of strength for Notre Dame in recent years. The Irish have logged 41 returns (punts, kickoffs, fumbles, interceptions) for touchdowns during the past 10 seasons (2000-present), a figure that ranks eighth in the country during that stretch. Here's a look at the national leaders in TD returns since 2000:

School	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Bowls	Total
1. Virginia Tech	6	7	7	10	6	6	5	8	3	4	3	65
2. Texas	6	6	7	9	2	7	8	5	5	6	3	64
3. Kansas State	5	2	12	6	4	5	8	7	6	3	1	59
4. Miami, Fla.	13	11	5	9	8	3	1	1	3	1	3	58
5. Oklahoma	7	6	8	9	3	3	4	7	3	1	2	53
6. Fresno State	5	3	5	4	6	6	4	5	8	1	2	49
7. NC State	2	4	9	10	5	2	4	3	3	1	1	44
8. Ohio State	7	3	3	4	6	6	3	3	2	3	2	42
9. Notre Dame	6	4	9	3	3	5	4	3	3	0	1	41
10. Colorado	4	7	7	1	6	3	1	3	3	0	4	39

Eye On Notre Dame Career Records

Passing Yards

1. Brady Quinn	11762 (2003-06)
2. Ron Powlus	7602 (1994-97)
3. Steve Beuerlein	6527 (1983-86)
4. Rick Mirer	5997 (1989-92)
5. Jimmy Clausen	5970 (2007-)
6. Jarious Jackson	4820 (1996-99)
7. Joe Theismann	4411 (1968-70)
8. Terry Hanratty	4152 (1966-68)
9. Joe Montana	4121 (1975-78)
10. Blair Kiel	3650 (1980-83)

Passing Yards per Game

1. Brady Quinn	240.0 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	213.2 (2007-)
3. Ron Powlus	172.7 (1994-97)
4. Terry Hanratty	159.7 (1966-68)
5. Steve Beuerlein	155.4 (1983-86)
6. Joe Montana	152.6 (1975-78)

Passing Touchdowns

1. Brady Quinn	95 (2003-06)
2. Ron Powlus	52 (1994-97)
3. Jimmy Clausen	44 (2007-)
4. Rick Mirer	41 (1989-92)
5. Jarious Jackson	34 (1996-99)
6. Joe Theismann	31 (1968-70)
7. Angelo Bertelli	28 (1941-43)
8. Terry Hanratty	27 (1966-68)
Steve Beuerlein	27 (1983-86)
10. Bob Williams	26 (1948-50)

Lowest INT Percentage

1. Brady Quinn	2.43 (39 of 1602), 2003-06
2. Ron Powlus	2.78 (27 of 969), 1994-97
3. Carlyle Holiday	2.99 (12 of 401), 2001-04
4. Jimmy Clausen	3.00 (25 of 833), 2007-
5. Rick Mirer	3.29 (23 of 698), 1989-92
6. Kevin McDougal	3.33 (6 of 180), 1990-93
7. Jarious Jackson	3.91 (21 of 536), 1996-99

Receptions (Running Back)

1. Darius Walker	109 (2004-06)
2. Armando Allen	84 (2007-)
3. Allen Pinkett	73 (1982-85)
4. Bob Gladieux	72 (1966-68)
5. Joseph Heap	71 (1951-54)
6. Mark Green	61 (1985-88)
7. Autry Denson	53 (1995-98)
8. Jim Morse	52 (1954-56)
9. Marc Edwards	46 (1993-96)
10. Nick Eddy	44 (1964-66)

Games with 100 Yards Receiving

1. Tom Gatewood	13 (1969-71)
2. Golden Tate	9 (2007-)
Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)
Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
Maurice Stovall	7 (2002-05)
6. Michael Floyd	6 (2008-)
Jim Seymour	6 (1966-68)
Tim Brown	6 (1984-87)
9. Rhema McKnight	5 (2002-06)
10. Jack Snow	4 (1962-64)
Tony Smith	4 (1989-91)
Malcolm Johnson	4 (1995-98)

**Eye On Notre Dame
Career Records**

Receiving Yards

1. Jeff Samardzija.....	2593 (2003-06)
2. Derrick Mayes.....	2512 (1992-95)
3. Tim Brown.....	2493 (1984-87)
4. Tom Gatewood.....	2283 (1969-71)
5. Rhema McKnight.....	2277 (2002-06)
6. Maurice Stovall.....	2195 (2002-05)
7. Jim Seymour.....	2113 (1966-68)
8. Tony Hunter.....	1897 (1979-82)
9. Golden Tate.....	1813 (2007-)
10. Ken MacAfee.....	1759 (1974-77)

Receiving Yards per Game

1. Jim Seymour.....	81.3 (1966-68)
2. Michael Floyd.....	76.9 (2008-)
3. Tom Gatewood.....	76.1 (1969-71)

Touchdown Receptions

1. Jeff Samardzija.....	27 (2003-06)
2. Derrick Mayes.....	22 (1992-95)
Rhema McKnight.....	22 (2002-06)
4. Tom Gatewood.....	19 (1969-71)
5. Maurice Stovall.....	18 (2002-05)
6. Jim Seymour.....	16 (1966-68)
7. Golden Tate.....	15 (2007-)
Ken MacAfee.....	15 (1974-77)
9. Michael Floyd.....	12 (2008-)
Tim Brown.....	12 (1984-87)
Bobby Brown.....	12 (1996-99)

Total Plays

1. Brady Quinn.....	1856 (2003-06)
2. Ron Powlus.....	1201 (1994-97)
3. Steve Beuerlein.....	1027 (1983-86)
4. Jimmy Clausen.....	972 (2007-)
5. Rick Mirer.....	951 (1989-92)
6. Allen Pinkett.....	892 (1982-85)
7. Joe Theismann.....	807 (1968-70)
8. Jarious Jackson.....	787 (1996-99)
9. Blair Kiel.....	774 (1980-83)
10. Tom Clements.....	760 (1972-74)

Total Yards

1. Brady Quinn.....	11944 (2003-06)
2. Ron Powlus.....	7479 (1994-97)
3. Rick Mirer.....	6691 (1989-92)
4. Steve Beuerlein.....	6459 (1983-86)
5. Jarious Jackson.....	5777 (1996-99)
6. Jimmy Clausen.....	5665 (2007-)
7. Joe Theismann.....	5432 (1968-70)
8. Tony Rice.....	4882 (1986-89)
9. Terry Hanratty.....	4738 (1966-68)
10. Tom Clements.....	4664 (1972-74)

Total Offense Yards per Game

1. Brady Quinn.....	243.8 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen.....	202.3 (2007-)
3. Joe Theismann.....	187.3 (1968-70)
4. Terry Hanratty.....	182.2 (1966-68)
5. Rick Mirer.....	159.3 (1989-92)
6. Steve Beuerlein.....	153.8 (1983-86)

Points Responsibility per Game

1. Brady Quinn, 2003-06.....	(606 in 49) 12.4
2. Terry Hanratty, 1966-68.....	(264 in 26) 10.2
3. Jimmy Clausen, 2007-.....	(276 in 28) 9.9

**Notre Dame
Offensive Notes**

CHARLIE AND THE IRISH OFFENSIVE FACTORY

Fifth year head coach Charlie Weis came to Notre Dame with a tremendous reputation as one of the premier offensive minds in all of the NFL. The Irish saw immediate results in 2005, setting 11 school records, including passing yards (3,963), touchdown passes (32, bested in 2006 and equalled in 2008), total offense yards (5,728) and total points (440). Notre Dame has surpassed the 40-point barrier on 12 different occasions in Weis' 55 games as head coach. Prior to his arrival, Notre Dame had eclipsed 40 points just nine times in its previous 97 contests. In addition, the Irish had 83 separate 100-yard receiving games over its first 116 seasons of football, but Notre Dame has had 34 under Weis. To put those numbers in perspective, Notre Dame averaged a 100-yard receiving effort every 13 games before Weis. Under Weis, the Irish are recording a 100-yard receiving effort a little better than every other game.

► Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** recently passed for at least 300 yards in four consecutive games, a first in Notre Dame history. It began with 401 at Hawaii last December, followed by efforts of 315 (Nevada), 336 (Michigan) and 300 (Michigan State) this season. Former All-American QB Brady Quinn, another Weis protege, had three consecutive 300 yard passing games during his record setting 2005 season.

► Clausen threw for a career-high 422 yards and junior WR Golden Tate added a career-high 244 yards receiving in Notre Dame's overtime victory over Washington. Clausen and Quinn, both under Weis, are the only two Irish quarterbacks to eclipse 400 yards passing more than once in a career. Clausen and Tate's efforts rank seventh and second, respectively, on the all-time passing yards and receiving yards list in Notre Dame single-game history.

► In fact, eight of the top 10 single-game passing efforts and four of the top 10 single-game receiving efforts have come under Weis. Notre Dame racked up a season-high 530 yards of total offense against Washington. The 530 yards are the most for the Irish since they rolled up 663 yards at Stanford to close the 2005 regular season. Notre Dame has registered 500 or more yards of total offense in nine different games under Weis (a span of 55 games). The Irish managed 500 yards or more of total offense nine times over the previous 109 games before his arrival.

► Notre Dame has had 10 players register 54 or more receptions in a single season. Six of those 10 players have come during the Weis era, including former All-American WR Jeff Samardzija's school record of 78 in 2006.

► Five of the top eight best individual receiving yard seasons have come under Weis.

► Notre Dame had eclipsed 5,000 total yards in a season just seven times over its 119 years of football entering 2009. The Irish have registered 5,000 yard seasons twice under Weis. The 2009 edition is well on its way to giving Weis a third season with 5,000 or more total yards.

MORE ON WEIS' OFFENSE

► Notre Dame has registered three of its top four passing seasons in school history under Weis. The Irish averaged 330.3 yards (1st) in the air in 2005, 264.7 (2nd) in 2006 and 245.4 (4th) in 2008. Notre Dame has averaged 322.0 yards per game passing so far in 2009.

► The Irish have eclipsed 475 or more total yards in 12 games under Weis, including four of Notre Dame's last six games (Notre Dame still managed 437 yards in one of those contests). Weis has served as offensive coordinator and play caller for each of those games.

► Notre Dame racked up 27 first downs against Michigan - the most by an Irish squad since Oct 7, 2006 against Stanford.

► The Irish followed up the offensive outburst against Michigan with an equally impressive output against Michigan State. Notre Dame registered 25 more first downs.

► The Irish have recorded 98 first downs over their last four games (Michigan, Michigan State, Purdue and Washington). Notre Dame has not produced more first downs in four consecutive weeks since Sept. 30, Oct. 7, Oct. 21 and Oct. 28 of 2006 against Purdue, Stanford, UCLA and Navy.

POINTS A PLENTY

Notre Dame scored 33 or more points in four consecutive games and each of its first three games in 2009 (streak ended against Purdue). The last time a Notre Dame team scored at least 33 points in three games to open the season was the 1943 national championship season that began with victories of 41-0 over Pittsburgh, 55-13 over Georgia Tech and 35-12 over #2 Michigan.

**Notre Dame Coaching
Staff Locations**



Charlie Weis
Sidelines



Frank Verducci
Sidelines



Jon Tenuta
Press Box



Tony Alford
Sidelines



Corwin Brown
Sidelines



Rob Ianello
Press Box



Randy Hart
Sidelines



Bernie Parmalee
Press Box



Brian Polian
Sidelines



Ron Powlus
Sidelines



Brian White
Press Box



Bryant Young
Sidelines

- ▶ The Irish have not had a longer streak of consecutive 30+ point games since setting the school record of eight straight games during the 2005 season.
- ▶ Notre Dame set a school record in 2005 under Weis with 10 games of 30 or more points. The previous school record was nine such games by the 1991 Irish.
- ▶ Notre Dame is averaging 32.6 points per game in 2009. It is a major improvement when you consider the Irish averaged just 16.4 in 2007 and 24.7 in 2008.

IRISH OFFENSE IN MID-SEASON FORM

- ▶ Notre Dame piled up 510 and 490 yards, respectively, over its first two games of this season. The 1,000 total yards were the most for the Irish in consecutive weeks since they compiled 1,083 yards on Nov. 19 (Syracuse, 420) and Nov. 26 (at Stanford, 663) of 2005. In fact, it is the most total yards over the first two weeks of a season since the Irish registered 1,051 yards of total offense to open the 1974 campaign.
- ▶ Notre Dame's offense has gotten out to fast starts this year as well, scoring on 18 of 29 first half possessions (11 touchdowns, seven field goals).
- ▶ The Irish have also been exceptional in 2009 over their opening drives of each half. Notre Dame registered a touchdown on its opening drive of both the first and third quarter against Michigan State. The Irish have recorded touchdowns on four of their 10 drives to open each half. Notre Dame did not register touchdowns over its first drive of each half against Washington, but did manage a pair of field goals on the two drives.
- ▶ In fact, Notre Dame has averaged 6.5 plays and more impressively 61.3 yards per drive to open a half. That stat is even more remarkable when you consider the Irish opened the third quarter against Michigan with a three-play, six-yard drive ending with a fumble. Excluding that drive, Notre Dame averages 7.2 plays and 67.4 yards per drive.
- ▶ Notre Dame ranks 1st in the nation in passing efficiency. The Irish have a 172.51 quarterback rating. Notre Dame also ranks tied for 17th in time of possession (32:19), tied for ninth in total first downs (118), eighth in passing offense (322.0) and 10th in total offense (470.0).
- ▶ Prior to sophomore WR **Michael Floyd** and junior RB **Armando Allen's** injuries that caused each to miss the Purdue game (Floyd will also likely miss the rest of the regular season), Notre Dame was the only offense among all 120 FBS schools that had a running back rank among the top 20 in rushing yards per game, two wide receivers rank among the top 20 in receiving yards per game and a quarterback rank among the top 20 in passing yards per game. Floyd ranked seventh (119.33 ypg), junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** ranked eighth (317.0 ypg), Allen ranked tied for 15th (108.67 ypg) and junior WR **Golden Tate** ranked 20th (100.33 ypg).
- ▶ The quartet has also made its fair share of big plays already in 2009. Clausen has 23 completions over 20 yards, Tate has eight 20+ yard receptions, Floyd has collected six passes over 20 yards and Allen has ripped off 10 runs of at least 10 yards. Sophomore **Kyle Rudolph** has even added four receptions over 20 yards from the tight end position.
- ▶ Notre Dame did not have a single three-and-out in the victory over Michigan State. In fact, the Irish had just four three-and-outs over their first three games and three came against Michigan.

THE LONG MARCHES

The Irish have produced numerous long scoring drives during 2009. Throw out Notre Dame's one touchdown drive after senior SS **Kyle McCarthy's** interception in Michigan's territory and Notre Dame has traversed an average of 74.0 yards on its 17 conventional touchdown drives. Those drives have averaged 7.2 plays and include 12 drives of 70 or more yards and four of 80 yards or longer. Here's the breakdown:

- Nevada:** 67 yards on 12 plays, 78 yards on nine plays, 79 yards on two plays, 80 yards on eight plays and 99 yards on four plays.
- Michigan:** 76 yards on seven plays, 69 yards on seven plays and 80 yards on 14 plays.
- Michigan State:** 84 yards on four plays, 55 yards on five plays, 70 yards on six plays and 73 yards on eight plays.
- Purdue:** 73 yards on nine plays, 62 yards on seven plays and 72 yards on 12 plays.
- Washington:** 78 yards on three plays, 63 yards on five plays.

IRISH OFFENSE QUICK OUT OF THE BLOCKS

Notre Dame has averaged 261.6 net offensive yards in the first half (1,308 total), compared to 208.4 in the second half (1,042 total).

Game	1st Half	2nd Half	Total	Difference
Nevada	300	210	510	-90
at Michigan	302	188	490	-114
Michigan State	218	219	437	+1
at Purdue	237	146	383	-91
Washington	251	*279	*530	+28
Total	1,308	*1,042	*2,350	-266

* includes stats from overtime period against Washington

- ▶ The Irish were even more impressive in the opening 15 minutes of their first three games. Notre Dame totaled 131, 142 and 152 yards of total offense in the opening quarter of its first three games this season against Nevada, Michigan and Michigan State.
- ▶ Notre Dame outgained Purdue, 169-64, in total yards in the second quarter and 134 yards to two yards on the ground.

NOTRE DAME GROUND GAME TAKES OFF IN "LEPRECAT" FORMATION

- ▶ The Irish have broken out their version of the wildcat formation in 2009. Notre Dame lined up in the "leprecat" formation (direct snap to junior WR **Golden Tate**) five times in the second quarter against Purdue. The Irish rambled for 46 yards out of the formation, including Tate's 14-yard touchdown run to grab a 17-7 second quarter lead. Notre Dame averaged 9.2 yards per carry out of the formation against the Boilermakers, registering three rushes of 13 yards or longer, including freshman HB **Theo Riddick's** 24-yard rush.

Eye On Notre Dame Career Records

Tackles - Defensive Back

1. Tom Zbikowski.....	300 (2004-07)
2. Jim Browner.....	228 (1976-78)
3. AJani Sanders.....	225 (1996-99)
4. David Bruton.....	214 (2005-08)
5. Brian Magee.....	206 (1992-95)
6. Deke Cooper.....	203 (1997-99)
7. Jeff Burris.....	189 (1991-93)
8. Kyle McCarthy.....	188 (2005-)
9. Stacey Toran.....	184 (1980-83)
John Covington.....	184 (1990-93)

Most Consecutive Field Goals

1. Mike Johnston.....	Michigan 1982 – Oregon 1982.....	13
2. Nick Tausch.....	Michigan 2009 – Present.....	10
John Carney.....	Navy 1984 – Michigan 1985.....	10
4. Nicholas Setta.....	USC 2000 – USC 2001.....	9
Nicholas Setta.....	Washington State 2003 – Purdue 2003.....	9
D.J. Fitzpatrick.....	Navy 2003 – BYU 2004.....	9
7. Chuck Male.....	Miami 1978 – Georgia Tech 1978.....	8
Chuck Male.....	Michigan 1979 – Michigan State 1979.....	8
John Carney.....	Air Force 1986 – Penn State 1986.....	8

Extra Points Percentage (min. 50 made)

1. Nicholas Setta, 2000-03.....	104-105 (99.0)
2. Brandon Walker, 2007-.....	61-62 (98.4)
3. Craig Hentrich, 1989-92.....	177-180 (98.3)
4. Mike Johnston, 1980-83.....	53-54 (98.1)
5. Bob Thomas, 1971-73.....	98-101 (97.0)
6. D.J. Fitzpatrick, 2002-05.....	103-107 (96.3)

Kickoff Returns

1. Julius Jones.....	72-1678 (1999-2001, '03)
2. Tim Brown.....	69-1613 (1984-87)
3. Armando Allen.....	54-1247 (2007-)
4. Jim Stone.....	49-1079 (1977-80)
5. Vontez Duff.....	47-1230 (2000-03)
Tony Driver.....	47-1083 (1997-2000)
7. Raghil Ismail.....	46-1271 (1988-90)
8. Golden Tate.....	41-847 (2007-)
9. Terry Eurick.....	32-739 (1974-77)

Kickoff Return Yards

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6. Tony Driver.....	47-1083 (1997-2000)
7. Jim Stone.....	49-1079 (1977-80)
8. Allen Rossum.....	29-891 (1994-97)
9. Golden Tate.....	41-847 (2007-)
10. Emmett Mosley.....	30-778 (1993-96)
Clint Johnson.....	27-778 (1990-93)

Total Kick/Punt Return Yards

1. Julius Jones.....	2104 (1678, 426); 1999-03
2. Tim Brown.....	2089 (1613, 476); 1984-87
3. Vontez Duff.....	1955 (1230, 725); 2000-03
4. Raghil Ismail.....	1607 (1271, 336); 1988-90
5. Allen Rossum.....	1318 (891, 427); 1994-97
6. Armando Allen.....	1313 (1247, 66); 2007-
7. Tony Driver.....	1083 (1083, 0); 1997-00
8. Jim Stone.....	1079 (1079, 0); 1977-80
-- Golden Tate.....	1000 (847, 153); 2007-

Milestone Games In 2009

100-Yards Rushing

*Armando Allen	139 (at Michigan)
Armando Allen	115 (Michigan State)

100-Yards Receiving

*Golden Tate	244 (Washington)
*Michael Floyd	189 (Nevada)
Michael Floyd	131 (at Michigan)
Golden Tate	127 (Michigan State)
Golden Tate	115 (at Michigan)

400-Yards Passing

*Jimmy Clausen	422 (Washington)
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300-Yards Passing

Jimmy Clausen	336 (at Michigan)
Jimmy Clausen	315 (Nevada)
Jimmy Clausen	300 (Michigan State)

Multiple Touchdowns

Jimmy Clausen vs. Nevada	4 (passing)
Jimmy Clausen at Michigan	3 (passing)
*Michael Floyd vs. Nevada	3 (receiving)
Jimmy Clausen vs. Washington	2 (passing)
Jimmy Clausen vs. Michigan State	2 (passing)
Armando Allen vs. Michigan State	2 (passing, rushing)
Golden Tate at Michigan	2 (receiving)

* - individual career highs (or tying)

Conference Call

► This season, Notre Dame faces teams from five different conferences. Here's a look at the conference breakdown for the 12 Irish opponents in 2009:

Pac-10 (4): Stanford, Washington, Washington State, USC

Big Ten (3): Michigan, Michigan State, Purdue

BIG EAST (2): Pittsburgh, Connecticut

ACC (1): Boston College

WAC (1): Nevada

Independents (1): Navy

► Notre Dame has had great overall success against the major conferences in the country, including the Pac-10, of which USC is a member:

Conference	Winning %
Western Athletic	1.000
Conference USA	.885
Mountain West	.778
BIG EAST	.715
Atlantic Coast	.704
Big 12	.667
Big Ten	.654
Pac-10	.651
SEC	.618

► Notre Dame used the formation to supreme efficiency in the victory over Michigan State as well. Junior HB **Armando Allen** not only raced 13 yards up the middle for a touchdown on a direct snap in the first quarter, but he added a touchdown pass to senior WR **Robby Parris** out of the formation in the third quarter.

IRISH RUNNING GAME REAPING MAJOR BENEFITS FROM EXPERIENCED OFFENSIVE LINE

Notre Dame posted its two worst rushing seasons in school history in 2007 (75.25 ypg) and 2008 (109.69 ypg), but the Irish have made significant strides in 2009. Notre Dame is averaging 148.0 yards per game on the ground this season. Here is an interesting comparison of the 2009 rushing attack to last season's effort after five games (excluding sacks and QB rushes):

2009	Category	2008
774	Rushing Yards	528
5.2	Average Per Rush	3.9
25	Rushes for 10+ yards	13
6	Rushing Touchdowns	4

► Notre Dame's wide outs and running backs had just two negative rushes against Michigan State. Junior WR **Golden Tate** was tackled for a one-yard loss on a reverse and junior RB **Armando Allen** had a minus four-yard rush when he was brought down after colliding with Tate. The Irish equalled that total on their first two carries of the game against the Spartans in 2008.

► The Irish struggled mightily on the ground against both Michigan and Michigan State in 2008, but rebounded with impressive efforts against each in 2009 (again, excluding sacks and QB rushes). The Spartans had allowed just 2.2 yards per rush over their first two games.

	2009 (vs. Michigan)	2008 (vs. Michigan)	2009 (vs. MSU)	2008 (vs. MSU)
Carries	28	30	28	16
Rushing Yards	154	111	138	54
Yards Per Rush	5.5	3.7	4.9	3.4

► Notre Dame managed just two yards on six rushes in the first quarter against Purdue, but rumbled for 136 yards on 16 carries in the second quarter. The Irish used four different ball carriers (Tate, Theo Riddick, Dayne Crist and Robert Hughes) in that second quarter.

► The Irish outgained the Boilermakers, 169-64, in the second quarter.

► Notre Dame registered six rushes for at least 10 yards in first half against Purdue. In fact, each of the six carries for 10+ yards came in the second quarter. The Irish had 14 such carries over their first three games combined. Notre Dame finished the night with six 10+ yard rushes (which tied the season-high total set against Michigan).

► Notre Dame called 15 rushing plays out of the 16 plays called during its back-to-back touchdown drives covering 73 and 62 yards in the second quarter. The final 13 plays in those two combined drives were runs. The lone pass attempt, by Crist, fell incomplete.

► Crist's 16 yards gained came on a quarterback misdirection keeper on his first play in the second quarter. That was the longest run by a Notre Dame quarterback since Brady Quinn had a 60-yard scamper in a 44-24 loss at USC in 2006.

► Notre Dame officially rushed for 108 yards against Washington, but the Irish really performed much better. The Irish were hindered by three sacks of Clausen, two of which occurred when he simply slipped on the wet field. Notre Dame had 140 yards on 21 carries those sacks

► Notre Dame has outrushed both Nevada, Michigan State and Purdue this season and not coincidentally, the Irish are 3-0 in those contests. In fact, since Weis arrived in South Bend, Notre Dame is 18-0 when outrushing its opponent.

IRISH EFFICIENT ON FIRST & SECOND DOWN

► Notre Dame has a 73.7% completion percentage (56-for-76) on first down. Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** is 52-for-70 (74.3%) for 26 first downs and four touchdowns on first down. The Irish (35-for-53, 66.0%) and Clausen (32-for-47, 68.1%) are nearly as good on second down.

► Junior RB **Armando Allen** is averaging 5.1 yards per carry, including 6.7 yards per carry on second down. He has recorded 10 first downs and one touchdown on 26 carries on second down. The Irish, which average 4.1 yards per carry as a team, are ripping off 6.6 yards per rush on second down.

► Allen has also proven he is able to advance the chains on third down. He is averaging 3.6 yards per carry for eight first downs on third down. He is 6-for-7 on third down and short (two yards or less) on the season. In fact, Allen is averaging 4.3 yards per carry on third and short. As a team, Notre Dame has converted nine of its 14 third down and short rushing plays.

► Junior RB **Robert Hughes** and junior WR **Golden Tate** are averaging 5.2 and 7.2 yards per rush on first down. Hughes has added a 7.1 yards per carry average on second down.

RED-ZONE REPORT

► Notre Dame and its 2009 opponents could not have less similar red-zone success, with the Irish totaling 107 red-zone points (converting 19-of-21 chances, 90.5%) while its opponents have combined for a lower red-zone point total (68) and conversion rate (11-of-17, 64.7%). The Notre Dame defense has allowed nine red zone touchdowns (in 17 opponent chances) while the Irish offense has cashed in 12 touchdowns after crossing the opponent's 20-yard line (in 21 chances).

► The only two drives in which Notre Dame failed to produce points when entering the red zone came against Michigan and Purdue. The Irish took the opening kick and marched 69 yards, but missed a 28-yard field goal against the Wolverines. The other Notre Dame drive came when the Irish recovered a Boilermaker fumble at the nine-yard line with three seconds left in regulation. Notre Dame took a knee to secure the victory. The other drives for Notre Dame that entered the red zone and did not result in a touchdown came against Michigan and Michigan State. The Irish drove to the Wolverine 17-yard line before settling for a field goal (Notre Dame did have a touchdown overturned on the drive). Notre Dame also kicked a field goal against the Spartans after driving down to the MSU one-yard line before a fumble on third down forced the field goal.

▶ Notre Dame entered the Washington contest with 10 touchdowns in its previous 15 drives into the red zone, but the Irish managed only field goals on their first four red zone chances against the Huskies. On the other hand, Washington registered touchdowns on its first two red zone chances.

▶ In fact, Notre Dame had first-and-goal on three separate occasions against Washington and failed to register a touchdown on any of those opportunities.

▶ The Huskies were denied on their third red zone attempt of the game when Notre Dame stuffed Washington on consecutive quarterback sneaks on third and fourth down and goal from the one-yard line late in the third quarter. The Huskies were held to a field goal late in the fourth quarter due to an Irish goal-line stand. The Huskies ran six offensive plays from inside the Irish six-yard line, including five inside the two-yard line, but were not able to score a touchdown.

▶ Despite scoring five touchdowns in the 2009 opening win over Nevada, Notre Dame ventured into the "red zone" just twice (other three touchdowns, all by sophomore WR **Michael Floyd**, came from 24, 70 and 88 yards out). The Irish scored two touchdowns in red zone chances against the Wolf Pack, which marched inside the Irish 20 three times and failed to score a single point.

▶ Michigan and Michigan State each scored three touchdowns on four red zone attempts.

▶ Purdue made just one trip into the red zone, but walked away with a touchdown.

▶ Notre Dame in 2008 came away with points in 31 of 44 red-zone chances (70.5 percent) — including touchdowns on 52.2 percent — while opponents posted points on 81.8 percent of their chances, but barely half of the opposing chances, 22 of 44, produced touchdowns.

Notre Dame in 2009	Category	2009 Opponents
21	Red-Zone Chances	17
6	Passing TDs	5
6	Rushing TDs	4
12	Total TDs	9
.571 (12/21)	TD Pct.	.529 (9/17)
7	FGs Made	2
1/0	FGs Missed/Blocked	2/0
0/0/0	Downs/Interceptions/Fumbles	2/1/1
107	Total Points (TD-6, FG-3)	68
.905 (19/21)	Scoring Pct.	.647 (11/17)

NOTRE DAME WINNING TIME-OF-POSSESSION BATTLE

While Notre Dame's offense has been piling up the yardage this season (averaging 470.0 yards per game), it also has won the time of possession battle in four of five games this season (only Washington had the ball longer than the Irish). Overall, Notre Dame averages 32:19 minutes per game with the ball, compared to 27:41 for its opponents. Here is a game-by-game breakdown:

Game	Notre Dame	Opponent	Margin
Nevada	33:40	26:20	+7:20
at Michigan	31:25	28:35	+2:50
Michigan State	34:30	25:30	+9:00
at Purdue	34:25	25:35	+8:50
Washington	27:31	32:29	-4:58
Total	161:31	138:29	23:02

▶ Notre Dame had the ball for 11:40 and ran 21 plays in the third quarter against Purdue. The Boilermakers, on the other hand, had the ball for just 3:20 and ran nine plays. The previous high the Irish had in ball possession during a quarter this season was 10:03 in the second quarter against Nevada in the opener.

▶ Washington ran 19 plays and used up 9:19 of the fourth quarter before settling for a field goal to grab a 27-22 lead, but the Irish needed just 1:44 to go 63 yards on five plays to grab a 30-27 lead. The Huskies had 10:39 time of possession in the fourth quarter compared to Notre Dame's 4:21, but the Irish outscored Washington, 11-6, in the period to force overtime.

▶ Notre Dame is 3-1 this season and 25-7 under Weis when the Irish win the time of possession battle.

IRISH DON'T GIVE IT AWAY FOR FREE

▶ Since Charlie Weis became head coach at Notre Dame, the top priority of every game has been to win the turnover battle. In games the Irish have won the turnover battle, Notre Dame is 23-8.

▶ Last season, the Irish did not commit a turnover in five games. In fact, Notre Dame has not turned the ball over in 16 games since 2005. Here's how that ranks nationally (thanks STATS, LLC):

Most Games with 0 Giveaways in 2008

No.	School
6	Ball State
6	Baylor
6	Florida
6	Oklahoma
5	Notre Dame
5	Four other teams

Most Games with 0 Giveaways since 2005

No.	School
20	West Virginia
18	Florida
17	Ball State
17	Buffalo
16	Notre Dame
16	Memphis

Notre Dame "Money" Plays

MONEY RUSHERS

	1st	TD	No.	Att.
Armando Allen	25	3	27	71
Robert Hughes	7	2	9	30
Golden Tate	5	1	5	13
Jimmy Clausen	4	0	4	15
Dayne Crist	2	0	2	3
Theo Riddick	2	0	2	7
Jonas Gray	2	0	2	25
Duval Kamara	1	0	1	1
James Aldridge	1	0	1	3
Totals	49	6	53	168

MONEY RECEPTIONS

	1st	TD	No.	Rec.
Golden Tate	21	4	22	33
Kyle Rudolph	11	3	12	21
Michael Floyd	12	5	12	13
Robby Parris	4	1	5	7
Shaquille Evans	4	0	4	7
Armando Allen	4	0	4	10
Jonas Gray	2	0	2	4
Duval Kamara	1	0	1	7
Robert Hughes	1	0	1	5
Deion Walker	1	0	1	1
Bobby Burger	1	0	1	1
Totals	62	13	65	109

3RD DOWN MONEY RUSHERS

	1st	TD	No.	Att.
Armando Allen	8	0	8	12
Robert Hughes	2	0	2	5
Golden Tate	2	0	2	3
Jimmy Clausen	1	0	1	5
Dayne Crist	1	0	1	1
Totals	14	0	14	26

3RD DOWN MONEY RECEPTIONS

	1st	TD	No.	Rec.
Golden Tate	3	0	3	3
Kyle Rudolph	2	1	2	2
Robby Parris	2	0	2	2
Michael Floyd	2	1	2	2
Armando Allen	1	0	1	2
Bobby Burger	1	0	1	1
Totals	11	2	11	12

4TH DOWN MONEY RUSHERS

	1st	TD	No.	Att.
Armando Allen	1	0	1	1
James Aldridge	1	0	1	1
Jimmy Clausen	1	0	1	1
Totals	3	0	3	3

4TH DOWN MONEY RECEPTIONS

	1st	TD	No.	Rec.
Kyle Rudolph	0	1	1	1
Totals	0	1	1	1

Money plays result in either a first down, touchdown or both.

**Fighting Irish
In The NFL**

AFC	NFC
Baltimore Ravens SS Tom Zbikowski	Arizona Cardinals DE Bertrand Berry G/T Mike Gandy
Cincinnati Bengals FS Chinedum Ndukwe OC Dan Santucci^	Carolina Panthers LS J. J. Jansen
Cleveland Browns QB Brady Quinn	Green Bay Packers RB Ryan Grant
Denver Broncos FS David Bruton OT Ryan Harris RB Darius Walker*	Minnesota Vikings OC John Sullivan
Jacksonville Jaguars OL Jordan Black DT Derek Landri	New Orleans Saints PK John Carney
Kansas City Chiefs LB Corey Mays	New York Giants DE Justin Tuck
Miami Dolphins TE Anthony Fasano	Philadelphia Eagles DE Victor Abiamiri DT Trevor Laws
New England Patriots OL Mark LeVoir#	San Francisco 49ers WR Arnaz Battle CB Allen Rossum
Tennessee Titans P/K Criag Hentrich	Seattle Seahawks TE John Carlson RB Julius Jones TE John Owens
	Tampa Bay Buccaneers OC Jeff Faine WR Maurice Stovall
	Washington Redskins P Hunter Smith

^ - injured reserve list
* - practice squad
- physically unable to perform list

► Quite often in a season opener a team is sloppy in terms of penalties and turnovers, but the Irish committed just three penalties and did not commit a single turnover. Notre Dame was one of two schools in the country among FBS teams that had fewer than three penalties and no turnovers on opening day. In addition, only seven FBS schools had fewer penalties in its season opener than the Irish.

TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF

The Irish are t-26th in the nation with a +0.80 turnover ratio. Just seven FBS squads have fewer turnovers than Notre Dame's five: Cincinnati 3, Air Force 4, Alabama 4, Northern Illinois 4, Oregon State 4, Rutgers 4, Texas A&M 4. Two of those Irish turnovers were long desperation tosses near the end of the first half and the other interception was a perfect pass that slipped through the hands of junior RB **Armando Allen** and into the hands of a Washington defender.

AGAINST THE WOLVERINES

- Michigan scored the winning touchdown with 11 seconds remaining in the game. It marked the third meeting between the two rivals where the deciding points were scored with less than 12 seconds to go in the contest. The Wolverines last captured a meeting decided so late into the contest in 1994 when Remy Hamilton kicked a field goal with two seconds left to secure a 26-24 victory in Notre Dame Stadium.
- Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen's** 336 yards were the most ever by an Irish signal caller against Michigan.
- Notre Dame racked up 27 first downs and 490 yards on the afternoon, the most ever by an Irish squad in the all-time series with the Wolverines.
- Sophomore WR **Michael Floyd's** 131 yards against Michigan set a school record for receiving yards by an Irish player in the series with the Wolverines. The previous record was 127 set last season by junior WR **Golden Tate**.
- Tate's nine receptions are the most by an Irish player in the all-time series with the Wolverines, besting the previous high of seven set by three different players (most recently Darius Walker in 2006).
- Tate also tied five other Irish players (most recently junior RB **Robert Hughes** in 2008) with the most touchdowns against the Wolverines in the series.
- Notre Dame managed just 10 first downs and 79 total yards on 55 plays in the 2007 meeting with Michigan, the last trip to Ann Arbor for the Irish. Notre Dame registered 15 first downs and piled up 302 yards on 37 plays, good for an average of 8.2 per play in the first half.
- The Irish were also held to minus-seven yards on 33 carries in that meeting. Notre Dame rushed for 112 yards on 19 carries, good for a 5.9 average, in the first half.

IRISH OFFENSE ROLLS IN SEASON OPENER AGAINST NEVADA

- Notre Dame finished with 510 yards of total offense, the most since recording 663 yards at Stanford on Nov. 26, 2005.
- The Irish recorded those 510 yards on just 61 plays, good for an average of 8.36 yards per play (best in the Charlie Weis era).
- Notre Dame set new highs for the Weis era in most passing yards per attempt (16.6), yards per completion (19.5), highest passing efficiency (290.44) and yards per play (8.4).
- The Irish have now eclipsed 500 yards of total offense in nine games under Weis.
- Notre Dame not only converted both of its third downs of nine or more yards (nine and 16 yards) in the first half, but did so each time with touchdown passes. **Jimmy Clausen's** touchdown pass to **Kyle Rudolph** in the first quarter came on a third and 16, while Clausen's second quarter touchdown pass to **Michael Floyd** came on a third and nine.
- The Irish totaled exactly 300 yards on 34 plays in the opening half, good for an average of 8.8 yards per play.
- Notre Dame averaged just 3.3 yards per rush in 2008. Weis and the Irish coaching staff have established 4.5 yards per carry as a standard for the season. Notre Dame equalled that mark prior to its final drive of the game (158 yards on 35 carries). The Irish also accomplished the feat against a defense that ranked sixth in the nation against the run in 2008 (88.62 yards per game). Notre Dame finished the afternoon with 178 yards on the ground.
- The Irish offensive line did not allow a single sack. Nevada ranked 10th in the nation in sacks a season ago, averaging 2.85 per game.
- Notre Dame registered touchdowns on four of its first five drives. The Irish marched 67, 78, 79 and 80 yards. In fact, Notre Dame added a school record-tying 99-yard drive for its final touchdown of the game. The average scoring drive by the Irish went for 80.6 yards.
- Notre Dame was limited to just one three and out over the course of the entire game.
- The Irish quarterbacks completed passes to seven different receivers.

**Career Starts
By Position**

—OFFENSE—

WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	QB	FB	HB
Kamara (18) Floyd (13)	Young (10) Duncan (7)	Olsen (13) Stewart (5)	Wenger (15) Olsen (5)	Stewart (10) Robinson (8) Olsen (6) Wenger (3)	Young (33) Duncan (10)	Rudolph (18) Ragone (3)	Tate (20) West (7) Parris (6)	Clausen (27) Sharpley (2)		Allen (15) Aldridge (6) Hughes (4) Gray (1)

—DEFENSE—

DE	NT/DT	DE	OLB	ILB	ILB	OLB	CB	SS	FS	CB
Neal (5) Lewis-Moore (3) Fleming (2)	Williams (12) Johnson (5)	Ryan (8) Johnson (4)	Neal (14) Ryan (11) Fleming (5)		Smith, B. (8) Smith, T. (6)	Smith, B. (9) Smith, H. (7) Te'o (3)	Walls (16) McNeil (15)	McCarthy (18) Smith, H. (2) Herring (1)	Brown (9) Smith, H. (5) McCarthy (1)	Blanton (9)

**Notre Dame
Defensive Notes**

GOAL-LINE STAND ONE FOR THE AGES

Washington was denied on their third red zone attempt of the game. The Huskies had first and goal from the Notre Dame eight-yard line, but after two rushes pushed the ball to the Irish one-yard line, Notre Dame stuffed Washington on consecutive quarterback sneaks on third and fourth down and goal from the one-yard line late in the third quarter.

► Washington was again held to a field goal late in the fourth quarter due to an Irish goal-line stand. The Huskies ran six offensive plays from inside the Irish six-yard line, including five inside the two-yard line, but were not able to score a touchdown.

► In all, Washington ran nine plays from inside the five-yard line over two different drives and failed to score a touchdown (the Huskies managed just a field goal).

► Has there ever been a more impressive goal-line stand in Notre Dame football annals than the one made in the fourth quarter of the victory over Washington? Four criteria were used: Did it have a bearing on a victorious outcome? How close was the opponent to the goal line on first down? At one point of the game did the stand occur? How good was the opponent on short-yardage offense?

Notre Dame historian Lou Somogyi recently released a top 10.

10.) Oct. 21, 1995: A Key(shawn) Stop

No. 5 USC had a prolific passing attack led by WR Keyshawn Johnson, the No. 1 pick in the 1996 NFL Draft. No. 17 Notre Dame held a 21-7 lead when USC faced first and goal at the two with 15 seconds left in the first half. Three straight passes into the end zone intended for Johnson fell incomplete or out of bounds — and on fourth DE Renaldo Wynn and LB Kinnon Tatum stopped a short pass by QB Kyle Wachholtz to RB Rodney Sermons as time expired. The Irish went on to post a 38-10 drubbing of that year's Rose Bowl champs.

9) Sept. 9, 1974: Pepper Spray

Defending national champion Notre Dame opened at Georgia Tech under new coach Pepper Rodgers, a veer specialist. The Ramblin' Wreck trailed 10-7 when it had a first down at the Irish three midway through the second quarter. Two yards were gained on first down, but DT Steve Niehaus and LB Greg Collins stuffed Tech for no gain on the next two plays. On fourth down, the Irish swarmed RB Charles Myers for a two-yard loss, with the first hit made by S John Dubenetzky. Notre Dame rolled thereafter to a 31-7 victory.

8) Oct. 3, 2009: Part I

Leading 24-19 late in the third quarter, Washington had first and goal at the Irish 8. RB Chris Polk gained four yards on first down, and QB Jake Locker rushed for three to the one on second down. On two straight sneak attempts, though, the 6-3, 226-pound Locker was unable to break the goal line. Notre Dame's offense responded by driving 93 yards to convert a field goal and cut its deficit to 24-22.

7) Nov. 10, 1928: By George, They Did It!

Against an Army team that boasted an 11-game winning streak, including an 18-0 victory versus Notre Dame a year earlier, head coach Knute Rockne implored his Irish to "win one for the Gipper." The Irish scored the go-ahead TD with 2:30 left to make it 12-6, but Army had first and goal at the Notre Dame 10 in the closing seconds. A five-yard penalty and two incomplete passes made it 3rd and goal at the 15. On third down, Dick Hutchinson completed an 11-yard pass to the Irish four. On fourth down, Hutchinson plunged to within a foot of the goal line — just as time elapsed.

6) Nov. 14, 1992: Notre Dame 17, Penn State 16

With just over 10 minutes left in the contest and Penn State trailing 9-6 in "The Snow Bowl," the Nittany Lions had first and goal at the one. On first down, Penn State TB Richie Anderson leapt high toward the goal line but was met head on by S Jeff Burris for no gain. A two-yard loss on second down and a Kerry Collins incomplete pass on third down forced a game-tying field goal. It would prove crucial in the 17-16 victory where the Irish had to score a touchdown and a two-point conversion in the final 20 seconds to win.

5) Nov. 29, 1958: A Parting Gift

In the season finale at the Los Angeles Coliseum, Notre Dame led USC, 20-13, early in the fourth quarter when the Trojans drove 77 yards to a first down at the Irish one-foot line. On first down, USC fumbled but recovered the ball at the one. On second down, Irish defenders Bob Williams and Bob Scholtz threw USC QB Tom Maudlin for a one-yard loss on a sweep, and on third down Maudlin was stopped by Frank Reynolds for no gain. On fourth down, Myron Pottios stopped Trojans' HB Don Buford short of the goal line. The Irish held on in the fourth quarter for the 20-13 victory.

4) Dec. 3, 1949: By Rote Or Tote

In the season finale at the Cotton Bowl, the national title was on the line in the final five minutes when Kyle Rote drove SMU, trailing 27-20, from its 21 to a first down at Notre Dame's five. Rusty Russell lost a yard on first down, and Fred Benners threw an incomplete pass on second down. Rote picked up two yards on third down, and on fourth Rote's pass was intercepted at the goal line by Jerry Groom and Bob Lally with 3:52 left. Frank Leahy stated he had never experienced so much excitement in a game than in this 27-20 triumph.

**Irish Big
Play Offense**

10+ Yard Rushes

- 37 Robert Hughes (Washington)
- 31 Golden Tate (Washington)
- 24 Armando Allen (Michigan)
- 24 Theo Riddick (Purdue)
- 21 Armando Allen (Washington)
- 20 Robert Hughes (Purdue)
- 19 Jonas Gray (Nevada)
- 16 Dayne Crist (Purdue)
- 15 Robert Hughes (Washington)
- 15 Armando Allen (Michigan)
- 15 Jonas Gray (Michigan State)
- 15 Golden Tate (Purdue)
- 15 Jonas Gray (Nevada)
- *14 Golden Tate (Purdue)
- 14 Armando Allen (Nevada)
- 14 Armando Allen (Michigan)
- *13 Armando Allen (Michigan State)
- 13 Golden Tate (Purdue)
- 13 Armando Allen (Michigan)
- 12 Robert Hughes (Washington)
- 12 Armando Allen (Michigan State)
- 11 Armando Allen (Michigan State)
- 11 Armando Allen (Michigan)
- 10 Duval Kamara (Michigan)
- 10 Armando Allen (Nevada)

20+ Yard Receptions

- *88 Michael Floyd (Nevada)
- 77 Golden Tate (Washington)
- *70 Michael Floyd (Nevada)
- *67 Golden Tate (Washington)
- 54 Golden Tate (Michigan State)
- 52 Kyle Rudolph (Michigan State)
- 37 Michael Floyd (Michigan)
- 36 Golden Tate (Nevada)
- 33 Michael Floyd (Michigan)
- *33 Golden Tate (Michigan State)
- 30 Kyle Rudolph (Washington)
- 27 Golden Tate (Michigan)
- 26 Robby Parris (Washington)
- 26 Armando Allen (Nevada)
- 25 Robert Hughes (Washington)
- *24 Michael Floyd (Nevada)
- 24 Kyle Rudolph (Michigan)
- 23 Jonas Gray (Purdue)
- 22 Golden Tate (Washington)
- 22 Kyle Rudolph (Purdue)
- *22 Michael Floyd (Michigan State)
- *21 Golden Tate (Michigan)
- 20 Robby Parris (Washington)

20+ Yard Completions

- *88 Jimmy Clausen (Nevada)
- 77 Jimmy Clausen (Washington)
- *70 Jimmy Clausen (Nevada)
- *67 Jimmy Clausen (Washington)
- 54 Jimmy Clausen (Michigan State)
- 52 Jimmy Clausen (Michigan State)
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- 23 Jimmy Clausen (Purdue)
- 22 Jimmy Clausen (Washington)
- 22 Jimmy Clausen (Purdue)
- *22 Jimmy Clausen (Michigan State)
- *21 Jimmy Clausen (Michigan)
- 20 Jimmy Clausen (Washington)

25+ Yard Returns

- 52 Barry Gallup (Michigan)
- 38 Theo Riddick (Michigan State)
- 35 Theo Riddick (Purdue)
- 27 Theo Riddick (Washington)
- 27 Theo Riddick (Washington)
- 26 Theo Riddick (Michigan State)
- 26 Theo Riddick (Purdue)
- 25 Barry Gallup (Michigan)
- 25 Theo Riddick (Michigan State)
- 25 Theo Riddick (Washington)

* play resulted in touchdown

Notre Dame Football Replay Affiliates

NY/NJ/PA/CT	YES Network
Ill/IN/IA/WIS	Comcast SportsNet Chicago
Chicago LP	W24AW TV 24
Chicago LP	W18AT TV 18
Chicago LP	W54BK TV 54
Atlanta (GA/FLA)	Comcast Sports Southeast
NC/PA/DC/MD/DEL/VA/WVA	Mid-Atlantic Sports Network
Cleveland and Ohio	SportsTime Ohio
Cleveland LP	WIVM TV & CABLE 52
Nashville Dropin	WKAG TV 43
Columbus, OH LP	WIVN TV 29 & CABLE 99
Louisville	WYCS TV & CABLE 24
Providence (RI&Conn)	Cox Sports
N.Orleans-ARK/FL/LA	Cox Sports Television
Wichita-Hutchinson	KGPT-TV 49
Roanoke	WDRL TV 24
Roanoke LP	WYAT TV & CABLE 40
Rochester, NY	WRWB TV 16/TW SpNet
Huntsville LP	WYAM TV 56 & CABLE 21
South Bend	CW25
Evansville-Jasper	WJTS TV 27
Youngstown Cable	TJC Cable 99
Bangor (ME) LP	WBGR TV 33 & Cable 9
Binghamton LP	WBPN TV 8
Clarksburg LP	WTKM TV & Cable 44
Direct TV-WHT National	DIRECT TV 321
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Chicago LP	W54BK TV 54
Chicago LP	W18AT TV 18
Chicago LP	W24AW TV 24
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FLORIDA	Sun Sports Network
DC/DEL/MD/NC/PA/VA/WVA	Mid Atlantic Sports Network
(MASN)	
IL/IN/MO/NE/KA/IA	Fox Sports Midwest
New England	New England Sports Network (NESN)
Cleveland & all Ohio	SportsTime Ohio (Indians)
Cleveland LP	WIVM TV & CABLE 52
Pittsburgh	Fox Sports Pitt (PA,WV,NY,MD,OH)
Columbus, OH LP	WIVN TV 29 & Cable 99
Louisville	WYCS TV & CABLE 24
Providence (RI&Conn)	Cox Cable Sports
New Orleans	WLAE-TV
Fresno	KNXT-TV
Wichita	KGPT TV49
Roanoke	WDRL TV 24
Roanoke LP	WYAT TV 40 & Cable 99
Toledo	WMNT-TV
Rochester, NY	WRWB TV 16/Time Warner SportsNet
Shreveport	KSHV TV 45
Huntsville LP	WYAM TV 56 & CABLE 21
South Bend-Elkhart	WNDU-TV
Evansville-Jasper	WJTS TV 27
Youngstown	TJC Cable 99
Binghamton LP	WBPN TV 8
Direct TV WHT-National	DIRECT TV 321
Sky Angel-IPTV-National	
Comcast On-Demand	Notre Dame On-Demand
Worldwide	und.com

3) Jan. 1, 1990: Bowled Over

Late in the first half of a scoreless game in the Orange Bowl, No. 1 and 11-0 Colorado drove to a first down at the Irish one. On first down, Eric Bieniemy tried to dive over the top, but D'Juan Francisco met him head on and the officiating crew ruled the running back didn't break the goal line plane — much to the protest of CU. QB Darien Hagan was stopped cold for no gain on a second-down sneak, and DL Troy Ridgley forced an errant option pitch to Bieniemy that bounced out of bounds at the three. On fourth down, Colorado set up for a field goal, but holder Jeff Campbell rolled to his right on a fake. The intended receiver got jammed at line of scrimmage, so Campbell was forced to tuck it and was stopped short of the goal line by Ridgley. In the second half, Notre Dame took control in its 21-6 victory.

2) Nov. 7, 1998: A "Cloud" Of Dust

Trailing 31-26, Boston College QB Scott Mutryn drove the Eagles from his 23 to a first and goal at the four with 1:07 left and no timeouts remaining for Notre Dame. BC featured RB Mike Cloud, No. 2 nationally in rushing yards per game (153.4), and a line that featured future NFL standouts Damien Woody and Doug Brzezinski. On first down, Cloud found an opening but LB Bobbie Howard stopped him at the two. On second down, Howard stopped Cloud for a yard. On third down, it appeared Cloud might have broken the plane, but LB Jimmy Friday pushed him back. On fourth down and inches from the goal line, S Deke Cooper, instructed to pursue the run and disregard the pass or anything to the outside, shot through the middle unblocked and nailed Cloud for a two-yard loss.

1) Oct. 3, 2009: Double Time!

This is the standard against which all future Notre Dame goal-line stands will be measured for several reasons. One, the Irish already made a stand minutes earlier (see No. 8). Two, a TD might have put the game out of reach. Three, the Irish had to do it not once but twice against a team ranked in the top five in third-down conversions. On first down from the one with 7:07 left and the Huskies leading 24-22, HB Chris Polk lost one yard on a stop by DT Ethan Johnson. A second-down pass by Locker fell incomplete, and on third down Locker was engulfed for no gain on a scramble. When Notre Dame was called for a rare roughing-the-snapper call on the field-goal attempt, it had to start all over again from the one. The defense stopped Polk for no gain on first down, benefited from a false start on the Huskies, stopped a five-yard completion to Paul Horner at the one, and did not permit Locker to get the final yard on a sneak, thereby forcing a field goal to make it 27-22 with 3:04 left. Down only one score, the Irish moved ahead briefly and then won it in overtime, 37-30.

NOTRE DAME RUN DEFENSE GAINING STEAM

- ▶ The Purdue ground attack entered the game with the Irish ranked 22nd in the country averaging 210.7 yards per game. The Boilermakers were led by Ralph Bolden, who ranked second in the country at 140.3 yards per game.
- ▶ The Irish limited Purdue to only 74 yards (136.7 below its average) on the ground on 26 attempts, good for a 2.8 yard per carry average. The Boilermakers were running for just over 6.0 yards per carry coming into the contest. Notre Dame allowed just three rushes of 10 yards or more.
- ▶ Bolden totaled just 67 yards on 17 carries, only 3.9 per rush (well below his average of 6.8 yards per carry entering the game). The Irish really kept him intact after halftime when Bolden managed 22 yards on eight rushes. He did register three carries for 56 yards (26, 15 and 15), but was limited to 11 yards on his 14 other carries.
- ▶ After Notre Dame's first two games, the Irish were surrendering 171.5 yards rushing per game. The Irish defensive coaching staff made a couple schematic changes along the defensive line and the results are noticeable. Here is a comparison of Notre Dame's rush defense over its first two games versus its next two games:

vs. Nevada, at Michigan

343	Rush Yards Allowed
67	Rush Attempts
5.1	Average Per Rush
171.5	Average Per Game

Category

vs. Michigan State, at Purdue

179	Rush Yards Allowed
51	Rush Attempts
3.5	Average Per Rush
89.5	Average Per Game

- ▶ Notre Dame continued that success in the first half against Washington. The Irish limited the Huskies to just 40 yards rushing on 15 carries in the opening 30 minutes.

MORE ON THE IRISH DEFENSE

- ▶ After allowing Purdue to score a touchdown on its opening drive, the Irish forced four punts and a turnover on downs on the Boilermakers' final five drives of the opening half.
- ▶ Notre Dame limited Purdue to just 1-for-7 on third down over the second and third quarters. In fact, the Boilermakers netted 113 yards on 32 plays (3.5 yards per play) with five punts, a turnover on downs and the end of half possession on seven drives between the first and fourth quarter scoring drives.
- ▶ Washington totaled 56 and 53 yards on its first and last drives of the first half, but Notre Dame limited the Huskies to 59 total yards on their other five drives of the half (17 plays). The Irish forced four punts and a turnover on those five drives.

IRISH RUSH DEFENSE STEPS UP IN SECOND HALF AGAINST MICHIGAN STATE

- ▶ Notre Dame struggled mightily against the rush over its first two games and even the first half against Michigan State. The Irish surrendered 153 and 190 yards on the ground against Nevada and Michigan, respectively, and then allowed another 76 yards on the ground to the Spartans in the first half, but Notre Dame stepped up and limited Michigan State to just 29 yards on nine carries after halftime (just 3.2 per rush).
- ▶ The Irish had allowed 16 rushes of 10 or more yards over their first two games, but limited Michigan State to just a pair of 10+ yard rushes, including none in the second half.

IRISH PITCH SHUTOUT AGAINST NEVADA

- ▶ Notre Dame posted its first shutout since blanking Rutgers 42-0 on Nov. 23, 2002 -- a span of 76 games.
- ▶ Notre Dame posted its first shutout in a season opener since blanking Maryland, 22-0, on Aug. 31, 2002.
- ▶ Notre Dame posted its first shutout in a season opener inside Notre Dame Stadium since Sept. 22, 1973 when the Irish beat Northwestern, 44-0.
- ▶ Nevada was shut out for the first time since Dec. 12, 2007 versus New Mexico. The shutout was also just the third in Hall of Fame coach Chris Ault's 25-year coaching career at Nevada. This comes after Nevada averaged 37.6 points, 509 total yards and 278 rushing yards per game (school record) last season.
- ▶ Notre Dame limited the Wolf Pack to 307 total yards and 153 yards rushing, well below their explosive output from a year ago, and, obviously, no points.
- ▶ Notre Dame was one of two FBS schools, Kentucky being the other, to shut out another FBS school in its season opener.

TENUTA AND BROWN'S BOYS MAKE QUITE AN OPENING IMPRESSION

- ▶ Nevada quarterback Colin Kaepernick not only threw two interceptions in the game after throwing just seven all of last year, but he also averaged only 3.9 yards per rush compared to his near 7.0 yards per carry average in 2008.
- ▶ Notre Dame forced three Wolf Pack turnovers, including two in the red zone, and denied another possible scoring opportunity for Nevada on a 4th and short stop.
- ▶ Notre Dame ranked 20th in the country in 2008 in third down defense (32.76%). The Irish continued their success on third down against Nevada. Notre Dame limited the Wolf Pack to just 2-for-11.
- ▶ The Irish red zone defense was equally impressive. Notre Dame did not allow Nevada any points despite the Wolf Pack's three trips in the red zone. The Irish were the only team in the FBS to deny their season-opening opponent points on three drives that crossed the 20-yard line.

TENUTA DEFENSES AWFULLY TOUGH IN SEASON OPENING GAMES

Notre Dame co-defensive coordinator and play-caller Jon Tenuta has had his way over his career in season-opening games. A Tenuta defense has limited its opponents to 14 points or less in 11 of his 16 years as a defensive coordinator.

TENUTA DEFENSES PRETTY IMPRESSIVE AGAINST TRUE FRESHMAN QUARTERBACKS

Notre Dame co-defensive coordinator Jon Tenuta has had supreme success against an opposing true freshman quarterback over his years as a defensive coordinator. He owns an 18-2 career record versus freshman quarterbacks.

IRISH DEFENSE STINGY OUT OF THE GATE

- ▶ Notre Dame was quite impressive defensively coming out of the locker room in 2008. The Irish allowed only three touchdowns in the first quarter over the entire 2008 campaign and just one over their last nine games of the year. Notre Dame continued that trend, blanking Nevada over the first 15 minutes.
- ▶ The Irish surrendered 14 points in the first quarter at Michigan. Notre Dame had allowed just 19 points in the first quarter over their previous 10 games.
- ▶ The Irish allowed just three points in the first quarter against Michigan State. Purdue and Washington took the opening kickoff and marched down the field for opening drive touchdowns. Notre Dame has still allowed three points or less in the opening quarter in 10 of its last 14 games.

**Notre Dame Football
By The Numbers**

.737 - Notre Dame's winning percentage, the second-highest in college football history.

1 - Notre Dame is the only team, college or professional, to have all of its games broadcast nationally on the radio and is the only team to have all of its home games televised nationally (NBC).

6 - College Football Hall of Fame Coaches - Jesse Harper, Lou Holtz, Knute Rockne, Frank Leahy, Ara Parseghian and Dan Devine.

7 - Heisman Trophy Winners: Angelo Bertelli (1943), Johnny Lujack (1947), Leon Hart (1949), John Lattner (1953), Paul Hornung (1956), John Huarte (1964) and Tim Brown (1987).

10 - Alumni in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

11 - National Championships - since the AP poll began in 1936 (1943-46-47-49-66-73-77-88), the most AP titles of any other school. The Irish also earned consensus national titles in 1924, 1929 and 1930 prior to the AP rankings.

12 - Unbeaten and untied seasons.

21 - Seasons in which the team has been voted the national champion by at least one selector.

29 - Bowl games in which the Irish have taken part.

31 - Unanimous first-team All-Americans -- more than any other school.

43 - College Football Hall of Fame Players.

79 - Different consensus All-Americans -- more than any other school.

99 - Percent graduation rate among football players who enter on scholarship and remain at least four years.

102 - Out of 120 years in which Notre Dame has finished with a winning record.

121 - Years of college football (including '09).

203 - Consecutive games streak televised nationally or regionally.

181 - Selections on All-America first teams.

209 - Consecutive sellouts at Notre Dame Stadium (including this weekend's game against USC).

321 - Appearances by the Irish on network television -- more than any other school and more than the next two combined.

835 - All-time victories, third all-time in college football.

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SPLASH SCREEN



COUNTDOWN



PREVIEW



POSTGAME



**2009 Notre Dame
Football Media Information**

Interview requests and media access for the 2009 Notre Dame football team are administered by lead football contact Brian Hardin and assistant football contact Michael Bertsch.

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NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL WEEKLY MEDIA INFORMATION

Charlie Weis Teleconferences: Coach Weis will be available for two teleconferences each week of the season (Media looking for the teleconference number should contact Brian Hardin).

SUNDAY - 12:45-1:15 p.m.

- ▶ Guglielmino Athletics Complex auditorium
- ▶ This teleconference will function as a look back at the previous Saturday's game.

TUESDAY - 12:00 noon-12:45 p.m.

- ▶ Guglielmino Athletics Complex auditorium
- ▶ This teleconference will function as a look ahead at the upcoming weekend's opponent and other football-related issues.
- ▶ Satellite coordinates: AMC 3C, Transponder 22, Downlink Freq: 4140 MHz(V) (Available from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. ET)

THURSDAY - 6:15 p.m.

- ▶ Guglielmino Athletics Complex auditorium

For accredited members of the media who want to attend the weekly press conference, contact Brian Hardin or Michael Bertsch for more information. The Guglielmino Athletics Complex is located on the east side of campus, behind the Joyce Center and the Rolfs Recreation Center and just north of the LaBar Practice Fields.

The Guglielmino Athletics Complex auditorium can be accessed through "The Gug's" main entrance, which is located on the west side of the building (facing the Rolfs Recreation Center and main campus).

Both teleconferences will be broadcast live (audio & video) and archived for future use on www.und.com each week. A full transcript from each teleconference will be posted as well on the website as soon as possible.

Irish Captains Teleconferences: The four Irish captains will be available over two teleconferences each week of the season. (Media looking for the teleconference number should contact Brian Hardin.)

WEDNESDAY - 1:00 p.m.

- ▶ Kyle McCarthy, Scott Smith

WEDNESDAY - 1:30 p.m.

- ▶ Jimmy Clausen, Eric Olsen

PLAYER/ASSISTANT COACH POST-PRACTICE INTERVIEWS

Notre Dame player interviews are available on a rotating schedule during the week.

Tuesday (7:00 p.m.): Available by request-Offensive players, Offensive Coaches; **Wednesday** (7:00 p.m.): Available by request-Defensive players, Defensive Coaches; **Thursday** (6:15 p.m.): Available by request-Special Teams players, Brian Polian. Coach Weis will also address the media following Thursday's practice.

There is no availability for players or coaches on Monday and Friday of each game week.

NOTE - All interview requests should be sent to Brian Hardin. A detailed description of the subject matter for the interview must be included. Requests are due at 10:00 a.m. each day of practice. Freshmen are not available with the exception of the bye week.

PRACTICE ACCESS & POST-PRACTICE INTERVIEW LOCATION

The first 40 minutes of Tuesday's practice during the season are open to the media. This is generally from 4:55-5:35 p.m. Post-practice interviews will take place in the Guglielmino Athletics Complex auditorium.

OFFICIAL NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL RADIO SHOW

The weekly show will broadcast live from Legends of Notre Dame, just 100 yards South of Notre Dame Stadium. The show will air on NewsTalk 960 WSBT-AM Mondays from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Jack Nolan will host the show along with former Irish All-American Reggie Brooks. Air dates: Aug. 31; Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28; Oct. 5, 19, 26; Nov. 2, 9, 17 (Tuesday), 23. The show is a cooperative venture between Notre Dame Sports Properties, the Notre Dame athletic department and WSBT. The show can also be heard on www.und.com.

INSIDE NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL WITH CHARLIE WEIS (TELEVISION SHOW)

Taped on Sunday nights, Inside Notre Dame Football will feature a recap of the week's contest, Notre Dame player features and more. The show can be seen locally Sunday evenings on WNDU-TV following the late local news. It will also re-air on WNDU-TV the following Saturday morning at 6:30 a.m. as well as 90 minutes prior to kickoff of Notre Dame home games. All shows can also be viewed on www.und.com beginning on Monday of each week.

THE NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL REPLAY

Airs each Sunday morning at 11 am on CW 25 in South Bend. It also airs on Comcast SportsNet Chicago at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday leading into Inside Notre Dame Football at 5:30 p.m. The Chicago times occasionally float due to live programming.

All Times Eastern

**Notre Dame
Special Teams Notes**

KICKOFF RETURN DEFENSE UNIT PICKS UP WHERE LEFT OFF IN '08

▶ Notre Dame led the NCAA FBS in kickoff return defense last season allowing only 16.5 yards per return and became the first Irish special teams unit to lead the nation in this category. It was also the first time Notre Dame led the NCAA in a statistical category since 1988. What made the feat even more impressive was the fact that the Irish registered just one touchback during the season. The 16.5 yards allowed on kickoffs was the best by a Notre Dame squad since 1975 when that team permitted only 14.9 yards per kick return.

	2007	2008	Improvement
Kickoff Return Defense	22.75 (89th)	16.38 (1st)	6.37 yards (28.5%)

▶ The Irish did not miss a beat in the opening-season victory over Nevada. Notre Dame limited the Wolf Pack to just 17.6 yards per return.

▶ Michigan's Darryl Stonum returned a kickoff 94 yards for a touchdown to give the Wolverines a 14-3 lead with 34 seconds to go in the opening quarter. Stonum was the first Irish opponent to return a kick for touchdown since Brian Cushing returned an onside kick for a touchdown in 2006 (42 yards).

▶ Since that kickoff return, Notre Dame has regained its form from a season ago. The Irish have allowed just 19.0 yards per kickoff return on the 26 kickoffs following Stonum's touchdown return. In fact, Purdue never started a drive outside its own 20-yard line following a kickoff and Washington was forced to start three drives inside its own 15-yard line.

▶ Freshman PK **Nick Tausch** averaged 61.5 yards per kickoff over the first three games, but the rookie averaged 67.4 yards per kick against Purdue. He even had three separate kicks carry into the end zone.

▶ Despite Notre Dame's struggles in the punt (they rank 86th in the FBS in net punting, 34.19), the Irish have allowed just two punt returns all season.

	Avg. Drive Start	Drives Started At/Inside 20
vs. Nevada	Own 26-yard line	Four
at Michigan	Own 37-yard line	Three
vs. Michigan State	Own 26-yard line	Five
at Purdue	Own 28-yard line	Six
vs. Washington	Own 32-yard line	Four

IRISH SPECIAL TEAMS HAVE SHINED OVER PAST FOUR SEASONS

▶ Notre Dame's special teams have been solid over the past four seasons and have made critical plays to help turn games several times since 2005.

▶ Irish special teams have scored seven touchdowns, forced seven turnovers and deflected or blocked 22 kicks in the past five years.

▶ Notre Dame has scored three TDs on punt returns, one on a kickoff return, one on a blocked punt return, one on a blocked field goal return and one on a fake field goal.

▶ The Irish have tallied 10 blocked punts, nine blocked field goals and three blocked PATs since 2005.

SPECIAL TEAMS TACKLE LEADERS

	Total	Kickoff	Punt
Scott Smith	7	6	1
Sergio Brown	5	5	0
Zeke Motta	5	5	0
Steve Filer	5	5	0
Mike Anello	4	4	0
Jamoris Slaughter	3	3	0
Leonard Gordon	3	3	0
Anthony McDonald	3	3	0
Bobby Burger	1	1	0
Eric Maust	1	0	1
David Posluszny	1	1	0
Darius Fleming	1	1	0
Ray Herring	1	1	0
Totals	40	38	2

**Notre Dame
Miscellaneous Team Notes**

NOTRE DAME INTRODUCES IMPROVEMENTS TO FOOTBALL WEEKEND EXPERIENCE

A variety of improvements to the University of Notre Dame football game-day experience have been instituted for the 2009 season in the areas of hospitality, communication, and safety and security.

The new game-day initiatives are born out of an ad hoc committee's study during the last academic year, and its subsequent report in the spring to Notre Dame's president, Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C.

Assistant vice president for University events and protocol Mike Seamon, who in April was named director of football game-day operations, is leading the effort to implement improvements to Irish football weekends.

Hospitality improvements for 2009 home football weekends include:

► "Rally on the Green," a hospitality village located on Irish Green (adjacent to the south side of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center), will be in operation from 3 to 6:30 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to one-half hour before kickoff for each home game. Access to the area will be free of charge and open to the public. It will feature entertainment on a main stage (including bands and speakers), plus roaming "kid-friendly" entertainment. Food and beverages (including alcohol) will be available for purchase, and Follett's and other vendors will be on site.

► The hospitality village will close in time for the pep rallies, which are scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. on Friday evenings. Due to the renovation of the Joyce Center, pep rallies will be held in several locations, as follows:

- Sept. 4 (Friday), Nevada - on South Quad as part of the annual Dillon Hall rally
- Sept. 10 (Thursday), Michigan - an on-campus event at the Stepan Center for the Sept. 12 road game at Ann Arbor
- Sept 18 (Friday), Michigan State - on Irish Green
- Oct. 2 (Friday), Washington - on Irish Green
- Oct. 16 (Friday), USC - tentatively Notre Dame Stadium
- Oct. 23 (Friday), Boston College - on Irish Green
- Nov. 6 (Friday), Navy - on Irish Green
- Nov. 20 (Friday), Connecticut - in Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center

► On home football Fridays, fans will be able to enter the north end of Notre Dame Stadium between 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and walk down the tunnel to the field for photo opportunities. The only time the tunnel would be unavailable would be when any visiting teams conduct Friday practices or walkthroughs.

► A corps of Notre Dame guest service representatives, identifiable by green blazers, will be stationed around the campus beginning at 9 a.m. on game days to answer questions, offer maps and lists of activities and otherwise be of assistance to fans.

► The University has created a sportsmanship document that outlines ND Game-Day Courtesy Guidelines, including the rights and responsibilities of all fans. Additional signage will be available in parking lots and at Notre Dame Stadium gates to encourage positive fan behavior.

► Ticket scanners will be utilized at Notre Dame Stadium for the first time to ease entrance into the facility for fans attending games.

► A public parking option for up to 2,000 vehicles on the nine-hole Notre Dame Golf Course was previously announced. Located on the southwest corner of the campus, the course (once known as the Burke Memorial Golf Course) will offer two parking entrances - one on Angela Boulevard and another on Dorr Road. The parking will be of the drive-up variety, with no parking passes sold in advance for this area. The price will be \$40. Football game tickets must be shown for entrance to the parking areas on the course. The parking area, as with all other Notre Dame football parking areas, will open at 8 a.m. Eastern time on game days. Tailgating will be permitted. If inclement weather makes the course unavailable, there will be signs to that effect at Exit 77 of the Indiana Toll Road and at entrances to the course. Only passenger vehicles will be permitted to park in this new area; no recreational vehicles, limousines, large trucks, buses or motorcycles will be admitted. All vehicles must exit the course by three hours after each game, so the course can be prepared for play on Sundays. Any vehicles remaining three hours after the conclusion of a game will be towed.

From a safety and security perspective, new initiatives include:

► In an effort to encourage appropriate behavior, fans will be able to utilize a new text messaging system to report any instances of unruly or disruptive behavior in conjunction with home games, including inside Notre Dame Stadium. The system will be in place beginning at 8 a.m. on Saturdays. Fans can simply text 41513 and type into the message the word "Irish" followed by a space, followed by a brief description of the issue and its location. Ushers, public safety personnel and/or University officials will respond as needed.

► The University's no trespass order has been reviewed and a new policy will go into effect beginning in the 2009 season. People who are disruptive on game days risk being issued a one-day Game Day Ban and will be prohibited from remaining on campus for the duration of the day. This does not change the University's policy with respect to those who commit criminal or seriously offensive acts on campus, who are subject to being issued a full no trespass notice.

► The University will continue to work with its community partners to provide the safest and most welcoming and enjoyable environment possible on game days - including a newly designed integrated command center in Notre Dame Stadium to respond to any issues.

Communications initiatives include:

► A new, enhanced football game-day Web site titled "Game Day: A Legendary Experience" will be available at gameday.nd.edu. A one-stop resource, the site will include information on pep rallies, special speakers on campus, parking, the Friday luncheon, the band and everything else that occurs on a home football weekend.

► Fans will be provided a variety of ways to provide feedback on their game-day experiences - including via the game day Web site and a toll-free phone number, 877-ND1-FANS.

**Starter
Sheet**

Offense	2009	Streak	Career
Young (RT)	5	43	43
Clausen (QB)	5	21	27
Olsen (C)	5	24	24
Wenger (C)	-	-	18
Kamara (WR)	3	-	18
Rudolph (TE)	5	18	18
Duncan (LT)	5	5	17
Allen (HB)	3	1	15
Stewart (LG)	5	7	15
Tate (WR)	5	7	15
Floyd (WR)	3	-	13
Robinson (RG)	5	5	8
West (WR)	-	-	7
Aldridge (FB)	-	-	6
Parris (WR)	2	1	6
Hughes (HB)	-	-	4
Ragone (TE)	3	2	3
Sharpley (QB)	-	-	2
Gray (HB)	1	-	1

Defense	2009	Streak	Career
Neal (DE)	3	1	19
McCarthy (SS)	5	18	19
Ryan (DE)	3	3	18
Smith, B. (LB)	5	5	17
Walls (DB)	4	4	17
McNeil (CB)	1	-	15
Smith, H. (FS)	5	5	14
Williams (NT)	3	-	12
Brown (SS)	4	2	10
Johnson (DT)	5	6	9
Blanton (CB)	5	9	9
Fleming (LB)	4	-	7
Smith, T. (LB)	2	-	6
Lewis-Moore (DE)	3	3	3
Te'o (LB)	3	2	3
Herring (FS)	-	-	1

Longest Active Streaks	
Young (RT)	43
Olsen (C)	24
Clausen (QB)	21
Rudolph (TE)	18
McCarthy (SS)	18

Most Career Starts (Active)	
Young (RT)	43
Clausen (QB)	27
Olsen (C)	24
Neal (DE)	19
McCarthy (SS)	19
Wenger (C)	18
Kamara (WR)	18
Ryan (DE)	18
Rudolph (TE)	18
Duncan (LT)	17
Smith, B. (LB)	17
McNeil (CB)	15
Allen (HB)	15
Stewart (LG)	15
Tate (WR)	15
Smith, H. (FS)	14
Floyd (WR)	13
Williams (NT)	12

2009 Notre Dame
Football Roster Information

ALPHABETICAL (CONT.)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown/Previous School
42	Lezynski, Nick+	CB	5-8	157	Jr.	Newton, PA/Notre Dame High School
71	Mahoney, Dennis+	OL	6-6	290	So.	Baltimore, MD/Boys Latin High School
70	Martin, Zach	OT	6-5	285	Fr.	Indianapolis, IN/Bishop Chatard
43	Maust, Eric	P	6-2	190	Sr.	Atlanta, GA/Blessed Trinity
15	McCarthy, Dan	S	6-2	205	So.	Youngstown, OH/Cardinal Mooney
28	McCarthy, Kyle	S	6-0	210	Sr.	Youngstown, OH/Cardinal Mooney
54	McDonald, Anthony	LB	6-2	230	So.	Burbank, CA/Notre Dame
8	McNeil, Raeshon	CB	6-0	190	Sr.	Cooleemee, NC/Davie
17	Motta, Zeke	S	6-2	215	Fr.	Vero Beach, FL/Vero Beach
93	Mullen, Paddy	NT	6-3	295	Sr.	St. Louis, MO/De Smet Jesuit
17	Mulvey, Matthew+	QB	6-3	197	So.	Del Mar, CA/LaJolla
47	Narvaez, Mike+	FB	5-11	238	Sr.	Ridgewood, NJ/Ridgewood
56	Neal, Kerry	DE	6-2	250	Jr.	Bunn, NC/Bunn
99	Newman, Brandon	NT	6-1	295	So.	Louisville, KY/Pleasure Ridge Park
76	Nuss, Andrew	OG	6-5	300	Jr.	Ashburn, VA/Stone Bridge
91	Nwankwo, Emeka	DE	6-4	274	Jr.	N. Miami Beach, FL/Chaminade-Madonna Prep
55	Olsen, Eric	C	6-4	305	Sr.	Staten Island, NY/Poly Prep Ctry.
50	Oxley, Sean+	LB	6-2	220	So.	Avon Lake, OH/Avon Lake
82	Parris, Robby	WR	6-3	205	Sr.	Olmsted Falls, OH/Saint Ignatius
30	Paskorz, Steve	FB	6-2	245	Jr.	Allison Park, PA/Hampton
35	Plaska, Andrew+	CB	5-11	181	So.	Zeeland, MI/Zeeland West
36	Posluszny, David	LB	6-0	225	So.	Aliquippa, PA/Hopewell
61	Quintana, Martin+	DL	6-1	250	Sr.	Berwyn, IL/St. Joseph
83	Ragone, Mike	TE	6-5	251	Jr.	Cherry Hill, NJ/Camden Catholic
30	Redshaw, James+	CB	5-9	170	Jr.	North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin
53	Richardson, Morrice	DE	6-2	255	Sr.	College Park, GA/Westlake
32	Riddick, Theo	HB	5-10	195	Fr.	Manville, NJ/Immaculata
78	Robinson, Trevor	OG	6-5	305	So.	Elkhorn, NE/Elkhorn
77	Romine, Matt	OT	6-5	295	Jr.	Tulsa, OK/Union
9	Rudolph, Kyle	TE	6-6	260	So.	Cincinnati, OH/Elder
48	Ruffer, David+	K	6-1	180	Jr.	Oakton, VA/Gonzaga
90	Ryan, John	DE	6-5	255	Sr.	Westlake, OH/Saint Ignatius
13	Sharpley, Evan	QB	6-2	215	Sr.	Marshall, MI/Marshall
39	Sheehan, Ryan+	CB	5-10	169	Jr.	Purcellville, VA/Loudown Valley
62	Skubis, Christopher+	DE	6-2	223	Jr.	Clarence, NY/Clarence
26	Slaughter, Jamaris	CB	6-0	185	So.	Stone Mountain, GA/Tucker
58	Smith, Brian	LB	6-3	240	Jr.	Overland Park, KS/Saint Thomas Aquinas
22	Smith, Harrison	S	6-2	207	Jr.	Knoxville, TN/Knoxville Catholic
41	Smith, Scott	LB	6-3	245	Sr.	Highland Park, IL/Highland Park
40	Smith, Thomas+	S	6-1	201	Jr.	Manchester, CT/East Catholic
49	Smith, Toryan	LB	6-1	244	Sr.	Rome, GA/Rome
59	Stewart, Chris	OG	6-5	330	Sr.	Spring, TX/Klein
92	Stockton, Tyler	NT	6-1	290	Fr.	Linwood, NJ/Hun School
43	Stull, Joshua+	CB	5-8	189	Sr.	Brownsburg, IN/Brownsburg
23	Tate, Golden	WR	5-11	195	Jr.	Hendersonville, TN/Pope John Paul II
40	Tausch, Nick	K	6-0	180	Fr.	Plano, TX/Jesuit
5	Te'o, Manti	LB	6-2	244	Fr.	Laie, HI/Punahou
84	Toma, Roby	WR	5-9	175	Fr.	Laie, HI/Punahou
35	Turk, Ben	P	5-11	193	Fr.	Davie, FL/St. Thomas Aquinas
85	Vos, Sam+	WR	5-10	199	Sr.	Burlington, WI/Catholic Central
97	Wade, Kallen	DE	6-5	245	Sr.	Cincinnati, OH/Withrow
14	Walker, Brandon	K	6-3	213	Jr.	Findlay, OH/Findlay
1	Walker, Deion	WR	6-2	193	So.	Christchurch, VA/Christchurch
2	Walls, Darrin	CB	6-0	190	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA/Woodland Hills
66	Watt, Chris	OG	6-3	295	Fr.	Glen Ellyn, IL/Glenbard West
51	Wenger, Dan	C	6-4	302	Sr.	Coral Springs, FL/Saint Thomas Aquinas
19	West Jr., George	WR	5-8	196	Sr.	Spencer, OK/Northeast
79	Williams, Hafis	DT	6-2	295	So.	Elizabeth, NJ/Elizabeth
95	Williams, Ian	NT	6-2	295	Jr.	Altamonte Springs, FL/Lyman
20	Wood, Cierre	HB	6-0	218	Fr.	Oxnard, CA/Santa Clara
74	Young, Sam	OT	6-8	320	Sr.	Coral Springs, FL/Saint Thomas Aquinas

+ Walk-on Player

NUMERICAL (CONT.)

No.	Name	Pos
47	Narvaez, Mike	FB
48	Fox, Dan	LB
48	Ruffer, David	K
49	Smith, Toryan	LB
50	Kavanagh, Ryan	LS
50	Oxley, Sean	LB
51	Wenger, Dan	C
52	Cave, Braxton	OG
53	Richardson, Morrice	DE
54	McDonald, Anthony	LB
55	Olsen, Eric	C
56	Neal, Kerry	DE
57	Golic Jr., Mike	C
58	Smith, Brian	LB
59	Stewart, Chris	OG
60	Cowart, Jordan	LS
61	Quintana, Martin	DL
62	Flavin, Bill	OC/LS
62	Skubis, Christopher	DE
63	Botsford, Steve	LB
64	Burke, Tom	LB
65	Hernandez, Mike	OG
66	Watt, Chris	OG
68	Bullard, Alex	OG
70	Martin, Zach	OT
71	Mahoney, Dennis	OL
72	Duncan, Paul	OT
73	Clelland, Lane	OT
74	Young, Sam	OT
75	Dever, Taylor	OT
76	Nuss, Andrew	OG
77	Romine, Matt	OT
78	Robinson, Trevor	OG
79	Williams, Hafis	DT
80	Eifert, Tyler	TE
81	Goodman, John	WR
82	Parris, Robby	WR
83	Ragone, Mike	TE
84	Toma, Roby	WR
85	Vos, Sam	WR
86	Burger, Bobby	FB/TE
88	Golic, Jake	TE
89	Lewis-Moore, Kapron	DE
90	Ryan, John	DE
91	Nwankwo, Emeka	DE
92	Stockton, Tyler	NT
93	Mullen, Paddy	NT
95	Williams, Ian	NT
97	Wade, Kallen	DE
98	Cwynar, Sean	DT
99	Newman, Brandon	NT

**2009 Notre Dame
Two-Deep Depth Chart**

Notre Dame Offense

X	23	GOLDEN TATE	5-11	195	Jr.
	1	Deion Walker	6-2	193	So.
	or 11	Shaquelle Evans	6-1	203	Fr.
LT	72	Paul Duncan@	6-7	315	Sr.
	77	Matt Romine	6-5	295	Jr.
LG	59	CHRIS STEWART!	6-5	330	Sr.
	51	DAN WENGER*	6-4	302	Sr.
C	55	ERIC OLSEN^	6-4	305	Sr.
	51	DAN WENGER	6-4	302	Sr.
RG	78	Trevor Robinson	6-5	305	So.
	76	Andrew Nuss	6-5	300	Jr.
RT	74	SAM YOUNG	6-8	320	Sr.
	75	Taylor Dever	6-5	301	Jr.
TE	9	KYLE RUDOLPH	6-6	260	So.
	83	Mike Ragone	6-5	251	Jr.
Z	18	DUVAL KAMARA	6-5	219	Jr.
	or 82	Robby Parris	6-3	205	Sr.
	81	John Goodman	6-3	203	So.
QB	7	JIMMY CLAUSEN	6-3	223	Jr.
	10	Dayne Crist	6-4	235	So.
FB	34	James Aldridge	6-0	225	Sr.
	86	Bobby Burger	6-3	248	Sr.
HB	5	ARMANDO ALLEN	5-10	200	Jr.
	33	Robert Hughes	5-11	234	Jr.

Notre Dame Special Teams

PK	40	Nick Tausch	6-0	190	Fr.
	48	David Ruffer	6-1	180	Jr.
P	35	Ben Turk	5-11	193	Fr.
	43	ERIC MAUST	6-2	190	Sr.
LS	60	Jordan Cowart	6-2	215	Fr.
	50	Ryan Kavanagh	6-3	190	So.
SS	52	Braxton Cave	6-3	310	So.
	60	Jordan Cowart	6-2	215	Fr.
HLD	43	ERIC MAUST	6-2	190	Sr.
	13	Evan Sharpley	6-2	215	Sr.

Notre Dame Defense

LDE	89	Kapron Lewis-Moore	6-4	270	So.
	53	Morrice Richardson	6-2	255	Sr.
DT	9	Ethan Johnson	6-4	280	So.
	79	Hafis Williams	6-2	295	So.
NT	95	IAN WILLIAMS	6-2	295	Jr.
	98	Sean Cwynar	6-4	283	So.
RDE	90	John Ryan	6-5	255	Sr.
	56	KERRY NEAL	6-2	250	Jr.
SAM	45	Darius Fleming	6-1	240	So.
	41	Scott Smith	6-4	245	Sr.
	or 46	Steve Filer	6-3	236	So.
MIKE	58	BRIAN SMITH	6-3	240	Jr.
	49	Toryan Smith	6-1	244	Sr.
	54	Anthony McDonald	6-2	230	So.
WILL	5	Manti Te'o	6-2	244	Fr.
	58	BRIAN SMITH	6-3	240	Jr.
	36	David Posluszny	6-0	225	So.
LCB	12	Robert Blanton	6-1	185	So.
	26	Jamoris Slaughter	6-0	185	So.
	or 4	Gary Gray	5-11	190	Jr.
FS	22	HARRISON SMITH%	6-2	207	Jr.
	6	Ray Herring	5-10	200	Sr.
SS	28	KYLE McCARTHY	6-1	210	Sr.
	31	Sergio Brown	6-2	205	Sr.
RCB	2	Darrin Walls#	6-0	190	Sr.
	or 8	RAESHON McNEIL	6-0	190	Sr.

Notre Dame Special Teams

PR	23	GOLDEN TATE	5-11	195	Jr.
	5	Armando Allen	5-10	200	Jr.
KR	21	Barry Gallup, Jr.	5-11	190	Sr.
	32	Theo Riddick	5-10	195	Fr.
	11	Shaquelle Evans	6-1	203	Fr.
	33	Robert Hughes	5-11	234	Jr.
KO	40	Nick Tausch	6-0	190	Fr.
	48	David Ruffer	6-1	180	Jr.

ALL CAPS - returning starter from 2008

@ - indicates player started 12 games in 2007

- indicates player started 11 games in 2007

% - indicates player started at linebacker in 2008

^ - indicates player started at left guard in 2008

* - indicates player started at center in 2008

! - indicates player started at right guard in 2008

**Notre Dame vs. USC
Series History**

Notre Dame leads 42-33-5

In Notre Dame: Notre Dame leads 23-12-1

In Los Angeles: USC leads 21-17-4

Neutral: Notre Dame leads 2-0

Longest Notre Dame Win Streak: 11 (1983-93)

Longest USC Win Streak: 7 (2002-present)

Largest Victory: 51, (51-0), 1966 in Los Angeles

Largest Defeat: 38, (38-0), 2007 in Notre Dame

Site	Year	Rank	W/L/T	ND	USC
	1926		W	13	12
SF	1927		W	7	6
	1928		L	14	27
SF	1929		W	13	12
	1930		W	27	0
*	1931		L	14	16
	1932		L	0	13
*	1933		L	0	19
	1934		W	14	0
*	1935		W	20	13
	1936	9-	T	13	13
*	1937	9-	W	13	6
	1938	1-8	L	0	13
*	1939	7-4	L	12	20
	1940		W	10	6
*	1941	4-	W	20	18
	1942	8-14	W	13	0
*	1946	2-16	W	26	6
	1947	1-3	W	38	7
	1948	2-	T	14	14
*	1949	1-17	W	32	0
	1950		L	7	9
*	1951	-20	W	19	12
*	1952	7-2	W	9	0
	1953	2-20	W	48	14
*	1954	4-17	W	23	17
	1955	5-	L	20	42
	1956	-17	L	20	28
*	1957	12-	W	40	12
	1958	18-	W	20	13
*	1959	-7	W	16	6
	1960		W	17	0
*	1961	8-	W	30	0
	1962	-1	L	0	25
*	1963	-7	W	17	14
	1964	1-	L	17	20
*	1965	7-4	W	28	7
	1966	1-10	W	51	0
*	1967	5-1	L	7	24
	1968	9-2	T	21	21

Site	Year	Rank	W/L/T	ND	USC
*	1969	11-3	T	14	14
	1970	4-	L	28	38
*	1971	6-	L	14	28
	1972	10-1	L	23	45
*	1973	8-6	W	23	14
	1974	5-6	L	24	55
*	1975	14-3	L	17	24
	1976	13-3	L	13	17
*	1977	11-5	W	49	19
	1978	8-3	L	25	27
*	1979	9-4	L	23	42
	1980	2-17	L	3	20
*	1981	-5	L	7	14
	1982	-17	L	13	17
*	1983		W	27	6
	1984	-14	W	19	7
*	1985		W	37	3
	1986	-17	W	38	37
*	1987	10-	W	26	15
	1988	1-2	W	27	10
*	1989	1-9	W	28	24
	1990	7-18	W	10	6
*	1991	5-	W	24	20
	1992	5-19	W	31	23
*	1993	2-	W	31	13
	1994	-17	T	17	17
*	1995	17-5	W	38	10
	1996	10-	L (ot)	20	27
*	1997		L	17	20
	1998	9-	L	0	10
*	1999		W	25	24
	2000	11-	W	38	21
*	2001		W	27	16
	2002	7-6	L	13	44
*	2003	-5	L	14	45
	2004	-1	L	10	41
*	2005	9-1	L	31	34
	2006	6-3	L	24	44
*	2007	-13	L	0	38
	2008	-5	L	3	38

**Notre Dame vs. USC Statistics
(2009 Statistics)**

ND	Category	USC	ND	Category	USC
32.6	Points Per Game	28.8	11.0	Punt Return Average	16.6
118	First Downs	90	13.0	INT Return Average	31.3
740	Rushing Yards	1040	3-2	Fumbles-Lost	10-6
4.1	Average Per Rush	5.5	35-293	Penalties-Yards	39-347
148.0	Average Per Game	208.0	58.6	Average Per Game	69.4
6	TDs Rushing	13	16-636	Punts-Yards	21-819
1610	Passing Yards	1113	39.8	Average Per Punt	39.0
109-163-3	Comp-Att-Int	80-134-3	34.2	Net punt average	37.0
9.9	Average Per Pass	8.3	32:18	Time of Possession/Game	30:18
14.8	Average Per Catch	13.9	25/62	3rd-Down Conversions	17/59
322.0	Average Per Game	222.6	4/7	4th-Down Conversions	5/11
13	TDs Passing	4	9-70	Sacks By-Yards	21-132
2350	Total Offense	2153	10-11	Field Goals-Attempts	6-8
6.9	Average Per Play	6.7	19-21	Red-Zone Scores	17-20
470.0	Average Per Game	430.6	12-21	Red-Zone Touchdowns	12-20
24.9	Kick Return Average	20.3	15-16	PAT-Attempts	16-16

USC HEAD COACH PETE CARROLL

Ninth-year USC head football coach Pete Carroll has returned the Trojan football program to national prominence.

He is 92-16 (.852) in nine years (2001-2009) as a college head coach (all at USC), the best winning percentage of any current Division I coach with at least five years of experience. His 88 victories tied Bob Pruett of Marshall for most by a Division I coach in their first eight seasons since 1900 (Penn's George Woodruff had 102 before then). He reached 50 career USC wins faster than any head coach in Trojan history. His losses have been by a total of just 68 points (4.3 average) and only one was by more than a touchdown (it was by 11 points against Notre Dame in 2001). After starting off his Trojan career 2-5, he has gone 90-11 (.891) with a pair of national championships (2003-04). He is 59-11 in Pac-10 games, giving him an .843 winning mark (a league record). His teams have been ranked in the AP Top 25 for the past 96 games, a school record. He is 27-0 in November. He has 34 victories over AP Top 25 teams (34-7 overall, .829). His teams have won an unprecedented seven consecutive Pac-10 titles and appeared in an NCAA record seven consecutive BCS bowls (including a pair of BCS Championship Games). His teams have recorded at least 11 victories in each of the past seven seasons, an NCAA record, and finished ranked in the AP Top 4 in each of those seven seasons. USC's 13, 25, 37, 48, 59, 71, 82 and 88 wins during one-, two-, three-, four-, five-, six-, seven- and eight-year spans under Carroll represent the winningest periods in Trojan history. He is 6-2 in bowl games, including 6-1 in BCS games.

Under Carroll, USC is riding winning streaks in 28 home night games, 27 November games, 13 non-conference home games, 12 non-conference games and nine non-conference road games (excluding seven neutral site contests). His USC teams also had a number of other since-broken winning streaks: a Pac-10 record 35 consecutive home games, a Pac-10-record 34 overall games, a Pac-10-record 27 Pac-10 games, a Pac-10 record 24 consecutive league home games, a school-record 18 road games (not including four neutral site contests), 18 October games, 16 non-conference games, 16 games against AP Top 25 teams, 15 September games and a school-record 13 Pac-10 road games. His Trojans also set a no-longer-active NCAA record by scoring at least 20 points in 63 consecutive games. USC was AP's No. 1 team for a national-record 33 straight polls (including two pre-season polls) and was ranked in the AP Top 10 for a school-record 63 consecutive games.

Also under Carroll, USC is the first school to have three Heisman Trophy winners in a four-year span. Carroll has produced 33 All-American first teamers and 53 NFL draft picks (including 14 first rounders, with a No. 1 selection in Carson Palmer and a No. 2 in Reggie Bush). His USC program had the nation's most draftees in 2006, 2008 and 2009. His last seven recruiting classes have been ranked in the Top 10 nationally (including first five times by some experts). In 2009, he was named Coach of the Decade by Lindy's.

USC posted a 12-1 record in 2008 and for a record seventh consecutive year won a Pac-10 title (going 8-1), advanced to a BCS bowl (a fourth consecutive Rose Bowl) and won 12 games. Troy beat Penn State, 38-24, to become the first team to win three straight Rose Bowls. In the polls, the Trojans finished ranked second by USA Today and third by AP. USC ranked in the Top 20 in almost every national offensive and defensive statistical category, including first in scoring defense (at 9.8, its finest in 41 years), pass defense (at 134.4, its best in 31 years) and pass efficiency defense and second in total defense (at 221.8, its best in 41 years). USC surrendered just 14 touchdowns in 2008. Linebackers Rey Mualuga (the Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Year and USC's first-ever Bednarik Award winner) and Brian Cushing and safety Taylor Mays were named All-American first teamers. Carroll was among 9 finalists for the 2008 Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award. In the 2008 pre-season, he was picked as the nation's top head coach by CBSsports.com.

Individual Statistical Leaders

NOTRE DAME

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Armando Allen	71	386	5.1	3
Robert Hughes	30	159	5.3	2
Passing	Comp.	Att.	Yds.	TD/Int.
Jimmy Clausen	100	148	1544	12/2
Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Golden Tate	33	602	18.2	4
Kyle Rudolph	21	267	12.7	3
Michael Floyd	13	358	27.5	5
Punting	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
Eric Maust	14	557	39.8	49
Punt Returns	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
Golden Tate	4	37	9.2	23
KO Returns	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
Theo Riddick	16	378	23.6	38
Barry Gallup	3	95	31.7	52
Scoring	TD	FG	PAT	Total
Nick Tausch	0	10	15	45
Michael Floyd	5	0	0	30
Golden Tate	5	0	0	30
Armando Allen	3	0	*1	20
Tackles	UT-AT	TT	TFL	Other
Kyle McCarthy	32-17	49	1.0-1	3int, 3PBU
Harrison Smith	18-14	32	1.5-2	--
Brian Smith	18-8	26	4.0-20	1.0sk
Robert Blanton	13-9	22	0.0-0	1int
USC				
Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Joe McKnight	67	473	7.1	6
Allen Bradford	28	183	6.5	1
Passing	Comp.	Att.	Yds.	TD/Int.
Matt Barkley	63	107	958	3/2
Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Damian Williams	24	359	15.0	1
Stanley Havili	13	188	14.5	0
Joe McKnight	11	93	8.5	0
Punting	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
Billy O'Malley	15	560	37.3	53
Punt Returns	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
Damian Williams	12	198	16.5	66
KO Returns	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
C.J. Gable	6	139	23.2	27
Stafon Johnson	3	39	13.0	16
Scoring	TD	FG	PAT	Total
Joe McKnight	6	0	1*	38
Jordan Congdon	0	6	15	33
Stafon Johnson	5	0	0	30
Damian Williams	2	0	0	12
Tackles	UT-AT	TT	TFL	Other
Chris Galippo	16-16	32	5.0-10	1.5sk, 1int
Taylor Mays	14-14	28	--	1int
Michael Morgan	14-11	25	9.5-31	4.0sk
Will Harris	12-6	18	1.0-2	2PBU

A QUICK LOOK AT THE TROJANS TWO WEEKS AGO

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) -- With every punishing run, defensive stop or other big play in Southern California's latest dominating victory, the Trojans sent a message back home to Stafon Johnson on his hospital bed.

"We were talking about him, before and after. He was a big motivator for us, and we might go see him later tonight, I'm not sure," freshman quarterback Matt Barkley said. "Stafon knew we were on a mission tonight. I'm proud of our guys and how we played."

Joe McKnight ran for 119 yards and two scores, Taylor Mays and the defense shut down Jahvid Best and No. 7 USC re-established itself as a national contender with a 30-3 victory over No. 24 California on Saturday night.

The win capped an emotional week for the Trojans (4-1, 2-1 Pac-10) that started with a frightening weight-room accident that sent Johnson to the emergency room with a crushed larynx and throat after a weight bar fell on his neck. With Johnson watching from his hospital room, his teammates delivered against Cal.

"Stafon is a leader and a big brother in the [locker] room, so I wanted to come out and win the game for him," McKnight said. "We were thinking about him the whole time tonight, and we know he was liking what he saw back home."

Damian Williams caught eight passes for 101 yards and also returned a punt 66 yards for a score, and Jordan Congdon kicked three field goals to give USC its second straight win following a 16-13 loss at Washington two weeks ago.

Mays set the tone with an interception on the first drive of the game for Cal (3-2, 0-2), and the defense kept it up all game, not allowing a point until the fourth quarter for the second straight week.

"That's how we play," Mays said. "We know what we have in the locker room, and we've been playing close to our potential for the last few weeks."

With the defense playing this well, the Trojans are making it easy on freshman quarterback Matt Barkley. Barkley was inconsistent in this game, completing 20 of 35 passes for 283 yards and an interception. He moved the ball down the field with ease but struggled to punch the ball into the end zone.

"If our defense is playing like that, then we don't need a whole lot of offense," Barkley said. "I thought we executed well when we had to."

The Trojans had the answer for whatever trick Cal coach Jeff Tedford tried. Best had five runs off direct snaps in Cal's version of the wildcat and the Bears went for it twice on fourth down. But with a passing game that can't click, there is no room to run for Best and no production for a Cal team that was held out of the end zone at home for the first time since 1998.

"We had a chance to make plays in the passing game and didn't do a good job of it," Tedford said. "We can't be one-dimensional. We're going to have to be able to throw the football to be successful. We were zero-dimensional today because we couldn't run it and we couldn't throw it."

Even trick plays didn't work. In the third quarter, Cal came out of a timeout with Shane Vereen standing next to its sideline, just on the field of play. With no defender near him, Vereen went out for a pass, but instead of a big play, Kevin Riley threw high for an incompleteness. The next play was a screen pass that left tackle Mike Tepper caught for an illegal touch penalty.

That was the kind of day it was for Riley, who was 15 for 40 for 199 yards and an interception in his second straight sub-par performance. He was just 12 for 31 for 123 yards in last week's 42-3 loss at Oregon.

Riley's interception in the end zone on the opening drive was his first of the year. Six plays later, McKnight dove into the end zone at

the end of his long run. Williams' 66-yard punt return made it 17-0 in the second quarter and the rout was on. Williams caught eight passes for 101 yards.

After scoring 146 points in its first three games, Cal has just six the past two weeks. Cal has failed to score a touchdown just three times in eight years under Tedford, with two of them coming the past two weeks. The other was against USC in 2007, the last time Cal lost at home before Saturday.

Even the speedy Best couldn't get going against the Trojans. On one play in the first half, he was chased down by Mays for no gain on a third-and-2 run.

2009 USC RESULTS (4-1 OVERALL, 2-1 PAC-10)

Sept. 5	vs. San Jose State	W	56-3
Sept. 12	at Ohio State	W	18-15
Sept. 19	at Washington*	L	16-13
Sept. 26	vs. Washington State*	W	27-6
Oct. 3	at California*	W	30-3
Oct. 17	at Notre Dame		12:30 p.m. PT
Oct. 24	vs. Oregon State*		5:00 p.m. PT
Oct. 31	at Oregon*		5:00 p.m. PT
Nov. 7	at Arizona State*		5:00 p.m. PT
Nov. 14	vs. Stanford*		TBA
Nov. 28	vs. UCLA*		7:00 p.m. PT
Dec. 5	vs. Arizona*		12:30 PT

*Pac-10 conference games

Notre Dame vs. Pac-10 Schools

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
Arizona	2	1	0	.667
Arizona State	2	0	0	1.000
California	4	0	0	1.000
Oregon	1	0	1	.750
Oregon State	0	2	0	.000
Stanford	17	6	0	.739
UCLA	4	0	0	1.000
USC	42	33	5	.556
Washington	8	0	0	1.000
Washington State	1	0	0	1.000
TOTALS	81	42	6	.651

NOTRE DAME VS. PAC-10

► Notre Dame is 81-42-6 (.651) all-time against teams from the Pac-10 Conference. USC represents the second of four Pac-10 opponents for the Irish this season. Notre Dame already defeated Washington, 37-30, in overtime on Oct. 3 and faces Washington State on Oct. 31 and Stanford on Nov. 28.

► The 129 games against Pac-10 teams is the second-most for the Irish against any conference. The Big Ten Conference (348) represents the most games played against Notre Dame and the ACC ranks third (108).

► Notre Dame has a winning series record against nine of the Pac-10 teams. Most of those games (81) have come versus USC (42-33-5), while 23 other matchups have come against Stanford (17-6).

► Notre Dame has played a handful of games versus California (4-0), Washington (8-0), UCLA (4-0), Arizona (2-1), Arizona State (2-0), Oregon (1-0-1) and Oregon State (0-2). Notre Dame played its first-ever game against Washington State in 2003, downing the Cougars, 29-26, in overtime.

► Notre Dame has posted a 46-15-1 (.750) record against Pac-10 opponents at home.

NOTRE DAME - USC SERIES HISTORY

- ▶ This rivalry began in 1926, when legendary Irish head coach Knute Rockne became the first Midwestern coach to take a team to the West Coast (Notre Dame won that game, 13-12) and the teams have meet every season since (taking 1943-45 off due to travel restrictions during World War II).
- ▶ Notre Dame has won eight Associated Press national titles while USC has won five.
- ▶ The Irish have been selected as a national champion by at least one legitimate poll in 19 seasons; USC lists 17 such campaigns.
- ▶ Notre Dame began the 2009 season second on the all-time winning percentage list and third in total victories. USC was not far behind in seventh and 10th place, respectively.
- ▶ Instantly recognizable coaches have stalked the sidelines for each team: Knute Rockne, Frank Leahy, Ara Parseghian, Dan Devine, Lou Holtz and Charlie Weis for Notre Dame and Howard Jones, John McKay, John Robinson and Pete Carroll for USC.

NOTRE DAME - USC SERIES NOTES

- ▶ Notre Dame and USC will be meeting for the 81st time. The Irish lead the all-time series 42-33-5 overall and own a 23-12-1 advantage in games played in Notre Dame. The teams have met twice at a neutral site (Soldier Field in Chicago) in 1927 and 1929.
- ▶ Notre Dame's 42 wins over USC are the most for any Trojan opponent. California is second with 30 wins over USC.
- ▶ The Irish compiled an unbeaten streak of 13 games against USC from 1983-1995. The Irish won 11 straight games from 1983-93, but a 17-17 tie in 1994 (at USC) ended the streak. Notre Dame won in 1995 and a Trojan 27-20 overtime victory in 1996 (Lou Holtz's final game as Irish coach) ended the 13-game unbeaten run.
- ▶ From 1965 to 1982, either Notre Dame or USC was ranked in the top 20 entering the game. In fact, both teams were ranked in the top 20 in each series meeting from 1972-79. In that eight-year span, USC compiled a 6-2 record, but the two Notre Dame victories (1973, 1977) marked national championship seasons for the Irish.
- ▶ It's not unheard of that a national title be at stake for one of the combatants in this rivalry. Seven times Notre Dame has entered the game at USC with a shot at a national crown, only to be defeated (1938, 1948, 1964, 1970, 1974, 1980 and 2006) and an eighth chance was damaged by a tie in 1948. Notre Dame has ruined USC's national title dreams three times: 1947 (38-7), 1952 (9-0) and 1988 (27-10).
- ▶ USC's current seven-game win streak against Notre Dame is the longest by the Trojans in the series. The Trojans' won five straight from 1978-1982.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 9-4 in its last 13 games against USC in Notre Dame Stadium. The Trojans' victories in that span came in 1997 (20-17), 2003 (45-14), 2005 (34-31) and 2007 (38-0). USC has entered the game at Notre Dame ranked no worse than 13th in the country over the last three meetings. Some notable Irish wins during that 13-game run:
 - ▶ 28-24 victory over #9 USC in 1989 (Irish ranked #1 at the time)
 - ▶ 38-10 victory over #5 USC in 1995 (Irish ranked #17 at the time)
 - ▶ 25-24 victory in 1999 (USC led 24-3 before a furious comeback gave Notre Dame the victory)
- ▶ At least one team has been ranked in the AP Top 25 in 62 of the 70 (.886) meetings since 1936 (the first season of AP national rankings), while both teams have been ranked a total of 29 times.
- ▶ This will be the 18th time USC has traveled to South Bend ranked in the top 10. The Irish are 8-8-1 all-time in those games, including a pair of victories when Notre Dame was unranked (1959, 1963).
- ▶ Notre Dame is 9-17-3 when it is ranked lower than USC.
- ▶ Since 1965, the ND-USC game has been nationally televised on 36 occasions (including the 2009 game).

A RECORD-SETTING SERIES

- ▶ Four of the top rushing games in Notre Dame history have come against USC: Reggie Brooks' 227 yards at USC in 1992 (4th place; 19 carries, 11.9 avg., 3 TDs); Vagas Ferguson's 185 yards at home in 1979 (18th; 25 carries, 7.4 avg., 2 TDs); Jim Morse's 179 yards at home in 1954 (23rd; 19 carries, 9.4 avg., 1 TD); and Jerome Bettis' 178 yards at home in 1991 (25th; 24 carries, 7.4 avg., 2 TDs).
- ▶ The following rank first in the Irish record book and occurred during the USC series: Bob Livingstone's 92-yard run from scrimmage in 1947; Coy McGee's 24.4 rushing yards per attempt in 1946 (6 for 146); Joe Theismann's 33 pass completions (tied with Brady Quinn's effort against Michigan State, 2005); Theismann's 526 passing yards and 512 yards of total offense in 1970; and Tim Brown's 30.6 yards per kick return in 1986 (5 for 153).
- ▶ Steve Beuerlein's four TD passes against USC in 1986 are tied for fifth in the Irish record book.
- ▶ Lee Becton's record six consecutive games with 100-plus rushing yards included a game against USC in 1993 (the third game of that string).
- ▶ Reggie Brooks had two 200+ rushing yards games in the same season, in 1992 vs. Purdue and USC (second most in a single-season).
- ▶ Thesimann's 71 total offense attempts and 58 pass attempts vs. USC in 1970 rank second and fourth, respectively, in the Irish record book.
- ▶ Notre Dame returned two interceptions for TDs vs. USC in 1966, which remains tied for the Irish record.
- ▶ Notre Dame's 19 passing first downs in the 1970 USC game ranks second best all-time.
- ▶ In addition to Livingstone's above run, some of the longest plays in Irish history have come vs. USC: Joe Heap's 94-yard punt return in 1953 (4th); Eric Penick's 85-yard rush in 1973 (t-4th), Joe Perkowski's 49-yard FG in 1961 (t-9th); Bob Scarpitto's 82-yard punt return in 1958 (10th); a 78-yard pass play from Paul Hornung to Morse in 1955 (12th); Wally Fronhart's 82-yard interception return in 1935 (t-10th); and Hornung's 95-yard kickoff return in 1956 (t-14th).
- ▶ Notre Dame players own or share several USC opponent records: John Lattner (1953) and Larry Conjar's (1965) 24 points are tied with four others; John Lattner and Larry Conjar's four touchdowns in 1953 and 1965, respectively, are tied with four others; Joe Theismann's 526 yards passing and 512 yards of total offense in 1970; Steve Beuerlein's four touchdown passes in 1986 are tied with three others; and Bob Livingstone's 92-yard run from scrimmage in 1947.
- ▶ Notre Dame also owns or shares several USC opponent team records: 51 point (51-0) margin of victory in 1966; seven touchdowns scored in 1953 and 1966 is tied with one other team; 517 yards rushing in 1946; 526 yards passing in 1970; 623 total yards in 1946; and four touchdown passes in 1986 is tied with five others.
- ▶ USC players own several Notre Dame opponent records: Charles White's 44 rushing attempts in 1979 and 120 career rushing attempts from 1976-79; Carson Palmer's 425 yards passing in 2002; Matt Leinart's five touchdown passes in 2004 (tied) and nine career touchdown passes; R. Jay Soward's 23 career receptions; Anthony Davis' six TDs and 36 points in 1972 (both are USC records and tied for Pac-10 records), in addition to 11 career TDs and 68 career points from 1972-74; John Jackson's 14 receptions in 1989 is tied with two others; Dwayne Jarrett's three touchdown receptions in 2006 is tied with three others, his five career touchdown catches and 335 career receiving yards stand alone; Eric Hipp's six extra points in 1979; Don Schafer's 60-yard FG in 1986 (USC record); Adrian Young's four INTs in 1967 (also the USC record and tied for Pac-10 record); Anthony Davis' 100-yard kickoff return is tied with three others; and Vern Lillywhite's 83-yard punt in 1946.

Top Notre Dame Performances Against USC

INDIVIDUAL

Rushing Yards

Reggie Brooks, 19-227, 3 TD; 11.28.1992

Passing Yards

Joe Theismann, 33-58-526, 2 TD; 11.28.1970

Receptions

Tom Gatewood, 10-128; 11.28.1970

Receiving Yards

Jim Morse, 5-208, 1 TD; 11.26.1955

Points Kicking

John Carney, 13 (4 XP, 3 FG); 10.26.1985

Kickoff Return Yards

Jim Stone, 4-122; 10.20.1979

Punt Return Yards

Tom Zbikowski, 5-107; 11.25.06

Touchdowns

Reggie Brooks, 3 TD (3 rushing); 11.28.1992

Tackles

Bob Crable, 18 tackles; 10.20.1979

Greg Collins, 18 tackles; 10.27.1973

Interceptions

Ralph Stepaniak, 2-0; 10.23.1971

Luther Bradley, 2-0; 10.27.1973

Rick Naylor, 2-24; 10.22.1983

Lyron Cobbins, 2-47; 10.21.1995

TEAM

Points Scored

51 (W 51-0); 1966 in Los Angeles

Points Scored (quarter)

19 (L 25-27); 1978 (fourth) in Los Angeles

Points Scored (half)

31 (W 51-0); 1966 (first) in Los Angeles

Points Allowed

55 (L 24-55); 1974 in Los Angeles

Points Allowed (quarter)

35 (L 24-55); 1974 (third) in Los Angeles

Points Allowed (half)

49 (L 24-55); 1974 (second) in Los Angeles

► USC's 425 passing yards in 2002 and five touchdown passes in 2002 are Irish opponent records.

NOTRE DAME AND THE GOLDEN STATE

► Notre Dame owns a 69-39-5 (.633) all-time record against schools from the Golden State, last playing a California school (USC) in the last regular season game of 2008 (a 38-3 defeat). Irish series records vs. teams from California include a 4-0 mark vs. Cal, 1-0 vs. Pacific, 1-0 vs. San Diego State, 17-6 vs. Stanford, 4-0 vs. UCLA and 42-33-5 vs. USC.

► Notre Dame's all-time varsity football roster includes just over 2,700 players who have appeared in at least one career game, with 129 of those hailing from the state of California.

► Notre Dame's all-time California natives include 33 offensive linemen, 22 quarterbacks, 17 defensive ends, 10 linebackers, nine fullbacks, eight running backs, eight wide receivers, seven defensive backs, six tight ends, four kickers, two safeties, two defensive tackles and one center.

► Those players include 11 from Los Angeles, five from Santa Ana, four from Long Beach, four from San Francisco, three from San Diego, three from San Jose, three from Santa Barbara, two from Pasadena, three from Hollywood, three from Concord, two from Santa Rosa, two from Oakland, two from Santa Maria, two from Huntington Beach, two from Carson, two from Downey, two from Arcadia, two from Anaheim, two from Sacramento, two from Hacienda Heights and one each from 67 other cities.

► The 2009 Notre Dame roster includes eight California natives, with the six scholarship members of that group dispersed fairly evenly among each class: one senior, two sophomores and three freshmen ... that group is headlined by junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** (Westlake Village/Oaks Christian H.S.), sophomore QB **Dayne Crist** (Sherman Oaks/Notre Dame H.S.) and freshman WR **Shaquille Evans** (Inglewood/Inglewood H.S.) ... other veteran Irish players who hail from California include junior OT **Taylor Dever** (Grass Valley/Nevada Union H.S.), sophomore OL **Mike Hernandez** (Los Angeles/Loyola H.S.), sophomore LB **Anthony McDonald** (Sherman Oaks/Notre Dame H.S.), sophomore QB **Matthew Mulvey** (Del Mar/LaJolla H.S.) and freshman RB **Cierre Wood** (Oxnard/Santa Clara H.S.).

► Six of Notre Dame's more noteworthy all-time players from California include 1964 Heisman Trophy winner and quarterback John Huarte (Santa Ana) plus five other consensus All-Americans: Nick Eddy (Lafayette, 1964-66), offensive back George Kuntz (Arcadia, 1966-68), split end Jack Snow (Long Beach, 1962-64), offensive tackle Aaron Taylor (Concord, 1992-94) and defensive back Shane Walton (San Diego, 1999-2002).

► Other All-Americans from the state of California include defensive tackle Kevin Hardy (Oakland, 1967) and offensive tackle Mike Shiner (Sunnyvale, 1983).

NOTRE DAME - USC CONNECTIONS

► The winner of the game keeps a shillelagh (presented by the Notre Dame Club of Los Angeles), with shamrocks representing Notre Dame victories and ruby Trojan heads standing for USC wins (each is engraved with the year and final score). The original foot-long shillelagh was flown from Ireland by Howard Hughes' pilot, according to legend, and was introduced in 1952 (although the medallions date back to the start of the series in 1926). When the original shillelagh ran out of space after the 1989 game, it was retired and is permanently displayed at Notre Dame. A new shillelagh, slightly larger than the original, was commissioned by Jim Gillis, a former baseball player at both USC and Notre Dame and one-time president of the Notre Dame Club of Los Angeles. The new trophy was handcrafted in 1997 in County Leitrim, Ireland, and contains medallions beginning with the 1990 game.

► Notre Dame women's volleyball head coach Debbie Brown was twice named the national player of the year while helping USC win the 1976 and 1977 national championship in women's volleyball.

► Notre Dame's roster features eight players from the state of California. USC's roster does not have a player from Indiana.

► Notre Dame head coach Charlie Weis (15 years) and USC head coach Pete Carroll (16 years) each spent much of their career in the NFL ranks. Weis coached with the New York Giants, New England Patriots and New York Jets, while Carroll worked with the Buffalo Bills, Minnesota Vikings, New York Jets and New England Patriots.

► While each spent time with the Jets (Weis three years, Carroll five years) and Patriots (Weis a total of nine years over two stints, Carroll three years), the two never worked on the same staff.

► The two did face one another on a total of 11 occasions through their respective tenures in the NFL.

► Sophomore LB Anthony McDonald's father, Mike, played at USC and was a long snapper for the L.A. Rams in the NFL.

Notre Dame	High School/Hometown	USC
Dayne Crist, QB	Notre Dame H.S.	Garrett Green, QB/WR
Anthony McDonald, LB		Shane Horton, S
		Wes Horton, DE
Jimmy Clausen, QB	Oaks Christian H.S.	Marshall Jones, S
		Marc Tyler, RB
Robby Parris, WR	St. Ignatius H.S.	Billy O'Malley, P
John Ryan, LB		
Chris Gurries, WR	Reno, Nev.	Steve Blackhart, WR
		Boomer Roepeke, P/CB
Shaquille Evans, WR	Inglewood, Calif.	DaJohn Harris, DT
Manti Te'o, LB	Punahou H.S.	Abe Markowitz, C
Roby Toma, WR		
Mike Hernandez, OL	Loyola H.S.	Hunter Simmons, FB

Head-to-Head Statistical Comparison						
NOTRE DAME				USC		
#	NCAA	Category		Category	NCAA	#
32.60	27th	Scoring Offense	vs.	Scoring Defense	4th	8.60
470.00	10th	Total Offense	vs.	Total Defense	6th	238.60
148.00	60th	Rushing Offense	vs.	Rushing Defense	5th	64.80
322.00	8th	Passing Offense	vs.	Passing Defense	25th	173.80
172.51	1st	Passing Efficiency Off.	vs.	Passing Efficiency Def.	8th	90.01
23.80	59th	Scoring Defense	vs.	Scoring Offense	53rd	28.80
403.20	100th	Total Defense	vs.	Total Offense	22nd	430.60
139.60	68th	Rushing Defense	vs.	Rushing Offense	17th	208.00
263.60	110th	Passing Defense	vs.	Passing Offense	57th	222.60
131.71	80th	Passing Efficiency Def.	vs.	Passing Efficiency Off.	49th	134.84
34.19	86th	Net Punting	vs.	Net Punting	42nd	37.05
11.00	37th	Punt Returns	vs.	Punt Returns	12th	16.62
24.89	26th	Kickoff Returns	vs.	Kickoff Returns	87th	20.33
0.80	26th	Turnover Margin	vs.	Turnover Margin	73rd	-0.20
1.80	68th	Sacks	vs.	Sacks Allowed	32nd	1.20
1.80	62nd	Sacks Allowed	vs.	Sacks	1st	4.20

Career Stats
vs. USC

JAMES ALDRIDGE

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2006	2	0	0	1	0.0	0.0
2008	12	58	0	16	4.8	58.0
Total	14	58	0	16	4.1	29.0

ARMANDO ALLEN

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2007	11	58	0	11	5.3	58.0
2008	4	7	0	8	1.8	7.0
Total	15	65	0	11	4.3	32.5

rec yds td long rec/g avg/c avg/g

2007	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2008	3	3	0	5	3.0	1.0	3.0
Total	3	3	0	5	1.5	1.0	1.5

Kick Returns no. yds td long avg/r avg/g

2007	3	72	0	33	24.0	72.0
2008	2	52	0	27	26.0	52.0
Total	5	124	0	33	24.8	62.0

All Purpose rush rcv pr kr ir total avg/g

2007	58	0	0	72	0	130	130.0
2008	7	3	0	52	0	62	62.0
Total	65	3	0	124	0	192	96.0

MIKE ANELLO

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	1	1	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	1	0	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	3	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

ROBERT BLANTON

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	7	0	7	1.0-7	1	0	0	0

Interceptions no yds td long avg/r avg/g

2008	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
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SERGIO BROWN

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	2	0	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	3	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

JIMMY CLAUSEN

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2008	6	-22	0	7	-3.7	-22.0

c-a-i yds td long pct avg/p avg/g effic

2008	11-22-2	41	0	11	50.0	1.9	41.0	47.5
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GARY GRAY

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	5	0	5	0.0-0	1	0	0	0

Interceptions no yds td long avg/r avg/g

2008	1	24	0	24	24.0	24.0
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RAY HERRING

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2005	1	0	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2006	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	1	0	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	0	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

ROBERT HUGHES

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2007	4	3	0	4	0.8	3.0
2008	5	7	0	3	1.4	7.0
Total	9	10	0	4	1.1	5.0

rec yds td long rec/g avg/c avg/g

2007	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2008	3	9	0	11	3.0	3.0	9.0
Total	3	9	0	11	1.5	3.0	4.5

ETHAN JOHNSON

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	5	0	5	1.0-7	0	0	0	0

Sacks ua a total yds

2008	1	0	1	7
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DUVAL KAMARA

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2007	4	33	0	11	4.0	8.2	33.0
2008	1	7	0	7	1.0	7.0	7.0
Total	5	40	0	11	2.5	8.0	20.0

ERIC MAUST

	no	yds	long	avg
2008	8	323	54	40.4

KYLE MCCARTHY

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	2	1	3	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	4	3	7	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
Total	6	4	10	0.0-0	1	0	0	0

Interceptions no yds td long avg/r avg/g

2008	1	8	0	8	8.0	8.0
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KERRY NEAL

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	1	2	3	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	3	4	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

ROBBY PARRIS

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2007	3	15	0	6	3.0	5.0	15.0

JOHN RYAN

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	2	2	4	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	2	4	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

EVAN SHARPLEY

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2007	8	-31	0	9	-3.9	-31.0

c-a-i yds td long pct avg/p avg/g effic

2007	17-33-1	117	0	22	51.5	3.5	117.0	75.2
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HARRISON SMITH

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	3	0	3	0.0-0	1	0	0	0

SCOTT SMITH

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
2008	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0

GOLDEN TATE

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2007	1	22	0	22	1.0	22.0	2.0
2008	2	15	0	8	2.0	7.5	15.0
Total	3	37	0	30	1.5	12.3	18.5

Kick Returns no. yds td long avg/r avg/g

2008	1	18	0	18	18.0	18.0
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All Purpose rush rcv pr kr ir total avg/g

2007	0	22	0	0	0	22	22.0
2008	0	15	0	18	0	33	33.0
Total	0	37	0	18	0	55	27.5

GEORGE WEST

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2006	2	14	0	9	2.0	7.0	14.0
2007	1	6	0	6	1.0	6.0	6.0
Total	3	20	0	9	1.5	6.7	10.0

IAN WILLIAMS

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	2	1	3	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
Total	2	1	3	0.0-0	1	0	0	0

Scoring
Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4		Score	
Notre Dame	0	0	0	3	-	3	Record: (6-6)
USC	7	17	7	7	-	38	Record: (10-1)

First Quarter

4:06 USC Johnson 2 yd run (Buehler kick), 12-79 7:11

Second Quarter

9:05 USC McKnight 55 yd run (Buehler kick), 1-55 0:10
 4:38 USC Williams 12 yd pass from Sanchez (Buehler kick), 5-67 2:33
 0:24 USC Buehler 35 yd field goal, 8-32 2:09

Third Quarter

5:03 USC Gable 1 yd run (Buehler kick), 6-44 2:37

Fourth Quarter

11:45 ND Walker, B. 41 yd field goal, 9-51 3:51
 7:57 USC Turner 17 yd pass from Sanchez (Buehler kick), 9-84 3:41

	ND	USC
FIRST DOWNS	4	22
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	27-50	33-175
PASSING YDS (NET)	41	274
Passes Att-Comp-Int	22-11-2	33-23-3
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	49-91	66-449
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	6-24
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-70	2-22
Interception Returns-Yards	3-32	2-2
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-40.4	4-32.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	2-22	8-80
Possession Time	25:59	34:01
Third-Down Conversions	2 of 14	5 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-0	5-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-15	4-29

RUSHING: Notre Dame-Aldridge 12-58; Allen 4-7; Hughes 5-7; Clausen 6-minus 22. USC-McKnight 4-63; Tyler 7-58; Gable 10-27; Johnson, S. 5-26; Sanchez 5-2; Johnson, R. 1-0; Team 1-minus 1.

PASSING: Notre Dame-Clausen 11-22-2-41. USC-Sanchez 22-31-2-267; Mustain 1-2-1-7.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Hughes 3-9; Allen 3-3; Tate 2-15; Kamara 1-7; Rudolph 1-4; Schwapp 1-3. USC-Williams 7-86; Turner 6-83; McKnight 3-0; McCoy 2-26; Johnson, R. 2-24; Havili 1-39; Johnson, S. 1-9; Carswell 1-7.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-Gray 1-24; McCarthy, K. 1-8; Blanton 1-0. USC-Maiava 1-2; Harris 1-0.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-Aldridge 1-1. USC-Sanchez 1-0.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-Crum 1-0; Johnson 1-0. USC-Moala 1-1; Matthews 0-1; Moore 1-0; Morgan 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-Blanton 7-0; McCarthy, K. 4-3; Johnson 5-0; Gray, G. 5-0; Bruton 4-1; McNeil 3-1; Brown, J. 3-0; Smith, H. 3-0; Kuntz 3-0; Smith, T. 2-1; Williams, I. 2-1; Brown, S. 2-0; Quinn 2-0; Grimes 1-0; Crum 1-0; Team 1-0; Anello 1-0; Olsen 1-0; Maust 1-0; Herring 1-0; Cwynar 0-1; Smith, K. 0-1; Neal 0-1. USC-Maiava 5-0; Cushing 3-0; Casey 3-0; McAllister 3-0; Moore 3-0; Morgan 3-0; Matthews 2-1; Moala 2-1; Pinkard 2-1; Mays 2-0; Tupou 2-0; Thomas 2-0; Maua 1-1; Harris 1-0; Jones 1-0; Washington 1-0; Smith 1-0; Griffen 1-0; Brown 1-0; Turner 1-0; Green 1-0; Carswell 1-0.

Stadium: LA Memorial Coliseum **Attendance:** 90689

Kickoff time: 5:02 **End of Game:** 8:02 **Total elapsed time:** 3:00

Officials: Jerry McGinn; Umpire: Ronald Kumiega; Linesman: M. Fitzgerald; Line judge: Tod Reese; Back judge: James Downey; Field judge: James Smith; Side judge: Bruce Williams

Temperature: 64 **Wind:** WNW 4 **Weather:** Clear

The Last Meeting
#5 USC 38, Notre Dame 3
Oct. 25, 2008

SEATTLE (AP) -- Mark Sanchez passed for 267 yards and two touchdowns, USC's hard-hitting defense was in full form, and the fifth-ranked Trojans rolled to a 38-3 victory over the Irish.

USC finished with 22 first downs and 449 yards of total offense while Notre Dame had four first downs and 91 yards. The Trojans have allowed 10 touchdowns and an NCAA low 7.8 points per game this season.

By winning their eighth straight game, the Trojans kept their national championship hopes alive and, at the very least, put themselves in position to play in their fourth straight Rose Bowl game.

With No. 17 Oregon State's 65-38 loss to No. 19 Oregon earlier Saturday, USC (10-1, 7-1 Pac-10) needs only to beat crosstown rival UCLA (4-7, 3-5) next weekend to win its seventh straight conference title and set up a New Year's date in Pasadena with No. 6 Penn State, the Big Ten champion.

The Trojans are now 27-0 in November games under coach Pete Carroll.

Notre Dame (6-6) is still bowl eligible despite the loss.

Sanchez completed 22-of-31 passes with two interceptions. Damian Williams had seven receptions for 86 yards and Patrick Turner caught six for 83 yards. Joe McKnight gained 63 yards on four carries.

Notre Dame's Jimmy Clausen, who grew up in nearby Westlake Village, completed 11-of-22 passes for 41 yards with two interceptions and was sacked four times.

The Trojans took a 7-0 lead on their second possession, scoring on a 2-yard run by Stafon Johnson to cap a 79-yard drive for the first touchdown allowed by the Irish in the opening quarter since Sept. 27.

USC scored on its last three possessions of the second quarter to make it 24-0 at halftime.

McKnight ran 55 yards on the first play after an interception by Kaluka Maiava, and Sanchez threw a 12-yard scoring pass to Williams to cap a 67-yard drive. David Buehler added a 35-yard field goal with 24 seconds left in the half.

C.J. Gable's 1-yard run with 5:03 left in the third quarter capped a 44-yard drive and made it 31-0.

The Irish crossed midfield for the first time on the second play of the fourth quarter, and got as far as the USC 23 before Brandon Walker kicked a 41-yard field goal to prevent USC from recording its fourth shutout of the year. Sanchez then threw a 17-yard touchdown pass to Turner.

**The Last Meeting in Notre Dame
#13 USC 38, Notre Dame 0
Oct. 20, 2007**

NOTRE DAME, Ind. (AP) -- Mark Sanchez threw four touchdown passes - two on short drives after miscues by the Fighting Irish - and No. 13 USC beat the Fighting Irish 38-0 Saturday, the largest margin of victory for the Trojans' in the 79-game history of the storied rivalry.

Notre Dame can still claim the most-lopsided victory in the history of the series, a 51-0 win over the Trojans in 1966.

The Irish also lost 38-0 to Michigan earlier this season. The two 38-point losses are tied for the eighth worst losses in Notre Dame history.

Sanchez threw TD passes of 10, 8, 5 and 48 yards and the Trojans won their sixth straight over the Irish, the longest streak for USC against Notre Dame. The Irish won 11 straight from 1983-93.

USC (6-1), coming off three lackluster games - including a stunning 24-23 loss to Stanford - started slowly, but got rolling when a punt by Notre Dame's Geoff Price struck teammate Munir Prince and USC's Vincent Joseph recovered at the Irish 10. The Trojans scored on the next play on a pass from Sanchez to Fred Davis.

The loss ensures Notre Dame its 13th losing season since it started playing football in 1887, and its fourth losing season since 1999. It also is the fourth straight home loss, tying a school record.

The game was competitive for a while. The Trojans, who got back many players who had been out with injuries, didn't go ahead 14-0 until Allen Bradford caught an 8-yard TD pass with 3:55 left in the second quarter. The Trojans went ahead 17-0 with 11 seconds left in the half on a 30-yard field goal by David Buehler.

USC quickly turned it into a blowout in the second half after Travis Thomas fumbled on the Notre Dame 13. Sanchez threw a 5-yard scoring pass to Stanley Havili.

Vidal Hazelton scored a 48-yard touchdown, catching the pass from Sanchez at the 30-yard line and breaking three tackles en route to the end zone. Joe McKnight scored on a 51-yard run in the fourth quarter.

The game was a stark contrast to the classic two years ago when top-ranked USC beat ninth-ranked Notre Dame 34-31 in the closing seconds as the teams traded great plays in the final minutes.

The closest Notre Dame came to scoring came in the second quarter when David Bruton caught the ball off Woidneck's foot at the USC 29. The Irish managed only 6 yards on the drive and Brandon Walker's 40-yard field goal attempt was blocked by Clay Matthews.

The Irish were held to 48 yards rushing on 30 carries, although those stats were slightly skewed because Evan Sharpley was sacked five times for a loss of 36 yards. The Irish have now given up a school record 39 sacks -- one more than in 2002 -- and still have four games left to play.

Sanchez, making his second start for the injured John David Booty, got off to a bit of a shaky start as he had to call timeout twice during the first four plays because of confusion. But he showed his calm even when things didn't go well and was 21-of-38 passing for 235 yards with no interceptions or sacks.

Sharpley, making his first start in place of freshman Jimmy Clausen, was 17-of-33 passing for 117 yards.

USC had 462 yards total offense compared with 165 yards for Notre Dame. The Trojans, who have been struggling with injuries, got back several key players who had missed time, including tailback Stafon Johnson, who rushed for 47 yards on eight carries.

The Irish wore green jerseys and yellow pants that were replicas of what the 1977 wore when 11th-ranked Notre Dame, with Charlie Weis in the stands as a college senior, warmed up in blue then came out for the game in the brightly colored garb and upset No. 5 USC 49-19. The Irish continued to wear the uniforms the rest of the season en route to winning the national championship.

**Scoring
Summary**

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4		Score	
USC	7	10	14	7	--	38	Record: (6-1)
Notre Dame	0	0	0	0	--	0	Record: (1-7)

First Quarter

3:40 USC Davis 10 yd pass from Sanchez (Buehler kick), 1-10 0:03

Second Quarter

3:55 USC Bradford 8 yd pass from Sanchez (Buehler kick), 10-79 5:00

0:11 USC Buehler 30 yd field goal, 9-57 1:21

Third Quarter

12:56 USC Havili 5 yd pass from Sanchez (Buehler kick), 3-13 1:06

8:48 USC Hazelton 48 yd pass from Sanchez (Buehler kick), 3-55 1:45

Fourth Quarter

10:57 USC McKnight 51 yd run (Buehler kick), 2-67 0:30

	USC	ND
FIRST DOWNS	24	10
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	36-227	30-48
PASSING YDS (NET)	235	117
Passes Att-Comp-Int	38-21-0	33-17-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	74-462	63-165
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	7-34	3-13
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-37	5-92
Interception Returns-Yards	1-9	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	7-31.7	10-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-2
Penalties-Yards	8-52	3-35
Possession Time	30:15	29:45
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 14	4 of 17
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	0-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	7-40	0-0

RUSHING: USC-McKnight 7-65; Washington 12-64; Johnson 8-47; Havili 6-31; Sanchez 1-11; Dennis 2-9. Notre Dame-Allen 11-58; Thomas 4-11; Schmidt 2-6; Hughes 4-3; Schwapp 1-1; Sharpley 8-minus 31.

PASSING: USC-Sanchez 21-38-0-235. Notre Dame-Sharpley 17-33-1-117.

RECEIVING: USC-Davis 5-40; Turner 4-42; Hazelton 3-80; Ausberry 3-28; Havili 3-18; Reed 1-14; Bradford 1-8; Washington 1-5. Notre Dame-Kamara 4-33; Carlson 4-28; Parris 3-15; Yeatman 3-14; Tate 1-22; West 1-6; Thomas 1-minus 1.

INTERCEPTIONS: USC-Ellison 1-9. Notre Dame-None.

FUMBLES: USC-McKnight 1-0; Dennis 1-1. Notre Dame-Prince 1-1; Thomas 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): USC-Ellis 1-1; Maualuga 2-0; Morrow 2-0; Moala 1-0; Moore 0-1. Notre Dame-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): USC-Brown 2-4; Moore 1-5; Ellis 3-2; Ellison 3-2; Moala 3-2; Mays 1-4; Maiava 1-4; Wright 1-3; Maualuga 3-0; Morrow 2-1; Spicer 2-1; Jackson 0-3; Harris 2-0; Cushing 1-1; Bradford 1-0; Williams 1-0; Smith 1-0; Morgan 1-0; Abbott 1-0; Rivers 1-0; Matthews 1-0; Buehler 1-0; Griffen 1-0. Notre Dame-Zbikowski 5-5; Laws 3-6; Lambert 2-5; Brockington 2-4; Walls 4-1; Kuntz 2-3; Bruton 2-3; Wooden 2-2; Ryan 2-2; Gaines 1-3; Stephenson 1-3; Brown, J. 2-1; McCarthy, K. 2-1; Crum 1-2; Neal 1-2; Prince 1-1; Anello 1-1; Yeatman 1-0; Whitaker 0-1; Brown, S. 0-1; McNeil 0-1.

Stadium: Notre Dame Stadium **Attendance:** 80795
Kickoff time: 3:44 **End of Game:** 7:06 **Total elapsed time:** 3:22
Officials: Referee: B. O' Cain; Umpire: A. Granado; Linesman: J. Wharrie; Line judge: M. Feldman; Back judge: J. Freitas; Field judge: M. Mothershed; Side judge: B. Glenn
Temperature: 69 **Wind:** SW 16 **Weather:** Mostly Cloudy

3 MICHAEL FLOYD



St. Paul, Minn. (Cretin-Derham Hall)
 Birthdate: 11-27-89

Wide Receiver 50 6-3 220

Floyd's Career Highs

Receptions – 10, Pittsburgh (11.1.08) Receiving Yards – 189, Nevada (9.5.09)
 Longest Reception – 88, Nevada (9.5.09) Receiving TDs – 3, Nevada (9.5.09)

Floyd's Season Highs

Receptions – 7, at Michigan (9.12) Receiving Yards – 189, Nevada (9.5)
 Longest Reception – 88, Nevada (9.5) Receiving TDs – 3, Nevada (9.5)

Floyd's Career Receiving Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2008	11-10	48	719	7	51	4.4	15.0	65.4
2009	3-3	13	358	5	88	4.3	27.5	119.3
Total	14-13	61	1077	12	88	4.4	17.7	76.9

Floyd's Game-by-Game

2009	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
*NEV (9.5)	4	189	47.3	3	88
*at UM (9.12)	7	131	18.7	1	37
*MSU (9.19)	2	38	19.0	1	22
at PUR (9.26)				DNP - injury	
WASH (10.3)				DNP - injury	
USC (10.17)					
BC (10.24)					
vs. WSU (10.31)					
NAVY (11.7)					
at PITT (11.14)					
UCONN (11.21)					
at STAN (11.28)					

* - games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Floyd led all FBS wideouts in the nation with a 29.09 yards per catch average and was tied for the nation's lead in receiving touchdowns with four (among NCAA qualifying receivers) before suffering a broken collarbone in the second quarter of Notre Dame's 33-30 victory over Michigan State. He will likely miss the rest of the 2009 regular season.
- ▶ Floyd also ranked among the top FBS receivers in the nation in receiving yards per game (160.0, 2nd), total receiving yards (320, 2nd) and receptions per game (5.5, 40th) prior to the injury.
- ▶ Floyd had already registered six receptions of at least 20 yards over Notre Dame's first 10 quarters of the season.
- ▶ Floyd hauled in a 22-yard touchdown pass from Clausen with 4:59 to go in the opening quarter to give Notre Dame a 13-3 lead against the Spartans. The touchdown reception was Floyd's fifth of the season.
- ▶ Floyd, who has played just 14 games in his career, already has hauled in 12 career touchdown passes.
- ▶ Floyd moved into a tie with Tim Brown (1984-87) and Bobby Brown (1996-99) for ninth place on the Notre Dame all-time touchdown receptions list.

Career Touchdown Receptions

1. Jeff Samardzija	27 (2003-06)
2. Derrick Mayes	22 (1992-95)
Rhema McKnight	22 (2002-06)
4. Tom Gatewood	19 (1969-71)
5. Maurice Stovall	18 (2002-05)
6. Jim Seymour	16 (1966-68)
7. Golden Tate	15 (2007-)
Ken MacAfee	15 (1974-77)
9. Michael Floyd	12 (2008-)
Tim Brown	12 (1984-87)
Bobby Brown	12 (1996-99)

- ▶ Floyd had two catches for 38 yards, including the 22-yard touchdown catch, before the injury.
- ▶ Floyd's 131 yards against Michigan set a school record for receiving yards by an Irish player in the series with the Wolverines. The previous record was 127 set last season by junior WR Golden Tate.
- ▶ The 100-yard receiving mark against the Wolverines for Floyd was his second of the season and sixth of his career. He is now tied for sixth all-time in the Irish annals for 100-yard receiving games.

Games with 100 Yards - Season

1. Tom Gatewood, Jr.	8 (1970)
2. Maurice Stovall, Sr.	6 (2005)
3. Golden Tate, So.	5 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija, Jr.	5 (2005)
5. Michael Floyd, Fr.	4 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija, Sr.	4 (2006)
Tom Gatewood, So.	4 (1969)

Games with 100 Yards - Career

1. Tom Gatewood	13 (1969-71)
2. Golden Tate	9 (2007-)
Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)
Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
5. Maurice Stovall	7 (2002-05)
6. Michael Floyd	6 (2008-)
Jim Seymour	6 (1966-68)
Tim Brown	6 (1984-87)

- ▶ Floyd's 320 yards were the second-most for an Irish receiver in the first two games of a season in school history. The school record is 417 held by Jim Seymour, who had games of 276 against Purdue (single-game school record) and 141 against Northwestern to open the 1966 season.
- ▶ Floyd's 320 yards are the most over any two-game span by an Irish wide receiver since Tim Brown registered 360 yards in consecutive games during the 1986 season.
- ▶ Floyd hooked up with Clausen for his 11th career touchdown reception to give the Irish a 17-14 advantage over Michigan with 7:05 remaining in the first half.
- ▶ Floyd recorded four catches for 189 yards and three touchdowns in the 35-0 rout of Nevada. He averaged 47.3 yards per reception, which broke the previous school record of 41.6 yards per catch by Jim Morse against USC on Nov. 26, 1955. Floyd was named College Football Performance Awards Performer of the Week.
- ▶ Not only were Floyd's 189 yards receiving the most by any wideout in the NCAA FBS that week, but his three receiving touchdowns were also tops on the weekend.
- ▶ The 189 yards receiving marked the second-best single-game total by an Irish sophomore wideout in school history. Jim Seymour was a sophomore in 1966 when he set the school record with 276 yards against Purdue.
- ▶ Floyd became the fourth Irish wideout to ever post two career receptions of over 70 yards and the first to ever accomplish the feat in the same game. Nick Eddy had 74 and 91 yard catches during the 1964 season, Tim Brown had 84 and 77 yard receptions in 1986 and Jeff Samardzija had 73 and 80 yard grabs during 2005.

Yards per Reception - Game (min. 4 rec.)

1. Michael Floyd	47.3 (4 for 189)	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
2. Jim Morse	41.6 (5 for 208)	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955
3. Golden Tate	31.8 (4 for 127)	vs. Michigan, Sept. 13, 2008
4. John Carlson	30.3 (4 for 121)	at Michigan State, Sept. 23, 2006
Rhema McKnight	30.3 (4 for 121)	at Boston College, Oct. 25, 2003

- ▶ His 189 yards receiving are the most for an Irish player since Jeff Samardzija totaled 191 against Stanford on Nov. 26, 2005 and ninth most in single-game school history.

Receiving Yards - Game

1. Jim Seymour	276	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
2. Golden Tate	244	vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009
3. Jack Snow	217	at Wisconsin, Sept. 26, 1964
4. Bobby Brown	208	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
Jim Morse	208	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955
6. Maurice Stovall	207	vs. Brigham Young, Oct. 22, 2005
7. Tom Gatewood	192	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
8. Jeff Samardzija	191	at Stanford, Nov. 26, 2005
9. Michael Floyd	189	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
10. Tim Brown	184	vs. Navy, Nov. 1, 1986

- ▶ Floyd set a new career-high for longest reception when he raced 88 yards for a touchdown with 10:12 left in the third quarter against Nevada. The 88-yard reception was the third longest in Notre Dame football history and longest since Nov. 7, 1981 when Blair Kiel found Joe Howard for a school record 96 yards.

Longest Reception in ND History

1. Joe Howard	96	vs. Georgia Tech, Nov. 7, 1981
2. Nick Eddy	91	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 7, 1964
3. Michael Floyd	88	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
4. Tim Brown	84	vs. SMU, Nov. 8, 1986
Jim Seymour	84	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966

- ▶ Floyd registered his second career multi-touchdown game against Nevada (he recorded a pair of touchdown receptions against Pittsburgh on Nov. 1, 2008).
- ▶ Floyd not only became the first Irish freshman to register a touchdown catch in a season opener (San Diego State in 2008), but also became the first freshman to register Notre Dame's first points of a season by touchdown. Floyd had 48 receptions for 719 yards on the season. He established new school records for receptions (48), receiving yards (719) and receiving touchdowns (7) by an Irish freshman. He also set a freshman record with 10 receptions against Pittsburgh on Nov. 1, 2008.
- ▶ Floyd put up record setting rookie numbers despite missing nearly three full games with an injury.
- ▶ Floyd still ranked 38th in the nation in receiving touchdowns, 61st in receiving yards per game and 91st in receptions per game in 2008.
- ▶ With seven touchdown receptions last season, Floyd (who holds the record for most TD receptions by a freshman) was tied for ninth place on the Irish single-season list (Tom Gatewood, 1970).
- ▶ Floyd finished the game against Pittsburgh in 2008 with 10 receptions for 100 yards, which was the most catches by an Irish player since Rhema McKnight had 10 receptions against Army in 2006.
- ▶ Floyd was the fourth different freshman in the last 20 years whose first career catch was a touchdown. The others were Raghib "Rocket" Ismail and Derek Brown in 1988, and Derrick Mayes in 1992 – mighty impressive company for Floyd to join.
- ▶ Here is a look at how Floyd's freshman season rated against the rookie campaigns of Notre Dame's top five all-time leaders in career receptions (does not include Tom Gatewood [1968] or Jim Seymour [1965], who were not eligible to play as freshmen).

Player (Year) Rec. Yds. Avg. TD


*Michael Floyd (2008)	48	719	15.0	7
Jeff Samardzija (2003)	7	53	7.6	0
Rhema McKnight (2002)	9	91	10.1	0
Tim Brown (1984)	28	340	12.1	1
Maurice Stovall (2002)	18	312	17.3	3
Derrick Mayes (1992)	10	272	27.2	3

- ▶ Floyd is one of two sophomores on Irish leadership committee and also ranked by Lindy's as the 20th-best wide receiver in the country in 2009.
- ▶ A key factor in Notre Dame's wide receiver group being ranked as best in the nation by Phil Steele, number-two by Athlon and fourth best by Lindy's in 2009.

5 ARMANDO ALLEN JR.

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Halfback

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Allen's Career Highs

<p>Carries – 23, Michigan State (9.19.09)</p> <p>Longest Rush – 24, at Michigan (9.12.09)</p> <p>Pass Attempts – 1, twice</p> <p>Passing Yards – 10, at UCLA (10.6.07)</p> <p>Passing TDs – 1, Michigan State (9.19.09)</p> <p>Receiving Yds – 66, Stanford (10.4.08)</p> <p>Receiving TDs – 1, three times</p> <p>Kickoff Return Yds – 147, at Michigan State (9.20.08)</p> <p>Kickoff Return TDs – 1, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)</p> <p>Punt Return Yds – 35, San Diego State (9.6.08)</p> <p>Most All-Purpose Yds – 247, Purdue (9.27.08)</p>	<p>Rushing Yards – 139, at Michigan (9.12.09)</p> <p>Rushing TDs – 1, six times</p> <p>Pass Completions – 1, twice</p> <p>Longest Completion – 10, at UCLA (10.6.07)</p> <p>Receptions – 9, at Boston College (11.8.08)</p> <p>Longest Reception – 41, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)</p> <p>Kickoff Returns – 6, Air Force (11.10.07)</p> <p>Punt Kickoff Return – 96, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)</p> <p>Long Returns – 3, at Michigan State (9.20.08)</p> <p>Longest Punt Return – 22, San Diego State (9.6.08)</p>
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Allen's Season Highs

<p>Carries – 23, Michigan State (9.19)</p> <p>Longest Rush – 24, at Michigan (9.12)</p> <p>Pass Attempts – 1, Michigan State (9.19)</p> <p>Passing Yards – 5, Michigan State (9.19)</p> <p>Passing TDs – 1, Michigan State (9.19)</p> <p>Receiving Yds – 25, Nevada (9.5)</p> <p>Most All-Purpose Yds – 163, at Michigan (9.12)</p>	<p>Rushing Yards – 139, at Michigan (9.12)</p> <p>Rushing TDs – 1, three times</p> <p>Pass Completions – 1, Michigan State (9.19)</p> <p>Longest Completion – 5, Michigan State (9.19)</p> <p>Receptions – 3, twice</p> <p>Longest Reception – 26, Nevada (9.5)</p>
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Allen's Career Rushing Stats

Year	G-S	Att	Yds	TD	LG	Avg/C	Avg/G
2007	12-4	86	348	0	15	4.0	29.0
2008	13-8	134	585	3	21	4.4	45.0
2009	4-3	71	365	3	24	5.1	91.2
Total	29-15	291	1298	6	24	4.5	44.8

Allen's Career Receiving Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2007	12-4	24	124	1	16	2.0	5.2	10.3
2008	13-8	50	355	2	41	3.8	7.1	27.3
2009	4-3	10	75	0	26	2.5	7.5	18.8
Total	29-15	84	554	3	41	2.9	6.6	19.1

Allen's Career All-Purpose Stats

Year	G-S	Rush	RCV	PR	KR	IR	Total	Avg/G
2007	12-4	348	124	0	704	0	1176	98.0
2008	13-8	585	355	66	543	0	1549	119.2
2009	4-3	365	75	0	0	0	440	110.0
Total	29-15	1298	554	66	1247	0	3165	109.1

Allen's Game-by-Game

2009	Rushing					Receiving				
	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
*NEV (9.5)	15	72	4.8	14	1	3	25	8.3	0	26
*at UM (9.12)	21	139	6.6	24	1	2	24	12.0	0	19
MSU (9.19)	23	115	5.0	13	1	2	6	3.0	0	5
at PUR (9.26)						DNP - injury				
*WASH (10.3)	12	39	3.2	21	0	3	20	6.7	0	13
USC (10.17)										
BC (10.24)										
vs. WSU (10.31)										
NAVY (11.7)										
at PITT (11.14)										
UCONN (11.21)										
at STAN (11.28)										

* - games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Allen was named a 2009 Doak Walker Award Candidate. He also was ranked as Phil Steele's #17 kick returner and #47 running back.
- ▶ Despite missing the entire game against Purdue and not 100-percent against Washington due to an ankle injury, Allen still ranks among the top FBS running backs in the nation in total rushing yards (365, t-67th), rushing yards per game (91.25, 32nd), rushes (71, 70th) and yards per rush (5.14, t-61st). He is also 85th in the nation in all-purpose yards per game (110.0).

- ▶ Allen had 50 receptions in 2008 which ranked second-most by an Irish running back in single-season history. Allen's 84 career receptions also rank second-best in career history for Notre Dame running backs. He trails Darius Walker (109, 2004-06) for the school record.
- ▶ Allen took the direct snap (in the Leprecat formation) and raced up the middle to give the Irish a 7-0 lead over Michigan State with 12:21 to go in the first quarter. The touchdown was his third of the season and the sixth of his career.
- ▶ That touchdown gave Allen a rushing score in three consecutive games. He was the first Irish running back to rush for a touchdown in three straight games since Darius Walker did so during the 2006 season.
- ▶ Allen tossed his first career touchdown pass to Robby Parris with 11:49 to go in the third quarter to give the Irish a 23-17 lead against the Spartans. Allen is 2-for-2 passing in his career.
- ▶ Allen was the first Notre Dame non-quarterback to throw a touchdown pass since Nick Setta on Nov. 18, 2000 at Rutgers. Setta hit Tom Lopienski on a fake field goal for a 25-yard touchdown pass.
- ▶ Allen was the first Irish running back to register a touchdown pass and touchdown run in the same game since Oct. 20, 1984, when Allen Pinkett found quarterback Steve Beuerlein on a six-yard score in a 36-32 loss to South Carolina.
- ▶ Allen eclipsed 100 yards rushing against Michigan State for the second consecutive week and the third time in his career. Allen was the first Irish running back to post back-to-back 100 yard rushing games since Robert Hughes closed the 2007 season against both Duke and Stanford with 100+ yards.
- ▶ Allen also finished with a career-high 23 carries against the Spartans.
- ▶ Allen is the 11th player in Irish history to ever record 3,000 career all-purpose yards. Thanks to his 59 all-purpose yards against Washington, Allen moved past Johnny Lattner (3,116; 1951-53) into eighth place on the Notre Dame career list.

Most Career All-Purpose Yards

	Total	Rush	Rec.	PR	KR	Year (Opponent)
1. Julius Jones	5462	3108	250	426	1678	1999-2003
2. Autry Denson	5327	4318	432	273	304	1995-98
3. Allen Pinkett	5259	4131	774	-	354	1982-85
4. Tim Brown	5024	442	2493	476	1613	1984-87
5. Raghib Ismail	4187	1015	1565	336	1271	1988-90
6. Darius Walker	4065	3249	816	-	-	2004-06
7. Vagas Ferguson	3838	3742	366	-	-	1976-79
8. Armando Allen	3165	1259	534	66	1247	2007-
9. Johnny Lattner	3116	1724	581	307	376	1951-53
10. George Gipp	3064	2341	-	n/a	n/a	1917-20

- ▶ Allen not only rushed for a career-best 139 yards against Michigan, but he also registered his longest career rush of 24 yards.
- ▶ Allen eclipsed 100 rushing yards for the second time in his career.
- ▶ Allen added his second rushing touchdown of the season and fifth of his career with 5:13 to go in the game to give the Irish a 32-31 lead.
- ▶ Allen followed with a two-point conversion rush to make the score 34-31.
- ▶ Allen finished the game against Michigan with 163 all-purpose yards marking the eighth time in his career with 150+ all-purpose yards in a single game.
- ▶ Allen scored a touchdown and eclipsed 1,000 career rushing yards in the victory over Nevada.
- ▶ Allen had 1,549 all-purpose yards in 2008, which ranked second on the team and 10th in single-season Irish history.
- ▶ Allen's nine receptions at Boston College on Nov. 8, 2008 were not only a career-best, but were also the most ever by an Irish running back in a single game.
- ▶ Allen registered his second career multi-touchdown game in the 49-21 rout of Hawai'i in the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl.
- ▶ Allen rushed for a then career-best 134 yards in the 38-21 victory over Purdue on Sept. 27, 2008. He averaged 7.9 yards per carry (the 7.9 per carry average was the highest for a Notre Dame player since Darius Walker averaged 10.2 against Air Force on Nov. 11, 2006).
- ▶ Allen totaled a career-high 247 all-purpose yards against the Boilermakers (-1 on punt returns, 105 on kick returns, 134 in rushing and nine in receiving).
- ▶ Eclipsed 100 yards against the Boilermakers for the first time in his career (previous career-high was 91 yards against Navy on Nov. 3, 2008).
- ▶ The 247 all-purpose yards against Purdue were the most by an Irish player since Julius Jones had 255 against Pittsburgh in 2003 (rushed for 262 yards).

Most All-Purpose Yards In Single-Game History

	Total	Rush	Rec.	PR	KR	Year (Opponent)
1. Willie Maher	361	107	-	80	174	1923 (Kalamazoo)
2. George Gipp	357	150	-	50	157	1920 (Army)
3. Tim Brown	294	15	126	21	132	1987 (Boston College)
4. Tim Brown	284	19	184	-	81	1986 (Navy)
5. Jim Seymour	276	-	276	-	-	1966 (Purdue)
6. Golden Tate	275	31	244	-	-	2009 (Washington)
Tim Brown	275	-4	72	150	57	1987 (Michigan State)
8. Raghib Ismail	268	100	24	-	144	1990 (Miami, Fla.)
9. Vagas Ferguson	263	255	8	-	-	1978 (Georgia Tech)
10. Phil Carter	257	254	3	-	-	1980 (Michigan State)
11. Julius Jones	255	262	-7	-	-	2003 (Pittsburgh)
-- Armando Allen	247	134	9	-1	105	2008 (Purdue)

7 JIMMY CLAUSEN



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Clausen's Career Highs

Carries – 11, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
Longest Rush – 11, Duke (11.17.07)
Pass Completions – 31, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
Longest Completion – 88, Nevada (9.5.09)
Rushing TDs – 1, twice
Completion % – 84.6 (22-for-26), vs. Hawaii'i (12.24.08)
Passing YPC – 21.0, Nevada (9.5.09)

Rushing Yards – 19, at Boston College (11.8.08)
Pass Attempts – 48, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
Passing Yards – 422, Washington (10.3.09)
Passing TDs – 5, vs. Hawaii'i (12.24.08)
Interceptions – 4, Boston College (11.8.08)
Passing YPA – 17.5, Nevada (9.5.09)
Passing Efficiency – 303.7, Nevada (9.5.09)

Clausen's Season Highs

Carries – 8, Washington (10.3)
Longest Rush – 9, Michigan State (9.19)
Pass Completions – 25, at Michigan (9.12)
Longest Completion – 88, Nevada (9.5)
Completion % – 83.3 (15-for-18), Nevada (9.5)
Passing YPC – 21.0, Nevada (9.5)

Rushing Yards – 1, Nevada (9.5)
Pass Attempts – 42, at Michigan (9.12)
Passing Yards – 422, Washington (10.3)
Passing TDs – 4, Nevada (9.5)
Passing YPA – 17.5, Nevada (9.5)
Passing Efficiency – 303.7, Nevada (9.5)

Clausen's Career Passing Stats

Year	G-S	Comp	Att	INT	Yds	TD	LG	Pct	Avg/P	Avg/G	Effic
2007	10-9	138	245	6	1254	7	44	56.3	5.1	125.4	103.9
2008	13-13	268	440	17	3172	25	54	60.9	7.2	244.0	132.5
2009	5-5	100	148	2	1544	12	88	67.6	10.4	308.8	179.3
Total	28-27	506	833	25	5970	44	88	60.7	7.2	213.2	132.4

Clausen's Game-by-Game

2009	Comp	Att	INT	Yds	TD	LG	Pct	Avg/P	Effic
*NEV (9.5)	15	18	0	315	4	88	83.3	17.5	303.7
*at UM (9.12)	25	42	0	336	3	37	59.5	8.0	150.3
*MSU (9.19)	22	31	0	300	2	54	71.0	9.7	173.5
*at PUR (9.26)	15	26	1	171	1	23	57.7	6.6	117.9
*WASH (10.3)	23	31	1	422	2	77	74.2	13.6	203.4
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Clausen is one of four Irish captains and also was ranked by Phil Steele as the 10th-best quarterback in the nation for 2009.
- ▶ Only 10 quarterbacks in the FBS (among the qualifiers on the NCAA passing report) have fewer interceptions than Clausen's two.
- ▶ Despite missing over half of the game against Purdue and playing with a turf toe injury the last three games, Clausen still ranks among the top FBS quarterbacks in the nation in passing efficiency (179.25, 1st), passing yards per attempt (10.43, 1st), passing yards per completion (15.44, 3rd), total offense per game (299.80, 11th), fewest interceptions (two, t-11th), passing yards per game (308.8, 7th), total passing yards (1544, 12th), passing touchdowns (12, t-14th), completion percentage (67.57, 15th), points responsible for per game (14.4, t-20th), total offense yards (1499, 20th), total points responsible for (72, t-24th), completions per game (20.0, 31st), total completions (100, 43rd), and total attempts (148, t-58th).
- ▶ Clausen has moved into the top-10 in almost all Notre Dame passing lists.
- ▶ Clausen already ranks in the top-five in 11 categories including passing yards per game (second – 213.2 yards), pass attempts per game (second – 29.8), completion percentage (second – 60.7 percent), pass completions per game (second – 18.1), total offense per game (second – 202.3), completions (third – 506), attempts (fourth – 833), passing touchdowns (third – 44). He also ranks fourth in career lowest interception percentage (3.00 percent), fourth in total career plays (972) and fifth in career passing yards (5,970).
- ▶ Here is an interesting comparison between Clausen and last six Heisman Trophy-winning quarterbacks over their first five games of the season:

Jimmy Clausen (Notre Dame) - 2009

Comp-Att	INT	Pct.	Yards	TD	Avg/G	Efficiency
100-148	2	67.6	1544	12	308.8	179.3

Sam Bradford (Oklahoma) – 2008

Comp-Att	INT	Pct.	Yards	TD	Avg/G	Efficiency
106-146	3	73.9	1665	18	333.3	204.97

Tim Tebow (Florida) – 2007

Comp-Att	INT	Pct.	Yards	TD	Avg/G	Efficiency
85-122	2	69.7	1297	11	259.4	185.45

Troy Smith (Ohio State) – 2006

Comp-Att	INT	Pct.	Yards	TD	Avg/G	Efficiency
84-128	2	65.6	1070	12	214.0	163.56

Matt Leinart (USC) – 2004

Comp-Att	INT	Pct.	Yards	TD	Avg/G	Efficiency
99-149	3	66.4	1187	10	237.4	151.48

Jason White (Oklahoma) – 2003

Comp-Att	INT	Pct.	Yards	TD	Avg/G	Efficiency
112-166	3	67.5	1472	16	294.4	170.15

Carson Palmer (USC) – 2002

Comp-Att	INT	Pct.	Yards	TD	Avg/G	Efficiency
118-199	4	59.3	1344	7	266.8	123.62

▶ Clausen led Notre Dame to its fourth consecutive fourth quarter comeback against Washington (third straight that resulted in victory). He is the first Irish signal caller to ever accomplish the feat. Here is where Clausen's ranks all-time in fourth quarter comebacks among Notre Dame quarterbacks:

Player	4th Quarter Comebacks	4th Quarter Comeback Victories
Brady Quinn (2003-06)	9	6
Ron Powllus (1994-97)	8	7
Joe Montana (1975, 1977-78)	7	6
Jarius Jackson (1996-99)	6	5
Rick Mirer (1990-92)	6	5
Jimmy Clausen (2007-)	5	4

▶ Clausen is the 14th signal caller in Notre Dame history to start under center for three years. The following is a list of Clausen's predecessors, along with their stats (when available) from their third season. In the 13 seasons played by three-year starting Irish quarterbacks, the group amassed a 99-33-4 (.743) combined record.

Player	Year	Att	Comp	Yds	TD	INT	Record
Nate Silver	1905	--	--	--	--	--	5-4
Gus Dorais	1912	--	--	--	--	--	7-0
Jim Phelan	1917	--	--	--	--	--	6-1-1
Ralph Guglielmi	1954	127	68	1160	6	7	9-1
Daryl Lamonica	1962	128	64	821	6	7	5-5
Terry Hanratty	1968	197	116	1466	10	9	7-2-1
Tom Clements	1974	215	122	1549	8	11	10-2
Blair Kiel	1982	219	118	1273	3	10	6-4-1
Steve Beuerlein	1985	214	107	1335	3	13	5-6
Tony Rice	1989	138	70	1176	8	7	12-1
Rick Mirer	1992	234	120	1876	15	6	10-1-1
Ron Powllus	1996	232	133	1942	12	4	8-3
Brady Quinn	2005	450	292	3919	32	7	9-3

- ▶ Clausen finished with a career-high 422 yards passing against Washington.
- ▶ It marks the second time he has surpassed 400 yards passing in his career. His previous career-high was 401 yards against Hawaii'i in the 2008 Hawaii'i Bowl.
- ▶ Clausen was the third Irish quarterback to ever eclipse 400 yards passing in a game, joining Joe Theismann and Brady Quinn. He is the second Notre Dame signal caller to accomplish the feat more than once in a career (Quinn).
- ▶ The 422 yards passing ranked seventh-best in single-game Irish history.
- ▶ Clausen has now registered three touchdown passes this season of over 60 yards.
- ▶ Clausen and Tate again connected on the first play of the second half. The play went for 77 yards to set up another Irish field goal. It was Clausen's sixth completion of 50 yards or longer this season.
- ▶ Clausen now has seven career 300-yard passing games and four this season.
- ▶ Clausen has registered multiple touchdown passes 14 times over Notre Dame's last 20 games.
- ▶ Clausen has already registered 23 passes of at least 20 yards this season.
- ▶ Clausen's 13.61 yards per attempt ranked as the second-best in single-game school history. He already holds the school record for yards per attempt (15.42), set against Hawaii'i in last season's Hawaii'i Bowl.
- ▶ Clausen guided the Irish on a go-ahead touchdown drive in the waning minutes of the fourth quarter for the second straight week. On the drive, Clausen went 4-for-4 for 57 yards, including a 12-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Rudolph with 1:20 left in regulation.
- ▶ Clausen was 7-for-9 for 119 yards and one touchdown in the fourth quarter and overtime against the Huskies. He has been at the top of his game in the fourth quarter and overtime all season. Clausen is 29-for-45 for 396 yards with four touchdowns and no interceptions in the final quarter against Nevada, Michigan, Michigan State, Purdue and Washington. Here is Clausen's fourth quarter breakdown:

Game	Comp.	Att.	Comp. %	INT	Yds	TDs
Nevada	1	1	100.0	0	15	0
Michigan	9	17	52.9	0	77	1
Michigan State	5	8	62.5	0	113	1
Purdue	7	10	70.0	0	72	1
Washington	7	9	77.8	0	119	1
Totals	29	45	64.4	0	396	4

▶ Clausen continued his stellar play in the first quarter against Washington. He completed 4-of-5 passes for 41 yards over the first 15 minutes. On the season, Clausen is completing 73.8% (31-for-42) of his passes for 397 yards and two touchdowns in the first quarter of Notre Dame's first five games this season

- ▶ Clausen hooked up with Golden Tate for a 67-yard touchdown pass with 3:27 remaining in the first half to give Notre Dame a 16-14 lead.
- ▶ Clausen was limited to just 24 plays against Purdue due to a turf toe injury before returning to action with 7:34 remaining in the fourth quarter.
- ▶ Clausen led the Irish on a 12-play, 72-yard drive capped off with a touchdown pass to sophomore TE Kyle Rudolph on fourth down with 24.8 seconds left in regulation to give Notre Dame a 24-21 victory.
- ▶ Clausen went 6-for-9 on the drive for 69 yards, including the go-ahead touchdown pass.
- ▶ The Irish scored with just 24.8 seconds remaining on the clock. It was the latest Notre Dame has scored to secure a victory on the road since 1997 when Scott Cengia booted a field goal with five seconds left to secure a 23-22 victory at Hawaii.
- ▶ Notre Dame has never registered a longer drive (72 yards) to win a game on the road with less than 25 seconds to go in the contest in school history.
- ▶ With his touchdown pass to Rudolph, Clausen moved past Rick Mirer (1989-92) into sole possession of third place on the Irish all-time passing touchdowns list.
- ▶ Clausen threw his first interception of the season with 18.1 seconds to go before halftime against Purdue. It was his first interception since the USC game of 2008. In fact, Clausen had gone 147 consecutive pass attempts without an interception.
- ▶ The 147 passes without an interception was second-longest streak by an Irish quarterback in school history. Former All-American Brady Quinn registered a streak of 226 passes without an interception during the 2006 season.

Consecutive Passes Without INT - Multiple Games

1. Brady Quinn	226
Michigan State 2006 - Army 2006	
2. Jimmy Clausen	147
USC 2008 - Purdue 2009	
3. Brady Quinn	143
Stanford 2005 - Michigan 2006	
4. Jimmy Clausen	132
Michigan State 2008 - North Carolina 2008	
5. Brady Quinn	130
USC 2005 - Navy 2005	
6. Carlyle Holiday	126
Pittsburgh 2002 - Rutgers 2002	

- ▶ Clausen was the first Irish quarterback to eclipse 300 yards passing in three straight games to open a season and four consecutive games overall (including last season's Hawai'i Bowl).
- ▶ Clausen connected on all nine pass attempts in the opening quarter for 128 yards and one touchdown against Michigan State.
- ▶ In fact, Clausen completed his first 10 passes of the game before Mike Ragone dropped his 11th pass attempt of the afternoon against the Spartans.
- ▶ Clausen's 10 straight completions to open the game against Michigan State is the no worse than the second-most consecutive completions to open a game in Notre Dame school history. Jarious Jackson opened the game with Navy on Nov. 14, 1998 with 12 straight completions.
- ▶ Clausen went 4-for-5 for 59 yards, including a 33-yard touchdown pass to Golden Tate, on Notre Dame's drive to grab a 33-30 lead over Michigan State with 5:18 remaining in the fourth quarter.
- ▶ Over the four games against Hawaii, Nevada, Michigan and Michigan State, Clausen completed 84-of-117 passes (71.8 %) for 1,352 yards with 14 touchdowns and no interceptions. That equates to a 208.3 quarterback efficiency rating.
- ▶ Clausen surpassed 5,000 career passing yards against Michigan. He became the fifth Notre Dame quarterback to ever accomplish the feat.
- ▶ Clausen reached 5,000 career passing yards faster than any other Irish signal caller in school history. He reached 5,000 career passing yards in his 25th game in a Notre Dame uniform, while former All-American Brady Quinn did not reach the mark until his 27th career game.
- ▶ Here is an interesting comparison between Clausen and Quinn's statistics over their first 25 career games:

	Brady Quinn	Jimmy Clausen
Completions	366	446
Attempts	712	745
Completion Percentage	51.4%	59.9%
Passing Yards	4,644	5,077
Touchdowns	28	39
Interceptions	26	23
Passing Yards Per Game	185.8	203.1
Efficiency Rating	111.9	128.2

- ▶ Clausen has thrown three or more touchdown passes nine times over his Irish career - all over Notre Dame's last 21 games.
- ▶ Clausen's 336 yards are the most ever by an Irish signal caller against Michigan.
- ▶ Clausen completed 9-of-17 passes for 113 yards and one touchdown in the fourth quarter against the Wolverines.
- ▶ On the drive following Michigan's kickoff return for touchdown (giving the Wolverines a 14-3 lead), Clausen guided a seven play, 76-yard drive to bring Notre Dame within a score of 14-10. He went 3-for-3 on the drive for 56 yards, including a 37-yard strike to Floyd.
- ▶ After the Irish defense then forced the Wolverines into a three and out following the touchdown, Clausen guided another scoring drive. Notre Dame went 69 yards on seven plays before Clausen found Floyd in the corner of the end zone to give the Irish a 17-14 lead. He completed 3-of-4 passes for 55 yards and a touchdown.
- ▶ On Notre Dame's three scoring drives following Michigan's kickoff return for touchdown (two touchdowns and a field goal), Clausen completed 7-for-8 passes for 118 yards and two touchdowns.
- ▶ Clausen attempted 42 passes against Michigan without an interception. The 42 pass attempts were the sixth-most in single-game school history without a pick. Interestingly, Clausen has five of the top 10 best games in terms of most passes in a single game without an interception.
- ▶ Clausen finished the afternoon against Nevada 15-of-18 for 315 yards, four touchdowns and no interceptions. He completed 83.3% of his passes, which ranked tied for sixth-best in Irish single-game history (equaling his effort against Navy on Nov. 15, 2008). Clausen earned AT&T Player of the Week.
- ▶ Clausen has now posted completion percentages of over 80% in three separate games over his career, making him the only Notre Dame quarterback to post three such games. His trio of games all rank among the top 10 completion percentages in single-game Irish history.

Completion Percentage - Game

1. Steve Beuerlein	90.9	vs. Colorado, Sept. 22, 1984
2. Rick Slager	85.7	at Northwestern, Sept. 25, 1976
Rick Mirer	85.7	at Purdue, Sept. 28, 1991
Jarious Jackson	85.7	vs. Navy, Nov. 14, 1998
5. Jimmy Clausen	84.6	vs. Hawai'i, Dec. 24, 2008
6. Jimmy Clausen	83.3	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
7. Jimmy Clausen	83.3	vs. Navy, Nov. 15, 2008
8. Bob Williams	81.3	at Michigan State, Nov. 5, 1949
9. Brady Quinn	80.5	at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2005

- ▶ Clausen set a school record for average passing yards per attempt against Nevada. His average of 17.50 yards per attempt bested his own previous school record of 15.42 set in the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl. Clausen established school records for single-game yards passing per attempt in consecutive outings.
- ▶ Clausen recorded a pass efficiency rating of 303.67 in the Nevada game, surpassing his career best of 277.63 set in the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl. The rating was the best by an Irish quarterback in a single game in the Charlie Weis era.
- ▶ Clausen posted the highest completion percentage, efficiency rating, yards per attempt, yards per completion and touchdown to interception ratio of any quarterback in all of the FBS that week. He also threw the second-most touchdowns overall.
- ▶ Clausen tossed touchdown passes of 19 and 24 yards to Rudolph and Floyd, respectively, in the first half. The signal caller was nearly perfect in the opening 15 minutes. Clausen completed 8-of-9 passes for 90 yards and one touchdown in the opening 15 minutes.
- ▶ Clausen set new a career-high for his longest completion when he hooked up with Floyd for 88 yards. The 88-yard completion was the third longest in Notre Dame football history and longest since Nov. 7, 1981 when Blair Kiel found Joe Howard for a school record 96 yards.
- ▶ His four touchdown passes against Nevada rank tied for fifth-best in single-game Irish history.
- ▶ Clausen is the second Irish quarterback to ever have multiple games with at least four touchdown passes.
- ▶ Clausen started all 13 games at quarterback for the Irish in 2008 and recorded the third-most prolific passing season in Notre Dame history. He completed 268 of his 440 pass attempts (60.9 pct) for 3,172 passing yards (244.0 yards per game) on the year and tossed 25 touchdowns. Clausen established records for every major passing category by a sophomore Notre Dame quarterback. The only better statistical seasons were Brady Quinn in 2005 and 2006. He ranked 43rd in passing efficiency nationally at 132.49 and ranked 40th in total offense at 238.38.
- ▶ Clausen completed 22 of 26 passes for 401 yards and five TDs with no interceptions vs. Hawai'i in the Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl. He set individual career bests in completion percentage (84.6 percent), passing yards (401) and TD passes (five). Clausen's statistics also helped set Notre Dame team bowl records in points (49), passing yards (413), passing touchdowns (five) and total yards (478). His passing yards, passing touchdowns and completion percentage were individual bowl records for the Irish. Clausen's completion percentage was the second best by any quarterback at any school in bowl game history.
- ▶ Clausen is only the second Notre Dame quarterback to throw for at least 20 touchdowns in a season (Brady Quinn in 2005 and 2006).
- ▶ Clausen closed the 2008 season with 268 completions, 440 pass attempts, 3,172 yards and 25 touchdowns. He ranked third in single-season Notre Dame history in all three categories. He ranked in the top-five in eight single-season categories including attempts (third), attempts per game (third - 33.8), completions (third), completions per game (third - 20.6), completion percentage (fifth - 60.9 percent), passing yards (third), passing yards per game (third - 244.0) and touchdown passes (third).
- ▶ Clausen had 43 completions of over 20 yards in 2008 after connecting on just 13 in 10 games as a freshman in 2007.

9 KYLE RUDOLPH

Cincinnati, Ohio (Elder)
Birthdate: 11-9-89



Tight End 50 6-6 260

Rudolph's Career Highs

Receptions – 6, Michigan State (9.19) **Receiving Yards** – 95, Michigan State (9.19.09)
Longest Reception – 52, Michigan State (9.19.09) **Receiving TDs** – 1, five times

Rudolph's Season Highs

Receptions – 6, Michigan State (9.19) **Receiving Yards** – 95, Michigan State (9.19)
Longest Reception – 52, Michigan State (9.19) **Receiving TDs** – 1, three times

Rudolph's Career Receiving Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2008	13-13	29	340	2	29	2.2	11.7	26.2
2009	5-5	21	267	3	52	4.2	12.7	53.4
Total	18-18	50	607	5	52	2.8	12.1	33.7

Rudolph's Game-by-Game

2009	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
*NEV (9.5)	4	29	7.3	1	19
*at UM (9.12)	3	38	12.7	0	24
*MSU (9.19)	6	95	15.8	0	52
*at PUR (9.26)	4	52	13.0	1	22
*WASH (10.3)	4	53	13.3	1	30
USC (10.17)					
BC (10.24)					
vs. WSU (10.31)					
NAVY (11.7)					
at PITT (11.14)					
UCONN (11.21)					
at STAN (11.28)					

* – games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Rudolph is a member Irish Leadership Committee despite being just a sophomore. He also is the only sophomore on the 2009 Mackey Award Watch List.
- ▶ Rudolph hooked up with Jimmy Clausen with 1:20 left in the fourth quarter to give the Irish a 31-30 lead over Washington. The touchdown was his third of the season and fifth of his career.
- ▶ Rudolph has scored a touchdown to give Notre Dame a lead with less than two minutes remaining in regulation in each of the past two games.
- ▶ Rudolph registered a 30-yard reception against the Huskies. He has four receptions this season for 20 or more yards.
- ▶ Of Rudolph's 21 receptions this season, 11 have resulted in first downs and three others went for touchdowns.
- ▶ Among receivers with at least 4.20 receptions per game, Rudolph's 12.71 yards per reception and three receiving touchdowns are each the fourth highest of any FBS tight end. He also ranks fifth in receiving yards per game, tied for sixth in receptions, seventh in receiving yards and tied for seventh in receptions per game by a tight end.

Name, School	Rec.	Yds	TDs	Rec./G	Yds/Rec.	Yds/G
Dennis Pitta, BYU	28	399	4	4.67	14.25	66.5
Cody Slate, Marshall	28	322	2	4.67	11.50	53.7
Garrett Graham, Wisconsin	27	303	4	4.50	11.22	50.5
Drake Dunsmore, Northwestern	26	279	1	4.33	10.73	46.5
George Bryan, North Carolina State	26	275	4	4.33	10.58	45.8
Aaron Hernandez, Florida	21	268	2	4.20	12.76	53.6
Kyle Rudolph, Notre Dame	21	267	3	4.20	12.71	53.4

- ▶ Rudolph hooked up with Clausen with 24.8 seconds left in regulation on a fourth down play to give the Notre Dame a 24-21 victory over Purdue. Of his four receptions against the Boilermakers, the first three gave the Irish a first down and his fourth gave Notre Dame the victory.
- ▶ Rudolph hauled in a career-best 52-yard reception on Notre Dame's opening drive of the first quarter against Michigan State and added an eight-yard reception on the touchdown drive as well. Rudolph totaled 60 of the 84 yards on the drive.
- ▶ The 52-yard catch is the longest by an Irish tight end since John Carlson had a 62-yard grab against Michigan State on Sept. 23, 2006.
- ▶ Rudolph nearly bested his career-high in both receptions and receiving yards in the first half alone. He had four receptions for 74 yards before halftime. Rudolph's single-game high for receptions was five against Stanford on Oct. 4, 2008 and receiving yards was 78 against Hawaii on Dec. 24, 2008.
- ▶ Rudolph did set a career-high with six receptions and 95 yards receiving against the Spartans.
- ▶ Rudolph was named the John Mackey Tight End Of The Week for his efforts against Michigan State.
- ▶ Rudolph had three receptions for 38 yards against Michigan. He did have a 76-yard grab nullified due to a holding penalty.
- ▶ Rudolph had four receptions for 29 yards and one touchdown in the 35-0 victory over Nevada. The touchdown was the third of his career. Two of Rudolph's grabs gave the Irish first downs, including his 19-yard TD snag on 3rd and 16.

- ▶ The Irish figured to struggle to find an immediate replacement in 2008 for John Carlson, one of the most prolific tight ends in school history. Carlson started each of the last 23 games in which he appeared and recorded the second-most receptions (100) and third-most receiving yards (1,093) for a career by a Notre Dame tight end.
- ▶ Rudolph exploded onto the scene in 2008. A USA Today first-team All-American and considered by most recruiting sites as the top tight end in the nation, Rudolph started all 13 games last season and became the first Notre Dame rookie tight end to ever start a season opener.
- ▶ Rudolph owns the school record for rookie tight ends in both receptions (29) and receiving yards (340).
- ▶ Here is how Rudolph's freshman season compared to four other outstanding Notre Dame rookie tight ends (Brown and McAfee each were named first team All-Americans later in their career).

Player (Year)	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Kyle Rudolph (2008)	*29	*340	11.7	2
Ken McAfee (1974)	14	146	10.4	1
Dean Maszta (1978)	13	236	18.2	0
Derek Brown (1988)	12	150	12.5	*3
Jabari Holloway (1997)	8	144	18.0	1

* Notre Dame rookie single-season TE records

- ▶ Rudolph became the first Irish freshman tight end to record a touchdown reception in 11 years in the victory over Purdue. Jabari Holloway was the last Notre Dame tight end to do so in a 33-15 loss at Stanford in 1997. He broke the drought with his five-yard grab of a Jimmy Clausen pass in the third quarter as the Irish extended their lead to 28-14 over the Boilermakers.
- ▶ Rudolph is the first Notre Dame rookie tight end to haul in touchdown passes in consecutive weeks (Purdue and Stanford) since Derek Brown did during the 1988 season. Ironically enough, Brown also did it in victories over both Purdue and Stanford.

10 DAYNE CRIST

Canoga Park, Calif. (Notre Dame)
Birthdate: 10-9-89



Quarterback 50 6-4 235

Crist's Season/Career Highs

Carries – 4, at Purdue (9.26) **Rushing Yards** – 16, at Purdue (9.26)
Longest Rush – 16, at Purdue (9.26) **Pass Attempts** – 10, at Purdue (9.26)
Pass Completions – 5, at Purdue (9.26) **Passing Yards** – 45, at Purdue (9.26)
Longest Completion – 15, Nevada (9.5) **Completion %** – 100.0 (2-for-2), Nevada (9.5)
Passing YPA – 8.5, Nevada (9.5) **Passing YPC** – 9.0, at Purdue (9.26)
Passing Efficiency – 171.4, Nevada (9.5) **Interceptions** – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Crist's Career Passing Stats

Year	G-S	Comp	Att	INT	Yds	TD	LG	Pct	Avg/P	Avg/G	Effic
2009	3-0	8	14	1	61	0	15	57.1	4.4	20.3	79.5

Crist's Game-by-Game

2009	Comp	Att	INT	Yds	TD	LG	Pct	Avg/P	Effic
NEV (9.5)	2	2	0	17	0	15	100.0	8.5	171.4
at UM (9.12)						DNP			
MSU (9.19)	1	2	1	-1	0	0	50.0	-0.5	-54.2
at PUR (9.26)	5	10	0	45	0	12	50.0	4.5	87.8
WASH (10.3)						DNP			
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* – games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Crist opened the second quarter at quarterback for the Irish against Purdue and promptly rushed for 16 yards on his first career rush.
- ▶ Despite attempting just one pass, Crist led the Irish to a pair of touchdown drives in the second quarter to help give Notre Dame a 17-7 halftime lead against the Boilermakers.

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EVAN SHARPLEY

Marshall, Mich. (Marshall)
Birthdate: 11-4-86



Quarterback

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DUVAL KAMARA

Jersey City, N.J. (Hoboken)
Birthdate: 3-1-89



Wide Receiver

JR

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Sharpley's Career Highs

Carries – 10, twice
Longest Rush – 13, vs. Navy (11.3.07)
Pass Completions – 17, twice
Longest Completion – 43, at Purdue (9.29.07)
Interceptions – 1, three times
Passing YPA – 8.0, at Purdue (9.29.07)
Passing Efficiency – 146.43, at Purdue (9.29.07)

Rushing Yards – 3, vs. Navy (11.3.07)
Pass Attempts – 33, vs. USC (10.20.07)
Passing Yards – 208, at Purdue (9.29.07)
Passing TDs – 2, twice
Completion % – 76.9 (10-for-13), vs. Georgia Tech (9.1.07)
Passing YPC – 13.0, at Purdue (9.29.07)

Sharpley's Career Passing Stats

Year	G-S	Comp	Att	INT	Yds	TD	LG	Pct	Avg/P	Avg/G	Effic
2005					DNP						
2006	8-0	1	2	0	7	0	7	50.0	3.5	0.9	79.4
2007	8-2	77	140	3	736	5	43	55.0	5.3	92.0	106.7
2008	3-0	3	5	0	18	0	6	60.0	3.6	6.0	90.2
2009	0-0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	19-2	81	147	3	761	5	43	55.1	5.2	40.1	105.7

Tidbits

- ▶ Sharpley returned to campus for his fifth year of eligibility following an outstanding summer with the Seattle Mariners' Arizona League rookie ball club.
- ▶ Led the team in games played (37), runs scored (31), hits (44), doubles (12), home runs (seven), RBI (29), total bases (81), walks (21), slugging percentage (.614) and batting average (.333). He also ranked among the top 10 in the entire league in games played (t-1st), home runs (t-3rd), total bases (t-3rd), hits (4th), walks (t-3rd), slugging percentage (4th), OPS (4th), doubles (t-4th), on-base percentage (t-4th), runs (6th), RBI (7th) and batting (10th).
- ▶ Sharpley was selected in the 50th round of the 2009 MLB First-Year Player draft by the Mariners.

Kamara's Career Highs

Receptions – 6, twice
Longest Reception – 35, at Stanford (11.24.07)
Carries – 1, at Michigan (9.12.09)
Longest Rush – 10, at Michigan (9.12.09)

Receiving Yards – 93, at Stanford (11.24.07)
Receiving TDs – 2, Navy (11.3.07)
Rushing Yards – 10, at Michigan (9.12.09)

Kamara's Season Highs

Receptions – 3, twice
Longest Reception – 15, at Purdue (9.26)
Rushing Yards – 10, at Michigan (9.12)

Receiving Yards – 23, Michigan State (9.19)
Carries – 1, at Michigan (9.12)
Longest Rush – 10, at Michigan (9.12)

Kamara's Career Receiving Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2007	11-5	32	357	4	35	2.9	11.2	32.5
2008	13-9	20	206	1	28	1.5	10.3	15.8
2009	5-3	7	49	0	15	1.4	7.0	9.8
Total	29-17	59	612	5	35	2.0	10.4	21.1

Kamara's Game-by-Game

2009	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
NEV (9.5)	0	0	0.0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	1	6	6.0	0	6
*MSU (9.19)	3	23	7.7	0	10
*at PUR (9.26)	3	20	6.7	0	15
WASH (10.3)	0	0	0.0	0	0
USC (10.17)					
BC (10.24)					
vs. WSU (10.31)					
NAVY (11.7)					
at PITT (11.14)					
UCONN (11.21)					
at STAN (11.28)					

* – games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Notre Dame's biggest wide receiver.
- ▶ Kamara moves into the starting spot on the depth chart at the Z receiver spot following the injury to Michael Floyd.
- ▶ Kamara took a swing pass and raced 10 yards for a first down against Michigan, but was credited with his first career rush as the pass was caught behind the line of scrimmage. He also added a six-yard reception.
- ▶ Had arthroscopic surgery on right knee on Tuesday, Aug. 11 to repair cartilage and returned to full-go on Tuesday, Sept. 1.
- ▶ Set school records for receptions and receiving yards by an Irish rookie in 2007 (both marks broken in 2008 by Michael Floyd).
- ▶ Has one career multi-touchdown game.
- ▶ Key member of talented group of receivers on Irish roster that are ranked as the best in the nation by Phil Steele, second-best by Athlon and fourth by Lindy's.
- ▶ Ranked as the 22nd-best receiver in the nation by Phil Steele.

23 GOLDEN TATE



Hendersonville, Tenn. (Hendersonville)
 Birthdate: 8-2-88

Wide Receiver JR 5-11 195

Tate's Career Highs

Receptions – 9, twice	Receiving Yards – 244, Washington (10.3.09)
Longest Reception – 77, Washington (10.3.09)	Receiving TDs – 3, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Carries – 9, at Purdue (9.26.09)	Rushing Yards – 55, at Purdue (9.26.09)
Longest Rush – 31, Washington (10.3.09)	Rushing TDs – 1, twice
Longest Kick Return – 40, at Michigan (9.15.07)	Kick Return Yards – 133, at Michigan (9.15.07)
Kick Returns – 5, twice	Longest Punt Return – 42, at Boston College (11.8.08)
Punt Return Yards – 50, vs. Navy (11.15.08)	Punt Returns – 6, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
Most All-Purpose Yards – 275, Washington (10.3.09)	

Tate's Season Highs

Receptions – 9, twice	Receiving Yards – 244, Washington (10.3)
Longest Reception – 77, Washington (10.3)	Carries – 9, at Purdue (9.26)
Rushing Yards – 55, at Purdue (9.26)	Longest Rush – 31, Washington (10.3)
Longest Punt Return – 23, Michigan State (9.19)	Punt Return Yards – 23, Michigan State (9.19)
Punt Returns – 2, Michigan State (9.19)	Most All-Purpose Yards – 275, Washington (10.3)

Tate's Career Receiving Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2007	12-2	6	131	1	43	0.5	21.8	10.9
2008	13-8	58	1080	10	69	4.5	18.6	83.1
2009	5-5	33	602	4	77	6.6	18.2	120.4
Total	30-15	97	1813	15	77	3.2	18.7	60.4

Tate's Career All-Purpose Stats

Year	Rush	RCV	PR	KR	IR	Total	Avg/G
2007	4	131	0	326	0	461	38.4
2008	37	1080	116	521	0	1754	134.9
2009	93	602	37	0	0	732	146.4
Total	134	1813	153	847	0	2947	98.2

Tate's Game-by-Game

2009	Receiving					Rushing				
	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
*NEV (9.5)	3	59	19.7	0	36	1	3	3.0	3	0
*at UM (9.12)	9	115	12.8	2	27	1	5	5.0	5	0
*MSU (9.19)	7	127	18.1	1	54	1	-1	-1.0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	5	57	11.4	0	17	9	55	6.1	15	1
*WASH (10.3)	9	244	27.1	1	77	1	31	31.0	31	0
USC (10.17)										
BC (10.24)										
vs. WSU (10.31)										
NAVY (11.7)										
at PITT (11.14)										
UCONN (11.21)										
at STAN (11.28)										

Tidbits

- Tate ranks among the top FBS receivers in the nation in touchdown receptions (four, t-22nd), total receiving yards (602, 10th), receiving yards per game (120.4, 4th), total receptions (33, t-34th), receptions per game (6.60, 27th), yards per catch (18.24, 7th) and all-purpose yards (146.40, 24th).
- Tate has already registered 22 catches that have resulted in first downs and 11 have come on a first down play. He also has eight receptions of over 20 yards, including five over 30 yards. Tate has now recorded 31 receptions of at least 20 yards and 22 catches have gained at least 30 yards over his career.
- Finished the game against Washington with a career-best 244 yards receiving on a career-high tying nine receptions. The 244 yards are the second most by a FBS receiver this season.

FBS Receiving Yards - Game

1. Freddie Barnes, Bowling Green	vs. Kent State	22	278	3
2. Golden Tate, Notre Dame	vs. Washington	9	244	1
3. Stephen Williams, Toledo	vs. Ball State	10	231	2
4. Jeremy Williams, Tulane	vs. McNeese State	10	222	2
5. Mike Williams, Syracuse	vs. Northwestern	11	209	2

- Tate registered a career-best 275 all-purpose yards against Washington. It was the most all-purpose yards by an Irish player since Tim Brown had 294 against Boston College in 1987.

Most All-Purpose Yards In Single-Game History

	Total	Rush	Rec.	PR	KR	Year (Opponent)
1. Willie Maher	361	107	-	80	174	1923 (Kalamazoo)
2. George Gipp	357	150	-	50	157	1920 (Army)
3. Tim Brown	294	15	126	21	132	1987 (Boston College)
4. Tim Brown	284	19	184	-	81	1986 (Navy)
5. Jim Seymour	276	-	276	-	-	1966 (Purdue)
6. Golden Tate	275	31	244	-	-	2009 (Washington)
Tim Brown	275	-4	72	150	57	1987 (Michigan State)
8. Raghil Ismail	268	100	24	-	144	1990 (Miami, Fla.)
9. Vagas Ferguson	263	255	8	-	-	1978 (Georgia Tech)
10. Phil Carter	257	254	3	-	-	1980 (Michigan St.)

- Tate eclipsed 200 yards receiving midway through the third quarter. He became the sixth Irish wideout to ever surpass 200 yards receiving and first since Maurice Stovall against BYU in 2005.
- The 244 yards receiving are the second most in single-game Irish school history and the most since Jim Seymour set the school record with 276 yards receiving against Purdue in 1966. He has eclipsed 120 all-purpose yards four times in 2009 and 12 times over his Irish career.

Receiving Yards - Game

1. Jim Seymour	276	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
2. Golden Tate	244	vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009
3. Jack Snow	217	at Wisconsin, Sept. 26, 1964
4. Bobby Brown	208	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
Jim Morse	208	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955
6. Maurice Stovall	207	vs. Brigham Young, Oct. 22, 2005
7. Tom Gatewood	192	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
8. Jeff Samardzija	191	at Stanford, Nov. 26, 2005
9. Michael Floyd	189	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
10. Tim Brown	184	vs. Navy, Nov. 1, 1986

- Tate's 27.1 yards per catch average ranked as the eighth-best in single-game Irish school history. Tate now has three of the top eight games in school history in that category.

Yards per Reception - Game (min. 4 rec.)

1. Michael Floyd	(4 for 189) 47.3	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
2. Jim Morse	(5 for 208) 41.6	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955 (NCAA record)
3. Golden Tate	(4 for 127) 31.8	vs. Michigan, Sept. 13, 2008
4. John Carlson	(4 for 121) 30.3	at Michigan State, Sept. 23, 2006
Rhema McKnight	(4 for 121) 30.3	at Boston College, Oct. 25, 2003
6. Golden Tate	(6 for 177) 29.5	vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl, Dec. 24, 2008)
7. Jeff Samardzija	(6 for 177) 29.5	vs. North Carolina, Nov. 4, 2006
8. Golden Tate	(9 for 244) 27.1	vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009
9. Tim Brown	(7 for 184) 26.3	vs. Navy, Nov. 1, 1986
10. Tony Hunter	(5 for 131) 26.2	vs. USC, Oct. 20, 1979

- Tate ripped off a 31-yard rush on a reverse on Notre Dame's first offensive play from scrimmage. The carry was the longest of his career (besting a 24-yard reverse against Michigan State in 2008).
- Hauled in a 67-yard touchdown catch from Clausen with 3:27 remaining in the first half to give Notre Dame a 16-14 lead. The 67-yard catch was the third longest of his career.
- Tate registered his ninth career 100-yard receiving game against Washington, which stands tied for second on the all-time Irish 100-yard receiving games list.

Games with 100 Yards - Season

1. Tom Gatewood, Jr.	8 (1970)
2. Maurice Stovall, Sr.	6 (2005)
3. Golden Tate, So.	5 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija, Jr.	5 (2005)
5. Michael Floyd, Fr.	4 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija, Sr.	4 (2006)
Tom Gatewood, So.	4 (1969)

Games with 100 Yards - Career

1. Tom Gatewood	13 (1969-71)
2. Golden Tate	9 (2007-)
Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)
Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
5. Maurice Stovall	7 (2002-05)
6. Jim Seymour	6 (1966-68)
Tim Brown	6 (1984-87)

- The touchdown reception was Tate's fourth of the season and the 15th of his career.

Touchdown Receptions

1. Jeff Samardzija	27 (2003-06)
2. Derrick Mayes	22 (1992-95)
Rhema McKnight	22 (2002-06)
4. Tom Gatewood	19 (1969-71)
5. Maurice Stovall	18 (2002-05)
6. Jim Seymour	16 (1966-68)
7. Golden Tate	15 (2007-)
Ken MacAfee	15 (1974-77)
9. Michael Floyd	12 (2008-)
Tim Brown	12 (1984-87)
Bobby Brown	12 (1996-99)

- ▶ Tate and Clausen again connected on the first play of the second half. The play went for 77 yards to set up another Irish field goal. It marked Tate's longest career reception.
- ▶ Tate was used exclusively in the I-formation, in place of injured Irish running back Armando Allen, against Purdue.
- ▶ Tate recorded a career-high nine rushes and career-high 55 yards, including a 14-yard touchdown run with 4:43 remaining before halftime to give the Irish a 17-7 lead.
- ▶ The touchdown run was his first of the season and the second of his career.
- ▶ Tate bested his previous career-highs for carries (two at Washington in 2008) and rushing yards (24 at Michigan State in 2008) in the second quarter alone against the Boilermakers. He totaled 50 yards on six carries in the quarter.
- ▶ Tate also made his first career appearance in the backfield as a running back and promptly raced 15 yards on Notre Dame's touchdown drive to open the second quarter.
- ▶ Tate totaled 128 all-purpose yards against Purdue.
- ▶ Tate collected a 54-yard reception on Notre Dame's touchdown drive to open the third quarter against Michigan State. The reception for Tate was the fifth longest of his Irish career.
- ▶ Tate eclipsed 100 yards receiving against Michigan State for the second consecutive game.
- ▶ Tate hauled in a 33-yard touchdown pass from Clausen to give the Irish a 33-30 lead with 5:18 to go in the fourth quarter. The touchdown grab was Tate's third of the season and the 14th of his career.
- ▶ Tate hauled in nine catches for 115 yards against Michigan.
- ▶ Tate has registered multiple receiving touchdowns in three games over his career and all three have occurred in the last eight games for Notre Dame.
- ▶ Tate's nine receptions are the most by an Irish player in the all-time series with the Wolverines, besting the previous high of seven by three different players (most recently Darius Walker in 2006).
- ▶ Tate also tied five other Irish players (most recently junior RB Robert Hughes in 2008) with the most touchdowns in a single game against the Wolverines in the series.
- ▶ Tate hooked up with Clausen for his 12th career touchdown reception to bring Notre Dame within four, 14-10, early in the second quarter.
- ▶ Tate added his second touchdown catch of the afternoon and 13th of his career with 9:46 to go in the fourth quarter to bring the Irish within five points at 31-26.
- ▶ Tate totaled 203 all-purpose yards (177 receiving, 17 kick, nine punt) and three touchdowns in the 49-21 rout of Hawai'i in the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl. His 177 receiving yards and three TDs were then career-bests. One of his touchdowns went for 69 yards, which was the longest play from scrimmage on the year for the Irish and then longest of Tate's career. Tate set school bowl game records for receiving yards and receiving touchdowns.
- ▶ Tate ranked 28th in the NCAA FBS in receiving yards per game (83.08) and tied for 83rd in receptions per game (4.46) in 2008.
- ▶ Tate also tied for 16th in the nation with 10 receiving touchdowns last season.
- ▶ Among players with at least 4.46 receptions per game last year, Tate ranked second in the NCAA FBS with a 18.62 yards per reception average.

Name, School	Rec.	Yds	Rec./G	Avg./Rec.
Marko Mitchell, Nevada	61	1,141	4.69	18.70
Golden Tate, Notre Dame	58	1,080	4.46	18.62
Hakeem Nicks, North Carolina	68	1,222	5.23	17.97
Aldrick Robinson, SMU	59	1,047	5.90	17.75
Rashaun Greer, Colorado State	63	1,114	4.85	17.68

- ▶ Tate led the Irish in all-purpose yards (1,754), receptions (10), receiving yards (1,080), receiving touchdowns (10) and total touchdowns (11). His 1,754 all-purpose yards ranked third in Irish history. Tate's 58 catches tied him for seventh-most in a season at Notre Dame and his 1,080 receiving yards were the fifth-most in Irish history. He tallied five games with at least 100 receiving yards — tied for third-most in a season. Tate registered 18 receptions of at least 20 yards and 15 receptions of at least 30 yards. His 10 TD catches were the sixth-most in a Notre Dame season.
- ▶ Tate became the sixth Notre Dame wideout to ever surpass 1,000 receiving yards in a single season. Here is how he compared to those record setting seasons:

Player (Year)	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Jeff Samardzija (2005)	77	1,249	16.2	15
Maurice Stovall (2005)	69	1,149	16.7	11
Tom Gatewood (1970)	77	1,123	14.6	7
Jack Snow (1964)	60	1,114	18.6	9
Golden Tate (2008)	58	1,080	18.6	10
Jeff Samardzija (2006)	78	1,017	13.0	12

- ▶ Registered 223 all-purpose yards in the home finale against Syracuse on Nov. 22, 2008. He eclipsed 185 all-purpose yards in six games in 2008.

Most All-Purpose Yards in Single-Season History

	Total	Rush	Rec.	PR	KR	Year
1. Tim Brown*	1937	254	910	75	698	1986
2. Tim Brown	1847	144	846	401	456	1987
3. Golden Tate	1754	37	1080	116	521	2008
4. Raghib Ismail	1723	537	699	151	336	1990
5. Allen Pinkett	1682	1394	288	-	-	1983
6. Darius Walker	1658	1267	391	-	-	2006
7. Raghib Ismail	1628	478	535	502	113	1989
8. Autry Denson	1627	1179	111	196	141	1996
9. Autry Denson	1604	1268	175	68	93	1997
10. Armando Allen	1549	585	355	66	543	2008

*Brown also holds season per game record at 176.1 (1937 in 11)

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JONAS GRAY

Pontiac, Mich. (Detroit Country Day School)
Birthdate: 6-27-90

Halfback

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Gray's Career Highs

- Carries** – 9, three times
- Longest Rush** – 19, twice
- Receiving Yards** – 42, at Purdue (9.26.09)
- Kickoff Returns** – 1, twice
- Longest Kickoff Return** – 5, at UNC (10.11.08)
- Rushing Yards** – 61, at Washington (10.25.08)
- Receptions** – 2, at Purdue (9.26.09)
- Longest Reception** – 23, at Purdue (9.26.09)
- Kickoff Return Yards** – 5, at UNC (10.11.08)

Gray's Season Highs

- Carries** – 9, twice
- Longest Rush** – 19, Nevada (9.5)
- Receiving Yards** – 42, at Purdue (9.26)
- Rushing Yards** – 50, Nevada (9.5)
- Receptions** – 2, at Purdue (9.26)
- Longest Reception** – 23, at Purdue (9.26)

Gray's Career Rushing Stats

Year	G-S	Att	Yds	TD	LG	Avg/C	Avg/G
2008	7-0	21	90	0	19	4.3	12.9
2009	5-1	25	92	0	19	3.7	18.4
Total	12-1	46	182	0	19	4.0	15.2

Gray's Game-by-Game

2009	Rushing					Receiving				
	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
NEV (9.5)	9	50	5.6	19	0	1	5	5.0	0	5
at UM (9.12)	3	0	0.0	4	0	1	7	7.0	0	7
MSU (9.19)	4	24	6.0	15	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	9	18	2.0	0	0	2	42	21.0	0	23
WASH (10.3)	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
USC (10.17)										
BC (10.24)										
vs. WSU (10.31)										
NAVY (11.7)										
at PITT (11.14)										
UCONN (11.21)										
at STAN (11.28)										

* – games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Gray registered his first career start against Purdue replacing the injured Armando Allen.
- ▶ Gray entered the contest against the Boilermakers with only two career receptions for 12 yards, but he hauled in a then career-long 19-yard reception on Notre Dame's initial drive of the game and added a 23-yard reception on the second drive of the evening for the Irish.

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THEO RIDDICK

Manville, N.J. (Immaculata)
Birthdate: 5-4-91

Halfback

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Riddick's Season/Career Highs

- Carries** – 5, Nevada (9.5)
- Longest Rush** – 24, at Purdue (9.26)
- Kickoff Return Yards** – 129, Washington (10.3)
- Rushing Yards** – 24, at Purdue (9.26)
- Kickoff Returns** – 6, Washington (10.3)
- Longest Kick Return** – 38, Michigan State (9.19)

Riddick's Career Rushing Stats

Year	G-S	Att	Yds	TD	LG	Avg/C	Avg/G
2009	5-0	7	43	0	24	6.1	8.6

Riddick's Career Kickoff Return Stats

Year	G-S	No	Yds	TD	LG	Avg/R	Avg/G
2009	5-0	16	378	0	38	23.6	75.6

Riddick's Career All-Purpose Stats

Year	G-S	Rush	RCV	PR	KR	IR	Total	Avg/G
2009	5-0	43	0	0	378	0	421	84.2

Riddick's Game-by-Game

2009	Rushing					Receiving				
	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
NEV (9.5)	5	19	3.8	9	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	1	24	24.0	24	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
USC (10.17)										
BC (10.24)										
vs. WSU (10.31)										
NAVY (11.7)										
at PITT (11.14)										
UCONN (11.21)										
at STAN (11.28)										

* - games started

Riddick's Game-by-Game

2009	Kick Returns				
	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD
NEV (9.5)	1	23	23.0	23	0
at UM (9.12)	1	23	23.0	23	0
MSU (9.19)	4	107	26.8	38	0
at PUR (9.26)	4	96	24.0	35	0
WASH (10.3)	6	129	21.5	27	0
USC (10.17)					
BC (10.24)					
vs. WSU (10.31)					
NAVY (11.7)					
at PITT (11.14)					
UCONN (11.21)					
at STAN (11.28)					

Tidbits

► Riddick's 23.6 yards per kickoff return ranks tied for 65th-best in the FBS. It also ranks as the eighth-best total of any true freshman kick returner in the nation.

Player	KR	KR Yds	TDs	Avg	Ret/Gm
Warren Norman, Vanderbilt	18	498	1	27.67	3.00
Quincy McDuffie, UCF	12	311	1	25.92	2.40
Eric Stephens, Texas Tech	16	398	0	24.88	2.67
Onterio McCalebb, Auburn	11	272	0	24.73	1.83
Conner Vernon, Duke	10	246	0	24.6	2.00
Eric Williams, Ball State	17	418	0	24.59	2.83
Orwin Smith, Georgia Tech	19	450	0	23.68	3.17
Theo Riddick, Notre Dame	16	378	0	23.63	3.20

33 ROBERT HUGHES

Chicago, Ill. (Hubbard)
Birthdate: 6-21-89

Halfback

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Hughes' Career Highs

Carries – 19, Michigan (9.13.08)	Rushing Yards – 136, at Stanford (11.24.07)
Longest Rush – 45, at Stanford (11.24.07)	Rushing TDs – 2, Michigan (9.13.08)
Kickoff Returns – 2, twice	Kickoff Return Yards – 18, at Purdue (9.29.07)
Longest Kick Return – 15, Michigan State (9.22.07)	Receptions – 3, three times
Receiving Yards – 32, San Diego State (9.6.08)	Longest Reception – 25, Washington (10.3.09)

Hughes' Season Highs

Carries – 15, at Purdue (9.26)	Rushing Yards – 70, Washington (10.3)
Longest Rush – 37, Washington (10.3)	Receptions – 3, at Purdue (9.26)
Receiving Yards – 25, Washington (10.3)	Longest Reception – 25, Washington (10.3)

Hughes' Career Rushing Stats

Year	G-S	Att	Yds	TD	LG	Avg/C	Avg/G
2007	11-1	53	294	4	45	5.5	26.7
2008	12-3	112	382	4	18	3.4	31.8
2009	5-0	30	158	2	37	5.3	31.6
Total	28-4	195	834	10	45	4.3	29.8

Hughes' Career Receiving Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2007	11-1	3	17	0	13	0.3	5.7	1.5
2008	12-3	14	93	0	15	1.2	6.6	7.8
2009	5-0	5	33	0	25	1.0	6.6	6.6
Total	28-4	22	143	0	25	0.8	6.5	5.1

Hughes' Game-by-Game

2009	Rushing					Receiving				
	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
NEV (9.5)	6	20	3.3	8	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	-1
at PUR (9.26)	15	68	4.5	20	1	3	9	3.0	0	5
WASH (10.3)	8	70	8.8	37	1	1	25	25.0	0	25
USC (10.17)										
BC (10.24)										
vs. WSU (10.31)										
NAVY (11.7)										
at PITT (11.14)										
UCONN (11.21)										
at STAN (11.28)										

* - games started

Tidbits

- Hughes recorded a career-long 25-yard reception with 14:51 remaining in the fourth quarter. He added a 37-yard rush on the same drive (the second longest carry of his career). Hughes totaled 53 yards on the 93-yard drive (which resulted in just a field goal).
- Hughes scored Notre Dame's eventual game-winning touchdown in overtime and also added the two-point conversion late in the fourth quarter to give the Irish a 33-30 lead.
- The touchdown was Hughes' second of the season and the 10th of his career.
- Hughes capped off a 73-yard scoring drive against Purdue with a two-yard touchdown plunge with 10:43 to go before halftime to give the Irish a 10-7 lead. He had just 20 yards on seven carries entering the game, but Hughes had four carries for 37 yards on the scoring drive.
- Hughes has recorded a pair of 100-yard career rushing games and one multi-touchdown game.
- Hughes took over the starting fullback duties for the injured James Aldridge.

34 JAMES ALDRIDGE

St. Louis, Mo. (Merrillville, Ind.)
Birthdate: 7-6-87

Fullback

SR

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Aldridge's Career Highs

Carries – 32, Navy (11.3.07)	Rushing Yards – 125, Navy (11.3.07)
Longest Rush – 43, Michigan State (9.22.07)	Rushing TDs – 2, at Washington (10.25.08)
Receptions – 3, at UCLA (10.6.07)	Receiving Yards – 18, at UCLA (10.6.07)
Longest Reception – 11, at UCLA (10.6.07)	Kickoff Returns – 1, Syracuse (11.22.08)
Kickoff Return Yards – 15, Syracuse (11.22.08)	Longest Kickoff Return – 15, Syracuse (11.22.08)

Aldridge's Season Highs

Carries – 3, Nevada (9.5)	Rushing Yards – 13, Nevada (9.5)
Longest Rush – 9, Nevada (9.5)	

Aldridge's Career Rushing Stats

Year	G-S	Att	Yds	TD	LG	Avg/C	Avg/G
2006	7-0	37	142	0	13	3.8	20.3
2007	11-5	121	463	0	43	3.8	42.1
2008	12-1	91	357	3	19	3.9	29.8
2009	1-0	3	13	0	9	4.3	13.0
Total	31-6	252	975	3	43	3.9	31.5

Aldridge's Career Receiving Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2006	7-0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2007	11-5	5	30	0	11	0.5	6.0	2.7
2008	12-1	3	1	0	6	0.2	0.3	0.1
2009	1-0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	31-6	8	31	0	11	0.3	3.9	1.0

Aldridge's Game-by-Game

2009	Rushing					Receiving				
	Att	Yds	Avg	LG	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
NEV (9.5)	3	13	4.3	9	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
at UM (9.12)										
MSU (9.19)										
at PUR (9.26)										
WASH (10.3)										
USC (10.17)										
BC (10.24)										
vs. WSU (10.31)										
NAVY (11.7)										
at PITT (11.14)										
UCONN (11.21)										
at STAN (11.28)										

* - games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Missed the Michigan, Michigan State, Purdue and Washington games due to an injured shoulder.
- ▶ Has eclipsed 100 rushing yards in a game twice in his career and has averaged at least 5.0 yards per carry in eight contests.
- ▶ Moved to fullback in spring drills and opens training camp as the starter.

55 ERIC OLSEN



Staten Island, N.Y. (Brooklyn Poly Prep)
Birthdate: 6-16-88

Center/Guard	SR	6-5	305
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Olsen's Career Stats

Year	G-GS	Time
2006	8-0	20:45
2007	11-6	171:45
2008	13-13	348:12
2009	5-5	95:27
Total	37-24	636:09

Tidbits

- ▶ Olsen is one of four Irish captains.
- ▶ Fiesty and aggressive lineman has the second-longest consecutive games started streak on the roster and has started the third-most games of any Irish player on the roster.
- ▶ Started 24 consecutive contests (19 at left guard, five at center) and played in 37 games in his career.
- ▶ One of the leaders of the offensive line and moves to center from left guard for his senior year.
- ▶ One of four returning starters on the offensive line and one of six linemen with starting experience.

59 CHRIS STEWART



Spring, Texas (Klein)
Birthdate: 9-12-87

Offensive Guard	SR	6-5	330
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Stewart's Career Stats

Year	G-GS	Time
2006	DNP	
2007	6-0	46:44
2008	10-10	242:53
2009	5-5	75:11
Total	21-15	363:48

Tidbits

- ▶ Settled in nicely at offensive guard for the Irish in 2008 after bouncing around in different positions for his first two seasons.
- ▶ Began Notre Dame career as an offensive lineman but tried playing defensive line during spring of 2007 before returning to offensive line during '07 training camp.
- ▶ Played in 21 games over the past three seasons and started 15 games (10 in 2008).
- ▶ Moves from right guard to left guard in 2009 and opens the season as the starter.

72 PAUL DUNCAN



Dallas, Ga. (East Paulding)
Birthdate: 6-18-87

Offensive Tackle	SR	6-7	315
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Duncan's Career Stats

Year	G-GS	Time
2005	5-0	23:45
2006	12-0	52:09
2007	12-12	301:44
2008	DNP	
2009	5-5	87:10
Total	34-17	463:48

Tidbits

- ▶ Veteran member of the offensive line and one of two players who returns for a fifth year on the offensive side of the ball.
- ▶ Enjoyed a solid spring practice and enters 2009 as the starter at left tackle.
- ▶ Started 17 of 34 career games played for the Irish including seven starts at left tackle and 10 starts at right tackle (started 12 games in 2007).
- ▶ One of six members of the Irish offensive line in 2009 with starting experience.

74 SAM YOUNG



Coral Springs, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
Birthdate: 6-24-87

Offensive Tackle	SR	6-8	320
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Young's Career Stats

Year	G-GS	Time
2006	13-13	289:17
2007	12-12	310:08
2008	13-13	380:41
2009	5-5	93:21
Total	43-43	1073:27

Tidbits

- ▶ Serves on the Irish Leadership Committee.
- ▶ Notre Dame's top returning offensive lineman enters his final season with the possibility of setting the school record for most starts in a career.
- ▶ Has started all 43 games of his career and is the only Notre Dame offensive lineman to have started every game since his freshman year.
- ▶ His 43 career starts are just two shy of entering the top five all-time on record in Notre Dame history. Former SS Tom Zbikowski (2004-07) and Maurice Crum, Jr. (2005-09) head the list with 48 career starts.

Name	Career Starts	Career
Tom Zbikowski	48	2004-07
Maurice Crum, Jr.	48	2005-08
Brady Quinn	46	2003-06
Ryan Harris	45	2003-06
Sam Young	43	2006-present

- ▶ Became the first Irish offensive lineman to make his debut as a freshman in the season opener since freshmen regained eligibility in 1972.
- ▶ Veteran leader of the offense has more starts under his belt than any other player on the roster.
- ▶ Started 33 games at right tackle and 10 games at left tackle in his career.
- ▶ Started his first 15 games at Notre Dame, all 13 games in 2008 and the first five games of 2009 at right tackle.
- ▶ One of four returning starters on the offensive line in 2009.

78 TREVOR ROBINSON



Elkhorn, Neb. (Elkhorn)
 Birthdate: 5-16-90

Offensive Guard SO 6-5 305

Robinson's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Time
2008	11-3	190:07
2009	5-5	88:10
Total	16-8	278:17

Tidbits

- ▶ Strong, versatile offensive lineman has already appeared in 16 games early on in his Notre Dame career.
- ▶ Registered three starts as a freshman, logging 190:07 of playing time and making 23 appearances on special teams.
- ▶ Missed spring practice while recovering from an injury but opens 2009 as the starter at right guard.

82 ROBBY PARRIS



Olmstead Falls, Ohio (St. Ignatius)
 Birthdate: 12-3-87

Wide Receiver SR 6-3 205

Parris' Career Highs

Receptions – 7, at Purdue (9.29.07) **Receiving Yards** – 94, Boston College (10.13.07)
Longest Reception – 35, at Penn State (9.8.07) **Receiving TDs** – 1, twice

Parris' Season Highs

Receptions – 3, Michigan State (9.19) **Receiving Yards** – 46, Washington (10.3)
Longest Reception – 26, Washington (10.3) **Receiving TDs** – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Parris' Career Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2006	6-0	1	7	0	7	0.2	7.0	1.2
2007	12-4	29	361	1	35	2.4	12.4	30.1
2008	7-0	9	50	0	12	1.3	5.6	7.1
2009	5-2	7	87	1	26	1.4	12.4	17.4
Total	30-6	46	505	2	35	1.5	11.0	16.8

Parris' Game-by-Game

2009	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
NEV (9.5)	1	10	10.0	0	10
at UM (9.12)	0	0	0.0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	3	16	5.3	1	6
at PUR (9.26)	1	15	15.0	0	15
*WASH (10.3)	2	46	23.0	0	26
USC (10.17)					
BC (10.24)					
vs. WSU (10.31)					
NAVY (11.7)					
at PITT (11.14)					
UCONN (11.21)					
at STAN (11.28)					

* - games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Parris had two receptions for 46 yards in the victory over Washington. He had a pair of 20+ yard catches, including a 26-yard grab.
- ▶ Recorded his first touchdown reception of 2009 and second of his career against Michigan State. His touchdown gave the Irish a 23-17 lead with 11:49 to go in the third quarter.
- ▶ Parris had just one catch against Purdue, but it could not have come at a better time. He hauled in a 15-yard reception on third down and 14 to give the Irish a critical first down on their gamewinning drive in the waning minutes.

83 MIKE RAGONE



Camden, N.J. (Camden Catholic)
 Birthdate: 2-18-88

Tight End JR 6-5 251

Ragone's Career Highs

Receptions – 1, Navy (11.3.07) **Receiving Yards** – 7, Navy (11.3.07)
Longest Reception – 7, Navy (11.3.07)

Ragone's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2007	11-0	1	7	0	7	0.1	7.0	0.6
2008	DNP							
2009	5-2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	16-2	1	7	0	7	0.1	7.0	0.5

Ragone's Game-by-Game

2009	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
*NEV (9.5)	0	0	0.0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	0	0	0.0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	0	0	0.0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	0	0	0.0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	0	0	0.0	0	0
USC (10.17)					
BC (10.24)					
vs. WSU (10.31)					
NAVY (11.7)					
at PITT (11.14)					
UCONN (11.21)					
at STAN (11.28)					

* - games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Made first career start against Nevada in the season opener.
- ▶ Has made 24 special teams appearances in 2009.

2 DARRIN WALLS

Pittsburgh, Pa. (Woodland Hills)
Birthdate: 6-20-88



Cornerback


SR

6-2

190

5 MANTI TE'O

Laie, Hawai'i (Punahou)
Birthdate: 1-26-91



Linebacker

FR

6-2

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Walls' Career Highs

Total Tackles – 7, at Michigan (9.12.09)
Assisted Tackles – 4, Duke (11.17.07)
Interceptions – 1, twice
INT Return TD – 73, at Penn State (9.8.07)
Pass Breakups – 2, twice

Solo Tackles – 4, twice
Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Navy (11.3.07)
Longest INT Return – 73, at Penn State (9.8.07)
Forced Fumbles – 1, twice

Walls' Season Highs

Total Tackles – 7, at Michigan (9.12)
Assisted Tackles – 3, at Michigan (9.12)
Pass Breakups – 1, twice
Longest INT Return – 2, at Purdue (9.26)

Solo Tackles – 4, at Michigan (9.12)
Tackles For Loss – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)
Interceptions – 1, at Purdue (9.26)

Walls' Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2006	8-2	4	4	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1	0-0
2007	12-11	32	23	9	2.5-17	0.0-0	2	0-0	9	1-73
2008					DNP					
2009	5-4	12	8	4	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	2	1-2
Total	25-17	48	35	13	3.5-18	0.0-0	2	0-0	12	2-75

Year	No.	Kickoff			Punt			TD	LG
		Yards	Avg.	TD	LG	No.	Yards			Avg.
2006	5	84	16.8	0	28	0	0	0.0	0

Walls' Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	7	4	3	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
*MSU (9.19)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
*at PUR (9.26)	2	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1-2
*WASH (10.3)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* – games started

Tidbits

- ▶ One of the top defensive players on the Irish roster looks to continue his growth from his first two years of action.
- ▶ Started at left cornerback as a sophomore (2007) and was used in nickel situations during freshman season (2006) before leaving school for personal reasons in 2008.
- ▶ Walls registered his first interception of 2009 and second of his career on a key fourth down stop against Purdue.
- ▶ Set a career-high with seven tackles against Michigan. Walls also equaled his career-best total for solo stops with four.

Te'o's Career/Season Highs

Total Tackles – 10, Washington (10.3)
Assisted Tackles – 8, Washington (10.3)
Sacks – 1.0, at Purdue (9.26)

Solo Tackles – 2, twice
Tackles For Loss – 1.0, twice

Te'o's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2009	5-3	16	6	10	2.0-14	1.0-12	0	0-0	0	0-0

Te'o's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	2	1	1	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	1	1	0	1.0-12	1.0-12	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	10	2	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* – games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Te'o recorded a career-best 10 tackles in the victory over Washington. He became the first Irish freshman to record 10 or more tackles since Ian Williams had 11 against Navy in 2007.
- ▶ Te'o registered a solo tackle on his first career defensive play against Nevada.
- ▶ Te'o collected his first career start in an Irish uniform against Michigan. He became the first Notre Dame freshman to start at linebacker since Brian Smith in 2007. Te'o picked up his first tackle for loss against the Wolverines.
- ▶ Te'o recorded his first career sack with 16 seconds left deep in Purdue territory to help secure Notre Dame's 24-21 victory over the Boilermakers.

8 RAESHON MCNEIL

Cooleemee, N.C. (Davie County)
Birthdate: 12-25-87



Cornerback

SR

6-0

190

McNeil's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 6, twice

Assisted Tackles – 4, Syracuse (11.22.08)

Sacks – 1.0, at Stanford (11.24.07)

INT Return Yards – 47, Pittsburgh (11.8.08)

Pass Breakups – 3, at Boston College (11.8.08)

Solo Tackles – 5, at North Carolina (10.11.08)

Tackles For Loss – 1.0, at Stanford (11.24.07)

Interceptions – 2, Pittsburgh (11.8.08)

Longest INT Return – 43, Pittsburgh (11.8.08)

McNeil's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 5, at Michigan (9.12)

Assisted Tackles – 1, twice

Solo Tackles – 4, at Michigan (9.12)

McNeil's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				PBU	INT
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	FR		
2006	11-0	4	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	
2007	11-1	9	6	3	1.0-10	1.0-10	0	0-0	3	0-0	
2008	13-13	41	28	13	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	11	2-47	
2009	5-1	6	4	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	
Total	40-15	60	40	20	1.0-10	1.0-10	0	0-0	14	2-47	

McNeil's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	5	4	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UConn (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

► McNeil saw his starting streak of 14 consecutive games come to an end against Michigan. He had started every game for the Irish since the season opener of 2008.

► Ranks 11th all-time in passes broken up following stellar 2008 campaign where he recorded the third-most breakups in a season in school history.

► McNeil registered the most PBUs by an Irish player since Dave Waymer had 12 in 1978.

Passes Broken Up - Season

1.	Clarence Ellis	13 (1969)
2.	Dave Waymer	12 (1978)
3.	Raeshon McNeil	11 (2008)
	Tom Schoen	11 (1967)
	Luther Bradley	11 (1973)
6.	Dennis Phillips	10 (1963)
	Tony Carey	10 (1964)
	Tom Longo	10 (1964)
	David Martin	10 (1966)
	Thomas O'Leary	10 (1966)
	Ralph Stepaniak	10 (1969)

► Quality special teams player for the Irish who has made 205 special-teams appearances.

► McNeil led Notre Dame in '08 with 11 pass breakups, including two in the victory over Michigan, and 13 passes defended (11 PBUs and two INT).

► McNeil recorded three pass breakups in the loss at Boston College on Nov. 8, 2008. The three PBUs were the most in a game for the Irish in the Weis era. In fact, it is the most by an Irish player since Shane Walton and Jerome Sapp each had three against Florida State on Oct. 26, 2002.

► Among returning defensive backs heading into the 2009 season, McNeil registered the 12th most passes broken up in 2008. Here is that list:

Rank	Player, School	Pos.	Cl.	GP	PBU
1.	Alterraun Verner, UCLA	DB	JR	12	18
2.	Brandon Brinkley, Houston	DB	JR	13	15
	Darian Hagan, California	DB	SO	13	15
4.	Jaius Byrd, Oregon	DB	JR	13	14
	Syd'Quan Thompson, California	DB	JR	13	14
	Traye Simmons, Minnesota	DB	JR	13	14
7.	Devin Ross, Arizona	DB	JR	13	13
8.	Joshua Moore, Kansas St.	DB	SO	12	12
	David Pender, Purdue	DB	JR	12	12
	Nick Sanders, TCU	DB	JR	13	12
	Joe Haden, Florida	DB	SO	14	12
12.	Raeshon McNeil, Notre Dame	DB	JR	13	11

9 ETHAN JOHNSON

Portland, Ore. (Lincoln)
Birthdate: 12-18-89



Defensive Tackle

SO

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Johnson's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 5, twice

Assisted Tackles – 3, Michigan State (9.19.09)

Tackles For Loss – 2.0, twice

Pass Breakups – 2, at Michigan State (9.20.08)

Forced Fumbles – 1, Washington (10.3.09)

Solo Tackles – 5, at USC (11.29.08)

QB Hurries – 1, twice

Sacks – 2.0, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)

Blocked Kicks – 1, Michigan State (9.19.09)

Fumble Recovery – 1, at Purdue (9.26.09)

Johnson's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 5, Washington (10.3)

Assisted Tackles – 3, Michigan State (9.19)

Sacks – 1.0, Washington (10.3)

Forced Fumbles – 1, Washington (10.3)

Solo Tackles – 3, twice

Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Washington (10.3)

Blocked Kicks – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Fumble Recovery – 1, at Purdue (9.26)

Johnson's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				PBU	INT
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	FR		
2008	13-4	18	9	9	5.0-21	3.5-17	0	0-0	2	0-0	
2009	5-5	16	9	7	3.0-11	1.0-6	1	1-0	0	0-0	
Total	18-9	34	18	16	8.0-32	4.5-23	1	1-0	2	0-0	

Johnson's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	2	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	4	3	1	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	5	3	2	2.0-7	1.0-6	1	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UConn (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

► Johnson recorded a season-high five tackles, including three solo and two for loss, in the victory over Washington. He also added his first sack of the season. Johnson even chipped in with his first career forced fumble.

► Johnson registered his first fumble recovery on Purdue's final drive to secure the 24-21 Irish victory.

► Johnson recorded his first career blocked kick on Michigan State's extra-point attempt with 1:24 remaining in the third quarter. It was the first blocked kick for the Irish since Trevor Laws blocked a Stanford field goal on Nov. 24, 2007.

► Came into his own toward the end of the 2008 campaign tallying seven tackles and three sacks in the final two games.

► Slides to defensive tackle in 2009 and opens atop the depth chart.

► Johnson was very active against Michigan. He registered four tackles, three solo, and one for loss.

12 ROBERT BLANTON



Matthews, N.C. (Butler)
 Birthdate: 9-7-89

Cornerback 50 6-1 185

Blanton's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 8, at Purdue (9.26.09) **Solo Tackles** – 7, at USC (11.29.08)
Assisted Tackles – 3, twice **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, three times
Interceptions – 1, three times **Longest INT Return** – 47, Purdue (9.27.08)
INT Return TD – 47, Purdue (9.27.08) **Pass Breakups** – 1, three times

Blanton's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 8, at Purdue (9.26) **Solo Tackles** – 5, at Purdue (9.26)
Assisted Tackles – 3, twice **Interceptions** – 1, Nevada (9.5)
Longest INT Return – 0, Nevada (9.5)

Blanton's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2008	12-4	33	26	7	3.0-14	0.0-0	0	0-0	3	2-47
2009	5-5	22	13	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	1-0
Totals	17-9	55	39	16	3.0-14	0.0-0	0	0-0	3	3-47

Blanton's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1-0
*at UM (9.12)	3	2	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	5	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	8	5	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	4	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- Returned a Curtis Painter throw 47 yards for a touchdown against Purdue on Sept. 27, 2008.
- Blanton registered a career-high eight tackles in the victory over Purdue. The eight tackles bested his previous career high of seven set last season against USC.
- Has appeared on special-teams units 63 times.

17 ZEKE MOTTA



Vero Beach, Fla. (Vero Beach)
 Birthdate: 5-14-90

Safety FR 6-2 215

Motta's Season/Career Highs

Total Tackles – 3, Michigan State (9.19) **Solo Tackles** – 2, Michigan State (9.19)
Assisted Tackles – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Motta's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2009	5-0	5	4	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0

Motta's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	3	2	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- Serves on all four Irish special teams units.
- Tied for second on the Irish with five special teams tackles.

22 HARRISON SMITH



Knoxville, Tenn. (Knoxville Catholic)
 Birthdate: 1-2-89

Safety JR 6-2 207

Harrison Smith's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 11, at Michigan (9.12.09) **Solo Tackles** – 7, at Boston College (11.8.08)
Assisted Tackles – 7, at Michigan (9.12.09) **Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, at Washington (10.25.08)
Sacks – 2.0, at Washington (10.25.08) **Pass Breakups** – 2, twice
Carries – 1, twice **Rushing Yards** – 35, at Washington (10.25.08)
Longest Rush – 35, at Washington (10.25.08)

Harrison Smith's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 11, at Michigan (9.12) **Solo Tackles** – 5, twice
Assisted Tackles – 7, at Michigan (9.12) **Tackles For Loss** – 1.5, at Michigan (9.12)

Harrison Smith's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2007					DNP					
2008	13-9	57	39	18	8.5-39	3.5-26	0	0-0	7	0-0
2009	5-5	32	18	14	1.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	18-14	89	57	32	10.0-41	3.5-26	0	0-0	7	0-0

Harrison Smith's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	6	5	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	11	4	7	1.5-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	7	5	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	6	4	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- Outstanding athlete who played in 13 games in 2008 and registered nine starts at LB.
- Opens 2009 at free safety, where he originally started his Irish career.
- Smith recorded a career-best 11 tackles against Michigan. He also chipped in with 1.5 tackles for loss.

26 JAMORIS SLAUGHTER

Stone Mountain, Ga. (Tucker)
 Birthdate: 12-22-89



Cornerback 50 6-0 185

Slaughter's Season/Career Highs

Total Tackles – 2, Nevada (9.5) **Solo Tackles** – 2, Nevada (9.5)

Slaughter's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			AT	TFL	Fumbles			FR	PBU	INT
		TT	UT	UT			Scks	FF	FR			
2009	5-0	5	5	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0-0	0	0	

Slaughter's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

► Slaughter is tied for sixth on the Irish with three special teams tackles.

28 KYLE MCCARTHY

Youngstown, Ohio (Cardinal Mooney)
 Birthdate: 9-30-86



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Kyle McCarthy's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 15, Pittsburgh (11.1.08) **Solo Tackles** – 10, San Diego State (9.6.08)
Assisted Tackles – 8, twice **Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
Forced Fumbles – 1, twice **Pass Breakups** – 2, Michigan State (9.19.09)
Interceptions – 1, six times **Longest INT Return** – 23, Nevada (9.5.09)

Kyle McCarthy's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 12, Washington (10.3) **Solo Tackles** – 7, three times
Assisted Tackles – 5, Washington (10.3) **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)
Interceptions – 1, three times **Longest INT Return** – 23, Nevada (9.5)
Pass Breakups – 2, Michigan State (9.19)

Kyle McCarthy's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			AT	TFL	Fumbles			FR	PBU	INT
		TT	UT	UT			Scks	FF	FR			
2005						DNP						
2006	13-0	9	6	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0-0	0	0-0	
2007	12-1	20	11	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0	0-0	1	1-0	
2008	13-13	110	64	46	3.5-12	0.0-0	1	0	0-0	1	2-18	
2009	5-5	49	32	17	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0	0-0	3	3-63	
Total	43-19	188	113	75	4.5-13	0.0-0	2	0-0	5	5	6-81	

Kyle McCarthy's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	9	7	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1-23
*at UM (9.12)	9	5	4	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0	0	1-20
*MSU (9.19)	9	7	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	2	1-20
*at PUR (9.26)	10	6	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	12	7	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- McCarthy is one of four Irish captains.
- McCarthy is the only player in the country from an FBS school to have three interceptions and also average 9.80 or more tackles per game.
- McCarthy leads the entire FBS in tackles per game (9.80) by a defensive back. He also ranks fourth in the FBS in solo tackles per game (6.40) by a defensive back.
- McCarthy also leads all strong safeties in the NCAA FBS in both total tackles and solo tackles per game in 2009. Here are those lists:

Total Tackles Per Game (Strong Safeties)

Name, School	Cl.	Solo	Asst.	Total	TPG
Kyle McCarthy, Notre Dame	SR	32	17	49	9.80
Chinonso Echebelem, Tulane	SR	23	22	45	9.00
Jordan Gafford, Miami (OH)	JR	29	24	53	8.83
Tracy Wilson, Northern Ill.	SO	20	24	44	8.80

Solo Tackles Per Game (Strong Safeties)

Name, School	Cl.	Solo	TPG
Kyle McCarthy, Notre Dame	SR	32	6.40
Mike Newton, Buffalo	SR	30	6.00
James Brindley, Utah St.	SR	29	5.80
Tanner Burns, San Jose St.	SO	29	5.80

- McCarthy registered a game and team-high 12 tackles in the victory over Washington. It marked the eighth time over his career in which he has led the Irish in tackles. McCarthy has now registered 10 or more tackles in a game six different times over his career.
- McCarthy added a critical pass break-up on the game's final play of overtime. He dislodged the ball from a Washington wideout at the Irish one-yard line on fourth down.
- McCarthy recorded a team-high and game-high tying 10 tackles against Purdue.
- McCarthy has moved into the top-10 all-time in career tackles by an Irish defensive back. McCarthy now stands eighth with 188 career stops.

Tackles - Career - Defensive Back

1. Tom Zbikowski	300 (2004-07)
2. Jim Browner	228 (1976-78)
3. A'Jani Sanders	225 (1996-99)
4. David Bruton	214 (2005-08)
5. Brian Magee	206 (1992-95)
6. Deke Cooper	203 (1997-99)
7. Jeff Burris	189 (1991-93)
8. Kyle McCarthy	188 (2005-)
9. Stacey Toran	184 (1980-83)
John Covington	184 (1990-93)

- McCarthy still ranks tied for 10th in the nation in interceptions.
- McCarthy recorded an interception in each of the first three games this year and was the first Notre Dame player to register an interception in each of the first three games to open a season since Tom Schoen in 1966. Nationally, McCarthy was one of five players to record an interception in each of the first three games this year.
- McCarthy became the first Irish player to register interceptions in three straight games since Mike Richardson did so against Army, USC and LSU during the 2006 season.
- McCarthy has picked off a pass in four of Notre Dame's last seven games.
- McCarthy recorded nine tackles and a interception for the third consecutive game against Michigan State.
- McCarthy has registered a team-best 500 special teams appearances at Notre Dame.
- McCarthy became the first Notre Dame defensive back to ever reach 100 tackles in a single season in 2008. The previous school record for tackles by an Irish defensive back was 98 by Chinedum Ndukwe (2006).

Total Tackles (Strong Safeties)

Rank	Name	Tackles
1.	Kyle McCarthy (2008)	110
2	Chinedum Ndukwe (2006)	98
3.	David Bruton (2008)	93
4.	Steve Lawrence (1985)	92
5.	A'Jani Sanders (1999)	91
6.	David Bruton (2007)	85
7.	Brian Magee (1994)	81
	Glenn Earl (2002)	81
9.	Jim Browner (1976)	80
	Tom Zbikowski (2007)	80

- McCarthy ranked tied for 42nd in the NCAA FBS in solo tackles and 54th in total tackles last season.

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SERGIO BROWN

Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)
Birthdate: 5-22-88



Safety

SR

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Brown's Career Highs
Total Tackles – 6, twice
Assisted Tackles – 2, twice
Sacks – 1.0, Stanford (10.4.08)
QB Hurries – 1, three times
Fumble Recovery – 1, Michigan (9.13.08)

Solo Tackles – 6, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Tackles For Loss – 1.0, twice
Pass Breakups – 2, twice
Blocked Punt – 1, twice

Brown's Season Highs
Total Tackles – 5, at Purdue (9.26)
Assisted Tackles – 2, at Purdue (9.26)

Solo Tackles – 3, at Purdue (9.26)

Brown's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2006	11-0	4	3	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
2007	9-0	7	4	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
2008	13-6	28	21	7	2.0-15	1.0-12	0	1-0	6	0-0
2009	5-4	14	10	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	38-10	53	38	15	2.0-15	1.0-12	0	1-0	6	0-0

Brown's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	2	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	5	3	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	3	2	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started


Tidbits

- ▶ Exciting defensive back that burst on to the scene in 2008 after primarily playing special teams his first two years.
- ▶ Can play near the line of scrimmage and blitz effectively or drop back into pass coverage.
- ▶ Brown ranks second on the team in total special teams tackles (five) and kickoff return tackles (five).

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MIKE ANELLO

Orland Park, Ill. (Sandburg)
Birthdate: 1-20-87



Cornerback

SR

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Anello's Career Highs
Total Tackles – 4, San Diego State (9.6.08)
Assisted Tackles – 2, twice
Fumble Recovery – 1, Michigan (9.13.08)
Punt Block – 1, vs. Navy (11.15.08)

Solo Tackles – 4, San Diego State (9.6.08)
Forced Fumble – 1, twice
Pass Breakups – 1, at Washington (10.25.08)

Anello's Season Highs
Total Tackles – 1, four times
Assisted Tackles – 1, Nevada (9.5)

Solo Tackles – 1, three times

Anello's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2006					DNP					
2007	8-0	6	4	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
2008	12-0	23	15	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	2	1-0	1	0-0
2009	5-0	4	3	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	25-0	33	22	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	2	1-0	1	0-0

Anello's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Anello has become a fan favorite due to his innate play making ability on kickoff and punt coverage.
- ▶ Anello was named to 2009 Lott Award preseason watch list.
- ▶ Anello ranks fourth on Notre Dame in both total special teams tackles (four) and kickoff return tackles (four).
- ▶ Anello joined the squad as a walk-on in 2007 and spent the entire fall camp as well as the first two weeks of the season on the scout team. After making one play after another against the Irish first team special teams unit, head coach Charlie Weis moved Anello into the starting lineup against Michigan in 2007 as a gunner.
- ▶ In that first career game, Anello proceeded to make a solo tackle on his second ever play in an Irish uniform.
- ▶ In 2008, Anello was named to the *ESPN The Magazine*/CoSIDA Academic All-District Team for District 5. He later added *ESPN The Magazine*/CoSIDA Academic All-America second team honors.
- ▶ Anello registered his team-best 23rd special teams tackle on Notre Dame's first punt against USC on Nov. 29, 2008, but was lost for the remainder of the season after breaking his leg.
- ▶ Prior to the injury, Notre Dame's opponents had a total of 72 punt (22) or kickoff (50) returns in 2008 and Anello has registered a tackle on 23 of those 72 opportunities.
- ▶ Anello recorded eight multi-tackle games in 2008.
- ▶ The special teams stalwart forced his second fumble of the season and career early in the first quarter to set up Notre Dame's first score of the afternoon against Syracuse on Nov. 22, 2008.
- ▶ Anello also got a piece of Rob Long's 25-yard punt in the third quarter to set up another scoring opportunity.
- ▶ Anello registered a pair of tackles on special teams, including one on a kickoff inside the Navy 20-yard line. Anello also blocked his first career punt that Toryan Smith scooped up and raced 14 yards for a touchdown.
- ▶ Anello continued his tear against Michigan on Sept. 13, 2008. He registered three tackles, two solo, as well as a forced fumble and fumble recovery. Anello also nearly recovered a second Wolverine fumble on a punt.
- ▶ The fumble recovery set up another Irish score to make it 14-0 early in the first quarter.
- ▶ Anello was incredible in the 2008 season opener against San Diego State. He registered four solo tackles on special teams (two on punt return coverage and two on kickoff return coverage).

41 SCOTT SMITH

Highland Park, Ill. (Highland Park)
 Birthdate: 7-16-86



Linebacker SR 6-3 245

Scott Smith's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 6, Navy (11.3.07) **Solo Tackles** – 2, five times
Assisted Tackles – 5, Navy (11.3.07) **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Sacks – 1.0, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08) **Forced Fumbles** – 1, Syracuse (11.22.08)
Fumble Recoveries – 1, USC (10.20.07)

Scott Smith's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 5, Washington (10.3) **Solo Tackles** – 2, three times
Assisted Tackles – 3, Washington (10.3)

Scott Smith's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			TFL	Fumbles			FR	PBU	INT
		TT	UT	AT		Scks	FF	FR			
2005	8-0	3	3	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	
2006	2-0	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	
2007	12-0	18	7	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0	0-0	
2008	13-0	12	9	3	1.0-3	1.0-3	1	0-0	0	0-0	
2009	5-0	13	7	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	
Total	40-0	46	26	20	1.0-3	1.0-3	1	1-0	0	0-0	

Scott Smith's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	3	2	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	4	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	5	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- Serves as Irish special-teams captain.
- Has made team-high 45 special teams appearances in 2009.
- Logged 350 special-teams appearances at Notre Dame.
- Smith leads the Irish in total special teams tackles (seven) and kickoff return stops (six).

45 DARIUS FLEMING

Chicago, Ill. (St. Rita)
 Birthdate: 7-19-89



Linebacker SO 6-1 240

Fleming's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 4, three times **Solo Tackles** – 4, at Purdue (9.26.09)
Assisted Tackles – 3, Michigan (9.13.08) **Tackles For Loss** – 3.0, at Purdue (9.26.09)
Sacks – 1.0, four times **QB Hurries** – 1, twice
Forced Fumble – 1, at Michigan (9.12.09)

Fleming's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 4, twice **Solo Tackles** – 4, at Purdue (9.26)
Assisted Tackles – 1, twice **Tackles For Loss** – 3.0, at Purdue (9.26)
Sacks – 1.0, twice **QB Hurries** – 1, Michigan State (9.19)
Forced Fumble – 1, at Michigan (9.12)

Fleming's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			TFL	Fumbles			FR	PBU	INT
		TT	UT	AT		Scks	FF	FR			
2008	13-3	24	13	11	2.5-20	2.5-20	0	0-0	0	0-0	
2009	4-4	11	9	2	7.0-19	2.0-10	1	0-0	0	0-0	
Total	17-7	35	22	13	9.5-39	4.5-30	1	0-0	0	0-0	

Fleming's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	4	3	1	2.0-5	1.0-4	1	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	2	2	0	2.0-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	4	4	0	3.0-12	1.0-6	0	0	0	0
WASH (10.3)									
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- Fleming is tied for 12th in the FBS in tackles for loss with 7.0. He ranks third in the country among sophomores and third among linebackers. Here are those lists:

Tackles For Loss (Sophomores)

Player	Pos	Cl	Gm	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	PG
Johnathan Rainey, New Mexico	DL	SO	6	11	1	92	11.5	1.92
Robert Quinn, North Carolina	DL	SO	6	10	2	69	11.0	1.83
Darius Fleming, Notre Dame	LB	SO	4	7	0	19	7.0	1.75
Emmanuel Acho, Texas	LB	SO	5	7	1	21	7.5	1.50
Javon Reese, Eastern Mich.	DL	SO	4	6	0	18	6	1.50


Tackles For Loss (Linebackers)

Player	Pos	Cl	Gm	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	PG
Michael Morgan, USC	LB	JR	5	8	3	31	9.5	1.90
Jason Werner, Purdue	LB	SR	6	10	2	24	11.0	1.83
Darius Fleming, Notre Dame	LB	SO	4	7	0	19	7.0	1.75
Emmanuel Acho, Texas	LB	SO	5	7	1	21	7.5	1.50
Toronto Smith, FIU	LB	JR	5	6	2	35	7.0	1.40

- Fleming missed the Washington game with a hamstring injury.
- Fleming set new career highs in solo tackles (four) and tackles for loss (3.0) as well as equalled career highs in total tackles (four) and sacks (1.0) against Purdue.
- Fleming's 3.0 tackles for loss were the most by an Irish defender since Trevor Laws had 3.0 against Purdue in 2007.
- Fleming has already totaled 7.0 tackles for loss this season, which is just 1.5 TFLs shy of Harrison Smith's team-leading total of 8.5 in 2008.
- Fleming equalled his career-high for tackles and solo tackles in a game against Michigan. He finished the day with four stops and three were solo tackles. He also added a career-best tying 2.0 tackles for loss and one sack. Interestingly enough, Fleming also had four tackles against the Wolverines in 2008.
- Fleming has the flexibility to play both outside linebacker and defensive end.
- Key special teams performer recorded second-most special teams appearances in 2008.

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STEVE FILER



Chicago, Ill. (Mount Carmel)
Birthdate: 6-4-90

Linebacker
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Filer's Season/Career Highs
Total Tackles – 4, Washington (10.3) **Solo Tackles** – 2, Washington (10.3)
Assisted Tackles – 2, Washington (10.3)

Filer's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			Fumbles					
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2008	11-0	1	1	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0
2009	5-0	7	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0
Total	16-0	8	4	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0

Filer's Game-by-Game


2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	2	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	4	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits
▶ Has made second-most special teams appearances (44) for the Irish in 2009.
▶ Filer is tied for second in both total special teams tackles (five) and kickoff return stops (five).

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TORYAN SMITH



Rome, Ga. (Rome)
Birthdate: 9-14-87

Linebacker
SR
6-1
244

Toryan Smith's Career Highs
Total Tackles – 10, vs. Navy (11.15.08) **Solo Tackles** – 7, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
Assisted Tackles – 3, three times **Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, Nevada (9.5.09)
Sacks – 1.0, Nevada (9.5.09) **Fumble Recoveries** – 1, twice
Blocked Punt Return – 1, vs. Navy (11.15.08) **Longest Blocked Punt Return** – 14, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
Blocked Punt Return TD – 1, vs. Navy (11.15.08)

Toryan Smith's Season Highs
Total Tackles – 5, Nevada (9.5) **Solo Tackles** – 4, Nevada (9.5)
Assisted Tackles – 2, Washington (10.3) **Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, Nevada (9.5)
Sacks – 1.0, Nevada (9.5) **Fumble Recoveries** – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Toryan Smith's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			Fumbles					
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2006	9-0	9	6	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
2007	11-2	14	6	8	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
2008	10-2	18	11	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-8	1	0-0
2009	5-2	14	9	5	3.5-13	1.0-10	0	1-5	0	0-0
Total	35-6	55	32	23	4.0-14	1.0-10	0	1-8	1	0-0

Toryan Smith's Game-by-Game


2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	5	4	1	2.0-11	1.0-10	0	0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	4	3	1	1.5-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-5	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
WASH (10.3)	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits
▶ Recorded only career touchdown after returning a blocked punt for a score vs. Navy in 2008.

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KERRY NEAL



Bunn, N.C. (Bunn)
Birthdate: 8-30-88

Defensive End
JR
6-2
250

Neal's Career Highs
Total Tackles – 7, Washington (10.3.09) **Solo Tackles** – 5, Washington (10.3.09)
Assisted Tackles – 5, Syracuse (11.22.08) **QB Hurries** – 1, six times
Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Washington (10.3.09) **Sacks** – 1.0, five times
Fumble Recovery – 1, twice **Pass Breakups** – 1, three times
Longest Fumble Return – 11, at UCLA (10.6.07) **Interceptions** – 1, San Diego State (9.6.08)
Longest INT Return – 2, San Diego State (9.6.08)

Neal's Season Highs
Total Tackles – 7, Washington (10.3) **Solo Tackles** – 5, Washington (10.3)
Assisted Tackles – 2, Washington (10.3) **QB Hurries** – 1, Michigan State (9.19)
Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Washington (10.3) **Sacks** – 1.0, Washington (10.3)

Neal's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			Fumbles					
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2007	12-5	20	8	12	2.0-9	2.0-9	0	2-11	3	0-0
2008	13-11	25	11	14	4.0-19	2.0-15	0	0-0	0	1-2
2009	5-3	9	7	2	3.0-14	1.0-9	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	30-19	54	26	28	9.0-42	5.0-33	0	2-11	3	1-2

Neal's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at PUR (9.26)	2	2	0	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	7	5	2	2.0-13	1.0-9	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits
▶ Serves on the Irish Leadership Committee.
▶ One of four players from his class to have played in every game in his first two seasons (Armando Allen, Golden Tate and Ian Williams).
▶ Moves to defensive end in 2009.
▶ Entered the Washington game with only two tackles the entire season, but made a career-high seven stops, including five solo tackles, in the victory. Neal also added two tackles for loss and one sack.

58 BRIAN SMITH



Overland Park, Kan. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
 Birthdate: 1-8-89

Linebacker JR 6-3 240

Brian Smith's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 10, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
Assisted Tackles – 6, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
QB Hurries – 1, five times
Interceptions – 1, Boston College (10.13.07)
INT Return TD – 25, Boston College (10.13.07)
Fumble Recoveries – 2, Michigan (9.13.08)
Longest Fumble Return – 35, Michigan (9.13.08)

Solo Tackles – 8, at Boston College (11.8.08)
Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Nevada (9.5.09)
Sacks – 1.0, four times
Longest INT Return – 25, Boston College (10.13.07)
Forced Fumbles – 1, twice
Pass Breakups – 1, three
Fumble Return TD – 1, Michigan (9.13.08)

Brian Smith's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 7, twice
Assisted Tackles – 3, Washington (10.3)
Sacks – 1.0, Nevada (9.5)

Solo Tackles – 5, at Michigan (9.12)
Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Nevada (9.5)
QB Hurries – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Brian Smith's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2007	11-3	25	11	14	4.0-16	1.5-7	1	0-0	0	1-25
2008	11-9	54	33	21	4.0-33	2.0-23	1	2-35	2	0-0
2009	5-5	26	18	8	4.0-20	1.0-11	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	27-17	105	62	43	12.0-69	4.5-41	2	2-25	2	1-25

Brian Smith's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	3	2	1	2.0-18	1.0-11	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	7	5	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	5	3	2	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	4	4	0	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	7	4	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- Fiery leader of the Irish defense plays with as much emotion as anyone on the roster.
- Serves on the Irish Leadership Committee.
- Smith tallied two touchdowns in Irish career, returning an interception against Boston College's Matt Ryan 25 yards for a score as a freshman and rumbling 35 yards for a score against Michigan in 2008 following a fumble recovery.
- Smith ranked tied for 53rd in the nation in fumble recoveries in 2008.

89 KAPRON LEWIS-MOORE



Weatherford, Texas (Weatherford)
 Birthdate: 1-24-90

Defensive End SO 6-4 270

Lewis-Moore's Season/Career Highs

Total Tackles – 7, Washington (10.3)
Assisted Tackles – 3, twice
QB Hurries – 1, Washington (10.3)
Forced Fumble – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Solo Tackles – 4, twice
Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Washington (10.3)
Sacks – 1.0, Washington (10.3)
Fumble Recovery – 1, Nevada (9.5)

Lewis-Moore's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2009	5-3	17	11	6	3.0-10	1.0-7	1	1-0	0	0

Lewis-Moore's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0	0
at UM (9.12)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	4	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	4	4	0	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	7	4	3	2.0-13	1.0-7	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- Lewis-Moore made a career-best seven tackles, including four solo, and two for loss in the victory over Washington. He also added his first career sack.
- Lewis-Moore picked up his first career forced fumble midway through the second quarter against Michigan State. He stripped Spartans running back Gaulton Ray.
- Lewis-Moore also recorded a fumble recovery in the 35-0 shutout victory over Nevada in the season opener.
- Lewis-Moore registered his first career start against Michigan State.

90 JOHN RYAN



Westlake, Ohio (St. Ignatius)
 Birthdate: 5-7-88

Defensive End SR 6-5 255

Ryan's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 7, at Michigan (9.15.07)
Assisted Tackles – 4, at Penn State (9.8.07)
Pass Breakups – 2, San Diego State (9.6.08)
QB Hurries – 1, five times
Fumble Recovery – 1, three times

Solo Tackles – 6, twice
Tackles For Loss – 2.0, at Purdue (9.29.07)
Sacks – 1.0, three times
Forced Fumble – 1, at UCLA (10.6.07)

Ryan's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 3, twice
Assisted Tackles – 2, Nevada (9.5)
Sacks – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)
Fumble Recovery – 1, Washington (10.3)

Solo Tackles – 2, twice
Tackles For Loss – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)
Pass Breakups – 1, Nevada (9.5)

Ryan's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2006	10-0	4	2	2	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
2007	12-10	39	20	19	5.0-30	2.5-23	1	0-0	0	0-0
2008	12-5	7	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	2-0	2	0-0
2009	5-3	11	6	5	1.0-5	1.0-5	0	1-0	1	0-0
Total	39-18	61	30	31	7.0-37	3.5-28	1	3-0	3	0-0

Ryan's Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
NEV (9.5)	3	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
at UM (9.12)	3	2	1	1.0-5	1.0-5	0	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	2	2	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	2	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

Tidbits

- ▶ Serves on the Irish Leadership Committee.
- ▶ Ryan made three tackles, including two solo stops, and added a sack against Michigan. His career-high for tackles in a game (seven) came against the Wolverines during the 2007 season.
- ▶ Veteran defensive player has played with his hand on the ground at defensive end as well as in a two-point stance as an outside linebacker in Irish career.
- ▶ Key member of several special teams units and has logged 216 special-teams appearances at Notre Dame
- ▶ Returns to defensive end in 2009.

95 IAN WILLIAMS

Altamonte Springs, Fla. (Lyman)
Birthdate: 8-31-89

Nose Tackle
JR
6-2
295

Williams' Career Highs

Total Tackles – 11, Navy (11.3.07) **Solo Tackles** – 5, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
Assisted Tackles – 9, Navy (11.3.07) **Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
Pass Breakups – 1, at USC (11.29)

Williams' Season Highs

Total Tackles – 3, twice **Solo Tackles** – 2, twice
Assisted Tackles – 2, twice **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, twice

Williams' Career Stats

Year	Tackles				Fumbles				FR	PBU	INT
	G-S	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR			
2007	12-2	45	19	26	1.5-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0-0
2008	12-7	40	18	22	2.0-5	0.0-0	0	0-0	1	0-0	
2009	5-5	12	5	7	2.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	
Total	29-14	97	42	55	5.5-11	0.0-0	0	0-0	1	0-0	

Williams' Game-by-Game

2009	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
*NEV (9.5)	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at UM (9.12)	3	2	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*MSU (9.19)	3	2	1	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*at PUR (9.26)	2	1	1	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
*WASH (10.3)	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

* - games started

35 BEN TURK

Davie, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
Birthdate: 6-5-90

Punter
FR
5-11
193

Turk's Season/Career Highs

Punts – 2, Washington (10.3) **Punt Yards** – 79, Washington (10.3)
Long Punt – 40, Washington (10.3) **Touchback** – 1, Washington (10.3)

Turk's Career Stats

Year	G-S	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blkd
2009	1-0	2	79	39.5	40	1	1	0	0	0
Total	1-0	2	79	39.5	40	1	1	0	0	0

Turk's Game-by-Game

2009	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TB	FC	I20	50+	BLK
NEV (9.5)					DNP				
at UM (9.12)					DNP				
MSU (9.19)					DNP				
at PUR (9.26)					DNP				
WASH (10.3)	2	79	39.5	40	1	1	0	0	0
USC (10.17)									
BC (10.24)									
vs. WSU (10.31)									
NAVY (11.7)									
at PITT (11.14)									
UCONN (11.21)									
at STAN (11.28)									

Tidbits

- ▶ Ranked by Scout.com as third-best high school punter in 2008.
- ▶ Has bench pressed 405 pounds.

40 NICK TAUSCH

Plano, Texas (Jesuit)
Birthdate: 4-30-91

Kicker
FR
6-0
190

Tausch's Career Highs

Extra Points Attempted – 5, Nevada (9.5) **Extra Points Converted** – 5, Nevada (9.5)
Field Goals Attempted – 5, Washington (10.3) **Field Goals Converted** – 5, Washington (10.3)
Longest FG – 46, Michigan State (9.19) **Points Scored** – 17, Washington (10.3)

Tausch's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Field Goals			LG	XP		Kickoffs			TB
		M-A	Pct	Pct		M-A	Pct	Att	Yds	Avg	
2009	5-0	10-11	.909	46	15-16	.938	33	2058	62.4	0	

Field Goal Breakdown

Year	0-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	Blkd
2009	0-0	3-4	4-4	3-3	0-0	46	--

Tausch's Game-by-Game

2009	FGA	FGM	LG	XPA	XPM	Points
NEV (9.5)	0	0	0	5	5	5
at UM (9.12)	3	2	42	2	2	8
MSU (9.19)	2	2	46	4	3	9
at PUR (9.26)	1	1	34	3	3	6
WASH (10.3)	5	5	40	2	2	17
USC (10.17)						
BC (10.24)						
vs. WSU (10.31)						
NAVY (11.7)						
at PITT (11.14)						
UCONN (11.21)						
at STAN (11.28)						

Tidbits

- ▶ Tausch equaled the school record with his fifth field goal of the game with 12:23 to go in the fourth quarter to make the score 24-22 in favor of Washington.
- ▶ After missing the first field goal attempt of his career at Michigan, Tausch has connected on 10 consecutive field goals. It is longest such streak by an Irish kicker since John Carney made 10 straight over the 1984-85 seasons.
- ▶ Tausch is the first Irish place kicker to register five field goals in a single game without a miss.

Most Consecutive Field Goals – Career

1. Mike Johnston	Michigan 1982 – Oregon 1982	13
2. Nick Tausch	Michigan 2009 – Present	10
	John Carney	10
	Navy 1984 – Michigan 1985	10
4. Nicholas Setta	USC 2000 – USC 2001	9
	Nicholas Setta	9
	Washington State 2003 – Purdue 2003	9
	D.J. Fitzpatrick	9
7. Chuck Male	Miami 1978 – Georgia Tech 1978	8
	Chuck Male	8
	Michigan 1979 – Michigan State 1979	8
	John Carney	8
	Air Force 1986 – Penn State 1986	8

- ▶ Tausch connected on a pair of field goals against Michigan State for the second consecutive week. The rookie nailed a career-long 46-yard field goal with 5:34 left in the third quarter to give Notre Dame a 26-17 lead.

The Last Time

NOTRE DAME

Rushing

Had 400 or more yards:at Boston College, 1996 (426)
 Had 300 or more yards:at Stanford, 2003 (320)
 Had 70 or more rushing attempts:vs. Michigan State, 1991 (76)
 Had 60 or more rushing attempts:vs. Navy, 2007 (63)
 Had 50 or more rushing attempts:vs. Navy, 2008 (51)
 Had six or more rush TDs:vs. Navy, 1996 (6)
 Had five or more rush TDs:at USC, 2000 (5)
 Had four or more rush TDs:vs. Navy, 2007 (4)
 Had two players with 100 rush yards in a game:vs. Stanford, 2002
(Rashon Powers-Neal 108, Ryan Grant 103)

Passing

Had 500 or more yards:at USC, 1970 (526)
 Had 400-499 yards:vs. Washington, 2009 (422)
 Had 300-399 yards:vs. Michigan State, 2009 (304)
 Had 40 or more pass attempts:at Michigan, 2009 (42)
 Had 30-39 pass attempts:vs. Washington, 2009 (31)
 Had 25-29 pass completions:at Michigan, 2009 (25)
 Had 20-24 pass completions:vs. Washington, 2009 (23)
 Had six or more passing TDs:vs. BYU, 2005 (6)
 Had five or more passing TDs:vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (5)
 Had four or more passing TDs:vs. Nevada, 2009 (4)
 Had three or more passing TDs:at Michigan, 2009 (3)
 Had five or more passes intercepted:vs. USC, 1967 (7)
 Had four or more passes intercepted:at Boston College, 2008 (4)
 Had three or more passes intercepted:at Boston College, 2008 (4)

Receiving

Had two players with 100 receiving yards in a game:
at Michigan, 2009 (Golden Tate - 115, Michael Floyd - 131)
 Had a player with over 150 receiving yards in a game:
vs. Washington, 2009 (Golden Tate - 244)
 Had two players with 10 catches in a game:
vs. BYU, 2005 (Maurice Stovall - 14, Jeff Samardzija - 10)

Combination Offense

Had a 200-yard passer and 100-yard rusher in a game:
vs. Michigan State, 2009 (Jimmy Clausen - 300, Armando Allen - 115)
 Had a 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in a game:
vs. Michigan State, 2009 (Golden Tate - 127 receiving; Armando Allen - 115 rush)

Total Offense

Had 600 or more yards total offense:at Stanford, 2005 (663)
 Had 500-599 yards total offense:vs. Washington, 2009 (530)
 Had 400-499 yards total offense:vs. Michigan State, 2009 (437)
 Had 85 or more plays total offense:vs. Navy, 2007 (90)
 Had 75-84 plays total offense:at Purdue, 2009 (79)

Scoring

Scored 60 or more points:vs. Rutgers, 1996 (62)
 Scored 50-59 points:at Stanford, 2003 (57)
 Scored 40-49 points:vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (49)
 Scored 30-39 points:vs. Washington, 2009 (37 - ot)
 Allowed 60 or more points:Never
 Allowed 50-59 points:at Miami (Fla.), 1985 (58)
 Allowed 40-49 points:vs. Air Force, 2007 (41)
 Allowed 30-39 points:vs. Washington, 2009 (30 - ot)
 Was held scoreless:at Boston College, 2008 (17-0)
 Was held scoreless at home:USC, 2007 (38-0)
 Was held scoreless on the road:at Boston College, 2008 (17-0)
 Was held without offensive touchdown:at USC, 2008 (38-3)
 Held opponent scoreless:vs. Nevada, 2009 (35-0)
 Held opponent scoreless at home:vs. Nevada, 2009 (35-0)
 Held opponent scoreless on the road:at Purdue, 1993 (17-0)

Held opponent without offensive touchdown:
vs. Nevada, 2009 (35-0)

Held opponent scoreless at neutral site:
vs. Maryland (Giants Stadium - East Rutherford, NJ), 2002 (22-0)

Held two or more opponents scoreless in a season:
2002 vs. Maryland (22-0) vs. Rutgers (42-0)

Held three or more opponents scoreless in a season:
1976 vs. Purdue (23-0) at Northwestern (49-0), vs. Oregon (41-0)

Held four or more opponents scoreless in a season:
1966 vs. Army (35-0) vs. North Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0),
vs. Pittsburgh (40-0) vs. Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)

Held five or more opponents scoreless in a season:
1966 vs. Army (35-0) vs. North Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0),
vs. Pittsburgh (40-0) vs. Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)

Held six or more opponents scoreless in a season:
1966 vs. Army (35-0) vs. North Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0),
vs. Pittsburgh (40-0) vs. Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)

Had multiple players with multiple TDs in a game:
vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (Golden Tate - 3, Armando Allen - 2)

Turnovers

Did not commit a turnover:vs. Nevada, 2009
 Committed six or more turnovers:vs. Navy, 1984 (6)
 Committed five turnovers:at Boston College, 2008 (5)
 Lost four or more fumbles:vs. Michigan State, 1999 (4)
 Lost three fumbles:at North Carolina, 2008 (3)
 Recorded six or more takeaways:vs. Michigan, 2008 (6)
 Recorded five takeaways:vs. Washington, 2004 (5)
 Returned two or more interceptions for TDs:vs. Stanford, 2002 (2)
(Shane Walton - 18 yards, Courtney Watson - 34 yards)

Returned an interception for a TD:vs. Purdue, 2008 (1)
(Robert Blanton - 47 yards)

Returned a fumble for a TD:vs. Michigan, 2008 (1)
(Brian Smith - 35 yards)

Defense

Held opponent 50 or fewer rushing yards:vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (32)
 Held opponent to 100 or fewer passing yards:at Boston College, 2008 (79)
 Held opponent to 201-300 yards total offense:
vs. Navy, 2008 (242)
 Held opponent to 200 or fewer yards total offense:at Washington, 2008 (124)
 Intercepted five or more passes:vs. Purdue, 1988 (5)
 Intercepted four passes:at UCLA, 2007 (4)
 Intercepted three passes:at USC, 2008 (3)
 Scored a safety:at Stanford, 2003
 Recorded nine or more sacks:vs. Rutgers, 1996 (9)
 Recorded eight sacks:vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (8)
 Recorded seven sacks:at Stanford, 2005 (7)
 Recorded six sacks:vs. Navy, 2004 (6)
 Recorded five sacks:vs. Stanford, 2008 (5)
 Held opponent to 10 or fewer first downs:
at Washington, 2008 (8)

Special Teams

Returned a punt for a TD:vs. North Carolina, 2006
(Tom Zbikowski, 52 yards)
 Returned a blocked punt for a TD:vs. Navy, 2008
(Toryan Smith, 14 yards)
 Returned a kickoff for a TD:vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008
(Armando Allen, 96 yards)

The Last Time

Returned a blocked FG for a TD.....at Air Force, 2006
(Terrail Lambert, 76 yards)
 Blocked a punt:vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008
(Sergio Brown)
 Punted 10 or more times:USC, 2007 (10)
 Did not punt:at Washington, 2008
 Blocked a field goal:vs. Boston College, 2007
 Had a field goal blocked:at Purdue, 2007
 Blocked a PAT kick:vs. Michigan State, 2009
 Scored on a blocked PAT attempt:vs. Texas, 1995
 Missed a kicking PAT:vs. Michigan State, 2009
 Had a kicking PAT blocked:at Air Force, 2006 (2)
 Had a punt blocked:at Boston College, 2008

Miscellaneous

Had 30 or more first downs:vs. Purdue, 2006 (33)
 Had 20-29 first downs:vs. Washington, 2009 (23)
 Was not penalized:at LSU, 1997
 Had 10 or more penalties:vs. Michigan State, 2009 (11)
 Had 120 or more yards in penalties:at Rutgers, 2000 (120)
 Had 35 minutes or more of possession time:vs. Navy, 2008 (35:33)
 Was involved in a tie game:at USC, 1994 (17-17)
 Was involved in an overtime game:vs. Washington, 2009 (W, 37-30)

A NOTRE DAME PLAYER

Rushing

Rushed for 300 or more yards:Never
 Rushed for 250-299 yards:Julius Jones at Pittsburgh, 2003 (262)
 Rushed for 200-249 yards:Julius Jones at Stanford, 2003 (218)
 Rushed for 175-199 yards:Darius Walker at Stanford, 2005 (186)
 Rushed for 150-174 yards:Darius Walker vs. Army, 2006 (162)
 Rushed for 125-149 yards:Armando Allen at Michigan, 2009 (139)
 Rushed for 100-124 yards:Armando Allen vs. Michigan State, 2009 (115)
 Quarterback rushed for 100 or more yards:Carlyle Holiday
at Boston College, 2001 (109)
 Rushed 40 or more times:Allen Pinkett at LSU, 1984 (40)
 Rushed 35-39 times:Julius Jones vs. BYU, 2003 (35)
 Rushed 30-34 times:James Aldridge vs. Navy, 2007 (32)
 Rushed 25-29 times:Darius Walker vs. Stanford, 2006 (25)
 Rushed for four or more TDs:Emmett Mosley vs. Navy, 1994 (4)
 Rushed for three TDs:Travis Thomas vs. Navy, 2007 (3)
 Rushed for two TDs:Robert Hughes vs. Michigan, 2008 (2)
 Had a run of 80 yards or more:
Terrance Howard at West Virginia, 2000 (80)
 Had a run of 70-79 yards:Arnaz Battle vs. Kansas, 1999 (74)
 Had a run of 60-69 yards:Brady Quinn at USC, 2006 (60)
 Had a run of 50-59 yards:Carlyle Holiday at Air Force, 2002 (53)

Passing

Passed for 500 or more yards:Joe Theismann at USC, 1970 (526)
 Passed for 400-499 yards:Jimmy Clausen vs. Washington, 2009 (422)
 Passed for 300-399 yards:Jimmy Clausen vs. Michigan State, 2009 (300)
 Attempted 50 or more passes:Brady Quinn vs. Michigan State, 2005 (60)
 Attempted 40-49 passes:Jimmy Clausen at Michigan, 2009 (42)
 Attempted 30-39 passes:Jimmy Clausen vs. Washington, 2009 (31)
 Completed 30 or more passes:Jimmy Clausen at North Carolina, 2008 (31)
 Completed 20-29 passes:Jimmy Clausen vs. Washington, 2009 (23)
 Threw six TDs:Brady Quinn vs. BYU, 2005 (6)
 Threw five or more TDs:Jimmy Clausen vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (5)
 Threw four or more TDs:Jimmy Clausen vs. Nevada, 2009 (4)
 Threw three or more TDs:Jimmy Clausen at Michigan, 2009 (3)
 Threw five or more interceptions:Before 1975
 Threw four interceptions:Jimmy Clausen at Boston College, 2008 (4)
 Threw three interceptions:Brady Quinn vs. Michigan, 2006 (3)
 Completed a pass of 80 yards or more:
Jimmy Clausen vs. Nevada, 2009 (88)
 Completed a pass of 70-79 yards:Jimmy Clausen vs. Washington, 2009 (77)
 Completed a pass of 60-69 yards:
Jimmy Clausen vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (69)
 Completed a pass of 50-59 yards:Jimmy Clausen vs. Michigan State, 2009 (54)

Receiving

Caught 15 or more passes:Never
 Caught 10-14 passes:Michael Floyd vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (10)
 Caught seven to nine passes:Golden Tate vs. Washington, 2009 (9)
 Had 200 or more yards receiving:Golden Tate vs. Washington, 2009 (244)
 Had 175-199 yards receiving:Michael Floyd vs. Nevada, 2009 (189)
 Had 150-174 yards receiving:Jeff Samardzija vs. BYU, 2005 (152)
 Had 100-149 yards receiving:Golden Tate vs. Michigan State, 2009 (127)
 Caught four or more TDs:Maurice Stovall vs. BYU, 2005 (4)
 Caught three TDs:Michael Floyd vs. Nevada, 2009 (3)
 Caught two TDs:Golden Tate at Michigan, 2009 (2)

Total Offense

Had 500 or more yards total offense:Joe Theismann at USC, 1970 (512)
 Had 400-499 yards total offense:Brady Quinn vs. BYU, 2005 (457)
 Had 100 yards both passing and rushing:
Jarvis Jackson vs. Oklahoma, 1999 (276 passing, 107 rushing)

Scoring

Accounted for four or more touchdowns:
Jimmy Clausen vs. Nevada, 2009 (4 passing)
 Accounted for three touchdowns:
Jimmy Clausen at Michigan, 2009 (3 passing)

Defense

Intercepted three or more passes:Shane Walton vs. Maryland, 2002 (3)
 Intercepted two passes:Raeshon McNeil vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (2)
 Recovered three or more fumbles:Never
 Forced two fumbles:Maurice Crum, Jr. at UCLA, 2007 (2)
 Recovered two fumbles:Brian Smith vs. Michigan, 2008 (2)
 Recorded 15 or more tackles:David Bruton vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (16)
 Recorded 10-14 tackles:Kyle McCarthy vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (15)
Kyle McCarthy vs. Washington 2009 (12)

Special Teams

Scored 15 or more points kicking:Nick Tausch vs. Washington, 2009 (17)
 Scored 10-14 points kicking:Brandon Walker vs. Syracuse, 2008 (11)
 Kicked five or more field goals:Nick Tausch vs. Washington, 2009 (5)
 Kicked four field goals:Brandon Walker vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (4)
 Kicked two field goals of 50 or more yards:Never
 Kicked a field goal of 50 or more yards:Nicholas Setta
vs. Maryland, 2002 (51)
 Kicked a punt 70 or more yards:Jim Yoder vs. Texas, 1971 (71)
 Kicked a punt 60-69 yards:Geoff Price vs. PSU, 2006 (62)
 Punted 10 or more times:Geoff Price vs. USC, 2007 (10)
 Totaled 175 or more kickoff return yards:
Raghib Ismail at Michigan, 1989 (192)
 Totaled 100 or more punt return yards:
Tom Zbikowski vs. Tennessee, 2005 (118)

AN OPPOSING TEAM

Rushing

Had 400 or more yards:Pittsburgh, 1975 (411)
 Had 300-399 yards:Stanford, 1997 (322)
 Had 200-299 yards:Michigan State, 2008 (203)
 Had 50 or more rushing attempts:Air Force, 2007 (63)
 Had five or more rush TDs:USC, 2005 (5)
 Had four rush TDs:Navy, 2007 (4)
 Had two or more players with 100 rush yards in a game:Stanford, 1997
(Anthony Bookman - 142, Mike Mitchell - 135)

Passing

Had 400 or more yards:Washington, 2005 (408)
 Had 300-399 yards:Michigan State, 2009 (354)
 Had 60 or more pass attempts:Tennessee, 1990 (60)
 Had 50-59 pass attempts:Purdue, 2008 (55)
 Had 40-49 pass attempts:Washington, 2009 (40)
 Had 30 or more pass completions:Boston College, 2007 (32)
 Had five or more passing TDs:USC, 2004 (5)

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Had four passing TDs: USC, 2007 (4)
 Had three passing TDs: Purdue, 2009 (3)

Receiving

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

Total Offense

Had 600 or more yards total offense: Ohio State, 2006 Fiesta Bowl (617)
 Had 500-599 yards total offense: LSU, 2007 Sugar Bowl (577)
 Had 400-499 yards total offense: Washington, 2009 (457)
 Had 80 or more plays: Boston College, 2007 (83)
 Had 75-79 plays: Washington, 2009 (79)

Scoring

Scored 60 or more points: Never
 Scored 50-59 points: Miami (Fla.), 1985 (58)
 Scored 40-49 points: Air Force, 2007 (41)
 Scored 30-39 points: Washington, 2009 (30 - ot)
 Scored a two-point conversion: Navy, 2007

Turnovers

Did not commit a turnover: Boston College, 2008
 Had three or more fumbles lost: Michigan, 2008 (4)
 Intercepted five or more passes: USC, 1967 (7)
 Intercepted four passes: Purdue, 2003 (4)
 Intercepted three passes: Michigan, 2006 (3)
 Returned an interception for a TD: Boston College, 2008
 (Quan Sturdivant - 32 yards)
 Returned a fumble for a TD: Air Force, 2007
 (John Rabold - 19 yards)

Defense

Held ND to 10 or fewer first downs: USC, 2007 (10)
 Scored a safety: LSU, 1998
 Held ND to 50 or fewer rushing yards: Syracuse, 2008 (41)
 Held ND to 101-200 passing yards: Navy, 2008 (110)
 Held ND to 100 or fewer passing yards: UCLA, 2007 (94)
 Held ND to 201-300 yards total offense: Boston College, 2008 (292)
 Held ND to 200 or fewer yards total offense: USC, 2007 (165)

Special Teams

Returned a punt for a TD: Penn State, 2007 (Derrick Williams - 78 yards)
 Returned a blocked punt for a TD: Michigan State, 2004
 (Jerramy Scott - 0 yards)
 Returned a kickoff for a TD: Michigan, 2009 (Darryl Stonum - 94 yards)
 Punted 10 or more times: Rutgers, 2002 (10)
 Did not punt: Miami (Fla.), 1985
 Missed a kicking PAT: San Diego State, 2008

Miscellaneous

Had 30 or more first downs: LSU, 2007 Sugar Bowl (31)
 Had 20-29 first downs: Washington, 2009 (25)
 Had 10 or more penalties: Washington, 2009 (13)
 Had 100 or more yards in penalties: Purdue, 2009 (103)
 Had 35 minutes or more of possession time: Boston College, 2007 (39:03)
 Had one 100-yard receiver and one 100-yard rusher: USC, 2006
 (C.J. Cable, 107 rushing, Dwayne Jarrett, 132 receiving)

AN OPPOSING PLAYER

Rushing

Rushed for 300 or more yards: Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh, 1975 (303)
 Rushed for 200-299 yards: Javon Ringer, Michigan State, 2008 (201)
 Rushed for 150-199 yards: LeSean McCoy, Pittsburgh, 2008 (169)
 Rushed for 100-149 yards: Chris Polk, Washington, 2009 (143)
 Rushed 40 or more times: Craig Heyward, Pittsburgh, 1987 (42)
 Rushed 30-39 times: LeSean McCoy, Pittsburgh, 2008 (32)
 Rushed 25-29 times: Sam McGuffie, Michigan, 2008 (25)
 Rushed for five or more TDs: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (5)
 Rushed for four or more TDs: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (5)

Rushed for three or more TDs: Reggie Bush, USC, 2005 (3)
 Rushed for two or more TDs: Larry Caper, Michigan State, 2009 (2)
 Had a run of 80 yards or more: Sherman Lewis, Michigan State, 1963 (85)
 Had a run of 70-79 yards: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (71)
 Had a run of 60-69 yards: Javon Ringer, Michigan State, 2008 (63)
 Had a run of 50-59 yards: Joe McKnight, USC, 2007 (51)

Passing

Passed for 500 or more yards: Never
 Passed for 400-499 yards: Matt Leinart, USC, 2004 (400)
 Passed for 300-399 yards: Kirk Cousins, Michigan State, 2009 (302)
 Attempted 60 or more passes: Andy Kelly, Tennessee, 1990 (60)
 Attempted 50-59 passes: Curtis Painter, Purdue, 2008 (55)
 Attempted 40-49 passes: Jake Locker, Washington, 2009 (40)
 Completed 30 or more passes: Matt Ryan, Boston College, 2007 (32)
 Completed 20-29 passes: Jake Locker, Washington, 2009 (22)
 Threw five or more TDs: Matt Leinart, USC, 2004 (5)
 Threw four TDs: Mark Sanchez, USC, 2007 (4)
 Threw three TDs: Joey Elliott, Purdue, 2009 (3)
 Completed a pass of 90 yards or more: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (97)
 Completed a pass of 80-89 yards: Curtis Painter, Purdue, 2006 (88)
 Completed a pass of 70-79 yards: Joe Dailey, North Carolina, 2006 (72)
 Completed a pass of 60-69 yards: Chad Henne, Michigan, 2006 (69)
 Completed a pass of 50-59 yards: Kirk Cousins, Michigan State, 2009 (57)

Receiving

Caught 10 or more passes: Keith Smith, Purdue, 2009 (11)
 Caught seven to nine passes: Jermaine Kearse, Washington, 2009 (8)
 Had 200 or more yards receiving: Selwyn Lymon, Purdue, 2006 (238)
 Had 150-199 yards receiving: Desmond Tardy, Purdue, 2008 (175)
 Had 100-149 yards receiving: Keith Smith, Purdue, 2009 (136)
 Caught three or more TD passes: Dwayne Jarrett, USC, 2006 (3)
 Caught two TD passes: Blair White, Michigan State, 2009 (2)

Scoring

Accounted for five or more touchdowns: Matt Leinart, USC, 2004
 (5 passing)

Accounted for four touchdowns: Matt Trannon, Michigan State, 2005
 (3 receiving, 1 rushing)

Accounted for three touchdowns:

..... Joey Elliott, Purdue, 2009 (3 passing)

Defense

Intercepted three or more passes: Rod Johnson, N.C. State, 2003 (3)
 Intercepted two passes: Ketric Buffin, Navy, 2008 (2)
 Recorded three or more sacks: Bruce Davis, UCLA, 2007 (3.0)
 Recorded two sacks: Jason Werner, Purdue, 2009 (2.0)

Special Teams

Kicked four or more field goals: Conor Lee, Pittsburgh, 2004 (5)
 Kicked a field goal 50 or more yards: Matt Payne, BYU, 2004 (53)
 Kicked a punt of 65 or more yards: Jared Armstrong, Purdue, 2006 (69)
 Totaled 100 or more kick return yards:
 Quinton Richardson, Washington, 2009 (147)

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TEAM RECORDS - OFFENSE

most points in a game

49	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
49	BYU	10.22.05
49	at Purdue	10.1.05
45	North Carolina	11.4.06
44	Navy	11.3.07
42	Navy	11.12.05
42	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
41	Penn State	9.9.06
41	Tennessee	11.5.05
41	Michigan State	9.17.05
41	Army	11.18.06

most points in a quarter

28 (2nd)	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
21 (2nd)	Nevada	9.5.09
21 (2nd)	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
21 (3rd)	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
21 (3rd)	Purdue	9.27.08
21 (1st)	Michigan	9.13.08
21 (2nd)	Navy	11.12.05
21 (3rd)	BYU	10.22.05
21 (2nd)	at Purdue	10.1.05
20 (2nd)	Army	11.18.06
20 (4th)	Tennessee	11.5.05
20 (1st)	at Air Force	11.11.06

most points in a half

35 (1st)	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
31 (1st)	North Carolina	11.4.06
28 (1st)	Nevada	9.5.09
28 (1st)	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
28 (1st)	Michigan	9.13.08
28 (1st)	at Purdue	10.1.05
28 (2nd)	BYU	10.22.05
28 (1st)	Navy	11.12.05
28 (1st)	Purdue	9.30.06
27 (1st)	at Air Force	11.11.06

margin of victory

35	Nevada	9.5.09
32	Army	11.18.06
28	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
26	at Washington	10.25.08
26	BYU	10.22.05
24	Syracuse	11.19.05
24	Penn State	9.9.06
24	vs. Navy	10.28.06
22	at Air Force	11.11.06
21	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
21	at Purdue	10.1.05
21	Navy	11.12.05
21	Stanford	10.7.06
21	Duke	11.17.07

fewest points in a game

0	at Boston College	11.8.08
0	at Michigan	9.15.07
0	USC	10.20.07
3	at USC	11.29.08
3	Georgia Tech	9.1.07
7	at Michigan State	9.20.08
10	at Penn State	9.8.07
14	Boston College	10.13.07
14	Michigan State	9.22.07
14	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06
14	vs. LSU	1.3.07

fewest points in a half

0 (1st)	at USC	11.29.08
0 (1st)	at Boston College	11.8.08

0 (2nd)	at Boston College	11.8.08
0 (1st)	at Michigan State	9.20.08
0 (1st)	USC	10.20.07
0 (2nd)	USC	10.20.07
0 (1st)	Boston College	10.13.07
0 (1st)	at Purdue	9.29.07
0 (2nd)	Michigan State	9.22.07
0 (1st)	at Michigan	9.15.07
0 (2nd)	at Michigan	9.15.07
0 (1st)	Georgia Tech	9.1.07
0 (2nd)	vs. LSU	1.3.07

most rushing yards in a game

275	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
252	at Washington	10.25.08
235	Navy	11.3.07
233	at Washington	9.24.05
231	at Stanford	11.26.05
230	vs. Navy	11.15.08
221	Army	11.18.06
221	Navy	11.12.05
220	Duke	11.17.07
204	Stanford	10.7.06

fewest rushing yards in a game

-8	Georgia Tech	9.1.07
-6	at Michigan	9.15.07
0	at Penn State	9.8.07
4	Michigan	9.16.06
16	at Michigan State	9.20.08
27	Boston College	10.13.07
41	UCLA	10.21.06
41	Syracuse	11.22.08
44	BYU	10.22.05
46	at UCLA	10.6.07

most carries

63	Navy	11.3.07
52	USC	11.15.05
51	vs. Navy	11.15.08
50	at Stanford	11.26.05
50	at Purdue	10.1.05
50	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
49	at Washington	10.25.08
48	Duke	11.17.07
47	at Washington	9.24.05
44	at Michigan	9.10.05

highest average gain per rush (min. 20)

6.52	at Air Force (27-176)	11.11.06
6.31	Army (35-221)	11.18.06
5.67	Navy (39-221)	11.12.05
5.50	at Pittsburgh (50-275)	9.3.05
5.23	Stanford (39-204)	10.7.06
5.14	at Washington (49-252)	10.25.08
5.10	at Michigan (30-154)	9.12.09
5.03	Purdue (40-201)	9.27.08
4.96	at Washington (47-233)	9.24.05
4.76	vs. Navy (37-176)	10.28.06

most rushing TDs scored

4	Navy	11.3.07
4	at Purdue	10.1.05
4	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
3	at Washington	10.25.08
3	at Stanford	11.24.07
3	vs Ohio State	1.2.06
3	at Washington	9.24.05
3	Purdue	9.30.06
3	Army	11.18.06
2	at Purdue	9.26.09
2	vs. Navy	11.15.08

2	Michigan	9.13.08
2	Michigan State	9.22.07
2	Navy	11.12.05
2	at Stanford	11.26.05
2	USC	11.15.05
2	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06
2	vs. Navy	10.28.06

most passes attempted

60	Michigan State	9.17.05
52	at Purdue	9.29.07
49	Boston College	10.13.07
49	Michigan	9.16.06
48	at North Carolina	10.11.08
46	at Boston College	11.8.08
45	UCLA	10.21.06
45	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06
45	at USC	11.25.06
44	Pittsburgh	11.1.08

most passes completed

34	at Purdue	9.29.07
33	Michigan State	9.17.05
32	BYU	10.22.05
31	at North Carolina	10.11.08
30	at Purdue	10.1.05
29	Stanford	10.4.08
29	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06
29	Purdue	9.30.06
27	UCLA	10.21.06
27	Stanford	10.7.06

highest completion % (min. 10 att.)

85.7	vs. Hawai'i (24-28)	12.24.08
85.0	Nevada (17-20)	9.5.09
78.9	vs. Navy (15-19)	11.15.08
78.0	BYU (32-41)	10.22.05
76.9	at Purdue (30-39)	10.1.05
76.3	Purdue (29-38)	9.30.06
74.2	Washington (23-31)	10.3.09
73.7	at Air Force (14-19)	11.11.06
73.3	Army (22-30)	11.18.06
72.5	Stanford (29-40)	10.4.08

most passing yards

487	Michigan State	9.17.05
468	at Purdue	10.1.05
467	BYU	10.22.05
432	at Stanford	11.26.05
422	Washington	10.3.08
413	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
383	at North Carolina	10.11.08
377	at Purdue	9.29.07
347	Stanford	10.4.08
346	North Carolina	11.4.06

most passing ypa (min. 10 att.)

16.6	Nevada (20-332)	9.5.09
14.8	vs. Hawai'i (28-413)	12.24.08
13.6	Washington (31-422)	10.3.09
12.0	at Purdue (39-468)	10.1.05
11.8	vs. Navy (25-295)	10.28.06
11.4	BYU (41-467)	10.22.05
11.4	at Stanford (38-432)	11.26.05
10.9	at Air Force (19-207)	11.11.06
9.4	North Carolina (37-346)	11.4.06
9.2	Navy (31-284)	11.12.05

most passing ypc (min. 5 comp.)

19.5	Nevada (17-332)	9.5.09
18.3	Washington (23-422)	10.3.09
17.3	at Stanford (25-432)	11.26.05

17.2	vs. Hawai'i (24-413)	12.24.08
16.4	vs. Navy (18-295)	10.28.06
15.9	at Michigan State (20-319)	9.23.06
15.6	at Purdue (30-468)	10.1.05
15.0	North Carolina (23-346)	11.4.06
14.79	at Air Force (14-207)	11.11.06
14.76	Michigan State (33-487)	9.17.05

most touchdown passes

6	BYU	10.22.05
5	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
5	Michigan State	9.17.05
5	at Michigan State	9.23.06
4	Nevada	9.5.09
4	at Air Force	11.11.06
4	North Carolina	11.4.06
4	Navy	11.12.05
3	vs. Michigan State	9.19.09
3	at Michigan	9.12.09
3	Pittsburgh	11.1.08
3	Stanford	10.4.08
3	Purdue	9.27.08
3	San Diego State	9.6.08
3	Duke	11.17.07
3	Air Force	11.10.07
3	Army	11.18.06
3	Tennessee	11.5.05
3	at Stanford	11.26.05
3	at Purdue	10.1.05
3	Stanford	10.7.06
3	Penn State	9.9.06
3	Michigan	9.16.06
3	vs. Navy	10.28.06
3	at USC	11.25.06
3	at Purdue	9.29.07

most passes had intercepted

4	at Boston College	11.8.08
3	Michigan	9.16.06
2	at USC	11.29.08
2	vs. Navy	11.15.08
2	at North Carolina	10.11.08
2	at Michigan State	9.20.08
2	Michigan	9.13.08
2	San Diego State	9.6.08
2	Boston College	10.13.07
2	at Stanford	11.26.05
2	at Purdue	10.1.05
2	vs. LSU	1.3.07
2	at Michigan	9.15.07
2	at Purdue	9.29.07

highest passing efficiency (min. 11 att.)

290.4	Nevada	9.5.09
268.5	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
234.7	at Air Force	11.11.06
222.0	BYU	10.22.05
210.7	vs. Navy	10.28.06
203.1	Washington	10.3.09
192.9	at Purdue	10.1.05
184.1	Navy	11.12.05
176.8	at Stanford	11.26.05
176.4	North Carolina	11.4.06

most total offense plays

98	Michigan State (38r,60p)	9.17.05
90	Navy (63r,27p)	11.3.07
89	at Purdue (50r,39p)	10.1.05
88	at Stanford (50r,38p)	11.26.05
87	USC (52r,35p)	11.15.05
84	at Washington (47r,37p)	9.24.05
83	Pittsburgh (39r,44p)	11.1.08

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81	Purdue (43r,38p)	9.30.06
80	Duke (48r,32p)	11.17.07
80	UCLA (35r,45p)	10.21.06

most total offense yards gained

663	at Stanford (231r,432p)	11.26.05
621	at Purdue (153r,468p)	10.1.05
594	Michigan State (107r,487p)	9.17.05
560	at Washington (233r,327p)	9.24.05
530	Washington (108r,422p)	10.3.09
511	BYU (44r,467p)	10.22.05
510	Nevada (178r,332p)	9.5.09
505	Navy (221r,284p)	11.12.05
502	at Pittsburgh (275r,227p)	9.3.05
490	at Michigan (154r,336p)	9.12.09

highest average gain per play

8.8	Washington (60-530)	10.3.09
8.4	Nevada (61-510)	9.5.09
8.3	at Air Force (46-383)	11.11.06
8.0	BYU (64-511)	10.22.05
7.7	vs. Hawai'i (62-478)	12.24.08
7.6	vs. Navy (62-471)	10.28.06
7.5	at Stanford (88-663)	11.26.05
7.2	Navy (70-505)	11.12.05
7.0	at Purdue (89-621)	10.1.05
6.9	at Michigan State (53-366)	9.23.06

most all-purpose yards gained

794	at Stanford	11.26.05
716	Michigan State	9.17.05
698	BYU	10.22.05
683	at Purdue	10.1.05
659	Washington	10.3.09
646	North Carolina	11.4.06
642	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
627	Purdue	9.27.08
622	at Washington	9.24.05
615	at Michigan	9.12.09

most all-purpose attempts

87	Navy	11.3.07
85	at Stanford	11.26.05
84	at Purdue	10.1.05
81	USC	11.15.05
78	Michigan State	9.17.05
76	vs. Navy	11.15.08
76	at Washington	9.24.05
76	Purdue	9.30.06
72	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
71	Pittsburgh	11.1.08
71	Stanford	10.7.06
71	at Purdue	9.29.07

most touchdowns scored

7	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
7	at Purdue	10.1.05
7	BYU	10.22.05
6	Navy	11.3.07
6	Army	11.18.06
6	at Air Force	11.11.06
6	North Carolina	11.4.06
6	Navy	11.12.05
6	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
6	at Michigan State	9.23.06

most first downs in a game

33	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
33	Purdue	9.30.06
32	at Purdue	10.1.05
31	Michigan State	9.17.05
31	at Washington	9.24.05

30	at Stanford	11.26.05
29	Navy	11.12.05
29	Stanford	10.7.06
28	USC	11.15.05
27	at Michigan	9.12.09
27	at North Carolina	10.11.08
27	BYU	10.22.05
27	Navy	11.3.07

fewest first downs in a game

4	at USC	11.29.08
9	Michigan State	9.22.07
9	at Penn State	9.8.07
10	USC	10.20.07
10	at Michigan	9.15.07
12	at UCLA	10.6.07
13	Georgia Tech	9.1.07
13	at Michigan State	9.23.06
14	Michigan	9.13.08
14	Boston College	10.13.07
14	Michigan	9.16.06
14	Tennessee	11.5.05

most time of possession

38:40	USC	11.15.05
38:01	Purdue	9.30.06
37:28	at Washington	10.25.08
36:56	at Washington	9.24.05
36:03	at Purdue	10.1.05
35:49	Michigan State	9.17.05
35:35	Duke	11.17.07
35:25	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06
35:26	Purdue	9.27.08
35:33	vs. Navy	11.15.08

least time of possession

20:57	Boston College	10.13.07
21:25	at Air Force	11.11.06
24:21	at Michigan State	9.23.06
25:45	at Stanford	11.24.07
25:54	Air Force	11.10.07
25:59	at USC	11.28.08
26:00	at Penn State	9.8.07
26:04	Michigan	9.16.06
26:15	at Michigan State	9.20.08
26:16	at Michigan	9.15.07

most third down conversions

10	at North Carolina	10.11.08
10	at Purdue	10.1.05
10	USC	11.15.05
10	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
10	Duke	11.17.07
9	Navy	11.3.07
9	Navy	11.12.05
9	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06
8	vs. LSU	1.3.07
8	North Carolina	11.4.06
8	BYU	11.12.05
8	at Stanford	11.26.05
8	Purdue	9.30.06

fewest third down conversions

1	at Michigan State	9.23.06
2	Washington	10.3.09
2	at USC	11.29.08
2	at Penn State	9.8.07
2	Michigan	9.16.06
3	vs. Navy	11.15.08
3	Michigan	9.13.08
3	San Diego State	9.6.08
3	at UCLA	10.6.07

3	at Air Force	11.11.06
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most fourth down conversions

6	Navy	11.3.07
4	at Purdue	9.29.07
4	UCLA	10.21.06
4	Penn State	9.9.06
3	Purdue	9.27.08
3	vs. Navy	10.28.06
3	Michigan State	9.17.05
2	Syracuse	11.22.08
2	at Washington	10.25.08
2	Stanford	10.4.08
2	Air Force	11.10.07
2	at USC	11.25.06
2	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06
2	Syracuse	11.19.05
2	at Michigan State	9.23.06
2	Purdue	9.30.06
2	Georgia Tech	9.1.07

TEAM RECORDS - SPECIAL TEAMS**most punts**

10	USC	10.20.07
10	at Penn State	9.8.07
9	at UCLA	10.6.07
9	at Michigan	9.10.05
9	Michigan State	9.22.07
8	at USC	11.29.08
7	at Boston College	11.8.08
7	at Michigan	9.15.07
7	Georgia Tech	9.1.07
7	UCLA	10.21.06
7	Michigan	9.16.06
7	at Michigan State	9.23.06

most punt returns

7	vs. Navy	11.15.08
6	at Stanford	11.26.05
5	North Carolina	11.4.06
4	at Stanford	11.24.07
4	USC	11.15.05
4	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06
3	at Washington	10.25.08
3	at Boston College	11.8.08
3	at Michigan State	9.20.08
3	San Diego State	9.6.08
3	USC	10.20.07
3	Boston College	10.13.07
3	at Michigan	9.15.07
3	Army	11.18.06
3	Tennessee	11.5.05
3	Syracuse	11.19.05
3	Duke	11.17.07

most punt return yards

118	Tennessee	11.5.05
92	vs. Navy	11.15.08
87	USC	11.15.05
84	North Carolina	11.4.06
64	at Stanford	11.24.07
47	at Penn State	9.8.07
44	at Boston College	11.8.08
41	San Diego State	9.6.08
37	Navy	11.3.07
34	Boston College	10.13.07
34	at Stanford	11.26.05

highest avg. per punt return (min. 2 ret.)

39.3	Tennessee (3-118)	11.5.05
23.5	at Penn State (2-47)	9.8.07
21.8	USC (4-87)	11.15.05

18.5	Navy (2-37)	11.3.07
16.8	North Carolina (5-84)	11.4.06
16.0	at Stanford (4-64)	11.24.07
15.5	at Washington (2-31)	9.24.05
14.7	at Boston College (3-44)	11.8.08
13.7	San Diego State (3-41)	9.6.08
13.1	vs. Navy (7-92)	11.15.08

most kick returns

8	Georgia Tech	9.1.07
8	at Purdue	9.29.07
7	at North Carolina	10.11.08
7	Michigan	9.16.06
7	at USC	11.25.06
6	Washington	10.3.09
6	Air Force	11.10.07
6	vs. LSU	1.3.07
5	Michigan State	9.19.09
5	Syracuse	11.22.08
5	Pittsburgh	11.1.08
5	at Michigan State	9.20.08
5	Navy	11.3.07
5	USC	10.20.07
5	Michigan State	9.22.07
5	at Michigan	9.15.07
5	BYU	10.22.05

most kick return yards

158	Michigan	9.16.06
147	at Michigan State	9.20.08
142	at USC	11.25.06
133	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
133	at Michigan	9.15.07
132	at Purdue	9.29.07
131	Navy	11.3.07
129	Washington	10.3.09
128	vs. LSU	1.3.07
125	Michigan State	9.19.09

highest avg. per kick return (min. 2 ret.)

44.3	vs. Hawai'i (3-133)	12.24.08
39.5	at Georgia Tech (2-79)	9.2.06
33.3	at Michigan (3-100)	9.12.09
31.0	at Purdue (2-62)	10.1.05
29.4	at Michigan State (5-147)	9.20.08
27.5	North Carolina (4-110)	11.4.06
26.6	at Michigan (5-133)	9.15.07
26.3	Purdue (4-105)	9.27.08
26.2	Navy (5-131)	11.3.07
25.3	at Penn State (4-101)	9.8.07

TEAM RECORDS - DEFENSE**most points allowed**

47	Michigan	9.16.06
46	Navy	11.3.07
44	Michigan State	9.17.05
44	at USC	11.25.06
41	vs. LSU	1.3.07
41	Air Force	11.10.07
38	at Michigan	9.12.09
38	at USC	11.29.08
38	at Michigan	9.15.07
38	USC	10.20.07

most points allowed (quarter)

21 (2nd)	at Michigan	9.15.07
20 (1st)	Michigan	9.16.06
17 (2nd)	at USC	11.29.08
17 (1st)	Michigan State	9.23.06
17 (4th)	Stanford	11.26.05
16 (4th)	USC	11.25.06
14 (4th)	at Purdue	9.26.09

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14 (2nd) Michigan State	9.19.09	0 (2nd) at Washington	10.25.08	margin of defeat	2	at Michigan State	9.20.08		
14 (4th) at Michigan	9.12.09	0 (3rd) at Washington	10.25.08	38	at Michigan	9.15.07	2	Michigan State	9.17.05
14 (1st) at Michigan	9.12.09	0 (1st) Stanford	10.4.08	38	USC	10.20.07	2	at Purdue	10.1.05
14 (4th) Syracuse	11.22.08	0 (3rd) Stanford	10.4.08	35	at USC	11.29.08	2	Navy	11.12.05
14 (3rd) Pittsburgh	11.1.08	0 (4th) Purdue	9.27.08	30	Georgia Tech	9.1.07	2	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06
14 (4th) Stanford	10.4.08	0 (3rd) Michigan	9.13.08	27	vs. LSU	1.3.07	2	at Penn State	9.8.07
14 (4th) Georgia Tech	9.1.07	0 (4th) Michigan	9.13.08	26	Michigan	9.16.06	2	at Michigan	9.15.07
14 (1st) Michigan State	9.22.07	0 (1st) San Diego State	9.6.08	21	at Penn State	9.8.07	2	Boston College	10.13.07
14 (3rd) Michigan State	9.22.07	0 (4th) San Diego State	9.6.08	20	at USC	11.25.06	2	Air Force	11.10.07
14 (3rd) Boston College	10.13.07	0 (3rd) at Pittsburgh	9.3.05	17	at Boston College	11.8.08	2	at Stanford	11.24.07
14 (3rd) USC	10.20.07	0 (1st) at Michigan	9.10.05	17	Michigan State	9.22.07	2	at USC	11.25.06
14 (2nd) Navy	11.3.07	0 (3rd) at Michigan	9.10.05	17	Air Force	11.10.07	2	vs. Navy	10.28.06
14 (3rd) Air Force	11.10.07	0 (4th) Michigan State	9.17.05						
14 (1st) Michigan State	9.17.05	0 (1st) at Washington	9.24.05	most rushing yards allowed				fewest rushing TDs allowed	
14 (3rd) Michigan State	9.17.05	0 (3rd) at Washington	9.24.05	289	at Michigan (61)	9.15.07	0	at Purdue	9.26.09
14 (4th) Washington	9.24.05	0 (1st) at Purdue	10.1.05	285	Air Force (63)	11.10.07	0	Nevada	9.5.09
14 (3rd) Purdue	10.1.05	0 (2nd) at Purdue	10.1.05	275	vs. Ohio State (36)	1.2.06	0	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
14 (4th) Purdue	10.1.05	0 (2nd) USC	10.8.05	271	vs. Navy (56)	10.28.06	0	at Boston College	11.8.08
14 (1st) USC	10.15.05	0 (2nd) BYU	10.22.05	259	Georgia Tech (43)	9.1.07	0	at Washington	10.25.08
14 (2nd) Ohio State	1.2.06	0 (4th) BYU	10.22.05	257	Navy (66)	11.3.07	0	at Michigan	9.10.05
14 (4th) Penn State	9.9.06	0 (4th) Tennessee	11.5.05	248	at Michigan State (43)	9.23.06	0	Syracuse	11.19.05
14 (2nd) Michigan	9.16.06	0 (2nd) Navy	11.12.05	245	vs. LSU (37)	1.3.07	0	Stanford	11.26.05
14 (2nd) Michigan State	9.23.06	0 (2nd) Syracuse	11.19.05	239	Navy (58)	11.12.05	0	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06
14 (2nd) UCLA	10.21.06	0 (3rd) Syracuse	11.19.05	227	USC (36)	10.20.07	0	Stanford	10.7.06
14 (2nd) Navy	10.28.06	0 (3rd) Stanford	11.26.05				0	UCLA	10.21.06
14 (1st) USC	11.25.06	0 (3rd) at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	fewest rushing yards allowed			0	North Carolina	11.4.06
14 (1st) LSU	1.3.07	0 (4th) at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	-11	at Stanford (25)	11.26.05	0	at Air Force	11.11.06
		0 (1st) Penn State	9.9.06	26	at Washington (23)	10.25.08	0	Army	11.18.06
most points allowed (half)		0 (2nd) Penn State	9.9.06	26	UCLA (28)	10.21.06	0	Michigan State	9.22.07
34 (1st) Michigan	9.16.06	0 (4th) at Michigan State	9.23.06	31	North Carolina (25)	11.4.06	0	at UCLA	10.6.07
31 (1st) at Michigan State	9.23.06	0 (3rd) Purdue	9.30.06	32	vs. Hawai'i (19)	12.24.08			
31 (1st) at Michigan	9.15.07	0 (2nd) Stanford	10.7.06	41	at Washington (22)	9.24.05	highest completion % allowed (min. 10 att.)		
28 (2nd) at Purdue	10.1.05	0 (3rd) Stanford	10.7.06	58	Army (36)	11.18.06	73.7	at Air Force (14-19)	11.11.06
24 (1st) at USC	11.29.08	0 (1st) UCLA	10.21.06	71	San Diego State	9.6.08	69.7	at Michigan (23-33)	9.12.09
24 (1st) Michigan State	9.17.05	0 (3rd) UCLA	10.21.06	72	Stanford (31)	10.7.06	69.7	at USC (23-33)	11.29.08
24 (2nd) Air Force	11.10.07	0 (1st) vs. Navy	10.28.06	74	at Purdue (26)	9.26.09	69.6	Michigan (16-23)	9.13.08
23 (2nd) USC	11.25.06	0 (3rd) vs. Navy	10.28.06				67.9	vs. Ohio State (19-28)	1.2.06
23 (1st) Purdue	9.29.07	0 (4th) vs. Navy	10.28.06	highest avg. per rush allowed (min. 20)			65.3	Boston College (32-49)	10.13.07
21 (2nd) at Michigan	9.12.09	0 (4th) North Carolina	11.4.06	7.64	vs. Ohio State (36-275)	1.2.06	65.0	Michigan State (26-40)	9.19.09
21 (2nd) Pittsburgh	11.1.08	0 (2nd) at Air Force	11.11.06	6.83	at Purdue (24-164)	10.1.05	64.3	Stanford (29-40)	10.4.08
21 (1st) Ohio State	1.2.06	0 (2nd) Army	11.18.06	6.62	vs. LSU (37-245)	1.3.07	63.9	at Stanford (23-36)	11.26.05
21 (1st) USC	11.25.06	0 (3rd) Army	11.18.06	6.31	USC (36-227)	10.20.07	63.6	vs. Hawai'i (28-44)	12.24.08
21 (1st) LSU	1.3.07	0 (4th) at Michigan	9.15.07	6.02	Georgia Tech (43-259)	9.1.07			
21 (2nd) USC	10.20.07	0 (4th) Michigan State	9.22.07	5.76	at Michigan State (43-248)	9.23.06	lowest completion % allowed (min. 10 att.)		
		0 (3rd) at UCLA	10.6.07	5.65	USC (31-175)	10.15.05	21.4	vs. Navy (3-14)	11.15.08
fewest points allowed		0 (4th) at UCLA	10.6.07	5.30	at USC (33-175)	11.29.08	38.1	Army (8-21)	11.18.06
0	Nevada	9.5.09	10.13.07	5.28	Nevada (29-153)	9.5.09	40.0	Navy (4-10)	11.12.05
6	at UCLA	10.6.07	11.3.07	5.00	at Michigan (38-190)	9.12.09	40.6	Tennessee (13-32)	11.5.05
7	at Washington	10.25.08	11.17.07				40.9	Syracuse (9-22)	11.19.05
7	Duke	11.17.07	11.17.07	lowest avg. per rush allowed (min. 20)			42.1	at UCLA (16-38)	10.6.07
9	Army	11.18.06	11.17.07	-0.44	at Stanford (25--11)	11.26.05	43.2	at Michigan (19-44)	9.10.05
10	Syracuse	11.19.05	11.17.07	0.93	UCLA (28-26)	10.21.06	43.8	at Michigan (7-16)	9.15.07
10	at Michigan	9.10.05	11.24.07	1.13	at Washington (23-26)	10.25.08	44.0	at Washington (11-25)	10.25.08
10	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	11.24.07	1.24	North Carolina (25-31)	11.4.06	45.5	at Stanford (15-33)	11.24.07
13	San Diego State	9.6.08		1.61	Army (36-58)	11.18.06			
14	vs. Navy	10.28.06		1.68	vs. Hawai'i (19-32)	12.24.08	most pass yards allowed		
14	at Stanford	11.24.07		1.86	at Washington (22-41)	9.24.05	408	at Washington	9.24.05
				2.21	BYU (34-75)	10.22.05	359	Purdue	9.27.08
fewest points allowed (quarter)				2.32	Stanford (31-72)	10.7.06	354	Michigan State	9.19.09
0 (2nd) at Purdue	9.26.09			2.41	at UCLA (37-89)	10.6.07	350	at Purdue	10.1.05
0 (3rd) at Purdue	9.26.09						347	at Stanford	11.26.05
0 (1st) Nevada	9.5.09			most rushing TDs allowed			346	North Carolina	11.4.06
0 (2nd) Nevada	9.5.09			5	USC	10.15.05	342	vs. Ohio State	1.2.05
0 (3rd) Nevada	9.5.09			4	Navy	11.3.07	327	Michigan State	9.17.05
0 (4th) Nevada	9.5.09			3	vs. Navy	11.15.08	326	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
0 (1st) vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08			3	vs. LSU	1.3.07	319	at Michigan State	9.23.06
0 (3rd) Syracuse	11.22.08			3	Georgia Tech	9.1.07			
0 (1st) vs. Navy	11.15.08			2	Michigan State	9.19.09	fewest pass yards allowed		
0 (3rd) vs. Navy	11.15.08			2	at Michigan	9.12.09	43	vs. Navy	10.28.06
0 (4th) at Boston College	11.8.08			2	at USC	11.29.08	64	vs. Navy	11.15.08
0 (2nd) Pittsburgh	11.1.08			2	Pittsburgh	11.1.08	75	Navy	11.12.05
0 (3rd) at Washington	10.25.08			2	at North Carolina	10.11.08	78	Syracuse	11.19.05

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79	at Boston College	11.8.08	79	Air Force	11.10.07	1	Purdue	9.27.08	11.0	Tennessee	11.5.05
81	Navy	11.3.07	79	at Air Force	11.11.06	most punt block returns for TD			10.0	at Stanford	11.26.05
90	at Michigan	9.15.07	79	at Purdue	9.29.07	1	vs. Navy	11.15.08	10.0	at Michigan	9.12.09
92	Army	11.18.06	79	BYU	10.22.05	most interception returns			9.0	at UCLA	10.6.07
98	at Washington	10.25.08	77	Pittsburgh	11.1.08	4	at UCLA	10.6.07	9.0	Michigan State	9.17.05
120	Air Force	11.10.07	77	at Michigan	9.15.07	3	Pittsburgh	11.1.08	8.0	at Purdue	9.26.09
most interceptions			fewest plays allowed			3	at USC	11.29.08	8.0	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
4	at UCLA	10.6.07	48	at Washington	10.25.08	3	at USC	11.29.08	8.0	Pittsburgh	11.1.08
3	at USC	11.29.08	49	North Carolina	11.4.06	3	Stanford	10.4.08	8.0	Army	11.18.06
3	Pittsburgh	11.1.08	49	Stanford	10.7.06	2	Nevada	9.5.09	8.0	North Carolina	11.4.06
3	Stanford	10.4.08	52	at Georgia Tech	9.1.06	2	Michigan	9.13.08	8.0	UCLA	10.21.06
2	Nevada	9.5.09	56	Nevada	9.5.09	2	at Stanford	11.24.07	8.0	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
2	Michigan	9.13.08	57	Army	11.18.06	2	at Purdue	9.29.07	8.0	Michigan	9.13.08
2	Tennessee	10.5.05	60	USC	11.25.06	2	at USC	11.25.06	8.0	Michigan	9.16.06
2	BYU	10.22.05	60	Syracuse	11.19.05	2	Army	11.18.06	most fumbles forced		
2	USC	10.15.05	61	Stanford	10.7.06	2	Tennessee	11.5.05	4	at UCLA	10.6.07
2	at Michigan State	9.23.06	62	Syracuse	11.22.08	2	USC	11.15.05	3	Penn State	9.9.06
2	Army	11.18.06	62	at Washington	9.24.05	2	BYU	10.22.05	3	Michigan State	9.17.05
2	at USC	11.25.06	most first downs allowed			2	at Michigan State	9.23.06	2	vs. LSU	1.3.07
2	at Purdue	9.29.07	31	vs. LSU	1.3.07	most interception return yards			2	Syracuse	11.22.08
2	at Stanford	11.24.07	29	at Purdue	10.1.05	86	BYU	10.22.05	2	at Boston College	11.8.08
fewest interceptions			29	at Purdue	10.1.05	80	Michigan	9.13.08	2	Michigan	9.13.08
0	Syracuse	11.22.08	27	Michigan State	9.19.09	74	Tennessee	11.5.05	2	Navy	11.3.07
0	vs. Navy	11.15.08	27	at Purdue	9.29.07	73	at Penn State	9.8.07	2	at Penn State	9.8.07
0	at Boston College	11.8.08	27	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06	64	at UCLA	10.6.07	2	Tennessee	11.5.05
0	at Washington	10.25.08	26	BYU	10.22.05	64	at UCLA	10.6.07	2	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
0	at North Carolina	10.11.08	25	Washington	10.3.09	51	Michigan	9.16.06	2	at Michigan State	9.23.06
0	at Michigan State	9.20.08	25	at Michigan	9.15.07	47	Pittsburgh	11.1.08	2	at Washington	9.24.05
0	Georgia Tech	9.1.07	25	Penn State	9.9.06	47	Purdue	9.27.08	most fumbles recovered		
0	at Michigan	9.15.07	24	vs. Navy	11.15.08	46	at Stanford	11.24.07	4	Michigan	9.13.08
0	USC	10.20.07	24	Purdue	9.30.06	32	at USC	11.29.08	3	at UCLA	10.6.07
0	Navy	11.3.07	24	at Air Force	11.11.06	highest average per int return (min. 2 ret.)			2	Syracuse	11.22.08
0	Air Force	11.10.07	24	USC	10.20.07	43.0	BYU (2-86)	10.22.05	2	Duke	11.17.07
0	Duke	11.17.07	fewest first downs allowed			40.0	Michigan (2-80)	9.13.08	2	Air Force	11.10.07
0	at Stanford	11.25.05	9	at Washington	10.25.08	37.0	Tennessee (2-74)	11.5.05	2	at Michigan	9.15.07
0	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06	10	North Carolina	11.4.06	23.0	at Stanford (2-46)	11.24.07	2	at Penn State	9.8.07
0	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	11	Syracuse	11.19.05	16.0	at UCLA (4-64)	10.6.07	2	vs Ohio State	1.2.06
0	Purdue	9.30.06	12	UCLA	10.21.07	15.7	Pittsburgh (3-47)	11.1.08	2	Penn State	9.9.06
0	vs. Navy	10.28.06	12	Army	11.18.06	13.5	at Michigan State (2-27)	9.23.06	2	Michigan State	9.17.05
0	North Carolina	11.4.06	14	at Stanford	11.26.05	11.5	Nevada (2-23)	9.5.09	2	at Washington	9.24.05
0	at Air Force	11.11.06	14	Stanford	10.7.06	10.7	at USC (3-32)	11.29.08	most pass breakups		
most total offense yards allowed			14	at Georgia Tech	9.1.06	6.5	USC (2-13)	11.15.05	9	at Michigan	9.10.05
617	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06	15	Nevada	9.5.09	most tackles			8	San Diego State	9.6.08
577	vs. LSU	1.3.07	15	at Michigan	9.10.05	109	at Air Force (45-64)	11.11.06	7	USC	10.20.07
514	at Purdue	10.1.05	most fumble returns for TD			109	Navy (35-74)	11.3.07	7	at UCLA	10.6.07
490	Purdue	9.30.06	1	Michigan	9.13.08	97	Air Force (39-58)	11.10.07	6	Syracuse	11.22.08
488	Michigan State	9.17.05	1	Penn State	9.9.06	97	Navy (29-68)	11.12.05	6	at Boston College	11.8.08
476	USC	10.15.05	1	at UCLA	10.6.07	87	Michigan State (35-52)	9.22.07	6	Duke	11.17.07
462	Purdue	9.27.08	most fumble returns			87	BYU (42-45)	10.22.05	6	at Purdue	10.1.05
462	USC	10.20.07	2	at UCLA	10.6.07	86	Washington (44-42)	10.3.09	5	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
459	Michigan State	9.19.09	1	Michigan State	9.19.09	85	at Michigan (51-34)	9.15.07	5	Tennessee	11.5.05
459	Boston College	10.13.07	1	Syracuse	11.22.08	85	Michigan (31-54)	9.16.06	5	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05
fewest total offense yards allowed			1	Stanford	10.4.08	83	USC (35-48)	10.20.07	5	Penn State	9.9.06
124	at Washington	10.25.08	1	Penn State	9.9.06	83	at Stanford (45-38)	11.24.07	5	at Washington	9.24.05
150	Army	11.18.06	1	Michigan	9.13.08	most quarterback sacks			5	Purdue	9.30.06
221	Syracuse	11.19.05	most fumble return yards			8.0	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08	5	Purdue	9.27.08
226	Stanford	10.7.06	45	at UCLA	10.6.07	7.0	at Stanford	11.26.05	most blocked kicks		
232	Duke	11.17.07	35	Michigan	9.13.08	5.0	Stanford	10.4.08	2	North Carolina	11.4.06
243	UCLA	10.21.06	28	Syracuse	11.22.08	5.0	at Stanford	11.24.07	2	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06
244	North Carolina	11.4.06	25	Penn State	9.9.06	5.0	at UCLA	10.6.07	2	Syracuse	11.19.05
259	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	5	Michigan State	9.19.09	5.0	Stanford	10.7.06			
282	at UCLA	10.6.07	2	Stanford	10.4.08	5.0	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05			
292	at Boston College	11.8.08	most interception returns for TD			4.0	at Washington	10.25.08			
most plays allowed			1	Michigan State	9.23.06	4.0	North Carolina	11.4.06			
83	Boston College	10.13.07	1	at Penn State	9.8.07	4.0	vs. Navy	10.28.06			
82	at Purdue	10.1.05	1	Boston College	10.13.07	most tackles for loss					
79	Washington	10.3.09				12.0	Syracuse	11.19.05			

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INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - OFFENSE

most rushing attempts

35	Darius Walker, at Stanford (11.26.05)
32	James Aldridge, Navy (11.3.07)
31	Darius Walker, Purdue (9.30.06)
26	Darius Walker, Syracuse (11.19.05)
26	Darius Walker, at Michigan (9.10.05)
26	Darius Walker, Michigan State (9.17.05)
25	Darius Walker, Stanford (10.7.06)
24	Darius Walker, Army (11.18.06)
23	Armando Allen, Michigan State (9.19.09)
23	Darius Walker, at Purdue (10.1.05)

most rushing yards

186	Darius Walker, at Stanford (11.26.05)
162	Darius Walker, Army (11.18.06)
153	Darius Walker, Stanford (10.7.06)
153	Darius Walker, at Air Force (11.11.06)
146	Darius Walker, Purdue (9.30.06)
139	Armando Allen, at Michigan (9.12.09)
136	Robert Hughes, at Stanford (11.24.07)
134	Armando Allen, Purdue (9.27.08)
128	Darius Walker, at Washington (9.24.05)
128	Darius Walker, vs. LSU (1.3.07)

highest average gain per rush (min. 10)

10.2	Darius Walker, at Air Force (11.11.06)	15-153
7.9	Armando Allen, Purdue (9.27.08)	17-134
7.6	Robert Hughes, at Stanford (11.24.07)	18-136
6.8	Darius Walker, Army (11.18.06)	24-162
6.7	Brady Quinn, at USC (11.25.06)	11-74
6.6	Armando Allen, at Michigan (9.12.09)	21-139
6.47	Robert Hughes, vs. Duke (11.17.07)	17-110
6.46	James Aldridge, at Washington (10.25.08)	13-84
6.2	Darius Walker, Navy (11.12.05)	19-118
6.12	Darius Walker, Stanford (10.7.06)	25-153

most rushing touchdowns

3	Travis Thomas, Navy (11.3.07)
3	Rashon Powers-Neal, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)
3	Darius Walker, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)
2	James Aldridge, at Washington (10.25.08)
2	Robert Hughes, vs. Michigan (9.13.08)
2	Darius Walker, Army (11.18.06)
2	Rashon Powers-Neal, at Purdue (10.1.05)

longest rush from scrimmage

60	Brady Quinn, at USC (11.25.06)
45	Robert Hughes, at Stanford (11.24.07)
43	James Aldridge, Michigan State (9.22.07)
43	Travis Thomas, Penn State (9.9.06)
39	Darius Walker, at Air Force (11.11.06)
38	Darius Walker, at Stanford (11.26.05)
37	Darius Walker, Syracuse (11.19.05)
35	Darius Walker, vs. LSU (1.3.07)
35	Harrison Smith, at Washington (10.25.08)
33	Robert Hughes, vs. Duke (11.17.07)

most passing attempts

60	Brady Quinn, Michigan State (9.17.05)
48	Jimmy Clausen, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
48	Brady Quinn, Michigan (9.16.06)
46	Jimmy Clausen, at Boston College (11.8.08)
45	Brady Quinn, at USC (11.25.06)
45	Brady Quinn, UCLA (10.21.06)
45	Brady Quinn, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)
44	Jimmy Clausen, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
42	Jimmy Clausen, at Michigan (9.12.09)
41	Jimmy Clausen, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
41	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)

most passing completions

33	Brady Quinn, Michigan State (9.17.05)
32	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)
31	Jimmy Clausen, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
29	Jimmy Clausen, Stanford (10.4.08)
29	Brady Quinn, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)
29	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)
29	Brady Quinn, Purdue (9.30.06)
27	Brady Quinn, UCLA (10.21.06)
27	Brady Quinn, Stanford (10.7.06)
26	Jimmy Clausen, Boston College (11.8.08)

highest completion percentage (min. 10 att.)

84.6	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	22-26
83.3	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)	15-18
83.3	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Navy (11.15.08)	15-18
80.6	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)	29-36
78.0	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)	32-41
76.9	Evan Sharpley, Georgia Tech (9.1.07)	10-13
76.3	Brady Quinn, Purdue (9.30.06)	29-38
73.7	Brady Quinn, at Air Force (11.11.06)	14-19
73.3	Brady Quinn, Army (11.18.06)	22-30
73.0	Brady Quinn, Stanford (10.7.06)	27-37

most passing yards

487	Brady Quinn, Michigan State (9.17.05)
467	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)
440	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)
432	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)
401	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
383	Jimmy Clausen, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
347	Jimmy Clausen, Stanford (10.4.08)
346	Brady Quinn, North Carolina (11.4.06)
336	Jimmy Clausen, at Michigan (9.12.09)
327	Brady Quinn, at Washington (9.24.05)

most passing yards per attempt (min. 10 att.)

17.5	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)	18-315
15.4	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	26-401
12.2	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)	36-440
11.8	Brady Quinn, vs. Navy (10.28.06)	25-295
11.4	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)	41-467
11.4	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)	38-432
10.9	Brady Quinn, at Air Force (11.11.06)	19-207
9.9	Brady Quinn, North Carolina (11.4.06)	35-346
9.7	Jimmy Clausen, Michigan State (9.19.09)	31-300
9.2	Brady Quinn, Navy (11.12.05)	31-284

most passing yards per comp. (min. 5 comp.)

21.0	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)	15-315
18.2	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	22-401
17.3	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)	25-432
16.4	Brady Quinn, vs. Navy (10.28.06)	18-295
15.9	Brady Quinn, at Michigan State (9.23.06)	20-319
15.2	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)	29-440
15.0	Brady Quinn, North Carolina (11.4.06)	23-346
14.8	Brady Quinn, at Air Force (11.11.06)	14-207
14.8	Brady Quinn, Michigan State (9.17.05)	33-487
14.8	Brady Quinn, Tennessee (11.5.05)	20-295

most passing touchdowns

6	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)
5	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
5	Brady Quinn, Michigan State (9.17.05)
5	Brady Quinn, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
4	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)
4	Brady Quinn, at Air Force (11.11.06)
4	Brady Quinn, North Carolina (11.4.06)
4	Brady Quinn, Navy (11.12.05)
3	Jimmy Clausen, at Michigan (9.12.09)
3	Jimmy Clausen, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
3	Jimmy Clausen, Stanford (10.4.08)

3	Jimmy Clausen, Purdue (9.27.08)
3	Jimmy Clausen, San Diego State (9.6.08)
3	Jimmy Clausen, Duke (11.17.07)
3	Jimmy Clausen, Air Force (11.10.07)
3	Brady Quinn, at USC (11.25.06)
3	Brady Quinn, Army (11.18.06)
3	Brady Quinn, Tennessee (11.5.05)
3	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)
3	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)
3	Brady Quinn, Stanford (10.7.06)
3	Brady Quinn, Penn State (9.9.06)
3	Brady Quinn, Michigan (9.16.06)
3	Brady Quinn, vs. Navy (10.28.06)

most passing interceptions

4	Jimmy Clausen, at Boston College (11.8.08)
3	Brady Quinn, Michigan (9.16.06)
2	Jimmy Clausen, at USC (11.29.08)
2	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
2	Jimmy Clausen, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
2	Jimmy Clausen, Michigan (9.13.08)
2	Jimmy Clausen, San Diego State (9.6.08)
2	Jimmy Clausen, Boston College (10.13.07)
2	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)
2	Brady Quinn, vs. LSU (1.3.07)
2	Jimmy Clausen, at Michigan State (9.20.08)

highest passing efficiency rating (min. 10 att.)

303.7	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)
277.6	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
234.7	Brady Quinn, at Air Force (11.11.06)
222.0	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)
210.7	Brady Quinn, vs. Navy (10.28.06)
205.2	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)
186.5	Brady Quinn, North Carolina (11.4.06)
184.1	Brady Quinn, Navy (11.12.05)
176.8	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)
173.6	Jimmy Clausen, Michigan State (9.19.09)

longest pass completion

88	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)
80	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)
73	Brady Quinn, Tennessee (11.5.05)
70	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)
69	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
62	Brady Quinn, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
60	Jimmy Clausen, Michigan (9.13.08)
55	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)
54	Jimmy Clausen, Michigan State (9.19.09)
52	Jimmy Clausen, Michigan State (9.19.09)
52	Brady Quinn, at Washington (9.24.05)

most receptions

14	Maurice Stovall, BYU (10.22.05)
10	Michael Floyd, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
10	Rhema McKnight, Purdue (9.30.06)
10	Jeff Samardzija, BYU (10.22.05)
9	Golden Tate, at Michigan (9.12.09)
9	Armando Allen, at Boston College (11.8.08)
9	Jeff Samardzija, Army (11.18.06)
9	Maurice Stovall, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)
9	Darius Walker, Purdue (9.30.06)
8	Jeff Samardzija, vs. LSU (1.3.07)
8	John Carlson, North Carolina (11.4.06)
8	David Grimes, UCLA (10.21.06)
8	Jeff Samardzija, UCLA (10.21.06)
8	Rhema McKnight, Georgia Tech (9.2.06)
8	Jeff Samardzija, Stanford (11.26.05)
8	Jeff Samardzija, Washington (9.24.05)
8	Maurice Stovall, Navy (11.12.05)
8	Maurice Stovall, at Purdue (10.1.05)
8	Maurice Stovall, Michigan State (9.17.05)

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most receiving yards

207	Maurice Stovall, BYU (10.22.05)
191	Jeff Samardzija, at Stanford (11.26.05)
189	Michael Floyd, Nevada (9.5.09)
177	Golden Tate, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
177	Jeff Samardzija, North Carolina (11.4.06)
176	Maurice Stovall, Michigan State (9.17.05)
164	Jeff Samardzija, at Washington (9.24.05)
153	Jeff Samardzija, at Purdue (10.1.05)
152	Jeff Samardzija, BYU (10.22.05)
146	Golden Tate, Syracuse (11.22.08)

highest avg. gain per reception (min. 3 rec.)

47.3	Michael Floyd, Nevada (9.5.09)	4-189
34.7	Golden Tate, at Purdue (9.29.07)	3-104
31.8	Golden Tate, Michigan (9.13.08)	4-127
30.3	Maurice Stovall, Syracuse (11.19.05)	3-91
30.2	John Carlson, at Michigan State (9.23.06)	4-121
29.5	Jeff Samardzija, North Carolina (11.4.06)	6-177
29.5	Golden Tate, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	6-177
26.8	Michael Floyd, at Washington (10.25.08)	4-107
24.2	Golden Tate, at North Carolina (10.11.08)	5-121
24.0	David Grimes, vs. Navy (10.28.06)	3-72

most receiving touchdowns

4	Maurice Stovall, BYU (10.22.05)
3	Michael Floyd, Nevada (9.5.09)
3	Golden Tate, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
3	Jeff Samardzija, Michigan State (9.17.05)
3	Jeff Samardzija, Navy (11.12.05)
2	Golden Tate, at Michigan (9.12.09)
2	Golden Tate, Syracuse (11.22.08)
2	Michael Floyd, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
2	Duval Kamara, Navy (11.3.07)
2	Rhema McKnight, Army (11.18.06)
2	Rhema McKnight, North Carolina (11.4.06)
2	Rhema McKnight, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
2	Rhema McKnight, Purdue (9.30.06)
2	Jeff Samardzija, Purdue (9.30.06)
2	Jeff Samardzija, at Stanford (11.26.05)
2	Jeff Samardzija, at Purdue (10.1.05)
2	Jeff Samardzija, BYU (10.22.05)
2	Jeff Samardzija, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
2	Rhema McKnight, vs. Navy (10.28.06)

longest pass reception

88	Michael Floyd, Nevada (9.5.09)
80	Jeff Samardzija, at Stanford (11.26.05)
73	Jeff Samardzija, Tennessee (11.5.05)
70	Michael Floyd, Nevada (9.5.09)
69	Golden Tate, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
62	John Carlson, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
60	Golden Tate, Michigan (9.13.08)
55	Jeff Samardzija, at Purdue (10.1.05)
54	Golden Tate, Michigan State (9.19.09)
52	Kyle Rudolph, Michigan State (9.19.09)
52	Jeff Samardzija, at Washington (9.24.05)

most total offense plays

67	Brady Quinn, Michigan State (9.17.05)	7r,60p
59	Jimmy Clausen, at North Carolina (10.11.08)	11r,48p
59	Brady Quinn, UCLA (10.21.06)	14r,45p
56	Brady Quinn, at USC (11.25.06)	11r,45p
55	Brady Quinn, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)	10r,45p
52	Jimmy Clausen, at Boston College (11.8.08)	6r,46p
52	Brady Quinn, Michigan (9.16.06)	4r,48p
50	Jimmy Clausen, Air Force (11.10.07)	10r,40p
48	Brady Quinn, USC (11.15.05)	13r,35p
47	Jimmy Clausen, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)	3r,44p

most total offense yards gained

479	Brady Quinn, Michigan State (9.17.05)	-8r,487p
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463	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)	23r,440p
457	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)	-10r,467p
453	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)	21r,432p
395	Jimmy Clausen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	-6r,401p
377	Jimmy Clausen, at North Carolina (10.11.08)	-6r,383p
356	Brady Quinn, at Washington (9.24.05)	29r,327p
351	Jimmy Clausen, Stanford (10.4.08)	4r,347p
348	Brady Quinn, at USC (11.25.06)	74r,274p
336	Jimmy Clausen, at Michigan (9.12.09)	0r,336p

highest average gain per play (min. 20 plays)

15.8	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)	20-316
14.1	Jimmy Clausen, at Hawai'i (12.24.08)	28-395
11.6	Brady Quinn, at Purdue (10.1.05)	40-463
11.1	Brady Quinn, vs. Navy (10.28.06)	29-323
10.3	Brady Quinn, at Stanford (11.26.05)	44-453
10.2	Brady Quinn, BYU (10.22.05)	45-457
9.1	Brady Quinn, Navy (11.12.05)	34-311
8.8	Brady Quinn, at Air Force (11.11.06)	23-203
8.7	Brady Quinn, at Washington (9.24.05)	41-356
8.6	Brady Quinn, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)	32-276

most all-purpose yards gained

247	Armando Allen, Purdue (9.27.08)
241	Darius Walker, at Stanford (11.26.05)
226	Armando Allen, Navy (11.3.07)
223	Golden Tate, Syracuse (11.22.08)
219	Darius Walker, Purdue (9.30.06)
213	Golden Tate, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
208	Maurice Stovall, BYU (10.22.05)
203	Golden Tate, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
201	Golden Tate, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
199	Golden Tate, at Boston College (11.8.08)

most all-purpose attempts

40	Darius Walker, at Stanford (11.26.05)
40	Darius Walker, Purdue (9.30.06)
32	James Aldridge, Navy (11.3.07)
31	Darius Walker, Stanford (10.7.06)
31	Darius Walker, at Michigan (9.10.05)
31	Darius Walker, Michigan State (9.17.05)
29	Darius Walker, Syracuse (11.19.05)
29	Darius Walker, Army (11.18.06)
27	Darius Walker, Penn State (9.9.06)
26	Darius Walker, at Georgia Tech (9.2.06)

most points scored

24	Maurice Stovall, BYU (10.22.05)
18	Michael Floyd, Nevada (9.5.09)
18	Golden Tate, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
18	Travis Thomas, Navy (11.3.07)
18	Rashon Powers-Neal, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)
18	Jeff Samardzija, Michigan State (9.17.05)
18	Maurice Stovall, Navy (11.12.05)
18	Darius Walker, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)
15	Brandon Walker, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)

most touchdowns scored

4	Maurice Stovall, BYU (10.22.05)
3	Michael Floyd, Nevada (9.5.09)
3	Golden Tate, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
3	Travis Thomas, Navy (11.3.07)
3	Rashon Powers-Neal, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)
3	Jeff Samardzija, Michigan State (9.17.05)
3	Maurice Stovall, Navy (11.12.05)
3	Darius Walker, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - DEFENSE

most fumble returns TD

1	Brian Smith, Michigan (9.13.08)
1	Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)
1	Tom Zbikowski, Penn State (9.9.06)

most fumble returns

1	Toryan Smith, Michigan State (9.19.09)
1	Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)
1	Pat Kuntz, Stanford (10.4.08)
1	Kerry Neal, at UCLA (10.6.07)
1	Brian Smith, Michigan (9.13.08)
1	Toryan Smith, Syracuse (11.22.08)
1	Tom Zbikowski, Penn State (9.9.06)

most fumble return yards

35	Brian Smith, Michigan (9.13.08)
34	Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)
25	Tom Zbikowski, Penn State (9.9.06)
20	Gary Gray, Syracuse (11.22.08)
11	Kerry Neal, at UCLA (10.6.07)
8	Toryan Smith, Syracuse (11.22.08)
5	Toryan Smith, Michigan State (9.19.09)
2	Pat Kuntz, Stanford (10.4.08)

most interception returns TD

1	Terrail Lambert, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
1	Darrin Walls, at Penn State (9.8.07)
1	Brian Smith, Boston College (10.13.07)
1	Robert Blanton, Purdue (9.27.08)

most punt block returns TD

1	Toryan Smith, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
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most interceptions

2	Raeshon McNeil, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
2	Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)
2	Mike Richardson, Army (11.18.06)
2	Terrail Lambert, at Michigan State (9.23.06)

most interception return yards

83	Tom Zbikowski, BYU (10.22.05)	1
73	Darrin Walls, at Penn State (9.8.07)	1
51	Chinedum Ndukwe, Michigan (9.16.06)	1
47	Robert Blanton, Purdue (9.27.08)	1
47	Raeshon McNeil, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)	2
46	Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)	2
43	Tom Zbikowski, Stanford (11.24.07)	1
41	Ambrose Wooden, Tennessee (11.5.05)	1
41	Gary Gray, Michigan (9.13.08)	1
39	David Bruton, Michigan (9.13.08)	1

highest avg. per INT return (min. 2 ret.)

23.5	Raeshon McNeil, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)	2-47
23.0	Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)	2-46
13.5	Terrail Lambert, at Michigan State (9.23.06)	2-27
0.5	Mike Richardson, Army (11.18.06)	2-1

most tackles

22	Chinedum Ndukwe, at Air Force (11.11.06)	15-7
17	Trevor Laws, Air Force (11.10.07)	6-11
16	David Bruton, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)	9-7
16	Joe Brockington, Navy (11.3.07)	4-12
16	Maurice Crum, Michigan State (9.22.07)	6-10
15	Kyle McCarthy, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)	8-7
15	David Bruton, Michigan (9.13.08)	10-5
15	Trevor Laws, Navy (11.3.07)	8-7
15	David Bruton, Michigan State (9.22.07)	8-7
15	Joe Brockington, at Air Force (11.11.06)	5-10

most quarterback sacks

4.0	Victor Abiamiri, at Stanford (11.26.05)
3.0	Victor Abiamiri, Stanford (10.7.06)
2.0	Steve Quinn, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
2.0	Ethan Johnson, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
2.0	Harrison Smith, at Washington (10.25.08)
2.0	Pat Kuntz, Stanford (10.4.08)
2.0	Derek Landri, Army (11.18.06)

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- 2.0 Victor Abiamiri, North Carolina (11.4.06)
- 2.0 Brandon Hoyte, at Stanford (11.26.05)
- 2.0 Brandon Hoyte, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)
- 2.0 Corey Mays, Syracuse (11.19.05)
- 2.0 Victor Abiamiri, vs. Navy (10.28.06)

most tackles for loss

- 4.5 Derek Landri, Army (11.18.06)
- 4.5 Brandon Hoyte, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)
- 4.0 Victor Abiamiri, at Stanford (11.26.05)
- 3.5 Derek Landri, North Carolina (11.4.06)
- 3.5 Victor Abiamiri, Stanford (10.7.06)
- 3.5 Corey Mays, Syracuse (11.19.05)
- 3.0 Darius Fleming, at Purdue (9.26.09)
- 3.0 Victor Abiamiri, Michigan State (9.17.05)
- 3.0 Maurice Crum, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 3.0 Maurice Crum, Penn State (9.9.06)
- 3.0 Brandon Hoyte, at Washington (9.24.05)
- 3.0 Corey Mays, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 3.0 Trevor Laws, at Purdue (9.29.07)

most fumbles forced

- 2 Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 2 Mike Richardson, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 2 Tom Zbikowski, at Penn State (9.8.07)

most fumbles recovered

- 2 Brian Smith, Michigan (9.13.08)
- 2 Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 2 Ray Herring, at Michigan (9.15.07)

most pass breakups

- 3 Raeshon McNeil, at Boston College (11.8.08)
- 2 Kyle McCarthy, Michigan State (9.19.09)
- 2 Harrison Smith, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
- 2 Harrison Smith, Syracuse (11.22.08)
- 2 Raeshon McNeil, Syracuse (11.22.08)
- 2 David Bruton, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
- 2 Ethan Johnson, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
- 2 Raeshon McNeil, Michigan (9.13.08)
- 2 Terrail Lambert, San Diego State (9.6.08)
- 2 Sergio Brown, San Diego State (9.6.08)
- 2 John Ryan, San Diego State (9.6.08)
- 2 Darrin Walls, at Stanford (11.24.07)
- 2 Pat Kuntz, USC (10.20.07)
- 2 Dwight Stephenson, USC (10.20.07)
- 2 Darrin Walls, Boston College (10.13.07)
- 2 Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 2 Pat Kuntz, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 2 Trevor Laws, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 2 Pat Kuntz, Georgia Tech (9.1.07)
- 2 Chris Frome, Purdue (9.30.06)
- 2 Chris Frome, at USC (11.25.06)
- 2 Corey Mays, at Michigan (9.10.05)
- 2 Chinedum Ndukwe, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 2 Chinedum Ndukwe, at Stanford (11.26.05)
- 2 Mike Richardson, Syracuse (11.19.05)
- 2 Mike Richardson, at Purdue (10.1.05)
- 2 Ambrose Wooden, Michigan State (9.17.05)
- 2 Tom Zbikowski, at Washington (9.24.05)

longest interception return

- 83 Tom Zbikowski, BYU (10.22.05)
- 73 Darrin Walls, at Penn State (9.8.07)
- 51 Chinedum Ndukwe, Michigan (9.16.06)
- 47 Robert Blanton, Purdue (9.27.08)
- 43 Raeshon McNeil, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
- 41 Ambrose Wooden, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 41 Gary Gray, Michigan (9.13.08)
- 39 David Bruton, Michigan (9.13.08)
- 33 Tom Zbikowski, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 33 Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)

longest fumble return

- 35 Brian Smith, Michigan (9.13.08)
- 34 Maurice Crum, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 25 Tom Zbikowski, Penn State (9.9.06)
- 20 Gary Gray, Syracuse (11.22.08)
- 11 Kerry Neal, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 8 Toryan Smith, Syracuse (11.22.08)
- 5 Toryan Smith, Michigan State (9.19.09)
- 2 Pat Kuntz, Stanford (10.4.08)

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most extra points made by kicking

- 7 Brandon Walker, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
- 7 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Purdue (10.1.05)
- 7 D.J. Fitzpatrick, BYU (10.22.05)
- 6 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Navy (11.12.05)
- 6 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)
- 6 Carl Gioia, North Carolina (11.4.06)
- 5 Nick Tausch, Nevada (9.5.09)
- 5 Brandon Walker, Purdue (9.27.08)
- 5 Brandon Walker, Michigan (9.13.08)
- 5 Brandon Walker, Navy (11.3.07)
- 5 Carl Gioia, Army (11.18.06)
- 5 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 5 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Michigan State (9.17.05)
- 5 Carl Gioia, Penn State (9.9.06)
- 5 Carl Gioia, Purdue (9.30.06)
- 5 Carl Gioia, vs. Navy (10.28.06)

most extra points attempted by kicking

- 7 Brandon Walker, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
- 7 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Purdue (10.1.05)
- 7 D.J. Fitzpatrick, BYU (10.22.05)
- 6 Carl Gioia, Army (11.18.06)
- 6 Carl Gioia, at Air Force (11.11.06)
- 6 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Navy (11.12.05)
- 6 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)
- 6 Carl Gioia, North Carolina (11.4.06)
- 5 Nick Tausch, Nevada (9.5.09)
- 5 Brandon Walker, Purdue (9.27.08)
- 5 Brandon Walker, Michigan (9.13.08)
- 5 Brandon Walker, Navy (11.3.07)
- 5 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 5 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Michigan State (9.17.05)
- 5 Carl Gioia, Penn State (9.9.06)
- 5 Carl Gioia, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
- 5 Carl Gioia, Purdue (9.30.06)
- 5 Carl Gioia, vs. Navy (10.28.06)

most points scored by kicking

- 15 Brandon Walker, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
- 12 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Washington (9.24.05)
- 11 Brandon Walker, Syracuse (11.22.08)
- 11 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 11 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Michigan State (9.17.05)
- 11 Carl Gioia, Penn State (9.9.06)
- 10 Nick Tausch, at Michigan (9.12.09)
- 9 Nick Tausch, Michigan State (9.19.09)
- 9 Brandon Walker, at Washington (10.25.08)
- 9 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Syracuse (11.19.05)
- 9 Carl Gioia, North Carolina (11.4.06)

most field goals attempted

- 6 Brandon Walker, Syracuse (11.22.08)
- 5 Brandon Walker, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
- 4 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Syracuse (11.19.05)
- 3 Nick Tausch, at Michigan (9.12.09)
- 3 Carl Gioia, UCLA (10.21.06)
- 3 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Michigan State (9.17.05)
- 3 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Washington (9.24.05)
- 2 Nick Tausch, Michigan State (9.19.09)
- 2 Brandon Walker, vs. Navy (11.15.08)

- 2 Brandon Walker, at Washington (10.25.08)
- 2 Brandon Walker, Stanford (10.4.08)
- 2 Brandon Walker, Purdue (9.27.08)
- 2 Brandon Walker, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
- 2 Brandon Walker, Navy (11.3.07)
- 2 Brandon Walker, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 2 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 2 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Stanford (11.26.05)
- 2 D.J. Fitzpatrick, USC (11.15.05)
- 2 Carl Gioia, at Georgia Tech (9.2.06)
- 2 Carl Gioia, Penn State (9.9.06)

most field goals made

- 4 Brandon Walker, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
- 3 Brandon Walker, Syracuse (11.22.08)
- 3 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Washington (9.24.05)
- 2 Nick Tausch, Michigan State (9.19.09)
- 2 Nick Tausch, at Michigan (9.12.09)
- 2 Brandon Walker, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
- 2 Brandon Walker, at Washington (10.25.08)
- 2 Brandon Walker, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 2 Carl Gioia, UCLA (10.21.06)
- 2 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Tennessee (11.5.05)
- 2 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Syracuse (11.19.05)
- 2 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Michigan State (9.17.05)
- 2 Carl Gioia, Penn State (9.9.06)

longest field goal made

- 48 Brandon Walker, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
- 48 Brandon Walker, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 48 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Michigan State (9.17.05)
- 46 Nick Tausch, Michigan State (9.19.09)
- 45 Brandon Walker, Syracuse (11.22.08)
- 44 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Syracuse (11.19.05)
- 43 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Michigan (9.10.05)
- 42 Nick Tausch, at Michigan (9.12.09)
- 42 Brandon Walker, at Washington (10.25.08)
- 42 Brandon Walker, at North Carolina (10.11.08)

most punts

- 10 Geoff Price, USC (10.20.07)
- 9 Geoff Price, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 9 Geoff Price, at Penn State (9.8.07)
- 9 D.J. Fitzpatrick, Michigan State (9.10.05)
- 8 Eric Maust, at USC (11.29.08)
- 7 Geoff Price, at Michigan (9.15.07)
- 7 Geoff Price, Georgia Tech (9.1.07)
- 7 Geoff Price, Michigan (9.16.06)
- 7 Geoff Price, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
- 6 Eric Maust, at Boston College (11.8.08)
- 6 Eric Maust, Michigan (9.13.08)
- 6 Geoff Price, Boston College (10.13.07)
- 6 Geoff Price, Michigan State (9.22.07)
- 6 Geoff Price, UCLA (10.21.06)
- 6 D.J. Fitzpatrick, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)

most yards punting

- 450 Geoff Price, USC (10.20.07)
- 403 Geoff Price, at Penn State (9.8.07)
- 371 D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Michigan (9.10.05)
- 363 Geoff Price, Michigan (9.16.06)
- 363 Geoff Price, at UCLA (10.6.07)
- 323 Eric Maust, at USC (11.29.08)
- 303 Geoff Price, at Michigan (9.15.07)
- 303 Geoff Price, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
- 268 Geoff Price, Georgia Tech (9.1.07)
- 263 Eric Maust, Michigan (9.13.08)

highest average yards per punt (min. 3 punts)

- 51.9 Geoff Price, Michigan (9.16.06) 7-363
- 50.4 Geoff Price, at Georgia Tech (9.2.06) 5-252
- 47.4 Geoff Price, vs. LSU (1.3.07) 5-237

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45.8	Geoff Price, North Carolina (11.4.06)	5-229
45.7	D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Pittsburgh (9.3.05)	3-137
45.7	Geoff Price, Purdue (9.30.06)	3-137
45.0	Geoff Price, USC (10.20.07)	10-450
44.8	Geoff Price, at Penn State (9.8.07)	9-403
44.2	D.J. Fitzpatrick, BYU (10.22.05)	5-221
44.0	Geoff Price, Penn State (9.9.06)	3-132
44.0	Eric Maust, at Purdue (9.29.07)	3-132
44.0	Eric Maust, vs. Navy (11.15.08)	3-132

most punts downed inside 20

3	Eric Maust, at Stanford (11.24.07)
3	Geoff Price, Boston College (10.13.07)
3	Geoff Price, at UCLA (10.6.07)
3	Geoff Price, Purdue (9.30.06)
2	Eric Maust, Nevada (9.5.09)
2	Eric Maust, Syracuse (11.22.08)
2	Eric Maust, Stanford (10.4.08)
2	Eric Maust, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
2	Eric Maust, Michigan (9.13.08)
2	Eric Maust, San Diego State (9.6.08)
2	Eric Maust, Duke (11.17.07)
2	Eric Maust, Air Force (11.10.07)
2	Geoff Price, at Michigan (9.15.07)
2	Geoff Price, North Carolina (11.4.06)
2	D.J. Fitzpatrick, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)
2	D.J. Fitzpatrick, Syracuse (11.19.05)
2	D.J. Fitzpatrick, USC (11.15.05)
2	D.J. Fitzpatrick, Michigan State (9.17.05)
2	Geoff Price, Penn State (9.9.06)
2	Geoff Price, Michigan (9.16.06)
2	Eric Maust, at Purdue (9.29.07)

longest punt

62	Geoff Price, Penn State (9.9.06)
61	Geoff Price, at Georgia Tech (9.2.06)
60	D.J. Fitzpatrick, at Michigan (9.10.05)
59	Geoff Price, Michigan (9.16.06)
57	Geoff Price, at Penn State (9.8.07)
56	Geoff Price, Michigan State (9.22.07)
56	Geoff Price, Boston College (10.13.07)
55	Geoff Price, at Michigan (9.16.07)
55	Geoff Price, Georgia Tech (9.1.07)
55	Geoff Price, Army (11.18.06)
55	Geoff Price, vs. LSU (1.3.07)

longest punt return

78	Tom Zbikowski, Tennessee (11.5.05)
60	Tom Zbikowski, at Stanford (11.24.07)
60	Tom Zbikowski, USC (11.15.05)
52	Tom Zbikowski, North Carolina (11.4.06)
47	Tom Zbikowski, at Penn State (9.8.07)
42	Golden Tate, at Boston College (11.8.08)
32	Tom Zbikowski, Navy (11.3.07)
25	Tom Zbikowski, at Michigan State (9.23.06)
25	Tom Zbikowski, at Washington (9.24.05)
24	Golden Tate, vs. Navy (11.15.08)

longest kick return

96	Armando Allen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
53	Armando Allen, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
52	Barry Gallup, at Michigan (9.12.09)
50	David Grimes, North Carolina (11.4.06)
46	David Grimes, at Georgia Tech (9.2.06)
40	Golden Tate, at Michigan (9.15.07)
40	David Grimes, at Purdue (10.1.05)
38	Theo Riddick, Michigan State (9.19.09)
38	Armando Allen, Navy (11.3.07)
36	D.J. Hord, Tennessee (11.5.05)
36	Armando Allen, Purdue (9.27.08)

most punt returns

6	Golden Tate, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
6	Tom Zbikowski, at Stanford (11.26.05)
4	Tom Zbikowski, at Stanford (11.24.07)
4	Tom Zbikowski, USC (11.15.05)
4	Tom Zbikowski, at Georgia Tech (9.2.06)
3	Golden Tate, at Boston College (11.8.08)
3	Golden Tate, at Washington (10.25.08)
3	Armando Allen, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
3	Tom Zbikowski, Duke (11.17.07)
3	Tom Zbikowski, Boston College (10.13.07)
3	Tom Zbikowski, Army (11.18.06)
3	Tom Zbikowski, North Carolina (11.4.06)
3	Tom Zbikowski, Tennessee (11.5.05)
3	Tom Zbikowski, Syracuse (11.19.05)
3	Tom Zbikowski, at Michigan (9.15.07)

most punt return yards

118	Tom Zbikowski, Tennessee (11.5.05)	3
87	Tom Zbikowski, USC (11.15.05)	4
69	Tom Zbikowski, North Carolina (11.4.06)	3
64	Tom Zbikowski, at Stanford (11.24.07)	4
50	Golden Tate, vs. Navy (11.15.08)	6
47	Tom Zbikowski, at Penn State (9.8.07)	1
44	Golden Tate, at Boston College (11.8.08)	3
37	Tom Zbikowski, Navy (11.3.07)	2
35	Armando Allen, San Diego State (9.6.08)	2
34	Tom Zbikowski, Boston College (10.13.07)	3
34	Tom Zbikowski, at Stanford (11.26.05)	6

highest avg. gain per punt return (min. 2 ret.)

39.3	Tom Zbikowski, Tennessee (11.5.05)	3-118
23.0	Tom Zbikowski, North Carolina (11.4.06)	3-69
21.8	Tom Zbikowski, USC (11.15.05)	4-87
18.5	Tom Zbikowski, Navy (11.3.07)	2-37
17.5	Armando Allen, San Diego State (9.6.08)	2-35
16.0	Tom Zbikowski, at Stanford (11.24.07)	4-64
15.5	Tom Zbikowski, at Washington (9.24.05)	2-31
14.7	Golden Tate, at Boston College (11.8.08)	3-44
11.5	Golden Tate, Michigan State (9.19.09)	2-23
11.3	Tom Zbikowski, Boston College (10.13.07)	3-34

most kick returns

6	Armando Allen, Air Force (11.10.07)
6	David Grimes, Michigan (9.16.06)
5	Golden Tate, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
5	Armando Allen, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
5	Golden Tate, at Michigan (9.15.07)
5	Tom Zbikowski, at USC (11.25.06)
5	Armando Allen, Georgia Tech (9.1.07)
4	Theo Riddick, at Purdue (9.26.09)
4	Theo Riddick, Michigan State (9.19.09)
4	Golden Tate, Syracuse (11.22.08)
4	Golden Tate, Boston College (11.8.08)
4	Golden Tate, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
4	Armando Allen, at Purdue (9.29.07)
4	Armando Allen, Purdue (9.27.08)
4	Armando Allen, Navy (11.3.07)
4	David Grimes, vs. LSU (1.3.07)
4	David Grimes, at Stanford (11.26.05)

most kick return yards

147	Armando Allen, at Michigan State (9.20.08)	5
145	David Grimes, Michigan (9.16.06)	6
133	Golden Tate, at Michigan (9.15.07)	5
117	Armando Allen, Air Force (11.10.07)	6
116	Armando Allen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	2
115	Armando Allen, Navy (11.3.07)	4
107	Theo Riddick, Michigan State (9.19.09)	4
107	Tom Zbikowski, at USC (11.25.06)	5
105	Armando Allen, Purdue (9.27.08)	4
101	David Grimes, North Carolina (11.4.06)	3

highest avg. gain per kick return (min. 2 ret.)

58.0	Armando Allen, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	2-116
38.5	Barry Gallup, at Michigan (9.12.09)	2-77
33.7	David Grimes, North Carolina (11.4.06)	3-101
31.0	David Grimes, at Purdue (10.1.05)	2-62
29.4	Armando Allen, at Michigan State (9.20.08)	5-147
28.8	Armando Allen, Navy (11.3.07)	4-115
26.8	Theo Riddick, Michigan State (9.19.09)	4-107
26.6	Golden Tate, at Michigan (9.15.07)	5-133
26.2	Armando Allen, Purdue (9.27.08)	4-105
26.0	Armando Allen, at USC (11.29.08)	2-52

most blocked kicks

2	Chase Anastasio, Syracuse (11.19.05)
2	Derek Landri, North Carolina (11.4.06)
1	Ethan Johnson, Michigan State (9.19.09)
1	Sergio Brown, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
1	Mike Anello, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
1	David Bruton, USC (10.20.07)
1	Trevor Laws, at Stanford (11.24.07)
1	Trevor Laws, Georgia Tech (9.1.07)
1	Steve Quinn, at USC (11.25.06)
1	Derek Landri, Army (11.18.06)
1	Trevor Laws, North Carolina (11.4.06)
1	Chase Anastasio, at Washington (9.24.05)
1	Derek Landri, Michigan (9.16.06)
1	Trevor Laws, at Air Force (11.11.06)
1	Trevor Laws, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)
1	Trevor Laws, at Purdue (10.1.05)
1	Chinedum Ndukwe, vs. Ohio State (1.2.06)



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NOTRE DAME, Ind. (AP) - Jimmy Clausen must have felt as if he was still in paradise. Clausen, last seen playing nearly flawless in a Hawaii Bowl victory, completed 15 of 18 passes for 315 yards and four touchdowns to lead No. 23 Notre Dame to a 35-0 victory over Nevada on Saturday.

The Irish ended a disappointing 2008 season with a 49-21 victory over Hawaii in the Hawaii Bowl that provided at least some hope for the future.

A much needed one, too, with a trip to Michigan, coming off its own impressive opening victory, up next week.

Clausen started the game by completing 10 of 11 passes for 184 yards and three touchdowns, highlighted by a career-long 70-yard pass for a touchdown to Michael Floyd. He bettered that in the third quarter with an 88-yard scoring pass to Floyd.

It was the third longest pass completion in Notre Dame history. Floyd also had a 24-yard TD catch and tight end Kyle Rudolph opened the scoring with a 19-yard TD catch. The other touchdown by the Irish (1-0) came on a 1-yard run by Armando Allen Jr.

It was the first shutout for Notre Dame during the Weis era. The last shutout for the Irish was a 42-0 win over Rutgers in 2002. It was just the third time in Nevada coach Chris Ault's 25 years as coach that the Wolf Pack was shut out.

The Irish couldn't have gotten off to a much better start. The defense stopped Nevada on its first three third-down attempts and linebacker Toryan Smith stuffed Wolf Pack running back Vai Tauga for a 1-yard loss on fourth-and-1. Even highly touted freshman linebacker Manti Te'o got in on the act for Notre Dame on his first play early in the second quarter.

The Irish held the Wolf Pack to 153 yards rushing and 307 total yards. The play of the defense against a Nevada offense that was third in the country in rushing last year had to inspire Notre Dame fans.

The play of Clausen must of had them giddy—even if it was more against a pass defense that ranked behind Hawaii's last season.

Clausen was 22 of 26 passing for 401 yards with five touchdowns in the Christmas Eve bowl victory. Nevada, which ranked last in the nation in pass defense, was just as helpless to stop him.

Kaepernick was 12 of 23 passing for 149 yards with two interceptions. He also ran for 39 yards on 10 carries. Tauga ran for 114 yards on 18 carries.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score	
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0	Record: (0-1)
Notre Dame	7	21	7	0	35	Record: (1-0)

First Quarter

8:42 ND RUDOLPH 19 yd pass from CLAUSEN (TAUSCH kick), 12-67 6:18

Second Quarter

14:54 ND FLOYD 24 yd pass from CLAUSEN (TAUSCH kick), 9-78 4:24

11:42 ND FLOYD 70 yd pass from CLAUSEN (TAUSCH kick), 2-79 0:46

1:48 ND ALLEN 1 yd run (TAUSCH kick), 8-80 3:45

Third Quarter

10:12 ND FLOYD 88 yd pass from CLAUSEN (TAUSCH kick), 4-99 1:58

TEAM STATS

	NEV	ND
FIRST DOWNS	15	20
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	29-153	41-178
PASSING YDS (NET)	154	332
Passes Att-Comp-Int	27-13-2	20-17-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	56-307	61-510
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	2-22
Kickoff Returns-Yards	5-88	1-23
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-23
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-46.6	3-40.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-49	3-35
Possession Time	26:20	33:40
Third-Down Conversions	2 of 11	6 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-3	2-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	2-21

RUSHING: Nevada-Tauga 18-114; Kaepernick 10-39; Ball 1-0. Notre Dame-ALLEN 15-72; GRAY, J. 9-50; HUGHES 6-20; RIDDICK 5-19; ALDRIDGE 3-13; TATE 1-3; CLAUSEN 2-1.

PASSING: Nevada-Kaepernick 12-23-2-149; Lantrip 1-4-0-5. Notre Dame-CLAUSEN 15-18-0-315; CRIST 2-2-0-17.

RECEIVING: Nevada-Session 5-51; Tauga 3-38; Wimberly 2-36; Wellington 2-27; Green 1-2. Notre Dame-FLOYD 4-189; RUDOLPH 4-29; TATE 3-59; ALLEN 3-25; WALKER, D. 1-15; PARRIS 1-10; GRAY, J. 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: Nevada-None. Notre Dame-McCARTHY, K. 1-23; BLANTON 1-0.

FUMBLES: Nevada-Tauga 1-1. Notre Dame-None.

SACKS (UA-A): Nevada-None. Notre Dame-SMITH, B. 1-0; SMITH, Toryan 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Nevada-Johnson 5-5; Amaya 7-2; Bethea 3-6; Harvey 5-3; Moch 3-3; Marshall 2-4; Frey 4-1; Agaiva 0-4; Thompson 2-1; Roy 1-2; Coulson 2-0; Madonick 1-1; Liranzo 1-0; Grimes 1-0; Silva-Purcell 1-0; Miller 0-1; Slack 0-1; Tauga 0-1; Barker 0-1. Notre Dame-McCARTHY, K. 7-2; SMITH, H. 5-1; SMITH, Toryan 4-1; SMITH, S. 2-1; GRAY, G. 2-1; SMITH, B. 2-1; RYAN 1-2; BLANTON 2-0; TE'O 2-0; SLAUGHTER 2-0; McDONALD 1-1; FILER 1-1; JOHNSON 1-1; BROWN 1-1; WILLIAMS, I. 0-2; HERRING 1-0; ANELLO 0-1; CWYNAR 0-1; FLEMING 0-1.



Michigan 38 • #18 Notre Dame 34
Sept. 12, 2009 • Ann Arbor, Mich. • Michigan Stadium



ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) - Tate Forcier threw a 5-yard touchdown pass to Greg Mathews with 11 seconds left, lifting Michigan to a 38-34 win over No. 18 Notre Dame on Saturday.

Armando Allen ran for a touchdown and got the 2-point conversion on a nifty Statue of Liberty play with 5:13 left after Jimmy Clausen threw his third touchdown pass to give the Fighting Irish (1-1) the lead, but their defense could not deny Forcier and the Wolverines (2-0).

He was 23 of 33 for 240 yards, two TDs and an interception. He ran for 70 yards and a score -- squirting up the middle on fourth-and-3 to put Michigan up 31-20. In the opener, Forcier threw three TDs before halftime against Western Michigan.

Forcier's 31-yard TD run on a fourth down gave the Wolverines an 11-point lead early in the fourth quarter. He threw an interception on his next drive to aid Notre Dame's comeback, but he bounced back by converting a third down with a pass before his clutch connection with Mathews in the front corner of the end zone.

Jimmy Clausen completed 25 of 42 passes for 336 yards and three TDs, but missed some throws throughout the game that proved to be costly. Tate and Michael Floyd combined for 16 catches, 246 yards and three TDs, and Michigan cornerbacks Donovan Warren and Boubacar Cissoko struggled to contain the duo all day.

After Weis spoke to his team, Clausen did. "I told them the same thing that Coach said," Clausen said. "We have to decide how we're going to go from here."

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score	
Notre Dame	3	17	0	14	34	Record: (1-1)
Michigan	14	3	7	14	38	Record: (2-0)

First Quarter

4:12 UM Minor 2 yd run (Olesnavage kick), 9-79 3:46

0:46 ND TAUSCH 34 yd field goal, 8-56 3:26

0:34 UM Stonum 94 yd kickoff return (Olesnavage kick)

Second Quarter

12:34 ND TATE 4 yd pass from CLAUSEN (TAUSCH kick), 7-76 3:00

7:05 ND FLOYD 11 yd pass from CLAUSEN (TAUSCH kick), 7-69 3:47

2:41 ND TAUSCH 42 yd field goal, 5-17 3:07

0:00 UM Olesnavage 39 yd field goal, 9-48 2:41

TEAM STATS

	ND	UM
FIRST DOWNS	27	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	30-154	38-190
PASSING YDS (NET)	336	240
Passes Att-Comp-Int	42-25-0	33-23-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	72-490	71-430
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-5	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-100	7-202
Interception Returns-Yards	1-20	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-40.0	5-36.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-0
Penalties-Yards	9-75	6-59
Possession Time	31:25	28:35
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 14	5 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	2 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	3-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-9	0-0

Third Quarter

7:55 UM Koger 3 yd pass from Forcier (Olesnavage kick), 5-26 1:48

Fourth Quarter

14:16 UM Forcier 31 yd run (Olesnavage kick), 6-64 3:07

9:46 ND TATE 21 yd pass from CLAUSEN (CLAUSEN pass failed), 14-80 4:30

5:13 ND ALLEN 8 yd run (ALLEN rush), 7-36 2:29

0:11 UM Mathews 5 yd pass from Forcier (Olesnavage kick), 9-57 2:02

RUSHING: Notre Dame-ALLEN 21-139; KAMARA 1-10; TATE 1-5; CLAUSEN 2-0; GRAY, J. 3-0; HUGHES 1-0; RIDDICK 1-0. Michigan-Minor 16-106; Forcier 13-70; Robinson 4-21; Brown 4-minus 3; Odoms 1-minus 4.

PASSING: Notre Dame-CLAUSEN 25-42-0-336. Michigan-Forcier 23-33-1-240.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-TATE 9-115; FLOYD 7-131; RUDOLPH 3-38; ALLEN 2-24; EVANS 2-15; GRAY, J. 1-7; KAMARA 1-6. Michigan-Mathews 5-68; Stonum 4-54; Koger 4-38; Brown 4-36; Odoms 3-18; Savoy 2-23; Grady 1-3.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-McCARTHY, K. 1-20. Michigan-None.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-GRAY, J. 1-1. Michigan-Minor 1-0; Forcier 1-0; Brown 1-0.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-FLEMING 1-0; RYAN 1-0. Michigan-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-SMITH, H. 4-7; McCARTHY, K. 5-4; SMITH, B. 5-2; WALLS 4-3; McNEIL 4-1; JOHNSON 3-1; Smith, Toryan 3-1; FLEMING 3-1; BLANTON 2-1; RYAN 2-1; WILLIAMS, I. 2-1; GORDON 2-0; BROWN 2-0; LEWIS-MOORE 2-0; TE'O 1-1; SLAUGHTER 1-0; ANELLO 1-0; MOTTA 1-0. Michigan-Woolfolk 5-3; Williams 4-4; Ezech 2-5; Warren 3-3; Brown 3-3; Cissoko 4-1; Mouton 4-1; Graham 3-0; Kovacs 2-1; Martin 1-2; Roh 2-0; Van Bergen 1-1; Floyd 1-0; North 1-0; Smith 1-0; Mathews 1-0; Sagesse 0-1; Heinger 0-1.



Notre Dame 33 • Michigan State 30

Sept. 19, 2009 • Notre Dame, Ind. • Notre Dame Stadium



NOTRE DAME, Ind. (AP) - Kyle McCarthy saved Notre Dame from another last-minute loss, one play after Michigan State cut the Fighting Irish a break.

McCarthy's interception at the 4-yard line with 57 seconds left sealed Notre Dame's 33-30 win after Jimmy Clausen threw for 300 yards, including the game-winning score on a 33-yard TD pass to Golden Tate with 5:18 left.

"I think this is a huge step for our guys. Not necessarily for the program, but for the guys in the locker room," said McCarthy, who has an interception in each game this season. "We deserve this win."

It was the second straight week the Spartans gave an opponent a second chance and paid for it.

Michigan State's Larry Caper slipped through the Irish defense and was all alone in the back of the end zone. Caper got his hands on it, but it was high and he couldn't pull it down.

The play was reminiscent of Tate Forcier's game-winning TD pass with 11 seconds left the week before for Michigan against Notre Dame.

"After last week, how bad everybody felt in a very similar situation in the ending of the game, to make a play to change the outcome in favor of us, I'm really, really happy for those kids in there," said coach Charlie Weis. "It's nice to see how genuinely excited they are. They feel great."

Instead, the unforced error evoked memories of Michigan State's offside penalty against Central Michigan that gave the Chippewas a second chance at the winning field goal.

"It was a little tougher than Central Michigan because it was such a big win for us," said, Michigan State receiver Keshawn Martin, who threw a 30-yard TD pass to Blair White.

The Irish held on to beat the Spartans in Notre Dame Stadium for the first time since 1993, but lost star wide receiver Michael Floyd to what may be a broken collarbone.

Floyd was hurt in the first half and Weis said the training staff told him "clavicle" and he assumes they meant that it's broken. Second in the nation with 160 yards receiving per game, Floyd finished with two catches for 38 yards.

Cousins was 23 of 35 passing for 302 yards for MSU, which was held to 105 yards rushing.

"He played well with the exception of the last throw," Dantonio said.

Cousins was under pressure from linebacker Darius Fleming when he threw the interception.

"I needed to throw the ball away or take a sack, anything to throw the ball away," he said.

Armando Allen ran for 115 yards and a touchdown and threw for another out of a wildcat formation, and Nick Tausch kicked field goals of 22 and 46 yards for the Irish (2-1), though he missed an early extra point. It was the third 100-yard game of Allen's career and his second straight.

White caught a pair of touchdown passes and Caper ran for two more as the Spartans (1-2) lost for the second straight week. It was the second time in the past nine meetings that the home team won.

Clausen was 22 of 31 and injured his right foot when he was sacked in the second quarter, but only missed two plays in the game.

Tate finished with 127 yards on seven catches.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Michigan State	3	14	6	7	30 Record: (1-2)
Notre Dame	13	3	10	7	33 Record: (2-1)

First Quarter

12:21 ND Allen 13 yd run (Tausch kick), 4-84 1:40
7:11 MSU Swenson 43 yd field goal, 12-43 5:10
4:59 ND Floyd 22 yd pass from Clausen (Tausch kick failed)

Second Quarter

9:30 MSU White 30 yd pass from Martin (Swenson kick), 4-80 1:12
3:14 ND Tausch 22 yd field goal, 11-50 4:44
1:01 MSU Caper 1 yd run (Swenson kick), 7-81 2:13

Third Quarter

11:49 ND Paris 5 yd pass from Allen (Tausch kick), 6-70 3:11
5:34 ND Tausch 46 yd field goal, 10-18 4:11
1:24 MSU Caper 7 yd run (Swenson kick blocked), 8-70 4:10

TEAM STATS

	MSU	ND
FIRST DOWNS	27	25
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	25-105	37-133
PASSING YDS (NET)	354	304
Passes Att-Comp-Int	40-26-1	34-24-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	65-459	71-437
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	1-5
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	2-23
Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-154	5-125
Interception Returns-Yards	1-0	1-20
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-45.0	3-41.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	6-40	11-99
Possession Time	25:30	34:30
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 10	5 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-4	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-16	0-0

Fourth Quarter

9:33 MSU White 17 yd pass from Cousins (Swenson kick), 5-86 2:27
5:18 ND Tate 33 yd pass from Clausen (Tausch kick), 8-73 4:15

RUSHING: Michigan State-Caper 12-51; Ray 3-23; Nichol 2-14; Winston 6-14; Cousins 2-3. Notre Dame-Allen 23-115; Gray 4-24; Clausen 7-minus 1; Tate 1-minus 1; Team 2-minus 4.

PASSING: Michigan State-Cousins 23-35-1-302; Nichol 2-4-0-22; Martin 1-1-0-30. Notre Dame-Clausen 22-31-0-300; Crist 1-2-1-minus 1; Allen 1-1-0-5.

RECEIVING: Michigan State-Cunningham 7-74; Dell 6-121; White 6-75; Linthicum 3-34; Gantt 2-31; Ray 1-14; Sims 1-5. Notre Dame-Tate 7-127; Rudolph 6-95; Kamara 3-23; Parris 3-16; Floyd 2-38; Allen 2-6; Hughes 1-minus 1.

INTERCEPTIONS: Michigan State-Robinson 1-0. Notre Dame-McCarthy 1-20.

FUMBLES: Michigan State-Ray 1-1. Notre Dame-Clausen 1-0.

SACKS (UA-A): Michigan State-Pickelman 0-1; Worthy 1-0; Gordon 0-1. Notre Dame-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): Michigan State-Jones 3-6; Gordon 2-6; Ware 7-0; Hyde 4-2; Pickelman 2-4; Jenrette 2-4; Robinson 2-4; Denson 2-4; Rucker, Chris L. 2-3; Misch 0-4; Anderson 1-2; Strayhorn 2-0; Worthy 1-1; Davis-Clark 1-1; Neely 1-1; Rolf 1-0; Fortener 1-0; Cousins 1-0; Norman 0-1; Anderson 0-1; Wilson 0-1. Notre Dame-McCarthy, K. 7-2; Smith, H. 5-2; Smith, B. 3-2; Blanton 2-3; Herring 4-0; Smith, S. 2-2; Lewis-Moore 1-3; Williams, I. 2-1; Motta 2-1; Johnson 0-3; Fleming 2-0; Walls 2-0; Brown 2-0; Slaughter 1-0; McDonald 1-0; Te'o 0-1; Cave 0-1; Ryan 0-1; Cwynar 0-1; Smith, Toryan 0-1.



Notre Dame 24 • Purdue 21

Sept. 26, 2009 • West Lafayette, Ind. • Ross-Ade Stadium



WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) - With the game on the line, Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis put the game in the hands of his hobbled star.

Gimpy Jimmy Clausen completed a 2-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Rudolph with 24.8 seconds to play, and Notre Dame rallied for a 24-21 win over Purdue on Saturday night.

Clausen, slowed by a turf toe injury on his right foot, split time with Dayne Crist. Though Crist directed two touchdown drives with the Wildcat offense in the first half, Clausen returned to the game when it got tight in the fourth quarter.

The Fighting Irish (3-1) took over trailing 21-17 with 3:41 to go. Clausen completed a 22-yard pass to Rudolph to move the ball to the Purdue 32, but a sack forced Notre Dame into a third-and-14. Clausen completed a 15-yard pass to Robby Parris for a first down. A 17-yarder to Golden Tate set up a first-and-goal at the 4. After three plays netted two yards, Clausen found Rudolph in the end zone on fourth down for the winner.

Clausen, the nation's No. 2 passer, wasn't himself. He completed 15 of 26 for 171 yards, and he threw his first interception of the season.

He found his rhythm in the final minutes.

It was the third straight Notre Dame game decided in the final minute. Kyle McCarthy had an interception at the 4-yard line with 57 seconds left to seal Notre Dame's 33-30 win over Michigan State last week. A week earlier, Michigan's Tate Forcier threw a 5-yard touchdown pass with 11 seconds remaining to beat the Irish 38-34.

Notre Dame played without its leading rusher and receiver. Running back Armando Allen sat out with an injured right ankle and receiver Michael Floyd was knocked out for the season last week with a broken collarbone.

Joey Elliott passed for 289 yards and three touchdowns in his best game of the season for Purdue (1-3). Keith Smith caught 11 passes and tied a career high with 136 yards.

Purdue's three losses are by a combined 11 points.

The Boilermakers (1-3) drove deep into Notre Dame territory late in the third quarter and began the fourth quarter trailing by 10 with the ball at the Notre Dame 15. Elliott completed a slant pass to Smith for a 3-yard touchdown, and the Boilermakers cut Notre Dame's lead to 17-14.

Purdue got another chance with just under six minutes to play. Jaycen Taylor took a play-action fake out of the backfield, caught a pass in the flat from Elliott and raced untouched for a 38-yard touchdown that gave Purdue a 21-17 lead with just under four minutes to play.

Purdue didn't deny the importance of the game, saying all week that the rivalry had special meaning. The Boilermakers wore all-black uniforms for the first time since Oct. 21, 2006 against Wisconsin and the "Purdue" in the end zones were painted black with a gold outline instead of gold with a black outline.

But Clausen sent the Purdue home fans disappointed.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Notre Dame	3	14	0	7	24 Record: (3-1)
Purdue	7	0	0	14	21 Record: (1-3)

First Quarter

11:53 PUR Valentin 36 yd pass from Elliott (Wiggs kick), 8-80 3:07
2:23 ND Tausch 34 yd field goal, 10-60 3:57

Second Quarter

10:43 ND Hughes 2 yd run (Tausch kick), 9-73 4:07
4:43 ND Tate 14 yd run (Tausch kick), 7-62 3:49

Fourth Quarter

13:41 PUR Smith 3 yd pass from Elliott (Wiggs kick), 10-59 3:21
3:41 PUR Taylor 38 yd pass from Elliott (Wiggs kick), 5-69 2:15
0:25 ND Rudolph 2 yd pass from Clausen (Tausch kick), 12-72 3:16

TEAM STATS

	ND	PUR
FIRST DOWNS	23	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	43-167	26-74
PASSING YDS (NET)	216	289
Passes Att-Comp-Int	36-20-1	38-22-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	79-383	64-363
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-16	2-49
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-96	5-86
Interception Returns-Yards	1-2	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-37.8	5-37.4
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-41	13-103
Possession Time	34:25	25:35
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 15	7 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 3	0 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	1-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-18	4-21

RUSHING: Notre Dame-Hughes 15-68; Tate 9-55; Riddick 1-24; Gray, Jonas 9-18; Crist 4-16; TEAM 1-minus 1; Clausen 4-minus 13. Purdue-Bolden 17-67; Taylor 2-6; Smith 1-6; Valentin 1-1; Elliott 5-minus 6.

PASSING: Notre Dame-Clausen 15-26-1-171; Crist 5-10-0-45. Purdue-Elliott 22-38-1-289.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Tate 5-57; Rudolph 4-52; Kamara 3-20; Hughes 3-9; Gray, Jonas 2-42; Parris 1-15; Evans 1-12; Burger 1-9. Purdue-Smith 11-136; Adams 4-26; Carlos 2-27; Taylor 1-38; Valentin 1-36; Adams 1-11; Smith 1-9; Bolden 1-6.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-Walls 1-2. Purdue-Pender 1-0.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-None. Purdue-Valentin 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-Fleming 1-0; Te'o 1-0. Purdue-Werner 2-0; Gooden 1-0; Kerrigan 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-McCarthy 6-4; Blanton 5-3; Brown 3-2; Lewis-Moore 4-0; Smith, B. 4-0; Fleming 4-0; Smith, T. 2-0; Neal 2-0; Ryan 2-0; Williams, I. 1-1; Walls 1-1; Smith, H. 0-2; Rudolph 1-0; Gray, G. 1-0; Anello 1-0; Te'o 1-0; Smith, S. 1-0; Poslusznny 1-0; Maust 1-0; Johnson 1-0; Filer 0-1. Purdue-McLean 7-3; Holland 4-6; Kerrigan 5-3; Werner 6-1; Williams 4-3; Carlino 3-3; King 4-0; Evans 3-1; Pender 2-1; Short 1-2; Beckford 2-0; Maci 2-0; Gooden 1-1; Higgs 0-2; Wolf 1-0; Brown 1-0; Wiggs 1-0; Mondek 1-0.



Notre Dame 37 • Washington 30 (ot)
Oct. 3, 2009 • Notre Dame, Ind. • Notre Dame Stadium



NOTRE DAME, Ind. (AP) - Notre Dame waited even later than the last minute to pull out this finish.

Robert Hughes scored on a 1-yard run in overtime and safeties Harrison Smith and Kyle McCarthy jarred the ball loose from Washington receiver D'Andre Goodwin near the goal line on fourth-and-19 as the Fighting Irish beat the Huskies 37-30 Saturday.

It was the fourth straight game decided in the final 60 seconds for the Irish, the last three of which were wins.

The Irish (4-1) stayed in it with a pair of goal-line stands in the second half.

The first was late in the third quarter when the Irish held the Huskies (2-3) for no points on two plays from the 1-yard line on a pair of keepers by Jake Locker. Locker gained a half yard on the first play, but was stopped by Brian Smith and McCarthy. On fourth-and-goal from the 1, Locker lost a half yard when Kerry Neal and Harrison Smith stopped him.

Chris Polk appeared to give the Huskies a 30-22 lead with a 6-yard TD run with 7:07 left, but after a review he was ruled down on the half-yard line.

The Huskies couldn't advance the ball on three tries, but got a fresh set of downs when Notre Dame nose tackle Ian Williams was called for roughing the snapper on the field goal attempt. The Huskies couldn't get it in on the next three plays either, with Locker being stuffed for no gain from the 1. Erik Folk kicked a 24-yard field goal to cap the 19-play drive that ate up 9 minutes and 19 seconds on the clock.

Jimmy Clausen was 23 of 31 passing for a career-high 422 yards, the fifth highest passing yardage in five seasons under coach Charlie Weis. He had a 67-yard TD pass to Golden Tate, a 77-yard pass to Tate that set up a field goal and a 12-yard TD pass to Kyle Rudolph with 80 seconds left to give Notre Dame a 30-27 lead.

Folk kicked a 37-yard field goal with 6 seconds left to tie the game at 30.

Golden Tate caught nine passes for a career-high 244 yards and a touchdown. He set up Hughes' TD run with a 22-yard catch on the first play in overtime.

Locker was 22 of 40 passing for 281 yards and a touchdown. He also ran for a touchdown, but couldn't come up with the big play in overtime as he had three incomplete passes and was sacked for a 9-yard loss.

Nick Tausch tied a Notre Dame record with five field goals as Washington's defense repeatedly held the Irish out of the end zone.

Linebacker Manti Te'o, a highly rated recruit playing extensively for the first time, finished with 10 tackles.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	OT	Score
Washington	7	10	7	6	0	30 Record: (2-3)
Notre Dame	3	13	3	11	7	37 Record: (4-1)
First Quarter						
10:10	UW Locker 5 yd run (Folk kick), 9-56 4:50					
7:11	ND Tausch 34 yd field goal, 7-49 2:59					
Second Quarter						
14:08	ND Tausch 40 yd field goal, 10-58 5:27					
7:20	ND Tausch 34 yd field goal, 10-72 4:42					
4:39	UW Trufant 17 yd fumble recovery (Folk kick)					
3:27	ND Tate 67 yd pass from Clausen (Tausch kick), 3-78 1:12					
0:00	UW Folk 40 yd field goal, 5-53 0:51					
Third Quarter						
12:51	ND Tausch 21 yd field goal, 5-76 2:09					
8:57	UW Kearse 8 yd pass from Locker (Folk kick), 9-64 3:54					
Fourth Quarter						
12:23	ND Tausch 24 yd field goal, 9-93 3:14					
3:04	UW Folk 24 yd field goal, 19-69 9:19					
1:20	ND Rudolph 12 yd pass from Clausen (Hughes rush), 5-63 1:44					
0:06	UW Folk 37 yd field goal, 9-70 1:14					
Overtime						
15:00	ND Hughes 1 yd run (Tausch kick), 2-25 0:00					
TEAM STATS						
FIRST DOWNS	UW		ND			
	25	23				
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	39-176	29-108				
PASSING YDS (NET)	281	422				
Passes Att-Comp-Int	40-22-0	31-23-1				
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	79-457	60-530				
Fumble Returns-Yards	1-17	0-0				
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0				
Kickoff Returns-Yards	8-147	6-129				
Interception Returns-Yards	1-10	0-0				
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-40.5	2-39.5				
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1				
Penalties-Yards	13-82	6-43				
Possession Time	32:23	27:37				
Third-Down Conversions	7 of 17	2 of 10				
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 3	0 of 0				
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	6-6				
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-19	3-22				
RUSHING: Washington-Polk 22-136; Locker 16-33; Fogerson 1-7. Notre Dame-Hughes 8-70; Allen 12-39; Tate 1-31; Clausen 8-minus 32.						
PASSING: Washington-Locker 22-40-0-281. Notre Dame-Clausen 23-31-1-422.						
RECEIVING: Washington-Kearse 8-94; Middleton 4-33; Goodwin 3-65; Johnson 2-59; Fogerson 2-16; Polk 2-9; Homer 1-5. Notre Dame-Tate 9-244; Rudolph 4-53; Evans 4-34; Allen 3-20; Parris 2-46; Hughes 1-25.						
INTERCEPTIONS: Washington-Butler 1-10. Notre Dame-None.						
FUMBLES: Washington-Locker 1-1. Notre Dame-Clausen 1-1.						
SACKS (UA-A): Washington-Dennison 1-0. Notre Dame-Johnson 1-0; Lewis-Moore 1-0; Neal 1-0.						
TACKLES (UA-A): Washington-Williams 5-3; Dennison 5-3; Trufant 5-1; Richardson 4-1; Foster 2-3; Gage 2-2; Walker 2-2; Butler 2-1; Glenn 1-2; Folk 0-3; Ta'amu 1-1; Te'o-Nesheim 1-1; Fellner 1-1; Wiggs 0-2; Matthews 1-0; Long 0-1; Elisara 0-1. Notre Dame-McCarthy 7-5; Te'o 2-8; Neal 5-2; Smith, B. 4-3; Lewis-Moore 4-3; Smith, H. 4-2; Johnson 3-2; Smith, S. 2-3; Filer 2-2; Blanton 2-2; Brown 2-1; Ryan 1-1; Williams, I. 0-2; Smith, T. 0-2; Motta 1-0; Allen 1-0; Anello 1-0; Walls 1-0; Slaughter 1-0; Herring 1-0; Mullen 0-1; Burger 0-1; McNeil 0-1; Gordon 0-1.						

The Automated ScoreBook
Notre Dame Game Results (as of Oct 05, 2009)
All games

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	Conference	Time	Attend
Sep 05, 2009	NEVADA	W	35-0	1-0	0-0	2:53	80795
Sep 12, 2009	at Michigan	L	34-38	1-1	0-0	3:45	110278
Sep 19, 2009	MICHIGAN STATE	W	33-30	2-1	0-0	3:30	80795
Sep 26, 2009	at Purdue	W	24-21	3-1	0-0	3:21	59082
Oct 03, 2009	WASHINGTON	Wo	37-30	4-1	0-0	3:49	80795

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Team Statistics	ND	OPP
SCORING	163	119
Points Per Game	32.6	23.8
FIRST DOWNS	118	104
Rushing	49	36
Passing	62	59
Penalty	7	9
RUSHING YARDAGE	740	698
Yards gained rushing	876	819
Yards lost rushing	136	121
Rushing Attempts	180	157
Average Per Rush	4.1	4.4
Average Per Game	148.0	139.6
TDs Rushing	6	5
PASSING YARDAGE	1610	1318
Att-Comp-Int	163-109-3	178-106-5
Average Per Pass	9.9	7.4
Average Per Catch	14.8	12.4
Average Per Game	322.0	263.6
TDs Passing	13	8
TOTAL OFFENSE	2350	2016
Total Plays	343	335
Average Per Play	6.9	6.0
Average Per Game	470.0	403.2
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	19-473	32-677
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	6-66	2-49
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	5-65	3-10
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	24.9	21.2
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	11.0	24.5
INT RETURN AVERAGE	13.0	3.3
FUMBLES-LOST	3-2	7-4
PENALTIES-Yards	35-293	42-333
Average Per Game	58.6	66.6
PUNTS-Yards	16-636	22-897
Average Per Punt	39.8	40.8
Net punt average	34.2	37.8
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	32:19	27:41
3RD-DOWN Conversions	25/62	26/67
3rd-Down Pct	40%	39%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	4/7	3/8
4th-Down Pct	57%	38%
SACKS BY-Yards	9-70	9-56
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	19	15
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	10-11	5-8
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	1-1
RED-ZONE SCORES	19-21 90%	11-17 65%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	12-21 57%	9-17 53%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	15-16 94%	14-15 93%
ATTENDANCE	242385	169360
Games/Avg Per Game	3/80795	2/84680
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Notre Dame	29	68	20	39	7	163
Opponents	31	27	20	41	0	119

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Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
ALLEN, Armando	4	71	386	21	365	5.1	3	24	91.2
HUGHES, Robert	5	30	159	1	158	5.3	2	37	31.6
TATE, Golden	5	13	96	3	93	7.2	1	31	18.6
GRAY, Jonas	5	25	107	15	92	3.7	0	19	18.4
RIDDICK, Theo	5	7	44	1	43	6.1	0	24	8.6
CRIST, Dayne	3	4	23	7	16	4.0	0	16	5.3
ALDRIDGE, James	1	3	13	0	13	4.3	0	9	13.0
KAMARA, Duval	5	1	10	0	10	10.0	0	10	2.0
TEAM	2	3	0	5	-5	-1.7	0	0	-2.5
CLAUSEN, Jimmy	5	23	38	83	-45	-2.0	0	9	-9.0
Total	5	180	876	136	740	4.1	6	37	148.0
Opponents	5	157	819	121	698	4.4	5	41	139.6

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
CLAUSEN, Jimmy	5	179.25	100-148-2	67.6	1544	12	88	308.8
CRIST, Dayne	3	79.46	8-14-1	57.1	61	0	15	20.3
ALLEN, Armando	4	472.00	1-1-0	100.0	5	1	5	1.2
Total	5	172.48	109-163-3	66.9	1610	13	88	322.0
Opponents	5	130.96	106-178-5	59.6	1318	8	57	263.6

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
TATE, Golden	5	33	602	18.2	4	77	120.4
RUDOLPH, Kyle	5	21	267	12.7	3	52	53.4
FLOYD, Michael	3	13	358	27.5	5	88	119.3
ALLEN, Armando	4	10	75	7.5	0	26	18.8
PARRIS, Robby	5	7	87	12.4	1	26	17.4
EVANS, Shaquelle	5	7	61	8.7	0	15	12.2
KAMARA, Duval	5	7	49	7.0	0	15	9.8
HUGHES, Robert	5	5	33	6.6	0	25	6.6
GRAY, Jonas	5	4	54	13.5	0	23	10.8
WALKER, Deion	3	1	15	15.0	0	15	5.0
BURGER, Bobby	5	1	9	9.0	0	9	1.8
Total	5	109	1610	14.8	13	88	322.0
Opponents	5	106	1318	12.4	8	57	263.6

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
TATE, Golden	4	37	9.2	0	23
HERRING, Ray	1	5	5.0	0	5
GOODMAN, John	1	24	24.0	0	24
Total	6	66	11.0	0	24
Opponents	2	49	24.5	0	31

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
McCARTHY, Kyle	3	63	21.0	0	23
WALLS, Darrin	1	2	2.0	0	2
BLANTON, Robert	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	5	65	13.0	0	23
Opponents	3	10	3.3	0	10

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
RIDDICK, Theo	16	378	23.6	0	38
GALLUP, Barry	3	95	31.7	0	52
Total	19	473	24.9	0	52
Opponents	32	677	21.2	1	94

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
SMITH, Toryan	1	5	5.0	0	5
Total	1	5	5.0	0	5
Opponents	1	17	17.0	1	17

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Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dpx	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
TAUSCH, Nick	-	10-11	15-16	-	-	-	-	-	45
FLOYD, Michael	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
TATE, Golden	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
ALLEN, Armando	3	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	20
RUDOLPH, Kyle	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
HUGHES, Robert	2	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	14
PARRIS, Robby	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
CLAUSEN, Jimmy	-	-	-	-	-	0-1	-	-	0
Total	19	10-11	15-16	2-2	-	0-1	-	-	163
Opponents	15	5-8	14-15	-	-	-	-	-	119

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
CLAUSEN, Jimmy	5	171	-45	1544	1499	299.8
ALLEN, Armando	4	72	365	5	370	92.5
HUGHES, Robert	5	30	158	0	158	31.6
TATE, Golden	5	13	93	0	93	18.6
GRAY, Jonas	5	25	92	0	92	18.4
CRIST, Dayne	3	18	16	61	77	25.7
RIDDICK, Theo	5	7	43	0	43	8.6
ALDRIDGE, James	1	3	13	0	13	13.0
KAMARA, Duval	5	1	10	0	10	2.0
TEAM	2	3	-5	0	-5	-2.5
Total	5	343	740	1610	2350	470.0
Opponents	5	335	698	1318	2016	403.2

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
TAUSCH, Nick	10-11	90.9	0-0	3-4	4-4	3-3	0-0	46	0

FG Sequence	Notre Dame	Opponents
Nevada	-	38
Michigan	28,(34),(42)	(39),26
Michigan State	(22),(46)	(43),51
Purdue	(34)	-
Washington	(34),(40),(34),(21),(24)	(40),(24),(37)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
MAUST, Eric	14	557	39.8	49	1	7	3	0	0
TURK, Ben	2	79	39.5	40	1	1	0	0	0
Total	16	636	39.8	49	2	8	3	0	0
Opponents	22	897	40.8	57	0	12	9	5	0

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
TAUSCH, Nick	33	2058	62.4	0	0			
Total	33	2058	62.4	0	0	21.2	41.8	28
Opponents	22	1413	64.2	3	0	24.9	40.0	30

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<u>All Purpose</u>	<u>g</u>	<u>rush</u>	<u>rcv</u>	<u>pr</u>	<u>kr</u>	<u>ir</u>	<u>total</u>	<u>avg/g</u>
TATE, Golden	5	93	602	37	0	0	732	146.4
ALLEN, Armand	4	365	75	0	0	0	440	110.0
RIDDICK, Theo	5	43	0	0	378	0	421	84.2
FLOYD, Michael	3	0	358	0	0	0	358	119.3
RUDOLPH, Kyle	5	0	267	0	0	0	267	53.4
HUGHES, Rober	5	158	33	0	0	0	191	38.2
GRAY, Jonas	5	92	54	0	0	0	146	29.2
GALLUP, Barry	4	0	0	0	95	0	95	23.8
PARRIS, Robby	5	0	87	0	0	0	87	17.4
McCARTHY, Kyl	5	0	0	0	0	63	63	12.6
EVANS, Shaque	5	0	61	0	0	0	61	12.2
KAMARA, Duval	5	10	49	0	0	0	59	11.8
GOODMAN, Joh	3	0	0	24	0	0	24	8.0
CRIST, Dayne	3	16	0	0	0	0	16	5.3
WALKER, Deion	3	0	15	0	0	0	15	5.0
ALDRIDGE, Jam	1	13	0	0	0	0	13	13.0
BURGER, Bobb	5	0	9	0	0	0	9	1.8
HERRING, Ray	5	0	0	5	0	0	5	1.0
WALLS, Darrin	5	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.4
TEAM	2	-5	0	0	0	0	-5	-2.5
CLAUSEN, Jim	5	-45	0	0	0	0	-45	-9.0
Total	5	740	1610	66	473	65	2954	590.8
Opponents	5	698	1318	49	677	10	2752	550.4

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##	Defensive Leaders	gp	Tackles			Sacks	Pass defense		Fumbles		blkd	ff	kick
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds		
28	McCARTHY, Kyle	5	32	17	49	1.0-1	.	3-63	3	.	.	.	.
22	SMITH, Harrison	5	18	14	32	1.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
58	SMITH, Brian	5	18	8	26	4.0-20	1-11	.	.	1	.	.	.
12	BLANTON, Robert	5	13	9	22	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.
89	LEWIS-MOORE, Kapron	5	11	6	17	3.0-10	1-7	.	.	1	1-0	1	.
5A	TE'O, Manti	5	6	10	16	2.0-14	1-12	.	.	.	.	.	.
9A	JOHNSON, Ethan	5	9	7	16	3.0-11	1-6	.	.	.	1-0	1	1
31	BROWN, Sergio	5	10	4	14	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
49	SMITH, Toryan	5	9	5	14	3.5-13	1-10	.	.	.	1-5	.	.
41	SMITH, Scott	5	7	6	13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
95	WILLIAMS, Ian	5	5	7	12	2.0-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	WALLS, Darrin	5	8	4	12	1.0-1	.	1-2	2	.	.	.	.
45	FLEMING, Darius	4	9	2	11	7.0-19	2-10	.	.	1	.	1	.
90	RYAN, John	5	6	5	11	1.0-5	1-5	.	1	.	1-0	.	.
56	NEAL, Kerry	5	7	2	9	3.0-14	1-9	.	.	2	.	.	.
46	FILER, Steve	5	3	4	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	HERRING, Ray	5	6	.	6	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
8	McNEIL, Raeshon	5	4	2	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	SLAUGHTER, Jamoris	5	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	MOTTA, Zeke	5	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
37	ANELLO, Mike	5	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	GRAY, Gary	4	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	GORDON, Leonard	5	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54	McDONALD, Anthony	5	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	CWYNAR, Sean	5	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	POSLUSZNY, David	5	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	CAVE, Braxston	5	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
86	BURGER, Bobby	5	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
5	ALLEN, Armando	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
43	MAUST, Eric	5	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	MULLEN, Paddy	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total		5	203	122	325	32-113	9-70	5-65	7	5	4-5	3	1
Opponents		5	192	160	352	29-102	9-56	3-10	11	5	2-17	1	.

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TEAM STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 05	NEVADA	41	178	1	19	17	332	4	88	17-20-0	332	4	88	1	23	0	23	2	22	0	24	510
Sep 12	at Michigan	30	154	1	24	25	336	3	37	25-42-0	336	3	37	3	100	0	52	1	5	0	5	490
Sep 19	MICHIGAN STATE	37	133	1	15	24	304	3	54	24-34-1	304	3	54	5	125	0	38	2	23	0	23	437
Sep 26	at Purdue	43	167	2	24	20	216	1	23	20-36-1	216	1	23	4	96	0	35	1	16	0	16	383
Oct 03	WASHINGTON	29	108	1	37	23	422	2	77	23-31-1	422	2	77	6	129	0	27	0	0	0	0	530
Opponents		180	740	6	37	109	1610	13	88	109-163-3	1610	13	88	19	473	0	52	6	66	0	24	2350
Opponents		157	698	5	41	106	1318	8	57	106-178-5	1318	8	57	32	677	1	94	2	49	0	31	2016

Games played: 5
 Avg per rush: 4.1
 Avg per catch: 14.8
 Pass efficiency: 172.48
 Kick ret avg: 24.9
 Punt ret avg: 11.0
 All purpose avg/game: 590.8
 Total offense avg/gm: 470.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			Blkd kick	PAT Attempts				pts	
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf		
Sep 05	NEVADA	34	18	52	4.0-29	2-21	0	1-0	2-23	0	2	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	35
Sep 12	at Michigan	47	24	71	10.0-22	2-9	1	0-0	1-20	0	1	0	2-2	1	0	0	0	34
Sep 19	MICHIGAN STATE	36	24	60	4.0-4	0-0	1	1-5	1-20	3	3	1	3-4	0	0	0	0	33
Sep 26	at Purdue	42	14	56	8.0-29	2-18	0	1-0	1-2	0	0	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	24
Oct 03	WASHINGTON	44	42	86	6.0-29	3-22	1	1-0	0-0	2	1	0	2-2	1	0	0	0	37
Opponents		203	122	325	32.0-113	9-70	3	4-5	5-65	5	7	1	15-16	2	0	0	0	163
Opponents		192	160	352	29.0-102	8-47	1	2-17	3-10	5	11	0	14-15	0	0	0	0	119

Date	Opponent	Punting							Field Goals			Kickoffs						
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Sep 05	NEVADA	3	122	40.7	43	0	0	1	0	2	0-0	0	0	6	351	58.5	0	0
Sep 12	at Michigan	4	160	40.0	46	0	1	2	0	0	2-3	42	0	7	435	62.1	0	0
Sep 19	MICHIGAN STATE	3	124	41.3	49	0	0	2	0	1	2-2	46	0	7	444	63.4	0	0
Sep 26	at Purdue	4	151	37.8	46	0	0	2	0	0	1-1	34	0	5	337	67.4	0	0
Oct 03	WASHINGTON	2	79	39.5	40	0	1	1	0	0	5-5	40	0	8	491	61.4	0	0
Opponents		16	636	39.8	49	0	2	8	0	3	10-11	46	0	33	2058	62.4	0	0
Opponents		22	897	40.8	57	0	0	12	5	9	5-8	43	0	22	1413	64.2	3	0

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OPPONENT STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 05	NEVADA	29	153	0	18	13	154	0	24	13-27-2	154	0	24	5	88	0	25	0	0	0	0	307
Sep 12	at Michigan	38	190	2	32	23	240	2	40	23-33-1	240	2	40	7	202	1	94	0	0	0	0	430
Sep 19	MICHIGAN STATE	25	105	2	18	26	354	2	57	26-40-1	354	2	57	7	154	0	34	0	0	0	0	459
Sep 26	at Purdue	26	74	0	26	22	289	3	38	22-38-1	289	3	38	5	86	0	20	2	49	0	31	363
Oct 03	WASHINGTON	39	176	1	41	22	281	1	37	22-40-0	281	1	37	8	147	0	34	0	0	0	0	457
		157	698	5	41	106	1318	8	57	106-178-5	1318	8	57	32	677	1	94	2	49	0	31	2016
Notre Dame		180	740	6	37	109	1610	13	88	109-163-3	1610	13	88	19	473	0	52	6	66	0	24	2350

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 Total offense avg/gm: 403.2

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		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf	pts				
Sep 05	NEVADA	38	36	74	7.0-21	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 12	at Michigan	38	26	64	4.0-8	0-0	1	1-0	0-0	0	4	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
Sep 19	MICHIGAN STATE	35	44	79	4.0-18	2-16	0	0-0	1-0	1	3	0	3-4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Sep 26	at Purdue	49	26	75	7.0-32	4-21	0	0-0	1-0	0	2	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Oct 03	WASHINGTON	32	28	60	7.0-23	3-10	0	1-17	1-10	3	2	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
		192	160	352	29.0-102	8-47	1	2-17	3-10	5	11	0	14-15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	119
Notre Dame		203	122	325	32.0-113	9-70	3	4-5	5-65	5	7	1	15-16	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	163

Date	Opponent	Punting							Field Goals			Kickoffs						
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Sep 05	NEVADA	5	233	46.6	54	0	0	1	1	2	0-1	0	0	1	60	60.0	0	0
Sep 12	at Michigan	5	180	36.0	50	0	0	2	1	2	1-2	39	0	6	414	69.0	3	0
Sep 19	MICHIGAN STATE	3	135	45.0	52	0	0	1	1	2	1-2	43	0	5	322	64.4	0	0
Sep 26	at Purdue	5	187	37.4	53	0	0	4	1	2	0-0	0	0	4	252	63.0	0	0
Oct 03	WASHINGTON	4	162	40.5	57	0	0	4	1	1	3-3	40	0	6	365	60.8	0	0
		22	897	40.8	57	0	0	12	5	9	5-8	43	0	22	1413	64.2	3	0
Notre Dame		16	636	39.8	49	0	2	8	0	3	10-11	46	0	33	2058	62.4	0	0

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INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	23	ALLEN, Armando vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Yards Rushing	139	ALLEN, Armando at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
TD Rushes	1	ALLEN, Armando vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	1	ALLEN, Armando at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	1	ALLEN, Armando vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
	1	TATE, Golden at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	1	HUGHES, Robert at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	1	HUGHES, Robert vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Long Rush	37	HUGHES, Robert vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Pass attempts	42	CLAUSEN, Jimmy at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Pass completions	25	CLAUSEN, Jimmy at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Yards Passing	422	CLAUSEN, Jimmy vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
TD Passes	4	CLAUSEN, Jimmy vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Long Pass	88	CLAUSEN, Jimmy vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Receptions	9	TATE, Golden at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	9	TATE, Golden vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Yards Receiving	244	TATE, Golden vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
TD Receptions	3	FLOYD, Michael vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Long Reception	88	FLOYD, Michael vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Field Goals	5	TAUSCH, Nick vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Long Field Goal	46	TAUSCH, Nick vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Punts	4	MAUST, Eric at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	4	MAUST, Eric at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Punting Avg	41.3	MAUST, Eric vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Long Punt	49	MAUST, Eric vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Long Punt Return	24	GOODMAN, John vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Long Kickoff Return	52	GALLUP, Barry at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Tackles	12	McCARTHY, Kyle vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Sacks	1.0	SMITH, Toryan vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	1.0	SMITH, Brian vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	1.0	FLEMING, Darius at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	1.0	RYAN, John at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	1.0	TE'O, Manti at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	1.0	FLEMING, Darius at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	1.0	JOHNSON, Ethan vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
	1.0	NEAL, Kerry vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
	1.0	LEWIS-MOORE, Kapron vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Tackles For Loss	3.0	FLEMING, Darius at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Interceptions	1	BLANTON, Robert vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	1	McCARTHY, Kyle vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	1	McCARTHY, Kyle at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	1	McCARTHY, Kyle vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
	1	WALLS, Darrin at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)

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TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	43	at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Yards Rushing	178	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Yards Per Rush	5.1	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
TD Rushes	2	at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Pass attempts	42	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Pass completions	25	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Yards Passing	422	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Yards Per Pass	16.6	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
TD Passes	4	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Total Plays	79	at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Total Offense	530	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Yards Per Play	8.8	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Points	37	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Sacks By	3	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
First Downs	27	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Penalties	11	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Penalty Yards	99	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Turnovers	2	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Interceptions By	2	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)

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OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	22	Polk, Chris, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Yards Rushing	136	Polk, Chris, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
TD Rushes	2	Caper, Larry, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Long Rush	41	Polk, Chris, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Pass attempts	40	Locker, Jake, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Pass completions	23	Forcier, Tate, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	23	Cousins, Kirk, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Yards Passing	302	Cousins, Kirk, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
TD Passes	3	Elliott, Joey, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Long Pass	57	Cousins, Kirk, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Receptions	11	Smith, Keith, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Yards Receiving	136	Smith, Keith, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
TD Receptions	2	White, Blair, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Long Reception	57	Dell, Mark, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Field Goals	3	Folk, Erik, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Long Field Goal	43	Swenson, Brett, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Punts	5	Langley, Brad, vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	5	Summers, Chris, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Punting Avg	50.0	Forcier, Tate, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Long Punt	57	Mahan, Will, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Long Punt Return	31	Valentin, Aaron, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Long Kickoff Return	94	Stonum, Darryl, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Tackles	10	Johnson, J.M., vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	10	Mclean, Dwight, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	10	Holland, Joe, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Sacks	2.0	Werner, Jason, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Tackles For Loss	2.0	Johnson, J.M., vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	2.0	Brown, Stevie, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	2.0	Graham, Brandon, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	2.0	Werner, Jason, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	2.0	Kerrigan, R., at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	2.0	Williams, Nate, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
	2.0	Dennison, Cort, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Interceptions	1	Robinson, T., vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
	1	Pender, David, at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	1	Butler, Donald, vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)

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OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	39	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Yards Rushing	190	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Yards Per Rush	5.3	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
TD Rushes	2	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	2	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Pass attempts	40	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
	40	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Pass completions	26	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Yards Passing	354	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Yards Per Pass	8.9	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
TD Passes	3	at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Total Plays	79	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Total Offense	459	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Yards Per Play	7.1	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Points	38	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Sacks By	4	at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
First Downs	27	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Penalties	13	at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	13	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)
Penalty Yards	103	at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
Turnovers	3	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Interceptions By	1	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
	1	at Purdue (Sep 26, 2009)
	1	vs Washington (Oct 03, 2009)

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3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
Sep 05, 2009	NEVADA	W 35-0	6-12 50.0	2-3 66.7	1-2 50.0	1-2 50.0	2-5 40.0	
Sep 12, 2009	at Michigan	L 34-38	6-14 42.9	1-4 25.0	1-2 50.0	0-2 0.0	4-6 66.7	
Sep 19, 2009	MICHIGAN STATE	W 33-30	5-11 45.5	0-0 0.0	1-4 25.0	3-4 75.0	1-3 33.3	
Sep 26, 2009	at Purdue	W 24-21	6-15 40.0	0-3 0.0	2-3 66.7	3-5 60.0	1-4 25.0	
Oct 03, 2009	WASHINGTON	W 37-30	2-10 20.0	1-2 50.0	1-5 20.0	0-2 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0
	Notre Dame		25-62 40.3	4-12 33.3	6-16 37.5	7-15 46.7	8-19 42.1	0-0 0.0
	Opponents		26-67 38.8	9-16 56.2	1-16 6.2	6-13 46.2	10-21 47.6	0-1 0.0

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
Sep 05, 2009	NEVADA	W 35-0	1-2 50.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Sep 12, 2009	at Michigan	L 34-38	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	
Sep 19, 2009	MICHIGAN STATE	W 33-30	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Sep 26, 2009	at Purdue	W 24-21	1-3 33.3	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-1 0.0	1-1 100.0	
Oct 03, 2009	WASHINGTON	W 37-30	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
	Notre Dame		4-7 57.1	1-2 50.0	1-1 100.0	0-2 0.0	2-2 100.0	0-0 0.0
	Opponents		3-8 37.5	0-0 0.0	1-3 33.3	0-1 0.0	2-3 66.7	0-1 0.0

Time of Possession

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
Sep 05, 2009	NEVADA	W 35-0	33:40	10:36	6:50	6:16	9:58	
Sep 12, 2009	at Michigan	L 34-38	31:25	9:21	9:20	4:40	8:04	
Sep 19, 2009	MICHIGAN STATE	W 33-30	34:30	5:39	10:03	8:46	10:02	
Sep 26, 2009	at Purdue	W 24-21	34:25	7:17	9:20	11:40	6:08	
Oct 03, 2009	WASHINGTON	W 37-30	27:37	7:34	9:18	6:18	4:27	0:00
	Notre Dame	Total	161:37	40:27	44:51	37:40	38:39	0:00
		Avg.	32:19	8:05	8:58	7:32	7:43	0:00
	Opponents	Total	138:23	34:33	30:09	37:20	36:21	0:00
		Avg.	27:40	6:54	6:01	7:28	7:16	0:00

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Notre Dame Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times In RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	Failed to score inside RZ						
									FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game	
Sep 05, 2009	NEVADA	W 35-0	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 12, 2009	at Michigan	L 34-38	5	4	25	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 19, 2009	MICHIGAN STATE	W 33-30	3	3	17	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 26, 2009	at Purdue	W 24-21	5	4	24	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Oct 03, 2009	WASHINGTON	W 37-30	6	6	27	2	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals			21	19	107	12	6	6	7	1	0	0	0	1	0

19 of 21 (90.5%)

Opponents Inside Notre Dame Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times In RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	Failed to score inside RZ						
									FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game	
Sep 05, 2009	NEVADA	W 35-0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
Sep 12, 2009	at Michigan	L 34-38	4	3	21	3	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 19, 2009	MICHIGAN STATE	W 33-30	4	3	20	3	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sep 26, 2009	at Purdue	W 24-21	1	1	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 03, 2009	WASHINGTON	W 37-30	5	4	20	2	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals			17	11	68	9	4	5	2	2	2	1	1	0	0

11 of 17 (64.7%)